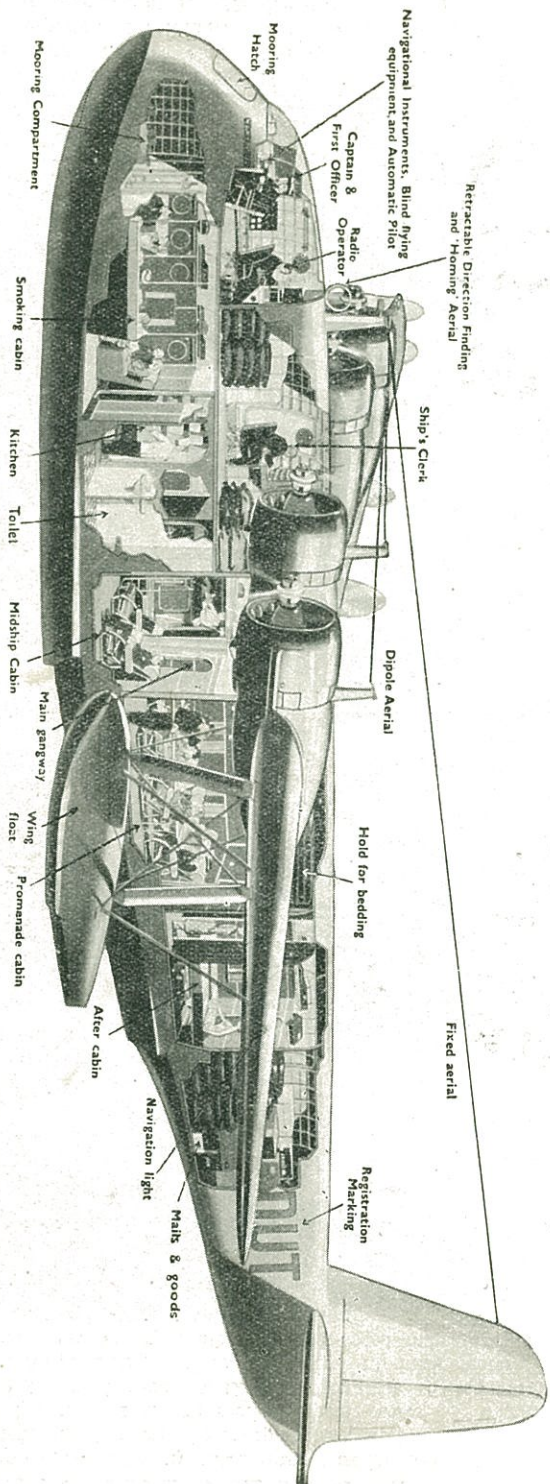


LUXURY TRAVEL IN THE AIR—A PEEP INSIDE A BIG FLYING-BOAT

The flying-boats on the Empire services of Imperial Airways have four Bristol Pegasus air-cooled engines, each developing 740 horse-power and driving a variable-pitch airscrew. The machines are 88 feet long, have a wing-span of 114 feet, and a height of 24 feet from the water-line. There is luxurious accommodation for 24 passengers by day and sleeping berths are provided for 16 night travellers. The crew consists of a Captain, First Officer, wireless operator, ship's clerk, and steward. Mails and goods are also carried and the machine weighs nearly 18 tons when fully loaded; its speed is 200 miles an hour. The Empire services are operated from Southampton.



A FOUR-ENGINE FLYING-BOAT WHICH BRINGS DISTANT PARTS OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE WITHIN A FEW DAYS' TRAVEL OF THE HOMELAND