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NPSers Are Victims Of Airborne Disaster

A light plane carrying three NPS employees crashed and burned 50 miles south of Moab, Utah May 19, killing all aboard including the pilot. This tragic crash was the second fatal aircraft accident this year involving NPS personnel.

Dead were Dr. Charles G. Hansen, 52, a research biologist with the Western Regional Office; William D. Cooper, 30, a research biologist attached to the Utah State Director's Office and stationed at Capitol Reef NP; John C. Ebersole, 26, a seasonal ranger at Canyonlands NP, and the pilot, Richard Smith, employed by Canyonlands Tours.

The men were on a mission counting the bighorn sheep population in Canyonlands when the crash occurred. The Cessna 185 did not return to Moab Airport as scheduled at 1 p. m. A search party was organized and at 5:40 p. m., the remains of the plane and the bodies of all four men aboard were located in the park.

Cause of the accident is as yet undetermined and a FAA investigation is being conducted.

Chuck Hansen was the unit leader of the Cooperative National Park Resources Studies Unit at the University of Nevada at Las Vegas. He joined the service in the 1940's. He is survived by his father Arthur G. Hansen and two teenage children.

Informal memorial services were held May 26 at the Desert National Wildlife Range in Nevada with former NPS biologist Ralph Wells of Death Valley presiding. Formal services were held in Napa, Calif.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers contributions be made to the Desert Bighorn Council, c/o Lanny O. Wilson, Secretary-Treasurer, 2351 Placita la Marquesino, Santa Fe, N. Mex. 87501, for the Hansen Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Bill Cooper entered on duty with NPS as a biologist in 1969. He is survived by his wife, Lynda, (daughter of Big Bend NP Supt. Joe Carithers) and a daughter, Katherine, 4. Services were held May 22 at Grand View Point at Island in the Sky in Canyonlands. In lieu of flowers the family suggests contributions to the National Park Foundation, Washington, D.C. 20240.

John Ebersole joined the Service as a seasonal ranger in 1968. He is survived by his wife Linda; a daughter, 3; and his father C. W. Ebersole of Logan, Utah. Funeral services were held May 24 in Logan. The family has suggested memorials to the Educational Aid Fund of the E&AA Box 804, Springfield, Va. 22150.

The pilot, Mr. Smith had flown similar missions for NPS in the past. He was buried May 23 in Monticello, Utah.

Centennial Group Gets Medallions, MSA's & Praise

Praising their dedication and calling for the same high caliber of performance to set the standard for NPS Bicentennial activities, Director Ron Walker personally congratulated over 50 former Centennial staffers & others in a brief awards ceremony held in Washington, D.C. May 8.

Deputy Director Tom Flynn presented the Unit Citation Award to 46 former Centennial staffers & others saying that the group "did a bang-up job" on the Centennial and Second World Conference.

Recipients of unit citation certificate and Bronze Medallion included Olaf R. Anderson, T. Homer Black, Peggy Black, Chester C. Brown, Marguerite A. Burek, Helene R. Butts, Mary Lou Campbell, Monroe A. Clay, James M. Daly, Vernon C. Gilbert, Vincent L. Gleason, Shelia Grimes, Chester O. Harris, Teresa A. Heath, David E. Hines, Hilda L. Hornberger, Mohammed A. Khan, Rose L. Kreiser, Earlene J. Malloy, Julio Marrero-Numez, Deborah A. Martin, Rita A. Matthews, Dennis P. McLaughlin, Bernard R. Meyer, Loretta F. Neumann, Howard L. Paskins and Benjamin B. Powell.

Other recipients were Fonton M. Ramsay, Jeanne F. Randall, Ben Reifel, Hilmar R. Sallee, William J. Savannah, Theodore T. Smith, Janie L. Spiers, Myron D. Sutton, Marilyn Taylor, LaVerne O. Thomas, Phillis B. Threlkeld and Margaret G. Woodside.

Park Policemen receiving the Bronze Medallion included Parker T. Hill, Robert O. Harrison, Richard T. Koenig, and William D. Spruill, and Charles W. Hall, Andre R. Jordan and John H. Schmitt.

After the presentation, Director Walker said: "I think the most appropriate place for this unit citation would be in the Director's conference room."

Individual certificates and Silver Medallion Awards were given to T. Sutton Jett, acting Cen-

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Park Service Honored by FEA

The National Park COURIER won honorable mention at the annual Federal Editors Association (FEA) awards ceremony held June 5 at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C. NPS publications swept 21 of 95 awards, placing in 14 of 21 categories.

"I think it's the most any one agency has ever won," said an FEA official after the ceremony. "And, the Park Service was competing with Department as well as agency publications."

Over 400 publications from 32 states were entered in the contest.

First place awards went to Jim Pepper for "National Environmental Study Area: A Guide"; Ray Baker for "Andersonville: The Story of a Civil War Prison"; and the Harpers Ferry Center office staff for "Oxon Hill Children's Farm."

Second Place awards to Ray Baker for "Booker T. Washington: An Appreciation for the Man and His Times"; Roberta Seibel, author, and Burt Coale, editor, for "Motorist's Guide to Glacier National Park"; and Laurie Story for "Secrets of the National Parks," a radio series soon to be released in the United States.

Third place awards to Elizabeth Dippel Archambeault from "The National Register of Historic Places"; Tom Mercer and Earl Kittleman for "Summer in the Parks"; Jim Murfin, editor, for "National Park Guide for the Handicapped," compiled by Elizabeth Coiner; Ray Baker, editor, and Ed Bearss, author, for "Protecting Sherman's Lifeline"; David Wright, editor, and Gary Robinette, author, for "Plants/People and Environmental Quality"; Jim Howard, author/editor, for "Spelunkers find passage connecting Two Systems in Mammoth Cave National Park; and Burt Coale for "Former Eastern Prof Turns to Environmental Education of Western Kids."

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E&AA Welcomes SE Region as Chapter 2

The Atlanta Regional Office Employees & Alumni Association has been accepted as Chapter 2 of the national E&AA, according to Ray O'Dell, national executive secretary.

Atlanta joins the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial E&AA in holding chapter status in the national association.

A total of 75 members make up Chapter 2—65 of them brand new members of the national group.

"The organizing of Chapter 2 is a great boost to the Association as a whole and you are to be commended for the interest exhibited by 75 of the employees of the Southeast Regional Office to band together to form a chapter," wrote Ray to Vernon Ingram, Chapter 2 president.

At the March meeting of the E&AA board of directors, the formation of affiliate chapters within the association was approved. The board said that chapter status would provide a greater opportunity for all employees, through chapter membership, to relate to and be part of the Association's national program.

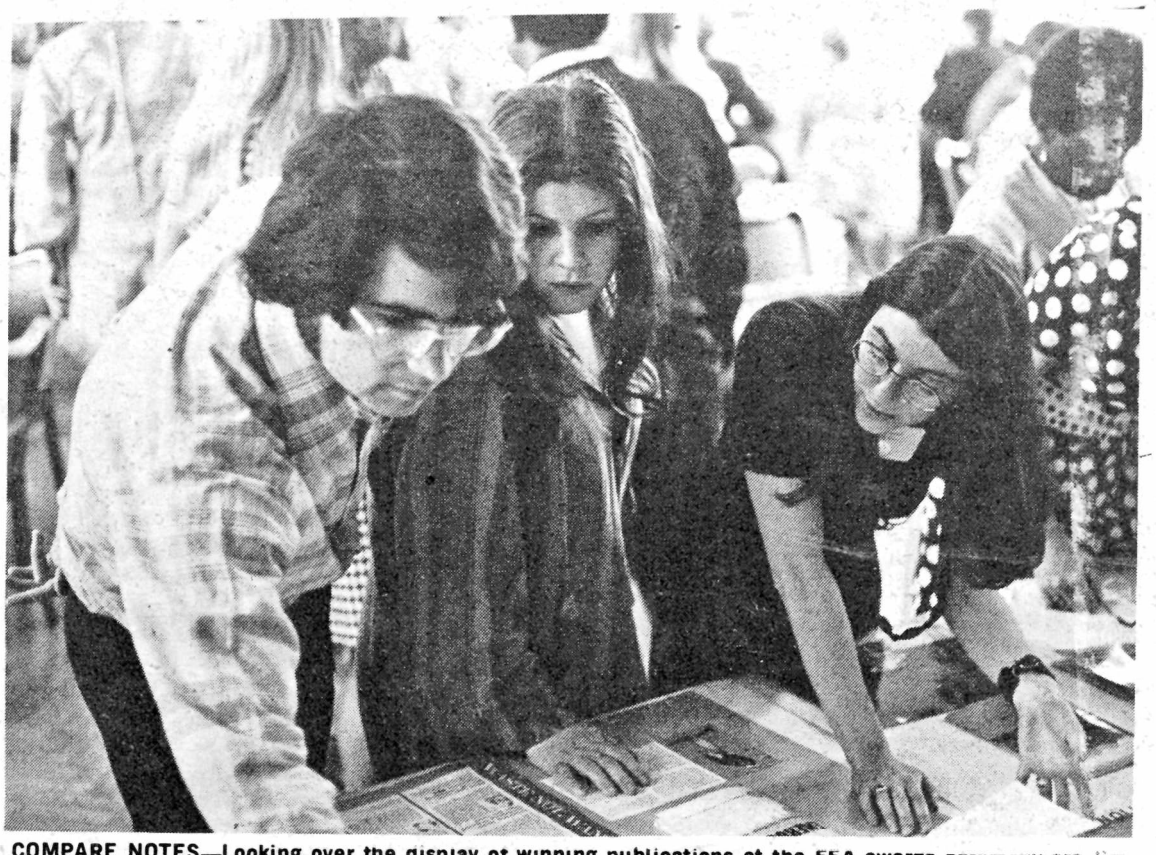
Chapter members become national E&AA members upon approval of the board.

