

# MACMILLAN TO LECTURE HERE

Famous Arctic Explorer to Speak at New Trier High School January 23

HI-Y TO BE SPONSOR

Will Relate Incidents of Recent Journey

Capt. Donald B. MacMillan, arctic explorer, who has only recently returned from a year in the far north, will deliver a public lecture in the auditorium of New Trier high school Friday evening, January 23, at 7:30 o'clock. His address is under the auspices of the Hi-Y club of the school, whose members are selling tickets for the occasion. Captain MacMillan's presence was secured through his close friendship with Principal Frederick E. Clerk, who was to have met MacMillan in Greenland last summer to accompany him on his return to the United States, had not MacMillan been delayed by ice.

All those who are radio fans will remember the programs broadcast by the Edgewater Beach hotel station for MacMillan's special benefit last fall and winter. At that time he was spending a quiet winter aboard the little schooner Bowdoin, in which the expedition was undertaken, which was frozen fast in the ice off North Greenland for 264 days.

Captain MacMillan, since he was a small boy, loved the Arctic and dreamed of going there.

### Father a Fisherman

His father was a fisherman who sailed yearly to the Arctic after halibut. He brought back for his children specimens of the toys used by the Eskimo kiddies, miniature kyaks, igloos, harpoons and the like, and thus implanted in the youthful Donald an interest in and love for the Arctic. This he retained as he grew older. He devoured all accessible books on Arctic exploration and dreamed of the time when he might sail with his father to the mysterious white North and see it with his own eyes. This was not to be, as his father was lost at sea before the boy was ten.

The story of Peary's interest in MacMillan is interesting. While conducting a nautical school on an island in Casco Bay MacMillan, single-handed, had rescued ten people from drowning, seven from a sail boat capsized in a gale of wind, and three from an overturned canoe. Peary heard of it and thought that he was a man worth investigating. He sent for him and asked if he would like to go North with him sometime. MacMillan replied that this had been the dream of his life. (Incidentally he had chosen Bowdoin chiefly because it was Peary's college).

### His Greatest Sacrifice

Now comes a real tragedy. MacMillan had been teaching almost a year in Worcester Academy. As was his custom in regard to the teachers whom he wished to retain the principal approached MacMillan toward

the close of the summer term and asked him to sign up for another year. MacMillan tried to beg off for a week as he knew that Peary was planning a trip and he hoped to be asked to join it. The principal, however, was unyielding and said it was then or never, and MacMillan regretfully signed. The very next day a message came from Peary asking him to join him, but he had given his word to teach for another year and he had to reply in the negative. "This," he later confessed, "was the bitterest disappointment of my life," but he never told Dr. — and the latter went to his grave without knowing of the sacrifice. That was MacMillan all over, the inheritance of his Scotch-Yankee ancestry, to swear to his own hurt and change not. Perhaps it was just as well, for that was an ill-fated expedition. Peary lost his ship and some of his men and barely escaped with his own life.

### Gets His Chance

The next summons to the North was also picturesque. MacMillan and some of the boys of the academy were in the swimming tank when a telegraph boy hove in sight. Waving a yellow envelope he called for MacMillan, who, guessing what it might be, made his best speed to the edge of the tank and hauled himself out. The wire read: "Meet me at Grand Union hotel, New York, as soon as possible—Peary." MacMillan hustled into his clothes, threw some things into his bag, called to the boys to tell Dr. — that he had gone to New York and sprinted for the station. He arrived at the hotel too late to disturb Peary that night but called on him the next morning and was invited to breakfast. At the table Peary outlined his plans, drawing maps on the back of the menu and the table cloth. When he had finished he said to MacMillan: "I should like to have you with me on this trip, but don't give your answer now. Go back and think it over for three weeks, and then wire me your decision." MacMillan replied, "Commander, I have been thinking it over for 30 years and I want to sign up right now,"—which he did. And this was the trip on which Peary reached the Pole.

On June 23, 1923, Captain MacMillan sailed for the second time in the little schooner Bowdoin on a voyage of exploration. She was named for her Captain's alma mater and is only eighty-five feet long, the smallest vessel ever built for Arctic work. Her adaptability for this service was amply proved on her maiden voyage,

begun just two years earlier. At that time she carried Captain MacMillan and his six companions to unknown Baffin Land, where they passed the winter, and brought them back without the least mishap.

## NOW INSURE WITHOUT MEDICAL EXAMINATION

Clare Budinger and Smith, local representatives and the north shore agency for the Franklin Life Insurance company, Springfield, Ill., announce that the company is now writing life insurance without medical examination in amounts from \$500 to \$2,000 on men and women's lives between the ages of 15 to 45 years.

The local agency advises that this is one of the greatest recent advances in life insurance business and that the Franklin Life Insurance company is the first company in the United States to write insurance on new applicants without examination. A few of the companies will insure without medical examination providing the applicant carries insurance in such company. It is expected, however, that many of the large life insurance companies during the present year

will follow the move of the Franklin. The Franklin Life Insurance company has been 40 years in the business and has finished the year of 1924 with insurance on the books in excess of \$160,000,000, which is the largest volume handled by any Illinois company. The company although new

in this territory is continually becoming better known, principally as the result of the efforts of the local agency. It is expected that many people interested in small policies will avail themselves of this opportunity of insuring without medical examination.

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