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bath room and W.C. are outside they are easily accessible.

There are 274 1st class passengers

--- [[red underline]]

106 Tourist [[passengers]]

--- [[red underline]]

52 Third class

Mostly have French or Latin names, with quite a number of [[red underline]] Jews, [[red underline]] also some [[red underline]] Russians [[red underline]] and a fair sprinkling of Americans. Found a [[red underline]] telegram from [[red underline]] Berlin signed [[red underline]] Weger Sachs Stauss [[red underline]] - good [[red underline]] wishes [[red underline]] also one from [[red underline]] Molinari Basso and Potter [[red underline]] and a letter from [[red underline]] Kingsbury [[red underline]]

[[underline]] July 6. [[/underline]]

[[note in left margin in red]] Mali [[left margin in red]]

Weather has been fair and mild thus far. I found [[red underline]] J. T. Mali, hon. consul of Belgium [[red underline]] aboard. He is my only acquaintance thus far. His conversations impress me very favorably. He [[red underline]] carries the spirit of his deceased father who was [[red underline]] one of my good friends. Young Mali [[red underline]] altho' a business man is remarkably well informed [[red underline]] on technical matters and his opinions show broadness and good judgement.

[[underline]] July 7. [[/underline]] The daily journal issued aboard brings us very scant news. It is printed weeks in advance and is not even dated. In it are inserted a few lines of unimportant events referring mainly to Tennis and Football news a few quotations of Stocks. The remainder are ads and rehearsed articles copied from publications. - There is [[red underline]] no attempt of radio [[strike through]] comm [[strike through]] broadcasting [[red underline]] neither from Europe nor America. In this respect the [[red underline]] "Manhattan" was much more alive [[red underline]]

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[[underline]] July 8. [[/underline]] Slightly foggy. Same Westerly breeze. - We have been making an average of  $18\frac{1}{2}$  knots which is [[red underline]] 2 knots less than SS. Manhattan.

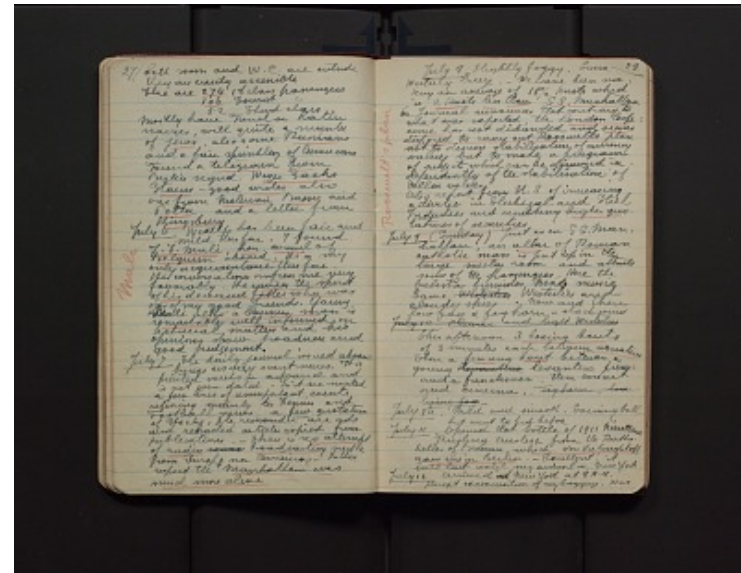
[[note in left margin in red]] Roosevelt's plan [[left margin in red]]

[[red underline]] Our Journal announces that contrary to what was expected, the [[red underline]] London Conference [[red underline]] has not disbanded and [[red underline]] seems disposed to carry out Roosevelt's plan [[red underline]] not to discuss stabilization of currency values but to make a program of subjects which can be discussed independently of the stabilization of Dollar values.

Also report from U.S. of increasing activities in Electrical and Steel Industries and resulting [[red underline]] higher quotations of securities. [[red underline]]

[[underline]] July 9 [[/underline]] (Sunday) Just as on SS. Manhattan, an [[red underline]] altar of Roman Catholic mass [[red underline]] is put up in the large meeting room and attracts some of the passengers. Here the Orchestra furnishes Mass music. Same [[strike through]] Westerlies [[strike through]] Westerlies and cloudy skies. Now and then low fog & fog horn - slack wind. [[strike through]] [[underline]] July 10 [[/underline]] Clearer and light Westerlies [[strike through]]

This afternoon [[red underline]] 3 boxing bouts [[red underline]] of 3 minutes each between [[red underline]] amateurs. Then a fencing bout [[red underline]] between a young [[strike through]] Levantine [[strike through]] levantine prince and a Frenchman, then concert and cinema. [[strike through]] Foghorn, low lying fog. [[strike through]]



July 10. Mild and smooth. Evening ball but went to bed before  
July 11. Opened that bottle of 1911 Niersteiner Riesling Auslese from the Rathskeller of Bremen which von Vietinghoff gave me in Berlin. - Excellent! it will last until my arrival in New York.  
July 12 Arrived at New York at 8 A.M. prompt examination of my baggage. Was

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