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RIVER- HORSE

The Logbook of a Boat
Across America



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Trip - started April 1995

What did you use
the canoe for?
Reporter's cameraman

Served in Navy
Carrier

The Photographers ^{retired lawyer}

The Reporter ^{friend from USC}
The Professor
The Ripper

How did you prepare for the trip?

How many people did you see on the river?
Where was it the business?

Did you keep a diary?

Army Corps of Engineers - How were they involved?

What was the doctor Robert
How far could you go on a tank of gas?

81 chapters / 81 days on water - which one or two would you
like to do over?

T-Shirts of Nikawa

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from County Wick - left from
same spot in New Jersey 5 days later

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upper
Missouri

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"Sort of not" maimed 452

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voyage almost ends

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longest canal in US 338 miles

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around Buffalo

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Rob Pike ⁴²¹ - a lawyer - 7 yrs. by boat and bike 42 yds
Story of how he got into this at the Lemhi river

Omaha to Portland, OR 3000 miles - no
real cities between

What was the depth and width of the rivers?

Billy Joe Conrad - shows up in S. Dakota
99% drunk

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corporate cattle operation
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Who is Cap and M.V.

1200 books on my shelf on travel

5,288 water miles
6 degree of latitude
48 of longitude

44 miles a day?
(483) portaged around 89 days

An englishwoman - VSA stands for United Spanish ¹⁰⁰

How many locks did you have go throughs?

no on board toilet

What about food?

On the Ohio to Pitts to Louisville 600 miles/20 locks

Without the Ohio and Missouri - all people west
of Mississippi might speak Spanish

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never loved a road

wanted to enter Missouri find I was 11 yrs old p 197

The Big Muddy - near where Lewis and Clark started
Lewis buried at Bellefontaine?

The tornado - New Haven, Mo. confrontation with
emergency maint ^{p 207}

Thomas Jefferson Corps of Discovery 1804

Missouri - 5000 miles long

I grew up in K.C. - my recently dead father

Mi-Pi's Pilots / the Professor / the Photographers

When did you think you wouldn't make it?

Snake - one of 1000 miles (only 5 in U.S.)

How much did you do along this route this year?

Who was Rot Pike - the boatman - bicyclist?

he'd been at it for 7 years

Where was the nastiest weather?

What are you going to do with Uihawa

did you ever keep running at night? - We don't

read a lot about where you stayed.

Hometowns - Missouri a Bachelor?

Waterfolk - "have the notion that a river is just wet land."

"Never had I experienced such a quickly gone six weeks"

I insisted on keeping water underneath instead of portaging around

Story of the last lock

I was only one to make whole trip (\$490)

A land trip 17 years earlier - because my ^{100th} ^{year} ^{age} ^{was} ^{reached} ^{at} ^{that} ^{time} ^{and} ^{my} ^{marriage} ^{was} ^{ruined} ^{by} ^{the} ^{long} ^{trip} ^{which} ^{flattened} ^{my} ^{marriage}

How much did the whole trip cost?

Gas
Lodging
Food

Six weeks on great Missouri