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NEW MEXICO STATE GAME COMMISSION vs. UDALL, et al.:

Interior's Right to Conduct Wildlife Research Upheld by Appellate Court in Carlsbad Case

In the case of "New Mexico State Game Commission vs. Udall, et al.," (see NPS Newsletter, Oct. 31, 1968), the U.S. Court of Appeals in Denver has affirmed the right of the Department of the Interior to conduct wildlife research on Federal lands, including the taking of specimens, without first obtaining permission from a state agency. The action dismisses a suit brought by the State of New Mexico against the Department in the so-called "Carlsbad Caverns deer case" and overrules an earlier U.S. District Court finding in favor of the State. The decision has great significance to the Department's wildlife management program.

Last year, the New Mexico State Game Commission brought this action to enjoin the research project on the grounds that the Secretary did not have statutory authority to kill deer within the park for research purposes, and that the Secretary needed a state collecting permit to kill deer.

The district court agreed with the contentions of the State and issued an order enjoining the Secretary from proceeding with this kind of a research program. On appeal, the Denver Appellate Court reversed and remanded the case with instructions to dissolve the injunction against the Secretary, stating:

- Clearly the Secretary has broad statutory authority to promote and regulate national parks to conserve the scenery and wildlife therein "in such a manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." 16 U.S.C. 1. Anything detrimental to this purpose is detrimental to the park. In addition to this broad authority, the Secretary is specifically authorized "in his discretion" to destroy such animals "as may be detrimental" to the use of any park. 16 U.S.C. 3.

- The obvious purpose of this language is to require the Secretary to determine when it is necessary to destroy animals, which, for any reason, may be detrimental to the use of the park. He need not wait until the damage through overbrowsing has taken its toll on the park plant life and deer herd before taking preventive action no less than he would be required to delay the destruction of a vicious animal until after an attack upon a person. In the management of the deer population within a national park, the Secretary can make reasonable investigations and studies to ascertain the number which the area will support without detriment to the general use of the park. He may use reasonable methods to obtain the desired information to the end that damage to the park lands and the wildlife thereon may be averted.

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NPS Circuit Riders

Carl W. Glass, supv. accounting specialist, GS-11, has been selected for the newly established personnel management specialist, GS-12 (circuit rider) position in the Midwest Region effective April 6. The position is organizationally located in the Division of Personnel Management and Manpower Development in this office. When the position is fully operational, Carl will be spending approximately 75 percent in travel status to the smaller areas in this region, providing personnel advisory and counseling services to the superintendents and their staffs, completing on-site audits of positions, conducting training, and performing related duties. It is the third such personnel circuit rider position to be established in the Service.

See Here, Ladies

Southeast Women Meet In Gatlinburg

The Southeast Region Women's Organization met in the Gatlinburg Motor Inn on April 27, 1969 with Mrs. Helen Fry of the Great Smoky's, as hostess opening the meeting. Mrs. Mary Liles of the Blue Ridge Parkway and acting regional chairman presided in the absence of regional chairman, Mrs. Jo Ellsworth.

Mrs. Liles welcomed the wives to the conference and recognized Mrs. Russell Gibbs of Moores Creek and Mrs. Mildred Glover of Fort Fredrica, the two members of the NPSWO present who are charter members; they have been in the organization since its inception in 1952.

Mrs. Mary Williams of the Federal Executives Institute attended the conference as a consultant. She explained that her work at the Institute is concerned with "the family and the role of the executive in relation to his family."

The bylaws of the NPSWO were presented and note was made that Article II, Purpose, concerned promotion of friendship and communication and that our region was working to accomplish this end.

The acting regional chairman announced that there is a new national office, communications chairman, and that the office would be filled by our region this year for a term of two years. The national communications chairman will accept information for "Silhouette" and will edit the personal sketches submitted by the individual parks. It was suggested that people in larger

areas assign someone who would be responsible for submitting information to the communications chairman for publication in the "Newsletter." Mrs. Liles noted that the communications chairman would be in direct contact with the editor of the "Newsletter" acting as a liaison between the parks and the publication.

