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Eisenhower 1962 NPS Budget $104,608,000; Biggest Ever

The budget submitted to Congress by President Eisenhower in January contained requests in behalf of the Service of $104,608,000, - a figure which contrasts interestingly with the slightly more than $4,500,000 appropriated for the fiscal year 1944 (World War II) and even with the $87,344,000 appropriated for the current fiscal year. The 1962 figure is an increase of $17,264,000 over 1961, and includes new obligational authority of $4,000,000, "the amount by which contract authorization for roads and trails and parkways construction exceeds the cash appropriation requested for liquidation of obligations under the contract authorization." The latter quote, probably incomprehensible to most laymen in government finance, is from an explanatory and summary statement issued by the Service.

Management and Protection, $21,790,000, is up $2,406,000; Maintenance and Protection of Physical Facilities, $18,238,000, is up $3,087,000; Construction, $28,997,000, is an increase of $7,769,000, accounted for largely by an item of $7,495,997 for the gateway arch and visitor center at Jefferson National Expansion Memorial; Construction (Liquidation of Contract authorization), $30,000,000, is unchanged; and General Administrative expenses, $1,583,000, up $2,000.

Operating increases

The statement explains that the increases for M&P and M&R are principally for park operating programs, based upon a contemplated "visitor workload" of 72,000,000 in 1962, including the cost of operating the many new visitor centers and other facilities completed or to be completed under MISSION 66 and, in some areas, extending the visitor season or hours of operation. Both operating and construction funds are included for four areas authorized but not yet established: Arkansas Post National Memorial, Ark.; Bent's Old Fort National Historic Site, Colo.; Minute Man National Historical Park, Mass.; and Wilson's Creek Battlefield National Park, Mo. Funds are also asked for the Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area, Utah-Wyo.; and for Federal Hall National Memorial, where operating costs have been largely met by the Federal Hall Memorial Associates in the past, under a cooperative agreemnt; and for 25 additional U. S. Park Police.

A chunk for JNEM

Contemplated developments at JNEM would take a total of $9,497,000; construction of recreational facilities on 5 Upper Colorado reservoirs, as authorized under the Colorado River Storage Project Act, calls for $3,500,000. Land and water-rights acquisitions account for $2,430,000. Of this amount $500,000 is for Civil War area lands; the same amount for continuing acquisition of lands for Minute Man; $450,000 for acquisition within Everglades' extended boundaries; $300,000 for acquisition of the Storer College property at Harpers Ferry, as authorized by legislation approved last June.

The summaries of proposed programs and expenditures for construction prepared in the Branches of Finance and Programs and the tabulation of proposed expenditures for all purposes, area by area, prepared by the Branch of Finance, are as usual rather impressive documents, and monuments to the capabilities of the people in these branches, including the late Herbert Pipes, who was budget officer at the time of his death in November. Presentation of all the details of these summaries would occupy, probably, at least half of this issue. We can call attention only to certain provisions which appear to be of special interest.

15 visitor centers

If the budget is approved, there will be no lag in the provision of visitor centers. We note 15 in the program, including the conversion of the pavilion at Vanderbilt Mansion to such a center. Rehabilitation and restoration of historic buildings at Independence will re-

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Staff Meets New Asst. Secretary

Introduced at the Director's staff meeting on January 26 was the new Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land Resources, the Hon. **John A. Carver, Jr.,** of Boise, Idaho, appointed by President Kennedy on Jan. 12. He will supervise the activities of the National Park Service, the Bureau of Land Management, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Office of Territories, and the Alaska Railroad.



Asst. Secy. Carver

Prior to his appointment, Mr. Carver had been administrative assistant to Sen. Frank Church of Idaho. Before that, he had been assistant state attorney general of Idaho, had practiced law as senior partner in a private firm in Boise, and had had considerable experience as a career Federal Civil Service personnel executive.

Mr. Carver was in the Army Air Force from May 1943 to February 1946, serving overseas in England, Germany, France and Japan. He was a first lieutenant at the time of his discharge.

Pick Candidates for Assn. Board

There was an excellent response to the opportunity offered by the new bylaws of the Employees and Alumni Association for members of the association to present nominations for membership on its Board of Directors. **Hillory A. Tolson,** chairman of the committee on nominations and elections, on February 8 reported for his committee the nominations which follow; though the bylaws anticipated the presentation of only two names for each of the places on the board, ties have resulted in the presentation of more than that number for the board members for Regions One, Three, and Five, the Eastern and Western Offices of Design and Construction, and the alumni of the Service.

Enclosed with this issue is a ballot for use in electing board members. All voting members in good standing (that is to say, employees and former employees who have paid their 1961 dues) are urged to vote, so that those finally chosen for membership on the board may be as truly representative as possible of the members of the Association.

The slate consists of the following:

Washington Office - Daniel B. Beard, chief of interpretation, and **Cornelius W. Heine,** chief of public use and interpretation, NCP.

Region One - Stanley W. Abbott, supt., Colonial; **J. C. Harrington,** regional chief of interpretation; and **Raymond O. Mulvany,** regional administrative officer.

Region Two - George F. Baggley, regional chief of operations, and **Harthon L. Bill,** supt., Grand Teton.

Region Three - James M. Eden, supt., Glen Canyon; **Monte E. Fitch, Jr.,** supt., Organ Pipe Cactus; **George W. Miller,** asst. regional director; and **William A. Schnettler,** regional information officer.

Region Four - George G. Downes, regional information officer, and **Herbert Maier,** asst. regional director.

Region Five - Robert H. Atkinson, supt., Roosevelt-Vanderbilt; **William E. Brown,** regional information officer; **Edward P. Crouch,** regional engineer.

Design and Construction Offices - Robert G. Hall, landscape architect, WODC; **Glenn O. Hendrix,** landscape architect, WODC; **Ralph R. McFadden,** electronics engineer, WODC; **J. Dean Stout,** landscape architect, EODC; and **Melvin A. Thuring,** project coordinating officer, EODC.

Former Employees - Horace M. Albright, New Rochelle, N. Y.; **John D. Coffman,** Berkeley, Calif.; **Paul R. Franke,** Sante Fe; and **Carl P. Russell,** Orinda, Calif.

Today and tomorrow the Western Conference of National Park Concessioners are holding their annual meeting in Washington. Tomorrow they will be guests at a cocktail party, given in their honor by Washington Office personnel, at the Army-Navy Club.

Reappraisal of MISSION 66 Basis of Canyon Conference

As announced in the December issue of the **Courier,** there will be a National Park Service conference at Grand Canyon National Park, April 24-28. It will be called the MISSION 66 FRONTIERS CONFERENCE, and its primary purpose will be to consider MISSION 66 in all its aspects at its halfway point. An important basis for all discussions will be the reappraisal of the program which has been in progress throughout the Service for many months past. Director Wirth, writing on the editorial page under the heading, **The Director Says,** discusses the reasons for and purposes of the meeting and what he expects of it.

Attendance to be limited

In line with instructions issued by Secretary Udall and the Director about reducing travel costs, the number of those attending will be materially smaller than at similar conferences in recent years. Reductions will affect principally attendance from the Washington and Regional Offices and the two Design and Construction Offices. Virtually all superintendents will be on hand, as will **Frank Kowski,** supervisor of the Service's Training Center in Yosemite. Invitations to attend are being extended to **Frank Masland,** chairman of the Advisory Board; **Alfred B. LaGasse,** executive secretary of the American Institute of Park Executives; Herb Evison, editor of the **National Park Courier;** the Secretary, the Under Secretary, the Assistant Secretary for Public Land Management, and the Administrative Assistant Secretary; former directors and regional directors; widows of former directors and certain other officials. Twenty-four concessioners have been invited to send representatives, and they will again be given a "concessioners' hour" on the conference program. Messrs. **Laurance Rockefeller, Sargent** and **Stevens** of the ORRRC have also been invited to attend.

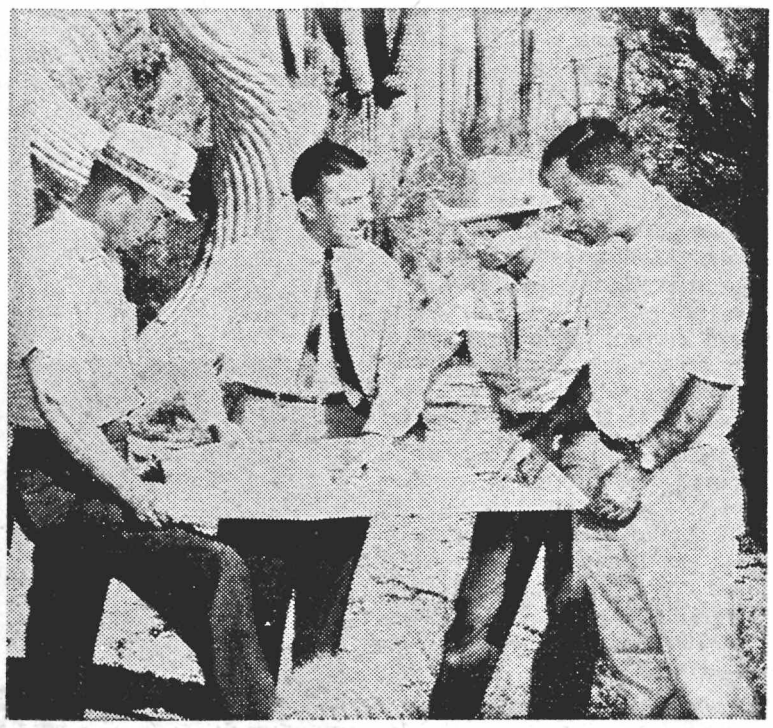
People and jobs

A tentative agenda for the conference was formulated as recently as Feb. 24, but it is apparently far from having attained final form; preparation of the final program is the responsibility — with some help — of the vice chairman for program development, **John E. Doerr,** superintendent of Olympic. Another vice chairman, **Harthon L. (Spud) Bill,** superintendent of Grand Teton, will be responsible for preparation of the report of the meeting, including all conference recommendations and all conclusions reached in panel discussions, of which five are tentatively scheduled. The tentative lineup of presiding officers includes the Director, Associate Director Scoyen, tor, Associate Director **Scoyen,** and Regional Director **Tom Allen.**

MANAGEMENT PROGRAM HAS FOUR NPS STUDENTS

By contrast with last year's two, the National Park Service is represented in the Fifth Departmental Manager Development Program this year by four employees. They are **Glenn C. Farrar,** civil engineer, Mammoth Cave; **Fred J. Novak,** asst. supt. of Crater Lake; **Harvey B. Reynolds,** Region Two program analyst; and **W. Drew Chick,** National Capital Parks' chief of interpretation.

The program is offered for those in the middle management group, - employees in Grades GS-10 through GS-13.



Now Here's What Should Be Transferred

While he was an Arizona representative in Congress, **Stewart Udall,** now Secretary of the Interior, introduced legislation for the transfer of 16,000 acres of Tucson Mountain Park to Saquaro National Monument. In January, before leaving the House he reintroduced the bill. In this picture, taken in the park, he is wearing the necktie. **(Arizona Daily Citizen** photo)

Yellowstone, Glacier Continuing District Manager Plan This Year

A different concept in the management of parks in the Group E category has been on trial this past year at Yellowstone and Glacier.

The plan, called the district manager type of operation, was carried out at Yellowstone last summer on an across-the-board basis; at Glacier it was tried out only on the east side of the park.

Under the plan, a park is divided into districts, and one man assumes overall management responsibility for a district. The division chiefs at park headquarters serve as "staff" to the superintendent, while the men in charge of the districts, tentatively called district managers, serve as "line" officials. During the experimental period, the managers serve in "acting" capacities.

The acting managers

At Yellowstone, the three ranger districts—north, south and west—into which it was already divided were retained. Designated as acting managers were **John Good**, assistant chief park naturalist, north district, with headquarters at Mammoth; **Thomas B. Hyde**, assistant park engineer, south district, with headquarters at Lake; and **Oscar B. Dick**, assistant chief park ranger, operating from Old Faithful. At Glacier, District Ranger **James W. Godbolt** was acting manager for the east side of the park.

The disadvantage of centralizing responsibility at headquarters in administering an area of the size and complexity of 3,532-square-mile Yellowstone has long been evident to Service officials. It made introduction of and experimentation with some such plan as this a virtual necessity.

Yellowstone's districts

Officials cite as an example the north district of Yellowstone. It covers 831,100 acres. That is larger than Big Bend, Crater Lake, Grand Teton, Grand Canyon, Great Smoky Mountains, Kings Canyon, Mount Rainier, Rocky Mountain, Sequoia, Shenandoah, Yosemite, or Zion. The west district contains 624,554 acres; the south 766,120. In the past, all three have been substantially administered from the Mammoth headquarters.

The district managers, in effect, function as superintendents for the part of the park to which each is assigned. They operate with a great degree of autonomy, and report only to the park superintendent. They supervise all activities in their districts, - administration, maintenance, protection, interpretation, construction, and concessioner relationships. Assisting them are men who supervise operations in their own fields, such as a district ranger, naturalist, engineer, or maintenance foreman. All programming for the district is carried out by the district manager.

Staffing studies built around the district manager type of operation were made at Yellowstone and Glacier last year by Supts. **Garrison** and **Hummel** and their staffs and Region Two Office personnel. Special staffing plans were developed to carry out the district manager concept.

Review by "the brass"

The operation was reviewed on the ground last summer by the Director, Regional Director **Howard Baker**, and members of their staffs. Baker plans that the test be extended through next summer before a decision is made as to its practicability.

Garrison and Hummel have expressed the belief that, after another summer's experience, the district manager concept will prove to be more efficient than the present organization.

"We don't want anybody to get the impression that this plan is necessarily the best that can be conceived," says Baker, "as there are a number of problems inherent in this type of operation which still must be resolved. But we are convinced that the district manager organizational structure represents a move in the right direction in connection with the operation of large parks.

"Much of the credit for the success of the experiment last summer goes to Lon Garrison and Ed Hummel, members of their immediate staffs, and the acting district managers and their crews," he added. "We have their complete cooperation in putting this plan to a full test, and are greatly encouraged by the results so far."

Glacier Will Be All-Hummel Park

Don Hummel, concessioner at Mount McKinley and Lassen Volcanic, and mayor of Tucson, Ariz., has completed negotiations with the Great Northern Railway for purchase of the Glacier Park Co., including the Glacier Park Transport Co. He is also negotiating to buy the Glacier Park Hotel at East Glacier Park and the Prince of Wales Hotel in Waterton Lakes National Park.

All of last year's managers of the hotels are understood to have been offered positions for 1961. It is reported that the hotels will operate on the European, rather than American, plan, with increased dining-room facilities.

Mr. Hummel is now negotiating with the NPS for a new contract.

Four NPS Folks Receive Honors

Four employees or former employees of the National Park Service were among those honored at the 24th Honor Awards Convocation of the Department of the Interior, held on Monday, Jan. 16. They were **Edmund B. Rogers**, retired, former special assistant to the Director and for 20 years superintendent of Yellowstone; **Dudley C. Bayliss**, chief of parkways in the Division of Design and Construction; **Harvey Brown**, Natchez Trace Parkway caretaker; and **Frank H. Papuga**, private in the U. S. Park Police.



Secretary Seaton Presents Award to Private Papuga

Rogers and Bayliss received distinguished service awards. Rogers' award was importantly for his work in assembling and analyzing all legislation and legislative reports dealing with the national parks, but also for his service as superintendent of Yellowstone and Rocky Mountain. Bayliss, who has been the Service's central office "parkway man" almost since the program of parkway construction was launched, was recognized for outstanding service in the field of parkway design and development.



Dudley C. Bayliss

The awards to Brown and Papuga were both for valor. Brown's courageous rescue of two women from drowning in the Pearl River last June was described in last September's issue of the Courier. Private Papuga's heroism was displayed when he stopped a runaway truck on Lee Highway, in Arlington, Va., during evening rush hour traffic.

Chief Architect Sutton Retires

Though well recovered from a heart attack which kept him away from his desk for many months, **Dick Sutton**, chief architect of the Service, retired voluntarily effective Nov. 3, after 34 years of outstanding Federal service in the fields of administration and architecture. He was honored at a cocktail party on Dec. 18 at the Bethesda Naval Officers Club, when he received a handsome walnut hall chest from his many Park Service friends.

Dick saw service with the Army in 1917-18, and was with the Government Printing Office from 1919 to 1925. During World War II, he was advisor on war housing with the Federal Public Housing Authority for almost 3 years.

Nationally recognized for professional competence, Dick strongly influenced the character of National Park Service architecture during his years as chief architect. He had a hand in establishment of the Historic American Buildings Survey, a cooperative undertaking of the Service, the American Institute of Architects, the Library of Congress, and the National Trust for Historic Preservation. It was he who obtained for the NPS special authority to negotiate contracts with private firms for the architectural and landscape work of the MISSION 66 program. Because of his high professional standing, he represented the Director at international park conferences in London, Paris, and Essen.

Mr. and Mrs. Sutton are at home to their friends at 4529 Crest Lane, McLean, Va.

Robert E. Smith, with the Service since 1933, who was acting chief architect during Dick Sutton's illness, has been appointed to succeed him. He has been employed successively on the Natchez Trace Parkway, as Region One regional architect, and in the Division of Design and Construction in Washington.

Calif. Representatives, Senators Support Seashore at Point Reyes

Forty-five miles of spectacular Pacific seacoast will be preserved as the Point Reyes National Seashore if Congress passes any one of three bills introduced to that effect in the 87th Congress. The new bills were introduced by Senators Engle and Kuchel and Congressmen Miller and Cohelan, all of California. They follow essentially the recommendations made by the NPS in the detailed studies which followed the Pacific Coast Recreation Area Survey.

Urban sprawl a threat

Point Reyes Peninsula, only 35 miles north of San Francisco, miraculously has retained much of its natural charm, relatively undisturbed by the spreading Bay Region suburbs. However, the urban sprawl now threatens this magnificent coastal area and it will take prompt action to save the area for public benefit and enjoyment.

In addition to wide sandy beaches and high rocky promontories lining the ocean front, the area also includes 53,000 acres of marshes, rolling grasslands and high tree-covered ridges. Of this area, 33,000 acres are planned for public use and some 20,000 now devoted to ranching operations will be designated for that use to preserve the attractive and compatible pastoral scene.

Lands to be excluded

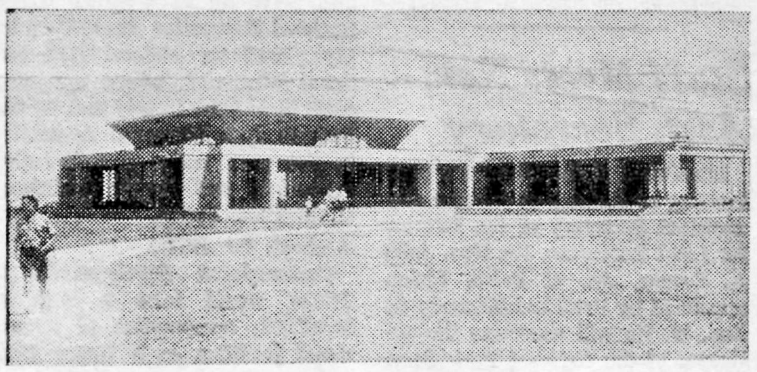
In all, Point Reyes Peninsula encompasses some 64,000 acres. The proposed national seashore, however, will exclude the existing Tomales Bay State Park and sufficient area around Inverness, Inverness Park and Bolinas to provide for future expansion of these communities.

The present Point Reyes proposal is practically identical to that recommended in 1935 by Director Wirth, then assistant director for land planning.

Wright Brothers Visitor Center Dedicated; Anniversary Observed

Dedication of Wright Brothers National Memorial's new Visitor Center was combined with ceremonies held Dec. 17 to commemorate the 57th anniversary of The Wrights' first successful power-driven airplane flight.

The occasion attracted a distinguished group of special guests including Governor **Luther H. Hodges**, and Governor-elect **Terry Sanford**, of North Carolina, Assistant Secretary of the Interior **George W. Abbott**, Director **Conrad L. Wirth**, Congressman **Herbert Bonner**, other National Park Service officials, and high ranking officers of the military services.



The New Wright Brothers Visitor Center

Governor Hodges made an address of welcome. But the principal address was delivered by vigorous 81-year-old Maj. Gen. Benjamin D. Foulois, U.S.A.F. retired, the first man to fly an airplane in the service of the United States.

In 1910 General Foulois and one Wright Brothers airplane constituted the Military Air Force of this Nation. The General had been closely associated with Wilbur and Orville Wright, and he recalled the tedious birth of heavier-than-air aviation and recited many of his early experiences.

A feature of the ceremonies was a fly-over of several flights of the latest jet type military aircraft. The timing was close to perfect. The first flight of modern planes passed over at split-second intervals, almost exactly 57 years to the minute after the first flight by Orville Wright.

There was a pleasant surprise when, unexpectedly, the Hon Lindsay Warren, the man largely responsible for guiding legislation through Congress establishing both Wright Brothers National Memorial and Cape Hatteras National Seashore, arrived to participate. He was vigorously applauded by those present.

Death Valley Hiker Lost

Richard Hill, 17, who began a hike to Telescope Peak Nov. 26, lost his way in a snowstorm and, as of early February, was still unfound. Members of the Death Valley staff joined with the Civil Air Patrol at China Lake, the Air Rescue Section from Hamilton AFB and others in a search lasting from the day of the boy's disappearance to December 5. Richard's parents have written to express their gratitude for the efforts of NPS and other searchers.

Saltonstall and Smith Introduce Revised Cape Cod Seashore Bill

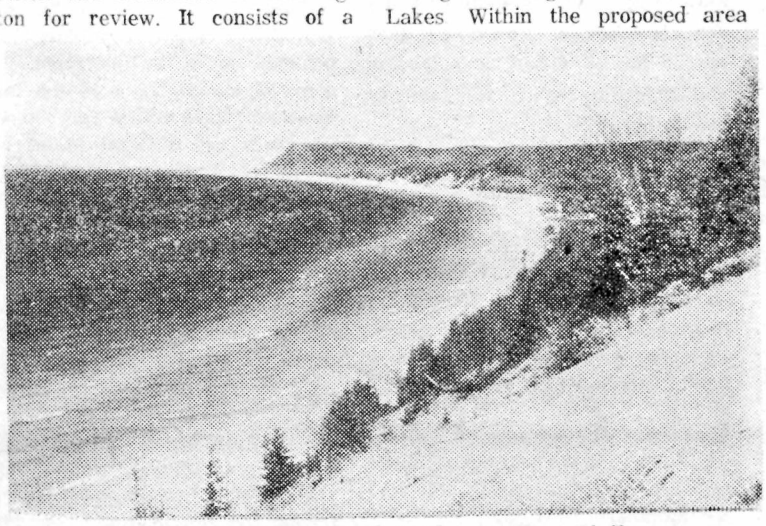
Two new sets of bills recently introduced in Congress would authorize the Cape Cod National Seashore, which President Kennedy has cited as an urgent conservation need and which Secy. Udall has called top priority in new park projects.

Massachusetts Senators Saltonstall and Smith have revised the Kennedy-Saltonstall bill of the last Congress by reducing the area by 1,518 acres, to meet some of the Cape towns' demands for additional land outside the seashore boundaries. Rep. Hastings Keith and other Bay State congressmen have reintroduced the earlier bill. Both measures contain provisions protecting the rights and interests of local residents and the towns. Much residential property would be exempted from condemnation, with life tenancies authorized. There would be Federal reimbursement for town tax losses, and a special advisory commission for the seashore would be established.

Hearings on the Cape last December recorded additional testimony for and against boundary revisions. Director Wirth's testimony reassured Cape Codders on the conservation objectives of the seashore proposal.

Michigan's Sleeping Bear Area Has Many Significant Qualities

The detailed report on the Sleeping Bear lakeshore area on the Lower Peninsula of Michigan, one of the three shore areas recommended for Federal acquisition, has been prepared by the Region Five Recreation Resource Planning Division and forwarded to Washington for review. It consists of a popular report, with geological, biological and economic appendices. A similar report on the Pictured Rocks area, on the Upper Penisula, was expected to follow shortly.



From Empire Bluffs North to Sleeping Bear Bluffs

Sleeping Bear is important for its glacial land forms, the shoreline processes of Lake Michigan and its forerunners, botanical diversity, great scenic appeal, and excellent and extensive sand beaches.

Included in the proposed area is 5000-acre South Manitou Island, 7 miles offshore. Besides a summer gull colony of several thousand birds, the island contains, in a 50-acre tract of virgin timber, the largest known northern white cedar in the U. S., - 11 feet 2 inches in circumference, 111 feet high.

The Sleeping Bear Dunes are among the largest on the Great Lakes Within the proposed area are numerous inland lakes. The largest, Glen Lake, more than 6,000 acres in extent, is surrounded on all sides by high morainal hills.

Uplands are forested chiefly with maple and beech; the lowlands with pine, oak, birch and aspen; the bog areas with tamarack, black spruce and white cedar. Empire Bluffs, highest shoreline point on Lake Michigan, rising 500 feet is actually a sand dume, with 200 feet of sand atop 300 feet of morainal drift.

Hero Medals to Wilcox, Spurgeon

Park Rangers **Gale H. Wilcox** and **Stanley H. Spurgeon** have been awarded bronze medals by the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission in recognition of their heroic rescue acts in attempting to save Ranger **John C. Fonda** from drowning in Jackson Lake on March 9, 1960.

The medal for Gale was awarded posthumously to **Mrs. Louise A. Wilcox,** his widow, now living in Albany, Ore. The award to Mrs. Wilcox also provided $60 a month for support of herself and her son for a period of 2 years. Stan's medal was accompanied by a cash award of $500.

Rangers Wilcox and Fonda have been recognized for devotion to duty, loyalty, and faithful service to the Government by Department of the Interior Commendable Service Awards, presented posthumously to Mrs. Wilcox and Mrs. **Jean B. Fonda,** John's widow.

LOWER HEIGHT OF DAM, N.P. ASSOCIATION URGES

"In view of the Congressional denial of appropriations for the construction of protective works and the Congressional prohibition against use of construction funds from Glen Canyon Dam for such works, it seems clear as a matter of law that you now have no alternative but to direct the stabilization of the maximum pool of Lake Powell at elevation 3606, which is the western boundary of the monument, and to require the adjustment of spillways accordingly."

The writer, Anthony Wayne Smith, executive secretary of the National Parks Association, was addressing Secretary of the Interior Udall in a letter dated January 24; "the monument" he referred to is Rainbow Bridge, threatened with occasional flooding by the waters of Lake Powell if the Glen Canyon Dam is built to its present planned height. Stating the position of the Association as expressed by its Board of Directors in a meeting held in early November, Smith asserted that "the National Parks Association feels quite strongly that to allow the waters of Lake Powell to rise into the monument would be to violate the mandate to the Secretary of the Interior contained in the Colorado River Storage Act, the declaration of intention by Congress in that Act, and the established national policy with respect to national parks and monuments."

Wirth Continues As NPS Director

Probably to the surprise of nobody, **Conrad L. Wirth** is still the Director of the National Park Service. The first announcement that he was to be retained in the post he had occupied for more than 9 years came on the morning of January 25, and from no less a person than the President of the United States. Although President Kennedy has announced most or all of his own appointments, Connie is the only Secretarial appointment about whom such an announcement came from the White House.



Conrad L Wirth

It is interesting to note that a few hours before the announcement, the **Washington Post and Times-Herald** appeared with a story on the first press conference held by Secretary of the Interior Stewart Udall. At that conference, held the previous day, the Secretary was asked whether or not Wirth was to be retained; his answer was a non-commital one and probably led a good many readers of the paper to believe that the matter had not yet been settled. However, it had been; an Interior Department press release headed "CONRAD L. WIRTH TO REMAIN AS DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE" was awaiting issuance. Secretary Udall just was not "sounding off" in advance of the President or of his own release.

"Conrad Wirth, a career civil servant, has been Director of the National Park Service since 1951 and has served in top administrative positions since joining the Service in 1931," said the Secretary in his press announcement. "I feel fortunate in having a man of his experience and ability as head of the National Park Service, an agency in which I have a continuing personal interest."

Harper to Publish Association Book on History of U. S. Flag

Sometime in the next two or three months, Harper & Brothers will publish **The History of the United States Flag,** From the Revolution to the Present, Including a Guide to its Use and Display. This valuable new book will be of particular interest to NPS people because its preparation was undertaken and financed by the Eastern National Park and Monument Association; and two of its three principal authors are **Roy E. Appleman,** of the Branch of History, and **Melvin E. Weig,** superintendent of Edison Laboratory National Monument. Furthermore, Harper will issue the book in two editions, - a hard-bound edition, which will probably sell at $4.95 a copy; and a paper-covered edition of 10,000 copies which will be bought by the Association for sale at its numerous outlets in southern and eastern areas of the National Park System.

A committee task

The Association will receive a royalty from all sales of the hard-cover edition; and its office at 420 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia 6, will handle orders for both hard-cover and paper-cover books. The committee of the Association which undertook the preparation of the book 4 or 5 years ago was composed of three members. In addition to Appleman and Weig, **George F. Emery** served on it during the first year, **Charles E. Shedd, Jr.,** thereafter. The most important decision of the committee was the choice of the principal author, who was the late Dr. Milo M. Quaife, distinguished historian and writer, and editor of the Lakeside Classics, who had published a work on the United States flag several years previously. Although all members of the committee contributed to the revision of the Quaife manuscript, Weig did the principal editorial and revision work and added certain needed chapters.

When it was decided to enlarge the original scope of the book to include sections on the symbols of United States sovereignty and related matters commonly associated with the study and encouragement of patriotism, Appleman undertook the preparation of this material. Shedd, **Dr. John A. Hussey,** and **George McKenzie** contributed sections dealing with flags formerly considered to represent sovereignty in areas now included in the United States but not part of it when these were used.

Lavishly illustrated

There will be 77 illustrations in the book, of which 54 will be in color, and these represent no small task of search and selection, performed principally by Appleman, with help from Weig and Shedd. The majority of the colored illustrations are from original drawings by Artist Elmo Jones of Richmond, Va., who prepared them under the committee's supervision.

Altogether, a considerable undertaking for the Association and a fine example of cooperation and coordination on the part of the authors.

Roger Butterfield, who wrote the foreword, congratulates the authors "for disentangling fact from fancy, for their careful analysis of the many false stories that have grown up around the flag, and for bringing to light much new and interesting history."

Canal Becomes 84th Monument

After more than 22 years in Federal ownership, the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal, on Jan. 18, at last received official status, when President Eisenhower proclaimed it a national monument, bringing the total in the National Park System to 84. The new monument comprises the canal from a point near Seneca, Md., to Cumberland, Md. In many places, it consists only of a strip the width of the canal and towpath. Proposals to make a national historical park of it, renewed in the present Congress, call for addition of about 10,000 acres to the 4,800 included in the monument.

The lower 22 miles, between Seneca, Md., and Washington, D. C., are administered as part of National Capital Parks.

