

KKK to RUPERT HOUSE

via

Grand Lake, Senneterre, Mattagami, Broadback, and Rupert

KKK to T Station - 7½ hours including lunch stop.

T Station to Rabbit Chute -

Portages - (1) 1/3 mile on road behind Railroad station in Temagami to Snake Lake

Lake (2) 100 yards on left around dam at outlet of Rabbit

Lunch Sites - One on right as you go down Rabbit about a mile before the turn in the lake, or (good campsite also) on east shore just opposite turn in lake

Campsite - Rabbit Chute on right just across road that passes over chute (about 5½ hours travel time after leaving Snake Lake portage

Rabbit Chute to Laniel -

Rapids on Matabitchuan - 1st just after chute, fairly long, but not difficult; 2nd shorter and ok, 3rd was choked with logs and was carried on right about 200 yards, but not too well cut. If rapid is run, which is usual, watch bad rock in middle of stream in the last pitch, 4th just a fair pitch in a narrow rock cut

Portage - Devil's Portage starts at dam at foot of Bass Lakes. ½ mile downhill and can be carried on the road or straight down the metal chute if desired

Indian Portage taken by truck either by going up from farmer's field across Timiskaming just south of the entrance of the Matabitchuan to his house and hiring his tractor and hay rig (not a particularly good deal since it is about 3 miles of walking to his house) or turn north on Timiskaming and hire a truck in Fabre, about 5 miles up the lake. Truck or tractor should cost about \$15.

Laniel to Campsite above the Turtle -

Individual travel permits must be obtained either at the hotel or the post office. You will need each camper's home address, but one person can get all permits. Fishing licenses also at same place. \$5.25 for a regular license and \$2.10 for a dependent's license (supposed to be 16 or under)

Campsites at Laniel - On left about 1 - 1½ miles outside Laniel, not very good. Another on island on right about ¾ way to head of McKenzie Island.

Many lunch sites on McKenzie Island, we used one about half way down.

Campsites - one on island on left just after narrows at Caribou Island - quite small. No good looking spot at the Turtle (rock point on left now has a cabin on it). Best campsite about 2 miles above Tutle dam on left on 2nd point to north of lake - good tent sites and swimming.

Turtle to Hunter's Point -

Travelling time about 2 hours

Campsite at Hunter's Point in field on right after narrows right next to white house. Permission to camp freely given, but should certainly be asked for. Dock makes swimming possible, but not good. Tent sites level - cooking done by shore near dock. Don't spend a rest day here - ½ day is plenty - one ball game is enough.

Hunter's Point to Saseginaga -

Portages - 1st 300 yards on left on creek to Little Birch Lake.

Excellent trail along old tracks, although car is no longer working. 2nd 400 yards to Big Birch Lake on left. Excellent trail again along tracks with no cars left. 3rd 400 yards almost all up hill from Big Birch to Clear Lake, good trail again along tracks with no cars remaining. Portage is located on left about 1-2 miles past clearing and road to Saseginaga from Big Birch. 4th 500 yards from Clear Lake to Saseginaga - slight hill at start and then level and down hill to old lumber depot. Good trail, tracks are pretty well gone and no trucks.

Ranger Cabin to left of portage into Saseginaga. Radio contact with most places. Travel permits must be checked.

Campsites - (1) At north end of portage to Big Birch possible (2)

Eastern point of big island in Big Birch, used for lunch, but would be ok for a night. (3) old ranger cabin on left at top of bend in Big Birch (4) Saseginaga Lumber Depot possible, but pretty well fallen down. (5) On Saseginaga on 2nd point to right after depot, excellent, with good tent sites, although pretty close together, excellent swimming, and good fire place on rocks near water.

Fishing - walleye along shore to east of campsite and around large island directly north of campsite.

Saseginaga to Aska -

Hard north wind, so we took portage to Lake Short Cut - not a good idea unless wind is really blowing from the north, usual route is better in almost all cases, even though there is more open water to paddle. $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ mile portage from Saseginaga to Ogascanan at foot of bay over good trail.

Through Short Cut Lake - Portages: (1) leaves in North corner of wide bay on left of big island in Saseginaga. 700 yards, good trail, leads into bay on Short Cut Lake. Take right side of island in Short Cut Lake just out from portage (left side blocked with rocks)

(2) Short Cut to Ogascanan, a good $\frac{1}{2}$ mile. Trail good, takes out in narrow bay (see map). Portage is about twice as long as the map indicates it should be.

Ogascanan to Aska takes out $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ mile up winding stream out of lower left corner at end of Ogascanan (not where map shows), carry is $\frac{1}{2}$ mile on good trail with a car that works after about 100-150 yards from the start (trestle down)

Lunch sites - good looking one on bald rock about 1 mile from portage from Short Cut to Ogascanan on right. Another at Ranger's cabin on left at 1st narrows on Ogascanan after Short Cut bay. (Don't go further, there is nothing good until Aska) If Ranger's cabin is used, watch for broken glass in water, if any one wants to swim.

Campsite in Aska - on island on right about 1-1 $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from stream to Ross. Swimming not particularly good, but possible. Site not too well cleared since it is not used by many people. Good walleye fishing around the islands and off the point across from the campsite.

