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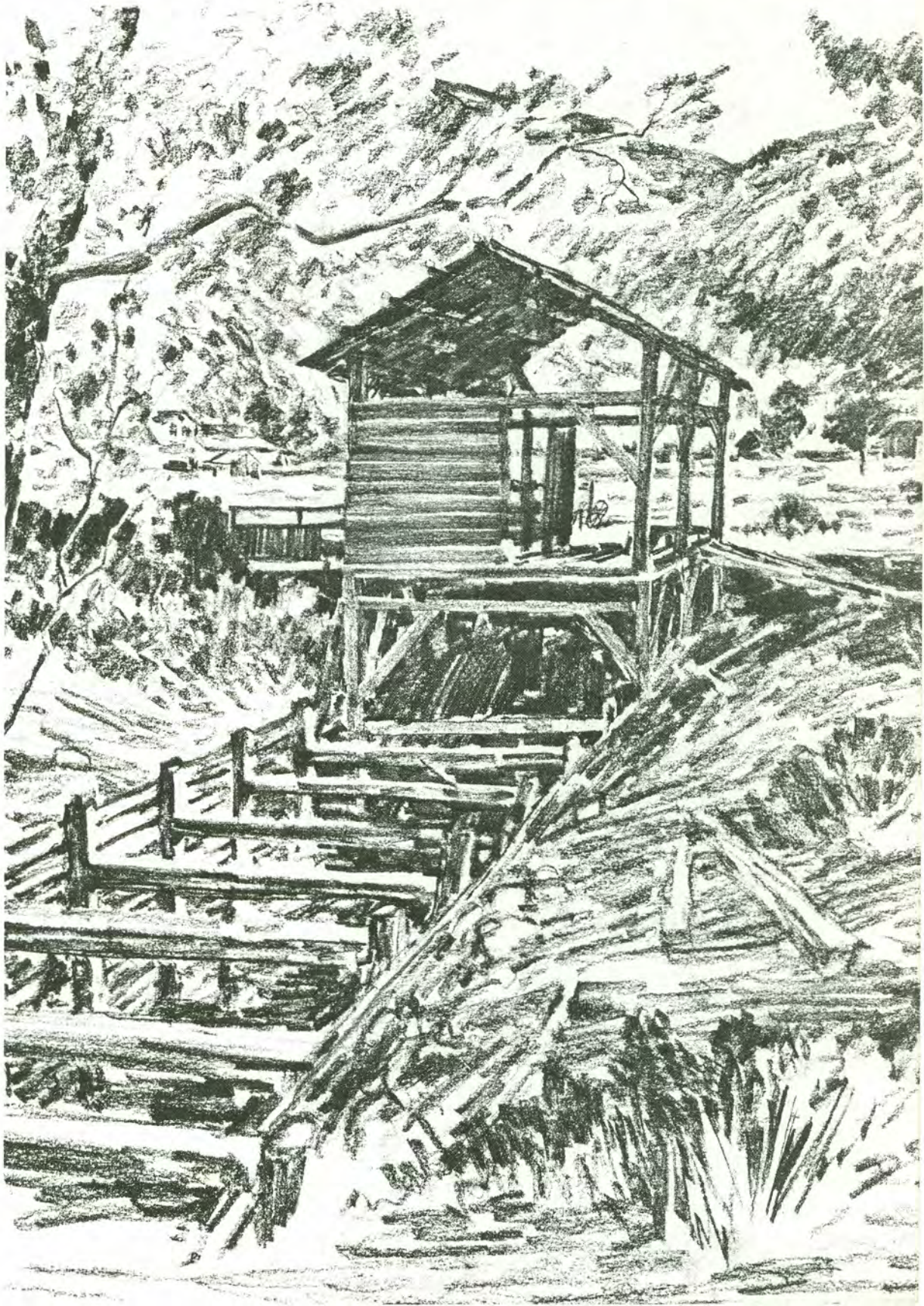

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ON THE COVER: *Sutter's Sawmill by Artist George Mathis. Mathis is donating a set of his historic Coloma prints for use in the museum at MARSHALL GOLD DISCOVERY SHP.*

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.
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AND RECREATION

A NEW YEAR

The events of the past year will in some way affect the future of the California State Park System. Man's first footprint on the moon, an exploding concern for the environment, the tight-money market, a revolt against higher and higher property taxes, an ever-increasing demand that this country's involvement in the war in Vietnam be concluded, a mounting national concern for the poor and urban blight, worsening crime and narcotics figures, statistical and medical evidence that smoking is injurious to health, religious unrest, inflation, each of you can add more and more events to the list.

What will the New Year bring? No one can predict for certain; however, I am confident that the ingenuity and creativeness of the Department will bring about new developments and techniques to improve the design, development and management of the park system. This next year won't be easy, but I believe we have the capability to improve, doing a better job in 1970 than we did in 1969 even under more difficult conditions. Money will be tighter, our bonds will remain unsold, and social unrest will be reflected in how our parks are used.

The test of a champion – a leader – is winning under adversity. The California State Park System is the leader in its field, and each of you contributes to that leadership. Let us display our leadership with pride, walking tall, matching our mountains this year with an enthusiastic person-to-person commitment that will be infectious and cause everyone who comes into contact with us to realize that they are dealing with a championship team that, even under restrictions, can produce a quality product.

VOX POP

Ranger James Pond *impressed this 60-member group with his handling of their outing at McGRATH SB:*

I had the opportunity to visit with the ranger and wish to convey to you the very fine impression he made on the group. With me, he was most helpful and congenial. The organization is to be commended for the excellent job you are doing in maintaining the high standards in the camps with such a limited budget.

SDA Pathfinder Club
Lancaster

HENRY COWELL REDWOODS SP Ranger Robert Short *received letters of appreciation from the second grade at Radcliffe School:*

Thank you for showing us the Fremont tree. I like the Stellar jay it was beautiful. I like the California quail it too was beautiful. The banana slug is not for girls.

Cindy

Thank you for showing us around the park. It was fun seeing the squirrels and the California quail . . .lots of fresh air.

Juan Rivas

The Sierra Club's "Singleaires" enjoyed their visit to BOTHE-NAPA VALLEY SP:

Just a word of thanks for the very attractive park – very well kept up and a courteous ranger (*F. Brown* I believe).

Russ Karns
Redwood City

Notwithstanding the ofttimes critical comparisons between our state parks and those of Oregon, this visitor from Oregon appreciated our California attractions:

While in your State we had the pleasure of spending a night in PFEIFFER BIG SUR, ARMSTRONG, and DEL NORTE REDWOOD SPs. We found each of them beautiful, well operated and the personnel in each most courteous and helpful.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Matott
Springfield, Oregon

The Department gets all kinds of requests. This one, a carbon copy with "California" filled in, is reprinted verbatim:

Dear Sirs,

Im writing a book on all the States. Im asking for maps, pamplets, magazines, etc. All 50 States are participating. The State that recieves the most points of the entire collection will be personally notified by mail with congragalations. States will be notified how they were rated, how the other States were rated, and those who are not mentioned are those who I didnt here from. The deadline is June 1, 1970. Good Luck California.

Yours Truely,
George Schaefer
Ft. Walter Beach,
Florida

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STATE PARK FOUNDATION OFFICIALLY NONPROFIT

California's new State Park Foundation has been officially designated a nonprofit, charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service. So anyone making contributions to the foundation will be able to deduct them from his income tax.

If you are interested in making a contribution or in learning more about the aims of the Foundation write to Robert Howard, Executive Director, California State Park Foundation, 315 Montgomery Street, San Francisco, California 94104.

PROTECTING THE BEACHES

By James Hommon and Clark Muldavin

Beach erosion and beach erosion control are subjects about which we have incomplete knowledge. With our Department serving as the steward for management, operation, and protection of 181 miles of State-owned ocean shoreline, it is imperative that we learn all we can about the causes of ocean shoreline erosion and the means to prevent or mitigate it.

In March 1966, the Director ordered the Development Section to make a study to determine what could be done to protect the beaches of California from erosion. A memorandum was prepared by Department engineers in which various steps were proposed to take the matter out of the realm of "we had a storm last winter that washed a lot of sand away, and the beach hasn't been the same since."

In a meeting with the U. S. Corps of Engineers, it was decided that we would collect data about the effects of waves, wind, and littoral drift on our beaches and forward it to the Coastal Engineering Research Center at Washington, D. C. The Research Center would publish it in summary form and attempt to analyze it. To date, a 311-page summary covering a six-month segment of the program has been published.

New Brighton State Beach became the "guinea pig" unit. A standard procedure was developed in cooperation with New Brighton State Beach Supervisor Tom Spencer, since retired, Paul Roberts, Technical Services Engineer who has also retired, was in charge of the program.

After a year we decided to expand the program. Some thirty state beach units were added, better operating procedures were developed for collecting the data, and simplified reporting procedures were instituted. We even held special training sessions for state beach employees to insure that they understood what was needed.

After Paul Roberts' retirement, Clark Muldavin took over the program. Both Roberts and Muldavin have regularly visited our beaches in company with engineers from the District Offices of the Corps of Engineers and the Coastal Engineering Research to monitor and check on the program.

From our program, we have learned where beaches could be widened to provide more beach area, the direction and speed of littoral drift and its variation with the season, where we are losing or gaining sand, how to classify beaches by steepness and the relationship of the grain size of sand to the steepness of the beach, and how to determine the grade of sand at our state beaches. As a result of this knowledge, we can predict what shape the two million cubic yards of sand deposited by storms off the mouth of San Juan Creek at Doheny State Beach last winter will take.

We are proud that the entire program was organized and is being conducted without the hiring of additional personnel. It is operated at very little cost to the State.

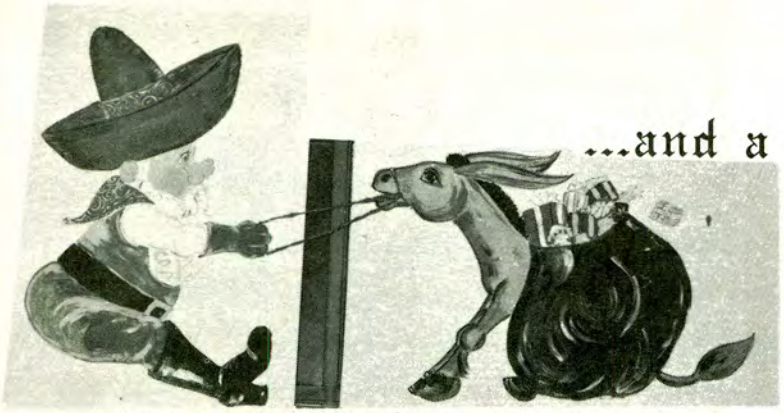
Measuring slope of sand with staff and Abney level.

Measuring slope of beach.

Taking wind velocity measurements with Dwyer air velocity meter.

Ranger throws dye packet into surf, trying to hit in front of the breaking waves.

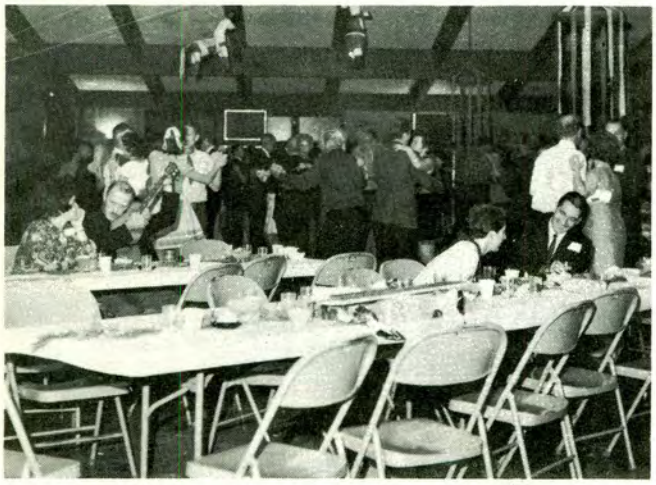
...and a good time was had by all.



Gail Tsukuda's Mexican Santa Claus was one of the first of the decorations to greet the party-goers . . .it hung directly over the bar. Gail was responsible for all the artwork used at the party, with the help of many of the children of party committee members (see page11).

They said it couldn't be done – who ever heard of 120 people, more or less, bringing potfuls of every conceivable type of food from salads, through entrees, to deserts with absolutely no control whatsoever – just blind luck – to make sure that everything came out even?

There was just the right number of salads, an entirely adequate selection of main dishes and casseroles, and by the time everyone was finished with those, a bevy of deserts – pies, cakes, torts, puddings, strudels, etc., and etc. – was on hand to delight the eye and distress the stomach.



After everyone fairly and literally gorged himself, the music began and everyone danced.

Ross Henry and his wife, Kay, worked off some of their dinner on the dance floor.

About halfway through the evening, George Pantell introduced the *pinata* to the party. He gives a blindfolded Roberta Gisler some last-minute instructions.

There was a minute off for a serious note. Deputy Director Ray Hunter (left) presents Bill Dillinger with the Merit Award from the California Conservation Council.

After the program, everyone went back to dancing. That's Mary Jane Barclay with her profile to the camera. She's dancing with an almost hidden Bruce Kennedy. ⟶

Ed and Roberta Wilson were the big winners at the party – they took home two door prizes. One was a dinnerware set; the other, displayed here, was a "Poverty is no Crime" banner. ↓

Here's a happy table. From left, Mary Porter, Russ Porter, Pat Collins, Merri Joe Hongola, Norm Hongola, Taffy Chaffee, and Merick Chaffee.

Another happy table. Those with their faces not hidden are, from left, Janis Walker (whom you will remember as the hit of the pinata breaking ceremony) and her friend Reola Cole, Mary Scott (at the head of the table), Brenda Alexander and her date, and Marylnn Burrows.

Whatever it is they are discussing, it looks serious. That's Jim and Joy Hommon.

And there were revelers, as there always are. From left, Pat Collins, Gordon Kishbaugh, George Pantell, Burt Collins and Thelma Kishbaugh.

One Day in a Trailer

by
Dick Edwards, Ranger I
San Diego Coast Area

We in the park system have a beautiful shiny new interpretive unit, a semitrailer which will tour our state bringing 15,000 years of California history to the attention of all who take the time to pass from entrance to exit. I was lucky enough to spend a Sunday in December with the unit at a shopping center plaza mall in San Diego, watching and listening and talking to a segment of the population that knows little or nothing about the State Park System. The 900 to 1,000 people that passed by me that Sunday were a cross section of every economic, racial, political and religious type in the State.

Being the type of person who likes to keep a note pad handy to jot down new experiences, I was able to record interesting things about many of those who passed by me. These people in their brief encounter with the trailer, California history, and this California State Park Ranger left an imprint on me – and I hope the unit and I left one on them.

It was still early in my Sunday as chaperon-guide-guard of the *California 200* trailer when a cute little girl of three or four entered the trailer with her mother. She was a bit on the timid side at first, especially in front of the diorama depicting the prehistoric man and his battle with the giant mastodon. She grew less tense at the next scene of the friendly Padre and his Indian neophyte making adobe bricks. And all fear left her as she reached the Russian-period exhibit and began to stroke the sea otter pelt on display, and lay her head on the soft fur much as the Russian children must have done over a hundred years ago.

At this point she spied the statue of a park ranger standing against the opposite wall. She trotted over to the statue and gently pulled at its pants leg. At this point the statue, which was me standing very still watching the people around me, looked down and said, "Good morning, young lady." Well, she screamed and ran to hide between her mother and the diorama of the Bear Flag Revolt.

We both learned a lesson that morning. I began to move some part of my anatomy all the time, and the little girl discovered that all dummies in green uniforms are not necessarily made of wax.

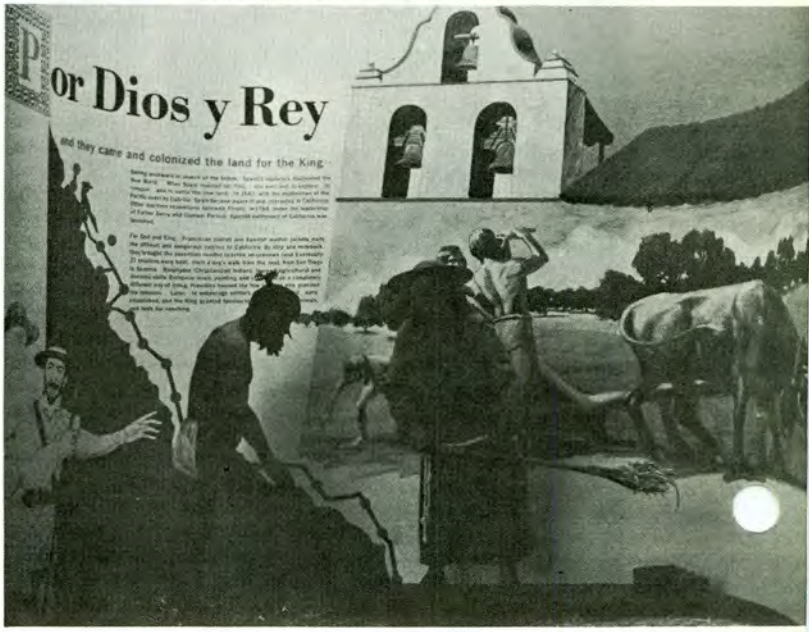
I had just regained my composure when four individuals entered the trailer from the exit and began working upstream toward the front of the trailer. They were not the first to enter the wrong door nor would they be the last, but they did give me some worry. There were two men and two women dressed in the garb of the wild motorcycle gangs, boots and sleeveless Levi jackets with emblems on the backs, and an obvious amount of dirt on their persons. They moved with a noisy arrogant grace from diorama to diorama and when they reached me in front of the Russian exhibit, one man saw the words "Bodega Bay." He turned to me and politely asked where it was. I said, "Upcoast from San Francisco," and remarked that the old Alfred Hitchcock movie *The Birds* was filmed in that general area. The other man said, "Sure, man, we were there a couple of years ago." They then moved on and out the entrance, I hope with a favorable impression of the park system.

Several times during the day I wrote the words "Santa Claus" in my notes. Each and every time the jolly old gentleman came by, I found myself alone in the trailer after a mass exodus by young and old alike, all going to see Santa. Then, as they returned, I would hold my breath as the moppets passed by the sea otter pelt with sticky half-eaten candy canes. Oh yes, I did lose a few points at this time with one mother and her brood. She could not understand why I did not know Santa's schedule and when he would return next.

The following short excerpts from my notes show the responses of people to the various dioramas:

* Many parents were corrected by their youngsters in front of the whole world for calling the figure of Sir Francis Drake anything from "Columbus" to "Cortez."

* Mistaking the sex of the poor old Padre directing the adobe brick making in the Mission Diorama, two older gentlemen said, "She is just like the women of today, always bossing their men around."



Leonard Fisher--1911—1969

A MEMORIAL

by Edward A. Earl, Will Rogers SHP

Ranger Leonard Fisher, born in Haverhill, Massachusetts, came to California in 1944 with his wife, Teeny. In 1945 he bought some used camping equipment and went camping in California State Parks, which encouraged him to apply for a park job.

His first park position was as a TAU Ranger I at the gatehouse (north entrance) of Mount Diablo SP in June 1946. He moved into a permanent Ranger I position on Mount Diablo in May 1947. His other assignments were:

Portola SP	1948-50	Ranger II
Fremont Peak SP	1950-54	Ranger II
Big Basin Redwoods SP	1954-56	Ranger II
Henry Cowell Redwoods SP	1956-58	Ranger II
Richardson Grove SP	1958-65	Ranger III
Donner Memorial SP	1965-67	Ranger III

Leonard Fisher will be missed by many of us that knew him as a hard-working Ranger and as a friend.

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One Day in a Trailer (continued)

* One mother explained to an inquisitive youngster what a sea otter was by saying, "It is an otter that lives in the sea."

* I especially liked what two teenage girls called the branding iron of General Mariano Vallejo which is part of the Vaquero Diorama. They renamed it the "Royal Luv Brand," which is not too farfetched as it resembles a heart and crown — ♡. I don't think the old General would disapprove.

All in all it was a day well spent, with only one note of real dissension. This came from a man who grumbled aloud about the cost to the taxpayers for this exhibit. But before I could come to the defense of the Department and the unit, a lady in her middle years spoke up loud and clear from the crowd. She asked the gentleman to read the brochure and he would learn that the entire exhibit was a gift to the People of the State of California, from the estate of a lady whose name she could not pronounce (Ida M. Sbragia) but to whom we all owed a great deal too. I just nodded and smiled, for I knew we had a good friend of the park system in this lady and the hundreds more who would tour this traveling unit, friends that we made by taking a bit of our Department to the people, people who might otherwise spend an entire lifetime not knowing we existed . . . nor we that they existed.

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GOVERNOR'S ENVIRONMENTAL CONFERENCE →

1. Director Mott presides over general session in Coconut Grove.

2. Governor Reagan chats with Jan McCoy of State Office of Tourism as he visits the many outstanding exhibits that enhanced the conference.

3. Lt. Governor Reinecke listens as Judge McIntire Faries, former State Park & Recreation Commissioner, reports recommendations of his panel on People and Air. Bill Lane waits to make his report on People and Water.

4. One of the several panel sessions.

5. Secretary for Resources Norman B. Livermore Jr. inspects Department's mobile exhibit with Lt. Governor Reinecke and Director Mott.

6. Delegates visit Department's California 200 exhibit on Ambassador Hotel lawn.

7. Students from several universities participated actively, met here to develop own recommendations, many of which were later incorporated in reports of the various panels.

The Despoilers Vs. The Preservers

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Reagan Calls All-Out War On Pollution

By Alan Cline
Examiner News Staff

LOS ANGELES — Governor Reagan declared all out war today on pollution.

"And we intend to win," he told some 1000 invited guests at a conference he called to discuss California's water and air ...

"While the pollution is bad enough," the ... "it reflects ... ever...

Open...

Environment Talks Draw 1,000 to L.A.

A thousand people are expected to participate Monday and Tuesday in Los Angeles in the Governor's Conference on California's Changing Environment. Gov. Reagan has a great concern about the environmental quality of this state," said William Penn Mott Jr., state park director and conservation ... issues of conservation and climate, ranging from cement ... cars to ...

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The gov... claimed the ...

move toward solutions, on a nonpartisan ... He said ... cost $60 ... ing wi... tion f... and ... nes...

Changing Environment Topic For Conference

By GIL GARRETSON
Staff Writer

A blue-ribbon cross section of state, regional and city government officials and representatives of private industry will participate in a two-day Governor's Conference on California's Changing Environment Monday and Tuesday at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles.

Wide and diverse opinions are expected to be impressed upon about 650 people who have been invited to the conference—which is not open to the public.

Serving on the same Per... and Urban Society ... two ...

problems of (1) People and Air, (2) People and Water, (3) People and Land, and (4) People and the Urban Society.

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Reagan Tells Parley Man Must Battle To Protect Environment

McClatchy Newspapers Service

LOS ANGELES — Ronald Reagan ...

the Cocuanut Grove of the square mile of earth's surface for every six persons. In the year 2000, there will be 125 people on that same square mile, he said, because ... seven billion ... 50 million ... producing five ... garbage a day.

Gov. Ambassador Hotel ... ned. "Back in the '40s, smog ... on was something radio comedi... ians kidded about. Today, it ... one of the main reasons ... some 10,000 people leave the ... Los Angeles area every year ... on advice of their family ... doctors.

Tons Of Pollution

Every day, 13,000 tons of the ... pollutants descend on ... of Los ...

THE SACRAMENTO BEE Monday, November 17, 1969

Conclave Fears Growth Perils State

By James Wrightson
McClatchy Newspapers staff writer

LOS ANGELES — A two-day governor's conference on California's Changing Environment ended on a note of frustration with the problems of pollution and overcrowding awesome and threatening — the solutions, few, tentative and hard to come by.

Throughout the conference ... California's eggshell-fragile way of life may not be able to survive the continued rapid growth and industrial development.

For the first time at such a high-level, statewide, officially sponsored meeting, growth was considered as "not such a good thing."

This was reflected in a series of resolutions by a group of students, fresh ... Reagan's state ... director ...

One resolution said the goal of a clean environment "cannot be accomplished in conjunction with the economic growth described in the keynote address."

"Public concern about air pollution, chemical pollution of land and water by fertilizers and pesticides has reached a new level of intensity," William Penn Mott, ... attended the conference in ...

Some were obviously too hot to handle politically. An example was a student resolution on one of the toughest problems faced at the conference-overpopulation.

The resolution endorses "all methods of voluntary birth control including voluntary legalized abortion."

More than 1,000 persons ...

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C.S.P.R.A. News
ROSS HENRY
P. O. BOX 206, SACRAMENTO 95801

ELECTION RESULTS

Congratulations to our president-elect Wes Cater. Wes garnered a majority in the first round vote. Also winners on the first round vote were:

Region 2 - Jim Neal, Regional Director
Don Engler, Alternate

Region 4 - Dana Long, Regional Director
Lloyd Geissinger, Alternate

Region 6 - Dick Menefee, Regional Director
Tom Miller, Alternate

THE REPORTER

Speaking of New Year's resolutions, as we were in last month's column, I have another I would like to add. That is a resolution by each of us to support our "CSPRA Reporter." Neil Power is doing an excellent job editing and producing this tabloid for us, but if he is to keep it going, he needs the support of each of us in the form of material which can be used for publication. Any items of interest from personnel actions to individual comment on pertinent subjects are always important inputs to our "Reporter." Those items which interest you in this publication are generally the types that are of interest to other members. Each of us is responsible for the success of the "Reporter" and each of us should contribute if we expect to see it remain a worthwhile and worth-reading journal.

THE G.E.C.

And speaking of something that I wasn't speaking of, the 1970 G.E.C. is sneaking up on us. I personally am very enthusiastic about Sacramento as the site and feel we have the potential of having one of our best G.E.C.'s. Cliff Wade has been appointed Exhibit Chairman; if you have any leads on potential exhibitors you should contact him at Pismo State Beach, Roosevelt Drive, Oceano, California 93445.

SACRAMENTO STATE COLLEGE RANGERS CLUB

The Rangers Club at Sacramento State College decided to give the children in the Oak Park district of Sacramento a "White Christmas", so members of the club arranged to have a truckload of snow delivered to this low-income community. The delivery was a cooperative effort between FOLSOM LAKE SRA, which provided the driver and dump truck, and the Division of Highways, which loaded the snow. Folsom's Equipment Operator Bill Slack, who spent his Sunday making the snow run, said the kids were so excited they were coming in the cab at him before he could get the snow unloaded. After a grand frolic in the snow, the kids helped trim a community Christmas tree.

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"Off-season" is almost as busy as summertime, especially for those rangers who take the opportunity of attending classes in various job-related disciplines. Some of the recent graduates:

Seasonal Ranger *Gregory Johnson* of Millerton Lake SRA completed a 100-hour course on Narcotic and Dangerous Drug Enforcement on his own time and received a certificate issued by the Department of Justice, Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement.

Ranger *George C. Zwingman,* also of Millerton Lake, completed the 200-hour Basic Law Enforcement Academy at Fresno City College.

Rangers *John Fehling* of Dyerville Area, *Wilbert Rose* of Piercy Area, and *Dan Goswick* of Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP received Basic Police Academy certificates on completion of the 200-hour course. Fehling was given the Best Speaker award at the graduation exercise and placed third in scholarship; Goswick placed fourth in marksmanship.

District 1 Assistant Superintendent *James Chaffee, Jack Schlotter* and *Maurice Oller* of the Hiouchi Area, and *Lyle B. Keith* of the Trinidad Area received Explosive Ordinance Reconnaissance Agent ID cards from the U.S. Sixth Army on completion of a 12-hour course.

Schlotter and Oller also completed a 12-hour FBI training session on recent court cases and sex crimes, as did *Ray Robison,* also of Hiouchi Area.

In addition, Schlotter completed a four-day training course given by the American Heart Association in cardiac pulmonary resuscitation.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD . . .

DISTRICT 3. . . . .

FOLSOM LAKE SRA had a real litter disposal problem recently when Attendant *Clifford Nuttall* found a dead 400-pound bear in the Pine Flats area of Mississippi Bar. Of course, it was nothing to the potential problems presented by a *live* 400-pound bear!

Delta District Boy Scouts, at BRANNAN ISLAND SRA for a camporee, gave rangers a helping hand with such chores as litter cleanup, picnic table repair, tree pruning, and irrigation.

Ken Pratt, formerly a naturalist with the Department, completed a trek across California, from Oakland to BODIE SHP, on November 24. His hike was sponsored by the Oakland Tribune and Oakland Museum Association.

Golden Bear Boy Scout Troop 34 from Sacramento worked on the Monument Trail at MARSHALL GOLD DISCOVERY SHP most of November 22, reports Area Manager *Gus Till.*

DISTRICT 4. . . . .

A local junior high school group had to be ejected from SAN FRANCISCO MARITIME SHP because of poor conduct and lack of supervision, reports San Mateo Coast Area Manager *Dave Redding.*

On Sunday, November 16, Boy Scout Troop 36 from Modesto gathered litter along the bluff at NEW BRIGHTON SB and got in some practice in mountain climbing, using ropes to assist in reaching litter on the steep slopes.

DISTRICT 5. . . . .

About 30 members of the staff and assistants of the Huntington Art Museum returned the visit of a group of HEARST SAN SIMEON SHM guides when they visited the Castle recently. The assistants, volunteer art experts who assist regular museum staff members, expressed warm admiration for the priceless art pieces of the Hearst collection and their regal setting, and also for the manner in which the Monument is operated. They preferred the personally conducted tours to the electronically conducted Tour 3 of the New Wing.

Ranger *James Pond* and his family spent part of his day off returning shellfish to the sea at EMMA WOOD SB.

Area Manager *Roy Gholson* is baffled – weather at JOSHUA TREES was miserable the weekend of November 15, but the campground was three-quarters full. The following weekend brought fine weather – but only one-quarter of the campground was filled.

DISTRICT 6. . . . .

At Veterans Day ceremonies at OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO SHP, an honor roll listing San Diego County servicemen who have died in Vietnam was dedicated at the Peace Memorial site on the corner of Twiggs Street and San Diego Avenue. Also, a plaque was placed at the site of the first home of the San Diego Union in the park by the local chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, the national journalism society, and LOOK Magazine editor William B. Arthur dedicated the building. The restored newspaper office is still owned by the San Diego Union. About 200 people attended the ceremonies.

Jack Snavely of La Jolla, while on a visit to ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP, saw another visitor shooting up a park sign. He took a picture of the action and the participants' vehicle and, after they left, collected a 12 gage shell casing and a 22 long rifle shell box from the scene. When the picture was developed, he brought in the slide and offered a signed complaint if the license number can be obtained from the slide. An encouraging note in this era of "I don't want to get involved."

Inspired by his attendance at the Governor's Conference on California's Environment, MITCHELL CAVERNS SR Manager *Frank Fairchild* took environmental problems as the subject of a talk he gave to the Southern Nevada Historical Society meeting in Las Vagas, demonstrating how some historically important events have had a depressing effect on our environment. He reports that his talk aroused so much interest that the question period had to be cut short because the building custodian wanted to lock up.

At SAN ELIJO SB $14.25 was collected for day use recently, as compared to $0.00 collections when visitors were left on their honor.

Students of Lakeside Junior High School in San Diego County chipped in $6.80, raised from entrance fees for gunny sack, chariot, and wheelbarrow races, toward the $270,000 goal of the drive to save the Torrey Pines by purchasing an additional 170 acres to be added to TORREY PINES SR. The school has raised a total of about $400 from bake sales, door-to-door collections, and other projects.

HATS OFF TO CHRISTMAS PARTY COMMITTEE

There was lots to be done . . . candles made, artwork drawn, tickets and music arranged for, the hall made ready, plants brought in, decorations put up . . . all the myriad things that go into the making of a successful party. And who did it all? Why, your friendly Christmas Party Committee of course.

This year, instead of letting the committee members be the unsung heroes of the day, we thought we would give them the recognition they deserve – particularly since this was one of the best parties we ever had. Not only did the adult members of the committee work extra hard, their offspring were pressed into service to help with the artwork and decorations.

Your 1969 Christmas Party Committee
Chairman, George Pantell

All those beautiful candles were handmade just for the party. Susan Vincze (above) shows how it is done. Below Mary Jane Barclay, Roberta Gisler, and Alice Thompson go into production.

Mary Jane Barclay
and Bruce
Jeannie Boone
Artie Carsley
Martin Chan
Ron Christman
Faye Cobleigh
Otto Gisler
Roberta Gisler and
Otto, Jr.
Carl
Greg
Kerry
Jeff
Margie Grima
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Bob Phillips
Dick Thompson
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Doug
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Susan Vincze
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Although designed by Gail Tsukuda, much of the artwork and painting were done by the kids. Above, George Pantell's daughters (left and right) and Dick Thompson's children (center) work on the designs. Below, the long "Merry Christmas" banner is painted by (from left) Roberta Gisler's Carl, Mary Jane Barclay's Bruce (seated), Gail Tsukuda, Gisler's Kerry, George Pantell's Christine, and Gisler's Jeff.

BITS & PIECES

A volunteer birdwatcher, appropriately named William Finch, has begun compiling material on birds seen in TORREY PINES SR.

COLUMBIA AREA Manager *Neil Power* thinks that a toy advertised recently is going too far – the "Tru-smoke Diesel" belches "harmless" smoke, just like the real thing – instant pollution. Where can the toy makers go from here? Well, how about a toy tanker guaranteed to sink and spill oil in your bathtub? Or a miniature factory that discharges real effluent? Or . . .

JEDEDIAH SMITH REDWOODS SP Summer Park Aid *Gregg Noll* gave fair warning to the many young ladies camping at the park–he adorned the park aids' cabin with a sign reading, "HAZARDOUS BEYOND THIS POINT."

Manager *Roy Gholson* reports that the JOSHUA TREES AREA staff "noted" photos being shot at the old stone ruin across the street from area headquarters, on private property–girly type, "a la natural."

SHASTA AREA Manager *Robert L. Perkins* reports warm weather with bright sunshine and moonshine. Watch out for the Revenooers, Bob!

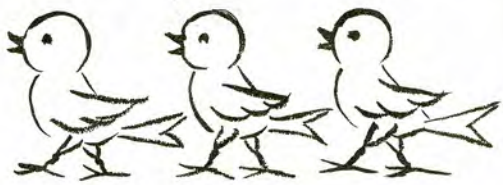
A fourth-grader from Taft, watching the monthly mock Civil War skirmish at FORT TEJON SHP, was heard to remark, "We came to watch the soldiers in their union suits."

A woman attempting to launch her husband's boat at SALTON SEA SRA also managed to launch her husband's Thunderbird.

A man bent on suicide at FOLSOM LAKE SRA's Lake Natoma changed his mind–the water was too cold.

SAN ELIJO SB Ranger *Richard Edwards* was requested to give first aid to a park resident hit by a car, but since repairing broken wings of barn owls is a little outside the usual first aid course, Ranger Edwards turned the patient over to the Rancho Humane Society.

MONTEREY SHM Guide *Wayne Burnett* was somewhat taken aback by a lady with a thick foreign accent who called asking to rent a Santa Claus outfit. It made sense to her–after all, she was talking to the "Old Costume House," wasn't she?



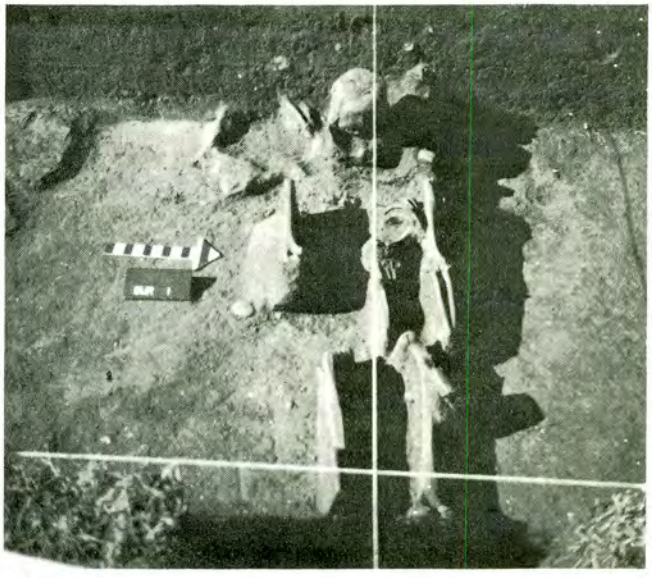
Someone not familiar with the work of a ranger might find a trifle peculiar PISMO AREA Manager *Renie Laret's* report that Ranger *Rodger Kellogg* took a group of Bluebirds on a Butterfly Walk.

ARCHEOLOGICAL PROJECT AT CARPINTERIA STATE BEACH

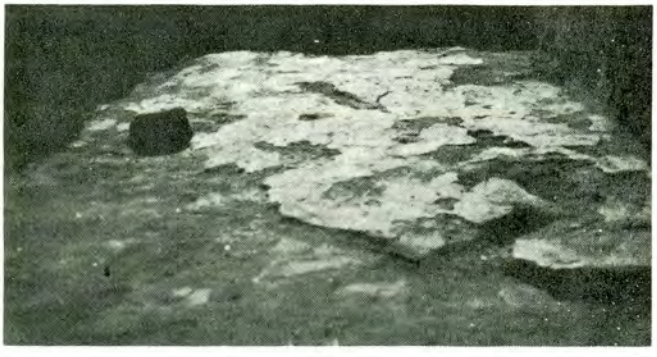
At the request of *Dick Humphrey* of the Department's Design Section, the Archeological Resources Section began a program to evaluate the archeological values that might be disturbed in the construction of a park access road at the south end of Carpinteria SB. It was known that the area was of prehistoric significance, but there was no clear indication of what the site contained.

Donald G. Wood, archeological project leader, and a three-man crew began their investigations on November 17, 1969. To date, they have encountered a cemetery with four burials and the remains of two houses.

From the kinds of artifacts found, they learned that the site was occupied in late prehistoric times (500 A.D. to 1500 A.D.) by people of the Canalino culture, which was most probably ancestral to the Chumash Indians of the Santa Barbara coast region. Projectile points, bone tools, and stone bowls were found in and around the burials and house floor. The soil of the site is a kitchen midden containing shellfish, sea mammal and other food remains.



Burial site



House floor

A unique condition exists at the site. Underlying the midden are asphaltum seeps. This tar-like material was used by the Indians in caulking their canoes, mending cooking vessels, and making ornamental objects.

The finds made at this site reveal that it is one of the more important remaining archeological sites in the area. Steps are being taken to insure its protection, and it is hoped that it may eventually form the base for an interpretive program at the unit.

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RECVEES TAKING OVER

According to a newspaper article submitted by *Harry Beddig,* Supervisor of the Accounting and Business Management Section, oil companies are planning to build small overnight parks at interstate highway service stations to accommodate campers. Their ultimate goal is quality resorts from coast to coast for recreational vehicle enthusiasts. At the present rate of sales growth, there should be eight million campers, travel trailers, tent trailers, and motor homes in operation by 1980.

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SAVE-THE-REDWOODS LEAGUE COUNCILLORS DIE

The Save-the-Redwoods League reports with profound regret the passing of Walter A. Starr and Fairfield Osborn, both League Councillors for many years. Starr served as a league Director since 1942 and was Vice President from 1961 to 1966. Also a former president of the Sierra Club, he was a leader in conservation affairs for over half a century.

Osborn had been a member of the League Council since 1948. In addition, he was president of the New York Zoological Society for nearly 30 years and was one of the world's foremost conservationists and naturalists. Son of Henry Fairfield Osborn, one of the League's three founders, he wrote the book "Our Plundered Planet," a milestone in conservationist literature.

20 years ago

Assistant Ranger *Jim Whitehead,* Mt. Tamalpais SP, offered a solution to the problem of cattle grazing illegally on state park property. Get the rangers a king-size freezer and kill two birds (?) with one stone.

Point Lobos Reserve had an illustrious visitor – former President Herbert Hoover. He was 81 then, and explained that he and his wife were old-time trail blazers since they made a trip across the U.S. in a "Maxwell" back in 1908.

Rain was bad at San Buenaventura SB. According to Assistant Ranger *A. F. Whittington,* some 15 cars ignored "road closed" signs to drive into the park. Several got mired to the running boards (what on earth is a *running board*?) and had to be towed out.

this month

This is perhaps a memory that should not be revived, but the January 1950 issue of NEWS and VIEWS reported that the wife of Cuyamaca Rancho SP Assistant Ranger *Alan D. Philbrook* tested the strength of the new model two-car garages by backing into the one at the north boundary of the park. She wasn't hurt, but they couldn't say the same for the garage.

Stephens Grove SP Assistant Ranger *Dick Brock* reported that anglers were catching fish in excess of 42 lbs. in the Eel River.

This somewhat confused report was sent in by *Bob Hatch,* Chief Ranger at Columbia SHP. It seems that the state park fire truck and the volunteer fire department fire truck shared the same fire house. When an alarm came in, the volunteer group reported promptly, but the driver was so excited he wouldn't start the engine. All he would do was to try to drive it. He had to be removed from the driver's seat forcibly before they could get their truck out to free ours. By the time our truck got to the scene, bystanders had already put out the fire.

Glen Jones, Van Duzen Redwoods SP, reported, in his own words, "Had a very lovely vacation. Stayed home and the stork presented us with a lovely 7 lb. baby girl for Xmas."

HAPPY NEW YEAR

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SACRAMENTO HEADQUARTERS TOPS UNITED CRUSADE GOAL

Congratulations! – Our Department's headquarters personnel contributed to the 1969 United Crusade drive to the tune of $3,521. . . the goal: $3,500. This worked out to an average contribution of $14.25 apiece for the Department's 254 Sacramento-based employees.

The highest group of contributers, next to the Director's Office, was the Operations Division under John Knight. Its eight members made contributions in the form of cash and payroll deductions of $173, or $21.66 each.

DON'T IGNORE THE "LITTLE THINGS"

INTERPRETATION

APPRECIATION

UNDERSTANDING

By Bud Getty, District 6 Interpretive Specialist

The cathedral redwood groves; the vast, unspoiled Borrego Badlands; and the surf-pounded Pt. Lobos headlands; probably don't have to be interpreted. Everyone should be able to gain inspiration from these scenes without a formal presentation.

The tendency is to concentrate interpretive efforts in those areas which have the outstanding features. People who camp at Calaveras Big Trees, drive the rough roads to Bodie, and hike to the top of Mt. San Jacinto are probably already on "our side". Aggressive interpretive programs in recreation areas and beach parks with attempts to teach urban ecology within the cities may be the real need.

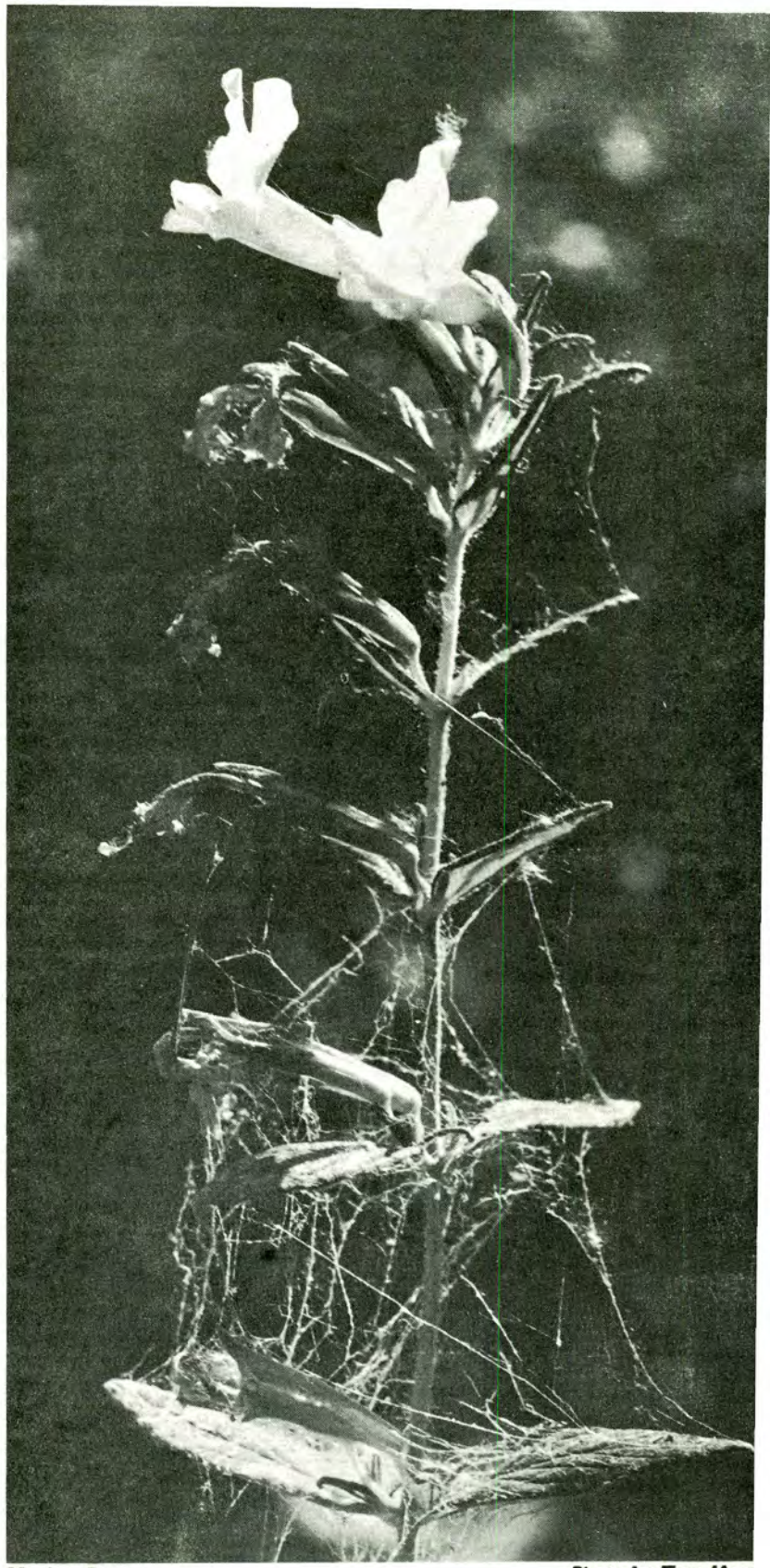
Our greatest challenge is to make meaningful the ordinary, simple facets of the California State Parks. We shouldn't have to have an awe-inspiring vista to make the park visitor aware of his place in the total environment.

All units have natural interpretive tools. As an example, *Mimulus*, or Monkey- flower, grows in a great many of the parks. The stamens of this plant are sensitive and can be caused to close by touching with a blade of grass. Young people, in particular, delight in "turning on" the monkey-flower by making the stamens move.

Having demonstrated that plants are sensitive to touch, an explanation of the mechanics and adaptive value of this movement in the plant is in order. Passing lightly over turgor movements in plants, the value of the pollen-laden stamens closing around an insect can be made obvious. The closing of the stamen insures that pollen will be rubbed off on to the insect and then will possibly be rubbed off on the visit to the next flower. Thus, we've established a relationship between a plant and an animal. Interrelationships such as this are what ecology is all about and what interpretation should be all about.

Questioning the visitors about what other things the monkey-flower is sensitive to will, hopefully, lead to a discussion of the influences that man has over the plant world. Obviously, the monkey-flower, and all other plants, are "sensitive" to and affected by bulldozing of the brushy hillsides and canyons.

Many other efforts at progress also affect plants, mostly adversely. One of man's agents, smog, is a little more subtle than the bulldozer but will, perhaps, prove to be more devastating. Pointing out that smog can kill the very monkey-flower we're looking at as well as the pines at 4,000 feet elevation in the San Bernardino Mountains might be effective.



Monkey-flower ***Photo by Tom Myer***

And, if plants are being killed by smog, what effect is it having on Man? The monkey-flower, smog, man's relationship, reflects only one of many environmental problems.

We can no longer afford the luxury of visitors leaving parks only interested in nature and history – they must leave concerned.

PERSONNEL CLERKS MEET

The district personnel clerks attended a two-day conference on personnel matters presented by the Personnel Section staff in Sacramento on November 19 and 20. Such conferences are usually held semiannually to discuss solutions to mutual problems and to learn about the latest changes in regulations and procedures.

Ronald E. Miller and John H. Knight met with the group on the first day. Other guests who provided information and answered technical questions were Esther Reiswig from the State Personnel Board and Robert Sanders, Chief, Health Benefits Division.

The hiring process, changes in State Personnel Board rules, State-paid medicals, the safety and enforcement program, and the maintenance class series were also topics on the agenda.

Those attending from field locations were *Marie Cox* from District 1 HQ; *Bea Morris* from District 2; *Francis Keller*, District 3; *Ruth Smith*, District 4; *Kathy Simas*, District 5; *June Moeck*, Hearst San Simeon SHM; and *June Rankin*, District 6.

Jeannie Boone, Carol Birchet, Kathy Simas, Bonnie Glasby, Gerry Goodwin, June Moeck, June Rankin, Rita Howe, and Ruth Smith.

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" . . . AND IF A CLOWN THROWS CANDIES!"

Whenever he gets the opportunity, Director Mott likes to speak to school children on conservation, ecology, environment, resource management, and all related matters. Not only are today's kids unusually knowledgeable on these subjects, but they have a keen interest in them.

He recently spoke to a group of fourth graders in National City about litter and how it hurts our parks. He made quite an impression, and a few days later he received the following letter from nine-year old Nino P. Camilo . . .

HOW YOUR HANDS CAN PREVENT LITTER

Your hands can prevent litter by following these rules:

1. Do not throw papers on the street.

2. Put papers in the trash can and any other waste.

3. When you are in a car bring a bag to put your papers and paper cups.

4. Do not throw them out of the window.

5. Do not throw bottles in the beach.

6. If you go to the circus or fair, find a trash can or if there is no trash can, hold it until you get to your car.

7. In a parade, if a clown throws candies, save the candies.

STAFF CHANGES

APPOINTMENTS

Anders, A. Laura	Clerk Typist II-Range B	Dist 6 Headquarters	10-31-69
Brown, Ellen M.	Guide I, Hist Mon*	Hearst San Simeon SHM	10-4-69
Derr, John R.	Groundsman	Benicia Area	10-22-69
Griggs, Dean B.	Guide I, Hist Mon*	Hearst San Simeon SHM	10-4-69
Henzgen, Lorraine G.	Guide I, Hist Mon*	Hearst San Simeon SHM	10-4-69
Jones, William R.	Lifeguard	San Diego Coast Area	10-31-69
Larson, Mary R.	Guide I, Hist Mon*	Hearst San Simeon SHM	9-15-69
Louis, Charlene J.	Clerk Typist II*	Lake Elsinore Area	10-24-69
Noble, George D.	Custodian, Hist Mon	Columbia Area	10-22-69
Padgett, Delmar H.	Janitor	Benicia Area	10-14-69
Pera, Eugene R.	Guide I, Hist Mon*	Hearst San Simeon SHM	9-15-69
Redger, Edward L.	Janitor	Hearst San Simeon SHM	10-13-69
Rosenthal, Margaret E.	Guide I, Hist Mon*	Hearst San Simeon SHM	10-4-69
Sewell, Jessie B.	Guide I, Hist Mon	Monterey Area	10-22-69
Smith, Jack H.	Guide I, Hist Mon	Hearst San Simeon SHM	11-4-69
Sweeney, Kathleen A.	Clerk Typist I*	Sierra Area	10-29-69
Tognazzini, Wilmar N.	Guide I, Hist Mon*	Hearst San Simeon SHM	10-4-69
Vogel, Virginia L.	Account Clerk II	Claims Unit	12-2-69
Walker, Janice L.	Accountant I	Accounting Unit	10-31-69

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Forster, Kathryn M.	Clerk Typist II	Stenographic Services	10-15-69
Jang, Karen L.	Stenographer II	Dist 3-Headquarters	10-31-69

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Banks, Melvin L.	State Park Attendant	Salton Sea Area to Mt. San Jacinto Area	10-31-69
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Getty, Chester C.	State Park Ranger I	Frontera Area to Anza Borrego Area	11-16-69
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Lanford, Joyce A.	Stenographer II	Stenographic Services to Director's Office	12-2-69
Laursen, Richard V.	Recreation Planner II	Mstr Plng to P & D Div Chf's Office	12-2-69
Mortensen, Thornton K.	State Park Attendant	Mt. San Jacinto Area to Fort Ross Area	10-31-69
Sutton, Jack C.	State Park Ranger II	Salton Sea Area to Mendocino Area	11-10-69

RETIREMENT

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Bashford, Guy R.	State Park Ranger (Int)	San Diego Coast Area	9-29-69
Bradley, Ernest V.	State Park Ranger I	Feather River Area	11-2-69
Byrne, Janet A.	Clerk I*	San Francisco Maritime	10-30-69
Clever, Raymond L.	Lifeguard	Orange Coast Area	10-15-69
DeWitt, John J.	State Park Ranger (Int)	San Diego Coast Area	9-28-69
Everett, Robert G.	State Park Ranger (Int)	San Diego Coast Area	9-28-69
Lindquist, Thomas A.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Frontera Area	11-10-69
Lynch, Robert L.	State Park Ranger I	Folsom Lake Area	10-30-69
Maier, Carl R.	Lifeguard	San Diego Coast Area	10-2-69
Powers, Sally A.	Clerk Typist II	Will Rogers Area	10-30-69
Rasmussen, Edwin R.	Programmer I, EDP	Mgmt Anal Sect	10-24-69
Savage, Leo F.	State Park Equip Op	Millerton Lake Area	11-3-69
Schwarzman,(Moran), Nancy E.	Guide I, Hist Mon*	Hearst San Simeon SHM	9-6-69
Smith, Robert D.	Groundsman	Hearst San Simeon SHM	11-16-69

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Photo by Bill Foote

Climb Any Mountain

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.
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I have heard many people ask, "Why would anyone want to climb a mountain, especially Mt. Everest, elevation 29,028 feet?"

I asked a friend of mine who set as one of his goals to at least climb some of the 20,000-foot lesser peaks of the Himalayan Mountains. Why?

He answered me very simply, "I must have a goal or I won't accomplish anything." I believe this. We need daily goals, short-range goals and long-range goals. We need mountains to climb. Achievement is as exhilarating as the expansive views from the summit of the tallest mountain. Like climbing Mt. Everest, there must be motivation, planning, maybe delays and even temporary setbacks. But with perseverance the goals can be reached. The mountains can be climbed.

Have you a mountain to climb? — A goal for the day, the week, the year? At Coloma last week the division heads spent two productive days discussing Department goals and priorities. You will hear more of the Department goals in the near future. We can climb any mountain if we bend our backs.

"Only on the summit can we straighten our bodies that lean always uphill." Gaston Rebuffat, from *The West Slope,* a Sierra Club publication.

Group 1 poses with Interpretive Services instructors.

Visual aids enhance many of the presentations.

Field trips take the group to the Custom House in Monterey to study interpretation of historic sites.

DECADE ENDS IN NEW

by James Kruger, Director
Training Institute

Formerly a training Officer in the Department of Water Resources, Jim Kruger also held training positions in the Department of Employment and served as Assistant Personnel Manager of a San Francisco firm. He joined the Department in September to head the new Training Academy at Asilomar.

The year 1969 proved memorable for many reasons. Astronauts landed safely on the moon. Interest rates soared to an alltime high. *Hair* and *Oh, Calcutta!* brought nudity to the stage. And, after years and efforts of many, ranger training became a reality in our Department.

October 12, 1969, marked the date and Asilomar Conference Grounds was the site. Twenty area managers, or backups, from as far north as Humboldt Redwoods and as far south as Anza-Borrego met to become the first group to attend the Park Management and Operations Training Program. Nearly 80 employees will complete this phase of the program by June 1970.

The idea of centralized training is already producing results. One example is the revised distribution of statewide contracts which reduces the amount of paper handling at the unit level. Many times, participants would telephone their areas to pass on some newly gained knowledge. Operational problems were identified and the program specialists serving as course leaders often returned to Sacramento to investigate possible changes in policy and procedure.

The atmosphere of the training site is warm and informal. A 30-cup coffee urn donated by the first group of participants is always on and the visitor is welcome. Jess Chaffee, retired District 4 Superintendent, Deputy Director Ray Hunter, District 4 Superintendent Milt Frincke, and others have dropped in to observe and renew acquaintances.

If the scheduled training sometimes doesn't offer enough stimulating challenge to the participants, The Bear Cat in Salinas, the Warehouse on Cannery Row, and any number of individual rooms often hold additional, after-hours "training" sessions.

The stated goal of the training program is to allow the participant "to function efficiently in a fully aware manner, consistent with recreational trends, organizational policies and procedures, public needs and budgetary shifts." And most of the training program's graduates feel that they have been helped to realize that goal.

TRAINING EFFORTS

The program covers:

- Principles of Management
- Program Management System
- Budgeting
- Personnel Management
- Business Management
- Real Property Management
- Legal Aspects of Park Management
- Concessions Management
- Visitor Protection
- Equipment Management
- Planning and Development
- Park Maintenance
- Resources Management
- Public Relations and Communications
- Interpretation

Based on the experience gained through this year's program, comprehensive training will be developed for new rangers. About 40 new rangers will be trained during the next fiscal year. Additional management training programs are also planned, as is a course for Maintenance Supervisors and Foremen.

Training in the programs held at Asilomar won't end when the participant leaves the conference grounds. A follow-up program will be conducted at the individual employee's work-site, and a thorough evaluation process is built into each program. Support for and interest in the present program runs high. Other State departments as well as other states are demonstrating interest in our programs. The challenge we all have to face is great, but the high quality in end results will more than pay for our efforts.

Participants in the session were Clifford Allen, Dyerville Area; Dale Buschke, Sonoma Area; William Dougherty, Orange Coast Area; Ed Earl, Will Rogers Area; Jim Geary, Point Mugu Area; Max Hansen, Grover Hot Springs Area; Jack Hesemeyer, Anza-Borrego Area; Ken Huddleston, Angel Island Area; Dick Johnston, Sierra Area; Glen Jones, Calaveras Area; Renie Laret, Pismo Area; Maurice Morgan, Orange Coast Area; James Neal, Hendy Woods Area; Robert Perkins, Shasta Area; Clyde Ray, Monterey Area; Don Rich, Point Lobos Area; Jack Stowe, Salton Sea Area; Clyde Strickler, Four Rivers Area; Pat Watkins, Bodie Area; and William Williams, Santa Cruz Area.

How parks can help demonstrate man's relationship to his environment is discussed on a trip to Point Lobos.

Classrooms are informal, but work continues right through coffee break—or vice versa?

Meals are good, and the setting is unmatchable.

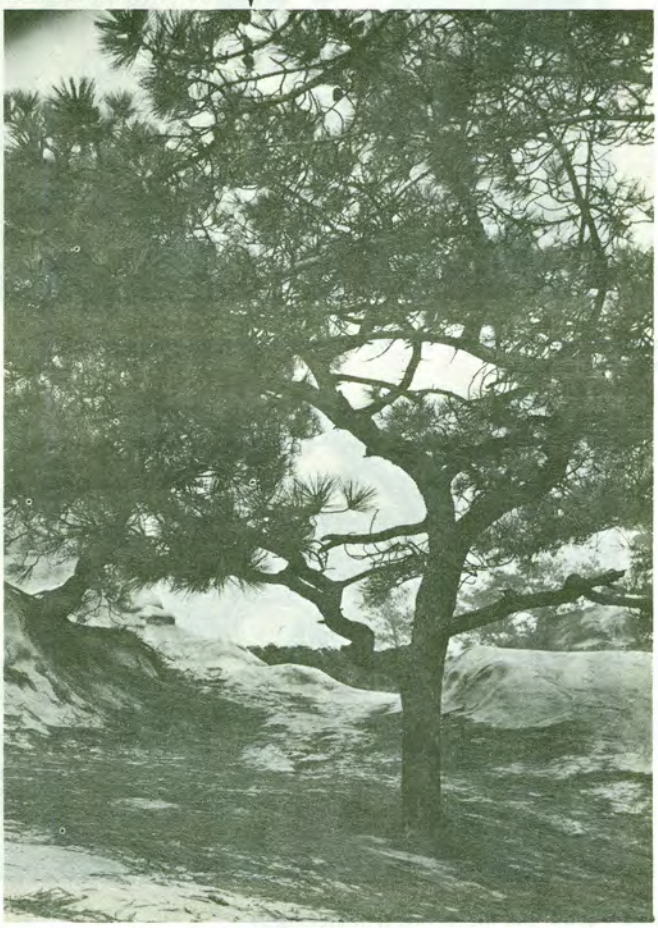
DR. VISHNIAC VISITS TORREY PINES SR

by Kent Hartwell, Reserve Supervisor

In October, internationally famous microbiologist Dr. Roman Vishniac came to the San Diego area as a guest of the Sierra Club to lend support to the campaign for money to save some Torrey Pine trees adjacent to Torrey Pines SR. Born in Russia 70 years ago, Dr. Vishniac has spent his life in science and art, and holds doctorates in zoology and oriental art as well as a degree in medicine. He speaks ten languages.

Dr. Vishniac is also world-famous in the field of microphotography. His color camera probes into the world of the tiny creatures known as protozoa; he records how they move and what they eat, and actually looks inside some of these animals. Though students and scientists are excited by his photos, his programs are thoroughly enjoyed by the whole family, and he is currently completing a series of films, "Living Biology," for the National Science Foundation.

". . . we should have more than 3000 Torrey Pines, there are more than 3000 Americans." ↓



". . . we are today too far from nature. You cannot get into your car and drive to nature . . . nature is in your heart. DO, don't be indifferent . . . it is one interdependent world."

An ardent conservationist, at a tree-planting ceremony with Torrey Pines SR Supervisor Kent Hartwell and Cabrillo National Monument Supervisor Tom Tucker, Dr. Vishniac said, "You may expect me to be here again and again and again. I will return every 25 years to see how this little tree is progressing. I will be here in body or in spirit, but I will be here!" ↓

". . . we are not always a part of nature, but nature is always with us." ↓ *Photo courtesy of San Diego Convention and Tourist Bureau*

Photo by Tom Myers

". . . man has today power that he does not need . . . this can be tragic."

COMPUTER RESERVATION SYSTEM OPENS WITH A BANG

There is always a bit of breath holding whenever a new program is started. Even when it is well planned and thought out, one never knows just how the public will react to something new. However, if the first day can be any indication, our new computerized campground reservation program will be a resounding success.

At close of business on January 5, the first day of operation for the new system, there were 9,350 campsite reservations confirmed at the 40-some Computicket outlets throughout the State for a total of $58,367.

And, as predicted, the pattern is the old familiar one—coastal parks, particularly those in the Southern California area, are getting the greatest pressure. On that one day, campgrounds at Seacliff, Doheny, San Clemente, and San Elijo State Beaches reported in via the computer that several weekend and holiday periods were filled solid by advance reservations.

