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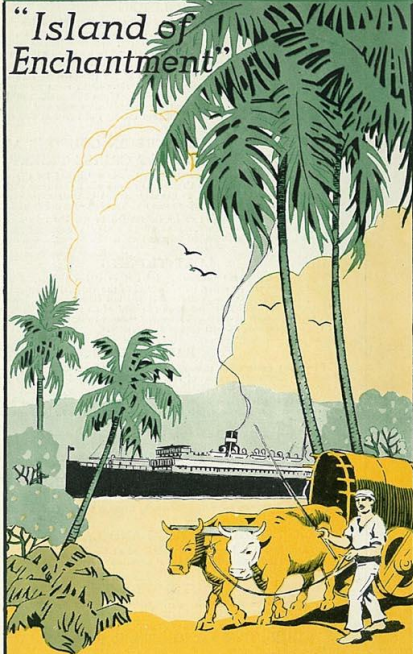
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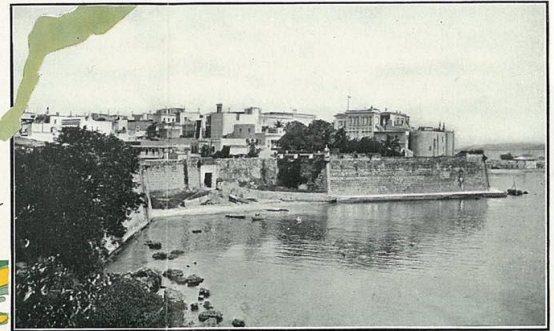
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THE NEW YORK & PORTO RICO STEAMSHIP CO. TO THE ISLAND OF ENCHANTMENT

OF all the beautiful islands which dot the limpid waters of the golden Caribbean, none have a stronger fascination for the tourist than Porto Rico. In natural endowments, the equal of any of its neighbors, Porto Rico has the delightful advantage of illustrating what American energy and intelligence can accomplish even in such an unfamiliar field as the Tropics. As an exposition of the vitalizing and transforming power of the American flag, Porto Rico is second only to the Panama Canal. Tourists who have visited every section of the West Indies say Porto Rico has more scenic beauty and greater fertility of soil than any of the other islands in that part of the world. The climate and tem-

perature are unequalled. There is no dry season and no wet season, as those terms are usually understood. The temperature throughout the year averages about 76 degrees. The name Porto Rico means "Gate to Riches," and as given by the Spanish discoverers was not intended to mean riches in the sense of material wealth, but was the spontaneous outburst of enthusiasm experienced by the exploring Spaniards when they gazed upon the gorgeous and profuse vegetation from the vantage of their approaching ships.

To-day, in addition to scenic and climatic attractions, a quaintness is found in Porto Rico that comes only from centuries of domination by an old-time people—in this instance the



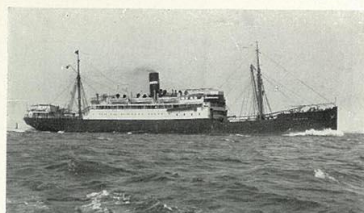


The "San Lorenzo" makes Ocean Travel a Revelation because of its Service

Spaniards. As a result a rare picturesqueness prevails coupled with those modern conveniences and facilities which make the Island a traveler's paradise.

To this Island of Enchantment the Porto Rico Line has established two popular cruises on the all-expense plan, each of which includes delightful motor side trips ashore. These cruises are described more in detail on another page of this folder.

The steamers in this service are splendidly appointed passenger ships, designed and built especially for tropical service. Built of steel, fast, seaworthy and completely equipped, they afford every comfort, safety and convenience. Everything is airy and well lighted; and the rooms are so homelike and well arranged that there is no discomfort in making the ship one's hotel during the time the vessel is in port. The music room and social halls are beautifully fur-



Here is the "Porto Rico," a Fit Companion for the "San Lorenzo"

nished and admirably arranged, and are as spacious and comfortable as similar apartments in one's own home. For those fond of music there is a phonograph and player piano; for those who wish to read there are books and