Aska to Trout -

Creek to Ross takes out in right hand corner of Aska behind last island

Creek from Ross is on right hand side of last bay in Ross (there is another creek in left hand corner). Cheek is very shallow and full of beaver dams

Portages - (1) 200 yards on left around beaver swamp a short way up

creek. Stay close to water, there are several trails. Creek is very shallow after carry and canoes will probably have to be pulled, pushed, and dragged to a small pond a short way up. (2) 500 yards between ponds. Takes out on right hand corner of 1st pond. Trail goes up hill all the way. (3) Takes out in left corner at end of pond. 500 yards to bay of Big Trout. All portages have good trails and good walking (last is best). At end of last portage, go left on Trout, as map shows, although right hand bay looks inviting.

Ranger's Cabin on north point of big island in south part of main lake

Lunch site on north-east corner of island about 3 miles above cabin.

Campsites - (1) On point opposite south-west corner of big island 2/3 of way down main part of lake. Sandy landing with poor swimming and only fair tent sites, but walleye fishing behind point on west side is great. (2) on left point just before the turn to Winawiash. OK. Tent sites on both points, north point used for fireplace because of shelter. Swimming off north point.

Trout to Old Woman -

Portages - (1) Trout to Winawiash on left, 300 yards around rapids and an old dam, good walking. Cabin at head of portage could be used as a campsite in an emergency. (2) Winawiash to Old Man. 600 yards from tip of bay in Winawiash, good trail with some wet spots that can be avoided.

Campsites on Winawiash - 3rd island off from portage, pretty small, but good. 4th island can be used also. Good walleye fishing around islands and at foot of rapids.

Trapper's shack on point further down the lake on left is down, but point could be used for campsite.

Campsites on Old Man - on most points on south side of point where turn to the east is made. Most have been cleared at one time or another for what seem to be moose hunters.

Campsites on Old Woman - Looks good in many spots out in main part of lake. We used campsite on last island before stream to 5 Portage starts, ok, but no swimming

Old Woman to Grand Lake (Lambert Lake) -

Creek from Old Woman to 5 Portage has 5 rapids, all of which can be run or let down. 1st was let down, 2nd was run. 3rd was a combination. 4th has an old dam at the head where we carried canoes over using 4 people on a canoe, and then let down. 5th was let down. If water is higher, more can be run, but all are shallow and narrow. Takes about 2 hours to get down, 3 beaver dams helped to store up water for us.

One small rapid to be run between Upper Cawasachouane and Lake Triple Bay

Campsites on 5 Portage - On either of first two islands at foot of creek from Old Woman (If either is to be used wood and probably tent poles should be cut before leaving stream). Despite not having been able to find a good site in 1958, the lake still looks to have good sites the rest of the way down. Lake is shallow and swimming will be poor all over. Ranger's cabin on right shore about in middle of lake. Tower is back from lake and is reached by going up a creek just before the cabin.

Campsites on Moosehorn - Trapper's shack on left just at head of lake, and rest of lake looks good also.

Campsite on Cawasachouane - On far side just as Moosehorn comes into Cawasachouane.

Campsites on Lambert - South end looks good. Good site on north point

of entrance to Ottawa River. We camped on a rock point to the south east of this one since club trippers were on the other. Good swimming at both.

Lambert Lake to Sand Point - half day

Left Lambert Lake campsite at 8:15 and got to Sand Point at 12:00 with slight west wind most of way.

Possible campsite on island just as Lambert becomes Grand Lake.

Lambert looks like it has several possible places. Grand Lake not so many. One sand point on right about 2 miles up could be used. We camped on one on left about 3 miles up from large island at start of Grand Lake. Good site, but water pretty shallow for good swimming.

Sand Point to Rapids on Louvicourt -

There do not appear to be any campsites on left side of Grand Lake after leaving Sand Point. There are none on either side after narrows to Jackson's Landing unless you use the cabin about three miles south of Landing on right side. We took 3 3/4 hours to get to Jackson's. Camping possible at Jackson's on south side of creek or on point just past creek, on Jackson's property.

Portage to next pond - go up creek and take out on left, carry then goes out to Jackson's road, then across highway, and go north about 50 yards after crossing highway to road into pond. Carry is supposed to be a mile.

Carry from this pond into another very small one at the Height of Land. There is a large Ranger depot on this second pond.

We trucked from Jackson's to Louvicourt River for \$10. Jackson did the job in two trips using his pick up truck and a trailer.

On Louvicourt, we paddled to head of rapids and chute before Tiblemont. Nothing of note in river, stream which we should have been on comes in on right a short way from the bridge. No campsites until island off point at head of rapids - (between rapids on right and carry, if used on left) Small with no swimming, but fair.

Louvicourt Rapids to Senneterre -

From campsite at head of rapids to Tiblemont Lake we should have taken the carry across the point to save time. There are 4 short rapids. The first three of which we ran after looking each over. They are all very short and pretty easy. The 4th we let down the first part on the right shore and carried the last part - about 30 yards. There is a portage trail on the right that goes around both parts. In so doing it took an hour and a quarter to cover the short distance which would have taken half as long at most on the carry.

