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The Falkland Islands and Argentina

Some people in Britain find it difficult to comprehend that ten years after the Argentine invasion, occupation and subsequent war the Falkland Islanders still resolutely refuse to have anything to do with Argentina: no trade, no sea communication, no air link, no direct mail service and, presumably, no radio or telephone link. It goes without saying that no Argentine would be welcome on Falklands soil.

With detente currently in fashion, people point to the present friendly relations with our former deadly enemy the Germans, forgetting that the Germans, after being 'brought to their knees', were occupied, their leaders executed or imprisoned and de-Nazified. So why are Falkland Islanders now not developing friendly relations with the Argentines, who have replaced their military junta by democracy?

Recently Anglican clergy in Argentina asked to attend the Cathedral Anniversary celebrations, and a spokesperson at Lambeth Palace in London has supported this idea. A letter published in a recent issue of *Penguin News* from the editor of *The Upland Goose*, journal of the Falkland Islands Philatelic Study Group, who is also a member of our Association, expressed shock that having saved up over ten years £3,000 to visit the Falkland Islands by cruise liner for just seven hours in Stanley, the boat cannot call at Port Stanley, because it will sail direct from Buenos Aires. She asks, "How does a 24 hour stop over in Buenos Aires suddenly turn us into Argentine supporters?" Of course it doesn't, but when ones very

existence is at stake the reality of the situation takes over from wishful dreams, and Falkland Islanders have every reason to be suspicious

COVETOUS ARGENTINA

What people do not understand is the pressure (fear) which the Falkland Islanders still feel from Argentina. That their Government is no longer a military junta, but democratically elected has changed little: Argentines still actively covet their tiny neighbour and unforgivable is the way they use every situation, often immorally, to exploit their political and greedy ambitions, regardless of the Falkland Islanders wishes, feelings or rights. The Islanders know too well the old proverb, 'give him an inch and he'll take a mile'.

It is easy for us to pontificate from the safety of Britain. The view is quite different seen from San Carlos Water.

Few of us in Britain have experienced living under oppressive occupation, and few of us know what it is like to live next to a powerful corrupt country, whose only aim is to consume us totally, so we have little authority to stand in judgement on the Falkland Islanders over this issue.

However, Islanders have made it clear that were Argentina to drop her claim to the Falkland Islands then anything could be possible.

That certainly would be a good starting point. RNS.

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MARJORIE BERNTSEN (NÉE HANSEN), HER HUSBAND TREVOR, DAUGHTER MICHELLE AND HER HUSBAND JOHN JONES WITH GRANDCHILDREN DIONNE AND EVAN AT THE FALKLAND ISLANDS REUNION - STORIES PAGES 3 AND 11

(Photo: R. N. Spafford)

FALKLAND ISLANDS HERITAGE YEAR

1992 is a rather special year for the Falkland Islands, being the anniversary of several important events in the history of the Islands. To mark the year, the Falkland Islands are celebrating 1992 as Heritage Year. The following anniversaries are significant:

21st Feb	100th Anniversary of the Consecration of Christ Church Cathedral
Feb/Apr	100th Anniversary of the granting of Crown Colony status
13th Jun	100th Anniversary of Formation of Falkland Islands Defence Force
14th Jun	10th Anniversary of the Liberation of the Falkland Islands
13th Aug	50th Anniversary of Arrival of Task Force 122 to defend the Islands from Japanese invasion
14th Aug	400th Anniversary of First Sighting by John Davis of the Falkland Islands in his ship the <i>Desire</i>

A Heritage Year Committee has been formed in Stanley comprising

Councillor Terry Peck (Chairman), Councillor Harold Rowlands, Tim Miller, Nick Hadden, Des King, Norman Clark, John Smith, Peter King and Major Richard Self.

The Falkland Islands Government has made a grant of £150,000, most of which will pay for air fares for the Islands' guests over Heritage Year. As reported on page 9, the

Archbishop of Canterbury will be visiting to take part in the 100th Anniversary Celebrations of Christ Church Cathedral and it has been announced that Mrs Margaret Thatcher has accepted an invitation to visit the Islands during Heritage Year. *Penguin News* of 18 October reported that The Heritage Year committee has said that it wants to sponsor return visits to the Falklands by people who might never be able to see their birthplace again.

Main events for Heritage Year will be as follows:

January

Fri 10th Margaret Thatcher Day

February

Sun 23rd Cathedral Thanksgiving Service
end of Feb. Camp Sports: Port Howard and Darwin

March

Horticultural Show

Thu 12h Farmers Day
Fri 13h MPA Open Day

April

Tue 21st Queen's Birthday Parade

May

Sun 3rd Memorial Service for Harrier pilots,
Goose Green
Fri 15th Swimming Gala
Thu 21st San Carlos Landing Day
Sat 23rd May Ball - Miss Heritage 1992
Sun 24th Ajax Bay: HMS *Ardent* and HMS *Antelope*
Sun 25th Pebble Island: HMS *Coventry*
Fri 29th Liberation of Goose Green:
2 Para memorial service

June

Mon 8th Memorial Service Fitzroy: RFAs *Sir Galahad*
and *Sir Tristram*
Sat 13th Centenary of Defence Force: San Carlos Yomp
Commando's band Beat Retreat, Dinner Dance
Sun 14th Liberation Day:
10th Anniversary celebrations-
Parade, Church Service, Wreath Laying,
Public Reception, Fireworks, Public Dance.

June

Fri 19th Midwinter Fancy Dress Ball

July

6th-10th Farmers Week
Sun 12th Craft Fair
Sat 18th FIDF Centenary Celebrations, Town Hall

August

Fri 14th 400th Anniversary of First Sighting:
Special Session of Legislative Council,
Ball and Dinner Dance
Sun 23rd Swimming Gala

September

October

Photographic competition
Stamp exhibition
Opening of new Senior School

November

Sun 8th Remembrance Sunday
Mon 30th St. Andrews Day -
Scottish connections celebrations

December

Sun 6th Rifle Association Shooting Competition
Tue 8th Battle Day
Fri 11th Senior School Sports
Fri 25th Christmas Day
Sat 26th) Christmas Heritage Sports, Stanley.
Sun 27th) Ram and Fleece Show, Fox Bay.

