

Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

A few years ago a sky Octopus was sighted over Sweden, or over Saskatchewan, to be more specific. It was visible to hundreds of persons for three hours.

Those that saw the mysterious object said it looked like an octopus because a number of fiery streamers dangled from the body. No sound was heard. The curious came from a jet plane. The curious thing was headed in a southerly direction, and frequently altered its course. Authorities at Katrineholm could give no reasonable explanation of the phenomenon.

Astronomers used to tell us that space was eternally silent. But the radio announcers have found otherwise. Strange sounds are frequently heard from the outer spaces of the universe which the eyes of telescopes cannot reach. This is confirmed by experts of the Bell Telephone Laboratories. They claim the Milky Way is sending messages to earth constantly on a frequency of 142 megacycles.

Electronic gadgets developed during the last quarter of a century have been tuned into the heavens and revealed a strange melody of sounds coming from all directions. Perhaps this is the "music of the spheres" mentioned by the Greek philosophers 2,000 years ago.

If the Federal Jury in Washington deliberating on the mail fraud case against James Curley did not spend an extra day deciding the colorful Boston ex-mayor's fate, he would have been killed. The then mayor had reservation on a Wednesday plane but couldn't make the flight because the jury did not reach a verdict until Thursday. All 17 occupants of the Wednesday plane died in a crash landing.

The expensive radar equipment used by police to trap unwary speeders has had one great blow. Namely, that it can't get up in court and point an accusing finger at the offending driver.

As the law now reads it forbids a motorist to drive an automobile to exceed the speed limit. What a legal discrepancy that was!

For the first time in British history Queen Elizabeth has contributed to a Catholic cause. The queen's gift was sent recently to aid in the rebuilding of bombed Southwark Cathedral, near London Bridge on the south bank of the River Thames.

A fortune teller told a resident of Winnipeg: "You love your girl friend very much, but will never marry her — only in death will you two be united." Two weeks later John Stevenson and Gertrude Burnett were found dead in an auto killed by carbon monoxide fumes.

The first Alcoholic Anonymous was a Canadian named William W. Hudson Robinson, Boyne City, Michigan, cut open a fish and found the earring that she had lost two years ago at a fish hatchery.

Having escaped a few hours earlier from a prison at Bristol, England, a convict called late at night at a country dwelling and asked for a drink of water.

As he held the glass to his lips with both hands, handcuffs were snapped on his wrists — he had come to the home of a prison warden who recognized him instantly.

In Sydney Australia, Mrs. Annie Harris bought a ticket in the state lottery and wrote across the face of it:

"While there is life, there is hope."

It won \$14,000, but Mrs. Harris had died the day after she bought the ticket.

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. ALEX BEATON

On the fifteenth of November, 1954, there passed away at King's County Hospital, Mrs. Alex Beaton of Brooklyn, in her seventyninth year. She will be greatly missed, not only in the home, but also in the community where her kindness and hospitality were well-known to a wide circle of friends.

She leaves to mourn, besides her husband, a daughter, Mabel Bears of a previous marriage and four step-children, George, residing in San Antonio, Texas; Russell in Edmonton, Alta.; Bess; Mrs. Russell MacBeth, Whinn Road; and Preston living at home, also two brothers, George B. and Melvin Hume of Brooklyn, and one sister, Elizabeth of Cambridge, Mass.

The funeral, which was held at the home of her son, Preston, was very largely attended. Service was conducted by Rev. A. C. Fraser of Valleyfield, assisted by Rev. Donald Nicholson of Clyde River. Hymns sung were: "The Lord Is My Shepherd" and "Abide With Me."

The Brooklyn Trio also very feelingly rendered, "The Far Away Land."

Fallbearers were: Messrs. Simon Campbell, Samuel Bears, Willard Bruce, Arthur McKinnon, John Whiteway, and Lloyd MacKinnon. Interment was in Brookline Cemetery.

Card Of Thanks

We, the members of the family of the late Mrs. Alex Beaton wish to thank sincerely Dr. MacIntyre, and the nurses of the Kings County Hospital, friends and neighbours for their many acts of kindness and also those who sent flowers and messages of sympathy which helped so much in our bereavement.

Alex Beaton and Family.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of my Dad, who passed away December 8th, 1952.

At night when all is silent
And sleep forsakes our eyes,
Our thoughts they often wander
To a grave where our loved one lies.

Lovingly Remembered by his
Son Bruce.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of our dear Father, Kenneth A. McInnis, who passed away December 7th, 1943, and our dear sister and daughter Janie E. McInnis, who passed away March 9th, 1939.

The dearest Father and Sister the world could hold,
A cheery smile and hearts of gold.
To those who knew them all will know,
How much we lost eleven years ago.

Ever Remembered by Their Family.

MELBOURNE, Australia (CP)— Australian air services, both domestic and international, had increased business in the last fiscal year. Civil Aviation Minister A. G. Townley reported freight traffic was 19 per cent higher and revenue passenger service up five per cent.

Lorne Valley

Mr. Donald Shaw and Mr. Ralph Nicholson were visitors to Charlottetown on November 23.

Mr. Frank Parker, Toronto, Ontario, visited friends in Lorne Valley recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Murdoch MacDonald, motored to Halifax, N. S. on November 26. They were accompanied by Mr. John Fisher and Mrs. Fisher.

