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WHITE HOUSE CEREMONY--Walter J. Hickel, flanked by his wife and President Nixon, is sworn in as Secretary of the Interior, by Chief Justice Earl Warren.

Walter J. Hickel Is Sworn In As 38th Secretary of the Interior

President Nixon Names Russell E. Train As Under Secretary

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Walter J. Hickel, former Governor of Alaska, was sworn in as the 38th Secretary of the Interior, by Chief Justice Warren at White House ceremonies, January 24, witnessed by President Nixon. Four days later, on January 28, Secretary Hickel, speaking for the President, announced the selection of conservationist Russell E. Train as his Under Secretary.

Stating that the Under Secretary will have broad decision-making powers in his new job, Secretary Hickel said: "When I'm out on the road or away, he will have the authority of the Secretary, and when I'm here, he will be my right hand man."

Since 1965, Under Secretary Train has been President of the Conservation Foundation, a non-profit research, education and information organization created in 1948. A longtime resident of the District of Columbia, Train is a tax lawyer, with degrees from Princeton and Columbia Universities. Appointed to the U.S. Tax Court by President Eisenhower in 1957, Train was reappointed to a full 12-year term in 1959, but resigned in 1965 to take on full-time conservation work. (A full biographical sketch of Under Secretary Train will appear in the February issued of the "Courier."

Secretary of the Interior Hickel's first official act was to issue the following memorandum to All Employees:

"I have taken the oath as Secretary, and I am dedicated to uphold the duties of the office to the utmost of my ability.

I approach the many tasks ahead with humility and pride, with confidence and enthusiasm, and I trust you will join me in bringing the work of the Department to its finest hour.

With your help, we can achieve that goal.

The job starts now. So lets go to work together."

Following are excerpts from Governor Hickel's statement on January 15 before the Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs:

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As Secretary of the Interior, I will assume major responsibilities for the wise use, management, development and conservation of our entire Nation's natural resources.

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National Park System Gets Four Additions

WASHINGTON, D. C.—President Lyndon B. Johnson, as the last official act of his Administration, signed orders on January 20, setting aside lands in four areas in Arizona, Utah and Alaska for addition to the National Park System. These executive actions were authorized by the Antiquities Act of 1906.

The four areas set aside were:

1. The 26,000-acre Marble Canyon National Monument, Arizona, which includes a 3,000-foot-high scenic canyon area and some of the Colorado River's finest white water rapids.

2. An addition of 49,000 acres to the existing 34,000-acre Arches National Monument in Utah.

3. An addition of 215,000 acres to the existing 39,172-acre Capitol Reef National Monument in Utah.

4. An addition of 94,500 acres to the existing 2.7 million-acre Katmai National Monument, Alaska.

Not approved by the President were the following three areas that had also been recommended by Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall:

1. The proposed 4.1 million-acre Gates of the Arctic National Monument, Alaska.

2. The proposed 2.2 million-acre Mount McKinley National Monument (adjoining Mount McKinley National Park), Alaska.

3. The proposed 911,700-acre Sonoran Desert National Monument, Arizona.

Presidential authority for proclamations to preserve parts of the Nation's public domain was established by law more than half a century ago. Over the years, the authority provided by the Antiquities Act of 1906, previously has been exercised 152 times—to establish new national monuments in the National Park System, or to change boundaries of existing monuments. More than 9,355,000 acres were added to the National Park System under this authority by Presidential action in prior years.

Some of these monuments, like Grand Canyon and Petrified Forest in Arizona, later became national parks.

Prior to the four areas that President Johnson set aside on January 20, the latest area to be set aside under provisions of the Antiquities Act was the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Monument, proclaimed by President Dwight D. Eisenhower on January 18, 1961.

150 JOBS OPEN FOR STUDENTS NEXT SUMMER

The Student Conservation Association, Inc. announces approximately 150 positions will be available this summer for well qualified high school, college and graduate men and women, minimum age 16 years, to work and learn as members of the Student Conservation Program in one of twenty national parks and forest areas where the programs are held. No salaries are offered in this dual aim program; however, a limited number of grants are available to defray the cost of transportation and/or equipment for students who are qualified, but who otherwise could not participate.

Wilderness Programs for high school age boys will be held in Olympic, Mount Rainier and Great Smoky Mountains National Parks, and the Merck Forest/Green Mountain National Forest. There will also be available for the first time this summer a Wilderness Program for high school age girls.

Maui Land Gifts Enlarge Haleakala

Major portions of Kipahulu Valley - including the spectacularly beautiful Seven Sacred Pools ocean frontage - today became a part of Haleakala National Park on Hawaii's Island of Maui.

Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall accepted donations of land and interests in land from Laurance S. Rockefeller and The Nature Conservancy which eventually will add more than 4,300 acres of the Kipahulu Valley to the Park. Included was the 54-acre Seven Pools area, owned by Rockefeller.

Rockefeller, who has made major donations of land to the National Park System, including an earlier gift that led to the establishment of Virgin Islands National Park, spearheaded the effort to expand Haleakala National Park.

Thomas W. Richards, president of The Nature Conservancy, described the effort to preserve the Kipahulu Valley as among the most rewarding in the 15-year history of the private, non-profit organization. In a little over one year, he said, The Nature Conservancy raised some $600,000 in private donations to purchase valley lands.

"It all began with a challenge from Laurance Rockefeller," Richard said. "Mr. Rockefeller proposed that if the Nature Conservancy could buy or otherwise obtain from its owners acreage lying between his property and the National Park, he would donate his land."

George B. Hartzog, Jr., director of the National Park Service, cited Rockefeller and The Nature Conservancy for their efforts in bringing about today's additions to the Park.

Both tracts lie on the east slope of the dormant Haleakala volcano whose 10,023-foot eminence dominates Maui. Descending from the 3,000-foot deep Haleakala crater, the Kipahulu Valley additions provide dense

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CONCESSIONERS TO OPERATE CAMPGROUNDS

George B. Hartzog, Jr., director of the National Park Service, today announced the signing of an agreement with the Everglades Park Co., Inc., for the operation of Flamingo and Long Pine Key campgrounds at Everglades National Park, Fla.

"This action continues the policy approved by Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall to provide for private operations of campgrounds," Hartzog said. "This policy was initiated in 1968 at Crater Lake National Park, Oregon."

Hartzog added that the operation of the campground by the concessioner, effective immediately, was the result of budgetary and manpower restrictions under the Revenue and Expenditure Control Act of 1968.

"It has become obvious," Hartzog continued, "that in view of the restrictions the National Park Service can no longer maintain quality facilities and services for the camping visitor."

The concessioner will operate 108 sites at the Long Pine Key campground, and 235 drive-in sites and 73 walk-in sites at Flamingo. Users of the 416 sites will be limited to a 14-day stay during the period Dec. 15 through Apr. 15.

Camping fees at the two drive-in campgrounds will be $2.25 per day for each site. Walk-in site fees at Flamingo will be $1.50 per day.

Reservations may be made with the Everglades Park Co., Inc., 18494 South Federal Highway, Miami, Fla. 33157, with the deposit of a day's fee for confirmation.

Existing park entrance fees will continue in effect.

Interior Honors Eight For Service To Conservation

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Eight nationally prominent Americans received the Department of the Interior Conservation Service Award on January 8, from Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall. The Award is the highest the Department can bestow upon a non-employee.

Recipients were: Robert Cahn, Washington correspondent for The Christian Science Monitor; Dr. Frank C. Craighead, botanist; Newton B. Drury, Conservationist and first executive secretary of the Save-the-Redwoods League; Dr. Melville Bell Grosvenor, Editor-in-Chief, The National Georgraphic; Charles Guggenheim, motion-picture producer; United States Senator Carl Hayden of Arizona; United States Senator Thomas H. Kuchel of California; and Nathaniel A. Owings, architect.



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The Alumni Directory

It is axiomatic that any directory is out of date the moment it is published. The Alumni Directory in our November issue was no exception. We were pleased that the expected deluge of complaints didn't develop, although we did generate a few responses from readers who reported the addresses of "lost alumni," the whereabouts of certain ladies who have changed their names, and one intake trainee who was concerned about being listed among the alumni when he had just joined the Service in 1968. He asked for re-

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Audio History

We have had the pleasure of listening to a series of tape recordings made by Bill Weaver, Administrative Officer, Vicksburg. In these, Bill discusses the uses of oral history in Service programs, particularly in Interpretation and Environmental Education. The tapes include, for example, a number of interviews with old-timers in New Mexico and Arizona, and with survivors of the first Japanese air strikes on Clark Field in the Philippines, December 8, 1941. Their reminiscences, told in their own voices, have an immediacy and color that no text can match.

Many of us have talked about the value of oral history but have tended to wait for someone else to do something about it. Bill has done something about it and has captured on tape a sense of places and people that would otherwise be lost. Many parks have similar opportunities to get a permanent record of this sort. We think that Bill's tapes demonstrate a fine flair and technique for oral history interviews. We expect to make use of Bill's work as an aid to other parks desiring to embark on their own oral history projects.