The west shore of Tiblemont, after about 2 miles, is dotted with farms, cottages, and resorts. The east shore looked unpopulated. We lunched on large island on west side in a bay about 1/2 way up the island at a sand beach.

River from Tiblemont to Senneterre has 7 or 8 rapids in it, all short runs. We carried twice, once on the 4th one which is a drop of about 5 feet in a chute, and one the last one which is about 2-3 miles above Senneterre and goes through a sort of canyon. First portage was on right, about 40 yards, and the second was on left, about 50 yards. The third rapid is pretty tricky with a diagonal run that was hard to find.

Campsites in Senneterre hard to find. We stopped at the Ranger headquarters just before bridges and they suggested field across from airbase and mill just north of the bridges, which

we used. Swimming terrible, tent sites ok, water quite dirty, but it has the advantage of being close to town. New travel permits must be obtained from the Ranger Headquarters.

Senneterre to Beattyville -

Done by truck for \$30 after shopping around for a reasonable offer. Truck obtained by getting the Shell station in town to suggest a man. There is a Quebec law against trucking on a Sunday, so beware.

Senneterre has a Hudson Bay store, several grocery stores, and most conveniences - except for a coin laundry.

Parant Lake looks pretty attractive from road. There are several camps and lodges off the road as you go up the west shore.

Beattyville is a small collection of houses a long mile to the south of the railroad station. Neither is where the map would indicate. The rail station is at the northern end of Strongway Rapids, and the houses between there and where the Coffee River enters the Bell. There is a large saw mill opposite the station and entrance to the water.

Campsite was on north-west corner of an island just to the north of the mill. Tent sites fine, but poles had to be cut on main land as did firewood. No swimming.

CNR agent lives south of Senneterre and goes home on Saturday and Sunday, so don't plan on reoutfitting then unless word is sent to him to do something with the gear. (We got a tractor and trailer from the mill to pull the stuff down to the river - free

Last rapid of Strongway looks like it can be run - since we did not see the Coffee River entrance, we did not see what was supposed to have been the 3 mile carry that ends there.

Strongway to Little Kiosk -

From island below Strongway it is about 8 miles to Kiosk Chute, part of which is south of railroad bridge and part (main part) to north. All must be carried, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile on right, good walking. Takes out a fair distance above the rapids, crosses tracks, goes around bay shown on map (which you do not put into). Campsite at north end of carry looks very good.

At Cedar Rapids (Pipestone on some maps) there are two runs to be made. The first is rocky and run is slightly to left of center.

2nd is just after highway bridge and is a straight deep V.

There is a Ranger camp at Cedar Rapids and stores, etc. It is a good bit bigger than Beattyville.

At Little Kiosk go down left side slowly and catch eddy at top of cascade and carry last 75 yards. The whole carry is 400 yards, but unnecessary.

There are old indian campsites all the way down the river, but none has a good swimming place. There are some possible rocky sites, but not many.

Campsite at Little Kiosk at north end of carry. Tent sites and fire area ok, but swimming is too shallow.

Little Kiosk to campsite just short of island in Bell about half way down to Taibi Lake -

Rapid marked on map past Little Kiosk is nothing but swift water on left hand side of island. Right hand looked the same, but a little shallower.

Granite Narrows is a narrow rock passage, but does not look like it would be good for a campsite. There is a noticeable current.

One indian cabin before Granite Narrows on left and one several

miles past. Another opposite the entrance of the Wedding River. Another on right shore just before campsite.

Many possible campsites along the way cut out previously by indians. None seems to have good swimming. The one we used was just past a well kept cabin on the right and just before the island marked on the map about half way from Little Kiosk to Taibi Lake. Campsite on left on a poplar point. Excellent except for swimming.

Half Way to Taibi Lake to Site below Taibi Lake -

River seems muddier as you near Taibi Lake. Paddle from previous site to Taibi Lake takes about 5 hours. No real current in river and appearance does not change much. A good number of indian sites up to the lake.

Left shore of lake has some rocky points; right shore shallow and looks to be a mixture of sand and clay. Cabin on point on west side of lake with a large clearing beside it can be seen all the way from entrance into lake. Another cabin on left shore after river and lake make turn to north.

We camped on 1st island past Taibi Point, and there were no sites between the Point and this island. Cut out by Section A, but not good.

Taibi Lake to Site below Channel Rapids -

Island further down river look like better sites than the one we used. Most are rocky and look as though the ground behind is pretty level. There is another possible site cleared out on left shore about 1-1½ miles above Island Falls that looks good, but is not rocky.

Portages - (1) Island Falls, on left about 75 yards. A bridge is being built across the river here and carry will eventually be under the bridge. (2) Mignon Rapids - trail on right about 75 yards, good trail. (3) Gold Spring Rapids - on right, good trail, a couple hundred yards. There may be a trail on the left also, if map is correct. (4) Channel Rapids - portage on left, but just as easy, if not more so, to go into middle and carry over rocks. If the latter is done the carry is about 30-40 yards at most.

Back channel on left of Bancroft Island is open and good, but maybe right side in big water is more picturesque. Town of Matagami is being built at Channel Rapids on left shore at top of rapids. Several tent camps set up on semi-permanent basis below the rapids.

