Kiosk Kuties



KIOSK KUTIES—These are the beauties who manned NCP-Central's eight information kiosks last summer—from the Lincoln Memorial to the West Front of the Capitol. All were student employees from colleges all over the United States. From late April through Labor Day they provided guidance for thousands of visitors to the Washington metropolitan area.

Front row from left: Mary Taylor, Mary Robinson, Kathleen Langston, Miriam Weisman, Rosemary Kennedy, Bonita Rogers, Cindy Fairburn, Janice Wobbenhorst and, Betty Gentry (NCP-Central Staff). Back row, from left: Sandra McQuarrie, Annette Aluzzo, Julie Marshall, Susan Gleason, Paulette Dobbs, Janet Seapker, Colleen Barbot, and Mary McConnel. Sorry, personnel regulations forbid public release of addresses or telephone numbers.

National Capital Parks Headed By Dickenson

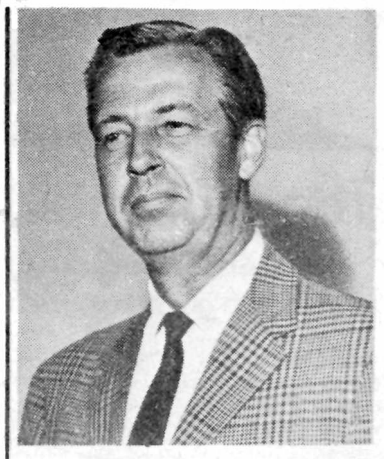
Appointment of Russell E. Dickenson to the newly-created position of General Superintendent of the Office of National Capital Parks, National Park Service, has been announced by Dr. Leslie L. Glasgow, Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

"As general superintendent, Dickenson will be responsible for management of all national parks in the Washington metropolitan area," Dr. Glasgow said.

Dr. Glasgow also announced that the National Capital Region of the Service has been reorganized to place greater emphasis on planning and development of urban park programs on a nationwide basis.

"This will enable the National Park Service to carry out more effectively the directive of Secretary of the Interior Walter J. Hickel that it adopt creative new approaches to its urban parks mission," he said.

The National Capital Region of the Service was recently replaced by a new organization entitled the Office of National Capital and Urban Park Affairs, headed by Theodor R. Swem.



DICKENSON

The new Office, with Swem as director, will include divisions of Urban Park Planning and Urban Park Programs, in addition to the Office of National Capital Parks, headed by Dickenson.

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STEVE MATHER'S FAMILY NEWSPAPER WASHINGTON, D.C. VOLUME 16 NUMBER 1 JANUARY 1970

"The energies of youth call for a change in the nation's priorities."

College Students Plan Environment Teach-In

Say the word ENVIRONMENT today, and everyone stands up to be counted among the faithful. For this, a grateful nation can thank the power of "Silent Spring," and the impact of Rachel Carson's message on the world in which we live and the world which future generations will inherit.

Now it is the young people of the United States who take up her gauntlet to combat the physical deterioration of our environment and to encourage the wise use of our natural and human resources.

Next spring will be far from "silent." America's college students—thousands of them are now actively planning a Teach-In, April 22, on the Crisis of the Environment.

The aim of the national teach-in is to encourage students across the country to take the initiative

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Rutter Is N.W. Region Director

WASHINGTON, D.C., December 30—Establishment of the Northwest Region of the National Park Service, with headquarters in Seattle, Washington, was today approved by Scretary of the Interior Walter J. Hickel. The Secretary's approval followed formal action taken by the Congress to authorize funds in the 1970 fiscal year appropriation to finance the establishment of this region.

NPS Director George B. Hartzog, Jr. announced that the Northwest Region will be headed by former Northwest District Director John A. Rutter. Announcement of staffing of the new region will be made through normal channels, as approved.

"The creation of this region," said Hartzog, "will enable the Service to better serve this important and growing section of the country. Several new areas have been established recently in the Pacific Northwest, including the North Cascades National Park."



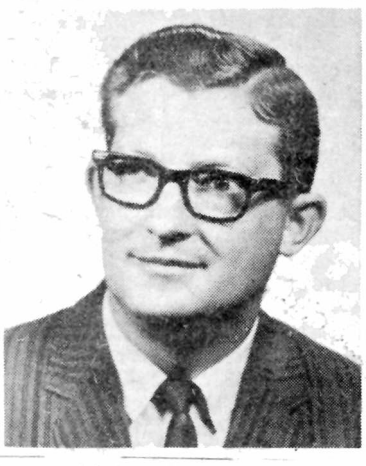
RUTTER

The new region covers the states of Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and part of northern California. Administrative and professional support for the region will be provided by units of the Western Service Center, San Francisco.

Rutter began his park career in 1935 as junior forester in Yosemite National Park. He was superintendent of Yosemite National Park at the time of his appointment as director of the Western Region in 1966. In 1968, Rutter was named the first director of the Service's newly established Northwest District, the position he held at the time of his recent appointment as director, Northwest Region. A native of Twin Falls, Idaho, he holds a degree in forestry from the University of California.

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Parker Heads Personnel



PARKER

Ivan D. Parker has been appointed personnel officer for the National Park Service, succeeding Larry Zollar who was recently appointed chief of the NPS Eastern Service Center, Washington, D.C.

Assisting Parker will be James L. Hansen, former chief of staffing activity, personnel, Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Parker, a native of St. Louis, Mo., graduated from Washington University and did postgraduate work at the Missouri Institute of Law. He joined the federal service in 1947 with the Veterans Administration, later serving with the Atomic Energy Com-

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Secretary Hickel Pilots NPS "Ranger"



SECRETARY HICKEL pilots "The Ranger" on his recent visit to Virgin Islands National Park. To the Secretary's left are Gov. Melvin H. Evans, Historian Paul Guready, Supt. Bill Bromberg, Governor's Assistant Bruce Delemos, and U.S. Senator Carl E. Brady, Alaska. Secretary Hickel also inspected the Tektite II site at Lameshur and the proposed site for a St. Thomas jetport.



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Old Timer Quiz

by E. T. Scoyen



You can get a bushelbasket full of OLDTIMERS points if you can name any of the above. This well mounted group was the Sequoia National Park Ranger force in 1921. Rugged mountain men one and all. Carl Keller (1), among other things, is the grandfather of Supt. D.J. (Jim) Tobin of Hawaii; George Brooks served as a ranger for over 30 years after the picture was taken and then retired. He died recently. I have no information on Bill Smith; Clarence Fry, who also served for 30 years, even at this early date was a second generation ranger as his father served as such until he became U.S. Commissioner for the park about 1923. John Grunigen is the only one of the group still living and resides at Three Rivers, Calif. Guy Hopping, chief of the group, later became superintendent of General Grant National Park and acting superintendent of Kings Canyon.

Early Warning System

By training, location and inclination, National Park Service employees and alumni are exceptionally well equipped to perform a vital role in Secretary Hickel's Environmental Early Warning System. The whole idea is to spot trouble before it happens.

Secretary Hickel cites the Miami Jetport as a good case in point, and refers also to Santa Barbara, Hunting Creek, and a host of other environmental problems, both large and small, but ALL significant.

"Many environmental problems may seem local in nature, but often they represent problems national in scope," the Secretary explains. "These issues develop locally, quietly, where only people in the field can spot them before the funds are sent and the concrete is poured."

"This is where you come in," says Secretary Hickel. "I want all employees of our Department to be constantly tuned in to the entire range of environmental problems in their area, whether they relate specifically to program responsibilities of Interior or not. I want the word to get to me fast and accurately. Accordingly, I will consider each of you the environemental eyes and ears of our Department.