Mrs. Mildred Glover brought up business concerning the publication of area booklets; Mrs. Glover suggested that the booklets be up-dated so that they would be more useful to wives transferred to a new area.

Mrs. Helen Fry as chairman of the Nominating Committee presented the nominees for national communications chairman and regional chairman. The following were elected:

Regional Chairman, Claire Benjamin - Horseshoe Bend

Alternate Chairman, Bobbie Olsen - Shiloh

Communications Chairman, Jean Beal - Great Smoky

Alternate Chairman, Marge Bendt - Mammoth Cave

A resolution was passed to offer our appreciation to the women of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park thanking them for the congeniality and friendship which they extended to the women attending the conference.

Ardra Tarbell Retires After 39 Years At Acadia

On June 30, 1969, Ardra Tarbell will retire from the National Park Service after 39 years in Acadia National Park. She has worked with every one of Acadia's superintendents, beginning her work as a clerk and finishing it as administrative officer of the park, a thoroughly demanding job and one held by very few women.



Superintendent John Good recently summed up Ardra's attitude to her work in this way: "... find the best way to do a job and do it; if the work load builds up, work longer hours or harder; if someone needs help, provide it; if an emergency rises, cope with it." In the process of doing all this she has made many friends and lost none, a truly remarkable accomplishment.

In addition, Ardra has served as treasurer of the Acadia Women's Organization for a number of years and been extremely active in her Episcopal Church Altar Guild. She will continue to live in Bar Harbor, Maine, after her retirement.

TRAINING THE DISADVANTAGED

Two of the Service's techniques in the training of disadvantaged and underutilized Federal workers were selected for publication in the Civil Service Commission Bulletin No. 410-39, May 14, 1969, which summarized experiences and outstanding programs of 34 reporting departments and agencies.

The Service, specifically the National Capital Region, was cited for its periodic "problem-solving sessions" with field supervisors and United Planning Organization counselors and supervisors, and for its method of evaluating the effectiveness of the Department's Equal Opportunity Program. The Service's strong interest and backing of this vital program has shown tangible results as the trainees have moved into higher-level assignments.

CAPE LOOKOUT LAND ACQUISITION

Assistant Regional Director Marshall and Superintendent Davis of Cape Lookout National Seashore (authorized but not yet established) met April 29 with the North Carolina state property officer for land acquisition, the assistant attorney-general for the State, and the local representative to the state legislature, regarding the state land acquisition program for Cape Lookout. Since that time, however, the North Carolina Supreme Court has ruled that the State does not have condemnation authority to acquire the necessary land for the establishment of Cape Lookout. This brings the land acquisition program to a halt temporarily. Legislative authority will have to be sought, either in the form of a specific bill for Cape Lookout or a general authorization bill. It is understood that a specific bill has already been introduced in the state legislature.

By Betty Peterson

When you live as far away from so called civilization as we do here in Big Bend National Park practically everyone has a hobby or talent that keeps them occupied in their spare time. But none of us considers ourselves even the slightest bit talented if we stop to compare our accomplishments with those of Lee (Mrs. Dutch) Beach.



Lee is always busy doing something interesting and fun to boot. The latest project to materialize from her talented fingers is the scale model (1/4 inch to the foot) of the park home in which she and Dutch have lived for the past ten years.

Not only is the finished product impressive, but the list of items used in the construction shows a lot of imagination and ingenuity. As Lee expressed it, "Every item except one were things around the house, garage and yard." Plywood scraps and paint from Dutch's work bench. Tulle netting for window screening, matches, toothpicks and balsa wood go together for baffle fences and support thread clothes lines. Dried weeds (some with red or orange daubs of paint for geraniums and marigolds). A die converted to the outside air conditioning unit, pieces of pencils for trash cans by the garage. And would you believe—Aunt Jemima pancake flour mixed with glue makes a most realistic patio. Cream of Wheat stucco painted pale green covers the outside of the house and also does double duty as nice white concrete walks. Oh, there is one item that was purchased—a green wash cloth which Lee shredded to make the grass that surrounds the house on three sides. There's even a wagon wheel leaning against the end of the house, as Dutch has his life-size one, this one out of strips of bamboo blind.