The one main advantage to this new system—other than the obvious one of relieving park personnel of the arduous task of processing campsite reservations—is that when a prospective camper finds that a state park campground has already been reserved on the days of his choice, he can ask for and get on-the-spot information about accommodations for different dates or different campgrounds.

At Sacramento Headquarters alone, we have been averaging 300 requests a day for reservations. About 290 of these are mail-order requests that b.c. (before Computicket) would have been processed by the individual parks. The remaining ten are over-the-counter requests, which are handled the same as at any other Computicket outlet.

Lois Lemen watches while Jo Ann Hill and Dede Cossette "punch" reservation requests into the computer terminal outlets.

A few seconds later, the outlet registers reservation availability, and if everything matches up, the machine spews out the desired number of tickets for confirmed reservations.

Lois Lemen, Reservations Supervisor, reports that her girls are handling mostly campground reservation requests now. Later in the season, when the weather is better, they will start getting many requests for tour reservations at Hearst San Simeon SHM.

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SALOON REOPENS

"The finest saloon in Columbia," the Douglass Saloon, reopened recently, exactly 100 years after it closed – and one of its first visitors was Jack Douglass, great-grandson of the original owner.

New saloon owners Bill Clever and Bob Stahl spent six months researching the history of the establishment and outfitted it with an art gallery, an aquarium, and an aviary filled with finches, canaries, and cockatoos, as the elder Douglass had outfitted the original. In 1857, Douglass senior came from the New York-Boston area, where ornate saloon decor was the rage, and brought the trend with him. His great-grandson could find no fault with the restoration, with one exception – not enough mirrors. The older Douglass was "a great one for mirrors."

The original Jack Douglass, one of Columbia's most colorful characters, left the town in 1869 to start a new saloon in Stockton. His obituary in a Stockton paper read in part, "Jack Douglass had a world of exciting experiences, but never a quarrel with any man, for he never did any man wrong. When Jack accepted a sack of coin for anybody it was considered as safe as if placed in a bank. He never gambled, never drank strong liquor, and never broke his word to any man."

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FIFTH ANNUAL GEC

Our fifth annual General Executive Council is quickly taking shape. The nebulous thoughts and ideas are materializing into a program full of both professional and social highlights.

The theme of this year's GEC, to be held March 13,14, and 15 at the Senator Hotel in Sacramento, will be the Silver Anniversary of the State Park Ranger class. It was 25 years ago that our classification was changed from Warden to State Park Ranger by the State Personnel Board (see The Better Ranger, page 17). It is indeed a fitting theme for our fifth GEC.

The tentative schedule of events includes:

Friday, March 13 – beginning at noon, registration at the Senator Hotel. At 2 p.m. there will be a tour of the Capitol, and at 3 an informal tour of the fourteenth floor of the Resources Building, where you will have an unparalleled opportunity to see headquarters personnel toiling away in their native habitat. The Resolutions and Ways and Means Committees will meet at 1 p.m.

Saturday, March 14 – The General Council will begin at 9 a.m. Attention will focus on the general business of the Association, including consideration of resolutions and committee reports. A program is being arranged for the women which will include a special tour through the Governor's Mansion, with time allowed to enjoy shopping and sightseeing along the newly completed K Street Mall. In the evening, the 7:30 buffet-style banquet will follow a no-host cocktail hour at 6:30, and will be followed by installation of new officers, entertainment, and dancing.

Sunday, March 15 – The General Board of Directors meeting will discuss unfinished business and adopt the Association's annual budget.

Exhibits of various products and equipment will be on display during the convention.

It will be a GEC well worth attending. You will not only have an opportunity to contribute to your Association but also to meet fellow rangers from throughout the State. In addition you will have an excellent opportunity to meet many of our headquarters personnel, members of the State Park and Recreation Commission, and members of the Legislature. If you have never attended a GEC, this would be an excellent one with which to begin. Your participation is important to your Association. (Note to nonmember Department personnel – your attendance is also invited. See inside back cover.)

THE ENVIRONMENT

One of the hotbeds of student environmental concern is at Stanford University, where the students themselves have founded the Stanford Population and Environment Forum. Discerning the connection between population and the stewardship of natural resources, the group thinks that "All mankind has a right to:

*Eat well.
*Drink clean water.
*Breathe unpolluted air.
*Be free from illiteracy.
*Enjoy open space and natural beauty.
*Be free from regimentation.
*Know freedom from the fear of global destruction.
*Limit families.
*Have and enjoy grandchildren."

Concern for the environment has caught hold at the universities all across the country and this concern is being reflected in some dramatic changes in curriculum and research programs. As an example, at Columbia University, starting this fall, graduate students in the school of engineering and applied science will be able to earn master's and doctor's degrees in an environmental science program that covers such subjects as ecological imbalance, pollution, resources protection and environmental control.

I overheard the following comment recently:

"Environment's in, parks are out."

Think about it.

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Mrs. Leonard Fisher wishes to extend her appreciation to those rangers who sent cards and flowers to express their sympathy at the death of her husband. Leonard died November 5th after a long illness and was buried in Santa Cruz November 7th. Uniformed ranger personnel attended the casket at the funeral. Her loss is shared by all of us.

MISSING GIRL'S BODY FOUND IN ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP

Last July, 18-year-old Bernita Jones left her home in Azusa for a trip to Salton Sea. She was alone. On July 4 she was reported missing by her family, and then on September 28 her car was spotted in Mollusk Wash some eight miles from the ranger station at Fish Creek.

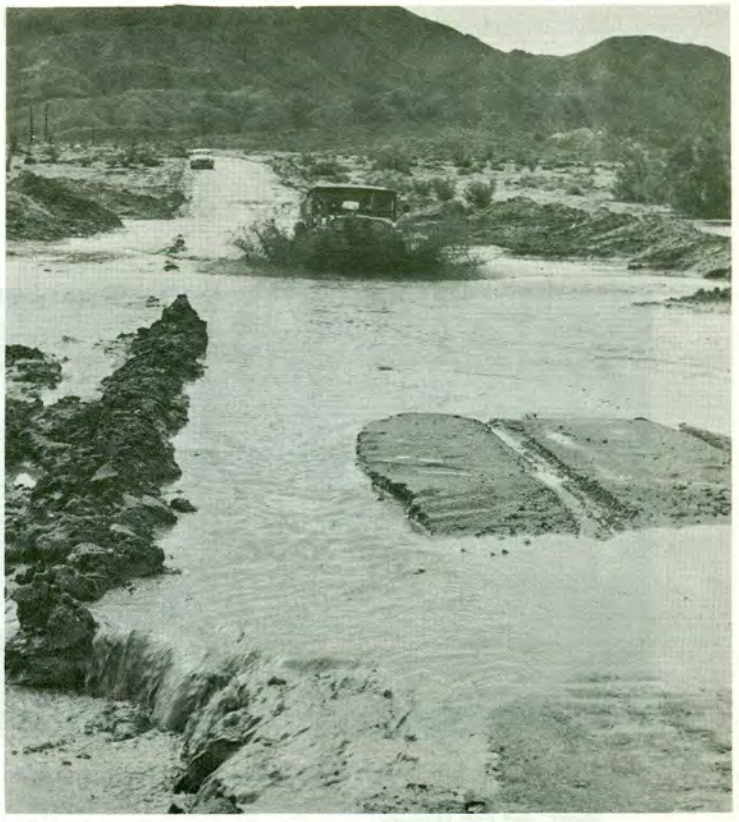
Nothing more was heard until early last month when her body was discovered, quite by accident, about one-half mile from the Fish Creek Ranger Station. She was obviously headed for the gypsum mine a mile or so from the station. Her purse was found under her head. No doubt she had stopped to rest in the 115° heat and was unable to go on.

What had happened? As far as can be surmised, she was probably traveling east on Highway 78. At Ocotillo Wells she turned south onto the Split Mountain-Gypsum Mine Road, drove past the Fish Creek primitive camp area and the ranger station, and on through Split Mountain to Mollusk Wash. Why?--no one can say. It is way off the route to Salton Sea. The area is seldom traveled, even by park rangers, during the summer months.

In the wash, she became mired, perhaps because of a summer thunderstorm. Abandoning her car, possibly after trying to free it, she made her way back through Split Mountain to the ranger station, which was vacant at the time, and then pushed on toward the mine.

The heat and the exertion were too much. In an area where a person requires two gallons of water a day to survive just sitting in the shade, she had tried an impossible task.

At this point we will resist the urge to sermonize about all the errors of judgement this young lady made. So, we will just list three or four of the cardinal rules of desert travel.



This is what can happen after a sudden storm.

* If you travel off well-established routes, let someone know where you are going and when you expect to be back.

* If you become stranded, do not abandon your car. Having told someone where you were going, you will be looked for – and a car is a lot easier to spot in the desert than a human form.

* Carry some basic tools in your car. A shovel, sturdy rope, and a jack can be invaluable if you become mired.

* Carry water, extra clothes, and a little quick energy food.

As we pointed out in our new Anza-Borrego park folder, the desert must be respected, but it need not be feared if you take a few simple precautions.

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LITTER PROGRESS REPORTED

Keep America Beautiful, Inc., a national litter-prevention organization, reports that its annual Litter Index dropped below 100 in 1969 for the first time since its inception in 1964. The Index, based on the cost of litter removal relative to number of miles traveled by motor vehicles, was 98.26, down from a high of 101.82 in 1968.

William F. May, the organization's president, attributed the drop to the efforts of anti-litter organizations and state highway departments and hailed it as evidence that the litter blight can be licked.

Auld Lang Syne . . .

The beginning of a new year is a good time to reflect on the past . . . and Lucy Hawkins, Jack Knight's secretary, makes it easier for us by furnishing several photographs from her collection.

Circa 1954 – Bill Raupt, Elmer Aldrich, Len Penhale, Bob Hatch; (backs to camera) Chuck Mehlert, Bert Wiley, Paul Meier, and Earl Hanson.

Circa 1954 – (seated) Cliff White, Everett Powell; (standing) Lucille King, Rose Eckberg, Fred Meyer.

Circa 1952 – (seated) Virginia Fillinger, Ron Miller, Sarah Zimmerman; (standing) Bessie Stephane, Thelma Adams, Regina Lehne, Oy Wong, Marian Asdurian.

And, here's a tableful of lovelies. No identifications, but look carefully – you might see someone you know.

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USFS SHARES VANDALISM PROBLEMS

The State Park System is not the only one having trouble with vandalism – the U.S. Forest Service reports that the cost of wanton destruction in California's 17 national forests in the last fiscal year was $353,235, enough to build a 100-unit campground. The heaviest damage was in Southern California, to Angeles, Los Padres, and San Bernardino National Forests. California's Regional Forester, J.W. Deinema, says that law enforcement activities will be increased to offset this rising vandalism trend.

Antique Gate Restored

One of the outstanding objects on the tour route at Hearst San Simeon SHM has been the great sixteenth century stone fireplace from a French chateau. For more than a quarter of a century, the large iron gate from the same chateau has been lying, covered with rust, in a field behind the Hearst garages.

Now the staff at the Hilltop has at last recovered this beautiful piece, removed its rust and dirt, and put it on display at the Visitors' Center at San Simeon with the following plaque:

16TH CENTURY IRON GATE

OVER FOUR HUNDRED YEARS AGO, THIS IRON GATE AND THE LARGE STONE FIREPLACE MANTEL IN THE LIVING ROOM OF HEARST CASTLE WERE ONCE A PART OF THE SAME FRENCH ESTATE, THE CHATEAU des JOURS.

DAMAGE TO THE GATE FROM WHAT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN THE IMPACT OF A CANNON BALL INDICATES THAT THE CHATEAU WAS DESTROYED BY WAR, PERHAPS THE FRENCH REVOLUTION. BECAUSE OF SUCH DISASTERS, AS WELL AS THE NATURAL PROCESS OF THE "OLD" MAKING WAY FOR THE "NEW", THE WORLD'S ART MARKET WAS FLOODED WITH OBJECTS OF ART LIKE THESE. MANY GREAT PRIVATE COLLECTIONS WERE ESTABLISHED AMONG THE WEALTHY IN THIS COUNTRY BEFORE EUROPEAN EXPORTATION LAWS BROUGHT AN END TO THE EXODUS OF THEIR IRREPLACEABLE ARTIFACTS.

SIZE: 6'10" x 7'7" APPROXIMATE WEIGHT: 1300 pounds.

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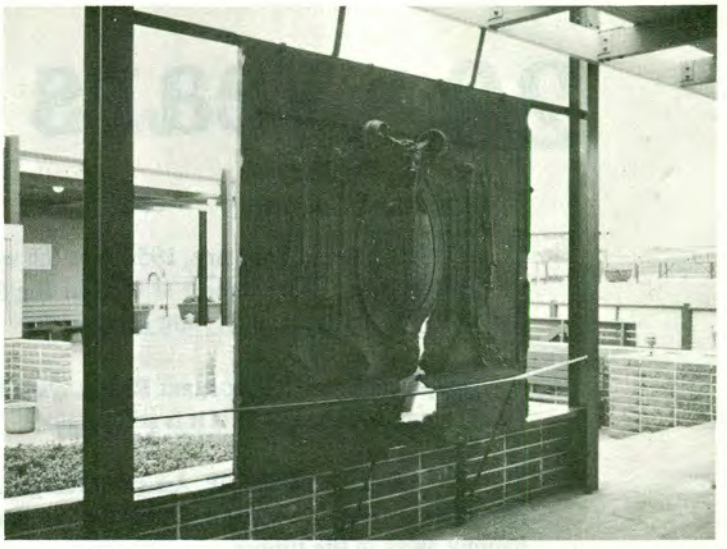
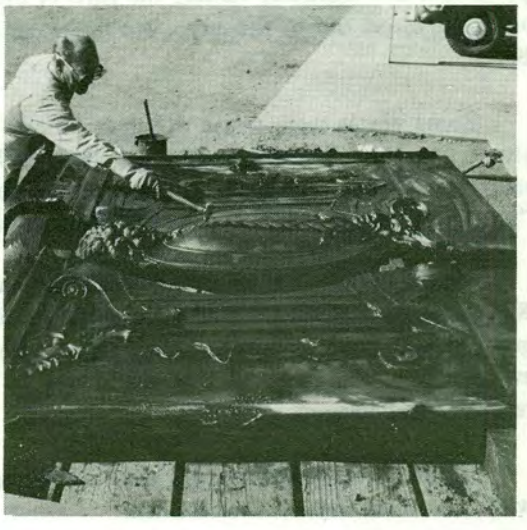


Refurbished gate on display at San Simeon Visitors' Center. ↑

Paul Backenstein, Historical Guide, applies muriatic acid in cleaning process. ↓



HEARST BUSSES SET SAFETY RECORD

Fifty million safe passenger miles is the enviable record of the bus system at Hearst San Simeon SHM. For over eleven years, busses have carried visitors the six miles between the visitor center and the famous Castle without accident.

Although the present divided road is a vast improvement over the original narrow route, there are still some 75 tight curves in the 1500-foot climb. During the busy summer season, two busses leave the ticket office every ten minutes with a total of about 90 passengers; the busses have carried nearly five million passengers to date.

Visitors to Hearst Castle unload from the bus, watched by Supervisor of Transportation Jim Queen. ——→

20 years ago

The big news in February, 1950, was the weather . . . isn't it always?

Wayne Cox, Chief Ranger at Pfeiffer Big Sur SP, reported that the river was the highest it had been yet that year, with snow on the hills.

Stephens Grove SP Assistant Ranger *Dick Brock* wrote, "We haven't seen the sun for so long up here, can anyone tell us if it is still shining?"

From Patrick's Point SP, Assistant Ranger *Jim Tryner* noted that even with all the snow and hail coming down, Spring must be just around the corner – he heard a winter wren singing happily away in the timber.

Frank Hayword, Deputy Ranger at New Brighton SB, was concerned about high winds and uprooted trees; while *George Hagens*, Assistant Ranger at Curry-Bidwell Bar SP, reported many picnickers and sightseers visiting the park in the snow. As Hagens put it, "Some people will do anything to get out of the city, even if it means meeting a frozen lone ranger and a cold picnic bench."

Some places were worse off than others. Castle Crags SP said they had one week of real stormy weather. "At the end of the week we had a good five feet of snow on the ground, no railroad service, no phones, no lights sometimes, and Highway 99 closed." They were feeding "four bucks, three does, and fifty mountain quail in the woodshed."

And if the nice white snow weren't bad enough, there was black soot. *Al Salzgeber*, Chief Ranger at Carpinteria SP, had an unusual problem resulting from the cold weather. The citrus growers had been smudging every night, with the result that the smudge had settled over everything in the park. Clothes could not be left out, even for a little while, and the new residence was covered.

All in all, everyone kept his sense of humor. Assistant Ranger *Jim Whitehead* summed it up with " . . . some days it rains like hail."

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THREE BILLS AFFECT PARKS DEPARTMENT

Under the terms of a bill introduced into the State Senate by Republican John Nejedly of Walnut Creek, motorcycles would be banned in overnight camping areas of state parks.

A second Senate bill would cut down the amount of litter in our parks and beaches and along our highways. Democrat Nicholas Petris of Alameda County submitted a bill that would impose an extra one-cent sales tax on each nonreturnable bottle, can, or other container. The money would be used to collect and dispose of litter, with 25 percent going to the State and 75 percent to the counties.

On the Assembly side, Republican James Dent of Concord introduced legislation to make 25 percent of the campsites at any state park campground available on a first-come, first-served basis.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD . . .

DISTRICT 1 . . .

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Teague of Riverside, Connecticut, spent their honeymoon at RICHARDSON GROVE SP in a $4-per-night furnished cabin. Recently, Mrs. Teague wrote to the park requesting help in securing postcards, brochures, etc., as mementoes of the park for her husband on their 25th anniversary. Ranger *Will Rose* and his wife *Ruth* made wall plaques to send her, and the requested items were assembled with the help of *Maude Baker* and *Marje Gaunt*. As Piercy Area Manager *Doug Metcalf* commented, "No matter how large or complex this Department becomes, with people like these it will always have friends."

DISTRICT 2 . . .

RUSSIAN RIVER AREA Manager *Gerald Fialho* reports that the staff at SONOMA COAST SB thought Christmas had come early and they were going to get their long-awaited radio equipment on December 18, when a Navy patrol boat with a multitude of radio antennas waving was driven ashore on Salmon Creek Beach. But apparently the Navy was suspicious of the gleam in their eyes, for there were soon several guards on duty to "keep park visitors from taking souvenirs."

According to Area Manager *Lorin Forsyth,* the spittoons at BENICIA CAPITOL SHM have taken on a glitter not evidenced in generations under the ministrations of new Janitor *Bob Padgett.*

One of the dozen or so fishermen angling for silver salmon at SONOMA COAST SB was caught by a large wave and tossed into the center of Salmon Creek. Ranger *Mel Badger* used his eight-foot pram to rescue him from the center of the stream, where he was clinging to a couple of small logs, and took him to park headquarters to change clothes and warm up.

Ranger *James Alexander,* on patrol at BENICIA CAPITOL SHM, discovered a window broken in the best TV style – the panes had first been taped, then smashed. No signs of theft were discovered, however.

DISTRICT 3 . . .

FOLSOM LAKE SRA Ranger *Bob Gehr,* working mostly on his own time, has begun a series of lectures on boating regulations and safety at a nearby boat dealer's. He is also giving talks to local organizations. As District Superintendent Clyde Newlin said in a letter of appreciation to Gehr, " . . . we will never know how far your program will go towards saving lives and helping recreationists."

The grammar school at COLUMBIA SHP, which was restored with funds collected from school children throughout the State nine years ago, was entered and vandalized in late December. Ranger *John Klenk* reported that the interior of the first floor was damaged but apparently nothing was stolen. The schoolhouse, built in 1860 and used until 1937, was rededicated November 5, 1960, one hundred years after its first use.

Another step was taken recently in the process of selling SQUAW VALLEY SRA, as authorized by the Legislature in 1967. The State obtained 1200acres at the ski lift area, owned by the Federal Government, in order to make a salable package. The acreage was traded for 7000 state-owned acres at Frenchman, Antelope, and Davis Reservoirs.

When Steno *Cathy Morabito* returned a bank payment book found at SUTTER'S FORT SHM to its owner, she received a letter which read in part, "Every once in a while somebody does something that makes me think that the country hasn't gone to Pot, Rock, Roll, and long hair, dirty long hair that is!"

A power outage at 10:45 a.m. on January 2, at SQUAW VALLEY SRA stranded 120 people in the cable car 300 feet in the air for several hours. Evacuation of the car was begun with single line and sling breeches – a slow process since they had to sell the prisoners on the idea first. (Sierra Area Manager *Dick Johnston* reports that he understands Scotch courage was administered as a persuader.) Finally the regular rescue car got into the act and started taking them to safety ten at a time, and everyone was down by 3:30 p.m. The tram was back in operation the next day.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD (Continued)

FOLSOM LAKE SRA Manager *Darrell Knoeffler* reports that one car entered the park the hard way, sailing in off a steep bank.

A hardy camper braved the elements and spent the coldest night of the year, 17 degrees below zero, at BODIE SHP.

DISTRICT 4 . . .

The bait and tackle concession at the SEACLIFF SB pier was burglarized in December, and Rangers *Harry L. Eugene* and *Paul Jordan* assisted in apprehending two suspects. Ranger Jordan, who was first on the scene, held one suspect until the sheriff's deputies arrived.

PFEIFFER BIG SUR SP Ranger *Phillip Nelms* and wife Linda became parents of a daughter, Julie Lynn, on December 14.

DISTRICT 5 . . .

Supervisor *Wes Cater* reports that the *four millionth* visitor took Tour 1 at HEARST SAN SIMEON SHM on December 8.

Vandenberg AFB Boy Scout Troop No. 392, led by Colonel Kitching, Colonel Schultz, and Sergeant Antonson, camped at LA PURISIMA MISSION SHP and cleared out a quarter mile of the aqueduct so water could flow from the spring to the reservoir. They also worked at the Pine Grove area on restoration and maintenance.

A conservation workshop for teachers was given at the MORRO BAY SP Museum of Natural History by Ranger *Ray Jenkins* and *Mike Merkle*, District 5 Interpreter. The six weekly meetings were designed to stimulate interest in conservation, outline the necessity for a widespread knowledge about it, give conservation facts which can be successfully presented to children, and suggest methods of presentation which will actively involve the child and stimulate him to become better acquainted with the natural world around him. In addition to discussions led by Jenkins and Merkle, the group toured the museum and took field trips to the Park's heron nesting site and Chorro Willows. LA PURISIMA MISSION SHM Historian *John McKenzie* also spoke to the group.

HEARST SAN SIMEON SHM Steno *Betty Ennis* is the proud grandmother of a beautiful baby boy born to her daughter Ethel, and son-in-law Jim Licoscos. Area Manager *Wes Cater* predicts that Grandma will never be the same.

All the pictures and mementoes stolen in July from WILL ROGERS SHP have been returned with the exception of Will's old slouch hat. The pictures have been stored until money is available to have them repadded and reframed.

DISTRICT 6 . . .

Dr. Charles T. Collins of the Department of Biology at Long Beach State College brought a preliminary version of his 1969 study on the area's colony of Least Terns to HUNTINGTON SB – the two eggs which he had analyzed after they failed to hatch contained 83.1 ppm. of insecticide residues.

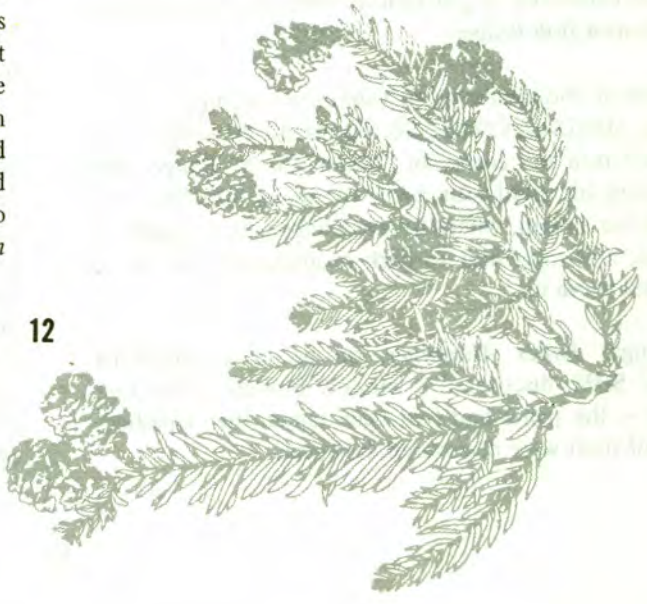
The alertness of the wives of Rangers *William Fait* and *John Walstrom* foiled two Christmas tree cutters at CUYAMACA RANCHO SP.

Total visitor attendance at OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO SHP from May through December 1969 was 1,023,475 persons.

It's been so foggy at LAKE ELSINORE SRA lately, reports Manager *Carl Whitefield* that even the geese are having trouble landing in the lake.

SACRAMENTO HQ . . .

Landscape Architect Ed Pope proudly reports that his son, Howard, has been elected Student Body President at Hiram Johnson High School in Sacramento.



VOX POP

HEARST SAN SIMEON SHM Guide Myles Rustin *was praised for his patience:*

> He gave an excellent description of all items we viewed and was attentive to all questioning. Due to his polite and thorough explanation of the background and history of the Hearst Monument, it was one of the most enjoyable tours I have ever experienced.
>
> Evelyn A. Porter
> Arlington, Virginia

Park Attendant Glen Mincks *and Rangers* Fred Meyer *and* Dan Goswick *"try harder:"*

> Having just returned from a very wonderful vacation at JEDEDIAH SMITH REDWOODS, must write to praise the three wonderful fellows who all went overboard to see that our stay was as enjoyable as possible. After many campouts in State Parks this year, these fellows head the list.
>
> N.S. Schaffer and Family

William Frederickson, Manager of the Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks, was very impressed with his experience in state parks:

> The State Parks which I visited were not only beautiful, but nicely patrolled and maintained. I was particularly impressed with Hearst Castle. Large numbers of people are accommodated in a very adequate way. I was much impressed with HUMBOLDT REDWOODS STATE PARK, which has preserved the beauty and quietude of the redwoods with a freeway system almost through the main area.
>
> William Frederickson, Jr.
> Los Angeles

Interpretive Services Supervisor of Exhibit Preparation Norm Wilson *received this letter from Sweden:*

> Most hearty thanks for the extremely interesting photos and other material. One of the old pictures has been used in the Bishop Hill exhibition where the gold-digging expedition is shown. Those pictures make me interested in further study on that theme. With sincere thanks for your invaluable assistance.
>
> Olov Isaksson
> PhD, Director of Museum
> Museum of National Antiquities
> Stockholm

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NEW BOOK TREATS CHILDREN'S PLAY FROM CHILD'S VIEWPOINT

A new book from the Van Nostrand Reinhold Company entitled *Design for Play,* by Richard Dattner, A.I.A., treats the subject of playground design and facilities from the logical – but often overlooked – viewpoint of the child.

More than just another technical manual, it is designed not only for the architect and engineer, but for the student, teacher, administrator, parent, community group, day-care center – any person or organization concerned with children and their play.

The book begins with an examination of what play is – a learning process – and shows that the typical playground, a sterile expanse of asphalt relieved only by steel swings and steep slides, is dangerous not only to the child's physical safety, but also to his mental and emotional development.

It explores the formal criteria for design and at the same time illustrates the lessons that can be learned from the way children play in the streets of the cities and invent their own facilities.

Design for Play contains 144 pages and sells for $12.50. It is divided into nine major sections: The Philosophy of Play, The Social Functions of Play, The Psychology of Play, Criteria for Design, Children as Designers, Adventure Playground – a Case History, A Portfolio of Recent Playgrounds, Playgrounds for Handicapped Children, and Other Opportunities for Play.

A copy of the book is available in the Planning and Development Section for inspection.

From "Design for Play"

"Damn it, they don't <u>have</u> swings in here!"

Erika Loutzenhiser, Supervisor of the MT/ST Group, operates the composer, which produces the camera-ready copy.

Kathy Forster produces a tape on one of the three MT/ST machines. In the background, Carolee Moore (in black) and Linda Dukes proof-read copy while Erika looks on.

MT/ST

DEPARTMENT'S MT/ST EQUIPMENT CELEBRATES FIRST BIRTHDAY

Almost exactly a year ago, the Department took delivery of a device with the imposing nomenclature of "IBM Magnetic Tape Selectric Typewriter." Called the MT/ST for short, it is a typewriter producing a magnetic tape which, when fed into a "Composer" (a companion piece of equipment), produces camera-ready copy in a variety of type styles and page designs.

The nice feature about this machine is that the tape can be stored, corrections or changes can be made on the tape at any time, and it can be run off whenever needed. We use it to produce NEWS and VIEWS, park folders (all the minifolders are prepared on it as are many of the interpretive folders), and for any other material that requires reproduction.

The MT/ST machines and Composer are set up in the Stenographic Services unit of the Department, and have proved to be so successful that word of their operation has spread to other agencies. Recently, the Departments of Mental Hygiene, Conservation, and Water Resources, and the State Legislature Assembly Rules Committee have been in for demonstrations.

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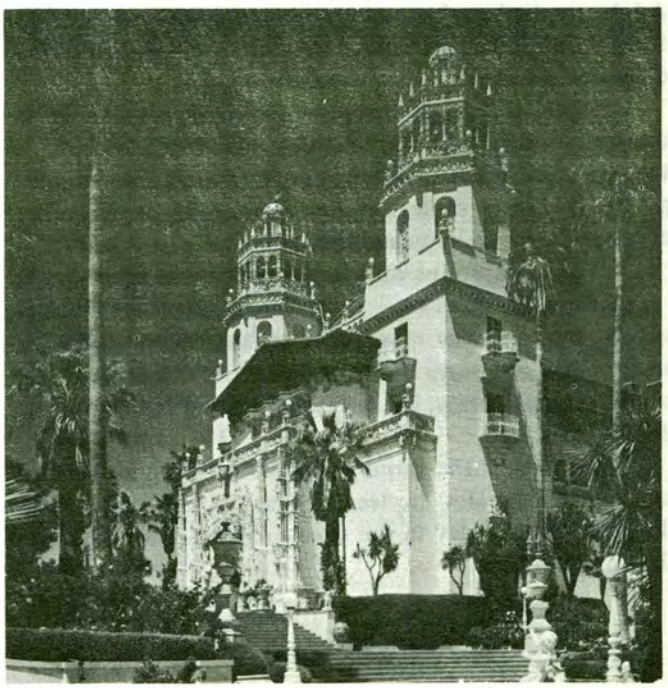
HEARST SAN SIMEON "OFFICIALLY" BECOMES STATE PROPERTY

All these years (since 1958) you may have thought that the State had clear title to one of its most popular attractions – Hearst San Simeon State Historical Monument. Not so, we found out recently.

At the time the State acquired the property, it was encumbered with a deed of trust as security for a series of 70 promissory notes totaling $3,500,000. Each year the Hearst Corporation has been donating a number of them to the State.

We have recently received the last eight of these notes and, as a result, will be able to obtain a clear title to the property. San Simeon, which has been visited by almost four million visitors since it was opened as a historical monument, will soon be the official property of the State of California.



COMMISSION REPORT . . .

The California Parks and Recreation Commission, at its January 9 meeting in Newport Beach, endorsed a Department recommendation to establish a State Park in the Mendocino Headlands and Big River Beach Area. The Department had made a feasibility study of the area in compliance with a 1968 legislative Resolution by Assemblyman Frank Belotti of Eureka, and reported the following findings:

1. The site contains significant natural and scenic resource values representative of the rugged Mendocino coastline, between Albion and Point Cleone.

2. The site joins together four state-owned areas providing a total composite of all north coast environmental and ecological conditions.

3. The historic values of the site are directly related to the beginning of the California redwood lumber industry.

4. The site has excellent potential for affording both passive and active recreation opportunities.

5. The site would help satisfy a growing recreation deficiency within the 2-4 hour travel time zone of the San Francisco and Sacramento metropolitan complexes.

Four recommendations in the report were:

1. That the Mendocino Headlands, Big River Beach and remaining study area between Russian Gulch and Van Damme State Parks be included in the State Park System.

2. That the local government (city or county) assume the responsibility to establish Mendocino as a "historic district" to insure the environmental quality of the community's entire coastal setting.

3. That the state's control and historic interpretation of the headlands, Big River Beach and Main Street be totally dependent upon establishing the community as a historic district.

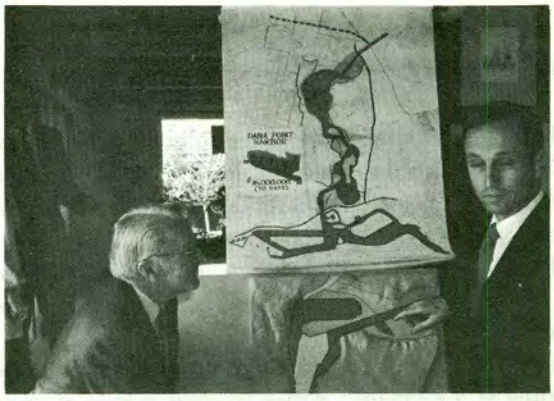
4. That the recreation development of the study area be limited to insure that the natural environment and fragile ecological communities will not be destroyed.

There would be about 3,000 acres in the total project including some 17 miles of ocean and river frontage. Cost is estimated at $9,243,000 for acquisition and $7,223,000 for development.

In other action the Commission:

Accepted gifts of three redwood groves in Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park with half the cost given by the donors and the state matching this amount. They were Helen Heffernan Children's Grove, 10 acres costing $13,893.75, given by Helen Heffernan and Friends; James W. Buel Grove Addition, 10 acres, $12,393.75, given by R. H. Buel; and the Achelis Foundation Grove, 80 acres, $196,550.70, given by the Achelis Foundation;

Recommended changing the names of 19 units from Historical Monuments to Historic Parks;



Director Mott and Alan Beek, President of the Friends of Upper Newport Bay, take a close look at a map of the area.

Commissioners Mrs. Clarice Gilchrist and Dr. Horace Parker chat about the view of Upper Newport Bay.

Heard a report from Director Mott that the non-profit tax status of the California State Park Foundation had been cleared by all necessary State and Federal agencies and that all funds from the 1964 Bond Act have been allocated;

Asked the Department to review the park units and report on what could be done to add recreational facilities, particularly for youth;

Set future meetings for February 13 in Riverside, March 13 in Kern County, May in Oakland and June in Squaw Valley.

On the Thursday preceding the meeting, Commissioners were conducted on a morning tour of Upper Newport Bay by Commissioner Horace Parker, and in the afternoon attended the dedication of Featherly Regional Park which was constructed under the local grant program of the 1964 Bond Act at a cost of $1,721,171. The park has both day use and camping. Director Mott, featured speaker at the Dedication, complimented the builders, Orange County, for the outstanding job of developing attractive facilities while protecting the ecology and beauty of the area.

SAN ELIJO STATE PARK PROVIDES LOCAL BOON

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"Riff-raff," hooted some of the folks who live on the hill at Cardiff-by-the-Sea, 25 miles north of the San Diego Hip Haven, when plans were outlined for development of the $1 million-plus San Elijo State Beach.

"That's what it will bring – hippies and beach bums," they howled at hearings held in the local elementary school auditorium.

That was about two years ago when the bulldozers were waiting at a moment's notice to chew a mile or so of barren bluff into a contoured campground and the landscape architects were pruning and re-pruning the palms and evergreens and native plants that would screen the tents from the folks who live on the hill and provide privacy for the campers.

Things have changed at San Elijo State Beach – and the attitude of the folks who live on the hill, too!

The merchants to the east across old U.S. 101 happily listen to the cling, ding, ring of the cash register as the average camping family plunks down perhaps $20 a day during a week's stay.

The calibre of the visitors – who bring gear ranging from a sleeping bag to a converted Greyhound bus – belies the fears of the folks who live on the hill:

Take this October party for example (and it is hardly typical) – Harry Nelson, 39, a Riverside attorney with three sons (wife Dorothy is a former school secretary); next "door," William Gerhardt, 40, a Los Alamitos school principal, a son and a daughter (wife Betty is a former school teacher who still works as a substitute when things are quiet at home).

Few hippies have the $3 a night fee to pay for a campsite. Sleeping on the beach is unlawful – and the sheriff's patrol sees to that.

San Elijo State Beach typifies the sage, who said: "Worry is a group of worthless thoughts surrounding the fear of a problem."

It is also a haven for the weary traveler, the newcomer to California. George Colleps, 35, of Houston, Tex., is one of them – along with his wife, two youngsters and a family friend who served as their maid seven years while Colleps operated a cafe plus three taverns.

The urge to find the Eldorado that 20 million Americans have sought in California in a quarter century brought them here, after they sold all their worldly goods in Texas, save an auto and a campcar.

Through a newspaper classified ad, they located a travel trailer in El Cajon for $350.

The Colleps family is reasonably comfortable while he seeks employment at his basic trade – welding – and the family friend looks for work as a waitress or domestic worker.

Moreover, the Colleps family plans to locate in the San Dieguito area. Granted, it means two more youngsters in a few years for the district's overcrowded schools, but the Collepses also will become part of the responsible folks who live on the hill.

Another October camping family that hardly fits the feared hippies category drove up from National City for a weekend at the seashore.

William A. Tatro, with his wife and several friends, moved into the rangers' view in a converted Aztec charter bus.

Tatro, a retired Navy chief electrician's mate, bought the machine as surplus, sans motor, for $300. He bought a six cylinder engine for $500 and then went to work making it into a mobile home at a total cost of $3,000 – about a third of what the standard ones run on the open market.

Wife Billie (cq) did the interior decorating; Bill the carpentry and plumbing. The result: a house on wheels that sleeps six, has a bathroom and shower, sofa, dining table and wood paneling enhanced with a white ceiling speckled with gold star dashes (Billie's special touch).

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RANGER CARL WHITEFIELD

On January 16, 1970, Ranger Carl Whitefield, the big Texan, teller of wonderful tales, man of compassion, dedicated public servant and professional park man, was assigned by the Chief Ranger to Park Universe.

On January 20 uniformed Rangers of the California State Park System, and many other friends, met at the Methodist Church in Elsinore to see Ranger Whitefield leave for his assignment.

Because of an abiding and lasting love of the desert, it is expected that Carl will be given important patrol responsibilities for those areas.

Godspeed and a fair wind, Carl.

James Whitehead, Superintendent
District 6

A fund is being collected to set aside a two-acre memorial "Desert Garden" for Ranger Whitefield. Donations are being collected by the District 6 office to be forwarded to the Anza-Borrego Committee for designation of the area.

THEY WEREN'T ALWAYS RANGERS

by Earl P. Hanson, Retired Chief
Division of Beaches and Parks

For years we have been extolling the "Ranger Image" and professional ranger ethics. State park ranger pay scales have been compared with scales of pay for other rangers both national and state. And "Better Ranger" and "Honorary Ranger" are titles that have been applied to those who have served well the "ranger profession." But, they weren't always rangers. In fact, for the first 18 years the System was without a ranger class (or even a "classy" ranger).

In 1928, when the System was established, many previously created state parks and monuments were administered by various state agencies, including the Redwood Park Commission, the Division of Forestry, and the Department of Finance. A Park Warden managed the staff of California Redwood Park in Big Basin, and Fire Wardens were assigned by the Division of Forestry to administer several northern redwood state parks.

It was not surprising that the title "Park Warden" was adopted by those who chose to transfer along with the parks to the newly created Division of Parks in the Department of Natural Resources in 1927. Four years later, in July 1931, the State Personnel Board adopted the title of State Park Warden and fixed the salary range. The Board also established the titles of Assistant State Park Warden and State Park Custodian.

Examinations for these positions were held on an open basis about 1935. In 1938, examinations were given in the Assistant and Warden classifications on a promotional basis for the first time. The first field administrators were titled District Superintendent, one for Northern California and one for Southern California (a later article to be presented on this).

1945 became the year when the ranger-like duties of the above classes were recognized by the State Personnel Board. State Park Ranger Grades 1, 2 and 3 replaced the classes of Custodian, Assistant Warden, and Warden. Promotional exams for the latter two grades were continued. By this time the salary scales had more than doubled those set in 1931.

Custodian Clyde Newlin and Warden Fred Canham exchange ideas while Louise Morley smiles approvingly.

It became obvious in 1951 that promotional opportunities should develop along "professional ranger" lines for comparison with the National Park Service's GS series. Therefore, the Personnel Board approved classifications of State Park Ranger I, II, III, IV, and V. The last two were technical replacements for Assistant District Park Superintendent, provided for in 1946, and District Park Superintendent, a title change in 1931.

Because a number of larger state parks and monuments required duties far beyond that of Ranger III, the Personnel Board agreed to declare the IV class that of supervisor of a major park and changed the former Assistant and Superintendent classes to V and VI. One year ago the latter classes were revised to become Assistant District Superintendent, Parks and Recreation, and District Superintendent, Parks and Recreation.

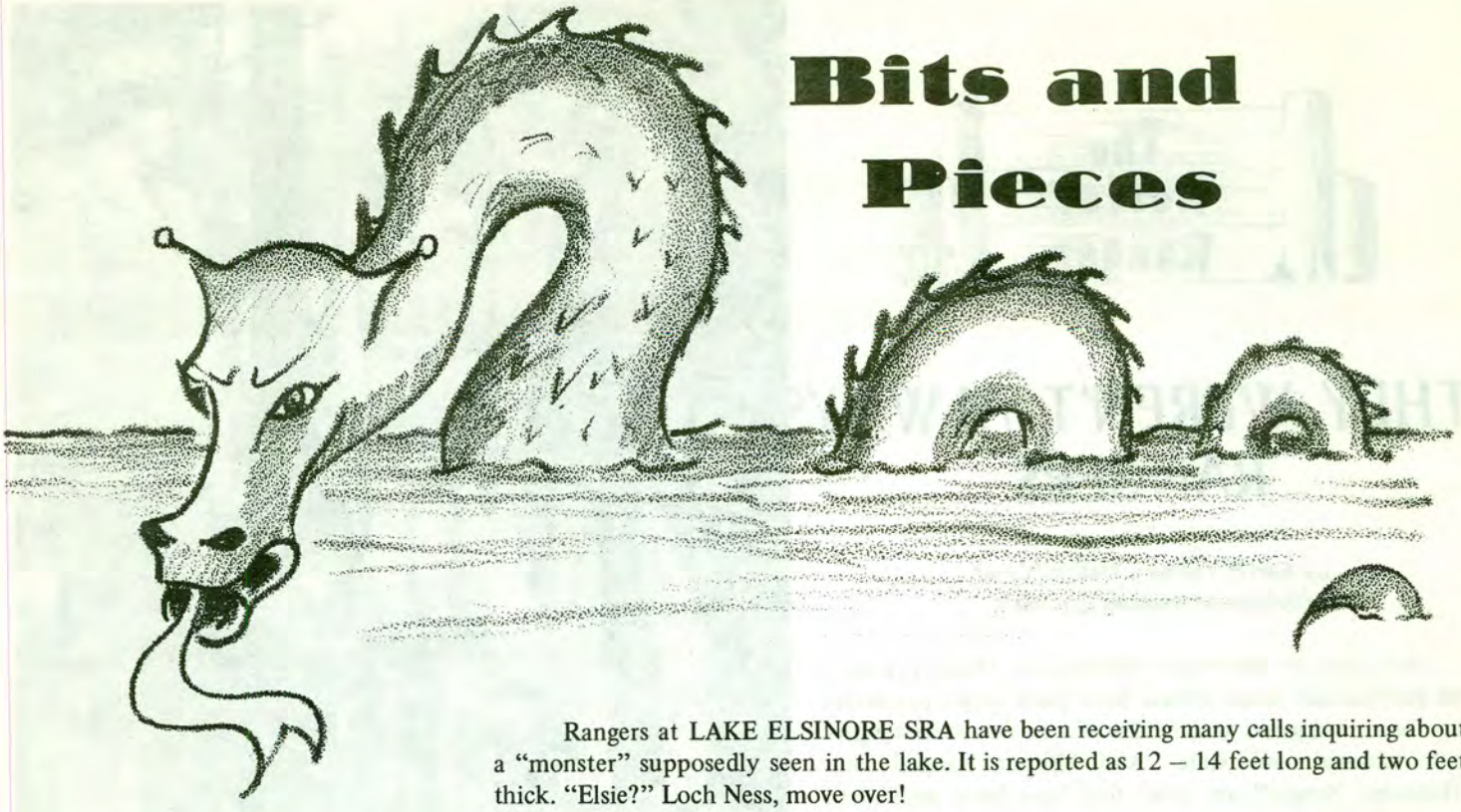
By that time the ranger pay scales were five times what they had been in 1931! And the superintendents' scales seven times!

Though some were not always rangers, they all became rangers in class, salary ranges and "ranger image," and remain so on this 25th ANNIVERSARY of their class.

(This is intended to be the first in a series of "Better Ranger" articles on some important milestones of the California State Park System. Coming soon: "I Was Hired as a Mule Skinner.")

Earl P. Hanson
"Once a Warden"

Bits and Pieces



Rangers at LAKE ELSINORE SRA have been receiving many calls inquiring about a "monster" supposedly seen in the lake. It is reported as 12 – 14 feet long and two feet thick. "Elsie?" Loch Ness, move over!

Ranger *Charles Potthast* of CARPINTERIA AREA discovered that it is indeed an ill wind that blows nobody good – while removing underwater hazards, he came across a lobster trap washed in by heavy seas that contained two lobsters, a dead one weighing about five pounds and a two-pounder that was alive and well . . . until dinner time.

The fresh air and sunshine at PFEIFFER BIG SUR SP proved irresistible to four teenaged girls, who removed their clothing to enjoy maximum exposure at Cedar Flat along Highway 1. Ranger *Phillip Nelms*, though startled, rose to the occasion by persuading them that they would be nearly as healthy with clothes on and would not create quite so much of a traffic hazard.

The "Dirty Bird" that in past weeks has been giving BENICIA CAPITOL SHM's portico a strong resemblance to the Piazza San Marco at pigeon time has been apprehended, according to Area Manager *Lorin Forsyth*. It was not an elephant, as he had suspected, but only a White Owl; White Owls are rarely seen this far south . . . fortunately.

Hmmm . . . Ranger *James Alexander* reports that BENICIA SRA must have more "bunnies" per square inch than any other comparable spot in the entire world. Wonder which kind he means?

A college student told SANTA CRUZ COAST AREA Ranger *William J. Coleman* that he had left his pants, containing driver's license, money, etc., on the beach when he took a walk and when he returned, they were gone. Ranger Coleman suggested that the student take another look and – voila! – about fifteen minutes later he returned to report that the pants, which apparently had been washed out to sea by a wave, had been washed back in again.

"Too many blackbirds" was the cause of a recent power failure at HEARST SAN SIMEON SHM. According to Area Manager *Wes Cater* the birds, lined up on the transmission lines by the hundreds, all took off at the same time, throwing the lines together for a "shocking experience." ("All together now, fellows – one, two, . . . ")

INTERPRETATION

APPRECIATION

UNDERSTANDING

A SINGLE STEP

by Keith Caldwell, District 3 Interpreter, who started his career with the Department in 1948. Though he was an engineering major at Modesto Junior College, he has been taking history courses ever since. He has worked at Seacliff SB; Mount Diablo, Bothe-Napa Valley, Fremont Peak, and Mount San Jacinto Wilderness SPs; San Juan Bautista SHP; and Sutter's Fort and William B. Ide Adobe SHMs.

An old Chinese proverb says, "A journey of a thousand miles begins with but a single step." As we think for a moment about interpretation in the park unit or statewide, perhaps we too should look to the little things that contribute to make up the whole. Such things as the improved sign wording, the friendly approach of the ranger, or the enthusiastic explanation of an old mechanical device by a tour guide are all important to our visitors.

In a recent discussion on interpretation, it was pointed out that interpretation starts at the park's entrance sign, and there are no boundaries or limits as to how far it may be extended. The first approach sign as the stranger looks for the entrance may make a lasting impression on him – it can be warm and friendly to usher him into the park or it can be cold enough to cause him to make a U-turn at the entrance.

The appearance of each of the park facilities is important, but the public servants in the park are most important of all, since most visitors want to be approached by a ranger or have questions. Recognizing the needs of each visitor entering the park is a prime requisite to giving that visitor his individual full measure of park experience. Employees must not only be neat and clean, but individually strive to be exceptional in their appearances. Good campfire programs and historical interpretation, well-maintained facilities, and a sharp park staff (bar none), add a certain something that causes visitors to come back often.

The final finishing touches come when we are able to extend our interpretation beyond the boundary and go out talking to groups young and old to stimulate their interest in our programs and their own environment.

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TRAVEL OCCUPIES RETIRED RANGER

by Ed Earl, Will Rogers SHP

Retired Ranger *Paul Minton* and his wife *Ruth* have had a busy two-and-a-half years since retiring from Will Rogers SHP. Paul started working for the Department of Motor Vehicles in 1944, and came to work for our Department in 1953. He worked 5½ years at Morro Bay, 1 year at Los Encinos SHM, and almost 8 years at Will Rogers SHP.

Paul wrote an outstanding article for the October 1961 News and Views titled "Will Roger and Charlie Russell." He gathered material for the article and the park's reference files by taking vacations into Will Rogers' home country in Oklahoma and Charlie Russell country in Montana.

Since retirement, Paul and Ruth have made a half dozen trips in the state. One long trip took them into Alaska by way of the Inside Passage and on their way home they visited three park families in the Redwoods with whom he worked at Will Rogers': the Ray Robinsons, the Wendell Davises, and George Kafkas.

When not traveling or gardening, Paul has been busy with eight organizations including the Sierra Club, Audubon Society, and historical societies, and has had time to become involved with his choice of political parties besides. He has held offices in most of the organizations he has joined.

Paul and Ruth have located themselves just about the middle of the state at 1746 Pereira Drive, San Luis Obispo 93401, so those going either way are invited to stop and to say hello. Paul said, "The coffee pot is always on and the latch is always out at our cabin here for all Park people, active and retired."

STAFF CHANGES

APPOINTMENTS

Ballou, John A.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Sierra	10-31-69
Briscoe, Robert C.	Deckhand, Hist. Ships	San Francisco Maritime	10-31-69
McGraw, Gerald F.	Lifeguard	Orange Coast	10-31-69
O'Brien, Neil E.	Secretary II	Director's Office	11-24-69
Rose, Donna G.	Clerk Typist II	P & D - Div. Ch. Off.	11-14-69
Sandberg, Richard L.	Tree Maint. Man I	Environ Res. Sect.	11-10-69
Sly, Walter R.	Park Maint. Assist.	Fort Humboldt	11-10-69
Snider, Robert A.	Electrician I	Angel Island	12-2-69

PROMOTIONS

Carlson, Jr., Earl V.	Senior Architect	Design Section	12-9-69
Gardner, J. Warren	Recreation Planner IV	Grants Admin. & Local Assist.Br.	10-31-69
Hanks, Martha T.	Supvr. of Guides, Hist. Mon.	Hearst San Simeon SHM	11-7-69
Hanshew, Ronald L.	Recreation Planner I	Orange Cst. to P&D-Stwd. Plng. Br.	12-2-69
Lloyd, William A.	Park Dist. Maint. Spec.	Dist 4 Headquarters	10-31-69
Steinmann, Darrell J.	Dist. Aquatic Supvr.	Dist. 5 Headquarters	11-17-69

SEPARATIONS

Anderson, Vernon R.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Big Basin	12-14-69
Lane, Irene C. (L of A)	Stenographer II	Director's Office	12-26-69
Mann, Paul D.	State Park Ranger (Int)	San Francisco Maritime	11-26-69
Miller, Ireland G.	Dispatcher Clerk	Folsom Lake	12-1-69
Oliveira, Joseph C.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Four Rivers	12-14-69
Vega, John U.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Santa Cruz Coast	11-19-69
Zaplishny, Wyliam D.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Santa Cruz Coast	10-18-69

UNIT CHANGES

Davis, James G.	State Park Ranger III	Hearst San Simeon to Ventura Beaches	12-2-69
Donahue, David B.	State Park Ranger I	Orange Coast to Mt. San Jacinto	12-2-69
Fleming, John R.	State Park Ranger III	Ventura Beaches to Hearst San Simeon	12-2-69
Hendrix, James G.	State Park Ranger I	Mt. San Jacinto to Folsom Lake	12-2-69
Tardif, Robert	State Park Ranger III	Orange Coast to Sacramento	12-2-69
Willson, Harry M.	State Park Ranger I	Morro Bay to Columbia	12-2-69

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LANDSCAPING TECHNICIAN OPENING

The Department of Parks and Recreation presently has an opening for a Park Landscape Maintenance Technician to be in charge of the groundskeeping and landscape maintenance function at our Orange County beach units. An examination has been scheduled for March 21, 1970. Applications must be submitted to the State Personnel Board, 801 Capitol Mall, Sacramento, California 95814 by February 27, 1970.

The minimum qualifications for Park Landscape Maintenance Technician are:

Either I

Experience: One year of experience in groundskeeping or landscape maintenance work; *and*

Education: Completion of a recognized two-year course in ornamental horticulture or landscape work at the junior college or college level.

Or II

Experience: Two years of experience in groundskeeping or landscape maintenance work; *and*

Education: Completion of 15 college semester units or the equivalent from a recognized school in ornamental horticulture or landscape subjects.

The salary range is $589 to $717 per month. Hiring may be done above the minimum step, depending upon the qualifications of the individual.

Further information and applications may be obtained by contacting the departmental Personnel Office, 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, California 95814, Phone (916) 445-6911, or the Orange Coast Area office, 3030 Via de Frente, San Clemente, California 92672, Phone (714) 492-0802.

AN INVITATION

The California State Park Rangers Association cordially invites all other Department employees to attend its annual GEC dinner-dance in the Empire Room of the Senator Hotel at 7:30 p.m. on March 14, 1970. Dinner and dance cost is $4.50 per person; the no-host cocktail hour begins at 6:30. Tickets will be available at the door, but we would appreciate your forwarding the reservation form below (form only – no money) so that the necessary arrangements can be made.

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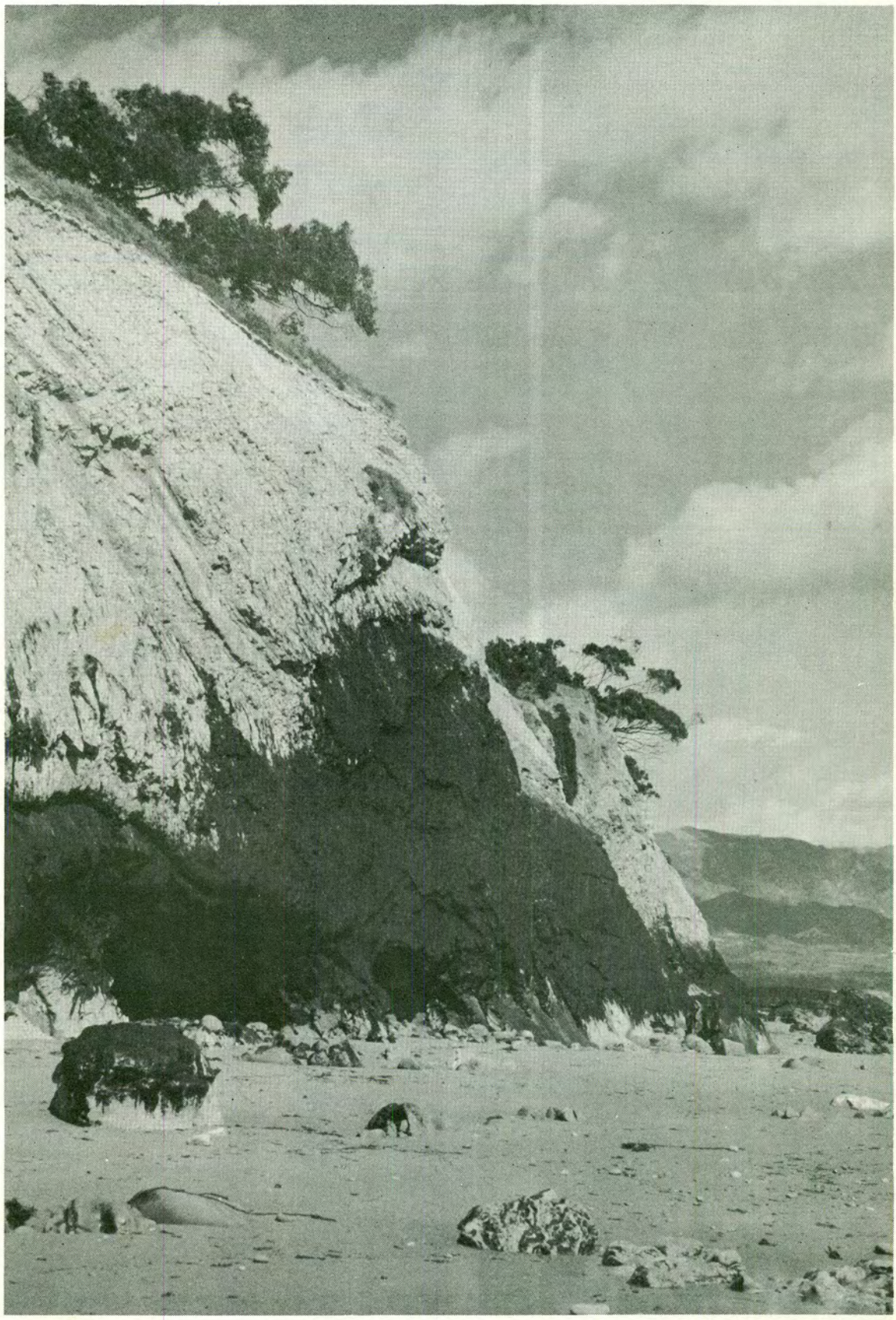

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ON THE COVER: *The picture was taken a year ago at the height of the Santa Barbara Oil Disaster. The oil spill problem still plagues California beaches.* *(See Page 2.)*

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.
DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION

In Costa Rica it was the custom of the country to be one hour late for a dinner appointment. In the Philippines it is proper to come one hour before the appointed time for dinner. In this country, time has a more precise meaning. When we say dinner will be at 7:00 p.m. we mean 7:00 p.m. – not six or eight. No, not even 7:15.

For the astronauts, time was exact: it was critical; it was demanding. But for many persons time is relative. It is unimportant. It need not be measured. We *make* time, we *find* time, or we have *no* time to carry out the goals and purposes of our lives.

And so it is with our work. If we set new goals and objectives, we can *make* time available by doing our routine work more efficiently. Or, we can *find* time by eliminating the wasting of time on trivia. In either case, the attainment of the goal, whatever it may be, is rewarded by fulfillment. If we have *no* time we will not know the ecstacy of fulfillment. We need time to work and time to play, time to plan and time to build, time to plant and time to harvest, time to speak and time to write, time to think and time to develop, and we desperately need time to change – to change to meet the challenges and needs of society in the 70s.

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OIL SPILL MARKS FIRST ANNIVERSARY

It's been a little over a year since the oil spill in the Santa Barbara channel made first-page news, but oil troubles on California's southern beaches are far from over. As these pictures taken at Carpinteria SB show, oil is still coming in.

There has always been a certain amount of oil leakage from the ocean floor, but never before last year, in amounts that posed such a threat to animal and bird life. Experts are still assessing the damage done to the sea birds and the unique seal and sea lion population of San Miguel Island. Many grebes, ducks, and cormorants were seen on the beaches of Silver Strand SB in mid-January of this year; they were covered with a heavy tar-like oil, origin unknown. Even as far north as the Santa Cruz Coast Area over a hundred dead oil-covered sea birds were reported during the week of January 12.

A special presidential panel of scientists and oil experts has recommended pumping out the huge pool of oil off Santa Barbara as the best method of preventing future disasters, but local residents and many conservationists are wary of this idea. Whether or not the oil companies continue to operate in the area, the oil debacle of 1969 will be remembered for many years to come.

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CONSERVATIONISTS WIN A ROUND

The proposed jetport which was to have been built near Everglades National Park in Florida will be located elsewhere. While recognizing the need for a Southern Florida airport, the agreement between Dade County and the Federal Government protects the unique Everglades environment by providing that Dade County will receive a suitable alternate site without cost, and will then abandon the present site. Facilities already located at the present site will be used in the meantime for training purposes.

In announcing the agreement, Secretary of the Interior Walter J. Hickel said, "Our best information is that the impact of a commerical jetport at the proposed site would probably destroy the Everglades. We were not in favor of gambling with a park unique in the world on the theory that somehow a major jetport and the Everglades could coexist."

NEW GASOLINE WILL REDUCE SMOG PROBLEM

A small but encouraging step to end the problem of automobile exhaust pollution has been taken by the Standard Oil Company of California. The company has announced the production of a new gasoline containing F-310, an additive that, it says, will "dramatically reduce hydrocarbon emissions."

The Scott Laboratories have conducted tests on the product and report that within 2,000 miles of driving, it does indeed reduce the emission of unburned hydrocarbon from 550 ppm (parts per million) to 250 ppm. It also reduces the amount of carbon monoxide from the exhaust.

According to the study, the new gasoline can take a used car in such bad shape that it is actually stalling and puffing clouds of smoke from its tailpipe and in a few tankfuls restore it to proper working order.

The gasoline is available now in the southern part of the state, and will be available by the end of March in the northern part. The additive F-310 is a proprietary development of Standard Oil, but will be given to other refiners.

DRUM BARRACKS

by Ed Earl, Manager
Will Rogers Area

Drum Barracks, a relatively new unit for our Department, was acquired in 1968 from the City of Los Angeles. It is located at Wilmington, two miles inland from the San Pedro Harbor.

Despite the isolation of the West from the Civil War, the Union leaders felt that the loyalty of the frontier was essential to their success, and so Camp Drum was established in 1862 as a garrison and base for supplies for the Department of Southern California, Arizona, and New Mexico. Its name does not have anything to do with drums; the camp was named after Adjutant General Richard Coulter Drum, who had been head of the Department of the West for several years.

Camp Drum served as a depot for the camel freight trains that visited Fort Tejon and took supplies through the southwestern desert, but the camel experiment did not prove too successful and after a year the Dromedary Line into Arizona and New Mexico ended. In 1863 Secretary of War Stanton ordered that the 35 government camels be sold at public auction. Some were used in Nevada to carry supplies to the mines, others were sold to circuses and zoological parks.

When it was in use, Camp Drum consisted of approximately thirty structures on a sixty-acre site. During the Civil War years, the number of soldiers stationed there varied from two thousand to seven thousand. The camp was abandoned as a military establishment in 1866 at the close of the war.

