

Colorado River Expedition May Leave For Boulder Tomorrow

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LEE'S FERRY, Ariz., July 12. (UP)—Norman D. Nevills, leader of the scientific expedition down the tumultuous Colorado river, denied a report today of dissension in the ranks of the explorers.

Nevills scoffed at a report that the expedition would be concluded at this northern Arizona outpost, halfway point of the projected voyage from Green River, Utah, to Boulder dam.

"We've come this far," he said. "There's no sense in staying here. We'll probably leave again tomorrow or Friday."

Two members of the original party of two women and four men quit the expedition Saturday. Eugene Atkinson, University of Michigan zoologist, said he would go to Texas to take up

research studies, and Don Harris, U. S. geological survey engineer, said he would return to his work because of a transfer.

Nevills went to Mexican Hat, Utah, to recruit Del Reid and Jack Stackstill for the expedition's vacant boat.

Meanwhile, 162 miles up stream from Lee's Ferry, three other adventurers—Dr. L. F. H. Lowe, Princeton university professor, Harold Hartshorne, Jr., Princeton student, and Dave Rust, guide—were believed riding the rapids of the river.

The trio was believed to have started in search of the Nevills expedition, not knowing it had arrived safely. They started from Hite, Utah, isolated by 100 miles of desert, yesterday.