Lee has her delightful house literally in the middle of her living room on a turn table that sits on her typing table. Keeps it handy to show to all the park people who have been stopping by to see it. Since Lee and Dutch have been the only residents of their park home it shows all the work and love people put into a place they care about. There aren't many of us who are lucky enough to take our park home with us when we retire "to town" from life in a park, as Lee and Dutch will be able to with Lee's model house helping hold their Big Bend memories in their new home in Alpine, Texas after the end of July.

Profile

Ron Greenberg

Ron Greenberg, editor of the "NPS Interpreters' Newsletter," is readily recognized by his broad smile and boyish appearance. After working with the U.S. Weather Bureau for three years, he joined the National Park Service in 1966 as a part time clerk typist. Now he is a writer-editor with the Division of Planning and Interpretive Services.

Born in New York on July 18, 1944, he moved with his family to Manassas, Virginia, in 1956. In 1962, he came to Washington to work and to attend The George Washington University where he graduated in 1967 with a B.A. degree in International Affairs.

Ron's present ambition is to shape the "Interpreters' Newsletter" into an effective instrument of communication between the professional interpretive personnel of WASO's many-faceted Division of Interpretation (audiovisual arts, planning and interpretive services, museums, and publications), and Service employees who are dealing with everyday problems of interpretation in the field.

"The 'Interpreters' Newsletter' is certainly not intended to be the voice of Washington," Ron says. On the contrary, he views the publication as the sounding board for the interpreter on the firing line—a means of sharing experiences, interpretive accomplishments and other helpful information. He also realizes that



the publication can never be fully effective unless all Service personnel become acquainted with it and take an interest in it. "Whether we realize it or not," says Ron, "all Service personnel are interpretive specialists in one way or another because—in one way or another we are all dealing with the visiting public."

Contributions to the "NPS Interpreters' Newsletter" are, therefore, not only invited, but urged. It is presently distributed to all parks—through the regional offices—at one to two-month intervals. Please send your articles, ideas, commentary and suggestions to the Editor, Ron Greenberg, at 801 - 19th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20240.

