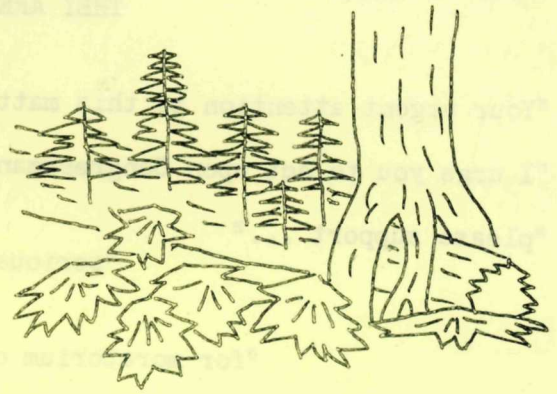
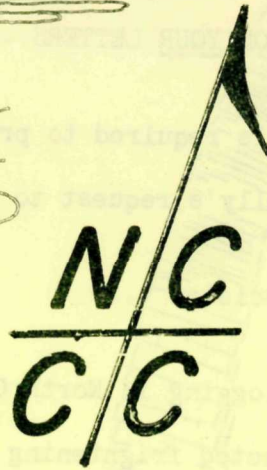


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"To secure the support of the people and the government in the protection and preservation of scenic, scientific, wildlife, wilderness, and outdoor recreational resources in the North Cascades"

STOP — the Forest Service!
LOOK — at the North Cascades!
LISTEN to the peoples voice!

Mankind needs elbow room

Congressman Thomas M. Pelly has made a most reasonable request. He has not asked for a major reconstruction of Northwest economy and politics. He has not suggested a revolution -- but rather, a retention, a preservation. However, he has not asked for a specific National Park.

In his letter of June 19 to Secretary Orville Freeman, he merely asked him to STOP ----- LOOK ----- LISTEN. Congressman Pelly listed a few thousand acres that he feels may have a higher use than "multiple use".

The Forest Service has plans for those acres -- your acres -- wise plans in the light of "multiple use" -- of "maximum management." But the Forest Service has refused to enlarge its wisdom, and has thereby laid itself open to the charge of being less than completely wise.

In view of the many questions, from all sides, concerning the wisdom of the Forest Service, Congressman Pelly asks Secretary Freeman to STOP -- LOOK -- LISTEN. In short, he asks for a temporary moratorium on logging within highly controversial areas in the North Cascades.

Secretary Freeman has, in the last month, begun to receive hundreds of letters from you, and You and YOU -- AND YOU ?

IF YOU'VE ALREADY WRITTEN A LETTER TO SECRETARY FREEMAN, supporting Congressman Pelly's moratorium on logging -- then get your friends to write also.

IF YOU HAVE NOT WRITTEN -----

write now -- it may be the most important letter you have ever written ...

REALLY !

EVERYONE IS WRITING SECRETARY FREEMAN

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THESE ARE YOUR WORDS - - -

THEY ARE FROM YOUR LETTERS ---

THANKS FOR THE COPIES !

"Your urgent attention to this matter is required to preserve this area . . ."

"I urge you to act upon Congressman Pelly's request to prevent further damage . . ."

"please support . . ."

"serious decision . . ."

"many future generations . . ."

"for moratorium on logging in North Cascades"

"During the last half century I have noted frightening inroads of man on our wilderness . . ."

"unique values involved"

"please preserve a retreat from urbanity"

"consider values other than dollars"

"halt logging temporarily"

"To Keep Washington Green, control the loggers, as well as wildfire . . ."

"DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT !"

"As newcomers to Seattle...it is depressing to us that after President Kennedy's committment to enlarge National Parks, we find that the Forest Service has accelerated the pace at which it is planning timber sales in the forests which belong in the proposed Washington Golden Triangle of National Parks."

"Support the Pelly Moratorium"

"I think this is a most reasonable request."

"Mr. Secretary, please reflect on the fact that the Forest Service is selling off and in the process irrevocably destroying some of the last remaining virgin forest, and the last remaining wild country and scenic beauty in this country."

"We sincerely trust you may recognize that other generations of Americans will look to us -- meaning you, as Secretary, and me, as a parent -- for their villains and heroes."