Greater incentive exists for retirees and alumni living in the community to affiliate with the Association, stimulating their interest in local as well as national programs, Howard Baker, E&AA chairman of the board has said.

The chapter system will improve communication with employees and alumni.

Chapter members pay a $3 per head dues to the national association.

The O'Dell letter also said: "Ever since our Association was organized in 1955, we have continued to grow and expand. The subject of organizing chapters has been in the discussion stage for some time and now it has become a reality—another step in attaining our goal."



COMPARE NOTES—Looking over the display of winning publications at the FEA awards ceremony are Jim Pepper, left; Jim's wife, Nora, and Ronnie Spiewak, right. Jim won a first place award for his publication, "National Environmental Study Area: A Guide" and Ronnie is an editorial clerk with the COURIER, which captured an honorable mention in the FEA contest.

50 Centennial Staffers Lauded

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tennial director; C. Gordon Fredine, acting secretary general of the Second World Conference; Robert I. Standish, deputy secretary general of the Second World Conference; Jean C. Henderer, Centennial staff director for public awareness; William C. Everhart, chairman of the publications committee for the Second World Conference; Cornelius W. Heine and John R. Miels, Second World Conference staff assistants.

After the presentation of the unit awards, Director Walker gave a Meritorious Service Award to Jean Henderer, who is now chief of the Division of State and Private Liaison, WASO.

In other regions, centennially-related MSA's have been presented to Bill Briggle, former centennial director and now superintendent of Glacier NP; Jim Coleman, Centennial coordinator for Yellowstone NP and now superintendent of Morristown NHP; Gary Everhardt, Grand Teton NP superintendent, and Bill Dunmire, former chief naturalist at Yellowstone and now stationed at the Denver Service Center.

In absential certificates and bronze medallions went to Elmer Bushman, Carl Degan, Jr., Thomas Gray, Jr., S. Blair Hubbard, Donald W. Humphrey, Beverly L. Jackson, Helen W. Johnson, Bryan Jones, Jacob S. Moler, J. Leonard Norwood, Manfred M. Palm, Fred M. Packard, Carole T. Scanlon, Garnetta S. Smith, Theodor R. Swem, David G. Wright, Thomas H. Wilson, Nancy A. Bowman, Thomas Kleiman, Elva P. Licklider, and Park Policemen Irving W. Brown, Wyatt Busing, Eric McKnight and Donald Niedringhaus.

Ft. Dupont Park Activities Center Dedicated May 12

Director Ron Walker joined Washington, D. C. Recreation Department Director Joseph Cole and other dignitaries May 12 in dedicating the new Activities Center at Fort Dupont Park in Southeast Washington, D. C.

The ceremonies marked the end of the first phase of a long-range Bicentennial project for the 360-acre park, which will turn Fort Dupont into a major community recreation center by 1976.

Delivering the principal dedicatory remarks, Director Walker said: "I'm both humbled and proud to be part of a dedication which will give the children and their parents of this inner city community an opportunity to enjoy the outdoors in such a beautiful park. It's people who make the parks."

The Director read a message of congratulation from President Nixon, and presented VIP awards to four youngsters who had worked to prepare Fort Dupont for the opening.

Since January, NPS has worked to convert the building into a major facility for community activities such as workshops and environmental projects. The building has facilities for audio visual programs, arts and crafts workshops, a multi-purpose area with stage for meetings, and a kitchen.

Adjacent to the center is the "Animal House," where small animals native to the area will be seen.

Fort Dupont is the largest community park in the capital city and is a key link to the Fort Circle Park system which will play a major Bicentennial role. Future plans call for a swimming pool and facilities for tennis, basketball, volleyball, handball, karate and boxing.

Other dignitaries present for the dedicatory service were NCP-East Superintendent Abner M. Bradley, U. S. Park Police Chief Jerry Wells; NCP Director, Russ Dickinson, and William Hart, Presidential coordinator for the Washington, D. C. Bicentennial.

Fort Dupont Manager Ben Brown assisted in coordinating the event.



FT. DUPONT VIP's—Director Ron Walker presented certificates of appreciation from NPS to four VIP's during dedicatory ceremonies held at Fort Dupont Park in Washington, D.C. May 12. VIP's who received recognition were Jay Graveley, Charles and Keith Crawford and Michael Coleman. Site Manager Ben Brown said that Wendy Alexander and Jessyna Upshaw also contributed significantly to the success of the opening.

FEA Winners

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Ed Pilley for "Fort Point Dance Program"; Marwin Sharpe for "Don't Shoot!"; Heath Pemberton, editor, and David Clary, author, for "The Place Where Hell Bubbled Up: A History of the First National Park"; Ron Greenberg and Charles Redmond for "Guideline"; Loretta Neumann for "NPS NEWSLETTER" and "National Park COURIER"; Jean Henderer for "National Parks Centennial—Key" and Laurie Story for "Our First Apartment House Dwellers."

Also, the Fort Laramie Historical Association took a third place award for "Garrison Life Trail" by Thomas White.

Garrison Retires

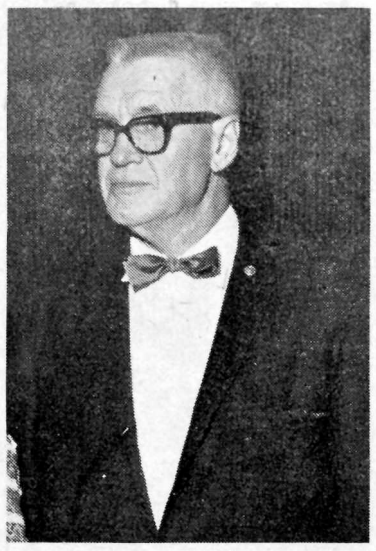
Boyd Evison Heads Albright

Boyd Evison has been named director of the Albright Training Academy. He succeeds Lemuel A. (Lon) Garrison, who is retiring. Lon plans to teach at Texas A&M University.

Boyd began his Service career in 1960 as a park ranger at Petrified Forest National Park. He progressed through more responsible positions at Lake Mead NRA and Hot Springs NP. He was chief of the Division of Environmetal Projects in WASO, an assistant to Director George B. Hartzog Jr., assistant superintendent of Grand Teton NP and superintendent of Saguaro NM, his latest assignment.

Lon Garrison entered NPS in 1932 as a seasonal park ranger at Sequoia NP. He served at Yosemite NP, Hopewell Village NHS, Glacier NP, and Grand Canyon. He was superintendent of Big Bend and Yellowstone NP's and director of both the Midwest and Northeast Regions. He has been director of Albright since July 1970.

A frequent guest lecturer in university conservation and history departments, he holds both the Departmental Meritorious and Distinguished Service awards and the Cornelius Amory Pugsley gold medal. He is currently president of the National Conference on State Parks, a professional organization for state park people.



Lon Garrison

Lon's wife, Inger, is a potter and has been active in promoting Indian crafts with NPS and other organizations. Recently, she has been consulting on the Parks, Arts and Leisure project, sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts, National Recreation and Park & Association and NPS.



PICTURE PRESENTATION—Michigan Governor William Milliken (right) accepts pictures of the three Service areas in the state from J. A. Martinek, superintendent of Sleeping Bear Dunes NL. "The pictures were presented to the governor as an expression of appreciation for his cooperation, interest and support for NPS areas in the state," said Martiner. Hugh Beattie, superintendent of Isle Royal NP and coordinating superintendent of Pictured Rocks NL gave the Isle Royal picture to the governor. The other two were donated by Woody Williams of the Harpers Ferry Center.

John Miele To Ft. Clatsop

"It's great to be going back to one of the parks, because that's where the action is," said John Miele concerning his assignment as new superintendent of Fort Clatsop NM. It is John's first superintendency.

For the past 18 months, John has been assigned to the Washington Office as staff assistant for the Second World Conference on National Parks. Recently, he received a Silver Medallion for his work with the NPS Centennial effort.