"You should report DIRECTLY to your Regional Coordinator, who will in turn notify the Director of the Environmental Planning Staff. Employees in Washington will report to their bureau heads who will be responsible for transmitting the information as above."

We believe that the initial response to this innovative program will be gratifying, if not overwhelming. Sustained reporting, however, will depend largely on how these "early warnings" are handled by the planning staff, and on how individual contributions are acknowledged.

To further the success of the Secretary's Environmental Early Warning System, we urge that all NPS contributors send a carbon copy of their "early warnings" to the Editor for possible publication in the COURIER.

Conservation Directory

"LIKE REACHING FOR THE MOON!" we used to say.

Now, why not clean up our environment by applying the same laser-like focus of national resources and national will?

As park people, we are already deeply involved in the national effort to preserve the best and clean up the worst. But what can we as individuals accomplish beyond park boundaries and on our own time?

A good start for the new year would be to buy a copy of the 1970 CONSERVATION DIRECTORY ($1.50), published by the National Wildlife Federation, 1412 16th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036.

No, the Directory, itself, will not give you the latest word about the jumbo airport that threatens the Everglades ecology, or the Alaska pipeline, or any other specific environmental problem. But you couldn't find a better ready reference for getting at the root of these questions than this fascinating list of the Nation's leading conservationists and the organizations they represent.

In short, here's your opportunity to become fully informed before you get deeply involved.

Criticism vs. Apathy

Your National Park COURIER can withstand all kinds of criticism, but apathy will kill it!

Frankly, an E&AA membership just a tad over 2,000 is hardly a vote of confidence.

This is an invitation to all employees and alumni to join in a drive for 100% participation. With that kind of response, we can put your constructive criticism to work and come up with a truly viable and dynamic E&AA program, and a COURIER that will be fully responsive to your needs.

ALL WE REALLY WANT IS TO HEAR FROM THE SILENT NPS MAJORITY!

LETTERS

Thank you very much for printing our mystery picture in the last issue of the Courier. I thought you might be interested in the follow-up. We have received several letters giving information on the photo.

The boulder is part of a rockslide that occurred at the Oak Creek Maintenance area of Zion Nat'l. Park at 11:50 PM on November 22, 1947. The boulder crushed one or two cars and ended up on top of this "Autocar" on loan from Big Bend.

Next to the rock is Mrs. Myrl V. Walker; with her back mostly to the camera is the Walker's daughter, Margaret; the girl with her hands in her pocket is Nan Fagergren, daughter of Fred Fagergren, who was then chief ranger at Zion.

Sincerely yours,

Neal R. Bullington
Park Naturalist

I am writing a report of the State of New Mexico. I need any information, pamplets on anything pertaining to Fort Union National Monument. Any help you can give would be greatly appreciated because if I don't make a good grade on this one my Dad says I am in big trouble.

Thank you,

DANNY PINKSTON
Box 647
Stanton, Texas 79782

Somehow it seems fitting to me that a clipping from "The Evening Star," of Tuesday, November 26, 1969, concerning the death of my husband, Francis W. Watson, should come to NPS headquarters.

There are so many friends among Park Service people that both Frank and I know that I think this may possibly be the best way to let old friends know.

A long time ago, we met in Yosemite National Park, in October 1929; were married in February 1933, still with the Park Service in Yellowstone Park, Wyoming, until 1935, when Mr. Watson was transferred to Washington, D. C. to be associated with the National Park Service from November 7, 1935, until July 19, 1942.

I don't know if the National Park Service Bulletin still functions, but if it does, oh, it would please me so very much were some mention made about Frank to folks round about the parks. Of course, years ago, we could point with pride to the fact that we knew personally at least one person in every park. That was some time ago, true, yet many folks are still around.

Thank you for listening. Some names I find from Frank's address book--R. O. Jennings, H. A. Tolson, A. E. Demaray, Reno E. Statley, Conrad L. Wirth, John E. Strawser, Peter E. Bilkert (died), Perry D. Edwards, Alton E. Edeston, Clifford Presnall, Tillott, Carl F. Jones, Hobart Ziegler--many of them I recognize as Park Service personnel.

In the field, others, like George Baggley, Babe LaNove, Frank Childs, Keith Neilson.

Enclosed is the clipping previously mentioned, together with a memorium leaflet of the funeral services held in Sacramento on November 24. At Bawler's, on November 26, a service was also held.

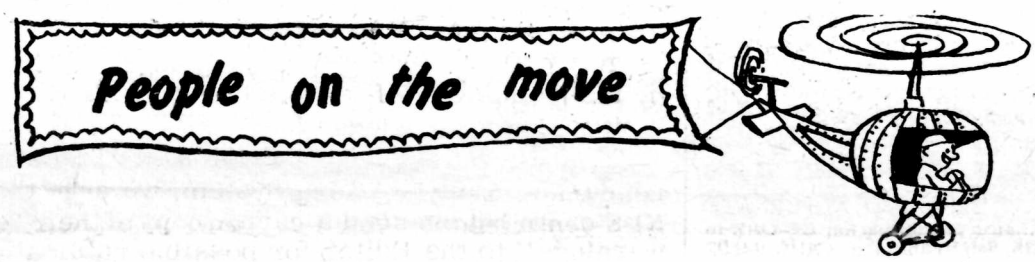
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Morishige, Dick T., from Supv. Exhibit Spec., WASO, DS: San Francisco, to Supv. Visual Info. Spec., WSC
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Okey, Stanley S., from Hist., Boston NPS Group, DS: Minute Man NHP, to same, Fire Island NS & NYC Group, DS: Sagamore Hill
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Sund, William R., from Supt., Vicksburg NMP, to Prgm. Compl. Appraiser, WASO
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Zollar, Lawrence J., from Asst. Pers. Off., WASO, to Dir., ESC

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Condon, David D., from Asst. Supt., Grand Canyon NP
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NPS Alumni Notes

By Herb Evison

Miss Harlean James, for many years executive secretary of the American Civic Association and its successor American Planning and Civic Association and, from 1935 to 1959, executive secretary of the National Conference on State Parks, died in Washington, D. C., in October.

Miss James was a member and graduate in the class of 1898 at Stanford University, its fourth full class to graduate. Almost two decades later she came to Washington with the Council of National Defense, in World War I.

"Out of that," she said in a taped interview made in 1942, "I became executive secretary of the United States Housing Corporation. It was there that I came in contact with Dr. J. Horace McFarland, then head of the American Civic Association. Frederick Law Olmsted was the head of one of our departments and I worked closely with him. When that work was finished and I had completed a chore as general manager of the government hotels for women to suit their desires, I was invited by Dr. McFarland to come into the American Civic Association."

It was in 1921 that Miss James became executive secretary of the Association; she remained in that capacity with it and with its successor American Planning and Civic Association until her retirement in 1959. Meantime, in 1935, she also became executive secretary of the National Conference on State Parks, - an added responsibility that she accepted without turning a hair; she had an immense organizing capacity and the kind of highly intelligent drive that got things done.

Dr. McFarland had been one of the first to urge the establishment of a special agency to manage the national parks and monuments. He had not only succeeded in getting President Taft to speak in behalf of such an agency at an annual meeting of the American Civic Association but had also persuaded him in 1912, to send a special message to Congress proposing it. It was natural, therefore, that when the National Park Service was organized in the spring of 1917, one of its staunchest supporters was the Association. Throughout her career, Miss James was one of the most effective instruments of that support; in stirring up influential and intelligent backing for or opposition to legislation, she has had few peers. It was during her service that the Committee of 100 on the National Capital was organized; under the leadership of the late Gen. U. S. Grant, IV and other distinguished Washingtonians, and her guidance, the committee has exerted great influence.