The 16-room barracks, which had been used as officer's quarters, is the only remaining building of the camp other than the powder magazine which has been incorporated into a residence a few blocks away. Before its acquisition as one of the few remaining landmarks of the Civil War in California, the barracks had been used as an apartment house. Now our Department and the Society for the Preservation of Drum Barracks are interested in preparing the building as an interpretive center; one plan proposes furnishing half the building as an officer's quarters and the other half as a Civil War museum.

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GOVERNOR LAUNCHES PROGRAM TO REDUCE JOB INJURIES

Every 34 minutes of each working day, an employee of the State of California sustains a disabling injury. Last year 3,722 State Employees suffered job related disabling injuries, with 22 of these accidents resulting in death. The tragedy and economic hardships resulting from this needles waste of human resources is the target of an all out program launched by Governor Reagan on February 2nd at a special noon ceremony to be held in the rotunda of the State Capitol.

Paul B. Cossaboon, Manager of the Governor's Program to Reduce Occupational Injury, stated, "This intensive effort to reverse the spiraling trend of employee injury in State Government, developed at the Governor's request, had the total commitment of top management, departmental directors, and all State employees." The Program theme is "WORK CAREFULLY," and its symbol, a stylized drop of blood, can be seen on stickers and posters on bulletin boards throughout State buildings.

Big Basin Area Manager Tony Trigeiro (right) discusses Trail Days plans with Sempervirens Fund Chairman Tony Look.

BIG BASIN-CASTLE ROCK TRAIL DAYS SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 18 - 19

Some 700 to 800 kids from high schools and environmental groups are expected to descend on Big Basin Redwoods and Castle Rock SPs for the annual Trail Days program this coming April 18 and 19. When they leave, the parks will be richer by fifteen miles of new riding and hiking trails.

The event is being jointly sponsored by the Sempervirens Fund of Conservation Associates, Tony Look Chairman, the the Santa Cruz Mountains Trail Association, Bob Diehl Chairman and head of the Trail Days activity.

This year, work will be on building trails from Big Basin to the ocean, and from the Santa Clara Valley to Castle Rock on the Skyline.

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NO ROCKING CHAIR FOR MARTIN COLE

by Ed Earl, Manager
Will Rogers Area

The last of the Curators – that was Martin Cole, who retired July 1, 1968 after seventeen years at Pio Pico State Historical Monument. He started with the Division of Beaches and Parks on October 16, 1950 at Sutter's Fort, and after a year there was transferred to Pio Pico. But his interests and activities now are far from what you might expect; no rocking chair or fishing pole for Martin!

Since retirement, he and his wife Ruth have been getting around – they made a two month trip back East, visiting over forty historic sites from Florida up the Atlantic coast to Canada. Their next trip, to Mexico, is planned for October of this year, and they are talking about another East Coast trip too.

Also, Martin is a writer, as many of you will remember from past issues of News and Views. He writes on aviation: he and his brothers have appeared in air shows – as well as historical subjects. Check *Sport Flying, Airway Magazine, Air Classic, Pioneer West, The P.T.A. magazine, Westways,* or *Elk Magazine* for his articles.

Martin and Ruth Cole

Besides all the traveling and writing he is President of the 1000-member Pio Pico Historic Society. The Society hopes to complete *Memoirs of Pio Pico* which they have been working on for ten years, this year.

Martin's advice to our readers is, "Invest your money, regardless of how small the amount, in California real estate." Martin and Ruth have settled at one of their investments, 10367 Starca, Whittier 90601.

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FEES WAIVED FOR SCHOOL GROUPS

School groups may make educational visits to units of the State Park System without charge, under a recent agreement between the Director and the Superintendent of Public Instruction. To qualify for free admission, school groups must have confirmed reservations and the school principal must certify that the visit is for educational purposes. Reservation arrangements should be made directly with the parks.

Fees will be charged for school groups visiting parks for other than educational purposes, and at Hearst San Simeon and Los Encinos SHMs.

Gung Hay Fat Chow

— THE YEAR OF THE COMPUTER IS UPON US

To the Chinese, it's the Year of the Dog – to the Department of Parks and Recreation, it's the Year of the Computer.

Preliminary figures from Computicket Corporation show that the new computerized campground reservation system is off to a fast start. In its first month of operation, $213,724.50 worth of campsite reservations has been sold for a total of 80,994 ticket days (days reserved).

The system may be new, but it's the old familiar pattern. Southern and Central California campgrounds, particularly those along the coast, are getting heavy pressure . . . Northern California areas are getting less.

District 4's Seacliff SB with its 26 trailer campsites heads the list with the four major holiday weekends – Easter, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, and Labor Day – already booked solid. In addition, nearly every day from the first of June to after Labor Day in September is filled by advance reservation.

In District 5, El Capitan SB is booked for the Memorial Day and Fourth of July weekends plus several weekends in August. Carpinteria SB is reserved for the Fourth of July and for most of the weekends in August. Leo Carrillo SB and Pismo SB are filled for the Fourth, and Morro Bay State Park is booked for Memorial Day.

San Clemente SB in District 6 is booked for Easter and, along with Doheny SB, is filled for Memorial Day, Fourth of July, and Labor Day weekends plus most of the summer weekends. San Elijo SB and South Carlsbad SB are reserved for the Fourth and Labor Day weekends, and Lake Elsinore SRA, Mt. San Jacinto Wilderness SP (Idyllwild Campground), and Salton Sea SRA (Headquarters Campground) are booked for the Memorial Day holiday.

In a recent news release Director Mott offered a number of tips to help campers:

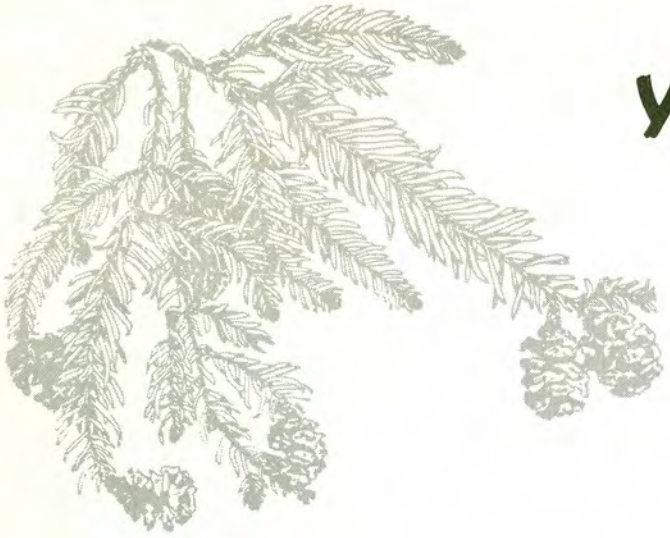
1. Plan outings for some month other than August, July, or June. These are the months when campsite occupancy is the highest. During the other months of the year a camper is almost certain to get into a state park campground.

2. Take advantage of the weekdays for camping. Often, every weekend at a specific park will be booked solid, but the period Sunday through Thursday will be open.

3. The inland areas of the state as well as our northern redwood and coastal areas very often have space available when the southern and central coastal areas are filled. Plan vacations to take advantage of this fact and avoid the most crowded areas.

4. And, try Class B or Class C camping if the Class A campgrounds are filled. The park esthetic values are the same, and although the Class B and Class C campsites may not be as fancy as the Class As, all the necessities for an enjoyable camping experience are there.

Governor Reagan visited the Department recently to watch our new Computicket reservation system in action. Dede Cossette demonstrates.



YIELD FROM THE FIELD . . .

DISTRICT 1 . . .

Area Manager *James Hartman* reports that WEAVERVILLE JOSS HOUSE SHM was closed January 1 for New Year's Day, but he thinks maybe he should have closed on February 6, Chinese New Year's, instead, to celebrate entering the Year of the Dog.

PIERCY AREA Manager *Doug Metcalf* visited 89-year-old *Percy French*, District 1's first superintendent, who is in excellent health except for some recent back trouble.

TRINIDAD AREA Assistant Manager *Lyle Keith* reports with gratitude on the efforts of *Marie Cox* and *Grace Reike*, who spent a day cleaning out and reorganizing the area's files recently. He says it isn't often that area personnel have the pleasure of spending the day in such pleasant company.

DISTRICT 2 . . .

MENDOCINO AREA Rangers *James Neal* and *Harry Shook* successfully completed their course in College Business Math from the University of California Extension and are now enrolled in a Police Science course, Handling of Juvenile Offenders.

It's a terrible mess at CLEAR LAKE SP, with all the flooding – Area Manager *Ed Griggs* says that, if anyone knows Noah's address, they sure could use his ark.

DISTRICT 3 . . .

The alarm system recently installed in some of the displays at SUTTER'S FORT SHM has been a revelation on how many people go over the barricades. Most of them say they just wanted a closer look, but Area Manager *Robert Tardif* feels that the mysterious appearance of a ranger prevents mischief and also gives the park staff an opportunity to talk to visitors who might otherwise not have been contacted.

They had a bad week at MILLERTON LAKE SRA recently – Area Manager *Bill Reinhardt's* car was stolen by three youths who took it for a joyride on Monday, and on Wednesday there was a fire in the home of Assistant Area Manager *Kirby Morgan* which did about $100 worth of damage to a bedroom.

DISTRICT 4 . . .

Ranger *Leonard Pearson* kept track of 21 cars entering NATURAL BRIDGES SP, the drivers of which claimed that they were only going to the overlook parking lot. Of these, 14 left in a short time, 5 stayed most of the day on the beach, and 2 picnicked without paying the fee.

DISTRICT 5 . . .

A rare fish was washed ashore at LEO CARRILLO SB, and Area Manager *Carl Chavez* contacted Assistant Curator of the Marineland of the Pacific, who identified the 14-foot specimen as an oar fish. This is only the fifth time that a specimen of this variety has washed ashore in this area in the last hundred years. The serpentlike red-finned fish usually lives in depths of 1200 feet or so and is more common off the coast of Scandinavia.

A camper at PISMO SB had been so frustrated by his previous three visits to the park – he had been robbed each time – that he had his ice chest chained to the table and a padlock put on its lid. Nevertheless the padlock was pried off and the contents of the chest stolen in a rash of such incidents which occurred at the beach recently.

DISTRICT 6 . . .

It's a boy – the first child for TORREY PINES SR Ranger *Herb Pierce* and wife *Sally* was born February 7. Joel Andrew Pierce weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces.

SALTON SEA SRA Ranger *Jim Hibbert* answered a cry of distress from the North Shore Motel and removed a muskrat trapped in their swimming pool. Ranger Hibbert rescued the animal and took him to a new home in the park's swampy area.

Acting Area Manager *C. H. May* of Lake Elsinore reports finding a chemical that will clean heavy algae off boat hulls with minimum effort. It is Brex Concentrate, a product of National Chemsearch.

ALLENSWORTH MAY BECOME NEW STATE HISTORIC PARK

The schoolhouse, built in 1909, is one of five structures in Allensworth proposed for restoration.

Last September the Department concluded a preliminary project study on the town of Allensworth in Tulare County. The purpose was to determine whether the town possessed the necessary historical potential to qualify as a State Historic Park dedicated to the role the Negro played in the development of California.

The results of the study were favorable, and shortly after, Governor Reagan authorized the formation of an advisory committee composed of key Negroes from throughout the State. The committee has already held two meetings, both in the town of Allensworth.

Allensworth is located in the extreme southwest corner of Tulare County between Corcoran and Wasco. It was founded in 1908 by Lt. Colonel Allen Allensworth who, although born a slave, rose to hold the highest military rank of any Negro in his time.

Colonel Allensworth's dream was a community where his people might build a meaningful life for themselves in competitive and sometimes hostile society. He realized that while our nation had technically outlawed the physical institution of slavery, few efforts were being directed towards the psychological emancipation of the millions of newly freed slaves. The town of Allensworth stood as a refuge in the West for Negro settlers from throughout the nation, and presented to them a critically needed element in their early California struggle for total freedom.

Colonel Allensworth never lived to see his dream fulfilled. A tragic accident took his life in 1914. The town thrived through the 1930s, but a shortage of water coupled with the need in the cities for industrial manpower during World War II proved its downfall. Today, only a handful of persons still lives here.

Some ideas for possible development of the proposed park were advanced during the preliminary investigation. They included the development of a major interpretive center, the restoration of certain structures, and the addition of recreational facilities to the area.

The original town was comprised of approximately 35 structures. Of these, five were of major historical significance and could be restored. The remaining 30, it was suggested, would be preserved as they stand. The five major structures proposed for restoration are the residence of Colonel Allensworth, the school, the church, the general store and post office, and the town hotel.

In addition, certain support and recreation facilities could be added to the area. Picnic sites, pathways, rest stop and comfort facilities are proposed as are overnight camping spots. And, since there are no stores or eating places nearby, the development of concession facilities to meet these needs might be appropriate.

Members of the Allensworth Advisory Committee are as follows:

George Pope (Temporary Chairman)
Tulare

Mrs. Hattie Crawford (Temporary Secretary)
Wasco

Dr. Kenneth Goode
University of California, Berkeley

Rev. E. J. Trotter
Fresno

Leamon King
Delano

Earl Fletcher
Oakland

Dr. Robert Thornton
San Francisco

Mrs. Ellena Albert
San Francisco

Mrs. Vassie Wright
Los Angeles

Ben Perry
Los Angeles

Cecil Murrell
Los Angeles

Dr. Ernest Hartzog
San Diego

Dr. James Holloway
Sacramento

Dr. Edward France
Berkeley

C. J. Patterson
Oakland

Grandvel Jackson
San Francisco

Eugene Lasartemay
Berkeley

Mrs. Marcella Ford
Oakland

Cecil Berkley
Tulare

VOX POP

This couple enjoyed their first camping trip at McARTHUR-BURNEY FALLS MEMORIAL SP.

We didn't realize how cold it gets in October. But one of your rangers, *Jim Symonds*, was very helpful. He let us use his own personal heater for our tent and came to check on us many times to see how we were doing, even offered to take us to his trailer to warm up. He helped us set up camp. He wanted us to enjoy our first camping trip, which we did. We are planning to go back this year mainly because Mr. Symonds explained things and helped us so very much. We think he is a good ranger, and a great human being.

Mrs. David Gallagher

MITCHELL CAVERNS SR Rangers Frank Fairchild *and* George Leetch *impressed these campers:*

We would like to express our appreciation for the well-kept campsites and especially for the extremely nice and very well informed rangers. These two men made our trip last weekend very enjoyable and we believe they sould be commended. We cannot say enough in praise of them.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Ricklif
Whittier

The arrangement of the art objects at HEARST SAN SIMEON SHM was appreciated by this visitor:

The artifacts contained within the building are living memorials to ancient culture ... the creator certainly had an aesthetic sense in blending the many periods and yet not really making any one object stand out as an eyesore. We had the pleasure of Mr. Woody Yost as our guide. He made the building come alive by his history of the various rooms we viewed. It was one of the most pleasant trips my wife and I had come across in our many years of traveling.

Isidore Kamen
Los Angeles

Dasher, Dancer, Prancer et cie *would be pleased to hear about this greeting:*

To: Deer of Big Basin Forest
Merry Christmas to the Deer

Love
Taiowa

JEDEDIAH SMITH REDWOODS SP Supervisor Jack Schlotter *received this letter:*

May we express our thanks and appreciation for the instant response and expert handling of the Richard J. Speicher rescue operation. Mrs. Speicher joins me in requesting that you convey our gratitude to all of your personnel who participated.

Charles C. Selig

This antique gun enthusiast appreciated the help he received from Exhibit Supervisor Norm Wilson*:*

Thank you very much for your answer to my enquiries in San Juan Bautista and Monterey. The courtesies of Park Department employees in an age of increasing indifference is appreciated.

W. J. Clough
Napa

Providing coffee and doughnuts were among the "extra care" services provided by BIG BASIN REDWOODS SP for members of this group:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank your staff, in particular Mr. *(William R.) Beat* and Mr. *(Ira) Brandt*, who so kindly assisted us. The facilities were most useful for a continuation of our meeting which we had held for the three previous days at Stanford University.

Roy L. Taylor, Chairman Pro Tem
Editorial Committee
Flora North America Project
University of British Columbia
Vancouver, Canada

SUTTER'S FORT SHM Ranger Homer Rail *earned this accolade:*

Dear Sir,

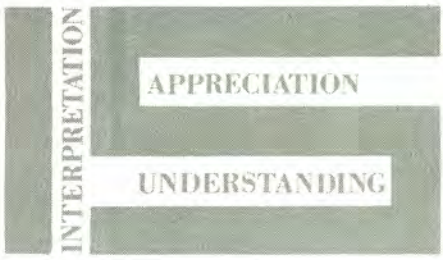
You are very nice. You are funny and patient with kids.

Your friend
Tammy Morelock
Concord

A young couple stranded at D. L. BLISS-EMERALD BAY SP on Christmas night expressed appreciation for the assistance rendered by Ranger and Mrs. Gary Fregien*:*

Tom and I would like to express our thanks once again for your hospitality. How lucky we were to have you people help us out. We hope to see you soon.

Dianne and Tom Bucchino



I'M NO EXPERT

by Charles G. Cline
District 1 Interpretive Specialist

Last spring I had occasion to go walking alongside a beautiful stream bank with a friend, delving here and there along the way into such interesting attractions as caught the eye. My friend was a resident of the area, well acquainted with local history, geography, and natural history. As we progressed, his easy manner and knowledge were impressive. In the course of any such excursion, however, things will be found with which one is not familiar or which cannot be readily explained. We found several and each in turn, or together, were stumped.

At the end of this trail is a small, quiet pool and as we approached we could see a brightly colored dragonfly skimming along above the edge nearest us. Now, having a passing acquaintance with such beasts, I predicted that he would go just so far along the edge and then turn, probably retracing his path to another definite point, where he would again turn; each time at or near the same limiting boundary – a patrol of a defined "beat." Obviously, and luckily, this particular dragonfly had been properly instructed in orthodox behavior, for he turned right on cue and continued a most exemplary patrol for several rounds.

Encouraged by one success, I ventured to explain that dragonflies are much like higher animals, such as birds and mammals, in that they will establish, hunt and similarly defend a certain territory. Ah, such luck that day! From across the pool came an adventuresome, or perhaps particularly hungry, intruder dragonfly, probably looking for new territory. A brief but noisy battle followed, with the intruder vanquished, as expected, and a normal patrol quickly resumed.

All this no doubt made some impression on my friend for he appeared not to be too familiar with the ways of these aerial dragons. In truth, I'm no expert, but being in possession of the right information at the right time, and most importantly, using it with a certain confidence is one of those trade secrets.

Too often in our business we hear the excuse, "I can't conduct a program on that, I'm no expert." Well, you needn't be an expert; an interested amateur will quite frequently suffice. Yes, you must be interested and you will have had to do some homework. Our friend Josh Barkin makes identification experts out of visitors in one easy lesson with, "Sedges have edges and rushes are round." And what if you get asked a question for which you have no answer? Everyone has been in that position. No need to feel as if you were some phony trying to bluff your way through. What you know, you know; use it to advantage.

So as you prepare for those public service interpretive activities, don't hesitate to tackle a new subject or strange material. Being interested and passing along those things you have found interesting will give you that ring of authority.

20 years ago

The main item of news 20 years ago was the resignation of A. E. (Chic) Henning as Chief of the Division of Beaches and Parks. Taking over for him was the Better Ranger Earl Hanson, who was appointed acting chief of the Division by the Director of Natural Resources and the State Park Commission.

Chief Ranger *Bob Hatch*, Columbia SHP, had been having trouble with leaking buildings so he wrote to the District Superintendent Powell, "Close inspection of the roof has revealed that the life of the present material is gone . . . Buckets have been kept under the known spots during recent storms, but new holes have developed and the only real answer is complete replacement." The answer, penciled on the original correspondence, "Bob – why not use more buckets!"

One of Earl Hanson's first duties as acting chief was to put out a directive changing the nomenclature of Park and Monument Heads to Park and Monument Supervisors, and changing the term Section Heads to Section Supervisors. "Those of you who were in the Navy," he explained, "will readily understand the change."

Mt. Tamalpais SP Assistant Ranger Jim Whitehead reported that he had trouble clearing a culvert during their recent rains. It seems there was an automobile in it. And, he added, he found a live fox paddling around inside the summit water tank.

Appointments and changes included the transfer of Lee Johnson from Patrick's Point to Dyerville, and the appointment of two new Deputy Rangers: Leo Dennis to Stephens and Williams Grove and R. V. Sims to Patrick's Point.

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Paul and Ruth Minton –
We didn't receive this picture in time to run with the story in our last issue. ⟶

MILLER WINS PAR TOURNEY

The Par Golf Club had its first tournament of the season on Lincoln's Birthday, February 12, at River Bend Golf Course. The course was extremely wet and got wetter during the play.

Ron Miller took top honors with a net 69; Walt Barbour captured the low gross trophy with a score of 82. The long drive award was won by John Hightower and the hole-in-one trophy went to Ed Pope.

COMMISSION REPORT . . .

"Impressive," and "You're doing a fine job," were terms used to describe the efforts of Riverside County officials in providing parks and open lands for the public.

State Park and Recreation commissioners and Director William Penn Mott, Jr., were hosted by the county on Thursday, February 12, on a field trip and evening meeting at which county officials outlined present and future county park plans.

State officials were particularly impressed with a three-county effort to preserve the Santa Ana River in parks, parkways, and open space. The Santa Ana is unique in that part of the state because it runs year around. Its 154 miles drain 2,050 square miles. Beginning in San Bernardino County, it traverses Riverside and Orange counties, passes through Alpine tundra, sagebrush, marshlands, grasslands, and empties into the Pacific Ocean.

Supervisors and park people in the three counties are working together informally to preserve the whole 154 miles in a natural condition, with parks connected by a network of trails in parkways and open space.

Commissioners viewed two parksites along the Santa Ana, one a 700-acre parcel on the flood plain a few miles west of the city of Riverside and the other a 5,600-acre parcel in the Prado Basin. The latter, which is leased to the county by the Corps of Engineers, contains the Bandini adobe, built in 1842. Park plans have been completed for the two areas and development is awaiting funding.

On Thursday afternoon, the group toured Lake Elsinore State Recreation Area and the site of Perris Reservoir, where a park will be built when Department of Water Resources constructs the reservoir, both in Riverside County. Perris will be a holding reservoir at the terminus of the California Aqueduct.

County officials escorting Commissioners and DPR personnel on the field trip were Supervisor Paul J. Anderson; Pete Dangermond, Director of County Parks, and his assistant, Chuck Broadwater; Charles Riffaud, head of the county parks planning section; and Ruth Brattan, chairman of the county Park and Recreation Commission.

Director Mott commended Riverside County officials on their wise use of moneys from the Land and Water Conservation Fund and the 1964 Bond Act.

Only part of Lake Elsinore State Recreation Area was visible from this overlook because of clouds and fog. From left, Commissioners Lowell Berry, Chairman Leonard Thomson, and Dr. Horace Parker enjoyed the view, anyway.

Concession building once occupied site where boat fueling dock now floats at Elsinore. The area has had high water since the winter of 68-69. Traditionally, Elsinore dries up over a series of dry years, then floods in wet years. Concession stand was dragged to higher ground. ⟶

COMMISSION REPORT (Continued)

MISSION INN

On Thursday evening the group was treated to a tour of historic Mission Inn. Leading the tour was Mrs. Patsy O'Tool, for many years a moving force in the "Friends of the Mission Inn." The Inn is experiencing financial difficulty as the last manager declared bankruptcy. The "Friends" are trying to save the historic building.

Construction of the Inn, located in downtown Riverside, began in 1874 by Frank Miller. Until his death in 1935, the Inn was his love and his hobby. The Inn covers some 3-1/2 acres, has six stories and a network of catacombs underneath. The building occurred over a period of years, with the last major addition, the top floor, coming in 1931. Art objects and artifacts, displayed at every turn, are valued at many millions of dollars at today's prices, and considerable architectural genius is evident throughout the building.

All who took the tour were amazed at the architecture and the multiplicity of artifacts. Some expressed the opinion that it was another Hearst Castle, and Commissioner Lowell Berry suggested that a study be made to learn the feasibility of the Inn operating on a self-supporting basis.

The County Board of Supervisors has asked that the Inn be added to the National Registry of Historic Landmarks. Director Mott said that this might be possible but that California and other states first must set up a committee to develop criteria and determine what qualifies for the National Registry.

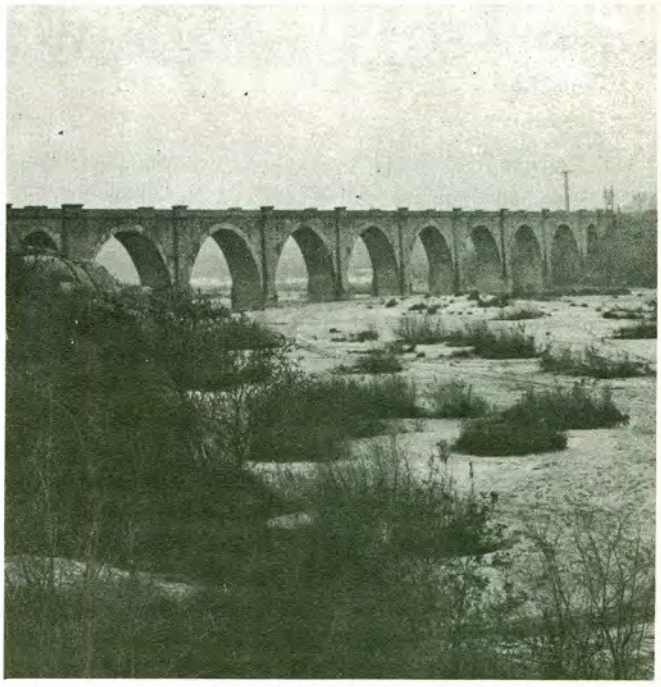
A long and varied agenda greeted Commissioners Friday Morning when they met in the Riverside County Board of Supervisors chambers.

PORTOLA

Director Mott reported on the status of the Corps of Engineers Pescadero Creek project which would affect Portola State Park. The Corps held a hearing January 22, at which the Department opposed the project because it would flood part of the park and destroy some redwood groves.

The Director said the Corps has justified the project on the basis that it would provide water to speed development in San Mateo County between the hills and the ocean. He said we will continue to oppose the project not only because it would damage the park but because it would obliterate one of the finest native trout streams in that part of the state.

"Lake fishing is no substitute for fishing in a live trout stream," Mott said, "and more anglers use the stream than would fish in the lake. Also, it is inconsistent to allow redwoods to be destroyed here when we are trying to preserve them in other parts of the state."



This Roman style railroad bridge is on the Santa Ana River at a Riverside County park site. Bridge, built in 1902, has withstood all floods.

Chairman Leonard Thomson said the Commission favored the Department stand and pointed out that the project would flood about 700 acres of the 2,500-acre park.

Commissioner Clarice Gilchrist added that Portola was made a State Park through gifts of the Save-the-Redwoods League and matching funds of the state and that there are alternative projects for developing water here.

Commissioner Harry Sokolov asked if the Department could stop the project, to which Mott replied, "Yes, in its present form. But if the Corps alters the project so that it would not flood the park, then we could only voice our objection to the destruction of redwood values and the loss of the live trout stream."

Director Mott also reported on the following:

The new reservation system through Computicket is working well, with some technical kinks that should be ironed out before the busy season. He anticipates a Computicket outlet in the San Diego area by mid-May.

President Nixon has asked that $335 million be budgeted in the Land and Water Conservation Fund. If passed, California would receive nearly $9 million. The Director listed as priorities open space in urban impacted areas, trails from the inner city to the outer perimeter, and ways to get from there into the country.

There have been no developments on the National Redwood Park as the Federal Government will need another year or two to finish a boundary survey and no discussions will be held until this survey is completed.

a child's treasure

By Ranger Donald E. Lapp, Sacramento Area

Secreted in Patty Reed's clothing during all the suffering and agony of the Donner Party's journey over the Sierra were a number of childish treasures. First, tied up in a little piece of old fashioned lace dotted with wee blue flowers, was a lock of silvery gray hair that she had cut from the head of her dead grandmother back on the big blue river at the start of her adventure. She also carried a dainty little glass saltceller, scarcely larger than the inside of a hummingbird's nest, and, even more precious than this, a tiny wooden doll with black eyes and hair. This pretty doll was her constant companion.

A party of men from Sutter's Fort rescued the ill-fated Donner Party, and Patty spent many happy days there before moving to San Francisco. At Sutter's Fort, after her rescue, Patty told "Dolly" all her joys and gladness, and who cannot pardon the little girl for thinking her Dolly looked happy as she listened!

"Dolly" brought happiness to another little girl, too. The years passed, and Patty grew up and had eight children of her own, but it was to her granddaughter that she gave her "Dolly." And, just a few weeks ago, who should come to see and reminisce over the little wooden doll but Mrs. Florence Graves of San Jose, 78 years old, one of Patty's two grandchildren, who, as a little girl, played with the dolly that Grandma had loved so dearly.

Patty had asked that her world-famous doll be housed permanently at Sutter's Fort, where it would be visited by thousands of school children and adults each year.

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COMMISSION REPORT (Continued)

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There is no connection between the beach land at Camp Pendleton and the National Redwood Park. Although news media have tabbed the acquisition of beach land at Pendleton as part of a swap for state redwood parks, the Pendleton land is an entirely different matter and connected in no way with the redwood park issue.

The Division of Highways is still holding hearings on alternate freeway routes at Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP. Mott said alternate routes would not go through primeval redwood groves as the original route would have.

In other business the Commission:

Endorsed Proposition No. 7 on the June primary which would raise the interest rate on State bonds from 5 to 7%.

Viewed slides and heard a report on the peripheral canal by John Teerink, Deputy Director of the Department of Water Resources;

Postponed adoption of a master plan for Asilomar SB Conference Grounds;

Postponed action on a statement of policy regarding participation in soil conservation districts;

Approved a request for the on-sale of alcoholic beverages at Monterey SHM during the bicentennial from May 30 through September 12 of this year;

Approved a policy relating to concessions and private developments on state and adjacent lands at state lakes and reservoir recreation areas;

Changed the election of Commission officers from February to March of each year;

Adopted resolutions establishing two natural preserves at Torrey Pines SR.

Harriet Allen of San Diego, representing the Torrey Pines Association, the Sierra Club, and the Torrey Pines Wildlife Association, approved the two preserves at Torrey Pines and discussed problems of the lagoon closing from time to time because of tidal action and storms. She asked that measures be taken to keep the lagoon open at all times.

Commissioners present included Chairman Leonard Thomson; Mrs. Clarice Gilchrist, Mrs. Leah McConnell, Dan Villanueva, Dr. Horace Parker, Harry Sokolov, Lowell Berry and Ian McMillan.

Department personnel present were Director Mott; Jim Whitehead, Superintendent of District 6; Bud Getty, District 6 Interpretive Specialist; Jim Fisher, Assistant to the Director; Neil O'Brien, Secretary to the Director; and Information Officer Ray Chapman.

Also attending was Fred Roland, Information Officer for the Los Angeles office of the Department of Water Resources.

A Workday in the Life of a Resident Ranger

A photo essay by Stan Carson, Pio Pico SHM

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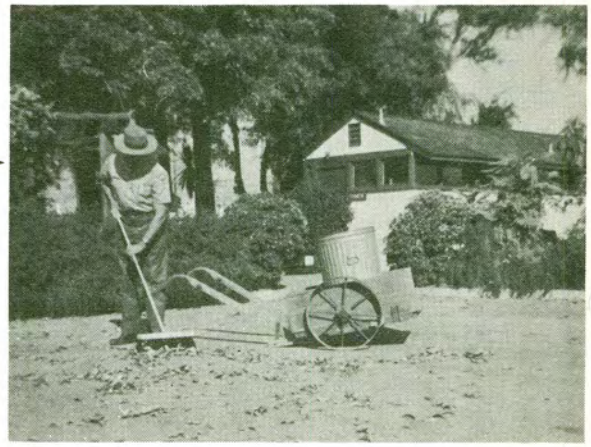

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HANK HJERSMAN TAKES TEMPORARY STINT IN VENEZUELA

Hank Hjersman, Supervisor of the Department's Contract Services Section, has taken a one-month temporary assignment in Venezuela as a recreation consultant for the Guri Dam project there. Hjersman, who has been with the State for nearly 30 years, has been working with the Water Resources Department in much the same type of work, evaluating the recreation potential of reservoirs in the State Water Project.

The Guri Dam is being built on the Caroni River, a tributary of the Orinoco, to form a reservoir of nearly 14,500,000 acre feet with four times the capacity of Oroville Reservoir. It is a hydroelectric project, and will develop power for the manufacture of iron, steel, aluminum, and paper and pulp products.

The developer and the IRI Research Institute, for whom Hjersman is working, are anxious that the area also be developed as a recreation site. There is one little problem to be worked out, however, before the reservoir can be properly developed as a water-oriented recreation area — the river is alive with Piranha.

Hank Hjersman points to the site of the Guri Dam, where he is presently working on a temporary assignment.

EAST END OF SUNSET BOULEVARD BECOMES PART OF PARK

A milestone in the development of El Pueblo de Los Angeles SHP took place February 2 when the east end of Sunset Boulevard was closed to auto traffic. As Director Mott said of the street closing, "I predict that we will see more of this kind of thing in the future, so our cities can serve people rather than cars."

The birthplace of the City of Los Angeles, the park will eventually contain facilities costing around $30 million for amusement, concerts, art shows, and displays showing the cultural contributions made by the diverse groups which made Los Angeles. Funds for the project will be obtained from park property rentals.

Participating in the brief ceremonies marking the street closing, declared a California Bicentennial event by Lt. Governor Ed Reinecke, were Los Angeles Mayor Sam Yorty; Timothy Manning, Archbishop of the Diocese of Los Angeles; Hubert Laugharn, president of the El Pueblo de Los Angeles SHP Commission; Bishop John Ward, member of the Commission; Supervisor Ernest Debs; Councilman Gilbert Lindsey; William Probert, general manager of the Commission; and Carl Anderson, DPR Assistant Deputy Director.

C.S.P.R.A. News

ROSS HENRY
P. O. BOX 206, SACRAMENTO 95801

I received the following letter as the result of an item in January's column:

Dear Mr. Henry:

In the January issue of *News and Views* you carried the article on page 9 regarding the snow and Christmas tree setup in Oak Park. I thought it might be of interest to you to know that despite the fact that the community donated the tree and lights, most of the light bulbs were stolen on the first night, and the following day, the entire string of lights was stolen and the tree destroyed by vandals in the area.

It is a strong disappointment to us in the profession to attempt community participation of this sort only to have it completely negated by community vandalism.

Most sincerely,
GENE ROBINSON
Assistant Parks Superintendent
City of Sacramento

I had originally intended to include this letter as a self-explanatory item, but a staff discussion of it raised an issue that I had not contemplated: That rather than a pure act of vandalism this incident might be a form of protest. Some members of the impacted community might have resented this effort as condescending, something being done for them by an affluent citizenry that felt sorry for them.

I find it difficult to believe that a cooperative effort of several governmental agencies and so many people, including members of the community, could be so grossly misinterpreted, but I am not a resident of a ghetto area and can only speculate on their point of view. I can understand resenting a program that makes the beneficiary dependent upon a paternal government without any attempt to prepare him to be a productive member of society, but not one that provides his children a recreational opportunity and a Yuletide experience.

There are many people in the community who pay more taxes than I, and yet I don't hesitate to avail myself of the services these taxes provide. I'm sure I use local recreation areas, for example, to a greater extent than most of the individuals who contribute more to the support of these facilities. There are times in a person's life when he receives more than he gives and others when he is giving more than he is receiving.

I am sure that the community of Oak Park appreciated this effort and that the act of a few local vandals should not be misconstrued.

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HIOUCHI 5-0 WINS CRABBY EVENT

February 9 was the date of the greatest festive occasion of the year for the people of Crescent City, the Glorious National Crescent City Crab Races (and if that doesn't give you some idea of the life in Crescent City . . .). Visitors from all over California, Oregon, Washington, and beyond descended on Crescent City for the excitement.

This year the Redwood National Park's entry, Old Faithful, had challenged HIOUCHI AREA's renowned Hiouchi 5-0 to a duel to the death. When the fateful hour (2:15 p.m.) came, the crabs were brought to the starting line. One look at the formidable Hiouchi 5-0, and Old Faithful froze in his tracks, making it easy for Hiouchi 5-0 to claw his way over the finish line first.

The area staff says that next year their entry will go on to the top and take the coveted Grand Champion award – Hiouchi 5-0 II is now in training. We wonder – is he training in running – or hypnotism?

COAST GUARD UNIT ADOPTS JOHN PIERCE AS BLOOD BROTHER

Thanks to the Hemophilia Foundation's blood brother program, John Pierce can expect to lead a reasonably normal life.

Many people in the Department know *Ken Pierce*. He was a ranger at Huntington SB and at Hendy Woods SP, and is now a Recreation Planner at Sacramento Headquarters. What many don't know is that his five-year-old son, John, is a hemophiliac.

Hemophilia is a sex-linked hereditary defect in which the victim's blood does not clot normally. Like color blindness, it is transmitted by the female, but nearly always affects only the male. A slight cut or bruise can result in uncontrollable bleeding, and the only remedy is massive blood transfusions. Some hemophiliacs require as much as 180 pints of blood per year.

This is not an appeal for blood for John. In a sense he's lucky. His need for blood – approximately 40 pints per year – is being taken care of by the Sacramento Coast Guard Reserve Unit 82816, which adopted John as a blood brother last January, and by CSEA Chapter 2.

The Coast Guard unit learned of John through Department Assistant Personnel Officer Bob Dutra, who is blood bank officer for the Coast Guard Reserve. Other Department members of the unit are Tom Domich of the Budget Section and Folsom Lake Park Aid James Week.

There are approximately 50 hemophiliacs in the Sacramento area alone, and many more throughout the state who need blood brothers. You or any organization to which you belong can assist by donating blood in the name of the Hemophilia Foundation. Check with your local blood bank for details.

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That's Bob Larson, Landscape Architect in the Statewide Planning Branch, sporting the mouse. He picked it up in a hockey game (a flying puck) while playing defense for the *Nighthawks*, a team in the Sacramento Ice Hockey Association. If it's any consolation, Bob's team won. →

Potpourri...

Miss Pearl Chase, Chairman, accepts a trophy on behalf of the La Purisima Mission Advisory Committee from Bonnie Forbes (left) and Mary Mason (center). The girls won first place in the marching units in the Lompoc Flower Festival parade last summer, with "La Purisima Mission SHP" the theme of their entry. They used livestock from the Mission, including goats which ate part of their flower-decked costumes. Bonnie is the daughter of Advisory Committee member Eugene Forbes; Mary is the daughter of La Purisima Area Manager Jack Mason.

ADMINISTRATION CHIEF RONALD E. MILLER RETIRES

A dinner will be held on April 30 in honor of the Administrative Services Division Chief Ronald E. Miller, who is retiring after more than thirty years of State service. The event will be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Woodlake Inn in Sacramento; a social hour will start at 6:30 p.m. with dinner at 8:00. Cost of the affair is $6.50 per person for dinner, gift, and tip.

THE PINK KLEENEX KAPER

While on routine patrol, ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP Ranger *Chet Getty* noticed a number of shrubs "decorated" with pink Kleenex. He noticed they made a trail and so Super-sleuth Getty, no doubt mindful of the James Bond films, decided to follow picking up Kleenex as he went.

At the end of the litter trail, Ranger Getty saw a plastic bag tucked under a rock. This was the last straw! He jerked out the bag and scattered its contents, about three ounces of marijuana, far and wide over the landscape.

Now, with any luck, the park will have a new specimen of flora when the rains come. Good going, Sherlock Getty!

STAFF CHANGES

APPOINTMENTS

Bechthold, Bernard A.	Guide I, Hist Mon*	Hearst San Simeon SHM	12-6-69
Borden, William E.	Jr. Staff Analyst	Personnel Sect.	2-2-70
Boulian, Dorothy M.	Guide I, Hist Mon*	Hearst San Simeon SHM	12-20-69
Boulian, Philip	Guide I, Hist Mon*	Hearst San Simeon SHM	12-20-69
Byrne, Janet A.	Clerk I*	S.F. Maritime Area	1-12-70
Cooper, William J.	Janitor	Frontera Area	1-2-70
Group, Rosalind A.	Clerk I*	Stenographic Services	1-10-70
Orrell, James O.	Guide I, Hist Mon*	Hearst San Simeon SHM	12-20-69
Orrell, Jay M.	Guide I, Hist Mon*	Hearst San Simeon SHM	12-20-69
Provost, Carol L.	Clerk Typist II	Stenographic Services	1-19-70
Secovitch, Ronald J.	State Park Ranger I	Anza-Borrego Area	1-2-70
Sterger, Judith C.	Clerk Typist I	Mgmt. Repts. Unit	1-30-70

CLASS TITLE CHANGE

Redger, Edward L.	Janitor to Groundsman	Hearst San Simeon	1-7-70

DEATH

Whitefield, Carl G.	State Park Ranger III	Lake Elsinore	1-16-70

PROMOTION

Dukes, Linda A.	Clerk Typist II	Stenographic Svcs	1-27-70
Mills, Bernice	Accountant I	Accounting Unit	12-22-70
Spicer, Raymond F.	Park Dist. Maint. Spec.	Four Rivers Area to Dist. 3 HQ	1-1-70

UNIT CHANGES

Greene, James H.	State Park Ranger III	Marin Area to Heart Bar Area	1-15-70
McClintock, Harry M., Jr.	State Park Ranger I	Santa Cruz Coast to Big Basin Area	1-19-70
Pond, James W.	State Park Ranger I	Ventura Beaches to Hearst San Simeon	1-1-70
Potthast, Charles O.	State Park Ranger I	Carpinteria Area to La Purisima Mission	1-1-70

SEPARATIONS

Bastiaen, Marshall A.	State Park Attendant	Big Basin Area	1-10-70
Chapman, Edwin L.	State Park Ranger (Int)	San Diego Coast Area	5-17-69
Cooper, William J.	Janitor	Frontera Area	1-22-70
Godier, Lois M.	Clerk II	Hearst San Simeon	1-7-70
Hess, Michael J.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Mt. Diablo Area	12-31-69
Howe, Rita C.	Clerk Typist II	Personnel Section	1-29-70
McCloy, Henry P.	Guide I, Hist Mon*	Hearst San Simeon	12-19-69
Nelms, Phillip P.	State Park Ranger I	Big Sur Area	1-30-70
Noble, George D.	Custodian, Hist Mon	Columbia Area	1-20-70
Roper, R. Kenneth, Jr.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Clear Lake Area	12-29-69
Seib, Letha L.	Stenographer II	Millerton Lake Area	12-31-69
Sandberg, Richard L.	Tree Maint Man I	Environmental Res. Sect.	1-13-70
Stewart, Paul M.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Big Basin Area	1-23-70
Tetzlaff, Robert P.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Feather River Area	10-10-69
Villalobos, Abeline A.	Bookkeeping Mach Op. I	Bookkeeping Machines	1-8-70

*Permanent Intermittent

Do you know whose face appears on the $2 bill? The $1,000 bill? – Cut this out and put it in your file of little odd bits of useless information.

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$5	-Lincoln	$10	-Hamilton
$50	-Grant	$100	-Franklin
$500	-McKinley	$1,000	-Cleveland
$5,000	-Madison	$10,000	-Chase
		$100,000	-Wilson

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ON THE COVER:

Hollywood personalities Ken Murray and Robert Cummings were on hand for the premiere of Murray's film, "The Golden Days of San Simeon," which is being shown to visitors taking Tour 1 at Hearst SHM. Murray donated the film to the State Park System through the new California State Parks Foundation. *(See page 2)*

Photo by Dick Thompson

I don't take chances --

BUT

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.
DIRECTOR
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
AND RECREATION

How often have you heard employees say, "I don't take chances; I haven't been in an accident in twenty years." This implies that it is the other fellow who is responsible for the high accident rate in the Department of Parks and Recreation. But the accident rate for the State per million man hours of work in 1952 was 17.4 percent. Eighteen years later, in 1970, the accident rate is still 17.4 percent. In our Department, the vehicle accident rate for the period July to December 1969 was 22.2 percent; the statewide rate was 10.5 percent. In 1967-68 we had 316 Workmen's Compensation claims. Included in this figure were 25 back injuries, 19 eye injuries and 46 injuries caused by slips and falls. The statistic might be you the next time.

Although the Department has shown a marked improvement in decreasing its accident rate from 33 in 1966-67 to 16 in 1968-69, we are far from the enviable low accident rate of such private corporations as General Electric with a rate of 1.5 percent, or Pacific Telephone with a rate of 1.56 percent.

In response to Governor Reagan's program to reduce job injuries, we pledge to make every effort to reduce our accident rate to below 12. We can do this if we develop a "safety awareness;" if we will be careful; if after we make out an accident report we will stop and analyze why that accident occurred and take the steps necessary to prevent its recurrence.

It is true that the expenses incurred by the State for Workmen's Compensation claims amounted to approximately eight million dollars last year and, for our Department, $115,361. This cost has been increasing at the rate of approximately fifteen percent per year for the past ten years. In addition to the direct costs, it is estimated that the hidden costs are two and one-half times greater than the actual cash outlay. Although these figures are impressive, my concern is with the anguish, inconvenience and problems that injury to human beings creates – not only to the individuals but to their families and loved ones.

Accidents need not happen! We can eliminate the 19 eye injury claims sustained last year if we will just take the time to be careful, to use the right tools and equipment and avoid taking chances. Fortunately, no injury resulted in loss of eyesight, but you may not be as fortunate the next time.

Let us each be concerned every day, every hour, every minute of this year about our work habits and those of our fellow employees. We have done a good job in reducing our accident rate and you are to be commended. However, I know we can do better. We must do better if we care for ourselves, our families, our loved ones.

Ken Murray's "Golden Days"

Visitors on Tour 1 were pleasantly surprised to discover Robert Cummings and Ken Murray in the Refectory. Murray was doing research for his new book.

During the showing, the sight of a teenage Carole Lombard on the screen brings mixed reaction. Seated next to Ken Murray are his wife Bette Lou and his two daughters Janie and Pamie.

Photos by Dick Thompson

November 4, 19

Honorable William Penn Mott, Jr.
Director of Parks and Recreation
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, California 95811

Dear Mr. Mott:

I am honored to present to the State of Califor
the negative, including music and narration, o
film of the early days at San Simeon, and all of
therein in perpetuity. You, of course, have the righ
such prints as you deem necessary.

It is especially gratifying to me that my irreplaceable film will be shown at the Hearst Castle theatre at San Simeon to the hundreds of thousands of tourists who visit this State Historical Monument annually.

I wish the State of California and the Department much success in the use of this film.

Sincerely,

Ken Murray

942 No. Alpine Drive
Beverly Hills, Calif.

Robert O. Meyer

Film Premiered At Hearst SHM

The big day was February 22, Washington's Birthday, when the first showing of producer-comedian Ken Murray's film, "The Golden Days of San Simeon," was presented to visitors at Hearst San Simeon SHM.

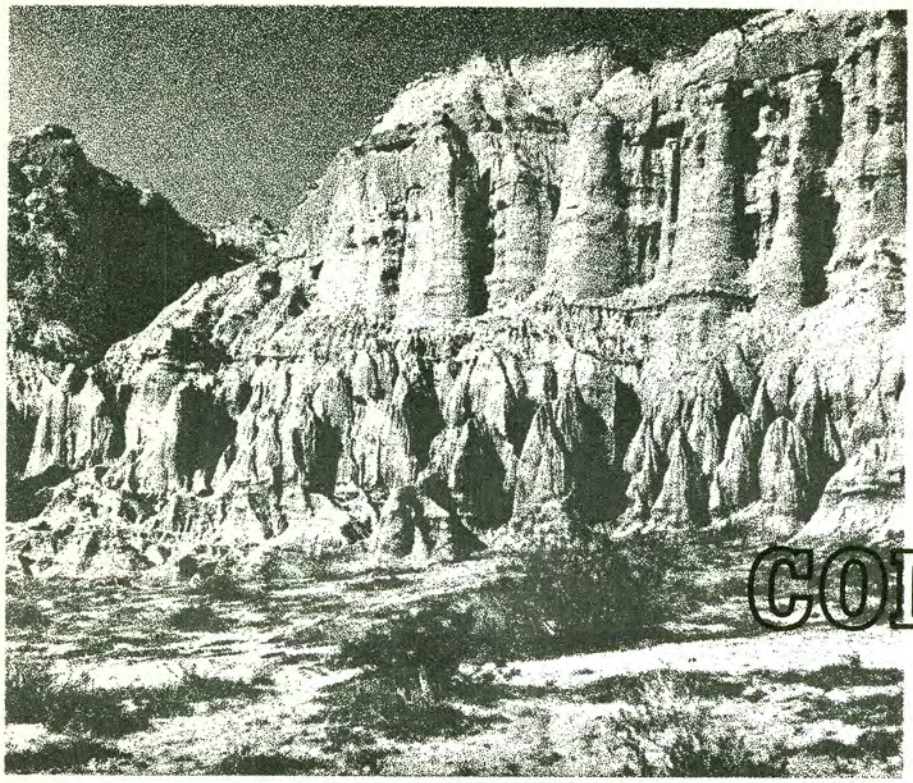
On hand for the premiere showing were Secretary for Resources Norman Livermore who introduced the film, Department Deputy Director Bob Meyer who represented Director Mott, Ken Murray, and Murray's close friend and erstwhile visitor to San Simeon during its heyday, Hollywood actor Robert Cummings.

Murray gave his film to the State last November (see box) as one of the first gifts to the California State Parks Foundation, the nonprofit, private corporation set up to receive gifts on behalf of the State Park System.

Murray, who is a member of the Foundation, is also preparing a book entitled "The Golden Days of San Simeon," which will be published later this year by Doubleday. A portion of the receipts of this book will go to our Department.

Posing with the new projector installed in the theater at Hearst SHM are (from left) Ken Murray, Supervisor of Guides Irene Hanks, Norman Livermore, Robert Cummings, and Monument Supervisor Wes Cater.

Ken Murray (standing, left) welcomes the first group of guests to view "The Golden Days of San Simeon." Although the audience was seated for the premiere, future visitors will stand along the back and at the sides of the theater to see the film.



"The Praying Nuns" formation at Red Rock Canyon.

COMMISSION REPORT

A tour of Kern County parks, a visit to Fort Tejon State Historic Park and a slide presentation on Red Rock Canyon on March 12 preceded the March 13 meeting of the Park and Recreation Commission in Bakersfield.

Conducting Commissioners on a tour of Hart Memorial Park, the proposed Kern River Park, the Kern County Museum, and Frontier Village was Frank L. Stramler, Director of the Kern County Parks Department.

Stramler said Kern has 65 county parks, operates on a $2,500,000-a-year budget, and hosts 8,500,000 visitors annually.

Hart Memorial Park, on the outskirts of Bakersfield, receives some 2,000,000 visitors a year. It is the county's first park, established in 1923. No admission is charged at the park and operational costs are around 8 cents per visitor. The park contains hundreds of individual and several group picnic sites, an 18-acre boating lake, a small zoo, and a concession area. It is for day use only. Peak attendance is during Easter week when 35,000 to 40,000 visitors flock to the park.

Upstream from Hart is the proposed Kern River Park. It will feature camping, boating and other facilities. Development is held up because State bonds cannot be sold.

An 18-mile riding and hiking trail has been developed by the county from Bakersfield through the park. About half the mileage is on park property and the other half is road right-of-way and private property.

Commissioners were impressed with the museum, which displays several very old automobiles and contains many attractive natural history exhibits. Frontier Village also was enjoyed, and Commissioners agreed the County had done an excellent job of restoring and interpreting many old buildings and other items important in Kern County's history. →

Commenting on Kern County parks, Director Mott said the county had received $614,000 in bond funds and $270,000 in Land and Water Conservation funds, and he praised county officials for doing a fine job in providing parks and recreation for their people.

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Newly elected Commission Chairman Daniel Villanueva, left, seems to be as happy to receive the gavel as retiring chairman Leonard Thomson is to pass it on. At right is Mrs. Clarice Gilchrist, new vice chairman.

Frank Stramler, Director of Kern County parks, briefs commissioners on Hart Memorial Park, part of which is in the background. ↓

Photos by Ray Chapman

Commissioner Leonard Thomson is made an honorary member of the volunteer artillery and presented with a Civil War cap.

Ranger Lou Wakefield of Fort Tejon chats with volunteers. Bronze cannon in background weighs 1300 pounds.

Cannon firing and mock battles are carried out at Fort Tejon the third Sunday of each month. The men in civil war uniforms belong to Battery A,. First California Volunteer Artillery.

COMMISSION REPORT (Continued)

Commissioners witnessed the firing of authentic Civil War cannon at Fort Tejon. The 800-pound iron and 1300-pound bronze cannons sent up thick clouds of smoke as they were fired by volunteers in full Civil War uniform. The volunteers put on a demonstration the third Sunday of each month, drawing many thousands of visitors.

The Red Rock Canyon Advisory Committee showed colored slides of the natural attractions at Red Rock Thursday night. Erosion in the alternate layers of lava and sediment have created fantastically attractive formations.

Director Mott reported on the status of Red Rock acquisition. Already purchased is some 1,815 acres of private land for $310,500, of which the State Division of Highways put up $92,000 for a scenic easement. About 7,000 acres of Bureau of Land Management land, costing $2.50 per acre, should be acquired sometime in June. The complete park will be about six miles long and three miles wide.

Title search, appraisals, and engineering are completed, and the Advisory Committee is developing a planning prospectus for the Department's use, he said. The prospectus will be submitted to the Commission for approval, and a General Development Plan will be prepared. Personnel will be budgeted for in 1970-71 to do clean up and security duty at the park.

Daniel Villanueva of Los Angeles was elected chairman of the Park and Recreation Commission at its meeting in Bakersfield March 13. He succeeds Leonard Thomson of Taft. Mrs. Clarice Gilchrist of Piedmont was selected vice chairman to succeed Villanueva.

The first item of business for the new chairman was to hear a resolution introduced by Commissioner Lowell Berry of Oakland commending retiring Chairman Leonard Thomson for his excellent job during the past year.

Newly appointed Commissioner Tom Bonnicksen of Berkeley, attending his first meeting, was introduced.

Director Mott reported on several items. About legislation, he said many bills have been introduced but have not started through the committee or hearing process. Until this happens, it is difficult to know which will be tabled or amended.

On Computicket, the Director said 30,946 campsite tickets had been sold through February, with gross receipts of $344,748. About 60 percent of sales were made by Computicket outlets throughout the state, and 40 percent by the headquarters reservation office. He expects this to even off at 50-50.

Commenting on the fact that campsite reservations are running 38 percent ahead of a year ago, he said the computers enable persons to select an alternate park when their first choice is filled. At Hearst, weekends are filled and weekdays are beginning to fill up.

The headquarters reservation office receives some 300 reservation requests each Monday morning, and about 150 each day after that. →

Commissioners pose for a picture at Bakersfield. From left, they are Mrs. Leah McConnell, Ian McMillan, Mrs. Clarice Gilchrist, Leonard Thomson, Daniel Villanueva, Lowell Berry, and Tom Bonnicksen. Absent were Commissioners Harry Sokolov and the newly appointed Dr. Loren L. Lutz.

COMMISSION REPORT (Continued)

About the expanded responsibilities of the Historical Landmarks Advisory Committee, Mott explained that this group will recommend historic buildings and sites for listing in the National Registry for Historic Places. This federal program is just developing and $6 million is budgeted nationally for it. California has received $40,000 to develop a plan for California and will do so in the next six months.

The Director said he had written each county asking for a list of buildings and sites suitable for the national registry. The recent appointment by Governor Reagan of an architect and an archeologist gives the committee the necessary composition to meet federal requirements for recommendations to the national registry. Mott is state liaison officer for the program.

In response to question by Commissioner Thomson, Mott said we are not now doing an effective job of interpreting Indian history but that this would be corrected.

The Commission heard a report by Ralph W. Bolick, executive director of the California Parks Ministry, who spoke about church services in state parks. He said the program started in 1967 at seven parks, was increased to nine parks in 1968 and to 16 parks last year. The services have been well received in the parks, he said, adding that these services have been given in National Parks for 40 years. All services are nondenominational. Coordinating the program for the Department is the Interpretive Services Section.

Commissioner Clarice Gilchrist reported on Hearst Castle. She said Ken Murray's film on the golden days at Hearst is now being shown at the Castle, and that his book on the same subject would be on sale in December. A portion of the proceeds from book sales has been earmarked by Murray for the State Parks Foundation.

She said that two persons have been hired to restore artifacts at the Castle and that a New York firm had appraised the artifacts and concluded the state was doing an excellent job.

Mrs. Gilchrist expressed satisfaction with the concessions at Hearst. She said they have low priced artifacts for sale as well as quality paintings and merchandise.

In other action Commissioners approved the on-sale of alcoholic beverages at Monterey SHM from May 30 to September 12, 1970, during the bicentennial; renewed the permit for off-sale of alcoholic beverages at Columbia SHP; accepted the gift of 12 acres of redwoods at Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP from Mrs. Lesley Kennedy; and adopted a policy of making changes in the administrative code annually at the November meeting, rather than consider them each month (this is Commission Policy No. 34).

Action was postponed on the Asilomar master plan and on the renaming of two state recreation areas and 18 historical monuments.

Chairman Villanueva said he would announce committee appointments at the next meeting.

The Commission will not meet in April. Future meetings are May 8 in Oakland and June 12 at Squaw Valley.

State Senator Walter Stiern of Bakersfield was introduced. Staff members present were Director Mott; District 5 Superintendent Lloyd Lively and Assistant Superintendent Jack Welch; Ranger Lou Wakefield, Fort Tejon Area Manager; Deputy Attorney General John Morris; James Fisher, Assistant to the Director; Neil O'Brien, Secretary to the Director; and Information Officer Ray Chapman.

C.S.P.R.A. News

ROSS HENRY

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The highlight of the 1970 General Executive Council, held March 13-15 in Sacramento, was the Saturday-night banquet. *Jess Chaffee*, retired District 4 Superintendent, acted as Master of Ceremonies and managed to squeeze in introductions to Sacramento Mayor Richard Marriott, Secretary for Resources Norman Livermore, Director *Mott*, Deputy Director *Bob Meyer*, Mrs. Maude DeTurk, Ed Dolder, and Carroll Hall between tales of his retirement home on Candy Cane Lane, Bonnie Doon, in Santa Cruz.

In line with the convention theme, "The Silver Anniversary of the State Park Ranger Class," outgoing President *Dick Brock* presented certificates of appreciation to all former rangers who had completed 25 years with the Department, and Jess Chaffee observed that most of those receiving certificates had appropriately tinted their hair silver for the occasion. A special certificate was presented to Administrative Services Chief *Ron Miller* for his 23 years with the Department; he retires this month. Former Beaches and Parks Chief *Earl Hanson*, keynote speaker, recounted the early history of our State Park System and the steps that led to the adoption of the State Park Ranger class.

Gordon Kishbaugh presided over the installation of new officers; they are President *Wes Cater*, Vice President *Cliff Wade*, and Regional Directors *Jim Neal*, Region 2; *Dana Long*, Region 4; and *Dick Menefee*, Region 6.

The banquet program was followed by dancing and socializing.

Dede Cossette explains Computicket to Henri Salzgeber, Carol Bryce, and Sue Fialho.

Photos by Dick Thompson

President Dick Brock opens the 1970 G.E.C. ⟶

GEC Business

Among the resolutions passed during the General Session was one that instructed the Board of Directors to determine an appropriate amount to be contributed to the new State Parks Foundation to further the aims of the Training Institute. After conferring with the Ways and Means Committee, the Board appropriated $100 for this purpose.

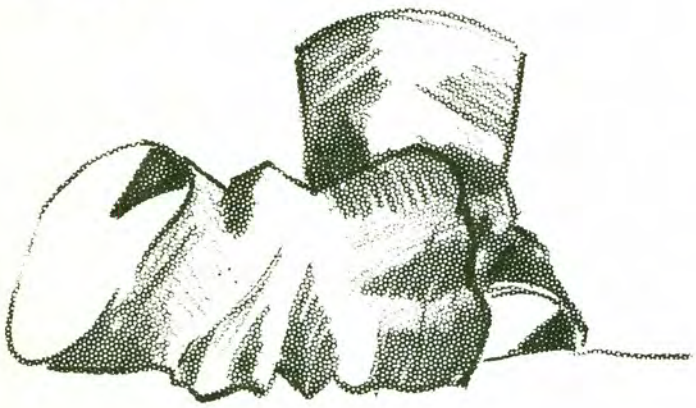
The Board also established a committee to investigate the possibility of affiliating with the California Park and Recreation Society. One advantage of affiliation would be the certification of qualified Rangers.

Polo Aguilar, CSEA Personnel Analyst, discusses the law enforcement category of the Public Employees Retirement System.

The Board will establish another committee to investigate the desirability of Rangers joining the safety-enforcement category of the Public Employees Retirement System. Membership in this category might enable rangers to retire earlier by increased State and member contributions to the System.

During the business sessions, wives had the opportunity to get acquainted with Sacramento via tours of the State Capitol and of departmental headquarters in the Resources Building, including an introduction to the Computicket operation by *Lois Lemen* and her staff. During Saturday's tour of the Governors' Mansion and Sutter's Fort, Transportation Coordinator *Ken Martin* somehow managed to misplace a dozen of the ladies, but they were later found and returned.

Coors Begins "Cash For Cans" Anti-Litter Program Here



Don't throw that can – it could be worth half-a-cent to you, provided it is aluminum.

The Adolph Coors Company just announced that it is extending its scrap aluminum can collection program into California, and that it will pay 10 cents per pound for *any* aluminum cans turned in to its distributors.

The "Cash for Cans" program was begun last January in ten western states. Within a month and a half, Coors reported that 112,000 pounds of aluminum cans – some 2½ million of them – have been turned in.

What is the potential in California?

Well, if you were able to collect just the Coors aluminum cans discarded in our state in a year, you could figure on making $1,320,000. Expand your efforts to include the aluminum cans of other companies – soft drinks included–and you can triple that figure.

Bill Howard, Coors' Northern California regional manager, told us that the offer is restricted to aluminum *cans* only. No bulk or scrap aluminum in any other form will be accepted.

Here's how it works:

Look in the yellow pages for the name of the Coors distributor nearest you. He will tell you what his hours of collection are and if there are any conditions. Some, for example, may want to limit collections to lots of not less than ten pounds each.

Then, you or your group (Boy Scouts, Little League, or what have you) start collecting. Make sure the cans you pick up for refund are aluminum. There are two easy ways to tell – they have no side seams, and the bottoms are slightly rounded. Don't be misled by the word "aluminum" stamped on the lid. That may refer only to the lid and not to the entire can.

