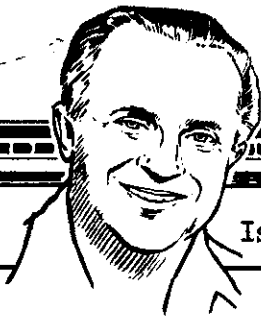


the Sam Campbell Special



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By the Chicago and North Western Railway

Thank you for the good, friendly, approving letters that were sent in after the first issue of THE SAM CAMPBELL SPECIAL. We wish there were space to publish them here. One says, "the tone of the Bulletin so reflects the feeling of our group it seems that we are all writing it." That is just our aim.

INDIANAPOLIS REUNION:

The Campbellites of Indianapolis are having their annual reunion dinner at the Columbia Club, Indianapolis, April 19th. While it is planned by and for Indianapolis people, they make it plain that guests from elsewhere are welcome -- up to the capacity of the hall. A number of Chicago folks are going to attend. Sam and Giny will be there. Roy Dickson, 315 Merchants Bank Building, Indianapolis 4, Indiana, will handle reservations.

ALASKA, HERE WE COME!

Enthusiasm is flaring high for the Alaskan Cruise. Over half of the reservations are gone, and half of those registered are veteran Campbellites. Giny Campbell makes a special appeal to those of earlier tours to send in applications if they are going. She wants old friends to have the choice accommodations.

Many questions are being asked about those optional tours while the steamer is at Skagway. Which is best? Why? Well - here is Sam Campbell's opinion:

"Tour 'A' that goes to Carcross, West Taku Arm I believe is best," says Sam. "Giny and I were there, and we never cease talking about it. The beauty of that mountain lake is beyond description. Tour 'B' to Whitehorse is interesting, but last year folks found it a bit on the rough side. Tour 'C' is attractive, and gives extra time at Skagway. All three take that thrilling trip over the White Pass and Yukon Railway. Each has its special interest, but I believe Tour 'A' is supreme."

Incidentally, Sam and Giny will be in charge of Tour 'A' personally; Roy and Tess Dickson will go with Tour 'B', while Tour 'C' will be in charge of an assistant.

The international situation looks better and company officials feel sure nothing will prevent this season's activities. European reservations are solid, and travel agencies are booking confidently. Of course, full refunds will be made if anything happened to make travel unwise. Folks are figuring they had better get this year's happiness in, in case something goes haywire in the future. We have high hopes that the world is waking up in time to skip major troubles.

NOVEL NOTES:

Vancouver has one of the most even climates of any city in the world: never real cold in winter or hot in summer.

In spite of Alaska's reputation for frigid weather, the coastal area is not extremely cold. Juneau and Ketchikan have higher winter temperatures than Wisconsin. Reason -- the Japanese current is not far off shore, and tempers the climate.

The town of Carcross, Yukon, has about 100 people. Most houses are log cabins, most inhabitants are Indians. Gold rushers passed through it. Pat Henderson, one of four men who touched off the '98 gold rush, lives there, and gives lectures on the early days. The place was once the scene of caribou migrations, the great herds crossing the channel between Lake Bennett and Lake Tagish at this point. It was called "Caribou Crossing" at first, but this was shortened to "Carcross" with use.

Steamer life on the Alaskan Cruise is noted for its informality. One will feel comfortable in sports clothes throughout the trip.

TOOTS!

Dark-eyed, sparkling Ginger Curry is going to Germany on Government work for two years. You never know what that gal will do. Ginger planned to go on the Alaskan Cruise, until this opportunity opened. Everyone will miss her. She was a grand companion on the '49 Tour. Ginger says, "see that I get the bulletin -- I want to keep track of you all." Will do, Ginger.

