

BOAT EXHIBITION.

Last year's Boat Show at Olympia was so successful that this year's is twice as big. A reminder that more people than ever are discovering that there's nothing like simply messing about in boats - whether power, sail, or only paddle-driven, like this folding Pixie.

Mr. J.C. Thomas of Cardiganshire is one of the few remaining coracle-builders in Britain. He's not impressed when canoes like this Pixie can be carried on a car roof, because coracles were being carried on people's backs centuries before cars, or even wheels, were thought of. Mr. Thomas shows us how it's done, in the traditional Welsh manner.

At the other end of the scale there's the largest yacht in the show - a 39-foot cruiser-racer which can sleep five.

Mr. Donald Campbell inspects a marine engine. The fastest man on water should know if it's good!