Miss James traveled to the national parks and monuments often; frequently, even when she was in her 70's, she made it into the back country on horseback or muleback. Immersed in the history of the parks, and deeply imbued with understanding of them and belief in their value, her book, "The Romance of the National Parks," published in the 1930's, ranks high. She was the author also of "What About the Year 2000," published about 1929.

During my period as executive secretary of the National Conference on State Parks, the Conference office was next to that of the American Civic Association. All the Association's staff, and especially Miss James, were wonderful neighbors.

Mrs. Otis B. (Ruby) Taylor, widow of the former regional naturalist of Region One, has sold the home that she and "O. B." occupied for many years in Richmond and moved to Laurinburg, North Carolina, where all her family live, on Sept. 24. There she has a bright, cheerful, and comfortable house and "I'm feeling more and more at home here."

Ruby's new address is 1105 Muse Street, Laurinburg, N. C. 28352.

Since his retirement in mid-1968, George Baggley has been busy both at home and on some assignments from the Service. "The first assignment as in Argentina, in March, April, and May of this year," he wrote a few weeks ago. "There I worked with the Argentina National Park Service, assisting them in planning a revised organization and in developing procedures for development of their 14 beautiful national parks. It was a most interesting project, and I would like to go back and help them do some of the things they need to do now to develop their parks. Most of their major scenic parks are along the Andean crest; with the great distances, they are not at this time visited by many of their people, but with road building now in progress and airfields everywhere they soon will be. The problem is to get some carefully planned development done before the first wave of travel hits them.

"In September I spent 10 days at Clemson University, in South Carolina, working with Dr. Herbert Brantley, head of the Department of Recreation and Parks Administration in developing a plan for the establishment of an outdoor recreation training and experience laboratory. Clemson owns some 15,000 acres, an old resettlement tract, near the university; Dr. Brantley has conceived the idea of a unique facility there that can be used to give students experience along with their classroom work and, at the same time, provide for a real outdoor experience for a lot of people, including the handicapped. The facility would also be a training place for teachers in teaching environmental awareness."

Both of these studies were followed by lucid, down-to-earth reports, embodying useful and practical recommendations.

George reported that he and Herma went to Great Falls, Montana, in August, where he took part in the 5th International Short Course. "I enjoyed this, as I had been at the first one at the University of Michigan five years ago."

George B. Baggley, writing from his newly established home in Boise, Idaho, has expressed enthusiasm for the proposal to hold alumni get-togethers every two years.

"A biannual get-together would be a wonderful thing," he said in a letter written late in November. "It would be most profitable to the former employees as well as to the Service. I would suggest that it be overlapping with some general meeting of the Service. This would permit those of us who are on the sidelines to meet people who are now in the front lines and thus help us to keep up in some degree with upcoming managers.

"It seems to me that three days would be adequate and the agenda should be light, divided timewise between what is going on now, what of the future, and social activities. I would prefer to have it in a field area and if possible in one where there are examples of Servicewide problems. After the close of the regular tourist season would be a good time. If in the Southeast or Southwest, then spring would be a proper time."

About his wife Herma and himself, George wrote: "After we came back from Turkey in December 1967, we lived in Falls Church, Va., while I worked from January to June as assistant to the director, assigned to International Affairs. I retired then and we went looking at places we had considered for retirement. These included Omaha, Oak Creek Canyon, Prescott, Ariz., San Diego, Calif., Santa Barbara, Calif., Ashland, Ore., and Boise. It was hard to make a decision, especially as our daughter Ruthann and her husband live in Southern California. However, Boise seemed to have a good climate, 12 inches of rain, 80 percent sunny days, 2790 feet above sea level, near the mountains, and sort of midway between relatives in the Middle West and Northwest. Also, Herma's brother lives here. We have a splendid view of the mountains from our home and can be in the ski area in 25 minutes or fishing water in an hour. Most of all, we are out of traffic and smog, but can get any place we need to go very quickly."

The line of recent retirees heading for Boise will please form at the right!

Wendell and Lucie Chapman, writers, photographers, and lectures, and long-time friends of Hugh and Edith Peyton recently supplied the present address of the Peytons; it is Flamingo Mobile Court, 849 Highway 99 West, McMinnville, Oregon. McMinnville lies about 40 miles southwest of Portland. Hugh left many warm friends and admirers in the Service and among the alumni when he retired from the superintendency of the Grand Coulee National Recreation Area, and would doubtless be glad to hear from some of them.

The host of friends that Millie Lois and the late Ralph Anderson and their daughter Barbara Jean accumulated during their long service in Yosemite and subsequent years in the Washington Office will be interested in this from Millie Lois: "Barbara Jean and her husband, Bill Kerr, are well, happy, and extremely busy raising my three grandsons, who continue to bring great joy. Willie, a third-grader, wrapped up, first in baseball, now football, is an enthusiastic Cub Scout, having B. J. As his den mother. Randy enjoys kindergarten and continues interest in natural science, loving walks in the woods, finding and watching animals, insects, birds, plants, trees and unusual rocks. Happy, big, brown-eyed Chris, having two older brothers is, by necessity, tough. His missing teeth are the results of falls on his face. He is well coordinated and swings a mean baseball bat, hitting what he calls loudly, 'Home Run!'"

Millie Lois continues to live in the home at 5601 23rd Street, No. in Arlington, Va., that they bought soon after Ralph's transfer from Yosemite.

William S. (Scotty) Chapman, whose entire Service career was spent at Yellowstone, has continued to live on intimate terms with his beloved park. On December 9, he wrote: "Right now I'm enjoying the wild animal show that is taking place over the park line. All winter we have a front row seat out of our front window and although some say they have killed all the animals in the park I want to set the record straight and say that - 'Never have there been healthier and more varied herds of bighorn, pronghorn, deer, and elk than there are now.' The range is improving; I've almost forgotten how overeaten and tick-ridden it was in the 30's. I am proud of the accomplishments OUR SERVICE has made in the past 30 years."

Scotty reported that his wife Louise, who has a way with animals, in company with her granddaughter Linda and son Don took her two bloodhounds down into the Shoshoni National Forest last July to help in a huge search for a missing geologist. "The trial was never found by hounds or humans, as there had been too much elapsed time since he had disappeared; however, they had a wonderful wilderness experience."

"I was 'goofing off'" he added," on a pack trip into the High Lake Country of Yellowstone so missed out on the Shoshoni trip. I got some fine sketches, though." People who are familiar with the striking water colors of the Yellowstone country that Scotty has been producing for years would be willing to bet that he got some fine sketches!

Marietta and Lowell Sumner, who started out their retirement with a summer place in Maine and a winter place in New Mexico, have sold the one in Maine. "Although having two seasonal homes had seemed ideal," the two wrote in their Christmas letter, "it brought a terrific amount of work, and frustrating feelings that we didn't have enough time to properly enjoy either one. We had put so much of ourselves into the Maine place, and it had come to mean so much to us, that our hearts were heavy from the time we made the decision until we closed the front door on Sept. 25 for the last time."

Home in New Mexico for the Sumners is near Glenwood; the address is P. O. Box 145; the zip code number is 83039. There, "it will be a full-time job having a garden, harvesting our fruit, and developing our bird sanctuary over the next few years. Last year two pairs of Gambel quail came twice a day to the back yard to feed. We left them in charge of the place during the summer, and on our return found they had increased to 21. This must have been a busy placed during that time for we also found three recently vacated oriole nests hanging in front of our windows.

