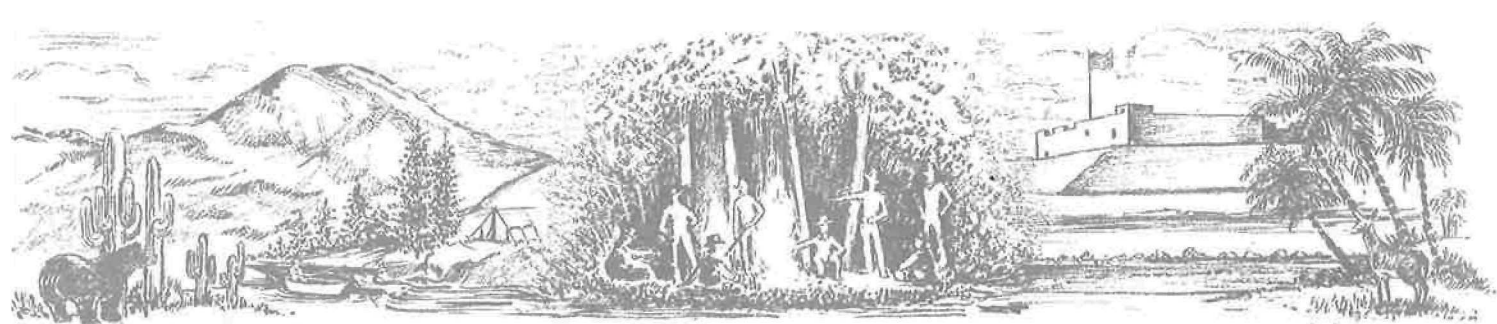




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Neighborhood Youth Corps in D.C.

There are many programs presently in action which are aimed at training young people to become responsible and productive citizens. Not the least of these programs is the Neighborhood Youth Corps, established by the Economic Opportunity Act of 1965. Administered under the U.S. Department of Labor's Manpower Administration, the Neighborhood Youth Corps makes it possible for young people between the ages of 16 and 21 to earn income needed to stay in school or return to school, or, if they are out of school and unemployed, to obtain work experience and develop good work habits necessary to steady employment.

There are presently over 400 Youth Corpsmen working in the parks of the Nation's Capital, each receiving \$1.40 an hour. Those who report regularly and promptly for 2 to 4 weeks of routine maintenance and cleanup tasks are transferred into training positions where they can acquire work experience necessary for regular employment.



Visible improvement has been noted in the Corpsmen. In the initial stages of the program, many of the young men were reporting to work late, if they were even coming at all. Nevertheless, time has proven the program workable. Last summer fifteen of the enrollees were employed in regular seasonal positions in the Regional parks, and one of these young men is now on the rolls as a permanent employee. Other "graduates" of the program have taken comparatively well paying positions in industry. Emphasis, however, is placed on directing drop-outs back to school—not in encouraging them to substitute work for school.

Park Service personnel have learned and benefitted from the program, and the Youth Corpsmen now have the opportunity to become solid, productive citizens.

Bravery at Teton

On Tuesday, August 22, the cries of two mountain climbers who were stranded just below the 12,766-foot summit of Grand Teton set off the most dramatic and arduous rescue operation in the history of the park.



Left to Right—Ranger Ted Wilson, Team Leader Ranger Pete Sinclair, Ranger Ralph Tingey, Fire Control Aide Mike Ermarth, Ranger Rick Reese, Ranger Bob Irvine

Thirteen park rangers comprising the rescue team were flown by helicopter to the 11,600-foot level. Eight members set up a base camp, while a party of five, headed by Ranger Peter Sinclair, began the ascent by way of the less rugged western face. They were joined by Ranger Robert Irvine and Leigh Ortenburger, an authority on Teton climbing routes.

Within a few hours the team reached the stranded climbers, Gaylord Campbell 26, of Mahopac, New York, and Lorraine L. Hough, 21, of Sandwich, Illinois. Miss Hough was uninjured and was escorted to the base camp. Mr. Campbell, who had suffered a badly fractured leg as a result of falling rocks, was treated and strapped to a stretcher for the laborious descent.

Early Wednesday morning the rangers, weary and out of food, started down the precipitous north face of the mountain, one of the most dangerous climbing areas in the United States. Clinging to ropes, the men inched their way down the headlong drop, balancing the stretcher as it was lowered nearly 2,000 feet by a steel cable. One stage of the descent was accomplished by a 'free rappel,' in which the climbers pushed away from the rocky face and swung downward, dangling from the ropes. Progress at this point was retarded by one of the men who had previously suffered severe rope burns.