"I have seen the very beautiful valley and peaks of the Stehekin. I have hiked the formerly marvelous wild land of California . . ."

"Frankly, it is these timber sales in the immediate environment of high recreation areas of wilderness type, notably conspicuous in the last two years in both Oregon and Washington, that have convinced me thoroughly that wilderness under the Forest Service has very small chance of being anything but mismanaged. I have now taken an outspoken position in support of National Park Service management of all of the highly scenic regions in both Oregon and Washington simply because the Forest Service does not appear to be trusted to anticipate the needs of these areas in terms of freedom from commercial exploitation or from overuse by recreationists. I am particularly critical also of the Forest Service's apparently deliberate effort to precommit the higher altitude scenic resources to commercial timber cutting in spite of the fact that it has done a grossly inadequate job of reforesting lower altitude, higher growth rate timber regions."

"IS THE JOB SECURITY OF BUREAUCRATS SO IMPORTANT THAT MANKIND MUST BE ENSLAVED ? IF NOT, CANNOT THE FOREST SERVICE BE BROUGHT BACK INTO THE SERVICE OF THE NATION ? OR DOES THE FOREST SERVICE PLAN TO CONQUER OTHER NATIONS, AFTER THIS ?"

"...having two exloggers in the family who also want 'to save some of it while we still have it'..."

Just a few more of the T H O U S A N D S of Words from the H U N D R E D S Who Write

"It is imperative that timber cutting in areas of National Park caliber be deferred until such areas can be studied thoroughly and disinterestedly ..."

"We owe it to future generations to take responsible action now."

"IT HAS BEEN ESTIMATED THAT ALL THE AVAILABLE TIMBER IN ALL OF OUR WILD LANDS WOULD KEEP ALL OUR MILLS SUPPLIED FOR FOUR DAYS.

IS THIS TOO MUCH TO EXTRACT FROM THE MILLS ?"

"Man remains bound to the environment in which he lives."

"I have been tramping through the Cascade country for only ten years, and yet in even that short time, the amount of scenic country, especially that of river valleys, has been very noticeably reduced by logging operations, while the number of people we meet in the back country has just as noticeably increased."

HAVE YOU WRITTEN ?

TALK —————→ The Honorable Orville L. Freeman
 TO —————→ Secretary of Agriculture
 HIM —————→ Department of Agriculture
 NOW —————→ Washington, D. C.

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ANOTHER LIMITED AREA SACRIFICED TO FOREST SERVICE MULTIPLE - USE

Release from Pacific Northwest Region Six of the Forest Service in Portland.

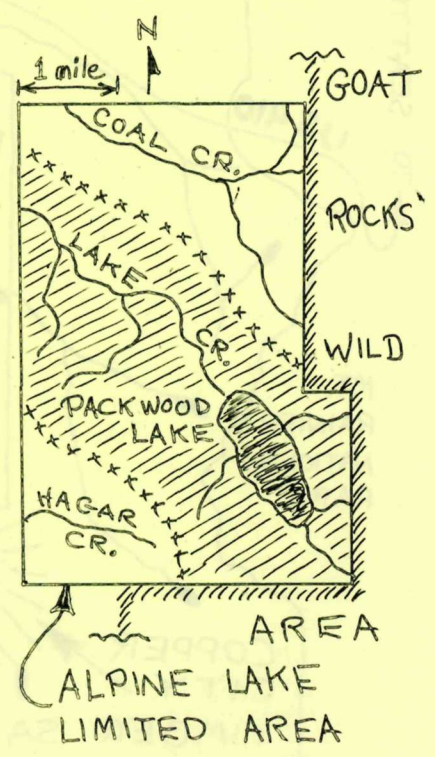
A multiple-use policy has been approved for the Packwood Ranger District, including the Packwood Lake area of Southwest Washington, according to J. Herbert Stone, regional forester, U. S. Forest Service.