Campsites possible at Mignon and Gold Spring carries. None at Channel, and Island would not be good. No real good campsites either above or below Channel Rapids, although there are two possible places just as back channel behind Bancroft Island joins main water. We camped on left shore in a previously used spot about 1-1½ mile before Inlet Rapids. It would be better to try to get past Inlet before stopping.

Below Channel Rapids to island near head of Matagami Lake -

Inlet Rapids shot on left side in 2 parts. Second part is a small run far to the left.

Possible campsites on right below rapids. Cabins and camps on left shore at foot of rapids. Matagami Lake attractive looking with rocky shores on right going up and sandy ones on left. Water much clearer than on the Bell, but still slightly dark. Do not seem to be many campsites cut out either by indians or any one else

Our campsite on narrow part of large island about 2 miles from point where Waswanipi comes in. Two sided site with pebble beach on south and sand on north with rock wings on either side of it. Pretty good swimming with diving possible on right hand rocks. Tent sites very close together and fairly sandy.

Matagami to Waswanipi River between Olga and Goeland -

There is current in the Waswanipi all the way up to Red Chute, but it can be paddled. We went up first rapid on the paddle on left. There is another just above this that we took on the right, and another just before the chute that we took on the right also. None would be anything on the way down, but are problems going up.

Portage around Red Chute on right in a bay. About $\frac{1}{4}$ mile. Good trail with a hill at either end. Chute is worth looking at.

There are a couple campsites cut on left before 2' rapids on the Waswanipi and another at the Olga end of the Red Chute carry.

We camped on the Waswanipi between Olga and Goeland about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles before the first rapids on this section of the river. There is an old trapper's camp on left just before this. Tent sites just back of rock landing spot. OK, but no swimming. (There is an old indian clearing on left before all this where Olga Lake narrows down to become river.)

Waswanipi to Goeland Lake -

Rapids - 1st pulled up on left side of island in middle of rapids; if water were high right side would be pretty easy. 2nd pulled up on right and then carried for last 50 yards on broken rock shore. 3rd, 4th, and 5th all run together with stretch between 3rd and 4th that can be paddled. 3rd pulled up on right. Last two pulled up on right with a lift over at the top. Left shore would have been better for both. All 5 would be good runs on the way down, but top one might be a little tricky with sharp pitch and power swells. There is a portage cut out on the left side of the 5th one which could be used if desired, but we were already pretty wet.

Possible campsite at Goeland end of 5th rapid. Campsite on sand beach point on left just before Max Narrows had a party of prospectors on it when we came through. We camped on same point just into narrows on north-east end. About $\frac{1}{2}$ mile past sand beach. Tent sites good, but water shallow, shore full of boulders, and very buggy.

Max Narrows to head of Chensagi Lake -

Maicasagi and Chensagi both nice looking lakes but there are frequent shallows and rocks, particularly through the narrows between the two and as you approach and leave the narrows. A swift has to be paddled up midway through the narrows, at the narrowest part shown on the map.

Campsites - Large rocky island near turn in Chensagi looks good. We camped on dirty indian site on left just at foot of Chensagi River - not much and water too shallow to swim. There are three other indian sites nearby, but others are too small.

Chensagi to Lady Beatrix -

Trip up Chensagi River and into Lady Beatrix is really pretty easy. Rapids can all be paddled and pulled up if desired, or portaged as shown on the map. Carries are short and well cut out. River has some current and one or two swifts not shown on map that can be paddled or poled. Swift just before 1st rapid was paddled.

Rapids - (1) Pulled up 1st pitch and then rest paddled. Portage on right, about 100 yards, good trail. (2) Pull up. Portage on right, good trail, 250 yards over partially burned area. Campsite at north end quite roomy. (3) Immediately after previous one. Pull up. About 150 yards. Portage on left. Small campsite at north end. (4) All pulled up, quite short. (5) Also short and pulled up, but you have to get wet to do it.

Portages - (1) Portage to Height of Land Lake takes off up creek shown on map - not from river. Starts deep into a very weedy reed shallows. About 75 yards, good trail. Good rocky campsite at est end. (2) Portage to Lady Beatrix 150 yards, not hard, but has some muskeg. Campsite at west end.

Campsites - On Chensagi River there are several old indian sites near the mouth of the river between Chensagi Lake and the 1st rapid and these might be better than the one we used at the mouth. One is on the right about 3-4 minutes into the river behind the island at the mouth and the other on the left a few minutes further on. See above for campsites on the river and portages.

We camped on east shore of 1st part of Lady Beatrix on a sand beach about 3/4 of the way up that shore. Quite poor.

Lady Beatrix to river below Sugarloaf Portage -

Campsites on Lady Beatrix - Possible spots on south side of narrows connecting the first small part of lake with main section. Large indian site on south east side of point where you swing from travelling south to north on main part of lake. Another opposite the point at the start of Sand Narrows. Old indian site on right side of Sugarloaf Island just past the entrance to the stream. Another at foot of carry on the left side of Sugarloaf Island. Our campsite on right shore about 1 mile below last rapid past Sugarloaf Island - not large enough and pretty poor.

