

Assures RCMP Thousand Islands Won't Run Away

By JOHN E. BIRD
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OTTAWA (CP)—The RCMP can stop worrying — the St. Lawrence river's famed Thousand Islands are in no danger of floating away.

"The islands are well attached to the rest of the world," a transport department official observed in an interview. "Furthermore, you'll have to show me how an island can float, especially one made of rock."

The official's good-natured comments appear to dissolve a light-hearted RCMP stab into the field of geology.

In the last issue of the RCMP Quarterly, the force's Brockville, Ont., detachment notes that the islands, mecca of millionaire summer resorts, seem to be breaking up into little pieces and floating downstream.

"FLOATING ISLANDS"

The writer of the article says this "is hard to explain." He fears that the 40-mile stretch of river

from the head of Lake Ontario to Brockville "may eventually become better known as the land of the floating islands."

The "phenomenon," the story goes on, started early last spring. The odd hunk of land was noted, drifting downstream but failed to attract much attention.

"However," the article says, "when it became necessary for the government boat, Grenville, to actually ram one of these acreages in order to scatter it in different directions, questions were raised as to whether the Thousand Islands were becoming dislodged from their moorings."

The writer says the payoff "came on a Sunday afternoon last summer. Persons along the river 'rubbed their eyes and saw again. Making its way down the mid-channel was one of the largest islands yet—this time with people on it.'"

EASILY EXPLAINED

The RCMP, the transport official said, should stick to "floating

criminals." This whole business could easily be explained.

"These islands the RCMP talks about are nothing more than floating clumps of vegetation," he said. Over the years weeds, reeds, twigs and tree branches collect in small bays on the islands. They gradually are squeezed into a mass by the action of the water and the wind and lodge against the shore.

Mud, leaves and more vegetation collect until parts of the mass are above water. Seeds are blown onto the mass by the wind and plants start to grow.

"After a number of years the part is light enough to make the mass float," the official said. "The vegetation also becomes lighter when it dries at low water stages."

Once the mass of vegetation is light enough to float, the official said, a strong wind will dislodge it from the shore. It then floats downstream until it is broken up by the action of the water.

Sell Sheep as Lawnmowers But Continue To Shear

SYDNEY, Australia (CP) — A father and son have built up a thriving industry in the city of Sydney selling sheep and lambs as "lawnmowers."

Since they hit on the idea seven years ago the two men, James Dennis and his son, Tom, have sold about 14,000 sheep in the Sydney metropolitan area.

They say the sheep keep down people's lawns better than any lawn-mover. They have also established a "secondary" and more valuable industry by shearing the sheep they sell and buying the clip. James Dennis said they would probably shear 12,000 sheep in Sydney this year. They average about eight pounds of wool from each

sheep at a shearing. At recent wool sales they sold more than 2,000 pounds of wool at prices ranging from 25 cents to 65 cents a pound.

"I reckon we have one of the biggest sheep stations in Australia right here in Sydney," said Dennis, jokingly.

The Dennis' business has now reached the point where they employ two permanent shearers who travel from suburb to suburb in trucks shearing sheep seven days a week.

"We circulate the sheep-owners on our books to arrange a shearing appointment," said Dennis. "Then a shearer goes to the house, takes the sheep to a truck and whisks off the fleeces."

In Memoriam

ROBERT JOHN MCKAY

Robert John McKay, 63, widely-known Elmsville resident, passed away quite unexpectedly at the St. John General Hospital October 27, less than two months after being stricken with lung cancer.

Born in Prince Edward Island July 26, 1892, Mr. McKay came to New Brunswick nearly 30 years ago, and lived at Prince William and Meredith Settlement before moving to Elmsville in 1945.

A veteran of World War I, and an adherent of the Church of God, Mr. McKay had been engaged in commercial fishing, in his youth, and later, until poor health intervened, in lumbering.

Possessed with a generous nature, a keen mind and wide interests, he was a stimulating conversationalist, and his ready wit and adeptness at drawing others into a discussion made him a general favorite with young and old.

Besides his wife, formerly Miss Ethel Virginia Wilson, of P.E.I., he is survived by three daughters: Phyllis (Mrs. Gordon Milligan) of Charlottetown, Shirley, at home, and Wilma, at St. John; and five sons: Harry, Arthur, Gerald, Wilson and Emerson, all of Elmsville; two daughters, Mary and Belle, and two sons, Roy and Angus, predeceased him; also his only grandson, Keith Milligan, a victim of spinal meningitis in 1954. He is also survived by two sisters, Lula (Mrs. Archie Campbell) both of Charlottetown, and one brother, Thomas, of Conway, P.E.I.

Funeral service was held from his residence at Elmsville Sunday afternoon, October 30, with Rev. Wynn T. Stairs, of St. Stephen, World Missionary Secretary of the United Pentecostal Churches, officiating.

Favorites hymns, "There is No Night in Heaven" and "Safe in the Arms of Jesus" were rendered by a quintet of neighbours: Mrs. Durrell Gillis, Mrs. Wilfred Groom, Mrs. John Lord, Freeman Groom and David Reid.