The men spent the night lashed to the precipice where they were whipped by the freezing winds and pounded by showers of rocks. By 5 p.m. Thursday the team reached the glacier and were met by members of the support party. A helicopter was waiting to carry Mr. Campbell to the hospital.

People on the move . . .

NEW FACES

Cooper, Caleb G., to Civ. Engr., SFSC
Leeper, Roy L., to Legal Asst. (Gen.), WSC
Mullins, Agnes D., to Staff Curator (Museum Mgmt.), WASO
Murtagh, William J., to Arch. (Keeper of the National Register), WSC
Sewell, James P., to Realty Spec., WRO
Smebakken, Clay D., to Classification & Wage Spec., SWRO
Williamson, James E., to Realty Spec., WSC

NEW PLACES

Allen, Arthur C., from Supv. Pk. Nat., Canyonlands NP, to Pk. Planner, WSC
Allen, Roy, from Staff Pk. Ranger, WASO, to Supv. Pk. Ranger, Big Bend NP
Bice, E. Sue, from Clk. Steno., SWRO, to Sec. Steno., WASO, (D. S.: Southwest Archeological Center)
Bynum, Clyde, from Laborer, Richmond NBP, to Supply Clk., SERO
Danielson, Willard W., from Supv. Pk. Ranger, Mammoth Cave NP, to Supt., Guilford Courthouse NMP
Dayton, Donald A., from Supt., White Sands NM, to same Petrified Forest NP
Dillon, Leray H., from Pk. Ranger, Natchez Trace Pky., to same, Everglades NP
Ferris, Robert J., from Pk. Ranger, Canyonlands NM, to Supv. Pk. Ranger, Craters of the Moon NM
Fisher, John W., from Supt., Aztec Ruins NM, to same, Russell Cave NM
Garrison, Glenn D., from Supv. Pk. Nat, Rocky Mtn. NP & Shadow Mtn. NRA, to Supv. Pk. Nat., MWRO
Goodman, Bernard, from Hist., Kennesaw Mtn. NBP, to same, Ft. Smith NHS
Hayers, Catherine B., from Sec. Steno, PSC, to same, NERO
Hensley, Bobby H., from Admin. Off., Vicksburg NMP, to same, Mount McKinley NP
Lanford, Charles B., Jr., from Hist., Ft. Pulaski NM, to same, Chalmette NHP
Magda, Stephanie L., from Sec. Steno., NERO, to same, PSC
Mardis, James W., from Supv. Acct., SWRO, to Supv. Budget Analyst, WASO
May, Charles V., from Admin. Off., Saguaro NM, to Prop & Supply Supv., Sequoia & Kings Canyon NP
McLane, Donald N., from Civil Engr., NERO, to Supv. Civil Eng., Glen Canyon NRA
McLaughlin, James L., from JCCC Dir., Great Smoky Mtns. NP, to Mgmt. Asst., Field Office for Great Lakes Area
Mulhern, Thomas D., Jr., from Supv. Pk. Ranger, Saguaro NM, to same, Horseshoe Bend NMP
Mullady, John T., from Supv. Pk. Ranger, Big Bend NP, to Pk. Ranger (Res. Mgmt. Spec.), WASO
Perilli, Angelina A., from Sec. Steno., NERO, to Admin. Clk. Steno., PSC
Reilly, Joan C., from Hist., Morristown NHP, to same, Fire Island NS & NYC Group

Romans, Orville G., from Mechanic (Heavy Duty), Grand Teton NP, to Enrollee Work Supv. (Tech.), Great Onyx JCCC, Mammoth Cave NP
Schumacher, Paul J. F., from Archeologist, WRO, to same, SFSC
Shoemaker, Harold J., from Operator General, Canyonlands NP, to Operator General (Light Duty), Olympic NP
Simonds, Allen F., from Pk. Nat., Rocky Mtn. NP, to Supv. Pk. Ranger, C & O Canal NM
Stamey, Jesse F., from Deputy Dir. for Work Programs, Tremont JCCC, to Supv. Pk. Ranger, Natchez Trace Pky.
Wasem, Charles P., Jr., from Pk. Ranger (Wildlife Mgmt.), Glacier NP, to Research Biologist, WASO
Webster, Dorothy M., from Clk. Steno., Acadia NP, to Sec. Steno., NERO
West, Lorne W., from Pk. Ranger, Sequoia & Kings Canyon NP, to Staff Pk. Ranger (Forestry), Yosemite NP