Campbellites Helen Albright, Florence and Frank Sherman, Velma Frus and Eddie Fitzgerald were members of a winter party that spent January 13th snow-playing at the Northernmaire Hotel, Three Lakes, Wisconsin. This hotel is only nine miles from the Campbell home. So-o-o-o, Sam drove over in his new 4-wheel drive Jeep station wagon (named "Jeepers"), and fetched the folks to the cabin for a visit. Giny knew they were a-comin' so she baked a cake and made some coffee. The folks had a great time talking over tour experiences. They had fun feeding Sam's friendly birds, particularly the chickadees that perched right on their hands. Eddie got so excited over the birds he didn't watch his footing and did a beautiful nose dive into a snow drift. Of course, he got lots of sympathy.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Smith were in Sam's audience at Beloit recently. Members of the '50 Tour will remember Wiley for his beautiful, deep, bass voice. He led group singing on the train one night but pitched songs so low he had everyone gargling.

Sam Campbell has been promising several of the camera fiends a shot at mountain goats during the stay at Jasper National Park on the way to Alaska. He says that last June he found a place where he could get close enough to those elusive and beautiful animals to touch 'em. Allowing for a little exaggeration, Sam did get pretty close -- his pictures prove it.

Dorothy Dimmit has announced her engagement and so has Barbara Nelson. Sam Campbell Tours can't claim responsibility this time, as the lucky young men have never been on one of our jaunts. Just the same, we'll wager that the romantic atmosphere of the west helped get these two grand pals in the mood to say "Yes."

A MESSAGE FROM SAM CAMPBELL

"I was thinking of that teen-age boy we saw at Glacier Point, Yosemite National Park, last summer. He was a member of a large family that got out of an old

dilapidated car, and walked toward the rim. When he looked out over that valley scene I thought he was going to develop wings and soar away. He snatched his ragged cap from his head as if in reverence and gasped at the beauty before him. 'Like it, lad?' I asked. 'Oh boy, do I!' It's mine and nobody can ever take it away from me!' He kept filling his lungs with air as if by that process he was literally absorbing the grandeur before him.

"He had a good philosophy and a fine sense of values. This experience indeed was something that was his forever. Not time, tide, or taxes could take it from him.

"This gives us a right good way to think of our own travel and nature adventures. These nuggets of experience we cache in an inner vault where they rest safe from the clutching of the material world. There is neither inflation or deflation in the realm of such memories, but rather do they forever remain at par enriching our lives. That is why an investment in travel and nature experiences is the best in the world."

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WORKING ON THE RAILROAD:

If you can't take the Alaskan Cruise with Sam and Giny Campbell this summer, North Western's Escorted, All-Expense Tours offer carefree, "one-cost" vacations throughout the summer to fit any budget. Tours to the National Parks and exciting regions of the West are outlined in detail in the beautifully illustrated booklet "SUMMER TOURS." It's available for the asking, without obligation. Write Mr. I. D. Kessler, Mgr., Department of Tours, C&NW-UP, 148 South Clark St., Chicago 3.

THOUGHT-OF-THE-MONTH

"What man has written man may read
But God fills every root and seed
With cryptic words, too strangely set
For mortals to decipher yet."

Charles Dalmon

SAM CAMPBELL LECTURES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Time</u>
Feb. 19	Earle School PTA, 6121 S. Hermitage Ave., Chicago	8:00
20	Chappell School PTA, at River Park Fieldhouse, 5100 N. Francisco Ave., Chicago	8:00
21	Fair Oaks Presbyterian Church, 744 Fair Oaks Ave., Oak Park, Ill.	7:45
22	Englewood Methodist Church, 6400 Stewart Ave., Chicago	8:00
23	The Young Adult Spastic Club of Chicago, at Spalding School, Washington & Ashland Blvds., Chicago	8:00
25	Berwyn United Lutheran Church, 24th St. & So. Harvey Ave., Berwyn	4:00
25	Riverside Methodist Church, Woodside & Kimbark Rds., Riverside,	7:30
26	Geneva Ev. Lutheran Church, at City Auditorium, Geneva, Ill.	8:00
27	West Side Reformed Church, 1323 S. Austin Blvd., Chicago	8:00
28	Christopher House, at Fullerton Covenant Church, 600 Fullerton Ave., Chicago	8:00
Mar. 1	Grace Methodist Church of Auburn Pk., 7800 S. Loomis Blvd., Chicago	8:00

LECTURES WILL BE RESUMED ON APRIL 1st THROUGH MAY 18th, 1951. SEE LISTING NEXT ISSUE.