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STATION INFORMATION

Frequency 5045

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Many Thanks for your Report

S. K.

Station Manager

Technician

ABOUT THE COOK ISLANDS

SCATTERED over 850,000 square miles of the Pacific, 1,600 miles from the Northeastward of New Zealand, lies the Cook Group, home of a vigorous and expanding section of the Polynesian race. The island group is part of New Zealand's metropolitan territory, having been included within its boundaries at the start of the century. Its 18,000 inhabitants are therefore citizens of New Zealand.

The most northerly island of the group, Penrhyn, is within 8 degrees of the equator the most southerly, Mangaia, is just within the tropic of Capricorn. From the main island, Rarotonga, the seat of Government and home of a third of the group's population, the island of Aitutaki is 140 miles distant; Atiu, 116 miles; Mauke, 150 miles; Mitiaro, 142 miles; Mangaia, 110 miles; Suwarrow, 513 miles; Palmerston, 270 miles; Pukapuka, 715 miles; Manihiki, 650 miles; Penrhyn, 737 miles.

Main exports: Oranges, tomatoes, pineapples, copra, pearl shell.

Cook Island people are of the Maori race and share the common traditions of all Polynesia. The beautiful lagoon of Ngatangia, Rarotonga, was, according to some authorities, the assembly point for the principal migration of the Maoris from the Society Islands to New Zealand in the 14th century. Rarotonga itself contributed canoes and the men and women to man them. Thus there are close family ties between the Maori people of New Zealand and those of the Cook Islands.

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