John Miele

John started his NPS career in 1963 as a park historian with the C & O Canal NM and after a year joined the Peace Corps and served as an English instructor in Thailand. Following his Peace Corps service, John worked in neighboring Laos as an agricultural adviser with the Agency for International Development.

He returned to the United States in 1967 and pursued an M. A. degree in American History at the University of Delaware. He was graduated in 1968.

John has seen NPS duty at National Capital Parks, Whitman Mission NHS, Ft. Vancouver NHS and studied park management at the Albright Training Academy.

A Swarthmore College graduate and native of Media, Pa., he will head the four-man garrison at Fort Clatsop effective June 24. He succeeds Paul Haertel who has been transferred to Lava Beds NM.

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Saguaro Gets Richard Boyer

Richard H. (Dick) Boyer, a verteran of 26 years experience in national park management, has been named the new Superintendent of Saguaro NM.

Dick, succeeds Boyd Evison who has been named director of Horace M. Albright Training Academy at Grand Canyon NP.

A native of Fresno, Calif., Boyer attended Fresno State College and the University of California at Berkeley, majoring in biology.

He first joined NPS in 1941 as a seasonal employee at Sequoia NP. His first permanent position was as ranger at Sequoia from 1947-56.

Later assignments included: management assistant and assistant chief ranger, Rocky Mountain NP, chief ranger, Lassen Volcanic NP; superintendent, Kennesaw Mountain NBP,; assistant superintendent, Natchez Trace Parkway, and superintendent, Lassen Volcanic NP.

Since 1972, he has been serving as chief, Branch of Employee Evaluation, WASO.

Dick and his wife, Alice Lee, also a native of Fresno, have two daughters and one son, all grown, and three grandchildren.

3,500 of the Best Places to Visit

By Grant W. Midgley

Just off the press, the second edition of the "National Register of Historic Places" marks a milestone in an outstandingly successful cooperative effort involving Federal and state governments and private citizens.

In thousands of communities across our land, Americans have been encouraged to acquire, restore, and preserve for posterity sites and structures that illustrate the past culture of the nation.

Placed on the National Register in just a few years have been thousands of "districts, sites, buildings, structures and objects."

The first published National Register listed 1,100 historic properties; the new edition—issued three years later—lists nearly 3,500.

NPS Pride

This upswing in America's interest in safeguarding physical evidences of past achievements should be a matter of pride to NPS. Not only do we administer the program through which it is being achieved, but a number of our officials played influential roles in its development.

A key action in that development was appointment by the U.S. Conference of Mayors of a special historic preservation committee. That group studied the methods through which European nations have long protected their palaces, squares, houses, gardens and inns, and examined the historic preservation needs of the United States.

In a report, "With Heritage So Rich," the committee made a number of recommendations for an expanded Federal role in the conservation of historic properties.

Congress responded with passage of the Historic Preservation Act of 1966. That legislation expanded the scope of the National Register. Previously listing only sites deemed to be of national significance, it now includes as well those of historic importance to states, regions and localities.

Catalogued in the National Register of today are historic properties in three principal categories:

1. Historical areas of the National Park System. A recent addition is Longfellow NHS Cambridge, Mass., the home of the poet where he wrote such beloved works as "The Courtship of Miles Standish," "Evangeline" and "The Song of Hiawatha."

2. National Historic Landmarks. The newest of these are a number of sites associated with the Revoluntary War, such as the John Paul Jones House in Portsmouth, N. H., and Waynesborough, Paoli, Pa., the home of "Mad" Anthony Wayne, noted leader of the Patriot cause.

3. Sites of state, regional and local historic significance. Examples of this category are the Ryman Auditorium (Grand Ole Opry House) in Nashville, Tenn., the S. S. Delta Queen, Cincinnatti, Ohio, the last of her line of paddlewheel steamboats, and the home of Carrie Nation in Medicine Lodge, Kansas, now a museum operated by the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Federal Assistance

In addition to opening up the National Register, the Historic Preservation Act authorized Federal financial assistance to identify, acquire and rehabilitate historic sites and structures. Matching grants, on a 50-50 basis, may go to states and to the National Trust for Historic Preservation, an organization of private citizens which acquires and restores properties of outstanding historic worth.

The Act also established the Advisory Council for Historic Preservation composed of cabinet secretaries, the administrator of GSA, the heads of the Smithsonian Institution and the National Trust, and citizens appointed by the President. This Council advises the President and Congress on historic preservation matters.

In addition, the act provided a measure of protection for registered historic properties threatened by development.

It makes any person responsible for a Federal, Federally-funded, or Federally-licensed project—for example, a dam, a highway or a new building—take into account during planning the project's effect on any property listed in the National Register.

And it says the Advisory Council must be given an opportunity to comment on the proposal.

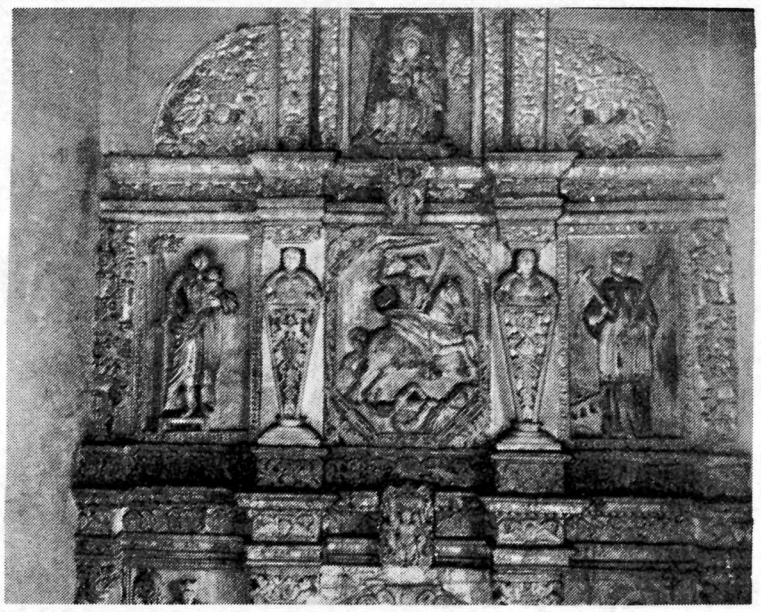
As an example, Advisory Council influence came into play when highway builders planned an expressway to border the Mississippi riverfront and to traverse the Vieux Carre Historic District (French Quarter) in New Orleans. After considering Council comments, the Secretary of Transportation refused to approve construction of the road.

The National Register has been called our nation's "list of places worth saving." It must also rank as one of the greatest lists ever compiled of places worth *visiting*. (The few not accessible to the public are noted.)

Editor was Elizabeth Dippel Archambeault, now with the President's Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. Other staff included Sally Marusin, Norma Rowland, Al Chambers, Mary Means, Charles Redmond and Ron Greenberg, its present editor.

The "National Register of Historic Places—1972," a 614-page hard-cover volume, may be ordered from the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. 20402. The stock number is 2405-0294, and the price is $7.80 domestic postpaid, or $7.25 at GPO bookstore.

(Grant is special assistant to Director of Information, WASO.)



REREDOS of OUR LADY OF LIGHT, Santa Fe, New Mexico. The central interior decoration of a military chapel constructed on the Santa Fe Plaza in 1760 by the Spanish governor of New Mexico. The panel was fashioned from volcanic stone by artisans from Mexico.



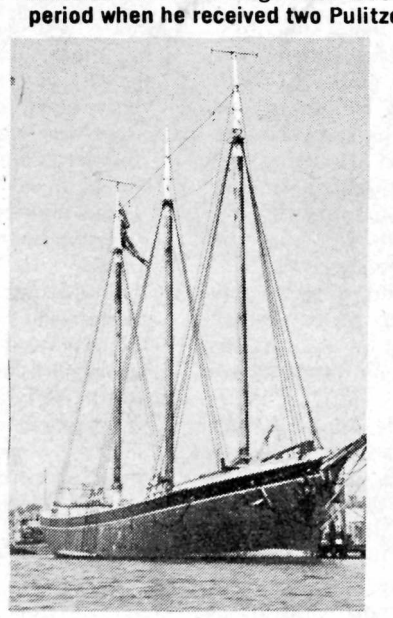
FRAME HOUSE, VIRGINIA CITY HISTORIC DISTRICT, Storey County, Nevada. Virginia City, financed by the Comstock Lode which in 20 years yielded $300 million in gold and silver, retains an atmosphere reminiscent of the boom period of the 1860's and 70's.



ROBERT FROST FARM (The Gulley), South Shaftsbury, Bennington County, Vermont. Robert Frost, one of America's most distinguished 20th-century poets, spent his summers here between 1929 and 1938, a period when he received two Pulitzer prizes.



