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All the joys of yachting without the danger of having to swim for it were enjoyed in the sand-yacht regatta at Lytham St. Annes. Enthusiast Millett Denning, plus a crew of two, sailed the most ambitious craft on view over the Flying Mile, an ideal stretch of sand outside Blackpool. The craft were soon hitting 30 m.p.h. Given the right wind they can touch 60.

It's the only way you can go sailing in rough weather and know that everybody believes you when you say you weren't a bit seasick.

Hamburg featured quite another kind of regatta. 24 competitors braved the gale sweeping over the river Elbe. The longboat Blue Riband Race is held annually. Some of the sailors must have doubted if they 'd be around to take part next year.

Down to hatch! Inner Wetness comes first.

You may not believe that one about the horse that played cricket. Nor would you credit that an elephant could go water ski-ing, if you weren't seeing it with your own eyes. "Sunny" is an American circus 3-yr-old. As he tips the beam at over half-a-ton the skis had to be specially made. It took three months to train the animal; so many bruises Sunny began to lose his frame.