HMS *Endurance* Replacement

Following the decision to decommission HMS *Endurance*, which is no longer serviceable for Antarctic waters, the British Government has chartered the MV *Polar Circle*, a Norwegian survey ship with ice breaker capabilities, for the season.

The British Government is now under considerable

pressure either to make a firm long term commitment to replace HMS *Endurance* with the *Polar Circle*, or to have a new replacement ship built.

There is also strong feeling that the *Polar Circle* should be renamed HMS *Endurance*.

Falkland Islands Reunion

A very good crowd attended the annual Falkland Islands Reunion at Ham Hall, near Richmond, Surrey on Saturday 24th August, 1991.

Those present included Falkland Islands families living in Britain, Falkland Islanders on holiday in Britain, Falkland Islanders visiting from New Zealand and their friends and supporters in Britain. It was particularly nice to see Kelpers Ken and Zena Mills of Papatoetoe, Auckland, at the end of their first visit to the Northern Hemisphere, flying back to New Zealand on the following day. Also there for the first time for several years was well-known broadcaster to the Falklands, Peter King. Geoff Moir was, as usual, recording messages to be broadcast to the Falklands on *Calling the Falklands*.

It was especially nice also to see so many young people and children attending; one hopes that, maybe, some will find the urge to join those who have returned to the homeland of their parents which has now become such a country of opportunity.

A New Commander BFFI

Replacing Major General Malcolm Hunt OBE Royal Marines as the Commander British Forces Falkland Islands is Air Vice Marshal Peter Beer CBE LVO of the Royal Air Force.

Joining the RAF in 1962, his first operational year was spent as a pilot flying Valiant strategic bombers before flying Victor tankers at RAF Marham. After a spell with the Defence Policy Staff and then as Director Air Staff Briefing, he commanded RAF Brize Norton from 1984 to 1986. Following attendance at the Royal College of Defence Studies, Air Vice Marshal Beer has been Director Defence Operational Requirements and latterly Director Air Plans.

Air Vice Marshal Peter Beer and his wife Fiona have two sons.

We hope to be able to publish a photo in the next issue of *Falkland Islands Newsletter*.



FALKLAND ISLANDS CHILDREN AT THE HAM REUNION
SELINA, MARC AND CARL GIBBINS
WITH NINA KEATES BEHIND
(Photo: R. N. Spafford)

LICENSING THE NEW RECTOR



THE REVD. CANON STEPHEN PALMER WITH THE
ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY AND GUESTS OUTSIDE
LAMBETH PALACE
(Photo: R. N. Spafford)

On Tuesday 17th September, witnessed by a capacity congregation of over one hundred family and friends, the Reverend Canon Stephen Palmer was licensed at Lambeth Palace as Rector of the Falkland Islands by the Archbishop of Canterbury at a service, which included hymns, prayers, readings and an Address by Dr Carey, the Archbishop.

Following The Presentation of the Revd. Canon Stephen Palmer by the Revd. Canon Donald Irving, General Secretary of the Intercontinental Church Society, to the Archbishop, the Archbishop administered the Declaration and Oaths. The Archbishop then presented Canon Stephen Palmer with the License. Finally the new Rector and his wife, Mrs Christine Palmer, were blessed by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Among those present at the service were members of Canon Palmer's family, representatives from his previous parish in the Isle of Wight as well as Falkland Islanders and leading members of Falklands organisations in Britain. The complete service was recorded by Julie Bicknell, Producer of *Calling the Falklands* and broadcast to the Islands that evening.

THE BARILOCHE CONFERENCE

by P.J.Pepper

While our Association was holding its conference in Cambridge last April, there was another in Bariloche, Argentina's smartest and most expensive resort. This was the second meeting of the Argentine British Conference.

The Argentine British Conference (ABC) was first suggested by Señor Fleming, head of the Argentine interests section of the Brazilian Embassy, to a member of the British steering committee for the Königswinter conferences. The idea was then taken up by a group of people mainly from the South Atlantic Council.

However, the ABC is not much like the prestigious Königswinter conferences, which were set up after World War Two with Germany. Königswinter began as internal German conferences which invited British speakers, basically to learn about British democratic institutions. Only later did they become bilateral conferences, when Leilo Milchsack, their founder, believed they would teach Britain to avoid making mistakes such as appeasing German aggression. Further, World War Two solved the political problems that had led to it, so the Königswinter conferences never addressed these. The ABC on the other hand does attempt to do this.

COMPOSITION OF THE DELEGATIONS

The leader, and organising committee chairman, of the British delegation to the conference in Bariloche was Lord Montgomery. He has been promoting British interests in Argentina for decades, and has been there many times, but has never once been to the Falklands. He has, however, often expressed his opinions about the Falkland Islands 'dispute'. In *Hansard*, on the 14th of April 1982, he said "I put it to your Lordships that our objective at the end of the day should be to negotiate a transfer of sovereignty which would provide for joint development of the economic resources of the South Atlantic".

The ABC is a self-appointed and, in effect, private organisation which chooses its own delegates. There were twenty from Britain: some were politicians, others academics, ex-diplomats, ex-military, writers, churchmen, and businessmen. They had no connections with the British government, or its policy over the Falklands.

The Argentine delegation was similar, but without any military, and with several Anglo-Argentines. It was non-Governmental too, although last year it included the President's brother, Senator Eduardo Menem. Some of its delegates supported its Government's attitude to the Falklands which is a 'softly-softly' approach; those who didn't, especially from the older generation, were more hard line; they were led by Carlos Muniz.

The Falkland Islands Government was invited to send a delegation, but considered it inappropriate for several reasons. Of course, they would have had to get new passports, if they had gone. Argentina does not accept any passports issued in the Falklands. For Falklands born Islanders, which Argentina considers its citizens by birth, even a British passport issued elsewhere is unacceptable. These can only enter Argentina on an Argentine passport. This did reduce the profile of the conference, but meant there was no one to represent the

Islanders or report what was said there.

