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TO MAKE ALGONQUIN ANIMAL COUNT

Dr. Duncan A. MacLulich, chairman of the department of biology, Waterloo Lutheran University, flies next week to a remote and unnamed lake in vast Algonquin Park to make a six-week survey of animal and bird population.

Expenses of the field investigation will be partly met through a \$700 grant in aid of research from the Ontario Department of University Affairs.

Dr. MacLulich will be accompanied by a student assistant, Warren Maidens, 15 Rosemount Dr., Scarborough, who is majoring in biology and has completed his freshman year at the university.

They will drive to a seaplane base in the park and then will be flown to the small lake near the McIntosh Marsh in the central portion of the park. They will be out of contact with the rest of the world for the six-week period, except for a supply drop by plane at the midway point.

"If one of us were injured or fell ill, the other would have to walk and canoe through pretty rugged territory back to the seaplane base," Dr. MacLulich said.

But he is unconcerned since such field trips are routine for biologists interested in research. It also is the second trip to the lake for Dr. MacLulich. He made a similar animal and bird count there in 1938.

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"The present survey should be meaningful in itself but will be made more interesting by comparing it to the 1938 count," the Waterloo Lutheran professor said.

Dr. MacLulich will be looking primarily for deer, moose, beaver, chipmunks, red squirrels and birds but will keep his eyes open for fox, bear, wolf, mink and anything else that moves.

He and the student will cover a 12-square-mile area near the lake, an area chosen since it is not on any canoe or hiking route. The two investigators likely will see no other persons during their stay.

For food, they are taking a supply of dried milk powder, egg powder, dehydrated soups, flour, various mixes, canned meats and a side of well-cured bacon.