

SEMINOLE

<i>Length, overall</i>	402' 2"	<i>Gross tons</i>	5,896	<i>Propulsion</i>	Turbine
<i>Beam</i>	54' 0"	<i>Speed (knots)</i>	14	<i>Passengers</i>	500
<i>Draft</i>	18' 7"	<i>Radius (miles)</i>	5,000	<i>Cargo (cu. ft.)</i>	64,000

Built in 1925 by Newport News S. B. & D. D. Co., Newport News, Va.

Operated prior to World War II by Agwilines, Inc.

THIS is the same vessel SEMINOLE that was subsequently converted to a hospital ship under Army jurisdiction as described on page 348.

Following the outbreak of World War II, the SEMINOLE, which had previously been in commercial coastwise trade in the Atlantic was requisitioned for use as a medium-sized troopship. She was operated in the war effort with little change in her physical arrangement. She was operated chiefly to the European Theatre of Operations. Her last trip of 1942, begun in December, took her from New York to the United Kingdom and Iceland. She returned to New York in January 1943 and left in early February for Caribbean and South American service, having called at Guantanamo, Trinidad, Recife, Bahia, Santos, and Rio de Janeiro.

Upon return to New York in May 1943, the SEMINOLE was selected for use as a hospital ship, as indicated in paragraph one above. Although decommissioned as a hospital ship in December 1945, the vessel did not resume service as a troop carrier as was contemplated. Instead she was returned to the WSA on 31 January 1946 and was placed in the James River Reserve Fleet at Lee Hall, Va., on that date.