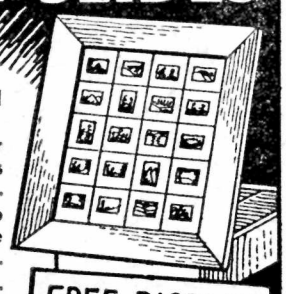
Superintendent of the historical park project and now of the monument is **Edwin M. (Mac) Dale,** with headquarters in Hagerstown.

CONSERVATION SERVICE AWARD TO GEOGRAPHIC

"Substantial, consistent, and long-term assistance . . . to the cause of conservation" was cited by former Secretary Seaton in presenting one of the Department's conservation service awards to the National Geographic Society. Announcement of the awards was made on Jan. 19. Specific mention was made by the Secretary in his letter to Dr. **Melville Bell Grosvenor,** president of the society, of the recent gift of Russell Cave, grants totaling $100,000 for Mesa Verde archeological research, and publication of **America's Wonderlands—the National Parks.**

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PARKS FOR AMERICA

"To be fully aware of the importance of cooperation in park work, one must understand the interlocking responsibilities of governments in providing for park and recreation use in their jurisdictions. When one park system fails, others suffer. City dwellers without adequate day-use recreation facilities crowd in upon weekend campers in the state parks. They in turn pour into the national parks whose wilderness values may suffer accordingly. Now these interdependent park programs, often hamstrung by indifferent segments of the public and government, face the greatest crisis in rcreation and the stiffest competition for open land that the country has ever experienced.

"PARKS FOR AMERICA pledges that, instead of independent floundering, all will plan as a team to meet the responsibility of each park system in support of the others. PARKS FOR AMERICA pledges that professional park men will join park-minded citizens and organizations in seeking the authority and the money to bid successfully in the competitive land market while suitable park land is yet available. The profession pledges also to build enough strength to defend our parks from encroachment and to keep park systems from being mere land banks for other public projects.

"And since such authority and such funds can come only from public interest, support, and action, PARKS FOR AMERICA will seek to foster an awareness of the essential importance of parks for physical and spiritual refreshment."

The paragraphs quoted above are from the December 1960 issue of **Parks and Recreation,** the monthly magazine of the American Institute of Park Executives. It eloquently summarizes the reason for, and the purposes of, a group organized in Washington, D. C., last November, — a Committee of Fifteen, composed of five representatives each from two national organizations and the National Park Service. The NPS group includes **Sidney S. Kennedy,** chief of the Branch of State Cooperation; **Robert W. Ludden,** chief of the Branch of Recreation Surveys; **Harry T. Thompson,** superintendent of National Capital Parks; and **Neal A. Butterfield,** and **Allen T. Edmunds,** chiefs of recreation resources planning in Regions One and Five respectively.

The two organizations represented on the group are the Institute and the National Conference on State Parks.

Of interest to park-minded people everywhere are these further excerpts from the **Parks and Recreation** article:

"The Committee of Fifteen will map action in the PARKS FOR AMERICA program looking toward the 1963 Institute and Conference meetings in Washington. There is plenty to be done in the meantime, however First goals are to implement the zeal for seashore preservation which has swept across America in the wake of the National Park Service seashore surveys. Those surveys not only identified nine areas of national significance but 180 of state and local importance for park and recreation use.

"Seashore area acquisition will also set a pattern for equally important park land opportunities inland, such as along free-flowing rivers, or places of outstanding biological significance . . .

"Of special urgency is adequate recreation space for the country's 213 major metropolitan areas, most of which lack sufficient land to meet recreation needs, yet whose growing populations daily demand more in the way of recreation facilities."

The Committee of Fifteen has plenty of important work to do.

Butcher Makes the Atlantic

"John Muir", Theodore Roosevelt and Stephes T. Mather fought to establish our national parks and men like Devereaux Butcher are fighting today to preserve them," says the editor's introduction to Butcher's "Resorts or Wilderness," in the February **Atlantic Monthly.** Not unexpectedly, the Butcher article "takes apart" the development aspects of MISSION 66; there is scarcely even a hist of gray in the black picture that he paints.

In the same section of the magazine are two other articles dealing largely with the national parks, — Paul Brooks' "The Pressure of Numbers," and Clark C. Van Fleet's "Nature Out of Balance." Both deal sympathetically and understandingly with fundamestal problems of park and wildland management.

It is an axiom of publishing and public relations that later answer to an accusatory article never reaches all the persoss who read the original. It is therefore somewhat surprising that as highly respected a magazine as the **Atlantic** should have given space in its reading pages and on its front cover to as extreme a viewpoint as that represented by the Butcher article without, so far as we are aware, having given the Director or asyone else qualified to represent the viewpoint of top management in the Service an opportunity to answer it or comment on it.

PRESIDENT GREETS NATION TO OPEN 10-DAY PAGEANT

With Secretary Fred A. Seaton acting as master of ceremonies, President Eisenhower pushed a button to light the National Community Christmas Tree on Washington's Ellipse on the evening of Dec. 23. The act marked the opening of the 10-day "Pageant of Peace" celebration. NCP Supt. **Harry T. Thompson** served as secretary of the honorary committee and vice president of the Christmas pageant.



The Button Is Pressed!

The President's participation included also a Christmas greeting to the nation; in turn, Boy and Girl Scouts extended greetings to him and Mrs. Eisenhower. Religious and musical programs were presented each day during the pageant. High point of the numerous displays was the 75-foot Douglas fir donated by the State of Oregon and decorated with thousands of Christmas lights and ornaments.

Ford's Theater Plan Found

In 1863, a Baltimore lithographic firm executed in great detail the plan of the orchestra and "parquette" sections of Ford's Theater, the scene two years later, of the assassination of Abraham Lincoln. Until it was located in the Harvard College Library Theater collection recently by **Stanley W. McClure,** historian at the Lincoln museum which is housed in the old theater, the only sketch of the orchestra floor known was one made by John T. Ford, presumably shortly after the shooting of Lincoln. This was discovered only last October in the Manuscript Division of the Library of Congress.

The newly discovered plan is expected to be an invaluable aid in restoring the theater.

LINCOLN MEMORIAL NOW HAS 24-HOUR LIGHTING

With the start of the Civil War Centennial, the Lincoln Statue in the Lincoln Memorial is now lighted all night. Until Feb. 11, there was full illumination of the memorial until 10 p.m.; subdued ceiling lights directed on the statue remained on until midnight. Under the new schedule, there will be full lighting until midnight, with the soft blue ceiling light illuminating the statue the rest of the night.

AWARDS ARE PRESENTED TO INSPECTOR, PRIVATE

The Interior Department's Superior Performance Award was presented to Inspector **Melvin H. Leach** and Private **Garnett C. Inge** of the U. S. Park Police in a ceremony on Nov. 30. Inspector Leach's award was for outstanding performance of duties of larger scope and greater responsibility than required in his regular assignment as Executive Officer, particularly during the absence of the Chief, U. S. Park Police. Private Inge received recognition for superior performance of duty over a period of several years, while assigned to the patrol of Judiciary Square, and for maintaining excellent relationships between Park Police and other officials beyond the normal requirements of his regular assignment.

CONTRACT AWARDED FOR STADIUM PARKING LOT

Award of a 1½ million dollar contract for the construction of 8 parking areas and access roads to accommodate 12,667 vehicles in Anacostia Park was awarded by National Capital Parks in December. These areas will accommodate visitors to the D. C. Stadium now under construction. Special area spaces for 13 buses, and loading and unloading areas for taxicabs are included.

For The Birds

A 7-foot juniper at the Rock Creek Nature Center was provided with decorations in December; they consisted of suet cakes, cracked corn, sunflower seeds, orange halves, apple slices, raisin clusters and natural berries. "Strictly for the birds," one purpose of the tree was to inspire Washington residents to feed the birds during the winter months.

THE REAPER STRIKES

Just before press time, the **Courier** received word of the deaths of three persons widely known and deeply respected and liked throughout the National Park Service. They were Mrs. **Eleanor Jordan Houston,** a writer of exceptional ability, wife of Aubrey F. (Sam) Houston, superintendent of Casa Grande, of sclerosis, on Feb. 14; **Stewart M. (Stu) Woodward,** Atlanta, Ga., last employed by the Service in the Division of Recreation Resource Planning, and for the past 6 years, area coordinator for the Urban Renewal Administration in Alabama and Mississippi, of a heart attack, on Feb. 16; and **Harry T. Thompson,** superintendent of National Capital Parks since 1958 and employed by The Service since 1934, of cancer, on Feb. 25.

The **Courier** will have more to say about all three in its next issue.

The NPS Budget

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quire most of $611,500 of B&U funds allocated to it. There's $561,500 for a dump and incinerator at Yosemite's new El Portal development, which will take waste disposal, with its smoke and smells, out of the park proper.

Of the 7 parkways administered by the Service, Natchez Trace will receive most construction money—$5,735,300. Blue Ridge is next with $3,248,500; then Rock Creek & Potomac, $2,656,300; Foothills, $1,836,000; and George Washington Memorial, $1,551,400.

The Director Says:

In the fall of 1955 a general conference of superintendents and officials of the National Park Service was held at Great Smoky Mountains. The purpose of it was to discuss with our own "family" the direction and findings of the various studies which went into our package program known as MISSION 66. The opportunity to discuss all elements of that program with our own officials who would have responsibilities for carrying out various phases of it proved invaluable. We were able to consider suggestions and reactions in preparing the final program, reports, and public relations releases.

Reappraisal — and questions

In June, 1961, we will reach the midpoint of MISSION 66, 5 years of the greatest progress, in many directions, which the Service and the National Park System have ever experienced. In nearing that midpoint, I have had a complete and exhaustive reappraisal made of our problems and our progress. Is MISSION 66 accomplishing its announced purposes? Is the rate of progress satisfactory, or are there serious lags in some of its components? Have conditions so changed since its inception that some of our sights were too low? Has experience with 5 years shown up needs not included in original planning? These are some of the many such questions which we are asking ourselves.

With these factors and many others before us, I have called a conference to discuss freely all aspects of our programs, so that all elements of the Service organization may be informed of our present thinking, and so that we may have the advantages of open discussion and suggestions in formulating programs and objectives to be achieved during the second 5 years of MISSION 66.

Things have happened

Among several developments which have come about since the initial launching of MISSION 66 which give promise of increasing its effectiveness in reaching its goals are such important steps as the establishment and subsequent work of the Outdoor Recreation Resources Review Commission, and the recent founding of the organization known as PARKS FOR AMERICA, the latter to better coordinate and solidify the efforts of park and recreation people at the national, state, and municipal levels. Some of our own surveys conducted as part of MISSION 66 concerned with arriving at a completed National Park System have progressed to where some of the results can be discussed. Lastly, a new Administration is now at the helm of the Federal Government. Our objectives, programs, and procedures must encompass their aims, policies, and thinking.

Basis for the future

The evaluation studies already made, aided by discussion at the MISSION 66 FRONTIERS Conference, will be the basis for reports and programs of the National Park Service in the years immediately ahead, including budgets, staffing, organization, delegations of authority, policies, legislative proposals, and cooperative programs with other agencies. We need to talk over all of these related matters, and prepare to move into the second half of our program in a manner that will make the next 5 years even more fruitful and beneficial to the National Park concept and to our Country.

Bills Which Would Affect NPS and NP System Flood Congress

The new Congress had hardly heard the first call to order before there were the beginnings of a flood of legislation of various kinds affecting the NPS or the National Park System. Elsewhere in this issue there is reference to bills proposing establishment of the Cape Cod and Point Reyes National Seashores. In addition, Senator Yarborough, Texas, has reintroduced a similar bill for Texas' Padre Island. Closely related to these is the bill introduced by Senator Anderson, New Mexico, and others authorizing the Secretaries of Interior and Agriculture to make studies looking toward establishment of national shoreline recreation areas; it would also authorize up to $10,000,000 of federal participation in State acquisition of land for shoreline parks.

Senator Goldwater joined the then Rep. Udall in introducing legislation for establishing Fort Bowie National Historic site; Senators Hayden and Goldwater joined him in seeking the designation of Hubbell Trading Post, Arizona, as a national historic site; the proposal to add 16,000 acres of Tucson Mountain Park to Saguaro is Udall's alone.

Rep. Pelly, Washington, has in a bill that would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to investigate Washington's central and north Cascades region and to report on the advisability of establishing a unit of the National Park System there.

Senators Jackson and Magnuson, and Rep. Tollefson, all of Washington, introduced joint resolutions that would authorize construction of a hotel in Mount Rainier's Paradise Valley, with funds to be provided equally by the United States and by donation. As is widely known, the Service, in announcing the Mount Rainier MISSION 66 program, recommended against such construction.

Murrow's Liberty Bell Story Is Now Heard in 6 Languages

The more than 50,000 foreign visitors who come to Independence National Historical Park each year can now hear taped recordings of the Liberty Bell story in Spanish, French, German, Italian, or Russian.

On Dec. 21, the National Park Service, collaborating with CBS and its Philadelphia affiliate WCAU-TV, introduced the foreign-language recordings in a ceremony at Independence Hall. The short program included a message from Mayor Richardson Dilworth and remarks by WCAU-TV General Manager John Schneider and Independence Supt. **M. O. Anderson.**

A group of more than 20 educators and students from Bolivia, led by Miss Elena Rojas of Santa Cruz, Bolivia, were the first foreign visitors to benefit from this new facility, with Miss Rojas pressing the button activating the Spanish recording.

As a follow-up, the park this spring will make available informational folders telling the entire park story in Spanish, French, German, and Russian.

Two years ago at a similar ceremony, CBS celebrated its purchase of WCAU-TV by giving Independence an audio device with an English version of the Liberty Bell story recorded by Edward R. Murrow. This has since been heard by more than 1 million visitors.

But thousands of foreign visitors were not getting the park message symbolized by the Liberty Bell. To remedy this, the Service, aided by the U. S. Information Agency, had the English recording translated into the five foreign languages. Linguists of the Voice of America then recorded the foreign-language tapes.

Meanwhile CBS and WCAU-TV again came forward and generously donated to the Federal Government a second audio device, using the new recordings.

MUSEUM METHODS COURSE GIVEN TO 13 TRAINEES

The 10th annual Museum Methods Training Course was held at the Eastern Museum Laboratory, Washington, D. C., Jan. 9 to Feb. 3. Studies included park museum functions, museum collections, and museum planning and operation. Several museums in Washington and nearby cities cooperated by demonstrating museum techniques. The class took field trips to museums in New York City and Philadelphia, including Federal Hall and Independence, and to Richmond NBP, Petersburg NMP, Colonial NHP, Colonial Williamsburg and Fredericksburg-Spottsylvania.

Attending the course were: **Burny M. Bell,** historian, Ft. Clatsop; **Robert W. Carpenter,** naturalist, Hawaii; **Franklyn N. Hambly,** naturalist, NCP; **Thomas Harrison,** historian, Petersburg; **Edmund J. Ladd,** archeologist, Branch of Archeology; **Robert Linn,** naturalist, Isle Royale; **Pat Miller,** naturalist, Colorado and Black Canyon of the Gunnison; **George Olin,** naturalist, Saguaro; **Harry Pfanz,** historian, Gettysburg; **Manuel San Miguel,** tour leader, San Juan; **Paul Spangle,** naturalist, Carlsbad Caverns; **Louis Torres,** historian, Federal Hall; and **Rex Wilson,** curator, Fort Laramie.

All Cave Lands Now U. S. Owned

The competitive operation of private caves inside the boundaries of Mammoth Cave National Park, which has been a thorn in the side of the Service for the past 20 years, and which year-after-year produced confusion in the minds of visitors to the park, has ended at last. On Oct. 21, Chief of Lands **Don Lee** arrived at an agreement with the owners of the Floyd Collins-Crystal Cave under which they contracted to sell their property to the Federal Government for $285,000. Five weeks later, he reached a similar agreement with the owners of Great Onyx Cave; the price, in the latter case, was $365,000.

Thus ended a long and painstaking effort to bring under Federal control all lands within the park boundary. Inclusion of the two caves in the park will simplify and improve administration and result in more complete and effective interpretation of the area to the visitor.

Where money came from

The combined purchase price of the two exactly equaled the amount of money available for the purchases. Of the $650,000 available, $540,000 had been provided by current appropriations; $110,000 comes from a reserve fund which has been accumulating over a period of years under a Congressional authorization which permitted such accumulation from excess of cave income over operating expenses.

The two tracts add about 530 acres to the park. Operating plans for the newly acquired property have not been set, though they are now under consideration. A peculiar problem to be faced is what is to be done with the body of Floyd Collins which has been on view in Crystal Cave for years. Collins did not even die in the cave but in another some miles distant. The fact that the tiny plot of ground occupied by his body is officially a cemetery offers, according to Don Lee, some problem of what disposition may be made of it.

Mrs. **Glen C. Farrar,** with their three boys, accompanied Glen to Washington early in January and will remain there until May when the Departmental Manager Development program, which Glen is attending, is concluded.

Horace Albright Lectures at Cal.

Former Director **Horace M. Albright** is presently in Berkeley, Calif., filling an engagement, announced at the dinner in his honor more than a year ago, as Regents' Lecturer at the University of California for 1960-61. His schedule of lectures and seminars, announced by the chancellor of the University and the dean of the School of Forestry, is as follows: Feb. 27 - "The University of California and Conservation;" Mar. 7 - "The National Park Service and Its Program - Mission 66;" Mar. 13 - "Great American Conservationists;" Mar. 14 - "The U. S. Department of the Interior - Can It Be a Department of Conservation?" and Mar. 21 - "Preservation of the American Heritage—Saving Historic Sites and Structures."

RANGER ACTIVITIES MEN CONFER IN WASHINGTON

Ranger Activities Chief **Larry Cook** had the Regional Office ranger activities division and branch chiefs in Washington for a conference the week of Jan. 23. Since this is the newest of the divisions, the five days of the Conference were filled with down-to-earth discussions of the many kinds of activities and problems with which the park ranger comes in contact. As of mid-February, the group's recommendations had not been acted on by the Director.

Attending were all five of the regional division chiefs: **Fred A. Arnold,** Region One; **Frank W. Childs,** Region Two; **Thomas J. Williams,** Region Three; **Frank R. Givens,** Region Four, and **Wilbur L. Savidge,** Region Five. Also there were Visitor Protection chiefs **J. Leonard Volz,** Region One, and **Duane D. Jacobs,** Region Two. Regions Two, Three and Four also sent their chiefs of Park Forest and Wildlife protection, **Ernest K. Field, William C. James,** and **Maurice E. Thede. Frank F. Kowski,** supervisor of the Yosemite Training Center, also attended and participated actively, as did **Bernhardt Kolb,** boss of the Tree Preservation Crew.

A Thank You

During the holidays I had several hundred joint cards, as well as those sent just to me. I want to express my thanks and deep appreciation of the kindness and thoughtfulness of Joe's legion of friends, as well as mine.

Aleda Lange Joffe

Society Presents High Awards to Ronnie Lee and Ed Rogers

Ronald F. Lee, regional director of Region Five, received the George McAneny Historic Preservation Medal and **Edmund B. Rogers,** former superintendent of Yellowstone, was given the Cornelius Amory Pugsley gold medal for accomplishment in the national park field, at a luncheon held at Federal Hall, New York, on Jan. 18. Host for the luncheon was the American Scenic and Historic Preservation Society, which confers the awards.

Of additional interest to NPS people was the citation also of **Frederick L. Rath, Jr.,** former NPS historian and now president of the American Association for State and Local History.

The citation accompanying Ronnie Lee's award declared that he was receiving it "for his leadership and cogently demonstrated ability in the field of historic site preservation for more than a quarter of a century." It referred to his leadership in the Historic Sites Survey; his representation of the U. S. on the Committee of Experts on Sites and Monuments of Art and History in Paris in 1949; his receipt of the silver Pugsley medal in 1952; and numerous other accomplishments in the field of history.

The Rogers citation, which recount's Ed's career, including the project for uncovering and documenting "all legislation enacted or ever proposed relating to national parks and monuments," which started as a hobby and became a full-time study to which he devoted his last three years with the NPS, declares, that the medal was given for "his brilliant leadership as the chief executive of two great national parks astride the Rocky Mountains, the successful results of his far-reaching historical research, and his dedication to the cause of natural resource conservation."

Seaton Approves Boating Limits

Former Secretary **Fred A. Seaton,** on Dec. 23, finally approved long pending regulations which prohibit the use of power-driven boats on the three southern arms of Yellowstone Lake and on Shoshone Lake. A Feb. 8 announcement from Yellowstone states that the three Yellowstone Lake arms can be reached either by hand-propelled craft, preferably from West Thumb, or by concessioner-operated tow service; that row boats may be rented for such trips if desired; and that consideration is being given to providing rental canoes if demand warrants. Shoshone, a beautiful wilderness lake, will be patroled by rangers in canoes.

Bandelier Enlarged

By a proclamation signed in mid-January, President Eisenhower added 3,600 acres of Atomic Energy Commission lands to Bandelier National Monument. The lands, containing unexcavated ruins, have been administered by the NPS for the past year pending actual transfer.



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Obituary

HAZEL THOMSON

Hazel Thomson, widow of Col. Charles Goff Thomson, formerly Superintendent of Crater Lake and Yosemite National Parks, died quietly in her sleep the night of Nov. 25. After Colonel Thomson's death, she had worked in the Region Four Office for 15 years, until her retirement in 1955. Her death was a shock to her many friends, as only a few days before, she had attended the farewell luncheon honoring George Collins prior to his retirement; and she read a humorous poem she had written, dedicated to George.

At the request of a long-time friend, the **Courier** here reproduces two brief tributes to Mrs. Thomson. The first was written by Col. Thomson 32 years ago as a dedication for one of his books:

"Twenty-four years ago a New England lad, opening the gate of his father's home, watched a schoolgirl pass. The lilt of Indian summer was in her stride, the glint of warm October foliage struck down into her burnished copper hair. The lad stood transfixed, awed by a prophetic vision; a prophecy amply filled, for tonight the gleam of a tranquil Oregon fireplace lights up her still coppery hair as she sits flanked by our two fine sons."

The other is a farewell from a friend:

"How blessed for you to go, dear friend, with no more commotion than a falling leaf from the branch of a tree - a single flutter and then to blend into stillness and the reverie of a November day. Shall we bow to grief or give way to despair when dear memories of you will ever linger on - making life more precious for having known you?"

FRANCES L. DOWNS

On Jan. 4, 1961, death ended the valiant battle Miss Frances L. Downs fought against crippling arthritis and its attendant ailments. She retired on disability in December 1953 from the position of secretary to the superintendent of Sequoia and Kings Canyon which she had held for 20 years.

Miss Downs started her Federal service as a stenographer-telephone operator in Sequoia in 1929. She was promoted in 1933 to the position of secretary to the superintendent and she served in that capacity under John R. White and Eivind T. Scoyen. During her last 10 years of active service, Miss Downs maintained a high efficiency despite health obstacles which would have overcome and defeated anyone not possessed of a strong will and an extraordinary degree of courage. After her retirement, she purchased a home in Visalia, Calif. For a few years she was able to do part time stenographic work from her wheelchair in her home, but the last several years this was not possible.

ELLSWORTH E. FINGERSON

Ellsworth E. Fingerson, 54, administrative officer, Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, died at his home at Ash Mountain, Dec. 7, 1960, following a long illness. Funeral services were held at Exeter, with burial in the Three Rivers cemetery.

Ells, as he was known to all, was a Federal career employee, with 25 years of service. He began his government career as a Railway Mail Clerk in 1928-29. Then he attended college in Helena, Mont., specializing in accounting. Between 1936 and 1954 he held accounting and supervisory positions with the W.P.A., the Farm Security Administration, Soil Conservation Service, and the Bureau of Reclamation, in Montana and South Dakota. In 1954 be transferred to the National Park Service as supervisory accountant at Yosemite. In May 1959 he received the transfer and promotion to the position of administrative officer, Sequoia and Kings Canyon, the position he held at the time of his death.

Surviving him are his wife Ann and three sons, Glen, a senior in the College of Law at the University of South Dakota; Ronald, a senior Education major at the University of Iowa; and Wayne, a junior studying aeronautical engineering at the University of California at Berkeley.

AUGUST H. HANSON

August H. Hanson, 71, landscape architect who retired from National Capital Parks in 1959, died of cancer at the Northern Virginia Doctors Hospital on Jan. 5. He had been employed by the Office of Public Buildings and Public Parks, and by National Capital Parks, successor to that office, for 30 years. He helped design the grounds surrounding the Thomas Jefferson Memorial and the Carter Barron Amphitheater, and played a role in landscaping Lafayette Park, Mount Vernon Memorial Highway, and the memorial avenue leading to Arlington Cemetery.



August Hanson

A Carnegie award for heroism when, at 17, August saved two women from drowning when they fell through ice while skating, helped to make possible his studies at Carlton College, in Minnesota. After service during World War I as drummer with the Navy Band, he studied landscape architecture at the University of Illinois. From 1924 to 1929, he was director of parks for Sioux Falls, S. Dak. He was active in many civic, professional and religious organizations.

He was survived by his wife, Gladys, at the home address, 110 East Cameron Road, Falls Church; by a son and two daughters; and by seven grandchildren.

THOMAS E. BULL

Thomas E. Bull, maintenance man at Fort McHenry for nearly 22 years, died on Nov. 14. He first entered on duty there as a skilled laborer on Jan. 16, 1939. Promoted to senior laborer in 1941, he was again promoted to general mechanic in 1946, and to the position of maintenanceman late in 1946.

Former Supts. Rader and Atkinson both wrote letters of commendation to Mr. Bull for outstanding performance of his duties; he received similar commendation from the Regional Director, Region One, in 1954. In 1953, he received an incentive award for designing and constructing a unique suction pump which resulted in a substantial saving of government funds.

Supt. Walter T. Berrett noted that during the time Mr. Bull worked under his supervision he did outstanding work and could be depended on to perform any task cheerfully and well. "He was held in high esteem by all employees," says Berrett, "and did much to maintain a high standard of morale among those working under his direction."

KATHERINE B. MAYNARD

Mrs. Katharine B. Maynard, placement officer, National Capital Parks, died on Dec. 27 after an illness of several weeks. Mrs. Maynard had recently become eligible for full retirement with 32 years of government service and was contemplating retirement. She was a member of the Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners and was responsible for applying Civil Service rules and regulations to all personnel actions and for the recruitment and placement of personnel for National Capital Parks.

JAMES H. COOPER

James H. Cooper, employed by National Capital Parks for 11 years, a landscape gardener in the Horticulture Branch since last July, died at Mount Alto Veterans Hospital on Dec. 7. A veteran of World War II, he was a trainee attendant at St. Elizabeth's Hospital before coming to NCP as a laborer.

CHARLES E. HARWOD

Charles E. Harwood, NCP procurement assistant, succumbed to a heart ailment on Dec. 2. A veteran of World War I, he served successively as storekeeper, clerk and purchasing agent before becoming procurement assistant in 1959. He had more than 20 years of Government service, of which more than 17 were with National Capital Parks.

JOSEPH M. ULIAS

Joseph M. Ulias, who entered on duty with National Capital Parks on Dec. 1, 1950 as a temporary carpenter, died on Nov. 24. Continuing as a carpenter until his death, he worked at the sawmill and carpenter shop in Rock Creek Park and was especially skilled in making rustic benches for use in the parks.

CARRIE M. STEIN

Miss Carrie M. Stein, secretary to the late Arthur E. Demaray for many years while he was associate director and director of the National Park Service, died at Orange, Calif., on Dec. 24, 1960, after a long iliness. She had made her home in Orange since retirement.

Miss Stein, who was well known and greatly liked and respected by many NPS people, was buried in Miltonvale, Kas., her original home. She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Marie Richardson, also of Orange.

CARL DANNER

Friends were saddened to learn of the death of Carl Danner on November 16 as a result of an automobile accident. The crash occurred November 13 near Tulare during a heavy rainstorm. Carl was a seasonal ranger in Yosemite in 1926 and 1927, and joined the permanent staff in 1928. At the time of his retirement in 1949 he was district ranger at Tuolumne Meadows. Among the survivors are his widow, Eliza, and two daughters, Mrs. Melvin Lovelace of Dinuba and Mrs. Herman Krebs of Merced.

CLARENCE R. BUECHLER

Clarence R. Buechler, employed at Glacier National Park as accountant, died in the Kalispell General Hospital Nov. 16, following a heart attack. He had entered on duty at the park as a member of the permanent staff on Dec. 7, 1959. Before coming to Glacier he made his home in Glasgow, Mont. During World War II, he had more than 3 years service with the U. S. Army Air Corps.

Clarence is survived by his wife, Mae, and three children, - Gerald, Betty and Dale. Mrs. Buechler, who has a sister in Billings, Mont., and the children are making their home there at 1215 Colton Blvd.

MRS. MARGARET WEEMS

Margaret Weems, wife of Blue Ridge Parkway Supt. Sam P. Weems, died in the Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Md., on Dec. 22 after a prolonged illness of over a year, complicated by injuries resulting from a fall. Funeral services were held Dec. 24 in St. Johns Episcopal Church, Roanoke, Va.

TOM PERCIVAL

A fatal accident took the life of Tom Percival, husband of Judy Hardin Percival, on Jan. 11, 1961. Tom's car collided with a cotton truck on the fog-bound highway near Tulare, Calif., as he was going to work.

Judy, the daughter of Homer and Phoebe Hardin (retired general foreman, Sequoia and Kings Canyon 1956) and Tom were married only the day before Thanksgiving. She is employed and living in Visalia, Calif.

CHRIS HAUCK

Chris Hauck, retired head of the Sewer, Water and Sanitation Department of Yosemite, died in San Francisco on Jan. 29 and was buried in Coulterville. His wife had preceded him in death in December while he was ill in a San Francisco hospital.

LARRY MURRAY

Larry Murray, 43, electrician in Yellowstone for many years, brother of Mrs. David deL. (Lorna) Condon of Great Smoky Mountains and a man for whom Yellowstone folk had deep respect and warm affection, died on Feb. 10 after an illness of 3 months. Masonic funeral services held in Livingston on Feb. 13 were attended by many friends from Yellowstone and the surrounding region. Mr. and Mrs. Condon, who had been with Larry the two weeks before his death were also present.

He is survived by an invalid wife, two sons, his mother, and a sister.

LEMUEL O. HANSON

Lemuel O. Hanson, 26, a tour leader at Carlsbad Caverns, was stricken with a cerebral hemorrhage and died on Feb. 13 while en route by plane to a veterans' hospital in Albuquerque. He had been appointed to his tour leader position in January after having served as a seasonal tour leader at Mammoth Cave. He was a native of Louisville, Ky., and was in the Army from 1955 to 1958.

JACK LEIDIG

Friends of Jack Leidig were saddened by his death in Mariposa last November. Born in Yosemite Valley 86 years ago, he worked for the Service in various capacities but is remembered primarily for his fine work as foreman with the Cascades CCC camp and his unfailing interest in and understanding of its youthful enrollees.