JOINING THE ALUMNI

Flemer, Carl F., from Pk. Guide, George Washington Birthplace NM
Hassett, Grace M., from Supv. Tel. Operator, NCR
Lowman, Leon B., from Personnel Mgmt. Spec., SERO
Vass, Julian C., from Detective, U.S. Park Police, NCR

Awards

WASO AWARDS

Presented at Director's Staff Meeting, August 17:

SPECIAL ACT AWARDS

Mr. Robert M. Utley, Chief, Division of History, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation — \$500.

Mr. Roy E. Appleman, Chief, Branch of Park History Studies, Division of History — \$500.

QUALITY INCREASE

Mr. Elmer V. Buschman, Office of the Director, Legislation.

SUGGESTION AWARDS

Mrs. Ruth N. Sallay, Division of Budget and Finance — \$25.

Mr. Charles A. Veital, Division of Resources Management and Visitor Protection — \$25.

Mr. Francis R. Holland, Jr., Historian, Division of History — \$25.

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

Mr. Myron D. Sutton, Asst. Chief, Division of International Affairs.

UNIT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE OF SERVICE

New Area Keymen, Division of New Area Studies and Master Planning, National Park Service;

Forrest M. Benson, Robert K. Bergman, Thomas F. Norris, Jr., Courtland T. Reid, and Joseph L. Orr.

See here, Ladies . . .

Parties in Yosemite know no season, but summers seem to produce some of the biggest and happiest affairs. This summer was welcomed with the traditional pot luck picnic, complete with the father-son baseball game and relay races staged for the younger children. This year Chief Ranger Bob Smith, president of the parents' group, and his committee arranged what Babs Albert calls a "smashing" version of this traditional function.

Parties take some of the sting out of farewells, so when Patti and Rick Anderson were transferred to Yellowstone, Margaret and Tom Hartman sent them off in style with a wonderful barbecue at their house. The ladies brought samples of their culinary talents, not the least of which was Carol Guse's home-baked hamburger buns! When Mona and Ron Trussel left for Zion, Thelma Warnock and Cindy Worthington threw a marvelous coffee party for them at the Ranger Club in the Valley.

Yosemite is blessed with having a very active Women's Group and very energetic husbands (The Yosemite-dwellers are still talking about Walt Gammill's famous fresh strawberry punch and Lee Shackelton's grass skirt!). Recently the ladies gave a luau at the Ahwahnee Hotel with elegant food, stimulating drink and a humorous, if not authentic, floorshow staged by some of the male members of the community. The hotel combo played until the wee hours, and the lovely circular pool had its share of devotees. United Airlines supplied the decorations and local merchants donated door prizes. All in all it was an evening that will long be remembered and, in addition, the party raised a tidy profit for the group's favorite charity.

Babs Albert writes that from large charity affairs to having a drink with your neighbor, Yosemite is a friendly, outward park to live in. "If you have the opportunity to come here, please do! It will give us a chance to give a 'welcome to Yosemite' party."

Daniel Beard Retires

Secretary Udall and Director Hartzog extend their best wishes to Southwest Regional Director Daniel B. Beard who retired from the Service on September 9.



Dan joined the Service as a foreman in 1933. Since then he has held park management positions at Everglades and Olympic National Park and served as Chief of Interpretation, WASO, and as Assistant Director, Public Affairs. He became Regional Director, Southwest Region, in 1963.

Profiles Robert Irving Standish



Robert Irving Standish, Assistant to the Director for Information was born December 2, 1914 at San Bernardino, California. He received his B.A. degree from the University of Redlands with a major in English literature.

Prior to World War II, he worked as a reporter for the San Bernardino newspaper, *The Sun*, and as Assistant Industrial Director of the Chamber of Commerce. Following four years of military service, during which he rose from private to major and served with the 14th Air Force in China, Mr. Standish returned to the San Bernardino Chamber of Commerce as Industrial Director. From 1947 to 1950 he was reporter and editor of the *Riverside News* in Riverside, California.

That year he came to Washington to work as an administrative assistant to a member of Congress. In 1951 he moved to the Pentagon to serve as press officer for the Air Force during hostilities in Korea. From late 1952 to August 1966 when he joined the National Park Service, Mr. Standish was associated in creative and executive positions with three major advertising agencies, serving in New York, San Francisco, and Washington.

