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A Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt,

os meus respeitosos cumprimentos e vótos de um mil novecentos e quarenta e séte próspero e feliz.

atenciosamente,
Cauldo Freitas
Aparecida do Norte
Estado de São Paulo - Brasil.

Freitas

6660 Wheelington Blvd. U. City Mo.
Feb. 5, 1947.

My dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

Am enclosing a clipping from the St. Louis Post Dispatch I thought you might like to read.

I enjoy your daily column in the paper very much. Congratulations on your ability to inform and interest both the classes and the masses.

Sincerely,
Selina J. Frelich.
(Mrs. David Frelich)

Frelich

Stand Up for a Patriot

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

I am shocked that there are men in Congress too petty to acknowledge a great man. I refer to the report that some G.O.P. leaders did not rise to pay tribute to Franklin Delano Roosevelt on the sixty-fifth anniversary of his birth.

I am a Southerner. I would rise any day in the week to pay tribute to Abraham Lincoln. Greatness should be acknowledged regardless of differences in parties, religion or sections of country. We may not be in accord with all the individual's convictions, but we can realize his greatness.

Franklin D. Roosevelt takes his place as one of the greatest Presidents in history.

I hope Jan. 30 will some day be declared a legal holiday so that all can pause and pay tribute to this great humanitarian, statesman and war leader.

SELINA JEANNE FRELICH.
University City.

Frelich

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May 26, 1947.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt,
Apartment Six A,
29 Washington Square West,
New York - 11 - N.Y.

Madam:

Deferring to the desire expressed in your very kind letter of April 23rd, ult., we did not mention the name of the French child you so generously adopted.

However, we felt that your gesture could, and should be mentioned in our NEWS BULLETIN, (a copy of which is enclosed), and I hope you will not disapprove of it, because our heart is truly grateful.

May I thank you again, Madam, and believe me,

Most respectfully yours,

J.-B. Verlot

J.-B. VERLOT,
General Representative.

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FRENCH RAILROADS TRAVEL NEWS

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After a short stay in the United States, M. Marcel FLOURET, President of the SOCIETE NATIONALE DES CHEMINS DE FER FRANCAIS (F.N.R.R.), has just left this country to return to France.

It was the first time in the history of the FRENCH NATIONAL RAILROADS that a President ever paid a visit to these shores while in office.

M. FLOURET, who was accompanied by several high ranking S.N.C.F. officials, came over here not only to survey the progress made in the construction of matérial ordered by France in the U.S.A., but also to make personal contacts with, and personally thank all those who, through their untiring efforts and close cooperation, made possible, to a large extent, the nearly miraculous rehabilitation of the FRENCH NATIONAL RAILROADS.

Before leaving, M. FLOURET expressed his deep gratification concerning his most pleasant and highly interesting visit.

GENERAL NEWS

The Story of the S.N.C.F.

This is the title of the latest 24-page illustrated booklet published by the New York Office of the FRENCH NATIONAL RAILROADS

It is exactly what the name implies: it covers every phase of this vast organization, from its origin and through the 5 years of unheard of destruction, to emerge undaunted.

Hope and full confidence, auguring well for its future, are evident in the gigantic efforts realized in the reconstruction of the FRENCH NATIONAL RAILROADS.

If you have not received a copy of this booklet—or if you wish extra copies of it—let us know—your request will be granted promptly.

"La Bataille du Rail"

For two years, this film, unique in its line, has been shown to French audiences.

It is a living document, a high tribute to the heroic men of "RESISTANCE-FER" (Railroad Underground Movement).

The dramatic impact of the story, simply, yet so movingly told, was unfolded on the screen last April 23rd, in New York City, during a private showing in honor of M. Marcel FLOURET, President of the FRENCH NATIONAL RAILROADS, who presided at the screening.

The introduction, by M. F. L. ARMAND, Assistant General Manager of the S.N.C.F., who was the head of "RESISTANCE-FER" during the German occupation, made this occasion a memorable one.

If the cheering crowd at this first showing is an indication, "La Bataille du Rail" will no doubt be a success when it is shown throughout the U. S. A.

Mutual Adoption

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt's generosity has no limit.

The wife of the late great President has recently adopted another French child, one of the orphans left behind by the heroes of "Résistance-Fer", those men of the Railroad Underground organization who, though working and dying anonymously, made victory swifter and less costly.

