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COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE 10TH CIRCUIT COURT TO HEAR CASE OF NEW MEXICO Vs. INTERIOR

.... not a narrow legal question, but one of far-reaching consequences.

In recent litigation between the State of New Mexico and the Department of the Interior over the deer research program at Carlsbad Caverns National Park, the issue was resolved at the district court level in favor of the State of New Mexico. Because fundamental questions are involved regarding the authority of the National Park Service to perform research in park areas in order to manage ecological units of the parks, the decision is being appealed to the Court of Appeals for the 10th Circuit.

According to the State of New Mexico, upheld by the district court, the National Park Service did not have research authority in the area of wildlife. Such a conclusion, if it should prevail, would preclude all future research on native animal life within the national parks. This would not only critically hamper the development and implementation of ecologically sound management programs, it could result in a significant loss of basic scientific information.

If the Park Service is required to get State approval and permission in the form of collecting permits before commencing research projects, the State would have the power to deny the permit and thereby control the activities of the Park Service in carrying out its statutory responsibilities to conserve and manage wildlife within park areas.

In 1962, Secretary Udall appointed an Advisory Board to study and make recommendations on the Wildlife Management Policy in the National Parks, with Dr. A. Starker Leopold as Chairman. The Leopold Committee, as the Advisory Board is popularly called, concluded in summary, that (1) protection though it is important, is not in itself a substitute for adequate habitat; (2) that the objective of management for the national parks and monuments, including their wildlife, should be to preserve them as vignettes of primitive America; (3) that inasmuch as the national parks and monuments did not represent self-regulatory ecological units, management was necessary, and that this management was the responsibility—and should remain the responsibility—of the National Park Service; (4) that sound research is the basis for all resource management; (5) that public recreational hunting was not an appropriate recreational pursuit in the national parks and monuments; (6) that public recreational hunting was an appropriate recreational pursuit in

recreation areas; and (7) that the National Park Service should change some of its attitudes, policies and procedures with respect to wildlife management.

As the Department of the Interior views it, the basic point at issue is not the narrow legal question of "ownership" of wildlife, but whether Park Service activities designed to protect and conserve federally-owned land and the wildlife resources of those lands shall be subject to State review, control and regulation.



The Department has never suggested or maintained that a private landowner has title to wildlife resident on his lands. To the contrary, the law is quite clear that the State has the power and duty to manage and regulate hunting activities. On the other hand, the Department of the Interior maintains that the United States as a sovereign power, is not subject to State regulation and control in the performance of congressionally authorized activities. In this regard, reference is made to a policy statement developed by the Department after consultation with representatives of the International Association of Fish, Game and Conservation Commissioners.

Paragraph B.3 of the policy statement specifically provides that research projects involving wildlife on park and monument areas are not subject to State control or require a State collection permit. The Department is, however, required to consult with the State prior to commencing the research project. This was done in the Carlsbad Caverns research project and the State concurred in the necessity for the research.

Every Service employee should have a keen interest in the outcome of the Department's appeal to the Court of Appeals for the 10th Circuit Court in the case of the State of New Mexico vs. the United States Department of the Interior.



The Shenandoah National Park Wives organization has chosen Edna Sullivan Koster (Mrs. A.P.), wife of the Park's Administrative Officer, as the first subject for a "silhouette" from here. A native of Vicksburg, Mississippi, Edna is number 6 of seven children, all of whom keep in close contact with each other by means of a collect telephone call if they fail to write each other in six weeks' time.

She met "A.P." when he was working for the Bureau of Public Roads in Vicksburg, Mississippi, during paving of Confederate Avenue in Vicksburg National Military Park. Even though he and a "Nawthern friend" vowed to steer clear of Southern gals, both of them finally succumbed. Still with the BPR, the Kosters then moved to Jackson, Mississippi, on the very first plans of Natchez Trace Parkway, and started their family which now consists of a Ph.D. daughter (Eleanore Margaret Krebs) in New Jersey; a B.A. son (Pete), now specializing in the ministry in Tennessee; a B.A. June graduate daughter (Cathy) at Mary Washington College, Fredericksburg, Virginia; and a high school junior daughter (Ebbie), still at home. A June wedding is planned for Cathy.

Later, the Kosters left BPR to join the National Park Service at Natchez Trace in Jackson, and then were moved to new headquarters at Tupelo, Mississippi, where they lived for eleven years. Then they moved to the Smokies for a seven-year tour of duty, before coming to Shenandoah in 1959.