Jack's father, George F. Leidig, was one of the pioneer innkeepers of Yosemite and Leidig Meadow in the Valley was named after him. Jack's older brother Charlie was the first white boy born in the park and one of the earliest rangers appointed in Yosemite. These Leidig men were acquainted with John Muir and many other friends of the park and visitors of that period and contributed valuable memories of past events to the park museum staff.

GOLDA SNODGRASS

Golda Snodgrass, wife of Les Snodgrass, long employed at Yellowstone as a carpenter, died on Jan. 7 after a brief illness. Services were held in their home church in Gardiner, Mont., with burial in Livingston.

EODC

Philadelphia has had some extremely frigid weather, with 15-inch, 13-inch, and 10-inch snows, and others of lesser importance. Architect **Meir Sofair,** in one of the swirling blizzards, misread the sign on the train and went to Chester rather than Chestnut Hill, winding up in a suburb 30 miles from home.

On Saturday, Jan. 14, at 6 o'clock in the afternoon, **Edward S. Zimmer,** Chief of EODC, was married to **Mrs. Moselle Marks** of Vicksburg, Miss. The quiet wedding was performed in Westminster Presbyterian Church, Vicksburg, by the Rev. Robert C. Duhs. The Zimmers are now at home in Apartment 1709, 2101 Chestnut St., Philadelphia 3.

The old Philadelphia Merchants Exchange, where Region Five and EODC hold forth, has been receiving new windows very much like the original ones designed by famous architect William Strickland in the 1830's. The changes were made during cold weather, but transparent plastic was stretched over the openings during the work. Architect **John Forster** has supervised the construction work for EODC.

Mrs. **Gladys Naegely** who was secretary to the Chief of EODC, recently resigned to open a shop known as THE LAMPLIGHTER, located at 7003 Ludlow Street, Upper Darby, Pa. **Mrs. Peggy Eberle,** personnel clerk, and **Mrs. Alice Seavy,** passenger traffic clerk, also resigned recently to become full-time home-makers.

Friends are congratulating **Mike** and **Anne Everett** on the birth of their second son, **Hugh Steven,** Dec. 21. Mike is an architect in the Historic Structures Section, working on restorations at Independence NHP. He was transferred to Philadelphia after spending about 15 months in the Virgin Islands.

Always interested in history, **Jack Boucher,** NPS photographer, part of whose time is allocated to HABS, has made a study of historic sites and structures in southern New Jersey on his own time and at his own expense. Jack had an exhibition of 20 salon prints out of a collection of 60 that he had taken of these sites, at the 45th annual dinner meeting of the Atlantic County Historical Society, Dec. 10, in Atlantic City.

F. Kempton Mooney, of Clemson College, S. C., who was on EODC's Historic American Buildings Survey measuring team in Milwaukee last summer, won first prize of $1,750 in the Milwaukee Gas Light Co. competition for the replanning of a block in Milwaukee's blighted East Side. Kemp was the only student among the 41 entrants to the competition, which was judged by three nationally known architects.

Rangers Reduce Deer at Acadia

The estimated 1,000 deer in Acadia's herd were to be reduced to about 750 under a deer management program on the park's lands started by Acadia rangers about Nov. 1. After three months, 193 deer had been removed from the park, - 189 by shooting, 2 by live trapping, and 2 by capchur gun.

The absence of deer-predators and the thick second growth on the 17,000 acres ravaged by fire in 1947 combined to produce a great spurt in the deer population of the park; one indication of just how numerous they have been is the fact that there were more than 100 deer-automobile collisions on Mount Desert Island during 1960! Many animals are reported to have starved to death; all those in the critical feeding areas suffer some degree of malnutrition. Plant species on which the deer feed are badly overbrowsed. Cedar, whose branches normally touch the ground are stripped bare to heights of 5 and 6 feet. Many trees have been killed in this way, and all seedlings destroyed.

Acadia deer skinny

Careful biological data and measurements are being recorded for each deer killed or captured. Here are interesting comparisons between Acadia deer and the average for nearly 1,000 hunter-killed animals all over Maine. Adult park bucks weighed 145 pounds, "hog dressed," against 167 pounds statewide; adult does, 77 compared to 112; fawns, 39 against 60.

Surveys this spring are expected to permit an appraisal of the effects of this winter's reduction; each year new estimates of needed reductions will be made. The ultimate objective is to maintain the herd at a size at which deer population and food supply are in balance.

All deer removed are being turned over to the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Game. The killed animals are turned over by the wardens to state institutions; those captured are being released on state lands away from the park.

PETERSON GETS AROUND: NOW AND THEN HE TALKS

Charles E. Peterson, supervising architect, historic structures, addressed the annual convention of the National Trust for Historic Preservation in Pittsburgh Oct. 21. His topic was "The Architectural Techniques." This program was presided over by **William J. Murtagh** of the National Trust, a former member of the Independence Staff.

On Nov. 3, 1960, Peterson addressed the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Society of Architects at Bedford Springs, Pa. He also presented an exhibit of Pennsylvania HABS photographs.

At the annual meeting of the Society of Architectural Historians in Minneapolis, Jan. 26-28, he gave an illustrated lecture on French architecture in the Mississippi Valley. He also presided over a group of speakers, which he organized, on the subject "The Architecture of Minnesota and Her Neighbors."

Region Five Office

"Recreation Resource Planners Say More Parks Are Needed . . ."

These words came home to roost in the Region Five Recreation Resource Planning Division, where a population explosion is in progress.

Bill and **Mary Ellen Failor** took in a new boarder, **David Allen,** on Oct. 11. David shares his new quarters with **Robert,** 10, and **Steven,** 5.

George and **Pauline Thompson** became grandparents when **Franklin Loranger III was born Oct. 14.** He is the son of the Thompsons' eldest daughter **Margaret** and son-in-law **Franklin Loranger.**

Don and **Lois Humphrey** welcomed their first, **Naomi Annette,** Nov. 18.

The many friends of **George Palmer,** assistant regional director, Region Five, will be happy to know that he is back to work after serious eye surgery last November. The operation for a detached retina kept George in convalescence for nearly 2 months. On Jan. 9 he returned to the office on a half day basis, each week adding an hour to his work schedule. Doctor's reports indicate that the operation was a success and that the eye is mending well.

Dr. Raymond Baby of the Ohio State Museum, an authority on Adena and Hopewell Indian cultures, was a recent visitor at the Region Five Office. He has asked the regional archeologist, **John F. Cotter,** to organize and serve as chairman of a symposium on historic site archeology for the May meetings of the Society for American Archeology at Columbus, Ohio.

PETE DEGELLEKE STUDIES MENOMINEE RESERVATION

The forests, lakes, and rivers of the 234,000-acre Menominee Indian Reservation in northern Wisconsin provided a stimulating assignment, in early December, for **Pete DeGelleke,** Region Five chief of state cooperation. The request for assistance in planning the development of the recreational resources of the almost completely forested Indian reservation, with its many wild and scenic streams and lakes, came from the Menominee Indian Advisory Council.

Although parts of this area had been studied for possible inclusion in the National Park System and are rated by Wisconsin as desirable additions to the State Park System, the Menominees are determined to retain its recreational resources under tribal control. Suggestions made included arrangements to lease certain highly scenic portions to the State for parks.

Pete received a personal "thank you for a job well done" from Assistant Secretary George W. Abbott.

Bowlers Break Records

January was a red-letter month for the NPS Bowling League of Philadelphia with two record-breaking games rolled.

Leroy Skillman of EODC established the highest score yet bowled in the league when he rolled a 247 game on Jan. 12.

One week later Miss **Renee Sly,** Region Five Division of Administration, set a new record for the league's women bowlers with a score of 242, rolling 8 consecutive strikes. Renee was awarded a "200 Club" trophy by the Saga Lanes management.

The league is now in its second season and includes bowlers from the Region Five Office, EODC, and Independence.

Gettysburg

Saturday, Nov. 19, was a big day in Gettysburg with three different ceremonies commemorating the 97th Anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. Assistant Secretary of Defense Murray Snyder was the principal speaker at the Dedication Program in the National Cemetery. Following this Lt. Gen. Edward J. Stackpole spoke at the annual Remembrance Day Program at the Albert Woolson Monument in Ziegler's Grove. The day was climaxed with the 30th Annual Dedication Day dinner at the Hotel Gettysburg, with Karl S. Betts, executive director, National Civil War Centennial Commission, as the principal speaker.

Gettysburg experienced its second largest annual visitation when the travel figures for the end of the 1960 showed 1,343,861 visits. The only figure exceeding this was in 1938, when 1,554,234 persons were here for the 75th Anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg.

The world renowned architect, **Richard J. Neutra** of Los Angeles, who designed the Gettysburg Visitor Center-Cyclorama Building, visited here in December to go over some of the details of this unique building now under construction.

Frederick Pfanz, 5-year-old son of Historian **Harry W. Pfanz,** reported to his parents that he had a wonderful time at **Mary Jean Eisenhower's** birthday party, which was held at the White House on December 21. Frederick and Mary Jean attend the same kindergarten in Gettysburg.

ROOSEVELT BIRTHDAY IS OBSERVED BY CEREMONY

The birthday anniversary of Franklin D. Roosevelt was observed Jan. 30 at his gravesite at the Home of Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historic Site.

Because of his close association with the efforts to eradicate infantile paralysis, The National Foundation sponsors a ceremony at his grave annually. This year, the infantile paralysis poster child, 5-year old Keith Miritello of Elmhurst, N.Y., was in Mrs. Roosevelt's party that placed The National Foundation wreath on the grave.

Maj. Gen. W. C. Westmoreland, superintendent of the United States Military Academy, attended by his aide de camp, Robert Wetzel, and four top cadet officers of the First Class, presented President Kennedy's wreath. The Roosevelt Home Club of Hyde Park also placed a wreath on the grave. The Lafayette Post No 37, American Legion, of which the President was a member, provided a color guard and the post commander placed a wreath on the grave.

After the ceremony at the gravesite, Mrs. Roosevelt conducted the special guests through the Home and Library after which she entertained them at luncheon at her "Val Kill Cottage."

Mrs. Farley Re-employed

Mrs. **Theresa P. Farley,** housekeeper at Vanderbilt National Historic Site, has received her third temporary appointment to that position since her mandatory retirement in December 1957.

Mrs. Farley was employed as a chambermaid in the mansion from April 1927 until Mr. Vanderbilt's death in 1938 and was retained in that position by Mrs. Vanderbilt's niece, Mrs. Louise Van Alen, who inherited the estate from Mr. Vanderbilt and donated the mansion and part of the estate to the Federal Government in 1940. Mrs. Farley began work with the National Park Service in August 1940. She reached the mandatory retirement age and retired on Dec. 31, 1957. However, because of her special knowledge and ability, she was re-employed as an annuitant on a temporary appointment for one year. She has now received the third such appointment, extending through 1961.



Mrs. Theresa P. Farley

Mrs. Farley's husband, the late John Farley, was employed by Mr. Vanderbilt for nearly 40 years, first as a forester and later as a houseman. Her son, **Harold Farley,** is now a Tour Leader Superivisor at Roosevelt-Vanderbilt.

TOUR LEADER SUPERVISOR "SARGE" MILROY RETIRES

Charles L. Milroy, tour leader supervisor at Roosevelt-Vanderbilt National Historic Sites retired Nov. 30. Known to his fellow employees as "Sarge," Mr. Milroy entered on duty July 3, 1940 as the first protective employee of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library. He was appointed through an executive order of the President. When the full guard force was completed, he was made sergeant of the guard; and in 1946, when the functions of the Public Buildings Administration at the library were transferred to the NPS, he became a member of the Service's protective force with the same title. In 1957 he became Tour Leader Supervisor.

Milroy served in the Navy during World War I. Before entering the Federal Service in 1940, he served 10 years with the New York State Police and, from 1933 to 1940, was chief of police in Millbrook, New York.

The service of Sergeant Milroy had been of a very high quality, for which the Department granted him the Commendable Service Award upon his retirement. He received an engraved gold watch from Park Service employees and the National Archives employees of the Library.

He requested that there be no party nor speech-making upon his retirement, preferring to complete his last day of duty and depart for his home in Rhinecliff.

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Personnel Actions

PROMOTIONS

William H. Almond, maintenanceman to Foreman II (Maint.) Appomattox C. H.; **John J. Bachensky,** regional finance officer to regional administrative officer, Region V; **J. Edwin Booth,** civil engineer to engineer technician, Blue Ridge; **James R. Brotherton,** adm. asst., Vicksburg, to same, Cape Hatteras; **Leo B. Collins,** sign maker to maintenanceman, Blue Ridge; **Austin D. Dalmida,** laborer to caretaker, Virgin Islands; **Sally B. de Wolfee,** appropriation acctg. clerk to time, leave, and payroll clerk, WASO; **George D. Downes,** publications officer to information officer, Region IV Office;

Tom Ela, chief ranger, Carlsbad Caverns, to same, Great Smoky; **Johnwill Faris,** supt., White Sands, to same, Platt; **Harold E. Farley,** asst. tour leader supervisor to tour leader supervisor, Roosevelt-Vanderbilt; **Mildred L. Fleming,** clerk-steno to administrative and clerical asst., Western Museum Lab; **Mrs. Avis E. Franklin,** voucher examiner, Region III Office, to fiscal acctg. clerk, Grand Canyon; **Ralph S. Gardner,** personnel asst. to class. and placement specialist, Region III Office; **Raymond Godsey,** caretaker to maintenanceman, Appomattox C.H.;

Aubrey L. Haines, const. & maint. supt., to historian, Yellowstone; **Cecil Hanner,** asst. personnel officer, Region III Office, to adm. officer, JNEM; **Mrs. Virginia R. Harris,** secretarial asst. to secretary, Region I Office; **Alden C. Hayes,** archeologist to supv. archeologist, Mesa Verde; **Louise M. Hinchcliffe,** admin. aid to admin. asst., Grand Canyon; **Wayne R. Howe,** supv. ranger, Sequoia-Kings, to same, Yosemite; **Mrs. Jean A. Knapp,** secy to Branch of Landscape Architecture to secy. to Chief, EODC; **Sherman D. Knight,** lands. arch. to park lands. arch., Region III Office; **Roderick J. Krause,** actg. admin. asst. to admin. asst., Chaco Canyon; **John A. Kunec,** business analyst to concessions analyst, WASO; **Edward J. Kurtz,** chief ranger, Colonial to same, Natchez Trace.

Guy O. Lamoureux, supply officer, Rocky Mountain, to proc. & prop. mgt. officer, Yosemite; **Mrs. Thelma K. (T.K.) Leary,** secretary to secretarial asst., Region I Office; **Edison P. Lohr,** historian to supv. historian, Fort Sumter; **William W. Luckett,** supt., Fort Sumter, to same, Cumberland Gap; **Fecundo (Ike) Martinez,** office machine operator to mail and file clerk, Region II Office; **Linwood E. Mayo,** admin. asst., Cape Hatteras, to personnel officer. Great Smoky; **Franklin R. Mullaly,** historian, Independence, to supv. historian, Roosevelt-Vanderbilt; **Raymond L. Nelson,** naturalist, Natural History Branch, WASO, to chief naturalist, Lassen Volcanic.

Fowler Pilkington, laborer to truck driver, Great Smoky; **Richard Prasil,** chief naturalist, Lassen Volcanic, to biologist, Region IV Office; **Neil J. (Jim) Reid,** chief naturalist, Mount McKinley, to same, Great Smoky; **Joe H. Riha,** asst. proc. & property officer to asst. proc. & property mgt. officer, Region II Office; **Clarence H. Schultz,** supt., George Washington Carver, to historian, JNEM; **Mrs. Ann J. Self,** secy. to personnel clerk, Region I Office; **Horace J. Sheely,** supv. historian, Fort Sumter, to historian (misc.), JNEM; **Robert E. Smith,** architectural engineer to chief architect, D. & C. Division, WASO; **Robert L. Steenhagen,** supv. park landscape architect to head project design section, EODC; **Harold L. Stewart,** eng. aid to surveying technician, Blue Ridge; **Fred E. Sutton,** laborer to tractor operator, Great Smoky; **Arnold B. Simmons,** tour leader, Carlsbad, to ranger, Grand Canyon.

Thomas F. Tolen, proc. clerk to purchasing agt., EODC; **Houston R. Turner,** asst. chief to chief, prop. mgt. section, WASO; **William B. Wade,** operator general to maintenanceman, Blue Ridge; **David E. Whaley,** laborer to caretaker, Great Smoky; **Theodore F. Whitmoyer,** supv. ranger, Everglades, to asst. park naturalist, Dinosaur; **Fred L. Williams,** elect. helper to electrician, Mount Rainier; **Charles H. Young,** proc. & prop. mgt. officer, Yosemite, to asst. chief, property mgt. section, WASO.

REASSIGNMENTS

Jack K. Anderson, mgt. asst., Glacier, to supt., Geo. Washington Carver; **Russell A. Apple,** supv. historian, Mount Rushmore, to supt., City of Refuge Nat. Hist. Park project, Hawaii; **Forrest M. Benson, Jr.,** supt., Chiricahua, to Supt., White Sands; **Harlie M. Bouland,** acct., Sequoia - Kings, to acctg. tech., Yellowstone; **Robert L. Burns,** mgt. asst., Yellowstone, to supt., Perrys Victory; **Junior I. Carpenter,** adm. officer, Bandelier, to supply officer, Rocky Mountain; **Louis R. Caywood,** supt., Ocmulgee, to archeologist, SWAC; **Leo J. Diederich,** chief, Br. of Nat. Park System Planning, WASO, to Chief, Rec. Resource Planning, Region IV; **Albert Dillahunty,** historian, Fredericksburg, to supt., Ocmulgee; **Mrs. Persis Buckley,** personnel officer, Grand Canyon, to personnel technician, Yosemite; **Edward J. Clancy,** lands. arch., EODC, Mammoth Cave, to regional chief, Boundary Studies Sec., Region I.

Rolla D. Everett, asst. supply officer, Yellowstone, to admin. asst., Mount McKinley; **William Funk,** admin. asst., Mount McKinley, to personnel officer, Mount Rainier; **Paul H. Gallagher,** Gen. Acctg. Office to auditor, WASO; **Judy M. Gault,** clerk to office services supervisor, Yellowstone; **Aubrey L. Haines,** supt. of const. and maint., to historian, Yellowstone; **Richard T. Hart,** chief naturalist, Wind Cave, to asst. chief naturalist, Yosemite; **Kirt F. Hauschildt,** Smithsonian to museum pres. specialist, WASO, to museum aid, Western Museum Lab; **Gustaf P. Hultman,** chief ranger, Cape Hatteras, to rec. planner, Region I Office.

John W. Jay, Jr., supt., Theodore Roosevelt, to supt., Badlands; **Carlock E. (Corky) Johnson,** chief ranger, Great Smoky, to project mgr., Flaming Gorge RA; **Warren A. Johnson,** civil engineer, Region IV Office, to same, Mount Rainier; **Emery C. Lehnert,** supv. ranger, Navajo, to same, Montezuma Castle; **William W. Luckett,** supt., Fort Sumter, to same, Cumberland Gap; **Wallace O. McCaw,** asst. supt., Mesa Verde, to supt., Theodore Roosevelt; **Mary M. McDonald,** clerk-steno., Region IV Office, to same, WODC; **Gerald F. Newfield,** admin. asst., Fort Union, to same, Aztec Ruins.

John R. Patterson, ranger, Carlsbad Caverns, to supv. ranger, Theodore Roosevelt; **Heath L. Pemberton,** historian, Christiansted NHS, to publications editor, WASO; **Ray B. Ringenbach,** supt., Fort Laramie, to same, Chiricahua; **Laura Robe,** clerk typist, WODC, to file clerk, Region IV Office; **Lee Roy Rutledge,** prop. mgt. & proc. asst., Death Valley, to admin. asst., Craters of the Moon; **John A. Rutter,** asst. supt., Rocky Mountain, to same, Mount Rainier; **Agnes B. Smith,** time, leave & payroll clerk, Mount Rainier, to time, leave and payroll supervisor, Yosemite; **Elbert W. Smith,** Internal Revenue to chief of concessions mgt., Region II; **Pervy R. Smith,** operator general, Big Bend, to same, Grand Canyon; **Earl L. Stadel,** civil engineer, Big Bend, to same, Acadia; **Anthony E. Stark,** asst. chief ranger, Blue Ridge, to chief ranger, Cape Hatteras; **A. Clark Stratton,** chief of concessions management, to asst. chief, D. & C. Division, WASO; **Arthur Stupka,** chief naturalist to biologist, Great Smoky; **Robert N. Thorne,** maintenanceman, Dinosaur, to operator general, Big Bend; **Louis G. Walisch,** Columbia Basin project to accountant, Glacier; **Tom Whitcraft,** asst. supt., Hawaii (Haleakala), to asst. supt., Rocky Mountain; **Theodore F. Whitmoyer,** supv. ranger, Everglades, to asst. chief naturalist, Dinosaur; **Sigismund I. Zachwieja,** supv. ranger to admin. aid, Yosemite.

RETIREMENTS

Albert T. Bicknell, mandatory, supt., Casa Grande, Oct. 31 - 40 years; **John A. Butts,** optional, caretaker, NCP - 35 years; **Powhatan J. Danile,** disability, pvt., U. S. Park Police, NCP - 17 years; **Arnold Guy (Uncle Guy) Dillon,** Blue Ridge Parkway; **Charles L. Ellis,** foreman III, Mount Rainier; **J. Gregory Graves,** disability, civil engineer, Lake Mead, Jan. 9; **Cecil R. Hamrick,** optional, electrician, NCP - 28 years; **George E. C. Heath,** guard-special policeman, NCP - 42 years; **Ione J. Horne,** disability, clerk, Lassen Volcanic, Nov. 9; **Melvin H. Leach,** inspector, U. S. Park Police, NCP - 35 years.

Charles Love, disability, mail and file supervisor, NCP, - 28 years; **Ernest L. Love,** disability, pvt., U. S. Park Police, NCP, Nov. 30 - 19 years; **Charles L. Milroy,** mandatory, tour leader supervisor, Roosevelt-Vanderbilt - 21½ years; **Joe Pistolesi,** optional, foreman II, mixed gang, NCP - 29 years; **Harold M. Ratcliff,** optional, regional soil conservationist, Region III, Jan. 7 - 32 years; **Edmond W. Sprowles,** caretaker, Abraham Lincoln Birthplace; **Dick Sutton,** optional, chief architect, Div. of Design and Construction, WASO, Nov. 30 - 26½ years; **Thomas C. Tingle,** disability, sgt., U. S. Park Police, NCP - 28 years; **Nelson A. Tinney,** disability, exhibits specialist, Br. of Museums, Jan. 19.

MERITORIOUS SERVICE

Albert T. Bicknell, supt., Casa Grande, ret. Oct. 31; **Thomas S. Farr,** supv. civil engineer, WODC, ret. Sept. 30; **Benjamin F. Gibson,** Region V admin. officer, ret.; **Joseph Joffe,** mgt. asst., Yellowstone, ret. March 4, 1960 (posthumous); **Hugh M. Miller,** regional director, Region III, ret.; **Florence I. Taaffe,** asst. chief of information, WASO (posthumous).

SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE

Mary Ruth Chiles, secretary, Great Smoky Mts., $200; **Keith Emerson,** signmaker, Shenandoah, $200; **Dean Dazey,** district ranger, Lake Mead, $150; **George A. Hall,** park historian, Sitka, $200; **Garnett C. Inge,** U. S. Park Police, NCP, $150; **Melvin H. Leach,** inspector, U. S. Park Police, NCP, $500; **Mrs. Mabel E. McPherson,** editorial clerk, Columbia Basin Rec. Survey, $150; **Mabel K. Swart,** tabulation project planner, $150; **Mr. and Mrs. Dono J. Treadeau,** cook and cook's helper, Isle Royale, $100 each;

SPECIAL ACT

Ernest Borgman, ranger, Everglades, $150.

INCENTIVE AWARD

Benjamin E. Powell, Independence, for suggestion that ultrasonic cleaning equipment be used in archeological laboratory work.

30-YEARS OF SERVICE

Fred H. Arnold, chief, Ranger Activities, Region I; **Edwin M. Dale,** supt., C&O Canal; **L. Theodore Davenport,** mgr., Prince William Forest Park, NCP; **Joseph C. Reed,** const. engineer, NCP; **Walter C. Reed,** foreman II warehouseman; **Harold G. Smith,** chief, Br. of Programs, WASO; **Ardra E. Tarbell,** Acadia.

Washington Office

When the books were balanced after the Design, Construction, and Maintenance Conference held at Yosemite National Park last November, a small amount was left over. This was sent to the Washington Office by WODC for deposit in the National Park Service Donation Account for the Land Acquisition fund.

The Advisory Board plans to meet in Philadelphia on May 14 and 15. They will tour the Park and look over the restoration work now in process at Independence. While in Philadelphia, they will also review the work of the Historic American Buildings Survey directed in EODC by Architect **Charles E. Peterson.**

Merel S. Sager, chief landscape architect, was elected national secretary of the American Society of Landscape Architects for the years 1961 and 1962. During the past 3 years Mr. Sager has served as a member of the Board of Trustees.

William G. Carnes, chief of the MISSION 66 staff, will participate in the summer session of the Department of Urban Planning and Landscape Architecture at Michigan State University this summer. His stay of 8 days at East Lansing, during which he will conduct a workshop on "Parks," will coincide with the festival, "The Arts in America." Carnes' "Land Resource Requirements for a National Recreation Program," appears in the University of Illinois book "Modern Land Policy," published last year. It is made up of the papers presented at the Land Economics Institute in 1958.

Recently announced was the engagement of **Paul McGrath Miller, Jr.,** son of Chief Engineer and **"Shorty" Miller,** to Miss Carolyn Ney Stoup of Celina, Ohio. A graduate of Cornell University in engineering, young Paul is now undergoing jet pilot training with the Air Force. The wedding is scheduled for April 22.

The Director, who has been a member of the Advisory Council of Keep America Beautiful, Inc., since the establishment of that organization, addressed the annual meeting of the Council in New York on Feb. 17, on "Progress with Beauty."

C. Gordon Fredine, of the MISSION 66 staff and former biologist in the Branch of Natural History, has been appointed executive secretary of The Wildlife Society, an organization of some 3200 members, of whom some 600 are subscribers to **The Journal of Wildlife Management** and **Wildlife Monographs,** official publications of the society. Gordon conducts the Society's business from his home in Bethesda, Md., where his wife **Edith** serves as his secretary and clerical assistant.

Herbert E. Kahler, chief historian, spent Thanksgiving Day, 1960, away from home in the place where the first Thanksgiving Day was observed. He addressed the National Council for the Social Studies, meeting in Plymouth, Mass. His subject was "Educational Opportunities for Teaching the American Heritage."

New arrivals include a son (their third) born to Mr. and Mrs. **Francis X. Carr** (Mrs. Carr is the former **Rosemary Dougherty**), on Dec. 20; a son, to Mr. and Mrs. **Charles Goldman** on Dec. 7. (**"Gerrie" Goldman** was editorial clerk in the Branch of Information); a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. **Herbert G. Graul,** Nov. 24; a daughter, to **Francis B.** and **Barbara Smoak** (Mrs. Smoak was with the Branch of Information) Feb. 15.

Miss **Audrey Cable,** secretary to **Ira B. Lykes** of the Park Practice Section, and First Lieut. Harland Genkinson, were married at Fort Bragg, N. C., on Feb. 11.



Washington Office Orchestra

One of the surprises at the Washington Office Christmas party on Dec. 21 was the first public appearance of the Washington Office orchestra, with **Harold Peterson,** trumpeter, as conductor. The group, of 11 members, provided most of the music at a pre-party program in the Department auditorium at which an undisclosed Santa Claus acted as master of ceremonies. **Camille Elias** sang three "Songs by Camille," accompanied by **Louise Murray;** and the Director was presented with a gigantic (3' by 5') Christmas card signed by the personnel of the Washington Office.

In the picture above, the commanding looking gentlemen standing at the left is Conductor Peterson. From left to rgiht in that row are **Tom Garasic,** piano; **Cornelius Heine,** clarinet; **Virginia** and **Art Gilmore,** trumpet; and **Elmer Berry,** saxophone and clarinet. Seated, left to right are **Bertrand** and **Virginia Richter,** and **Colin Ritter,** violins. Missing are **Charles Schuster,** clarinet, and **Frank Buffmire.**

Things in Print

Birth of a National Park

It has probably never been easy to bring about the establishment of a national park, even when that required only the delimitation of an area already in federal ownership. But for a story of difficulties and discouragements conquered, you should read Carlos C. Campbell's account of how Great Smoky Mountains National Park came into existence. It appears in "Birth of a National Park in the Great Smoky Mountains," recently published by the University of Tennessee Press. It is not only fascinating reading but a handsome book as well.

The park has now been officially established more than 26 years; it would seem to be a fair guess that 9 out of 10 present-day employees of the NPS know that the late John D. Rockefeller, Jr., came through with $5,000,000 toward the cost of buying the land but that the knowledge of most of them stops at just about that point. There is a lot more to the story than that. Carlos Campbell lived with the effort to establish the park almost from its beginning. He admits that back in the days when he was assistant manager and manager of the Knoxville Chamber of Commerce he was often irritated by having to listen to Willis P. Davis "rave" about the beauty of the Smokies and what a fine national park it was going to make; and there were a lot of later supporters of the project who, in the beginning, thought the national park idea, first stoutly advanced by Mrs. Davis, was a big joke.

It wasn't a joke, but it proved to be a terrific headache that lasted for ten or a dozen years; there were several "villains" in the play, but also a lot of heroes to each of whom Mr. Campbell endeavors to give just credit. It is a fine thing that the record has thus been assembled by a man who was intimately associated with the movement for the park and who has known just where to go for information to supplement his own records.

One of the most interesting parts of the book is that that deals with the almost incredible machinations of the late Senator Kenneth McKellar of Tennessee and his vendetta against the late—and greatly lamented—Supt. Ross Eakin; another is about the long and ultimately successful effort to arrive at a price for the nearly 93,000 acres of virgin forest lands in both North Carolina and Tennessee owned by the Champion Fibre Company.

Horace Albright, in his fine introduction to the book, mentions the names of two men—Col. David C. Chapman of Tennessee, and Senator Mark Squires of North Carolina—who bore the brunt of the long, often heated, often discouraging battle to make a reality of Mrs. Davis' dream. The book itself is an excellent record of their accomplishment and that of their associates.

"Birth of a National Park in the Great Smoky Mountains," 142 pages, plus preface, introduction, appendix and index, plus 20 pages of excellent half-tones and 5 maps, is priced at $5.00.

Indians, Infants, and Infantry

The central figure of this book is a man who commanded U. S. Army troops on the frontier from 1866 to 1898, and who ended 41 years of Army service as Brig. Gen. Andrew Sheridan Burt. His career, and the events and actions in which he participated, are illuminated importantly by an account written by his wife, Elizabeth, his companion throughout his western career; and made still more interesting, revealing and exciting by the carefully researched and extensive background material supplied by the author, who is **Merrill J. Mattes,** regional historian of Region Two. It is Merrill's first book, but by no means his first historical writing in print. One reason for his Distinguished Service award last year was an extraordinary record of publication—more than 50 research articles in various historical journals.