"The flock of 21 quail is a new development for our place and rewards us for the extensive planting of trees, vines, and shrubs that in previous years we hopefully made for that purpose. All summer our quail roosted happily near our house in the apple trees, but the falling of the autumn leaves brought a new problem; there are no evergreen trees within a half mile of us and that is why no quail had been able to live here the year around. We couldn't bear to lose our bustling, ever-fascinating friends, so Lowell wired six truckloads of cornstalks and leafy branches in an old fruit tree to form a huge, snug, tepee-shaped roosting shelter. Then we happily watched our little friends move contentedly into the coziest quail dormitory in all our valley."

Earl Jackson, former park naturalist at Globe, Arizona, and his wife Betty were the donors of prizes for which students of all four years at Globe High School competed. The subject of the competition was "Conservation," and it took place at the high school auditorium on November 18. Each of the six finalists, three from the Freshman and Sohpomore Classes and three from the Junior and Senior Classes, received a copy of "Man in the Web of Life," by John H. Storer. The winners in each division also were awarded $50 bills.

Both of the Jacksons, deeply concerned about what man is doing to his environment, are hoping that the contest will spur young people to study the "web of life" in whatever phase most interests them and that next year, when the contests is repeated, there will be more entries. This year a total of fifteen students entered.

Reporting on the contest, Betty wrote: "We made one bad mistake we won't repeat; our definition of conservation was too wide. Next year we will narrow it to specific interactions of man with nature and natural resources."

Waring (Mike) and Jean Mikell, since Mike's retirement in December 1967, have traveled from the East Coast to San Francisco through the Panama Canal by freighter, and zigzagged back east again by car to the extent of some 12,000 miles. After a Christmas holiday with their daughter in Vermont, the two permanently swore off snow and ice. "It was 12 below the day we left," Mike wrote recently. "No more of that stuff for us."

"Last January," he added, "a blood clot took the wrong track and I was in the hospital for three weeks with a paralyzed left side. But with the help of a couple of damned good doctors, I came out of it O. K." He added, "Jean and I are fine and in our own stumbling way still seem to have a good time." They expect to decide on a permanent address this year. Meantime, the address they give is Manteo Motel, Manteo, N. C. 27954.

With Martha, his invalid wife, transferred to the Vienna Convalescent Hospital in Lodi, Calif., John W. Bingaman, old-time Yosemite ranger, reports that he has established residence about midway between Stockton and Lodi, in a newly built-up area. His new address is P. O. Box 8594, Stockton, Calif. 95204.

Matt E. (Ed) Beatty and his wife Evelyn who have been living at Big Arm, Montana, ever since Ed retired from the job of regional chief of Natural History in the Midwest Region, have forsaken the sub-zero winter weather of Montana for the year-round sunshine of Phoenix.

"We sold out up north, as we were spending almost two-thirds of the year in the Southland," he reported recently. "Now we have a large 2-bedroom-2-bath apartment in a cooperative, and can come and go without worry over frozen water pipes, lawn, and garden.

"This is a great place for meeting old friends in NPS as many come here in winter to get some sunshine. Frank Childs has also bought an apartment in the same coop. Hope to entice more retirees to join us. Soules have bought in Sun City; the Aitons live three blocks away. George Miller, Tom Allen, and Ray Gregg usually come for a month or two.

MERITORIOUS SERVICE

James D. Wilt

A posthumous Meritorious Service Award was recently granted to James D. Wilt at Grand Teton National Park.

In presenting the award to Mrs. Wilt, Superintendent Howard H. Chapman said that it was in recognition of a constructive career in automotive maintenance and human relations in the Park Service.

Mr. Wilt began his Government career in Yellowstone National Park in 1947. In 1959 he transferred to Lake Mead National Recreation Area for a two-year stay, returning to Yellowstone in 1961.

In 1967 Mr. Wilt was elected President of the American Federation of Government Employees Lodge in Yellowstone. During his tenure as president, he provided the leadership which resulted in exclusive recognition of the lodge, which was among the first such recognitions for the AFGE in the Park Service.

In closing, Chapman said that it was a great honor to present this well deserved award to Mrs. Wilt, who is now employed at Grand Teton as superintendent's secretary.

Parke W. Soule

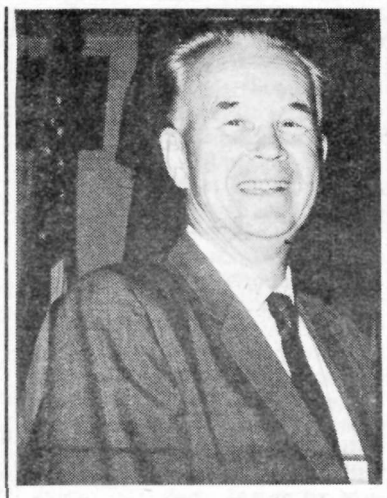
In recognition of his unusual and highly effective career in the fields of administration and finance, Parke W. Soule was recently granted a Meritorious Service Award.

John F. Aiton, retired former Regional Chief, Division of Land and Water Rights, MWRO, presented the award to Mr. Soule at a large meeting of the Sun City chapter of the National Association of Retired Civil Employees.

According to Mr. Aiton, "Interest was considerable as expressed by one appreciative member noting this was the first time such an award had been made before the group in the nine years he had been a member."

Mr. Soule began his Federal service as a seasonal clerk at Yellowstone National Park in 1930. During his career of nearly forty years, he served in various administrative positions at the field, regional, and Washington office levels. In 1957 he received a superior service award.

While serving as budget officer in the Washington Office, Mr. Soule directed the development of the Service's three-stage budget estimate process, involving sub-



PARKE SOULE

missions to the Department, the Bureau of the Budget and Congress. In 1965 he was assigned Administrative Officer at Grand Canyon, where he initiated a Service-wide quarters appraisal system.

Having recently passed the Arizona examination, Mr. Soule is now a real estate salesman. His wife, Jean, is an enthusiastic and successful ceramist, and both have REVCO scholarships to Glendale Community College. They are now living at 9959 Concord Ave., Sun City, Arizona 85351.

Lester D. Bodine

Former Chief Park Ranger Lester D. Bodine recently received a Meritorious Service Award in recognition of his consistently outstanding contributions to the Park Service Resource Management and Visitor Protection activities as Lassen Volcanic National Park during the last 36 years.

Superintendent Dick Boyer presented the citation to Mr. Bodine at Park Headquarters in Mineral, California.

Mr. Bodine's major contributions after he entered the Federal service in 1933 were in the field of public relations as they relate to the conduct of resource management and visitor protection activities. Serving as the key link between the superintendent and surrounding community officials, he developed close cooperative relations and programs with local civic organizations, most notably the National Ski Patrol, the Junior Ski Patrols, a Christian Ministry



LES & MURIEL BODINE

in the National Parks, the American Red Cross, and conservation groups.

As Mr. Bodine's citation states, "His National Park Service record was characterized by imagination and skill, coupled with complete dedication."

Charles F. Peterson



CHARLES PETERSON

Recently retired superintendent of the Fort Smith National Historic Site, Charles F. Peterson was presented a Meritorious Service Award by Charles H. Orr, acting superintendent of the Klamath Falls Cluster, Oregon.

A 40-year veteran of the Park Service, Peterson began his career in 1929 at Glacier National Park. He held administrative posts at Mount McKinley, Olympic and Rocky Mountain National parks.

In the citation Secretary Hickel commented that Peterson's "park management operations were noteworthy for his effectiveness in public relations activities, his complete dependability and competence in accomplishing the task regardless of its complexity."