Half A Courier

Is half a "Courier" better than no "Courier" at all? We think not. And, without apology, we point to the fact that our E&AA publication, with its one-man editorial staff, isn't even beginning to give full and fair coverage of the people, events and programs of the National Park Service and its more than 270 areas. Further, we make the obvious observation that the overall quality of the "Courier"—newsprint, photography, makeup and editorial content—is far short of the standard of excellence the National Park Service deserves.

We believe we have the knowhow! What we need is the wherewithal, and this is understandably limited by an E&AA membership that represents, conservatively, only about 20% of the employees and some 15% of the alumni. In dollars and cents it means that the present budget for the "Courier" limits future publication to "an average of one 8-page edition per month." It means, further, that most of the E&AA income is being pumped into the "Courier", leaving little reserve for other vital programs the Association hopes to carry out.

Like the parents who do show up at a poorly attended PTA meeting, you loyal supporters of the E&AA are catching all the abuse for lack of support. Of course, it only seems that way. What we're really trying to say is: "Thanks for your continued support, and won't each of you do a little missionary work by signing up some new members? Why not start with the fellow who's always reading your copy of the Courier?

As a vote of confidence to a man who has devoted his life to the National Park Service—and who continues to serve us following his retirement—all employees and alumni are urged to rally behind our new E&AA Chairman, former Associate Director Howard W. Baker. Under his leadership, we hope to revitalize the Association, not only through expanded membership, but with a viable and dynamic action program of projects and activities in which all Service personnel can participate, and from which all the Service will benefit.

The masthead of this newspaper lists the employee and alumni representatives for each region. We urge you to contact them and give them the benefit of your ideas and offer your services.

As an added inducement, the "Courier" will publish the names of all NPS areas, concessioner operations and major WASO and field offices that report to us that 90 to 100 percent of their staffs are E&AA members. In addition, an appropriate certificate suitable for framing is also being considered—if enough interest is shown.

For 1969, let the motto be: "EVERY E&AA MEMBER, SIGN UP A NEW E&AA MEMBER."

LETTERS

Dear Editor:

Imagine my surprise when I found myself identified as Fred Arnold in the most recent issue of The Courier. I want to assure you that Fred Arnold was very much there, and when the photograph was originally submitted, it did show Fred receiving his Meritorious Service Award.

I guess it was difficult to edit a photograph down to fit one column. However, there should be no mistaking Fred Arnold and me. Fred is considerably better looking than I am, has a shock of beautiful hair, and looks very much like one who is deserving of receiving the Meritorious Service Award! Anyone knowing Fred and me would make no mistake in which one to show if it had to be edited.

How about a rerun eliminating the left half of the photo and showing Fred Arnold receiving his award in the next issue. It should clear up the confusion in the minds of many people and also get some of my old friends off of my back. Len Volz



Ed. Note—We don't know what was going on in the Photo Lab when this mixup occurred, but please remember, "'twas the Season!" Above is the real Fred Arnold—every bit as handsome as our correspondent. C.R.

HAWAII ADDITIONS

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forests, waterfalls and lava pools which retain essentially the same species composition as before the appearance of Western man.

The Seven Sacred Pools area was venerated in Hawaii's distant past to honor the demigod Maui who, in Hawaiian lore, ensnared the sun from atop the great Haleakala volcano. Today, the waters from Kipahulu's rain forests cascade from pool to pool and onward into the Pacific.

To accomodate the land gifts, Udall approved a boundary extension originally authorized by a June 20, 1938 Act of Congress, which also provided that additions to the area could be achieved only through donations.

With today's action, and as land title transfers become effective, federally owned Haleakala Park acreage will increase to approximately 21,500 acres.

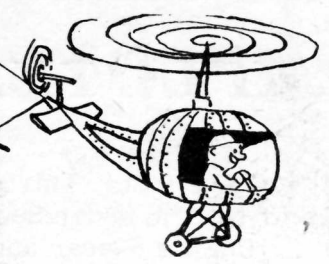
Secretary Udall noted that Governor John A. Burns of Hawaii has indicated his willingness to negotiate the donation of adjacent State-owned forest land which would add an additional area of approximately 5,200 acres to the Park.

Hartzog announced that recreation use of the Kipahulu Valley acreage will be limited to the valley's lower reaches. The nearly inaccessible upper slopes, above the 3,100-foot contour line, are to be preserved in a natural state for scientific purposes.

In August of 1967, a joint expedition into the Kipahulu Valley undertaken by the National Park Service and The Nature Conservancy rediscovered the Maui Nukupuu, a bird which ornithologists had regarded as extinct for more than 70 years.

The upper valley receives as much as 300 inches of rain annually and abounds in rare plants such as the apeape with circular leaves up to five feet in diameter. Growing throughout the valley is the greensword, closely related to the silversword which grows in the Haleakala crater and nowhere else in the world.

People on the move



New Faces

Chamberland, Robert D., to Landscape Arch., WSC
Greenberg, William A., to Legal Asst. (Gen.), WSC
Ross, Charles A., to Guidance Counselor, Acadia NP
Watkins, Keith M., to Realty Spec., SFSC

New Places

Ashworth, Barry H., from Pk. Ranger, Glacier NP, to same, Dinosaur NM
Bowen, William L., from Ch., D&C Off., WSC, to Reg. Dir., WRO
Essex, David J., from Supv. Pk. Ranger, Wind Cave NP, to Supv. Pk. Ranger, Ozark NSC
Hentges, Robert J., from Pk. Nat., Mount Rainier NP, to Pk. Ranger, North Cascades NP
Holcomb, James H., from Pk. Ranger, Yellowstone NP, to same, Yosemite NP
Holmes, Benson V., from Supv. Pk. Ranger, Flaming Gorge RAP, to Supv. Pk. Ranger, Mount Rushmore NM
Kuehn, Daniel R., from Supv. Hist., Chickamauga-Chattanooga NMP, to same, Sitka and Glacier Bay NM
Mackie, Ronald M., from Pk. Ranger, Yellowstone NP, to same, Yosemite NP
Maeder, Richard H., from CC Dir., Cumberland Gap JCCCC, to same, Harpers Ferry NHP, Harpers Ferry JCCCC
Maitland, Ronald S., from Supv. Pk. Ranger, Flaming Gorge RAP, to same, Rocky Mtn. NP & Shadow Mtn. NRA
Martin, Roger L., from Supv. Pk. Ranger, Great Sand Dunes NM, to same, Blue Ridge Pkwy.
Milne, Robert C., from Nat. (Inst.), Stephen T. Mather TC, to Ecologist, WSC
Oakes, Yvonne M., from Pers. Clk. Typist, SWRO, to Admin. Clk. Typist, Timpanogos Cave NM
Riggs, Marion J., from Archeologist, WASO, to same, Flagstaff Group—Walnut Canyon NM
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Tillman, Larry J., from Asst. Ch. Pk. Nat., Everglades NP, to Supv. Pk. Nat., Cape Cod NS
Townsend, Patricia A., from Sec. Steno., WASO, to Program Clk. Typist, Waso DS: WSC
Turay, Dennis J., from Pk. Ranger, Yellowstone NP, to same, Ozark NSR
Adams, Charles F., Jr., from Supv. Pk. Nat., NCP—North, to Ch., Interp. & Res., Virgin Islands NP
Bales, Charter G., from Enrollee Work Supv., Great Smoky Mtns. NP, Tremont JCCCC, to Plumber, Great Smoky Mtns. NP
Blaha, Rudolph L., from Foreman II (Maintenance), Colonial NHP, to Foreman IV (Maintenance), Grand Teton NP
Branges, Robert J., from Supv. Pk. Ranger, Fire Island NS, to Pk. Planner, WASO
Brooks, Chester L., from Pk. Planner (Team Capt.), WSC, to Supt., Independence NHP
Bucknall, Edward J., from Pk. Ranger (Wildlife Mgmt.), Rocky Mtn. NP & Shadow Mtn. NRA, to Staff Pk. Ranger (Res. Mgmt.), Yellowstone NP
Cameron, Chris D., from Staff Pk. Ranger (Forestry), Sequoia & Kings Canyon NP, to Pk. Ranger, Redwood NP
Cooper, Charles B., from Pk. Ranger, Sequoia & Kings Canyon NP, to same, Platt NP-Arbuckle RA
Getty, Robert A., from Foreman II (Mixed Gang), NCR, to Foreman III (Maintenance), Everglades NP
Hardy, Carl D., from Class. & Wage Spec., WRO, to Pers. Mgmt. Spec., WASO
Harris, Wilhelmina S., from Supt., Adams NHS, to Spec. Asst. to Reg. Dir. (Historic Research), NERO
Hinckley, Calvin W., from Maintenanceman, Fire Island NS & NY City National Park Service Group, to same, Catoctin Mtn. Park
Humphrey, Robnie D., from Gen. Supply Asst., Petrified Forest NP, to Off. Services Supv., Cumberland Gap NHP, JCCC
Johnson, Duane C., from Admin. Off., Pinnacles NM, to same, Redwood NP
Mitchell, Ira E., from Admin. Off., Great Smoky Mtns. NP, to same, Blue Ridge Pkwy.
Rose, Larry L., from Supv. Pk. Ranger, Sequoia & Kings Canyon NP, to same, Redwood NP
Rothfuss, Edwin L., from Ch., I&RM, Virgin Islands NP, to Supv. Pk. Nat., Mammoth Cave NP
Rowe, Charles A., from Supv. Pk. Ranger, Bandelier NP, to Instructor (Rec.), Cape Cod NS, JCCCC
Stonestreet, Albert L., from Pk. Ranger, Glacier NP, to same, Olympic NP
Townsend, Peggy L., from Clk. Typist, WSC, to same, WASO
Wagner, George F., Jr., from Supv. Pk. Ranger, Grand Teton NP, to same, North Cascades NP
Bowser, Richard D., from Mech. Engr., Jefferson NEM, to same, WSC
Gay, Mildred S., from Admin. Off., George Washington Mem. Pkwy., to same, Manassas NBP
Williamson, James E., from Realty Spec., Assateague Island NS, to same, SFSC
Peterson, Alvin W., from Supv. Pk. Ranger, Flaming Gorge RA, to same, Wind Cave NP
Strock, George M., from Hist., Castillo de San Marcos NM, to Supv. Hist., Cape Hatteras NS
White, Arthur E., from Foreman II (Maintenance), Flaming Gorge RA, to same, Bighorn Canyon NRA
Wood, Evelyn M., from Sec. Steno., U.S. Park Police, NCR, to same, WASO