We took right side of Sugarloaf Island because it looked like it would be shorter, but it was a mistake since portages are not cut. Take left side which should be better. On right side we cut two portages. One at top of stream about 75 yards long on right. Second also on right just a very short paddle further on about 200 yards, but was pretty rough.

There is a fire tower on Lady Beatrix on west side of lake almost due west of the point where you change directions from south to north (south west of Sand Narrows). Ranger cabin could not be seen.

Below Sugarloaf Portage to Chute on Broadback above Kenonisca -

Lake is just straight paddle following map. At head of lake take left side of big island - there is a little swift in the narrows, but water is plenty deep - on advice of two Frenchmen who told us there was no water here, we took right side of island which makes paddle about 3 times as long.

Camped at top of portage on left after coming down a couple little swifts to it. Good tent sites on old indian grounds a few yards back on the trail. Landing shallow and no swimming right at landing. We were too late to look for other spots with deep water.

On Kenonisca Lake there appear to be many possible campsites particularly at south end and at the far northern end just before the large island. Not as many in the middle of the lake. There is a fire tower on Dome Mountain. There is an indian campsite on left shore past this. Another on left shore after

turn is made at foot of Rabbit Mountain.

Chute on Broadback to Crow Bay -

Portage around chute about 200 yards of good trail.

Calm water from there to Storm Lake Portage, which is right where map shows it is, but it does not look too well used. There is an old indian campsite at the head of it.

Current in river starts at about this point and continues most of the way to Crow Bay. Rapids are in places marked on the map, but there are other swifts and horseraces. We ran all rapids except one about in the middle of the day's journey where we carried 10 yards over a small island in the center of the rapid. It is necessary to look over each rapid carefully since there are frequently islands in the middle of the rapid making as many as 3 or 4 possible places for runs.

Crow Portage about 150 yards of muskeg and roots, wide trail and well used. No campsite possible at either end - lunch if desperate.

Surveyor's camp on right about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile below where Whitefish River comes in. Cemetery on right about $\frac{1}{2}$ way down calm stretch above Crow Portage.

Our campsite on Crow Bay on right about $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 mile above large island at south end of bay on Rocky Point facing north. Tent sites in rear out of sight of landing which is on rocky beach with fine place on top of rocky point. Not very good, but as good as anything else we say in the area.

Crow Bay to west side of Long Point -

Campsites in Crow Bay seem to be better at north end. One old indian site on north side of 2nd island on west side from end of bay. Also indian cabin and clearing on north shore of Bay.

Portage across Long Point is in south west corner of bay just where it ought to be. It is unused, long, bushy, and very swampy. The last $\frac{1}{3}$ of the trail had to be cut out by us since the old trail was lost. Don't take the portage, though. It is about $1\frac{3}{4}$ - 2 miles long and took 6 hours to navigate. Less energy, but maybe more time would be spent paddling around the point.

Campsite on west side of point on sand beach in poplar grove about 1 mile above the end of the portage. Not recommended, but was handy and all we could find at the moment.

Water in Lake Evans is about the clearest we had seen since hitting the Bell - although there is nothing wrong with the water anywhere after about $\frac{1}{2}$ of Matagami is paddled.

Long Point to Gifford Lake -

Coming up Lake Evans exit is very hard to find. There are two blind bays on right shore before you get to correct channel and that narrows down to a pair of very small openings. We took the left one of these and had to lift over a flat rock in order to get through. Then it was easy to follow the map for the rest of the day. To make the exit without trouble, try coming straight down middle of water between Kirk Island and Long Point, or maybe stay close to Kirk Island, but there are a lot of other islands that don't show on the map.

We followed left side of large island above Kirk. North of island in river there is a steep rapid which we could not run. We let down on left to a portage of about 150 yards which we cut to the foot of this chute, then ran the rest of it. Real portage or run is probably on the right since this old portage we cleared out had not been used for many years. At very narrow spot on map there is

falls of about 25 feet. Portage is on left about 300 yards, pretty well cut, but a little muskeg and trail is brushy. Then run next horse race to wide part of river. Our campsite was located on right about half way down to bend after these falls at an old indian site.

Gifford Lake to Broadback-Rupert Carry -

Paddle up Gifford is punctuated with many islands. We stayed on left side of large islands, avoiding deep bay that goes off on far left. Don't try to pass on west side of last island shown on map before the narrows at top of Gifford - there is no opening.

Portage around chutes is about a mile long, pretty good walking with a little muskeg that can be avoided. Takes off in bay on left far above 1st chute, although top of chute can just be seen before turning into bay. Bay is grassy and shallow. Trail takes out on smooth rock on left, but about 200 yards can be cut off by penetrating the reeds past this rocky landing and hitting trail further in behind the rocky point. Campsite at top of portage is an old indian site; another trapper's site in about the middle of the portage, but no water available near by. There is a small indian cemetery just past the indian site. Possible campsite about 100 yards short of end of carry, but water pretty shallow at loading spot. We did not take much of a look at the rapids carried, but the 1st drop is steep and the last one could not have been run. Rapids are strong enough to be heard at foot of Rupert carry.