Where can they be found? Beaches and parks (as we can well testify!), streets, highways, alleys, along streams and around lakes, all are fertile ground for the ubiquitous aluminum can. After you have finished picking them up, take them to the Coors distributor. Payment is immediate.

If things go as predicted, approximately 2½ million pounds of aluminum cans will be collected by year's end and turned in to the distributors in California, Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, Utah, and Wyoming. That's an awful lot of litter that *won't* be left lying around.

We thank you very much, Aldolph Coors Company!

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C.S.P.R.A. NEWS (Continued)

Participation

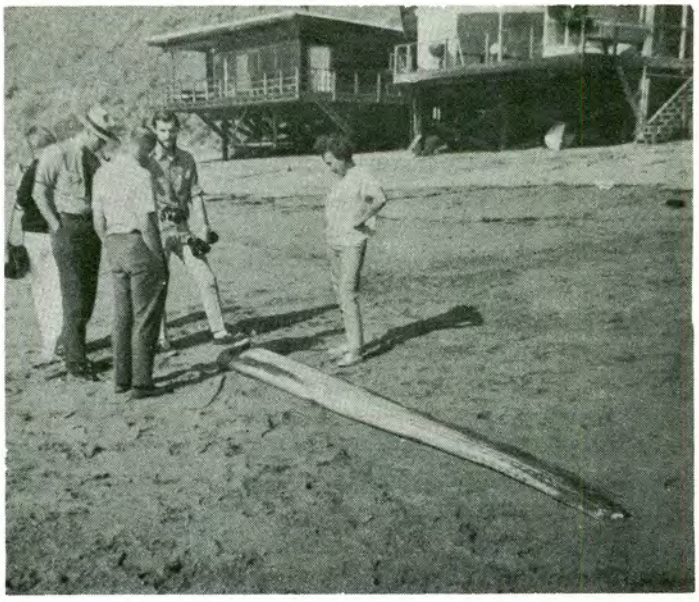
In all, the GEC went very well despite the disappointing "grass roots" participation. Though the regional directors and delegates were present, attendance by general membership was small. At its Sunday meeting, the Board of Directors decided that the next GEC will be held in the Santa Barbara area and every attempt made to get greater participation. Your thoughts on how this might be accomplished are solicited; please make suggestions to your regional director. Remember, the Association cannot effectively represent you unless you participate.

Audience and delegates during general session.

Pt. Mugu Rangers Find "Sea Monster"

by Ranger I Carl Chavez, Point Mugu Area

"Sea Monster Washes Ashore Near Leo Carrillo State Beach" was the headline from the Los Angeles Times.



On Sunday, January 25, Rangers *Robert Walker* and *Carl Chavez* received a phone call from a local resident, Mr. Foster C. Phelps, that a strange serpentlike, red-finned fish had washed ashore two miles north of Leo Carrillo SB. Responding to the call, they found the rarely seen ocean fish, variously called "King of the Herrings", ribbon fish or oar fish (*Regalecus glesne*), still alive on the beach.

The spectacular creature, silvery in color with long crimson-hued fins and a very long, flat body, was fourteen feet in length. A series of slender rays formed a head crest and there were two long slender trailing pelvic fins. The oar fish, which occurs in all seas, is usually found at a depth of 1,200 feet and is more common in the icy water of Scandinavia. . .this was only the fifth found in Southern California during the past 100 years.

Ranger Chavez contacted Marineland of the Pacific personnel, who were more than happy to come out and pick up the creature. Mr. John Prescott, curator at Marineland, said the fish would be mounted for public display following studies.

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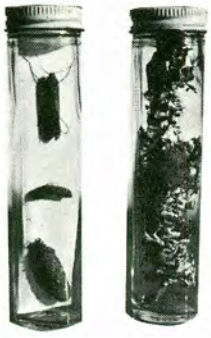

MINI–DISPLAY CASES

A picture may be worth a thousand words – but the object itself is surely worth ten thousand more. So MENDOCINO AREA Ranger *Wendell Rickon* needed a way to let park visitors handle and examine fragile natural and historical objects such as insects, pine cones, limpets, sea shells, small flowers . . .

He came up the idea of using small jars – pill containers, baby-food jars, Alka-Selzer bottles – to act as portable display cases. To prepare the jar, he cuts a piece of cardboard that exactly fits the inside of the jar, letters any interpretive information desired on the cardboard, and then glues on the object. For larger objects which almost fill the jar, he just letters the information on a small piece of cardboard and bends it around the object being displayed, words facing out. If the object being displayed contains moisture, a product called "Silica-Jell," which is available at hobby shops, helps dry it out. When the jar is capped, he has a mini-display that can safely be passed around on hikes or at an information center.

LEE CLEMONS ENJOYS UNCROWDED NORTHWEST

by Ed Earl, Manager, Will Rogers Area

Lee Clemons headed for the north country after retiring from Van Damme SP in 1962. The country had to be equal to or better than the Mendocino Coast, which is hard to beat, but now Lee and his wife Margaret can look out their living room window and view the Olympic Range. Lee is in Washington, the state with over eight hundred lakes. It was like going home for him, as he had worked in the lumber camps of Washington and Idaho a number of years before he became a California State Park Ranger in 1948. They are very happy with the uncrowded country of the Northwest.

Lee Clemons

Lee has many interests to keep him busy. One is building, which he does excellently. He is an avid reader of religious periodicals and keeps up with political issues – he finds he has to be well informed to be able to communicate with his five children and many grandchildren!

As for traveling, he and Margaret have made four trips to Southern California, and on one trip headed east into central Texas, Colorado, and Wyoming. They have made numerous trips to Mount Rainier, Mount Baker, Mount Saint Helens, and have also attended the Olympics. A yearly trip is to Roosevelt Lake in Idaho, and they are now planning a summer trip into the Dakotas and neighboring states.

Lee spent 13 years at Van Damme; during most of that time Tony Trigeiro was park supervisor. Lee's past lumbering experience was put to good use there – he formed part of a work crew that salvaged redwood timbers in Humboldt County. During this assignment, he worked with everyone's friend Corky Allen, and Jack Fleckenstein. The Van Damme campfire programs had an added attraction on the evenings when he put on his demonstration of logging tools. His trip up the post with spring boards was always a crowd pleaser.

Prior to his years at Van Damme he spent a year at Morro Bay. He recalls Chief Ranger Fred Canham and Deputy Rangers Louis Wakefield, Pat Dougherty, and Roy Gholson.

Lee and Margaret said, "If any of our friends from California would care to stop, we would sure like to see them." For those of us who can't find our way around the block, they sent instructions on how to get to their town of Snohomish. The town is on No. 2 Highway, 7 miles east of Everett; their address is 1321 - 14th Place, Snohomish, Washington 98290. Give them a ring at LO 8-5795.

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ACCIDENT-LOSS WAR FEATURES "STOP THE BLEEDING" CONTEST

As a major phase of the Governor's Program to Reduce Occupational Injury – a three-year, all-out war on the State's burgeoning work-related accident rate – all departments are now engaged in a "Stop the Bleeding" contest. Based upon the number of disabling accidents per million man hours of exposure, the overall goal has been set at a minimum reduction of 10% per year from the present statewide peak of 17.4.

Departments have been classified in four contest divisions: "A" comprised of the 11 departments whose employees work over 4 million man hours annually; "B" for the 15 with from 1 million to 4 million man hours of exposure; "C" for the 13 with 250,000 to 1 million man hours; and "D" for the 11 which show less than 250,000 man hours of work per year.

Our Department is competing in Division B. We had an accident frequency rate of 19.7 for calendar 1969, and our goal for calendar 1970 is 12. With total personal involvement of all personnel this objective is not only attainable, it can be exceeded. Let's do it and STOP THE BLEEDING!

Each department sets its own goal based upon its 1969 calendar year record. Two departments within each division will receive awards from the Governor for outstanding achievement. Other special agency and departmental recognitions will also be earned. The greatest award of all, however, will be the saving of suffering and of dollars to employees, to the State and to the taxpayer.

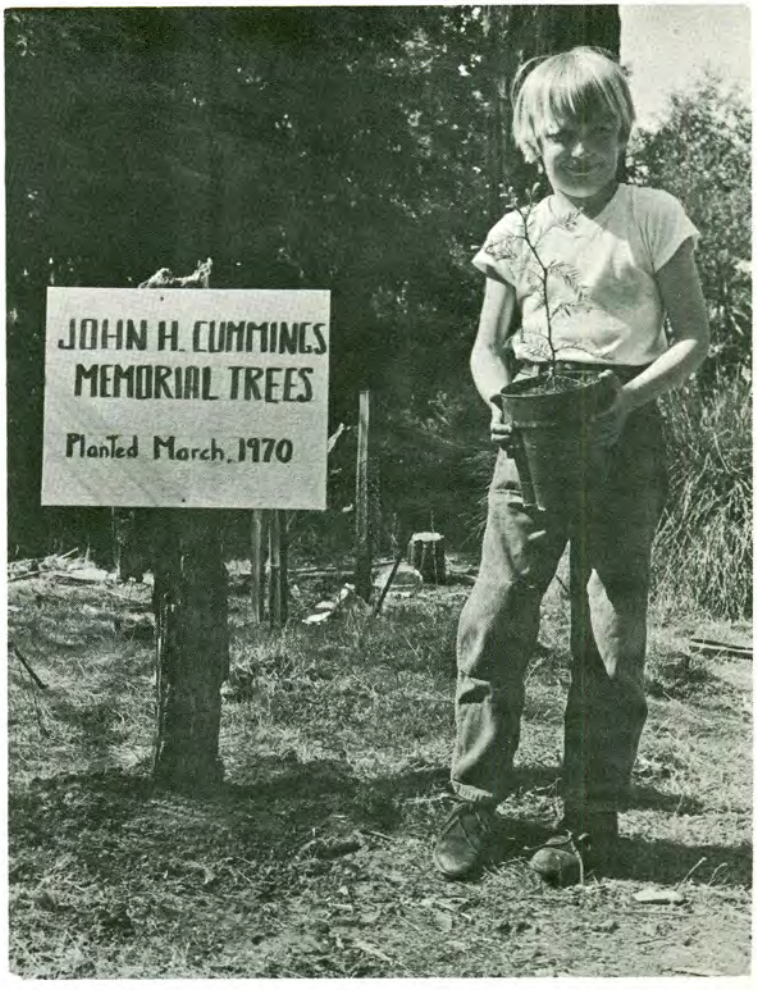
Arbor Day Benefits State Parks

Arbor Day, March 7, the birthdate of horticulturist Luther Burbank, saw hundreds of enthusiastic tree planters from various youth and conservation groups around the state descend onto our public lands to do their thing. State parks had their share of Arbor Day activities . . . most notably --

Big Basin Redwoods State Park

Some 600 conservationists from high schools and Boy and Girl Scout groups planted 3000 bare-root Douglasfir trees and 200 3-year-old redwoods on recently acquired park lands. The work was supervised by Tony Look of the Sempervirens Fund and *Tony Trigeiro*, Big Basin Area Manager. The redwoods were purchased with funds donated by the family of John Cummings of Oakland, and are to be a living memorial. The Douglasfirs were furnished by the Loma Prieta Chapter of the Sierra Club.

Mrs. Robert Morris and her daughter Margaret plant a Douglasfir seedling at Castle Rock as part of the Arbor Day program.



Michael Cummings of Palo Alto holds a one-gallon-size redwood for planting in the John H. Cummings Memorial tree planting activity at Big Basin Redwoods SP on Arbor Day.

Castle Rock State Park

A group of 147 Sierra Clubbers, scouts, elementary and high school students, and representatives from other youth and conservation groups planted trees and shrubs on the old, abandoned road that was once the access route to a magnetic observatory operated by the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey. Robert Morris of Varian Associates and *Art Lloyd*, District 4 Maintenance Supervisor, supervised the planting of 450 California Toyon and 2,500 Douglasfir seedlings.

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"DESERT GARDEN" DEDICATED TO CARL WHITEFIELD

The Anza-Borrego Committee of the Desert Protective Council is sponsoring "Desert Gardens" – for $55, a donor can dedicate two acres of inholdings in Anza-Borrego Desert SP for use of the people of California.

A Desert Garden fund was created as a memorial to LAKE ELSINORE SRA Ranger *Carl Whitefield,* and enough money was contributed to add nearly ten acres of inholdings to the park. Mrs. Whitefield will receive a certificate of appreciation from the Committee.

In addition, the Resources Management and Protection Division Coffee Fund has sent the Comittee $110, enough to add four acres of inholdings to the park.

A. Coy Sanders (left), Assistant Program Manager, explains the Governor's safety campaign. From left, Deputy Director Robert Meyer, Director Mott, Administrative Services Chief Ronald Miller, Park Safety and Enforcement Supervisor Robert Hiller, Construction Analyst Edward Sheehy, and Resource Management and Protection Chief James Tryner.

Department Launches Governor's Safety Program

In 1966-67 our Department's disabling accident rate per million manhours worked was 33. In 1967-68 it was 21.4, and in 1969-70, 16. By July 1971 it *will be* 12 or less.

That was the goal set by Director Mott at the kick-off meeting of the Governor's program to reduce occupational injuries held here at headquarters March 11.

"We have accepted the challenge," he said, speaking to the various Division chiefs and other Department personnel who will be working on the Governor's three-year safety campaign. "Not only is it possible, I think we can just about guarantee the goal of 12. But, it will take an effort on everybody's part."

A six point program has been developed by the Governor's office outlining each Department's responsibility in the safety campaign:

1. To establish and publish departmental goals and policies for reduction of occupational injuries.

2. To allocate funds, time, and other resources needed to achieve departmental accident prevention goals.

3. To establish practices which call for follow-up by a supervisor with his injured employees to assure that proper treatment is provided, that rehabilitation services are offered when needed, and to assist the employee to return to temporary light duty as soon as it is medically feasible.

4. To provide managers and supervisors with safety training and technical safety staff services.

5. To encourage and recognize employees who develop safety devices and safe practices in the areas in which they work.

6. To include occupational injuries and responsibility for accident prevention in performance appraisals for individuals, supervisors, and managers.

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WESTERN INTERPRETERS ASSOCIATION SETS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Western Interpreters Association, an organization recently formed to promote quality in the interpretation of human and natural history, is looking for qualified members to share in its program.

The association is highly recommended by Director Mott; former Interior Secretary Stewart Udall; A. Starker Leopold, head of the University of California Zoology Department; and V. Aubrey Neasham, head of the Department of Environmental Resources at Sacramento State College.

Activities of the association include personnel exchange; an intern observer program; workshops; conferences; publication of *The Interpreter*, a professional interpretive bulletin issued to members; employment and placement service; and preparation of an interpretive media digest. The association offers four classes of membership:

PROFESSIONAL – persons working in a professional capacity as interpreters for at least a two-month period each year, certified teachers, museum staffs, and others meeting the above criteria.

ASSOCIATE – Persons allied to or interested in, but not actively employed in, any professional interpretive capacity.

STUDENT – Any student of any grade level, contemplating or pursuing a career in the interpretive or teaching profession.

INSTITUTIONAL – A supporting contribution by agencies or institutions interested in or benefiting from interpretive efforts.

The fees for the above membership classes are $10, $5, $3, and $15 respectively, and may be submitted to Miss Mayann Danielson, Secretary, Western Interpreters Association, c/o San Mateo County Junior Museum, Coyote Point, San Mateo, California 94401.

Young Farmers Help Make La Purisima A Living Mission

Photos by Ray Chapman

Gary Brown, center, and Don Cleveland, right, discuss the weed problem in their oat crop with Bill Croft, Cabrillo High School FFA advisor. A chemical treatment to eliminate weeds will be worked out with the park so that no other part of the park or its environment will be affected.

The Arthur Kroetsch family is shown tending the Westside 4-H Club's vegetable garden at La Purisima. Margret Kroetsch is at the hoe as James cultivates and Tommy inspects a huge squash. Their father, Arthur, is project advisor.

by Ray Chapman, Information Officer

Two farm projects at La Purisima Mission SHP are an integral part of California's only complete mission. The projects are conducted in cooperation with the park by the Cabrillo High School Chapter of the Future Farmers of America and the Westside 4-H Club, both of Lompoc.

Future Farmers Gary Brown and Don Cleveland, both seniors at Cabrillo, have taken on the task of growing and harvesting 62 acres of oats. It's a regular FFA project with the boys financing the project through bank loans to pay for equipment rental, seed, and chemicals, and doing all the work themselves.

As a rental fee for the Mission land, the boys give 25 percent of the crop to the Mission. This is enough to feed the park's sheep, goats, horses, and mules for an entire year. The previous crop netted the park 400 bales of oats. The three-fourths of the crop that's left after the park gets its share will be sold, hopefully for enough money to repay bank loans and perhaps earn a profit.

The planted fields serve as a classroom demonstration area, but all the work is done outside class hours. The boys planted the crop during Christmas vacation and expect to harvest in late May or early June. Growing crops in the La Purisima area is a risky business, since irrigation is not available. It is a dry farming area and if rains fail during the growing season, the crop goes kaput.

Neither Brown nor Cleveland comes from a farm family, but both are wildly enthusiastic about farming. If they can prove themselves at La Purisima, they may have farming careers ahead of them.

The 4-H project is a truck garden in a 60-foot-square section of the Mission garden where the Franciscan fathers and the Indians grew corn, fruits, and vegetables, many varieties of seasonings, and medicinal plants. In charge of the project is Arthur Kroetsch, garden leader for the Westside 4-H. Aside from being a scenic attraction for park visitors, the truck garden provides vegetables throughout the year for the park. Whatever is not needed by the park the youngsters can use or dispose of in any way they see fit.

Last year four youngsters, three of them Kroetsch's children, carried on the project. They were Tommy, Jimmy, and Margret Kroetsch and Stan Steinbach. Their efforts paid big dividends at the Santa Barbara County Fair where they picked up six first prizes, six seconds, four thirds, a second-place sweepstakes award for rutabagas, and a third-place sweepstakes award for pumpkins. This was topped off by the University of California Agricultural Extension Service's Pride Award as the outstanding farm project in the area. That honor won them a weekend trip to Idyllwild.

HURRY!!

Reservations for the April 30 dinner celebrating the retirement of Ronald Miller, Administrative Services Division Chief, after 47 years of State service must be in by April 24. Tickets are $6.50 per person, which includes dinner, tax, tip, and gift contribution – send checks (made out to the Miller Retirement Fund) to Stan Stiles at Department Headquarters. The dinner will be held at the Woodlake Inn, Highway 160 and Canterbury Road, Sacramento, with social hour starting at 6:30.

Miller started State service as a Messenger for the State Library in 1923. He has worked for the Printing Plant, the Division of Highways, the Controller's Office and the Division of Architecture in addition to his 23 years with this Department. He plans to spend at least part of his retirement polishing his golf game.

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YOUNG FARMERS MAKE LA PURISIMA A LIVING MISSION (Continued)

The truck garden is not the only project of the 4-H at La Purisima. Last summer the kids sold pumpkins and raised about $30. This was used to buy a fire fender for the monastery building. They have also painted picnic tables and garbage cans and have cleaned up litter on roads and highways that lead to the park.

To pay for seeds and other needs, the 4-H'ers had a paper drive this year. With part of the proceeds they purchased a soil test kit to learn what fertilizers were needed. An addition this year was chicken wire around the base of the garden. Between the wild rabbits, which inhabit the park and ate all the lettuce earlier, and the park chickens, which wiped out the rest of the garden this year, the chicken wire was considered a must.

Westside 4-H project advisor Arthur Kroetsch and Area Manager Jack Mason sample the radishes in La Purisima's 4-H truck garden. They agreed you can't beat a fresh-from-the-garden radish for flavor and crispness.

Carol Johnson, Park Aid at La Purisima Mission, talks over this early vintage telephone which serves as the park's intercommunications system. Although the telephone dates to around the 1900s and is much more modern than the park's origins back in 1787, it's an antique as telephones go and blends well with the historical values preserved at the Mission.

The number of youngsters has swelled from four to nine this year, and they have winter crops in now and are ready for the spring planting of summer crops. Already planted and partially harvested are peas, turnips, rutabagas, carrots, lettuce, cabbage, onions, and radishes. To be planted are Indian corn, squash, cucumbers, potatoes, watermelon, and pumpkins.

The nine 4-H'ers on the project this year include Tom, James, Margret, and Rose Marie Kroetsh, Frank Oldread, Robin Key, Joe Mendes, Heidi Hedlund, and Linea Collins.

Area Manager *Jack Mason* is enthusiastic in his support of the FFA project and the 4-H project. They make the mission look much as it did in the old days, he says, with dry crops growing in the fields and truck crops in the mission garden. Mason thinks the projects are great for the park and an attraction for park visitors as well. Both FFA Advisor Croft and 4-H Project Leader Kroetsch think the projects are great for the kids. How can you lose on a deal like this?

The home of the late Colonel Allensworth, the town's founder. Deserted now, it will be one of the major restoration projects if the town becomes a state historical unit.

Photos by Dick Thompson

Deputy Director Ray Hunter reads Director Mott's letter of welcome to the committee. Seated are Marty Jenkins, youth representative from Tulare, and Cecil Berkley.

Allensworth Board Appoints State Parks Foundation Subcommittee

One of the first actions of the Department's new Allensworth Advisory Committee at its meeting February 21 was to appoint a subcommittee to handle real estate acquisition and to work with the California State Parks Foundation. The subcommittee will help to coordinate donations for the proposed historical park in Tulare County.

The Allensworth Advisory Committee was authorized last year by Governor Reagan to assist our Department in establishing the pioneer town of Allensworth as a state historical unit dedicated to the role the Negro played in the development of California. The meeting February 21 was the second for the 19-member board.

In other action, the committee elected Dr. Kenneth Goode of the University of California at Berkeley as chairman, Dr. James Holloway of Sacramento as vice-chairman, and Mrs. Hattie Crawford of Wasco as secretary.

Several new members were appointed to the board. They were Mrs. George Smith of Los Angeles, a descendent of the town's founder, Lt. Colonel Allensworth; Mrs. Willie Pope and Jeff Pierro, residents of the town of Allensworth; and Marty Jenkins, a high school student from Tulare, as youth representative.

Landscape Architect Edward Pope explains the Department's plans for the proposed development of Allensworth. In the foreground is Mrs. Willie Pope (no kin), resident of the town and member of the prospectus subcommittee.

The assignment of subcommittee appointments was the first order of business for newly elected Dr. Kenneth Goode (left). Grandvel Jackson (center) of San Francisco was appointed to the State Parks Foundation subcommittee as chairman, and Eugene Lasartemay of Berkeley to the prospectus subcommittee.

(From left) Cecil Berkley of Tulare, Foundation subcommittee; Dr. James Holloway of Sacramento, chairman of the prospectus subcommittee; and Leamon King of Delano. Many will remember King as the 1956 Olympic sprint champion.

VOX POP

CARPINTERIA SB got a special nod from this visitor:

I would like to compliment the staff at Carpinteria SB for their kindness and consideration on several occasions. It seems that whenever I call for information about the park, the lady who answers the phone goes out of her way to make one's planning more comfortable. Likewise the ranger staff are always available and eager to help. Most ranger staffs in the parks all the way up to Jedediah Smith at Crescent City are extraordinary people . . . but more so at Carpinteria . . .

James J. Murphy
Woodland Hills

This camper enjoyed his stay at SAMUEL P. TAYLOR SP:

It was indeed a pleasure to have had the opportunity of meeting one of your rangers, Mr. *Ed Kurtz*. Mr. Kurtz was courteous, efficient, and helpful in assisting me to enjoy the park. It is through such men as Mr. Kurtz that the visitors to your State leave with the most positive of memories. May I congratulate you and your Department for such men as Mr. Kurtz.

Seymour Gang, District Superintendent
Board of Education
City of New York

The staff at ARMSTRONG REDWOODS SP were complimented:

During the past summer, Mr.*Derrick Andrews* and his staff not only performed in an efficient manner but were most helpful and, above all, very friendly and courteous. Please convey my thanks and best wishes to them.

Anthony D. Lentini
Sacramento

The courtesy of the BENICIA CAPITOL SHM guide was appreciated:

This is to commend an employee of your agency for his courtesy, interest, and intelligent helpfulness. He was very helpful to my daughter with a high school class project. This was very much appreciated.

A. C. Kaeppel, Administrator-Controller
City of San Anselmo

The Department's efforts in conservation do not go unappreciated:

After hearing so much about the destruction of our environment it is encouraging to know that there are people who are actively trying to keep it under control. The Parks and Recreation Department is one of those organizations I feel is doing a good job. It has kept a lot of area set aside for people to enjoy and kept it from being put under by the "asphalt monster." I feel that California is very fortunate to have such a fine department. Keep up the good work.

Vance Houghton
Sacramento

A four-wheel-drive club offered to reciprocate the help they had received from the staff of ANZA–BORREGO DESERT SP:

Ranger *Bert Frizzell* went out of his way to help us far beyond the call of duty on our group's trip to the park. His wife and he led us on a nature tour of the canyons that was most memorable. On Saturday evening, he conducted a campfire talk that was tremendously educational. Borrego has been our favorite camping area for many years; however, with Bert Frizzell's help and attention, our trip this year was the finest we have ever had. We take this opportunity to offer our assistance to the park service for any help we as a well organized and equipped club can render.

A. Joe Radoccia, Board of Directors
Orange County Square Wheelers

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LANDMARKS COMMITTEE TO REVIEW PROJECTS FOR NATIONAL REGISTER

With the addition of two new members, the California Historical Landmarks Advisory Committee is now eligible to review and recommend projects for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

Clement W. Meighan, a Topanga archeologist, and Raymond Girvigian, an architect from South Pasadena, provide the required representation in their fields to enable the committee to serve as California's official review board of worthy projects significant to our country's history, architecture, archeology, and culture.

In its new role, the board will act as advisor to Director Mott, who is the National Register liaison officer for this state. The committee will also continue to serve the state's own historic landmarks program, the purpose for which it was originally established.

Other members of the committee are Dr. R. Coke Wood, University of the Pacific in Stockton, Chairman; Reverend Noel F. Moholy, Lakeport, vice chairman; Andrew M. Genzoli, Ferndale; Mrs. Kathryn H. Kaiser, Atherton; and Glen A. Settle, Rosamond.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD . . .

DISTRICT 2 . . .

About 20 students from a Bay Area correctional institution visited BENICIA CAPITOL SHM, and shortly thereafter the handsome old key to the Capitol's front door, which had hung for ten years in a "safe place," was missed. Area Manager *Lorin Forsyth* feels that one of the students must still be "un-corrected."

Ed Sheehy of the Construction Section took this photo of a "Fires Prohibited" sign protruding from the flood waters at CLEAR LAKE SP.

BENICIA CAPITOL SHM Janitor *Bob Padgett* apprehended a man walking out of the building with one of the antique cuspidors under his raincoat. Since these cuspidors, previously rather dull, had been restored to beauty by Padgett's ministrations, you can be sure that this one is now back in its proper place – and bolted down to the floor!

DISTRICT 3 . . .

Area Manager *Bill Reinhardt* reports that rangers at MILLERTON LAKE SRA conclude their interpretive boat tours of the area with a pitch for boating safety, given above the spot where the unrecovered bodies of two drowning victims are believed to lie. The January 1968 tragedy was due to lack of adequate life preservers on a boat.

Despite cold and snow, a few hardy and optimistic souls visit BODIE SHP during the winter – during the week of February 21, the park staff spent nine hours digging out four cars. "Other duties as required!"

The first meeting of the Citizens Advisory Committee for OLD SACRAMENTO SHP was held in early March; Mr. B. Miller was elected temporary chairman and Judge Thomas McBride temporary vice-chairman. Department personnel attending were Director *Mott,* Deputy Director *Ray Hunter, John Michael* of Interpretive Services, Architect *Bob Uhte,* Superintendent *Clyde Newlin* and Interpreter *Keith Caldwell* from District 3, and Sacramento Area Manager *Robert Tardif.*

Two Hondas breached the R & H Trail and open country on Kelly Ridge at OROVILLE RESERVOIR SRA recently and Ranger *"Wyk" Wiederhoeft* pursued – and caught!!! – them on foot! Move over, John Carlos!

John Richardson, son of the former Governor, toured the Governor's Mansion recently and said the house was prettier and cleaner than when he lived there.

It looks as if SUTTER'S FORT SHM has been reactivated – Area Manager *Robert Tardif* reports receiving a letter from Community Services, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana: "In order to insure that all families transferring from one post to another post . . . have the most current information on their assignments, we request you forward the most current information on your installation to our Community Service Center."

DISTRICT 4 . . .

About 200 members of the Sempervirens Fund committee, Sierra Club, and various youth organizations carried out a tree planting project at China Grade in BIG BASIN REDWOODS SP.

POINT LOBOS SR Rangers *Joe Fazio* and *Frank Hayford* and Park Attendants *Charles Pasha* and *Leonard Guiffre* have completed 40-hour enforcement classes and 10-hour classes in first aid.

SANTA CRUZ COAST AREA Ranger *Niles Bergman* is attending the 80-hour Law Enforcement Training session at the Riverside Academy and Ranger *Robert Freeman* is attending the 200-hour Peace Officer Standard Training Course at Gavalin College. →

Dean Johnson, formerly with Interpretive Services and now a private consultant, discusses with Director Mott the possible restoration of three Concord stagecoaches now at Sutter's Fort SHM. In his study for the State, Dean matched a model number with an original invoice that proved one coach to have been part of a 30-coach shipment to Wells Fargo in 1868, perhaps the largest single order for coaches in overland staging history. Dean's discovery also touched off news media interest second only to the original hoopla in 1868, and Director Mott told reporters he hoped that out of it might come enough support to finally do a proper restoration of the old coaches.

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YIELD FROM THE FIELD (Continued)

The Green Earth group from Foothill College – 14 guys, 3 gals, 2 children, and 2 dogs (plus Ranger *James Taylor*) planted 255 potted ground cover plants at the eroded area of SAN GREGORIO SB in early March, according to SAN MATEO COAST AREA Manager *Dave Redding.*

Attendance at SAN FRANCISCO MARITIME SHP has been so good that Ticket Seller *Marc Clarkson* sold No. 1,000 for the month on February 22 at 3:45, for the first time since the summer.

SANTA CRUZ COAST AREA Rangers *William O. Williams* and *Alan Scheibli* gave short talks to the Santa Cruz 4-Wheel Drive Club on the philosophy of the State Park System. Club members offered to assist the parks in towing stranded vehicles and picking up litter with the idea that this type of activity would gain them favorable publicity.

DISTRICT 5 . . .

Friday the Thirteenth (of February) turned out lucky after all for POINT MUGU SRA Ranger *Carl Chavez* and his wife *Margaret* – it marked the birth of their son, Christopher.

DISTRICT 6 . . .

SAN DIEGO COAST AREA Park Attendant *Stan Twerion* became the proud father of a boy born March 1.

TORREY PINES SR Ranger *Herb Pierce* tried out a new line in long-distance interpretation recently – he gave a talk to a fourth-grade science class by telephone. The phone was hooked up to a speaker so that all the children could hear him. The class then visited the Reserve.

A group of high school students from Fountain Valley, representing "STOP" (Students To Oppose Pollution), converged on BOLSA CHICA SB in mid-February and cleaned approximately a half mile of beach in two hours. Members of the group also spent several hours picking up litter at HUNTINGTON SB.

They're *different* at MONTANE AREA – for everybody else it was March the First but Area Manager *Ron McCullough* listed it on his Supervisor's Weekly Log as 2/29. Happy – though lonely – Leap Year, Ron!

On Tuesday, February 24, MONTANE AREA Ranger *John Walstrom* was returning from the bank in Julian when an auto carrying two young passengers went out of control near Cuyamaca Lake, seriously injuring one of the passengers. John immediately applied first aid and then, since he had no radio, flagged down a passing car to summon help. The young man is now expected to live but, had it not been for Walstrom's aid, would have died due to heavy hemorrhaging.

The punishment fit the crime when ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP Ranger *Bill Harris*, hearing the musical notes of an unmuffled motorbike one recent Friday evening, flushed a rider who headed out into the desert. A few minutes later the unlucky cyclist reappeared, dragging his bike up the hill – covered from hip to ankle with cholla cactus spines!

The TALL and SMALL of it

by James Neider, District 2 Interpretive Specialist

California is a land of many extremes and natural wonders. One of the most startling yet least known of the extremes occurs along the fog-shrouded coast north of the great bay of San Francisco. Here, in a belt barely thirty miles wide, stands the famous coast redwood – Sequoia sempervirens – one of the oldest and largest trees in the world. And within this same coastal belt are the rare Pygmy Forests, in which the mature trees, representatives of several species including the usually massive redwoods, rarely stand over eight feet in height and are often only four or five feet tall. They often measure only a few inches in diameter, although they may be more than a century old.

These pygmy trees, which grow in fewer than thirty locations along the coast, are always found in a soil of a type called "podzol" on ancient marine terraces. Besides California, podzols are found only in a few places in Northern Michigan, Maine, Scandinavia, and northern Russia.

Starting at Ten Mile River north of Fort Bragg and extending south to Salt Point SP just north of the Russian River are a series of the elevated marine terraces where podzol is found. These terraces were formed during Pleistocene times by the repeated formation and melting of glaciers, which caused oceans to recede and then rise. As the seas rose, they cut the terraces; as they receded, they left behind beach sands, gravels, and clays.

"Detailed field work between Navarro River and Fort Bragg led Gardner (1967) to assign terrace levels at altitudes of 100 ft., 175 ft., 300 ft., 425 ft. and 650 ft., corresponding to the first, second, third, fourth, and fifth terraces."[1] The terrace at Salt Point, however, is close to 900 feet in elevation and might represent a sixth marine terrace or, more likely, merely an uplifting of this particular locale in relation to the Mendocino area approximately 65 miles to the north. Further study and research are necessary to determine the relationship between these pygmy forests and those of the Mendocino area.

[1] Jenny, J., Arkley, R.J., and Schultz, A.M., "The Pygmy Forest – Podzol Ecosystem and Its Dune Associates of the Mendocino Coast"

The podzols, poor in nutrients and high in acidity, are underlain with an impermeable iron hardpan that stops root penetration. A typical soil profile shows a top layer of black acidic humus several inches thick lying on a light gray, strongly acidic, coarse sandy loam approximately thirty inches thick. The next layer is sandy clay loam, a light gray to brownish yellow in color and strongly acidic, and at approximately fifty inches' depth is the parent material of weathered marine terrace sandstone.

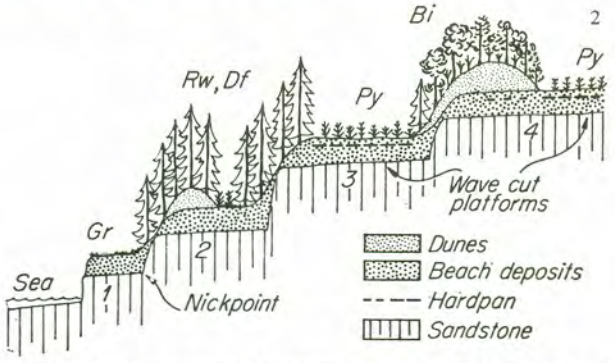

FIG. 1. Schematic arrangement of four marine terraces (1, 2, 3, 4) Fort Bragg area, with a young dune on second and very old dune on fourth terrace. Gr. = grassland, Rw, Df = redwood-Douglass fir forest, Bi = bishop pine forest, Py = pygmy forest. Horizontal distance is 3 miles, vertical distance 500 ft. above sea level.

Due to this unusual soil type the vegetation, as might be expected, is quite unusual. On the higher terraces it is species-poor "with as much as 25 per cent of ground area bare or covered with colonies of lichen."[3] Dominant upper story plants on these terraces are the pygmy cypress, Bolander pine, Bishop pine, and the previously unreported coastal redwood which is found in the Salt Point pygmy forest. Some of the redwoods found here are less than half the height of trees of the same age growing in normal soil. Lower story shrubs include the labrador-tea, rose-bay salal, two varieties of manzanita, and huckleberry.

Emerging from the cool grandeur of an immense redwood forest to the Lilliputian world of the pygmy forest is truly one of California's extreme experiences and one of nature's wonders.

[2] Ibid.

[3] Ibid.

INTERPRETATION APPRECIATION UNDERSTANDING

20 years ago

From the Chief's column we find the following: "We suffered a cut of about 52 percent in the Capital Outlay portion of the budget, particularly with respect to Capital Outlay for construction. As a result, our activities along these lines will be greatly curtailed during the forthcoming year." Things don't change a whole lot, do they?

Mt. San Jacinto SP Chief Ranger *Weatherbee* reported that his personnel were becoming "anti-septic" from cleaning out so many septic tanks.

Mel Whittaker, Chief Ranger at Mt. Tamalpais SP, hastened to pass this bit of wisdom along to his friends in the field — never, but NEVER, kick a dead skunk. *Dave Redding* did.

"Deputy Ranger" Bernard (Barney) Trigeiro reported in at 6 lbs. 7 ozs. for food and duty at Van Damme Beach SP. Chief Ranger *Tony Trigeiro* said mother and father doing well.

A couple of transfers were noted. *Hugo Hoy*, Deputy Ranger at Richardson Grove, went to Portola; Deputy Ranger *Merle Beckman* left Will Rogers for Los Encinos; and *Orville Short*, Deputy Ranger at Los Encinos, headed for Silver Strand.

Spring was rushing down on Donner Memorial State Park. Chief Ranger *Darrell Knoefler* said that the snow pack was down to only 51 inches. Not too far away, at D. L. Bliss, Assistant Ranger *D. I. Rich* also reported some spring-like activity — tracks of a large bear about a hundred yards from headquarters.

Potpourri...

SAWMILL SITE DEDICATED AS STATE HISTORICAL LANDMARK

The site of the first known commercial power sawmill to be built in California was dedicated as Registered Historical Landmark No. 835 on January 31. The sawmill was built in 1834 by John R. B. Cooper, brother-in-law to General Mariano G. Vallejo. Why Cooper elected to build his sawmill at this then-remote site in Sonoma County is a mystery, but he may have intended to sell its output to General Vallejo who was then working to settle and hold the new pueblo and mission at Sonoma. The mill was destroyed by floods during the winter of 1841-42.

SOUND OFF AGAINST LITTERBUGS

The Family Camping Federation, as part of its fight against littering, is organizing an "L for Litterbug" campaign. As the Morse code V-for Victory (three dots and a dash, for our younger readers) was universally recognized during World War II, so can L for Litterbug, sounded on your car horn, inform a careless person that his act of littering has been seen.

So let's hear it, gang – *Beep Beeeeep Beep Beep.*

NPS CONSIDERS BANNING CARS FROM YOSEMITE

A plan to move all services from Yosemite Valley to Big Meadow, five miles from the park, and ban cars from the valley floor is being considered by the National Park Service. Under the plan, a transit system would carry visitors and campers from Big Meadow to the valley; the only other access would be by hiking.

The program would be implemented over a 10-year period, and would cost about $50 million. It would raise Yosemite valley's capacity from 30,000 to 40,000 visitors, and help relieve the crowding at peak periods. Cars are already banned from the Mariposa Grove.

CHARLES WOLFE ILL

District 1 Clerk-Typist *Margo Thornton* informs us that former Ranger *Charles Wolfe* has suffered a stroke and is at the Martinez Veteran's Hospital. She feels he would appreciate cards and letters; the address is 150 Muir Road, Martinez, California 94553. Wolfe left Sutter's Fort SHM in 1968 after nearly eighteen years in the Department.

BEA MORRIS RETIRES

Bea Morris, District 2 Personnel Assistant, is retiring May 1 after 14 years with the Department and a total of nearly 29 years of State service. Friends will gather April 25 to give her a good send-off.

The party will be at the Holiday Inn, 3345 Santa Rosa Avenue, Santa Rosa. A no-host cocktail hour at 6:30 will be followed by dinner at 7:30. Total cost of the dinner with tax and tip is $3.50; any additional contributions will be used toward a gift. Send your check (indicating whether you prefer swiss steak or baked half chicken for dinner) to Garth Tanner, District 2, P.O. Box 1296, Santa Rosa 95403.

District 1 Business Manager *Bill Fahey*, recently overheard this at the orientation of a new employee (on the payroll exactly 2½ hours): "How long do I have to work in this Area before I will be eligible for transfer?"

He says it's a good, good thing there was a lady present!!!

STAFF CHANGES

APPOINTMENTS

Avery, Kenneth B.	State Park Attendant	Marshall Gold Discovery	1-13-70
Bradley, Gordon A.	Junior Landscape Architect	Master Plng Br	1-26-70
Byrnes, Adele V.	Clerk Typist II	Will Rogers Area	1-30-70
Chapman, Michael H.	State Park Ranger (Int)	S.F. Maritime Area	1-13-70
Claud Jr., Phillips L.	State Park Ranger I	Frontera Area	1-19-70
Grace, Robert C.	State Park Ranger I	Angel Island Area	2-18-70
Johnson, Marsha M.	Clerk Typist II	Personnel	2-18-70
Laymance, Sr., Jerry A.	Janitor	Hearst San Simeon	1-9-70
Leyba, Jose, E.	Property Clerk I	Dist 5 Headquarters	1-19-70
Marceau, Mary E.	Account Clerk II	Accounting	1-13-70
Patrick, Margaret M.	Clerk I (Perm Int)	Sonoma Area	2-2-70
Patterson, William E.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Orange Coast Area	1-24-70
Porter, Petra L.	Clerk Typist I	Point Lobos Area	1-26-70
Rhoades, Virginia L.	Clerk Typist II	Dist 5 Headquarters	2-3-70
Sargent, Ruth L.	Clerk I	Accounting	1-30-70
Snider, Jeffrey D.	State Park Ranger I	Orange Coast Area	2-16-70
Suvia, Lewellyn	Clerk II	Hearst San Simeon	1-12-70
Wilson, Winifred G.	Clerk Typist II	Personnel	2-24-70

NAME CHANGE

Ross, Linda J. Fr: Mills, Linda J.	Clerk I (Perm Int)	Frontera Area	1-31-70

PROMOTIONS

Adkisson, Clark E.	State Park Ranger I	Dyerville Area to Frontera Area	1-30-70
Alexander, Brenda J.	Clerk Typist II	Mgmnt Repts Unit to P & D Div Chfs Off	1-30-70
Benedict, Roy W.	State Park Ranger I	Calaveras Area to Benicia Area	1-16-70
Bitting, Samuel R., Jr.	State Park Ranger I	Montana Area to Orange Coast Area	1-15-70
Caffrey, John P.	Associate Budget Analyst	Budget Section	2-3-70
Meuser, William L.	Associate Architect	P & D Design Section	1-30-70

UNIT CHANGES

Bollinger, John F.	State Park Ranger I	Angel Island Area to Morro Bay Area	1-30-70
Felt, David	State Park Ranger I	Folsom Lake Area to Gaviota Area	2-16-70
McMullin, Dennis W.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Salton Sea Area to Orange Coast Area	2-21-70
Swinford, James M.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Carpintera Area to Point Mugu Area	2-11-70

SEPARATIONS

Dreis, Larry A.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Santa Cruz Coast Area	1-29-70
Johnson, Paul R.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Fort Humboldt Area	2-11-70
Kolsbun, Kenneth E.	Assoc Landscape Arch	Master Plng Br	1-29-70
Mitchell, Jr., Ralph V.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Santa Cruz Coast	1-31-70
Murray, Norbert J.	Guide I, Hist Mon	Hearst San Simeon SHM	1-29-70
Nomura, Tom W.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Frontera Area	2-1-70
Ramirez, Joe S.	Groundsman	Ventura Beaches	2-27-70
Rice, Peter A.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Mendocino Area	2-16-70
Rivera, David A.	Tree Maintenance Man II	Env Resources Sect	2-20-70
Rose, Donna G.	Clerk Typist II	P & D Div Chief's Off	1-20-70
Schutte, Steven L.	Auditor I	Audit Section	2-20-70
Thom, Neil J.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Dyerville Area	2-2-70
Weyrens, Darrell E.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Mt Diablo Area	1-29-70
White, Margaret A.	Clerk Typist I	Orange Coast Area	2-27-70

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OOPS! - - -OOPS!

We did it again . . . twice this time. First, a few sharp-eyed observers informed us that we left out the $20 bill on the last page of our March issue. Our apologies to President Jackson, whose face appears thereon.

Second, the headline on our computer story (page 5) should have read Gung Hay Fat Choy, not Chow. The slip was probably Freudian, since the editor has been on a diet lately and thoughts of "fat chow," like sugar plums, keep dancing through his head.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH – Columnist Stan Delaplane, in referring to our new computerized reservation system, said: "I must say, camping by computer is something like dancing with your sister."

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ABOUT THE COVER: The Chapel at Fort Ross. This summer, archeology students from Sonoma State College will work to restore an Indian village at Fort Ross State Historic Park. See page 13.

Photo by Tom Myers

WILD THINGS

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.
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In California 900 acres of land are being used up each month for development. Over the years use of land for development has substantially reduced wildlife habitat. Six mammals have become extinct in California, four are listed as rare, two are endangered. The situation with regard to birds, reptiles, fishes and plants is even more critical. Our State flower, the California poppy, could, unless steps are taken to set aside several natural preserves, disappear from the California scene as did the grizzly bear, our State animal.

There are those who question whether these losses are significant to human welfare and they rationalize that the loss of plant and animal species is inevitable in the course of progress. In the frenzy to be identified with the environmental crises, it seems to me that wild things have been bypassed as being unimportant. The elimination of the grizzly bear from the California scene was unnecessary as was the loss of lesser known animals such as the Amargosa meadow vole and the big-eared kit fox.

As conservationists we must not only concern ourselves with matters which may directly affect the wellbeing of the animal man but with the total relationship of plants and animals in our earthly ecosystem.

In addition to building campgrounds and picnic areas, it is our responsibility to be concerned about wild things. We have been concerned. Now, however, is the time to take our conservation light from beneath the bushel basket and lead the parade. We have the expertise, the experience, and we have over the years quietly done something about preserving the environmental quality of California. Now, we must actively support environmental quality and a balanced ecosystem where man lives in harmony with wild things. They were here first. Let's respect that historic priority.

LELAND D. LUTZ TO TAKE OVER FROM RON MILLER

On May 1, after 47 years of service with the state, of which 23 were with our Department, Ron Miller stepped down as Chief of the Administrative Services Division. Coming in to take his place is Leland D. Lutz, a veteran of 21 years with the State.

Lutz, 42, who is married and has three children, has spent the past ten years with the State Personnel Board. Before that, he was with the Department of Finance for 11 years.

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GROUP II TRAINING CLASS GRADUATES FROM ASILOMAR

The second group of Park Rangers to complete the Park Management and Operations Training Program at Asilomar has graduated, and the third group will have graduated by the time this issue of NEWS and VIEWS reaches you. Those who attended the Group II class (not in the order they appear in the picture) are:

Name	Area
Collian Thompson	McArthur-Burney Area
William Kaiser	Castle Crags Area
William Allison	Mendocino Area
Jerry Fialho	Russian River Area
Bob Crawford	Marin Area
Bob Pugh	Feather River Area
Gus Till *	Marshall Gold Discovery Area
Hal Terry	Oroville Reservoir SRA
Bill Reinhardt **	Millerton Lake Area
Don Royer	Big Sur Area
Dave Redding	San Mateo Coast Area
Dana Long	Mount Diablo Area
Fred Eggiman	Gaviota Area
Al Ulm	Morro Bay Area
Al Hibsch	Ventura Beaches Area
Ronald C. McCullough	Montane Area
William Stahlberg	Mt. San Jacinto Area
Eugene Junette	Orange Coast Area

* Attended first 2 weeks only
** Did not attend 3rd week

DEPARTMENT'S SAFETY GOAL – 12 BY 1971

By Ed Wilson
Personnel Officer

Four years ago the Department of Parks and Recreation was experiencing an employee lost time injury rate higher than either the high-risk logging industry or the bituminous coal mining industry! Since then, through work by supervisors, local safety coordinators and safety committees, we have made real progress. We are now just average compared to all other California State Government departments – 17.4 lost time injuries per million man-hours exposure for calendar year 1969.

Our safety program has been given new impetus by the recently announced Governor's program to reduce the average state rate by at least 10% per year for the next three years. Our departmental goal is to reach a 12.00 rate by the final quarter in 1970. To accomplish this, each employee, each supervisor, each manager, each staff officer will need to plan and carry out positive safety actions in connection with his personal safety and to insure the job safety of other employees.

Our first quarter 1970 experience was 17.63 which is about the same as our 1969 average. This represents 11 injuries serious enough to require that the employee be absent from work on one or more days following the date of the injury. These injuries happened to 2 State Park Ranger II's, 3 State Park Attendants, 2 Equipment Operators, 1 Janitor, 1 Laborer Foreman (Casual), 1 Maintenance Aid, and 1 Automobile Mechanic. Over 90% of these lost-time injuries happened while the employee was engaged in some maintenance-connected activity.

Director Mott, because of his concern for the well-being of our employees, recently wrote to each newly appointed maintenance supervisor and maintenance leadman emphasizing the need to follow safe work practices. He stated:

> "...Maintenance work can be hazardous; therefore, it is your responsibility to recognize unsafe conditions and to correct them, to develop attitudes within the men working under you to assure that they will take seriously our employee safety program, and to see that the proper tools and safety gear are used at all times.
>
> "You should continually train your employees and require them to analyze tasks for hazards before undertaking the tasks; you should see that they have proper personal safety equipment such as gloves and adequate footwear; you should see that the proper equipment such as goggles, hard hats, lifting devices, and tools are provided by the Department when necessary; and, above all, you should believe as I do in the importance of employee safety and practice what you preach. Morally, there is no way we can justify the pain and hardships endured by our employees and their families as a result of injuries."

Our serious first quarter injuries were:

Nature of Injury	**Days Lost*
Strained muscle in groin. Pain remained for a few days.	1
Back strain - possible whiplash.	10
Stepped on nail sticking up in board.	4
Crushed middle finger, left hand.	4
Cut in head above left eye.	1
Calf muscle split.	10
Broken ribs.	19
Slipped disc in vertebrae.	19
Bruised lower back.	19
Whiplash or strained ligament in neck.	2.5
Turned ankle - possible sprain.	1

*Days lost from these new accidents by end of quarter. Several absences will continue into next quarter. →

DEPARTMENT'S SAFETY GOAL (Continued)

The causes of our eleven accidents were:

Slipped and fell on icy pavement.

Tripped over dust mop which had been left leaning against chair.

Lost balance and fell against equipment while lifting and moving a rock.

Lifting heavy piece of equipment without help or hoist.

Removing trash and cleaning up debris around work project (stepped on nail).

Hand caught by tailgate swinging closed.

Bumped head on piece of machinery in construction area.

Leg strains while "rearing back" in operating a jackhammer.

Collision - skiploader hit manhole cover which was hidden in snow, throwing driver against steering wheel and back against seat.

Sitting in wheeled office chair leaning slightly backward - chair moved.

Stepped in a hole.

It is easy to speculate after an accident on what might have prevented it. The answers given on accident reports to the question "What do you recommend for preventing this type of accident?" are sometimes not very helpful. Of the ten lost-time accidents in the Department of Parks and Recreation during the first quarter of 1970, five were reported to us with this type of general suggestion for preventing future accidents: *Be careful, take more care, or work cautiously*.

Other answers were more helpful and suggested actions requiring supervisory follow-up:

Use sand on walkways when icy.

Require use of hard hats on construction jobs.

Install safety seat belts in equipment.

Provide help when job requires heavy lifting.

We initially considered the accident involving whiplash of an employee seated in a swivel chair in an area office as "just one of those things." Later in the day, after reviewing this accident report, we found a National Safety Council listing of common causes of office accidents which contained this item: "Weak tension springs on swivel chairs." We wonder how many of the 785 swivel chairs used by employees in this Department are actually accident traps. Why not take a look!

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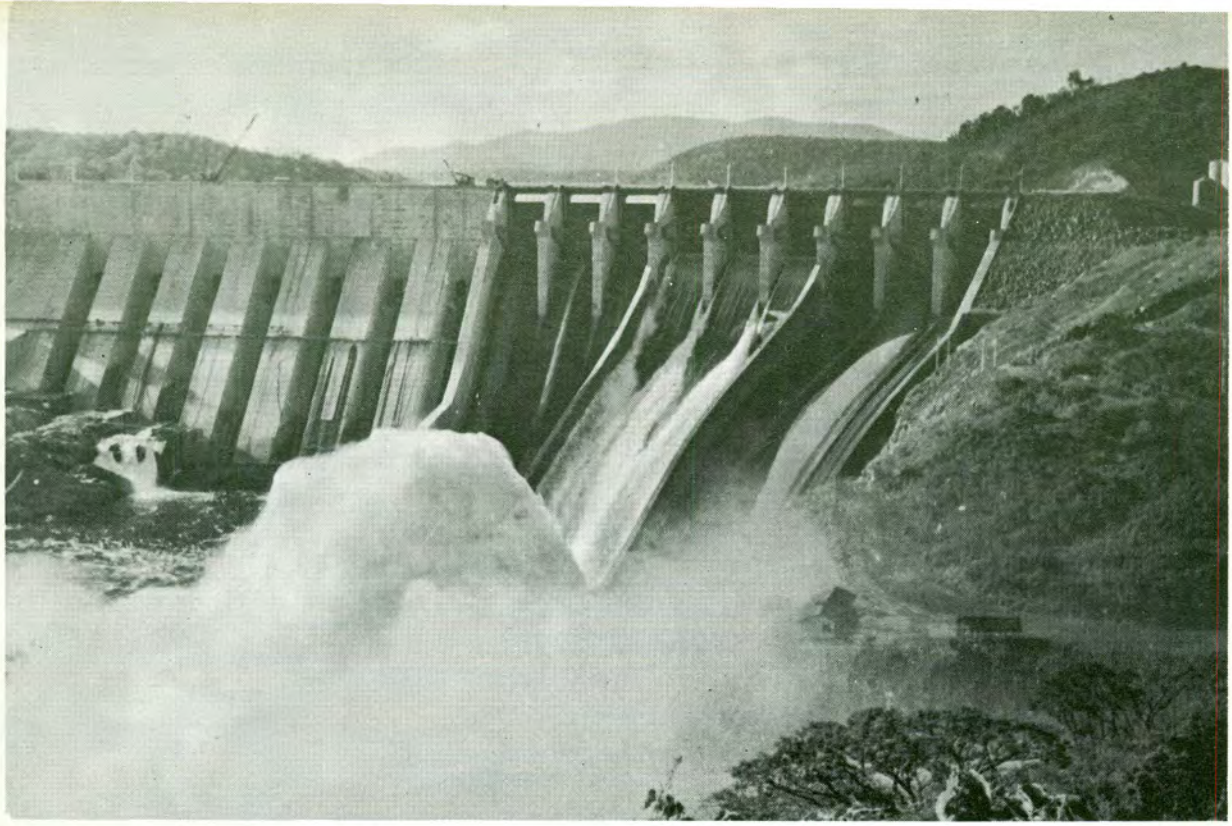
LOCAL BOY MAKES GOOD

Frank Oliver, who was Assistant Budget Analyst for the Department in 1965, has been appointed Chief Deputy Director of General Services by Governor Reagan. He has spent the past three years as the Procurement Officer of General Services.

In his new post he is replacing Donald G. Livingston, who was transferred to the position of General Services' Chief Deputy Director in charge of policy and legislative matters.

MRS. DeTURK MARRIES

Friends of Mrs. Maude DeTurk, widow of former Parks and Recreation Director Charles DeTurk, will be happy to hear she was married April 4 to Thomas Allen of Santa Rosa. Allen is a former assistant director of the National Park Service and has been living in Santa Rosa since his retirement six years ago. They were married in the home of Mrs. DeTurk's daughter, Mrs. Robert L. Karrer, in Bellevue, Washington. Former Director DeTurk died in 1967.



Three spillway gates open at Guri Dam.

RECREATION EVALUATION OF LAGO GURI, VENEZUELA

by Hank Hjersman, Park and Recreation Resources Manager

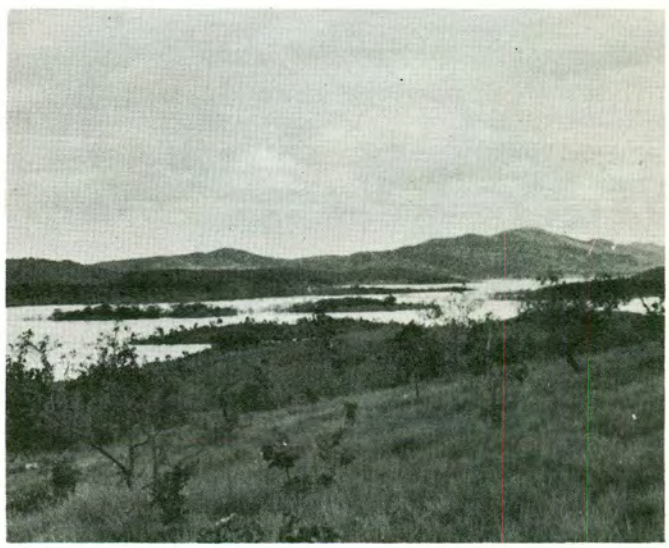
Lago Guri, or Guri Lake, is the reservoir for what will one day be one of the world's largest hydroelectric projects. It now has a water surface of 210,000 acres at its maximum operating elevation of 705 feet above sea level, and inflow to the lake is so large that this level can be maintained for over ten months of the year. Most of the lake shores slope gently, making them suitable for development of recreation facilities.

Hundreds of islands dot the lake's surface, ranging from mere pinpricks to some covering seven or eight square miles. Many of the islands support jungles complete with parrots, iguanas, red howler monkeys, river otters, and capybara, the world's largest rodent.

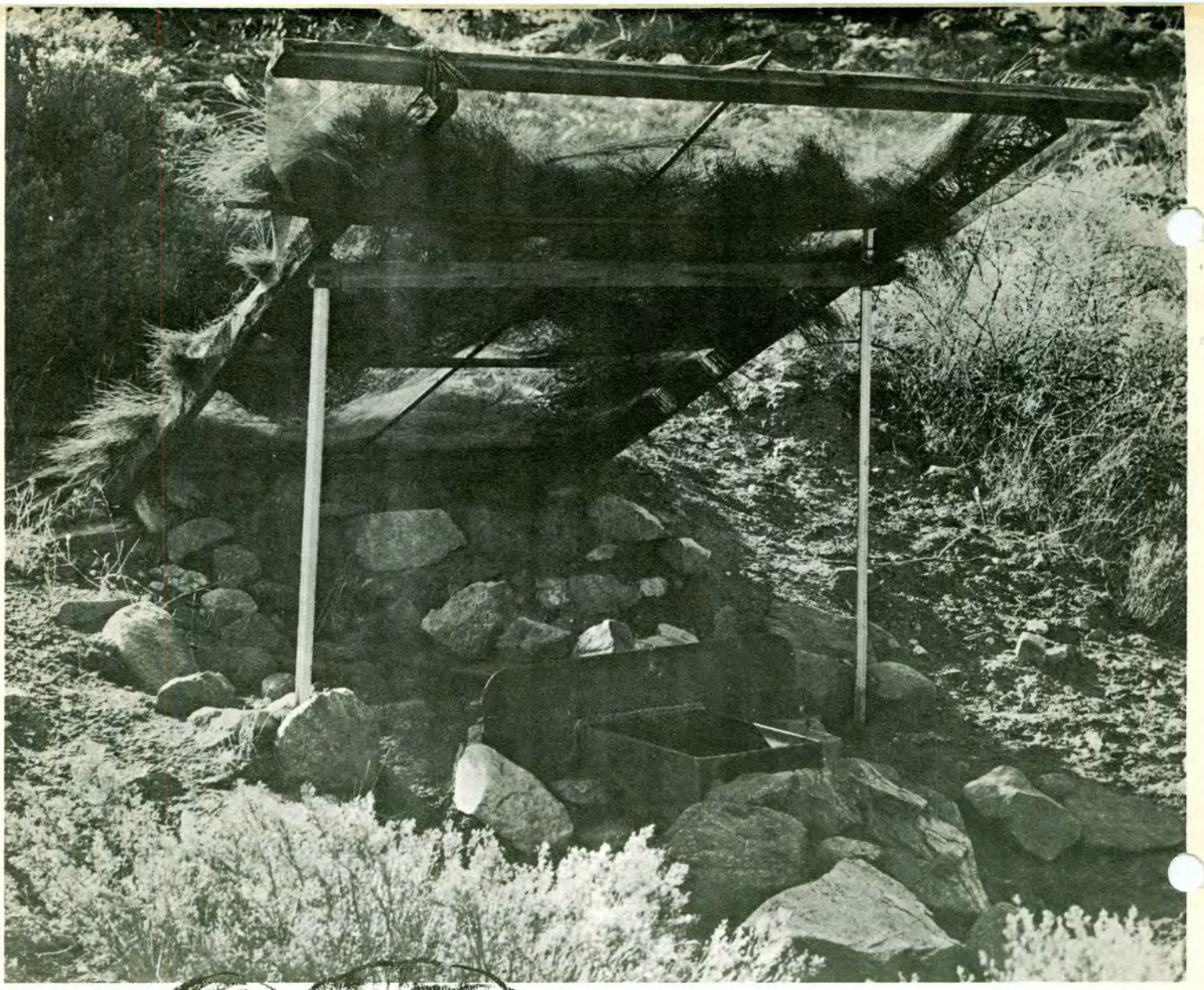
One disadvantage of the lake as a recreation area came home to me with particular emphasis one evening when the dugout canoe in which I was riding nearly swamped – the presence of the voracious piranha. While I did not see any, there is no doubt in my mind that they are there.

Except for the piranha, Lago Guri has a virtually unlimited potential for all types of recreation use – motor and sail boating, nature study, photography . . . and swimming and waterskiing, too, once the problem of unfriendly marine life is conquered. When a demand has been established by publicity, private capital can be expected to take its place in recreation development at Lago Guri.

Hank Hjersman, supervisor of the Department's Contract Services Section, spent a month in Venezuela as a recreation consultant on the Guri Dam project. This is a summary of his report on the recreation potential of the area.



Lago Guri has many islands which support wildlife and jungle growth.



This is a "guzzler" constructed by the National Park Service to supply drinking water to bighorn sheep at Joshua Tree National Monument. An apron of sheet aluminum was constructed on a hillside to trap rainwater and snow melt, which were fed into a pair of 1275-gallon underground storage tanks. A downgrade pipe links the tanks to a drinking container, where the water level is regulated by a float valve. This guzzler at Stubbe Spring, which gave 222 gallons per day in 1948 but is now dry except in the rainy season, got the bighorn through the hottest months of the year with four or five hundred gallons to spare. The guzzlers are expected to be a lifesaver to many bighorn in areas where human interference, such as tunneling or damming, has dried up the water source.

Photo by Wayland and Leone Barrows, Courtesy of the National Park Service.

