

Ile De France Wears New Garb On Resuming Passenger Runs

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NEW YORK (INS)—The Ile De France, pride of the French Merchant marine, is back in luxury service again, completely refurbished after rigorous troop-carrier duty during World War II.

The 23-year-old ship received a gay and enthusiastic welcome when it docked recently, for the first time since the war, in New York.

The liner boast many added innovations and lavish decorations she has come a long way since her launching on March 14, 1926, and her maiden voyage in June 1927.

Her story is one of service to her nation.

Made 346 Crossings

The Ile De France carried countless voyagers on the 346 transatlantic crossings she made until her emergency conversion to war duty.

In 1928 the first ship-to-shore mail delivery was begun by catapulting a sea-plane from her decks 400 miles from New York.

During the war the Ile De France served as a troop transport and carried more than 485,000 soldiers. Because of her outstanding war service, the Croix De Guerre with palms and a special citation from the French government was awarded to the vessel.

Now she is back with even greater splendor that was hers before the war.

The Ile De France is catered to the cabin class.

The most surprising item in the re-doing of the large ship is the extension of the cabin class space areas that are usually reserved for first class on most other ships.

A tremendous section of the forward part of the Ile De France has been allotted to cabin passengers.

Tourist accommodations have been cut down from 416 to 259 and have been completely redesigned.

Passengers in the cabin class may use the theatre, which was the grand salon of the old Ile De France, and swim in the pool with first class passengers.

Capacity Reduced

There are 513 accommodations in the first class space and 577 intermediate cabins. Her overall carrying capacity has been reduced from 1,545 to 1,349.

There are five bars, lounges, dining rooms, puppet show for the children, two gyms, an illuminated swimming pool, and a well filled library to help pass the days away while on the ship.

The physical shape has been altered little since prewar days. One of her three funnels has been removed and the promenade and other upper decks have been redesigned. The vessel's gross tonnage has been increased approximately 2,000 tons and the 45,330-ton liner makes the ocean crossing in days.

The Ile De France is commanded by Captain Joseph Callicoe, a veteran of thirty years service who was the second in command of the Normandie. He has a picked crew of 63 officers and 766 men.

Quads' Father Not Famous For Having Job

PORTLAND, Aug. 20 (AP)—L. D. Tigner, sued for non-support, sat in jail here today and told reporters:

"I'm famous for being the father of quadruplets, but I ain't famous for having a job."

The father of Portland's only quadruplets, arrested on a warrant signed by his wife, Lucile, also said in a sad voice:

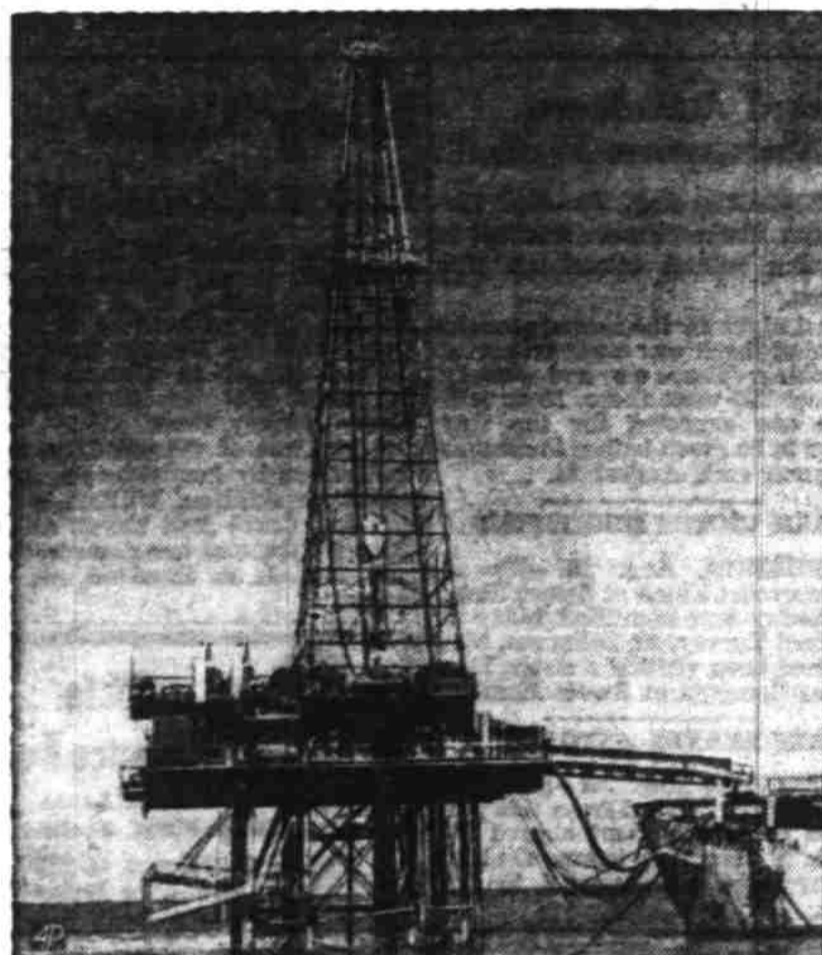
"I bring home all the money I make. I want to work, but I can't get a job. I been all over. I been picking beans. Anybody picks up beans and totes those heavy sacks, he wants to work."