DISCUSSION GROUPS

The conference divided up into discussion groups. One handled financial cooperation, increasing trade, and British investment. Another handled cultural, religious, sporting, social, scientific and other subjects. Of course, no one would have gone to Argentina to discuss subjects like these, if there hadn't been a war, but this is the process of restoring good relations - which is fine. This occupied three quarters of the conference time.

ARGENTINA OFFERS FALKLANDS NOTHING

On the Argentine side, though, the conference was also used to pressure Britain for concessions in the Falklands. TELAM, the Argentine press agency, actually quoted Carlos Muniz as saying that re-establishing links with the Falklands was an Argentine objective at the conference. Further Richard Gott, one of the delegates, who wrote about it in the *Guardian*, mentioned the Argentine wish to return to the pre-1982 situation. This, of course, also means getting access again and a direct air link, but he quotes one Argentine delegate as admitting that this offered the Islanders nothing. "They've already got an airport larger than Ezeiza. What could we offer them" was what he said. Mr Gott told me personally that the Argentines are 'fantastically keen' to re-establish these links. All the British delegates who ventured an opinion to me about direct links supported these.

POWERFUL FALKLANDS LOBBY

Richard Gott also reported an Argentine view at the conference that an economic lobby was needed to combat the 'powerful Falklands lobby'. He also mentioned British business delegates wanting a settlement to facilitate business relations - but not knowing how to achieve this. This reflects the view of Garcia de Solar, leader of the Argentine delegation at Madrid in February 1990 who said that commerce could lead to economic lobbies in Britain in favour of Argentina.

OTHER PEOPLE'S INTERESTS

Mr Gott also reported that some Argentine delegates thought that Falkland Islanders could be won over to their good intentions, but that some British delegates replied that the problem lay in Britain, and Argentina should concentrate on winning over opinion in the clubs and pubs there! Other delegates, according to Mr Gott, thought that Argentine-British relations would improve under a future Labour Government which would only support Falkland Islanders' interests, but not their wishes. This is fantastically popular in Argentina, as a formula for substituting other people's interests. This is also why Falkland Islanders are always denigrated in Argentina. Portraying them as primitive, or too ignorant to know where their true interests lie, or to

BARILOCHE (continued)

decide their own future for themselves, helps to rationalise the idea that other people should do this for them.

REAL FALKLANDS ISSUES

Subjects directly related to the Falklands actually took up only about a quarter of the conference time. Peter Temple Morris MP told me this included discussion of possible 'solutions' to the 'dispute' itself. He wouldn't say what these were, but two other delegates let the word 'condominium' slip. Richard Gott mentions this too. Yet another said all the old favourites were discussed.

Cooperation over the resources of the South Atlantic was a major topic and was supported by all delegates that I spoke to. It was emphasised too in the final communique. This was mainly about fishing. Here the Falklands already do cooperate - and exchange genuine Falklands statistics for bogus Argentine ones. Here cooperation would, of course, be desirable, but Argentina sees this as yet another way into the Falklands. After signing the agreement in Madrid last year, Garcia del Solar said in *La Prensa*, Argentina's best paper, "We will seek, on the basis of this agreement on the reciprocal exchange of information, a form of mutual collaboration destined, step by step, to recover our rights completely".

OIL

Another subject here was oil, with a passionate speech from one Argentine delegate against any idea of the Falklands going it alone. Argentina is known to want only one petroleum infrastructure on the Patagonian continental shelf, ostensibly to save costs in a difficult and expensive exploration area. This would be sensible in the absence of any political dispute. But, Argentina, with all the infrastructure and skilled manpower already in place at their oil fields at Santa Cruz and Comodoro Rivadavia, would be able to dominate this - and use it to dominate the Falklands. British Gas's bids for new concessions in Argentina were mentioned too. One delegate told me of his concern that the Falklands mineral bill might prejudice British Gas's chances. British Gas only acquired its first Argentine interests, which are in Patagonia, last year, in the privatisation of YPF - and in full knowledge of the Falklands dispute. It just goes to show for whose interests the Falklands might exist, if these were ever decided by other people.

ARGENTINE CORRUPTION

One surprising subject was Argentine corruption. But,

There were some forty British sponsors, mainly companies with interests in Argentina. The South Atlantic Council contributed too, as did the Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

only financial corruption was discussed - and its adverse effect on foreign investment. This was topical after several recent scandals. Political corruption in the sense of ceaseless mendacity, breaking election promises, breaking Argentine constitutional guarantees, such as Bonex '89, interfering with the judiciary, and packing the supreme court, were not discussed - despite their bearing on the credibility of guarantees for Falkland Islanders. Many Argentines believe that these will get them into the Falklands one day, over the heads of gullible British politicians, but few believe they would ever be kept.

NEGOTIATING SOVEREIGNTY

A couple of Argentine delegates only wanted to argue about the Falklands 'dispute'. Senator Gass, from the Radical Party, publicly criticised the British Government in the newspaper *Rio Negro* of 14th April, 1991, for refusing to negotiate with Argentina over sovereignty, which he said was to 'satisfy the Islanders'. He declared his support for the statement George Foulkes made at the conference: that Britain would negotiate sovereignty, if Labour were to come to power. Gass wrongly claimed this was a product of an agreement 'signed' between Neil Kinnock and Alfonsín in Madrid in 1987. It is this promise, which was actually first made in Paris in 1985, that has so encouraged Argentine nationalists over the last few years - and why domestic British political events are followed in such detail in the Argentine press.

La Prensa gave the conference relatively little prominence, but the title of its article "Conference In Bariloche About The Falklands", clearly showed what it considered important. This included George Foulkes's promise to talk about sovereignty, and Carlos Muniz's statement that re-establishing links were an Argentine objective. Selected British quotes and misquotes were included too - usually where these seemed to sympathise with, or give hope to, Argentina.

As a private conference, the ABC commits neither side to anything. In a small way it has probably helped to improve Argentine-British relations too. Of course, that is relatively easy, Britain was not abused in 1982, and is not the subject of a continuing threat now. Whether it could do the same for Argentine-Falkland relations, without furthering Argentine ambitions, would be anyone's guess. Perhaps only by sending a delegation could anyone find out. That's a way to influence future conferences too.