Beautiful Condado-Vanderbilt Hotel at San Juan

magazines from the ship's well-stocked library. The most fastidious of passengers will take no exception to the meals served by the Porto Rico



In Dining Rooms like these You Satisfy the Ravenous Appetite that only the Sea Air Can Awaken



Cosy, Comfortable and Inviting—That is Your First and Lasting Impression of Porto Rico Line Staterooms

Line. The cuisine is excellent and of surprising variety. One could not be better or more courteously entertained at a modern city hotel. Courteous attention to the passenger's every wish is the keynote of the company's service. A large force of dining room stewards insures promptness and individual attention. Furthermore the duties of the culinary department do not end with the closing of the dining room

doors; every morning about 11 o'clock the deck steward and his assistants serve delicious bouillon to passengers and a buffet luncheon is served in the smoking room every evening at 10 o'clock. The ladies as well as the men are welcome at these little suppers, which offer a potent appeal to appetites sharpened by the sea air.



A Corner of the Popular Music Room

Once the cold winds and winter weather of the north are left astern, passengers invariably seek the decks and enjoy the sunshine as the ship carries them swiftly into the balmy air of the Tropics. On the broad, smooth decks there is ample space for exercise and recreation. Here one may take daily constitutions, play shuffle board, deck golf or quoits, or may recline at ease while reading a book or magazine.

Just what do all these things which make for your luxury mean? They assure you of starting on a delightful cruise aboard the finest of steamers. Past Sandy Hook four or five days (according to steamer) of broad ocean stretch before you. By the throb of powerful engines the steamer



glides through the water and a subtle change steals through the air. The sea, the atmosphere become warmer, for you are now in the Gulf Stream which transforms every month into Spring. Even the fish and occasional floating weeds are of a different character, coming as they do from tropical climes.

The companionship of pleasant people and the delightful surroundings all blend in making this truly a dream cruise beyond your greatest expectations.

The new Condado-Vanderbilt Hotel offers a delightful haven for those who take advantage of Tour No. 2 (described on page 6). This beautiful structure, attractively located on the



The Luxurious Smoking Room Makes You Think You are at Your Favorite Club

Condado, the fashionable suburb of San Juan, has the distinction of being the only modern, wholly American hotel in the West Indies.



The Deck Shelter is Light and Cheerful

You have doubtless always cherished a desire to see these Spanish-American towns, feel the languor of tropic seas and discover for yourself the lure of ancient countries. Hitherto you may have regretted the impossibility of what appeared to you a long and expensive journey. The Porto Rico Line and its service have brought this Island of Enchantment within the reach of you and many others. The rates are surprisingly reasonable. Why not take advantage of this Express Service, to see the wondrous and charming sights of lands you have always wondered about and longed to visit?

Full information in regard to rates, reservations, sailings, etc., will be furnished upon application.

Eleven and Twelve-Day All-Expense Cruises

THE Island of Enchantment—what a world of delight is included in this suggestive phrase which so accurately describes the beautiful Caribbean Island of Porto Rico. Although couched in different words, this title is equally representative of the sentiment expressed by Columbus and every traveler after him, upon first beholding its emerald shores. There is no more delightful spot for a vacation and no more attractive and inexpensive way in which to enjoy it than on the 11 and 12 Day Cruises of the Porto Rico Line. These cruises have a special appeal to those seeking a comfortable and restful trip, yet one that affords opportunities for delightful sightseeing ashore amid beautiful surroundings.

Each cruise enables the tourist to make the steamer his hotel for the entire journey from New York to San Juan and return, including the stay at San Juan, where delightful motor side trips and other interesting features are provided for his entertainment. For those who do not wish to remain aboard the steamer while in San Juan the option is given at slight additional cost of enjoying accommodations at the beautiful and commodious Condado-Vanderbilt Hotel, the finest resort hotel in the Tropics. This option if exercised prior to sailing enables the Company to secure accommodations at the hotel in advance, thus avoiding any delay on the part of passengers in seeking or deciding upon quarters after arrival in San Juan.