The Tigners, Negro, also have five other children.

The quadruplets, who will be three years old Monday, have some trust fund income of their own. It derives from advertising contracts.



ONE-WAY PASSENGER—A single-engine Beechcraft which John Brendello, Italian pilot, will fly back to the United States, is unloaded from a Pan American Clipper at London Airport.



OIL FROM BENEATH SEA—An oil installation in the Gulf of Mexico, on Grand Isle, La., was pictured during a Navy tour of inspection to organize a system of weather reports for protection of lives and equipment of the drillers.

Mid-'45 Note Warned of Red Moves in East

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (AP)—Rep. Judd (R-Minn) today made public a U. S. military intelligence warning of mid-1945 that "there is reason to believe" Russia plans to dominate Manchuria, Korea and North China.

Intelligence called Chinese communism part of the Moscow-guided international movement. It spoke out against giving the red army any exclusive operation zone in Asia. This was before Russia entered the war against Japan.

The warning was contained in what Judd termed a "top secret" report. He said he released the information because the state department has issued "all the secret documents it could find to bolster its own feeble case." He referred to the department's White Paper on policy toward China.

Summary of Report
Judd gave out the military intelligence summary of its report on Chinese communism and Russian intentions from 1944 to July, 1945. It also concluded that Chinese communist "democracy" is Soviet-styled democracy. China's strength and stability depends on the natural resources of Manchuria and north China.

To prevent China's separation from its northern areas and Manchuria "it is essential that China not be divided (like Europe) into separate American-British and Russian military zones.

Issues Warning
The intelligence report specifically warned against modifying the Cairo declaration of Dec. 1, 1943, for Korean independence and Chinese sovereignty over Manchuria.

Judd told reporters that when the army intelligence experts

made their recommendations, "they did not know that Yalta had given Manchuria and other areas to Russia."

Judd said he had had the papers a number of years but did not explain how he came into possession of them.

County Agent Wins Harvard Scholarship

CORVALLIS, Aug. 20 (AP)—Jean Lear, Deschutes county agent, has been granted a year's scholarship at Harvard university for advanced study in public administration.

He applied for sabbatical leave starting September 1, so that he can start his Harvard work in the fall term. F. L. Ballard, associate director of Oregon State college extension, said the sabbatical was granted, subject to final approval by the state board of higher education.

Lear, a 1938 graduate of Oregon State, was assistant county agent in Wasco and Umatilla counties before his assignment to Deschutes county in 1943.

This is the second Harvard scholarship awarded to members of the extension staff recently.