DUBUQUE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, Dubuque, Iowa. This building of monumental scale incorporates both Renaissance and Romanesque architectural influences. The central tower rises to a height of 190 feet, and is topped by a statue of Justice.



SCHOONER WAWONA, Seattle, Washington. Built in Fairhaven, California, this 156-foot three-masted schooner is all wood and powered by sail alone. After a long career in the Pacific Coast lumber trade, she was adapted for cod fishing cruises.



SHELDON CHURCH RUINS, Beaufort County, South Carolina. Named for Sheldon Hall, a nearby plantation, this Tuscan-columned church was burned twice—by the British in 1779 and by Union troops during the Civil War.

Park Forum

Anyone may contribute to our new "Park Forum" page. Items should be reasonably short and on park-related subjects. They can be controversial, provocative, funny, informative. The thing that ties them together is the use of the word "I"—personal reactions rather than third-person reports. All contributions must be signed; the views exp ed are not necessarily those of the COURIER staff, individual parks or officials of NPS. May we hear from you soon?—L.N.

What's the matter with show-&-tell interpretation

By Bill Taylor

Sometime ago the editor asked if I would prepare something brief on what I was into out here. I have neglected this request not through any lack of interest, but because I felt it perhaps deserved something more than an activities report approach.

Oh, the Environmental Living Project is going swell—three areas now, with others asking about it; and "The Strands Walk" publication has been pretty successful outside the Park Service. And, I could talk about other things in the offing . . .

But, I'd rather touch on another theme altogether: our relationship with the educational community.

Let me give you a comment I received at a meeting of county school program directors, concerning their participation in "The Environmental Living Project" at Fort Point and John Muir House.

"You people came to us once before, with your NEED materials and your NESA program four years ago. But, when we took you seriously and started showing up you said you couldn't handle us. Is this going to be a repeat of that?"

Couldn't Handle Us

In defense of the area involved, this was during a pilot period. But the key phrase was—and is—" . . . couldn't handle us . . ." And I don't mean manpower; I mean attitude.

Environmental education—on—site learning—is perhaps the last opportunity for a child to learn without being taught. Even the best classroom can not offer that component of experience called reality. So children, people, need the places to explore, to inquire, to discover, to feel that we can provide. And places to raise a question, with someone there perhaps to help them work out an answer—not merely provide one.

But are we, in our didactic, show-and-tell style letting this happen with our films, and talks, our museums, however good they may be? Isn't most of our interpretation planned in the fear that the visitor might see the wrong thing or miss the right one? It's just that after all: it's "our interpretation."

"Scenic turnout ahead." There's a classic. I had a visitor once compliment me/us tongue-in-cheek for telling him where the scenery began. (But better this than another who thought we should name every rock shape in Arches NP so others would know what they were meant to look like.)

I put on a session on "The Strands Walk" at Albright this spring. "The Strands Walk" is admittedly, a rather structured inquiry approach; but, it works pretty well as long as the leader doesn't lead it. (I've since adopted the style of just giving it to the group and leaving the room.) But "The Strands Walk," as all inquiry teaching, relies heavily on self-direction and interest of the participant that something happen. It makes no attempt to be judgmental or grade the response or the responder.

We Want Structure

My training center experience leaves me feeling that our difficulty stems from we ourselves wanting answers and signs pointing the way. We do not want to inquire, to seek out, to stick our necks out. We want structure. (This is borne out by studies at Humboldt State College, Calif. on how resources vs. liberal arts majors learn, by the way.)

It's easier to be popular with the followers, isn't it? And much more gratifying to the ego.

But back to education—too many teachers have come back to my assistant, Tom Crider, and I with comments such as "your park people don't offer the openness your program promises" or "discovery programs—fine! But your people won't let us discover much."

Recently I've returned from a visit to a "NEED" camp for inner city children on an island of the Hauraki Gulf Maritime Park in New Zealand. The children were Maoris, Tongans, Fijians, Tahitians, Nuiens—displaced—their families now in the ghettos of Auckland.

The program was run by their four teachers; no park people were present except to greet them. In the words of one of these teachers the most important experience these children could have would be one that encouraged them to believe in themselves—not to be graded on their knowledge of ecology. They didn't see themselves a part of *any* system yet.

The environment is being destroyed around us—we ourselves among the victims—by our failing ability to make decisions, to form and believe in our own values, to accept the responsibility for our own acts. And it's being destroyed by our fear of thinking, feeling, even living, without being told how.

My question is, has the NPS become a contributor to this illness, perhaps?

For where more should people be able to sense their heritage, to experience beauty and majesty and joy than in this myriad collection of environments we manage?

I have two favorite spots in our Western Region—Market Street in San Francisco, and a little point of land jutting into the Pacific all covered with sage and sweet anise called "Spindrift." Neither tell me how to think or feel. We haven't gotten them yet.

But then perhaps new generations won't let us "show-and-tell," if we help them find their own way. And this is what our environmental education programs in the Western Region hope to do.

(Bill is environmental education specialist for the Western Region.)

We accidently left off a by-line in the May "Park Forum". Raymond Blayden, a park ranger at Petersburg Battlefield, wrote the item, "Let's say do, not don't to park visitors!"



Ranger Naturalist Deborah Mehrkam from Harpers Ferry NHP, examines a wagon of the type John Brown road in to his execution in 1859. Deborah's dress was made in the park's sewing shop.

Telling 'where they are'

By S. Preston Smith

Surrounded, as we are today, by a complicated world, technology, specialization, and a detachment from our cultural heritage and our natural world, how can we provide average people with a means of "becoming aware of where they are."

Creative interpretation is much like good newspaper reporting. There is always a good story; all you have to do is find it. The interpretive staff of Harpers Ferry NHP, after much study, came to believe what James Gordon Bennett of the New York Herald Tribune is suppose to have said when he sent Stanley to find Livingston in the heart of darkest Africa, "If we can't find news, we'll make news."

Since we don't serve cocktails or play games at this national park, we found the necessary stimulant when we introduced a "living history" program the first evening of December 1972 - we called this, "National Park Service night at Harpers Ferry."

This summer we will have in our "living history" program an apothecary shop, general store, tavern, army recruiting office, balcksmith shop, John Brown Fort, Master Armorer's House, Robert Harper House, and a typical Armory Worker's House.

Interpreters will be stationed in each of these buildings and will be dressed in the garments of the times that they are depicting, which is the pre-Civil War period. They will explain and demonstrate jobs their counterparts did cover one hundred years ago. The apothecary is furnished with century-old equipment and furniture on indefinite loan from the Smithsonian Institution.

In the general store, food and merchandise common to the historical period will be displayed. The storekeepers will discuss the role general stores played in the 1800's.

At the military recruiting office, you see men dressed in the uniforms of the 34th Massachusetts Volunteers, as they were garrisoned here for over a year. These interpreters will describe military life during the Civil War for park visitors.

A blacksmith will be forging metal objects and telling of the importance of the "Village Smithy". At the John Brown Fort, another group will tell the story of the abolitionists' ill-fated raid on the U. S. Armory at Harpers Ferry. At the tavern, the tavern keeper and patrons, including some "Armory Workers," will explain and describe their vocations to the public.

In the Harper House (completed in 1782), the visitor will see a house with the men away at work and the women going about their daily duties, such as dusting, cleaning, churning and candle making. Meals cooked in the kitchen will begin early in the morning—starting the fire and beginning the preparation of the bread. An herb garden will be just outside the door.

In the Master Armorer's House the story of gun making will be told. Interpreters, also in period clothing, will be assembling and disassembling the type of guns that were manufactured in both the U. S. Armory and the Hall Rifle Works here at Harpers Ferry. Firing demonstrations will be conducted.

At the Armory Workers House, on Shenandoah Street, the park visitor is privileged to see the only remaining building of this type in the Park—all other became casualties of the nine disastrous floods. Chickens, ducks and a vegetable garden containing "oldtime" vegetables will help create the pre-Civil War atmosphere.

This program, unlike the "bug and bee" approach, unfolds and portrays this area's inherent and unique ecological and historical features.

This program will cause park visitors, to "become aware of "where they are".

(Preston is public information officer at Harpers Ferry NHP.)

Into a lion's mouth

Mary Dodd, park naturalist at Chiricahua NM in Arizona, sent us the following memo they recently received from the Harpers Ferry Center. It was in reply to a request by Seasonal Mike Sipes who wanted a slide to use in his summer campfire program, "Don't Feed the Animals."

To: Park Naturalist, Chiricahua

From: Audiovisual production Specialist

Subject: Into the jaws of death rode the intrepid seasonal ranger

Your request for a slide showing a lion tamer with his head stuck inside a lion's mouth arrived. This type of slide is a slow mover, so we don't keep them in stock. You might try writing to the Ringling Brothers circus in Sarasota Springs, Florida.

