

On both sides of the Atlantic, she has received the accolades of critics. She has been described as "Canada's most precious natural resource since gold was discovered in the Klondike."

In private life, Miss Forrester is the wife of Eugene Kash, Montreal violinist and conductor.

In February she will be out on her travels again, opening a U.S. tour at New York's Town Hall. Later she will go to Israel for a three-week tour with the Israeli philharmonic, and make a short European trip in June. Following her appearance at the Stratford Festival in July, she will return to Israel to participate in a chamber music festival and, after further European dates, will go to Russia in November.

Miss Forrester is one of two leading Canadian singers who will appear at the 1961 Stratford Festival. The other, Lois Marshall, will be heard on August 6 and August 13.

The Stratford Festival's music season will open on July 7 with the first performance of Sir Tyrone Guthrie's production of "The Pirates of Penzance." In addition to the Gilbert and Sullivan opera, to be staged in the Avon Theatre, the season will include five Sunday concerts and four Saturday morning concerts of informal chamber music, all held in the Festival Theatre.

BOTTLES MEASURE OCEAN FLOW

Thirty-six thousand bottles, bobbing on the ocean for over three years, have provided the Pacific Oceanographic Group of the Fisheries Research Board of Canada with confirmation of the circulation of the Northeastern Pacific and the Bering Sea.

Starting in August, 1956, the bottles were released at intervals at various locations by the Board's scientists, and the returns, which averaged five per cent, have been analysed at the Group's headquarters at the Board's biological station at Nanaimo, British Columbia.

The pattern of circulation was described to the members of the Board at their annual meeting in Ottawa earlier this month. It shows the seasonal and annual variations of circulation -- a two-mile-a-day mid-ocean movement towards North America, a division near the coast into northward and southward flows, a movement of the northern flow around the Gulf of Alaska (the Alaskan Gyral) and along, through and around the Aleutian Islands into the Bering Sea, with some return movement south of the Aleutians.

Research is continuing on the interpretation of the data obtained by the oceanographers of the Nanaimo station, whose scientists are co-operating with their counterparts in the United States and Japan in a general study being made for the International North Pacific Fisheries Commission.

AGENT-GENERAL TO FRANCE

The appointment has been announced of Mr. Charles Lussier, Montreal lawyer and director of the Maison Canadienne in Paris, as Agent-General of the Province of Quebec in France, effective March 1. His headquarters will be in Paris. The Agent General's office will perform commercial and cultural functions, which may eventually extend to all Common Market countries, North Africa and French-speaking Africa.

FORRESTER TO STRATFORD

Miss Forrester, who has sung in some of the world's most famous concert halls and opera houses, will appear at the Stratford Festival in July. She will be heard in the role of the title character in the opera "The Pirates of Penzance" and in the role of the title character in the opera "The Mikado".