

Devon: White-topped ghosts of a bygone age sailed gracefully into modern headlines when they assembled for the International Sail Training-Ship Race to Lisbon.

The "tall ships"(representing eleven countries) are manned by young Cadets, while the smaller 33-ton ketch "English Rose II" lives up to her name, with an all-girl crew serving under Commander G. Woollard.

In this

handicap-race, the world's largest yacht, the "Creole", loaned by Mr Stavros Niarchos, and manned by Royal Naval cadets, started from scratch.

The race started at Torbay, and soon, the air of leisurely grace was replaced by bustling efficiency as the twenty-two vessels ~~begin~~ ^{BEGAN} ~~in two classes, with 100 tons as the dividing line~~ their ocean voyage of 780 sea miles.

~~and~~ Thousands of holiday-makers crowded ^{the} natural grandstand ^{of} Berry Head, to watch this "goodwill armada" set sail for Portugal.

One of ~~the~~ three Swedish entries, "Flying Clipper" - a mercantile training schooner.

The "English Rose" was going well until she hit the Atlantic swell, then, with most of her girls suffering from seasickness, she had to retire.

Meanwhile, with light winds favouring the smaller craft, the "Tall Ships" crowded on full sail....for Lisbon, ~~was~~ A THRILLING

PICTURE FOR ALL WHO LOVE THE SEA, AND ^{THE} SHIPS OF ~~YESTER~~ ^{YESTER} DAY.