

If you were Secretary of the Interior, how would you decide whether a new area is worthy of National Park status?

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Could you weigh the relative importance of this year's list of 79 proposed National Historic Landmarks, and choose wisely those to be recognized?

Where would you turn for experts to investigate trouble spots in the parks—for private citizens to observe and question—for reliable searchers not tempered by the natural hesitancy of in-Service employees to speak out?

If you were Secretary of the Interior wouldn't you find great assurance and support if you had a group of recognized experts of various professions needed to evaluate such matters?

Secretary Rogers C. B. Morton keeps in touch with exactly this type of quality advice from his ADVISORY BOARD on National Parks, Historic Sites, Buildings and Monuments.

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BOARD

By Jean Bullard

Established by the Historic Sites Act in 1935, and continuously active since its organization, the Advisory Board on National Parks, Historic Sites, Buildings and Monuments consists of eleven members appointed by the Secretary of the Interior to serve at his pleasure for terms of up to six years. After expiration of their term, they may serve as Council Members of the Advisory Board.

The Board must include persons competent in history, archeology, architecture, human geography and other fields relevant to current NPS programs.

The Secretary calls upon the Board to advise him on any matter relating to National Parks and to the administration of the Historic Sites Act. It recommends policies to be followed and reviews all proposals for additional NPS areas and those proposed for designation as National Historic, Natural or Environmental Landmarks.

In April and in October the Board holds business meetings when it acts upon those matters referred to it by the Secretary. These meetings last 3 or 4 days and include committee meetings and general sessions with lively discussions, searching questions and a representation of many points of view.

Observing such a meeting in progress is an eye-opening experience, like watching the process of a movie being made, a press in action or a sculptor at work. The final products are recommendations to the Secretary of the Interior which have a profound effect on the future direction of the Park Service.

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At Lake Mead Advisory Board members get a close look at ecology.

Advisory Board

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As various areas or proposals are discussed by the Board, exchanges such as the following are heard:

"We must not lower our standards and I think the historical basis for this one is unsound."

"Your admonition is a sound one."

Sometimes members are on the opposite sides of issues:

"This brings up a basic philosophy in which I disagree with you."

"Well, that wouldn't be the first time."

When proposals are presented to the Board, questions such as these are discussed:

"Wouldn't this area be more appropriate as a state or municipal park?"

"Does that proposal throw us into a whole new field?"

"I think the Park Service should not try to be all things to all people."

Reports presented to the Board and subsequent discussion pertain not only to individual areas under consideration but to other NPS projects and programs, for example: the new sign program, the Volunteers In Parks and the new concept of National Cultural Parks. In addition to such proposals the Board is

kept up to date by hearing status reports on matters it has previously considered.

Recommendations

Recommendations of the Board are transmitted by memorandum to the Secretary of the Interior. From

their professional and independent viewpoints Board members may strongly recommend certain proposals, but they are not reluctant to convey adverse opinions on proposals which, to them, do not appear to meet the established standards and criteria.

The Board also gives its opinion on policies of the NPS, on directions they feel should be followed and on actions they feel should be taken.

The Advisory Board on Parks is an extremely active group of dedicated private citizens who serve without compensation. Judging by the excellent attendance record at the Advisory Board meetings, members obviously give Board business high priority.

Recently Elected

The new Chairman of the Board is **Dr. Durward L. Allen**, noted naturalist, wildlife writer and Professor of Wildlife Ecology at Purdue University. He is author of over 100 articles and six books, including **Our Wildlife Legacy**.

Vice Chairman is **Dr. Melvin M. Payne**, President of the National Geographic Society. He is an educational executive, lawyer and geographer. (He also took some of the photos for this article.)



Saguaro Superintendent Harold R. Jones discusses his area with Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson and Dr. Emil W. Haury.

James W. Whittaker, famous for his climb of Mt. Everest, is the new Secretary of the Advisory Board. He is an outdoor recreation specialist and is sales manager for Recreational Equipment, Inc. of Seattle. He draws upon a great deal of first hand knowledge of many of our NPS areas. He is a member of the Washington State Recreation and Parks Commission.