Mr. Heath MacGrath, Mr. Lloyd MacDonald and Mr. John MacSwain were business visitors to the City on November 26.

Mr. Kenneth MacLeod, Charlottetown, was a visitor to Lorne Valley on November 28. He was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm MacLeod.

Miss Lottie Crane, recently spent a few days in Charlottetown, where she was the guest of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Rod MacDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd MacDonald, and Mr. and Mrs. Francis MacIntyre, were among a number of relatives and friends who assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mel Robbins, Martinvale, on November 27, to extend congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Robbins on the occasion of their thirtieth wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jay, and Mr. and Mrs. George Jay, Pisquid, were recent visitors to Lorne Valley. They were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl MacDonald.

Mr. Alton MacGrath and Miss Jane MacGrath left for Toronto, Ontario, on November 26, after spending a most enjoyable vacation at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. MacGrath.

Mrs. Angus Nicholson spent a few days in Charlottetown, during the week, the guest of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Roy MacLeod.

Mr. Francis MacIntyre was an over-night visitor to Montague on

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of a dear Father, Pte. Fred Walker, who passed away December 8th, 1944

Alone, unseen, he stands by my side
And whispers do not grieve,
Death cannot divide
But I know he is waiting
At the gateway bright and fair
And will greet me some glad morning
As I join him over there.

Always Remembered by Daughter,
Marion Gillan.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of Mom and Dad, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morrison, who passed away December 4th, 1952 and December 18th, 1948.

We mourn for them in silence,
No eyes can see us weep
But many a silent tear is shed,
While others are asleep.

Ever Remembered by their Loving
Daughter and Son, Eunice and Eric.

November 29, he was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George McCannell.

Miss Joan MacGrath spent the past week in Bangor, the guest of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Crane.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Gauthier and son, Clarence, Rustico, were overnight visitors to Lorne Valley on November 29. They were guests of the former's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James Callaghan.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover MacKay, Strathcona, were recent guests at the home of Mrs. MacKay's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James MacNeill.

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Murray River

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Mrs. Marshall Greene and daughter, Donna, Summerside, spent the past week-end in Murray River, guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Johnston.

The many friends of Mrs. William Keenan, Murray River, are sorry to hear of her misfortune in falling and breaking her arm. It is the wish of all that she will have a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Welton and children, York, spent the past week-end in High Bank, guests of Mrs. Welton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. MacLean.

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OUR BOARDING HOUSE

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Sincere sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Herring, on the death of their young son, whose funeral was held from the Church of Christ in Murray River, on Monday, November 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm MacPhee and family, Bellevue, have taken up residence in Murray River, where Mrs. MacPhee is principal of the Murray River School.

Mrs. Leon Buell and sons, Clayton and Wade, Murray River, have taken up residence in Charlottetown, where her husband is stationed with the R. C. N.

On Friday, Nov. 26th a large number of relatives and friends gathered at the home of Mr. and

Mrs. John W. MacLean, High Bank to tender a shower, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph MacLean. A number of games were played and enjoyed by all. The gifts were opened by Mrs. Olive Giddings and verses read by Miss Sally Stewart, after which both the bride and groom thanked one and all for the lovely gifts. After singing "For They Are Jolly Good Fellows." A delicious lunch was served by several of the ladies present.

OSLO (CP) — By a vote of 135 to nine the Norwegian Parliament approved a constitutional amendment declared "it is the responsibility of the State authorities to prepare conditions so that every able-bodied citizen can earn a living by his labor."

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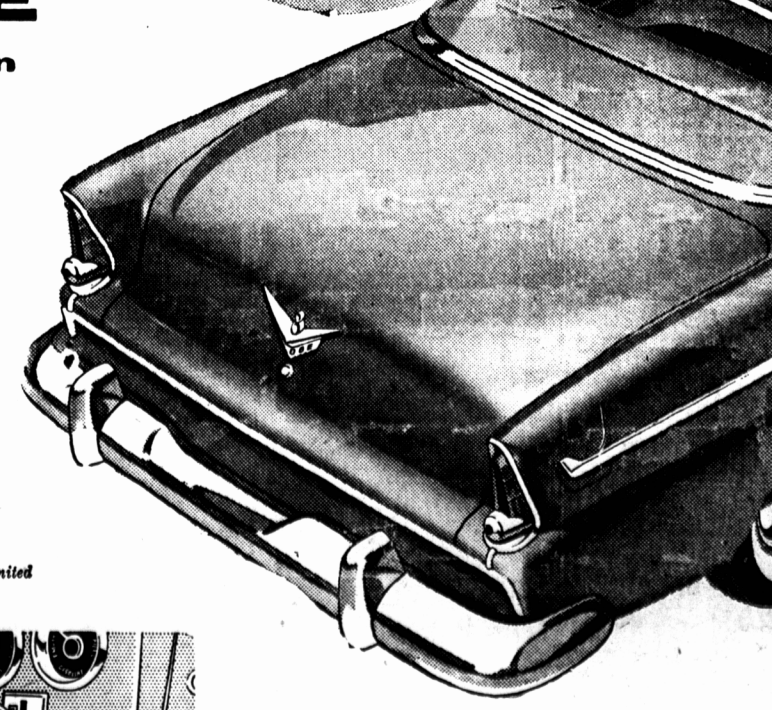


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