Out of the Traces

Barnes, Millie F., from Janitor, Ft. McHenry NM&HS
Garnett, Vola B., from Accounting Tech., NCR
Hawkins, Woodrow W., from Pvt., Horse-Mounted Off., U.S. Pk. Police, NCR, U.S. Pk. Police
Kalnins, Laina J., from Arch., D&C Off., WSC
Miller, Jerome C., from Asst. to Reg. Dir. Program Coord., SWRO
Morris, Helen I., from Sec. Steno., Roosevelt-Vanderbilt NHS
Morrison, Lillian B., from Info. Receptionist, Lake Mead NRA
Stevens, James R., III, from Supv. Arch., D&C Off., WSC
Younkin, Clair H., from Exhibit Spec., WASO
Kearney, Robert M., Caretaker, Everglades NP
Thompson, Joseph [illegible]amin, from Foreman I (Laborer), Colonial NHP
Ellis, Howard A., from Laborer, NCR, U.S. Park Police
Ganey, George, from Guard Supv. (Ch. Guard Force & Spec. Policeman), NCR, U.S. Park Police
Parker, Lloyd J., from Laborer, Yosemite NP
Waldron, Edwin J., from Foreman II, Mixed Gang (Roads) (Wawona), Yosemite NP
Whaley, P. Audley, from Supv. Pk. Ranger, Great Smoky Mtns. NP

WILLIAM G. PROPER HONORED FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE

In recognition of excellent services in the personnel management field with the National Park Service, William G. Proper has been presented the Department of the Interior Meritorious Service Award.

Proper's first personnel management assignment with National Park Service came in 1946 when he became a personnel clerk at Yellowstone National Park. In a matter of eleven years he advanced from personnel clerk at Yellowstone National Park to Regional Personnel Officer.

Throughout his career, he always set very high standards for himself and his excellent performance justified his supervisors in placing great reliance on the work he did in all assignments. Consequently he was called upon to undertake special assignments such as a detail to the Midwest Regional Office in 1952 to prepare data for the Service's promotion lists for a revised promotion plan procedure.

In 1957, as a progressive and articulate field man, he was selected to serve in the Washington Office on a task force which studied employee training needs in the Service. In 1966, Proper was selected as a member of a special Washington Office organization responsible for evaluating and selecting employees for promotion or transfer to mid-level and executive-level positions throughout the Service.

Proper's assignment to the position of Personnel Staffing Specialist of the Office of Employee Evaluation followed a period of service as Regional Personnel Officer for the Northeast Region--a particularly difficult assignment because it was a newly established regional office and considerable ground work had to be accomplished to establish the personnel management operation as a going concern. At the time of his transfer to the Washington Office, the regional office personnel functions were fully established and functioning well.

WANT A JOB AS AN ACTOR?

If you do then ask for a transfer to Great Smoky Mountains National Park. About next April that Swedish beauty Ingrid Bergman will make her first movie in the United States in 20 years, and most of it will be shot in the park.

Entitled "A Walk in the Spring Rain," it is a story about a so phisticated city woman who gets involved with a primitive man of the soil (any rugged Rangers want to volunteer?). About 200 local residents will be cast as extras, and existing structures will be used, rather than having sets built.

Rudy Grimm Was Longtime Park Ranger

Rudolph (Rudy) L. Grimm, 73, long-time park ranger in Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks, died on November 16, 1968, almost 9 years after his retirement.

Rudy was born in Germany on July 12, 1895, and came to the United States at the age of 15, living in Greenview, Ill. A student at Colorado A. & M. College (now Colorado State University) in 1927, he received appointment as a ranger at Yellowstone the following year, remaining there until his transfer to Glacier in 1956. He served in the United States Army in World War I.

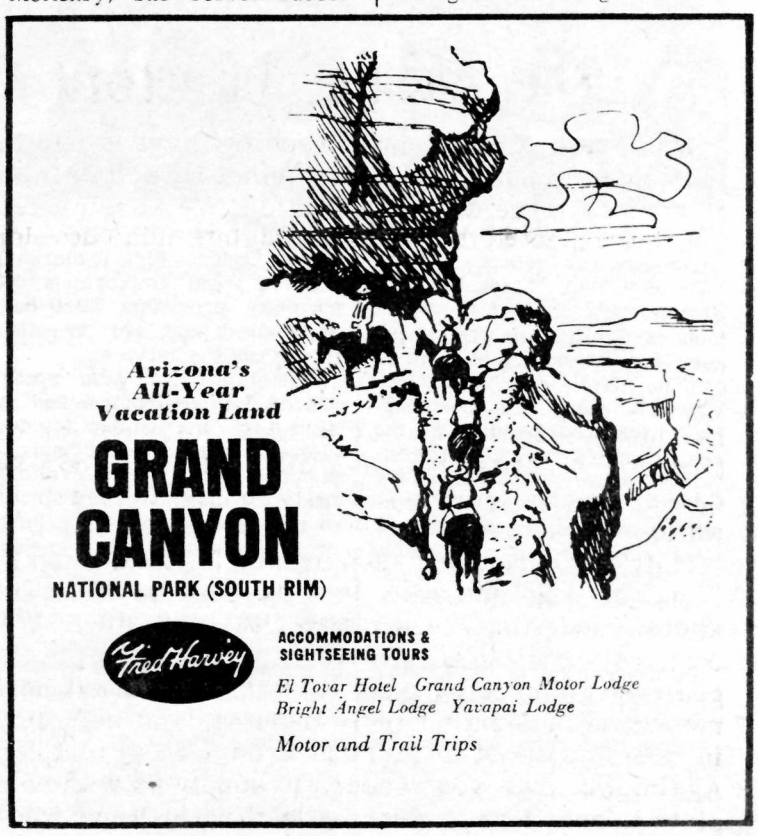
He was married on Oct. 3, 1929 to Katherine Wilken at Fort Collins, Colo. He is survived by his wife; a son, Carlton, who lives at the family's retirement home at Woods Bay, Mont.; two sisters, both in Germany; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Rudy was a member of the Bigfork Masonic Lodge 150, the Woods Bay Lions Club, the National Association of Retired Civil Employees, and the Flathead Lake Cherry Growers Association. He was a past director of the association.

MILLIE F. BARNES RETIRES FROM FORT McHENRY POST

BALTIMORE, MD.—Miss Millie F. Barnes, Janitor, retired on November 29, 1968, after 24 1/2 years of service at Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine. During the retirement ceremony at the park, Superintendent Bruce presented her with a silver platter.

Miss Barnes entered on duty at Fort McHenry, May 10, 1944. During her 24 1/2 years at Fort McHenry, she served successively under six superintendents. Her titles were Laborer, Charwoman, and Janitor. Although her work consisted mainly of janitorial tasks, because of her devotion to the National Park Service, she performed various other tasks beyond her routine duties. She was congenial, cooperative and performed outstanding work. Millie will be missed by all of the staff at Fort McHenry, and their congratulations and good wishes go with her.



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NPS EMPLOYEES RECEIVE INTERIOR HONORS

WASHINGTON' D.C.—At the Thirty-Seventh Convocation—the last to be held under Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall's 8-year administration—62 employees and former employees received distinguished service awards, and two others received Valor Awards.

