

## SEA BED SPORTS USE ONE-MAN SUB

The latest sport is finding out ~~just~~ what goes on at the bottom of the sea, and the latest way to do it is in the

Minisub - ~~name of the~~ specially designed ~~submarine~~. Inside, the frogman doesn't have to work so hard as when he's just swimming about; also he sees much more in the same time, <sup>25</sup> *tho* How long he can stay below is still governed by his breathing apparatus. The Minisub ~~he~~ pedals ~~along~~ through gears to the propellers.

*Too in privacy* - With all these fish staring at him he might just as well live in a goldfish bowl.

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The Minisub isn't for sportsmen only. Salvage companies are taking it up for ~~man~~ surveying wrecks in ~~fairly~~ shallow water. The U.S. Navy also has big ideas about the little ~~one-man~~ sub. But for the present it's the sportsman who ~~benefits~~ benefits. When his oxygen runs out he has to come up again and a friend helps him to pull the sub on to the beach....  
See any mermaids down there?

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At Catalina Island this frogman, equipped with an Aqualung breathing apparatus, is going below -- but in a Mini-Sub. The snub-nosed craft, with its flooded, plastic bubble cockpit, propels our underwater explorer more efficiently, and less strenuously, than do swim fins. So under we go. The Mini-Sub is a virtual underwater bicycle, with pedals, connected to gears, driving the propellers in the back. The sub's appeal is for sportsmen, construction and salvage companies, oceanographic expeditions, and off-shore oil and uranium prospectors. To supplement foot power -- there is a one-horse-power electric motor. The craft has the maneuverability of an airplane, as this roll shows. Back from the ocean's depths, it's easy to disengage the cockpit and swim away; and to beach the 145-pound miniature submarine. Man's continuing inventiveness, as he seeks to penetrate the mysteries of the ocean-floor.