LIFE BOAT.

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The Navy tries out its newest lifeboat, designed for greater safety at sea.

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Inflating itself in the water, the boat opens into a fifteen-foot craft with an insulating cover. The cover provides shelter against steam and cold for shipwrecked survivors, who can climb aboard thirty seconds after pulling the inflation cord.

There's room for fifteen persons aboard the strange looking boat, which carries canned drinking water, thirty pounds of food, a first aid kit, signalling apparatus and seafaring equipment - including 4 paddles, Sorry, no motor.

Body heat keeps it about seventy degrees inside for the "Long voyage home".