Carry to Rupert takes off just opposite the point where the other Broadback channel comes in. Landing is at very shallow spot. Indian campsite about 50 yards back on the trail offers good tent sites. We took one load across in afternoon and then returned to Broadback side for the night. Portage is about $3\frac{1}{4}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles. Best time was about 1 hour and 20-25 minutes with a load or an hour and 10-15 to return. A lot of muskeg all the way over with some patches of good walking. Trail is well used and easy to follow. At start the first stretch of muskeg can be avoided by starting carry about 100 yards further west than the campsite down the river shore. There is a path from the campsite parallel to the river that hits this other branch of the portage trail. Landing at other side is at a creek about 25 yards long that runs into Wettigo Lake. Last 400 yards of carry is over very wet ground. Unless the carry is to be taken as an all day project, our method of splitting the trips seems best. There are two campsites part way across. Each about $\frac{1}{3}$ of the carry. It is possible to find water from small springs or creeks near each if you want to take the carry this way. Either site is perfectly satisfactory.

Broadback-Rupert Carry to Nemiscau Post -

Campsite on Wettigo at north-east corner of lake before marsh and portage. Lake is very pleasant looking with rock shores in spots and clear cool water.

Creek out at north end can not be used at all because of lack of water, dam across the creek, and a fairly good drop to Nemiscau. Portage is on left side of creek starting at lake shore, about 1000 yards with some good walking plus some muskeg and wet clay - nothing like the long carry before, but not ideal. Much used. No real campsite at either end, but north end has an excellent rocky lunch site. There are supposed to be speckled trout at the foot of the creek here.

Post is on point about 2 miles from end of portage. Bay post, school, church, and 162 resident indians in tents and a very few cabins, although more are being built. Take a trip through village for local color. Radio contact with Rupert's House. Some supplies, but selection is limited because this is the end of their trading year and supplies have not yet been flown in for the next. Prices very high because of transportation costs - 16 cent for a candy bar, 30 cents for a can of ginger ale or 7 Up, \$1.30 for 5 lbs of sugar, etc.

Campsite on sand beach about $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ mile north of post. Go past last building (church) and point is about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile further on in a slight bay. Tent sites fair, but swimming poor because of shallow water.

Nemiscau to Rupert Campsite about 6 miles down from junction of branches.

Leaving post follow left shore without going into deep bay a few miles up, and then keep near shore so as not to miss path to river opening. There is one spot in lake, at narrow section, with some swift current. Passage between island and mainland about a mile or two before river is very narrow, but passable. Watch carefully for reiver opening which is hidden by a long point.

About a half mile in, river leaves on left side of bay. Rapids here are choked with boulders and are very shallow. Take carry around 300 yards starting on left shore of bay past river entrance and 100 - 150 yards from foot of bay. Trail well used, good walking, but bushy.

2nd Portage a few hundred yards further on on left shore about 150 yards from left turn in river. Carries around a falls and very shallow rapids. You will probably have to land to find start of trail since the bank all looks alike. Good walking, a little bushy. Slightly over half way across there are several splits in trail designed to avoid muskeg. If you pick the right ones, trail is pretty dry. 1st split is to right and stays on higher ground than what looks like main trail. There are small campsites at either end; the one at the start being larger and better, but back from the water a little way. Far side is at least a good lunch site.

From here river is quiet and deep and winding for 3 miles or so. Then a couple of rapids filled with large stones. If water is low, canoes have to be walked through these, if not they can be run. Last one, just before main river, is fairly long, 200 yards or so. If river is low it might be best to take a carry across point to main river, which is supposed to take out a short way up a little creek at the head of the first rapid (it will be the second creek passed in this neighborhood).

On main river after about 400 yards fast current starts and continue at fast pace for about a mile with some rocks in fast places - stay fairly close to left shore - if wind is from the west there will be large waves at foot for another $\frac{1}{2}$ mile or so.

About 4 miles further along there is another similar place, but much shorter.

'48 Campsite is on right at this 2nd swift on smooth rock shore in stand of spruce

'62 Campsite about 6 miles from junction with main river just to west of low grassy island on bank of river about 8 feet up. Very poor and buggy. It would be better to stop sooner or go further. River does not look good for campsites in this immediate area.

Rupert Campsite to head of 3rd Carry after Oatmeal -

Current of river helps the paddling, but is usually not too swift. There are a few horseraces to Oatmeal and two rapids big enough so that they should be looked over - one at head of 1st large island and 2nd at foot of same island. Stay on south shore as you pass both islands. It is about a 4 hour paddle from previous campsite to Oatmeal. Lunch was cooked on western tip of 2nd large island.

Run horse race above Oatmeal on north shore and swing into bay or creek on right just before rocks at head of cascade. Portage takes off about 300 yards into bay. Carry is 1200 yards, excellent trail with logs carefully placed over possible muskeg. Campsite at west end of carry, but pretty small for a section and rough. Cascade is quite impressive to look at.

About two miles down is next carry on right just back of large smooth bald rock at head of chute. Carry is 30 yards across a point of land into a bay of the river (the carry is all clay so if preferred you can carry on rock, but it will be longer). Paddle straight across bay to opposite shore and take 300 yard portage around rest of cascade. Trail is well used, but very bushy.