Mrs. Roosevelt has adopted one of them—but it can be safely said that, because of her gesture, the "Cheminots" have, in turn, adopted her—for keeps.

All the Best in France

This is the title of the latest book by Sydney Clark, the distinguished author, who specializes in Travel publications.

This mine of the most up-to-date information reads like a novel, a fascinating novel. Illustrations, charts, maps, photographs, make it an ideal guide for all travelers in France.

In his book, Mr. Sydney Clark mentions the FRENCH NATIONAL RAILROADS upon several occasions, and always with precise and accurate details; his kind comments are another token of appreciation from one who knows.

MOTOR-COACH NEWS

The Motor-Coach Services of the FRENCH NATIONAL RAILROADS, which operated with such a success in 1946, have been improved again this year.

This map will help in planning long distance motor-coach trips, or short excursions.

New itineraries along the most picturesque sites have been carefully studied. Some services are already in full operation; some others will start in July.

Now in Operation:

"Route de Normandie"—In 4 days. Starts from *ST. MALO* every *Saturday* at 8:00 A.M. In the morning: Dol, Mortain, Domfront, Bagnoles-de-l'Orne (Famous Spa). Lunch at La Ferté-Macé. Afternoon: Falaise, Lisieux (Shrine of the "Little Flower"), the Londe Forest. Dinner and stay over night at *ROUEN*.

Sunday—Leave *ROUEN* at 9:00 A.M. In the morning: Visit of the historic abbeys of Jumièges and St. Wandrille; Caudebec and Pont-Audemer. Lunch at Honfleur. Afternoon: Trouville, Deauville, Cabourg, Caen and Bayeux (Famous Tapestry). Dinner and stay over night at *BAYEUX*.

Monday—Leaves *BAYEUX* at 9:30 A.M. Morning: Arromanches (Utah and Omaha beaches) and all surrounding country. Lunch at Caen. During the afternoon: Carpiquet and St. Lô. Dinner and stay over night at *BAYEUX*.

Tuesday—Leaves *BAYEUX* at 8:00 A.M. Morning: Isigny, Carentan, Ste-Mère-l'Eglise, Cherbourg. Lunch at Briquebec. Afternoon: St. Sauveur-le-Vicomte, La Haye-du-Puits, Coutances, Granville, Avranches, unique Mont-Saint-Michel, and back to St. MALO.

The circuit **"Route de Bretagne"** takes 6 days: 5 days along the coast and the last one inland, across the peninsula.

From the sunny open road . . .

Starts from *DINARD* every *Monday* at 9:00 A.M. In the morning: St. Lunaire, St. Briac, St. Cast, Cap Fréhel. Lunch at lovely Sables-d'Or-les-Pins. Afternoon: Erquy, Le Val André, Lamballe. Dinner and stay over night at *ST. BRIEUC*.

Tuesday—Leave *ST. BRIEUC* at 8:30 A. M. Morning: Les Rosaires, St. Quay-Portrieux, Paimpol, Pointe de l'Arcouest, excursion by boat to the Bréhat Island. Lunch there. Afternoon: Tréguier, Guingamp. Dinner and stay over night at *LANNION*.

Wednesday — Leave *LANNION* at 8:30 A.M. Morning: St. Efflam, Plestin-les-Grèves, Morlaix, St. Thégonnec, Guimiliau, and Lunch at Brest. Afternoon: Landernau, Plougastel-Daoulas, Le Faou, Chateaulin, Locronan. Dinner and stay over night at *QUIMPER*.

Thursday — Leave *QUIMPER* at 10:30 A.M. Morning: Plozévet and Audierne—Lunch there. Afternoon: Pointe-du-Raz, Plogoff, Baie des Trépassés, Pont-Croix, Douarnenez and back to *QUIMPER* for dinner and stay over night.

Friday — Leave *QUIMPER* at 8:00 A.M. Morning: Concarneau, Point-Aven, Quimperlé, Lorient, Hennebont. Lunch at Auray. Afternoon: Quiberon, Carnac, Ste. Anne-d'Auray (where the famous "Pardons" take place and to *VANNES* for dinner and stay over night.

Saturday — Leave *VANNES* at 1:30 P.M., back to Dinard through Josselin, Ploermel and Dinan.

A combined Tour of "Route de Normandie" and "Route de Bretagne." In 7 days. Starting every Sunday from Rouen. First departure: May 4. Many other excursions from Dinard, Rouen, St. Malo and Quimper, are available daily.

