

So. Jersey Woman Starts 3000-Mile Trek for Peace

Los Angeles, Jan. 5.—A South Jersey woman, identifying herself as a "Peace Pilgrim," announced she started today on a 3000-mile trek across the country in an effort to promote world peace.

The "Peace Pilgrim," identified as Mrs. Mildred Ryder, 44, formerly of Cologne, near Egg Harbor, N. J., said she hopes to awaken the country from its "lethargy" and help find a way for lasting peace.

"The world situation is grave," Mrs. Ryder stated. "Unless we awake from our lethargy and push firmly and quickly away from chaos, all that we cherish will be destroyed in the holocaust which will descend."

Mrs. Ryder, who said she expects to live outdoors most of the trip, said she walked about 2500 miles in the East last summer, including a hike over the Appalachian trail from Georgia to Maine.

Mrs. Ryder formerly lived on White Horse pike, Cologne, at the home of a sister, Mrs. Helena Young, an employe of the Renault Winery, Egg Harbor.

Mrs. Young said her sister has been traveling for the last few years and formerly lived in Philadelphia. She was born and raised in Egg Harbor and has been associated with several "peace organizations," Mrs. Young said, but added she could not identify the groups. She also has been a member of a number of hiking clubs.



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A 3000-MILE TREK, from the West Coast to the East, was begun today by Mrs. Mildred Ryder, 44, formerly of Cologne, near Egg Harbor, as a "Peace Pilgrim," bent on pointing up need for a warless world.