Among the National Park Service employees receiving the Distinguished Service Award at the convocation were: Alfred D. Beye, Deputy Chief, U.S. Park Police; Luis A. Gastellum, Deputy Assistant Director, Administration; Charles E. Kreuger, Assistant Director, Design and Construction; Walter W. Lang, (Retired) former Chief, U.S. Park Police; Jackson E. Price, Regional Director, Southeast Region; Charles A. Richey, Supt. Lake Mead National Recreation Area; and Grant Wright, Chief, U.S. Park Police. Joe J. Cayou, Supervisory Park Ranger, Lake Mead National Recreation Area, received the Department of the Interior Valor Award for his heroic lifesaving act performed at great risk to his own life.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

In recognition of outstanding service in police administration and management with the United States Park Police, ALFRED D. BEYE received the Department of the Interior Distinguished Service Award.

Deputy Chief Alfred D. Beye began his career with the United States Park Police in 1942. While serving as supervisor with the Horse Patrol, he established the first training courses in police horsemanship.

In recognition of this exceptional abilities, he was sent to Canada to work with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in the training and utilization of service dogs for police functions. Deputy Chief Beye is a widely recognized expert in the handling of police dogs. In 1958 he was reassigned to the Horse Patrol. It was during this assignment that the horse and dog patrols of the Force gained national recognition for exceptional performance and professional excellence.

Since 1961 Deputy Chief Beye has been directly responsible for police plans and arrangements for every major special event and demonstration held in the areas under the jurisdiction of the Force. He possesses exceptional ability to coordinate police arrangements with cooperating law enforcement authorities and has received many commendations from them.

In May 1968, because of the illness and subsequent retirement of the Chief, it was necessary for Deputy Chief Beye to assume the duties of Acting Deputy Chief, along with coordinating police arrangements for the Poor People's Campaign. His expertise in police procedures for handling large crowds of demonstrators was, more than any other single factor, responsible for the highly efficient manner in which police service was provided at Resurrection City.



BEYE - LANGE - WRIGHT

In recognition of outstanding contributions to the National Park Service in public relations, international cooperation and management, LUIS A GASTELLUM has been presented the Department of the Interior Distinguished Service Award.

Gastellum entered the National Park Service through the Emergency Conservation Work Program in August 1935. He assumed the duties of Deputy Assistant Director for Administration in February 1967 following outstanding service in several key positions with the Service.

Significant among him many accomplishments are: leadership in developing alternate methods of handling wildlife management programs, particularly elk, at Yellowstone National park; excellent public relations work with communities and other agencies outside the Yellowstone park boundries which reduced friction and contention arising from misunderstanding; participation in international cooperation activities; establishment of the Service's Job Corps program which augmented and complemented ongoing Service objectives with Job Corps programs and establishment of a highly cooperative and harmonious association with officials of cooperating organizations and agencies; strengthening and updating of the Service's equal employment opportunity program to meet fully the requirements of Executive Order 11246.

He tackled the Service's backlog of discrimination charges cases with understanding, skill and determination and within a year all cases had been settled. Under his leadership, positive equal employment opportunity programs have been established and are in effect throughout the Service.

Gastellum has also spearheaded the development and issuance of instructions for implementing a system of financial planning to insure that available funds and manpower are applied to the Service's highest priority program needs. This enabled fuller utilization of funds and manpower and the accomplishment of highest priority work within available resources.

In recognition of outstanding contributions to design and construction programs, CHARLES E. KRUEGER has been presented with the Department of the Interior Distinguished Service Award.

A graduate landscape artecht, Krueger joined the National Park Service staff in October 1933. He assumed the acutely responsible position of Assistant Director for Design and Construction on October 8, 1967. He has met the multitude of critical problems of this position in an outstanding manner, providing leadership to a professional staff of more than 250 people.

He has met the recent pressures to build high speed roads through some of the parks in a most effective manner, defending the policy of the Service while reconciling the interests of the pure conservationists and the travel promoters who advocate installation of high speed roads.

Outstanding examples of his contributions during his period of service as the Service's San Francisco Chief of the Office of Design and Construction are the road from McKinley Station to Wonder Lake in Mount McKinley National Park, Alaska; the Tioga Road in Yosemite National Park and the Kalapana Road in Hawaii Volcanoes National Park. These roads penetrate fragile wilderness areas but were designed and constructed so skillfully that even the severest critics became supporters and acknowledged the roads as outstanding construction feats.

He brought credit on the Service during his detail to the State of California for the purpose of helping Sacramento's urban road problems.

In recognition of outstanding service as a law enforcement officer, U.S. Park Police, National Park Service, WALTER W. LANGE (Retired) was presented the Department of the Interior Distinguished Service Award.

Chief Lange entered the Service on April 25, 1938, as a gardener with the National Capital Parks. After serving four years in this position he began his career with the United States Park Police. As he advanced through the ranks to Chief, he mastered the demanding art of police work through a keen perception of the problems. This required tact and understanding.

When the Federal section of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway was opened in 1953, he was selected to supervise the police activities and to coordinate the many details involved with its operation. He was commended for the outstanding manner in which he resolved jurisdictional problems, performed the major task of establishing the U.S. Commissioner's Court in the Beltsville Research Center, and at the same time maintained cordial relationships with other Federal agencies.

Other achievements of note include: his leadership of police activities and diplomatic handling of problems during a series of undersirable demonstrations in park areas near the Capitol which provoked much indignation and criticism from thousands of visitors to the Nation's Capital; his effective direction of the police force during a time when the Chief's position was vacant; the enhancement of the Park Police to a position of high standing among police organizations in the Metropolitan area.

The extremely competent professional and management support Lange gave as Associate Chief and later as Chief was invaluable to Service officials. He continually displayed exceptional qualities of leadership, ingenuity and dedication to the highest principles of law enforcement.



PRICE - KREUGER - GASTELLUM

In recognition of outstanding contributions to major Servicewide programs with the National Park Service. JACKSON E. PRICE has been presented the Department of the Interior Distinguished Service Award.

Entering Interior on July 9, 1934, as an attorney in the Solicitor's Office, Price transferred to the National Park Service as Chief Counsel in 1944. He steered the Bureau safely through legal complexities incident to many land acquisition projects including two of the largest, most intricate, and highly controversial projects in the Service's history--Everglades and Cape Cod.

From 1956, as Assistant Director, he gave outstanding direction and leadership to planning and negotiating for Cape Hatteras, Padre Island, Point Reyes National Seashores and other major new land acquisition projects. The filing of condemnation suits over Padre Island National Seashore lands--a multi-million dollar acquisition project--resulted from his efforts.

Price also distinguished himself in developing basic concession policies and guidelines and in his contributions leading toward passage of landmark legislation which authorized acquisition of substantial inholdings and establishment of several new national recreation and seashore areas.

Strong leadership and marked executive ability characterize his management as Regional Director, Southeast Region where he copes with major conservation issues--the current water controversy at Everglades and implementation of the Wilderness Act.

Price can be contacted at the headquarters of the Theodore Roosevelt Birthplace National Historic Site in New York City, where he is working on special studies of seashore regulations.

Price was born in Washington, D. C., in September 7, 1907. He received degrees from George Washington University and an LLD in 1932 from Georgetown University. He is married to the former Frances Powell. They have two married daughters, Pamela and Patricia.

In recognition of outstanding contributions, of national and international significance, in the fields of park planning and park management, CHARLES A. RICHEY has been granted the Department of the Interior Distinguished Service Award. Beginning as a junior landscape Architect in 1931, Richey has progressed through all levels of management in his career in the National Park Service, a progression that has been marked by imaginative and effective innovations that will serve as guidelines to other park officials for many years to come.

As Assistant Regional Director of Region III in 1943, he helped to organize that headquarters when it was merged with the headquarters of Southwestern National Monuments.

As Assistant Chief of Lands in 1948, he was selected to conduct a study--requested by the Secretary of the Army--of the national parks of Japan and to submit recommendatiins for development and management plans for the parks. He made on-site studies of twelve of Japan's thirteen national parks and other areas that he considered to be of national park caliber. After completing his studies, he submitted detailed recommendations for establishing and administering a national park system in Japan. He was commended by the Japanese Government and by the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers for his work. Results of his work will be discernible in Japan for generations, and his methods will continue to serve as guidelines in international cooperation in park development for the Service.

As Chief of Lands in 1952, Mr. Richey prepared a report on land acquisition that is considered to be the model statement on this element of park policy.

As Superintendent of Lake Mead National Recreation Area, he has created new techniques in management of water-oriented recreation areas that have become Servicewide practices; and he has devised patterns of cooperation in working with other Federal and State agencies that have interests at the huge area, patterns that have been adopted at other units of the National Park System.

In recognition of an eminent career and outstanding service in police administration and management with the United States Park Police, GRANT WRIGHT has been presented the Department of the Interior Distinguished Service Award.

Chief Wright began his career with the United States Park Police in 1947. From the outset, he earned the favorable reputation of dealing fairly but firmly with the public in law enforcement matters.

As a 21 year veteran of the Force, Chief Wright has demonstrated his outstanding abilities as an able and progressive administrator. Under his leadership highly significant advances have been made in management, cost reduction programs, training and police procedures.

