

Canadian Vessel's Voyage Will Set Seafaring History

San Francisco, Apr. 14—(U.P.)—The royal Canadian mounted police patrol vessel St. Roch arrived here today en route to Halifax, N.S., on a voyage that will write a new page in seafaring history.

When she arrives at her eastern destination, the little white vessel will be the first ship in history to have circumnavigated the North American continent.

In 1944, the St. Roch negotiated the northwest passage, from Halifax to Vancouver, B.C., for duty as supply ship to the mountainous western Arctic outposts.

Now that airplanes have taken over her task, she is on her way back to Halifax via the Panama canal to assume similar duty on the eastern side of the continent. When she arrives she will have completely circled North America by sea.

Sgt. Frederick Farrar, third mate of the St. Roch, will share the little ship's triumph as the only member of the crew to make the full continent-girdling voyage.

Solid Timber Hull

The St. Roch is only 104 feet three inches long and displaces 323 tons. Her hull is solid timber up to 21 inches thick to shrug off the weight of Arctic ice.

The vessel, commanded by Inspector K. M. Hall, was welcomed by a delegation from the San Francisco Canadian consulate, including Consul-General Harry Scott and Consul Norman Senior.

Her 14 man crew will visit San Francisco 48 hours before resuming her voyage.

Lot of Farmers Said To Grow Worse Later

Washington, Apr. 14—(U.P.)—Farmers have been faring a little better so far this year than the agriculture department predicted. But officials said their lot will worsen later.

In a report on farm income, the department estimated today that cash receipts from sale of farm products during January-April will total \$7,300,000,000.

That's a drop of five per cent from the same period last year. Earlier the department predicted that 1950 would bring a 10 per cent cut in farmers' cash receipts from marketings.

Officials said the department still stands on that forecast. They said a relatively small portion of farm products is marketed during the early part of the year. Total receipts probably will begin lagging further behind the 1949 level later in the year when marketings are heaviest, they said.

PERIL IN DETROIT

Detroit (U.P.)—Alice Wade lost her red leather wallet at a drug-store snack bar. She found it when other customers complained the pea soup was pink.

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What Time Is It Here Soon To Be Monotonous Question

By United Press

The annual summertime question "What time is it in this town?" will become monotonously common in the Pacific northwest beginning April 30.

The daylight savings time issue has been settled in most cities but the argument still rages in others. So far, most cities west of the Cascades have decided to set their clocks ahead one hour, while those east of the mountains, particularly in Washington, are ignoring fast time.

Confusion in Yakima

In some cases, clocks a few miles apart will disagree by one hour. Yakima may become Washington's confusion center as it was last year, when clocks in the county courthouse were set according to which each department had decided, while the rest of the city was on daylight time and Yakima valley residents stuck with standard time.

On April 30, clocks will be set ahead one hour in Seattle, Tacoma, Olympia, Bremerton, Everett, Aberdeen, Hoquiam, Cosmopolis, Kelso, Longview, Vancouver, Woodland, Centralia and Chehalis—in Washington. All except the latter two cities will return to standard time on September 24.

But in the same area, Port Angeles, Bellingham and Mount Vernon will stay on standard time, as will all rural communities in Lewis county, despite the fact that Chehalis and Centralia have voted to adopt fast time. These two cities will return to standard time nearly three weeks early, however—September 5.

Port Orford Holds Out

In Oregon, only Port Orford in the southwestern part of the state and Madras in the central section will definitely stick to standard time. Pendleton, Baker and La Grande are undecided.

All other major Oregon cities are going DST, including Portland and Eugene. Other Oregon cities committed to daylight saving time include Corvallis, Medford, Klamath Falls, Roseburg, The Dalles, Oregon City, Seaside, Milwaukie, St. Helens, Lakeview, Bend, Astoria, Redmond, Coos Bay, Coquille, Hillsboro, Salem, Albany, Prineville, Canby, Forest Grove, Dallas, Eugene, Beaverton, Oceanside, Silverton, Oswego, Mill City, Hood River, Cottage Grove, McMinnville, Ashland, Newberg, Willamina, Carlton, Sherwood, Dayton, Molalla, North Bend, Bandon, Myrtle Point, Grants Pass, Springfield, Lebanon, West Linn, Sandy, Estacada and Scappoose.

Richland, the atomic city, so far is the only Washington locality east of the Cascades adopting daylight saving time. But the Tri-City Herald is conducting a poll to determine whether its subscribers want the neighboring cities of Kennewick and Pasco to follow suit. So far, the poll shows daylight time favored. Last year, Richland adopted daylight time while Kennewick and Pasco remained on standard.

Spokane has set the standard time pace for other cities in eastern Washington, including Walla Walla, Wenatchee, Ellensburg, Omak, Okanogan, Ephrata and Moses Lake. The northern Idaho cities of Coeur d'Alene and Lewiston normally follow Spokane's decision. This year, vigorous efforts are being made to adopt fast time in Lewiston and Coeur d'Alene, but the city fathers so far have decided they will follow Spokane.

California Cuts Resort Prices in Bids for Tourists

Los Angeles (U.P.)—For the first time since the war, California resort owners are dangling bait to attract vacationists to their winter havens.

Resort business is down as much as 20 per cent in some areas and off 10 per cent generally, the Automobile Club of Southern California reported.

Meal prices are dropping and many owners are striving to stimulate lagging mid-week trade with special money-saving inducements.

Big Bear lake resorts, for instance, offered free use of ski and toboggan equipment to guests on week-days. Many snow areas reduced ski tow rates.

A Lucerne Valley dude ranch offered lodging, meals and all ranch facilities in February for \$5 per day.

Another ranch near Victorville featured free first-run movies regularly. Many hotels and motels around Palm Springs served complimentary breakfasts to guests.

In some desert areas, small hotels and lodges have arranged swimming pool, golf course and other privileges for guests, even though those facilities are not available on the grounds.

Several popular resorts and hotels offered "package deals" whereby meals and lodging for two days or more are available at reduced rates.

Beach hotels, too, dangled off-season entertainments. Most novel is an "Ali Khan Suite" offered by one hotel at special rates. It is an elaborate apartment recently renovated to please the Indian prince.

LOVE TAKES CHECK

New York (U.P.)—The women players of the cast of 1,200 actors in the Oberammergau Passion Play this year, who are required to be single and under 35 years of age, have postponed their marriages voluntarily until the conclusion of the performance. Then a great "mass marrying" will take place, according to the HAPAG-Lloyd travel bureau.

Hannibal crossed the Alps in 218 B.C.

NOT AS IT SOUNDS

Memphis, Tenn. (U.P.)—The Rev. B. A. Wilson's two children went to the Reform school, but the pastor doesn't mind mentioning it. He used to be pastor of the Baptist church at Reform, Ala.

Tawas City, Mich. (U.P.)—Fire, like lightning, can strike twice in the same place and at the same time. A gasoline station reported a fire on Monday, March 13, at 6:30 a. m. Six years before, a blaze hit the station on Monday, March 13, at 6:30 a. m.

HORSE FLY OVER

New Bern, N. C. (U.P.)—No flying saucers have been reported here but a herd of horses flew over town. That's right. They were on a National Airlines night cargo plane, en route from New York to Venezuela.

Chehalis, Wash. (U.P.)—A tractor crashed through a fence and into a barn in which Mrs. Alice Peterson was milking a cow. The frightened cow lunged, injuring Mrs. Peterson. A jury awarded her \$3,000 damages and \$5 for damage to the barn.

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