

Deep-Draft Ships To Sail Through Seaway Next April

OTTAWA, Ont. (AP)—Canadian seaway officials believe the St. Lawrence Seaway will be ready for deep-draft ships next April—as promised four years ago.

Workers have been toiling for four years to complete the 135-mile system of seven locks, four canals and other deep channels.

Bennett J. Roberts, seaway president, emphasizes the seaway won't be fully finished by April. Remaining work includes dredging to widen channels along the new route and completion of a turning basin at the seaway entrance in Montreal Harbor. But Roberts said the unfinished work will not create any bottlenecks once the seaway is opened.

"Barring unforeseen events," he added, "there will be a 27-foot channel from Montreal to Lake Ontario."

Three locks in the International Rapids section of the St. Lawrence, 65 miles west of Montreal, have been operating since July 4 for 14-foot navigation. All three, Canada's Iroquois lock, and the two United States locks near Massena, N.Y., are ready for 27-foot draft ships.

Four other locks, all within 30 miles of Montreal, have been completed and tests of mechanism started this fall.

Ten new bridges for railway and road traffic crossing the seaway route are almost finished. Tenders are to be asked next year for construction of a six-million-dollar high-level bridge at Cornwall, Ont., to link with a new bridge already built from Cornwall Island to the U.S. mainland.

Talks are under way to write a formal agreement on toll schedules, which need to be ratified by the Canadian Cabinet and approved by President Eisenhower before going into effect. Preliminary toll levels announced this summer call for 6 cents a ton on the gross registered tonnage of ships, plus 42 cents a ton for bulk

cargo and 95 cents a ton for general cargo. This toll applies to ships using the seaway and the Welland Canal; there are partial tolls for partial transit.

The seaway, with its 800-foot locks, will be capable of handling almost 75 per cent of the world's present cargo ships. Most are barred from the Great Lakes by the old locks, only 260 feet long.

But shipping experts say the most significant impact of the seaway will not be on ocean vessels but on lake carriers with a carrying capacity of 25,000 tons. These ships have space for eight times as much cargo as present canal users. They will expedite movement of iron ore from Labrador and Ungava to Great Lakes steel mills, and shipment of Western grain to upper St. Lawrence elevators for ocean trans-shipment.

COOL, MAN, COOL
JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (UPI)—Police didn't find Frank Eliam, 39, very helpful when he told them Monday the man who slashed him with a knife was known to him only by the name of "Cool Breeze."

Geologists Hired To Prove Claims

PORTLAND (AP)—An attorney Monday said that geologists have been hired to prove that there are valuable minerals on timbering claims near Gold Beach.

Attorney Frank Whitaker said the geologists were employed by Don R. Mulligan of Gold Beach.

Earlier, the federal governor said that Mulligan was cutting national forest timber from claims which contained no mineral deposits.

Later, a federal district judge here enjoined Mulligan from taking any timber from the claims.

WINS "GOLF" DAMAGES

LONDON (UPI)—Bank Manager Gordon Taylor was awarded \$12,600 damages Monday after he testified an automobile accident which destroyed his ability to play golf had thus damaged his business. "Golf had a very great deal to do with my business," he said.

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Admiral Boards Old Ship To Partake In Ceremony

PEARL HARBOR, Hawaii (UPI)—Retired Navy Rear Adm. Samuel G. Fuqua, wearing the Congressional Medal of Honor, stepped aboard a small platform at Pearl Harbor early Monday to participate in a memorial ceremony for his old ship—the USS Arizona.

Only the mast of the battleship loomed above the water to mark the permanent tomb for 1,102 of-

ficers and men who went down with the Arizona during the Japanese attack 17 years ago.

Fuqua, now a mathematics instructor at the Fork Union Military Academy in Virginia, was a lieutenant commander aboard the battleship on Dec. 7, 1941.

He stood at the helm of the Arizona with Japanese bombs landing all about him and learned that he was the officer in charge of

the vessel—all of the higher ranking officers had been killed.

He received the Medal of Honor, the nation's highest award, for his bravery during the attack.

At 7:59 Monday morning, Fuqua stepped from concealment aboard a Navy tug and said quietly,

aircraft flew in low over Pearl Harbor, tracing the path taken by the imperial planes 17 years ago.

At that moment, television master of ceremonies Ralph Edwards stepped from concealment aboard a Navy tug and said quietly,

"This is your life." Members of Fuqua's family and former shipmates from the Arizona were flown here for the surprise meeting with the admiral. Edwards, making one of his rare television appeals for funds, asked television viewers to contribute two million dollars to build a permanent memorial to the Arizona, her officers and men.

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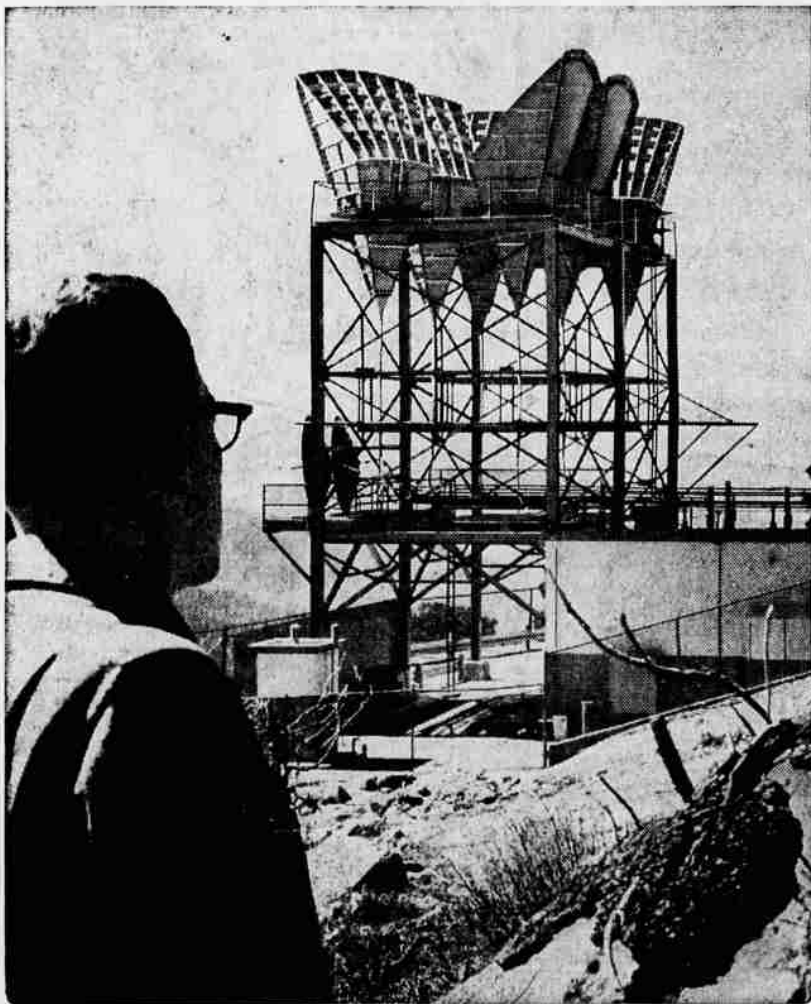
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