His calm and deliberate approach to challenging situations has become a hallmark of his effective work in the area of police management. His EGER standing administrative ability is clearly evident by his progression to the rank of Chief of Police on August 11, 1968.

Chief Wright served as Acting Deputy Chief during a most crucial period in the early part of 1968. It was at this time that the April disorders occurred in Washington, D.C. and planning for the Poor People's Campaign began.

In May 1968, he assumed full responsibility for the Force as Acting Chief. His exceptional qualities of leadership and dedication to the highest principles of law enforcement have brought great credit to the United States Park Police, the National Park Service and the Department of the Interior.

VALOR AWARD FOR JOE CAYOU

For the heroic rescue of Roy A. Pitchford from drowning in the Boulder Basin of Lake Mead National Recreation Area, the Department of the Interior Valor Award has been conferred upon Joe. J. Cayou.

On May 23, 1968, when a severe, unexpected wind storm struck the Boulder Basin of Lake Mead, creating extremely heavy waves and endangering many of the small boats on the water, Supervisory Park Ranger Joe. J. Cayou responded to an emergency call for help. Proceeding to the vicinity of Boulder Islands where several boats were reported to be capsized, overturned and swamped, Mr. Cayou came upon a swamped sailboat and proceeded to take it under tow when he heard someone yell that a man was in the water. He then heard the man cry for help and saw him disappear below the dark surface of the lake.

Pitchford, whose sailboat had capsized in 14-foot waves, was attempting to return to his craft when his strength failed. Cayou dived into the wave-tossed waters from a Park Service cruiser and brought Pitchford to the surface and safety. Pitchford, who lives at 681 Blackmore St., Henderson, Nevada, said: "I felt myself go under for the last time. Suddenly, I felt a strong hand grasp my arm and pull me to the surface. Joe Cayou had snatched me from the jaws of death.

For this heroic lifesaving act performed at great risk to his own life, the Department of the Interior proudly confers upon Mr. Cayou its Valor Award.

DR. PFANZ HEADS JNEM; BROWN GETS MWRO POST

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Dr. Harry W. Pfanz has been appointed superintendent of the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial succeeding LeRoy R. Brown, who recently became assistant regional director in charge of operations in the NPS Midwest Regional Office in Omaha.

Dr. Pfanz, 45, a historian has been chief of interpretation and resource management for the riverfront memorial in St. Louis since August 1966. A native of Columbus, Ohio, and a 1943 graduate of Ohio State University, he also holds masters and doctoral degrees from Ohio State.

From 1952 to 1956, Pfanz was employed in the office of the Army's chief of military history. He joined the National Park Service in 1956 as a historian at Gettysburg National Military Park and served there 10 years before coming to St. Louis.

Pfanz, his wife and their three children live at 9218 Laramie Drive, Crestwood.

LeROY BROWN

Brown, 53, was at the riverfront memorial throughout the period of the construction of the 630-foot Gateway Arch and as superintendent had to deal with many of the problems that cropped up during building of the unique structure.

Brown was at the Omaha regional office of the NPS as programs officer for seven years before coming to St. Louis as assistant superintendent of the memorial in June 1963, less than three months after the first above-ground sections of the stainless steel monument were set in place.

In August 1965, he was named superintendent, succeeding H. Raymond Gregg, who retired. The two legs of the Arch then were nearing the 600-foot mark and had been joined in June by a steel brace called a scissors strut.

Contract squabbles over civil rights, delays in opening of the Arch transportation system and other problems had to be faced by Brown during his three and a half years as superintendent.

In Omaha, he will succeed Nelson Murdock, who was recently named the first superintendent of the new Redwood National Park.

Ronald Maitland Is Park Ranger At Rocky Mt. N.P.

Supervisory Park Ranger Ronald S. Maitland, 38, entered on duty at Rocky Mountain National Park on December 13, 1968, replacing Henry Jones who was transferred to Grand Teton National Park in September. Maitland will be in charge of the area on the east side of the park from Moraine Park to Wild Basin.

Maitland, a native of Manistique, Michigan, joined the National Park Service in 1963. He spent four years in the Air Force, and then earned his B.A. and M.A. degrees at Northern Michigan University.

Maitland, his wife Betty and children, Billy 9, Karen 7, and Bobby 3 1/2, will reside at Mill Creek Ranger Station on the Bear Lake Road.

Supt. Stricklin Announces Retirement Plans

GRAND CANYON, ARIZ.—Howard B. Stricklin, Superintendent, Grand Canyon, has decided to retire effective February 26, 1969 after more than 34 years of Federal employment—over 31 years with the National Park Service.

The employee of Grand Canyon have scheduled a no-host dinner for the Stricklins to be held at the Arizona Room of the Bright Angel Lodge on the evening of February 26, 1969. The festivities at this retirement dinner will begin with cocktails about 6:30 p.m., Wednesday. The dinner will start about 7:30 p.m.

At this dinner we want to present to the Stricklin's a volume of letters from their friends. In the desire of uniformity, please write these on 8" x 10 1/2" size paper with a minimum left hand margin of 1 1/2". Do not fold, but ship the letter flat.

We also intend to present the Stricklin's with a gift. The letters and any donation for a retirement gift are to be mailed to Pedro A. Suazo, Administrative Officer, Grand Canyon National Park, Grand Canyon, Arizona 86023. Please mail in time to be received by no later than February 17, 1969.

The Stricklins plan to make their home in Prescott, Arizona and plan to leave Grand Canyon early in March.

BENJAMIN F. DICKSON HONORED FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE

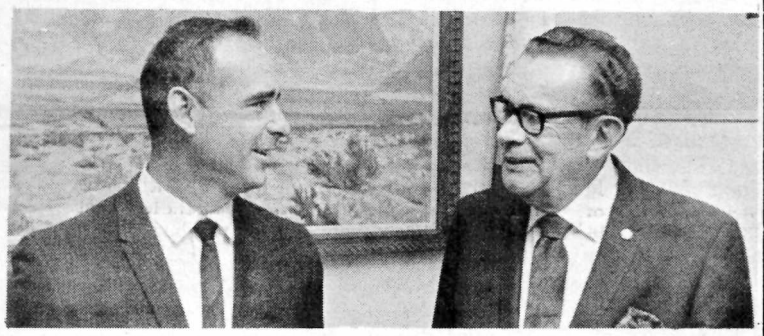
In recognition of significant contributions to the National Park Service in the field of concessions management, BENJAMIN F. DICKSON has been presented with the Department of the Interior Meritorious Service Award.

Dickson started his career with the National Park Service in January 1950, when he was appointed Regional Chief of Public Services at the Region Two Office in Omaha, Nebraska, and transferred to the Washington Office in 1954, as Business Analyst. He has given excellent, faithful, and conscientious attention to details which have resulted in successive promotions to his present responsible position as Chief, Branch of Operations.

During his long service he has, without interruption, devotedly worked toward bettering visitor facilities and services. It was under his guidance that the National Park Service policies were developed governing entrance of commercial carriers and touring buses into national parks and areas. He pioneered the development of the booklet Visitor Accommodations Furnished by Concessioners in the Areas Administered by the National Park Service.

Dickson played an important role in the formulation of the master development program, MISSION 66. He was also prominent in the discussions between the Department of the Interior, the National Park Service, the House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, and the House Committee on Government Operations. These discussions led to enactment of Public Law 89-249, a law relating, among other purposes, to the establishment of concessions policies in the areas administered by the National Park Service.

Dickson, who retired on April 30, 1968, lives at 6619 - 29th Street, N. Arlington, Va. 22213



CAYOU - RICHEY

FORT CLATSOP DISPATCH

In September the staff at Fort Clatsop was brought back to its full level of four with the arrival of Historian Emmet A. Nichols from Gettysburg. Nick, his wife, Cloe, and young son, Murray, arrived considerably ahead of the moving van and were housed for a few weeks in a local motel. They located a house very close to the park and eventually the van arrived. Nick fills the job left vacant with the retirement of Burnby Bell last March, and who subsequently passed away in May.

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Administrative Officer Blanche Henderson received an Outstanding performance rating this year and was granted a quality increase in recognition of this achievement. In December she attended the course on Administrative Management held at the Albright Training Center. She and her husband, Floyd (retired Park Service superintendent), recently took some annual leave to visit friends in Arco, Idaho, and to visit Craters of the Moon where they were stationed in the late '50s. Their son, Kent, a captain in the Marine Corps, is now stationed in Cleveland, Ohio, following his receovery from wounds received in action in Vietnam. Daughter Sue is working in San Francisco.

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Maintenanceman Ben White was granted a monetary award of $25 for his suggestion on modification of the hydrant-hose houses. His idea eliminated the hazard of a potential head injury whenevery there would be any use of these structures.

Recent visitors to the Memorial included the great-great-grandson of Capt. William Clark, Mr. William Clark Adreon, from St. Louis. He and Mrs. Adreon were in attendance at the National Lewis and Clark Trail Commission meeting in Portland. They were conducted on their tour of the lower Columbia River by Supt. Thomson and Mr. Jean Hallaux, Manager of the Astoria Chamber of Commerce. Included in the party with the Adreon's were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Butler, also of St. Louis, and Congressman and Mrs. William Hungate, of Missouri.