For a moment we considered posing such a picture, but the only lion available had bad breath. Also, there was a notable lack of enthusiasm when volunteers were called for. We assured the potential volunteers that the lion was toothless—still no takers. After all, who wants to be gummed to death.

We are deeply sorry to have failed you in your hour of need.

Wilbur E. Dutton

NPS Women To Tour Kennedy Center

When? Saturday, July 28 at 11:00 a.m.

Where? Meet at the First entrance, Eisenhower Theater and Opera House at the Kennedy center.

What? Tour of the Kennedy Center followed by Promenade Buffeteria lunch, $3.50 a plate. Those who wish may make their own arrangements to attend a matinee.

Who? All NPS women welcome, employees, wives, residents or NPS visitors in the area.

Reservations may be made by calling: Carol Guse, 281-2988; Marilyn Smebakken, 860-9544 (p. m.); Kate Richie, 522-3707 and Kari Koester, 386-4056 (office). Please reserve as soon as possible, but no later than Tuesday, July 24. For information about possible free bus shuttle from NCP Headquarters inquire when making your reservation.

After going through the cafeteria line, use tables which have been set up on the terrace.

Parking at Kennedy Center is $1.75. Free at NCP if bus can be arranged.

Matinees for July 28 include "Summer and Smoke" at Eisenhower Theater; "Desert Song" at the Opera House; the National Symphony at Concert Hall. Those wishing to attend performances must arrange for their own tickets.

COURIER Gets New Editors

PNW Womens Organization announces two new editors for the COURIER, womens editor, Emilie Martin of Mount Rainier and youth news, Mary Lou Hanify of Olympic. (These positions rotate by regions every two years.)

COURIER readers are encouraged to send them stories, or contact them with ideas for stories. Photos and articles may be sent to them (see masthead) or directly to the COURIER. Remember that even the shortest news items or stories that would be of Servicewide interest are welcome. Some may be used as photo caption stories. Please include name of photographer when known.Articles need not be professionally written, will be edited if necessary.

The COURIER is the place to send news of what NPS women and children are doing. We can only cover 298 areas with *your* help.

47 Teenagers Spend Spring Break Sweeping Up Yosemite

By Sue Edlestein

Forty-seven teenagers cleaning public latrines and sweeping up at bus stops? You better believe it, though their parents may not!

But it's a fact that high school students from the Rolling Hills Methodist Church and from the Toberman Settlement House in San Pedro, Calif., were a big boost to under-staffed Yosemite NP in handling Easter's influx of visitors. While the group spent Easter week at Yosemite, they helped build a redwood trail in the park's wildflower Garden, patrolled bus stops with brooms and dust pans, were on hand to clean latrines so that campgrounds could be kept open, worked on park garbage trucks, and cleaned up the Church Bowl area.

The Rolling Meadows youngsters worked all year to earn money to finance their trip. For the last two Easter vacations they worked in Mexican churches, but they decided this year that they wanted to "do something for our own country and for a more widespread group of people," according to Judi Walti, one of the group's counselors.

They heard about the National Park System's "Volunteers In Parks" program and applied to Yosemite. Besides "enabling the park to get by" during the Easter crunch, according to one park official, the high school students had some time to enjoy themselves, too. Each student worked one-half day and had a half-day free. They did all their own shopping for the trip, and all their cooking once they got there.

Bear Gets Din-din

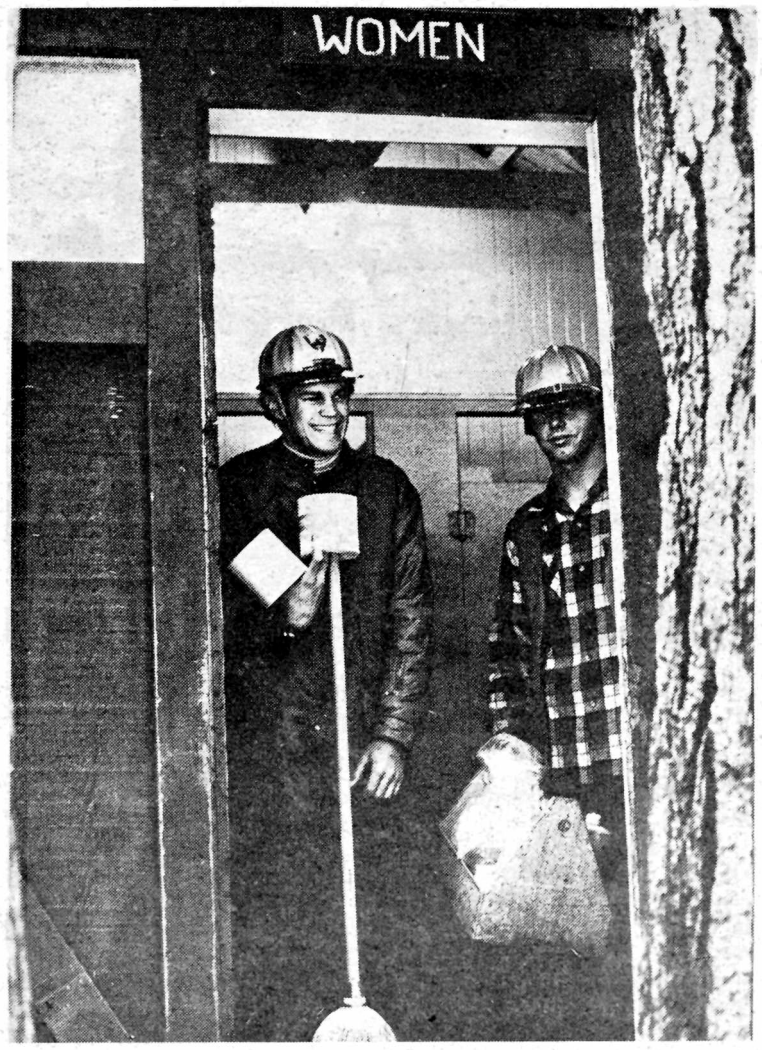
Group camping was a new experience for them. They spent only one night that was uncomfortable - when an unexpected snowstorm hit the first night out. And one that was just hungry. Their last night in the park a hungry bear beat them to their dinner.

The forty 14 to 18 year olds from the church's Methodist Youth Fellowship and their seven guests from Toberman feel that they made a worthwhile contribution. And NPS agrees: It's not often that Yosemite has a group of volunteers offer 1800 cheerful, energetic hours of work on projects not exactly fraught with glamour!

But the garbage hasn't put the kids off, and they're talking about going back next year for more of same. And now that they've been to the park, they have new ideas for how to make their next visit helpful. Singing and crafts in the campgrounds, suggest some. How about a baby sitting service for children whose parents want to hike? asks another.

The youngsters are back at home, but Yosemite's staff hasn't forgotten their contribution.

(Sue Edelstein is a park technician at Yosemite NP).



FUNNY-LOOKING LADIES—These two California high school students were part of a contingent of 47 students who acted as VIP's at Yosemite NP during their spring break. The students helped build a redwood trail, patrolled bus stops with brooms and dust pans and cleaned latrines during their one-week stay in the park over Easter.

Eileen Williams Fund Started To Aid E&AA

A memorial fund benefiting the E&AA Educational Aid Fund has been set up under the name of Eileen Williams who died Feb. 16.

Eileen Williams was married to Tom Williams, who was former regional chief of resource management in SWRO until his retirement in 1968.

The fund was begun by Luis A. Gastellum in SWRO. He also made a generous contribution to the Hugh Miller memorial fund.

Both Mrs. Miller and Tom Williams will be advised from time to time as to the status of the memorial funds, said E&AA Chairman Howard Baker.

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Gretchen Enjoys Roman Holiday

By Margaret Maule

Who says a GS-2 can't afford to go to Europe?

Gretchen Althouse worked and hoarded her money from baby sitting, selling rabbits, and her job as park aide at Richmond Battlefield in order to join fellow chorus members on a trip to Rome.

A recreation major and junior at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Va., Gretchen sings alto in the VCU choral group. The chorus director and Italian authorities had arranged for them to give several concerts in Rome. Who could resist that opportunity? Gretchen almost had to, but by March she had saved enough money to join the 55 others on an Alitalia 747 which carried the excited group to Rome.

The plane landed in the morning, but jet lag or no, buses were waiting to take them on a full day of sightseeing followed by their first concert before they could collapse in their hotel for some sleep.

Gretchen says the seven-day stay was full and all too short. The chorus, which sings mostly classical music gave four concerts and saw so many tourists attractions she can't even remember them all. Thinking back Gretchen says she remembers Italy with clear blue skies, vineyards, olive trees, snow-capped mountains, Fiats, traffic jams, and dark, handsome men. Yes, the tales of Italian men are true. As soon as the bus unloaded the young men ran up to hug all the girls.

