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Stormvogel Leading In Yacht Race

TRAVEMUENDE.—The South African yacht Stormvogel, skippered by Hollander C. Bruynzel of Zaandam, is leading the transatlantic race between Bermuda and Travemuende.

South-westerly winds of strength six, and waves cresting at five feet were helping the 33 yachts taking part in the race. The German Navy tender Westerwald reported from its position in the Atlantic that the yachts were making good progress.

Stormvogel was leading the field with 495 knots out of a total distance of 3,534 nautical miles. She covered 175 miles within 24 hours.

Stormvogel is one of five big yachts competing in Group A. She is followed in second position by John B. Kilroy, of Newport Beach, California, skippering the 73-ft. yacht Kiaola II, the Westerwald reported.

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Favourite in the regatta, the 73ft. ketch Ondine III, skippered by New York's S. A. "Huey" Long and winner of the recently-completed Newport-to-Bermuda yacht race, held third position on the fourth day out, the report said.

Most of the yachts, competing in Group B, had covered a distance of 430 knots since they left Bermuda. The 15 B-Group participants were led by Rage and its skipper, Homer R. Denius, of Melbourne, Florida.—(Sapa-A.P.)