Burt, then a major, in 1866 became the first regular officer to assume command at Fort Bridger, on the Overland Trail, after the Civil War. He was the last officer to command at dangerous Fort C. F. Smith, in Montana Territory on the Bozeman Trail. From 1874 to 1876, during the climactic wars with the Sioux, he was stationed at Fort Laramie.

His wife, whose manuscript is the hard core of the book, raised three children on the frontier. She lived an exciting life, imperiled by Indian attacks, blizzards, and desert heat. She was hostess, at one time or another, to such diverse characters as Mark Twain, General Crook, Chief Washakie, and Owen Wister.

James C. Olson, professor of history at the University of Nebraska, reviewing Merrill's book in the Omaha World-Herald Sunday Magazine, said of it, "It is not only a personal narrative of great interest and at times great excitement, but it is also a well-researched account of the career of an Army officer whose contributions have been too long neglected by historians of the West. . .

"This book," he concludes, "will find a permanent place on the shelf of our best Americana, and it will enhance Merrill Mattes' already substantial reputation as a careful interpreter of the history of the West."

Indians, Infants, and Infantry was published by the Old West Publishing Co. of Denver. There are 304 pages, 42 illustrations, and end maps. Price $5.95.

Great Western Indian Fights

A distinguished group of members of the Potomac Corral of The Westerners wrote, and Doubleday & Company, Inc., published, an attractive and fascinating book entitled **Great Western Indian Fights,** which came off the press late in 1960. **Roy Appleman,** of the Branch of History in Washington, writes:

"The book contains a series of chapters dealing with particularly important Indian engagements, most of them with the United States Army, from 1832 to 1891 in the western states . . . and includes accounts of the principal engagements with tribes such as the Blackfeet, Cheyennes, Sioux, Arapahoe, Apache, Modoc and Gros Ventres. The authors of the various accounts are all members of the Potomac Corral."

Several members of the National Park Service are represented. **Jack Dodd,** assistant superintendent of Everglades, wrote about the military campaign against the Spokane, Palouse, and Coeur d'Alene Indians in 1858; **Ray H. Mattison,** of the Region Two Office staff contributed a chapter on the battle of Massacre Canyon between Pawnee and Sioux Indians in 1873 (the only chapter that relates an encounter between two different tribes of Indians). **Robert M. Utley** of the Region Three Office staff wrote on the "Battle of the Little Big Horn," while Appleman himself contributed four chapters dealing with action on the Bozeman Trail in 1866-67, including the Fetterman Fight, the Hayfield Fight near Fort C. F. Smith, and the Wagon Box Fight near Fort Phil Kearny.

Among the excellent illustrations in the book is a fine, clear print of the Wagon Box Fight diorama completed last year by the Museum Branch for the dislays at Jefferson National Expansion Memorial.

Great Western Indian Fights sells for $4.95.

WODC

The Western Office of Design and Construction held its annual orientation and training program during January under the chairmanship of Chief **Sanford "Red" Hill.** This year, emphasis was placed upon orienting new personnel on National Park Service and Division of Design and Construction policies, as well as general office functions. Significant proposals made at the Requirements and Costs seminar at Yosemite in November were brought to the attention of all employees. Members of the three branches - Architecture, Engineering and Landscape Architecture - held panel discussions of ways and means for improvement of plan production and contract supervision.

Honored guest throughout the program was **Clark Stratton,** newly assigned WASO assistant chief of design and construction.

The program closed with a personnel awards presentation. **Frances Archambault, Wayland Fairchild, James Hahn, Charles McKendry, Manuel Morris, George Woolsey and Ray Wyrick** received cash awards for suggestions submitted to the incentive awards committee during the past year.

Length-of-Service Emblems were presented to the following: **Earl G. Brown,** 30 years; **Charles R. Sigler, Leland R. Smith,** and **Paul C. Thomas,** 20 years; **Arlene Anderson, Clifford S. Chadderton, Esther A. Dezendorf, Thomas Hurley, Elizabeth A. Javens, Mary M. McDonald, Winthrop S. Marston, Manuel Morris, Walter L. Robinson, Ralph M. Stratton** and **Herbert Wendt,** 10 years.

Henry Stengel, Landscape Architect at WODC for the past 5 years, went east Feb. 13 to join the Region Five staff in Philadelphia as recreation planner. "Hank" was feted at an office "send-off" party and will be sorely missed and well-remembered.

Architect **Richard C. Golsine** reports that his daughter, **Sally,** a Junior at the University of California at Berkeley, is attending the spring semester of the University of Vienna.

Landscape Architect **Laura E. Wilson** has been re-elected Director of the California Council of Landscape Architects.

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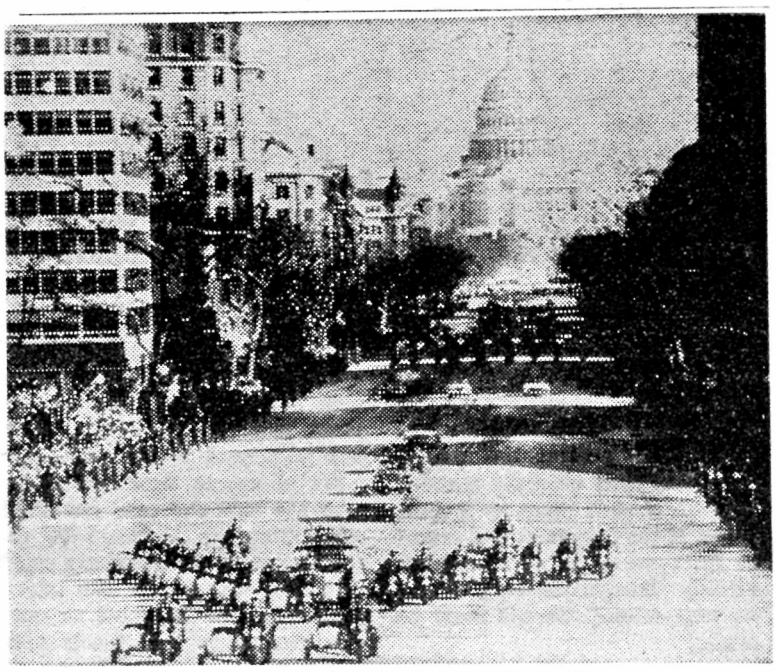
Ross R. Hopkins, historian at Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park, and Miss **Carol Lynn White,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll White of Bryson City, N. C., were married at Bryson City on Jan. 29. Mrs. Hopkins' father is business manager of "Unto These Hills," the pageant-play which has been produced at Cherokee, N. C. for some years.

John B. Carroll, who retired effective Jan. 31, after 32 years Government Service, was presented with the Commendable Service Award by Supt. Dunn that evening in the course of a social hour in his honor. Chief Ranger **Dan E. Lee** also presented Mr. Carroll with a hat, which has become a tradition at Chickamauga Park.

Ladders Dangerous, Too

Afraid of a cat crossing your path? Perhaps you should be! **George Robinson,** son of Park Naturalist **Harry B. Robinson,** Sequoia and Kings Canyon, was driving his mother and wife home from a shopping trip. They were cruising along with the thought of getting home early to get ready for the big New Years Eve party at park headquarters. A cat started to cross the highway — George swerved to miss the cat — when he got the car back into position again, a truck following closely behind crashed into the Robinson car. Result, a bad cut over one eye for George; Millie and Vayle, fortunately, were only shaken up a bit, but the car was badly damaged. At presstime, the cut is healed and George is back at his senior studies at San Jose State College, Vayle is back at her job in San Jose, and Harry and Millie Robinson have got their car back from the repair shop.

U. S. Park Police Lieut. **David Kushner** is attending a 3-month police training course, offered by the Northwestern University Traffic Institute covering the subjects: Introduction to Police Management; Personnel Management for Police; Police Training Methods and Programs.



U. S. Park Police in Inaugural Parade

Both the U. S. Park Police motorcycle unit and its famous horse-mounted troop were participants in the parade up Pennsylvania Avenue which followed the inaugural ceremonies for President Kennedy and Vice President Johnson at the Capitol Building. Clad in the smart new-issue uniform of the organization, members of the Force found themselves being asked to pose for pictures throughout the day.

Several members of the motorcycle unit were assigned to escort the fast-moving new president to a variety of official and social functions, both before and after the Inauguration. (USIA photo)

Pvt. **Decatur T. Beacham** of the Traffic Division, U. S. Park Police and **Mrs. Beacham** are parents of a son, **Dwight Timothy,** born Jan. 16.

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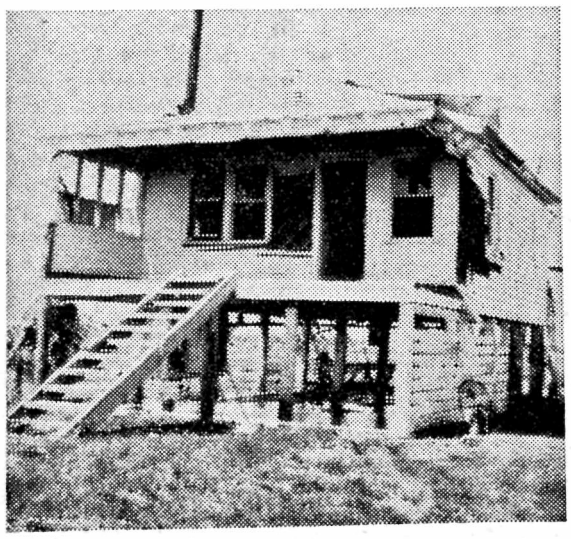
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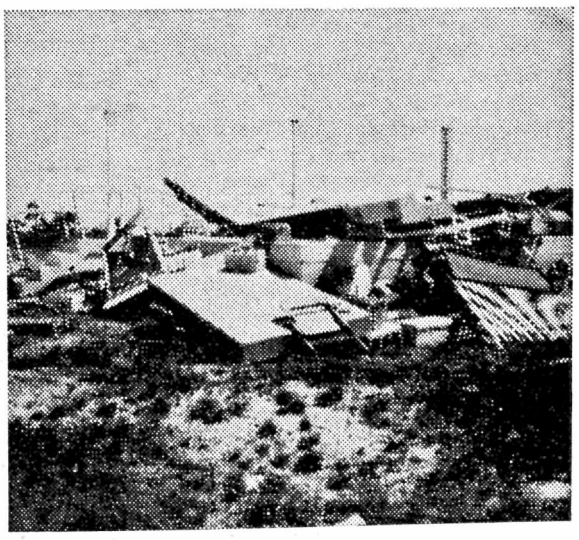
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Everglades Buildings, Mangroves and Birds Were Victims of Donna

The Seminoles say that when the saw grass blooms there will be a hurricane. This is undoubtedly true. The saw grass bloomed profusely this year and we certainly had a hurricane. Of course, the saw grass blooms every year, and every year, too, there is a hurricane - somewhere!

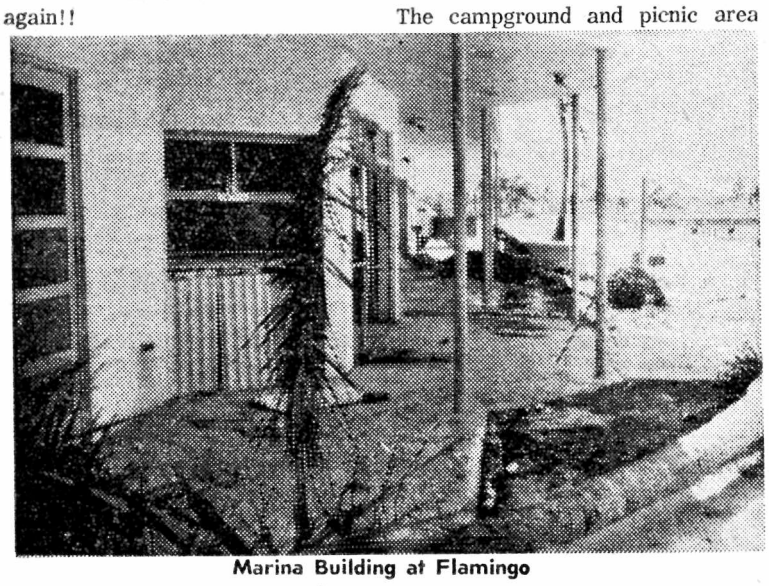
Most of us Evergladers are such newcomers that we had never experienced a hurricane. There hadn't been a big blow around here for well over ten years. So we





L. Old house at Flamingo. R. Camptender's Residence.

really had no idea of just what a full-blown hurricane was like or what it would do to the Park and our homes. All of us considered the possibility of a storm and through the years have carefully watched the path of each storm as it came up out of the Caribbean and passed us by. Some of us were somehow secretly disappointed each time we were missed. We will never be again!!



Marina Building at Flamingo

They blew away!

We considered the effect of hurricanes in our building plans. The Flamingo Visitor Center was built on pilings nine feet above the ground, which proved to be wise construction indeed, although the fantastic wind force and tons of water found other construction weaknesses. Some buildings were what is known as blow-away construction. And they blew away.

The Park staff during, immediately following, and ever since has been compiling a record of that storm. We have observations of the storm from different stations and extensive records of damage to Park facilities and are making a careful survey of the effect on natural features along with recovery. We have lots of pictures, and we have mud and debris.

Damage to buildings - both Park Service and concessioner - has been estimated at $1,000,000. Nearly all of this damage was incurred at Flamingo No structure there escaped damage and only the on-

were gutted. The roof and the large windows of the big visitor center were destroyed and there was an awful mess of dead birds, mud, and mattresses in the mangrove.

But of course these are things man has built and man can build again. They are, in fact, being reconstructed at a surprisingly rapid rate. The concessioner was taking reservations for December 15, 1960! The campground and picnic area was to be in operation by January 1, 1961.

But the effect on wildlife and on the forests of the Park, especially the mangrove forest, is something else.

The storm damage in evidence is progressively more severe as one proceeds down the Park road toward Flamingo. First a few bare hardwood trees, broken limbs, and a certain "leaning tower of Pisa" effect, then an entire hammock open to the sky, devoid of foliage. And finally - the shattered mangroves.

Wind - 3 miles a minute!

The U. S. Weather Bureau classified Donna as an extreme hurricane. Although they were unable to secure good records in many places (in some places the recording devices blew away!), they admit to wind velocities in gusts from 180 to 190 miles per hour and a barometer reading at least as low as 27.4 inches. The storm moved very slowly as it passed through the Park, subjecting some areas to sustained hurricane-force winds for more than 12 hours.

Somehow, Deadly Donna, as she has been called, managed to thread her way around heaviy populated places. Instead, she seemed to array all her forces to cause a maximum of damage to Everglades. She came at night and caught the wading birds on their roosts. It is estimated that nearly 35% of the Great White Heron population was destroyed. This bird species was nearly exterminated by the 1935 hurricane; however, under Park Service protection the population had grown sufficiently to insure that even 35% mortality will not put the birds in danger of extinction. The northeast winds in the lead of the storm almost emptied Florida Bay, removing pressure and weight of water from the submerged roots of the mangroves and giving the wind a better chance to blow them down. Significantly, a majority of felled trees in the mangrove forest fell toward the southwest.

Then - high high tide

Then as the winds turned to the east and quickly to the south, a storm tide nearly 14 feet above normal mean high tide flooded the area, washing marl mud, debris, dead fish, and even large sea turtles up on the land.

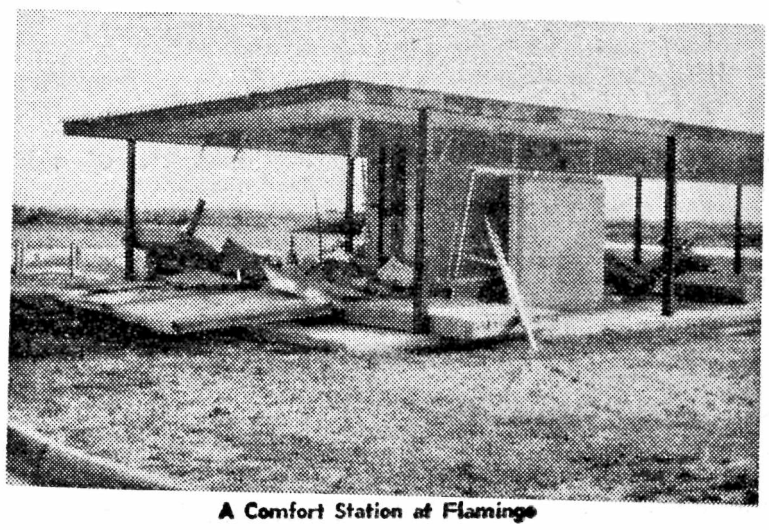
Mortality to the birds and other animals in the Flamingo area was extremely high. The full effect, both direct and indirect, on the future of some species will not be known until the effect on their feeding and nesting areas can be studied.

Epiphytes and orchids, and other air plants, suffered severe losses. In the mangrove forest perhaps as many as 90% of these strange plants have been lost.

But the greatest blow to the Park was the mangrove forest. Much of the extensive and unique forest was blown down, and as many as 75% of those still standing are dead or dying. Just why these trees could not survive the hurricane winds still isn't clear. We find evidence of broken phloem cells in the white mangrove. Apparently mangrove is as intolerant of high hurricane winds as of frost and fire.

The mangroves in the future

We wonder what will happen to the mangrove forest. A former severe hurricane in 1935 devastated large areas of mangrove. Quite a large part of that forest never returned and is open salt prairie with here and there a skeleton tree of the former forest, raising its bleached white bones in mute evidence of the fury of these storms. Now of course we wonder - will the prairie grow? But of course this region has experienced innumerable hurricanes through the ages and survived. Much of the Park area will recover. Some of it already has and in a few years Donna will slip into the limbo of time, and future interpreters will refer to her as "one of the hurricanes of the past that have helped shape this land." — **E.L.C.**



A Comfort Station at Flamingo

Whale Migration Is Cabrillo Show

One of the most fascinating shows offered in any area of the National Park System just finished its annual performance a couple of weeks ago. Box seats for it are offered in an old army bunker on Point Loma, Calif.; the place is Cabrillo National Monument; the show is the annual southward migration of California gray whales from their far-northern summer feeding grounds in Bering Sea to the lagoons of Baja California where they mate and, about a year later, bear their young.

The whales pass only about 2,000 yards off the coast, and their spouts are plainly visible without the use of binoculars; the monument provides an ideal platform from which to watch them. With binoculars they may be seen lying briefly on the surface sucking air into their tremendous lungs. They usually blow three times in fairly rapid succession; intervals between blows are 10 to 15 seconds. The series of spouts gives the viewer time to locate the whale and focus his binoculars on him before he goes on a deep dive.

The huge mammals of the deep travel singly or in small groups, - usually a female and two males. Since the pregnant females from last year's mating travel alone, the non-pregnant half of the female population is much in demand, hence the grouping of two males and one female. Observers this year noted that the courting groups seemed especially frisky, as more broaching (jumping almost clear of the water) appeared to be taking place off Point Loma.

As of Jan. 16, Cabrillo rangers reported a whale count of 538; the total count for the 1959-60 season was 2,387. These mammals, now protected by international law, unfailingly provide a spectacular sight for visitors to the monument.

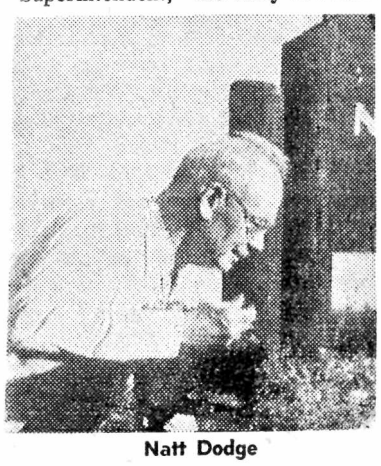
Natt Must Burn the Midnight Oil

More than 300 articles written by Regional Naturalist **Natt N. Dodge,** Region Three, have been accepted for publication since he began doing freelance writing in 1928. Until recent years, most dealt with non-Service subjects.

Since October 1955, Natt has been a regular contributor to **Trail-R-News,** a monthly magazine for the mobile home industry and enthusiasts. Missing only an issue here and there, he has seen 55 of his pieces in print. Others are awaiting publication. Handled with an interpretive slant, the articles have dealt with most of the National Parks and Monuments in Region Three, and several in other Regions.

About NPS folks

His writings have also included a number of biographical sketches of well-known Service employees. In 1958, **National Parks Magazine** published in two parts "Seven Star Superintendent," the story of **Frank**



Natt Dodge

C. (Boss) Pinkley and his years as superintendent of Southwestern National Monuments. The same magazine carried "Mr. Grand Canyon," concerning Park Naturalist **Louis Schellbach's** work there over a period of years. The Dodge byline has also appeared in that publication over articles on Organ Pipe Cactus, White Sands, and Sunset Crater National Monuments, and Big Bend National Park.

Westways magazine has carried another "Boss" Pinkley piece written by Natt, and he has done an account on the Southwest for **World Book Encyclopedia.** For the November 21, 1959, issue of the **Santa Fe Scene,** a local weekly magazine, Mr. Dodge wrote "Service A Career" about retired Regional Director **Hugh M. Miller.** Earlier, the **Scene** had used his features on "Beekeeping," a hobby he no longer practices, and "Street Names in Santa Fe."

The Pacific Northwest, A Guide to the Evergreen Playground, was published by Golden Press, New York City, in October 1959. Before that, he had written another Golden Book, **Guide to the Southwest.**

Along with his outside writing, Natt is currently working on a Natural History Handbook for White Sands. A handbook for Saguaro already bears his name, and another for Organ Pipe Cactus is scheduled for printing.

He has no thought of resting on his literary laurels, at least for the present. There are definite plans to continue the prolific output, and to carry on an interest in color photography, using many of his own pictures to illustrate the articles that flow from his typewriter.

In his "spare" time, Natt Dodge has served the Downtown Kiwanis Club of Santa Fe as its secretary continuously since 1944, except for one year when he was president. He is also a Boy Scout counselor in nature study and is active in the work of the First Presbyterian Church of Santa Fe

Men Work, and So Does the Wind, in Building Up Hatteras Dunes

MISSION 66 covers a lot of land, - and nowhere more than Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreation Area. Here MISSION 66 is concerned with the ground itself, building it up into long sand dunes, then anchoring it with new vegetation. The object, of course, is to make Bodie and Hatteras and Ocracoke Islands again the true barriers against the sea that they were before man and his animals removed or destroyed their protective cover of vegetation and let the sea in.

Started in Thirties

NPS concern with "nailing down" the Outer Banks of North Carolina is of long standing. It was responsible during the Thirties for a vast program of "brush fencing," running from the Virginia line to the southwest end of Ocracoke Island, which slowed the constantly moving sands and thus built up dunes, just as snow fence builds up deep drifts of snow; and this was supplemented by the planting of beach grasses on a tremendous scale. Probably the most interesting consequence of this work was the building of sturdy, well anchored dunes between the historic Hatteras Light and the open ocean. A few years ago this permitted resumption of use of the light, abandoned nearly three decades ago because of the steady approach of the Atlantic toward its base.

Most of the work was done by Transient Camps, one of the creations of the Roosevelt New Deal. They were camps peopled by transients, - some hoboes, some tramps, some winos, some down-and-outers, human flotsam and jetsam, as well as some who were on their uppers through no fault of their own. In immediate charge of them was a youngster named **A. Clark Stratton.**

Clark had to be the "big boss" of more than 2,000 of these men; he was responsible for housing them, feeding them, seeing that they were given proper treatment when they were ill, training them in their jobs, - even giving them decent burial when they died. In the intervening years, until a little more than 4 years ago, what was needed was maintenance, which wasn't provided; hence much of that magnificent work went to waste. Dune stabilization work was resumed as a part of MISSION 66 and will extend over at least a 10-year period.

Two striking changes characterize the new project as compared with the old. Instead of sections of brush fence, laboriously fabricated by hand and feasible only when abundant low-paid labor is available, today's project uses the familiar snow fence, identical with that which protects the highways against drifting snow except that the opening between the slats is one inch, instead of two. Also, machine planting and other more rapid and more economical methods of providing the vegetative cover are being adopted. There is a constant program of trying out new methods and new machinery. There were some amazing results with fertilizer this past season. The yearly allotments have been about $100,000.

The men and the job

Supt. **Robert F. Gibbs** has this to say about the project:

"It began in the fall of 1956, although the work had been carried on as a maintenance venture for two previous years. The work, done under force account, is under the Seashore's Maintenance Division staff, largely as a wintertime project. Park Engineer **Edward Nash** is responsible for overall supervision and coordination. Maintenance Supervisor **Reid Cabe,** and Mixed Gang Foremen **Roy King** and **Jarvis Barnett** handle the crews and field planning; Labor Foremen **Gaskill, Tandy** and **Overcash** act as crew leaders on Ocracoke, Hatteras and Bodie, respectively. Since the work is performed on all three islands at the same time, a rather large crew is required. Normally we would employ about 28 men on the project. However, with our stepped-up storm damage program due to Hurricane Donna blowing rough-shod over us, we have about 45 men at work for the winter and early spring months."

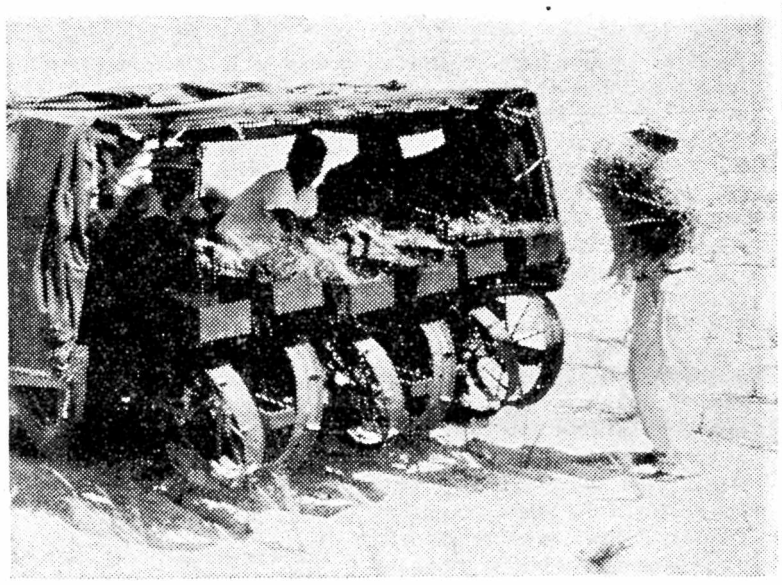
The fundamental belief that grassing is the ultimate control medium hasn't changed much since Clark Stratton was pioneering the project. It is just that, as indicated, some of the methods have changed, though Bob reports that considerable hand planting is still done much as it was a quarter century ago. He credits Reid Cabe with having modified standard planting equipment to produce a much improved piece of equipment for planting dune grasses.

Less backache

"We use 3 standard root-type planters (used for tobacco, tomatoes, etc.) joined together in a manner that permits horizontal and vertical freedom for each of the units; they are hauled by small crawler or wheel-type tractors. Not only will machine planting increase production 5 times over that of hand planting; the men will vote overwhelmingly for it. Hand planting is arduous and monotonous.

"We are still seeking a low-cost, mass-planting operation. Presumably, seed and mulch in combination with fertilizer would be the grass-starting media. The Finn Equipment Co. of Cincinnati offered to furnish equipment and operators for a joint experiment if we would supply materials and labor. Bodie Island was selected as the site; experimental work started in mid-October and ran about 3 weeks. We will follow through with some additional work this spring and will continue further next fall if results seem to warrant. It will probably take two years to arrive at any sound evaluation of the results.

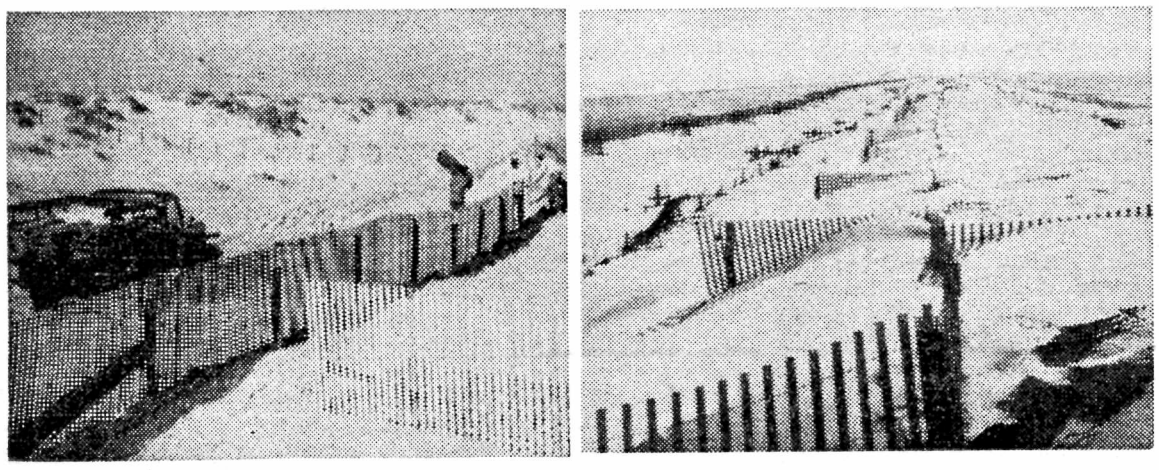
"We cut local beach grasses, while in seed, on our flats, baled them, and used the Finn mulcher as our basic method."



The Grass-Planting Machine

The project uses about 100,000 lineal feet of 4-foot fence a year. Six-foot rough-sawn 2-by-4 oak posts, procurable cheaply in the Hatteras area, are used. There is constant experiment with new materials; they have tried plastic wiring, synthetic weaves, impregnated cotton, and vegetable fiber materials. So far, Bob asserts, "nothing has equalled or excelled wood-slat fencing under ocean and sand conditions."

Sand fixation is a lot of work; however, one of the nice things about it is that, though there has been some dune building that has used bulldozers, the wind does a tremendous amount of the work. Look at that little picture of the dunes ready for grassing. No man or machine had to transport all those tons of sand there; the wind did it, - and it never gets tired!