Gretchen was most impressed by the Colosseum but will never forget other experiences such as being blessed by the Pope, seeing Pompeii, the Sistine Chapel, the Appian Way, and peeking through the curtain at the repaired Pieta before it had been unveiled.

The one day the students were allowed to sightsee by themselves didn't go quite as Gretchen and her roommate planned. They set out looking for the Spanish Steps (the Italian version of Greenwich Village) and consulted their Italian map along the way. However, several hours later after apparently walking in a big circle they found themselves back where they had started, tired and hungry.

At that point they both decided Italian pizza was much more inviting than the Spanish Steps and headed for the nearest restaurant where they ordered and watched incredulously as the cook took a pizza with a label in English out of the freezer and shoved it into the oven. For dessert Gretchen had ice cream and was charged $2.00 for one scoop. That was a terrible blow to her slender budget so she complained to the waiter who shrugged and asked if she hadn't heard about the dollar devaluation.

Ice cream and pizza aside, it was a marvelous trip, and Gretchen is starting to save for next year when the choral group may have a trip to either Spain or China.

(Margaret Maule is the wife of Mike Maule, superintendent of Richmond NBP.)



ROMAN TOURIST Gretchen Althouse (left) leaves Rome's Capitoline Hill, instamatic in hand, with other members of her choral group who went on a seven-day Alitalia tour of the Italian capital. Gretchen is a park aide at Richmond National Battlefield.

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Will the Real Winner Please Stand Up?

COURIER editors were recently informed that the April cartoon winner—Joan F. Crider—was actually not the April cartoon winner. Our mistake.

The real winner has identified himself as Seasonal Ranger Greg Stiles of Salem Maritime NHS.

Greg did point out that he had not put his name on the cartoon. To avoid not being recognized, budding cartoonists should sign their work. Send pen and ink drawings to National Park COURIER, Room 9335, 1100 L St. NW, Washington, D. C. 20240.

Below is the real Joan Crider Cartoon.



Guest Editorial

Former Director Connie Wirth Fears Over-Politicization of Civil Service

By Conrad L. Wirth

I think we have to face squarely what I have to say, because I feel it is absolutely basic to the intent of the Civil Service structure of our government, which has been fifty years in the building. Yet, it relates to the National Park Service, and to every other bureau in the Government. However, before I start I want to make it clear that I was interested in the subject long before the present change that occurred in the Directorship of the National Park Service. It has to do with the word "POLITICS."

Called Politician

I have often been called a politician, and at first I looked upon that word, or felt that it was meant, in a pejorative sense. However, after looking up the definitiions of "politic," "politics," and "politician" in the dictionary, I was convinced that in calling me a politician, those who did so were doing it within the true meaning of the word. Nevertheless, there is a distinct difference between party politics and politics in general. In fact, pretty nearly everything we do in a democracy, whether it is in government or in private practice, has to do with politics, within the framework of the meaning of the word.

Let me quote some definitions. *Webster's Collegiate Dictionary:* POLITIC is described in part as "characterized by shrewdness; sagacious in promoting a policy; shrewdly tactful." And the word POLITICS states, "total complex of relations between men in society." *Random House Dictionary of the English Language* defines POLITIC as "prudent; having or showing keen practical sense," and "shrewd, artful," and "expedient, judicious."

I'll admit these definitions cover both party politics and plain ordinary politics. Political appointees in positions such as that of the Secretary of the Interior and his assistants are part of an administration's policy-making machinery. They determine overall policy for the purpose of carrying out the administrative responsibilities of the party in office, and for the good of the country as they see it.

The professional groups within such technical agencies as the National Park Service, Forest Service, etc., have responsibility for administering and carrying out the policies established by the administration. They, too, are involved in negotations and in advising the Department (and the Secretary and Assistant Secretaries they serve under) on conditions, making such recommendations as are necessary and desirable in order to carry out the policies established by the Administration.

'C' Classifications

I believe there has been a serious mistake made by moving down into the administration of professional bureaus various classifications such as the "C" classifications and executive classifications, requiring those in that classification to hand in their resignation after a Presidential election. This procedure started some 15 or 20 years ago,



Connie Wirth

in a small way, through establishing the super-grades in Civil Service.

A year or so after I took office as Director, the "C" classification emerged. After mush discussion, the only ones in the Park Service put into that position were myself and my secretary. But then I was informed that this was done only to make it easier to effect possible changes in the Directorship and the position of the immediate assistant, in the event the Director did not comply with the policies of the administration, without going through the regular Civil Service procedure. It was stated that if I were relieved, they would have to give me another job of equal grade and salary that would be satisfactory to me, but the Director's position would have to be filled with another Civil Service person.

This principle has been expanded to the point where it now is purely a political ploy, with an application to the appointment with no Civil Service rating. This, in my opinion, is destructive of the Civil Service procedure and principle, and is demoralizing to a professional organization such as the National Park Service. It is perfectly evident that unless it is halted it will spread to all bureaus of Federal government.

Walker Praised

I hasten to insert here that I like what I have seen of Director Ronald Walker. He has taken on a big job, under trying conditions, and I for one will help him in every way I can to make a success of his administration, because I believe that the National Park System is a national, social, inspirational and cultural heritage of immeasurable value to the American people. However, creeping paralysis of party politics of political appointments to professional career positions that has been initiated will, if unchecked, eventually destroy the incentive of professional career people.

I do not mean to imply that the only efficient, capable personnel are to be found in the Civil Service System. However, the incentive of Civil Service is to become the best and to reach the top of one's profession. When you remove that possibility you destroy morale and the will to put forth one's best effort.

I think I should state, too, because it is a fact, that many people have labelled me as a Democrat because I was appointed Director of the National Park Service in 1951, by Secretary Oscar Chapman, after 23 years of service in the Federal government, 20 of them with the National Park Service. I served as Director until I retired in 1964. I served under Secretaries McKay, Seaton, and Udall without any further appointment; only one of them asked what my politics were, and after a swallow or two I told him that I was registered in Montgomery County, Maryland, where I voted, and that I was sure those records were available for inspection. Nothing else was said.

Conflict of Interest

I believe very strongly that career personnel should not take part in party politics, and therefore I have always registered, since 1928, when I first entered the government, as an Independent. I have always exercised my voting rights. In my opinion, a Federal career civil servant does not have the right to take part in national party politics. This constitutes a conflict of interest. That is my belief, and I think that a career civil servant who violates that principle assists in a very real way in the destruction of the career Civil Service System. I went so far as never to make a contribution to any political party while I was a Federal employee. However, since my retirement Mrs. Wirth and I have made, and still do make, fairly sizable contributions to both major parties. We believe strongly in the two-party form of government and that the vote should decide the issues, not the money.

In closing, "let me make it perfectly clear" that this is not an attack on Director Ron Walker, because all indications are that with a helping hand from all of us, he can make a contribution to the National Park System. My objection is to the principle that is destructive of good government and our Civil Service System. As I see it, the position of Director and, yes, the top-flight positions in the National Park Service, have become political plums, and are subject to change at least every four years. However, I am convinced that if a civil servant does not find it possible to follow the policies promulgated by the administration, he should either resign or ask to be transferred to another agency.

Further, I believe it is the responsibility of the Republican and Democratic parties to get together to stop this trend, and return the situation to a sound basis.

NPS Alumni Notes

By Herb Evison

Get Out Your Address Book

Here are some new addresses, gleaned from biography forms obtained by Howard Baker, and from other sources:

Walter D. Bell, retired in February, after 17 years of service, from Foreman, III, B. & U., at Grand Teton: Box 736, Dubois, Wyo. 82513.

Neal G. Guse, retired Dec. 22, 1972 from Chief, Office of Programs and Budget, Western Region, after 36 years with the Service: 9403 Hidden Valley Circle, Sun City, Ariz. 85351. Guse is one of a small distinguished group of NPS employees who started their careers in conservation as enrollees in the Civilian Conservation Corps. His began in July 1934.

Eugene E. Deao, retired June 1, 1972 from Assistant Director, NERO, after 15 years of service: 29 Hamilton Drive, Glen Oaks, Laurel Springs, N.J., 08021. Gene notes that since the beginning of this year, he has been working part time as business manager for the Department of Ophthalmology, Jefferson University Hospital, in Philadelphia.

Paul A. Riley, retired from position of Roads and Trails Foreman at Shenandoah NP, on January 12 after almost 32 years of service: Luray Avenue, Luray, Va. 22835.

Christopher H. Gaskill, retired from Maintenance Foremen, Cape Hatteras NS, Jan. 20: P. O. Box 143, Ocracok, N. C. 27960.

Maynard H. Swinney, retired from Electrician, Natchez Trace, Jan. 19: 711 Vassar Drive, Tupelo, Miss. 38801.

Cecil R. France, retired from Supervisory Park Guide, Mammoth Cave, Feb. 3: P. O. Box 22, Park City, Ky. 42160.