The Falkland Islands Journal

The special 25th issue is now available from Mr. F. G. Mitchell, c/o The Falkland Islands Co. Ltd., 94A Whitechapel High Street, London E1 7RH, at £4 inclusive of postage.

Of particular interest in the issue is the History of the Falkland Islands Government Air Service.

Amongst other features are: Charles Darwin in the Falkland Islands, Camp Life in the Falkland Islands - a series of sketches by Kitty Bertrand, Some American Visitors to the Falklands 1788-1795.

Back copies of single issues 1982-1990 and a few earlier issues are still available together with bound volumes 1967-71, 1972-76 and 1977-81.

Falkland Islands Development Corporation

Development Update

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS 1989-1990

The Falkland Islands Development Corporation Report and Accounts for 1989-1990 has been released to the general public. This is the first of the Corporation's reports which covers the financial year from 1 July to 30 June, in line with the Falkland Islands Government's financial year. With artwork by Nicola Summers of Promotions Unlimited, the annual report was printed at the Government Printing Office and is the first FIDC Annual Report to be wholly produced in the Islands.

In the Chairman's statement, His Excellency the Governor states "It must be stressed that the Falkland Islands Development Corporation, as its name implies, is a development corporation and as such, rather than a Government department, is designed to introduce a commercial element in its projects and not shy away from some aspect of risk. It is to the credit of the FIDC that few start-up projects have so far resulted in failure. With the emphasis on thorough evaluation and good business practice in all assisted companies, we hope this trend will continue."

Anyone requiring a copy of the Report and Accounts should contact the Falkland Islands Development Corporation.

QUESTION FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

In reply to a recent Question for Written Answer, by the Honourable H. T. Rowlands CBE, asking for a list of projects undertaken by FIDC since its inauguration showing both the failures and successes plus FIDC's cost effectiveness, the Honourable the Chief Executive advised:

NUMBER OF PROJECTS SHOWING ASSISTANCE BY TYPE.

TYPE	TOTAL	ACTIVE	SOLD	CEASED TRADING
Loans	54	33	14	7
Hire Purchase	15	11	3	1
Enterprise Grants	76	55	4	17
Special Grants	29	23	4	2
Interest Relief Grants	11	10	1	0
Equity Investments	21	17	4	0
Total	206	149	30	27
%	100	72	15	13

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NUMBER OF BUSINESSES ASSISTED BY SECTOR

SECTOR	TOTAL	ACTIVE	SOLD	CEASED TRADING
Construction/building	16	11	1	4
Manufacturing	12	12	0	0
Food production	18	12	4	2
Retailing	37	27	9	1
Tourism	27	19	3	5
Services	43	30	5	8
Others	7	7	-	1
Total	<u>160</u>	<u>117</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>21</u>
%	<u>100</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>13</u>

(Note: the total numbers shown in the second table are less than the first as some businesses have received more than one type of assistance - in the second analysis any one business, regardless of the number of times it has received assistance, is shown only once.)

From both of the above tabulations the 'failure rate' is 13% - those who have ceased trading from a development point of view are failed businesses. This does not necessarily pre-suppose that the businesses in fact lost money or became insolvent, but that it no longer functions. The figure that stands out most clearly is the rate of failure of Enterprise Grants at 22% (17 out of 76). There is also a very discernible trend to this - most of the failures are from earlier years, and many just lasted the required two years before closing. This is not surprising since the application formalities are minimal and any obligations to repay lapse after two years.

On the basis of the information and results above the rate of success of assisted businesses must be rated as very high - 87% still in business with no evidence that this trend will change dramatically.

THE FALKLAND MILL LIMITED

With the introduction of a new range of shades during 1990/91 the Falkland Mill has enjoyed good growth in the local market both through commercial knitters and retail outlets. Although priority is given to the local market it is hoped that growth can be sustained through exports to the United Kingdom and the rest of Europe. Mill sweaters are currently stocked by Farlows of London and other retail outlets in Derbyshire and East Anglia. The continued support approved by Executive Council has enabled the appointment of Harmer Public Relations to promote Mill knitting yarn through editorials in various women's magazines. The first order for natural knitting wool has been received from our distribution agents, Falklands Chesterfield Connection, in preparation for its launch in early 1992.

PORT LOUIS

by Major R. N. Spafford

The fascinating settlement at Port Louis, now easy to visit because of the newly completed road from Stanley, is full of early history of the Falkland Islands.

Part 2. Foundations of Old Buildings, Rare Flowers, Fort St.Louis, the Cemetery and the Murders

The foundations of many buildings, defence works and reminders of past habitation still exist in abundance at Port Louis, which was the seat of British Government from 1833 to 1844 when the move to Stanley was made. Even the rectangular outlines of the pig sties beside a stream at the bottom of a steep valley, immediately to the south of the present Manager's house, can be seen clearly; more imposing, of course, are the foundations of a large building, which was called Falkland House.



THE RECTANGULAR OUTLINES OF THE PIG STIES

The botanist would be interested in a largish plant near the settlement track with clusters of small pink flowers on a stem and heather like leaves, that the Manager, Mike Morrison, called Yarrow. He said that he had not seen it growing anywhere else in the Falklands.

FORT ST. LOUIS

A few yards further to the south-west can be seen on the top of a rise the foundations of the old French fort, which was rectangular with a surrounding ditch.

Fort St Louis, as it was named, was made of earth and peat sods by the French officers in Bourgainville's party of settlers in 1764. It had emplacements for fourteen cannon and in the centre a twenty feet high obelisk with a stone fleur de lys on top.

Fort St. Louis, of course, gave the name to the eventual settlement name of Port Louis, though during its few years as the capital 'town' it was called Anson.

In this vicinity can be found the rare Yellow Orchid (*chloraea gaudichaudii*) growing quite abundantly.

THE OLD CEMETERY

A few yards further on is the old graveyard or cemetery. Here there are two clearly defined outlines of rectangular boundaries, one inside the other, but not conforming to the same shape and it looks as if the original graveyard has been redesigned, rather than just enlarged.