A brief outline of the two cruises follows:

11-Day Cruise

Steamer *San Lorenzo* leaves New York alternate Thursdays, arriving San Juan following Monday morning. On the afternoon of arrival in San Juan passengers are entertained with sightseeing automobile trip around the city under supervision of an experienced conductor. Visits are made to the various points of interest, affording glimpses of many quaint and historic spots. The tourist sees the Government House, commonly called the "Palace," which houses the Governor and executive officers and which was constructed in 1538. Then the old San Juan Gate in the great wall which once completely surrounded the city and was intended to protect the inhabitants from the marauding English, French and Dutch admirals who prowled the Spanish Main centuries ago.

Up the hill is seen Casa Blanca, constructed about 400 years ago by the then Governor Ponce De Leon. Thence to the San Juan Cathedral, the bell tower of which was scarred by Admiral Sampson's shells when he bombarded the city in 1898. Visits are made to the convent of Santo Domingo

built in 1523, to the Morro Parade Ground and the famed Fort El Morro, which guards the entrance to the harbor. The tour includes visits to the picturesque forts, including San Cristobal; the Infantry Barracks; the old City Cemetery; the city market; and other points too numerous to mention.

On the following day the cruise passengers will be taken on a fascinating 110-mile automobile drive known as the "Loop Trip," which carries them through the most wonderful scenery of the Island. This journey includes part of the famous old Spanish Military Road, one of the most picturesque and beautiful highways in the world. Royal palms, straight and symmetrical, can be seen everywhere, together with the slender coconut palms laden with fruit.

Visits are made to Caguas, a quaint city of 20,000, with its long avenue of flamboyants, a tree of flaming beauty. From there a thrilling ascent takes the tourists to the valley of Cayey, with its miles upon miles of tobacco fields. Then another long and beautiful climb through the mountains reaching Aibonito, more than 2,900 feet above sea-level and the highest town in Porto Rico. From here one can see the Atlantic Ocean to the north and the Caribbean Sea to the south. Following the crest of the mountain through interesting coffee and banana plantations the car arrives at Barranquitas, tucked away in the rugged cup of the mountains and known as the "Switzerland of America." Here the traveler feels that he is at last on the top of the world and he can look down into gorges so deep that their bottoms are lost in gloomy shadows.

After a long and beautiful descent Comerio is reached with its great dam and tumbling waters, the gateway to the prosperous fruit-growing section, thence through the quaint city of Bayamon across the bay from San Juan, and then over a long and straight boulevard home.

The following day (Wednesday) the passengers are given the opportunity of sightseeing as inclination may prompt them. There is so much to see and enjoy that provision is made for giving this time to the passenger for his own disposal. That evening a dinner and dance is included for the tourists at the famous Condado-Vanderbilt Hotel, and on Thursday at noon the steamer sails for New York, arriving the following Monday morning, making eleven days.

12-Day Cruise

Steamer *Porto Rico* sails from New York alternate Thursdays, arriving at San Juan the following Tuesday morning. On afternoon of arrival in San Juan the same

Eleven and Twelve-Day All-Expense Cruises

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sightseeing trip is enjoyed as already described in the 11-Day Cruise, and on the following day the "Loop Trip" is extended to the passengers, followed by a dinner and dance at the Condado-Vanderbilt Hotel. On Thursday at noon the steamer leaves San Juan for New York, arriving the following Tuesday morning, making a total of twelve days.

When engaging passage for the Eleven and Twelve-Day Cruises, passengers may arrange either to live aboard the steamer or at the Condado-Vanderbilt Hotel while at San Juan. In this connection the rates for the trip are arranged under two headings, Tour No. 1 and Tour No. 2.

Sailings, rates, steamer diagrams and descriptive literature will be sent on application to

M. Seckendorf, General Passenger Agent
THE NEW YORK AND PORTO RICO STEAMSHIP COMPANY
25 Broadway, New York City

GENERAL INFORMATION

RESERVATIONS

When applying for reservations, letter or telegram should state whether one berth or an entire cabin is required, class and rate of accommodations, whether wanted one way, round trip or for the Eleven or Twelve-Day Cruise, steamer and sailing date, the names of all passengers as well as the ages of children if any. If passengers hold return tickets these should be forwarded for endorsement.