James T. Cook, retired from Maintenance Worker, Blue Ridge Parkway, Jan. 8: Route 1, Boone, N. C. 28607.

John B. Rogers, retired from Park Ranger, Mammoth Cave, Feb. 16, 1973: P. O. Box 66, Mammoth Cave, Ky. 42259.

Lennart Y. Berg, retired in January 1972 from Forester, Midwest Regional Office: Route 3, Box 48, Laurel Park, Hendersonville, N. C. 28739.

Frank D. Rentschler, retired from the position of Seasonal Ranger Naturalist at Yellowstone after serving in that capacity for 24 seasons; 1117 Oak Knoll, Pomona, Calif. 91768.

William J. (Joe) Kennedy, retired Jan. 9, 1973 from Superintendent, Lava Beds NM, after more than 33 years as a permanent employee of the NPS: 1012 Del Monte Blvd., Pacific Grove, Calif. 93950. Among several prospective retirement activities, Joe lists "spoiling the grandchildren."

Charles W. Lessig, retired Jan. 6, 1973 from Architect, Historic Structures, Midwest Regional Office, after 32 years with the NPS: 2005 Avalon Place, Adelphi, Md. 20783.

Frances J. Ayers, mother of Park Ranger Albert A. Ayers, retired from Secretary, Grand Canyon NP, in 1959; 1751 Jose Lane, Escondido, Calif. 92025. Mrs. Ayers lists among her retirement activities "12 grandchildren, and 1 great-granddaughter."

Fred L. Dickison, retired from Resource Management Specialist, Midwest Region, 1969, after nearly 24 years with the NPS: Route 1, box 59, Magazine, Ark., 72943.

Russell A. Gibbs, retired from Supt., Moores Creek, Nov. 1, 1969, after 27 years with the NPS: Box 283, Route 3, Heathsville, Va. 22473.

Gordon Cox, 14 Walking Diamond Drive, Prescott, Ariz. 86301.

J. A. Metzger, 2409 Country Park Drive, Prescott, Ariz. 86301.

Irving McNeil, Jr., 812 Skyline, Globe, Ariz. 85501.

Roland Richert, 1114 Skyline, Globe, Ariz. 85501.

The last four addresses were supplied by John O. Cook who, in February, had deserted his Tucson address to serve as Acting Superintendent of Tonto NM, following the transfer of Superintendent Zeb McKinney to Grand Canyon. John had been circularizing alumni in the Southwest to apprise them of the assistance available to them through the office of the State Director, Bob Lovegren, in Phoenix, but also to sound them out on the matter of get-togethers and the possible issuance of a newsletter covering alumni and Service activities in Arizona. He received a good number of responses that indicated enthusiasm about another get-together such as was held in 1971 at Page, promoted by Fred Binnewies.

Pinky Harrington Is At It Again Travelwise

The Richmond Harringtons —Virginia and Pinky—undoubtedly two of the world's most inveterate travelers, have been at it again, this time with their son Bob. Mostly, they don't think their travels are of much interest to their fellow alumni or other readers of the COURIER. However, they decided, correctly, that going on their own private safari in East Africia and temple-hopping on the Nile, were worth a few words on this page. Hence the following from Pinky, received early in April:

"We have just returned from our second visit to East Africa, this time on a personal tent safari, which has many advantages (and thrills) over being with a tour group and staying in lodges.

The wildlife problems are just as real and discouraging as described in the numerous articles on East African conservation. But there still are plenty of most species and Kenya is doing just about all it can to meet the problems realistically.

We had an enjoyable visit with John Macglaughlin, who is in Kenya with his son advising the Service.

Two highlights of our East African trip: a flight in a chartered plane over the Serengeti migration (we still don't believe it), and meeting Ahmed, the world famous elephant on a narrow forest road, both permanently recorded in our memories and on film. (To better protect him from poachers, Ahmed has been designated a national monument!)

"After East Africa, we flew up to Egypt for two weeks, ending with an eight-day boat trip on the upper Nile. We had been deterred from visiting Egypt by one international crisis after another, but that really was nonsense, except possibly in 1967. We encountered no difficulties whatever; everyone was friendly, courteous, and helpful. Of course, touring in Egypt is not like Europe by any means.

Judges Have 40 Years of Work Ahead

Frances Judge, who has "kept Paul company" during his summer assignments at Yellowstone these past several years—since 1965—where they have shared the task of looking after VIP's, writes that, after their winter in Albuquerque, "never have we been gladder to get HOME." Home, in their case, means their place at Ronan, Montana. "Although those years at Yellowstone were stimulating and happy, we are really looking forward to the summers here (and summers on and on). We have 40 years of work."

George Ingalls Winters in Africa

George F. Ingalls writes that he left the comfort of his Boulder, Colo., apartment—which overlooks the Front Range of the Rockies—this past winter to visit Nairobi and some of the national parks of Kenya and Tanzania. He reports that his trip was on a regular tour sponsored by the NRTA-AARP ("I'm an Aarp, not a Nerta," he explains) and that the stays in the national parks, thoroughly enjoyable, were usually all too brief. One of the steps not usually included in East African tours was Olduvai Gorge, made famous by the discoveries of the late Dr. Leakey; prominent anthropologist. "Also," he added, "we enjoyed a night and several hours of daylight at the posh Mount Kenya Safari Club, where for the first time I bowled on the green."

He was less enthusiastic about Lagos, Nigeria. There the tour party spent a couple of nights en route from Dakar, Senegal, to Nairobi. "It was frightfully hot and humid."

FYI: NRTA is National Retired Teachers Association; AARP is American Association of Retired Persons.

Grace Albright Beats Attack of London Flu

Grace (Mrs. Horace M.) Albright was seriously ill during most of February with a severe attack of the "London flu." Horace reported late in March that she had by that time recovered completely and that they were preparing to head east in mid-April for the Spring meeting of the Advisory Board and Council.

Old Rocky Ranger Recollects

Rocky Mountain NP's library has a book in its stacks that should interest Service employees as much as Horace M. Albright's Classic, "Oh Ranger."

In this age of nostalgia, books about the '20's and '30's are in vogue. What Rocky has is "Recollections of a Rocky Mountain Ranger," by Jack C. Moomaw, a tale of what it was like in the park between 1923-43.

The work was published in 1963.

An addendum to one of Rocky's library copies tells much about Jack. At the same time he tells much.

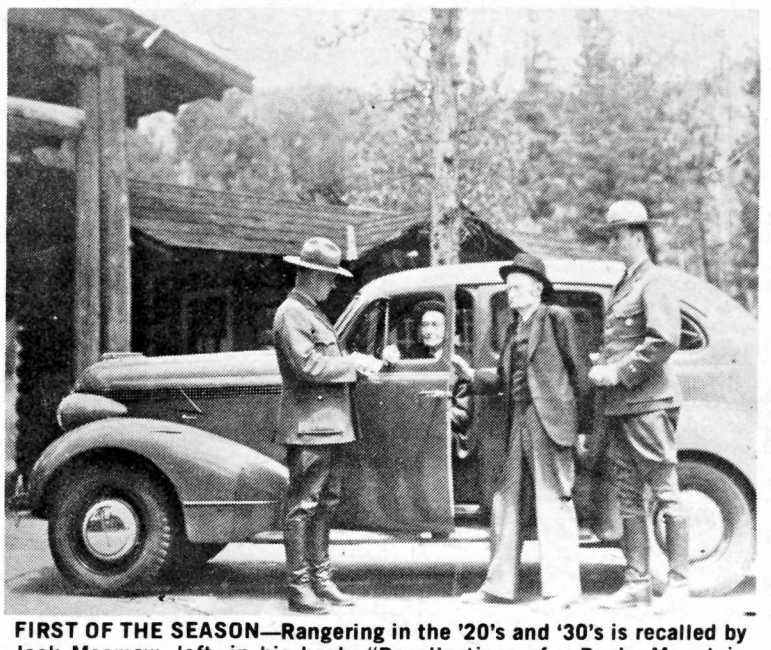
In part he says, "My duties during these twenty years have never really been work in the sense that most people seem to think of work. . .For many years I was given, volunteered for, or fell heir to the toughest jobs and rescue work in the park, but now my physical fitness rating is minus. However, I still believe that I am a better man than the boys who rate me.

"Popularity is a transient thing and I honestly was not too puffed up over the publicity and praise during those past years of glory. I felt that it really belonged to the Service and was not my personal property. But Gentlemen's agreements, like honor among thieves, has very little value in reality and unsigned cheques cannot be cashed. Has-beens will be replaced by would-bes and haves. I am not complaining. I thought it might be good for you all to remember that your turn is coming."

After retirement, Jack's love of the out-of-doors kept him outside. He continued to follow his interest in archeology and mineralogy. He has discovered valuable jade in Wyoming and made projectile points befitting Folsom man. The latter he did, not to fool anyone, but to show that one could be fooled.