There are a surprisingly large number of rows of graves



FORT ST.LOUIS LOOKING TOWARDS THE MANAGER'S HOUSE

there, but only two now have stones. A story goes that all the head-stones were collected and taken to Stanley for repair and re-engraving but unfortunately a record was not kept of the graves to which each belonged, so they could never be replaced.

Of the two stones that still exist, one which has fallen flat bears the inscription:

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
ROSE ELLEN ROBSON
WHO DIED 17th APRIL 1894
AGED 1 YEAR AND 6 MONTHS.
FEED MY LAMBS.



ROSE ELLEN ROBSON'S HEADSTONE

PORT LOUIS (continued)



THE CEMETERY LOOKING SOUTH-EAST WITH MATTHEW BRISBANE'S GRAVE IN THE FOREGROUND

The present company owning Port Louis as a sheep farm still chiefly involves the Robson family

The other stone is on the restored grave of the murder victim Matthew Brisbane. The inscription hints at the story,

IN MEMORY OF
MR MATTHEW BRISBANE
WHO WAS BARBAROUSLY
MURDERED ON THE
26TH, AUGUST 1833.

HIS REMAINS WERE REMOVED TO
THIS SPOT BY THE CREWS OF H.B.M.
SHIPS "EREBUS" AND "TERROR"
ON THE 25TH AUGUST, 1842.

THE TOMBSTONE WAS RENEWED
BY GOVERNOR
SIR JAMES O'GRADY K.C.M.G.
IN 1933.

Still in a good state of repair, it lies positioned askew to the other graves in the cemetery.

THE PORT LOUIS MURDERS

The story briefly was as follows: After Captain Onslow had recovered the Falklands for Britain, removing the illegal settlers from Buenos Aires and hoisting the Union Jack at Port Louis on 3rd January 1833, William Dickson, Matthew Brisbane and William Lowe decided to continue Louis Vernet's plans for a trading settlement at Port Louis.

On 26th August, 1833, because of a grievance over being



MATTHEW BRISBANE'S GRAVE

their being paid in paper money rather than silver, three gauchos, one being Antonio Rivero, in company with five former convicts killed Matthew Brisbane, William Dickson and three other settlers, stole all they could find and the next day fled into the interior.

Not only had Brisbane been knifed, but his body was tied to a horse and dragged from his house into the Camp. However the settlers who escaped, including a woman, Antonina Roxa and her three children, were able to bury the dead in a shallow grave before seeking refuge on Turf Island, just off Port Louis. They lived in appalling conditions on three small islands just off the coast, Turf, Kidney and Hog, and as the murderers constantly returned, they were in fear of their lives until 8th January, 1834, when HMS *Challenger* arrived with the new Governor, Lieutenant Henry Smith.

The murderers were then hunted down by the Governor with six Royal Marines. One of the gauchos was killed by his fellows, two escaped on an American sealer and another turned King's evidence. Antonio Rivero with three others, after being held on board HMS *Beagle* by Captain Fitzroy were taken back to Newgate Prison in England but later returned to South America and put ashore in Montevideo.

When the Argentines invaded the Falkland islands in 1982, they renamed Stanley as Puerto Rivero, since they consider him to be a hero in Argentina.

(To be continued in the next issue)

(Photos by the author)

Archbishop of Canterbury to visit the Falklands

It has been announced that the Archbishop of Canterbury, will visit the Falkland Islands for the 100th Anniversary of the Consecration of Christ Church Cathedral Stanley.

The special Centenary Thanksgiving Service will take place on Sunday 23rd February.

It is also hoped that he will be able to visit the old mission station on Keppel Island, which was the cradle of the South American Missionary Society and the Anglican Church in South America on Tuesday 25th February.

THE S.S. GREAT BRITAIN

Falkland Islanders, especially those who have visited the S.S. *Great Britain* being restored at Great Western Dock, Bristol, will be interested to know that S.S. *Great Britain's* Barometer, which was presented back to the ship by Miss Madge Biggs of Ross Road East, Stanley, a few years ago, has now been fully restored to working order. The barometer is now back on display again in the Museum at the dockside.

The bell of the S.S. *Great Britain*, which once hung in the woolshed at Goose Green, and for a time was displayed below decks, has now been resited on the forward part of the weather deck



THE BELL OF S.S. GREAT BRITAIN RESITED ON THE WEATHER DECK

(Photo: R. N. Spafford)

THE WEATHER DECK IS LEAKING

Many will recall that when the weather deck of the S.S. *Great Britain* was replaced after her return from the Falkland Islands to Bristol, this was constructed from the wooden floor of a redundant T.A. Drill Hall. Unfortunately this is no longer watertight and rain is leaking into the interior of the ship, jeopardising the restoration work. It has to be remembered that rain and water on the deck of a ship that is sailing is washed off as the ship moves, but on a static ship it sits on the deck, either to evaporate or sink into the wood.

Of especial concern is the restoration of the First Class Dining Saloon on the Promenade Deck below, which, when completed, will be used by the newly formed public company, S.S. *Great Britain* Banqueting plc. This restoration cannot be completed until the weather deck has been replaced and the new company cannot start to trade until the restoration has been completed. However this is not the only worry as the whole ship is at risk with a leaking weather deck.

As a temporary measure a metal frame has been fixed over the weather deck and this has been covered with strong



THE TEMPORARY COVER OVER THE WEATHER DECK OF S.S. GREAT BRITAIN

(Photo: R. N. Spafford)

semi-transparent material, which keeps most of the rainwater out. The new weather deck is to be constructed of a thin steel sheeting with wooden planks bonded on top, which should keep the ship watertight for many years. The cost of this work is high and is estimated at £250,000.

SPONSOR A PLANK SCHEME

The S.S. *Great Britain* Project is seeking help towards paying for this work by inviting individuals and organisations to sponsor a 3ft. length of deck planking for £15 per length. Each donation of £15 entitles the sponsor to an inscription of up to twelve letters on a plaque measuring 2" X 1"; these are displayed on a Sponsorship Board on the ship. There is no limit to the number of planks which may be sponsored and the size of each inscription depends on the number of 3ft. lengths of planking sponsored. So far the sponsorship total stands at £35,000 from approximately 1,000 donors. The Falkland Islands Association has sponsored two planks and our name is now displayed as well as the names of some members of the Falkland Islands Association, who have given individually.

