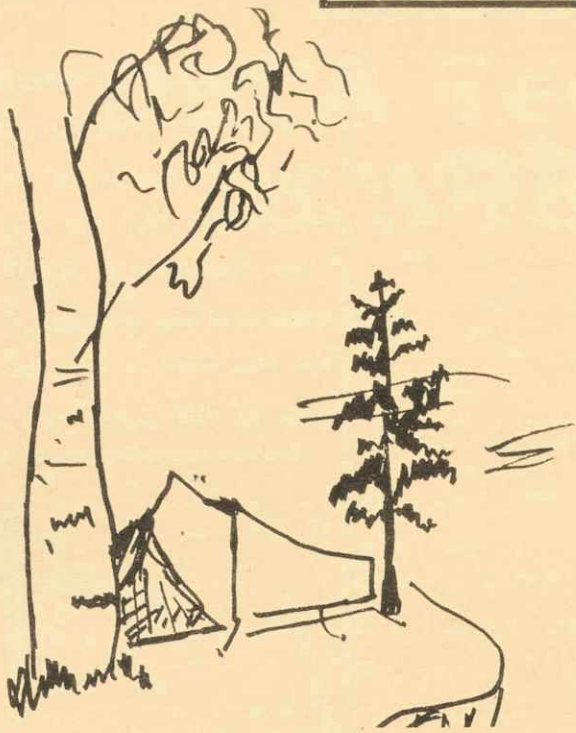


# Outdoors



"Grainy days and city ways  
make me want to hide,  
Someplace, cool an' green  
an' shady."  
J. Denver

by Kevin Moore

"National Parks were set up to preserve areas of natural beauty...."

Each park is set up to protect its own special features of the area. From the mountains of Newfoundland to the shores of Fundy.

In the Atlantic Region there are seven national parks, all of which are open to hikers and campers, all year round.

Camping is available in campgrounds, the price varying with the amounts of services desired. From \$2.00 to \$4.00 per night. Parks vary as to the number of persons they can accommodate and to the types of campground services offered. You should write to any particular park for specific information, as well as the publication **Accommodation National Parks-Eastern Canada**. These are provided by most parks; free of charge. It also includes such other information as rented cabins, picnic sites, supervised beaches etc.

Since on the whole, I disagree with the idea of camping on campgrounds; all has been said pertaining to the matter.

Wilderness camping and hiking trails are located in all parks. A wilderness camping permit and a fire permit are required before you start off into the backcountry. Both are provided free of charge.

All parks have bilingual pamphlets concerning the particular features of each individual park. Plus many parks have additional pamphlets on the animals in the area as well as plant and animal checklists.

Topographical maps are available from the information centers in each park.

The best way to examine the parks is to go from one province to the next. Addresses are given from which information is available.

## KOUCHIBOUGUAC NATIONAL PARK

This is the only national park in the Atlantic Region that has not been visited by the author. Having talked to people who have camped and worked there, it is said to be well worth the trip. The slides of the park show it to be large with many areas of open areas, mainly bog areas, with shrub like forests surrounding many lakes and rivers.

Its main attraction is 15½ miles of offshore sand bars and spits. These, as well as the accompanying bays and lagoons shelter numerous species of shore birds.

## FUNDY NATIONAL PARK

Fundy's main attraction is of course, its shoreline. Having the highest tides in the world as well as banks of soft sandstones and conglomerates have resulted in oddly eroded structures, sea caves and high cliffs.

The walk along the shore is worth the short, few hours drive it takes to reach there from Halifax.

Forested areas spotted with many lakes provide areas for wilderness camping.

## PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND NATIONAL PARK

P.E.I.N.P. is also known for its shoreline. But unlike the sand bars of Kouch and the cliffs of Fundy, P.E.I.N.P. has twenty-five miles of smooth beaches and sand dunes as well as areas of sandstone cliffs. Unfortunately, the park is not visited, mainly, by outdoor enthusiasts but by those who want a week long beach drunk. Fortunately, the park has some areas reachable only by hiking trails but these areas are still close to the public and no overnight camping is possible.

## KEJIMKUJIK NATIONAL PARK

The canoeist dream. Kedge is the closest park to Halifax and so is well used for canoe trips, and snowshoe/cross-country ski trips. Its waters are the most navigable of any of the eastern parks. Along many of the shores, MicMac petroglyphs can be found.

In many areas, there are wilderness campgrounds reachable only by canoe or by foot. It is fine hiking and camping area although this is often forgotten to the mass publicity on its waterways. **BEWARE OF WILD TICKS.**

## CAPE BRETON HIGHLANDS NATIONAL PARK

1,747 feet. The highest elevation in Nova Scotia. The resulting erosion of a huge peneplain has left many valleys and steep cliffs that drop over 1000 feet in some places. Where these cliffs meet the sea results in beautiful scenery, this being C.B.H.N.P.'s most well known feature.