At foot of carry paddle across river to clay-sand shore at head of next rapid and carry. 300 yards over good trail going through recent burn to foot of rapid. Old report says rapid can be run, but not in low water. Hard to look over in high water because of brush. If water is high walk portage and come back up shore to find run which should be on left shore. If really interested in running, it might pay to walk right shore from foot of last carry, but it really would take up a long time. Run at top of rapid would be ok under any conditions; it is the foot that is the problem.

We camped at start of 300 yard portage by cutting our own site - ok but nothing spectacular to say the least.

Head of 300 Yard Portage to foot of the Fours -

Leaving foot of 300 yard portage paddle almost straight across river to avoid going into bay on left. River makes horseshoe turn to right at foot of rapid.

One rapid about 1-1½ hours down river. Current in river, but a head wind will blow you back.

About an hour further on there is a 1200 yard carry on left around a spectacular cascade. Large bald rock at head of cascade on left and carry takes out just to left of rock. Look at view at top of cascade before making the trip. Carry goes through recently burned area and is pretty good walking with fairly steep hill at end. Foot of carry is just about opposite lower end of island in river before the Fours. Best picture of cascade is either at foot of island as you cross river or at start of next carry.

Cross river to next carry of 700 yards also around a spectacular falls takes off on right pretty close to top of falls. Pretty good walking with a few windfalls and a little wet clay and muskeg, also goes down hill at end. Hard loading at foot because of swells from cascade.

Slip down river on right side to carry of 1 1/3 miles around the Fours on right. Takes out about 100 feet above the head of the falls and hoes up a steep side hill about 20 feet high. Trail has a good number of windfalls but is not too bad otherwise. Falls are not as spectacular as the others before here.

Campsite at foot of Fours. There are also possible campsites at head and foot of 1200 yard carry. None on 700 yarder. Take time

through this area to look over falls - first two in particular.

Fours to 450 yard Carry between Chigascatagami and Plum Pudding -

A mile below Fours 150 yard carry on right around rapids which could be run except for 2 ledges with drops that would rip open canoes. Look carefully before running - if you want.

Next portage of 350 yards on right just above Chigascatagami around a steep rapid much too heavy to be tried. Hard loading at lower end because of swells from rapids.

Load and slip down right shore about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile to start of the Cat - actually trail from previous portage continues, but no one takes it. "Cat" takes out about 50 yards above start of pitch on right. You may want to find the start before slipping down to it. It is just before 2nd blind point and has fallen trees across the start. Eddy where start is located is about large enough for 2-3 canoes at a time, so go slowly. Trail is $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles, some side hill and a little clay. Wind falls are the greatest trouble. It follows river for 1st half and then cuts across point of land. Lunch cooked at lower end. Good camping.

8-9 miles further down portage on left side of island, 450 yards around chute labeled 102' on map (which is wrong). Take left side of island, and portage takes out on left just above chute behind a boulder on left side of stream at a grassy clay landing. Trail cuts across point to foot of chute.

We camped at head of 450 yard portage in spot to right of trail - not bad, but not good either. Water in front is deep enough to take a bath, but not swim, for a change. Lower end of portage on a smooth rock, and might be possible to use it.

Other campsites - best one at foot of Cat. Otherwise there is an old surveyor's camp about half way between 150 yard carry and 350 yarder on right. It was a pretty large place, but area is certainly not exceptional.

450 Yard Portage to 300 yard 1st part of Plum Pudding -

8-10 miles down river is start of Plum Pudding. Take left or south side of islands before this. 1st carry is 300 yards and is difficult to find. A good way above rapid take left hand creek to south of 2nd large island. It has the width and looks of a creek, but is really a split in the river. Follow this for $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles to start of rapid where carry takes out on right and is on the island rather than the mainland. Carry is 300 yards over good trail that starts just at head of rapid, goes through a burned area, and puts in on western tip of island

Camped at head of portage in fairly good site. There are two parts to site and if both parts are used, it would be plenty roomy. We all pitched in western section and it was pretty crowded.

300 Yard Portage at Plum Pudding to Rupert House -

If you want to carry 2nd part of Plum Pudding, trail is supposed to be on mainland to left of where you put in at tip of island and is supposed to be $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles. However, we ran all of rest of rapid. There are two sections to it with a calm section in the middle. 1st part was run on left and is a stiff horserace. After about a half mile of dead water 2nd run is steeper and it is hard to avoid power swells. Also run on left. We took water, but it was better than carrying although we had to bail.

Two miles below are Smoky Hill Portages - 2 of them - each 1300 yards with a 100 yards or so of moose pond in between. At head run down right shore around 1st blind point, but not 2nd. Carry takes out in eddy before 2nd point, which has a nice stand of

poplar. If water is low, as it was with us, and you have time, try going down river further and cutting to portage from as far down as you can go. My guess is about a quarter mile. There looks to be a campsite on a rocky point on right at the head of the real falls which is about this distance below start of carry. Start of carry is on rocky landing about 6 feet up from level or river. Trail on carry is ok, but wet in spots. Moose pond is supposed to have quaking bog landings, but was good when we came through. 2nd part of carry takes out on left side of moose pond about 40 yards from end. At foot of 2nd carry there is an old indian site - quite large. At foot of carry trail branches just as you come down a slight hill. Left branch goes to river and campsite, right branch goes to foot of carry. It is about 100 yards to place to put in after trail splits.