Mr. Standish is a member of the National Press Club, the Aero-Space Writers Association, Alpha Phi Gamma, and Sigma Tau Delta. He and his wife, Lois, live in Chevy Chase, Maryland, and are the proud parents of three grown children, James, Robert, and Harriet.

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SANDBURG MEMORIAL SERVICE SLATED

The Park Service is planning a memorial service for Carl Sandburg at 6:00 p.m. Sunday, September 17 at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington.

JORDAN TEAM TO TURKEY

Eight of the twelve members of the Jordan park planning team will soon go to Turkey on a 60-day temporary assignment. The group, to be headed by George Baggeley, will gather information and prepare a master plan proposal for Goreme National Park Project, located about 200 miles from Ankara.

McKINLEY CLIMBERS STILL MISSING

On August 16 the Alaska Rescue Council sent six men on still another search for the four climbers lost on Mount McKinley. Seven men out of a twelve-man climbing party were lost during severe weather conditions around July 18. The bodies of three climbers were found July 27 and 28.

GRIZZLY ATTACK AT McKINLEY

James Magown, Seasonal Park Ranger, Mount McKinley, was seriously mauled by a grizzly bear on August 8. He was taken to Fairbanks Hospital where he was reported to be in fair condition.

POETRY IN FLORIDA PARKS

The Florida Park Board is turning poetic these days in an all-out attempt to discourage the visitor's dangerous practice of feeding and handling wildlife. "Please don't feed the animals" doesn't seem to carry enough weight anymore, so visitors preparing to give animals a handout will soon be seeing something like, "While I do not intend to harm, I might bite off an arm." Signs carrying the message in the form of light verse will be erected in selected areas within the parks to remind visitors of the risks involved if they forget that wildlife is indeed wild.

It will be some time before the Board knows the effectiveness of the poetry, and, of course, there are many other ways to warn the public that wild animals are quite unlike household pets. Catchy slogans, oral warnings, or perhaps more graphic reminders may be used, but park personnel must get the point across—loud and clear.

Unfortunately, the popular personification of wildlife in advertising, cartoons, and cuddly toys invites the warmhearted and well-intentioned visitor, particularly youngsters, to make friends with the animals. A child must understand that an affectionate hug for Smoky, Teddy, or Yogi Bear is not the same as a few pats for Donald Duck.

Even what a child takes to be a Mickey Mouse or a Peter Rabbit are potentially dangerous "friends." The animals have not been inoculated against diseases such as rabies which is fatal to humans without immediate treatment.

Florida State Parks Director Bill Miller pointed out that constant exposure to people—a natural part of

park life—has made individuals of many normally wild species appear quite tame, and the temptation to feed or even pet them is great. The Park Board emphasizes that these animals may bite, and visitors must exercise caution.

ALBRIGHT TC SECRETARY HONORED

Mrs. Sydney Ruesch, secretary to the Supervisor at Horace M. Albright Training Center, received an Outstanding Performance Rating and Quality Increase last July 17. The presentation was made at the Training Center before the John C. Preston Session of trainees.



Mr. Luis Gastelum, Deputy Assistant Director for Administration presents the award to Mrs. Sydney Ruesch. Mr. Leland Ramsdell, Chief, Personnel Management and Manpower Development, and Mr. Wayne Cone, Supervisor, Horace M. Albright Training Center, look on.

In presenting the award, Mr. Luis Gastelum read Director Hartzog's letter to Mrs. Ruesch: "In recommending you for this recognition, Wayne Cone, your Supervisor, stated your work during the past year was outstanding in every respect. Mentioned particularly was the remarkable rate at which you complete assignments and produce a tremendous volume of work which is flawless to an unbelievable degree." Mr. Cone also commented that this represents Sydney's third Superior Performance Award.

Mrs. Ruesch is the wife of Vern Ruesch, South Rim District Ranger. She has been at the Training Center since 1963 and previously worked at Grand Canyon as secretary to the Park Engineer.

MWRO AWARDED

Omaha, Nebraska: Associate Director Baker recently presented the Director's Safety Award to the Midwest Regional Office. Members of the Region's Safety Committee were on hand for the presentation. They were:



(Left to right) Harvey Reynolds; James Hanson; Mr. Baker; Lucille Pearson; David L. Thompson; Donald Nutt; Raymond Rundell; and Richard Strait.