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Edmonton Centre

This month's edition of STARDUST comes in an abbreviated newsletter form, as there are only two major items of interest to members at the present time. These, of course, are the Summer Picnic, and the 1962 edition of R.A.S.C. Star Night.

STAR NIGHT:

Star Night, 1962, will be held once again on the grounds of the Queen Elizabeth Planetarium in Coronation Park. Star Night will be held on two consecutive evenings: Friday and Saturday, August 10th and 11th - just a few short days away.

Included in this year's presentation are the usual twenty minute planetarium shows, in which the features to be observed by our visitors on the planetarium grounds will be re-created. These include the moon - in a gibbous phase; views of the planet Jupiter, now becoming quite prominent in the southern heavens; the Perseid meteor shower; star clusters, and many other wonders of the heavens.

A number of members are arranging to bring telescopes to Star Night. These will be used to give the public glances at the moon, Jupiter, and perhaps some deep-sky objects, if conditions permit.

Films will be shown in open air, and a feature on our film program will be the film "Universe" - the award winning film produced by the National Film Board.

Along with other displays depicting the activities of amateur astronomers, an historic instrument will also be on public view: The transit telescope used in 1872 to map the U.S./Canadian border. This instrument is on loan to the planetarium for a period of three months.

Star Night, of course, is one of the most important events of the year for the Edmonton Centre. Besides the obvious asset it provides to our budget, it is an

excellent opportunity for us to create widespread interest in astronomy. This is one of the objectives of our Society.

In order to stage an effective Star Night this year, we will need as many members as possible to assist in the setting up and manning of displays and demonstrations.

- There will be a meeting and work-bee prior to
- Star Night, on Tuesday evening, August 7th,
- at the Planetarium. Time - 8:00 p.m.

SUMMER PICNIC:

Saturday, August 4th is the date for a R.A.S.C. Observing party and Picnic, at the lake-side cottage of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Stockwell. Suggested time of arrival is 6:00 p.m., although those who would like to come earlier for an afternoon swim will be welcome.

Members are urged to bring binoculars and telescopes: The moon will be a lovely crescent, Jupiter will be a prominent object in the sky, and Comet Humason, 1961e, will be a seventh-magnitude object very close to Jupiter.

Those who require rides to the picnic are asked to phone George Williams at the Planetarium...GL5-0119. A reprint of last month's map is included in this issue.

PROFESSOR AND MRS. KEEPING:

The Summer Picnic will give members of the Centre an opportunity to say good-bye to our Honorary President, and Mrs. Keeping, who will be enjoying Oklahoma skies for a year, before returning to Edmonton. We wish them both a very pleasant sojourn.

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Members are urged to bring binoculars and telescopes. The moon will be a lovely present, Jupiter will be a prominent object in the sky, and Nova Imaeus 1981 will be a beautiful object very close to Jupiter.