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Mrs. Josephine Love, of Astoria, who makes 15-star, 15-stripe flags for Fort Clatsop and the Fort Astoria National Historic Landmark, recently presented to Supt. Thomson one of these flags which had been flown over the United States Capitol. Following an eastern convention of the Emblem Club, of which she is a member, Mrs. Love was able to accomplish her dream of seeing a flag she had made fly over the Capitol. Arrangements for this were made possible through the assistance of Congressman Wendell Wyatt. The flag will be used at the fort replica on special occasions.

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Seasonal Historian Mike Smith, now attending graduate school in Toledo, Ohio, was awarded $25 for his suggestion concerning a sign which would tell visitors the pertinent details concerning the audiovisual program.

CABRILLO

SCUBA TRAINING

The second Service-wide course to provide training in the use of Self Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus (SCUBA) was held at Scripps Institution of Oceanography, University of California, San Diego. The Western, Southeast and Southwest Regions were represented.

The training is a cooperative venture among the several agencies involved. Personnel and all training facilities are furnished by Scripps without charge. Housing is provided by the Navy, and only a minimum charge is made for meals.

Training Officer James Stewart assisted the Service early this year in revising our SCUBA diving policy more adequately to cope with current uses of diving equipment by visitors, as well as employees.

Ten Rangers completed dives in excess of 25 feet, and certificates were issued to: Marlo G. Acock, Natchez Trace Parkway; William W. Schenk, Natchez Trace Parkway; Joseph M. Dennis, Natchez Trace Parkway; M. Lynn Patten, Clenn Canyon; Richard G. Littlefield, Sanford Reservoir; Larry J. Waldron, Sanford Reservoir; Donald V. Frago, Point Reyes National Seashore; David Huson, Olympic National Park; Donald R. Brown, Olympic National Park; William C. Burnside, Platt-Arbuckle.

CABRILLO FESTIVAL

The fifth annual Cabrillo Festival, held in September, was by far the biggest and most successful to date.

A few of the highlights included Director Hartzog's visit to Cabrillo National Monument for the first time to serve as the principal speaker at the Wreath Laying Ceremony. The Portuguese Government sent the Deputy Chief of Staff of the Navy, Vice Admiral Laurindo dos Santos to represent their country.

The Governor proclaimed September 23 through 29 as Cabrillo Festival Week in California. 'Cabrillo' and the Festival queen flew to Sacramento to meet with the Governor, and Senate and Assembly members. They also appeared on Nationwide TV (Joey Bishop show).

Anew format for Re-enactment of the Landing was initiated, which proved successful. A better landing site was found, and the program was pure pageantry, with no speeches.

TUCKER AWARD

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Tucker received a letter from their son, Jim's, Commanding Officer congratulating them on his recent achievements. He is stationed at Torii Station, U.S. Army Security Agency Field Station, Sobe Okinawa. He was selected Soldier of the Month for his Platoon which netted him a 3-day pass and made him eligible for Soldier of the Month for his Company. He won that honor, plus a $50 bond. By now Jim was used to honors so he could take in stride the Award of Soldier of the Month for his Station, which also included a $50 bond. In addition, he received a Merit promotion to Specialist 4. We think the Tucker's have reason to be proud of their son, who has been in the Army less than a year.

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Rock Harbor Lodge . . . Windigo Inn (June-Sept.)

- OLYMPIC NATIONAL PARK, WASHINGTON

Lake Crescent Lodge – Hurricane Ridge Lodge

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Out of The Traces, But On The Move.....

...NPS Alumni Notes

by Herb Evison

ALUMNI NOTES

What does--or can--the National Park Courier mean to somebody who has spent more than a quarter of a century with the Service and who has had tours of duty in several field areas?

ELLIS GABBERT, who retired from the job of chief accountant at Yellowstone in April 1964 after 28 years on National Park Service rolls, offers part of the answer.

"My interest in the National Park Service does not wane," he wrote recently, after announcing that he has been a member of the Employees and Alumni Association for many years and that dues of $5 a year are "O. K. by me."

"A lot of the names in the Courier are not strange to me. For instance, I have worked with the following whose names were in the October Courier: Murdock, Roger Contor, Martinek, Robert Burns, Jim Hepburn, Bob Johnsson, Matt Ryan, Park Soule, John Thompson, Bob Carr (Supervised him), Elmer Armstrong, Tom Garry, Wayne Replogle, Harry Reynolds, Fred Novak, Frank Elliott, Glen Bean, Dick Miller, Tom Gray, Dave Condon, Don Guiton, Bob Murphy, Howard Chapman. The following I knew quite well, - Nash Castro, Alan Mebane, George Fry, Jesse Nusbaum, and Howard Baker. Twenty-eight names; not bad for one Courier."

Gabby called attention to the omission from the picture on Page 9 of the October Courier of the name of Tom Gray, - the man second from the right.

"It is good to read about these fellows, - all fine gentlemen whom I admire and enjoyed working with or knowing during my 28 plus years."

NORAH ROBERTS, widow of H. K. Roberts, reports that she sold her house in Williamsburgh last August and briefly occupied an apartment at Varina near Richmond. She and her daughter Phyllis are now in Apartment 1-A, Silver Springs Road Apts., Williamsburg, Va. 23185.

MRS. RALPH H. (MILLIE LOIS) ANDERSON continues to live in the home she and Ralph occupied for so many years before his death. As one of that rare breed who has successfully taught mentally and physically handicapped children, she does some substitute teaching and she puts in two days a week as a volunteer in two schools, helping special children, as her Christmas letter put it. Another favorite occupation is baby-sitting with her grandsons, sons of her daughter Barbara Jean Kerr and her husband, Bill, - Willie, a second-grader, Randy, 5, and Chris, almost 2.

COLONEL TOM BOLES, longtime superintendent of Carlsbad Caverns, who retired from the superintendency of Hot Springs many years ago and returned to Carlsbad, continues to be active in the Carlsbad Rotary Club and still produces THE CAVERN, its weekly news-letter. The December 11 and 18 issues devoted considerable space to the two-days-a-week closing of the caverns to visitors ordered because of the cut in National Park Service manpower. Pleas to Senators, Secretary Udall, and the President to keep that profitable operation open seven days a week proved of no avail. However, the Colonel sent along clippings which reported that the local Chamber of Commerce had put up $3,200 to pay the salaries of four guides those two days a week for 20 weeks. He also sent along a clipping from the Carlsbad Argus of a cartoon (Tom Boles, cartoonist), showing Secretary Udall fleeing a bunch of hornets (protestants of the closing). "Udall thought cavern had only bats," was the caption.

MARIETTA AND LOWELL SUMNER, summer residents of Friendship, Maine, and winter residents of Glenwood, New Mex., manage to keep busy in both places, and their "busyness" is supplemented--at least it was last year--by participation on conferences of various kinds. Last April they participated in a meeting of NPS biologists at Grand Canyon, where Lowell summarized a 30-year period of research. From there they went to Las Vegas for the 12th annual meeting of the Desert Bighorn Council, for which Lowell serves as editor. Thereafter they visited the Welles--authors of "The Bighorns of Death Valley"--in Beatty.

They left Maine a month early so that, at the invitation of the NPS, Lowell could present another paper at the Mather Training Center is Harpers Ferry; thereafter he made a week-long helicopter of the wilderness protection program in Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks. Back in Glenwood, there are plenty of chores about the place to keep them busy. They report "a spectacular view of 24 bighorn sheep about 3 miles from our house; acquisition of 4-wheel-drive vehicle for exploring."

JOHN W. BINGAMAN, retired Yosemite ranger and author, reports that his wife, Martha, suffered a serious stroke and has been hospitalized since Sept 16. From that date until Oct. 23 she was in a hospital at Lodi, and then transferred to Palm Springs.

MRS. JOE WHITEHEAD (the former Virginia Humm) reports that she and Joe had an adopted daughter, Lynne, 2 years and 5 months old at Chritmas-time, "a perfect joy at all times. She's been ours since she was 3 1/2 days old.

W. WARD YEAGER, a rather young old-timer who retired from the superintendency of Crater Lake several years ago, reports on his doings from Cedar Ridge, Calif. 95924, a different address from that given in the recent directory. He wrote early in January: 'I keep busier than I ever expected, doing very little, and I stay away from a desk and letter-writing. I would rather work in my garden, bowl, or work in my shop. I have been making crossbows, both 16th Century and modern types, for my own pleasure."

Announcing his and his wife's intention of heading for southern Arizona for a couple of months with their trailer, he reports: "Since retiring, we have pulled that Airstream to Fairbanks, Alaska, and Acapulco, Mexico, though we mostly stay close to home."

MAGDALEN H. DUNCAN, P. O. Box 416, Pamplico, S. C. 29583, writes: "When my name and address were omitted from the 1967 Park Service Alumni Directory I thought it was just an error, but when it was left off the 1968 Directory, as published in the November and December issues, I decided to ask you to please include it, just so my Park Service friends will know I am still around."