The tandem truck rig was in the right lane when the rear trailer broke loose and started for the divider strip. Skid and tire marks tell the story. That's the rest of the truck rig in the far background.

The car, battered but still driveable, came to a safe stop several hundred yards down the highway in the 16-foot wide gravel divider strip . . . thanks to seat belts.

Photos by Dick Thompson

NOTICE: The use of seat belts may be beneficial to your health

Dick Thompson
Information Officer

It was a bright, clear morning for Southern California. I had just turned onto Interstate 5 (the San Diego Freeway) and was on my way from San Clemente to Doheny State Beach to get some pictures of the new day-use facility there.

I was in the center lane of the three northbound lanes doing about 65 mph, slowly pulling up on a truck and tandem trailer rig in the right lane. I heard a sharp clank, and out of the corner of my eye saw a puff of smoke from the rear tires of the second trailer. My first thought was "blowout," and then I realized that the rear trailer had broken loose from the first trailer and was heading across the lanes of traffic toward me.

I was trapped. I couldn't go to the right because the trailer was there, moving across my path. I couldn't stop – there wasn't time. I cut to the left and just managed to get my front wheels past when it hit. I think I know what it must be like to be inside a bass drum.

The right side of the windshield and all the glass on the right side of the car were pulverized – flying chips of glass were everywhere. The impact was so severe that my clip-on sunglasses flew off and broke.

My car skidded across the inside lane and into the gravel divider strip. For the next few seconds (hours?) I was busy trying to keep the wildly fish-tailing car from crossing into the southbound lanes. When the car finally came to a halt I unfastened my seat belt, climbed out of the car (the door had sprung open on the driver's side), got my camera and began taking pictures.

Let me back up a few lines . . . **I UNFASTENED MY SEAT BELT!**

I have no doubt that my seat belt saved my life and possibly the lives of others, too. Without it I would either have been thrown out of the car completely, or would have rattled around the inside like a marble in a cigar box. There would have been no possibility of maintaining control and the car would have caromed across the divider strip right into the oncoming traffic.

A highway patrolman who was part of that oncoming traffic and who witnessed the entire thing wheeled across the divider and with his lights flashing pulled up behind me.

"Are you all right?" he asked, as I climbed from the car. I nodded. He looked as scared and shaky as I felt. "Boy," he said, "I really thought I had it that time. You were aiming right at me after that trailer hit you."

I looked back down the road. The trailer was angled across two lanes of traffic, stopped dead, near where it hit me. Someone told me later that it was a bulk cement carrier. I can't help but feel that if I hadn't been there to intercept that runaway trailer it would have kept on going across the divider and into the path of the high speed, southbound traffic.

Seat belts perform two functions – they protect against the "second collision," the one the driver or passenger has with the inside of the car after the initial collision; and they enable the driver to keep a "good seat" in situations where there is danger of losing control of the car.

The first function is the most touted, with the result that many people don't bother to use their belts for slow speed driving. But what about their second function?

Even if you were only travelling ten or fifteen mph you could be hit by something hard enough to change your direction of travel. What kind of control would you have if you were sliding around the front seat of the car? Would you be able to keep from hitting oncoming traffic? or kids playing in the street? Or keep from going off the road and over an embankment?

The "cement truck incident" happened to your NEWS & VIEWS editor on March 24, this year. With the Governor's Program to Reduce Occupational Injuries in full swing now, we want to present these kinds of stories. If you have a safety lesson to relate, please send it in. Let us benefit from your experience.

LIFEGUARDS SHOW SKILL, TEAMWORK

The efficiency of the Orange Coast lifeguard staff made the front pages of local newspapers on March 15 when Huntington Beach Lifeguard *Tom Russell* rescued three youngsters from heavy surf.

Russell was alerted to the boys' plight when he saw two surf mats and a surfboard floating ashore unattended. Visibility was only about thirty yards, due to fog, but Tom plunged into the heavy surf and was almost immediately out of sight of land.

He located one young victim and strapped him to his rescue tube, then found a second boy. Hearing cries for help, he left the first two with the tube, swam to the third victim, who was nearly exhausted, and cross-chested him back to the spot where he had left the others. Lifeguard Supervisor *Mel Tubbs*, using radar and the boat's siren, located Tom and the three boys and brought them in.

As District Superintendent *Jim Whitehead* told Operations Chief *John H. Knight* in a letter describing the incident, "This tells a story of which all park people can be proud and maybe serve to better illustrate the fact that lifeguards do something more than sit around in towers watching pretty girls."

To which Knight replied "You have good reason to praise the lifeguard staff . . . I am sure that you and your staff can continue to be proud of the training and professional accomplishments of your District's aquatic program."

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FIELD NOTES

from the Information Office

Park Folders – The packet of park folders and the order blanks sent to Areas and Districts recently have resulted in many orders and the exhaustion of folder supplies for some parks. New supplies are being ordered, and as soon as they come in your orders will be filled. If you haven't seen the packet, it's in your office somewhere, so track it down.

Regulation Posters – Some of you may remember way back in 1966 when a 10 x 13 poster was printed for park use. Entitled *"Rules and Regulations" Briefed,* the poster was placed on bulletin boards and in campsite food lockers. It covered several "don'ts" in a nice, positive way. Checking out a request from Bill Fahey, Business Services Officer in District 1, for more of the posters, we found they are out of print, and after checking with Operations Chief Jack Knight, we ordered a new supply. These should be received within a few weeks, and if you can use some, place your order now.

Regulations Booklets – You may have seen the blue-covered booklet, "Policies, Rules, Regulations and Orders" prepared by Jim Fisher , assistant to the Director. They will be revised the first of the year and a supply will be ordered for the Areas and Districts. These are not to be a counter item where everyone can "take" one, but should be kept in a drawer someplace and used to answer specific inquiries about Park rules and regulations. You'll be notified when they are available.

A PRIMER FOR SAFETY

Slips and falls were responsible for 40% of our medical and compensation costs in 1968-69, yet accounted for only 14% of the reported accidents. These are very serious accidents, frequently leaving some disability for life. 10 Department of Parks and Recreation employees were injured last year by jumping from trucks, garbage racks or other high places!

We Have Met the Enemy, and He is ! US !

The above quote from Walt Kelly's *Pogo* probably best expresses the findings of the week-long Environmental Studies Conference held last month by students at Rancho Cordova Senior High School near Sacramento.

The conference, which had as its theme "Give Birth to a New Earth," was sponsored by the Senior Humanities Class of Dr. James Collins, head of the school's Social Science Department. The idea for it occurred while the students were studying Classical and Renaissance periods of history and relating them to modern times. They noticed that in spite of an increase in technology, there was a growing dissatisfaction with the quality of life – and that this dissatisfaction seemed to correspond to the decrease in the quality of man's environment.

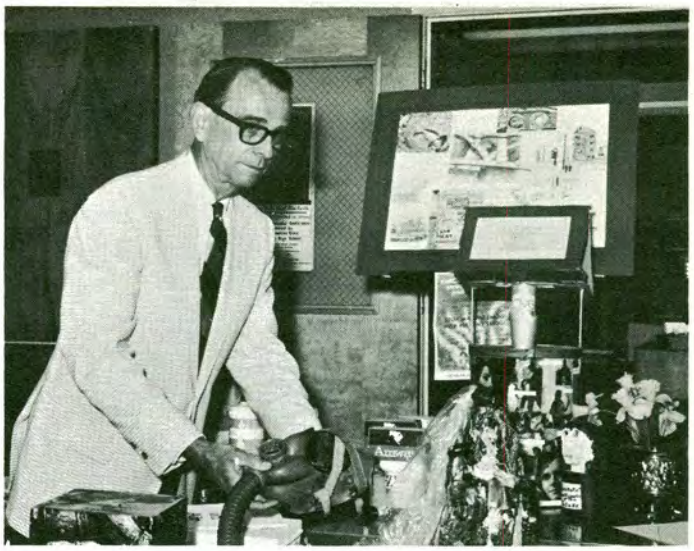
For the next several weeks, the students looked up every reference they could find on ecology and environment. Interest ran high as they discussed the problem among themselves. They wrote to different authorities for material and suggestions, held a school-wide contest for the preparation of displays and art on pollution, and appointed student committees to develop the conference agenda and coordinate the program.

During the conference, the students held panel discussions and used film and slide presentations to dramatize the crises facing mankind today. Speakers from many organizations, including *Bud Heacox* of our Interpretive Services Section, spoke on such subjects as population, air and water pollution, and the problems in our cities.

By the time the conference had ended, 1100 students from the Cordova school plus an additional 300 from 20 other schools in the area had attended and participated.

The conference attracted much interest and attention. So much so, in fact, that Assembly Speaker Robert Monagan introduced a resolution into the Assembly commending the Senior Humanities Class and Dr. Collins for "their efforts in organizing the program," and for "serving as an example of what schools and communities can accomplish in clarifying the problems that plague our environment."

Altogether, some 1400 students from Rancho Cordova High and 20 other schools attended the five-day environmental conference. The "Future Voters of America," these kids are becoming aware of what they are about to inherit. →

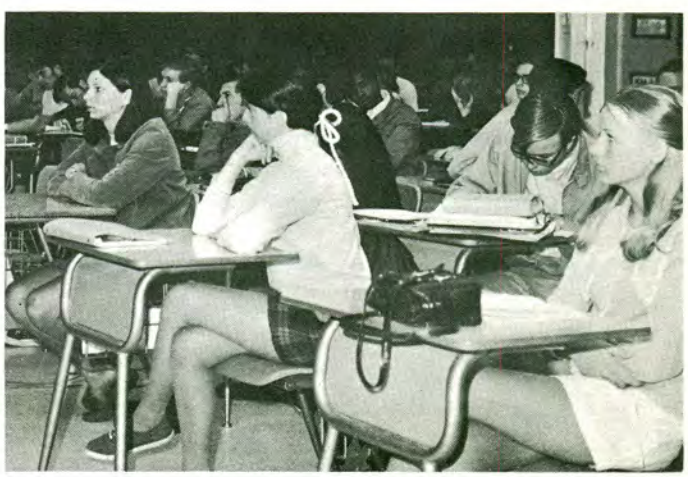


Dr. James Collins checks over one of the many pollution displays the students put together for the week-long environmental studies conference.

Bud Heacox of the Interpretive Services Section addresses one of the morning sessions on the subject of population.

Photos by Dick Thompson

This is one of the school-wide contest entries, submitted in the category of "Creative Reuse of Containers." Dozens of these tin-can sculptures and billboard displays were prepared for the conference.



Enid and Leonard Moore

HOBBIES KEEP LEN MOORE BUSY IN RETIREMENT

by Ed Earl, Manager
Will Rogers Area

On October 12, 1954, his seventieth birthday, Ranger II Leonard Moore retired from Seacliff Beach State Park.

Len started park work at San Clemente in 1941, then transferred to La Purisima Mission and worked as a custodian with Warden Earl P. Hanson for two years. He spent the next ten years working with Roy Cushing at Seacliff and recalls working with other park employees such as Eugene Velzy, Lee Blaisdell, Stanley Jones, and Keith Caldwell.

Enid, his wife, contributed many poems to the News & Views. Page 4 of the April 1954 edition contains an example.

Len and Enid advise employees to develop a hobby before retiring. Their recent letter tells it best, so I quote from it:

> "I retired in October 1954, on my 70th birthday. My wife Enid and I bought a small trailer and traveled for 2 years. The beach cleaner at Seacliff interested me greatly, so Joe Evans, the inventor, gave me the authority to sell them to the East Coast.
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> "Everywhere from Chicago to Canada and back in Michigan, heads of Park departments, mayors of cities, etc. were all cordial and interested.
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> "There were many adventures, one particular one when I pulled the beach cleaner from the railroad station with my 1949 Plymouth. There were two city officials of Chicago with me, and it poured rain. We had no permit to have the machine on the streets, but it was the same color as the Chicago equipment so we were not stopped. One official wiped his brow after we got to the beach where I was to demonstrate it and said "Wow, I sure hatched a bunch of butterflies in my stomach getting here." Chicago bought two cleaners and Dearborn got one. Sold seven on the trip and two orders came through two years later, after we were back in Capitola. Not only made the trip very interesting – but worthwhile financially.
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> "We sold the trailer the day after we reached home, and then I designed a nice small home and had it built in Capitola. We have been here eight years now. Hobbies? Well, gardening and a lot of pinochle seem to be my best.
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> "Last year I was in the hospital four months and sort of lost my balance through some drugs they gave me, and now, at 85, I still have a fine life tho' I use a cane to steady me when I walk a long way. Still garden a little and enjoy pinochle. Can't drive my car and that is bad, but Enid is learning to do it and we get along fine.
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> "We live at 119 No. 49 Avenue, Capitola, California 95010. The coffee pot is always on and the welcome is warm for any park employees who come our way."

Pickings are pretty slim for the "20 Years Ago" column. About the only newsworthy event to report for that period was the son born to then Deputy Ranger and Mrs. John H. Michael of Samuel P. Taylor SP.

20 years ago

In desperation we turned to the May 1945 issue of NEWS and VIEWS to see what was happening 25 years ago. We did find one *small* item to report – VE Day. If you don't remember what that was, ask anybody over 35. Is it possible???? 25 years ago???? Oh, wow.

PARENT COMPANY DUMPS COMPUTICKET— RESERVATIONS NOW HANDLED AT HEADQUARTERS

After investing some $13 million, and with the spectre of spending another $10 to $12 million before it felt its subsidiary would become profitable, the Computer Sciences Corporation of New York suddenly pulled the plug and sent Computicket and our new computer reservation system down the drain.

Computicket, a computer company handling theater and sporting event reservations, had been in operation in California for 18 months before its sudden demise on Friday, April 3. It had contracted with us to handle our new system, and in only three months had processed more than 42,000 campsite reservation requests plus some 23,400 Hearst Monument tour requests.

There were bugs, but most had been worked out. There was every indication that the program was going to be a great success, and several other states were watching to see how it would work.

An ironic note – the National Park Service was to have come in on the following Monday, April 6, to talk about the system and to sign up Computicket to take reservations for Yosemite National Park.

It was not a total loss, however. The reservations made will all be honored, and since the company had already handled a volume of campsite reservations equal to about 66 percent of all those we took last year, we can consider that as so much work done. Reservations are now being handled here at headquarters, and it doesn't appear that we will have to go back to the system this year of having them processed at the parks.

The announcement by Computer Sciences Corporation that its California subsidiary, Computicket, was being scrapped aroused a lot of interest. In one day NBC News, Time and Life Broadcasters, and Channel 4 of San Francisco were in getting stories. Here, Director Mott explains for NBC that all reservations made will be honored by the Department.

On the bright side, more than a dozen different computer companies, some from as far away as Florida and New York, have offered to "jump right in" and take the reservation system worries off our hands. If only it were that easy!

Present plans include rebidding the contract to get a new computer reservation system operational, hopefully by January 1971.

TEACHER'S AID KITS HELP PARKS AND TEACHERS

The story, "Making Sutter Come Alive," is a good example of how the Department's new Teacher's Aid Kits can help in interpreting the natural and historical values of our parks to school groups.

The first such kit, which was made up for use at Sutter's Fort, has been sent around to each district with the suggestion that other units might be able to adapt them to their use. This could be done by using the guidelines letters and the cover folders provided by the Division of Information and Interpretation, and specific park material provided by the unit or even local civic groups and clubs.

The response has been good. Already *Bill Reinhardt*, Manager for Millerton Lake Area, has plans for putting together a kit for the Millerton Courthouse; *Milt Frincke*, District 4 Superintendent, has ordered a supply for adaption to units in his District as have *Bud Getty*, District 6 Interpretive Specialist, and *Jim Neider*, District 2 Interpretive Specialist.

Teachers like the kit idea in that it allows them to prepare their classes and helps them to get the most out of a field trip.

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Appreciation for the contributions of SAN MATEO COAST AREA rangers to conservation education is expressed in this letter to Area Manager Dave Redding:

For over a year you and the park personnel with whom you work have given a great deal of time in helping with our program. Your cooperation and sincere enthusiasm has meant much to the effectiveness of our outdoor education school. Please extend special thanks to *Jim Taylor* and *Chick Gordon*; Ranger Taylor's knowledge, personal preparation, and presentation on bird life to our young people has had a very significant effect on making our marine trip especially successful.

Basil A. Fleming, Principal
Outdoor Education School
San Joaquin County

This camper enjoyed his stay at BRANNAN ISLAND SP:

The ranger who helped us locate a campsite was very courteous and helpful; the dogs were all on leash; the camp was tidy and well kept; and the trail bikes were under control. We feel the Chief Ranger of the Park (*Jerry Garrelts*) is to be complimented for running an excellent operation.

J. M. Barkley, Jr.
Walnut Creek

Spring vacation was hectic, but nonetheless Ranger L. A. Dietz *of SAN ELIJO SB took the time to be courteous:*

Ranger Dietz was most courteous and cooperative during our stay Easter vacation week. During a very busy time we feel his service to us and others was outstanding.

C. M. Flanagin
Bakersfield

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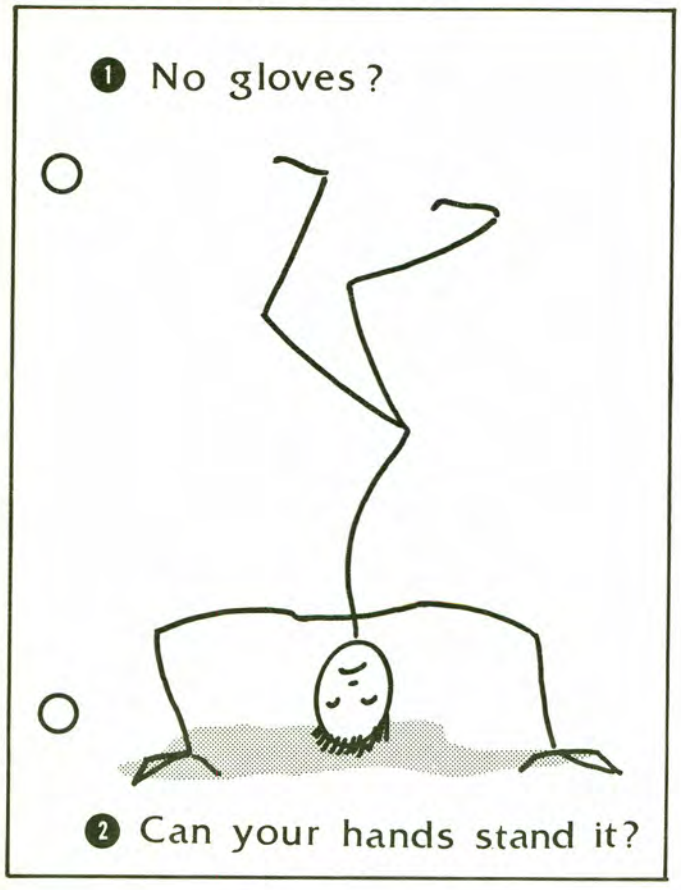
A PRIMER FOR SAFETY



About 80 injuries reported by Department of Parks and Recreation Employees in 1968-69 involved cuts and punctures, about half of these might have been prevented through use of gloves.

An artist's conception dating from 1826 of what "Ross," the Russian colonial installation and fort, looked like at the time.

This is the Russian Chapel prior to the earthquake of 1906. Originally built in 1825, it was partially destroyed during the catastrophe and had to be rebuilt.

STUDENTS DIG FOR KNOWLEDGE AT FORT ROSS SHP

For the first time this summer, the Archeology Section of the Resource Management and Protection Division will conduct a class in historical archeology for students from Sonoma State College. It will be a field class and will be held at our Fort Ross SHP in Sonoma County.

It's not all altruism on our part, however. A "quid pro quo" arrangement will be in effect wherein carefully supervised students form the heart of a work crew to excavate some house and building localities and at least one Indian village site in exchange for training and instruction.

As Francis A. Riddell, Supervisor of the Division's Archeology Section, puts it, "Speed will be a minor consideration at first. The students are for the most part inexperienced at archeological digging. When their training is a little further along, we will increase the tempo."

The work and the classroom instruction will be done under the direction of Riddell. A field camp is to be set up for the students and staff, texts assigned, and formal lectures by guest specialists in the field will widen the base of instruction. Movies and slides will be used as teaching aids.

The village site that Riddell wants to excavate belonged to the Pomo Indians. It is one that had been badly damaged from the time the Russians built the Fort in 1812 until the present. Hopefully, the village can be reconstructed and interpreted to the public as part of the park program.

"The archeology at Fort Ross must be tied very closely to the interpretive program there," Riddell notes. "These excavations cannot be independent of the Fort's history as a Russian settlement. The Pomo Indians served as menials and agriculturalists to the Russians and, along with the Aleut Indians, co-existed harmoniously as a part of the Russian colony for 30 years."

Some archeological work has already been done at Fort Ross. This is an excavation of the stockade remains, showing the original redwood lumber.

There are several other Pomo Indian sites in the immediate Fort Ross area, but work will not proceed on them until more funds are available.

Thanks to Santa Barbara historian Miss Inez Haase, the archeological project at Fort Ross will not have to begin from a standing start. Her research on the Russian-American Company, which was formed in 1798 to exploit the fur resources along the California coast, is of major significance. In addition, Riddell's section has amassed an extensive file of old photographs and prints that will prove invaluable in identifying structures and features of the original colony.

Present plans call for the archeological work to continue each summer until the job is completed. Ultimately, the Resource Management and Protection Division hopes to be able to return the Russian Colony at Fort Ross to its original condition, thus creating an historical park of international interest.

SAFEGUARDING OUR HERITAGE

by Norman L. Wilson, Supervisor
Exhibit Preparation

One of the most pressing interpretive problems facing the State Park System today is the care and maintenance of the exhibits and artifacts scattered throughout the state. There are about half a million items, from buttons to steam engines and from Charles Russell paintings to Donner Party diaries. They are not only unique and irreplaceable as antiques but are the proof of the dynamic history of our state. Many of these items are on exhibit, but most are in storage.

Care of these items varies from simple dusting to the specialized restoration of art objects. Though most aspects of maintenance just require common sense, everyone who works with them should be aware of certain facts. The wrong light, humidity, temperature, or abrasion can damage or destroy many items.

Avoid, as much as possible, exposing stored objects to light. Though a constant 65-70 degrees temperature and a 40-60 percent humidity are the ideal, most objects will hold up under other temperatures and humidity ranges if they are not subjected to continual and rapid changes.

Dust is a great destroyer. It can start a chemical reaction with moisture on the surfaces of items as well as scratch and wear when surfaces are improperly cleaned. Some materials, such as plastic, organic compounds, glass, and paper, tend to disintegrate or change due to unstable chemical or physical composition. To minimize this, store and place items so they don't rub or touch each other and handle them as little as possible.

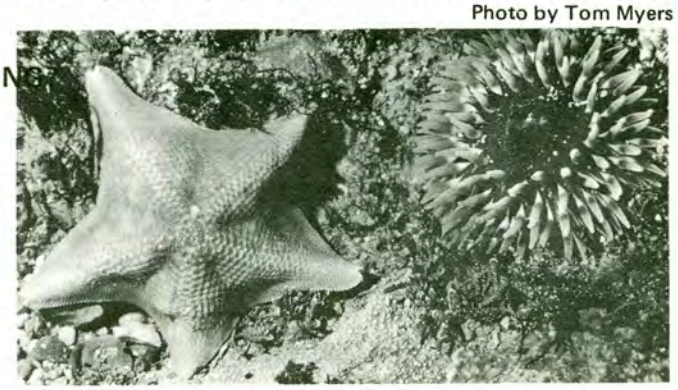
Often the environment can destroy objects. For example, certain rubber latex paints give off weak sulphuric acid fumes, and the effects of any air pollution can be disastrous for many priceless items.

The Interpretive Services Section is working through training and a statewide maintenance program to help spot critical preservation problems and correct them. It is organizing warehouse space in Sacramento to provide better storage for items that are not on exhibit, and is also providing technical advice both through its staff and outside consultants.

This effort, however, is only part of the program. The awareness and actions of people on the park staffs will determine whether we still have authentic and significant exhibits in our State Park System a hundred years from now.

CONSERVATION EDUCATION – A MIXED BLESSIN

Photo by Tom Myers



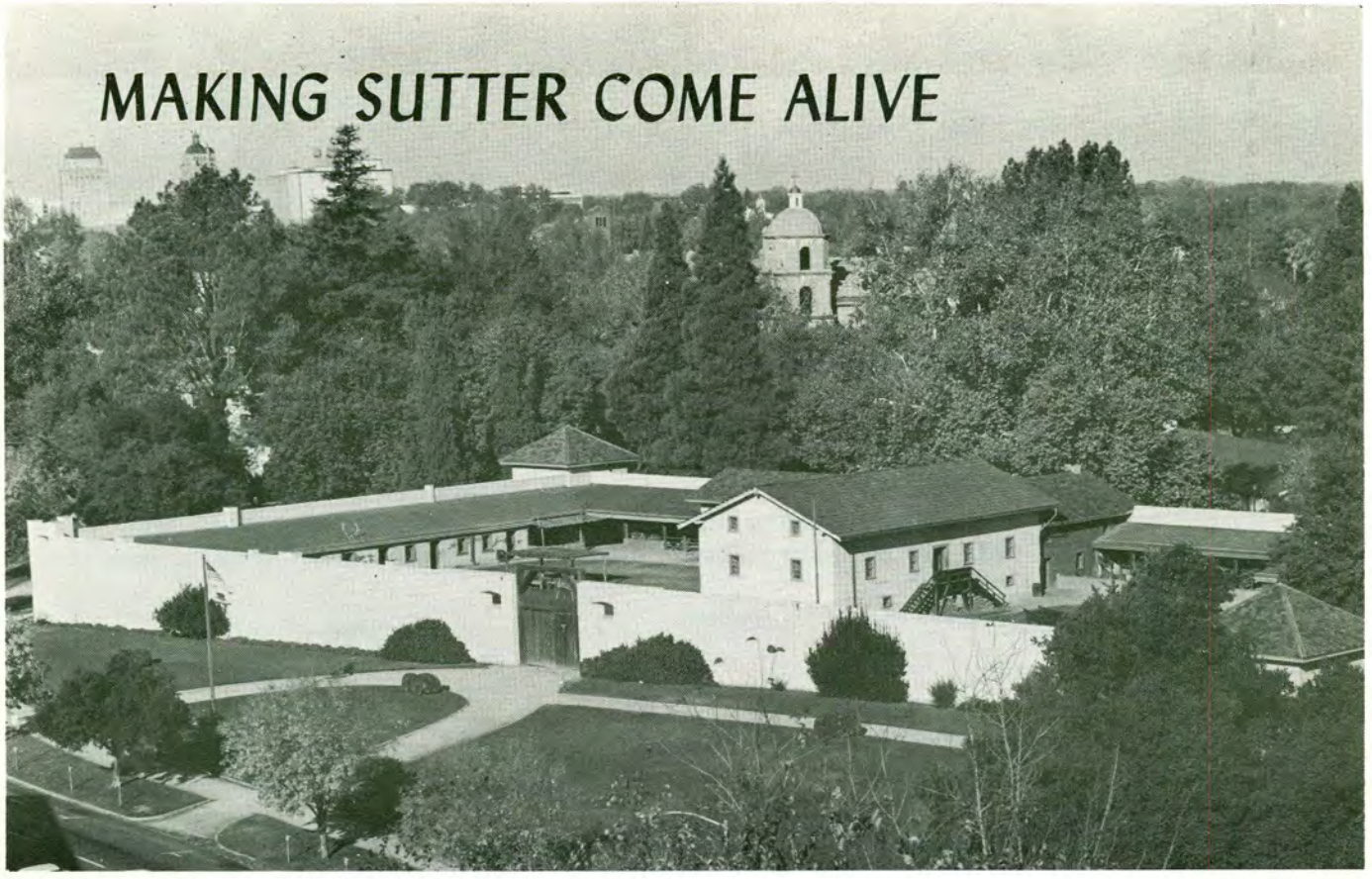
"Conservation," along with the Flag and Motherhood, stands at the epitome of righteousness. It is bruited by politicians, demonstrated for by students, and has made us feel a little guilty about driving cars. But most of us agree that conservation education, now required in California schools, is long overdue.

In some ways, however, conservation education classes have created new problems. For example, there has been a vast increase in the last few years in the number of students visiting the ocean shoreline to study intertidal invertebrates in their natural habitat. These students, taking specimens of the creatures, have nearly denuded many tidepools of life.

At Duxbury Reef, in Marin County, a recent study indicated that this trend will eventually desolate the reef habitat unless conservation and marine refuge policies are enacted. During the period of the study, increasing the effort to educate visitors regarding the problems of tidepools sharply reduced the numbers of organisms collected.

The sea cannot unendingly heal the damage to the tidepools. While Department of Fish and Game regulations forbid plundering those off state parks, there is no real protection for them other than education.

MAKING SUTTER COME ALIVE



The following article was presented in the March 30, 1970 edition of the Sacramento Union. It was prepared by Mike Fallon, a reporter of that paper.

Out of the yellow buses they tumble – 125,000 a year, fourth graders mostly – to visit the adobe whatever-it-is on L Street.

They race up a grassy slope, and what do they see?

"It's a big walled-in yard," says D. Keith Caldwell, former supervisor of Sutter's Fort.

"It could be anything – a waterworks or a sewer plant or just about anything. If you were a stranger or a 10-year-old boy from out of town, you wouldn't know what it was."

Caldwell, now district interpretive specialist for the State Department of Parks and Recreation, sees Sutter's Fort as "the start not only of a city but of a new way of life."

In an effort to convey this version to schoolchildren, the department has prepared new kits to send to teachers who plan to bring their classes for a visit. About 1,000 teaching aid kits are going out this year.

The folders contain suggested books to read before the visit – "to give youngsters a better footing," Caldwell says, "as to what to expect."

There is a list of questions for students to answer during the visit so that, hopefully, they will give the rooms at the fort more than a passing glance. In the Indian guard room, for example: What device was used to keep time? (Hourglass.) What announcement was made at regular intervals? ("All is well.")

Finally, suggested follow-up classroom projects include such assignments as these: Write a story, poem or report about Sutter's Fort. "Why I would (or would not) like to have lived at Sutter's Fort in 1840." "A Day at Sutter's Fort in 1840." "John Sutter – A Tragic Figure."

Too often in the past, Caldwell says, "some students have come from 100 miles away, and it's been sort of a fun day for them rather than an educational experience.

"We feel the fort is worth more than just a playground. It's an educational tool. One can easily spend two hours there."

Homer W. Rail, a ranger at the fort, finds a striking improvement in the classes that arrive with the kit.

"When they come in with this, the groups are 100 per cent better. Otherwise, the kids think this is a Disneyland type of thing. They run from place to place, and they're out in 15 minutes or less.

"This place requires study."

Robert Tardif, the fort's supervisor, says that most of the touring schoolchildren arrive in March, April and May. "Some days this fort will be ringed with school buses."

Tardif considers a school tour of Sutter's Fort to be a "learning experience." The students are there on school time, he says, often at a considerable cost to their home school district.

While finding a difference in the conduct of the youngsters – "some are noisy, some aren't" – Tardif also has observed a difference in the attitude of teachers.

"Some of the teachers are thorough. Some are not. It's a day away from school for the teachers, too. But we feel this kit helps, and most of the teachers seem to want it.

"We're not teachers, but we're trying to make the thing all fit together."

Potpourri...

ALVIN BOYD, SAN JOSE CITIZEN, SAVES BOATERS AT PARK

Alvin R. Boyd of San Jose received a letter of commendation last month from Director Mott for his part in saving the lives of two boaters at San Luis Reservoir SRA. The commendation said, in part,

" . . . By your fast thinking and disregard for your own safety, you saved the lives of two careless boaters. Our ranger staff cannot be everywhere on this large reservoir at all times, and we really appreciate it when a park visitor such as yourself takes such prompt and efficient action. Please accept my personal congratulations for doing an outstanding rescue job."

The incident took place on February 21, this year.

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In our February issue of NEWS and VIEWS, we ran a story on the visit by Dr. Roman Vishniac to the San Diego area. He was there to lend support to the campaign for money to save some Torrey Pine trees next to our Torrey Pines SR.

We failed to mention that Dr. Vishniac's presence there was largely the work of former Assistant Deputy Director Robert Bates and Mrs. Howard M. Allen. These two worked many hours on the arrangements and in setting up and carrying through the program and activities of the day.

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DOROTHY LEETCH DIES

Dorothy Leetch, wife of Ranger George Leetch of MITCHELL CAVERNS SR, died on April 11 after a brief illness. Formerly stationed at ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP, Leetch is well-known to many southern Californians for his naturalist articles in the Borrego Sun. He received the Merit Award Board's Medal of Valor for his rescue of nine families trapped in Split Mountain Canyon during the April 1968 earthquake.

GOLDEN EAGLE PASSPORT FUTURE UNCERTAIN

Final Congressional action is yet to be taken to extend the Golden Eagle passport, an annual permit for day use and camping in National Parks. The current passport expired March 31.

In the interim, the National Park Service has announced that it will charge daily fees of $1 per car or $.50 per person for those entering by foot or other transportation.

C.S.P.R.A. News

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One of the resolutions passed at our March convention in Sacramento called for a committee to investigate affiliating with the California Park and Recreation Society (CPRS). The committee has been established and President Wes Cater has appointed Ron Rawlings of Region VII as chairman.

The California Park and Recreation Society is made up of personnel from park and recreation agencies at the city, county, district, and state levels. It is a large organization and counts among its members top park and recreation administrators throughout the state. The objective of this society is to promote and improve the park and recreation profession. A subsidiary unit of CPRS is the California Board of Park and Recreation Personnel, which issues certificates to qualified personnel in the areas of Recreation, Supervision, and Administration.

Russ Porter, Manager of the Department's Grants and Local Assistance Branch and a member of this Board, recently published an article in the *California Park and Recreation Magazine* entitled "Is State Licensing the Answer for the Park and Recreation Profession?" Many of us, as members of CSPRA, have felt that there should be some form of certification for State Park Rangers, so I read Mr. Porter's article with a great deal of interest. One portion I will quote which is of particular interest in terms of the possibility of State licensing:

The California Department of Professional and Vocational Standards is responsible for coordinating the activities of nearly all state licensing boards. In a recent report, the department cited the factors that determine the necessity for requiring a state license, including these important criteria:

"A state license should be required when regulation is essential to protect the public health, safety, welfare, or morals. *The only valid reason the state should assume responsibility for licensing a function is to regulate and control it* in the public interest.

"The license is unnecessary if it is voluntary rather than mandatory and does not require a test of fitness.

"Licensing should not be required when it is evident that the major interest to be served is that of the perpetuation, preservation, or propagation of the welfare of the special group seeking the enactment.

"A state license should not be required if there is already adequate regulation at the federal or local level and creation of a new license would constitute unnecessary duplication.

"Licensing by the state of the members of a profession or vocation should be undertaken only when: (a) Failure to do so would present a clear and definite danger to the general public health, safety, or welfare – as distinguished from the interests of a particular group or segment, and (b) Specific prequalification standards can be established and there is reasonable assurance that persons meeting such standards will be able to function effectively in the vocation and those who fail to meet the standards could not."

The park and recreation profession may be hard pressed to give a correct answer to each of these points.

While feasibility of State licensing seems dim, there are other avenues to be pursued. Naturally, the higher the certifying authority, the greater the status. It may well be that we will ultimately find a certifying authority in the California Park and Recreation Society or the National Park and Recreation Association.

STATE PARK PEOPLE *ARE* SPECIAL PEOPLE

by James Whitehead, Superintendent, District 6

In the last two or three months, to my knowledge, people of the State Park System from all echelons and classifications have contributed at least $400 to the "Desert Gardens" fund, which is dedicated to the elimination of inholdings at Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. I understand, also, that Rangers at the Asilomar Academy have contributed significant funds towards that activity. That's putting our money where our philosophies are.

Tell me, how many other public service organizations do you know that could match this record? I think it's time these kinds of things are publicized so that the people of this state can better understand what kind of public servants park people are, and just how strongly they believe in what they are doing.

ARCANE ESOTERICA

Have you noticed how concepts and ideas become so cloaked in the jargon of one group that they become nearly unintelligible to another? Astronauts don't "climb out of a space capsule" as you or I would. In space they "instigate extravehicular activity," and on earth they "effect egress." And, what self-respecting doctor would ever treat you you just for "pains in the chest" – it's "angina pectoris."

This is true in almost every field, even conservation. The September 1967 issue of the *American Economic Review*, in an article by J. V. Krutilla, defines conservation as "the attainment of the optimal intertemporal utilization of the fixed natural resource stock."

Isn't that something? Of course Mr. Krutilla is an economist and must, therefore, speak in Economese. We thought we would see how a conservationist might handle it.

Raymond F. Dasmann, Director of Environment Studies for the Conservation Foundation, defines Conservation for us in Public Affairs Pamphlet No. 421: "The rational use of environment to achieve the highest quality of living for mankind."

That's better. Not only is it understandable, it also gets in the point that mankind is somehow involved in the process.

We turned to our Webster's and found conservation defined simply as "planned management of a natural resource to prevent exploitation, destruction, or neglect." That's good too, but somehow *mankind* got lost again. So, we thought we would have a try at coming up with a definition ourselves:

"Conservation – the managed use of the world's fixed natural resources so as to offer mankind a good and reasonable quality of living with a minimum of exploitation, destruction, or neglect."

That sounds like a compromise of the other definitions, doesn't it? But, after all, isn't Conservation itself a compromise – between man and his environment? And, if nothing else, that definition is understandable.

We are not suggesting that anyone in our organization uses anything but good, clear, and concise English. Still, as the old proverb goes, "If the parametric values of the pedal encasement are adequate . . ."

"The Editor"

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Business Service Officer Walt Barbour hands Stockroom Supervisor L. Ray the keys to the Stockroom's new pickup, parked in a red zone in front of the Resources Building in Sacramento. That's the State Garage in the background. ⟶

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Some Resources Building coffee drinkers buy more than just a cup of java when they imbibe – they are also contributing to the Resources Management and Protection Coffeepot Fund which recently gave $110 for four acres of inholdings at ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP. At right is Beth Coppedge, Coffeepot Chairman: behind her, on the wall, is the framed certificate of appreciation received from the Anza-Borrego Committee of the Desert Protective Council.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD . . .

District 1 . . .

Two elk were killed by a truck when they crossed the road near PRAIRIE CREEK REDWOODS SP recently; one of them, "Corny," had been quite an attraction because one of his horns grew from the center of his forehead like that of a unicorn. The truck's radiator and headlights were broken, but the driver was uninjured.

District 2 . . .

Mendocino Area Ranger *Wendell Rickon* experienced an upsurge in his correspondence recently . . . and by the time he had received twenty similar requests for information about the park from "prospective campers," he was beginning to be a little suspicious. So when one came in on a fraction of a sheet of paper, he wrote back that he felt slighted by its small size. Came this reply (verbatim): " . . . Well there were nine other parks I had to write to, I figured three Dear Sirs; on one piece of paper was the quickest way. Don't you agree? So now just for you, I donate one whole piece of paper with my apolige (sic). Is it accepted? I hope so . . .

Linda Martin, John Glenn High School
Norwalk

P.S. I got a "C" on the report."

STINSON SB Ranger *Robert A. Justice* and wife Irene are proud parents of a boy, Bradley, born March 20.

Mr. David Kitchen repaired the gate mechanism of BENICIA SRA, then requested a conservation project for a troop of Boy Scouts of which he is leader in payment.

Members of Boy Scout Troop 16 of Vallejo became the first to receive the Special Award patch for BOTHE-NAPA VALLEY SP – twelve boys and three adult leaders cleaned a section of park trail.

District 3 . . .

CALAVERAS AREA Manager *Glen Jones* reports that Ranger *Al Oliver* is recovering nicely from his recent appendectomy.

SUTTER'S FORT SHM, though far past its heyday, resisted a recent attack – the weapons were eggs thrown against the gates.

Charlie and Alice Squirrel, the only current residents of the Governor's Mansion, made a real friend recently. A lady from Glendale met Charlie while waiting to tour the Mansion and was so impressed that, a week or so later, a carton arrived at the Mansion addressed to "Charlie Squirrel – PERSONALLY." Sacramento Area Manager *Bob Tardiff* assures us that the guides are seeing to it that Charlie and Alice get their peanuts.

Spring has officially arrived at COLUMBIA SHP – according to Area Manager *Neil Power*, the surest sign is when sunlight finds its way through an upstairs window down the staris, and hits the desk of Mrs. *June Laughlin* park Girl Friday (not to mention, Monday, Tuesday . . .). The spell of sunlight only lasts about ten days, but he says June sheds light on park problems year round.

At 3 a.m. someone in a white station wagon stole a cased American flag and standard from a troop of Boy Scouts camped at FOLSOM LAKE SRA. A patriotic citizen, no doubt.

District 5 . . .

The parents of two boys who drowned at SAN SIMEON were back to look for the bodies and told the park staff of a memorial fund started in Fresno to teach youngsters to swim. They had another son who drowned in a canal several years ago.

A "Clean-Up" held by a group of Ventura Junior College students at SAN BUENAVENTURA SB recently resulted in several dump truck loads of trash. A group of residents in the Pierpont Beach area of the park had a similar session, for which the park supplied skip loader and dump truck. →

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SAN SIMEON AREA Ranger *Elwin Wood* became a grandfather again with the birth of another girl to his daughter, Sue Pierce, who was a Park Aid at Hearst San Simeon SHM.

Rangers at PISMO SB are now receiving complaints from residents of homes along the beach front because of noise from buggies and cycles at all hours of the night . . . but according to Area Manager *Renie Laret*, it wasn't too long ago that these same people were telling the rangers to leave people alone on the beach in front of their houses.

Girl Scouts from Santa Barbara spent some time picking up litter at EL CAPITAN and REFUGIO SB's – filled fifteen bags. Area Manager *Fred Eggimann* commented, "I did't think it was that dirty."

District 6 . . .

PICACHO SRA Seasonal Ranger *Fred Fitzgerald* was presented with a 6-1/2 pound boy by his wife Joanne on April 4 – Area Manager *Don Pohlson* reports that the father is still a little shaky, though mother and son are doing fine.

Eight Boy Scouts from Imperial Beach Troop 110 spent a recent Saturday picking up litter and debris at SILVER STRAND SB.

"Conservation" is newly popular as a watchword, but MITCHELL CAVERNS AREA Manager *Frank Fairchild's* wife Mary has been working at it for years. She walks, drives, or bicycles along the roads in the vicinity of the Reserve, collecting litter – a recent trip filled a fifty-gallon drum. If everybody did that . . .

ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP Manager *Jack Hesemeyer* reports that all of his expert advice on removal of cholla cactus thorns failed to console the lady in whose legs they were imbedded – her parting remark was, "Put signs on all the cactus!" With a million and a half cholla in the park the sign makers should be busy for some time!

The Hippie Topless Club camped at ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP heeded Ranger *Bill Harris'* warning faster than he expected and was gone by the time he got back with his camera. (His *camera*? ? ?)

A seven-year-old boy reported missing for three hours at CUYAMACA RANCHO SP was found when the ranger suggested that the parents look in their car. There he was, sound asleep.

The staff at MITCHELL CAVERNS SR had a busy spring "vacation" – 94 campers, 109 turnaways, and 74 cavern tours for 1,859 people. Area Manager *Frank Fairchild* reports many compliments on the tour, the nature trail, and the condition of the facilities. Rangers *George Leetch, Tom Smith*, and *Roy Wagoner* did an outstanding job.

Park Aid *Al Catlett* had an exciting time on one of his first days as a boat patrolman on LAKE ELSINORE – there were two accidents, one involving injury when a hydro with twin Mercs flipped at high speed.

Cecil St. Aubin, who received a commendation for his assistance to Ranger *George Leetch* during the April 1968 earthquake at ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP (see May 1968 NEWS & VIEWS), visited park headquarters recently.

The camper at SAN ELIJO SB who brought in a two-foot rattlesnake was anxious to convince Ranger *Dick Edwards* that he didn't kill the reptile in the park, but would appreciate it if the remains could be disposed of.

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COMING EVENTS

May 16 – Dedication of Day Use Facilities at DOHENY SB.

May 17 – Annual Fiesta at LA PURISIMA MISSION SHP.

May 17 – Flea Market at MARSHALL GOLD DISCOVERY SHP.

June 2 – Annual Merienda celebration at MONTEREY SHM.

June 14 – Fourth Annual Homecoming and Pony Express Relay Races at MALAKOFF DIGGINS SHP.

STAFF CHANGES

APPOINTMENTS

Anderson, Vernon R.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Big Basin Area	3-1-70
Ash, Daniel J.	State Park Ranger I	Big Basin Area	2-11-70
Avant, Rene S.	State Park Ranger I	Orange Coast Area	2-7-70
Casagrande, Cindia L.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Feather River Area	2-19-70
Curtis, Banky E.	State Park Ranger I	Big Sur Area	2-14-70
Donohoo, Kenneth L.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Carpinteria Area	3-7-70
Gowatz, Nicholas	Park Maint Asst	S.F. Maritime Area	2-9-70
Horning, Gary W.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Millerton Lake Area	2-21-70
Ingram, William I.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Delta Area	3-20-70
Johannsen, Constance	Senior File Clerk	Business Services	3-23-70
Leavitt, Jerry W.	State Park Ranger (Int)	San Diego Coast Area	2-14-70
Mazelin, Earl L.	Groundsman	Hearst San Simeon	2-16-70
Mobley, Judith A.	Clerk I (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon	2-24-70
Muetz, Michael G.	State Park Ranger I	Ventura Beaches Area	2-18-70
Noble, George D.	Custodian, Hist Mon	Columbia Area	2-23-70
Post, James E.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Millerton Lake Area	3-15-70
Schiaffman, Steven H.	State Park Ranger (Int)	San Diego Coast Area	2-15-70
Walling, William H.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Hearst San Simeon	2-18-70
Williamson, Edgar L.	State Park Ranger I	Folsom Lake Area	3-1-70
Yee, Mary J.	Clerk I (Perm Int)	Accounting	3-16-70

PROMOTIONS

Maddox, Lester V.	Asst Landscape Arch	Development Branch	2-26-70
Pope, Cornelius E.	Asst Landscape Arch	Master Planning Branch	2-26-70
Riegel, Vernon T.	Property Clerk I	Dist 3 Headquarters	1-15-70
Schmidt, Frederick C.	State Park Ranger I	Marin Area	3-1-70
Tijerina, Benito H.	Custodian, Hist Mon	Monterey Area	2-20-70

UNIT CHANGES

Burgin, Jesse L.	State Park Ranger I	San Mateo Coast to Mt. Diablo Area	3-16-70
Ferri, Lawrence E.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Salton Sea Area to Orange Coast Area	3-19-70
Locke, Sharon R.	Clerk Typist II	Dist 6 HQ to Orange Coast Area	4-1-70

CLASS TITLE CHANGES

Flohr, William	Park Maint Supervisor I	Columbia Area	3-1-70
Wiget, Francis H.	Park Maint Supervisor I	Millerton Lake Area	3-1-70

SEPARATIONS

Anderson, Thomas L.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Orange Coast Area	2-23-70
Estabrook, Norman B.	State Park Attendant	Carpinteria Area	3-31-70
Eisele, Leroy G.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Weaverville Joss House Area	2-17-70
Graham, Melvern E.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Plumas-Eureka Area	3-16-70
Kelly, Jack M.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Sierra Area	3-18-70
Logan, William C. Jr.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Int)	Hearst San Simeon	3-29-70
Lyle, James F.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Pt. Lobos Area	3-23-70
Markle, William D.	State Park Ranger III	Morro Bay Area	3-31-70
Olson, Tobie J.	Clerk I (Perm Int)	Stenographic Services	3-1-70
Petty, Charles W.	State Park Ranger I	Santa Cruz Coast	2-25-70
Trago, John L.	State Park Attendant	Montane Area	3-6-70
Vatalaro, Ralph L.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Sierra Area	3-6-70
Vice, John M.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Calaveras Area	3-28-70
Ward, Alfonso B.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Millerton Lake Area	2-28-70

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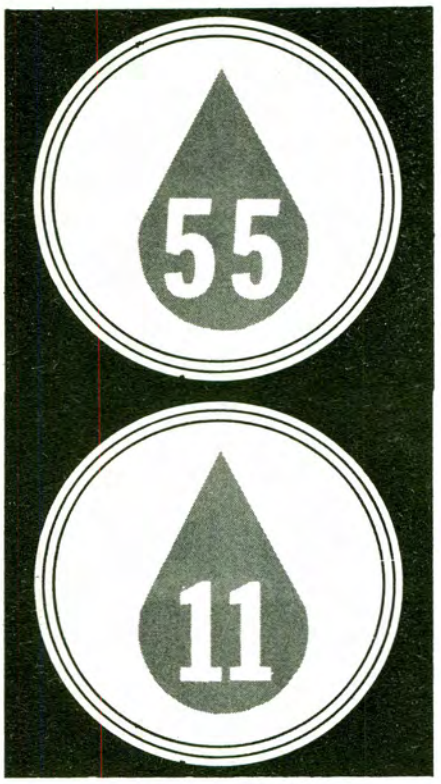

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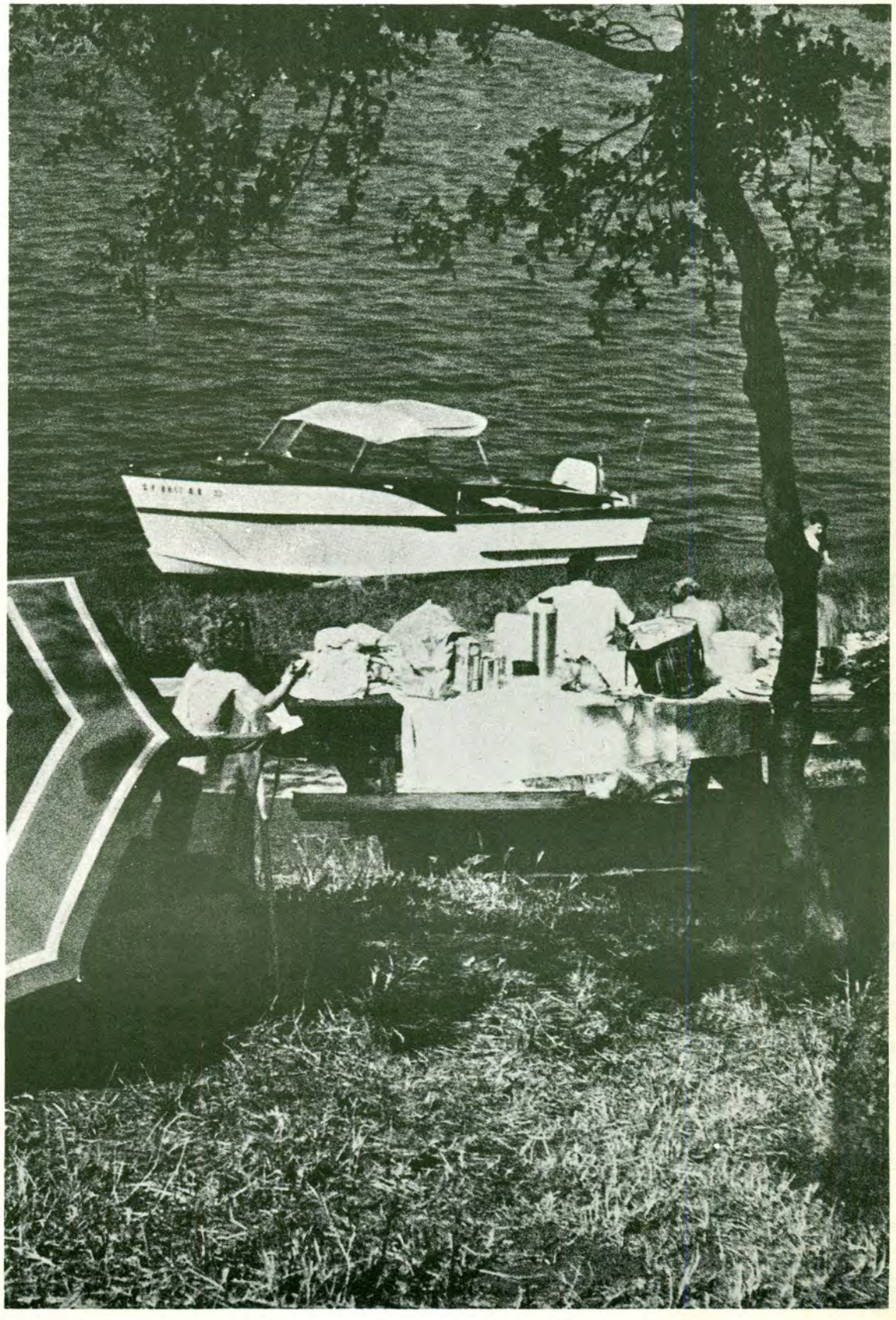

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ABOUT THIS COVER: Boating on Folsom Lake. Beginning this month and extending through the first week in July, District 3 will be conducting a three-week boating safety campaign. *See page 12.*

BEWARE

BEWARE

If you don't want good ideas to die; if you don't want young enthusiastic employees to leave; if you want the California State Park and Recreation Department to be creative, innovative and the leader in the park and recreation field; then eliminate these all too familiar phrases from your thinking and your conversation:

B

We have never tried it before.

E

I will have to refer it to Sacramento.

We've tried it before.

Has anyone else tried it?

W

It's a public liability.

I'm busy – see me tomorrow.

Who thought of that?

A

The taxpayers won't stand for it.

Won't work in my district.

Too theoretical.

Doesn't conform to policy.

We don't have the manpower.

R

Let's study the problem.

We don't have the money.

E

Why take a chance?

I don't see its value.

It's not applicable.

We have too many projects going now.

I wonder if it's legal.

What's wrong with our present procedure?

Too hard to administer.

Let's decide it next year.

Let's try to find a better solution.

It's not in the public interest.

We'd better make a feasibility study.

We will evaluate your offer.

I think the Director would be opposed.

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.
DIRECTOR
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AND RECREATION

Don't kill ideas. Cultivate them. Give them a chance to flourish. Remember – to achieve the possible is rewarding, but to conquer the impossible is stimulating.

THE GOVERNOR'S PROGRAM HOTLINE TO REDUCE ACCIDENTS

What could have been done to prevent the 20 disabling accidents incurred by our Department during the first four months of 1970? What can be learned from each of these accidents, and what changes in policies, practices, working conditions, facilities or whatever will serve to eliminate or reduce such incidents? These may well be among the questions answered by Department personnel through the Governor's Program Hot Line, the latest project initiated by the Governor's Program to Reduce Occupational Injuries.

Now, any employee may pick up a telephone anywhere, and at any time day or night dial (916) 445-0550 (or, if ATSS, 8-485-0550) and record his suggestions for the prevention of work-related accidents. Each call will be recorded, transcribed, and evaluated by a committee of safety experts. Every caller will receive an acknowledgement of his contribution. In addition to special recognition from the Program, the more constructive recommendations will be screened by the Merit Award Board for possible awards of up to $150.

The Hot Line is only one of several fronts in a determined and dynamic war against California's annual toll of suffering and dollar drain from on-the-job accidents. The others are:

Total Personal Management Involvement;

Total Personal Employee Involvement;

Effectual and Continuous Program Promotion;

Development of an Up-to-date Management Information System;

Departmental Training and Educational Programs to Meet Each Department's Specific Needs; and

Effectual Coordination of All Possible State and Private Sector Resources for Safety Implementation.

Remember, whenever you see the little stickers showing the Governor's Program symbol and the phrase "WORK CAREFULLY", look about for possible ways to enable your co-workers to do just that, and tell it to Hot Line.

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WHO AM I?

The following was originally printed in the Northern California Carpenters Apprenticeship, Training and Education Newsletter. It was sent in to use by Bill Tralle, Park Safety and Enforcement Specialist for District 1.

I am more powerful than the combined armies of the world.
I have destroyed more men than all the wars of the nation.
I am more deadly than bullets; I have wrecked more homes than the mightiest of guns.
I steal in the Unites States alone over $500,000,000 each year.
I spare no one, and I find my victims among the rich and the poor, the young and the old, the strong and the weak, and widows and orphans.
I have assumed such proportions that I cast my shadow over every field of labor, from the turning of every grinding wheel to the moving of every railroad train. I massacre thousands of wage earners each year . . . more in the CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY THAN IN ANY OTHER FIELD OF INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY.
I lurk in unseen places, and do most of my work silently.
You are warned against me, but you heed not.
I am relentless. I am everywhere – in the home, on the street, in the factory, at railroad crossings, and on the sea.
I bring sickness, degradation, and death; and yet few seek to avoid me.
I destroy, crush, and maim. I give nothing, but take all.
I am your worst enemy.

I AM UNSAFE ACTS

Protect yourself and your fellow workers! Think Safety – Act Safely!

EARTH DAY WAS A HOAX

by Nicholas Von Hoffman

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EARTH DAY may have taught a few people some things they didn't know before, but it was still a net loss for those struggling to keep the planet inhabitable for orders of life above blue algae.

This isn't the sponsors' fault; they couldn't have guessed they would be inundated by politicians and businessmen who'd drain the occasion of meaning by making it too respectable.

Instead of being a time of labored contemplation, Earth Day was turned into a *muddled media carnival, a paint-up, clean-up fix-up hoax.* Our attention was drawn off our geological destruction of man, agriculture, flora and fauna in Vietnam by such things as the full page newspaper ads by the Schlitz Brewing Co. adjuring us not to drop their beer cans on the beach but in the nearest trash can.

Schlitz didn't talk about what the sanitation department is supposed to do with the beer cans; it omitted mention of reusable or decomposable containers, while leaving the reader with the impression that our main problem is sloppy housekeeping. For Schlitz and the advertisers like them, Earth Day was an opportunity for institutional advertising, for making us think these companies are friendly corporate neighbors and not a part of a marketing system which pollutes to prosper.

This ad also fostered the idea that the ruination of the globe's life systems, the using of our consumables, is something that we personally can do something to reverse by a few, rather small, changes of habit.

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THIS ATTACK on the problem is best seen in the April issue of Mademoiselle, which carries an article entitled "40 Ways You Can Depollute the Earth." They inadvertently illustrate how little a person can do on his own, and how much the problem is political and economic.

To save human life on earth, Mademoiselle urges its readers not to "use colored facial tissues . . . the paper dissolves properly in water but the dye lingers on . . . if you don't really need a car, don't buy a car . . . since the prime offender in detergent pollution is not suds but phosphates, demand to know how much is in the detergent you're buying. Write the manufacturer, newspapers, congressmen, the FDA . . . avoid disposable diapers if possible. They may clog plumbing and septic tanks . . . protest the SST; write the President . . . remember: all power pollutes. Especially gas and electric power, so cut down on power consumption. In winter, put the furnace a few degrees lower and wear a sweater . . . use live Christmas trees, not amputated ones, and replant them afterward . . . suggest that your local radio-TV station remind listeners at 10 p.m. to turn down the volume . . . radicalize your community . . . talk to a lawyer about a class action suit . . . Care, who will, if we don't?"

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THE MAGAZINE'S treatment of the subject isn't as simple-mindedly fashionable as these excerpts make it appear, yet even with an interview with Paul Erlich, the prophetically angry biologist who wrote "The Population Bomb," the effect is not to minimize the problem, but what's just as bad, to minimize and personalize the solutions. The politicians who've pushed themselves in the discussion do the same. "Any nation which can spend billions to put a man on the moon," they say one after another, "can afford to clean up pollution," thereby giving the impression that spending a lot of money will fix things up, the way spending money on war was supposed to bring peace, and spending money on highways was supposed to bring transportation.

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ASSUREDLY MONEY'S NEEDED, but it will be spent without result unless great alterations are made in the way we conduct our national business, and that's not going to happen for a while. One of the reasons it's not going to happen is that so many of the interests who must ultimately fight ecological preservation have slithered in to mislead the parade.

The politicians who buy elections with money supplied them by major pollutionists dare not be serious. No more than Mademoiselle can be when it tells its readers not to buy products bottled in polyvinyl chloride and then sells page after page of cosmetics in PVC containers.

The consequences of this swamping cooptation of the ecological anguish will be confusion since it will appear that everybody is on the same side, marching along with Standard Oil of New Jersey, each of us doing our little bit to rescue the earth from sinful gluttony. After a time, when the skies do not brighten and the scum sets thicker on the waters, there will have to be a sorting out of friend from foe, a recognition of deeply antagonistic economic interests.

Group III unanimously agreed that its valedictorian, Sam Otter, shown here deep in study, has a great future in the park service, especially in the area of marine resource protection and interpretation.

Group III graduates from the Training Academy. First row, left to right: Gene Schaal, Calaveras Area; Doug Metcalf, Piercy Area; Jim Hartman, Weaverville Area; Louis Wakefield, Fort Tejon Area; Bob Stewart, Mount Diablo Area. Second row: Jack Mason, La Purisima Area; Lorin Forsyth, Benicia Area; Ed Griggs, Clear Lake Area; Dominic Gotelli, Frontera Area; John Fleming, San Simeon Area; Jim Kruger, Training Academy; Frank Davis, Anza-Borrego Area; Ron McCall, Big Sur Area; John Walstrom, Montane Area; Mel Badger, Russian River Area; Tony Trigeiro, Big Basin Area; Jerry Garrelts, Delta Area; and Kirby Morgan, Millerton Lake Area.

TRAINING PROGRAM PICKS UP STEAM

by James S. Kruger, Director
Asilomar Training Institute

With the graduation of Group III, 76 rangers from 54 areas have completed the 200-hour Park Management and Operations training program at Asilomar.

As a learning experience, the program has been an unqualified success – not only have the rangers put newly gained knowledge and skills to good use, but headquarters staff members who serve as course leaders take increased knowledge of field problems back to Sacramento. This insight has already led to some streamlined procedures, with more under study.

The 76 rangers also contributed the benefit of their experience, an average of over seventeen years each with the Department, to develop a program to assure that new rangers receive the training they need. Further work on developing this program is being done by a committee composed of Rangers *Doug Metcalf, Jim Neal, Bob Pugh, Ron McCall, Jim Geary,* and *Jack Stowe,* plus *Bill Borden* from the Personnel Section. If the results of the committee's frist meeting held May 5 are any indication, our Department will soon be providing top-notch training to new rangers.

Meanwhile, enthusiasm, cooperation, support, and interest in the training program to continue increase in every level of the Department, as evidenced by the $150 pledge made by Group III toward development of the training facility, and a $100 contribution from CSPRA for the same purpose. Good things take time, but a permanent Training Academy may become a reality yet.

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ANZA–BORREGO RANGER RECEIVES COMMENDATION

Ranger Burtis L. Frizzell has received a letter of commendation from Director Mott for his actions in a motorcycling accident in the Fish Creek area of the park.

