



the Sam Campbell Special

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Bon Voyage to the Sam Campbell 1953 Canadian Rockies Tour! May every experience exceed your highest anticipation. Bring back a memory full of that grand beauty to share with the friends you left behind you.

IT'S GETTING CLOSE:

The already dizzy earth won't spin many more times until it rings up June 19 -- and then the Sam Campbell Special goes rarin' and whoopeein' out of the North Western Station in Chicago, heading for the Canadian Rockies!

These are packing and planning days. Up in their north woods home Sam and Giny are hard at it and Giny says this is the time she could shoot him with relish -- though bullets would be better. She says he is just impossible when it comes to packing. He still thinks he is going out on a canoe trip, wherein all you take along is a memory and a promise. He just wants to take the clothes he is wearing and she has an awful time to make him be decent. Giny is an artist at going light at that and by the time she has necessities assembled, likely all their duds will be in one suitcase. But if Sam had his way he would just slip a tooth brush in his pocket and leave the rest behind.

Going light on a journey is wisdom, though. Every unnecessary item gets under your feet and in your hair. A veteran tour conductor said most folks take just twice as much as they need and because of that have only half as much fun as they could.

Our CANADIAN ROCKIES TOUR is simple in its requirements. Temperatures all across the route will be somewhat the same and likely a little on the cool side. Clothes suitable for any northern U. S. city will be appropriate. A raincoat and a topcoat are recommended. **NOWHERE WILL FORMAL CLOTHES BE NEEDED.** In the hotel dining rooms ladies wear informal dresses or suits, men wear jackets and ties. On the train ladies wear dresses, slacks, or Hawaiian Muu-Muu if they wish.

If you like to take pictures, remember your camera. Sam and Giny will be at hand to make suggestions about exposures and composition. It is a marvelous region for photography in those Canadian Mountains. Take a good supply of the right kind of film with you, likely film is higher in Canada.

We recommend that all travelers carry small flashlights. Quite often these come in handy. The fountain pen type is good. It is well to have one within reach every night.

Most folks carry sun glasses. The light is intense in the mountains and the snow and ice fields glistening, so your eyes may be grateful for a little protection.

Probably your feet will appreciate a pair of real comfortable walking shoes, too, in case you intend to do hiking over those mountain trails.

We think it unnecessary to take along hammocks, extra mattresses, ear muffs,

television sets, hip boots, auto repair kits, reference libraries, etc. and the engine will have its own oil or coal, so you won't have to bother about that.

PARTY PERSONNEL

No one is going to be lonesome on this trip. At the hour this goes to press we have 175 reservations and more are coming in daily. Roy Dickson is doing his best to take care of everyone and he is a genius at this work, but he has just about reached the limit. Canadian Railways, with their many tunnels and mountain grades, will permit us only sixteen cars and they are just about full.

More than half of the folks going have been on previous Sam Campbell Tours. Mrs. Mabel Carson is going and she has been on every tour since they began in 1948! Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Nelson will be along and they have been on each jaunt from 1949. So many of these long-time friends will be with us.

Many of the veteran Campbellites will remember Dorothy Hopp. She went on one tour and then moved to Alaska. When we went there in 1951 she met us at Juneau and stayed with the party as long as possible. In 1952 she refused to be left out of the group and flew down from Alaska to join us at Victoria, making the trip to Glacier Park, then returning to the far north. This year she is joining us again! She will come down from Alaska and meet our tour at Jasper Park, continuing with us until we leave Banff. What a grand, loyal, lovable friend she is!

There are a number of good photographers going this year so our pictorial records should be good.

TOOT! TOOT!

Word comes that sweet Adeline Sauter has returned to her position in the gift shop at The Grand Canyon Lodge. Folks on the Sam Campbell Tour last year will remember the warm welcome Adeline gave us when we arrived at Grand Canyon. Probably it was because of Adeline that the Campbellites broke the all-time sales record of the gift shop when they were there. She says this year she has a special ambition: to sell Sam Campbell's new book THE SEVEN SECRETS OF SOMEWHERE LAKE. This has much reference to Grand Canyon and is to be on sale at the shop.

The date for the Annual Reunion Luncheon of the Sam Campbell Tours is November 14, 1953, at the Lake Shore Club of Chicago. Seems a little way in the future but we want everyone to know about it and plan to be there if possible. Something special is arranged!!

Notes & Gleanings:

Jasper Park has 4,200 square miles of territory, the largest playground in the world.

As the railroad approaches Jasper, the river running parallel is the Athabaska, which flows to the Arctic. Wide places in this river form Brule and Jasper Lakes.

The Lake on which Jasper Park Lodge (3miles from town of Jasper) is located, is Lac Beauvert. Looking across and beyond the lake Mt. Edith Cavell can be seen, 11,033 feet high.

Going west on the Canadian National we cross the Divide at Yellowhead, B. C., from this point on the rivers flow south and west. Returning we cross the Divide while traveling by bus, between Emerald Lake and Lake Louise.

The route west from Jasper to Vancouver and again east from Vancouver to Field (B. C.) is a marvel of rugged river grandeur. The Fraser and Thompson Rivers contribute most of this beauty. The Canadian Pacific and Canadian National Railways share the same canyon much of the way, running on opposite sides of the rivers. One of the highlights of this long stretch of scenery is Pyramid Falls, 300 feet high, which is so close to the railway that water sprays on the train. A gold rush took place in this country beginning in 1858 and these turbulent rivers were used as a travel route -- most hazardous, to say the least.

Vancouver, B. C. is the largest Canadian center west of Toronto. It has a population of 459,000. The climate is ideal. It never gets very hot or very cold in Vancouver.

SOME REMINDERS:

On June 19 our train will be ready to board at 1:30 P.M. Central Standard Time. It will leave at 2:20 P.M. Before leaving, everyone will check in at the desk provided for the Sam Campbell Tour. It will be on the second floor of the Chicago and North Western Station.

Red Caps will be at hand to take your bags. They will give checks for them and place them on the train. It is important that you get aboard as soon as possible after you have checked in, to make sure your baggage is there. Report any shortage immediately to a Red Cap or to Mr. Dickson.

All final remittances should have been sent to Mr. R. L. Dickson, 44 E. 37th Street, Indianapolis 5, Indiana, even before this bulletin reaches you. If you have forgotten this payment, please mail your check special delivery at once.

On Saturday, June 20, there will be four lectures in the lecture car at the head of the train. The whole group cannot get in all at once. At both ends of your car notices will be posted during the afternoon and evening of June 19, telling when your car group is to come. Please watch for these.

A MESSAGE FROM SAM CAMPBELL

"Love for our Creator is our first great love, love for fellow beings (which includes love of Country) is the next, love for natural beauty is the third -- and in truth these three are but one love which encompasses all.

"In our coming adventure together we will have much opportunity to grow in understanding and love. We will see everywhere the finger prints of the Creator and nowhere will His character be better revealed than in ourselves. While color, grandeur, magnitude, beauty, solitude parade before us in the world we gaze upon, we may well see humility, gratitude, patience and appreciation grow within us. We know that humanly we are incapable of creating such things as combine to make up our experience and we will profit most if we humbly credit these blessings to the one source, even God."

Sam Campbell

CREED OF '53:

(1) BE HAPPY -- happiness always begins within. (2) BE CAREFUL -- right care and caution is not fear, but intelligence. (3) BE COURTEOUS -- no matter what the circumstance, courtesy and patience will improve it. (4) BE PUNCTUAL -- our schedule is worked out to gain the most possible from our trip. (5) BE FRIENDLY.

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