Funeralbearers were Kenneth Hall, Howard Curran, Cecil Maguire and John Lord, of Elmsville, and Ernest Lyons and Roy Murphy, friends from Nova Scotia.

Interment was in the family lot at Moore's Mills.

Relatives and friends were present from various Charlotte County communities, as well as from Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, Prince William, St. Croix and St. John.

Beautiful floral tributes bore mute testimony to the esteem in which Mr. McKay was held.

Burton

Congratulations and good wishes are extended to Mr. Thomas Doyle, Campbellton who celebrated his 96 birthday on Monday, Nov. 14.

"Tommy" who is known by a host of friends as a keen interest in health and takes a keen interest in community affairs. The occasion was quietly celebrated at his home with immediate members of his family where he resides with his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Doyle.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Collicutt, Pleasanton, have returned from a pleasant holiday trip to Truro, N.S.

Louis Dalton and Leigh Howard students of Vocational school, Charlottetown spent the holiday weekend at their homes in Burton and Glengarry.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin MacGregor and family Kemmie, Bobbie and Frankie, Burton, moved to Summerside on Saturday to visit their daughter, June, high school student of Notre Dame Academy, Charlottetown who was a weekend guest of the Misses Helen and Ruth Dalton, Summerside.

Mr. and Mrs. Lance Dalton and family, Burton, were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Norbert Corcoran and Mrs. Ambros Corcoran Plusville.

Mr. John Doyle of Tignish and Mrs. O'Meara of Alberton were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Dalton, Burton, C.R.

DARNLEY W.I.

The twenty-first annual and regular monthly meeting of Darnley W.I. met on Nov. 2nd at the home of Mrs. George Hickey. Meeting opened with the vice president in the chair and by singing "The Island Hymn" and repeating collect in unison. We were pleased to welcome three new members and one visitor.

Minutes of the last annual and regular monthly meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Fulton Simons was appointed to take the chair for the election of officers.

Following is the slate of officers: president, Mrs. John Beairto; vice-president, Mrs. Wallace Pickering; sec'y-treasurer, Mrs. Lloyd Adams; directors, Mrs. D. Champion, Mrs. M. Crozier; auditors, Mrs. Elmer Hickey, Mrs. F. Simons; Red Cross convenor, Mrs. F. Simons.

Report of committees, and new ones appointed: sick, Mrs. F. Simons, Mrs. A. McKay, Mrs. Robert Harding, Mrs. Clarence Hickey, school, Mrs. W. Pickering, Mrs. J. Beairto; entertaining committee, Mrs. George Hickey, Mrs. Dan Champion, Mrs. Lloyd Adams, Mrs. F. Simons, Mrs. Eldon Harding; program comm., Mrs. W. Pickering, Mrs. Clarence Hickey, Mrs. A.

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Mr. John P. Gallant and family motored to Borden on Sunday.

The members of the Piusville Women's Institute held their annual meeting on Friday evening, Nov. 11th at the home of Mrs. Norbert Corcoran. The election of officers for the coming year are as follows: president, Mrs. Fred Arsenault; vice-president, Mrs. Anthony Gallant; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Peter F. Gallant; Directors, Mrs. Joseph L. Gallant and Mrs. John P. Gallant. The next meeting is to be held at the home of Mrs. Anthony Gallant where roll call will be answered by an exchange of Christmas gifts.

The St. Ann Club held their annual good supper at the home of Mrs. Peter F. Gallant, November 13.

A very enjoyable evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Gallant when a whist party was held in aid of the school.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph MacDonald Grand River, spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Norbert Corcoran and Mrs. Ambros Corcoran.

MacKay, Mrs. H. Crozier.

Correspondence was read and discussed. It was moved by Mrs. George Hickey and seconded by Mrs. Morley Crozier that coat hooks be purchased for the primary room of school. Mrs. M. Crozier moved that the meeting adjourn and it closed with singing "The Queen". Lunch was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. D. Champion, Mrs. L. Adams.

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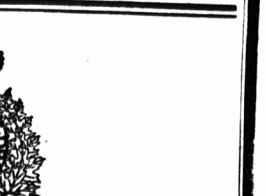
SAIGON (AP)—Lucien Boudard, longtime correspondent for the Paris newspaper France Solr, has been ordered expelled from South Viet Nam without explanation.

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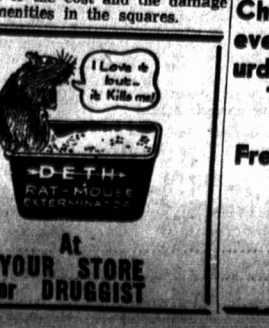
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Mrs. Arthur Arsenault, Abram's Village, is visiting relatives and friends in Lawrence, Mass., and other surrounding cities of Massachusetts.

Mr. Edwin Darby motored recently to St. John, N. B. to attend the funeral of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Norman Clark.

Mrs. Augustin F. Arsenault, has entered Prince County Hospital for treatments, all her friends wish her a speedy recovery.

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