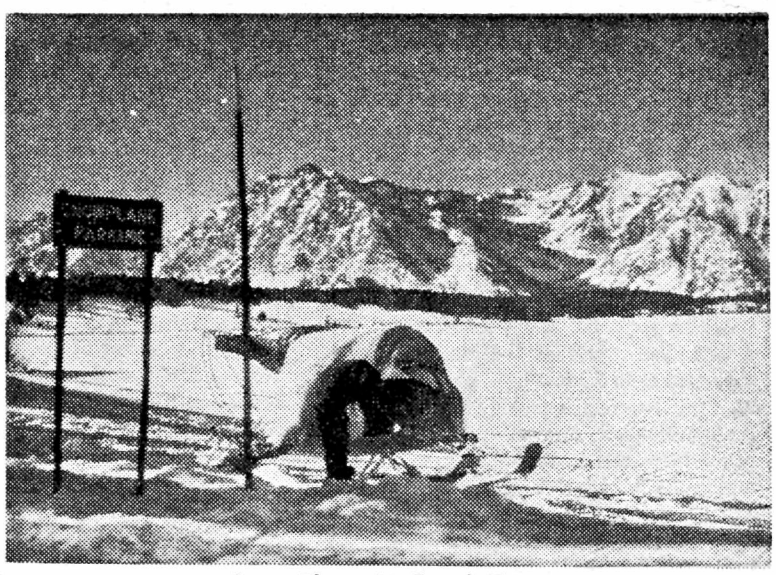


L. Erecting Sand Fence. R. Built-up dune, ready for grass.

Snowplanes Thrill Riders; Useful for Winter Transport and Rescue

Grand Teton winter recreation features a type of park use little known outside the Jackson Hole vicinity. That is snowplaning, a sport for the hardy and venturesome, usually indulged in at sub-freezing — and often sub-zero — temperatures. Grand Teton unquestionably leads all park areas, and probably all parts of the nation, in this activity.

Visualize a cab arrangement, seating two or crowding four, mounted on three metal skis some 12 inches wide and about 8 feet long, a single steering ski slightly forward of the cab, and one on either side toward the rear, with an airplane motor and pusher propellor mounted behind the cab. That's a snowplane, capable of 90 miles an hour under ideal conditions. It provides the nearest approach to flying possible with the vehicle still earthbound — or snowbound.



Snow Plane At Grand Teton

There are minor hazards in its use. For example, nobody has yet devised an effective braking system. Thus the operator (Most of them have built their own machines), by regulation of his speed, must anticipate his stopping place, at least approximately. Miscalculation results in consequences of varying seriousness. Also, one does not back out with a snowplane and it has about the turning radius of a boxcar; trapped in close quarters, the operator crawls out and wrestles the contraption around by brute strength, - a neat trick in several feet of snow!

Snowplaning is an exhilirating sport, well adapted to the open snow-blanketed flats of Jackson Hole and the broad frozen expanse of Jackson Lake where ice-fishing is an almost inseparable adjunct of planing. Despite the cold, it is not unusual to find 30 to 40 planes and fishermen on the lake on a winter weekend.

The Jackson Hole Snowplane Association had, at last count, 35 members; 5 are Grand Teton staff members. The Grand Teton winter safety program incorporates the use of government and employee-owned planes as an integral part of the plan. Both Teton and Yellowstone include snowplanes as part of their mechanized equipment. They are used for winter patrols on Jackson Lake and elswewhere, including biweekly trips from Grand Teton to Yellowstone. For such use, for rescue or emergency purposes, or for sport, the snowplane is here to stay.

Isle Royale

The Ranger II was sold on Dec. 20 to Mr. P. C. Christiansen, Phelps, Wis., the highest of 5 bidders, for $9300. The boat was constructed at Stonington, Me., in 1943 for the U. S. Army Freight-Service. It was acquired by the NPS in 1947 and was in continuous service on the Isle Royale run until the summer of 1960.

Isle Royale's famous cooks, **Dono** and **Alice Treadeau,** were presented each with a check for $100 for Superior Performance in the operation of the employees' mess at Mott Island. The presentation was made by Superintendent Fry at the "coffee break" on Jan. 24.

An employees' Christmas Party was held aboard the M.V. RANGER III on Saturday evening, Dec. 17. Complete with decorations, Christmas tree, music, covered-dish supper, Christmas program, including carols, and Santa Claus for the kiddies, there was a full evening's program, with 77 persons in attendance. This was unique in that it was the first such party held aboard the RANGER III. Yes, the weather cooperated also; there was snow.

Born to Trail Maintenance Foreman and Mrs. **David Kangas,** a son, **Jeffrey David,** on Dec. 24.

James and **Ann Bowman** are still up in the air - their honeymoon is not over, but - they have just purchased a Taylorcraft airplane. Both have student licenses, and have been flying about a year. Jim is the park engineer.

The 1961 winter Wolf-Moose study got underway on Jan. 30 when Supervisory Park Ranger **Roy Stamey,** Dr. **Durward L. Allen,** professor of wildlife management, **L. David Mech,** graduate student, Purdue University, and Pilot Don Murray flew from Evelyth, Minn., to the Windigo Ranger Station, Washington Harbor. They will remain in the park for two months. This is the third winter for the study. During the two months study park ranger assignments will be rotated to include Chief Ranger **Ben Zerbey,** and Supervisory Park Ranger **Peter L. Parry.** Last winter the study count showed that there were 19 wolves, and 528 moose.

Hopewell Village

Francis M. Lucas, maintenanceman at Hopewell Village, will retire March 31, after more than 21 years of Federal Service.

Lucas served with the Army in World War I. He started with the NPS in 1941 as a laborer at Hopewell Village and progressed to the position of maintenanceman in 1946. In commenting on Mr. Lucas' long service, Superintendent **Joseph R. Prsmice** used the words "reliable, loyal, and trustworthy."

Acadia Visitor Far From Home

Twenty-five hundred miles or more from its normal winter home, and a thousand miles or so north of it, a Bullock's oriole has been spending this winter at Acadia National Park, visiting a feeding station at Southwest Harbor almost daily, and obligingly putting in an appearance for the annual Christmas bird count conducted by Park Naturalist **Paul Favour.** What's more, the rare visitor was trapped and banded 5 days before the count and during its brief captivity was photographed in color in detail by Favour.

First observations of a great horned owl, a ruby crowned kinglet, and a gray jay, in addition to the oriole, brought the composite Christmas count list up to 96 species.

Acadia

Acadia was host to 105 members, guests, and wives of the National Conference on State Parks on Sept. 22. The itinerary included lunch at Jordan Pond, a tour of the estate of the late John D. Rockefeller, Jr., and a conducted tour of the Park. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. **Horace Albright** who had returned to Acadia for the first time in many years.

The final chapter in the story of Brownie, the young eagle with the broken wing which began Dec. 30, 1959, was concluded on Oct. 18, 1960 as far as Chief Park Naturalist Favour's custodianship of the bird was concerned. On that date, Brownie was turned over to the zoo curator of the Stamford (Conn.) Nature Center and Zoo who drove up to Acadia to take delivery. Brownie's wing had apparently failed to heal sufficiently to permit flight, for although he has been free to leave the Favour premises ever since last spring, he remained grounded, and chose to stick around and be fed.

The engagement of Clerk-Steno **Marjorie Higgins** to **James E. McGrath** has been announced. The wedding will take place April 3. Jim is an employee of the U. S. Post Office Department.

Independence

Leonard Pate, recently retired after 12 years of Federal service, 7 of them as a guard on the Independence staff, was presented with a Commendable Service award by Supt. M. O. Anderson on Dec. 9.



Leonard Pate

At a general meeting of Independence employees on Dec. 9, Supt. **M. O. Anderson** presented 10-year service pins to **Nicholas Pinardo, Warren A. McCullough, Ferne Benke, Joseph Schmidt,** and **Louise Boggs. Ruth Flame** was on leave at the time and received her pin the next week.

1786 House Being Restored

The exterior of the 2½-story brick dwelling at 421 Locust St., known as the Rogers House, is being restored to serve as a needed feature in the design of the park. Its interior will be converted to provide employee housing.

The house was built in 1786 and was acquired by the Federal government in 1951. The lot on which it stands was deeded by William Shippen to Alexander Rogers, laborer, with the proviso that he "erect and build on said lot within two years from the date hereof a good Tenantable dwelling house."

Luncheon Honors Director

Director and Mrs. Conrad L. Wirth were honored at a Dec. 7 luncheon given by the Independence Hall Association in the hall of the American Philosophical Society in recognition of the Director's activity in furthering the development of Independence National Historical Park and the preservation of its historic character. In addition to representatives of the Association, the guests included members of the park staff, the Advisory Commission and a group of exceptionally distinguished civic leaders. **Judge Edwin O. Lewis,** president of the association, acted as host.

MRS. ROOSEVELT GIVEN WANTED PORCELAIN CAT

In the Dresden Room at the Home of F.D.R., among many porcelain items made in Dresden, Germany, was a white porcelain cat. Mrs. Roosevelt was fond of the cat and had been known to remark that she wished she had taken it when she moved from the house.

On January 30, her desire for it was gratified. That day, during the anniversary observance of her husband's birthday, her son John presented it to her. The presentation was made possible through an exchange of items as provided by an act passed by Congress in 1955 at the request of the NPS. For the cat, John Roosevelt gave in return a silver cigarette case, presented to his father by the Turkish cabinet.

A letter from Secretary Seaton, authorizing the exchange and dated Jan. 20, was one of his last official acts.

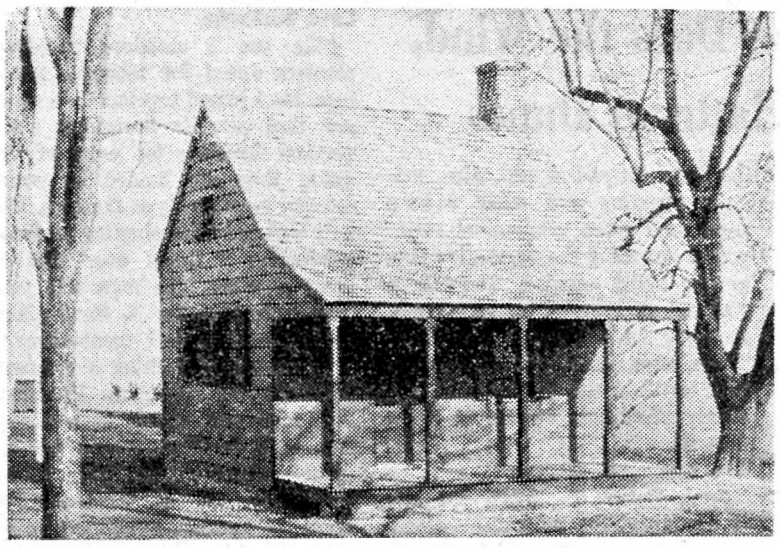
Statue of Liberty

The appearance of Park Guard **William (Mike) Jaromsky** on the TV quiz show, "To Tell the Truth," (He fooled the panel!) on Jan. 9 gave further force to the advice, "If you are seeking acting talent, head for the Statue of Liberty." Other Service performers in the past have included Supervisory Tour Leader **S. Horace Pickering,** retired, (from the Service but not necessarily from the stage) and Tour Leaders **Charles Pentheny, James Henry,** and **Harry Cintron,** who were on "What's My Line?" in 1956.

Jaromsky lives on Liberty Island with his wife and 2 youngsters, is a bespectacled, slightly - built 145-pounder (who is a weight-lifter) and looks exactly like what one would expect a guard not to look like.

Roosevelt-Vanderbilt

Alex Knauss was elected president of the Employees' Association at the association's annual meeting on Feb. 3; **Charles Kane** is secretary; **James Traudt,** treasurer. Board of Directors members are **Harry Kehlem, Albert McClure, Franklin Mullaly,** and **James Spratt.**



The Neilson House

Neilson House Is Now Restored

The restoration of the John Neilson House at Saratoga was completed in 1960. This structure dates back to the time of the Battle of Saratoga — Sept. 19 and Oct. 7, 1777.

When the American forces under Maj. Gen. Horatio Gates moved northward to Bemis Heights to block the advance of the British Army under Lieut. Gen. John Burgoyne upon Albany, Neilson's farm was within and at the crest of the American fortified line. The Neilson House served as quarters for American staff officers during the battle. In 1951 initial stabilization of the building was accomplished under the technical supervision of the late **Aloysius J. Higgins,** then architect in the Region I office.

Archeological investigations, conducted by Regional Archeologist **John L. Cotter,** in 1957 disclosed that the building was originally about 170 feet south of its 1957 location. That same year Supervising Architect of Historic Structures **Charles E. Peterson** made the initial survey and plans for rehabilitation and restoration of the structure.

In 1958 Architect **Frederik J. Gjessing** reported on existing conditions and proposed a design for restoring the Neilson House. Thereafter, the building was moved to its original location by Buildings Restoration Specialist **Harry V. Martin** under technical supervision of Architect **Henry A. Judd,** and turned to face south as it did in 1777.

A furnishings plan for the building was completed by Park Historian **Agnes Downey** in 1960 and restoration of the structure was completed last fall. It will be presented as a historic house exhibit illustrative of an 18th century frontier farmer's home.

Harpers Ferry

Supt. **Frank H. Anderson** addressed more than 100 hostelers who gathered at the Hilltop House Hotel Nov. 11-13 for the annual business meeting of the American Youth Hostels. He spoke to them on the Service's plans to restore Harpers Ferry under its MISSION 66 program. While there, many of the hostelers took advantage of the guided tours led by the park historian.

Park Historian **Herbert H. Kissling** was appointed to the research and publications committee of the West Virginia State Civil War Centennial Commission in December. Supt. Anderson is serving on the Jefferson County Civil War Centennial Committee.

Park Historian **Al Mongin** returned to Harpers Ferry in December, after temporary duty at Perry's Victory on a special research project involving the construction history of the monument. He has now been reassigned to Federal Hall to engage in research on the historic sites in the New York City area.

ARMY PROVIDES AIRLIFT TO ACADIA MOUNTAIN TOP

West Berlin has nothing on Acadia which staged an airlift of its own in October with the cooperation of an Army air transport helicopter. The big whirlybird from Fort Devens, Mass. carried 15,000 pounds of freight from the former ERA field office on the old Cross road near Southwest Harbor to the top of Beech Mountain. Next June the materials will sprout into an 84-foot fire tower on top of the mountain. The airlift was arranged by Supt. **Harold Hubler** direct with Maj. Gen. Verbeck, Post Commander of the 93rd Transportation Co. (H-21) at Fort Devens. The alternative to the airlift would have been the building of a road to the top of the mountain.

Great Smoky Mountains

The Christmas party for NPS employees of Great Smoky, held at the Huff House in Gatlinburg on Dec. 22, combined a farewell to the **Carlock Johnson** family, presentation of a superior performance award to Miss **Mary Ruth Chiles,** and a tribute to **Dave Smelcer,** who had retired on Oct. 31.

Asst. Supt. **Dave Condon** acted as master of ceremonies. Supt. **Fred Overly** provided brief background on Corky Johnson's successor, **Tom Ela,** and presented Miss Chiles' check to her. **Bill Loftis,** praising Dave Smelcer's fine performance over the years, presented him with a shotgun and accessories on behalf of his co-workers. Mrs. **Arthur Stupka** presented Mrs. Johnson with a Great Smokies picture, a gift from the park wives. Dave Condon, after presenting a large number of gifts of the joke variety to Corky, ended up by handing him a fine new gladstone bag.

Jack Snapp, son of **Tip Snapp,** chief janitor and yardman, was recently graduated from the University of Tennessee Medical School.

Neil J. (Jim) Reid, Art Stupka's successor as chief naturalist, with his wife **Doris** and 4½-year-old daughter **Margaret** were expected to complete the long trek from Mount McKinley about Feb. 20.

No sooner had **Tom Ela** reported for duty as Great Smoky's new chief ranger than he and his family were featured in an article in the **Knoxville News-Sentinal,** pleasantly illustrated with a 3-column picture of Tom, wife **Betty,** daughter **Mary,** and son **Evan.** Missing was daughter **Jan,** still at Carlsbad to graduate with her high school class there.

Condon New Head of Smoky Group

Asst. Supt. **David DeL. Condon** as elected president of the Great Smoky Mountains Natural History Association at its annual meeting on Jan. 16, succeeding **"Bill" Wilhelm.** Reports given at the meeting showed that the organization had grown in 8 years from one which had to borrow $100 to get started to one which, in 1960, grossed $37,220, with a net profit of $6,638. The Association has sales outlets at Oconoluftee, Cades Cove and in the new visitor center near headquarters (Sugarlands).

Art Stupka, who was executive secretary of the association from its establishment until his recent reassignment to the park biologist position, was elected to the board; **William M. Loftis** was chosn to fill the unexpired year of **Carlock (Corky) Johnson's** term. **Mrs. Shirley McHan,** whose business management of the organization has had much to do with its financial success was elected to a further 3-year term as business manager: she serves also as treasurer.

FIRST MANASSAS FIGHT REENACTMENT IN JULY

This is going to be a full and busy year for Supt. **Francis Wilshin,** with preparations under way for a large scale reproduction, on July 22 and 23, of parts of the First Battle of Manassas; on each of those days, identical productions will be presented.

The First Manassas Corporation, of which Author Virgil Carrington (Pat) Jones is chairman, is the agency established to put over what will be a massive undertaking. As technical advisor, Francis is very much a part of it. Maj. Gen. James C. Fry, U.S.A. (Ret.) is the corporation's executive director.

Sponsors of the reenactment include Governor Almond of Virginia, U. S. Senators Byrd and Robertson of Virginia, Saltonstall of Massachusetts, Stennis of Mississippi, Representatives Howard W. Smith and William M. Tuck of Virginia, Maj. Gen. U. S. Grant, III, and Bruce Catton.

Petersburg

Recent research has disclosed that our presentation of the story of the opening battle of Petersburg on June 15, 1864, has been all wrong! Until now, the capture of Battery 5 by Union forces was believed to have been from the rear, but former historian John Bond discovered that the actual capture was made by 13 men with a frontal assault while the Confederate defenders' attention was diverted by the main body of the attackers at the rear of the fortification.

C. Bowie Lanford, Jr., entered on duty Dec. 5 as assistant park historian, replacing **John Bond** who was transferred to Pea Ridge.

Students from the Museum School visited the area on Jan. 28. After touring the museum and the Crater, they were fed a wonderful home-cooked meal at Supt. Brooks' residence.

Fredericksburg

The Fredericksburg Civil War Round table lost a charter member and the community an active and effective participant in preparations for Civil War Centennial observances with the transfer of Historian **Albert M. Dillahunty** to the Ocmulgee superintendency.

Administrative Asst. **Weldon B. Land** and his wife **Jayne** are proud parents of **Susan Frances,** born Dec. 22, in Richmond.

Ed's Stuff Sure Gets Into Print

Either he is a very good research historian, or there is extra timeliness about the subjects of his research — or perhaps both; at any rate, **Edwin C. Bearss,** Region One research historian appears in print with startling and gratifying frequency. Here is his record since early 1957:

"The Vicksburg River Batteries and the Enigma of 'Whistling Dick' " — **Mississippi Journal of History,** Spring 1957; "Civil War Military Operations in and around Pensacola," **Florida Historical Quarterly,** Autumn 1957; "The First Day at Pea Ridge," **Arkansas Historical Quarterly,** Summer 1958; "Grand Gulf's Role in the Civil War," **Civil War History,** March 1959; "Battles, Skirmishes and Events in Mississippi, 1861-65," **Mississippi Historical Quarterly,** Spring 1959; "The Battle of the Post of Arkansas," **Arkansas Historical Quarterly,** Autumn 1959.

"Cavalry Operations at Stones River," **Tennesse Historical Quarterly,** March and June, 1960; "Grierson's Winter Raid on the Mobile and Ohio Railroad," **Military Affairs,** Spring 1960; "With General Curtis from Rolla to Fayetteville," **Arkansas Historical Quarterly,** Autumn 1960; "Asboth's Expedition up the Alabama and Florida Railroad," **Florida Historical Quarterly,** Autumn 1960; and "The Breakdown of Modus Vivendi and Watchful Waiting," **Florida Historical Quarterly,** Spring 1961.

In addition, he has contributed articles to a publication prepared by the Mississippi Civil War Centennial Commission entitled, "Mississippi in the War between the States," and to the book, "Battles of the Civil War," put out by the Pioneer Press.

Castillo de San Marcos

Castillo de San Marcos, for the past 5 years a guinea pig for different types of equipment, now has a final push-botton tour system in operation. It involves 10 speakers located in 6 ground-floor points and 4 gundeck bastions. At any of these points the visitor may push a button and hear a talk which explains the portion of the fort where he is standing, and its historical significance. The station outside the moat in the ravelin is available day and night to those visitors who arrive at a time when the fort is closed.

Historian Gets Master's Degree

William J. Lescure, historian at Castillo de San Marcos, was awarded his master's degree in history by William and Mary College in December 1960.

Lescure's thesis was on the subject, "Early Political Career of Robert Carter Nicholas," (from 1756 to 1769). Nicholas was a leading member of the House of Burgesses of Virginia, Treasurer of the Colony, and one of the early patriots who protested British rule.

San Juan

On Thanksgiving Day, Historian **Manuel Morales** was told that a large number of visitors from a cruise ship were expected to visit El Morro about 2 o'clock. As usual, Morales notified the military police to that effect. Immediately all kinds of preparations began to care for this large Thanksgiving Day crowd. According to Morales, in charge of the tour, everything looked normal except that a large number of military police were posted on all tiers of the fort. Never were El Morro visitors protected as they were that afternoon. The visitors went around followed by the close watch of the military police. After the tour, when Morales had returned to the office, an M.P. approached him and asked very seriously, "Where are the Russians?" "What Russians?" Morales asked in return. "The Russians that you telephoned about, when you said you were expecting Kruschev at 2 o'clock." "But I said 'cruise ship'" the astounded historian replied, "not Kruschev."!!

Historian **Julio Marrero** was privileged to give a deluxe tour to two "colleagues," Alice Zadeh and Olga Natalia Nehlibaeff, guides at the United Nations. Miss Zadeh interprets in French, Miss Nehlibaeff in Russian.

The Marquis of Lozoya has written to San Juan that a coat of arms of Charles III, ruler of the Spanish empire in America, is ready to be sent to El Morro, a donation from the Spanish Government.

For several months, tour leaders have been accompanied on every trip by a little black-and-white Boston bulldog. The animal's extraordinary interest in the history of the fort puzzled the tour leaders, who sometimes found themselves addressing explanations of history to it. Alas, observation finally destroyed this illusion of canine interest in history. Parties guided around the fort flush out the lizards, which she pounces on and devours.

Region One Office

When **Fred H. Arnold,** regional chief of ranger activities, received his 30-year pin on Jan. 16 in the regional director's office, it was pinned on him by Regional Landscape Architect **V. Roswell Ludgate,** the only other 30-year man in the office.

Recent Region One Office recipients of length-of-service pins were **Albert S. Moore,** 20 years, and Mrs. **Julia W. Gudell,** 10 years.

Margaret Carroll, Mildred Fisher, Ann Marie Orebaugh, and **T. K. Leary,** novice skiers, recently spent a week-end at the Homestead, in Virginia's Alleghenies, where nature had supplied plenty of snow, instead of the snow-making machine normally relied on. Though there were offers to have stretchers and ambulance ready at the station, all returned under their own power.

COLONIAL BOWLERS TAKE MATCH FROM REGION ONE

The Courier received a highly ebullient account, obviously from a Colonial source, of a recent victory by two Colonial bowling teams over two teams from the Region One Office. Stripped of the excitement, the facts are that the Colonial Cotton Pickers took three games from the Regional Reserves; the Colonial Cops lost to the Regional Premiums, one game to two. High series, 557, went to **Chub Wilson;** high game, 216, to **Gus Muehlenhaupt;** high lady's series, 416, to **Edna Wilson;** high lady's game, 152, to **Jetty Muehlenhaupt,** - a Colonial sweep.

The keglers: for **Region One** - Premiums - **Jay Bright, Faith Sarles, Frank Sarles, Mildred Fisher, Bill Meanerhan;** Reserves - **Roger Rogers, Mary Greene, Margaret Carroll, Al Burns, Ray Mulvany.** For **Colonial** - Cops - **Edna Wilson, Tom Varela, Charles Wood, George Emery, Roger (Pat) Miller;** Cotton Pickers - **Bill Quick, Bill Irby, Jetty Muehlenhaupt, Gus Muehlenhaupt, Chub Wilson.**

Blue Ridge Parkway

Blue Ridge Parkway Supt. **Sam P. Weems** was in Johns Hopkins Hospital for most of December, to have cataracts removed from his eyes. He returned to duty early in February after a prolonged period of recuperation, complicated by a severe case of phlebitis in his leg.

Park Ranger **Alvoid Rector** and Foreman **Harold Stout,** answering a plea for assistance in getting an elderly Parkway neighbor to the hospital early in January, called an ambulance for him; after the ambulance collided with a bread truck, the two took the patient to the Spruce Pine Hospital in a pickup truck. He was John Henry Dale McKinney, 74, who suffered a stroke and was found, unconscious after several hours during which rain, sleet and snow had fallen, just off the parkway road. Despite prompt action by his rescuers, Mr. McKinney died the following day.

Snow and ice forced the closing of the Blue Ridge Parkway on Dec. 11, and continued storms and cold weather have kept it closed through January, except for short segments. Normally, the area has a continuous winter travel season. However, the winter of 1959-60, starting in mid-February, and extending through most of March, set an all-time record for snow depth. This winter has seen less snow, but it has caused the area to close more than two months earlier, and there's little prospect of an early opening.

Born to Park Ranger and Mrs. **Phillip Ward,** a son, **Patrick Kevin,** Dec. 15; to Parkway Maintenance Clerk and Mrs. **Ruben Andrew,** a son, **Keith Gavin,** Nov. 22.

On Dec. 31 Park Ranger **Edwin L. Rothfuss** and Miss **Marjorie Erhart** were married in the Boone, N. C. Methodist Church. Mrs. Rothfuss is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Erhart of California.

Moores Creek

A hundred and eighty-five years after the battle in which Revolutionary forces under Col. James Moore blocked and smashed a Tory uprising in 1776, a descendant of the colonel's, **Charles P. Moore,** after 32 years of government service, continues his efforts as maintenanceman to keep Moores Creek National Military Park one of the most attractive areas in the Southeast. Charlie can well remember the days when an old horse was the sole means of mowing and hauling; today, modern equipment has made his task a lot easier.

A late January ice storm turned the park into a silver panorama. However, heavy damage followed as heavy-laden branches broke and cascaded down to litter the area.

Supt. **James M. Ford,** on Jan. 22, celebrated the 30th anniversary of the day he began his government career at Vicksburg National Military Park.

INSURANCE SOCIETY HAS ANOTHER PARKS CALENDAR

For the second year in a row, the Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Society has produced a National Parks and Monuments-MISSION 66 calendar for 1961. The color photographs, selected from several hundred submitted for consideration by Service photographers, are of Lake Manzanita and Lassen Peak, Lassen Volcanic National Park; Confederate Monument, Shiloh; Bathhouse Row, Hot Springs; Landscape Arch, Arches; and Cape Hatteras. The Region Two Office provided descriptive material about each area depicted and data on MISSION 66 plans for its development.

Yellowstone Elk Reduction Slow

It was hoped this year to reduce the Yellowstone elk by some 1,500. However, due to lack of snow, the reduction as of Feb. 14 was 841; 736 of these were killed in the park by direct control, 80 were live-trapped, and some 25 were killed by hunters outside the park. Weather permitting, the reduction was scheduled to continue at least until the end of February.

During the program, one doe, apparently liking the location of the trap at Mammoth, wandered out continually to bring back one or more of her friends, thus enabling several additional elk to be live-trapped.

One Sunday in February, a beautiful bull bison was trapped in the portable elk trap. Though some hundred bison had been caught at various times without damage, this animal decided to exit via one of the side panels, and broke all cross braces at the very center of the panel from top to bottom! Then, not to be outdone by the bison, a cow elk jumped over the 8-foot fence enclosing one of the smaller holding pens. There was no snow on the ground and she skimmed the full 8 feet.

Deer also hinder the trapping; they are earlier foragers than the elk and eat up the bait lines and spring the trap before the elk move into its vicinity. Some 40 deer were trapped this year and had to be transported some distance to keep them out of the way.

Whenever an elk is captured wearing a "necktie" from the Jackson Hole Cooperative Elk Study, it is immediately released and sent on its way.

Dinosaur

The family of **Carlock E. Johnson** are temporary members of the Dinosaur family, due to lack of facilities in the still undesignated Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area, 50 miles north of Vernal, to which Corky has been assigned as project manager. Living at the quarry area, he has temporary office space next to Dinosaur's administrative offices at 91 West Main, Vernal.

Flora (Mrs. "Tiny") Semingsen ranged widely on the month-long vacation from which she returned Jan. 24, — to Tucson, where her parents live, and on to the old Semingsen stamping grounds at Everglades.

On Feb. 25, the Dinosaur staff takes over administration of the grazing on monument lands by livestock under permit. Formerly, the Bureau of Land Management performed this work under cooperative agreement. **Maynard Barrows,** Grand Teton, spent 2 weeks at Dinosaur working with Supervisory Ranger **William H. Clemons** and other staff members, gathering background data needed to complete the transfer of responsibility. The management job is not a simple one.

Vicksburg

Mrs. Juanita B. Martin, information receptionist at Vicksburg—who also served during 1960 as Courier correspondent—left the Service on Nov. 29 to accept an overseas secretarial position with the Department of the Army. Coming to the NPS from the War Department in 1944 as a clerk-typist at Vicksburg Mrs. Martin was promoted to fiscal accounting clerk in 1947, remaining in that position until Vicksburg's accounts were removed to the Regional Office in 1955. Thereafter she served as information receptionist, receiving three incentive awards while in that position "for work over and above her assigned duties." Mrs. Martin's first assignment will be in the Far East. She plans to remain in foreign service until retirement.

KNOPF OKAYS REISSUE OF "THIS IS DINOSAUR"

Park Naturalist **Dwight L. Hamilton** of Dinosaur, **Burton V. Coale,** Region Two information officer; **Sidney R. Jacobs** of Alfred A. Knopf, Inc.; and **Dr. Lorin A. Wheelwright** of the Wheelwright Lithographing Co. of Salt Lake City have been collaborating recently on a revision of "This Is Dinosaur," the striking treatment of Dinosaur National Monument produced by Knopf back in the days of the Dinosaur dams controversy.

The Knopf company, recently acquieed by Random House, has given the Dinosaur Nature Association permission to reproduce the book, with some minor alterations. The Association hopes to have it available as a sales item by the start of the summer season.

Your 1961 Vacation

Spring is just around the corner—and we want to remind you that spring—from mid-May until the end of June—is one of the finest times of year to visit Mesa Verde National Park. And the red carpet is rolled out for all National Park Service folks who visit Mesa Verde as guests of the Mesa Verde Company.

In the spring—and from Labor Day to mid-October—our days are not so hetic; we and our Park Service neighbors have more time to properly play our parts as hosts.

The Mesa Verde Company

Ansel Hall, General Manager

MESA VERDE NAIONAL PARK, COLO.