Unless otherwise noted, all staterooms contain two berths, upper and lower, and passengers should specify which is desired when applying for reservation. Should a passenger desire the exclusive use of a stateroom one and three-quarter fares will be charged, unless otherwise provided.

DEPOSITS

Tentative reservation will be held from two days to one week after which time a deposit of 10 per cent is required to secure it. Balance of fare is payable three weeks in advance of sailing.

FARES

Passage rates one way, round trip and for the Eleven or Twelve-Day All-Expense Cruises are given in separate folders.

ROUND TRIP TICKETS

Round-trip tickets are issued at double the one-way rate. Return portions of tickets are limited to six months from date of issue.

RATES INCLUDE

One-way and round-trip rates include meals and berth during the trip from New York to San Juan or from New York to San Juan and return, respectively.

Rates for the Eleven or Twelve-Day All-Expense Cruises, indicated as Tour No. 1, include the use of the steamer as a hotel during the entire trip, automobile sight-seeing trip around San Juan, the "Loop Trip," auto-

TOUR No. 1 INCLUDES

Trip from New York to San Juan and return to New York by steamer *San Lorenzo* or *Porto Rico*, living aboard the steamer while at San Juan, sightseeing trip around San Juan, "Loop Trip" and automobile to Condado-Vanderbilt Hotel for dinner and dance and return to ship.

TOUR No. 2 INCLUDES

The same features mentioned above except that passengers live at the Condado-Vanderbilt Hotel instead of on board the steamer, while at San Juan.

mobile to the Condado-Vanderbilt Hotel and return, also dinner and dance at the Hotel.

Tickets for Tour No. 2 include the same features except that passengers live at the Condado-Vanderbilt Hotel while at San Juan; transfer of passengers and baggage to and from the Hotel is included.

RATES DO NOT INCLUDE

Government revenue tax, personal items such as beverages not ordinarily served on board without charge, laundry, baggage insurance, conveyances or guides specially ordered by passengers and individual excursions not included in the itinerary, gratuities to stewards on the ship.

CANCELLATION

If tickets are cancelled up to one week before sailing, full refund of passage money will be made. On later cancellations refund in full will be made if and when accommodations are resold.

INFORMATION REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT

Passengers will be provided with blanks on which is to be inserted certain information required by the United States Government. A blank completely filled out in respect to each passenger (children and infants included) should always accompany remittance for tickets.

STOP-OVER PRIVILEGE

Passengers who purchase tickets for the Eleven or Twelve-Day All-Expense Cruise may, if they desire, stop over at San Juan for a period not exceeding thirty days and return to New York on any of the Company's steamers having accommodations available.

Notice of intention to stop over must be given to the Purser or the San Juan office at least two days before the day of sailing for New York.

GENERAL INFORMATION—Continued

CHILDREN

Half fare is charged for all children over two and under twelve years of age; one infant occupying the same berth with parent or guardian, limited one such child to a family, will be carried free; additional infants under two years being charged half fare. Tickets will not be issued to children under twelve years of age unless accompanied by parent or guardian.

On the S. S. *Porto Rico* two full fares at the two-in-room rate will be charged for the exclusive occupancy of a three-berth room by one adult and a child or one adult and two children. When two adults and a child are booked in a three-berth room the three-in-room rate will apply, the child being charged half fare if between the ages of two and twelve.

UNUSED SHORE EXCURSION COUPONS AND RETURN PORTIONS OF CRUISE TICKETS

In view of the special rates at which tickets are issued for the Eleven and Twelve-Day All-Expense Cruises, no refund will be made or allowance given to passengers who fail to use any portion of their shore excursion coupons, including those covering room and board on steamer or at hotel.

Should passengers holding cruise tickets fail to use the return portion from San Juan to New York, refund will be made of the amount remaining after deducting the southbound fare and value of shore excursion coupons.

LOST TICKETS

The Company is not responsible for lost or stolen tickets. Such loss should be reported by letter, immediately, to the General Passenger Agent stating full circumstances in order that the lost ticket may be bulletined. Duplicate ticket will be issued upon payment of an additional fare, which will be refunded after sufficient time has elapsed to insure the notification of the lost reaching all port agents and pursers.