Other Members

Hon. E.Y. Berry, a noted conservationist and 10 term Congressman from South Dakota who retired in 1970. Berry served on the House Interior and Insular Affairs Com-



In the cemetery at Tumacacori National Monument Board members check the historic preservation of the mortuary.

mittee. **Dr. Loren C. Eiseley**, an anthropologist and educator, award winning author and curator of the Early Man Museum at the University of Pennsylvania. **Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson**, the woman who has popularized "beautification" and has done so much to make Americans conscious of how to make the country more beautiful. **Peter C. Murphy, Jr.**, a business executive and active civic leader from Oregon and an avid outdoorsman. **Linden C. Pettys**, an award winning architect who has been in the profession since 1947 and active on various planning, architectural and chamber of commerce organizations. **Steven**

L. Rose, a businessman and outdoor enthusiast active in museum and conservation organizations and founder of the Biltmore Art Galleries of Los Angeles. **Dr. William G. Shade**, Associate Professor of History, Lehigh University, a specialist in American History, author of three books, many articles, and editor of *Pennsylvania History*. **Elisha Walker, Jr.**, businessman from New York.

In Session With Mrs. Lyndon Johnson

Board and Council members who attend business meetings are attentive, contribute their opinions constructively, and they obviously care a great deal about the future of the Park Service.

A good example is Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson who filled in as acting chairman of the history committee and for one general session. It was clear that she had the respect and cooperation of all.

At the general session Mrs. Johnson kept 16 members on the subject being discussed, encouraged opinions from those with differing views, asked pertinent questions herself and managed to get decisions made and the next subject introduced without delay.

When the history committee was questioning the advisability of recommending a certain area as a National Historic Site which was not sponsored by any local group, for instance, Mrs. Johnson asked, "Does that indicate a lack of interest on the part of the people living there?"

Questions are asked directly of the person giving the report. Drawings, photographs and maps clarify these presentations of specific areas under consideration.

Three Committees

There are three committees, for historical areas, natural areas and recreational areas.

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Brew's View



Photo by Loretta DeLozier

"I was taken to Mesa Verde by Al Lancaster in October 1931 and have not been able to shake loose from the Park Service since then. Monday morning, Patriots Day (April 19, 1971), during the first hour of the 64th meeting, I had an experience which for inspiration surpassed anything that has happened in those forty years. If I hadn't been there, I couldn't have believed it.

"Our new Secretary, Rogers Morton; our new Under Secretary, William T. Pecora; our new Assistant Secretary, Richard S. Bodman; and our new Assistant Secretary, Nathaniel P. Reed, treated us to extemporaneous remarks covering most of the major activities of the Service, and showed an understanding, appreciation, and interest in our problems and plans that I would not have believed possible. . . It was tremendously encouraging."

J. O. Brew

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Dr. J. O. Brew, prominent archeologist and retired Director of the Peabody Museum at Harvard University, has been an active Council member since his 1952-58 term as an Advisory Board member.

Advisory Board

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Each committee decided which of the proposed areas it considers wise choices for inclusion in the NPS system or for designation as National Landmarks. Their recommendations are then presented at a general session of the Advisory Board. Council members vote in committee meetings, but only Board members may vote at the general sessions.

"This is MY Board"

At the last business meeting Secretary Morton generated a strong feeling of excitement about the immediate future of the Advisory Board when he met the Board and introduced three key members of his staff. (See **Brew's View** on page 3.)

"This is MY Board," he said emphatically, showing his personal interest in working with them.

Secretary Morton's three new staff members, William T. Pecora, Richard S. Bodman and Nathaniel P. Reed spoke individually, revealing a wide range of experience, appreciation and concern for the plans and the problems facing the Park Service.

Horace M. Albright, former NPS Director, stated afterwards, "In all my years on the Board and Council I've never seen anything like it—an inspiring and encouraging combination."

Greatest Challenge

At its last meeting in April, Secretary Morton gave the Board per-



Council member Sigurd F. Olson, an expert on the Great Lakes region, examines Natural Landmarks reports. He is a retired professor and a famous writer very active with the Wilderness Society.



