

THE COMET BACK WITH ATLANTIC RECORD:

The beautiful blue and silver Comet was back at Hatfield, 3,500 miles non-stop from New York; the record in the bag.

Time on the flight (6 hours, 16 minutes) was 88 minutes faster than the record set by the Britannia of the Israeli airline. De Havilland test pilot John Cunningham averaged 558 miles an hour. The load carried was equivalent to 76 passengers. Comet Four went to New York to see if the new silencers would satisfy the regulations of the airport. Frederick Greatorex of Rolls Royce, designed them. BOAC has 19 Comet "Fours" on order. Question now: Will they, or the American Boeings be the first jets in Atlantic service?