Peterson and his wife, Faith, became impressed with Oregon when he was on assignment there years ago, and they moved to Ashland upon his retirement. The couple resides at 2334 Black Oak Way in that city.

Bates Wilson

In recognition of outstanding contributions in the fields of park management, development and public relations, Bates E. Wilson has received the Meritorious Service Award.

Mr. Wilson began his NPS career as a Foreman for the CCC program in 1933. He was appointed superintendent of Arches National Monument in 1949 and was elevated to the superintendency of the newly created Canyonlands National Park in 1964. He has been responsible for the development and implementation of new administrative, maintenance, visitor protection and interpretive programs for the park. He has received many commendations for his work.

Thomas R. Tucker



TOM TUCKER

Cited as an "outstanding leader and manager who invites team effort," Thomas R. Tucker received a Meritorious Service Award at the Employees and Alumni Association Board meeting in December. Deputy Director Harthon L. Bill made the presentation.

Mr. Tucker's conservation career began in Yosemite National Park. After World War II, he returned there as a ranger. He became chief ranger at Cabrillo and Channel Islands in 1962 and superintendent in 1963. He planned and administered a million dollar construction program at Cabrillo and negotiated for purchase of a 41 foot patrol boat for Channel Islands.

He has received personal commendations ranging from local Chambers of Commerce to U.S. Congressmen.

Sidney W. Holditch



MRS. HOLDITCH - SUPT. HARADEN

Sidney W. Holditch, long-term maintenance supervisor with Natchez Trace Parkway prior to his death in August 1969, has been granted a posthumous Commendable Service Award.

Parkway Superintendent Robert C. Haraden presented the award on November 21 to Mrs. Holditch, stating that the award was in recognition of her husband's 28 years of capable and dependable service with the National Park Service. He stated that Holditch had had an important part in the development and maintenance of the parkway, providing engineering surveys and field supervision of construction projects and maintenance of parkway facilities.

Since April 1966, Holditch had served as construction and maintenance representative for the Parkway's 76-mile Central District, with headquarters at Tupelo.

Mrs. Holditch now resides in Dyer, Tennessee. Holditch's son, Dr. Kenneth Holditch, is on the faculty of Louisiana State University.

COMMENDABLE SERVICE

Robert G. Glenn

Recently retired park policeman Robert G. Glenn has been granted the Commendable Service Award in recognition of his years of excellent and enthusiastic performance.

Mr. Glenn entered the Park Police Force in 1943. During his career, he served as foot patrolman, cruiserman and motorcycle patrolman in the National Capital Region.

Assigned to motorcycle duty in 1949, he performed in this capacity for twenty years, receiving numerous commendations from the citizens he served and high praise from his supervisors. He was cited as being an "Ambassador of Goodwill" for sustained superior performance in parking control in the areas of the White House, Mall, Judiciary Park and the Ellipse. In 1964 he was assigned as warrant officer.

His citation notes that "throughout his career, he constantly strove to improve himself as a police officer and demonstrated such virtues as dependability and loyalty."

Harold L. Hayden

In recognition of his excellent and enthusiastic performance, Harold L. Hayden received the Commendable Service Award upon his retirement in 1969.

Mr. Hayden began his career with the Federal Government in 1948 with the Federal Works Agency as a guard and special policeman. Joining the Park Police Force of the National Capital Region in September 1949, he has served as foot patrolman, cruiserman, and motorcycle officer.

For his efforts in serving area residents and visitors to the park system, he received many commendation. One such commendation came from the chief of the Park Police for his prompt action in apprehending a motorist wanted by Arlington County Police for a hit and run accident involving one of their cruisers.

His citation states that "Through his professional manner and willingness to perform any task assigned to him, he made a favorable contribution to the image of the United States Park Police."

Harry C. Wright

In recognition of his loyal and devoted service, Harry C. Wright recently received the Department's Commendable Service Award upon his retirement in August 1969.

Mr. Wright began his career with the Park Service in 1957 as a blacksmith, assigned to the Brentwood Division of Maintenance, Branch of Construction and Repair, National Capital Region.

Involved in the restoration of the historic buildings at Fort Washington, he fabricated many large ornamental hinges, latches, and other metal hardware, handmaking all the rivets and bolts needed to secure them. He frequently made new, special tools for shop use and was involved in forging 20-foot shafts, weighing about 150 pounds, use in the lockgates on the C & O Canal.

According to the citation, he "established high morale and performance standards for himself and set an excellent example for his fellow employees in every way. His work and performance has been of the highest quality."

Dickenson Is NCP Gen. Supt.

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NPS Director George B. Hartzog, Jr., said the planning division would be responsible for studying all potential urban park areas where Federal management might be involved, as well as studying existing urban parks for possible innovations to make them more meaningful to our urban society. The division also will take part in the proposed nationwide survey of urban park possibilities directed by Secretary Hickel.

"The Division of Urban Park Programs," Hartzog said, "will be responsible for developing and testing new programs aimed at encouraging urban dwellers to make greater use of their parks. National Capital area parks will be utilized as a testing and demonstration ground for these new programs," he added.

Dickenson, 46, has served as associate regional director of the National Capital Region since January 1968. He began his National Park Service career as a ranger at Grand Canyon National Park, Ariz., in 1946, following Marine Corps Service during World War II. He served as ranger or superintendent at several Western parks before coming to Washington headquarters in 1967 as chief of the division of New Area Studies and Master Planning.

Parker & Hansen Named To Top Personnel Posts

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mission and the Civil Service Commission. Transferring to the Park Service in 1966, Parker served as personnel officer for the Southwest Region in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Feeling that the personnel officer is one of the most needed persons in an organization, Parker takes pride in knowing the flexabilities of the merit system.

"I like to see how far you can get on your own," he says candidly.

"This is a dynamic field, and there are many opportunities for creativity and innovation."

He and his wife Betty have four children: daughters Linda (19) and Dana (3) and sons Kevin (16) and Stephen (14). They live in Rockville, Maryland.

James Hansen, a graduate of South Dakota State University, received his masters degree in public personnel administration from the University of Minnesota in 1959. A former state representative for the U.S. Civil Service Commission for South Dakota, Hansen has been assistant personnel officer for BIA at Aberdeen and the Bureau of Reclamation at Denver. He first joined the Park Service as personnel officer at the Midwest Regional Office, serving there from 1966 to March 1969.

He and his wife, Mickey, have three children: twins Linda and Lori (11) and son Jimmy (8).

DONALD EDWARD McHENRY

By Carl Bernstein
Washington Post Staff Writer

Donald Edward McHenry, former chief naturalist for the National Capital Parks and architect of its ambitious program of outdoor recreational and educational activities, died of cancer Monday in Los Gatos, Calif.

Mr. McHenry, who was 76, served as NCP's chief naturalist from 1936 to 1947. He retired in 1955, after serving as chief naturalist at Yosemite National Park.

An eminent botanist who believed that man should delight in his natural environment, Mr. McHenry developed Washington's parks into an outdoor college of natural science for thousands of school children, amateur ornithologists, geologist, housewifes and visitors.

His efforts coaxed some Washingtonians out of their beds for 6 a.m. bird walks, established barge trips on the C&O Canal, brought Saturday night "campfire" programs to Rock Creek Park and created natural history tours of the city's woodlands and river valleys.

When Mr. McHenry came to Washington from his post as assistant naturalist of Grand Canyon National Park, the primary function of the National Capital Parks agency was the physical care of lands under its jurisdiction.

By the time he left NCP more than 10,000 persons were enrolled in natural history programs established by him and virtually every major park in the city was staffed by a naturalist.