Frizzell, when summoned to the scene of the accident, administered first aid to the critically injured victim and then, when no other aid could be obtained, drove him to the hospital with the help of another park visitor. The man, who suffered two broken arms, a severed artery, and multiple lacerations and abrasions, is now recovering at his home.

Governor Reagan discusses the Allensworth project with the Allensworth Advisory Committee at an April 27 meeting. On the governor's left is Dr. Kenneth Goode, Assistant to the Chancellor at the University of California at Berkeley, and chairman of the Committee.

ALLENSWORTH COMMITTEE MEETS IN SACRAMENTO

The Allensworth Advisory Committee was commended by Governor Ronald Reagan for its progress in establishing a historic park in the Tulare County community when the group met April 27 in the Governor's chambers.

The Governor said, "I am very excited by this project and by how far you've come."

The committee, appointed in October of 1969 by Director Mott, seeks to create a park at Allensworth, the town founded in 1908 by Colonel Allen Allensworth, a Negro born in slavery who served in the Union army in the Civil War, and later became a man of prominence and influence in California and the nation.

Allensworth is the only California town to be founded, financed and governed by Negroes, and the group hopes it will become California's first statewide historical area dealing specifically with Negro history and culture.

Governor Reagan told the group California's budgetary problems would prevent the State from providing funds to staff the committee.

Director Mott said the State was conducting feasibility studies on the project and would make a report to the legislature at the end of the year. He added that the historical park might open in about two years.

The group is seeking to raise $50,000 to acquire property in the town as the first step in the project.

ADDITIONAL CHARGE LEVIED FOR EXTRA VEHICLES USED IN STATE PARKS

The increasing use of recreational vehicles such as dune buggies, motor scooters, trail bikes, and four-wheel-drive vehicles has increased the problems of enforcement and maintenance in State Parks, so an extra $1 charge is now made for each additional motor vehicle brought in by a visitor for use in a State Park campground. This fee is intended to allow the parks to exercise better control over the use of these vehicles, and will insure that their drivers pay a more equitable share of the costs of maintaining park roads and recreation areas.

The charge is in addition to the normal campsite fee and is collected at the campground entrance station.

COMMISSION REPORT ...

At Friday's meeting, a special plaque was presented to former Commissioner Harold Zellerbach for his long service to the State Park System, and to Naturalist Paul Covel of the Oakland Parks and Recreation Department for his 40 years of outstanding effort in the cause of ecology and conservation. Commissioner Sokolov presented Mr. Zellerbach's award, and Commissioner Gilchrist presented Mr. Covel's. Left to right, Director Mott, Mrs. Zellerbach, Mr. Zellerbach, Commissioner Gilchrist, Commissioner Sokolov, Mr. Covel, and Commission Chairman Villanueva. An engraved gavel was also presented to former chairman Leonard Thomson by Commissioner Villanueva.

In their formal meeting at the Oakland City Hall on May 8, the Commission honored former Commissioner Harold Zellerbach with a resolution and special plaque commemorating his more than 10 years' service on the Commission. Outgoing chairman Leonard Thomson, who turned his gavel over to Commissioner Villanueva at the last meeting, was presented with an engraved gavel in appreciation of his year's duty as presiding officer.

A special plaque was also awarded to Naturalist Paul Covel of the Oakland Parks and Recreation Department, in recognition of his more than 40 years' work in the cause of ecology and environmental quality. The accompanying resolution notes he has been giving conservation lectures at Lake Merritt since the early 1930s, and in 1947 became the first person in the United States to be employed as a full-time naturalist by a municipal park and recreation department. In presenting the award, Mrs. Clarice Gilchrist expressed the Commission's wish to encourage more such conservation education and natural and historic interpretive programs in major metropolitan areas.

Asilomar Plan

The Commission approved a General Plan for the conference grounds at Asilomar State Beach. Aimed at protecting and restoring environmental quality by limiting human and vehicular use, the plan reduces overnight accommodations to 500 beds from the present 646, and sets a ceiling of 900 people for day-use of the grounds, where previously up to 2,000 have been on the grounds on some days. First priority in construction would be a 100-car underground parking unit near the administration building to stop auto-caused deterioration of the grounds around the administration complex.

Mendocino Headlands

The Commission also approved a new feasibility study on the Mendocino Headlands. The revised study was reduced considerably in scope from the original adopted in January, following a series of meetings with legislators and various civic groups. Where the first study covered the entire areas between Russian Gulch and Van Damme SPs, the present one limits itself to the headlands themselves and the mouth of Big River, a total of 205 acres including about 12,000 feet of ocean shoreline and 8,000 feet of river frontage. As in the earlier recommendation, local action to protect historic values of the town of Mendocino were declared essential to the entire plan.

Other Resolutions

Action on a request from San Mateo County to have Portola SP transferred to the county was put over until next meeting at the county's desire. However, a resolution was passed opposing the construction of the proposed high dam at Worley Flat, which would inundate about 60 acres of Portola SP redwoods, and also opposing any dam which would interrupt the natural flow of Pescadero Creek.

In an unscheduled item, the Commission heard a report from Ted Roberts of the Jenner Coastside Conservation Coalition opposing a proposed dredging project at the mouth of the Russian River. The Commission requested that final action on the project's use permit be deferred until the Commission could hear a report from its staff and take appropriate action.

A resolution endorsing Proposition 7 on the June ballot was passed by a 4-3 vote.

Name Changes

Nineteen units previously listed as "historical monuments" were redesignated "historic parks" and two routine name changes were made, removing an erroneous apostrophe from "Franks Tract" and adopting the name "Lake Oroville State Recreation Area" to conform with State Water Project usage. ⟶

Former Oakland Park Director and an old friend.

Jay M. Ver Lee, acting director of the Oakland Parks and Recreation Department, guides Commission inspection tour through one of the cars at his agency's downtown railroad park.

COMMISSION REPORT (Continued)

Gifts

From the Save-the-Redwoods League the Commission accepted with thanks a gift to be known as the Ruth Adams Skinner and Leona Ann Stelter Redwood Grove at Jedediah Smith Redwoods State Park. Donor of the 10-acre grove, valued at $50,000, was Mrs. Ernest L. Adams.

Presentation of the annual report of the Anza Borrego Committee revealed that gifts totalling 612.5 acres have been received through the Committee's work in the past year. ABC's "Desert Gardens" program was also reported off to a good start, with 19 of the $55 two-acre memorial gardens purchased to date. Included were a $300 memorial to Ranger Carl Whitefield from members of the Department and others, and a $110 donation from the coffee fund of the Department's Division of Resources Management and Protection in Sacramento.

Morro Dunes

A report and film on vehicular damage to the Morro Bay dunes was presented by Commissioner McMillan, and the Department was asked to develop recommendations.

A report by Commissioner Bonnicksen on selection of a student advisory committee was deferred at the Commissioner's request.

A request for approval of a wine-tasting room and off-sale licenses for the sale of beer and wine was at El Pueblo de Los Angeles was deferred pending a full report on Pueblo operations scheduled for the Commission's June 12 meeting at Squaw Valley. ⟶

John A. Macdonald, president of the East Bay Regional Park District Board, shows Marine Ecology classroom to Commissioners Gilchrist and Bonnicksen. The display is at Alameda Memorial SB, which the District operates under lease.

Commissioners view award-winning Cull Canyon Regional Recreation Area with EBRPD Board President John A. Macdonald. From left, Macdonald, Commissioners Lutz, Bonnicksen, Thomson.

Equestrian Center in Anthony Chabot Regional Park is shown to Director Mott and Commissioner McMillan by Richard C. Trudeau, General Manager of the East Bay Regional Park District.

COMMISSION REPORT (Continued)

FIELD TRIP

The Commissioners prefaced their May meeting with a tour of Director Mott's old stamping grounds in Oakland and the East Bay. A bus chartered by Commissioner Berry took them through award-winning units of the East Bay Regional Park District with EBRPD Board President John A. Macdonald and Dick Trudeau, who succeeded Mr. Mott as the District's General Manager. Stop-offs included the Equestrian Center, Marksmanship Center and Willow Park Public Golf Course in Anthony Chabot Regional Park, and the Cull Canyon Regional Recreation Area with its inner lagoon – widely hailed as an innovative way of providing for intensive recreational use at a drastically fluctuating small reservoir.

After lunch at Chabot, Jay Ver Lee, Acting Director of the Oakland Parks and Recreation Department and another of Mr. Mott's successors, took the group on a tour of a railroad park where a steam locomotive and cars are presided over by the engineer who operated the engine on its last regular run; to a tiny playground tucked under a freeway; and to the world-famous Children's Fairyland, where the Director reminisced on some of the fairytale-like miracles it took to finance and build this and several of the other projects.

A final side trip took the group to Alameda Memorial State and Regional Beaches, administered as a unit by EBRPD. Here they saw the exhibit laboratory and Marine Ecology classroom, and an imaginative new building to serve as a public service center.

DEPARTMENTAL SAFETY GOAL – 12 BY 1971

By Ed Wilson
Personnel Officer

New lost time injuries reported by Department of Parks and Recreation employees since the end of March included two separate incidents that happened while employees were loading heavy mowers into pickup trucks. Neither employee apparently was provided adequate assistance or mechanical aids for this risky loading job. Similar cases involving sprains, hernias, back, and other injuries resulting from strains, slips and falls have continued to raise our lost time injury rate.

Our new lost time injuries in April included two severe cases of poison oak irritation. A special one-time committee, chaired by Assistant Personnel Officer Bob Dutra, will work with Governor's Program Coordinator Paul Cossaboon and the State Compensation Insurance Fund to obtain and distribute the latest medical and technical information to help us get this hazard under control. Committee members are Chuck Lyden, Operations Division; Ed Sheehy, Planning and Development Division; and Peter Gaidula, Resource Management and Protection Division.

Our actual rate per million manhours' exposure for this calendar year to date has not yet been calculated, but we estimate that the 20 lost time injury cases recorded through the end of April will have increased it to something above 20.00 lost time injuries per million manhours.

While the short-term statistics are not encouraging, the action programs reported by division chiefs at the May 18 Director's staff meeting will, undoubtedly, produce results. All division chiefs reported to the Director that their regularly scheduled staff meetings include reports and reviews of safety program activities and, in many cases, discussion of individual accidents.

The Operations Division, with the largest number of employees and probably the greatest risk, has an active safety program in each of the six districts, coordinated by the Park Safety and Enforcement Specialist. Several districts have a safety publication and most are providing individual accident review through safety committees or accident review committees. The Park Safety and Enforcement Specialist is not only concerned with employee safety, but with visitor safety and many other facets of the safety program. One district has a boating safety educational program which will involve the public, and all districts are constantly reviewing park properties to eliminate public hazards.

The District 6 safety program, inspired by Jack F. Smyre, Park Safety and Enforcement Specialist, under the leadership of Superintendent Whitehead, has been outstanding. District 6 has not had a new lost time injury occur since the Governor's program began January 1, 1970. The one lost time injury of record for this period was a carry-over of an injury occurring in September 1969, which required time off the job for the first time during February 1970.

The Resource Management and Protection Division has carefully reviewed its specialized safety training and equipment needs for the new departmental tree safety crew. Since this crew does not have a permanent location and moves about the State, the first things the crew foreman must determine on each assignment are the emergency and first aid procedures in the local park area. The Form 621, Notice to State Employees, which provides for a list of physicians, ambulances and hospitals nearest the area in which the crew is working, is obtained from the area manager and posted in the crew truck. Special equipment provided includes 9/16" 4-strand manila climbing rope of the best quality available, specialized tree climbing safety belts, safety hats and safety glasses. Gloves are also provided, as are scabbards and guards for all sharp tools and equipment. Training in first aid and chain saw operation is being arranged through the Department Training Office. A special review of the problems of electrical hazards in the tree trimming operations has been requested by the Director. This will involve consultation with major utilities on their methods of avoiding the hazards of overhead wires around tree trimming operations.

The Information and Interpretation Division reports that their high risk interpretive laboratory has been free from industrial injuries through constant review and elimination of hazards. They have provided locks on power equipment to control unauthorized use, 3-wire grounding on all electrical equipment, painted safety zones around power equipment, and have maintained a program of good housekeeping in all working areas.

With these fine programs I am confident that our departmental goal of no more than 12.00 lost time injuries per million manhours will be reached by January 1971.

Field Notes... from the Information Section

How's business with the schools? The recent policy change that permits units to waive fees for school groups under certain conditions has been brought to the attention of all public schools in California. A letter containing this information and several other items pertinent to educators was sent to all the public schools as part of a Conservation Week (March 7-14) mailing. We have additional copies of this letter. If you would like to have some to use in answering inquiries, you can order them from the Information Section.

With Director Mott's approval we are starting a weekly news release that will be sent to all media in the state. Usually, it will contain six pages and will go into the mail on Saturdays so that the news media around the state will receive it Monday morning, the start of the new work week. If you have stories you want to include in this release, give the Information Section two weeks' notice. That will give us one week for production and the story should hit news media a week in advance of the event.

Marine life in tide pools has been given added protection in park units through a new regulation of the California Fish and Game Commission. The regulation, Section 70.4 of the 1970 Sportfishing Regulations, fully protects most invertebrates in park units in the area between the high tide mark and a point 1,000 feet beyond the low tide mark. The only exceptions are certain "game" invertebrates which can be taken under authority of a sport fishing license . . . clams, abalones, crabs, chiones, cockes, mussels, scallops, and lobsters.

There are several things in the mill that should help you tell the public about this new regulation. First, Interpretive Services is working on a silk-screen poster for use in the parks. Second, the Information Section is developing a small folder (similar to the doggie folder) which will be supplied to the parks for handout to the public. Third, an article in Outdoor California, the Department of Fish and Game's magazine, concerning the serious nature of depredations on tide pools is being reprinted and we are obtaining a supply to furnish the parks for handout to the public. Fourth, the Department of Education is working on a letter to all public schools in the state explaining the regulation. Fifth, copies of the current Sportfishing Regulations published by the DFG have been sent to each District for distribution to area and park personnel.

The materials will be supplied to you as soon as they become available.

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CALIFORNIA PARK SITES ELIGIBLE TO BECOME NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARKS

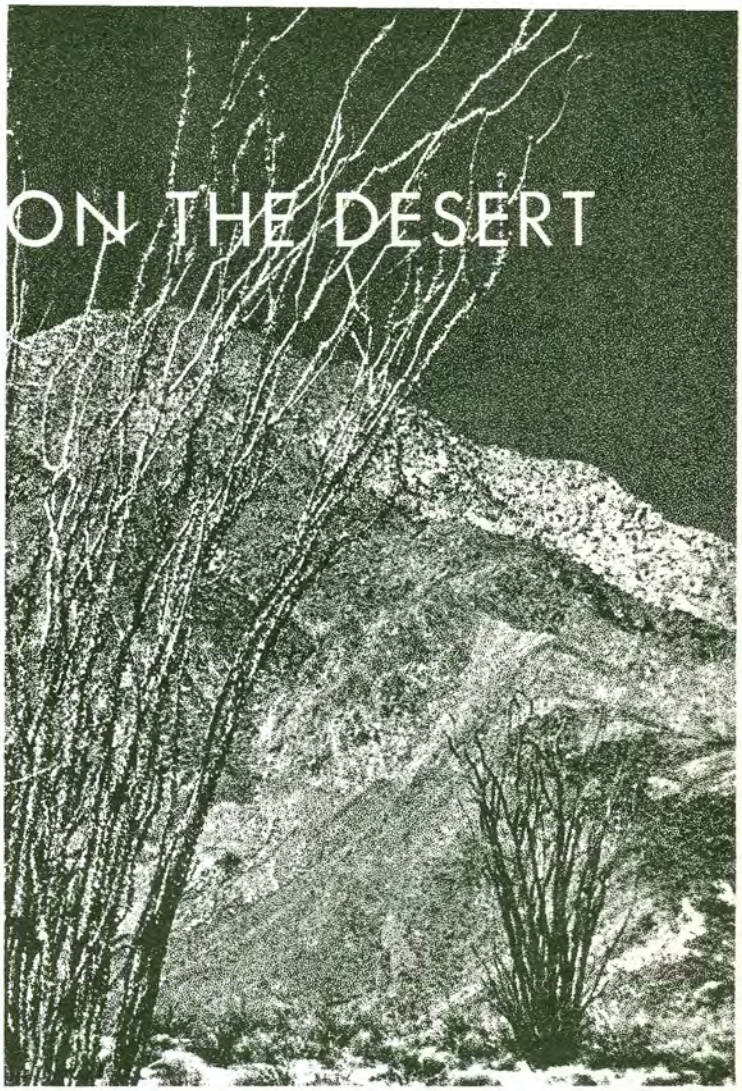
Sites in six state parks are included in the fifteen California buildings and locations eligible to become National Historic Landmarks, according to a recent announcement by Secretary of the Interior Walter J. Hickel. They are the Jose Castro House and the Plaza in SAN JUAN BAUTISTA SHP; the Estudillo House in OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO SHP; the Commander's House and the Russian Orthodox Church at FORT ROSS SHP; Monterey's Old Town District, MONTEREY SHP; LA PURISIMA MISSION SHP; and PETALUMA ADOBE SHP.

Other California sites eligible are the Anza House, San Juan Buatista; Guajome Ranchhouse near Vista, San Diego County; Los Alamos Ranchhouse near Los Alamos in Santa Barbara County; Los Cerritos Ranchhouse, Long Beach; San Diego Mission Church, San Diego; San Luis Rey Mission Church, near Oceanside, San Diego County; and Vhay House, Santa Barbara. Except for Los Cerritos, the ranchhouses are privately owned and not open to visitors.

California had more representatives on the list of 80 sites throughout the U.S. eligible for National Historic Landmark status than any other state. The sites will be officially designated as National Historic Landmarks and receive bronze plaques and certificates upon application by their owners to the National Park Service. National Historic Landmarks are not owned by the Federal Government; they are designated as a means of encouraging the preservation of historically significant places.

These sites are included in the National Register of Historic Places maintained by the National Park Service. With the addition of two new members, specialists in architecture and archeology, the California Historical Landmarks Advisory Committee may also recommend historic sites for inclusion in this Register. Director Mott serves as National Register liaison officer for California.

"CLEAN SWEEP" ON THE DESERT



Fifteen hundred members of 24 desert sport clubs in San Diego County turned out over the May 2-3 weekend to literally sweep up the desert around Ocotillo Wells, which had accumulated miles of litter between the SALTON SEA and the ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SPs.

Working long hours both days under a 90-degree sun, the crew filled and refilled 40 dump trucks and, using bulldozers, buried tons of refuse under 20 feet of sand and rock.

The two-day sweep netted thousands of aluminum cans (returned to their manufacturers), 23 old car bodies, and four rattlesnakes. According to Robert Burrows of Escondido, past President of the Hidden Valley Four Wheelers Club, who coordinated the effort, the trash collected would make a pile two feet high, four feet wide, and one mile long.

The volunteers, working without pay, drove motorcycles, dune buggies, and various other four-wheel drive vehicles. To them, the dunes around Ocotillo are a weekend paradise.

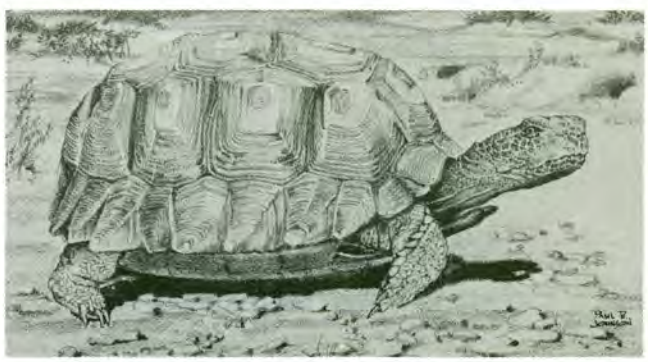
"The desert looks beautiful again." said Jack Hesemeyer, park supervisor at Anza-Borrego. "I only hope it stays this way."

PUPFISH AND TORTISES ARE RE-INTRODUCED TO ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP.

If Park Naturalist Ernie Brown and Area Supervisor Jack Hesemeyer have their ways, future visitors to Anza-Borrego Desert SP will be treated to the spectacle of herds of wild tortises stampeding across the desert. And, if the experience proves too exhilarating, the visitors can relax by a man-made desert waterhole to watch the colorful and tiny pupfish cavort in the shallows.

Both the tortise and the pupfish were native to the desert but in recent years have disappeared from the scene. Brown said that the last reported sighting of a tortoise was two years ago. The trouble is, people keep picking them up and taking them home.

Hesemeyer and Brown are appealing to Southern California residents to please return any turtles they may have removed from the desert. They will survive much better in their natural environment. They have already received 19 turtles and have turned them loose in a large pen. If things go well, and if nature takes her course, they may be able to release some in remote areas.



Courtesy of Department of Fish & Game

The pupfish presents a different problem. The rangers, with the help from a state honor camp crew, built an artificial waterhole near the entrance to Borrego Palm Canyon. After the water has properly cured, the fish will be stocked. Presently, the little fish are found only in Death Valley, the Owens River, and in the Salton Sea.

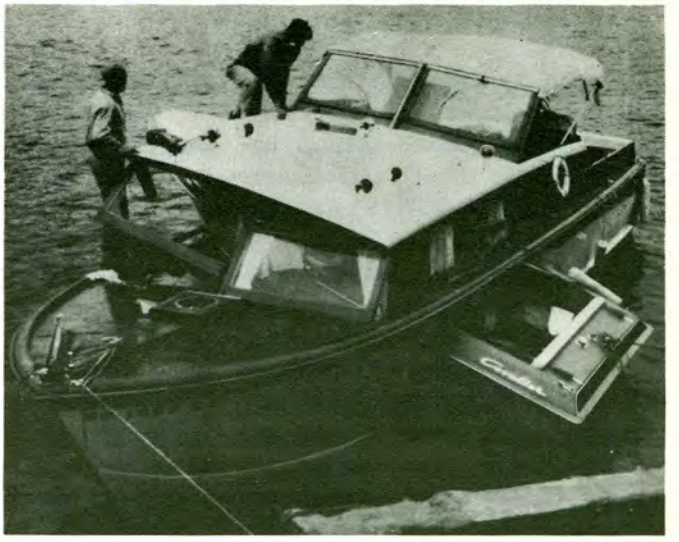
DISTRICT 3 TO HOLD BOATING SAFETY PROGRAM

Beginning June 20, District 3 will conduct a three-week boating safety program at its water oriented parks and recreation areas. The final week of the program will coincide with National Boating Week.

The program will consist of formal inspections by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary as well as spot checks by park boat patrolmen, the issuance of specially prepared courtesy warnings, information signs, handouts by Boy Scout groups, community programs with films and slides, and radio and TV coverage.

The personnel in District 3 responsible for putting the program together are Park Safety and Enforcement Specialist *Don Beauchamp,* District Aquatic Supervisor *Jim Tucker, Caleb Smith* of San Luis SRA, *Emmett Smith* and *Lee Lance* of Lake Oroville SRA, *Howard Barritt* of Millerton Lake SRA, and *Bob Gehr* of Folsom Lake SRA.

If successful, the program may be extended to include the entire State Park System next year.



Next time you see a speeding or careless boater, haul him over and show him this picture. One person was killed and eight injured when the 16-foot runabout rammed into and almost through the cabin cruiser. (Photo courtesy of the Coast Guard.)

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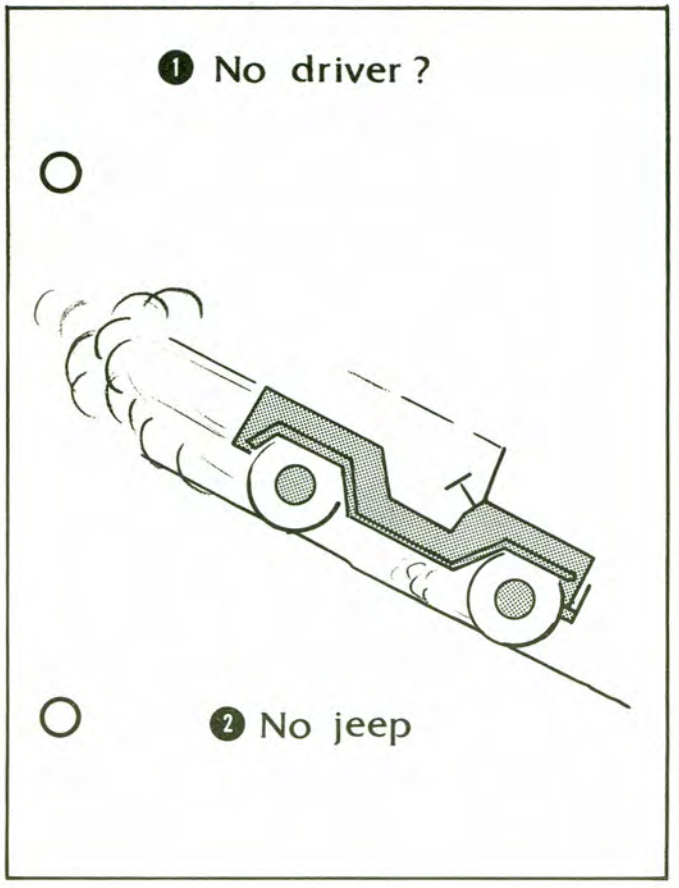
A PRIMER FOR SAFETY



In 1969, Department of Parks and Recreation employees permitted NINE DRIVERLESS VEHICLES to run away. Besides the *loss* of badly needed equipment, other "victims" included trees, power poles and visitor vehicles. Don't you be responsible for our first fatality – shut off the motor – leave in gear, check and set the handbrake – block the wheels, work carefully.

NEW DAY USE FACILITIES OPEN AT DOHENY

Doheny SB in Orange County attracted some 2,000 visitors May 16 when the newly built day use facilities were dedicated after being closed down for 19 months for construction.

New facilities at the $1.3 million project include 60 fire rings, three modern comfort stations with flush toilets, dressing rooms, and outside showers; a parking lot enlarged to handle 700 cars (300 more than the old lot); a trailer sanitation station; and a new five-acre lawn area containing 90 family picnic sites, 11 small group picnic sites), and two larger group picnic areas with a combined capacity of 300 persons.

The project also included widening a half-mile section of the park's 6,400 foot long beach by 200 feet and moving the park entrance from heavily travelled Highway 1 to Del Obispo Street in Capistrano Beach.

A concession stand offers food, sundries, and surfboard rentals.

Sponsoring the ceremony were the chambers of commerce of Capistrano Beach, Dana Point, South Laguna, San Juan Capistrano, and San Clemente.

In addition to the new day use facilities, Doheny has 115 Class A campsites. Attendance at the popular beach park exceeds 750,000 per year, although it dropped below 600,000 while the day use facilities were being rebuilt.

A special history of the park was compiled for the dedication by Eugene Velzey, retired park executive, and Louise Leyden, a resident of the area since 1929. The history follows in its entirety.

"Doheny State Park was originally part of Rancho Boca de la Playa, a land grant from Governor Pio Pico to Emigdia Vejar on May 7, 1846. Subsequently it was owned by Juan Avila, Pablo Pryor and Marcos Forster and finally acquired by Edward Doheny.

"In 1931 Mr. & Mrs. Edward L. Doheny 'contracted to the State for a beach park to be used perpetually for public use'. This gift is said to be the first beach park contributed for public use, and was valued at one million dollars. The inception as a State Park began with one employee whose duties consisted of maintenance of dirt entry road and clearing of weeds for campsites.

"In 1934 the Civilian Conservation Corps in conjunction with the Doheny Petroleum Security Co. landscaped the park and a veritable garden resulted. The CCC's built an adobe wall around the park, residence at entrance, comfort station, picnic tables, campsites, paths and roads.

"In 1942 additional beach frontage was acquired from the Santa Fe Railroad enabling the park to open 85 trailer campsites. Constant growth necessitated the purchase of 1/2 mi. of beach lying east to the Capistrano Beach Pier, which was removed in 1965.

"The park was ordered closed in 1957 as a result of sewer pollution and reopened in 1958 for day use only; camping resumed in 1959 and later the westerly section was limited to day use only.

"In 1964 storms and erosion became major problems and 86,000 yds. of new material was brought in to replace the damage and add 100 ft. to the beach. Added to nature's problems were those of 620,000 people who came to the park.

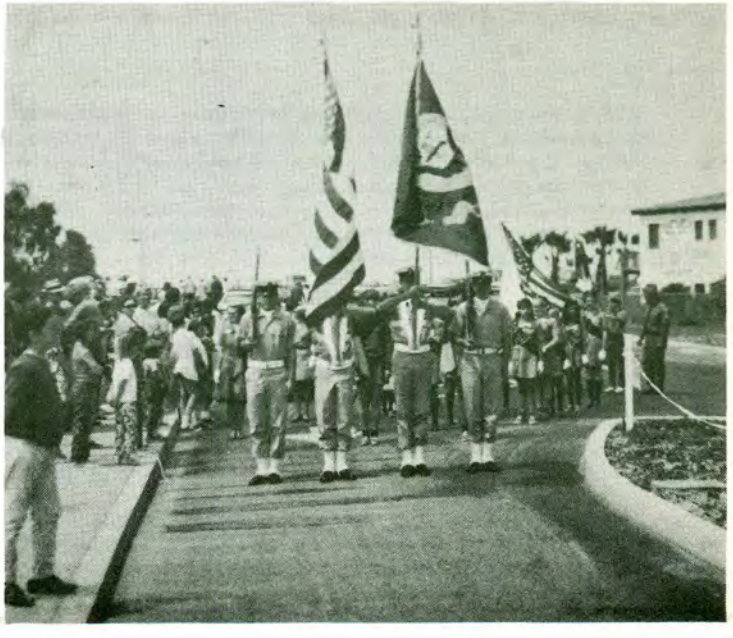
"Doheny has traditionally been one of the most desirable surfing areas along the coast. On one winter day in 1966 at 11 a.m. 240 boards were seen in the water.

"This wonderful gift by the Dohenys is a haven for vacationers, surfers, and a bird sanctuary and brings the highest revenue and attendance of any State park. This new wing development is viewed by its area residents with great pride. We salute our park personnel for its development and today's dedication."

Civic official from nearby communities joined for the ribbon-cutting ceremony at Doheny SB May 16.

Photos by F. W. Herald.

With the ribbon down, there was nothing to hold back the civic and school groups that paraded through the new day use facilities at Doheny.



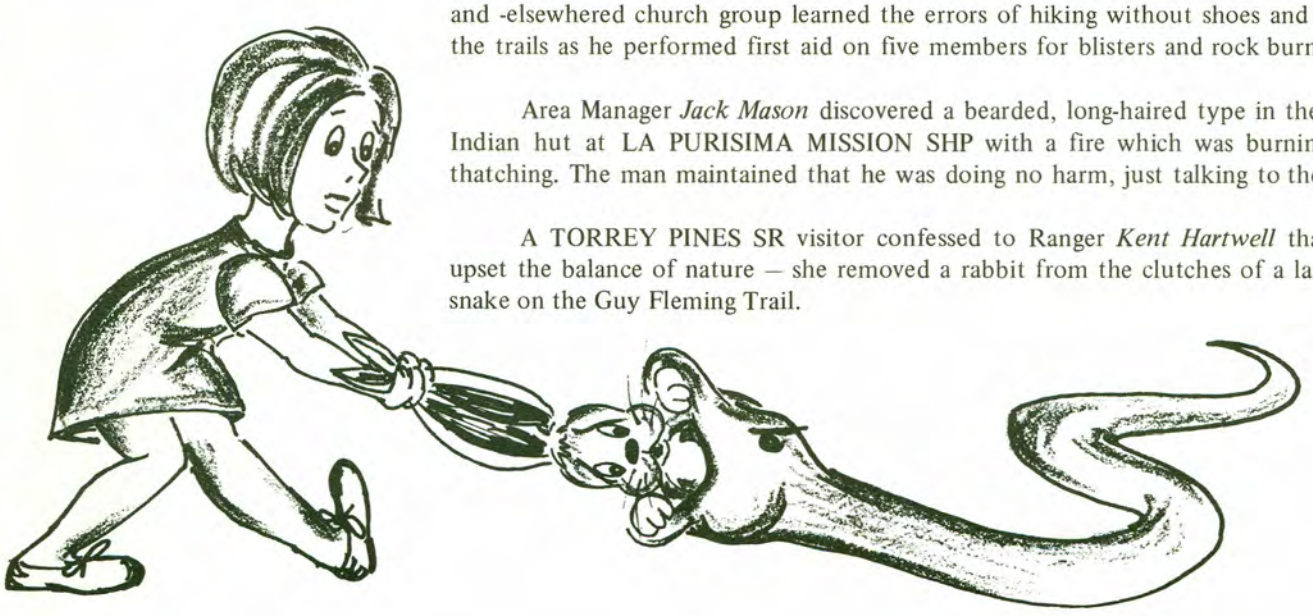
Bits & Pieces

After seeing a boat with wheels emerge dripping from the waters of EMERALD BAY one day a few years ago and, rolling along the beach, come to a halt on the lawn of Vikingsholm, Ranger *Ken Legg* thought he was immune to shock. But he was still unprepared to see his first airborne visitor – a man who leaped off the mountain and flew into the bay, where he was picked up by a waiting boat. Further investigation revealed, much to Legg's relief, that nothing supernatural was involved – the man had used a kite to lift himself, and had prepared for a chilly April-day dunking by donning a red wet suit and yellow water skis. Next – signs saying "Hazardous Flying Area?"

TORREY PINES SR Ranger *Dick Edwards* reports that a tender-footed, -handed, and -elsewhered church group learned the errors of hiking without shoes and getting off the trails as he performed first aid on five members for blisters and rock burns on same.

Area Manager *Jack Mason* discovered a bearded, long-haired type in the Chumash Indian hut at LA PURISIMA MISSION SHP with a fire which was burning the tule thatching. The man maintained that he was doing no harm, just talking to the spirits???

A TORREY PINES SR visitor confessed to Ranger *Kent Hartwell* that she had upset the balance of nature – she removed a rabbit from the clutches of a large gopher snake on the Guy Fleming Trail.



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With an expression that could only be described as envious, District 3 Superintendent Clyde Newlin looks on as Ranger Ed Williamson, Folsom Lake SRA, gets a check for $100 from Director Mott. The check was given to Ranger Williamson for his "invention" of a low-cost marker buoy while he was at Lake Oroville SRA. The award was made by Grist, the park practice magazine issued by the National Conference on State Parks.

Photo by Tom Myers

Lifeguards Brace for Summer

by Lifeguard Jon Trefethen
San Diego Coast Area

Though summer has sneaked up on many of us, the 150 seasonal lifeguards who protect visitors to District 6 beaches have been preparing for it since late February. At that time, 125 returning guards swam a 1,000-yard requalification test in the surf, and more than 70 applicants competed to fill the other 25 seasonal lifeguard positions.

In addition to braving cold water, rough seas, and heavy rain, the applicants who completed the required 1,000-yard swim, 1,000-yard swim-and-run, and 400-yard surf sprint, with less than 15 minutes of rest between events, faced a panel of lifeguard supervisors that selected the top 35 for their knowledge of surf conditions and reasoning ability.

These 35 men began a 40-hour training course given at HUNTINGTON SB by Seasonal Lifeguard Supervisor *Eric Emery,* a veteran of 16 years' lifeguard experience, assisted by Lifeguard *Jon Trefethen* and Seasonal Lifeguards *Roger Decker* and *Mike O'Hare.* The course covered first aid, water rescue, orientation on marine life, and park operation. The trainees also learned something about the operation of the rescue boat *Surf Watch,* operated by Lifeguard Supervisor *Mel Tubbs.* A highlight of the course was a film and talk by Jim Stewart, captain of the Scripps Institute fleet of research vessels. Neither was all the training in the classroom – a typical day started with a two-mile run and a 1,200-yard swim.

When the course was completed, the trainees went on duty with experienced personnel in towers and vehicles for final polishing.

So the lifeguards you see in the towers this summer will be professionals, dedicated to the protection of park visitors and the preservation of California beaches and parks.

DO YOUR BIT TO SAVE OUR ENVIRONMENT

The May 8 issue of *Audubon Leader* has what sounds like a pretty good solution (literally) to the high-phosphate detergent problem. The solution – plain soap and washing soda.

First, rinse out all traces of old detergent by running clothes through the regular wash cycle with 1/4 cup of soda. Repeat until the water is sudsless. Then, do the following:

Put clothes in, add water, and then put in 1/4 to 1/3 cup of soda and let it dissolve. Add soap (1-1/2 cups for front loaders and 1-2/3 cups for top loaders). If the *solution* is too soapy, cut down on the soap. For very hard water, add 1/4 cup of soda to the first rinse.

If you must use detergents, the following test results from the Federal Water Quality Administration will interest you. These are the phosphate content percentages of the 23 most used detergents.

Dishwasher Products

Cascade	54.5	Calgonite	49.4
All	54.0	Electrosol	34.8

Pre-soak and Laundry Products

Biz	73.9	Gold Power	44.6
Axion	63.2	Punch	44.2
Salvo	56.6	Dreft	41.9
Tide	49.8	Gain	39.5
Drive	47.4	Duz	38.3
Oxydol	46.6	Bonus	37.5
Bold	45.4	Breeze	37.2
Cold Water All	45.4	Cheer	36.8
Ajax-Laundry	44.6	Fab	34.0
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WATCH THOSE YELLOWJACKETS

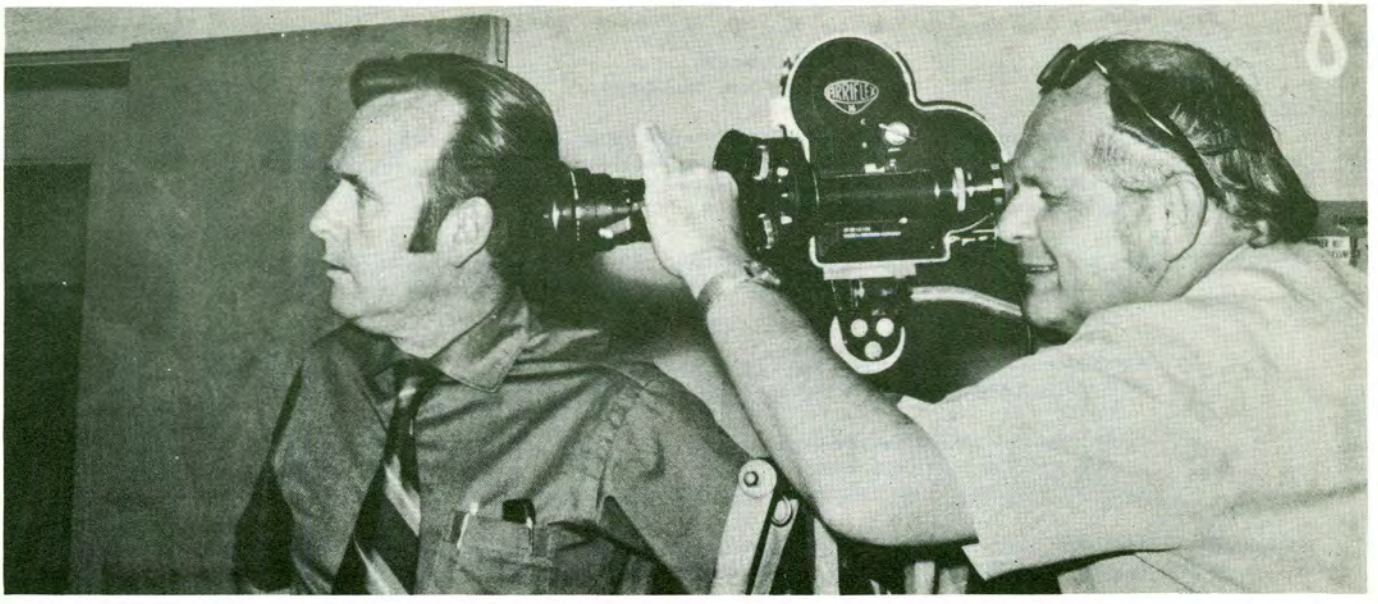
The past winter was a bit milder than usual, and as a result we may find the State's yellowjackets more numerous this summer. The following was printed in the July 1969 issue of NEWS and VIEWS and sounds like such an efficient means of control that we are presenting it again. This specific use of Chlordane, *a hard pesticide, has been approved by the Resource Management and Protection Division. The Division has also approved the use of* Mirex, *a more efficient pest killer, in place of Chlordane.* Mirex *will be available sometime after June.*

Here's a method developed by the San Mateo County Mosquito Abatement District to control yellowjackets without finding their nests or spraying poison around. It is based on the fact that yellowjackets, while they eat sweet liquids themselves, take home protein for their larvae.

First, mix two tablespoons of 40 percent wettable chlordane powder (not liquid) with a six-ounce can of tuna fish and two teaspoons of vegetable oil. Place three or four tablespoons of the mixture in small pans suspended out of the reach of children and animals in small wire cages at likely locations around the park. Change the meat about once a day.

The yellowjackets fly into the cage and take some of the bait home to the larvae. The poison kills both the larvae and the adults, but the latter can make many trips before they die, in about eight hours, and a few days of poisoning can wipe out the whole colony.

DEPARTMENT'S COMMERCIALS EXPLAIN RESERVATIONS



Photos by Dick Thompson

Bill Rase checks the camera angle during the filming of the Department's 60-second color TV spot explaining the campsite reservation system.

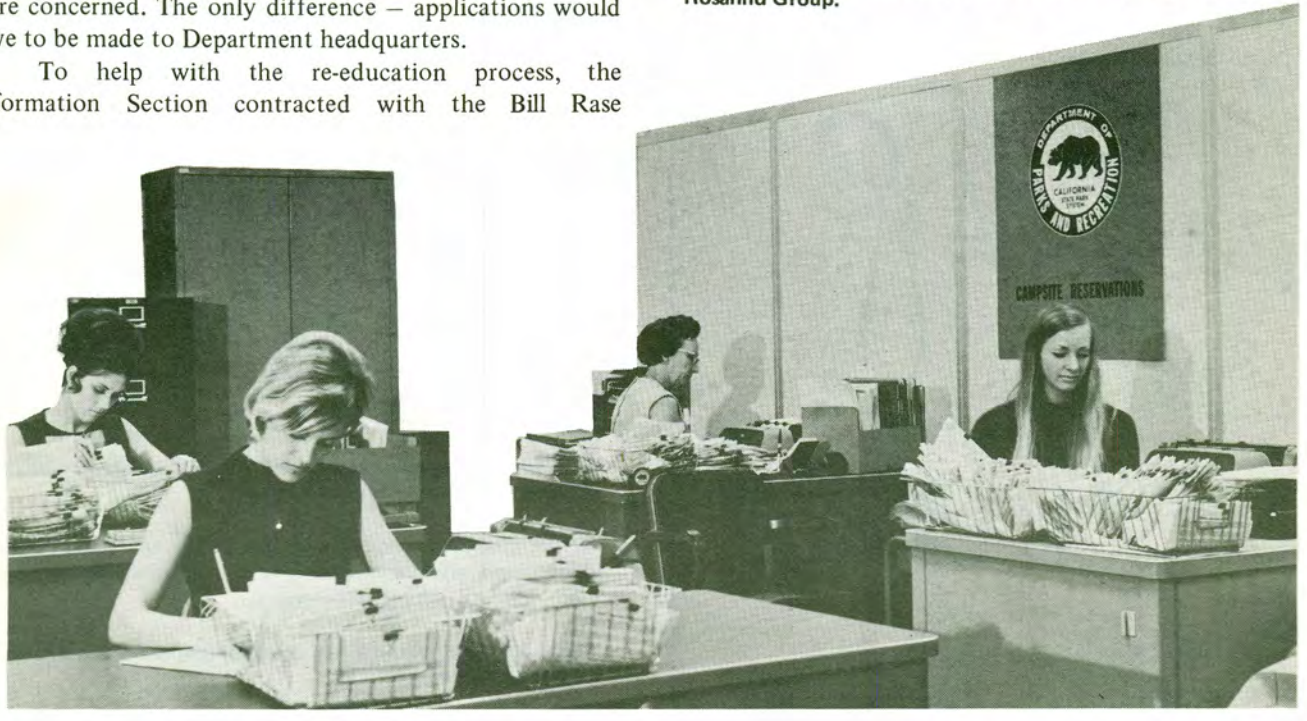
To all outward appearances, there was hardly a ripple when Computicket ceased operation without notice April 3 and shut down our new computer reservation system.

The reason – the girls in Rose Eckberg's pool and in Lois Lemen's Hearst Reservation Office. They made the transition to a manual reservation system without missing a beat in one of the smoothest operations that has ever been seen here at headquarters. They deserve a lot of credit.

The major problem was to be in re-educating the public. Word went out immediately that all reservations made to date would be honored and, except for a short period while we were waiting for the final computer printout, it would be business as usual as far as reservations were concerned. The only difference – applications would have to be made to Department headquarters.

To help with the re-education process, the Information Section contracted with the Bill Rase Recording and Film Studios in Sacramento to have prepared a series of recorded radio spots and a 60-second TV spot explaining the "new" campsite reservation system. These are being supplied to all radio and TV stations in the state and will be shown as public service announcements through July.

The cast for the shooting, which took place in Rose Eckberg's area, was (from left) Eve Perrigo, Dede Cossette, Faye Cobleigh, and Rosalind Group.



WAIT 'TIL NEXT YEAR!

by Jack Sanders
McArthur-Burney Falls Memorial SP

For the past several years the weather has been terrible for the opening day of trout season . . . rain, snow, and high muddy streams have been the rule. But these conditions are met hed-on by determined fishermen . . . after all, any adverse condition makes it easier to come up with an excuse for not catching the fish! This article is taken from the Supervisor's Weekly Log.

Friday, May 1 – The day before THE DAY. The fishermen are moving in. Camps are set up hastily so more time can be spent scouting the favorite pools. Last-minute checks on fishing tackle. Everything must be in apple-pie order.

Everything looks good. The streams are low and clear. The weather is perfect for a change. This has got to be the best opening day ever. There isn't a chance that anything can go wrong now.

A big dinner, some tall tales around the fire, and then into the sack. Everybody has to be wide awake with the first rays of dawn. Visions of monster trout dance through the campgrounds during the night, ghosts of all the mighty trout caught around the recently-extinguished campfires.

Saturday, May 2 – THE DAY. Early morning, but the campground is almost deserted. The streams are packed with fishermen, and the park rangers anxiously await the return of the lucky ones, ready to admire the fine fish.

Finally a few fishermen begin straggling into camp . . . with almost the same story as last year. Fishing just isn't as good as expected. The water is too low and too clear . . . the sun is too bright and this makes the fish extra wary . . . there is no end to the clever reasons why the fish could not be caught.

But just you wait until next year . . . unless, of course, the water is too_____.

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A PRIMER FOR SAFETY

An athlete trained in weightlifting and who is in prime physical condition can "press" his body weight.

22 Department of Parks and Recreation employees without training and without caution tried to lift excessive weights last year – with serious consequences.

Residual effects of spine and joint injuries can last a lifetime – WORK CAREFULLY

YOUNG PARK EMPLOYEES, TAKE NOTE!

by Ed Earl, Manager
Will Rogers Area

Take the advice of a retired park employee: "Work like hell, play like hell, don't be a griper, smile oftener than you scowl, and success and happiness will be yours." Eugene Velzy has lived by these precepts and they have served him well – at 74, he has hardly a gray hair and walks like a man of thirty.

Gene entered State Park service in 1939 and worked in a number of units from Richardson's Grove to San Clemente. For 21 years he was Assistant Superintendent in three district offices and retired in 1962. He and Assistant Superintendent L. P. Griffith, who retired at the same time, enjoyed a joint retirement party at Folsom Lake.

Everyone knew and liked Gene, and he knew every employee in the districts he worked in. And, even though he's now retired, he has not lost interest in State Parks; he is Region VI Director of the California State Park Rangers Association. Other projects that keep him on the go – he is president of the San Clemente Municipal Band and treasurer of the Elks Club . . . and he hasn't lost his love of poker! (Assistant Deputy Director Carl Anderson says his poker hasn't improved since retirement, though.)

Gene and his charming wife, Hester, visited Will Rogers SHP last month and we got three pages of notes on what the park was like when the State took it over in 1944; Gene was its first supervisor.

The Velzys have settled down in sunny Southern California – 34752 Doheny Place, Capistrano Beach 92672. When you are in the area, stop and see them.

Eugene and Hester Velzy celebrating their golden wedding anniversary.

MARGARET OWINGS RECEIVES AWARD

Mrs. Margaret Owings, former member of the State Park Commission, has received the Anna Head School's annual Distinguished Alumna award for her work as a conservationist and artist. In addition to her service on the commission from 1963 to 1968, when she bent her efforts toward preserving our state's magnificent redwoods, she has been instrumental in raising funds to set aside beach land near Point Lobos and received a special citation from former Governor Brown for her work in guarding the Big Sur country. Mrs. Owings is founder of the Rachel Carson Council in New York, dedicated to carrying on Miss Carson's work, and is a director of the African Wildlife Leadership Federation and the Defenders of Wildlife. She has been appointed by the President to serve on the National Park s Foundation.

Though she has not had time to paint much in recent years, due to the press of her conservation activities, Mrs. Owings has had several one-woman shows prior to 1965. She graduated from Mills College, Oakland, with an art degree in 1934.

Dear Mr. Walker...

Ranger Robert Walker, *Point Mugu Area, had the pleasure recently of conducting 35 fourth-grade students from the Haycox Elementary School in Oxnard on a nature walk. A few days later he received letters and drawings from each one.*

"Receiving a packet of letters such as this makes it all so worthwhile and rewarding," Walker wrote us. "I have selected a few which might be of interest to other readers."

5400 Perkins Rd
Oxnard, Calif.
March 20, 1970

Dear Mr. Walker,

I had a very nice time. And I am very glad that you could be our guide. I tried to learn most of the trees like donkey fat sage sicjmore poison oak. I thought it was very fun and also wild tobacco.

Sincerely,

Sarah Turner

5400 Perkins Rd.
Oxnard, Calif.
March 20, 1970

Dear Mr. Walker,

I sure want to thank you for being our guide and for telling us what kind of trees it has and for showing us what poison berries are. And I was scared when I thought I heard a rattle snake and when you took us through the trails and streets and I'm sure was glad you were around as we all wanted be sick from eating berries. So thanks again.

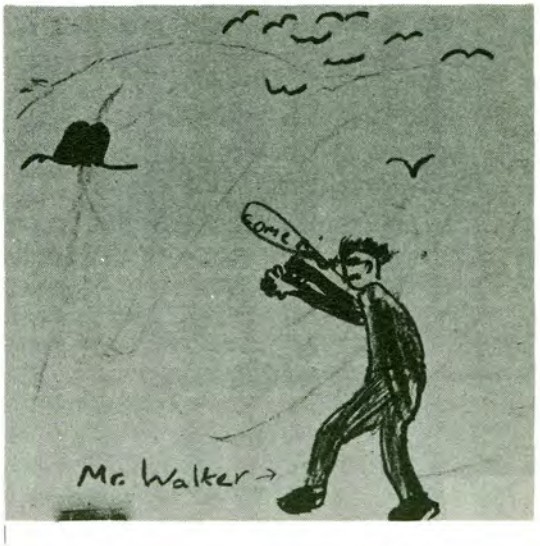
Sincerely,
Terry Stockton

5400 Perkins Rd
Oxnard, California
March 20, 1220

Dear Mr. Walker,

I thank you very Much for showing us around and I especially thank you for telling me what poison oak looks like and stinging nettal. I put some medicine on called something like well the last word was photo. It made my wrist feel better quick. I found out that I didn't have poison oak on my knee.

Sincerely Yours.
Randy



OPERATIONS AND PLANNING

By Lee Warren, Supervisor,
Master Plans Section

During the past year the Planning and Development Division has spent a good deal of time analyzing our planning and development process and evaluating ways to make it more efficient. We are trying to involve all of the divisions in this process, more so than in the past. We have developed a framework for our process that has received some good comments, and we feel that it offers opportunities to streamline our work and eliminate overlap and duplication.

While working on this planning process we explored quite extensively the relationship between our division and the Operations Division. There have been times in the past when operations problems have either been overlooked or designed into a unit because the designer was not as familiar as he could be with the operations of the unit.

Some months ago at one of my section's staff meetings, a suggestion was made that this situation could be improved if the planners were permitted to work for a time in the field not merely as observers but as participants in all phases of operation. I contacted many of the district superintendents, the assistant superintendents, area managers, and the Operations headquarters staff to get their feelings on this proposal. They were unanimous in their acceptance.

The proposal was then discussed with Dick May and approved by Jim Warren, Chief of the Planning and Development Division. I was instructed to work out a program for this coming summer with Jim Miller, the Department Training Officer. Miller was also very enthusiastic about the proposal and agreed to work with me in setting up a program.

Representatives from the Planning and Development Division and the Operations Division will be called together shortly by Miller to discuss and work out some of the mechanics of the program. Because of the limitation of funds, we do not know how many planning personnel will be able to work in the various units this summer, but our intention is to get the program started. The park units to be used for this purpose will be selected very carefully. They must have some difficult operation problems and must also be units for which a General Development Plan is being prepared. The summer months were selected because this period offers the best opportunity to see the parks during maximum use.

The Planning and Development Division feels strongly that this proposal will be beneficial in encouraging cooperation between our division and the Operations Division and could serve as a basis for better coordination among all divisions.

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SEVENTY-YEAR-OLD WISTERIA ADDS COLOR AT BENICIA CAPITOL S.H.M.

by Lorin Forsyth, Manager
Benicia Area

This spring, visitors touring the Benicia Capitol and the old garden of the Joseph Fischer house adjoining the Capitol grounds were treated to a spectacular sight. In the Fischer garden, wisteria planted over seventy years ago was in its full glory, sending cascades of heavily scented purple blooms over the length of a twenty-five-foot arbor and up the branches of nearby trees to a height of thirty feet.

The Fischer residence, built in Benicia during the Gold Rush period, was given to the State last fall by the Misses Rafealita and Catherine Hanlon, the direct descendants of Joseph Fischer. The fourteen-room mansion, complete with its original period furnishings and outbuildings, is to be restored for public viewing.

According to the Misses Hanlon, who now reside in San Francisco, the wisteria was planted by their aunt, Mrs. Martha Fischer Quinn, over seventy years ago. It seems that Mrs. Quinn had quite a flair for making the most of the good things in life. In the spring, when the wisteria burst into magnificent bloom, she would have her ornately carved walnut bed moved out to the arbor where her slumber could be enjoyed in a sweet-scented bower. (This reminds one of those Lady Pepperill Sheet advertisements in today's magazines.)

THE MILK BOTTLE WAITS
LIKE A HORSE PUT TO PASTURE
TO BE CALLED AGAIN -- *haiku*

Last month, Bill Dillinger *mentioned to his milkman that henceforth he would like to have his milk delivered in returnable glass bottles and not in the paper/plastic cartons that present a disposal problem. He received the answer below.*

There's no question that the dairy company's statement makes sense. We really can't refute it. It's just that for every argument favoring the elimination of waste and the protection of our environment, there is a counter argument, beautifully logical and persuasive.

Perhaps the last thing we'll see as our collective head sinks beneath a pile of waste is a copywriter, perched atop a heap of no-deposit, no-return bottles, pounding out the final, unassailable argument proving that what is good for business is good for the country.

We have had numerous letters concerning the environmental effects of bottling milk and other fluid dairy products in paper containers as opposed to bottling in glass returnable containers. We believe that taking all factors into consideration there is less pollution of the environment using paper containers than glass.

Let us examine the reasoning behind this statement:

1. Contrary to general belief, re-usable glass containers have a life span before they are broken, chipped or rendered unusable of only 9 to 15 trips.

2. Glass is one of the most indestructible materials known. Glass objects from the most ancient civilizations known are virtually unimpaired after thousands of years.

3. In cleaning and sterilizing of re-usable glass bottles, large quantities of inorganic chemicals have to be used that eventually go into the sewage and water systems.

4. Glass containers are hazardous to humans in the danger of breakage causing severe cuts and the possibility of ingesting undesernable (sic) chips of glass. Our industrial accident rate decreased dramatically since the abolition of glass containers. Also, the amount of claims concerning foreign objects in processed products almost dropped to zero after the abolition.

5. A glass bottle contains 14 times the bulk and consequently because it is totally undestructible about 500 times the ultimate permanent inorganic residue.

6. Even with glass containers, the sealing devices are present and are a disposal problem.

While paper containers are also a contaminant, they do not have these disadvantages:

1. If burnt they consist almost entirely of cellulose – an organic product which produces relatively little ash, chemical fumes or smoke, the main by-products of combustion are CO2 and water.

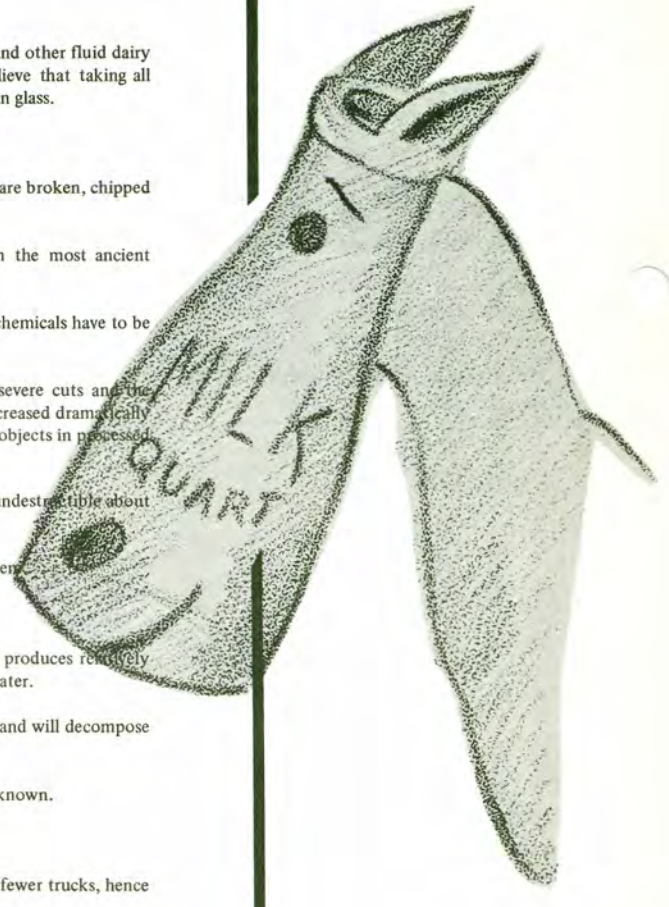
2. If deposited with garbage in most municipal systems of disposal, they are buried and will decompose rapidly to their original organic substances.

3. Sanitation – No one has used this container before for any purpose known or unknown.

4. Injury factor reduced to almost nil compared to the hazards of glass.

5. Great reduction in weight and cubage which permits greater load factors, hence, fewer trucks, hence less air pollution from vehicles.

6. Progress is being made in the recycling of used paper containers when a feasible means of collection can be found.



NEW ANIMAL AT HEARST

Wes Cater, Assistant Superintendent, District 5, reports a new resident on the Castle grounds. It is the Sicilian donkey, a shaggy, friendly creature that came from Hearst Corporation property in Northern California. The animals have a gentle, inquisitive nature that arouses great interest among visitors who are driven through part of the ranch on their way to and from the Castle.

While on the subject of animals, Cater reported on the morning of April 9 he discovered a Tahr goat had given birth on the road to the hilltop. He carefully moved the newborn Himalayan goat to the side of the road, and with Guide Supervisor Irene Hanks returned at noon to check on the young animal. The infant had not survived. Irene and Wes held a short funeral and returned to work, much saddened by the experience.

Wes Cater welcomes the newly arrived Sicilian donkeys to Hearst Castle.

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MORALE BOOSTED

Some of the women guides at Hearst Castle received a morale boost recently when they donned their newly tailored uniforms. The tailors were Henry and Rose who came to this country from Lebanon about a year ago and now reside in San Luis Obispo.

The guides report attendance at Hearst reached 449,519 for the first nine months of this fiscal year, 59,274 more people than during the same period a year ago. During Easter week, attendance of 26,062 persons was 7,000 above 1969's Easter week.

Hearst guides pose in their brand new uniforms. From left, they are: front row, tailors Henry and Rose, guides Erica Ness and Ethel Lynch; back row, Audrey Galli, Guide Supervisor Irene Hanks, and Helen Conner.

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HEARST CASTLE reports that William Buckley, noted wit and ultra conservative, was a recent visitor at the Monument. As he prepared to leave he was cautioned by Guide II William Martin to "bear to the right" when he came to a fork in the road. Buckley, arching his eyebrows and rolling his eyes heavenward, replied, "Yaas – I've been inclined in that direction for some time."

YIELD FROM THE FIELD . . .

DISTRICT 1 . . .

The prompt action of DYERVILLE AREA Rangers *Raymond Westburg, Clifford Allen,* and *John Fehling* in administering oxygen from a borrowed resuscitator and rushing to the hospital saved the life of a park visitor suffering from a violent reaction to self-administered cortisone. Clerk-typist *Rose Chapman* accompanied the victim's wife to the hospital at Fortuna.

Ranger *Donald W. Mowrey* of the PIERCY AREA received a handsome trophy as the best marksman in his graduating class from the College of the Redwoods Basic Police Academy. In making the presentation at the class' graduation banquet, Fortuna Chief of Police Dale Livingston said that Mowrey fired the highest score ever achieved by a cadet in the five-year history of the Academy.

Donald W. Griffith, son of DYERVILLE AREA Maintenance Man II *Wayne Griffith*, recently won $250 award in the Science and Mathematics category of the Bank of America Achievement Awards Program. These no-strings-attached cash awards were presented to outstanding high school seniors throughout California.

DISTRICT 2 . . .

A six-candle brass candelabra which had been brought to FORT ROSS in 1828 by a Russian was stolen April 19 from the chapel at the park, where it hung over the altar. The following Sunday, the Fort received a call from someone who said he had the candelabra and would like to return it if he wouldn't "get into trouble." Ranger *Robert Jensen*, who took the call, promised that if the candelabra were returned no questions would be asked. It was returned just before closing time that same day . . . and no questions were asked.

Ranger *Emmet Crisp* checked out visitors' reports of a corpse on top of Death Rock at SONOMA COAST SB and found a dummy, left by three Santa Rosa youths.

Nine members of Vallejo Boy Scout Troop 16 spent Saturday, April 25, planting trees at BENICIA SRA. Nearly ninety young pine trees were planted in this highly commendable post-Arbor Day project, according to Ranger *James Alexander*. This troop was also the first to receive the BOTHE-NAPE VALLEY SP Service Award patch for their trail-cleaning at the park, reports Area Manager *Frank Brown*. Boys in the troop are Mark Drew, Doug Kitchen, Jim Russell, Richard Russell, George Grokett, Gary Bailey, Melvin Nash, Claude Mack, Charles Watkins, and Mark Wright; their leaders are Vic Murphy, Walt Drew, and David Kitchen.