Oregon Motor Stages Ask to Abandon Lines

PORTLAND, Aug. 20 (AP)—A public hearing will be held here Sept. 16 on the application of the Oregon Motor Stages to abandon service on ten routes and extend two other routes.

The Clackamas county routes affected: To abandon service on Oswego-Oregon City; Outfield road-Damascus; Milk aukie-Aldercrest road.

The alligator has a transparent eyelid.

Invalid Plans To Tour U.S. In Wheelchair

SALT LAKE CITY, Aug. 20 (AP)—John A. Padjen, 41, left today for San Francisco where he says he will start a 4,000-mile coast to coast tour in a wheelchair.

Padjen, whose legs were crippled at the age of five by infantile paralysis, plans to make the trip in a motorized chair which he recently constructed.

He said he plans the trip to "inspire handicapped persons throughout the world."

"Three million men and women in the United States are wheelchair cases—most of them shut-ins," Padjen said. "I want to encourage those unfortunates by demonstrating what can be accomplished in a wheelchair."

Padjen is a watchmaker and draftsman by trade. He formerly owned a jewelry store, but sold it at the beginning of World War II and went to Washington, D.C., to work as a precision expert on secret airplane planning.

His three-wheeled chair is equipped with a motor and a hand crank. Weighing 200 pounds, it will do 20 mile per hour on the highway, and by using the crank Padjen says he can climb any grade. He plans to make 100 miles a day.

The vehicle, a familiar sight on Salt Lake City streets, already has gone 2,500 miles.

State Accident Rate on Rise

PORTLAND, Aug. 20 (AP)—The state board of health reported today that Oregon's death rate from accidents was increasing steadily.

The state now stands sixth highest in the nation—behind Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, New Mexico and Colorado.

Last year 14,185 Oregonians died. Accidents claimed 1333 of them, 1 in every 10.6 deaths. This figured out to 90.8 deaths for 100,000 population. Motor accidents led the list, killing 28.3 persons of every 100,000. Home accidents claimed 25.6.



FOR PUERTO RICO—Miss Avelina Medrano (above), 18, of Rio Piedras, a ballet dancer, has been chosen "Miss Puerico Rico" for the "Miss America" contest at Atlantic City.

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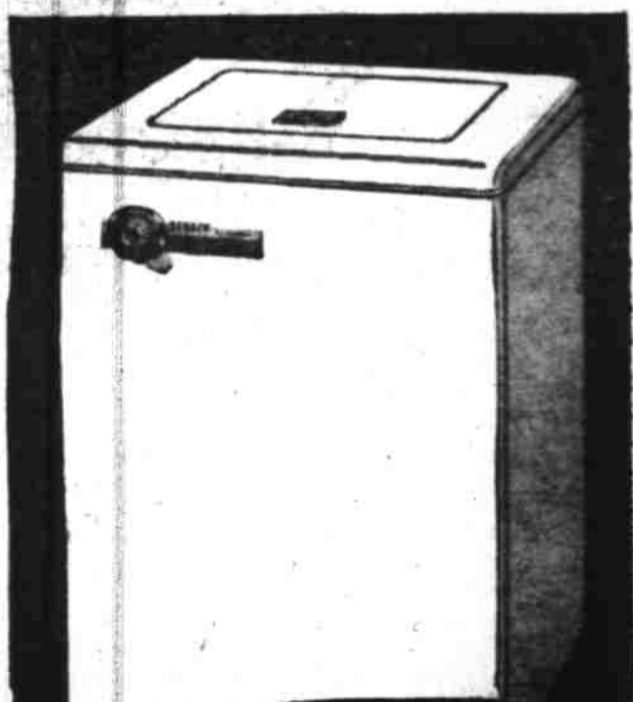
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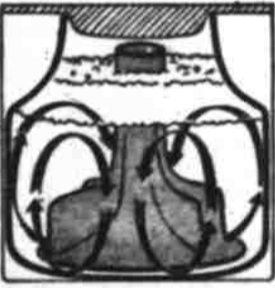
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