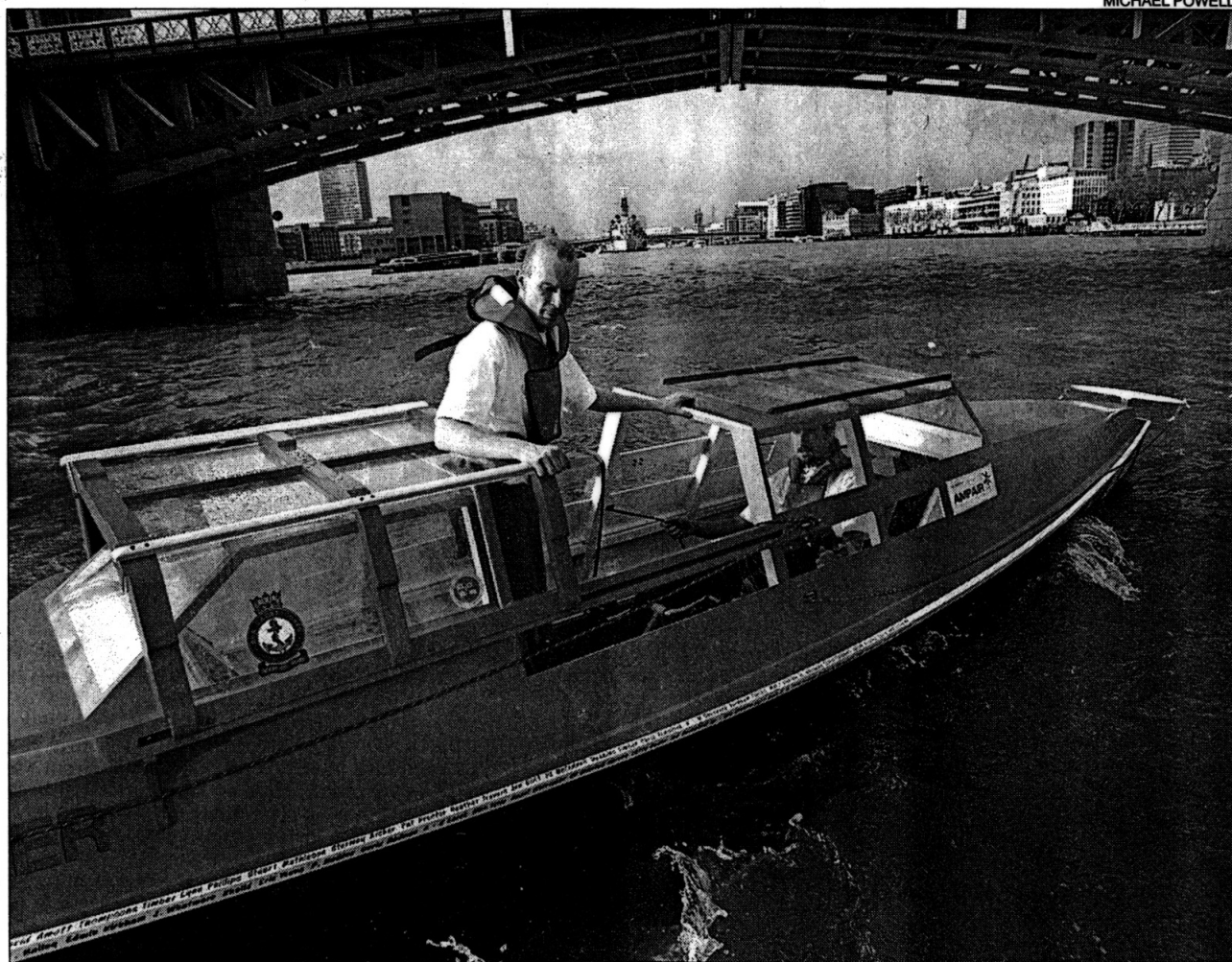


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Steve Smith, and, inside cabin, Jason Lewis, aboard their pedal-powered boat, just after it was launched by the Duke of Gloucester at St Katharine's Haven, Tower Bridge, London, yesterday. Mr Smith, 27, and Mr Lewis, 26, will set off in April to go round the world in the 26ft boat which was specially built at Exeter Maritime Museum. They will cross Europe, Asia and North America by bicycle and hope to raise £400,000 for charity