Photos by Loretta DeLozier

New Chairman of the Advisory Board, Durward L. Allen, left, is congratulated by Acting Executive Officer, Howard R. Stagner.

haps the greatest challenge in its history when he directed the members to visit the parks during the busiest visitor season.

Members were directed to study park management particularly as related to the response of visitors to the historic and natural features of the parks.

Accordingly, Board and Council members met in Grand Canyon in late June, divided into six teams of three or four members each, and proceeded vigorously with their assignment.

Team members visited a total of over 80 NPS areas, each team submitting a comprehensive report on its observations and recommendations.

Field reports were carefully analyzed to identify major issues pertaining to the system as a whole.

On September 3rd members of all of the teams met with Secretary Morton in Denver to give him the results of this intensive study. Consensus is that the meeting with the Secretary was most exciting, successful and productive.

"No gift is more precious than good advice," Erasmus

FILM CREW

"I couldn't film the charging antelope because my adrenalin was too high," recalls Steve Nagy.

Steve is one of the three-man crew which has spent the past four months traveling throughout the National Park Service to film an hour-long NBC-TV special on the people of NPS. (See NEWSLETTER, May 3, 1971.)



Steve Nagy

Under "safer" circumstances (no charging antelopes!), the crew recently filmed at Harpers Ferry, West Virginia and, as one observer commented, "They were just as fresh and enthusiastic as you'd imagine them to have been during the first shooting sequence last spring."

At Harpers Ferry the crew filmed Bill Everhart, director of the interpretive center (he explains what the 80-plus people in the center do) and Benjamin Davis, superintendent of the historical park.

"I like to think of a take not as an interview but as a conversation," says Sheldon (Shelly) Fay, producer/director of the TV special.

"We want to get a first impression from our subjects. We get to know them right away—we start rolling the cameras almost before they start



talking. This way we get totally candid, fresh material. It's fresh for the interviewee and fresh for the

audience. If you do a lot of interviewing you have a subject that is just going through the paces."

Shelly started in radio, films and television in 1957. He joined Mendelson Productions, producer of the NPS special, in 1961, as a partner. He has three Emmy nominations and is now a partner with Steve Nagy.

Also on the crew is Chuck Barbee, a former news cameraman for ABC and a documentary cinematographer for Westinghouse. He has been with Mendelson Productions since 1970 as associate producer and director of photography.



Chuck Barbee filming at Harpers Ferry



Shelly Fay positions microphone on Superintendent Ben Davis

Photos by Ron Greenberg

Under our hat



ENVIROMAN and its symbol are now protected (copyrighted) the same as Smokey The Bear and Johnny Horizon.

The emblem represents the Service's environmental education programs and activities. It may be used for any of the Service's publications, signs, or environmental education projects. There are some circumstances where the symbol or name might be used outside the Service. Any requests for such use should be referred to the Chief, Office of Environmental Interpretation, WASO.

WAGE FREEZE: How will the wage freeze affect NPS employees? According to White House, Office of Management and Budget, and Civil Service Commission policy, it will freeze within grade increases, both GS and WG employees, and also quality increases. It will not affect initial setting of pay for new employees nor will it change premium pay (holidays, Sundays, etc.)

If the effective date of a CFWS wage schedule falls within the freeze period, the schedule will not be issued; if issued prior to August 15, it will not be effected. Wage schedules will not be retroactively applied when the freeze is lifted, and wage surveys in progress will be completed. Special wage surveys will be conducted under the Monroney law for retroactive application.

Wage employees who transfer in the same grade and step from one wage area to another with higher rates may receive the increase and employees who transfer to areas for which a cost-of-living allowance is authorized may receive the increase.

The amount of group life insurance will be based on basic pay actually received and computation

of high-three average salary will be based on basic pay actually received.

"There is no freeze on promotions at the present time," reports Larry Zollar, director of the NPS Office of Personnel. "However, promotions will be difficult to obtain because of the need to maintain the June 30 grade average."