The Jan. 9 issue of Yellowstone Weekly News recorded the death, on January 1 of HERMAN BIASTOCH, father of William Biastoch, employed at Sequoia National Park. The elder Biastoch, who retired in 1956 and lived in Livingston, Montana, had been a plumber in Yellowstone National Park for 32 years.

EARL JACKSON, retired but continuing to perform the duties of executive secretary of the Southwestern Monuments Association, reports that the Association is about to issue the first of its series of substitutes for the Service's natural history handbooks. The first two items in the series will deal with White Sands National Monument, with Natt Dodge, another retiree, as author, and Chiricahua National Monument, with Jackson as author. Both will contain the same manuscript material and art was prepared for the government.

The Southwestern Monuments Association has a new agency. It is the Golden Spike Chapter at Golden Spike National Historic Site, where it was established at the request of Supt. Krueger.

ZILPHA HELMS, better known to many National Park Service friends as Zel, and widow of the late A. Robert Thompson, reports that her husband, Wilfrid Helms, retired from A. F. C. as of last May. Since he continues to work for the company on a daily basis, at its request, they will go on living in Winnetka.

"Twenty-to years makes me quite removed from National Park Service associations," she wrote, "yet when I see the pictures of Smitty, Connie, Drury, Tolson and others, the years seem to diminish, and I am remembering; guess that's what old age is all about, isn't it?"

The alumni group in Santa Fe continues to grow and it's good to see them all, CHRIS (MRS. HUGH M.) MILLER writes. "Our NARCE (National Association of Retired Civil Employees) chapter has about 80 members and the National Park Service is well represented."

BETTY (MRS. CARL P.) RUSSELL's new address at Sedona appeared in the Courier's alumni list. Her Christmas letter to relatives and friends says: "In October, a dear old friend, Amy Bryant, and I had a perfectly wonderful 3-week, 3,000-mile trip through Utah and Arizona--two National Park Service widows on a "busman's holiday' to see State Parks, National Parks, Monuments and Recretional Areas.

Residence at Sedona--where "the surroundings are beautiful, the climate is sunny and mild, and the people very friendly and kind" is not necessarily to be permanent. Planning to remain there through the winter, she intends to visit son Richard, daughter-in-law Anne, and her new grandchild early in the spring; later she will be looking for a permanent address "where the climate is dry so that I will have less discomfort from arthritis."

Flying to Mexico and back, SHIRLEY AND HERB EVISON spent 24 days of December in Patzcuaro, Morelia, Taxco, Oaxaca, and Mexico city. From the morning of Dec. 23 to the evening of Dec. 27, they were in Oaxaca, where they had ringside seats for the Christmas festivities in which the people of the region participate so enthusiastically; their top-floor room in a hotel facing on the Zocalo, the principal plaza, was only a hundred feet or so from the bell-tower of the Cathedral, in which the bells not only sounded the hours but the quarter hours day and night!

High light of their stay in the neighbor republic was attendance at a performance of the National Ballet's native dances at the Teatro del Bosque, in Chapultepec Park. The ballet performs frequently in the United States, and both urge readers of the Courier not to pass up any chance that comes their way to see it. They were much less enthusiastic about a "Sound and Light" presentation at the Pyramids at San Juan Teotihuacan, about 25 miles outside of Mexico City, even though some of the lighting effects were strinking and notable' they thought the script pretty banal and tiresome.

"On both of our trips to Mexico, we have haunted the markets and have tried to be in the various cities on their big market days," Herb reports. Besides visiting those in Patzcuaro, Morelia, Taxco, and Oaxaca, they took in that at Toluca, some 40 miles west of Mexico City and largest of them all, for the second time.

"Mexicans make so many things by hand, all of them interesting and most of them beautiful, that there is a terrific temptation to load up, in the markets and in such places as the "platerias" (shops selling silver articles) in Taxco. There were at least 40 of these within two or three blocks of our hotel, and I think we looked over the stock of all of them.

"If we had bought all the things we were tempted to buy, we would have needed a truck to cart them around."

W. E. (BILL) ROBERTSON writes in to note that though the November issue of the Courier was addressed to him correctly, the alumni address list showed him still in Omaha, which he left last spring. His current address is Rogue Valley Manor, Apt. 802, Medford, Oregon 97501.

NATT DODGE'S copiously illustrated book, "Roadside Flowers of the Southwest Upland," was on the best seller list in Santa Fe for several weeks. In Natt's and Hap's Christmas letter -- recording enough personal activities to take your breath away--they report that their son, Lieut. Col. Griff Dodge, is stationed at the Pentagon, near enough to his sister Nattalie and brother-in-law Zorro Bradley so he can raid their pantry when he gets hungry.

MRS. GRIGGSBY WOTTON (Ann Roth), who lost her husband three years ago, has been employed since early last May as Departmental Secretary for the Sociology and Anthropology Department at Emory University. Her son Jack is in his second year of law school at the University of Georgia. Grig, her older son, completing his work for a graduate degree this year, plans to teach next fall.

ALUMNI, ATTENTION!

Please continue to report alumni news to Herb Evison, Alumni Editor, National Park Courier, 1572 Cameron Crescent Drive, Apt. 11-B, Reston, Virginia 22070. However, all entries for the ALUMNI DIRECTORY—corrections, additions, name changes, etc.—should be sent directly to the Editor, National Park Courier.

MRS. ROBERT H. (ROXIE) ANDERSON returned to her old home in Manteo, N. C. two years ago, after living for a while in the Washington neighborhood, and proceeded to build a six-unit motel there. This, the Roanoke Island Motel, is made up of elevated "Weekender" efficiencies, and she reports that, since opening it in March 1967, business has been good. She writes that in the two 9-month seasons, she has had a lot of National Park Service guests and she has gotten much enjoyment out of their visits.

Last winter, while the motel was closed for the season, she and her sister, Miss Natalie Etheridge, visited for a month in Rio de Janeiro with their friends, Capt. and Mrs. Keith M. Brown, who are in Brazil with the U. S. Naval Mission. The sisters went about everywhere there was to go and saw everything there was to see in Rio; they also visited Brasilia, the capital, and other cities, and sat in on Portuguese language classes given for Embassy personnel.

Besides being the widow of a long-time National Park Service employee, Roxie is a Service alumna in her own right. She served as custodian of the Fort Raleigh National Historic Site during World War II, while Robert was in the armed services.

PAUL V. BROWN, associate regional director in the old Region Two Office in Omaha before the war, and one of the four regional officers who served under Connie Wirth at the beginning of the Civilian Conservation Corps in 1933, has continued to live in the Seattle neighborhood since he left the position of superintendent of Seattle parks. His address is 15103 S. E. 22nd Street, Bellevue, Wash. 98004.

In a letter written in mid-October, Paul gave a thumbnail report on himself, his wife Mary Florence, and his tree sons. Said he:

"I have about given up on letter-writing in favor of futile manuscripts, grandchildren, and weed-watching. The stupid flowers continue to bloom in spite of my efforts to look the other way.

"Mary Florence is having a devil of a time with eye troubles but is giving the doctors a good battle. The only thing good about it is that she can't see the cobwebs I've missed.

"Son Hilton flits about the country for IBM. His family in Granada Hills, Calif., has a chilled Old Fashioned ready in case he drops in.

"Major Tom is back from Viet Nam and happy to get acquainted with cold beer again. He has his family living near Camp Pendleton in Vista, Calif.

"Roberts is house-building in the rain about 12 miles from us. He and his clever wife designed their new home and remembered to include a sound-proof T.V. vault for their kids.

"Medicare is such slow pay I can't afford to let the docs look me over. The last time Mary Florence insisted, they rushed me to a hospital and shot my heart with electric shocks to try to make me a normal people. By the time I got through fussing with Medicare my heart was bursting with agitation."

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Glacier Glimpses

BALD EAGLES RETURN

Again, the majestic National emblem has made the front page in local newspapers and has been a major attraction for visitors as they perch high in the cottonwoods and cedars along Lower McDonald Creek and the Middle Fork River. With the migration of the kokanee salmon in October and November to their spawning beds in Lower McDonald Creek comes this magnificient bird to feed on the dead and dying salmon. They have been observed perching in the trees near the waters edge and swooping down to the water while some wade out in the water to snatch a bite. The most that have been counted this year at any one time was 234 - these were between the mouth of Lower McDonald Creek and the Blankenship Bridge, a distance of approximately 7 miles. These birds are very camera shy and timid and are easily disturbed by humans. The Park is concerned that too many eager visitors may disrupt the opportunity for eagles to carry on their feeding activities.

TWO DECADES

Superintendent Neilson presented Chief Engineer J. M. Stump and Assistant Chief Naturalist John Tyers each with a 20-year Service pin. These employees are a credit to the Service and to the communities in which they have been employed. Both are exemplary and have been

OLE K. RYE DIES

Mr. Ole K. Rye, former Garage serviceman at Park Headquarters, who resigned in December 1962, after 15 years of service, died December 30 at the age of 72 in Kalispell, Montana. He made his home in the Kalispell area after leaving Glacier and was often seen visiting old friends in the West Glacier area.

