Shellback and Whynot Favored
In Galveston Yacht Race Today

18-Mile Event
Attracts Field of 15

GALVESTON: July 5—(Sp)—Fifteen of the fastest racing bottoms on the gulf are ready to start early Saturday on the annual Galveston yacht race over an 18-mile course just off the city's seawall boulevard. The field is the largest in the event's history.

Two favorites emerged from the large field. One was H. W. Feltham's "Shellback" from Houston, a standout in past races here. The second was the 18-foot craft owned by J. F. Cullinan Jr., of Houston, the "Whynot." Winner of the 1938 and '39 small boat races here, the Whynot is stepping up a class with Saturday's race.

Besides the Whynot and Shellback, the entry list includes such fine Houston yachts as the Carabine, owned by L. F. Rothermel and skippered by "Chico" Hildebrand, Harry Illward's Ragnar, the Abell, owned by Julius Glenn; H. F. Shores' Carabine, and the Gulf windstream. Dudley Sharp's boat.

Another leading entry is the Sacred Volador, owned by Joseph Runyon of Oklahoma City and New York. William Plater of Houston has listed his "Friends," and another Platter will race the "Elterotic." The 1938 winner, "Althea," is also entered and will be skippered by her owner, Oliver Wright of Houston. Harry Kemper will have the Galveston entry, the Landfall, which can't be counted out of the favored crafts. The Gúnano, the Shanghai, and the Oriole of Houston complete the list.

The race will start at 8 a.m. off the south jetty lightship and will be over a triangular 18-mile course. Two laps required for each boat. The race may be watched from the boulevard.

Smaller boats will race Sunday over a course in the Galveston channel. Officials announced reversing the order of past years when the bigger boats race on Sunday.

Weather forecasters Friday indicated a good breeze with overcast skies.