



# the Sam Campbell Special

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Greetings to the Campbellites, tops in travelers! Spring is here and it is time to complete plans for going places and doing things.

HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

The Indianapolis Sam Campbell Club announces its annual dinner and jabber-fest at the Columbia Club, Indianapolis, on Friday, April 18, 1952, at 6:30 pm. There will be giggling and gobbling and motion pictures and stills -- memories of former tours and talks about new ones. The Columbia Club is staging one of its famous chicken dinners, running all the way from shrimp cocktail a la scrumptious, to finger bowls hotsi-totsi.

Those extra special travel companions Dr. Forest K. Paul (President of the Indianapolis group), and Mrs. Delight Klaisler (Secretary), invite everyone except presidential candidates -- no politics, they say. The cost per plate is \$3.50, which includes tips. Some folks are coming from Detroit, Chicago and other distant cities.

Reservations are necessary and should be sent to Roy Dickson, 44 E. 37th St., Indianapolis 5, Indiana. Get 'em in soon, for guest space is limited at the Columbia Club.

TOOT! TOOT!

Bea Johnson, '49 and '51 Tours, is bouncing about on the briney blue Gulf of Mexico, headed for Cristobal in the Canal Zone. There she is to stay at the El Panama, the hotel without doors or windows. Much joy to you Bea, but we kinda wonder what you will look out of or go into there.

Mildred Knabe, the grand gal who added so much joy to our Alaskan Cruise last summer, is heading soon for Hawaii. We'll expect a grass skirt wiggle and a ukulele overture from Milly at our reunion in Chicago next November.

Joseph Markstine (Alaskan Cruise) has had his New Orleans home airconditioned. He says he was greeted by plenty of heat when he returned from airconditioned Alaska last summer. When he comes back from future tours he aims to continue in comfort.

Sam Campbell has two new books accepted by publishers -- to be out in October, 1952. One is NATURE'S MESSAGES, turned out by Rand McNally, and the other is THE SEVEN SECRETS OF SOMEWHERE LAKE, which Bobbs-Merrill is producing.

Sam is happy about them both but especially about NATURE'S MESSAGES. This is his book of nature essays. He has worked on it for years and considers it his best writing. THE SEVEN SECRETS OF SOMEWHERE LAKE is to be one of his Forest Life Series, telling new adventures with animals.

Sam gets most of the credit, but remember Giny has been battling the daylights out of a typewriter for weeks getting the manuscripts ready. She says Sam's spelling is extra awful! "A mark of a good author," says Sam.

The Sam Campbell Special is quite a flop as a news medium. Guess we never even told that our much loved Tour Manager, Roy Dickson, has retired from his position as General Agent of the Chicago and North Western Railway. This happened way last autumn. Roy is now devoting all his time to the Sam Campbell Tours. It did our hearts good to see all the tributes and testimonies that came pouring in to Roy and Tess at the time of retirement. This old world recognizes good character and good service, make no mistake about that. Roy has given forth much of both. Rules of railroading make his retirement unavoidable, but Roy has not the slightest intention of slowing up in his work. He has ambitions and plans galore, his greatest interest being in making the Sam Campbell Tours the finest possible.

Another item of old news is that Anna Sanger, '48 Tour, for some time has been Mrs. Robert Cross. Lovely little Kathy Ann was born to this young family last November 4.

#### THAT 1952 WESTERN WONDERLANDS TOUR:

Word just came from Roy Dickson that the Pullman Company has given us some additional equipment. This is mighty fine cooperation on their part -- especially in a year when political conventions are making heavy demands on rolling stock.

This gives us some more much needed space. Some Campbellites who have expressed their intentions of going this summer have not sent in actual reservations. Please do so very soon. We don't want any of our friends to be disappointed.

We hope everyone will bring the Sam Campbell Tours to the attention of friends. This is the best way of selecting the high calibre of folks we want along. Encourage neighbors, family and friends to go. Travel of this kind serves to deepen old friendships as well as to make new ones. Any one wishing more folders for this purpose may receive them by dropping a note to Roy Dickson, 44 E. 37th St., Indianapolis 5, Indiana.

