



*After only a few weeks at home in San Diego, a threatened yard workers' strike made it necessary for the TI to move to Bremerton, Washington, for two months of repairs.*

*Knowing that it would be financially impossible for many of the men to move their families to Bremerton on their own, Captain Miller sought and received permission to embark the families on the ship for a voyage to Bremerton—the TICO Trek.*

*Arrangements for housing in Bremerton were made in advance, and the ship was modified for female occupants. Wives, children, cars, household goods, and even dogs and cats were loaded aboard. From July 5 to July 8 TICONDEROGA was indeed a floating community, with 197 dependents making the 1,270-mile trek north. Then when the yard work was finished at Bremerton, 320 dependents returned to San Diego on the ship on the September 6 through 8 Re-Trek.*

*The TICO Trek marked the first time that female dependents had been allowed on board a carrier at sea for more than one night.*

*The treks led some wag to comment that the Ti was the world's only luxury liner with a flight deck.*