Before starting his career as a naturalist, Mr. McHenry taught botany at Oklahoma State College.

He was a member of the Washington Biological and Geographical Socities, the American Association of the Advancement of Science, the Wyoming and Colorado Academies of Science and was a former president of the D.C. Audubon Society.

Mr. McHenry is survived by his wife, Bona Mae, of Los Gatos, and a son, Bruce, assistant naturalist at Shenandoah National Park in Virginia.

REQUIESCANT IN PACE

Forester Len Berg's father-in-law, Theodore Andrews, 87, passed away Dec. 10, 1969.

Hal Burnett, a longtime employee of National Park Concessions, Inc., Mammoth Cave, died December 4, 1969.

Domie Cerveny's mother, 86, passed away Dec. 14, 1969, in Omaha, after an extended illness.

Thomas F. Flynn, Sr., father of Thomas F. Flynn, Jr., deputy director for Legislation and Cooperative Programs, WASO, died December 29, 1969.

Janet Kern's mother, 43, passed away unexpectedly December 10, 1969, at Avoca, Iowa.

Donald E. McHenry, retired chief park naturalist from Yosemite, died December 29, 1969. He is survived by his wife, Bona Mae, and son, Bruce.

Kurt L. Menning, father of Edgar Menning, asst. chief park naturalist at Great Smoky Mountains, died November 24, 1969.

Gerald E. Niewenhous, foster son of Edwin Winge, chief, Division of Information, WASO, died December 22, 1969. He was injured in the Vinghlong area of Vietnam while flying a helicopter.

Carl G. Novack, former auditor, WASO, died December 13, 1969. He is survived by his wife, Hazel.

Mitchell Sell, brother of Marvin Sell, caretaker at Great Onyx JCCCC, Mammoth Cave, died December 7, 1969.

David L. Sooter, son of Harold Sooter, Oconaluftee Job Corps teacher (Great Smoky Mountains), died December 21, 1969, in an automobile accident. He is survived by his parents Harold and Betty Sooter.

Louis E. Webb, retired maintenanceman from Pinnacles, died December 20, 1969. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth, and three grandsons, Ronnie Webb, and James and Michael Smith.

Environmental Projects Division Is Headed By Boyd Evison

HARPERS FERRY, W.Va.—Boyd Evison has been named by Harpers Ferry Center Director William C. Everhart to head the newly established Division of Environmental Projects. Everhart explains that the primary function of the division is the supervision and guidance of various task forces which will deal with environmental issues concerning the National Park Service.

Already established is the environmental education task force which, according to Evison, will serve to expedite the establishment of an environmental education program that will be integral to operations at all levels of the National Park Service. The program will also assist public and private organizations concerned with the promotion of a national environmental ethic.

Chairman of the environmental education task force will be James R. Whitehouse. Working with him will be Robert L. Nunn, specialist for the National Environmental Education Development Program (NEED). Hugh Miller will be the specialist for the Environmental Study Area Program (ESA) and the National Environmental Education Landmark Program (NEEL). Scheduled to join the staff at a later date is Robert G. Johnson who will be concerned with environmental interpretation in the parks.

Evison stated that other task forces would be assembled from time to time, to cover areas such as transportation, communications technology and environmental maintenance.

On Evision's immediate staff will be Ron Greenberg, serving as communications coordinator for the division.

Boyd Evison, 37, recently received his M.S. in natural resources journalism from the University of Wisconsin. Before his recent appointment as chief of the Division of Environmental Projects, he was a special assistant for environmental interpreation to the assistant director, Interpretation.

A native Washingtonian, Evison received his B.S. in forestry and wildlife management from Colorado State University (1954). He joined the Park Service in 1952 as a seasonal fire control aide at Grand Teton, and in 1954 held the same position at Yosemite. From 1954 to 1955 he did graduate work in marine biology at the University of Hawaii.



BOYD EVISON

Evison became a permanent NPS employee in 1960 as park ranger at Petrified Forest National Park and later at Lake Mead National Recreation Area. After serving as chief park naturalist at Hot Springs National Park, he transferred to the Washington Office in 1966, working principally on special assignments for the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife, Parks and Marine Resources.

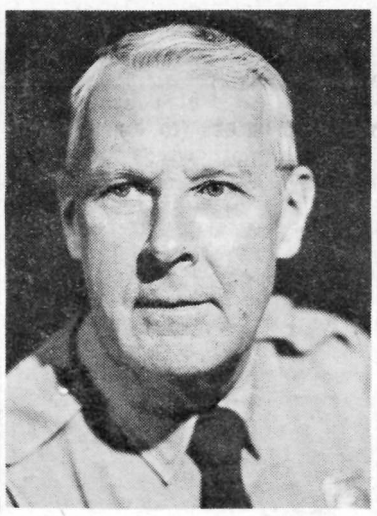
Evison and his wife, Barbara, have two children: Christopher (9) and Kathy (6). They live in Frederick Maryland.

Chief Naturalist Dilley Retires

MOOSE, Wyo.—Acting Superintendent Foy L. Young announced the retirement of Willard E. "Bill" Dilley on October 31, 1969, from the National Park Service. Dilley has been chief naturalist at Grand Teton National Park since 1962 and had over 30 years of Federal service.

Dilley began his Park Service career in Everglades National Park and also spent tours at Grand Canyon National Park and Mammoth Cave National Park. During World War II, he served in the United States Navy as a Lt. Commander.

During his tenure at Grand Teton National Park, Dilley heightened the National Park Service relationship with the University of Wyoming Research Station and helped them in many of their programs. He also developed the park's naturalist program at Grand Teton National Park to accommodate the needs of over three million visitors in 1969.



BILL DILLEY

Bill and his wife, Edith, plan to retire in Homestead, Florida. The Dilleys have one daughter, Jeanie, who is married to Mike McCollister of Moose, Wyoming.

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LASSEN RUMBLINGS

Kay Stanley, seasonal Information Receptionist, has been listed in Who's Who of American Women. Kay is a Public Health nurse and the wife of long-time seasonal Park Ranger Harold Stanley.

Superintendent Richard Boyer recently found a child's glove on the road leading down from his house. Almost new, it could have belonged to any one of several smaller children now living in the headquarters area. The same day, little Charlie Iverson, son of the operator general, came into the office and was asked if he had lost a glove. "Oh! Yes!" was his reply. When informed that it had been found, he commented, "Goody! But now I have to go find the other one."

CAPITOL REEF

Maintenance Foreman Harold Scott and wife Emma arrived last summer. The marvelous thing about these people is their defiance of tradition. Everyone knows that you can't get television at Capitol Reef--that's the first thing told to newcomers. Did someone forget to tell Harold? Darned if he didn't put up his antenna, and now the Scotts are the only ones watching television!

Gallie Speed spent two weeks with her family in Shreveport, Louisiana. Husband Bert could not leave the flaming fort, so determined Gallie simply packed suitcases and four kids----and did!

DEATH VALLEY
HEAT WAVE

Kerby and Marjorie Sims celebrated their 19th wedding anniversary on November 18.

A sign at the Daylight Pass water spigot says, "Boil Water Before Drinking." Last week Bill Bolton found a note pinned to the sign. It said, "How Long?"

BIG BEND BULLETIN

Dean and Donna Hatfield are being congratulated on the birth of their fourth son. Adrian Scott was born November 20 and weighed 6 lbs., 9 oz.

S.W. REGION

Carl and Geraldine Walker report two new grandchildren: Frederick Allen Pung born Sept 26, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Pung, Baltimore. Mrs. Pung is their daughter Hazel. Daughter Shirley (Mrs. L.E. Kidwell, Jr) had a baby girl, Lori Ann, born Oct. 4. Her daddy is in the Navy and Shirley is living in Santa Fe with the Walkers.