Yellowstone

Christmas at Yellowstone always means a flock of young folks home from school and college for the holidays, often bringing campus friends with them for the experience of Christmas in the oldest national park. Back this year came these: **Marjorie Mattson, Jimmy Abbie, Joyce Dick, Ted Kocher, Carol Miller** -Montana State, at Bozeman; **Mike Coleman,** University of Wyoming; **Mary Ann Miller,** Western State College, Bellingham, Wash.; **Carolyn Everett,** McAllister College, Minneapolis; **Karen Garrison Reyer,** Colorado University, Greenley; **Gloria Gastellum,** Carroll College, Helena; **Gretchen Williams,** College of Puget Sound; **Jeanie Robinson,** Butte Business College; **Butch Fairchild,** Wasatch Academy; and **Gail Coleman,** St. Mary's School, Faribault, Minn.

Yellowstone Government and concessioner employees have joined Gardiner, Mont., businessmen in organizing a joint Toastmasters' Club, meeting Wednesday noons in Gardiner. Designed to develop public speaking abilities, members report dividends after only two months. Officers are **Len Berg,** president; **John King,** 1st vice president; **John Good,** 2nd vice president; **Ronnie Lattimore,** secretary; **Charles Joy,** treasurer; and **Jack Hasty,** sergeant at arms.

Though, by their own wish, there was no farewell party for the **Rolla D. Everetts** and their famiy before they departed for Mount McKinley (where Rolla is administrative officer), a morning coffee break was devoted to farewells, a brief address by Supt. Lon Garrison and the presentation of stainless steel platters of all sizes and shapes to Vivienne and Rolla. Daughter **Caroline** has returned to her studies at McAllister College, Minneapolis.

Lyle C. Elmer is temporarily acting as park photographer — a new position for Yellowstone recently made permanent.

Born, to Supervisory Ranger and Mrs. **William Burgen,** a daughter, **Maren Holt,** 7 pounds, on Dec. 27, —their second girl.

Ranger **McClelland** took his wife to Idaho Falls for the birth of their fourth child, a boy, Jan. 21. Getting out from Old Faithful at this time of year is no mean feat!

Holiday social events in Yellowstone included Supt. and Mrs. Garrison's open house Jan. 1, attended by 175 persons in spite of bad roads; a fancy New Year's party on Jan. 7 in the old Canteen, picturesquely decorated to provide a combination Wild West-Parisian night club effect; and numerous private parties for the many college young people home for the holidays.

The Montana Wilderness Association, meeting in Lincoln, Mont., passed a resolution opposing opening national parks to hunting; the Montana Outfitters and Guides Assn., meeting in Bozeman, passed a similar resolution. The Montana Wildlife Federation took no action on the matter.

NPS men from Glacier, Yellowstone, and Grand Teton attended the Dude Ranchers' Assn. convention in Jackson, Wyo., Nov. 17-19. This is an organization which subscribes to and actively backs, most of the wilderness and conservation principles and practices of the Service.

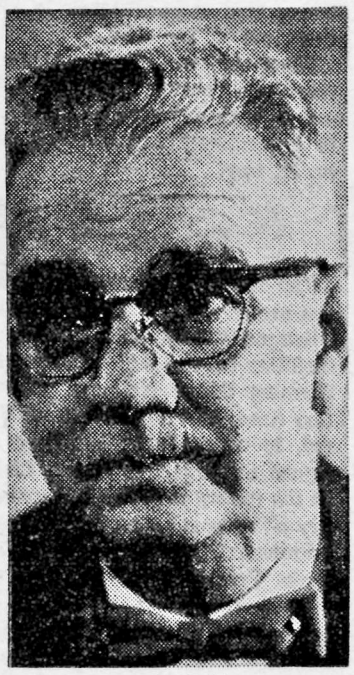
A list of 31 Yellowstone employees carried in a recent issue of Yellowstone Weekly News — supplemented the following week by an additional name — shows that the 32, as of early January, each had 1,000 hours or more of accumulated sick leave; the total accumulation for the 32 came to 42,269 hours. **Bob McIntyre,** chief park naturalist, had 1,623 hours; **Luis Gastellum,** assistant superintendent, 1,605 hours. What an opportunity for editorializing on (1) faithfulness of service and freedom from malingering, and (2) the healthfulness of the Yellowstone climate.

Aubrey L. Haines, who transferred from the engineering division to a park historian position on Christmas Day had made a serious hobby of history for the past 12 years. He edited Osborn Russell's **Journal of a Trapper** in 1955 and has scheduled for publication this year **Mountain Fever,** a history of Mount Rainier prior to its becoming a national park.

La Marr (Lee) Bittinger, called one of the nation's most promising hotel executives by the **Southern Hotel Journal,** assumed the duties of executive vice president of the Yellowstone Park Co. on Jan. 1. A permanent resident of North Dakota, Mr. Bittinger comes to Yellowstone after four seasons with the Knutson Hotel Co. at Glacier National Park.

Bob Robinson Retires

Robert R. Robinson was scheduled to retire on Feb. 28 after more than 37 years of service in Yellowstone National Park. Bob came to the Park in 1920 as a mechanic and moved over with the National Park Service in 1923. He met **Grace Hill** his first summer and married her Feb. 21, 1922. Grace was the



Robert R. Robinson

daughter of **Leroy Hill,** long a Yellowstone resident and assistant superintendent during part of **Horace Albright's** administration as superintendent of Yellowstone.

Bob and Grace will be sorely missed on the Yellowstone scene. Grace came here when she was but two years old. The Robinsons will make their home in Medford, Ore. as of March 3.

A reception was given in their honor at The Old Canteen on the evening of Feb. 17.

Glacier

New arrivals in the headquarters area — Mrs. **Eleanor F. Murphy** (employed vice **Rae Marie Price**) her husband **Mike,** and son, **Jeff,** 7; and **Louis Walisch,** accountant, filling the position held by the late Clarence Buechler, his wife **Patricia,** and their daughters, **Patricia, Madeleine** and **Margaret.**

Charles F. Riebe was chosen president of NFFE Local 456 on Nov. 9. Others elected were **Ralph T. Roan,** vice president; **Eula E. Rupp,** secretary; **George A. Kellner,** treasurer (re-elected); **Melvin W. Mellett,** custodian; and **Aulton N. Hoover, Jerome G. Messenger,** and **Martha M. Sloan,** directors.

At its meeting on Jan. 19, the Federal Credit Union, declaring an annual dividend of 4½ percent, elected **James W. Corson,** asst. park naturalist, a member of the Credit Committee. The 1961 board of directors includes **William R. Sund,** president; **C. Donald Barnum,** vice president, **Ralph T. Roan,** treasurer, **Edwina M. Noffsinger,** secretary, and **Max E. Edgar.**

Under the supervision of NPS rangers and with the cooperation of the Blackfeet Tribal Council, the St. Mary elk reduction program extended from Jan. 5 to Jan. 11. Messrs. **Leslie Cobell, John Kipp, Delmar Matthews** and **Albert Vaile, Jr.,** Blackfeet, were given temporary seasonal ranger appointments. All carcasses were given to the Tribal Council relief organization which distributed the meat to the needy Indians. The St. Mary elk herd was reduced by 68, the Red Eagle herd by 6.

A stronger policy is to be followed in an effort to reduce personal injuries and property damage on the trails and campgrounds of the Park. The program will include more emphasis on prohibiting bear feeding and the removal of nuisance bears from campgrounds and places of visitor concentration.

The Columbia Falls Merchants Basketball Team, coached by Glacier's Procurement and Property Management Officer **Gerald R. Underwood** is going great guns! To date (early February) they have won 5 out of 5 games and have an average team score for the 5 games of 91 points against the opponents' 58! In addition to the above 5 games, the Merchants also played the Harlem Stars at Columbia Falls before a crowd of 1,000. This game ended in a score of 61 to 66 in favor of the Stars. They have twice defeated the Blackfeet Braves — winners at the National All-Indian Championship last season.

Plans have been made with the U. S. Air Force to experiment again with the use of sonic boom to reduce avalanche hazard before clearing of the Going-to-the-Sun Road is begun.

Grand Teton

Robert G. Whistler, supply assistant, and his bride of a few months are recent additions to the Grand Teton family. Bob received his degree in wildlife management from the University of Arizona in 1959 and he was a seasonal ranger-naturalist at Sequoia-Kings Canyon during the summers of 1959 and 1960. Yes, he's a descendant of the famous American artist.

Norman G. DeJean, new fiscal accounting clerk, is a Denverite who has been employed in various commercial enterprises there since being released by the Navy in 1954.

Adopted by **Marge** and **Darrell Budge** early in November was tiny **Janice,** born June 19.

Born to **Donna** and **Dean Hatfield, Kevin,** their second son, Dec. 27.

Mount Rushmore

Park Historian **Russell A. Apple,** his wife, and their two sons were given an "aloha" dinner by the Rushmore staff before their departure for Hawaii and Russell's new assignment as first superintendent of City of Refuge National Historical Park.

Carl T. Burgess, Mount Rushmore concessioner, was recently elected speaker of the South Dakota House of Representatives.

"NPS Children" Married

Miss **Rae Marie Price,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. **Ray F. Price,** West Glacier, and **Clyde M. Fauley,** son of Mr. and Mrs. **Clyde C. Fauley,** Troy, Montana, were married Dec. 28 in a double ring ceremony performed at Bigfork in the home of the Rev. and Mrs. L. B. Slater before members of the immediate families.

The bride wore a white silk chiffon dress and hat and carried white rosebuds. Bride and groom are "Park Service children." Mr. Fauley, Sr., was a ranger in Glacier during the 1920s and 30s on the East side. Mr. Price was a road foreman before retiring in 1958. His home had been at Apgar on Lake McDonald within the Park and Rae Marie attended the famous little grade school at Apgar. After graduation from the Kalispell High School and a Business College course she worked in Glacier as a clerk-typist seasonally before a permanent assignment as clerk-stenographer. Clyde, too, had worked several years in Glacier. After a brief honeymoon, the Fauleys left for Yosemite where Clyde is employed as a Forestry Foreman.

Wed in Columbia Falls

The wedding of Mrs. **Nancy Tennancour,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. **Melvin M. Mellett** and **Claude Tesmer,** son of Mrs. **Pearl Tesmer** of Walhalla, No. Dakota, was performed at the Church of Latter Day Saints in Columbia Falls Oct. 29. Mrs. Tennancour wore a street length dress of pink crystal pau material and carried a white bible with pink and white roses and white streamers. Her little daughters Cheli and Cheri were flower girls, dressed in identical blue lace over nylon. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the Park Conference Training Hall for the many friends of the young couple.

The bride's father has been identified with the Park for the past 8 years, and is now Foreman I, Grounds. Mr. Tesmer, Foreman I, Roads has worked in Glacier since 1951 in varying capacities. The Tesmers are living within the headquarters area.

Scotts Bluff

The Oregon Trail Museum Association at Scotts Bluff has made final payment on 20 acres of land purchased from Charles Gering. The east half of Dome Rock, one of the landmarks along the Oregon Trail, is contained in a parcel of land which is being held by the Association pending revision of the monument boundaries. The west half of Dome Rock lies within the monument and is Federally-owned.

An article by Supt. **Henneberger** entitled: "Through The Years With The Rangers," appeared in the January issue of the **National Parks Magazine.** John's next literary effort is a collaboration with his wife Barbara and is on the early automobile travel in the national parks. It is entitled "When the Gas Buggies Took to the Woods," and is to appear shortly in **Westways** magazine.

JNEM

The largest single project in exhibit museum planning ever undertaken by the Service is the story of "Westward Expansion." The program will require some 6 months of extensive planning, according to Supt. **George B. Hartzog, Jr.**

Under the supervision of **John Jenkins,** chief, Western Museum Laboratory, two museum planning teams consisting of **Alan Kent** and **Dan Feaser** of the Washington Laboratory, and **Lee Abel** and **Ray Price** of the Western Museum Laboratory, together with the JNEM research staff under the supervision of Chief Park Historian **William C. Everhart,** are working diligently to remain on schedule.

On Jan. 12, eight bids received from contractors were opened at the Old Courthouse for construction work of Phase II of the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial. The new construction program includes excavation and subfoundations for the Gateway Arch, excavation for the Visitor Center and Levee Development. A low bid of $3,796,006.57 was submitted by the MacDonald Construction Co. of St. Louis.

Colorado and Black Canyon

Chief Ranger and Mrs. **Raymond W. McIntyre** have made their home at 2717 Sunland Vista, Tucson, Ariz. since last August. Mac's retirement became effective February 1961. His career with the Service started in 1939 at Mount McKinley. Last word was that they are enjoying Arizona.

Black Canyon Supervisory Park Ranger **Vincent M. Hefti** attended Law Enforcement Training School at Yellowstone Nov. 14 - 18.

Laramie Furnishings Study

Region Two staff meeting minutes for Jan. 11 report that Miss Sally Johnson has completed a comprehensive report on proposed furnishing for Officer's Quarters "F" at Fort Laramie, - the first structure at the fort to be furnished with funds donated by Mrs. Charles S. Hill of Denver. On review and approval of the report, procurement of furnishings will start. Miss Johnson is now preparing a furnishings report for the Sutler's Store.

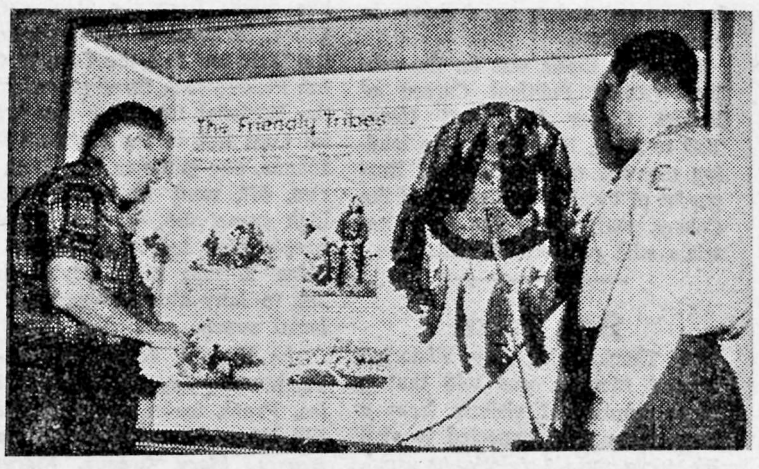


Exhibit Opened to the Public

A new unit of the museum at Jefferson National Expansion Memorial was completed in December and is now opened to the public. It deals with the theme, "Indians and the West." In the picture are from left, WASO Museum Laboratory Technician James Mulcahy and JNEM Museum Curator Santiago Cruz.

Theodore Roosevelt

"Dear Pierre, No news except that Dave Brown killed Dick Smith and your wife's hired girl blew her brains out in the kitchen. Everything OK here. Yours truly, Henry Jackson."

This letter was written by one of Theodore Roosevelt's contemporaries in 1886 when Roosevelt was operating two cattle ranches in the North Dakota Badlands. Seventy-five years later we can write from the same area:

No news, except that a small landslide from the bluff behind the new utility area crashed through the 5-foot cyclone fence and a big boulder knocked a hole in the wall of the new, reinforced-concrete-block carpenter shop.

No news, except that from slop jars to rifle scabbards, we are acquiring furnishings for the restored Maltese Cross cabin, the ranch house on Roosevelt's Chimney Butte Ranch. It will be open to visitors by June 1.

No news, except that **John Jay** left for Badlands, and **Wallace McCaw**, from Mesa Verde, replaced him.

No news, except that a goose (undetermined species) was seen waddling down a park road one mid-January evening. He was walking south, which is, we think, doing it the hard way.

No news except that the honor of having the **last** baby born in 1960 at the Dickinson Hospital goes to Administrative Asst. **Chuck Rutherford** and wife, - their fifth child. We understand that Chuck made some New Year's resolutions, but he won't disclose them.

No news; everything OK here. - **Dick Maeder.**

Lake Mead

A joint conference on boating laws and proposed legislative changes was held at headquarters on Jan. 10. Represented in addition to the NPS were the States of Arizona, California, and Nevada; the 11th and 12th U. S. Coast Guard Districts; the Washington Office of the U. S. Coast Guard; and the U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. Discussions covered the Federal Boating Act of 1958, analysis of the rules and regulations of the various agencies represented, uniform law enforcement, and desirable changes in State legislation to facilitate uniform regulation of boating on Lakes Mead and Mohave.

Born to Park Ranger and Mrs. **W. A. Partin,** a son, **David A.**

SW Archeological Center

Louis R. Caywood transferred from the superintendency of Ocmulgee to SWAC; his new position is archeologist (SWUS). The parenthetical bit means his appointment is limited to the Southwestern United States, where he spent the first 10 years of his NPS career. He will be concerned primarily with applying archeological and historical research findings to the field area interpretive programs, and assisting field personnel in implementing these programs.

Shortly after entering on duty, and before he and wife **Winnie** could get settled, Louie was called to Washington to fill in for Staff Archeologist **Cal Burroughs,** recovering from an operation. He arrived in time for an 8-inch snowfall, a Presidential inauguration, and a welcome to Secretary Udall.

Also joining the SWAC staff recently was Museum Curator **Cecil Lewis.** Cecil's previous experience includes seasonal work at Wupatki and Sunset Crater, several years as a Coconino County, Ariz., deputy sheriff, and a boyhood on the Navajo reservation. His family includes his wife, **Sheila,** a native of Canada; son **Terry;** and daughter **Debra Lynn,** born Jan. 18.

Gwinn Vivian, son of Supervisory Archeologist **Gordon** and **Myrtle Vivian,** SWAC, and **Patricia Bryan,** a University of Iowa graduate student, were married in Albuquerque last August. Gwinn is with the U. S. Army Counter Intelligence Corps at Fort McArthur. Pat expects to complete the requirements for her Master of Fine Arts degree this spring.

Bryce Canyon

The Bryce Canyon Recreation Club, which has kept things jumping for its members this winter, elected **Jim Dempsey** president at a meeting held on Dec. 10. **Geraldine Excell** was chosen vice president, **Beth Gibson,** secretary treasurer.

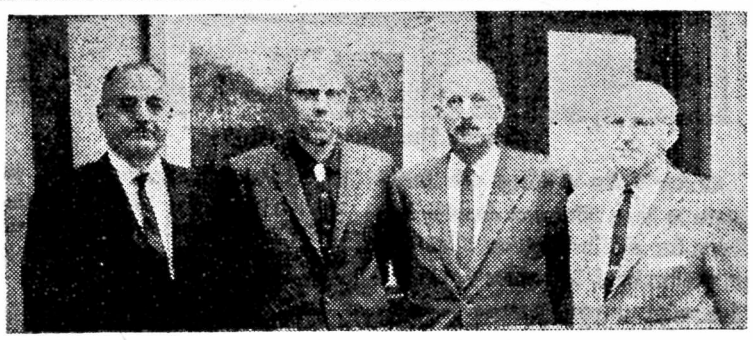
On the evening of Dec. 22, the club invited the Federal Aeronautics Administration families from down the road to join in the annual Christmas program and party. Children of both groups presented plays and music on the Christmas theme, Santa Claus distributed gifts to the youngsters, and refreshments were served. After the holidays, activity centered around a winter recreation center, with an ice-skating rink on the blacktopped volleyball court behind the residential center. The children were delighted; parents found muscles they didn't know they had.

Saturday night is usually the big night at the center. Folks of all ages try their skating skill, while non-skaters watch and wash down hot dogs with coffee.

Glen Bean, former superintendent, his wife **Lois,** and their daughters were visitors from Yellowstone over the holidays.

Jim Dempsey was in the Panguitch hospital for 10 days with an elusive virus, then spent a lengthy convalescent period at home.

Maintenance Supervisor **Devar Pollock** received his 10-year pin at staff meeting Nov. 10.



Their Service Totals 125 Years

These four, together on the Yellowstone ranger force in the 1930's, held a reunion recently in the Region Two Offiie. (L. to r.) Maynard Barrows, Grant Teton forester, 31 years; George F. Baggley, former Yellowstone chief ranger, regional chief of operations, 33 years; John F. Aiton, regional chief of lands, 30 years; Frank W. Childs, regional chief of ranger activities, 31 years. It all adds up to 125.

Miss Joseph Weds in Calif.

Sandra Lee Joseph, daughter of Supt. and Mrs. **Stanley C. Joseph** of Big Bend and Mr. **Haralee Wilson,** of Ashland, Ore., were married at the home of the bride's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. **Charles Aylin,** Hayward, Calif., on Dec. 29. The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a street-length white brocade dress, with a



Mr. and Mrs. Wilson

short, full veil falling from a pearl-studded crown. She carried a bouquet of red roses and white stepanotis.

Main of honor was **Miss Katherine Joseph,** the bride's sister. Her gown was white chiffon with a red velveteen cummerbund, a red velveteen crown and tiny red veil. Best man was **V. R. Mode** of San Francisco.

The bride attended Omaha public schools and is a graduate of Whitworth College, Spokane, Wash. She is a public school teacher in Portland, Ore. Mr. Wilson received his M.A. in music from U.C.L.A. and teaches in Portland. He is also a first violinist in the Portland Symphony.

A reception followed the wedding ceremony. After a wedding trip to San Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson are now at home in Portland.

Region III Office

New officers of the Southwestern Recreation Association are as follows: **Bill Schnettler,** regional publications officer, president; **Harold A. March,** landscape architect, vice president; **Nancy Ogden,** Upper Colorado River Survey, secretary; **Delia Ortiz,** Bookkeeping Unit, treasurer; **Manuel A. Gonzales,** Procurement and Property Section, assistant treasurer. Members of the Board of Directors are **Victor H. Nash,** regional chief of concessions; **William C. James,** regional chief of park, forest, and wildlife protection; **Volney J. Westley,** regional landscape architect; **Mrs. Eunice B. Carroll,** regional budget officer; and **William E. Fields,** Branch of Lands. Mr. Fields is immediate past president.

Helping Teen-Age Girls

Perpetuating, in memory of the late Helen (Mrs. Dave) Canfield, a project she started some years ago, the NPS Women's Club of Santa Fe displayed their Community Christmas Store products at the Natt Dodge home before sending them on to the store. Besides toy animals and many other gifts, the club contributed, for teen-age girls, 51 blouses, 36 skirts, 3 dresses and a large collection of costume jewelry.

CHRISTMAS PARTY ALSO FAREWELL TO RATCLIFFS

The annual Christmas party of the Southwestern Recreation Association, composed of employees of the Region Three Office, was held on Friday evening, Dec. 23. Setting for the dinner-dance was the historic Pink Garter Saloon at Lamy, AT&SF railhead for Sante Fe.

The Division of Recreation Resource Planning, assisted by the National Park Service Women's organization, was in charge of the affair. Entertainment appropriate to the locale was a feature of the evening. Several numbers were rendered by a barbershop quartet, "The Unasked Four," consisting of **Frank Smith, Vic Nash, John Moseley,** and **Dick Steeves.** A comedy skit, "Doc Ben and Mr. Charlie," was put on by **Ben Chambers** and **Charlie Steen,** assisted by **Gayle Manges. Merritt Barton** drew a hearty round of applause for his recitations of "The Shooting of Dan McGrew" and "The Cremation of Sam McGee."

Regional Director **Tom Allen** presented a number of gifts and a bound volume of letters to **Mr.** and **Mrs. Harold Ratcliff.** Mr. Ratcliff retired as soil conservationist on Jan. 7.

Special guests were former Regional Director and Mrs. **Hugh M. Miller,** who came from their home in Redwood City, Calif., to spend the holidays with friends here.

White Sands

White Sands National Monument was without two of its mainstays for a considerable period in recent months. Both were hospitalized.

Administrative Assistant **Nancy Winburn** went to Rochester, Minn., in September for what she expected would be a 6-weeks' stay for treatment of an old ailment. She arrived home on Dec. 12.

In November, Supt. **Johnwill Faris** underwent major surgery in an El Paso, Texas, hospital and was confined for 6 weeks. He returned to part-time duty after the first of the year and was in fine fettle when he left for his new post at Platt National Park.

Born, to Park Ranger and Mrs. **Joe Valcarce,** a son, **Joseph C., Jr.**

Farises Are Honored

Johnwill Faris, leaving to become superintendent of Platt National Park after 22 years as custodian and superintendent of White Sands, and his wife were feted by several groups in the Alamogordo area before their departure. They were guests of honor at a luncheon sponsored by the Alamogordo Chamber of Commerce on Jan. 26. Asst. Regional Director George W .Miller and Asst. Supt. Thomas C. Miller of Carlsbad Caverns represented the Service at the luncheon.

PHIL VAN CLEAVE'S NAME GIVEN NEW FERN GENUS

Itopsidema, a new genus of fern (Osmundaceae) found in Petrified Forest by Chief Park Naturalist **Philip F. Van Cleave,** has been named for him. A description of the specimen, prepared by Lyman H. Daugherty, was published in the November 1960 issue of the **American Journal of Botany.**

The description of Itopsidema vancleavei is based on segments of a small arborescent fern stem collected by Mr. Van Cleave at a location approximately three-quarters of a mile north of Agate Bridge. One segment of the stem was found in place, while others were picked up nearby on the surface of a small dry wash at the foot of a mesa.

Association Sales Up

Although several "constituent areas" have left it in recent years to form their own associations, the annual report of the Southwest Monuments Association for 1960 shows that its sales during the year topped $60,000 for the first time in its history. **Earl M. Jackson,** headquartered at Gila Pueblo, Globe, is the association's executive secretary.

Harold Ratcliff Ends NPS Career

Harold M. (Slim) Ratcliff, soil conservationist in the Region Three Office, retired January 7 after more than 32 years of Government service. He and Mrs. Ratcliff were honored at the annual Southwestern Recreation Association Christmas Party when they were presented with several gifts, including a bound volume of letters from friends and associates. The Ratcliffs will remain in Santa Fe, where Harold plans to establish himself as a private consultant in range management.

A native of Steamboat Springs, Colo., and a graduate of Colorado State University, Slim was employed seasonally by the U. S. Forest Service for several years before coming to the Park Service in 1929.

Deer, elk management.

As a park ranger at Rocky Mountain National Park, where he served until 1941, his range and forage studies resulted in a management program that brought about an improvement in the control of the park's large elk and deer herds.

His ranch background and knowledge of range matters won him appointment as the first permanent custodian of Dinosaur National Monument in 1941. From 1942 to 1954, he served as ecologist, forester, and regional forester in the Region Three Office. During this period he was given special assignments in the Washington Office and at Yosemite, Sequoia, and Kings Canyon, making substantial contributions to the formulation of the Service's grazing policy and to the preservation of those parks from wartime grazing. He also prepared a range management handbook that has served for many years as a field guide.

In Globe office.

From September 1954 to September 1957, Mr. Ratcliff served as forester in the Southwestern National Monuments office at Globe, and was acting superintendent of the newly established Coronado National Memorial.

He returned to the Region Three Office in 1957 as regional soil conservationist. He has also served as chairman of the Region Three Safety Committee and as regional tort claims officer. His work in planning and executing a regional safety instruction seminar in 1959 won him a commendation from the regional director.

SPANISH-SPEAKING SANTA GLADDENS MEXICAN KIDS

'Twas the night before Christmas (afternoon, really) when a group of Big Bend residents, accompanied by a Spanish-speaking Santa Claus, made a somewhat damp trip across the Rio Grande to Boquillas, Mexico, with a load of goodies and toys for the children of that town and several other surrounding Mexican villages.

The river was high for that time of year and the only vehicle able to make the crossing was a U. S. military-type vehicle, loaded with gifts and carrying only a few passengers. The remainder of the folks, including Caretaker **Merechildo Ybarra** in full Santa Claus outfit, crossed via horse and burro. Altogether Santa handed out 160 gifts to the children under 12 years of age. The "stockings" were stuffed by the school children in Big Bend with contents furnished by Big Bend residents. The project was organized and directed by **Gwenn Orr,** wife of District Ranger **Joseph L. Orr,** and **Pat Armfield,** wife of **John Armfield,** subdistrict ranger stationed at Boquillas Ranger Station.

Grand Canyon Village Residents Eagerly Awaiting Arrival of TV

Long hoped for by the entire Grand Canyon community and actively sought by a few individuals, television reception now appears to be a definite possibility for the South Rim of Grand Canyon. The target date for three channels of good TV reception is April 1.

Thanks to the work of a committee of NPS and concessioner representatives, appointed by Supt. **John S. McLaughlin** in 1959, a good test signal was broadcast in Grand Canyon Village in December 1960. Whereupon a drive for funds was started, and donations by employees and concessioners are nearing a goal of $6,500. The Grand Canyon Community Recreation Association, incorporated 25 years ago, has taken over administration of the funds and carrying the project to completion.

Corporation officers are **Jack Settles,** Babbitt's Store, president; **Buford Belgard,** Fred Harvey, 1st vice president; **Louis Farnsworth,** Santa Fe RR, 2nd vice president; **James A. Blaisdell,** NFFE, secretary; and **John C. Higgins,** NPS, treasurer.

If approved by FCC, the installation will give Grand Canyon, ABC, CBS and NBC broadcasts. Three translators will be located on Bill Williams Mountain, 60 miles south of the park, and will pick up the signal and rebroadcast it toward the park. Williams, Ash Fork and Seligman are sharing in this portion of the project. Three small translators, located in the park near Hopi Lookout, will rebroadcast the signal over the Village area.

Grand Canyon

A painting of the Grand Canyon was presented to the Grand Canyon Community Hospital by **Emery Kolb** and Park personnel, in memory of Mrs. Blanche Kolb. The picture, painted by Mr. Kolb, has been placed in the Hospital lobby.

The Grand Canyon school system started 1961 with a total enrollment of 266 pupils. The high school, completed in 1957, houses grades 7 through 12 with 108 students. Supt. Carl Guthrie heads a teaching staff of 17 regular teachers, including 2 part-time principals.

Grand Canyon Lodge No. 40 F. & A.M. has elected **David Turello,** master; **Charles Justice,** senior warden; **Phillip Iversen,** junior warden; **Fred Bart,** secretary; and **John McLaughlin,** treasurer, for its 1961 activity year.

Fred Harvey has recently completed the Camper Service Building adjacent to the Mather Campground and the Trailer Village. Including a laundromat, public showers, ice vending maching, and a small snack bar, it will be opened for the Easter vacation. The Trailer Village, opening at the same time, and the Camper Service Building together fulfill long-standing visitor needs on the South Rim.

El Tovar Hotel was closed Jan. 2 for renovation work. New light fixtures will be installed in the dining room and lobby along with some interior rehabilitation in both rooms. Large windows will be placed on the Canyon side of the dining room; and — this is almost a historical note — the last of the ancient and venerable pullchain toilets in 7 rooms will be replaced with modern equipment! El Tovar will be open for business as it has every season since 1905 by April 1.

Asst. Supt. **Charles Shevlin** represented the NPS when, at 12:01 a.m., Jan. 3, telephone service at Grand Canyon changed over to the dial system. The new system makes possible direct long distance dialing and Charlie made the first long distance call, to New York.

Mrs. Laura Riffey underwent major surgery last fall at the Cottonwood Clinic and was then in Phoenix for X-ray treatments. **John** was with her most of the time, making an occasional flying trip back to the Monument. He brought Laura home Jan. 18 and reports that she is doing well.