Sam Campbell feels he has heard the height of hero worship. He has lots of followers among small fry, where his books are favorites. Recently a boy of about nine wrote him a letter and he answered. When the boy received the reply his mother noticed how careful he was in opening the envelope. "Gee, Mom," he said, "just think -- Sam Campbell must have spit on this envelope to seal it!"

#### LEGEND OF BRYCE CANYON:

The Indian story of Bryce Canyon involves a mythical character known as Coyote. He is a type of tribal god, conceived to be a strange mixture of human and spiritual characteristics, sometimes a prankster, a mischievous imp; sometimes a benefactor of great wisdom and power. In certain legends he is credited with building the first canoe and giving fire to the Indians.

In a country far below the surface of the earth lived Coyote and the First People. Here also dwelt the Water Monsters, great beasts of the sea. Coyote, in an impish fit, stole the children of the Water Monsters and incurred their enmity. The First People were compelled to flee from these monsters, assuming the forms of toads, lizards, bats, insects and other animals, digging their way up through the soil and rocks to the surface of the earth.

Once in the world, many people deserted Coyote because of his foolishness in

irritating the Water Monsters. Others held to him, however. Through four means Coyote labored to make a village for his faithful followers. He selected a canyon where his people would be sheltered from sun and storm. He carved crevasses in the rocks, holes in stone walls, and dug out many types of homes. Here his people, now small animals, could dwell in safety and comfort.

But now the people were turning against Coyote. They did not appreciate all he was doing for them. They laughed at him and ridiculed his work. In this new world they felt that they could do without him and they told him so -- apparently forgetting that Coyote had great powers.

Learning the thoughts of his people, Coyote was very angry with them. He called a council of all the dwellers of the canyon. The people came, but they discarded their animal forms and came as human beings dressed in festive fashion with faces highly decorated with paint. They gathered about the walls of the canyon, some sitting, some standing, all showing little respect for Coyote who stood before them.

Coyote now reared his anger at them. His eyes flashed as lightning, his voice was like thunder. The earth shook before his power. He reprimanded his people for their ingratitude.

Then a great silence fell upon the assembly. There came no answer to Coyote's voice. Never would they laugh at him again, or speak in derision of him. He had turned his people into stone to continue in the very postures, shapes and colors they had assumed.

Coyote left them there and today we still see the walls of Bryce Canyon lined with weird, grotesque and colorful figures. When one speaks to them they can only echo back the same words for they have no tongues, they can never leave for they have no freedom, they cannot move for they have no life.

thought-of-the-month

"Of journeying the benefits are many: the freshness it bringeth to the heart, the seeing and hearing of marvelous things, the delight of beholding new cities, the meeting of unknown friends, the learning of high manners."  
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San Campbell lectures in the near future:

April 7	Central School, Westmont, Ill.	8:00 pm
" 8	Art Institute, Dayton, Ohio	8:00
" 9	" " " "	8:00
" 11	Woman's Club, Evanston, Ill.	8:00
" 12	Emmanuel Missionary College, Berrion Springs, Mich.	8:00
" 14	War Memorial, Indianapolis, Ind.	8:00
" 15	Edgewood School, Indianapolis, Ind.	7:45
" 17	Third Christian Church, Indianapolis, Ind.	6:30
" 18	San Campbell Club, Columbia Club, Indianapolis, Ind.	6:30
" 19	Shertridge High School, Indianapolis, Ind.	8:00
" 20	Riviera Club, Indianapolis, Ind.	7:30
" 22	High School, LaPorte, Ind.	8:00
" 24	Civic Auditorium, Grand Rapids, Mich.	1:30
" 25	High School, Elkhart, Ind.	8:00
" 27	Ravenswood Evangelical & Reformed Church, Chicago	7:30
" 28	St. Simon's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Chicago	8:00
" 29	So. Chicago Temple, 2929 E. 91st Street, Chicago	8:00
" 30	Lincoln School, St. Charles, Ill.	8:00