"An absolute freeze on promotions is, of course, possible if the upward trend in grade average cannot otherwise be stopped. The Park Service, as well as the Department of Interior, will be reviewing grade average figures and trends on a weekly basis."

THE EYES HAVE IT: NPS has arranged through the American Optical Company for the purchase of safety glasses for employees not eligible by hazardous occupation to obtain them at government expense. Employees desiring these glasses must obtain their prescription and eye measurements from a vision specialist on an American Optical Company form, must be prepared to pay by money order when notified of the arrival of the glasses and then must have them individually adjusted by a vision specialist. For further information, price lists, and order forms contact Freeman Nelson, Employee Relations Officer, Western Service Center, 415-556-3915.

EEO "RAP" SESSION: The first all-employee equal opportunity "rap" session will be held Tuesday, Oct. 19th, from 10 a.m. to noon in the Studio, Room 8068, Interior Building. WASO employees and anyone visiting from the field will be welcome at this first session. Raps will be scheduled for the third Tuesday of each month to discuss employee concerns, needs and suggestions as they relate to jobs and NPS operations. In the near future the regional offices will be asked

to conduct similar rap sessions, with the guidance of WASO Equal Opportunity staff members.

CENTENNIAL NEWS: The National Parks Centennial Commission will meet on September 29 to approve a Centennial plan and theme which were recently recommended by the Centennial Advisory Committee and presented by Centennial Director William Briggie to Interior Secretary Rogers C. B. Morton, Assistant Secretary Nathaniel P. Reed, Commission Chairman Laurence W. Lane, Jr., and NPS Director George B. Hartzog, Jr. Tentative theme, subject to the Commission's approval, is "Parks, Man and His Environment."

Each regional office now has a Centennial coordinator, and each superintendent has been asked to appoint a Centennial officer to be responsible for his area's Centennial program. The regional coordinators are: William Collins (Pacific NW); Jim Tobin (West); Don Pledger (SW); Bill Dean (MW); Bruce Miller (NE); Monroe Clay (NCP); and Jim Howard (SE).



IT'S ATLANTA! The move of SERO from Richmond to Atlanta is now official. This move, which affects some 90 employees, should be completed within the next two months.

SEE NEW YORKER MAGAZINE (Sept. 11) for Profile of George B. Hartzog, Jr. John McPhee gives an incisive, colorful and revealing report showing the Director in action in his day-to-day management of the National Park Service. McPhee also describes many other NPS people throughout the Service and cites their "remarkable esprit de corps."



Applause, Applause

Dear Editor:

We would like to applaud Mr. Earnest Scott's letter "EEO Discriminates" in the August 23, 1971, issue of the NPS Newsletter. Many of us share this opinion, but have not taken the time nor the courage to voice this fact. Again, APPLAUSE, APPLAUSE, APPLAUSE!

Laurel W. Dale, Farm Manager
 Millie Richmond, Secretary
 Marley Thomas, Park Technician
 Alva D. Conner,
 Chief of Maintenance
 Ed J. Fitzgerald, Historian
 L. Gosser, Secretary
 Joan Kirkstan, Timekeeper
 J. L. Reilly, Supv. Horticulturist
 Paul Swearingen, Park Ranger
 (All From NCP-East)

Soul Searching About Autos

Dear Editor:

Reference is made to Alan Kent's letter in the August 23 NEWSLETTER in which he applauds Pete Shedd for his thoughts on electric mowers vs. the "noisy smelly types now in use."

I too applaud Pete, but in addition I would like to propose that we go a step further and begin thinking of

eliminating many of our high powered and not so high powered patrol cars and other vehicles now in use in our parks; that we explore the value of getting more of our men out on horseback—especially our seasonal rangers—where they can do a real job of providing interpretation and information to visitors while at the same time protecting park resources far more effectively than a ranger sitting in a comfortable car can do. This is in addition to the added style and color and dignity that a sharp looking ranger mounted astride a handsome well-groomed horse can add to any park scene.

Certainly as long as there are park roads and regulations to enforce and visitors to care for, patrol cars will be required—indeed necessary. But do we who are among the leaders in this struggle of returning our land to a quality environment, really need as many vehicles as we think we need?