People on the move—

NEW PLACES

Allen, Peter S., from Pk. Ranger, Albright TC, to Pk. Tech., John Muir NHS
Anderson, Carl V., from Supv. Pk. Ranger, Coulee Dam NRA, to same, Whiskeytown NRA
Cary, Clyde, from Operator Gen., Whiskeytown NRA, to Operator Gen. (HD), Bighorn Canyon NRA
Castleberry, Don H., from Mgmt. Asst., Cedar Breaks NM, to same, Southern Utah Group
Cayou, Joe J., from Supv. Pk. Ranger, Lake Mead NRA, to same, Bandelier NM
Caza, Milo F., from Admin. Off., Canyonlands NP & Arches & Natural Bridges NM, to same, Delaware Water Gap NRA
Cobey, Sylvester, Jr., from Motor Vehicle Operator, National Capital Parks-Central, to Laborer, National Capital Parks-East
Cornell, Herbert D., from Supv. Pk. Ranger, Whiskeytown NRA, to same, Coulee Dam NRA
Davis, Joseph L., from Maintenance Supt. (Gen.), Zion NP, to Constr. and Maintenance Rep., Southern Utah Group
Germeradd, William L., from Supv. Pk. Nat., Platt NP-Arbuckle RA, to Pk. Nat., Point Reyes NS
Gorman, Clarence N., from Pk. Ranger, Mesa Verde NP, to same, White Sands NM
Guse, Neal G., Jr., from Staff Pk. Ranger (Wildlife Mgmt.), Yosemite NP, to Research Biologist, WASO
Gyllenskog, J. Grant, from Supv. Civil Engr., SFSC DS: Longmire, Wash., to same, DS: Sequoia & Kings Canyon NP
Hanson, Lee H., Jr., from Archeologist, WASO, to same, Southeast Archeological Center
Heaton, Donald E., from Foreman I, Laborer, Bryce Canyon NP, to Caretaker, Zion NP
Holden, Max W., from Staff Pk. Ranger, Mt. Rainier NP, to Research Biologist, WASO
Langan, Frank I., from Gen. Supply Asst., Zion NP, to same, Southern Utah Group
Montano, Darlene, from Clk. Typist, SFSC, to same, WRO
Morehead, Bruce B., from Staff Pk. Ranger, Olympic NP, to Research Biologist, WASO
Page, Sally A., from Clk. Typing, Curecanti RA, to Pers. Clk. Typing, Olympic NP
Parr, James H., from Dep. Dir. for Work Programs, Oconaluftee JCCCC, to Supv. Pk. Ranger, Blue Ridge Pkwy.
Pollock, Raymond D., from Maintenance Supt., Bryce Canyon NP, to same, Zion NP
Riley, Douglas J., from Pk. Ranger, Yellowstone NP, to same, Rocky Mtn. NP & Shadow Mtn. NRA
Sanchez, Peter G., from Supv. Pk. Nat., Mt. McKinley NP, to same, Death Valley NM
Theige, Kenneth W., from Teacher Supv., Mainmoth Cave NP, Great Onyx JCCCC, to Supv. Hist., Castillo de San Marcos NM
Warner, Jean M., from Clk., Whiskeytown NRA, to Supv. Admin. Clk., WRO
Whitlock, Sherma E., from Pers. Asst., Glen Canyon NRA, to same, Southern Utah Group
Williamson, James E., from Realty Spec., SFSC DS: San Francisco, Calif., to same, DS: Crescent City, Calif.

JOINING THE ALUMNI

Phillips, Robert B., from Maintenceman, Whiskeytown NRA
Piel, Leslie W., from Realty Off., WSC
Welch, Virgil, from Plumber, Great Smoky Mtns. NP

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATES

As a step toward implementing Public Law 90-578, approved October 17, 1968, five Federal court districts have been selected as pilot areas for the magistrates system. The selected districts include the Eastern District of Virginia; the District of Columbia, and three other districts located in states outside of SER. Federal judges will appoint the magistrates; they will replace U.S. commissioners whose positions are to be abolished under the new law. Full-time magistrates will be appointed for eight years. They must be lawyers and will be prohibited from engaging in law practice or other employment. Part-time magistrates will be appointed for four years and will be permitted to practice law. Magistrates will assume all the duties of the commissioners and will have authority to try misdemeanors. The appointing judge is empowered to assign additional duties.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

A recent amendment to the U.S. Civil Service Commission's Equal Employment Opportunity regulations revises the current Government-wide system for processing complaints of discrimination on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex or national origin. The new approach requires that each agency designate employees to serve as EEO counselors whose function is to "seek resolution on an informal basis of matters giving rise to the allegation of discrimination." The amended regulations are effective July 1, 1969.

ALBRIGHT INTAKE TRAINING

WASO has announced that it does not anticipate the need for selecting any new professional uniformed employees during FY 1970. The professional intake session, originally scheduled to begin at Albright in September, has been cancelled. However, an 8-week session for park aids and technicians, is scheduled at Albright beginning in September, and in addition, two more 8-week programs for park aids and technicians are tentatively scheduled during FY 1970.

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In view of the national interest in this litigation it is possible that the State may petition the Supreme Court for a writ of certiorari to seek review of the court's decision. In addition, it would appear that the various state fish and game commissions may also renew their efforts to seek the enactment of legislation which would limit the authority of the Secretary with respect to management of wildlife resources within Federally owned and controlled areas.