REGION III COLLEGIANS IN STUDENT "WHO'S WHO"

Margot Schmidt, daughter of Asst. Supt. and Mrs. **Henry Schmidt,** Big Bend, and **Kenneth M. Carpenter,** son of Region Three Administrative Officer and Mrs. **J. M. Carpenter,** have been chosen for inclusion in the publication, **Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities.** Margot is a junior biology major at Sul Ross State College at Alpine, Texas; Carpenter a graduate student in chemical engineering at the University of New Mexico at Albuquerque.

Miss Schmidt, active in student organizations and activities throughout her high school years at Sitka, Alaska, and Visalia, Calif., is vice president of the Sachems Literary Society, secretary of the Women's Recreation Association, historian of the Texas Student Education Association, treasurer of Sigma Rho Chi, secretary of the Canterbury Club, and a member of Alpha Kappa Phi. She is also a cheerleader, and was elected Homecoming Queen for 1960. Consistently among the upper 5 percent in scholastic standings, Margot won top honors among women in her freshman year. During the past summer, she participated in the Student Conservation Program at Cedar Breaks National Monument, drawing praise for her interest and activity.

Kenneth Carpenter is a member of Kappa Alpha fraternity; Sigma Tau, national engineering honorary, and is Air Force ROTC corps commander. He has been a seasonal employee at Bandelier during several summers.

Bandelier

Bandelier has been having personnel problems of late, but hopes to be at full staff by May, when the rush of visitors gets under way.

Chief Ranger **Edward J. Widmer** is attending the Departmental Management Training program in Washington, and Ranger **Charles D. Wyatt** is at Yosemite for the current session of The Training Center.

District Ranger **Charles A. Rowe** reported for duty Jan. 8 from Petrified Forest. At month's end he received his 10-year service pin. Things were just beginning to look up when Administrative Assistant **J. I. Carpenter** accepted a transfer to Rocky Mountain as supply officer. No replacement had been selected at mid-February.

One of the several tassel-eared Abert squirrels which visit the home of Supt. **Paul Judge** each morning during the winter months has a peculiar habit. When he touches the cold window pane with his nose, he becomes irritated. But instead of rubbing his nose with his bare front paws as most animals do, he takes his bushy tail in hand and gingerly wipes his nose with it. At least he doesn't strew Kleenex around the monument.

Petrified Forest

Recent arrivals at Petrified Forest include: **John O. Lancaster,** clerk-typist, in August; **Frank E. Hastings,** park ranger, appointed from the FSEE register in October; and **Clark A. McLemore,** district ranger, transferred from Carlsbad Caverns in January.

Superintendent **Fred C. Fagergren** completed 30 years of Government service in December. Most of that time has been spent with the National Park Service at Zion, Bryce Canyon, and Mesa Verde National Parks. He has been superintendent at Petrified Forest since January 1956.

RUINS STABILIZATION UNIT IS KEPT BUSY

During the past year, the Ruins Stabilization Unit, headquartered at the Southwest Archeological Center, performed work at 5 of the national monuments of the Southwest. In addition, **Gordon Vivian,** in charge of the center, journeyed to Region Five, inspecting and advising on problems of preserving historic structures at Harpers Ferry, Independence, Hopewell Village, and the C. & O. Canal.

At Chaco Canyon, several rooms of Una Vida were excavated and stabilized. The proximity of this pueblo to the new visitor center made this work important from the standpoint of protection and interpretation. At Wupatki, stabilization was done at 10 prehistoric sites. The recently excavated Swallet Site in the Montezuma Well section of Montezuma Castle, at the cave mouth and near the water level, was stabilized as an exhibit in place. At Aztec Ruins, some 80 rooms underwent major to minor stabilization treatment. Consultant help was given on several stabilization-maintenance problems at Casa Grande.

Among the numerous jobs ahead in 1961, an unusually interesting one is the clearing and stabilization of a corner of the mesa-top pueblo at El Morro so that visitors who don't climb the rock can be shown where it is.

Carlsbad Superintendent Weds

Miss **Dorothy L. Swigart** and **Oscar W. Carlson,** superintendent of Carlsbad Caverns National Park, were married in Carlsbad, New Mexico, at high noon on Dec. 27. The new Mrs. Carlson is a lifelong resident of Carlsbad. The wedding was immediately followed by a trip to the West Coast. According to the account in the Carlsbad newspaper, they will live at 114 West Church St., Carlsbad.

Skeletons — and More Skeletons

A project of wide scope and long range under way at the Southwest Archeological Center is concerned with the identification of faunal remains from the excavations at Wetherill Mesa at Mesa Verde. Collaborator **Lyndon L. Hargrave** is handling bird material and Archeologist **T. W. Mathews** the mammal material.

One phase of the project, and of Mr. Hargrave's continuing investigations into past ecological history through study of bird remains, is the preparation of comparative skeletal material. A colony of dermestids, received from the University of Arizona biology department, is being encouraged, experimentally, to accomplish the time-consuming job of cleaning the skeletons.

Another labor-saving idea was conceived just in time to become illegal. It had been decided to try piranhas for the cleaning job, but Arizona outlawed their importation or possession.

Saguaro

Nola Morey and **Irene Olin** spearheaded arrangements for a Christmas party held at Saguaro's headquarters. Thirty-five people including families of both permanent and summer seasonal employees attended to enjoy turkey and all the trimmings. High light of the evening was the breaking of the pinata which was finally accomplished by young **Nat Morey.**

Saguaro's newest employee is Miss **Dee Dodgen,** selected to fill a newly established museum aid position. Miss Dodgen is from Tempe, and graduated in 1960 from Arizona State University with a degree in anthropology.

Search for Son Fruitless

Orin Kent Brooks, son of **Mrs. Imogene Franklin,** secretary to Region Three Administrative Officer **J. M. Carpenter,** has been the object of a widespread search since his disappearance on Oct. 8, 1960.

Mr. Brooks, a resident of Houston, Tex., had been involved in a truck accident only a short time before his disappearance. Although hospitalized for a few days, he had apparently suffered no serious effects, and his failure to return home from a routine errand in his own automobile has remained a mystery. No trace of the car has been found.

Mrs. Franklin spent some time in Texas with her daughter-in-law and grandchildren, and assisting in the search. Her son's family is now with her at the Franklin home at nearby Cerillos, New Mexico.

Studies in Death Valley Near End

The geological and archeological studies of **Charles B.** and **Alice P. Hunt** in Death Valley are nearing completion. They began in 1955 when Mr. Hunt, of the U. S. Geological Survey, undertook a study of the geology of the salt pan. At the same time, Mrs. Hunt began her archeological survey under the auspices of U.S.C. and the NPS.

Mr. Hunt's reports have been largely completed and will be published by the Geological Survey. Not only is Mrs. Hunt's field work finished; her report has been published in book form by the University of Utah, with the title, "Archeology of the Death Valley Salt Pan." It is a book of 313 pages, and contains 87 figures and maps. It recognizes four major occupations, extending from as far in the past as, perhaps, late Pleistocene, and extending up to a historic stage of occupancy by Shoshone and Southern Paiutes. The figures in the book illustrate almost 500 artifacts collected during the survey and now housed in the new Death Valley museum. The book, selling for $4.75, is being handled by the Death Valley Natural History Association or may be obtained from the University of Utah Press.

Mr. Hunt is retiring next summer from the Geological Survey, after 30 years of service, to join the faculty of Johns Hopkins University as professor of geography.

"ADE" MURIE TURNS IN McKINLEY MANUSCRIPTS

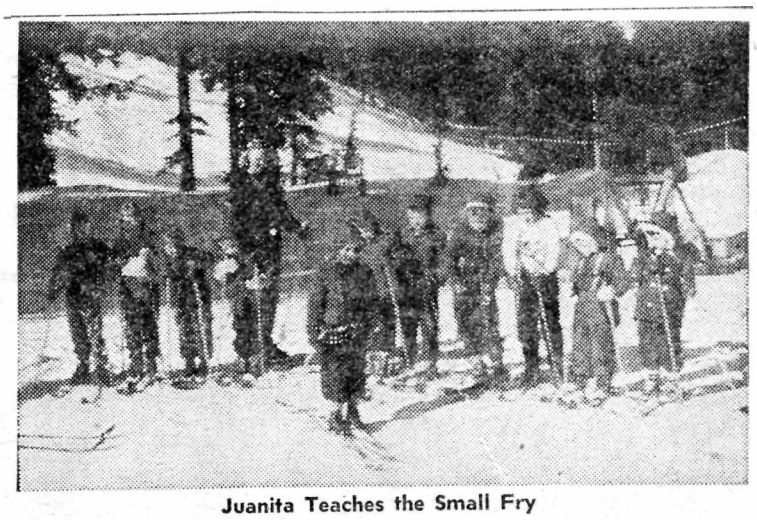
Dr. Adolph Murie, widely known as the author of "The Wolves of Mount McKinley" and "The Ecology of the Coyote in Yellowstone," has just submitted two manuscripts to the Region Four Office, - one on the birds and one on the mammals of Mount McKinley. These will be printed by the McKinley Park Natural History Assn. as "popular" bulletins. Both will be illustrated with pen-and-ink sketches by **Olaus J. Murie;** the mammal bulletin will also contain photographs donated by **Charles Ott,** Mount McKinley's superb photographer.

"A Naturalist in Alaska" (320 pages), containing some of Adolph's published and unpublished writings on Alaska wildlife, is being published by Devin-Adair, as one of its naturalist series. The book will contain sketches by Olaus, and photographs by Ott and the author. Adolph, in the course of his long and careful studies of the natural history of Mount McKinley, has obtained many extraordinary pictures, both motion and still.

Music While You Work

The January **Lassen Rumblings** reports:

"The superintendent and chief park ranger attended the open house for the new Lassen National Forest headquarters building in Susanville on January 24. A spacious modern building provides, among other attractions, agreeable music piped to all offices. The Forest Service people say this is as good for the job as coffee breaks. Anyway, Mozart will certainly never give one coffee nerves!"



Juanita Teaches the Small Fry

Crater Lake children are fortunate to have **Slim** and **Juanita Mabery** for ski instructors. Slim was a professional instructor before becoming a park ranger and his wife, Juanita, has learned the techniques well.

Skiing is a part of the curriculum for all 8 grades of the Crater Lake elementary school. The children learn much more than downhill skiing; they get instruction in cross-country travel, map reading, snow camping, rescue work, and avalanche safety. This year study is being expanded to include identification of animal tracks and habits of wildlife.

Pre-school children are not left out either. The youngest one on skis is not quite 2 years old, and some of the 4 and 5 year-old skiers outclass those in school.

Not to be outdone by their juniors, more adults are skiing; and because children are out, too, there is no baby-sitting problem.

Look Here, Ferroequinophiles!

100-ton Shea Given to Yosemite

The largest single object ever acquired by the Yosemite Museum was added to the collections Nov. 30, and is now on display at the transportation exhibit in El Portal. Weighing nearly 100 tons, the 0-12-0 Shay locomotive was built by the Lima Locomotive Works, Lima, Ohio, in 1921, and was used by the Yosemite Lumber Co. within the Park on the railroad which ran to Mather.

Ferroequinophiles (!) will delight in viewing the side-cylinder rig, complete right down to the brass warning bell. Using an arrangement of gears which makes every axle a drive, it is one of the most powerful locomotives ever invented. It was designed by a lumberman, Ephram Shay, in 1879. More than 2600 were built before diesel drove steam from the scene.

The Yosemite engine was presented to the Service by the Pickering Lumber Co. through its president, F. F. Momyer.

As in the case of the White bus received last month, transportation was the big problem. Hoagland's sturdy 16-wheel "low-boys" made the equivalent of four trips - tender, trucks, loco - to complete the job.

Death Valley

Glenn Pesha has been appointed caretaker at the new visitor center.

Marine Private **Paul Deeter,** son of Maintenance Supervisor **Harry** and Mrs. **Ordelle Deeter,** left yesterday for Okinawa.

Julian Knutson, maintenanceman, has been unable to work since July due to an injury suffered almost 2 years ago when 2300 volts of electricity passed through his right arm and out his left leg. He has been under doctor's care since July, and has been advised he cannot return to work until next January.

Cecil Banks has been appointed caretaker to fill the position vacated when **Barry Ward** was promoted to operator general.

A writer from **Sunset Magazine** was here recently gathering material for an article on Death Valley, to appear sometime next winter. According to information received here, **Life Magazine** will soon publish an illustrated story, including Death Valley highlights.

Colorful and attractive new interpretive signs, erected at Badwater, Zabriskie Point, Golden Canyon, Natural Bridge, Salt Creek, Harmony Borax and Artist Palette, tell concise stories of those points of interest. Others are to be erected soon.

Supt. **Granville Liles** was invited to speak at the Yosemite Training Center on Feb. 15.

Ranger **Hugh Bozarth,** with assistance from personnel of the Desert Game Range, killed a Bighorn ram on Jan. 25. It was shipped to a taxidermist in Browning, Mont., to be prepared for exhibition in the new museum here.

Establishment Day, 28th anniversary of the proclamation of Death Valley National Monument, was celebrated Feb. 11 with a special naturalist program. Today, the monument is the fifth largest area in the National Park System, the boundaries having been changed several times since establishment.

Mike Fahrner, mechanic (heavy duty) was scheduled to retire Feb. 28 after more than 10 years of Federal employment. He has been recommended for the Commendable Service award. The Fahrners were honored at a farewell party Feb. 26 in the visitor center auditorium. They plan to rest in their cabin at Lone Pine for a while, after which they will take an extended trip to visit Mike's son and daughter in Fort Myers, Fla., and his sister and brother in Michigan. They recently purchased a house trailer to facilitate all this traveling.

Wildflowers are expected to be abundant in Death Valley this year, thanks to the generous amount of rain—about 9/10 of an inch—that has fallen since September. This is almost half the year's supply Some flowers were blooming in January and many other varieties were expected to appear during February.

A proposal for construction of a new school at Furnace Creek was introduced here recently. The superintendent of schools has urged everyone in Death Valley, interested in the proposal, to sign petitions. The present school is very old and inadequate.

Operator General **Ed** and Mrs. **Lucille Graves** announced the engagement of their daughter Seaman **Janet Sellards,** to Seaman First Class **Harold Kyser** of Coffee Springs, Ala., at Christmas, while the couple were here on leave from the San Diego Naval Training Center, where both are stationed. Their wedding will take place at the Lutheran Church in Las Vegas, Nev., March 4. The following day, a reception will be held on the patio of the Graves home in Death Valley for all the couple's friends in the area.

Lehman Caves

Visitors to **Lehman Caves** will soon be seeing rooms and passageways never before open to the public. Nine hundred feet of trail is being carved through a jumble of obstructing boulders and low ceilings to the large and impressive Talus Room, then through other interesting passageways and rooms to rejoin the old trail. Work began last November and is expected to be completed by May 1.

Prentice C. Kaufman, maintenanceman at the monument who has had many years of experience in cave trail work, is supervising the job. His crew of five are **Howard G. Baker, Raymond M. Damon, James P. Steel, William E. Swekert,** and **O. Merlin Terry.** These men have become expert in blasting the trail through extremely difficult sections without disturbing the delicate formations for which Lehman Caves are famous.

Electric lights are also being installed along the new trail. Two 500-watt quartz-filament lamps will illuminate large portions of the Talus Room. Though these lamps are exceptionally brilliant, the effect is of a soft, pervading light. It is believed that this is the first time that they have been used in a cave.

Crater Lake

Sunny weather and plenty of snow helped make Crater Lake's annual winter carnival fun for all. The carnival, lasting from noon to exhaustion, featured competitive events in sled races, obstacle ski race, snowshoes races and a flying saucer run. The adults, 19 of them, had just as much fun as the 24 children. An extra thrill for the small children was the dog sled ride offered by **Greg Hartell.**

Marten in Crater Lake National Park are unusually friendly with the park staff and well liked by everyone. A possible exception is **Lee Fulton,** who manages the concession during winter months. Lee noticed ends being eaten off candy bars and called on the rangers for help. So far this winter, rangers have live-trapped 3 marten and released them far away from the Rim Village. Nobody knows for sure whether the trapped marten are all one or different individuals.

Dave and **Reta Huntzinger,** well known to recent Crater Lake alumni, are starting their permanent National Park Service career at Hot Springs National Park, where Dave is a park ranger. An avid entomologist, he should find good collecting around his new home.

Joe Clark's young son, **Karl,** came close to disaster last fall when hit by a car. The car demolished the tricycle he was riding, but lucky Karl received only bruises and skinned spots. He was sent home after one night in a Medford hospital.

Fritz and **Elizabeth Novak** had Christmas cut short Dec. 27, when they and their youngest daughter, **Kay Marie,** left for Washington, D. C. The older children, Fred and Pat, stayed on in the park to enjoy excellent skiing before returning to college studies. The Novaks will live in the Washington, D. C. area while Fritz attends the Fifth Departmental Manager Development Program.

Al and **Donna Peterson,** with their daughters, **Cathy** and **Leigh Ann,** are now part of the Crater Lake community. The Petersons transferred here from Mount Rainier National Park where they have lived the past 10 years. The Annie Spring Ranger Station is their home now.

Sequoia-Kings Canyon

Alice Hirst is a lovely and dedicated "Pink Lady" at the Memorial Hospital in Exeter, Calif., a small town 29 miles from park headquarters. The pink ladies donate their time giving special services to the patients. They serve coffee, arrange flowers, give the extra back rubs to make long stays in bed more endurable, read to patients who are unable to do it for themselves, and are available for many other niceties. Alice, who has spent a good deal of time in hospitals as a patient, is a natural in radiating cheer and hope to those who are bedfast.

Linda Nunnelee, sophomore at Woodlake Union High School, and daughter of **Bill Nunnelee,** caretaker, reigns as Sweetheart of the Woodlake Chapter of Future Farmers of America. Linda received a sweetheart necklace and jacket, and will compete with other California F.F.A. sweethearts this April for the naming of the State Sweetheart.

Newest recruit to the Sequoia and Kings Canyon rolls is **Edward T. Carson,** who came on duty as automotive mechanic Dec. 11. He had been a civilian employee at Fort Mason, San Francisco, since 1949 before transferring to the Parks. He and his wife **Ruth** are living at Woodlake, 19 miles from park headquarters.

Max Walliser, landscape architect, unpacked his water colors and charcoal this winter and is producing some fine pictures. On popular demand, he dug deeper and unpacked and showed some of the work he did 15 to 20 years ago when he was in Southern California.

Grace Wright, wife of **Raymond Wright,** shovel operator, has been in a hospital since late December receiving treatment for a back injury, sustained while she was moving furniture in their home.

For the second time in three months, **Mrs. Emily Taylor,** wife of Time, Leave and Payroll Supervisor **Albert Taylor,** is recovering from injuries received in automobile accidents. On Jan. 10, Mrs. Taylor was a passenger in a car that went out of control when the brakes gave away. In some unknown manner, she was thrown out of the car, then dragged on the asphalt, sustaining severe bruises and cuts all over her body. After hospital care and physical therapy, she is recuperating at home.

Seventeen of the 84 regular employees of Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks qualify for the 1000-hour sick-leave accumulation roster.

Mount Rainier

Ken Ashley was elected chairman of the board of directors of the Mount Rainier Natural History Association at its annual meeting January 17, when **John Rutter** and **Willard Chase** were appointed to fill the unexpired terms of **Curt Skinner** and **Alex Walker. Preston Macy** and **Ed Bullard** are the other board members; **Ross Bender** is executive secretary and **Jo Bender** treasurer.

Rosalie (Mrs. Bill) Funk has an interesting pastime. She prepares Braille literature for the Christian Fellowship for the Blind in Los Angeles. At present, Rosalie is producing Bible passages in Grade I Braille. She tells us that there are two classes of Braille; Grade I is a reproduction of letters of the alphabet in raised print, while Grade II is a sort of shorthand in raised letters.

Jim and **Evelyn Jones** became parents for the fourth time on Dec. 11, when **Eric Christopher** arrived . . . On Christmas Eve, **John Clinton** arrived to delight the hearts of his parents, **Jim** and **Jackie Michener** . . . Little **Nikki Coffey,** born Jan. 8, joined Cathy, Dick and their other two daughters at the Tousley home at the Nisqually Entrance.

Ethel (Mrs. Ken) Ashley assumed the dutes of librarian for the Longmire branch of the Pierce County Library to replace **Frances Ellis** who retired at the same time her husband Les did. Others who have been librarians in the past include **Florence (Mrs. Henry) Evans** and **Hattie (Mrs. Bill) Heckman.**

For the past several seasons when Ski School was mentioned in Mount Rainier it was in connection with the school sponsored by the Metropolitan Park Board-Tacoma News Trbune. Now, however, this group, which on some Saturdays numbers nearly 1000 students, is of less importance to Longmire residents than the ski school being conducted for local children. Each Sunday afternoon of ski season, the local grade school youngsters gather at Paradise to be instructed in the latest ski techniques. Park Ranger **Jack Morehead** spends his time with the intermediate group while **Ethel Ashley** teaches the beginners. The program has been received enthusiastically in spite of the fact that most of the beginners came down with measles during January.

In November, Supt. **Preston P. Macy** appeared on a panel with John Vanderzicht, director of Washington state parks, and Dick Bowe of the Forest Service, before a convention of the Washington Motor Hotel Association at Yakima. The topic for discussion was "Why do Tourists Camp?"

Chief Ranger **Ruben Hart** attended the February session of the Annual School for Administrative Leadership at Montana State University. This school is designed to assist the junior and middle-level administrator in developing those skills, attitudes, and techniques generally possessed by superior administrators. This course is especially appealing to men from conservation agencies and lists several Park Service persons among its alumni.

YOSEMITE YOUNGSTERS SHINE AT SKIING

Thirteen children and 12 parents from Yosemite journeyed to Sugar Bowl on the weekend of January 6-8 for the first of three point meets to determine who will represent the Far West Ski Association (California, Nevada and Arizona) in the Junior National Downhill and Slalom at Stowe, Vt., later this year. Each of the children ran the downhill without a fall, skiing his very best. The slalom, however, was long and difficult, spilling many of the best skiers. **Danny Armstrong,** son of Park Biologist **Del Armstrong,** placed second in his slalom group. **Jeannie Evans,** daughter of Park Ranger **Buck Evans,** won the downhill by a full second and took second place in her slalom group. Jeannie earned 17 points in the meet and is high point girl for the FWSA. Also competing in this largest FWSA Junior Meet ever held were: **Rick, Jeff,** and **Todd,** sons of Forester **Bob Sharp, Danny** Armstrong's brother **Randy,** and **Kathy,** daughter of Ranger **Dick McLaren.**

Craters of the Moon

John Murtaugh, geologist from the University of Idaho, made an extensive study of the features of Craters of the Moon under a contract with the NPS. Purpose of the study is to develop a report and a geologic map showing the various flow units, cinder cones, fissure zones, dike zones, and other special features. Knowledge is desired as to the extent and sequence of the various lava flows comprising the present landscape of the area.

This is the first comprehensive geologic study to be conducted at Craters of the Moon since 1928.

Yosemite

Two boys were born on Nov. 22 at Lewis Memorial Hospital - **Daniel James,** weighing 6 lbs. 8 oz., to **Joan** and **Bob Lake,** carpenter, and **Steven Paul,** weighing 8 lbs. 3 oz., to **Marilyn** and **Al Yeyne,** mechanic.

The holiday season produced two weddings - both involving members of the Forestry Division. On December 23, Forestry Foreman **Everett De Moss** and **Joyce Athey** of Castro Valley were married in Reno. Five days later Forestry Foreman **Clyde Fauley** and **Rae Marie Price** of Glacier National Park took their vows in Montana.

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El Portal Work Is Moving Ahead

Things are happening at El Portal, Yosemite's new administrative site. E. A. Girard of Twain Harte, Calif., with a low bid of $406,344, including walks and garages, won the contract for construction of 20 3-bedroom residences in the Rancheria Flat area. Each will have 1½ baths and a central heating and cooling system. With construction already begun, the houses should be ready for occupancy sometime next summer.

The Or-Bet Construction Co. is making good progress on roads, water and sewer systems to serve the area under a $339,897 contract and should finish this spring.

The new reinforced concrete bridge across the Merced at Railroad Flat, built by the Thomas Construction Co. of Fresno for about $90,000 was recently given final inspection and accepted.

Lassen Volcanic

Five new little volcanologists made their appearance in quick succession on the Lassen scene in recent months. The first was **Laura Elizabeth**, born Sept. 20 to Park Ranger and Mrs. **Gary E. Bunney;** next, on Oct. 4, **Tay Ann Briggs** came to Park Forester and Mrs. **George S. Briggs, Jr.** On Columbus Day, Oct. 12, Park Ranger and Mrs. **Richard L. Wilburn** welcomed a second son, **Donald Carl,** and the day before Thanksgiving, Nov. 23, marked the arrival of **Jill Marie**, daughter of Equipment Operator **Charles K. (Chuck)** and Mrs. **Tobin,** who was the former Marilyn Woodward of Mineral. Jill Marie is the grandchild of former Region Five Regional Director **Daniel J. Tobin** and **Mrs. Tobin** now living at Sonoma. The last of the Lassen quintet, **Robert Stephen,** was born on Dec. 14, to Park Naturalist and Mrs. **Robert J. Badaracco.** All five and their mothers are in radiant good health, thanks to excellent local doctors and the supervision of Dr. Spock.

Park Naturalist **Richard G. Prasil**, after 4 years at Lassen, has been promoted to the position of Regional Research Biologist, Region Four, succeeding **Lowell Sumner.** Dick went on duty in November leaving Bonnie, little Richard, Robin, Beth, and Timothy here while a new home was being located in the Bay area. They all are now happily established at 1406 Buchanan St., Novato, Marin County, Calif. Several farewell parties were given for the Prasils, and they received some useful gifts from both park and Mineral friends.

Park Naturalist **Raymond L. Nelson,** his wife **Linda** and son **Phillip,** arrived Jan. 25, from Washington, D. C., where Ray has been with the Natural History Division. Serving first at Sequoia, he had also been at Saratoga and Mammoth Cave before the Washington assignment, from which he was promoted to Lassen.

A novel Christmas program at the little red school house in Mineral was in charge of **Nina (Mrs. Lawrence) Echols,** wife of our park engineer. A play, "The Littlest Angel," starred 5-year old **Wayne Randall,** followed by the school chorus in "The Night Before Christmas" with pantomime. Santa Claus came in at the finale with small gifts.

The first of the three new residences allocated to Lassen is well under way, thanks to the good weather we have been enjoying of late. Skiing at the winter use area, at a higher altitude than headquarters, has been good, since Lassen has had more snow than most of the other California winter sports areas.

U. S. Commissioner **Lewis E. (Chub) Bronson** and **Jaye,** have recently returned from a vacation spent on the west coast of Mexico. They aver they have discovered a Mexican Shangri-La somewhere south of Mazatlan. Chub has many friends throughout the Service, having been Commissioner at Lassen since 1939 (less 3 years service in World War II).

Mount McKinley

New employees on the Mount McKinley staff are Miss **Pearl Rich,** clerk-typist, and **Rolla D. Everett,** administrative assistant. Miss Rich, formerly of Hollywood, Calif., arrived in Alaska last June. She came for a vacation, but on arriving here she liked it so well that she decided to stay. After working for the government in Anchorage for 6 months, she received and accepted an offer from Mount McKinley.

Rolla Everett drove from Yellowstone via Seattle, accompanied by his wife **Vivienne** and three children, **Freda** 9, **Linda** 8, and **Lawrence** 6. An older daughter, **Carolyn** 18, is enrolled at Macalester College, St. Paul, Minn., and will join the family in June. The move resulted in the children being taken out of school and enrolled in a correspondence course. They are delighted with this arrangement as can be seen by their joyful romping out-of-doors in the afternoons.

McKinley Park employees are sorry to see the **Neil J. Reid** family leave Alaska after 4 very fine years here. Jim was promoted to chief park naturalist at Great Smoky Mountains.

Sitka

Note - In the Sitka-Glacier Bay notes in the Dec. 1 issue of the **Courier** was a note regarding the marriage of Sitka Park Historian **George Hall** and Miss **Eileen O'Byrne;** since no date was given, I ventured to refer to the event as recent. Mrs. Hall, whose correspondence for Sitka follows, sent a letter with it; in it she said, "George and I hope that the announcement of our marriage in the last issue doesn't surprise anyone (it was really a year and a half ago) because we are now announcing the momentary arrival of an offspring." By note received Feb. 13 comes word of the arrival of a 9-pound daughter - "a redhead and named Gerianne." - H.E.

The upgrading of the park historian position at Sitka and receipt of an outstanding performance award prior to Christmas made the season much brighter in Alaska this year. Program developments began looking up also with the completion of the Sitka Museum Prospectus and the plans to reconstruct one of the original blockhouses of the Russian fort in town. The removal of the replica in the monument in 1959 paved the way for this undertaking. Research on the construction detail is now underway in both Sitka and at Fort Ross, the old Russian post restored by the State of California.

Half the totem poles in the monument were repainted this year in a long overdue project held up by difficulties in obtaining qualified painters. However, even a Park Service wife got in on the work when I helped paint 4 small house totems. Service wives get some strange jobs at times!

The Sitka Jaycee chapter has undertaken an annual selection of a "Man of the Year" and I am proud to say that my husband was one of the four finalists honored at the banquet this year.

In the last issue of the **Courier,** the reporter announced my husband's Tlingit name and explained that names are passed down after the death of a person. A few weeks ago George ran across a reference to the man for whom he was named. In 1892 the U.S. Marshall put Shukh-Sha-Nee-Eesh in jail for 10 days for assault and battery.

All friends of California's former state park man, Charley Mehlert, will be glad to know he is settling into his job with the Alaska Park System. He is intrigued by Sitka's Russian buildings and constantly points out similarities to the Russian structures he worked on at Fort Ross. - **Eileen Hall**

Hawaii

Russell A. Apple, park historian at Mount Rushmore chosen as first superintendent of City of Refuge National Historical Park, gained extensive knowledge of the Hawaiian Islands while a park ranger in Hawaii National Parks and during his studies for his master's degree at the University of Hawaii. The Apples were expected in Hawai last month, and will live at Honaunau, on the Kona Coast.

The Commendable Service Award was presented to **William Elderts,** Hawaii National Park truck driver who retired last October after 33 years of service in the Federal Government.

There is evidence that friend Stork has a busy schedule ahead in Hawaii National Park. One couple jumped the gun, however, and brought theirs by plane from Honolulu. **Glen Eugene,** adopted son of the **W. W. Dunmires** (park naturalist), weighed in at 8 lb. 1 oz. on Jan. 30.

Highlighting the mainland trip of Mr. and Mrs. **D. R. Stevens** (chief ranger) was the December wedding of their daughter, **Sherin Ann,** to **Richard Shope** of Helena, Montana. The bride, attired in a gown of ivory velvet with a veiled crown of orange blossoms, was attended by her sister-in-law, **Mrs. Richard Stevens,** who wore a similar gown of green velvet. **Richard Stevens** was best man. The evening wedding, held in Kalispell, Mont., was followed by a dinner. The couple will live in Bozeman while Richard finishes his course in architectural engineering at Montana State College. Sheri graduated from MSC in December.