PERSONNEL

Information Receptionist Zita Bremner and Steno-Secretary Elouise Pepion resigned their positions at Glacier to work for Boeing Aircraft in Seattle, Washington. Park Trainees Barry Ashworth has accepted a position at Dinosaur National Monument and is to enter on duty December 15, and Park Trainee Al Stonestreet will eod in Olympic National Park on December 29. These fine young, amiable, inspiring employees will be greatly missed at Glacier and all hope that their new associates will enjoy working with them as much as we did.

INTAKE TRAINEES

Park Rangers Al Stonestreet, Barry Ashworth and J. D. Young, Glacier's first Intake Trainees, have been offered and accepted permanent assignments: Al as Park Ranger, GS-7, in Olympic National Park; Barry Ashworth as Park Ranger, GS-7, Dinosaur National Monument and J. D. Young, as Park Ranger, GS-7, Glacier National Park. These three young men are a credit to the Service and to their respective communities.

GLACIER SONS IN ARMED SERVICES

Stewart Beck is in the Navy stationed in San Diego; Keith Hart is with the Army in Germany; LeRoy Salmonsen is with the Marines in Viet Nam as is Barry Nelson; Pat Underwood is with the Air Force in Viet Nam; James Bradsher is in the Army enroute to Alaska; Joe Smith is entering the Air Force in February. So far, the only one making a career in the Armed Services is Pat Underwood. Pat is a Staff Sergeant in the Air Force presently stationed in Viet Nam. He is expected home soon and will be stationed at the Malmstrom Air Force Base in Great Falls, until further notice.

DAN CUPID

Shouts of joy sounded and resounded in the Administration Building one morning a few weeks ago when Miss Charlotte Redekop whispered to one of her friends that she and Art Sponsel were engaged to be married.

ROBERT M. COATES HONORED FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE

In recognition of outstanding contributions to the National Park Service in the fields of policy analysis and park planning, ROBERT M. COATES has been presented the Department of the Interior Meritorious Service Award.

A graduate Landscape Architect, Coates entered the National Park Service in 1951. His period of greatest creativity coincides with his assignment to the MISSION 66 Task Force in 1955, his continuation on the permanent MISSION 66 staff, and his subsequent appointment as Policy Analyst.

Coates can be identified directly with the beginnings of many program innovations of the past twelve years and many of the recent National Park Service developments in personnel management, organizational structure, and management philosophy. Among these are: The MISSION 66 Master Plan concept for Mesa Verde; in depth study of the history and development of policy with respect to the National Capital Parks; the District Manager concept for the larger national parks; development of the concept of a five category management classification of units for the National Park System; the initiation of more vigorous recruitment training and, career development procedures, and the compilation of specific bodies of policy with respect to management of natural, historic, and recreation areas.

It was Coates who first proposed the use of the Union Station in Washington, D. C., as a visitor center, a proposal that is now under consideration by Congress.

His outstanding contributions in the broad field of conservation and in the more specific fields of policy analysis and park planning reflect broad vision and imagination—coupled with an ability to preceive the implications of social and political trends and the effects of legislation and other developments on program areas important to the National Park Service.

Coates, who retired from the Service September 20, 1968, now resides with his wife, Aldine, at 5500 North Carlyn Springs Road, Arlington, Virginia 22203.

Potomac ASLA Elects Bright President

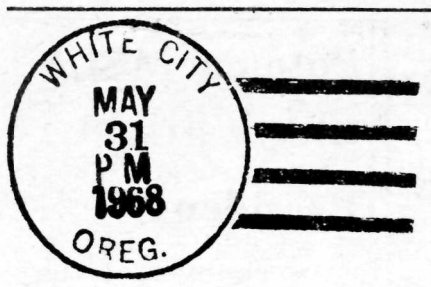
WASHINGTON, D. C.—Landscape architects with the National Park Service continue to achieve leadership roles with the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA), particulary in the Potomac Chapter covering the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia.



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NCR EMPLOYEES SHARE HONORS FOR FSC AWARD

The Potomac Area Chapter of the Federal Safety Council was recently awarded second place, Group I, and presented a plaque for significant contributions to the Federal Safety Program. Mr. Cliffort S. Chadderton, shown holding the plaque, is vice chairman of the chapter at the present time and has been nominated for the office of chairman. He is also Regional Chief of the Division of Safety and Tort Claims for the National Capital Region. Shown with Mr. Chadderton are Mrs. Marie V. Smithson, Safety and Tort Claims Assistant (left); and Mrs. Mary Jane Shrader, his secretary (right); who are both members of the chapter. They are justly proud of this award, since all have contributed substantially to the chapter's activities.



THE NPS PHILATELIST

By Elmer J. Binker, Jr.
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As a result of continued mechanization of mail handling, the Bureau of Research and Engineering of the Post Office Department has developed and published "Official Mail and Government Generated Mail Process Compatibility Guidlines," a fancy-titled document defining how mail should be prepared so that equipment such as the Mark II facer-cancelers and the optical character readers, used in the automatic processing of mail, can operate at full efficiency.

Included in the guidelines are standards for the transparency material in window envelopes. As a result, the contract with the stamped envelope manufacturer, the U. S. Envelope Company with headquarters in Springfield, Massachusetts, has been revised provide envelopes with "bi- polystyrene plas- enough to be so

Recognized as one of the greatest Indian war strategists, Chief Joseph, in 1877, elected to lead his Nez Perce tribe east to join the Crows, But changed his plans and headed northeast in an attempt to reach Canada. Along this 1,700 mile zigzag route, he eluded U. S. troops whenever possible and only fought them when there was no alternative. The site of one of his more important battles is preserved as the BIG HOLE NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD in Montana. Thus the first N.P.S. association for this stamp becomes clear. Ironically, his party of about 300 braves and 400 women and children, was captured just 30 miles short of the Canadian border by forces commanded by Gen, Nelson Miles.

The other October issue was the 1968 stamp in the American Painters Series. A 6¢ value, it depicts a detail from John Trumbull's famous painting, "The Battle of Bunker Hill." the 25 x 36 inch original hangs at Yale University, so New Haven, Conn. was selected as the "first

WASO SETS UP NEW DIVISIONS

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Assistant Director Theodor R. Swem, Cooperative Activities, has announced the reorganization of the Service's park planning program to provide for a Division of New Area Studies and a Division of Wilderness Studies. The two new divisions were formed from the former Division of New Area Studies and Master Planning. The reorganization was made to place greater emphasis on the high priority wilderness studies program, and to combine the functions of "existing area studies," and "new area studies" on a regional basis, with one Keyman in the Washington Office responsible for each Region.

Heading the new Division of Park Planning is John W. Bright, formerly Chief, Branch of New Area Studies. His office will continue to supervise the two Offices of Resource Planning in Arlington, Va., and San Francisco, Calif. Supporting the division at the Washington Office are the Branch of Planning Support, headed by Robert Jacobsen, and the Branch of Report Standards, headed by James W. Stewart.

John A. Reshoft, who has supervised the Service's Master Plan program for existing areas since 1951, will direct the new Wilderness Studies

Supt. McLaughlin Marks 40th Year With Park Service



SEQUOIA-KINGS CANYON.—Director Geoge B. Hartzog, Jr. is shown congratulating Superintendent John S. McLaughlin for attaining 40 years service with the Federal government. This occasion just happened to coincide with an inspection trip to Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks on September 25-27 by the Director and Regional Director John Rutter. "Johnny Mac" received the coveted 40 year pin with diamond insert.

McLaughlin has been with the National Park Service all of this time, excepting for a brief tour

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Wilhelmina Harris Is Special Assistant To Lon Garrison

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—Wilhelmina S. Harris --the National Park Service's first and only woman Superintendent-- has been appointed to the position of Special Assistant to the Regional Director, Northeast Regional Office, Regional Director Lemuel A. Garrison announced today. This brings Mrs. Harris back from her second retirement. The first was on December 30, 1965, the second was December 30, 1968. She has been asked, because of her complete knowledge of the Adams House and its furnishings, to come back in order to finish 12 volumes she completed in past years. This historical furnishings report includes photos and information on all of the furnishings in the Adams House telling when each was acquired, from where, where they sat in the house, who sat on what, etc. This report goes on, describing the dishes, costumes, library, and the grounds. The reports were nearly finished when Mrs. Harris retired this last time. She is an extremely capable woman in this field and has been a blessing to the Park Service during her years of service at Adams.

The second goal that Garrison wishes her to accomplish is to put on one more lecture series. "This has been one of the more delightful and cultural things the National Park Service is doing, Garrison said. Over the years, the lecture series has been held in the Carriage House. Distinguished people such as Lyman Butterfield, Editor of the Adams paper have come to give the 3 or 4 day series.

Wilhelmina S. Harris was born March 22, 1896 in Franklin, Alabama.

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