

Former Islander Passes In Mass.

The death occurred at Somerville Hospital in Somerville, Mass. on March 20th of Miss Marion MacDonald, at the age of 54. She had lived for the past 20

years in New York City, practicing the profession of private nursing. She was the daughter of Daniel Morrison MacDonald and Annie Laura Weeks MacDonald of Hopedale, P. E. I., where she was born. Funeral service was held at the A. E. Long Memorial Chapel in Cambridge, Mass. on Sunday March 22nd, conducted by the Rev. Guy H. Wayne of College Ave. Methodist

Church in Somerville, and the remains forwarded to the Island for burial. A funeral service will be held from the MacLean Funeral Home today, to be followed by service in Hartsville Presbyterian Church and interment in Hartsville Cemetery. Factory value of Canadian production of chemicals reached \$234,889,000 in 1951.

Exit Tony Blount

by Sydney Parkman

CHAPTER IV

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In the course of the next quarter of an hour he made rapid progress and put another half-mile between himself and the clearing, and by that time the rain had almost ceased and the centre of the storm was well on its way to the northward. The rolling mutter of the thunder was dying away in the distance, and the unseen sky overhead had lightened to such an extent that he was able to distinguish his surroundings comparatively easily without the aid of the occasional lightning flickers. He was making the best speed of which he was capable under the conditions, for he realized that the daylight could not last much longer, and at the end of another five minutes, he caught sight of a watery yellow shaft of sunlight which had penetrated through some rift in the trees a little distance ahead.

He stopped and studied it carefully, for he realized that it would probably be his last chance of checking up on his direction. It must be within a few minutes of sunset now and he could take it that the line of misty light would be roughly east and west. The clearing in which he had been working lay about two miles west of the camp and if the dying man's description had been correct, the spot where he had hidden the keg was some four miles north of it. That meant that he ought to be heading approximately north-east, but actually he found that he had been making towards the north-west. Once night came down it would be almost impossible to keep a straight course through the woods, but at least he could start off in the right direction, and having corrected his error he set off again briskly.

Night fell with dramatic suddenness before he had covered another half a mile, and almost immediately he found himself brought to a standstill. It was pitch black under the trees and a couple of minutes of stumbling progress rapidly convinced him of the utter futility of attempting to continue his journey under these conditions. Apart from the fact that he had to grope his way by sense of touch only through the barrier of dense vegetation which surrounded him, it was obvious that he could not hope to maintain any sense of direction whatever and he might find himself travelling in circles or even heading back towards where he had come from, for all that he could tell to the contrary. There was nothing for it but to stay where he was for the present and wait for the moon to rise — whenever that would be.

It was far from being a cheerful prospect, and in the course of the next three hours he plumbred the very depths of physical misery. To begin with he was soaked to the skin and wretchedly cold. Water dripped down upon him from the branches overhead — seeping through his thin sodden clothing and trickling down his chilled body. The tall ferns and orchids among which he squatted were laden with moisture and drenched him anew with every movement he made, while the ground beneath him was little better than a morass. Added to this he was suffering from hunger. The midday soup was seven hours off and no more than a dim memory now, and he could have found it in his heart to envy his late fellow-prisoners who would now be eating their evening meal. The gritty grey bread and luke-warm coffee seemed infinitely desirable as he crouched on the muddy ground, hugging his knees with his arms and trying to imagine that he was thus conserving the internal heat of his body. He was no longer apprehensive of immediate pursuit, for he knew that it was in the last degree unlikely that the prison authorities would take any further steps that night. As soon as day broke, armed parties would begin to beat the woods in the hope of picking him up, but, even then, it would be a comparatively leisurely business, because they would be convinced that he would not leave the island.

48 Compensation Board Claims In P. E. I. Last Year

OTTAWA, (CP) — A total of 12,887 claims were made to provincial workmen's compensation boards by federal government employees in the fiscal year 1951-52, the labor department announced Monday.

The announcement was accompanied by an appeal from Labor Minister Gregg, who urged all government employees to be more careful and "take no unnecessary chances of accident" regardless of their occupation. Total number of accidents for which compensation could be paid ran between eight and nine per cent of the total number of federal employees covered by workmen's compensation. Total disbursements in compensation, medical aid and pensions amounted to \$1,208,514.