Besides keeping up with her family, Edna has held just about every office and chairmanship in the Park Wives organization of which she is a charter member. She is an active Methodist and is currently the Chairman of her Women's Society of Christian Service Circle and Counsellor of the Methodist Youth Fellowship. She has been active in the Luray PTA, and a diligent worker in the Page Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, putting in numbers of hours of community service there regularly. She also serves the community in active participation in the Page County Women's Club and is at present on the Executive Board. Hobbies include sewing, and art and crafts.

Edna is addicted though - to coffee, cooking, and company, all of which add to her popularity at Shenandoah where she may be quoted as saying, "I just luv the fo' seasons here, and though my life isn't real excitin', I enjoy keeping up with my family and friends."

"DOERS"

By - Jo Ellsworth, SOUTHEAST AREA CHAIRMAN
Richmond National Battlefield Pk., Richmond.

John Donne in his poem, DEVOTIONS, said "No man is an island, entire of itself."

This concept, thrust into the lives of wives of NPS employees when they accompany their spouses into the apsis of National Park Service living - not always contingent on the previous orbit - requires overwhelming adjustments since extremes may be in either direction - difficult for females not satellite by nature.

Extremes of talent and ability - natural, or metropolitan - not utilized - with no outlet - wasted/for the want of recognition? Some females are born of even keel - these blackouts are tinder to abilities while other of rebel nature do not always emerge in glory.

The following list includes National Park Service Wives who should be listed in the NPS WHO'S WHO - yet to be included among NPS Publications - along with their husbands.

In 1952 at Glacier National Park the National Park Service Women's Organization was first organized.

The following are Charter Members:

General Chairman, Herma Bagglely;

Resolutions Chairman, Bea Freeland;

Resolutions Committee, Mrs. George Bagglely (Herma), Mrs. Fred Binnewies (Amy), Mrs. Russell Gibbs, Mrs. Fred Overly, Mrs. Glen Bean, Mrs. Guy Edwards, Mrs. O. F. Northington, Jr., Mrs. Carl Russell;

Area Chairman: Northwest, Mrs. Eivend Scoyen; Southwest, Mrs. Paul Frank; Midwest, Mrs. W. J. Kennedy; Northeast, Mrs. George Palmer; Southeast, Mrs. Oscar Northington.

General Project, Housing.

1955-1957 Canyon Hotel, Yellowstone National Park, September 11: General Chairman, Mrs. Fred Binnewies; Housing Foreman, Mrs. Max Gardner; Recorder, Marguerite Schmidt;

Pages: Mary Benson, Becky Hummel.

Area Chairmen: Northwest, Aileen Williams; Southwest, Jessie Young; Midwest, Patti Anderson; Northeast, Carol Myers; Southeast, Becky Hummel.

General Projects during term of office:

Continuation: Housing recommendations,

Information Booklet

NOTE: Director Conrad L. Wirth announced that Booklet Publications would be financed by fund already available.

Area Chairman were appointed to serve as the resolutions committee.

Chairman Binnewies presented the suggestion that an "Arts & Hobbies Show" be included in the program at the next Superintendent's Conference.

1957 - 1959 Meeting at Colonial Williamsburg

General Chairman: Mrs. Ray Vintin (Rosemary)

Assistant Chairman: Mrs. Stan Abbott (Helen)

Housing Chairman: Mrs. Lem Garrison (Inger)

Area Chairman: Northwest, Mrs. Thomas J. Williams; Southwest, Mrs. Fay L. Young; Midwest, Mrs. Frank H. Anderson; Northwest, Mrs. James Myers;

Southeast, Mrs. Ed. Hummel; National Capital, Mrs. Grace Cook;

General Projects during term of office; Housing Study (Cont.), Inger Garrison.

Hobby Show Long remembered will be the wonderful conference in Williamsburg. Our stay in this most interesting historical town was exciting and thrilling from the moment of our arrival. The ladies of Colonial Historical Park had planned perfectly for our entertainment, and our trips with the men on their tours gave us a real understanding of the history of this important phase in our country's development.

"We were very proud of our Arts, Crafts and Hobby Show, a "First" for a conference. Director Wirth was pleased with its success.

"We were most fortunate to have Helen Abbott (Mrs. Stanley) as the Chairman of our Hobby Show. Rosemary Vinten's report can not all be included but the following excerpt from the report of Helen Abbott was:

It was very hard to select from the forms which we received because we had more than 500 applications.