BAGGAGE

Each first cabin adult passenger is allowed twenty-five cubic feet of baggage. Baggage in excess of this amount is charged for at the rate of fifty (50) cents per cubic foot.

Personal effects only can be taken as baggage, i. e., wearing apparel, toilet articles and similar effects in actual use and necessary for the comfort of passengers during the journey.

Baggage may be sent to the Company's pier two or three days in advance of sailing, and will be held until claimed. Baggage will not be put aboard steamer unless claimed and checked, and passengers are urged to attend to this shortly after their arrival at the pier on the morning of sailing.

Articles of clothing, etc., which may be frequently desired during the voyage should be put in a valise or steamer trunk; the latter not to exceed fifteen inches in height in order that it may be placed under the berth. Passengers, however, have daily access to baggage placed in the hold.

BAGGAGE TAGS AND LABELS

Baggage tags and labels can be obtained at the office of the Company or at any of its branch offices or ticket agencies.

AUTOMOBILES

Special rates on automobiles accompanied by passengers will be quoted on application.

BIRDS, DOGS AND OTHER PET ANIMALS

Dogs, cats and other pet animals will be allowed to accompany passengers only if special contract is signed at the time of purchasing ticket. They will not be permitted in staterooms but must be placed in care of the porter. A charge of \$6.00 will be made for each animal to cover maintenance during the voyage.

Pet birds in cages will be carried at the rate of \$2.00 per cage, measuring not more than three cubic feet. A proportionate charge will be made for larger cages. Birds will be taken only with the understanding that passengers must supply food for them and that they will be carried in such place as is convenient to the Company.

STEAMER CHAIRS, CUSHIONS AND RUGS

Steamer chairs, cushions and rugs for the voyage in either direction can be rented at the following rates: Steamer chair, \$1.50; rug, \$1.00; cushion, 50 cents.

MEAL HOURS

Meals are served on steamers of the Porto Rico Line at the following hours: Breakfast from 7:30 to 9:30 A. M.; Luncheon from 12:30 to 2 P. M.; Dinner from 6 to 7:30 P. M.

Dining saloon reservations may be made on application to the Chief Steward on the morning of sailing.

ENTERTAINMENT

Ample opportunity for diversion is offered in such activities as deck golf, quoits, shuffle board, bridge, concerts and dancing.

LIBRARIES

Each steamer is equipped with a library containing a large selection of the best books of fiction. Books are at the disposal of passengers who may borrow them without charge, upon application to the Saloon Steward.

SURGEON

An experienced physician is attached to each steamer. No charge will be made for medical attendance or medicines, except in case of ailments contracted by passengers prior to embarkation.

STEWARDESSES

Provision for the comfort of ladies traveling alone is made by the employment of competent and courteous stewardesses.

CLOTHING FOR THE TROPICS

The usual attire worn in the United States in the summer is most suitable for use in Porto Rico.

VALUABLES

The Company will not be responsible for the loss of money or valuables left in staterooms. Such articles should be placed in charge of the purser for deposit in his safe.

PASSENGER FUNDS

Passengers will find it convenient to provide themselves with any of the well-known travelers' checks. Purser are under no circumstances permitted to accept or cash personal checks.

PASSPORTS

Passports are not required by passengers making the trip to Porto Rico.

PASSENGERS' MAIL

Letters and telegrams for passengers should be plainly addressed in care of the Company, Pier 35, Atlantic Basin, Brooklyn, showing the name of passenger and steamer (state whether sailing or arriving); letters should always bear the address of the sender, in order that same may be promptly returned if they arrive too late for delivery.

SCHEDULES SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

No reservation for a particular date or steamer is deemed to be a contract on the part of this Company that such steamer will sail on the date for which reservation is made, or that any other steamer will sail on said date in place of the steamer scheduled to sail; and the Company will not be responsible for any loss, damage or expense whatever that any passenger may incur by reason of a change in sailing date. When a reservation is affected by change in sailing schedule, the Company will, however, endeavor to mail notice of such change to passenger direct or agent who made the reservation.

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