Under the policy, recreation will be given priority in the entire Packwood lake basin and in other portions of the area that fall within the "landscape management" classification of the Forest Service. Within landscape management units, an attractive timber stand that is estheticall pleasing will be maintained, Stone said. In locations of heavy recreational use, including the lake basin, timber harvesting will be limited to removal of dead, dying down or dying trees (this is Forest Service logging in 4D - ed.) and then only if scenic and recreational values can be maintained (we have a job to see that they are - ed.)

In other portions of the locality, the plan calls for coordinated use of the several resources located there, including wildlife, water, wood, forage and recreation.

The new policy will enable the Forest Service to provide access to previously unharvested timber in the general area outside the lake basin and landscape management units. This will help contribute to the allowable cut for the Packwood Working Circle under sustained yield and thereby aid the local economy.

The Washington Public Power Supply System is constructing a power project near Packwood Lake, under license from the Federal Power Commission. The project will



include a small dam on Lake Creek below the outlet of the lake. A temporary road built to serve the project will be abandoned after the project is completed, and the lake will continue to be accessible only by trail, 4 1/2 miles from Packwood Ranger Station. There never has been a road to Packwood Lake.

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TWO NEW WILDERNESS AREAS

COUGAR LAKE WILDERNESS AREA

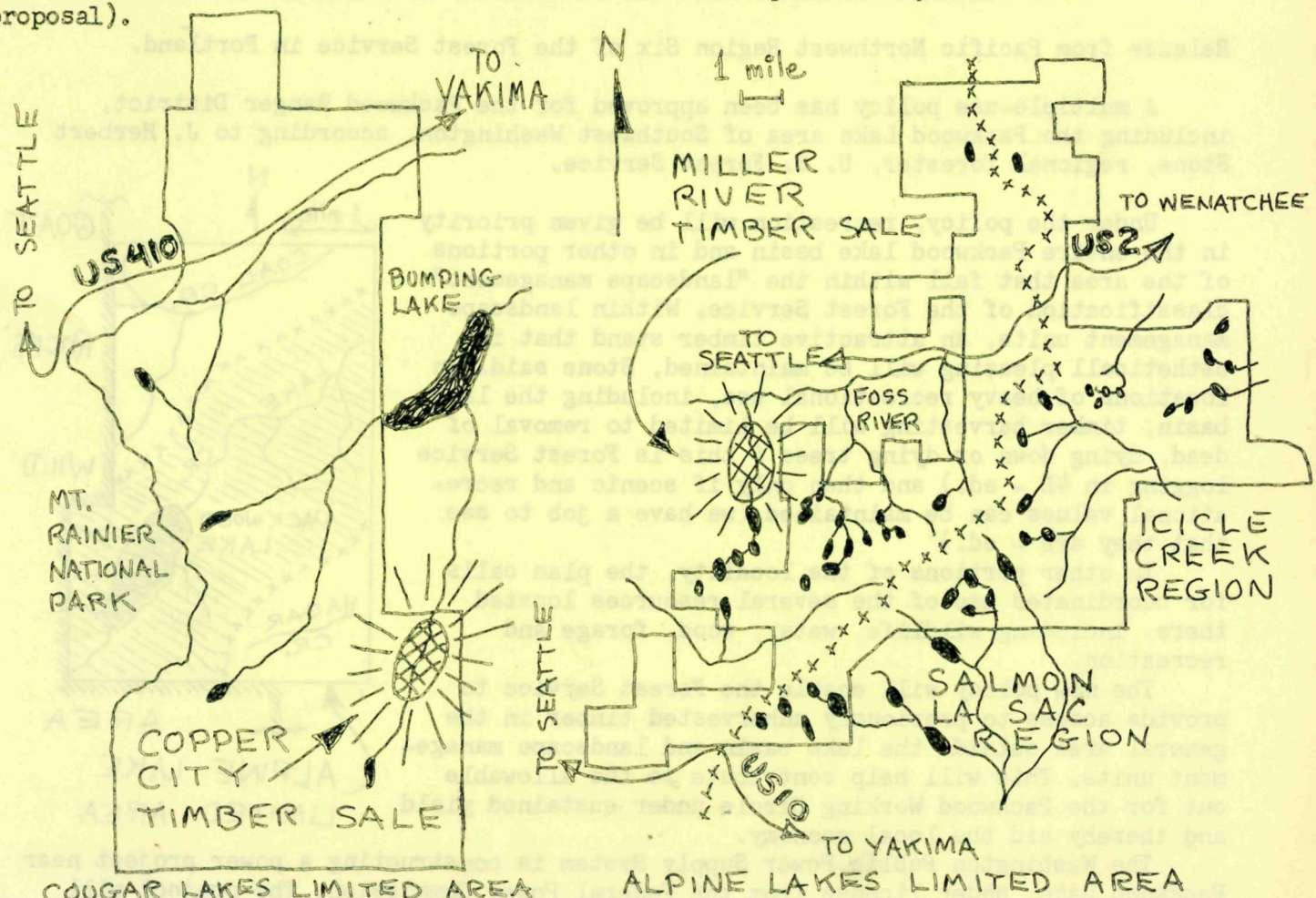
The Snoqualmie National Forest Supervisor is currently studying the Cougar Lake Limited Area to determine the nature of its reclassification to a Wilderness Area or Wild Area