PARK NEWS AND VIEWS
"TOP OF OLD SMOKY"

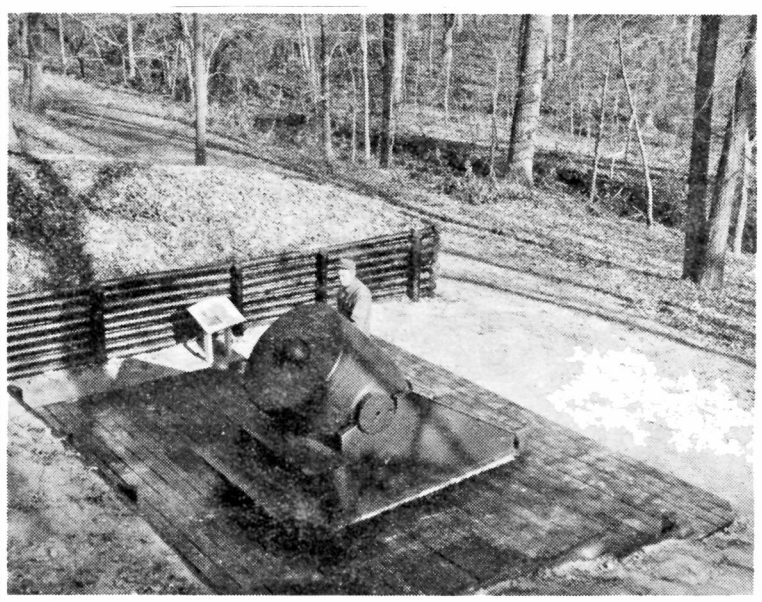
Congratulations to Sherrill and Daniel Queen on the birth of a daughter, Denette Laine on Nov. 11. Denette has two brothers, Donald and Hugh.

Lee Sneddon has been elected Vice-President of the Smoky Mountain Shrine Club for 1970. The next year he will automatically become president.

SOUTHEAST REGION

Program Coordination reports that Paul Balch entered Richmond Memorial Hospital on December 6. He is being treated for a circulatory deficiency and will be recuperating for an indefinite period. Mrs. Balch says that cards or letters (to Room 512) are much appreciated, but asks that personal visits and phone calls to the hospital be postponed until Paul regains his strength. A late report indicates that his rate of recovery is improving, and we are most optimistic as to his early, complete recovery.

In a letter addressed recently to Secretary Hickel, Park Ranger James B. Fleetwood, Blue Ridge Parkway, was highly commended for the effective assistance he had rendered in an emergency childbirth case. A young woman visitor, expecting a "blessed event" in about three weeks, was staying at Pisgah Inn when labor began prematurely. Ranger Fleetwood was called and summoned an ambulance to take the woman to a hospital. He attended her in the ambulance on the way, and before they reached the hospital he assisted her in delivering a baby boy. Such first-aid expertise!



Dictator II--Ready for Action

New addition to Petersburg National Battlefield, Virginia, is this 17,000 pound mortar received last September from Fort Sumter. Maintenance workers have strengthened it by replacing corrosive parts caused by 100 years of exposure to the sea. Also added are two new loading steps and a new platform.

Southeast Regional Director J. Leonard Volz opened his December staff meeting by presenting to supervisory Park Ranger Fred Arnold, on behalf of the staff of Natchez Trace Parkway, a "Post Rider's Award."

This award, one of the first issued by the Parkway, was presented to Mr. Arnold for the fine support given through the years in forestry and fire control, and visitor protection programs.

Three Special Act awards were also presented at the meeting:

Mildred S. Fisher---For assisting the Budget Analyst in preparing the 1970 Fiscal Year Financial Plan - Operating Programs despite a short deadline which caused many hours of overtime.

Carroll C. Thomas---For preparing the 1970 Fiscal Year Financial Plan - Operating Programs after only a few months training and in the absence of the budget officer.

Vernon Ingram-for the outstanding manner in which he has served as acting chief of the Division of Property Management and General Services.

CANYONLANDS

The Joe Carithers have a new NPS member in their family. Son-in-law Bill Cooper has completed his Master's degree and has accepted a position as seasonal ranger this winter at Saguaro, New Mexico, wife Lynda's home.

THE GIGANTEA
SEQUOIA--KINGS CANYON

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Nunnelee are the proud parents of a son, Joseph Aaron born December 4. Just as proud are Grady and Mary Nunnelee on this birth of their first grandchild.

Mary Hartzell wanted Fred to have a Christmas tree for sure, so she heeded all the notices to mail early. He received it in time---in time for Thanksgiving! However, Fred isn't complaining for there is not much at Peu Bai in northern Viet Nam.

BOSTON GROUP SCOOP

Congratulations to Mark Zerbey, son of Superintendent Ben Zerby, for being elected captain of the 1970 Concord-Carlisle School Football Team.

CAPE COD
GULLS AND BUOYS

Three weddings have recently taken place. The first one was Roberta Humphrey's son, Brian, who was married on November 22 to Rosalie Ann Seebe of Endicott, N.Y. The couple is living in Newark, Delaware, where Brian will be combining his job at DuPont with classes at the University of Delaware.

On Nov. 29, Fred and Barbara Hedlund's daughter, Chrissy, was married to Bob Guerrant. The couple will be living in Kansas where Bob is attending college, working towards his master's degree.

On December 6, Liz Lema was married to Larry Emmons, who has just returned from a year's duty in Vietnam. Stateside duty will probably be in the midwest for a while.

THE RIDGE RUNNER
BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY

Received from former Superintendent Weems in Paris:

"This city could make a great National Monument. The concessions are good---especially the Folies, Moulin Rouge, etc.---and profitable."

Did you hear about Glenn Richie's horseback ride in Jamaica? He went with a guide (and a horse) into the mountain country. First the horse stumbled over a bananna plant. Then they were riding along and suddenly the horse knelt down, leaving Glenn in a precarious position. Glenn dismounted---and the horse fell over on its back. But after the guide succeeded in getting the horse on its feet, brave Glenn remounted. He said he wasn't about to WALK all the way back!

ZION NATIONAL PARK

Two weddings have taken place recently. Caroline Fisher, daughter of Bill and Chloe, was married in September to Larry McIntyre, whom she met in school last year. Phil Brueck, son of Fred and Vaydes had a Sept wedding in Mesa, Arizona.

WASO STAFF

At a recent staff meeting, National Park Service Director George B. Hartzog presented awards to the following Service personnel:

Dorothy W. Benton--For the outstanding manner in which she carried out the Secretary's applicant referral program.

Elizabeth W. Colton---Superior Performance Award for outstanding contributions to the Division of Personnel Management and Manpower Development and to the Service.

Lawrence J. Zollar---For outstanding performance as acting chief, Division of Personnel Management and Manpower Development.

Eugene F. Lyttle---Special Act Award for the exceptional initiative and skill with which he conducted negotiations in connection with Union Station for the National Visitor Center.

50th Anniversary Celebrated By Edisens at Isle Royale

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Edisen, residents of Isle Royale National Park for over 50 years, celebrated the event of a half century of marriage on July 27, 1969. Pete and Laura were feted at a party on Davidson Island.

Pete met Laura at their present home, which is located near Middle Islands Passage at Isle Royale, long before the island was established as a national park.

Laura, the daughter of a commercial fisherman, and Pete became acquainted when Pete, as a young lad, established a fishing station a short distance from Laura's father's station. The long walk between stations in darkness and fog soon prompted Pete to ask Laura's father for her hand in marriage.

