

Intrepid Canadians

OTTAWA—A pair of intrepid Canadians set out Jan. 15th on a cold 6,750 mile trip across northern Canada and Alaska scheduled to terminate at Cape Lisbourne, far western Alaska.

The two men will travel by snow-mobile along the winding northern route and plan to reach the western Alaska coast on the Chukchi Sea in May. The trip is being underwritten by Bombardier Snow-mobile Ltd., one of the oldest manufacturers of snow equipment.

The two men are Paul Comte, 48, and Armand Levasseur, 50, both of Valleyfield, Quebec, Canada. The two men will begin their trip at Goose Bay, Labrador, on the eastern coast of Canada facing the Atlantic.

The two men plan to average about 70 miles per day. The vehicles are capable of 30 m.p.h., but the men intend to run them about 10 m.p.h.

They have supply depots spotted along the way at distances of about 225 miles. They will wear special sub-zero garments, carry portable stoves, and carry insulated tents and arctic bedrolls.

They will pass through some small communities and outposts of civilization, and will carry a small radio transmitter to keep posted on their progress.

The Hudson's Bay Company is to pitch in supplies at certain points, and the DEW line stations have also promised help.

The total weight of each

sno-mobile, sled, and driver will be about 1,000 lbs.