We get concerned—and rightfully so in most cases—about pot smoking, kite flying and hippie gatherings in our park. But in my view, it is this four wheel monster that is the real menace and by far presents the greatest intrusion to the park scene. It is among the chief causes for the ever increasing desecration and outright destruction of the loneliness of our lands, of our historic treasures, by its ever constant demand for more and wider roads, parking areas and service stations. Curtailment of the proliferation of king car must begin before out of sheer numbers, it literally

covers our land while surely choking us out of existence. Why should it not begin with us?

In fairness, I say all this because I am really soul searching over the number of vehicles we have here at Petersburg. Certainly I can easily justify the need for every one of the vehicles we have operating. But with the success we are having and have had with our mounted ranger patrol force from the standpoint of visitor contact and law enforcement (we have two horses on continuous patrol 7 days a week), we are taking a hard look at the whole picture including the real need of a car being assigned the superintendent for his exclusive use.

Martin R. Conway
 Superintendent
 Petersburg National Battlefield

Wolf Trap Laurels

Dear Editor:

We all enjoyed your recent article on Wolf Trap Farm (July 26 issue). It is indeed a splendid place, and its premiere season seems to be an overwhelming success.

While passing our the laurels for its accomplishment I detected no mention of the professionals at the Eastern Service Center who played a great role in making this thing come about—dedicated people like Ken Goslin, Kramer Chapman, Bob Shelley, Dave Gray, Jack Longworth, Jack Kozel, and many others too numerous to mention. It was this crew of "hard hats and sharp pencils" which supervised construction of the project and corrected many deficiencies and filled innumerable gaps in the plans developed by the contract architects.

But this is a whole story in itself and our guys are too modest to complain. And to this story should be added that of the fantastic contractor, Norair, Inc., who built the Filene Center. Although we aim to please it's nice to also see our role as members of the Park Service family recognized.

John W. Bright
 Chief, Office of Environmental
 Planning and Design
 Eastern Service Center

Mounted on their horses are seasonal rangers Larry Bishop and Tim Sutor. Standing with them is Chief Ranger Michael Quick.



Photo by Martin Conway



People On the Move

New Faces

Aragon, Anna M., to Clk. Typist, Chaco Canyon NM
 Aronhalt, Elizabeth J., to Janitor, Harpers Ferry NHP
 Austin, Richard H., to Pk. Mgr., WASO
 Best, John, to Pvt., U.S. Pk. Police, NCP
 Blankenship, Michael L., to Pvt., U.S. Pk. Police, NCP
 Brown, Michael A., to Pvt., U.S. Pk. Police, NCP
 Bussard, Marshall W., Jr., to Utilities Operating Engr., Mount McKinley NP
 Butler, William P., to Program Analysis Off., Amer. Rev. Bicentennial Commission
 Englis, George F., to Realtor Spec., ESC
 Fretwell, Stanley H., to Engineering Techn., ESC
 Herron, George E., to Guidance Counselor, Great Smoky Mtns. NP
 Howery, Elaine P., to Sec. Typing, Sleeping Bear Dunes NL
 Janda, Catherine M., to Clk. Typing, NERO
 Jensen, Judy K., to Clk. Typist, MWRO
 Jones, Oren Harvey, to Pk. Techn., Herbert Hoover NHS
 Ramsay, Tonton M., to Mechanical Engr., ESC
 Schmidt, George E., to Computer Programmer, WASO
 Smith, Stanley G., to Computer Systems Analyst, WASO
 Spear, Carolyn E., to Sec., WASO
 Thomison, Jack E., to Laborer, Platt NP-Arbuckle RA
 Vogetley, William, to Realty Spec., ESC
 Watson, Herschell L., to Electrician, Yellowstone NP
 Zimmermann, Jon J., to Maintenance Worker, Saguaro NM