"The suggestion of the Hobby Show came from Catherine Merriam at the Yellowstone Conference. I feel that it has been the inspiration for the renewing of interest of hobbies throughout the Park Service, and we found that many developed a creative hobby for the first time."

The above report was made by Rosemary Vinten, the General Chairman, at the 1959 Conference for Superintendents.

Director Wirth stated, "This show is certainly one of the most outstanding features of the Conference."

1959 - 1961

General Chairman: Inger Garrison

Housing Chairman: Becky Hummel

Information - Booklet Chairman: Carol Myers

Area Chairman: Northwest, Aileen Williams; Southwest, Mary Miller; Northeast, Carol Myers; Southeast, Becky Hummel; Central, Flora Semingsen.

1961 - 1963

General Chairman: Helen Abbott

Housing Chairman: Catherine Hjort

Information - Booklet Chairman: Carol Myers

Area Chairman: (Incomplete)

1963 - 1965

General Chairman: Nancy Doerr

Housing Chairman: Ruth Joseph

Editor: Dusty Anderson

Area Chairmen: Northeast, Eloise Dale; Southeast, Helen Fry; Midwest, Jeannette Gregg; Western, Mary Rutter; Southeast, Jo Ellsworth.

1965 - 67 Great Smoky Mountain Conference

General Chairman: Ruth Linder

Vice Chairman: Phyl Jacobsen, Housing

Asst. Chairman: Caroline Shaw, Organization

Area Chairmen: Western, Shirley, Moore; Alternate, Muriel Kennedy; Southwest, Lucille Walker and Jetty Meulenhaupt, co-chairman; Midwest, Margaret Maule, Jean Tobin, Shirley Holder; Northeast, Elaine Townsley; Southeast, Ruth Joseph and Jo Ellsworth. Note: Ruth Linder resigned because of poor health serving from September 1965 to July 1966.

Phyl Jacobsen, the Vice Chairman, responsible for the report on Housing moved into the General Chairmanship. Phyl Jacobsen completed the Housing Report and presented it to Director Hartzog. The report was accepted and suggestions — of practical application — extended to the Maintenance Manual. Phyl resigned April 1967 because of a change of status and Carolyn Shaw, the Assistant Chairman, moved into the General Chairmanship which position she now holds.

Others who moved up are Muriel Kennedy in the Western Region, Shirley Holder in the Midwest. Ruth Joseph Co-chairman Southeast moved out of the Region and Jo Ellsworth became Area Chairman. Elaine Townsley moved from the Northeast Region and Suzanne Banton was appointed Northeast Region Chairman.

1965 - 1967

At the Gatlinburg Superintendent's Conference and Ladies Business Meeting of the NPSWO, the Acting General Chairman, Ruth Joseph, asked that ladies of National Capitol Region and WASO each select chairmen to report on those area's activities at the next session.

Among a collection of papers concerning NPS Wives, I found and present a copy of the following which evaluates them admirably:

RUMINATION by THE BOSS (1939), excerpts:

"About the finest women I know —

My hat is off to the wives of men of the National Park Service in general.

"It has always been a rather amazing thing to me that we pick and choose the men with written examinations, oral examination, physical examinations, and examinations into their personal history; we rake them fore and aft with a fine toothed comb, and then the women who come along into the Service with them, without any choice whatever on our part, and, about whom we can do nothing with our complicated examinations, really grade considerably higher than the men. Funny, isn't it? Tell me why if you can; I am free to admit it is one of those two or three things a Superintendent doesn't know.

"It isn't size, for they run in all sizes from tall to short, from thin to fat, and through the many variations of knobby to streamlined, and yet they are almost all good scouts who take the tough breaks on the chin and come up smiling. In this regard they are much above the common run of wives outside the Service.

"It isn't education either, for we have them in all grades from the grade schools up to the ones with a hatfull of degrees, and there is just as much sweetness, and charity, and charm at one end of the scale as there is at the other. We have nurses, teachers, dieticians, and archeologists, and a flock of other professions represented among our housewives, but that isn't what

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makes them so fine because the ones who don't have these things are just as nice as the one who do.

"I think, that there is a tendency among the South-western National Monuments for the wife to be more of a partner in the job than is common on the outside world, and this tends towards a fine team-spirit for both of them. I know this was true in my own case and I can see it in a dozen cases as I gaze over the personnel list.

"Life, in those cases, is a partnership in the finest sense of the word."

Profile

William S. Bahlman



William S. Bahlman, assistant regional director for administration in the National Capital Region, was born on February 23, 1905 at Washington, D.C. He graduated from McKinley High School in Washington, D.C. and attended George Washington University and the University of Richmond.