Supervisor L. O Barrett has publically invited opinions or proposals concerning this area. The North Cascades Conservation Council has already published its preliminary proposal for a Cougar Lake Wilderness Area. In light of later information made available through further field studies this proposal will be altered slightly and then submitted to the Forest Service. Others acquainted with the area are urged to do the same. Send by the end of October 1962 to 905 Second Ave. Building.

ALPINE LAKES WILDERNESS AREA

Regional Forester J. Herbert Stone has indicated that the Forest Service is "interested in identifying and protecting the wilderness potential of the Alpine Lakes area (this is currently a Limited Area) and will look forward to our views on the area."

This reclassification of the Alpine Lakes Limited Area is also under intense study by the North Cascades Conservation Council. We are drafting a proposal. (See below for the effect of the Miller River timber sale on the preliminary form of our proposal).



Senator Henry M. Jackson
Senate Office Building
Washington 25, D. C.

24 July, 1962

Dear Senator Jackson

On June 30, 1962 Supervisor L. O. Barrett of Snoqualmie National Forest met with two of us to discuss a proposed sale of timber on the Miller River south of the Stevens Pass Highway ...

Following this meeting the sale was widely discussed with other conservationists and studied with respect to other proposals pending in the Snoqualmie National Forest. One serious deficiency in this sale immediately became apparent and can best be understood by considering the following points:

1. The proposed Miller River timber access road and timber sales are located within a quarter of a mile of the present Alpine Lakes Limited Area ...
2. We were informed by Mr. Barrett at an earlier meeting in April that the Forest Service plans to prepare its proposed reclassification of the Alpine Lakes Limited Area into a Wilderness Area by spring of 1964.
3. The North Cascades Conservation Council ... has in preparation a proposal for the reclassification of the Alpine Lakes Limited Area into a Wilderness Area. A section of our proposal includes a portion of the Miller River timber sale and timber access road under consideration.
4. Location of timber sales so close to an area known to be under consideration for reclassification removes all possibility for adjustment of boundaries outward in this direction ... J. Michael McCloskey, Northwest Conservation Representative, has observed this to be a general practice throughout Region Six of the Forest Service.
5. The Miller River Trail as well as the Foss River Trail are very heavily used in their present primitive state by the general public...

Our objective in writing this letter is twofold: (1) to attempt to halt the Miller River sale immediately; (2) to attempt to halt any similar sales which may be being planned within the following national forests of Washington and which are adjacent to the following areas which we know the Forest Service is planning to reclassify:

Alpine Lakes Limited Area	Snoqualmie & Wenatchee National Forests
Cougar Lakes Limited Area	Snoqualmie & Gifford Pinchot N. F.
North Cascades Primitive Area	Mt. Baker & Okanogan N. F.