Falkland Islanders and other Falkland Islands organisation which have sponsored planks. It is hoped that many more members of the Association and also Falkland Islanders will want to donate towards the urgent need of this old vessel which had such a close association with the Falklands for so many years. Forms for the 'Sponsor a Plank Scheme' may be obtained from "The Development Officer, S.S. *Great Britain*, Great Western Dock, Gas Ferry Road, Bristol BS1 6TY. It is understood that forms are also available at Stanley Museum in the Falklands.

Educational Achievements

Of fifteen A Level subjects taken, Falkland Islands overseas students in Britain achieved four As, five Bs, two Cs, one D and three Es.

The following young Falkland Islanders have gained places at Universities

- Tom Blake at Stirling to read Business Studies,
- Rosalind Check at Newcastle to read Law,
- Stephen Davis at Loughborough to read Economics,
- Emma Edwards at Belfast to study Agriculture.

- Stephen Luxton at Durham to read Geology,
- Glenn Ross at Southampton for a three year degree course in Electrical Engineering,

In addition Alex Blake has been accepted on a BSC Course in Marine Studies, Andrew Alazia is to do a year's course at the Civil Engineering College at Kings Lynn, Gerald Ford will do a year's B Tech Diploma course in Mechanics and John Macdonald is to do a one year City & Guilds course in Mechanical Engineering.

PHILATELIC STOCK BOOK

LIVING HISTORY

Octogenarian Mr Robson Lowe, the well known and well loved doyen of Postal History, once described that philatelic discipline as the 'humanity of philately', and the following illustrates this well.

In the Falkland Islands fifty years ago in December 1941, it was decided to evacuate all 209 children as well as 34 mothers and fourteen school teachers living in Stanley out to the Camp, as it was feared that the Japanese might invade the Islands. The evacuation started on 28th December, 1941, when the first children, mothers and teachers left Port Stanley for West Falkland on board the local steamer R.M.S. *Fitzroy*.

EVACUEE MAIL

The evacuated children were permitted to write to their parents in Stanley without any postal charge, and just seven of the stampless envelopes from these letters, bearing a Port Stanley postmark and the inscription "evacuee" are known to still exist today and are much treasured by Falkland Islands philatelists.

Only one of these still exists with its letter inside. Written from Port Howard on 7th July, 1942, and addressed to "Miss Madge Biggs, Port Stanley", the letter reads:

"Dear Miss Biggs, I hope you are well and happy. We are living with Mrs Shorey. Freda and I are having good fun. I have got a bit of a cold just now and so has Freda. Mrs Shorey is very good to us. I have got a lot of parcels and letters from the Sisters. I am making a pair of socks for myself and so is Freda. We had a week holiday from school. We are having bad weather now. Miss Braxton is our school teacher. I would like to be back in Stanley to see you again. I have finished two of my sum-books and two of my writing books. Mrs Shorey takes us for long walks on fine days. We went to three dances last week and I stopped until they finished them. Well I must close for now. Goodbye Madge and Irene Biggs. Love from Marjorie and Freda."

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

It is, perhaps, remarkable that every one connected and mentioned in the letter has been traced and is still alive after fifty years.

Madge Biggs, who taught Marjorie and Freda Hansen sewing at the Convent school in Stanley, and her sister, Irene, are still living in their house on Ross Road East.

The two little Hansen girls, Marjorie, aged 10, and Freda, aged 9, having been left destitute after their mother died, lived at the convent school run by the Sisters were evacuated to Port Howard on West Falkland, travelling on board the RMS *Fitzroy*, (this was the *Fitzroy* previously named *Lafonia*).

Freda, now Freda Alazia, remembers that it was a miserable journey with a rough sea in the middle of winter. They slept on sheepskins laid on the deck of the hold; they were very seasick and caught bad colds. They stayed at Port Howard, where they lodged with Mrs Shorey, for nine months before returning to Stanley to live with Mr and Mrs Harry Bonner, the parents of Don Bonner, at St. Mary's Walk.

Marjorie Hansen married Trevor Berntsen and is the



EVACUEES AT PORT HOWARD 1942

Back Row Lt. to Rt: Lorna Biggs, Mrs Johnson, Thora Biggs, Gladys Johnson, Marjorie Hansen, Iris Johnson, Mrs Shorey.
Front Row: Lt. to Rt.: Glenys Wallin, Mildred Johnson, Joan Shackel, Shirley Shackel, Freda Hansen, Terry Shorey, Bernard Shorey.

mother of Mrs Phyllis Stewart, who was until recently Manager of the Philatelic Bureau in Stanley, and of Mrs Michelle Jones who lives in England.

Mrs Shorey now lives in Southampton and Miss Beatie Braxton's sister, Winnie Luxton, is the wife of the late Henry Luxton, a well-known Postmaster of the Falklands.

One very small, but precious, stampless envelope with a pencil written letter in a childish hand after fifty years still and will for ever link these personalities. Around such unexpected patterns is our humanity created.



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Beatrice Orissa Millam 1899 - 1991

Beatrice Millam, who died on 25th July was the daughter of Christoph and Hannah Bender, being one of their eight children. In his early days Herr Christoph Bender, who came from Hamburg, Germany, was a sealer in the Straits of Magellan and Patagonia before settling in the Falkland Islands where he was, for a time, lighthouse keeper at Cape Pembroke in the early 1860s. Hannah Conisbee, who became his wife, was companion to the Duchess of Devonshire on a world cruise, when she became 'stranded' in the Falklands due to seasickness and, although told to recover and make her way home to England at leisure, she married Christoph Bender in St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in May 1888, and never left the Falklands.