Mr. and Mrs. Richard Shope

Hawaii (Haleakala)

With Park Naturalist **Bob Carpenter** away for two months, including attendance at the Museum Methods Training Course in Washington, and Park Ranger **Mohlhenrich** at the Roger M. Toll training session in Yosemite, the uniformed staff is down 50 per cent.

On Jan. 1, Haleakala took on a blanket of snow down to the 9,000-foot level. Snow in Hawaii is a rarity so thousands flocked up the mountain to see it. Many local people enjoyed tasting, smelling, feeling, throwing and building with snow for the first time in their lives. It was not unusual to see children and adults romping in it in shorts and barefooted. Most cars started down the mountain with a snowman on the hood. Snow is considered almost as interesting as an eruption.

Most of Asst. Supt. and Mrs. **Tom Whitcraft's** recent month-long vacation was spent in Los Angeles and vicinity and included attendance at the Rose Bowl game.

But Doggone It! Bears Gotta Eat

Most of the Protection Division staff concerned with the Yosemite Valley bear problem, eyeing what appeared to be a record low for reportable damage caused by bears, sighed with relief at the end of the regular travel season. The score on Sept. 15: 3 personal injuries, $650 estimated property damage, 4 bears trapped, - a commendable record.

Unfortunately, before anyone had time to pat anyone on the back about it, came word that bears were heading into the Valley from all directions. In a short time the population was in excess of 20: those estimates of more than 50, or "one behind every bush," were based on emotion and not fact, according to Biologist **Del Armstrong.** "They just moved around a lot," sez he. And finding no apples and acorns this year, they immediately turned to cars and buildings. Convertibles, of course, were the prime targets, but if the aroma of food was strong enough, conventional hardtops were no problem.

So - the score on Nov. 15: Still only 3 personal injuries, but property damage of $3070, and 22 bears trapped and moved to high country. The biggest of these, a 570-pounder released at the South Fork of the Tuolumne Oct. 28, was back at his Valley stamping grounds on Nov. 7.

Region Four Office

May Bernhard, program clerk, surprised some of her coworkers by retiring at the end of January, after nearly 10 years with the Service in the Region Four Office. The girls in the office told her goodbye at a luncheon party where, as entertainment, several "pomes" were read by the amateur authors and given to the guest of honor as souvenirs. Her farewell gift from the entire office was a reconditioned—her request—typewriter, (and a check for the remaining money which had been given for her gift.)

At the request of **Ronald F. Lee,** Regional Director of Region Five, **Ben Gibson,** retired Region Five administrative officer, was invited to the first Region Four staff meeting of the year, Jan 12, when Regional Director Merriam presented Ben with his meritorious service award. As he had formerly worked in Region Four, many of those at the staff meeting were former associates.

RETIREMENT LUNCHEON GIVEN GEORGE COLLINS

In the presence of a hundred of his fellow employees in the National Park Service and friends of the Service, **George L. Collins** was honored at a luncheon at Dana's Restaurant in November, where he listened to letters of tribute from a past Director, **Horace M. Albright,** and from the present Director, **Conrad L. Wirth.** Regional Director **Lawrence C. Merriam** was the master of ceremonies.

Highlight of the luncheon was the presentation to Mr. Collins by Assistant Regional Director **Herb Maier** of a huge cardboard bank check, 2 by 4 feet, showing the contribution of $339 to the National Park Trust Fund. Collins had asked that money be contributed to the fund instead of for a gift to himself.

Lawrence Merriam keynoted the occasion as a commencement rather than a retirement luncheon, inasmuch as George will continue active work in his field of natural resource planning.

SAM CLARK IS SUBJECT OF BEE FEATURE STORY

Park Ranger **Sam Clark,** who started his rangering in Yosemite in 1924, and who expects to doff the uniform some time this year at age 62, is the subject of a "full dress" feature story by Staff Writer Lou Evon which appeared in the **Fresno Bee** (Calif.) on January 23. The story is well illustrated with pictures of Sam, - on horseback, at the Wawona tree in 1924, in today's park ranger uniform, and on skis.

When he was hired by Supt. **W. B. (Dusty) Lewis,** according to Sam, he was asked just two questions: "Can you ride a horse? Are you familiar with firearms?"

Announcing that, when he retires, he is "not going to live too far from the park," Sam and his wife **Gertrud** will occupy a house, now a-building, at Oakhurst, in Madera County.

BLAZE AT KILAUEA IKI QUICKLY EXTINGUISHED

The day a water shortage was announced to residents of Hawaii National Park, Mother Nature kicked up her heels and started a forest fire at the edge of Kilauea Iki's still-warm lava lake. The park's dry weather contributed to both conditions, but the 2-acre blaze was brought under control with the aid of the local fire pumper and a crew of 16. The fire is thought to have been caused by the combustible gases which are continually escaping from cracks in the lake's crust.

Incredible as it may seem, the main mass of lava beneath the black crust has cooled only an estimated 100° C. in the past year. Molten material of over 1000° C. was found at a depth of only 20 ft. during recent tests. U. S. Geological Survey scientists here are thrilled with the "once in a lifetime" chance to study lava formation offered by the unusual conditions of the 1959 eruption of Kilauea Iki.

Giant Sequoia Topples

Without warning and for no apparent reason, a giant sequoia tree fell across the by-pass road around the Tunnel Tree in Giant Forest, Sequoia National Park, the last week of October. It was about 230 feet tall, with a diameter of 8 feet. The top was dead, and only that section had to be moved to clear the way; the remainder of the tree is left as an exhibit in place.

Mattes Report Printed

A report, "Historic Sites Archeology on the Upper Missouri," by Regional Historian Merrill J. Mattes of Region Two has been published as River Basin Surveys Papers No. 15 from Bulletin 176 of the Bureau of American Ethnology

Alumni Notes

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PEARSON IS RE-ELECTED TO ALASKA LEGISLATURE

Grant H. Pearson, re-elected a Democratic member of the Alaska House of Representatives, is chairman of the 9-man Federal Relations Committee and a member of another committee. Prentiss-Hall Publishing Co. will bring out Grant's book, "Land of High Adventure," this summer. Some 75,000 words long, it will cover his experiences with the National Park Service and finish with his post-retirement plunge into politics.

SALT LAKE TRIB STORY FEATURES CHARLEY KELLY

Charley Kelly, superintendent of Capitol Reef from 1950 until his retirement in 1959, is the subject of a full-page feature article in the Jan. 22 Sunday Magazine of the **Salt Lake Tribune.** It is illustrated with a fine portrait of Charley against a background of one of his paintings depicting the rugged and picturesque area formerly under his guardianship.

Bob Halliday, who wrote the "piece," asserts that Charley, "who operates on a short fuse anyway, blows up at the mere mention of uranium." For it was during his superintendency that treasure seekers, backed by a Utah member of the House of Representatives, prevailed on the Department of the Interior to permit prospecting for uranium in Capitol Reef.

"One day a couple from California drove up to headquarters building in a new jeep and sporting brand new duds from top to toe," says Charley in the Halliday account. "They strode into the building, walked up to my desk and demanded:

" 'Well, where is it?'

" 'Where's what?' I asked.

" 'The uranium, chum, the uranium. We've only got two weeks vacation, so we've got to find it fast.' "

The frenzy lasted for two years, then the monument was again closed to prospecting; and nobody had found any uranium there. "The AEC spent $15,000 covering up the traces of that idiot invasion," Charley told Halliday.

NEVER AN IDLE MOMENT FOR MISS VADA HORSCH

Horace Albright recently sent the Courier an interesting mimeograph release dealing with the career of **Miss Vada Horsch,** assistant secretary of the National Association of Manufacturers, and director of its International Economic Affairs Department, cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Wisconsin. Miss Horsch belongs here because, as Horace records, she and her identical twin, Vida, were "savages" at Camp Roosevelt in Yellowstone in 1927. "They were talented singers and dancers," he writes, "and performed for President Coolidge and his party along with other young people working at the camp. Miss Horsch has always been a devoted friend of the N.P.S." He adds, "For years she has been one of the biggest, most important factors in the operation of the N.A.M."

This distinguished lady apparently is another of those persons who do things so well that jobs just gravitate their way. She is secretary of the United States Inter-American Council; of the Conference of National Organizations (30 major national organizations that meet in roundtable sessions three times yearly); and of the Lafayette Fellowship Foundation, of which she is also a Board member. The Foundation is engaged in a program of Lafayette scholarships for deserving French students, modeled after the Rhodes scholarships. The most recent of her numerous trips abroad in connection with secretarial or other duties—to Lima, Peru; Mexico City; Buenos Aires; Paris and other cities of France—was last October, when she was a member of the U. S. delegation to the 4th International Conference of Manufacturers, in London.

Miss Horsch received the decoration of the French Legion of Honor, with the rank of Chevalier, in 1957; earlier she had received the Chevalier du Merite Commercial award. She is an honorary member of the French Chamber of Commerce in the U. S. Italy honored her in 1959 with the jeweled cross symbolic of the rank of Officer in the Order of Merit. Ecudador gave her the Order Al Merito last June. You'll find her in "Who's Who;" "Who's Who in the East;" and "Who's Who of American Women."

MANLY WORKS FOR NPS LONG AFTER RETIREMENT

Don Lee, NPS chief of lands, recently sent in a check for membership in the Employees and Alumni Association for **"Mr. Albert B. Manly,** 75 years young, who resides at 16420 S.W. 99th Ave., Perrine 57, Fla." With his check came also a letter to the Association from which the following remarks are extracted:

"From approximately 1947 until 1954, Mr. Manly was land acquisition project manager for the Everglades National Park. He also made a special land study at Grand Teton National Park several years ago. He is a recipient of the Department's distinguished service award.

"The reason I have subscribed for Mr. Manly is that he is, in fact, a National Park Service employee, even though on retirement. Each day he reports dutifully to the Park Service office at Homestead, or in the park, and performs various chores, gratis, pertaining to land records and land work for the Everglades National Park. Since he does not receive a stipend for his highly meritorious efforts, and as he would undoubtedly be too modest to mention his continuing donation of service to the Park Service, I thought that I would bring it out in this letter to you with this subscription."

Mr. Manly has a new residence at the above address, Don adds, and says that his many Park Service friends are always welcome at his place. "But watch out for his 'dove milk' or 'lime rose-Revlon' libations," is his final word of warning.

Field School Alumni Meet

Alumni of the Yosemite School of Field Natural History regularly hold reunions in both the Los Angeles and San Francisco areas. At the annual banquet in Berkeley on Jan. 28, **Jim Cole,** class of '33, showed motion pictures of the proposed Great Basin National Park and the Point Reyes National Seashore.

News from the Swartzlows

From **Carl** and **Ruby Swartzlow** comes a Christmas report that is certain to be of interest to their friends.

"Carl and Ruby Swartzlow report from Paradise (California version) that they are strategically located near the Lassen, Lava Beds, Crater Lake inspection route. Many Region Four and WODC folks stop in for a few minutes chat and a cup of coffee. Thus the Swartzlows keep up-to-date on the status of Mission 66 projects as well as personnel changes affecting mutual acquaintances.

"Ruby is teaching a class in Butte County History, sponsored by the Adult Education Department of the Paradise Unified School District. A part of the class work includes visits to abandoned mines, ghost towns, pioneer ranches, etc. The class receives enthusiastic cooperation from the students (average age 55 plus). Old diaries, newspapers, photographs, journals, ledgers, etc., have been brought to light. So much historical material has been uncovered that a group of those interested decided to incorporate as Paradise Fact and Folklore and they are publishing a semi-annual booklet called **Tales of the Paradise Ridge.** The entire first number was sold out last July in less than three weeks. The second number is now off the press. Ruby is on the editorial board.

"Carl keeps out of mischief by weaving fancy (?) stuff and helping Ruby with her school work. He wrote an article for the first issue of the Paradise magazine and is now working on another one which he will submit to the Butte County Historical Society for possible use in their quarterly publication. He is still confined to his wheel chair, but his physical condition is being helped by a new drug.

Huntley Child, Jr., a life member of the Employees and Alumni Association, and for many years vice-president of the Yellowstone Park Company, is now executive vice-president of Treasure State Industries, of which the home office is situated in Butte, Montana. Mr. Child's new address is 3025 Moulton Street, in Butte.

According to a recent letter from Huntley, he was to be one of five men who were to leave on a Department of Commerce trade mission which would take them to Port of Spain and thereafter, for seven weeks, to the Federation of West Indies, British Guiana, Surinam, and the Netherland Antilles. The purpose - to promote our exports and to improve trade relations. "I have been asked on four previous occasions to go on a mission," he adds, "but could never make it."

King Produces Fourth Book

Old Father, the Story Teller, a compilation of Pueblo Indian folk tales, told and illustrated by Pablita Velarde, well-known Santa Clara Pueblo artist, was the fourth publishing venture of **Dale S. King,** former Southwestern Monuments naturalist. It came out in early winter, following release of Ray Brandes' **Frontier Military Posts of Arizona.** The Velarde book contains 17 color illustrations, many full-page plates, and several black-and-white reproductions of her paintings.

A second edition of **Indian Silverwork of the Southwest, Illustrated,** with improved printing and binding, was also issued in 1960.

What Joe Moore Is Doing

Until five and a half years ago, **Joseph Curtis Moore,** Ph.D., was the biologist on **Dan Beard's** staff at Everglades. Then Joe moved on to the American Museum of Natural History in New York. Recently, he was asked to give an account of himself for the benefit of old friends and former associates in the Service. It is too bad that the **Courier's** space tightness prevents printing his whole fascinating reply; here are some interesting and significant parts of it:

"I am cloistered here in an ivory tower spending year after year recording evidence from a rich supply of study specimens of squirrels from the Oriental Region," he writes. "To many a person this might seem a somewhat crazy occupation for a grown man. On the other hand, lots of scientists are envious of the particular materials that I use. Very few are privileged to work with such beautiful specimens as tropical Oriental squirrels . . .

Following a hot lead

"My own job is taxonomically revising the squirrels of the Oriental region. It is very basic research, and the precise data that must be accumulated to accomplish it provide very exciting scientific discoveries. One such new discovery is that different numbers of compartments in the bony chamber of the inner ear distinguish squirrels on a world-wide basis. On that 'hot lead' I worked furiously for 18 months and ended up with a greatly refined and improved classification of the squirrels of the world.

"My latest break-through is of quite a different sort . . . But danged if I haven't found something so queer about the distribution of the tree squirrel species in Burma that I thought something was amiss with the geography. Consulting a good geology of Burma, I found other people thought so, too. Geologists believe that each of four huge rivers flowing down off Tibet through this region has had its whole headwaters captured and diverted to some other course to the sea.

Squirrels and rivers

"In the tropics, you see, great rivers stop the spread of tree squirrels and my scientifically determined (and mapped) species' ranges seem to stop not only at huge rivers but also where great rivers used to be and this seems to give strong support to the geological evidence that the great stream piracies did in fact occur."

Referring somewhat nostalgically his years in the Everglades, Joe concludes, "The fact that life is more exciting here for a scientist, though, is almost wholly because there is much more encouragement to publish, and therefore to make, scientific discoveries." His life has been "enlivened by many minor breakthroughs; some of these I have published already in 14 scientific papers" and there will be more to come.

Dr. Moore is a research fellow in the Museum's Department of Mammalogy. The address of the museum is Central Park West at 79th St., New York 24, N. Y.

Branches Seeking Home Spot

Writing from Phoenix, Ariz., **William E. Branch,** just retired from the Platt superintendency, says, "We are now searching Arizona, New Mexico and California for a desirable place to live. I will probably join about 1,000 salesmen here in Phoenix in trying to sell 10,000 new houses to some of the reported 5,000 new arrivals each day in Phoenix."

OLD TIMER AT RAINIER RETIRES, IS TRAILERING

Les Ellis, who was roads and trails supervisor in Mount Rainier for many years, retired from the Park Service Jan. 7. He and **Frances** joined the park family here in Longmire Nov. 15, 1934. Their children, James and Natalie, were both born in the State of Washington. Les was born in Dry Fork, Kentucky, and when asked concerning his height, was fond of saying "five foot eighteen." His first employment with the Park Service was as a temporary laborer in Sequoia in 1923. He received a permanent appointment in 1928 and continued at Sequoia until his transfer to Mount Rainier.

A farewell party was held for the Ellis family at Gateway Inn the evening of January 6. Les received a gold wrist watch, the traditional volume of letters from friends and associates, a Commendable Service Award, and a lifetime pass to the national parks.

Mount Rainier employees will miss the industrious family. They have all worked in the Park in various capacities, and during one summer all four were on the Park payroll. For the time being, Les and Frances have become trailerites and at last report were headed for the Southwest. Mail will reach them if addressed to Longmire, Wash.

Alumni Honored

Former EODC Architect **Robert G. Stewart,** who was planning consultant for the St. Louis County Historic Buildings Commission, has been named director of the Department of Properties of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. His first assignment will be to develop plans for the restoration of the mansion, Shadows-on-Teche, in New Iberia, Louisiana.

Ralph S. Effifrit, city planning director of Houston, Texas, and formerly of the NPS Plans and Design Branch, where he worked on the master plans for Great Smoky Mountains and Fort Pulaski, was honored at a dinner given by the American Institute of Architects. He received an A.I.A. scroll honoring him for his direction of city planning in Houston for more than 20 years.

Kraebel Recovering from Stroke

Charles J. Kraebel, one-time superintendent of Glacier, whose Berkeley home was gutted by fire just two days before his return to Berkeley on leave last summer, experienced further misfortune after his return to Taiwan to continue his work as forestry advisor to the Nationalist Chinese Government. Last November his left side was paralyzed by a stroke during his sleep. Fortunately, with his indomitable courage and enthusiasm, he has made fine progress toward complete recovery. He is now at home and able to walk and to pursue his advisory work from his home; also makes daily visits to the hospital in Taipei for therapy treatment for his left hand and arm. His address is ICA - MSM/CHINA APO No. 63 C/o Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.

Coffmans Visit East

John and Robbie Coffman made a 6-week visit to the eastern U.S. in October and November, which enabled them to meet many of their former NPS associates in Washington and Philadelphia, as well as visit their son Paul and his family in Tarrytown, N.Y. They attended the 60th Anniversary of the Yale Forest School in New Haven and the 60th Annual Meeting of the Society of American Foresters in Washington.

A Note from Tucson

Elise Demaray (Mrs. Duane) Anderson, writing to the Courier from Tucson to report the death of **Miss Carrie Stein,** remarks that she and her mother are looking forward to seeing many old friends in April, "what with the Conference being at Grand Canyon." She adds, "Duane and I have been living with my mother for almost two years now. We built a wing on the house for ourselves, the 4 dachshunds, and 1 cat (17 years old).

"Noble Wilt is here in Tucson as are **Bob** and **Kathy Vint - Tom's** oldest boy. He works at Hughes as a computor programmer. They are expecting a third child in April. **Jeanette Lewis,** daughter of **John Lewis** of the Virgin Islands, is working in Tucson this winter."

Newton Wears Several Hats

Norman T. Newton, former landscape architect in Region One, and at present in his fourth year as president of the American Institute of Landscape Architects, wears other hats as well. He is professor of landscape architecture in Harvard University's Graduate School of Design; chairman of the Department of Architectural Sciences in the College; secretary of the Faculty of Design and, because of the latter, acting dean whenever Dean Sert is away.

Living in Cambridge with Norman is his mother who, he reports, is remarkably spry and healthy at age 83.

Pickering Writing Memoirs

Simeon H. Pickering, who retired last year after 22 years at the Statue of Liberty, and now lives at 956 Blaine Ave., Salt Lake City, is finding plenty to do in retirement, including the writing of his memoirs of those 22 years, about "all the important people I met and all the things I saw there, and about visitor reactions and the questions they asked." An active artist for many years, he is continuing his painting and writes that he exhibited some of his paintings at the Utah State Fair. He has also given several public showings of the color slides of his travels to the national parks and monuments, and continues to find lots of subject matter for further photography in the country around Salt Lake City.

Buy a Rittase Picture?

Alumnus (very recent) **Roger Rittase,** who was one of the Service's most distinguished Sunday painters, as well as an effective teacher of art, writes that for the first six weeks of retirement "I did mostly this and that, but I have been painting some most every day since the first of the year. I never thought that painting was a way to get rich but I now intend to try to get my wares before the public more than in the past and maybe I can do something. In February, for example, I am scheduled for a one-man show at the Colony Restaurant."

Roger also reported, writing late in January, that a few weeks earlier the Arts Club, 2017 Eye St., N. W., in Washington had an exhibition of advertising art in which the Service's fine publication, **That the Past Shall Live,** was one of the featured exhibits. It included the finished booklet and several of the original paintings, and showed some of the processes of reproduction. "It came about," he added, "because when I was shanghaied into being chairman of the Exhibition Committee this year I suggested it . . . Too many people feel that art is confined almost exclusively to oil paintings made only to please the artist. I know from training, observation, and my advertising experience that it takes much ingenuity and skill to turn out an artistic booklet."

Rittase's address is 1008 Taylor St., N.E., Washington 10, D. C.

Maxwell Still Geologizing

On the letterhead of the Bureau of Economic Geology of the University of Texas, **Ross A. Maxwell,** former superintendent of Big Bend, writes that he is still doing geology and was planning to finish a report on the mineral resources of South Texas last month; then back to the Big Bend project.

"I hope to have the Big Bend report ready to go to the printers in about a year," he added. "My boss and co-author died suddenly last October and I have to finish his part of the report also, which may take longer. Then I am working on a correlation project of the volcanic formations in West Texas, which is well along."

Ross's letterhead gives the address of the bureau office as "The Little Campus, 18th and Red River Streets, University Station, Box 8022, Austin, Texas."

Locher Reports In

Bailey J. Locher, who started as a CCC camp superintendent at Douthat State Park, Va., in 1933 and who was later a CCC inspector and field representative until he left the Service in 1943, gives this account of himself in a recent letter to the Editor of the **Courier:**

"After waiting several months for a call to military service, which never came, I went with the Ingalls Shipbuilding Corp., in Mississippi, in an executive capacity, and remained there until the war was over. In January 1946 I went out to Guam on a special job for the Navy. Returning in June 1947, I decided that 40 years was long enough: let the young fellows labor awhile. Upon Mrs. Locher's death in January 1948, I thought it might be interesting to see how the other half lives."

In those 13 years, he has really been seeing. He lists 4 winters in Florida, 2 winters "the lengths and breadths of Mexico, 1 in Cuba (B.C.), 2 or 3 down on the Chesapeake." He lists also 4 or 5 trips across and up and down Canada; the Alaska Highway to Anchorage, Fairbanks, etc., and 3 interesting months in Europe in 1958. "And the grandest tour of all in May and June of 1959, - a walking delight across Grand Canyon, South Rim to North and back. And for an old broken-down goat of 71, am sort of proud of it." His travels have included visits to many national parks; the letter to which his was a reply followed him all over Canada's Far North.

An address for him, obtained from **Bill O'Neil,** was printed in the December Courier. Bailey writes, "Bill's address book is years out of date; I haven't been around Glasgow in 10 or 12 years. My one and only permanent address is my daughter's: c/0 Mrs. William P. McKelway, 4759 Berkeley Terrace, N. W., Washington 7, D. C."

Report from Carl Nowack

Carl Nowack, who, on retiring from the Service (WASO) in 1956, returned to his old home in Bar Harbor, Maine, and his wife **Hazel,** don't as a rule endure the rigors of Maine winter. Writing the editor of the Courier on Jan. 18, from Bar Harbor, he said that they had not stayed there this late any previous winter, but were all set to take off for Mill Valley, Calif., on the 25th. One winter in Florida, "we rented a trailer at Riviera Beach, just north of West Palm Beach, to find out if we liked living in a trailer, and we did."

Last year, Carl did cost accounting work for the Roscoe Jackson Memorial Laboratory in Bar Harbor, - "the first work that I have done since retiring - the kind you get paid for, I mean. It seemed good to associate and work with people again and I enjoyed it very much."

Carl writes that both he and Hazel have had hospital experiences, with surgery, since retirement, but are both now in fine fettle.

Astrup Heads Oregon Parks

Mark H. Astrup, who was with the NPS during the CCC days and became assistant regional director in the Region Four office, on Jan. 1 became Superintendent of State Parks for the State of Oregon, where he has been associated with



Mark H. Astrup

the Oregon Highway Department in state park work since March, 1947.

According to the grapevine, **Claude Grider** will assist Mark in his recreational survey of the State of Oregon. At the time of Claude's retirement from the Service he was assistant chief of the Columbia River Recreational Survey, with headquarters in Portland, Ore.

Alumni Miscellany

"Sunny" Allen, long-time ranger at Grand Teton, has been under medical care for some time, but is reported as doing fine. Sunny's wife **Esther** was recently elected superintendent of Teton County schools.

For health reasons, **Jack Diehl,** former Region Three engineer, has had to give up the managership of the Santa Fe Federal Employees Credit Union, but remains on its Board of Directors.

Peter T. Linn, Grand Teton fiscal clerk who retired last year and is now living in Jackson, Wyo., was the last member remaining on the Grand Teton staff who helped hold the line during the Jackson Hole National Monument controversy during the 40's.

P. P. (Pat) Patraw has recovered from having dropped a bowling ball on four toes several months ago and is back at the game again. His wife **Polly** is gaining increasing recognition for her research in the flora of the Santa Fe region.

Mrs. Willard Bradley, widow of the former Region Three engineer, has won renown for her operation of the nursery at the Coronado lanes, Santa Fe's biggest bowling establishment; she operates a second nursery at the First Presbyterian Church.

W. C. Neal, former accountant in NPS offices in Oklahoma City, Dallas, and Santa Fe until 1947, is now living in Santa Fe and doing part-time C.P.A. work. Last summer he was a member of a Wilderness Society 12-day pack trip into Yellowstone's back country.

Earl Homuth of San Diego, who with his wife was a recent Santa Fe visitor, has retired from both NPS and the San Diego school system. Starting at Mount Rainier in 1932, he had 28 summers of NPS employment there, and at Yosemite, Crater Lake, Pinnacles, and Devils Postpile.

Jim Hamilton, formerly a Region Three Office engineer and his wife **Helen,** recent visitors in Santa Fe, were guests of **Bill** and **May Neal,** 600 Armenta St., and were honored at an open-house party there.

Sophie Tritsch, who was employed in the Washington Office during the days of the Emergency Conservation Work program, and who thereafter moved to Hawaii to undertake other work, is now retired. She lives at 402 Iana Street, Kailua, Hawaii.

Mrs. Griggsby H. Wotton, 4050 No. Ivy Road, N. E., Atlanta, Ga., was **Ann Roth** when she was **E. M. (Buck) Lisle's** secretary in the Region One Office in the late 30's. Ann is the mother of two boys, Grig, 18, who, she reports with justifiable pride, was a finalist in the National Merit Scholarship contest, and Jack, 15, with 2 years to go before high school graduation. In her Region One days, Ann was one of the best of the feminine bowlers in the Regional Office league. "When my boys get me to the bowling alleys," she writes, "it always brings back so many memories of the fun we had bowling in Richmond."

About Yosemiteites

Afer a wonderful summer, enjoying and exploring various areas in the Sierras, **John** and **Martha Bingaman** returned to their winter home in Ramon Trailer Park, Palm Springs, Calif., where they are very comfortable in a new 35-foot Roadliner. After their arrival in Palm Springs, Martha experienced a fall which injured her back and necessitated hospitalization. She is now at home and able to walk with a cane. John has completed his memoirs of Yosemite and is negotiating for their publication.

Nearby are **Carleton** and **Muriel Smith,** living in their 35-foot trailer at 67920 Highway 111, Tramway Park, Palm Springs.

EIGHTH TRAINING CENTER SESSION NOW UNDER WAY

The Roger W. Toll session of the NPS Training Center at Yosemite —the eighth since its establishment —is overwhelmingly a park ranger session; with 24 students, 20 are rangers. **Gene V. Daugherty,** a park ranger from Prince William Forest Park, NCP, who was scheduled to participate, was prevented from doing so by a sudden illness in his family. The chief park ranger of the Navajo tribal parks came to attend, but had to leave the day after arrival because his wife was seriously injured in an automobile accident; at mid-month he had not returned.

The rangers are: **Albert S. Branson,** Hot Springs; **Leonard A. Frank,** Virgin Islands; **Larry L. Freeman,** Great Smoky Mountains; **Douglas B. McHenry,** Colonial; **John C. O'Brien,** Everglades; **Bert L. Speed,** Natchez Trace; **James A. Olson,** Glacier; **James B. Thompson,** Rocky Mountain; **John C. Armfield,** Big Bend; **Bobby L. Crisman,** Montezuma Castle.

Earnest L. Kellner, Saguaro; **Gerald E. Mernin,** Bryce Canyon; **Charles D. Wyatt,** Bandelier; **Roy Allen,** Sequoia-Kings; **Gary E. Bunney,** Lassen Volcanic; **John S. Mohlhenrich,** Hawaii (Haleakala); **Riley C. Nichols,** Coulee Dam; **Charles N. Rorvik,** Olympic; **Stanley G. Canter,** Gettysburg; and **Richard C. Zani,** Roosevelt-Vanderbilt.

Park historians: **Franklin D. Pridemore,** Cumberland Gap; **Erwin N. Thompson,** Whitman; and **Dwight E. Stinson,** Antietam. Park naturalist: **Norman G. Messinger,** Petrified Forest.

DEED TO RUSSELL CAVE GIVEN BY GEOGRAPHIC

A deed to lands containing a site continuously inhabited for about 9,000 years was presented to former Secretary of the Interior Seaton by Pres. Melville B. Grosvenor of the National Geographic Society on January 4. The 310 acres include the site of Russell Cave where excavations, sponsored by the Society, have been conducted under the direction of Dr. Carl F. Miller of the Smithsonian Institution. Evidence from radioactive-carbon dating of old campfires indicated that the cave was lived in from about 7,000 B.C. to about A.D. 1650, and has been used periodically since that time.

The area is a prospective national monument. A monument proclamation was prepared for signature by President Eisenhower, but remained unsigned when he handed over the reins to his successor.

SEATON SETS BOUNDARIES FOR ARKANSAS POST AREA

Shortly before leaving Interior, Secretary Seaton designated the boundaries of the Arkansas Post National Memorial Project, establishment of which was authorized last July by Congress. The 740-acre project includes the 62-acre Arkansas Post State Park; this is to be transferred to the Federal Government and the State now plans to acquire the other lands within the approved boundaries for transfer to the United States.

The first Arkansas Post was established in 1686 by Henry de Tonty. Another was later established by John Law, the Scottish promoter of Mississippi Bubble fame. From the early 1730's the French continued to maintain posts on the Arkansas River. The site of the last Arkansas Post, capital of Arkansas Territory from 1819 to 1821, and captured by Union troops under Gen. John A. McLernand in 1863, is the one included in the present state park.

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