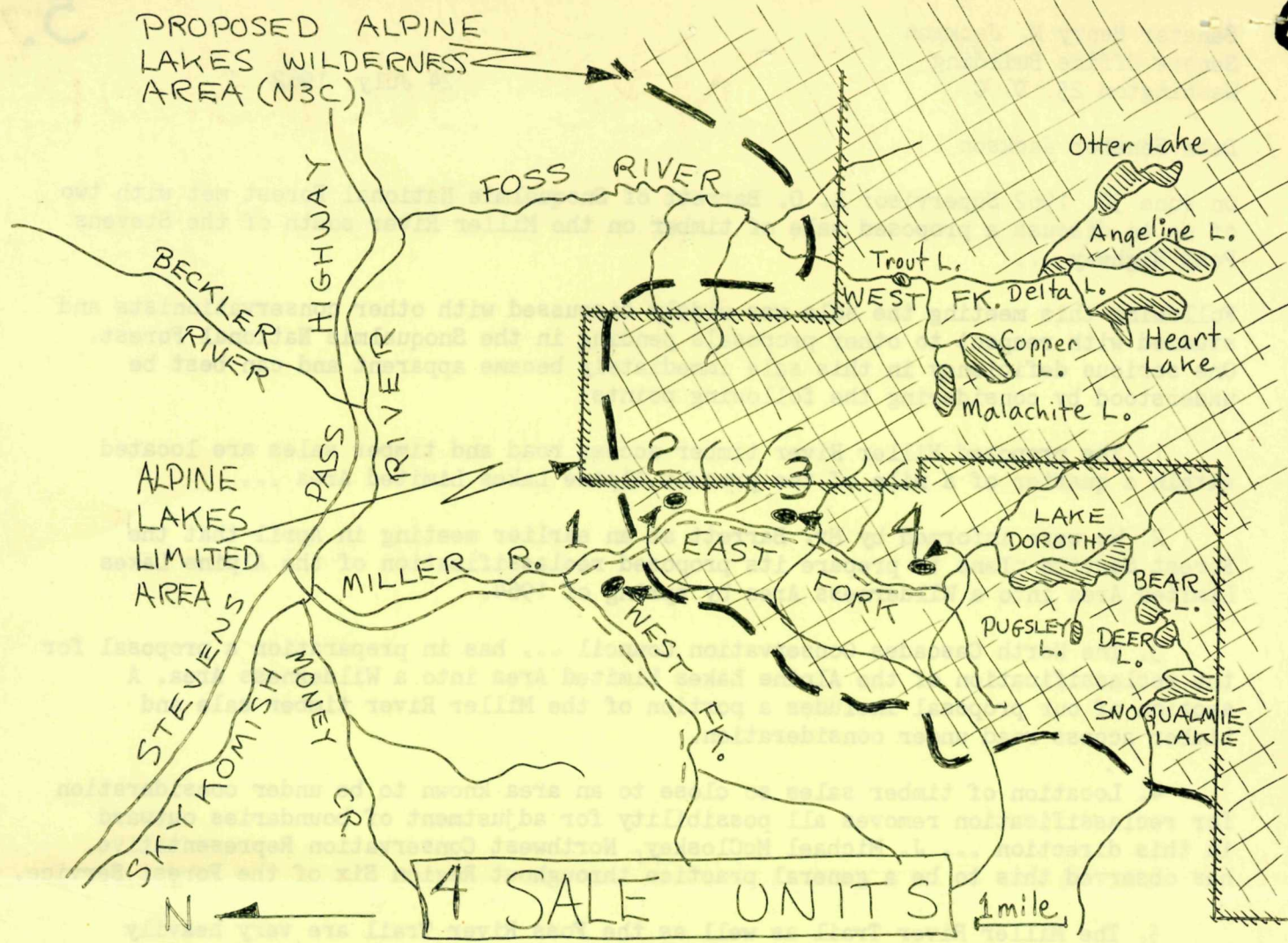
We are asking you to intervene with Secretary Orville L. Freeman in this matter because we have had absolutely no satisfaction whatsoever in attempting to halt such sales within the administration of the Pacific Northwest Region Six of the Forest Service ...

Yours sincerely
/s/ Patrick D. Goldsworthy, President
North Cascades Conservation Council

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Regional Forester J. Herbert Stone has replied that "We cannot, however, defer the Miller River timber sale on which a provisional award has already been made."

