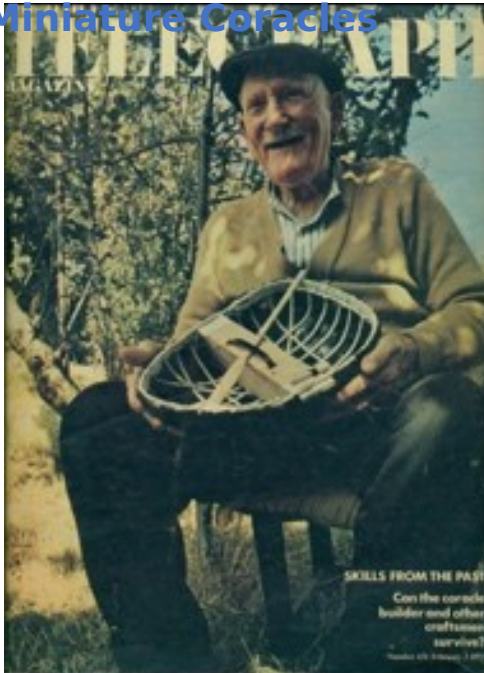


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Miniature Coracles

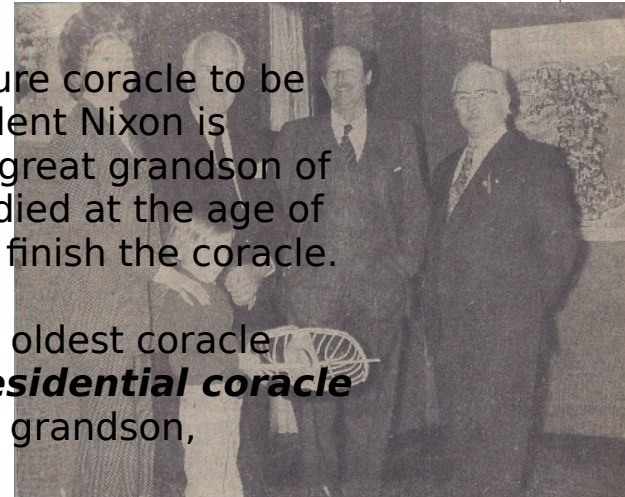


There's a coracle in the White House in Washington D.C. in North America.

William Elias was in the papers.

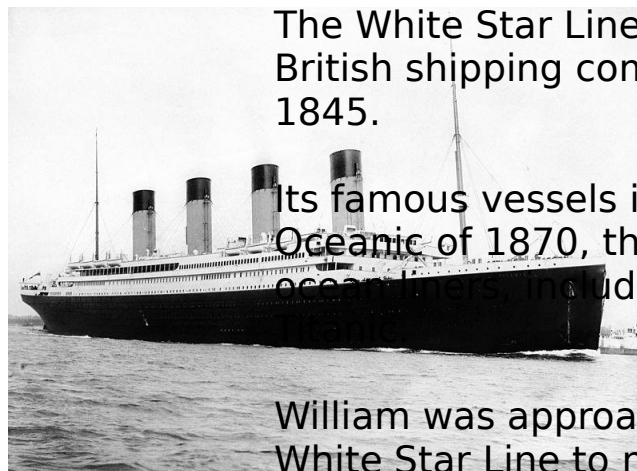
He was asked, in the early 1970's to make a miniature coracle for the 37th president of the United States, Richard Nixon.

Holding the miniature coracle to be presented to President Nixon is Malcolm Rees, the great grandson of William Elias, who died at the age of 97 before he could finish the coracle.



William was Wales' oldest coracle fisherman. The **presidential coracle** was finished by his grandson, Raymond Rees.

The White Star Line was a prominent British shipping company founded in 1845.



Its famous vessels included the Oceanic of 1870, the Olympic class

William was approached by the White Star Line to make a coracle for each of their vessels. We don't know for certain whether William's coracles made the Titanic's unfortunate maiden voyage in 1912, but we do know that a good chance it did. The company built the most form of water transport, the oceanic class, including the RMS Titanic. The company built the most form of water transport, the oceanic class, including the RMS Titanic. The company built the most form of water transport, the oceanic class, including the RMS Titanic.