DISTRICT 3 . . .

Several new noises, besides woodpecker pecks, trip the FEATHER RIVER AREA'S burglar alarm, according to Ranger *Nolan Albright*. The helpful burglar alarm company representative suggests stopping their striking pendulum clock and reducing the volume of the telephone bell.

Oops – CALAVERAS AREA Manager *Glen Jones* reports that it started snowing around 5 a.m. on April 13, and they had 17 inches on the ground by evening . . . so the entire crew was kept busy wintering the buildings they had just finished de-winterizing. →

YIELD FROM THE FIELD (Continued)

On their way home from a meeting in Taylorsville, 36 members of the Sacramento County Grange visited the mining museum at PLUMAS-EUREKA SP. Area Manager *Joe McCall* reports that, though the bus driver allowed them only fifteen minutes, it was three-quarters of an hour before they could get away.

Thirty doll collectors from San Diego, in Sacramento for a convention, visited SUTTER'S FORT to see the Pattie Reed doll. Several expressed pleasure that it is on display, as it is a well-known historical doll.

It makes you wonder . . . COLUMBIA AREA Manager *Neil Power*, on a trip to Sacramento headquarters, overhead a Department employee complaining that "the ranger had made her put her *little* poodle on a leash." He wonders if she thinks that sports cars should be exempt from the rules that govern tank trucks.

A pair of rare Golden Eagles nesting on one of the tall electrical towers at O'Neill Forebay, SAN LUIS RESERVOIR SRA, are drawing lots of attention, especially since their egg or eggs hatched around the first of May. Though these birds usually nest only in the most inaccessible locations, their home at the Forebay can be reached by auto, giving less hardy avian enthusiasts a chance to try to view them through binoculars or even take pictures with telescopic-lensed cameras.

DISTRICT 4 . . .

As part of a campaign to improve the ecological aspects of their community, about 30 students from the Harbor and Soquel High Schools, plus a few junior high students, picked up two large pickup loads of trash from TWIN LAKES SB.

April 17 was "Trail Day" at BIG BASIN REDWOODS SP; about 650 volunteers improved the trail between that park and CASTLE ROCK SP and constructed a new trail in the Hihn Hammond Mountain area. Work was followed by a barbecue and campfire program.

At SEACLIFF SB, 15 Girl Scouts spent about two hours planting iceplant on the eroded areas to earn merit badges.

Clerk-Typist *Judy Guglielmino* and Maintenance Man *Nick Gowatz* found a sea elephant pup raising a commotion on the beach next to the pier at SAN FRANCISCO MARITIME SHP. They tried to convince him that he belonged in the sea, but the pup just kept crawling back up on the beach. After unsuccessful efforts to get help from the Department of Fish and Game and the SPCA, the two finally contacted Steinhart Aquarium, which immediately responded and took the pup away, cuddled (all 60 pounds of him) in the arms of one of their employees. The pup, though suffering from starvation and dehydration, survived and was taken to Stanford Research Institute to aid in sonar research.

DISTRICT 5 . . .

VENTURA BEACHES AREA Ranger *Allen Hibsch* and Park Maintenance Supervisor *David DeSpain* participated in the Ventura College Ecology Fair, April 22-24, showing slides of State Parks and talking to students.

Lancaster Girl Scout Troop 391 spent hours cleaning up CARPINTERIA SB and filled eight garbage can bags with trash.

The 140-year-old candle-making equipment at LA PURISIMA MISSION SHP has been called into service again. Two candles made on this equipment and using the old techniques have been made for the cake for the Bakersfield birthday party, part of the California Bicentennial celebration, in early April. The cake is to be on display throughout the Bicentennial year.

DISTRICT 6 . . .

The Mono stone which MONTANE AREA Ranger *Lawrence Cermak* had been using as visual aid in campfire programs was stolen from behind his back while he was answering questions at the end of the program.

The Lone Conservationist Strikes Again – Someone picked up a pickup load of trash at BOLSA CHICA SB and piled it, more or less neatly, by the concession trailer.

A lady police officer from Oceanside had a slight identification problem at a SAN DIEGO COAST AREA beach – she reported that her sons had uncovered a corpse in the sand, clad in a fur coat. Lifeguard *Bill Jones* investigated and did, indeed, find a dead body in the sand, clad in a fur coat – but it was the body of a seal.

About 85 horsemen completed a ride from the ocean to HEART BAR SP and ceremoniously poured a token amount of ocean water into the Mission Creek watershed. Purpose of the ride was to encourage interest in a "Coast-to-Crest Greenbelt Parkway." →

VOX POP

MOUNT DIABLO Area Manager Bob Stewart's *radio program has many interested listeners:*

For the last sixteen years my wife and I have been teaching first aid classes at the park, and have been very impressed with the caliber of men on the staff there. We feel that the Park Service has been very much aided by the work of Robert Stewart . . . his radio program each morning is eagerly awaited by many people around here. Many people who had never heard of the State Park System have had it explained to them. He is active in community affairs and is always ready to help out in any way he can . . . he is a real asset to the State Park System.

Frank M. Williams
Pleasant Hill

This party of eleven people was returned to ANGEL ISLAND SP after their boat was swamped:

We were turned over to Ranger *Harvey Lively* and he was so good to us that he certainly deserves recognition. He wrapped us in blankets, put us in a warm room, supplied coffee. His manner in doing this was the important thing . . . his smiling composure and kind words to the children kept them calm. He and his boat operator, Mr. Graeme Gowan, left their normal duties to take us across terribly rough water to take us to our home. We want you to know that we are grateful that our State Parks are staffed by such capable people.

Mrs. Fred Chaldy
Treasure Island

This gentleman enjoyed his visit to BIDWELL MANSION SHP:

I must say what an enjoyable tour we had and how excellently the Mansion is being restored. Please let me take this opportunity to commend Ranger *Lelon Shelton*. He made the tour so much more meaningful and interesting by explaining many interesting features of the Mansion's furnishings and history. He was most pleasant and courteous.

Robert Besel
Carmel

A FOLSOM LAKE SRA Ranger helped a lady in distress:

I had a flat tire near Brown's Ravine. I don't belong to AAA, my husband was out of town, and my car was loaded with groceries, my young children and our dog. I decided to go down to Brown's Ravine and see if the Ranger could call someone. The young man at the gate, *John Hillerman*, was more than helpful. Since it was nearing time for him to quit, he offered to change the tire for me, and did so. I wanted to compensate him but he refused. I have wanted to report this act of kindness because it meant a lot to me.

Mrs. Arnold J. Bermimgham
El Dorado Hills

These young campers appreciated Park Attendant Ben Hale's *help on their visit to FREMONT PEAK SP:*

He was very kind to us, offered his help, gave us needed information, and even put wood on the communal fireplace. His thoughtfulness and courtesy were greatly appreciated. The clean campsites and facilities doubled our enjoyment.

Bob and Sammie Grib
Salinas

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YIELD FROM THE FIELD (Continued)

FRONTERA AREA Manager *Frank Bellinghausen* reports that the worst mess he had ever seen in his four years at SILVER STRAND SB was left by a party from Southwestern State College. The beach was left littered with wine and beer bottles, cans, debris . . . "the beach, parking lot and roads looked like a battle ground."

Ranger *Jim Hibbert* reports that Seasonal Ranger *Laurie Simpson* handled a shooting incident very professionally. He wonders, though, why shooting was the first solution to the problem that occurred to the man who shot two swimmers because they were arguing with another camper.

STAFF CHANGES

APPOINTMENTS

Burkhart, Barry C.	State Park Ranger (Int.)	Weaverville Joss House Area	3-4-70
Conner, Robert W.	State Park Ranger (Int.)	Big Basin Area	3-23-70
Filipponi, Mervyn L.	Park and Rec. Consultant	Grants Adm & Local Assist.	4-1-70
Godier, Lois M.	Clerk II (Perm. Int.)	Hearst San Simeon SHP	3-20-70
Johnson, Gerald J.	State Park Ranger I	Calaveras Area	4-13-70
Johnson, Newton D.	State Park Ranger (Int.)	Salton Sea Area	3-20-70
Lindstrom, Elmer L.	State Park Ranger I	San Mateo Coast Area	4-6-70
Macomber, Robert G.	State Park Ranger I	Montane Area	4-1-70
McCarthy, Gertrude E.	Clerk Typist I	Big Basin Area	4-13-70
Morris, Susanne T.	State Park Ranger (Int.)	Weaverville Joss House	3-9-70
Sanders, Dean E.	State Park Ranger (Int.)	Four Rivers Area	3-13-70
Wilkins, Leonard D.	State Park Ranger (Int.)	Big Sur Area	3-20-70

PROMOTIONS

Allen, Roy D.	Park Maint. Man II	Dyerville Area	3-1-70
Alvey, Arvil L.	Park Maint. Man II	Mt. Diablo Area to San Mateo Coast Area	4-13-70
Ameral, Donald R.	Park Maint. Man I	Marin Area	3-1-70
Banovez, Leonard A.	Park Maint. Man II	Hearst San Simeon SHP	4-1-70
Bartlett, Leonard A.	Park Maint. Man I	Russian River Area	3-1-70
Beat, William R.	Park Maint. Man I	Big Basin Area	3-1-70
Bennett, Wilson G.	Park Maint. Man II	Big Basin Area	3-1-70
Berg, E. Norman	Park Maint. Man II	Point Mugu Area	3-1-70
Berrigan, Leroy C.	Park Maint. Superv. I	Will Rogers Area	3-1-70
Bischof, Gary L.	Park Maint. Man I	Marin Area	3-1-70
Boren, Allan	Park Maint. Man II	Morro Bay Area	4-1-70
Bragg, Bernard B.	Park Maint. Man I	Angel Island Area	3-1-70
Brownlie, Thomas	Park Maint. Man I	Santa Cruz Coast Area	3-1-70
Carpenter, Richard D.	Park Maint. Superv. II	Four Rivers Area to Monterey Area	4-20-70
Carr, Richard O.	Park Maint. Man I	Clear Lake Area	3-1-70
Cathey, Andreas A.	Park Maint. Man I	Marin Area	3-1-70
Clark, Harvey L.	Park Maint. Man I	Mendocino Area	3-1-70
Coleman, Festus C.	Park Maint. Man I	Santa Cruz Coast Area	3-1-70
Compton, John R.	Park Maint. Man II	Big Basin Area	3-1-70
Costello, Jack N.	Park Maint. Superv. II	Monterey Area to Santa Cruz Coast Area	4-1-70
Curless, Robert L.	Park Maint. Man I	Dyerville Area	3-1-70
Cutshall, Leonard W.	Park Maint. Man I	Monterey Area	3-1-70
Elliott, James W.	Park Maint. Man I	Ventura Beaches Area	3-1-70
Ellis, Harley C.	Park Maint. Man II	Marin Area	3-1-70
Epley, James W.	Park Maint. Man I	Morro Bay Area	3-1-70
Felty, Richard E.	State Park Ranger III	Grants Adm. & Local Assist. to Morro Bay Area	4-1-70
Fields, Robert B.	Park Maint. Man I	Dyerville Area	3-1-70
Fox, George C.	Park Maint. Man I	Trinidad Area	3-1-70
Giles, Earl J.	Park Maint. Man I	Santa Cruz Coast Area	3-1-70
Griffith, Thomas W.	Park Maint. Man II	Dyerville Area	3-1-70
Griswold, Glenn B.	Park Maint. Man I	San Mateo Coast Area	3-1-70
Hale, Benjamin H.	Park Maint. Man I	Monterey Area	3-1-70
Handley, Harry H.	Park Maint. Man I	Trinidad Area	3-1-70
Harris, Randolph C.	Park Maint. Man II	Hearst San Simeon SHP	3-1-70
Hayford, Frank R.	Park Maint. Man II	Point Lobos Area	3-23-70
Helm, Luther O.	Park Maint. Man I	La Purisima Mission Area	3-1-70
Higgins, William T., Jr.	Park Maint. Man II	Hearst San Simeon SHP	3-1-70
Hogsett, Maynard C.	Park Maint. Man I	Will Rogers Area	3-1-70
Hogsett, Maynard C.	Park Maint. Man II	Will Rogers Area	4-9-70
Holeva, Thomas A.	Park Maint. Man I	Pismo Area	3-1-70

Howard, Billy J.	Park Maint. Man II	Big Basin Area	3-1-70
Hurd, Lawrence G.	Park Maint. Man I	Hearst San Simeon SHM	3-1-70
Johnson, George E.	Park Maint. Man I	Carpinteria Area	3-1-70
Johnson, Max A.	Park Maint. Man I	Santa Cruz Coast Area	3-1-70
Kafka, George E.	Park Maint. Superv. II	Dyerville Area	3-1-70
Kester, Alvin W.	Park Maint. Man I	Point Mugu Area	3-1-70
LaVine, Glen E.	Park Maint. Superv. I	Piercy Area	3-1-70
Leath, Emmett B., Jr.	Park Maint. Man II	Mount Diablo Area	3-1-70
Lintow, William H.	Park Maint. Man II	Marin Area	3-1-70
Long, Robert E.	Park Maint. Man I	Russian River Area	3-1-70
Lopes, Frank	Park Maint. Man I	Will Rogers Area	3-1-70
Lundy, Hugh T., Jr.	Park Maint. Man II	Hiouchi Area	3-1-70
Mason, Leo H.	Park Maint. Man I	Castle Crags Area	3-1-70
Mead, William P.	Park Maint. Man I	Hearst San Simeon SHP	3-1-70
Ore, Howard B.	Park Maint. Man I	Ventura Beaches Area	3-1-70
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Pool Dedication at GROVER HOT SPRINGS SP.
Celebration at COLUMBIA SHP.
Coloma celebration at MARSHALL GOLD DISCOVERY SHP.

Thought for the Month . . .

I have of late – but wherefore I know not – lost all my mirth . . . this goodly frame the earth seems to me a sterile promontory, this most excellent canopy, the air, look you, this brave o'er-hanging firmament, this majestical roof fretted with golden fire, why it appeareth nothing to me but a foul and pestilent congregation of vapors.

–Shakespeare, *Hamlet*

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WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.
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water water everywhere

AND NOT A DROP TO DRINK . . ."

This could be the plight of the water supply not only in California but in the United States unless we take seriously the warnings of scientists who have been studying the problem of our deteriorating, finite water supply. It has been stated that every major river in the United States is now polluted – some so severely that they will burn.

The concept that any body of water can serve as a dilutant for pollution is no longer acceptable. Because of the magnitude of the Pacific Ocean, the coastal states, including California, continue to pour billions of gallons of effluent from the sewage plants into the ocean assuming that it can absorb the pollution without serious detrimental effects. Although the ocean is vast, its productive volume represents only about ten percent of its total. The balance of the ocean may be considered a biological desert.

A study of the White Point sewer outfall, from which is dumped daily approximately 360 millions of gallons of secondary treated sewage from the Los Angeles area into the Pacific Ocean indicates that the ecology of the ocean floor for 6 miles down coast from the outfall over a period of eleven years has been seriously affected. The study was carried out by Richard W. Grigg and Robert S. Kiwals of the University of California at San Diego, and Scripps Institution of Oceanography at San Diego.

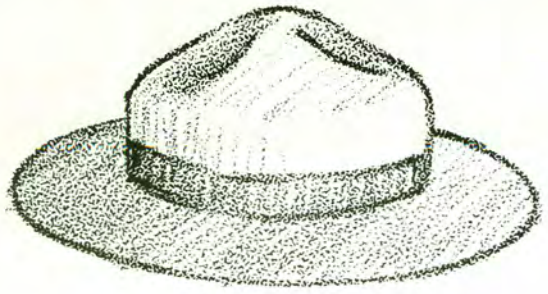
Discharging the effluent from sewage plants into the ocean not only wastes water but constitutes a threat to the natural reproductive processes of the ocean.

We have the technology and ability to provide tertiary treatment which will produce clear, potable water balanced in nutrients. Such effluent could be reused for recreation, human consumption, industry or agriculture, and would not constitute a source of pollution. The Santee Project near San Diego is a practical pilot project of the constructive use of sewage effluent for recreational purposes, including swimming.

Imagine, if you will, large neighborhood parks accessible to a population unit of from three hundred to three hundred and fifty thousand people scattered throughout a metropolitan complex. A modern sewage treatment plant could be built adjacent to the park. The tertiary treated effluent from the treatment plant could be used for irrigation and filling a man-made lake that would provide all types of water-oriented recreation, including fishing, swimming and boating. This truly would be environmental planning instead of single-purpose planning which generally envisions building a single sewage treatment plant dumping its effluent into a lake, stream or ocean, wasting the water and polluting the lake, stream or ocean.

We must begin to think in terms of saving water instead of wasting it. Why not begin by using our technology to reclaim sewage effluent for productive use instead of wasting it as a pollutant?

A RANGER'S IMAGE



by Lloyd Lively
Superintendent, District 5

There has been concern expressed since the Department began law enforcement training that the California State Park Ranger might lose his good image and become, in the public's eye, a "cop."

Whatever that Ranger's image, it is the product of many men's efforts over many years. We like to think of it as portraying a man of patience, capability, personality, poise, good will, and the many other things essential to a really professional performance of the Ranger's duties. Every man that wears the Ranger uniform either enhances or tarnishes that image.

Today's California State Park Ranger must have a variety of skills that few other professions require. He must manage public funds, acquaint all who will listen with the facts of life on ecology and the environment and their importance to the survival of the human race, maintain public facilities in a safe and usable condition, and provide security for the park visitor. In a large park, the Ranger in charge is the Mayor, Chief of Police, Fire Chief, and Public Relations expert. But his most important charge today is to make state parks safe for the public to use. The challenge is not only to know what to do in situations that arise, but equally important, what not to do.

Whether we like it or not, a certain amount of enforcement is specified in the California State Park Ranger's qualifications. Since we are leaders in the field of state park operations, let us regard enforcement as just one more part of our responsibility and determine to carry out that obligation in a truly professional manner. That can only be done with sufficient training.

Let us not be too concerned about the public thinking we are "cops" when we are only trying to increase our capability to do the things we are required to do to protect the California State Park System and make it safe for public use and enjoyment.

The law enforcement agencies on local and State levels are ready to help us with our problems, but there will be times when we must take action by ourselves. We can approach these occasions with more confidence if we know how to react in that particular situation.

We have pressed for more training in the enforcement field for many years. Now that we have it, let's put it to good use in a way that fits our philosophy of State Parks and their relationship to the public. The only way the Ranger image can be hurt by training in law enforcement is by the Ranger using that training improperly: by being badge happy or letting the enforcement part of his duties take on unwarranted importance. Now that we've had the training, why don't we just go on being the good Rangers we always have been and use the additional expertise to help us out in a pinch. Our image will not suffer by trained capability in all phases of our work.

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STRICTLY FOR GOURMETS

Remember back in the 1850s when you tasted your first Cornish pastie? Well, the next time you're at Columbia SHP, you can relive that experience at the Village Inn, which features the dish. And if you can't wait to get to Columbia, you can make pasties in your own kitchen with this recipe from the California Beef Council. The dish was introduced to this country by Cornish miners in the Gold Rush Days.

CORNISH PASTIES
(pronounced "Pass-Tees")

- 1½ pounds California beef top round
- 2 medium-sized potatoes
- 1 medium-sized onion
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon celery salt
- ½ teaspoon pepper
- Pastry
- 3 tablespoons butter

Cut beef, potatoes and onion into ½-inch dice. Season with salt, celery salt, and pepper. Place about 2/3 cup filling on each of 6 (8-inch) pastry rounds. Dot with butter. Moisten edges and fold over to enclose filling. Press edges firmly together. Prick tops. Place on baking sheet. Bake in moderate oven (350° F.) 1 hour. Makes 6 pasties.

PASTRY: Combine 3 cups sifted flour with 1½ teaspoons salt. Cut in ½ cup EACH shortening and lard. Add about 6 tablespoons ice water to make stiff dough. Divide into 6 portions. Roll each to an 8-inch circle.

THERE'S PROGRESS BEING MADE IN

PARKS AROUND THE WORLD

Sometimes we get so wrapped up in our own park problems that we forget about the world around us. W. R. Allison, *Mendocino Area Manager, didn't, and compiled an interesting account of park progress around the world from the 1969 Britannica Year Book. We couldn't print all of the material he sent us, but we can present some representative samples:*

United Kingdom

In Wales the first "National Park Centre" for this area was opened, providing exhibition room, information center, bookshop, lecture theater, and cafeteria. A 300-vehicle parking lot, restroom, and large picnic area make up the outside facilities. The facility will have a staff of eight to introduce visitors to the wealth of features found in the Lake District National Park.

Belgium

Three new nature reserves were established: one comprising 86 acres of limestone cliffs of geological and botanical interest, the others, 37 and 54 acres each, were mostly moorland areas with unusual plant and animal life.

France

In Parc National de Port-Cros, pleasure boat anchorage was developed and a biology nature trail opened. At Parc National des Pyrenees-Occidentales, 62 miles of trail were built with four shelters; hunting prohibited. Ten new shelters were built in Vanoice National Park.

Italy

The Gran Paradiso Park Authority started a "guides to nature" service using university students who explain natural and scientific interests to visitors.

Spain

New visitor facilities including pathways, visitor shelters, "outside toilets", tables, benches, and writing benches" were installed in five parks. Visitors totaled 220,000 for 1969.

South Africa

In South Africa construction was started on a massive dam in Kurger National Park. Part of the financing was $167,000 donated by an American mining millionaire, Charles Engelhard. Visitors to South Africa's eight National Parks numbered 539,000.

New Zealand

Ten National Parks had a visitation of 1,356,000 persons. Park Rangers, instead of being employed by individual park boards, were transfered to the "public service" and made an occupational government class.

Japan

Japan added 13 quasi-national parks to its National Park System. Developments include facilities for camping, skiing, picnic areas, and visitor centers. An 808-mile trail between Tokyo and Osaka is being built. Attendance in the 23 national parks exceeded 218 million, and in the quasi-national parks 137 million. As a result, the problem of protecting the natural environment is one of the system's most important projects.

Israel

A 500-acre Jerusalem Park will comprise a green belt surrounding and protecting the city. Included are the valleys of Kidron and Hinnon, Mount Zion and the Mount of Olives, also an old village, olive orchards, and pine groves. Boundaries are not yet final. A 40-sq.-mi. Mount Carmel National Park covers the highest and most interesting of traditional oak groves. Achziv Park, 110 acres, is located on the site of an ancient Phoenician port.

These desert turtles are part of a rapidly growing herd at ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP. Once native to the region, the turtles had almost disappeared until the park staff took a hand. The artificial pond will be the home of the tiny, colorful pupfish, another almost vanished native of the desert.

Photos by Naturalist Ernie Brown.

FOUNDATION GETS 2000 NICKLES

Beth Coppedge and her coffee pot have been making the news quite a lot lately. The latest episode involves Bob Howard, Executive Director of the California State Park Foundation.

Responding to the appeal to support the new foundation with gifts and donations, Beth turned over $100 worth of nickels to Howard to be used for the purchase of inholdings at Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. To date, Beth and her pot have contributed some $210 for desert parkland acquisition.

Neither Rain, nor Storm, nor Dark of Night . . .

THE MAIL MUST GO THROUGH

Many of us have had difficulties with slow mail deliveries at one time or another but Ginger Anderson of Big Oak Flat *really* had a problem

Last fall Mr. and Mrs. *Neil Power* of COLUMBIA SHP purchased the fixtures of the Big Oak Flat post office, closed around 1956. While dismantling the office, the Powers found a letter addressed to Miss Anderson and tried to locate her. They discovered that she had married and moved to Oklahoma.

Then, last month, Mrs. Power unexpectedly met the former Miss Anderson and delivered the letter. It turned out to be from her aunt, telling of her engagement. Miss Anderson, now Mrs. Goodnight, recalled how astonished she had been to learn of her aunt's marriage.

So, it just goes to show, the mail *does* go through – eventually!

historic demonstrations

INTERPRETATION APPRECIATION UNDERSTANDING

By Harry K. Batlin
Interpretive Specialist, District 4

Historic units offer special interpretive challenges. They are the stages upon which history has been played. They are the artifacts, the skeletal remains of living history. To be relevant, to make history come alive, special interpretive efforts must be made.

One highly successful approach now being used in many places throughout the country is interpretation by demonstration. It may be an Indian woman weaving a basket, a National Park Ranger dressed as a 7th Cavalry sergeant showing the use of his rifle by firing at a Sioux ghost, or a cooper, in the 19th century dress, assembling a barrel at Colonial Williamsburg where this technique reaches its most sophisticated level.

An entire 18th century village has been restored there. The original crafts necessary to village life are being carried out as they were in the 18th century, using the same tools and techniques, by craftsmen dressed in period costume. Flax is spun into linen thread, woven into cloth and sewn into garments which are worn by the villagers. In the evening the craftsmen take up their rifles and parade as part of the militia. A walk down a street in Williamsburg is a walk through another time, down past the wig shop to the apothecary for a clay pipe; being careful of the oxen pulling their heavy load of oak for barrel staves.

There are more modest possibilities here in California but there are some pitfalls to be aware of if you might wish to try this approach in your unit. Care must be taken that the costume is authentic and no detail is overlooked. A wrist watch on the arm of a Monterey Customs collector could create something of a credibility gap. The costume can be used just for color or the interpreter wearing it could assume the role of a person of the period. If this second approach is used, it is necessary that the language and subject matter used is as authentic as the costume. Nothing destroys the impact of the demonstration more than an editorial comment out of context.

Layer by layer the present should be dropped away as the visitor goes back with us to a different time and a different kind of country to better understand the present world in which we all share.

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STATUS REPORT – LOCAL BOND ACT PROJECTS

by Ron Rawlings
Grants Administration and Local Assistance Branch

The voters' approval of Proposition 7 will allow the continuation of the grant program for local agencies.

In 1964, the State Beach, Park, Recreation and Historical Facilities Bond Act established a $40,000,000 program for grants to local agencies. Funds were allocated to each County on a per capita basis with a provision that no county was to receive less than $75,000. During the application period, local agencies from all 58 counties applied for all but $708 of the $38,282,250 available. The remainder of $1,717,740 has been set aside for administration and contingencies.

The major requirements of the grant program were that the projects be regional in scope and that local agencies complete general plans to qualify. When the State Bond Act was enacted, only three counties had submitted adopted general plans. By October 1, 1969, all 58 counties had adopted and submitted general plans which included park and recreation elements.

Local agencies applied for $21,800,670 worth of projects to assist in acquiring 25,287 acres of recreational lands. Improvement funds amounting to $16,480,872 were requested to develop 19,824 acres of park lands.

Though providing only a portion of the assistance needed, bond funds have augmented local efforts to a signficiant degree. With well conceived programs of this type, the State of California can measurably assist local agencies in providing recreational opportunities for its citizens.

BOATER SURVEY

Ranger *Marion Hanshew,* in response to a problem of boaters ignoring the buoy markers and invading the swimming area, took a survey to see whether the boaters at LAKE OROVILLE SRA knew what a diamond marker or a diamond with a cross inside on a buoy meant. Of the 85 boaters contacted, 73 did not – even though Hanshew gave credit for the answer "Stay away." Several of the boaters who did not know the answer had taken the Coast Guard boating course.

Ranger Hanshew comments, "If this is an average of all boaters, it is no wonder that we have so many boating problems on the waterways in our state."

THE FIRST TIME THIS YEAR . . .

Well, it's happened again – DYERVILLE AREA Ranger *Paul Schussler* was approached by a visitor holding a handful of greenery who asked, "Is this poison oak?" It was.

And SAN LUIS RESERVOIR SRA has the honor of notifying us of the first reported car launch of the year – 1715 hours on May 17. The would-be boater launched pickup with boat and trailer attached into about seven feet of water. Park Aid *Neil Long* and another boater pulled the pickup and trailer out, but somehow the trailer knocked a hole in the boat, which began to sink . . . just one of those days.

LADIES' DAY

High winds blew two ladies riding large inner tubes out of the swimming area at SAN LUIS RESERVOIR SRA and one wound up in the boat traffic lanes, with large inboards zooming by her and apparently enjoying her yells. Ranger *C.B. Smith* took the park boat out to her – just as he approached her the steering bracket fell of the motor but, undaunted, Ranger Smith replaced it and hauled the lady aboard. She was so frightened since she couldn't swim and had no life jacket that she couldn't help herself much and he had to drag her into the boat. When Ranger Smith returned the lady to her husband, he got a rather odd look – perhaps because, on the lady's bare midriff, there was a big, greasy handprint. Smith left in a hurry to retrieve the other lady, and soon thereafter rescued a third who fell off a sailboat.

RANGERS COMPLETE PEACE OFFICER TRAINING

On June 5, Rangers *Eugene Junette* of the ORANGE COAST AREA and *Maurice Oller* of the SAN DIEGO COAST AREA graduated from the Peace Officers' Basic Training class at the Riverside County Sheriff's Academy. Oller, who was elected the class vice-president – the first time out of the Academy's 45 classes that someone other than a police officer has been elected to the position – spoke at the graduation ceremony.

Though Oller had had his doubts about the training, now that he's back on the job, he says he feels that the training he received was necessary and valuable, and is helping him in everyday problems.

Some of the 10,400 at the annual La Purisima Fiesta are shown here. Picture courtesy of Valley Photo.

An estimated 10,400 visitors attended the Annual Fiesta at La Purisima Mission SHP in Santa Barbara County May 17. Fifteen separate arts and crafts demonstrations including candle dipping, pressing olives to make olive oil, weaving, and wine making, as well as music and dancing, were part of the event.

Robert D. Speers, president of the La Purisima Mission Association of Lompoc, wrote District 5 Superintendent *Lloyd Lively* commending Area Manager *Jack Mason* and his rangers for an excellent job of coordinating the big event. The association along with the Lompoc Chamber of Commerce and many other local groups cooperated to put on the event. A ranger was borrowed from each of three park units to help with the celebration – Hearst San Simeon SHP, Morro Bay SP, and Pismo SB.

The Pacific Railroad Society made special arrangements for an excursion train from the Los Angeles area to visit the Fiesta and tour valley flower gardens. Some 800 people responded. The society's magazine write-up of the fiesta and tour mentioned that the Lompoc Valley could be called the "flower capital of the world," since over one-half of the world's supply of garden flower seeds are produced in this valley. The tour passed through some 2,000 acres of flowers, all in full bloom.

Sunset Magazine has referred to the Mission as "the largest and most complete historic restoration in the west," which comes as no surprise to California park people.

Annual Fiesta at LA PURISIMA

COMMISSION REPORT . . .

Lake Tahoe teased the Commissioners with clear balmy days for the June 10 snowmobile hearing and their June 11 field trip to Squaw Valley and Sugar Pine Point SP, then gave then a first-hand taste of snowmobiling (in their own autos) over an inch of "unseasonal" snow on the road to the next day's meeting back at Squaw Valley.

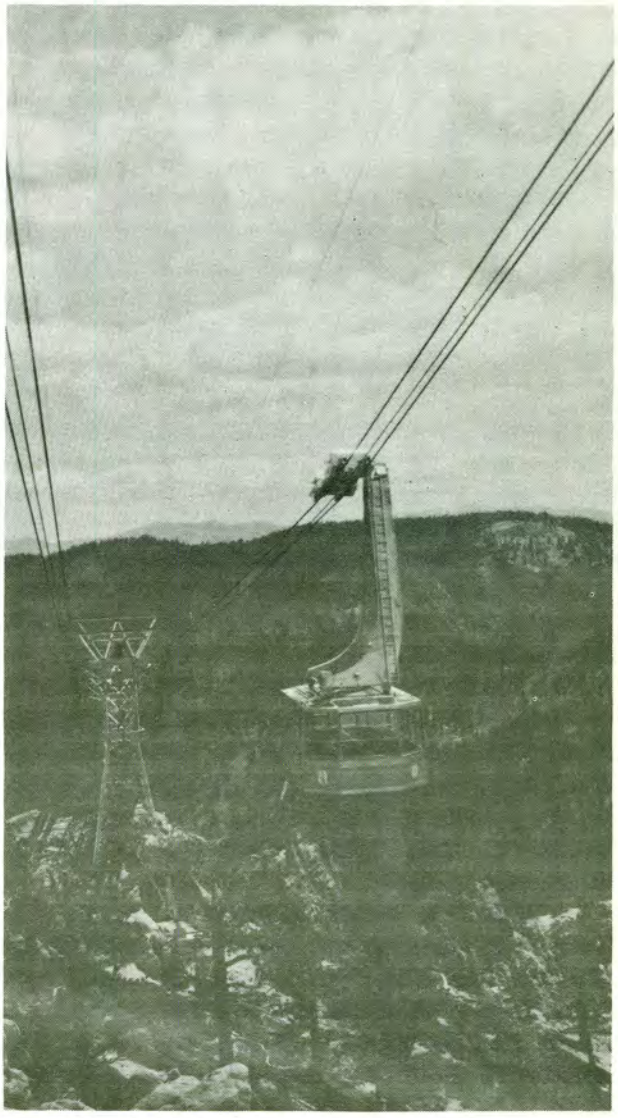
Most of the storm was outside the meeting place, however, as the Commission moved rapidly through a dozen or more resolutions and reports.

The only debate from the floor came on a pair of resolutions on the dredging project at the mouth of the Russian River and a related development project. Dr. Ted O'Brien of the Jenner Coastside Conservation Coalition questioned the environmental effects of the dredging, and asked Commission help. Noting that the State was already committed, the Commissioners, without endorsing the dredging, did adopt a resolution requesting that any revenue from the removal of gravel under the existing contract be used to acquire additional park lands. On the motion of Commissioner Bonnicksen, they also asked Sonoma County to declare a moratorium on development of the proposed Jenner Bay subdivision until a plan for the coastal zone is completed and can be adopted. The subdivision would affect possible expansion of Sonoma Coast SB.

Twin resolutions were also adopted on Sugar Pine Point. One instructs the Director to formally set aside the area of the park north from General Creek and between the lake and the highway as a natural preserve as proposed in the master plan previously adopted. The other expressed concern with the speed at which the contractor and the State Office of Architecture and Construction are moving on the park's campsite construction and asked the Department to do everything possible to get the project completed.

Reviewing a legislative report by Deputy Director Bob Meyer, the Commission reaffirmed its opposition to any road through the northern portion of Anza-Borrego Desert SP, opposing AB 2244, Stull, which would authorize a road between Hemet and Borrego Springs through the Coyote Canyon wild area.

The Commission also opposed AB 162, Dent, which would limit reservations to 75% of campsites, and endorsed the Department's proposed new policy of not accepting reservations more than 90 days in advance. This would meet the bill's objective of benefiting campers who can't plan too far in advance, the Commission noted, but would still give them the assurance of a place to camp.



Squaw Valley Tram, concession operated, takes sightseers and skiers from valley floor to ski area.

Following a brief report on the June 10 Tahoe City snowmobile hearing by the Director, the Commission asked that his final report be expanded to include all types of off-road vehicles, with an additional hearing on this subject.

The Director was also instructed to end negotiations with San Mateo County after the county indicated a wish to drop its long-standing request for transfer of Portola SP.

The Commission heard a report on El Pueblo de Los Angeles SHP by William J. Probert, General Manager of the El Pueblo de Los Angeles State Historic Park Commission.

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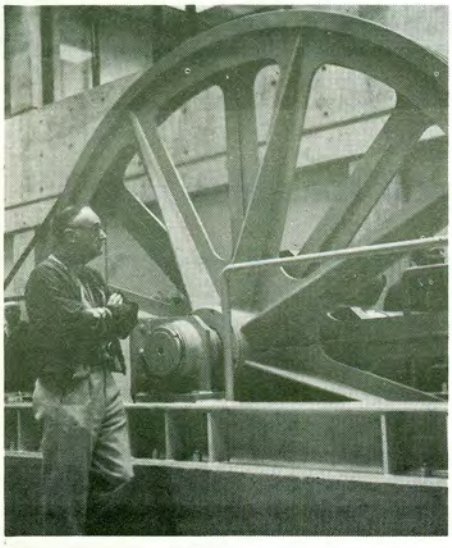
Commissioners Berry, Lutz, Bonnicksen, and McMillan at top of Squaw Valley tram.

Big Wheels. (Squaw Valley Tram).



Commissioners also visited Ehrman Mansion at Sugar Pine Point SP, planned for interpretive center.

Bill Probert, General Manager for the El Pueblo de Los Angeles SHP Commission, explains property ownership pattern at the downtown Los Angeles park.

They accepted his invitation to hold their October meeting there.

A list of students interested in serving on the Commission's Student Advisory Committee was submitted by Commissioner Bonnicksen, who asked the other Commissioners for their comments and for suggestions on possible assignments for the student committee.

Two gifts were accepted through the Save-the-Redwoods League, one in Prairie Creek Redwoods SP, donated by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rothschild, and the other in Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP, donated by the late Dr. George W. Hartman.

At the end of the meeting, plans were discussed for the joint meeting in Monterey on July 21 and 22 with the California Historical Landmarks Advisory Committee and the California Recreational Trails Committee.

LUCY HAWKINS RETIRES

Lucy Hawkins, secretary to Operations Chief Jack Knight, retired at the end of May after nearly 22 years of State Service. She came to work for the Department in 1949 after a short stint at the Department of Mental Hygiene.

At an afternoon coffee-and-cake party she received a set of luggage to help along post-retirement travel plans . . . other occupations, she says, will include lots of work on her garden.

Dorothy Bernstein (right) tries to decide on which kind of cake looks best while Regina Ellston (left) helps herself to the nuts. In the background, Jeannie Boone and Gerry Goodwin look on hungrily.

Lucy Hawkins admires her going-away gift.

RETIREMENT FOR ELMER JONES

Some 50 friends and co-workers of Ranger Elmer C. Jones gathered for dinner at the VFW Hall in San Juan Bautista April 16 to wish him many happy years of retirement. Emcee was James A. Beck, Supervisor of Visitor Services, Monterey Area.

Elmer and his wife, Vi, recorded 19 years service with the Department, his last assignment being Ranger in charge of Fremont Peak SP. Their new address is General Delivery, Valley Ford, California 94972.

Tired of the hustle and bustle of metropolitan life at Fremont Peak SP, Ranger Elmer Jones and his wife, Viola, will spend their retirement days at Valley Ford in northern California, a town of less than 100 population.

GOLF TOURNEY RESULTS

Department golfers took advantage of the Election Day holiday to hold the annual Department Golf Tournament on June 2 at Bing Maloney Golf Course in Sacramento. The weather was hot, reports Contract and Construction Section Supervisor *Ed Sheehy,* but *George Dong* of the Master Planning Branch was even hotter, winning the Men's Low Net Trophy. Other trophy winners were: *Walt Barbour*, Business Services, Men's Low Gross; *Jane Puffer,* Budgets, Women's Low Net; *Stella Luttig*, Archeology, Women's Low Gross; *Jim Puffer,* Guest Low Net; *Bob Larson*, Statewide Planning, Long Drive; and *Bob Uhte,* Design Section, Hole in One.

The next tournament will be the annual three-club match with our Department, the Oakland Park Department, and the East Bay Regional Park District golfers competing on September 9 at Franklin Canyon Golf Course near Crockett . . . contact Concessions Division Chief *John Hightower* to sign up.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD . . .

DISTRICT 1

Ranger *Wayne Griffith* of the DYERVILLE AREA and his wife, Colleen, are justifiably proud of their son's scholastic achievements this year. Donald, a senior at South Fork High School, has been awarded the Bank of America Achievement Award, $250; and the following scholarships: California State grant, $300; University of California at Santa Barbara, $400; Georgia Pacific Lumber Co. four-year scholarship, $3,000. He will enter U.C. in September to further his carreer in electrical engineering. Last summer he was one of 120 students attending Northwestern University, Chicago, on a scholarship in Engineering Science.

The Hoedowners, a square dance club, and District 1 personnel got together in the gay nineties atmosphere of the Village Inn at Ferndale to wish *Rae Webster* and his wife Margaret a happy retirement. *Bill Hoffmann,* who retired as Carpenter Foreman in February 1964, and his wife Nellie from Yucaipa made the 800-mile trip to wish them well. Rae had been Heavy Equipment Mechanic since 1959.

DISTRICT 2

A long-haired lad cried "Discrimination," when he was made to put on a bathing cap before entering the swimming pool at BOTHE-NAPA SP. He even brought reinforcements from the American Civil Liberties Union. Park heads were as hard as the lad's hair was long, so he had to put on the cap anyway before he could swim.

Ranger *Jim Neal* of MENDOCINO AREA had this comment after a week of orientation with a new man, "I never realized just how complicated a job this is until I tried to explain it to a brand new Ranger." Amen.

A visitor to FORT ROSS SHP asked how big the sea otter that grew the set of (elk) antlers hanging over the museum door was.

Lloyd Allen, State Park Equipment Operator in District 2 for the past 18 years, retired July 1. A buffet-style dinner in his honor was held July 11 at the Three Lions Restaurant.

DISTRICT 3

SIERRA AREA personnel assisted north Lake Tahoe residents with a litter clean up program that netted some 65 tons of refuse. The event was sponsored by the Community Council with help from the Greater North Lake Tahoe Chamber of Commerce and direction from the Kings Beach, Tahoe City, Squaw Valley and Meeks Bay fire protection districts. Squaw Valley was among the places cleaned up. After examining the yield for the day, the consensus was it's Coors two to one.

The bell from the Catholic Church was returned to MARSHALL GOLD DISCOVERY SHP June 4 after being missing for several years. It was reported to be in good shape.

Frank Dondero, Columbia's leading citizen and oldest resident, passed away at age 94.

Ranger *Art Parker* reports a crew of photographers from Channel 12 visited the LAKE OROVILLE SRA overlook but not to shoot the lake itself. They were filming air pollution in the valley for TV use.

Ranger *Lee Lance* of the FEATHER RIVER AREA had his faith in his fellow man renewed recently. Arriving at work one Sunday, he found a bag set against the kiosk door. It contained clothing, food, a wallet with credit cards, identification photos, and $142.27 in cash. The loser, Mrs. Rose Weiss of Oroville, was notified and her property returned. She'd like to know who her benefactor was, so she could thank him or her personally.

A 12-year-old park visitor to the DELTA AREA was bitten on both hands by a gopher snake when the lad, Jeff Cope, interrupted the snake's dinner. It was eating a rat. →

Yield from the Field (Continued)

DISTRICT 4

Assistant District 4 Superintendent *Wayne Cox* is back on the job after an illness sidelined him for a bit. His doctor has told him that a combination of diet and medication may get the desired results. To all those who sent cards and letters, Wayne says "thanks."

The cosmetic aspects of ship maintenance – such as painting – are the most visually impressive, says SAN MATEO COAST AREA Manager *Dave Redding*, but the underlying strength and safety of a ship lies in the work the Shipwrights do before the painters arrive. He notes that the Thayer is having her diamond jubilee year which coincides with her dedication as a National Historic Landmark.

A SEACLIFF SB visitor was cited by Ranger *Harry Eugene* for failure to pay the day-use fee. The offender took the citation, tore it to shreds and threw it on the beach. Ranger Eugene promptly cited the man for littering.

Mrs. Bacigalupe of Sonora had saved up $625 to make a trip to Viet Nam to visit her husband. She lost the money, all in cash, at SEACLIFF SB. Philip E. Kupser from the Moffet Field Naval Air Station found the purse with the $625 and turned it in to the park office. Mrs. Bacigalupe's trip is on again.

DISTRICT 5

We've heard that Germans build good ships, but this is ridiculous! Rangers in the GAVIOTA AREA snatched a Volkswagen station wagon from the incoming surf about a mile west of El Capitan. The surf was breaking over the top of it and the VW was bobbing around like a cork.

SAN SIMEON Park Ranger-Intermittent *Bill Walling* was blessed May 18 with the birth of a daughter, Kimberly Ann.

A Mr. Sterling, producer of a new play, "Will Rogers U.S.A." visited WILL ROGERS SHP recently and offered to put on a benefit showing in the park prior to opening downtown. The play is expected on the West Coast this fall.

The EL PUEBLO DE LOS ANGELES SHP Commission is keeping a record of school busses which visit the park. There were 126 of them during April averaging 60 students per bus. This was during the L.A. City School strike, too. Estimated yearly attendance by scheduled bus only is 50,000 school children.

DISTRICT 6

Radio reception has never been better, reports the ANZA-BORREGO AREA. Oroville and Folsom came in as if they were next door, and the desert rangers also had a pleasant conversation with Eureka.

It was like an old time melodrama when a young man under the influence of narcotics tied himself to the Santa Fe railroad tracks across from SAN ELIJO SB. Fortunately, the Sheriff got there before the Super Chief.

A Chula Vista couple returned a 30-pound desert tortoise to ANZA BORREGO DESERT SP. It had been taken from the desert some 30 years previously.

When Ranger *Frank Davies* of ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP tried to chase a desert glossy snake off the entrance road, the snake panicked and crawled under the hood of the ranger's vehicle, wrapping itself around the battery. It was a stalemate until Davies' nine-year-old son unwrapped the snake and removed it from the battery.

An Indian olla, which is a bowl and is pronounced "oya", was brought in to MITCHELL CAVERNS SR by Harold Wilhelm. Although the pot is broken, Ranger *George Leetch* reports it is of exceptional interest because of small holes drilled around the broken sections so patching could be done.

Ranger *Chet Getty* of ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP had the right answer when he discovered a young man dressed in leather shorts, high boots, straw hat, and with a big pistol on his hip and a six-foot snake hook in his hot little hand. The man said he came there to hunt snakes. Ranger Getty sent the man to Mexico, telling him they had much better snakes there.

DISTRICT 1 LAUNCHES CONSERVATION PROGRAMS

District 1 participated in two conservation programs, one completed and one a continuing program.

The District staff agreed to install a booth in the Humboldt State College-sponsored Environmental Fair held in April at Redwood Acres. It was one of 16 or 17 booths and the staff, along with family members, contributed between 120-130 hours to the project. Attendance was estimated at 2,500 for the two days.

Interpretive Specialist *Charles Cline* says the staff at RICHARDSON GROVE SP deserves a special pat on the back for an on-going conservation program at the park.

As part of the new law which requires the teaching of conservation in schools, the staff has arranged for the fourth grade classes at the Redwood School in Garberville to reclaim an area that was damaged in the 1964 flood. It is 65-by-85-foot site located near the campfire, and contains a surviving nine-year-old dawn redwood and a laurel.

The students have been studying the trees and plants native to the park, and will select some to plant. The classes will continue the project through the fifth and sixth grades, and next year the new fourth graders will take on rehabilitation of another area subject to erosion.

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PACIFIC CREST TRAIL ADVISORY BODY APPOINTED

Secretary of Agriculture Clifford M. Hardin has announced the selection of a 30-member advisory council to assist in development and administration of the 2,313-mile Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail.

The trail, through the Cascade and Sierra Nevada Mountains from Canada to Mexico along the Pacific slope, is one of two designated by Congress in late 1968 to launch the National Trails System for promotion of exploration and enjoyment of the outdoors. The major portion of the trail crosses National Forests and is administered by the Secretary of Agriculture. The second trail, the Appalachian, along the eastern seaboard, is administered by the Department of the Interior.

Among duties of the Pacific Crest Trail Council are consultation on selection of rights-of-way, standards for erection and maintenance of markers along the trail, and administration of the trail. Chairman is Richard F. Droege, Associate Deputy Chief of the Forest Service.

California members are Kurt A. Rademacher of Berkeley, field laboratory assistant at the U. C. School of Forestry and Conservation; Arch G. Mahan of Sacramento, Chairman of Natural Resources Committee, County Supervisors Association; Theodore Osmundson of San Francisco, President, American Society of Landscape Architects; Smith Falconer, Jr., of San Bernardino, Director of Regional Parks for San Bernardino County; Dr. L. Bruce Meyer of Carmel, Chairman of Executive Committee of Ventana Chapter of Sierra Club; Charles Vogel of Santa Rosa, Chairman of California State Horseman's Association Trails Committee; Fred W. Lane of Thousand Oaks, retired engineer; Hal Bowman of Anderson, chief forester for Kimberly-Clark Corporation; Mrs. Jim Bardin of Salinas, member of Governor Reagan's advisory committee on trails; Russell E. Sanford of Sacramento, past President of Trail Bike Sportsmen Association; Mrs. Frank Landon of Glendora, member of the National Camp Committee of Girl Scouts; Wes Klusmann of San Juan Capistrano, past president of American Camping Association; B. W. Cassidy of Auburn, editor of Auburn Journal; Warren L. Rogers of Santa Ana, President of Camp Research Foundation.

SNOWMOBILE HEARING

About fifty people, mostly snowmobilers, attended the Director's hearing at Tahoe City, which had been scheduled at State Park and Recreation Commission request.

Testimony concentrated on problems of vehicle licensing, control of activities through trails or zoning, and user education. Problems of vandalism, damage to snow-covered Christmas tree plots and landscaping, and disturbance from noise were cited by some local citizens and wilderness conservationists.

Snowmobilers appeared to favor a current legislative proposal for a $10-per-vehicle license, but felt is should be on a three-year rather than a two-year basis. They also felt funds should be earmarked for trail development, law enforcement, and education in safe and courteous vehicle operation. The need for at least some control was concurred in by nearly all speakers.

John McLaughlin, registrar of vehicles for the Department of Motor Vehicles, noted that only 1800 snowmobiles were currently listed under California's present registration system. A California distributor estimated 4,000 snow vehicles were currently in use in California, mostly in the Lake Tahoe and Mammoth Lakes areas.

At the conclusion of the hearing, the Director stressed that its purpose was solely fact-finding, to serve as a basis for possible future recommendations by the Department on statewide snowmobile recreation policy and use of snowmobiles in state parks.

A preliminary report on the hearing in the June 12 meeting of the California State Park and Recreation Commission at Squaw Valley prompted the Commission to ask that the final report be expanded to cover all off-road recreational vehicles, and that a hearing on these vehicles also be held.

Jack V. Hoene of the International Snowmobile Industry Association told the Director's Tahoe City hearing that over 600,000 snowmobiles would be produced in the United States in 1970. A California distributor estimated 2,500 would be sold in this state.

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Robert Margosan
Department Bond Chairman

E. P. "Percy" French, Superintendent Emeritus of the Northern Redwoods passed away quietly on June 3. The man is gone, but his legend and our memories live on.

Alan Philbrook, Superintendent
District 1

ENOCH "PERCY" FRENCH

Majestic groves of grand redwoods will stand for centuries as monuments to his worth.

Enoch Percival French (1879-1970), one of the first of two district superintendents in the California State Park System – the other was the late Guy L. Fleming – concluded a fruitful 91 years of service, near to the groves he loved so well, in June 1970. At a simple memorial service Newton B. Drury, one of his staunchest friends and admirers, remarked on the honesty and integrity of a man whose life was in the timber he eventually came to preserve and protect, the magnificent groves of Sequoia sempervirens of the Northwest Coast.

Born of New England stock, Percy was raised in Guerneville, California. He learned the art of estimating the volume of lumber in standing trees (timber cruising) from his father, a "State of Mainer". He was a skilled observer of the natural environment, a self-taught ecologist of the redwood ecosystem, long before such terms were as common as they have now become.

In the field of timber cruising Percy became known for his honesty and accuracy. Estimating was such a rough and tedious job then that some cruisers figured their estimates on incomplete field work. Millions of board feet of standing redwood and Douglasfir timber were bought, sold, exchanged or borrowed on, with French cruises as the sole basis of the volume of timber.

When the Save-the-Redwoods League began to purchase redwood groves in the 1920's, Percy's cruises of the timber to be preserved were undisputed by either buyer or seller. In some cases he rechecked earlier cruises where tree growth had increased timber volume since the previous estimate was made.

It was not surprising that Percy French was selected by the then Chief of the Division of Beaches and Parks, Colonel Charles B. Wing, to be the first superintendent of the Northwest District of the California State Park System. It was supposed to be a part-time assignment in 1931, so Percy could continue his cruising activities in the timber. He recalled, "It was a full-time job from the first." It was Percy's philosophy to stick with any job until it was done. "Only some of it doesn't get done," he reflected "and that remains for the next generation to do."

Those who were fortunate enough to have been tutored by Percy French revered him as an arch conservationist as well as a rugged woodsman. Most of us failed to embrace the rugged life, but we learned much from Percy's recounting of it and from his common sense and sincere viewpoints.

Percy had passed the legal retirement age in 1952 because of a legislative extension during the post-World War II period. He was honored, as was his beloved wife Viola, by the California State Park Commission and staff at the home of the late Charles Kasek, commissioner from Ukiah. He returned to cruising timber, primarily for the Save-the-Redwoods League. A crippling woods accident caused him to settle down with his faithful Viola in their "Western" home on a bluff overlooking the South Fork of Eel River, near Richardson Grove. He deplored the exploitation of the redwood environment. Failing health and a fatal illness terminated his rich and rewarding life while in the Garberville Hospital.

Enoch Percival French lived to see one of the great preservation programs of the nation successful beyond his early conceptions of the program. The many outstanding State Parks of the redwood region and the recently created Redwoods National Park epitomize his great affection for and understanding of the Sequoia sempervirens community.

In the words of Edwin Markham: "He held his place – Held the long purpose like a growing tree – Held on through blame and faltered not at praise, and when he fell in whirlwind, he went down as when a lordly (redwood), green with boughs goes down with a great shout upon the hills and leaves a lonesome place against the sky."

Earl P. Hanson, Retired Chief
Division of Beaches and Parks

Enoch "Percy" French was photographed in this typical redwood scene in 1964. Those who knew him would not have been surprised if he had taken root and grown right in this spot. Truly he was as much a giant among men as the stately coastal redwood behind him is among trees.

A NEW SPECIES

Sketch by John Pekarek, twelve-year-old son of Landscape Architect Ron Pekarek.

by Dale A. Sutliff, Landscape Architect
Statewide Planning Branch

A new species of animal is taking to our nation's streets and roads. I have witnessed its growing numbers here in Sacramento and throughout the State over the past two years. They are appearing in the most unlikely and unexpected places, even within the Department of Parks and Recreation and the other areas of the Resources Agency in Sacramento.

A similar species has long had a liking for college and university campuses, neighborhood schools, streets, and playgrounds. This new, mutant species not only shares this liking, but is beckoned by the maze of an urban traffic pattern and the long lanes of the open countryside.

Like any new creature, it is strengthening its collective muscles, testing and expanding territorial bounds, learning of friends and enemies, and procreating exponentially. I am told by a local breeder that in California alone we can expect at least 50,000 new births of this increasingly likeable species for the remainder of 1970.

Fortunately for the park system and the state, this new species appears to be environmentally non-destructive. Indeed, studies indicate that this particular species is beneficial. Its increasing numbers tend to raise the quality of the environment by reducing the number of environmentally destructive species that compete for the same territorial space. And, it requires less of the earth's resources than its competitors to fuel its existence – another plus.

We must do what we can to preserve this species – to insure that it does not fall off the evolutionary ladder to extinction. The best way to achieve this is through metamorphosis – by changing into one of them. You may think this a crazy idea, but the transformation is really a simple and pleasurable one. Besides, how could any employee of the Department of Parks and Recreation turn down the opportunity to become even more compatible with nature than he is in his present form?

What is this newly found, environmentally beneficial species? – It is Cyclus americanus 'adultus' – commonly called the adult American bicyclist. And as you have probably guessed by now, I am one of them, and am healthier and happier because of it.

On May 23, a band of us extended our territory from Sacramento to Brannan Island SRA (a distance of over 50 miles) where we were warmly greeted by a friendly group of rangers. We enjoyed our territorial expansion tremendously, and immediately planned a further expansion in the direction of Nevada City.

I hope that those of you who are not one of us will soon metamorphize and join our ranks – and help to eliminate our environmentally destructive competitors. The Sacramento contingent to date consists of Bob Baker, Gordon Bradley, Casey Buchter, Jack Chatfield, Ken Collier, Bob Deering, George Dong, Martin Hughes, Ron Pekarek, Bob Robertson, and me – Dale Sutliff.

EXTENDING MAN'S KNOWLEDGE OF THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT

by Dennis Nichols, Executive Director
Beta Research Oceanographic Laboratories

Early in 1966, Phillip Kase, Myrl Stone, and I began what is now Beta Research Oceanographic Laboratories, Inc., a nonprofit, tax-exempt corporation comprised of scientists and amateur oceanographers. Our organization is dedicated to extending man's knowledge of the ocean, its inhabitants and their effect upon the total ecology through basic research in the fields of marine biology, biophysics, microbiology, chemistry, geology, ecology, and engineering.

Although we are engaged in various projects, the emphasis is on ecological research. One such project is the study at our San Jose laboratory on the effects of introducing radioactive wastes into the ocean. We are subjecting various species of marine plants and animals, mostly invertebrates, to radiation from a particle accelerator and investigating the results.

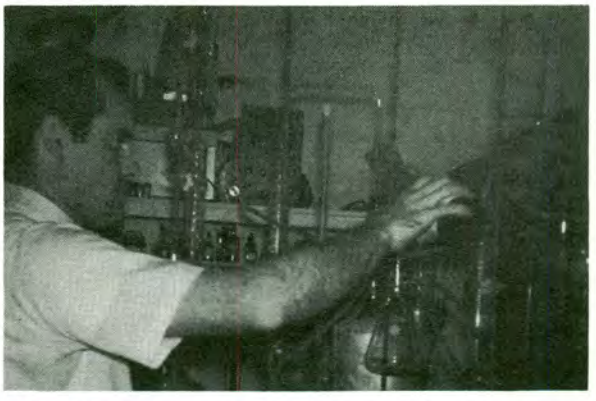
Another serious problem under study is the chemical and biological (waste) pollution of our coastal waters. Upon completion of present studies, special publications and educational seminars will be presented to inform the public of the dangers of pollution.

The primary research effort now under way is our study of Whalers Cove at Point Lobos State Reserve to provide a detailed description of the general ecology of the area. The final report will be the basis for a future research study to be made several years after the completion of the initial study, in which subtle differences might be detected.

The study was begun early in 1969 and will continue into 1972. The time is necessary in order to obtain data on seasonal variations and on the long term effects of chemical and biological pollutants.

So far, only about 10 percent of the cove has been studied and already more than 125 different species of marine organisms have been identified. Preliminary investigations indicate that several sub-ecological niches might also exist; these will be brought to light as more information is gathered.

The author at the controls of the particle accelerator. This machine is used to determine the effects of radiation on sea organisms – a subtle type of pollution.



Analyzing sea water for signs of biological and chemical pollution at the San Jose laboratory of Beta Research.

Since this study is being made in an area regularly visited by the general public, an information book complete with pictures is available at the Data Reduction Center. Several hundred visitors have viewed the book and we feel it is of considerable value in informing the public about the activities of Beta Research and about the ecology of the area.

To date the entire program has been financed by the members, but funds from outside sources will be needed as our scope of involvement continues to progress. Our results are encouraging in that they prove the feasibility of such an extensive project. Then, too, the volume of data obtained concerning the ecology of the area is quite rewarding. Intense, personal observations are being made of species previously only briefly described. The final results promise to extend the knowledge and understanding of the area by several orders of magnitude.

The results of the Whalers Cove study and other projects are to be published in various forms. On such is "The Alcyonarian," a quarterly publication produced by Beta Reserarch to provide a means whereby the staff and scientists of Beta Research may make known the results of their research.

Several transit stations such as this are needed near the water's edge to pinpoint areas in the cove and locate the position of the boat taking depth profiles of the bottom.

ANOTHER RETIRED EMPLOYEE WHO CAME HOME TO ROOST

By Ed Earl, Manager
Will Rogers Area

That may seem like an unusual title but Art Sill did a lot of traveling before he settled down in Lompoc.

Art started work in 1942 at Will Rogers SB. He was part of a four-man crew that included Asst. Warden Eugene Velzy and Custodian Louis Wakefield. He also worked at Seacliff Beach, Monterey Monument, and La Purisima Mission.

Art wrote the following information about his retirement. "After I retired in the summer of 1964, my wife, Pearl, and I took off in a camper-truck for a tour of the U.S. I had just completed 22 years with Beaches and Parks, 18 of them at La Purisima Mission.

"After crossing the country to New England we went south to Key West, then returned to central Florida for the winter. The return trip was made in the spring. This was the first of several nice long trips we made in our camper, enjoying the facilities of many state parks across the country. We no longer have our camper but still enjoy traveling. Have been in most of the states, including Hawaii and Alaska, also Canada. Our travels have led us to many fine museums and historic sites, one of the most interesting and enjoyable being the Stephen Foster Memorial on the Swannee River in northern Florida. It would be well worth a visit by anyone interested in interpretive techniques.

Art and Pearl Sill.

"My wife and I are members of the Lompoc Valley Historical Society, the American Association of Retired Persons, and the Presbyterian Church. I also serve on the advisory committee for La Purisima Mission. Our home is an apartment in a duplex within walking distance of stores and shops. I have a yard to take care of as well as minor maintenance jobs around the property. Some of my other interests are reading, TV, records, and an occasional woodworking project. I also have become quite adept at running the vacuum cleaner! (The wife must have a share of the retirement too, you know.)

"I suppose every man has to meet retirement in his own way when the time comes. Probably the main thing is to have a variety of interests so that life does not become a monotonous routine."

Art and Pearl live at 118B North G Street, Lompoc, California, 93436. They welcome visits by their friends and newcomers in the Department. If you can't call on them in person, why not drop them a card, P.O. Box 127, Lompoc 93436.

← **Jim Smith of E Clampus Vitus received engraved gold pan from Park Supervisor Eric Leffingwell at Malakoff Diggins SHP's fourth annual homecoming. Clampers were honored for their many contributions to the park, the latest a $100 check donated to the California State Park Foundation to aid in re-erection of the old St. Columncille's Catholic Church at Malakoff. This year's homecoming honored the Cousin Jacks, miners from Cornwall, England who came out to work the hydraulic diggins over 100 years ago. A. D. Morgan, British Consul General in San Francisco, represented British Empire, the County of Cornwall, and the Borough of Penzance. Cornish Pasties, while they lasted, highlighted the lunch.**

← **Preston School of Industry band plays before Mobley Store, which State is restoring as it was before 1900.**

← **Clamper Herb Guinn of the Fort Sutter Muzzleloaders prepares to fire a replica of the Fort's Russian cannon for the fourth annual homecoming at Malakoff Diggins SHP.**

DEPARTMENTAL SAFETY GOAL – 12

BY 1971

By Ed Wilson
Personnel Officer

We have completed five full months of 1970 with an average of more than six employees missing because of lost time accidents during this period. The lost time involved has provided no public service, and has resulted in great suffering. Twenty-three employees have been injured so seriously that they were unable to report to work on one or more full days subsequent to the date of the accident.