"Route des Alpes"—Many magnificent trips are already possible between Nice, Grenoble and Geneva. Some others will be available in June, and still others in July. (Full information can be obtained from our Offices until our special booklet, which is being printed, is distributed).

(*Running Now*)—a) *NICE-GRENOBLE*—Starts from Nice every day at 8:00 A.M.—Lunch at Digne. Afternoon: Sisteron and Col de la Croix-Haute. Arrives Grenoble at 5:35 P.M.

b) *GRENOBLE-CHAMONIX*—Until May 31: Three times a week: Monday, Thursday and Saturday. From June 1: Daily.

Starts from Grenoble at 7:00 A.M. going through Ugine and Mégève, to arrive in Chamonix at 11:15 A.M.

"Riviera" — Regular motor-coach services between Marseille and Nice, along the coast, as well as many daily excursions from Nice and Cannes, are available all the year round.

"Corsica" — The most fascinating tours in the "Ile de Beauté" are available all the year round. A 7-day one, circling the Island, from Ajaccio or Bastia, back to Ajaccio or Bastia, starts May 1.

"Châteaux de la Loire" Circuit—Services now in full operation since April 1. Starting nearly every day from Blois and Tours. In July, more tours from Angers and Saumur.

From Blois: Two circuits — One every day (except on Thursday and Sunday), with visits including, besides others, the Chambord and Cheverny Castles. The other circuit, on Thursdays and Sundays is restricted to the Chambord, Cheverny and Chaumont Castles.

From Tours: Four different tours: 1. Leaves Tours every Monday and Thursday; goes to Loches, Chenonceaux and Amboise Castles. 2. Leaves on Tuesdays and Fridays; goes to Villandry, Azay-le-Rideau, Chinon, Langeais, and Luynes Castles. 3. A short one, running only on Thursday and Sunday afternoons; it covers the Chenonceaux, Amboise Castles, as well as Vouvray, the capital of the Loire valley sparkling wine. 4. The last one of these circuits takes place on Wednesdays and Saturdays and covers Chaumont, Blois, Chambord and Cheverny.

To begin operation in July

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Besides all tours listed a few others, starting July 1, all over France, may be mentioned:

"Route des Pyrénées"—In two days. Between Biarritz and Luchon, via Gavarnie and Lourdes. Starting July 7.

A six-day motor-coach tour through the quaintest and one of the most picturesque part of **Central France**, between Bordeaux and Clermont-Ferrand, along the Dordogne River valley and Auvergne. First departure, either from Bordeaux or Clermont-Ferrand: July 29.

A four-day motor-coach tour along the **"Route des Sanctuaires"** between Lourdes, in the Pyrénées and Rocamadour, in Central France, starts July 14.

"Route des Vosges"—A daily motor-coach tour between Mulhouse and Strasbourg, via Colmar, starts July 8.

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Full information on Schedules, Prices, etc., are expected in the very near future, and will be sent upon request.

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. . . to a sunny lunch in the open

HERE---THERE---EVERYWHERE

Travel Shows

The stand of the FRENCH NATIONAL RAILROADS at the recent Chicago Travel Show proved so popular that a larger one was arranged in the Grand Palace Travel Show in New York. (May 5 to May 10).

This stand was jointly organized by the "Big Three": French National Tourist Office, French Line, French National Railroads.

It is always a pleasure for the FRENCH NATIONAL RAILROADS to cooperate with American Travel Agents in promoting international travel.

"Foire de Strasbourg"

The European Fair of Strasbourg, the capital of Alsace, will be held from the 6th to the 21st of September.

Special Tariffs for Exhibitors as well as for the goods they will display, will be granted by the French National Railroads.

1947 International Scout Jamboree —

Latest news concerning the jamboree indicate it will be held in Moisson, near Rosny-sur-Seine, as previously announced, but from August 9th to August 21st.

Upon presentation of an identity card (established by the Scout authorities in cooperation with the French National Railroads, and valid from July 1st to September 30, 1947), scouts will be granted a 40% (forty percent) reduction on any trip they plan to take while in France.

The special railroad tickets (reduced fares) available during the Jamboree, and valid up to September 30, 1947, can be obtained from this New York office.

Travel Tips

Precise and detailed information on new regulations regarding tobacco, food, and gasoline affecting Foreign travelers to France is given in a special circular distributed by the French National Tourist Offices in the U. S. A.

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Your travel agency has detailed information

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