The Edisens have arrived at the island each year for the last 50 years just after the snow leaves, to set nets for the Lake Trout, Whitefish, and Lake Herring and have even spent several winters at this isolated location. In the fall, when the leaves are gone and the snow flies, the Edisens pull their gill nets and return to their mainland home in Two Harbors, Minnesota.

One of the highlights of the party was the presentation of a scale model sailing ship painted gold, decorated with a greenback dollar for each year of marriage. This ship was built by Milford Johnson, Jr., and his daughter. Milford is the nephew of Mrs. Edisen.

The party, held in the home of District Ranger Forsell, was hosted by relatives of Pete and Laura Edisen, the island's commercial fishermen, park visitors, National Park Concessions and National Park Service people. Over 200 friends of the Edisen's attended the event.

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Environmental Teach-In

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in organizing April 22 environmental teach-ins on their own campuses and to encourage associated efforts in their own communities.

Birth of an Idea

The idea was born last September when, after a careful look at the newly awakened interest of America's youth in national environmental problems, Senator Gaylord Nelson (D-Wisc.) proposed a national teach-in day. The following month, he and Congressman Paul McCloskey (R-Calif.) suggested April 22.

Since then, the idea of a national day of environmental action has developed a momentum of its own, as groups around the country have begun developing plans. Coordination has been taken over by a student-run national office in Washington, D.C.

New Address

Located at 2000 P Street, N.W., Room 200, Washington, D. C. 20036, Environmental Teach-In, Inc., has been granted tax exempt status. It is entirely dependent on foundations and individual contributors for financial support.

Concern for All

As the New York Times recently commented: "This is not merely a channeling of student enthusiasm deflected from the war in Viet Nam or from racial problems here at home. It precludes neither of these passionate concerns, but in the long run transcends them and all other causes going to the heart of man's continued existence."

Teach-in Committee

With Senator Nelson as chairman and Congressman McCloskey as co-chairman the bi-partisan Environmental Teach-In committee also includes Sydney Howe, president of the Conservation Foundation; Charles Creasy, Contemporary University Student Program, Federal City College, Washington, D.C.; Glenn L. Paulson, student, The Rockefeller University, New York, N.Y.; and Douglas Scott, student, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

National Park Service

Working very closely with the student-manned National Environmental Teach-In office in Washington, D.C. is the National Park Service Office of Environmental Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior. Within the capabilities of a limited staff, the NPS advisors are giving the young people every possible assistance in providing information describing the ecological approach of the National Park Service. While no funds are available for "missionary work," the Service is, nevertheless, very responsive to the students who have asked for environmental background information.

Environment Crisis

In a speech on the floor of the Senate, January 19, Senator Nelson, outspoken environmentalist, explained that the proposal for a national teach-in on the Crisis of Environment—to be held April 22—is growing all across the country and clearly shows that "the energies of youth are calling for a change in the nation's priorities."

April 22 Plans

April 22 will be a day of nationwide action. Through activities, including teach-ins, on campuses, in high schools, and in local communities, people will have a chance to examine the facts about the environmental crisis. They can find out what, if anything, is being done and what must be done. Now.

April 22 will be planned and organized at the local level, with local people deciding for themselves the issues upon which to focus, and the activities which are most appropriate. Local groups must determine what will happen on April 22, and what comes afterward.

"The countryside discussion to be held (April 22)" says the New York Times, "is to be neither a beginning nor an end. Months of prior investigation will be carried out at the local level and years of activitiy are expected to follow." C.R.

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Mather Training Center Honors Isabelle Story

After 29 years of men only, it finally happened—an "Introduction to Park Operations" session at the Horace M. Albright Training Center has been named after a woman.

Held from Sept. 8 through Oct. 31, 1969, the Isabelle F. Story Session honored one of the pioneer women of our Service. Miss Story, now in her 80th year, was an effective staff assistant to Stephen T. Mather and Horace M. Albright in the formative years of the National Park Service.

Mr. Albright has said of Miss Story, ". . . an exceptionally talented and intelligent girl (who) advanced rapidly in the Service as she began writing press releases and articles on the national parks and monuments, assisting in the preparation of annual reports and special assignments."

She was secretary of the Conference of Park Superintendents in Rocky Mountain (1919), Yosemite (1922), and Yellowstone (1923). Director Mather authorized her to travel extensively in the parks



MISS STORY

during the 1920's, and this travel gave her a wealth of knowledge which she put to good use in her writing.

She edited the last editions of the "National Parks Portfolio," for years a popular book on the national parks. She was an active member of the Women's Press Club of Washington, D.C. for many years.

Until her retirement in 1954, Miss Story ranked as one of the top staff officers of the Service. Her retirement party was attended by many notables in the Service and in the Department, including Secretary and Mrs. Douglas McKay. Following retirement she traveled extensively for several years. Miss Story now resides in Hyattsville, Maryland.

The Isabelle F. Story Session was the second program designed primarily for park aids and technician under the FOST concept. Eleven members of this group have been assigned to a special nine month urban training program which will help to prepare them to serve in this very important area of Service involvement.

Other participants have returned to their "home" areas, hopefully, with an improved understanding and appreciation for the programs of the Service and better prepared to carry out their important work.

"The right thing at the right time . . ."



SUPT. McLAUGHLIN – LON MAXON

Lon E. Maxon, maintenance foreman, was at the Hazelwood Picnic Area in Giant Forest, Sequoia National Park, last August making an estimate fo work needed to clear debris from a falling sequoia tree. He heard crackling sounds, investigated, and found that the noises were coming from the base of a large, leaning sequoia tree.

Maxon immediately advised visitors in the picnic area to leave because of the danger of the tree's falling. The tree fell two hours later.

As a result, Maxon received a Special Achievement Award recognizing "that you diagnosed the dangerous situation immediately, took the initiative and did the right thing at the right time. We feel certain that tragedy was averted by your alert action."

Lon and his wife Velda live in the Lodgepole residential area of Sequoia.

LUCY HINTON RECEIVES CSA

At her recent retirement party, Lucille G. Hinton received a Commendable Service Award in recognition of the contributions she has made through the years in voucher examining and other financial management activities.

In presenting her with the Department's award, Assistant Southeast Regional Director Leland F. Ramsdell stated that Mrs. Hinton had made especially notable contribution to the fiscal program during the 1950's when the consolidation of a large number of field accounting offices into



the Regional Office generated a very heavy workload.

Mrs. Hinton entered the Park Service in 1935 at Petersburg National Memorial Park, and was later transferred to Fredericksburg. In 1941 she transferred to the regional office in Richmond, Virginia, where she was serving at the time of her retirement. In 1951 she was assigned to the voucher examining field.

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NPS Hatches Baby 'Gators For Everglades

Hoping to assist nature against the incredible odds imposed by man, biologists at Everglades National Park are experimenting with crocodiles.

Management Biologist Richard W. Klukas, Research Biologist John C. Ogden and an exiled Cuban biologist, Wilbredo Fernandez, located a crocodile next outside the park on North Key Largo. After obtaining permission from the State Conservation Department, the trio removed the eggs and transplanted them in an artificial nest hatching box in Pine Island. The move was successful and a crop of eleven crocodiles was hatched. They eat well and display the normal ferocious temper of young crocodiles.

The biologists hope to raise the reptiles to a size that will better insure their survival chances. They will release them in Florida Bay crocodile habitat hoping to increase, or at least maintain, the park's crocodile population.

South Florida, and especially Everglades National Park, contains the only native population of American Crocodiles in the United States.