



Outward Bound on the "Ile de France"

This new example of marine architecture is indeed a masterpiece, and we are only able to show a few of the interesting features, especially those reserved for the young people. The *Ile de France* is the world's sixth largest vessel, being of 43,500 gross tons, 790 feet in length, and 98½ feet beam. The turbines develop 52,000 horsepower and drive the vessel at 23½ knots per hour. Among the interesting features of this great boat is the enormous top deck, which can be used for games of all kinds, including tennis. This is shown in the center illustration, marked C. The grand foyer is four decks high. The features which we have elected to show are largely the accommodations for children, which are often

sadly lacking on ocean steamers. Not so on the *Ile de France*, where the youngsters have a beautiful little dining room of their own, shown in illustration A, with tables and chairs regulated to their size. There is also a gymnasium, including a merry-go-round, shown in photograph B, and a shooting gallery. There is a charming little Punch and Judy theatre, illustrated at D. Those who are religiously inclined, children and grown-ups alike, can go into the chapel, illustrated in E, at any time, where they will find quiet and reverent surroundings for meditation and prayer. The various public rooms are decorated in the most beautiful manner, and the entire vessel is the last word in luxury for trans-ocean travelers.