

# *Waiting for Dalling*

**A** TEAM of marine engineers and shipwrights will be on stand-by in Cape Town docks to-day to await the arrival — estimated at 2 p.m. — of Bruce Dalling's disabled Cape-to-Rio race yawl, **Jakaranda**. The yacht will be lifted into a wooden cradle immediately on arrival.

Bruce Dalling has been forced to quit the race temporarily because of a defective rudder. Engineers in Cape Town said yesterday they did not know the exact state of the damage and would only be able to say to-day how long repairs would take.

Jakaranda would probably be lifted into her cradle alongside Sturrock Dry Dock. The exact position will be decided on to-day by engineers in consultation with the Port Captain.

Mr. Gerhard Roux, liaison officer for the race committee, said yesterday that Bruce Dalling sounded "much more cheerful" during a radio-telephone conversation earlier in the day.

"The fact that the Pretoria sponsors of Jakaranda have indicated that he should rejoin the race after repairs has heartened him tremendously."

Meanwhile Mr. Theunis

Bester, 37, one of the Jakaranda's sponsors, said yesterday that the yacht might be ready by the week-end to get back into the race. He conceded that there was no chance of Dalling winning, but added: "At least he will be able to finish the race in time."

The other damaged yacht, Stormkaap, was expected to have her repairs completed at Port Nolloth by last night, but the crew could not be reached for a progress report.