New Places

Barmore, William, Jr., from Research Biologist, Albright TC, to same, Yellowstone NP
 Barton, Thomas E., from Supv. Civil Engr., SERO, to same, ESC
 Brooks, Myrl G., from Pk. Planner, WASO, to Pk. Mgr., Voyageurs NP
 Bryant, Elaine H., from Sec. Steno., WASO, to same, MWRO
 Bryne, Robert J., from Pk. Ranger, WASO, to same, MWRO
 Cole, Glen F., from Supv. Research Biologist, WASO, to same, Yellowstone NP

Greenlee, Harold J., from Pk. Ranger, Albright TC, to same, Dinosaur NM
 Hanks, Richard J., from Pk. Ranger, WASO, to same, Ozark NSR
 Hayden, Peter S., from Aquatic Research Biologist, WASO, to same, MWRO
 Houston, Douglas B., from Research Biologist, WASO, to same, Yellowstone NP
 Kurtz, Victoria N., from Wildlife Research Clk. Typing, WASO, to same, Yellowstone NP
 Lamm, David D., from Pk. Ranger, Albright TC, to same, Everglades NP
 Loope, Lloyd T., from Research Biologist, WASO, to same, Grand Teton NP
 Malik, Marcus P., from Landscape Arch., WSC, to same, ESC
 Martinka, Clifford J., from Research Biologist, WASO, to same, Glacier NP
 Meacher, Margaret, from Research Biologist, WASO, to same, Yellowstone NP
 Orr, Joseph L., from Supv. Pk. Ranger, Mount Rainier NP, to Pk. Ranger, Grand Canyon NP
 Phelps, Norma C., from Pk. Techn., Harpers Ferry NHP, to Clk. Steno., ESC
 Quick, William M., from Pk. Ranger, Albright TC, to same, Petersburg NB
 Roach, Elsie R., from Clk. Typist, NCP, to Pk. Techn., George Washington Mem. Pkwy.
 Rogers, Roger J., from Writer Editor, SWRO, to Pk. Planner, Atlanta Field Office
 Rutherford, Charles, from Admin. Off., SERO, to same, MWRO
 Silverman, Robert A., from Civil Engr., ESC, to Pk. Mgr. Mgmt. Asst., NCP
 Stevens, David R., from Research Biologist, WASO, to same, MWRO
 Wrykert, Paul V., from Pk. Mgr., MWRO, to same, WASO

Out of the Traces

Conovich, Wade A., from Pk. Techn., NCP
 Florence, John R., from Pvt., U.S. Pk. Police, NCP
 Fowles, Garfield, Jr., from Tractor Operator, NCP
 Geisinger, Donn R., from Supv. Pk. Ranger, Olympic NP
 Inman, Mary J., from Pk. Ranger, Organ Pipe Cactus NP
 James, L. B., from Maintenance Worker, NCP
 McDaniel, Michele T., from Sec. Steno., NCP
 McLean, John T., Jr., from Pvt., U.S. Pk. Police, NCP
 Perry, James, from Pvt., U.S. Pk. Police, NCP
 Perry, John H., from Pk. Ranger, Glacier NP
 Pope, Giovanna F., from Pk. Techn., JNEM
 Pilcher, Milton A., from Budget Off., WASO
 Pratt, Claude, from Maintenance Foreman, Colonial NHP
 Ramsburg, Herbert E., from Laborer, Catoclin Mtn. Pk.
 Riley, Francis W., from Pvt., U.S. Pk. Police, NCP
 Rine, Alexander L., from Pk. Ranger, Natchez Trace Pkwy.
 Ristau, Alice H., from Realty Clk., ESC
 Roszak, Charles W., from Pvt., U.S. Pk. Police, NCP
 Rowland, Theresa C., from Clk. Typist, Death Valley NM
 Rucker, George, from Laborer, Independence NHP
 Salckmann, August E., from Exhibits Spec., Harpers Ferry Center
 Sanders, Gilbert, from Electrician, Mammoth Cave NP
 Satcher, Marvis, from Gardener Landscape, NCP
 Scarborough, David E., from Laborer, Yellowstone NP
 Short, Wayne C., from Motor Vehicle Operator, Shenandoah NP
 Sink, James F., from Pvt. Techn., U.S. Pk. Police, NCP



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