From here river is swift with big river horse races in many places to last rapid at large island 2 miles above post. There are too many boulders in stream to run it, so take 150 yard portage around 1st part and run last part. Portage takes out on right shore, but is very hard to find. Landing is quite shallow. Carry goes through trees to a bay off the river. If you go too far down river before looking for carry, there is no growth of trees on the right shore but tag alders. Main channel of river goes to the left here and might be run, but we did not look at it. Remainder of rapid after carry is shallow horserace, and half way through it Rupert House can be seen to the left two miles away.

Campsites - (1) Small one at head of 1st Smoky Hill carry (2) another at head of 2nd part of carry (3) large site at foot of 2nd part of carry (4) another on poplar point on right about 25 yards down from loading spot on 2nd carry (5) '48 section camped at spruce point on right 2 miles down from Smoky Hill at 1st horse race after carry.

At Rupert House we camped in grassy area about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile before post. Firewood is hard to come by, and tent poles tough. Tide at Rupert House changes about a foot or so. It makes a little difference when paddling, but is not nearly strong enough to stop your progress. Water in river is good to drink at any time at post - no trouble with salt, current in river is strong enough to keep out salt water. Post has three churches, a nursing station and about 600 indians plus canoe factory that makes canoes for most of the indians in this part of the bay. Prices much better than at Nemiscau. Indians seem much more prosperous.

Rupert House to Moosonee -

Radio contact with Moosonee made easily through factor at Rupert House. Almost direct to Austin Airways. Arrangements to fly out should really be made in advance so they expect you. It takes 55-60 minutes to make a trip from Rupert to Moosonee by plane and is about 100 miles. There are about 3 planes owned by Austin based at Moosonee. Their Beaver will take 4 people and some baggage and one canoe on the floats. The Husky may take more and can probably get a canoe inside if necessary. They made 4 trips in all to get us out. 4 people - 1 canoe and baggage on 1st trip. Same on 2nd. 2 people (plus a couple other passengers) and a canoe on the 3rd. 2 canoes next morning on last trip. Fare was a flat \$120 for people and baggage plus \$10 for each canoe.

If any one wants, it is possible to hire, through the factor, indians to tow you across with outboards for about the same price, but depends on weather and will take 2 days or so.

Chances of a boat are not good - there is a fairly regularly scheduled one, but it is never on schedule. The boat gets behind on its schedule because it gets stuck in ice even in August further north. Fare would be about the same, and it would take about two days for the crossing - plus the uncertainty. They will ship out canoes at their leisure if you have to leave one or two behind - at about \$10 per canoe. There is a canoe factory at Rupert that makes canoes and freighters so the market for used canoes is not too good. Factory is small - employing about a dozen indians - but supplies most freighters for Moosonee and the area at about \$400 for a 22 - 24 foot freighter.

Moosonee Austin base is about a mile north of the rail station. They will truck you and your equipment to station for you so you don't have to carry.

Baggage car should be waiting at station for you along with tickets, etc. They will let you stay in the car at night. There is virtually no place to camp at Moosonee, although you might find a spot on the river just to the south of the town or possibly on the island across from the town.

Moosonee nothing to get excited about. Hudson's Bay store a block or two from the station toward the river. Post Office is last house on 2nd street from station toward river, turn left if coming from station. Restaurant 1/2 block from station, a couple stores, and that's about it. Possible movie show in basement of Catholic Church if you hit the right day. Indian settlement across creek to south via one of several bridges. Possible chance of picking up some bead work made to order from women in village, if you can find them. One named Mary (no real last name) was the one we located. You will probably have to get some one to take you over if you are to be successful. We ran into a young ranger in Lands and Forests who was helpful. There is a fairly large Canadian Air Force Radar Station north of the main part of town.

Moose Factory on island about 2-4 miles away depending upon tide conditions. Is supposed to be cleaner than Moosonee. Has a couple old buildings, a few cannon, a modern hospital, and a Bay store.

In baggage car - it may have a stove to cook on, but you will have to pick up wood and coal along the tracks. Easier to cook meals on the stove in the engineer's cabin just across from the station if he will let you. Water can be drawn from fresh water creek just to west of water tower on far side of tracks from station.

Moosonee to T Station *

Train leave Moosonee on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:30 Standard time - 9:30 yours. On Saturdays it leaves a little earlier. Baggage car will be switched through to T Station and left there for your use. Check with conductor to be sure. Change trains at Cochrane - about a 2 hour lay over. Change again at Porquis Junction with about a 30 minute lay over. They will let you ride baggage car to Cochrane and then coaches from then on. Meals provided by making sandwiches from materials purchased in Moosonee. On Tuesdays and Thursdays you will arrive in T Station about 1:00 your time, but on Saturdays, if you make right connections in Cochrane you will get in just before 10:00. Easier to sleep in baggage car than to get a campsite at these hours. If you paddle to KKK the same day you get in leave T Station about 4:30. Cook breakfast at Faskin's Point and get to KKK at 11:00 - you hope.