THE FIRST £5 BRITISHER

By this time, Christoph had become 'the first £5 Britisher', having taken the Oath of Allegiance to the Crown on 24th April, 1876. This enabled him to take a lease on Government land and he (and later his only son Christoph Peter) worked Moody Valley Farm, a small settlement of some 7,750 acres just outside Stanley at the head of the Bay, made famous for having the Twin Sisters and Mount Tumbledown within its boundaries. The Bender girls were educated by the Roman Catholic nuns but, as there were so many girls, six survived, it was easier for a Sister to travel the three miles to Moody Valley than for the girls to come into Stanley and so, in effect they had their own private governess - the first travelling Camp teacher? One interesting fact is that two Bender girls, Alice and Edith, married two Smith brothers, James and Andrew, of Johnson's Harbour fame.

BOB MILLAM

With all those girls at Moody Valley, lads must have been congregating like bees round a honey pot. There are now relatives scattered all over the Falkland Islands and in New Zealand. Beatrice was courted by a Leading Telegraphist in the Royal Navy, who was posted to the Falklands in 1920 and lived but yards away at the Old Wireless Station at the Head of the Bay. Bob Millam was a popular figure during his time in the Colony and played 'goalie' for Stanley Town Football Club for much of his two years posting. Beatrice followed him to England in 1923, where they were married in Portsmouth and subsequently raised three children: Reginald, Peter and Ann.

Bob Millam left the Royal Navy as a Chief Petty Officer in December 1938 for the Foreign Office research and Development Establishment, which later became GCHQ, and was involved in highly secret work for the rest of his working life. Beatrice kept the family together during the Second World War and, when hostilities ceased, their home was one of the first to be visited by Kelpers on arrival in Britain. A member of the Overseas Victoria League, she broadcast to the Falklands from time to time under the redoubtable Miss Kellway, who will be remembered for organising those early post-war reunions which Bob and Beatrice Millam, Peter and Ann attended without fail. It was, perhaps, those early Kelper associations and meetings which influenced Peter to become 'Padre' at Christ Church Cathedral, an appointment he held during the politically hectic years from 1966 to 1970, being



MRS BEATRICE MILLAM AGED 83

thrust into the world's spotlight as the priest who dealt with the hi-jacked Aerolineas Argentinas airliner, shortly after his arrival. Later he was a founder member of the Falkland Islands Emergency Committee, in the Falklands, and of the United Kingdom Falkland Islands Committee in Britain.

RETIREMENT TO HAILSHAM

Upon Bob's retirement from GCHQ in December 1963, Bob and Beatrice settled in Hailsham, where they continued to offer hospitality to Kelpers visiting Britain and regularly attended Reunions.

Bob Millam died in January 1981, aged 82 years, and Beatrice attended the occasional reunion for a further five years, until two major operations and a stroke forced her to reside in a Rest Home for the last five years of her life. The early influence of Father Migone and the Roman Catholic nuns remained with her for life for, although she became an Anglican when she married Bob, she maintained a lively Christian faith throughout many difficulties and was a regular communicant, receiving the sacrament only the day before she died.

THE BENDER FAMILY

The only son of Christoph and Hannah Bender, Peter Christoph, married Christina Goss, who with Miss Marion McLeod sighted the German Battle fleet at 7.56 on the morning of 8th December, 1914, and was awarded an inscribed silver teapot for her vigilance. One of the sons, Bill, was very talented with his hands, and there is many a Kelper bride wearing a wedding ring today that he made from a gold sovereign.

It was in 1966 that Miss Jessie Bender, who held 'court' at Moody Valley all her life, died aged 69 years, and the Bender association finally ceased with the farm. Mrs Andrew Smith, nee Edith Bender, died in 1984, a few weeks short of her 91st birthday. With Mrs Dorothy Blunden, who left the Falklands for Britain before her sister Beatrice in September 1922, still hale and hearty, this means that three 'Bender Girls' became nonagenarians. Surely a record for a Falklands family.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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A LAND OF OPPORTUNITY

From Mr V. P. Thompson

Sir, I look forward to receiving and reading the *Falkland Islands Newsletter*. I find it most interesting, but the part I like to read most is Development Update from the Development Corporation. This is because it is all about the foundation stones of the future prosperous Falkland Islands being laid. Yes, I know many people are interested in the past, but that is all 'Water under the Bridge'.

Could we please have more about what is being done now? For instance, in the August issue about the new road from Stanley to Port Louis, what new road?

Could we not have some photos and description of how it was built. What other things are taking shape? What is going on at Mare Harbour, if you are allowed to show and write about it?

The *Falkland Islands Newsletter* must go into homes with young people who, perhaps, read it. The Falkland Islands must be described as it is, an exciting place of opportunity, to encourage them to go there and build. I wish I was young again to have the chance to be in at a fresh start!

I see an advertisement in *Penguin News* for regular D.A.P. flights from Punta Arenas to Stanley. Should not the Chilean authorities have given reciprocal rights to

Falkland Islands Government Air Service to fly to Punta Arenas and share in the profits; there must be some for D.A.P. to fly between the two places.

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ARGENTINE WAR GRAVES

From Commander Nigel Welby RN

Sir, I am sure many other readers were deeply moved by Mr Des Keoghane's letter on the subject of relatives' visits to the graves of Argentines killed in the 1982 conflict (*Falkland Islands Newsletter No. 48, August 1991*). Out of his own great sadness he writes a most balanced and compassionate

letter which should open everyone's hearts and minds.

Let us hope all concerned will heed his request "to think of the Mothers, Fathers, Widows and Children and not what is politically right ... to allow future visits would be marvellously understanding and humane."

Indeed, surely to do otherwise is to descend to the Argentine Politicians' base and cowardly level, and use the bereaved as political pawns?

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New Students at Winchester

Three more Falkland Islanders have joined the Islands' overseas students at Peter Symonds College, Winchester. They are Lee Chandler, Adam Cockwell and Robert Fowler. They bring to a total of thirty the number of Falkland Islanders in Britain on long courses.

The Volcanic Fallout

On 12th August, Mount Hudson, previously thought to be a long extinct volcano in Chile, erupted and, due to the wind, considerable amounts of toxic volcanic ash landed on the Falklands.

People on West Falkland, the first to be affected, woke up on Wednesday 14th August to find the ground covered with a fine grey dust and the air heavy with the volcanic ash. On Beaver Island by early afternoon there was total darkness. By Thursday 15th the ash had reached Mount Pleasant with reports of troops wearing respirators.

