

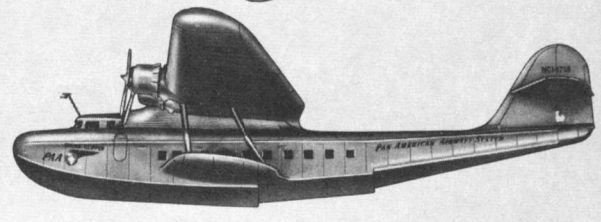
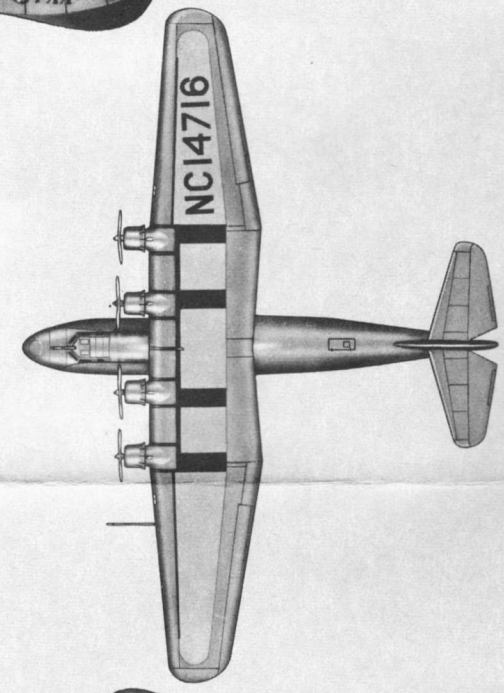


China Clipper

On the afternoon of November 22, 1935 the great "China Clipper" left San Francisco Bay on it's 8,000 mile flight to span the Pacific. It was a new epoch in the history of America — the establishment of the great air mail service between America and the Orient. It was the beginning of regular commercial air service across the Pacific Ocean to Hawaii, the Philippines, and the Orient.

This giant airliner, the largest ever developed in America and the most outstanding aircraft ever developed in the world was the result of nearly five years of courageous pioneering by the Pan-American Airways. Just six days later (less a one day lay-over at Guam) the great Clipper ship with the first conquest of the Pacific behind her, glided down to the surface of Manila Bay. Scheduled air transport service over the earth's greatest ocean was an accomplished fact.

The flight had been made in five hops, with stops at Honolulu, Wake and Guam. The exact mileage covered was 8,210 miles and a total flying time of 59 hours, 48 minutes.

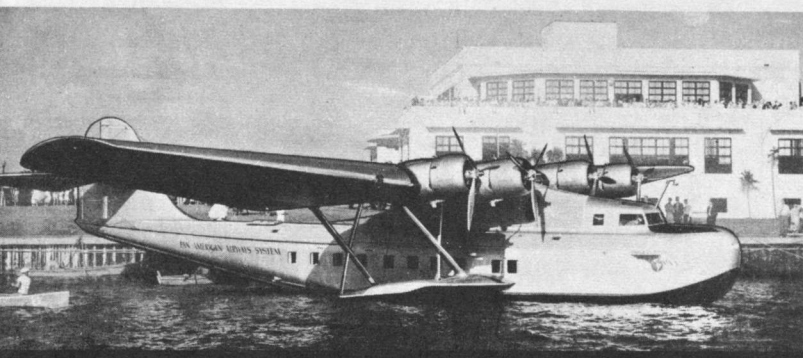


GENERAL DATA AND PERFORMANCE

TYPE	WEIGHTS
46 to 48 passengers, closed, high wing monoplane.	Gross loaded 52,000 lbs.
	Weight empty 25,363 lbs.
DIMENSIONS	POWER PLANT
Wingspread 130 ft.	4 Pratt & Whitney R-1830 type
Length 90 ft. 10½ in.	830 horsepower

PERFORMANCE

High speed	180 mph. 7,000 ft.
Landing speed	70 mph.
Service ceiling	17,000 ft.
Range	3,200 miles
Crew of four — 2 pilots, wireless operator, flight engineer	



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