He painted in oils, a knack he discovered while a ranger. And he remained the man that made him so well-known; sincere, thoughtful, and kind. His home and out buildings ay Lyons, Colo., stocked with the collections of a lifetime, provide education and entertainment for a vast variety of people, from preschool children to doctors of paleontology, from other hobbyists to new generation rangers. Jack is now 81.

Rocky has other plans for Jack. This coming summer, hopefully a meeting between the old east side ranger (Jack) and the old west side ranger, Fred McLaren will be held. One of the Rocky Mountain staff, a quiet one, will sit, listen, and record. Their lives, their careers, and their parks should not be forgotten.



FIRST OF THE SEASON—Rangering in the '20's and '30's is recalled by Jack Moomaw, left, in his book, "Recollections of a Rocky Mountain Ranger." Ranger Moomaw sells the first pass of the season (1939) to Charles Reed of Estes Park, Colo., while Abner Sprague and Dave Cannfield look on.

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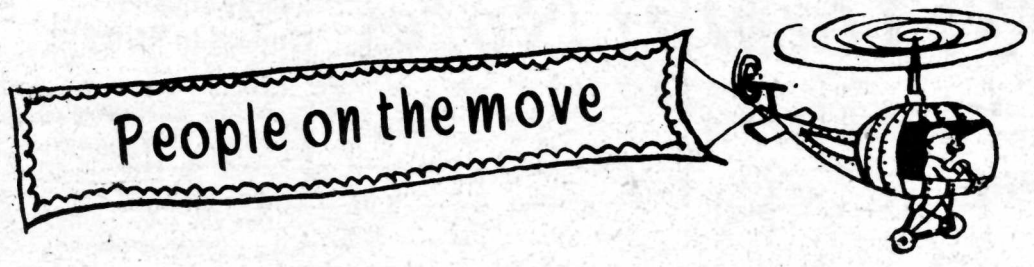
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BOWDLER, John P., from Supv Pk Ranger, Sequoia NP, to Pk Ranger (Interagency Fire Coord) Assist Dir Oper, PNRO

GRAVES, Diana J., from Pk Ranger, Shenandoah NP, to Same, (Interp Spec), Christiansted NHS

GRYSZKIEWICZ, Alice W., from Admin Clk (Typing), Morristown NHP, to Admin Assist, Boston Gp

HARDEMAN, Donna M., from Clk (DMT), Div of Fin & Control, SERO, to Clk-Typist, Off of Personnel Mgmt & Devel, SERO

HEINER, Edna F., from Admin Clk, Edison NHS, to Same, Morristown NHP

HINCKLEY, Rose M., from Sec (Steno), NCP--West, to Sec (DMT), Greenbelt Pk, NCP

KELLEY, Joseph B., from Pk Ranger, Great Smoky Mts NP, to Supv Pk Ranger, Blue Ridge Pkwy

KIRKLAND, Zachary T., Jr., from Pk Mgr, SERO, to Supv Pk Ranger, Great Smoky Mountains NP

LANANE, Robert A., from Pk Ranger, Everglades NP, to Same, Apostle Islands Nat'l Lakeshore

LEE, James, Jr., from Pk Tech, Area I, NCP, to Same, NCP--West

MALIN, Reid, from Admin Off, Southern Arizona Gp, to Same, Golden Gate NRA

PACHTA, Noel J., from Maintenance Supv, Mount McKinley NP, to Same, Mesa Verde NP

PETERSON, Dale, from Pk Ranger, Colonial NHP, to Supv Pk Ranger, Isle Royale NP

WARFIELD, Ronald G., from Pk Ranger, Blue Ridge Pkwy, to Supv Pk Ranger, Horseshoe Bend NMP

WARREN, Henry C., Jr., from Supv Pk Ranger, Lassen Volcanic NP, to Pk Ranger (Naturalist), Alaska State Dir

New Faces

ALLEN, Trudy A., to Minerals Clk, Assist Dir Operations, WRO

CASTLE, Earl W., to Laborer, Saguaro NM

DITMANSON, Dennis L., to Pk Ranger, Lyndon B. Johnson NHS

FRANKEL, Leah S., to Pk Ranger, Manhattan Properties, NERO

GARCIA, Aida L., to Pk Aid, Statue of Liberty NM

GRASSO, John E., to Private, US Pk Police

HECIMOVIC, Daniel F., Jr., to Private, US Pk Police

KORNBLUM, William S., to Research Sociologist, WASO

MAHN, Robert E., Jr., to Pk Ranger, NCP

McCLURE, Duane P., to Pk Ranger, Manhattan Properties, NERO

MELLION, Paul L., to Pk Ranger, Sagamore Hill NHS

SEEGMILLER, Wendell G., to Electrician, Grand Canyon NP

SEIPLE, William E., to Pk Ranger, Mount Rainier NP

SIDLER, Joseph S., to Electrician, Kennedy Center Support Group, NCP

SIMPSON, Lenora J., to Clk-Typist, Division of Pk Operations, WASO

THOMPSON, Robert E., to Plumber, Kennedy Center Support Gp, NCP

WALSH, Philip J., to Mail & File Clk, Assist Dir Systems & Control, WASO

WINTERMYER, Thomas J., Electrician, Kennedy Center Support Group, NCP

WOOD, Michael L., to Private, US Pk Police

WORLEY, Carl D., to Maintenance Worker, Craters of the Moon NM

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BRANDTS, Joanne M., from Employee Relations Clk, Off of Organiz Devel & Manpower, NCP

CALDWELL, John R., from Buildings & Ground Maintenance Foreman, Mount Rainier NP

CLAYTON, Theodore, from Training Instructor (Automotive), Mammoth Cave NP

CROOK, Charles D., from Cartographer, Assoc Dir Prof Support, SERO

DABBS, Jerry L., from Laborer, Glacier Bay NM

DUNSFORD, George C., from Maintenanceman, Leader, Cape Cod Nat'l Seashore

FEOLI, Bernard, from Pk Tech, Independence NHP

FLETCHER, David B., from Supv Pk Ranger, Blue Ridge Pkwy

HAMILTON, Carolyn S., from Card Punch Oper, Office of Fin & Control, WRO

JOHNS, Dwight A., from Private, US Pk Police

JONES, Naydine A., from Registry Clk, Div of Nat'l Register, WSO

MacDONALD, Stuart E., from Architect, Plng & Design Team Mgr Historic Pres, DSC

MARLER, Laura S., from Clk, Yellowstone NP

MAZZARO, James, Maintenance, SERO

McMANUS, Thomas P., from Pk Aid, Statue of Liberty NM

MINOR, Karen E., from Clk (Typing), Assist Dir Systems & Control, WASO

ROBERTSON, Carlos F., from Personnel Off, Everglades NP

RUSH, William T., from Program Assist, Arbuckle RA

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Deaths

'Stuttsy' Stutts Dies

Clarence C. Stutts, who served as chief clerk and personnel officer for the Service's former Region One office in Richmond during the late 1930's died at the Bethesda Naval Hospital on May 9, after a long illness.



Clarence Stutts

Mr. Stutts left the Service to enter the Navy at the beginning of World War II; he first served in Portsmouth, Va., then in Guam and at San Diego. He left the Navy in 1953 to become the personnel officer for both military and civilian employees for the Naval Oceanographic Office in Suitland, Maryland. In Clinton, Md. where he settled after retirement from that position, he became a successful real estate salesman.

Stuttsy, as he was known to his associates in the regional office, is survived by his second wife, Phyllis, whom he married after World War II, and by a daughter Julie and a son Michael.

Charles W. Stafford

Charles W. (Bill) Stafford, a park ranger at Cape Cod NS, died suddenly of a heart attack April 17 while vacationing in Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia. He was 47.

Bill Stafford had been employed by NPS since 1960. He had served at C&O Canal and Morristown NHP's.

A graduate of the University of Missouri, Mr. Stafford is survived by his widow, Roberta, and two children, Charles W. Jr. and Briely Ann.

Edwin C. Kenner

Edwin C. Kenner, retired chief of Maintenance of NPS, died May 6 in Maryland after an apparent heart attack. He was 61.

Born in Macomb, Ill., Mr. Kenner attended Armour Institute of Technology in Chicago. He came to Washington, D. C. in 1941.

After World War II, he joined NPS and had been chief of Maintenance from 1954 until he retired in 1969.

Mr. Kenner was a recipient of Interior Department's Meritorious Service Award.

He is survived by a daughter, Suzanne Hinds, of LaGrange, Ill., and a sister, Evelyn Smith of Macomb.

His daughter asked that in lieu of flowers, those wishing to make a memorial contribution do so to the E&AA Educational Aid Fund.

Births

BURDICK, Aaron Edward, born to George and Fran Burdick in March at Big Bend NP.

VALENTINE, Charles Andrew, born April 23 to Dale and Sheila Valentine of Great Smoky Mountains NP.

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