# EDDY-FRAZIER EXPEDITION IS FINISHED AFTER 19½ DAYS TREK

## One Boat Worn Out and Is Abandoned Upstream By Party

## ONE MEMBER HURT

## W. J. Salarin Breaks Two Fingers When Boat Hits Rapids Rock

**The first low water boating exdition down the swirling rapids of the Colorado river, came to an end at Boulder dam this morning when Clyde Eddy, noted Colorado river explorer, writer and lecturer, and his party beached their three boats in the shadows of the mighty Colorado river barrier, after traversing 365 miles of the treacherous stream.**

Eddy was accompanied on his trip by Dr. R. G. Frazier, of Bingham, Utah, W. J. Salarin, of Bingham, and four boatmen, Frank Swain, Bus Hatch, Royce Mowrily and Alton Hatch, all of Vernal, Utah. The present trip was known as the Eddy-Frazier expedition and was the first party to negotiate the dangerous river at low water.

THE PARTY, which left Lee's Ferry, Arizona, on July 18, spent 19½ days traversing the stretch to Boulder dam. During their trip, Eddy said today, the party negotiated 254 rapids, many of them lurking with danger at every foot because of the low water and exposed rocks.

When the party left Lee's Ferry they had four boats. They arrived at Boulder dam with three, completely wearing out the pilot boat enroute. They abandoned the lead craft 150 miles upstream, Eddy said.

The contingent also had two extra oars for each boat when they left, but had it not been for finding four oars, left for the rescue of the Hyde party in 1928, when Hyde and his bride were lost trying to negotiate the river as a honeymoon trip, it was believed that the party would have run into severe difficulties. For they wore out all the extra oars and were limping along downstream as best they could, at the mercy of the turbulent stream, when they found the oars.

SALARIN was the only member of the party who was at all badly

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injured, suffering two badly mashed fingers when the boat he was in smacked a rock at Soap Rapids, catching Salarin's fingers between the boat and the rock.

Dr. Frazier was thrown into the water on five separate occasions and on one of these was nearly swept to his doom. However, he was rescued by other members of the party before he became a victim of the river. The other four times he received only a bad soaking as a reminder of his near tragedy.

ALL OF the party had minor accidents, according to Eddy but none is expected to result seriously.

A motion picture cameraman, whom Eddy had taken along to complete the photographic record of the river which Eddy started in 1927, decided he had taken enough pictures on the trip and deserted the party at Bright Angel. It was estimated however, that more than 1,000 stills had been taken during the trip and these will more than complete the record.

Eddy declared that the thermometer which the party carried registered but 140 degrees, and that practically every noon the mercury soared to the top and remained there for an hour or more.

"I'll bet it was 150 in some spots of that river," Eddy said today, "and I'm only sorry we didn't have a high temperature thermometer along to register just how hot it was."

EDDY ALSO reported that the party discovered a cliff dwellers' city upstream and, during their investigation of the community, uncovered some willow horses, which Eddy believes were used by the In-