

PROF. FORBES, 82, OF HARVARD DIES

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A Physician and Geographer,
He Charted Labrador

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MILTON, Mass., March 29 (AP)—Dr. Alexander Forbes, a physiologist and geographer, died Saturday at the age of 82.

Dr. Forbes, a professor at Harvard who also taught at the University of Liverpool, led an expedition to Labrador in 1931. His findings were used by the United States Government to chart an air route across the North Atlantic during World War II.

Dr. Forbes was a grandson of Ralph Waldo Emerson. He is survived by his widow, three daughters and a son.

Mapped Labrador

Dr. Forbes undertook the 1931 expedition with the 100-foot auxiliary schooner Ramah and two seaplanes. By means of aerial photography he mapped the Torngat Mountain chain. The schooner charted fjords from Indian Harbor to the northern tip of Labrador. The expedition also did botanical and geological research.

As a physiologist, Dr. Forbes was best known for his studies of the functions of the central nervous system. He was a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the National Academy of Science.

During the late nineteen-forties, he was a member of the Committee of One Thousand, an organization of educators, clergymen, scientists and artists dedicated to the abolition of the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

Dr. Forbes was also president of the George Junior Republic in Freeville, N. Y., a project founded in 1895 to help problem children.

FORBES—In Milton, Sat., March 27, Dr. Alexander Forbes, husband of Charlotte I. (Grinnell); father of Mrs. Katherine F. Goodhue, Mrs. Joseph R. Frothingham, Florence E. Forbes and A. Irving Forbes and 10 grandchildren. Memorial Services will be held Weds., March 31 at 4 p.m. at First Parish Church (Unitarian), Milton. Please omit flowers. Contributions may be made to the George Junior Republic, Freeville, N.Y.