The number of accidents to federal employees by provinces for the year 1951-52: Ontario 4,528; Quebec 2,179; British Columbia 2,153; Nova Scotia 1,123; Manitoba 648; Alberta 1,067; New Brunswick 345; Saskatchewan 375; Prince

Edward Island 48; New-bitten by dogs." foundland 225; Yukon and Northwest Territories 165. The announcement said accidents ranged "from stenographers who trip on the stairs or in the halls of buildings to postmen who are

and they would trust, chiefly to hunger to force him into the open. But the very fact that he now felt himself to be temporarily safe gave him more time to dwell upon his physical discomforts. Three slow hours dragged by — each seeming an eternity in itself — and then he became aware of a gradual lifting of the inky blackness, which told him that at long last the moon was rising. It was less a lightening than a slight mitigation of the almost solid darkness, but it just enabled him to make out the position of the nearer tree trunks, and he rose stiffly to his feet and set off again without further delay — only too thankful to be able to use his cramped limbs again.

For the next two hours he stumbled onwards with painful slowness, scratched and bruised by constant collision with thorn bushes and saplings which did not bulk large enough to be discerned in the darkness, but feeling fairly confident that he was heading in the right direction. On two or three occasions he came upon little patches of comparatively open country where he could get a glimpse of the night sky and check up on his bearings. And once he emerged into what was obviously a recently cleared area.

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"people's bread", made with mixture of dark grains, will cost 36 dinars (12 cents in future instead of 26, nearly 8 cents, White bread, a luxury here, was withdrawn temporarily from the market pending price adjustment.



HOW much have automobile insurance rates increased?

- In relation to other car costs they've gone down. Each \$100 of insurance carried takes a smaller portion of the motorist's dollar than ever before. But cars are more expensive. You can't insure the \$2,400 car of today as cheaply as the \$850 car of 1939. So, in dollars, how much have auto rates gone up? An average of 30% for Public Liability and Property Damage. An average of 60% for full coverage.

WHAT affects the cost of automobile insurance?

- The number of accidents. The average cost of accidents. The costs of doing business. The profit or loss of the insurance company.

WHY have rates gone up in dollar cost?

- Because accident rates have been soaring. Today one person is killed every four hours in Canada — one person is injured every fifteen minutes — a fender is smashed every two minutes.

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A wrecked car costs two to three times as much to replace as in 1939 — a damaged car costs twice as much to repair — those lenders every two minutes cost three times as much.

Because medical and hospital costs have increased an estimated 168%.

The bill for injuries is the highest in history.

Because average Canadian earning power is up 150%.

That means higher payments to settle "lost time" claims.

THEN HOW have insurance companies kept rates from going much higher?

- By cutting operating costs. Overhead is higher but operating costs per vehicle have been slashed. By losing money. Auto insurance companies paid out \$65,000,000 in claims last year. They lost \$6,300,000 doing it.

THE REMEDY

- Reduce accidents. When the accident rate goes down — unless the cost of each accident goes 'way up' — insurance rates will go down too. Competition makes that certain.

REMEMBER — The accident that doesn't happen never costs anybody a dime.

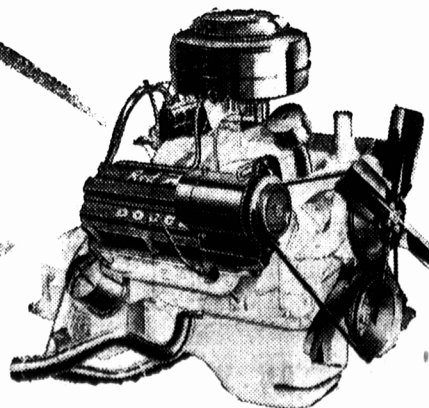


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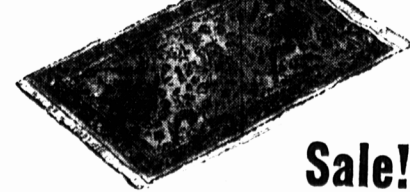


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