On Friday the fallout reaching Stanley was so bad that street lights were switched on at midday and the children sent home from school early in the afternoon. Eventually the wind changed direction and it is reported that, following snowfalls, the dust was washed away.

The Argentine Election

by Simon Arthur

Last year Menem's administration was on the ropes, because of the collapse of the economy, raging inflation, and the bitterness caused by the seizure of everyone's deposit accounts in the Bonex '89 scheme.

This year it was on the ropes again because of nepotism and seemingly endless corruption scandals. These didn't just involve his ministers. Emir Yoma, his brother-in-law, had to resign his post after the Swift-Armour extortion attempt. Now his sister-in-law and appointments secretary, and her husband Ibrahim Al Ibrahim, are being tried for the alleged laundering of cocaine profits. Ibrahim Al Ibrahim had been made a senior customs officer, although he was still a Syrian national and couldn't even speak Spanish properly!

But miracles do happen: Domingo Cavallo's ruthless economic measures got inflation down to just 1.3% in August

- although at terrible cost to the less well off. It was this that enabled Menem to win 40% of the vote at the mid-term elections. On September the 8th, he gained seven seats in the Chamber of Deputies and won nine of the contested provinces. The Vice-President, Eduardo Duhalde, won in the all important province of Buenos Aires.

In the city of Buenos Aires, however, there were setbacks. There the Radicals won. What's more, Aldo Rico, the reformed Carapintada, mutineer, and self-proclaimed hero of the 'Malvinas campaign', won 12% of the vote and came third!

Speculation is now turning to the 1995 presidential election. Some say that Menem favours a constitutional 'reform', to allow him to run again. Others think that Domingo Cavallo wants the job, although his personal unpopularity militates against this.

OBITUARIES

ROBERT MUIR WATSON

We regret to report the death in March 1990 of Robert Watson, who was the dentist in the Falkland Islands for almost seventeen years until 1976.

Together with his wife, Catherine, they lived through the Argentine invasion and subsequent war.

Now living in Hove, East Sussex, Mrs Watson, who is a member of the Association, still has close friends living in the Falklands, who visit her each year.

THERESA NICHOLSON

Mrs Kathleen M. White of Angus, Scotland, has written with sad news to say that her aunt, Mrs Theresa I. A. Nicholson, who was a member of the Falkland Islands Association, passed away peacefully on 2nd June, 1991, in Portland, Oregon, USA.

Mrs Nicholson was born in the Falkland Islands in 1897. In 1968 she and her husband went to live in the United States, where her remaining son was working and, in 1984, for the first time visited England, when she attended the annual Falkland Islands Reception at Lincoln's Inn.

She visited Britain again subsequently in 1985 and 1986, this time to tour Scotland and the Lake District, where her late husband was born.

Mrs Nicholson is

remembered by members of the Association who were at the Reception in 1984, as a remarkable and redoubtable lady. We send our condolences to her family.

MARIAN CHICK

It is with much regret that we report the death in Clevedon Cottage Hospital during August of Mrs Marian Chick, aged 68, the mother of Falklands heroine of the hospital fire, Barbara Chick.

Mrs Marian Chick was herself well known over a wide area of the south west for her service to the nursing and caring professions.

Born in Leicester, Mrs Chick joined the Red Cross and was attached to the Royal Navy. She was the first woman member of the Normandy Veterans' Association's Bristol branch and a member of the Congresbury branch of the Royal British Legion. Married forty-four years ago in Portsmouth to John Chick, she and her husband lived first in Kent before moving to Bristol. She was warden for the elderly at Wraxall, Backwell and Long Ashton before moving to Shirehampton, where the new health centre is named after her daughter nurse Barbara.

Mr and Mrs Chick, members of the Falkland Islands Association, visited the Falklands twice, once to see

where their daughter, Barbara, was buried, and once for the opening of the new hospital.

The Association have expressed their sorrow to Mr Chick and to Mary, his younger daughter in their bereavement.

HENRY R. HEYBURN

Falkland Islanders especially will be sad to learn of the death of Henry Heyburn of Louisville, Kentucky, USA, on 3rd October at the age of seventy.

Henry Heyburn, a graduate of Harvard Law School and senior partner in one of Kentucky's largest law firms had been in love with the Falkland Islands since he was twelve years old.

He visited the Falkland Islands for the first time in 1970 and returned in 1981 when he was engaged in writing his book Postcards of the Falkland Islands.

During the Argentine occupation and subsequent War in 1982, he founded the Kentucky Committee for the Falkland Islands which raised and distributed over US\$4,500 to various Falklands Islands organisations.

A keen philatelist and collector of Falklands postcards, his well illustrated definitive book published in 1985 and its sequel published in 1989 on the subject of these picture postcards remain a

fascinating visual record of the Falklands from the end of the nineteenth century and an outstanding contribution to the Falkland Islanders' heritage.

He leaves a widow, Frances, who shared his love of the Falklands, children and grand-children, to all of whom we send our sympathy in their loss.

BEATRICE ORISSA MILLAM

We are saddened to report the death in Eastbourne General Hospital on 25th July, 1991, of Beatrice Millam, née Bender, just five weeks short of her ninety-second birthday, and just a week after her younger sister, Dorothy, had celebrated her ninetieth birthday in style.

Due to increasing infirmity Beatrice Millam was unable to be present at the celebrations, but only took to her bed five days before she died.

Her son, the Reverend Peter Millam, assisted at her funeral at the Parish Church of Hellingly, Sussex, which was attended by her nephew Osmund Smith, whom, acting as midwife, she brought into the world at Johnson's Harbour many years ago.

A report on the life of Mrs Beatrice Millam appears on page 12.

FALKLANDS POPULATION INCREASES

The March 1991 population census revealed an 11% increase since 1986, when it was 1,916. The total residential population of the Falkland Islands now is 2,121. Comparative figures for Stanley and Camp are

	1986	1991
Stanley	1,245	1,643
Camp	671	478
Total	1,916	2,121

This is the highest recorded population in the Falkland Islands since 1962. The reason for the decline of the Camp population is the sub-division of more large farms since 1986.

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