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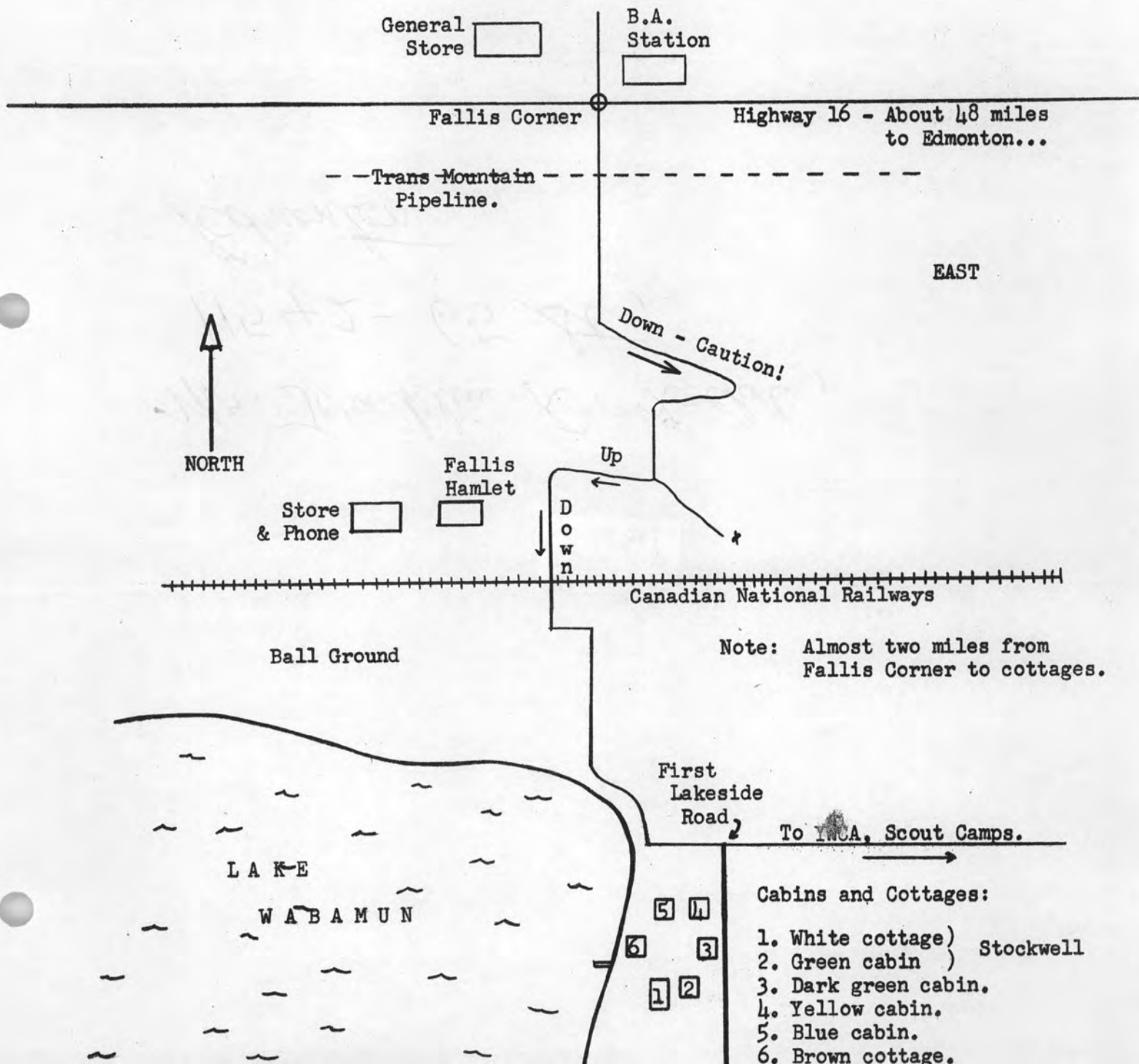
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Final details and transportation problems will be discussed at the meeting on July 12th.

For the convenience of those who will be driving to Alex Stockwell's cottage, the following route map may be of assistance:



- Cabins and Cottages:
- 1. White cottage)
 - 2. Green cabin) Stockwell
 - 3. Dark green cabin.
 - 4. Yellow cabin.
 - 5. Blue cabin.
 - 6. Brown cottage.

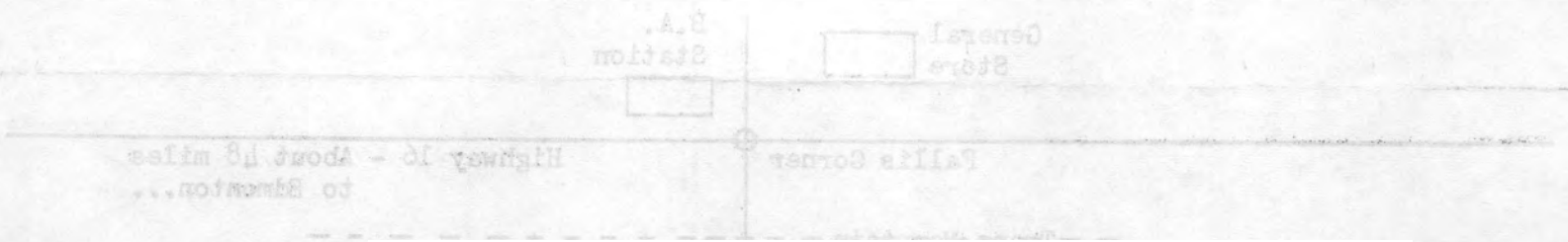


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