Supervisor Barrett replied that "It is my considered opinion that the Miller River should be developed for motorized public recreation, accessible to those who prefer that type of recreation. Recreation data compiled for the Forest last year, shows that this amounted to 99 per cent of the total visits to the Snoqualmie.



THE WILDERNESS BILL

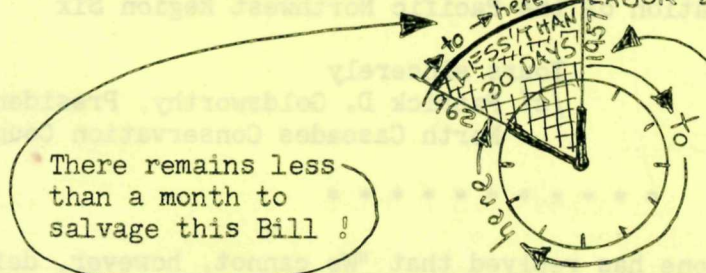
FLASH

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ITS TWELFTH HOUR

The Wilderness Bill has just left the House Interior Subcommittee where it was severely butchered. We expect it to pass quickly to the floor of the House of Representatives where its oponents hope it will be stalled until Congress adjurns. Congressman John Saylor of Pennsylvania plans to lead the Wilderness Bill suporters in Congress in an attempt to get the Bill amended so that it will resemble the Senate version once again.

LABOR DAY 1962



It has taken this Bill 5 years in Congress to get from here

Oh but there is something that you can still do to help the Wilderness. TONIGHT please, repeat, please send a PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE (POM telegram) --- 75 ¢ for 15 words --- to your Congressman (address of all Representatives is House Office Building, Washington, D. C.). Ask him to follow Congressman Saylor's lead and VOTE FOR THE WILDERNESS BILL

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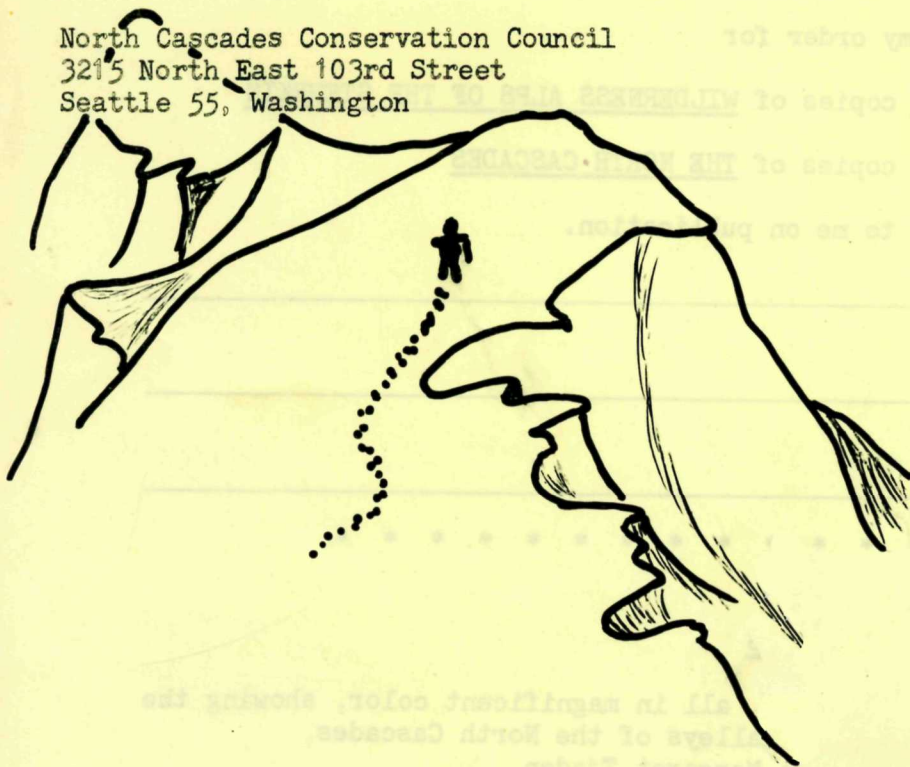
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