Bahlman started his Park Service career in 1934 at Swift Creek RDP in Virginia as project manager and later held positions as assistant project manager and assistant regional project manager there. His first permanent assignment came in 1936 when he was made inspector on Recreational Demonstration Projects at Richmond. In 1938, Bahlman was appointed to assistant regional director in what is now known as the Southeast Regional Office, and later served there as administrative officer. In 1950, he was transferred to the Washington Office as assistant personnel officer, chief of the branch of property and records management, and chief division of management analysis. In 1966, Bahlman was appointed assistant regional director for administration, the position he now holds.

Bahlman has received numerous letters of commendation from Department officials, including the Director and two former Directors for his outstanding performance. He is a member of the National Recreation and Park Association.

Bahlman and his wife, Mary Virginia, have three daughters. Mrs. Mary Louise Poffenberger, who graduated from the University of Delaware with a B.S. in Home Economics, has two children; Ann and Brent. Their second daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth H. Richardson, who studied nursing and graduated 'valedictorian' from the Medical College of Virginia, has one son named Christopher. And Mrs. Anne G. Fielder, who graduated from George Washington University with a B.S. in Biology, recently married Lt. Robert Fielder, U.S. Air Force.

Together the Bahlmans enjoy gardening and traveling, and they like to have their friends in for a game of bridge now and then.

They reside at 8910 Honeybee Lane in Bethesda, Maryland 20034.

People on the move

NEW FACES

Butterfield, Benjamin, to Chief, Div. Tourism, WASO
Howe, Gary K., to Maintenance Supt. SWRO
Kennedy, Joe L., to Asst. Supt., Everglades NP

NEW PLACES

Basye, Florence M., from Sec. Steno., Grand Teton NP, to same, Padre Island NS
Bressler, Dell R., from Foreman III, Roads & Trails, Mt. Rainier NP, to Maintenance Supt., Lassen Volcanic NP
Bryant, Theodore C., from Pk. Ranger, Gettysburg NMP & NC, to same, NCR
Bullard, William C., from Supv. Pk. Nat., Mt. Rainier NP, to Pk. Nat., WA30
Fenton, Robert F., from Pk. Spec., NCR, to Supv. Hist., Fire Island NS & NY City Group
Ginkus, Richard E., from Pk. Ranger, Grand Teton NP, to same, Amistad RA
Hamilton, Chester V., from Hist., Albright TC, to Pk. Hist., SWRO
Linahan, John D., from Supv. Pk. Ranger, Olympic NP, to same, Lake Mead NRA
Marshall, William E., from Laborer, George Washington Mem. Pky., to same, NCR
Reed, Gerald E., from Admin. Off., Harpers Ferry NHP, Harpers Ferry JCCC, to Gen. Supply Off., Great Smoky Mtns. NP
Rutledge, Lee R., from Admin. Off., Navajo NM-Navajo Lands Group, to same, Chiricahua NM
Thompson, Peter, from Pk. Ranger, Yellowstone NP, to Supv. Pk. Ranger, Yosemite NP
Voll, Charles E., from Archeologist, SWRO, to Supt., Canyon de Chelly NM-Hubbell Trading Post NHS
Williams, Jack R., from Supt., Navajo NM, to same, Nez Perce NHP
Ybarra, Merechildo E., from Truck Driver, Big Bend NP, to Caretaker, Amistad RA
Young, Foy L., from Supt., Organ Pipe Cactus NM, to Asst. Supt., Grand Teton NP

JOINING THE ALUMNI

Baber, Thomas K., from Sergeant, U.S. Park Police NCR
Blevins, Abel C., from Caretaker, Blue Ridge Pky.
Card, John W., from Caretaker, Yellowstone NP
De Silets, Eugene R., from Supv. Landscape Arch., PSC
Donnelly, John H., from Sec. Typing, Mt. McKinley NP
Jacobs, George F., from Caretaker, Virgin Islands NP
Knowles, Orland, from Bldg. Repairman, Lake Mead NRA
Ledford, Annie L., from Supv. Information Clk., WASO
Luby, Walter J., from Maintenceman, Everglades NP
McDonald, Mary M., from Clk. Steno., SSC
Meekins, Walton C., from Bldg. Repairman, Cape Hatteras NS
Moore, Johnnie S., from Caretaker, Kings Mtn. NMP
Taggart, James N., from Admin. Off., Bryce Canyon NP