Personally, the largest areas of bogs in the interior of the park, home of the reintroduced caribou, are by far, more scenic.

Although providing unlimited camping, Cape Breton Highlands, so I've been told, is one of the best places for cross-country skiing in N.S.

## GROS MORNE NATIONAL PARK

Now we're on da island. G.M.N.P. is, in the words of that famous statistician TeeBor, "the most beautiful of Canada's National Parks."

Although a personal value judgement, it comes close to true. To image Newfoundland is not to image the huge mountains on its west coast. The entire park, only four years old, is almost entirely undeveloped. Massive areas of mountainous terrain will provide rugged camping for as long as you like.

Its shoreline of beaches and stunted trees called tuckamore or krumholtz provide just one more area of exploration.

Its two best known hiking trails, one to Western Brook Pond, an inland fjord rivaling those of the Scandinavian countries, and another trail up the mountain of Gros Morne are by far two of Atlantic Canada's most scenic views.

## TERRA NOVA NATIONAL PARK

Oh! if you only knew. On the east coast of Newfoundland about 160 miles from St. John's lies Terra Nova.

"Many hiking trails, though many are short, criss-cross the park, while a week-long trail with campsites is being built now. This will run along the deeply indented coastline of sounds and inlets." (c) Mike Rosen - "Simplicitic Advertising."

There will be an article on Terra Nova Park in this column in a few weeks times which will have much more information for you.

If you go, kiss a moose for me.

There you have them. Seven parks. All of them are great and all are available. Visit as many as you can. That's part of the reason they're there.

## WRIP Has List of Draftdodgers Wanted in U.S.

WINNIPEG (CUP) - Counselling Centres of the War Resisters Information Program (WRIP) have obtained a document that lists all 5,750 indicted draft resisters currently being sought by the United States government.

Tim Maloney, Program Coordinator of WRIP explained that the list was important because of the 206,775 men declared delinquent by American draft boards between 1963 and 1973 only 19,000 ever reached the stage of indictment.

Of that figure more than two thirds either had the

indictments dismissed or were acquitted in court. Maloney pointed out that the men involved were usually not informed by government agencies that the charges had been dropped.

Henry Schwarzschild, director of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) said, "Now that we have this list draft resisters no longer need guess if they have outstanding charges and whether they can be prosecuted."

Jerel Olsen, consulting counselling co-ordinator of WRIP and experienced draft/

military counsellor, emphasized that "many men on the list of 5,750 draft resisters have valid defences to criminal charges potentially pending against them. Therefore, no one should even consider submitting to the presidential program without first contacting competent counsellors to ascertain all options available to them."

"It has been our experience after more than 2,000 calls to date nationally and

after many years of experience, that nearly all draft resisters potentially affected by the earned re-entry plan have better options available to them than the punitive conditions of the presidential program."

Information on these lists is available from a number of sources including free long distance numbers and local counselling services.

In Canada information is available toll free from

800-665-8885. Locally information is available from: The Toronto Anti-Draft Program, 416-532-0724; the American Refugee Service in Montreal, 514-488-8960; the Winnipeg Committee to Aid War Resisters, 204-774-9323; the Vancouver Committee to Aid War Objectors, 604-980-4910.

In the United States information is available from the Civil Liberties Union at 212-725-1222.

## Dominion Continues to Sell Grapes

TORONTO (CUP) --- Dominion Stores don't care how many of its customers sign petitions, they are still going to keep selling non-union California grapes and lettuce.

That was the position of one Dominion executive November 5, when the company was presented with a 35,000 name petition calling on the company to stop selling the products.

The petition was the result of six weeks work by civic, labour and religious groups in Toronto.

Father Brad Massman, an

officer of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Toronto said the names were collected to show "proof to Dominion that a sampling of at least 35,000 Dominion shoppers want the chain to stop selling grapes and lettuce not picked by UFW (United Farm Workers) members."

The names on the petition were collected two days a week over the last six weeks, only from Dominion shoppers, and at only 35 Dominion stores, he said.

The group had some difficulty delivering the petitions as they found the front

doors to Dominion's offices locked against them.

"We made an appointment," said the Rev. Gordon Hume of the United Church.

Another member of the group said the front doors were locked as the group approached and three police cars were called to the scene.

Despite the locked doors the group, made up of church and labour leaders, finally entered the back door of the building. After an hour's wait two representatives were finally allowed to present the names to a Dominion executive.

**The GAZETTE apologizes to all those who wished to hear Bob Page of the Committee for an Independent Canada when he was at Dalhousie this week. The GAZETTE was misinformed as to where and when he was speaking and gave the wrong time and place in last week's issue. Mr. Page was at the Killam Library on Nov. 12.**