A review of accident report forms does not indicate that our supervisors in all cases are assuming full responsibilty for accident prevention!

All accidents are in the province of the supervisor. Responsibility for the accident prevention program cannot be diverted from the supervisor to a staff officer, nor can the burden be to a committee. Our safety record will improve when each supervisor, in reporting an accident, is willing to do a difficult, objective self-analysis. He must have the courage to ask whether the accident happened because of *supervisory failure.*

If future accidents are to be avoided we must determine what supervisory actions should have been taken in advance, then we must take those actions to prevent a similar accident happening again.

At 10:08 EST on April 13, 1980, three employees of a federal agency were involved in an accident. They were travelling at 2200 MPH, 206,000 miles from the earth. In order to return these three employees from the accident site, a thousand Mission Control employees and eight thousand employees of the U.S. Sixth Fleet worked night and day. At 1:08 p.m. EST on April 17, 1970, the three employees were returned safely to the earth. All during the period of return and continuing to the present, several thousand people have been assisting with the difficult job of self-analysis to determine what caused that far-away accident, not to fix blame, but to eliminate conditions which would cause a similar accident in the future.

A PRIMER FOR SAFETY

Do your shoes have hard toes, thick soles, and non-slip tread? Why not check them now? Of approximately 60 injuries to feet reported by employees of the Department of Parks and Recreation last year, about half might have been prevented by proper footwear. In addition, proper footwear might have prevented some of 50 slips and falls reported!

SPRING FLING ENJOYED BY ALL

The Planning and Development Division-sponsored Second Annual Pot Luck Barbecue, held May 23 at the South Land Hills Racquet Club, drew about sixty merrymakers who played ball,

(1) ate
(2) danced *(Neil O.Brien* and *Roberta Gisler)*
(3) cooked *(Paulyne Joe* and *Chris Pantell)*
(4) *(Burt Collins* and *Gordon Kishbaugh)*
(5) *(Mary Lowe, Donna Gonder,* and *Marie Bunn)*
(6) posed for photographer *Dick Thompson (Bob* and *Nancy Acrea)* or just visited.
(7) *(Kathy* and *Al Kolster, Carol* and *Dick May)*

The completely unstructured party was not-planned by Roberta Gisler, Margie Grima, Brenda Alexander, Gail Tsukuda, Dorthy Hardy, and "Pete" Nelson. Music was provided by P & D's favorite disc jockey, Harmon Osborn.

DESIGN REVIEW ...
A METHOD TO IMPROVE OUR DEVELOPMENTS

By Jack Hiehle, District Coordinator
Development Branch

The Department's Development Branch is responsible for planning and designing new facilities for the State Park System. In order to do this, it is necessary that a detailed look be taken at our completed projects, and this is best done through a design review after the project has been tested and used in the field.

Equally important, the data must get back to the designers. Then good design can be repeated and features that create problems can be modified or eliminated. In the past the method of handling the information has been one of the pitfalls.

For example, the Development Branch might get a report from Park X that the overhang of the kiosk roof extends beyond the curbing, and trailers and campers are scraping the roof. Once corrective steps have been taken to solve the problem, the report gets filed in the project file under Park X. Since only those who saw the report or worked on the solution are aware of the problem, there is a good possibility that the same design error will be repeated in some future project.

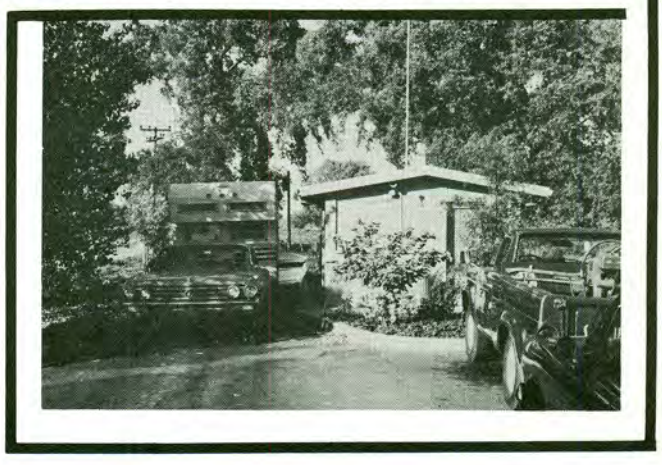
To improve this situation, the Development Branch has started collecting some of the past and present critique comments into design review books, indexed by subject and placed alphabetically by park. These books are being made up for the fields of engineering, landscape architecture, and architecture, and will be a major step not only in preventing design errors from being repeated, but in reporting on facilities that are satisfactory in every respect.

To make this program really successful, it needs the cooperation of the entire Department. The person closest to a problem is usually most familiar with it, and could be the originator of a design critique. Even a seasonal employee who sees a need for a change in design would be a good source for a critique.

If there is some feature in your park that you would like to see repeated in a future development, or if you have some criticism that might improve its function, let the Development Branch know. In order to get your suggestions directly into our design review books we have a form that can be used which identifies the subject, the comment or problem, recommendations or suggestions and has a space for a photograph or sketch.

And, remember this. Your idea may qualify either under the Merit Award program or for a $150 "Hot Line" safety award under the Governor's program to reduce occupational injuries. All design critique ideas will be carefully evaluated and if they appear suitable for either program, the originator will be notified so that he can make his submittal through the proper channels.

This is an example of a built-in design problem. If the trailer were pulled closer to the building, its side would scrape the eave overhang on this contact station.



OOPS!! FOR JUNE ISSUE

We reported that Group III of the graduates from the Park Management and Operations training program held at Asilomar contributed $150 to develop the training facility – we have since been notified in no uncertain terms that it was, instead, Group IV which made this generous gesture. Sorry!

VOX POP

A San Jose lawyer appreciated the special treatment his group received at BIG BASIN REDWOODS SP:

On May 2nd and 3rd I camped in one of the group areas of your park with other members of the National Initiative Foundation. We all really appreciated the feeling of being treated as guests and the careful arrangements that had been made for our stay. I was especially impressed with the cleanliness of the park and the manner in which the campsites are laid out, which really makes a person feel he is in the country.

Charles E. Luckhardt, Jr.

A Burbank family is elated over having their ice chest recovered at PISMO SB:

Over Memorial Day weekend we had the unfortunate experience of having our large ice chest stolen from our campsite. The chest was found and returned to our camp by the ranger who explained that this chest along with other campers' supplies had been lifted from various campsites by "hippies." An offer of a reward was made but declined by the ranger. I wish to commend the park personnel and especially two maintenance men, *John Jones* and *Tony Costa*, who I understand made an extra effort to recover the chest. Too often people take for granted the fine job that our parks' personnel are doing in providing recreational services for the public.

Donald E. Warner

A gallant effort at HUMBOLDT REDWOODS SP:

I would like very much to express my appreciation to the staff for their gallant and selfless effort to help save the life of my father. Dad suffered a heart attack while vacationing in the park and the rangers did everything humanly possible to save him and were responsible for the care of my mother until I arrived. The folks at the park were and are concerned for the welfare of others.

Dr. Garold D. Barney
Associate Professor of Social Studies
Graceland College, Iowa

Here's one man who think's were going in the right direction. The letter was addressed to Director Mott:

I have received several publications concerning the activities of your department. I am pleased and delighted with what you are doing and the manner in which you are going about it. My congratulations and best wishes. As a member of the CASTLE ROCK SP Advisory Committee, it has been my pleasure to get quite closely acquainted with *Milt Frincke* and *Tony Trigeiro* and their staffs. The attitude and inspiration which you have infused into their thinking has been impressive and heartening. This is government at its best. My sincere congratulations to you for the fine accomplishments which you are making in providing a parks and recreation system in the state which belongs to the citizens.

R. Maurice Tripp
Tripp Research Corporation
Saratoga

A Tulare family enjoyed vacationing at CLEAR LAKE SP:

During this visit as during many previous visits, we found Mr. *(Edward) Griggs*, Mr. *(Paul) Jones*, Mr. *(Richard) Carr*, and Mr. *(Kenneth) Roper*, as well as the younger part time employees, to be very courteous, considerate, and helpful. At times when there are so many people there is apt to be some unpleasantness . . . we think this is handled very discreetly.

E. J. Warren
Helen L. Warren

Career Day at Muirlands Junior High School in La Jolla brought praise for Rangers Herbert Pierce *and* Richard Edwards *of the SAN DIEGO COAST AREA:*

Thank you for your visit to Muirlands ninth-grade classes today. The students appreciated not only the information they received but also the informal and interesting way in which it was delivered. I am sure that many who never had thought of this type of work as an occupation are now giving it consideration.

L. M. Kirsch

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Vox Pop (Continued)

This visitor advocates a major desert park around MITCHELL CAVERNS SR:

We were quite impressed not only with the grandeur of the caverns but also with the spectacular scenery associated with the Providence Mountains and the entire surrounding area. Since this entire area possesses such tremendous recreational potential and is located so close to one of America's largest metropolitan areas, I would like to suggest that consideration be given to creating a major desert state park in this area. The California State Park System is to be commended for the outstanding job it has done in developing the caverns to the public and at the same time maintaining them in a relatively pristine condition . . . Mr. *George Leetch*, ranger on duty, is doing a really fine job of presenting the park to the public.

Byron C. Anderson
El Cajon

This TORREY PINES SR visitor says to put your money where the trees are:

The reserve is really beautiful – I only wish there was more. I had a wonderful day there. Please use this fee money for the Torrey Pines – *please* don't keep the extra 25 cents for yourself – the trees need it more!

Connie Drew

It's about time someone from Oregon said something nice about our parks:

We had the pleasure of staying at the COLUSA-SACRAMENTO RIVER SRA for two weeks and the park is very nice and the attendant most accommodating. All your state parks and their attendants are nice.

James R. Morris
Warrenton, Oregon

Also, about Colusa:

Just a few words of commendation for your Park Ranger, Mr. *Neil Hyta*. We think he is doing a fine job and have heard comments of others to the same effect. He is so friendly and courteous and keeps a watchful eye on the area.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Alexander
Paradise

MOUNT SAN JACINTO SP stimulated these words of praise:

We found the campsites, toilets and other facilities immaculate. The park rangers were most courteous and friendly and went out of their way to be helpful.

Clarence E. Coffin

A PRIMER FOR SAFETY

Weak tension springs on swivel chairs are a common cause of office accidents, according to the National Safety Council. We wonder how many of the 785 swivel chairs used in our Department are accident traps.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

EMPLOYEE INJURIES

January through May 1970

Operations Division

District 1	2 Lost-time injuries
District 2	3 Lost-time injuries
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District 6	1 Lost-time injury

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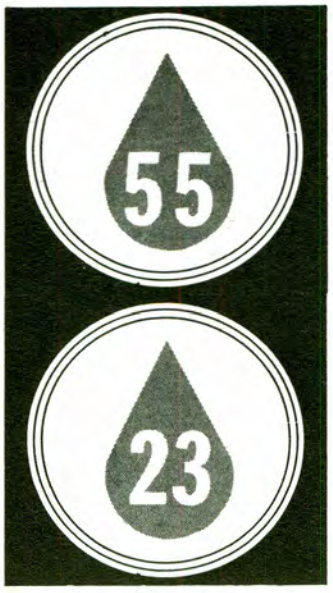

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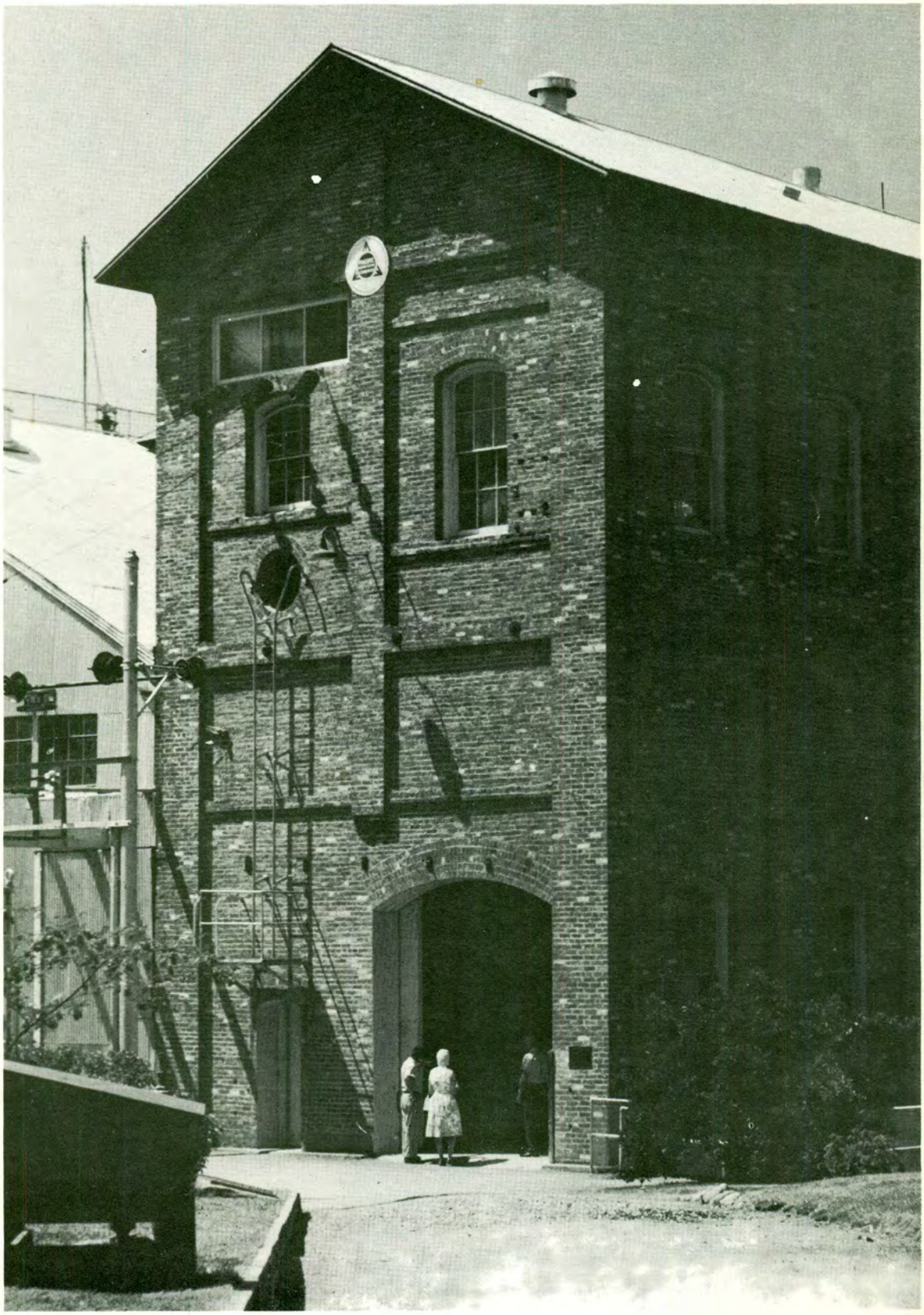

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ON THE COVER: Tours of the Folsom Powerhouse were featured during Sacramento History Week, August 1-8, celebrating the 75th anniversary of the date when power was transmitted 22 miles, from Powerhouse to Sacramento Station A.

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.
DIRECTOR
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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When the Department purchases land for parks, particularly ocean frontage, the public is enthusiastic. Completing the roads, utilities and facilities within a park so that it can be used is recognized by a formal dedication accompanied by kudos in the news media and favorable acceptance by the public to the extent of almost over-use. No ceremonies, editorials or words of public acclamation or praise are directed to those who, day in and day out, are charged with the responsibility for operating and maintaining the 200 units of the California State Park System, which this past year tallied 44 million visitor days of use -- a 25 percent increase over Fiscal Year 1968-69.

Recognition of the dedicated and conscientious efforts of departmental field personnel in "preventive maintenance," and in protecting the public from itself and its sometimes foolish and senseless acts, is seldom acknowledged. Yet, upon the efforts of our rangers and maintenance personnel rests the daily judgment of the public as to the quality of the State Park System.

To these people I dedicate this editorial. Their conscientious and continued attention to the thousands of small details that daily total up to a frequently long, long day's work contributes immeasurably toward making the California State Park System the finest in the world.

For the silent -- but I am sure appreciative -- 44 million persons who visited the State Park System last year: Thanks!.

THANKS!

INTERPRETATION FOR OURSELVES

By D. E. Merkel, Interpretive Specialist
District 5

The picture shown here could have as many interpretations as there are viewers. It might be a joke on someone or an ad for a park bench manufacturer, but how does it relate to interpretation?

Working directly or indirectly to help park visitors find relaxation, enjoyment and inspired values is interpretation. We try to use creativity, awareness, and involvement to achieve these ends.

How many interpreters or, for that matter, other park people involve *themselves* in the product they are dealing with? Do they allow themselves to be aware of the parks from a visitor's point of view? Shouldn't we take time to be hikers before we lead a hike or plan a trail? How about a camping experience in State Parks before planning another campground or extolling the virtues of camping? Wouldn't it be wise to sit alone quietly in an old historic home and try to absorb some of the memories before researching or leading a tour?

Wouldn't our job become more rewarding and meaningful if we just relaxed briefly in an ancient garden of a State Historic Park and listened to the song of birds as a weary visitor of long ago might have done?

A WATERED-DOWN PROGRAM AT BIG BASIN

You've heard the expression, "A watered-down program?" Usually we resent them, but here's one that's a winner.

A group of youngsters has taken on the task of regularly watering an infant redwood forest recently planted in a logged-over area that has been added to Big Basin Redwoods SP. The first watering will be followed up on alternate weeks this summer to keep the young trees moist enough to survive until the winter rains.

The 200 young redwoods were planted on Arbor Day this year. The trees are a memorial to the late John Cummings of Oakland, an ardent outdoorsman. A sister, Mrs. Jack Hoffman of Saratoga, and other family members contributed the funds needed to purchase the trees, which were grown from seed by the Saratoga Horticultural Nursery at their experimental gardens.

The trees were planted this spring by several high school and youth groups and the Cummings family under the auspices of the Sierra Club and the Sempervirens Fund. Both groups are working to expand the public ownership of Big Basin.

Light wire columns protect the trees from browsing deer, and several thicknesses of newspaper lie flat on the ground to help retain the moisture in the rapidly drying ground. Bark and scrap lumber tepees shade them from the hot summer sun.

The watering project is sponsored by the Monta Vista High School's ecology-oriented Sole-Power Club. Nancy Hertert, Cupertino resident and president of the club, explained the trees are watered by buckets filled from a tank truck. She didn't mention how many water fights there were, but said it was necessary to "keep cool while doing the job."

The water brigade was composed of Nancy, Ron Beck of Cupertino, Yvonne Bettencourt of San Jose, and Mike Perez of Saratoga. Brian Miller of Los Altos Hills, an Oberlin College student, assisted.

SCIENTISTS ASSESS OIL SPILL DAMAGE

Man-made pollution of the ocean is causing a subtle and gradual erosion of the complex communities of marine plants and animals along the Southern California coast, according to two investigators on the UC-Santa Barbara team which studied the before-and-after-effects of the Santa Barbara oil spill.

Dr. Alexander C. Charters Jr., research associate, and Michael Foster, graduate student, both of the UCSB department of biological sciences, see "clear indication" that this process has begun. They warn that it can destroy over a period of many years "the extremely frail and vulnerable" organisms of the intertidal zones "as completely as a single, massive pollution incident."

Contending that the destruction process is not always detectable after a short term study, they call for more effective environmental monitoring which "would continue not just during major environmental crises, but for years."

Their study of the effects of the oil spill of January 28, 1969 at Santa Barbara was carried out under the direction of UCSB associate professor of biological sciences Dr. Michael Neushul, presently on leave from the campus to do research in Switzerland. The study was largely financed by the Federal Water Pollution Control Administration.

Assisted by some 20 students, the UCSB scientists charted the marine life along marked transect lines which were laid between high and low tide levels after the massive spill. An ingeniously simple coring device fashioned from a coffee can was used to measure the oil deposits along these transect lines. The survey area stretched from Gaviota Beach to Leo Carrillo State Beach.

The findings of the marine life and oil deposit surveys were correlated and then compared (through the use of a computer) with pre-spill surveys of marine life taken at the same locations by the late E. Y. Dawson and others over the last decade.

The researchers note that their estimate of the amount of oil spilled at Platform A in the first ten days of the January, 1969 spill correlated closely with that of A. A. Allen of General Research Corporation of Santa Barbara. His figure was 4,500 metric tons, about 10 times higher than that cited by oil company officials.

Here are some of their findings:

1 – Heavy biological damage occurred in intertidal surf grass and barnacle populations as a result of the oil pollution. Surf grass is still being damaged by the continuing spill.

2 – The dosage of oil deposited on shore at some points was comparable to that deposited during the Torrey Canyon disaster.

3 – The giant kelp, probably because of its thin layer of mucilage which prevents oil from adhering to its surface, sustained minimal damage from the oil.

4 – The common intertidal anemone proved itself – as it has done it past observations – to be highly resistant even to heavy concentrations of oil.

5 – SCUBA divers cooperating in the survey reported finding no oil beneath the kelp canopy which parallels the Santa Barbara coast.

6 – Survival of intertidal organisms depends on a host of factors, including positions of the organisms in the intertidal zone, tidal levels at the time of the pollution, extent of offshore kelp beds, length of time the oil stays at sea, methods of cleanup and type and origin of oil.

7 – Cleaning of rocks with water-sand mixtures under high pressure removed an extensive community of limpets, snails, crabs and algae along with the dried oil. Not only were the organisms damaged but the oil removed ran down to repollute lower intertidal areas.

With an eye toward long-term erosion of natural resources, the two scientists conclude that every effort should be made to apply modern ecological technology to the monitoring and protection of Southern California's resources as a necessary investment in our environment.

STATE FORESTER RETIRES

F. H. Raymond, State Forester, is retiring August 31 after 17 years in office. Chief Deputy State Forester Lewis A. Moran will be Acting State Forester until a successor is appointed.

Raymond started his forestry career with the U. S. Forest Service and then, in 1931, became an Assistant State Forest Ranger in Monterey County. As State Forester, he has directed 4,000 employees in forest protection programs on 38 million acres of California's wild areas.

BITS & PIECES

"The world's longest telephone call" is reported by *Floyd Lemley* – he lent a young lady in distress at SOUTH CARLSBAD SB a dime to make a phone call at 6 p.m. – and when he returned at 7 a.m. the next morning, she was still in the phone booth (though no doubt parents of teenagers will not find this at all hard to believe!). However, Floyd *did* get his dime back.

A visitor backpacked into HENDY WOODS SP recently and set up camp in a clump of redwoods to get out of the rain. He built a small fire ringed with rocks and went to sleep next to it. In the night he awoke to find his sleeping bag afire and poured the water from his canteen on it, then went for more water in the nude. After he found the water faucet, he couldn't find his campsite in the dark, so he spent the rest of the night in the washroom, hugging a light bulb for warmth. Come daylight, he found his campsite – all his belongings had been destroyed by the fire, which was still ablaze, so he was trying to put the fire out by dipping water with a beer can when Maintenance Aid *Jess Fox* picked him up. After the fire was extinguished, Maintenance Man *Harvey Clark* gave him a set of clothes and ride to Highway 128, so he could hitchhike to the nearest welfare office.

BENICIA AREA Manager *Lorin Forsyth*, faced with two gentlemen who each claims to be the "only living direct descendent" of Robert Semple, Benicia's founder, comments, "No wonder California history is so filled with contradictions."

Winchester house may be eerie, and Disneyland may have its Haunted House, but neither can outdo the ghost(s) of the Stevenson House in MONTEREY SHP. Reporter Mary Rodriguez, writing in the Monterey Peninsula Herald, tells about moved trunks, rearranged furniture, and shifted artifacts, all at times when the house was locked, sealed, and completely empty. Somewhere, somehow, someone should take a bow for introducing this new "Living Museum" concept into the State Park System.

While Ranger *Lyle Keith* was on patrol at Gold Bluffs Beach, a lady approached him and asked if he couldn't please drive the Elk herd along the beach past her group so that they could all see them, or, she asked, "Do you do that sort of thing?"

From our Poetic Justice department comes word that an employee of the former Computicket Corporation arrived at SAN ELIJO SB with his reservation in hand – only to learn that the computer had not entered him on the read-out sheet!

Ranger *Roy Benedict* gave a group of visitors the full, deluxe tour of BENICIA CAPITOL SHP – and it wasn't until the tour was almost completed that he discovered that none of his German visitors understood a word of English.

M AND HEARST MONUMENT PRAISED

r of the Harry S. Truman Library in Missouri, toured our
e was delighted with everything from the conduct of our
ray film now being shown in the theater as a regular part of
g letter of appreciation to Mr. Murray, who sent it on to us.

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July 8, 1970

Mr. Ken Murray
942 North Alpine
Beverly Hills, California 90210

Dear Mr. Murray:

It was most kind of you to arrange for the tour of the Hearst San Simeon State Historical Monument last June 17. Following the directions as outlined by Paul Henning, we were accorded the privilege of driving up the mountain for the tour. The Museum personnel couldn't have been more helpful and courteous nor could the weather have been more beautiful.

I was especially interested in the building from a professional as well as an esthetic viewpoint. The beauty of the home - both the building and contents - and the sweeping natural setting were most impressive. As a worker in and a student of history museums, there was certainly much to interest me. Historic preservation in this country is often an uphill battle, yet in such places has the history of our nation been preserved and exhibited. San Simeon is certainly a fine example of the importance of the preservation of architectural and historical buildings.

We thoroughly enjoyed the motion picture of San Simeon. It is quite effective in bringing alive the building and Mr. Hearst and his guests. You have rendered a fine service by making this film available to the public in the same setting the pictures were made.

I would hope that someday a center devoted to the collection, preservation, study and exhibition of historical material relating to the American Film Industry will be established. Of all the 20th century achievements of our nation this is one of the most important and yet tragically little has so far been done to preserve and make available these records. It is through your efforts that much of this material has been saved. It grows in importance each day.

Thanking you again for an interesting afternoon, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Milton F. Perry
Museum Curator

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HOW THE WORLD FIGHTS LITTER

Cleanliness is not only next to godliness – it's next to impossible. Consider the 752 million acres of federal parks, forests and other federal public lands. In fiscal 1971, it is estimated that it will cost about $21,623,000 (an increase of 12 percent over 1970) to keep them free of litter. To do the same job for our own State Park System will run about $500,000.

And it isn't only recreation lands that have this problem. Every state and virtually every town and hamlet in the country has some kind of anti-litter law in force.

In Pickens County, South Carolina, a full-time deputy sheriff has been hired to nail litterbugs. Reportedly he nabs up to five offenders a week and the magistrates can order 30 days in jail, $100 fines, or both.

Here's the Keep America Beautiful, Inc., report on what some other countries are doing to control the litter problem:

In Ontario and Manitoba, Canada, litterers can be fined up to $200 and drivers' licenses can be suspended for up to 60 days. In New Brunswick, Canada, the fine can go up to $300 and up to four months in jail can be meted out.

In West Berlin, police are authorized to collect "punishment money" from litterers on the spot. The amount is not known.

In Japan, the fine is 2,000 yen ($5.58) for "dumping or heaping refuse or filth in a conspicuous place in scenic zones." But Japanese Road Law prohibits "soiling a road without permission," and violators can be sentenced to up to a year in jail and fined 30,000 yen ($83.75).

Dublin, Ireland punishes litterers with a fine of ten pounds ($24), the same as in England, but in England the fine for "dumping or abandoning" things can cost a hundred pounds ($240) for a first conviction and two hundred pounds ($480) or three months in jail or both for subsequent violations.

In Ceylon, a sign at the entrance to the Pleasure Gardens reads:

"If you with litter will disgrace
And spoil the beauty of this place
May indigestion rack your chest
And ants invade your pants and vest."

That's the stiffest penalty of all!

NEW TAHOE GUIDEBOOK PUBLISHED

A brand new guide book has just been published by Family Fun for vacation-bound travelers to the Lake Tahoe area. Complete with 112 illustrated pages and six detailed maps, the book presents up-to-date information on campgrounds, trails, resorts, parks and boating spots, points of interest, and outdoor recreation facilities.

In addition to the Tahoe Basin, the book presents comprehensive coverage of the Desolation Wilderness, Virgina City, Squaw Valley, Truckee River, Reno, and Carson City; and of Donner, Pyramid, Fallen Leaf, Washoe and Echo Lakes.

The book normally sells for $2.95, but author Bob Reedy and the publisher are making it available by mail order for $2.00. The address: Family Fun, P. O. Box 21-4152, Sacramento, California 95821.

TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE

Reviewed by Ranger WILLIAM J. HILL
San Juan Bautista SHP

FLUSHED WITH PRIDE – The Story of Thomas Crapper, by Wallace Reyburn. Macdonald and Company, London, 1969 (Available from State Library, Sacramento).

Tom was no ordinary plumber. A plumber *par excellence,* Tom was an indispensable member of the Queen's household. At the peak of his career he created the flushable unmentionables which, sparkling clean, are the pride and glory of every park employee from Mexico to the Oregon line.

Since regulated and flawless flushing is one of the prime functions of the State Park System, it seems fitting that everyone should learn how it all started in the first place.

C.S.P.R.A. News
ROSS HENRY
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Among the resolutions passed at the 1970 GEC was one that dealt with including rangers in the Safety Retirement System, which would provide them an opportunity for early retirement and increased retirement benefits. A committee has been established to investigate the idea.

In connection with this resolution our president, Was Cater, asked me to attend a recent meeting of the Board of Administration of the Public Employee's Retirement System. The agenda included an item for the Board to reconsider its "support" position on Assembly Bill 245 to incorporate Department of Corrections and Youth Authority employees having custodial duties in the Safety Retirement System.

At this meeting the Board made clear its position on the classes which would qualify for this Safety Retirement System program. The guidelines are as follows:

1. The class is engaged in protecting the public.

2. Physical fitness is a requirement for employment.

3. The public safety requires younger employees in top physical condition, and employees are recruited at an early age so that there is still an opportunity for a long period of employment prior to retirement (e.g., employed at 25, retired at 55, 30 years of service).

4. Recruiting procedure emphasizes high physical standards.

5. There is a history of disability and death in the performance of the duties of this class.

The class desiring to be included in the Safety Retirement System should qualify in all five of the guidelines listed above.

The Board listened to a great deal of testimony on this subject from those classes hoping to be included in this early retirement system. Among those testifying in support of this bill were CSEA representatives. Although some convincing arguments were presented, the Board decided to amend its position of "support" to a position of "neutral", apparently because it felt that this class did not fully meet all five of the qualifying criteria. They may have also been somewhat influenced by the increased funding necessary to carry this program.

AB 245 is presently being considered by the Senate Finance Committee. The lack of support by the PERS Board of Administration will significantly lessen the chances that this bill will pass.

At a recent CSPRA Board of Directors meeting these Safety Retirement System criteria were discussed. It appeared obvious that the ranger classes as now structured could not qualify. The Board is now investigating the possibility of some special retirement program for rangers which would provide greater benefits than the existing system.

FIVE–STATE PARK CONFERENCE HELD

Director Mott met with the directors of the park and recreation departments of Washington, Oregon, Arizona, and Nevada on July 8, 9, and 10 to discuss mutual problems and the standardization of regulations.

In announcing the meeting, the Director said that our states are so close together that we should consider a common denominator of standards to reduce confusion among park visitors. Such things as fees, maximum number of people in a campsite, pets and campsite classifications could easily be standardized.

The directors met in San Francisco and toured units of the State Park System and of the Oakland and East Bay Regional park districts. The group consisted of Director Mott, David Talbot of Oregon, Charles H. Odegaard of Washington, Dennis McCarthy of Arizona, and Eric R. Cronkite of Nevada.

OLD TIMER ENJOYING RETIREMENT

By Ed Earl, Manager
Will Rogers Area

Charles L. (Roy) Cushing rates special recognition as he truly is an old timer with our Department. He started working for California Redwoods State Park (Big Basin) in 1923 and worked there for 20 years, and also worked at Seacliff Beach for 14 years. He has been enjoying retired life up in Washington State, where there is plenty of hunting and fishing, since 1958. Their home is in Centralia, about 75 miles south of Mt. St. Helena and 85 miles east of Mt. Rainier National Park. There are scenic lakes and mountain ranges all around them so the Cushings are enjoying their retirement to the fullest.

His wife Luella, is a good sport. They take a number of trips to the Coast each year for razor clams and they team up on grouse hunting trips. He also goes trout and salmon fishing, not to mention deer, elk and duck hunting.

The October 1944 issue of News and Views contains an article on Big Basin and among the employees mentioned besides Roy Cushing are, Clyde Newlin, Mel Whittaker, Art Parvin and Glen Jackson. He was featured in Earl Hanson's "The Better Ranger" column of News & Views August, 1951. Roy's stepson, Charles (Chic) Gordon, is now a Ranger I at Butano SP.

Roy is another retired employee who enjoys hearing from the gang. Drop in if you can, and if you can't, drop him a card. Their address is 1009 Roosevelt Avenue, Centralia, Washington 98531.

Part of the "gang" at Big Basin in 1923 – Everett Powell, Roy Cushing and Fred Moody.

Roy and Luella Cushing.

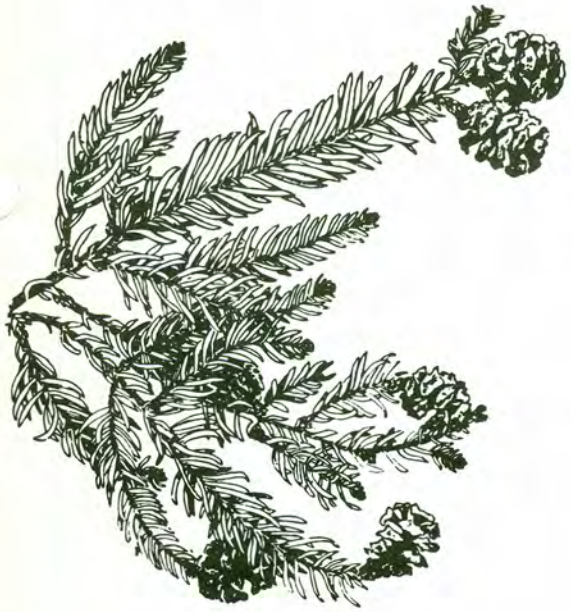
Clyde Newlin (left) worked with Roy at Big Basin in 1944.

THINGS ARE LOOKING UP, RESERVATION-WISE

We are all caught up. It took 30 to 40 people working overtime since April 3 – when Computicket folded its outlets and stole silently away – to process the thousands and thousands of reservation forms manually, but everyone who made a request for a spot at one of our state park campsites has received an answer. Now, it's just a matter of keeping current.

Next year the situation will be different. We have asked for bids from some 40 computer firms throughout the nation that had indicated an interest in providing reservation service for campsites and Hearst tours. Bids should be evaluated by mid-August, and the new service is to be available to the public January 2, 1971.

The successful bidder will furnish a network of computer outlets throughout the state, with a minimum of 50 in the Los Angeles area, 20 around San Francisco, and proportionate numbers in other major metropolitan centers. Specific outlet locations are up to the contractor but we will operate outlets at Sacramento headquarters. One new wrinkle – reservations will only be made up to 90 days in advance.



YIELD FROM THE FIELD . . .

DISTRICT 1

It was a quiet Monday in the TRINIDAD AREA until an SOS came in from the Orick School. The principal reported a bear cub running loose on the school grounds. Rangers *Lesley Sims, Lyle Keith* and *Walter Peterson*, responding with a garbage can, found the school bus driver had roped the 30 - 40 lb. cub, but couldn't get close to the animal. With the help of the Maintenance Man II's wife, Mrs. *Fred R. Schulz*, and her trusty broom, the army finally managed to cram the bear into the garbage can and tie the lid securely. Then one screaming cub was transported up Bald Hills Road and turned loose. The next day a call from Arcata Redwood disclosed that one of their truck drivers had picked up a bear cub, the same one that had been rounded up Monday. It seems the local game warden had been taking two cubs to the Eureka Zoo and one had escaped. Zoo officials finally picked up the animal. One word of advice when you've lassoed a bear . . . keep that rope taut and you're all right.

Some 60 park people from the District got together at the PRAIRIE CREEK Visitor Center to bid farewell to Ranger *Bob Freese* and his family. Bob transferred to the Carpenteria Area. He was presented with a well-seeded money tree.

"They Shall Have Music" this summer at the Forest Theater in ARMSTRONG REDWOODS SP, as band concerts have been planned every Sunday through August 30. Some of the groups to appear include the Egghead Jazz Band, Sonoma County Barbershop Chorus, Freundschaft Liederkranz & Deutscher Musikverein (German band and singers), and bands from Sonoma State College, 573rd U. S. Air Force, Sonoma County Concert, 6th U. S. Army, and the Twelfth Naval District.

DISTRICT 2

A stray dog found at MAC KERRICHER SP was traced to owners in Santa Rosa, who said their pet "just disappeared." They were at a loss to explain how it got 130 miles from home. Consensus was that someone had picked up the dog and travelled with it until the animal decided to go its own way.

Harvey Clark found a Pygmy Owl covered with light oil at HENDY WOODS SP. His daughter bathed it carefully in light detergent, gave it careful care and hamburger for two days, then let the recovered animal return to the natural life.

BENICIA Area Manager *Lorin B. Forsyth* was surprised when he responded to a call from the Benicia Fire Department. He was presented with an honorary fire helmet with the words "Chief, Benicia State Park," emblazoned across the front in white letters. He'll be in full uniform the next time the new pump engine is used.

DISTRICT 3

Area Manager *Neil Power* of COLUMBIA SHP reports we have finally made the big time. The latest Blue Chip stamp catalog, says Power, is full of pictures of Columbia, Coloma, Nevada City, and Bodie.

SACRAMENTO AREA personnel got together June 29 for a retirement party for *Talton Cooper*, who retired after almost 22 years with the Department. He plans to do some gardening and spend more time model building.

Jim Hibbert, Park Ranger II at SALTON SEA SRA, with his wife and family, and *Richard Pohl*, Maintenance Supervisor at HEARST SAN SIMEON SHP, and his wife were pleasantly surprised when they ran into each other in the museum at PLUMAS-EUREKA SP. Seems they were neighbors at Cambria a few years ago.

Despite threatening weather, some 850 persons attended the 4th Annual Homecoming at MALAKOFF DIGGINS SHP July 14. Activities included the Hydraulic Mining movie, wrestling matches, dedication of a horse watering trough, tours of the museum and general store, a

grand parade and an awards program in the Amphitheater. Guests of honor were Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Morgan, British Consul General in San Francisco.

DISTRICT 4

Ranger *Don Ash*, on his days off from CASTLE ROCK SP, visited Yosemite and patrolled with the park rangers, learning something about National Park System procedures.

DISTRICT 5

Ranger *Carl Chavez* of POINT MUGU SRA discussed park reservations on KHJ-TV Channel 9's "Morning Walk" with Ted Meyers and Frank Stanley.

Ranger *G. W. Lynn* Manager of the CARPENTERIA AREA, not only turned in several newsworthy items, but also made several "quotable" quotes:

- About 48 students from UC - Santa Barbara , visiting Carpenteria on a tidepool study, were given a grand tour by new Ranger *Bill Miller*. They were very pleased with the information and assistance Miller gave. Miller is a new Ranger and a graduate from San Jose State in Conservation, and it seems to me these new young Rangers we are getting are able to close this so-called generation gap.

- Walt Klinkel, on a brief stop at Carpenteria en route to Alaska, said hello to everyone. The former park employee said he is enjoying retirement and has no problem picking up a job when he needs a few extra bucks.

- Park Aid *Lewis McKenzie*, seasonal employee at Carpenteria for the last few years, is attending the new 40-hour police training course on his own time. This is the kind of people we're looking for.

- Fisticuffs nearly broke out at Carpenteria when a camper captured a sparrow hawk, tied a string to the bird's leg, and continually jerked the bird to the ground when it tried to fly off. Other campers became irritated and were ready to beat the guy into releasing the bird, but the threat was enough to gain the bird's freedom.

- One thing new Maintenance Man *Allan Boren* doesn't lack is enthusiasm for his work. All week he drives the D-4 cat from dawn to dark, pushing the sand back into the usable beach area. He also shaped the bottom of the creek and the banks, a must each year to eliminate the odors and accumulation of algae slime.

- All members of the staff have noticed the increasing numbers of young people, both boys and girls, travelling on foot (often bare) and with nothing but their clothes and perhaps a sleeping bag or bedroll.

- *Kathy Simas*, District 5 Personnel Clerk, did an outstanding job of leading songs at the Saturday-night campfire program. Wish we could put her on steady!

Park Rangers in the PISMO AREA were presented with an eight-foot mural done by young (5-to-10-year-old) campers who wanted to do it to thank the Rangers for a great time.

Attendant *John Cutler* of WILL ROGERS SHP is the proud papa of a daughter.

Custodian *Eddy Allen* of WILL ROGERS SHP had to retire after 20 years' work because of arthritis. Supervisor *Ed Earl* says he has been a good employee, and although "Visitors may not remember other employees, anyone who talked to Eddy Allen always asked about him on a return visit."

For the second year in a row, the goats at LA PURISIMA MISSION SHP have won first-place trophy in the Lompoc Flower Festival parade. They were accompanied by Bonnie Forbes, Alice Randall, Mark Thompson, and Mary Mason, daughter of Area Manager *Jack Mason*.

A son, Michael Kenneth, has arrived at the home of POINT MUGU AREA Manager *Jim Geary* and his wife, Nancy.

DISTRICT 6

At HEART BAR SP, the Yucaipa Horsemen are installing a water line to the new horse camp. An increasingly popular activity for youth groups and campers is to hike to the headquarters area each evening to see the beaver ponds and an occasional beaver in action.

At ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP, Ranger *Burt Frizzell* followed a camper's tip and rescued a fledgling redtailed hawk from the bottom of a sandstone canyon. Evidently the bird had fluttered down from its nest and couldn't fly off. Frizzell fed the bird red meat for four days, then it was up, up, and away.

Supervisor *Jack Hesemeyer* came across a man knocking a 50 to 100 lb. barrel cactus off the steep hillside in Sentenac Canyon, and onto the highway. A hike up the hill revealed that the vandal had used a park boundary sign to accomplish the dirty deed.

Group IV graduates from the Park Management and Operations training institute at Asilomar. Front row, left to right: *Jack Sutton,* **Mendocino Area;** *Frank Fairchild,* **Mitchell Caverns SR;** *Bob Carlson,* **Marin Area;** *Joe McCall,* **Plumas-Eureka SP;** *Joe Hood,* **Lake Oroville SRA;** *Dick McKillop,* **Gaviota Area. Second Row:** *Bob Allen,* **Folsom Lake Area;** *Jim Beck,* **Monterey Area;** *Tom Miller,* **Montane Area;** *Rick Carpenter,* **Four Rivers Area;** *Bob Tardif,* **Sacramento Area;** *Wendell Davis,* **Dyerville Area;** *Jim Davis,* **Ventura Beaches Area. Back row:** *Paul Griffith,* **Santa Cruz Coast Area;** *Cas Ashabrenner,* **Henry Coe Area;** *Otis Lyons,* **Marin Area;** *Roy Gholson,* **Joshua Trees SP;** *Jim Hibbert,* **Salton Sea Area;** *Frank Bellinghausen,* **Frontera Area. Absent:** *Jack Schlotter,* **Hiouchi Area.**

YIELD FROM THE FIELD (continued)

The wife of Ranger *John E. Walstrom* of the MONTANE AREA, Jane, is recuperating well after major surgery.

A young seal at BOLSA CHICA SB investigated the beach near the main lifeguard tower, wandered onto the Pacific Coast Highway and stopped traffic, tried to hide under the lifeguard vehicle, and was a general nuisance for park visitors. Finally, Lifeguards *Tom Russell* and *Jack Roggenbuck* captured the animal and sent it home.

State Narcotics Bureau officials confirmed Area Manager *Frank Bellinghausen's* identification of six healthy marijuana plants found in a planter at OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO SHP. They were removed. A Division of Highways employee had discovered them during a stroll.

Pupfish were planted in two ponds at ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP, 50 in one and 350 in the other. The little fish are enjoying their new home. David Crear, Fishery Oceanography Center in La Jolla, did the planting. The males will be pale blue with black fins and red tails; the females will retain their brownish-gray coloring.

A group of youngsters behaved so badly, straying off trails and scaling bluffs, during a visit to TORREY PINES SR that Ranger *Kent Hartwell* visited Midway Junior High School in San Diego to talk to the principal. It was learned that the group had raised a large sum of money for the Torrey Pines extension fund, and is concerned with conservation. The principal agreed to work with the Rangers before the next visit. On the brighter side, Ranger Hartwell attended a meeting of the Torrey Pines Kiwanis Club where he accepted the gift of two portable two-way radios for use in the reserve.

"THAT WEEK THAT SHOULDN'T HAVE BEEN"

by R. V. Sims, Manager
Trinidad Area

Tuesday, June 23: *0700* – out of water. Completely, all residences, campgrounds, everything at Prairie Creek. Campgrounds full. Closed all restrooms and showers. Got a "jury rig" going by 1000, and an electrician out from town. Found out the low-water warning horn failed because of a blown fuse, and the filter pump had a wire burned in two. Got it repaired and enough water pumped to open everything up again except showers by 0100 Wednesday morning.

Wednesday, June 24: *1330* – Report of a lost child somewhere on our trails along Highway 101 near Big Tree. Started search parties both directions on all trails.
1430 – Request help from Sheriff's search and rescue team.
1445 – Received report of car near area where child last seen, with two men near, one with blood on clothes. Called Highway Patrol.
1450 – Received report that car had left scene, headed north.
1515 – CHP stopped car near Klamath.
1530 – Over 20 people now on search, walking all trails in a three-mile radius and patrolling highway.
1535 – The men in the car stopped by CHP insist the blood on one of them is "sheep blood".
1620 – CHP patrolman picked up the little girl, seven years old, walking the wrong way along the highway. She had been lost on the trails and was found four miles from the point of departure.
1730 – The last of the searchers returned from the trails. Over 30 miles were walked by all concerned on the search.

Thursday, June 25: Last night, a 49' whale (sperm), estimated at 40 - 45 tons drifted onto the Agate Beach at Patrick's Point.

Friday, June 26: How to get rid of 40 tons of blubber on a busy beach.

Saturday, June 27: Got a local "powder monkey" in to blast it off. He promised he could "atomize" it. After 6 hours of preparation involving 13 men and 6 various pieces of equipment and about 235 pounds of dynamite and H.E. nitrate, the blast was made at 1700.
1800 – About 12-15 tons of blubber washed back onto the beach. Oh, well. Tommorrow, we'll - - -? ?

Sunday, June 28: *0700* – Back to Agate Beach, got in skip loader. We'll bury the rest.
0900 – Can't do it. Tractor can't move it.
1300 – Powder monkey back again. Says this time for sure, the seagulls can eat all that will be left. Shot 150 lbs. powder about 1630. Sure enough, a couple of chunks of about 1 ton and 3 tons came right back. But we're gaining! This time it came onto the rocks where we can't get at it. So, it'll stink some. But maybe the seagulls really will eat it all! We live in hope.

THE SEAMY SIDE –

Aluminews, the Coors Brewery publication, put out this bit of information for aluminum can collectors:

"How do you know its aluminum?

"An all-aluminum beverage can has no side seam. It has a rounded bottom with no separate bottom end. In other words, the bottom of the can isn't flat. A magnet will not stick to aluminum. And, don't be fooled if the word 'aluminum' is stamped on the lid. It may mean that only the lid is aluminum."

PICO HOUSE CENTENNIAL

The clock was turned back a whole century June 19 at EL PUEBLO DE LOS ANGELES SHP to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the opening of the Pico House.

Purpose of the celebration was to stimulate community recognition and appreciation for one of the outstanding landmarks in the city's rich cultural heritage. Putting on the affair were members of the Los Angelitas, a group of volunteer ladies, in cooperation with the El Pueblo de Los Angeles SHP Commission.

All guests arrived by stage coach and ordered dinner from a replica of an 1870 menu. Each person who attended was given the menu, and a reproduction of the 1870 newspaper which announced the opening of the Pico House, as a souvenir.

The Centennial Ball was enhanced by the many costumes of the 1870s, and music and entertainment featured early California songs. The ladies of the Los Angelitas were successful in recreating the romance of the City of Angels of a century ago.

The Pico House was built by Pio Pico, Mexican ex-governor of California, with construction beginning in 1869 and the grand opening coming on June 19, 1870. It was Los Angeles' first hotel and first three story building, featuring the finest accommodations to be found anywhere south of San Francisco. There were 82 sleeping apartments, 21 parlors, and a bathroom on every floor. Cost of the building and its furnishings was estimated to exceed $100,000.

The hotel was built around a courtyard planted in lush tropical greenery. The quiet garden was graced with a fountain, and white wrought iron benches were set among the trees. The upper two floors were circled with wrought iron balconies overlooking the courtyard.

Los Angeles was the second pueblo (city) founded in California. San Jose had been settled four years previously. On September 4, 1781, a group of 12 families totaling 46 persons under orders of Spanish Governor Felipe de Neve trudged the nine miles from San Gabriel Mission to establish El Pueblo de Nuestra Senora La Reina de Los Angeles de Porciuncula. Already there had been 11 missions and two presidios (forts) established in the state.

The Porciuncula had been named by the Portola expedition which had camped on its banks August 2, 1769 The name later became Los Angeles River.

In 1800 the river overflowed its banks and forced the community to higher ground, the site of today's plaza.

Other features of El Pueblo de Los Angeles are Olvera Street, famous Mexican thoroughfare with its colorful shops and restaurants; the Plaza Firehouse; the Merced Theater; the Avila Adobe, oldest remaining house in Los Angeles, built between 1818 and 1824; and the Latin American House.

The Department's Southern California headquarters office is located in the Pueblo in a building that once housed a Chinese laundry. Assistant Deputy Director Carl A. Anderson is in charge. His assistant is Stella Flores.

VOX POP

A student enjoyed JACK LONDON SHP; the following is an excerpt from a report he submitted to his teacher after a class visit:

The thing that impressed me the most on our trip was the Wolf House. They built a terrace arround the ruins so you would be able to see the building better and set up plans so you knew exactly how everything would have looked. They could have put up a cyclone fence, but instead they put up a beautiful wooden fence, which fit in perfectly with the Wolf House. This really impressed me that someone knows how to preserve beauty.

Neil Spruielli
John Swett High School
Crockett

These campers appreciated the efforts of the staff at JEDEDIAH SMITH REDWOODS SP:

We so sincerely thank you all for the opportunity to enjoy a lovely stay in one of the most beautiful parks in California. Your efforts at warmth, sincerity and housekeeping are most appreciated. Thank you.

Bill and Jean Lewis
Central Valley

RUSSIAN GULCH SP impressed these campers:

The rangers at the park are a great group of men, they were so friendly and helpful. The campgrounds are kept very clean and the restrooms and showers were a pleasure to use. Our son-in-law and family from Michigan were with us and they were enthralled with the beauty of the area and spaciousness of the campsites. Thank you from 12 happy, satisfied campers.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Fluee
The McGuigans
Roseville

As always, the staff at HEARST SAN SIMEON SHP impressed this visitor:

We were especially pleased with the courteous treatment extended to all visitors. Our guide was one of the finest representatives of state government I've seen in my limited association.

Clay Castleberry
Oroville

The rangers at SAN CLEMENTE SB helped with Pararescue training:

We came to California for some open sea diving, part of our Pararescue training requirements, and I packed up the camper and brought my family along. We decided the rocks off San Clemente would be ideal for our training purposes, so I attmpted to camp and suddenly became aware of the reservation requirement. Rangers *David Hanson* and *Warren Beers* went well out of their way to accommodate my family; their courtesy and consideration spoke highly of the calibre of your rangers. Please extend our thinks to them.

TSGT Albert J. Richmond Jr.
Pararescue, 302nd ARRS
Luke AFB, Arizona

Manager Don Royer *and the staff at PFEIFFER BIG SUR SP won a commendation from this camper:*

We have camped at many state parks and have found Pfeiffer to have courteous and efficient and cooperative Rangers in one of the most beautiful settings in the world. The governing board should be proud to know that I and all to whom I speak concur that Pfeiffer is still "God's Country," preserved for us to enjoy to the utmost.

Mrs. Jane Hartsook
Salinas

This visitor appreciated the helpfulness of the ANGEL ISLAND SP ranger staff:

We wish to express our deep appreciation for the friendly and efficient service extended by the ranger staff on the occasion of a retirement picnic for a respected member of our staff. They were most helpful, particularly Rangers *Harvey Lively*, *Bob Grace*, and *Alexander Weiss*. The guests voiced great pleasure in the setting and accommodations of Angel Island.

Allan B. Jacobs, Director of Planning
Department of City Planning
San Francisco

The entire staff at the GOVERNOR'S MANSION is entitled to the compliments of this group:

The personnel at the Governor's Mansion provided us with excellent service. The efforts of the employees of the Department have contributed to the success of the gathering and their public relations efforts should be commended.

Alumni Association
University of San Francisco

TRAINING - FOR BOREDOM OR EXCITEMENT

by James S. Kruger
Director, Training Institute

"In the New England town where I spent my boyhood, there used to be a man who went about sharpening scissors and knives. We called him the 'scissor grinder'. Painted on his wagon was a sign that said, 'Everything sharpened that needs an edge'. I used to watch him as he worked upon our family knives and returned them gleaming and razor sharp. There was no mass production here; it was one blade at a time. The job required personal attention. Even as a boy I could see that he felt the pride of accomplishment when the job was done. I can also remember my father saying as he carved the Sunday roast with what appeared to be a newly-found skill, 'Ah now, that's the way a blade should cut.' "*

There's a management problem suggested by this nostalgic memory which might be timely to explore. It has to do with the training and development of young men in our Department. Helping them to develop is our responsibility and, in its exercise, we might do well to think of the sign on the wagon, "Everything sharpened that needs an edge". This is no mass production job; it calls for personal attention. And when the job is well done it produces within us the same warm feeling of pride evidenced by the "scissor grinder". When we observe the young men putting forth their best efforts and doing things well in the spirit of stimulation which we helped to create, we feel as Mr. Hilkert's father did when he said "Ah now, that's the way a blade should cut".

The young men coming into our Department are chosen with care but their potential is relatively unknown. What they are at the moment is, of course, important; but what they can become is even more important. The chances are that they have ambition and aspirations, they have latent talents and abilities, they possess skills of some kind and they have educational backgrounds which are not totally portrayed on the paper record. They have integrity and they possess human dignity. Some of these qualities may be quite keen at the outset, but they can become dulled. Some of their qualities may be dull, but can be sharpened.

We could each liken this to our own son's situation, the one recently graduated from college and now at work or "in training." Even though you know him well you really don't know what he can become; or even more to the point, what he will become. You have hopes, and one of these hopes is that as he embarks upon his career, and let us assume it is in park service, he will be so fortunate as to fall into the hands of some man who has the ability and the will to sharpen everything about him that needs an edge, whether that edge be a skill, an ability, an aspiration or integrity itself. You know a great deal about your son's heredity and you know the environment in which he has developed up to now. But you also know that his future development will be immeasurably influenced by his environment. You hope he will be guided by men who will sharpen his talents. Most of all, you hope that the environment will not cause any important edge to become worn down to a sustained dullness, perhaps never again to regain its original keenness.

Of course we know that our young man, like all of us, must succeed through his own striving. Nevertheless, we know almost too well that it is possible for him to be stuck, – yes, even in park service – where his striving will be reduced to utter dullness and ill-deserved frustration. You don't want your son to die on the parks and recreation vine, yet some do. You like to feel that the man who will be guiding your son will have a sense of concern for human beings and their growth and development.

And here's the other side of that coin. There are fathers who are wondering whether we have that sense of trusteeship. They are the ones who hope that the young men who are coming into our department will be directed and guided by those who can in truth hang up a sign that says, "Everything sharpened that needs an edge". The moral is that we should be doing for their young men what we hope others are doing, or will do, for ours.

**The quotation is by Robert N. Hilkert, First Vice President of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia. It appeared in "The Humanist's View: The Art of Management." The author has combined some of Mr. Hilkert's philosophy with some of his own.*

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DEPARTMENT'S VEHICLE ACCIDENT RATE ··· TOO HIGH

The Vehicle Accident Frequency Rate is used by organizations such as the National Safety Council to compare driver safety records. Actual number of accidents and miles driven are mathematically converted to number of accidents per million miles driven to serve as the basis for comparison.

The Department's Vehicle Accident Frequency Rate for the period of July-December 1969, the most recent for which figures are available, was 23.5 accidents per million miles driven. The overall State government rate for the same period was 11.2. In other words, the Department had twice as many accidents as the average department in that period. We weren't the worst department – but almost!

This is an area where we have to work harder, or we may wind up last – dead last.

POISON OAK HAZARDS

Each year, poison oak cases put a number of the Department's field employees on the sidelines. A committee – *Bob Dutra* of the Personnel Section, Chairman; *Pete Gaidula*, Resource Management and Protection Division; *Chuck Lyden*, Operations Division; and *Ed Sheehy*, Planning and Development Division – has been formed to initiate procedures for reducing poison oak hazards.

Anyone with ideas on how to reduce the number and severity of poison oak cases is encouraged to pass them on to Bob Dutra.

BUT MAYBE IT'S NOT THE EQUIPMENT

On five runaway vehicles reportedly caused by damaged or inoperable handbrakes, none of the handbrakes actually required repair or replacement. This finding was made by an Operations Division committee assigned to investigate accidents attributed to equipment failure.

The same group also found indications that the problem of hoods coming open on International Scouts was usually caused by lack of lubrication or cleaning, or failure to secure the hood completely.

If it isn't equipment failure, what is it?

DILLINGER ELECTED DIRECTOR

Bill Dillinger, chief of the Department's Information and Interpretation Division, has received word of his election as a director of the American Association for Conservation Information.

The announcement came from the organization's 29th annual conference in Cody, Wyoming June 14-17.

Dillinger is a past president of AACI, an international association of 50 state and five Canadian provincial conservation agencies doing conservation education and information work.

Elected president for the coming year was J. W. Sizer, chief of information and education for the Arizona Game and Fish Department.

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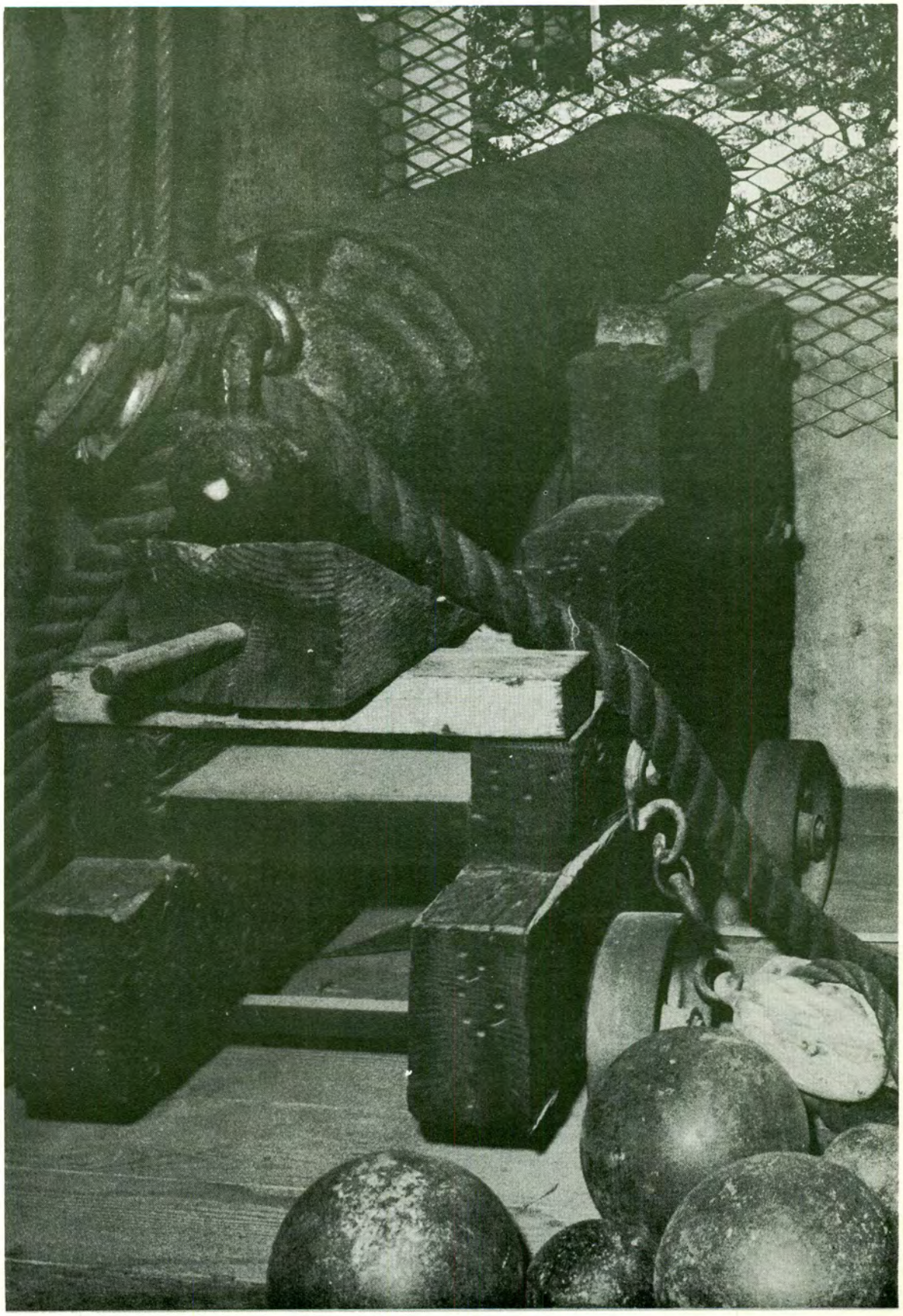

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ON THE COVER: This old cannon still stands guard at SUTTER'S FORT SHP. Photo by Dick Thompson.

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.
DIRECTOR

WHOSE RIGHTS?

I'm having trouble writing my editorial for NEWS and VIEWS. It's the start of my vacation, which certainly is enough to distract one, but mostly it's the news! I am referring to the senseless killing of innocent people by persons whose warped and tortured minds make it impossible for them to distinguish between right and wrong.

A judge sitting on the bench meting out justice so that men may walk this land innocent until they are proved guilty has his head blown off by the very persons whose rights he was trying to protect.

Parks are built and managed for people to enjoy, but shameful acts of vandalism, deliberate arson, and littering are making it necessary to close or severely restrict the use of parks.

Roving bands of irresponsible people are destroying throughout this country by their acts and attitudes the natural beauty and inspiration that they profess to enjoy and protect.

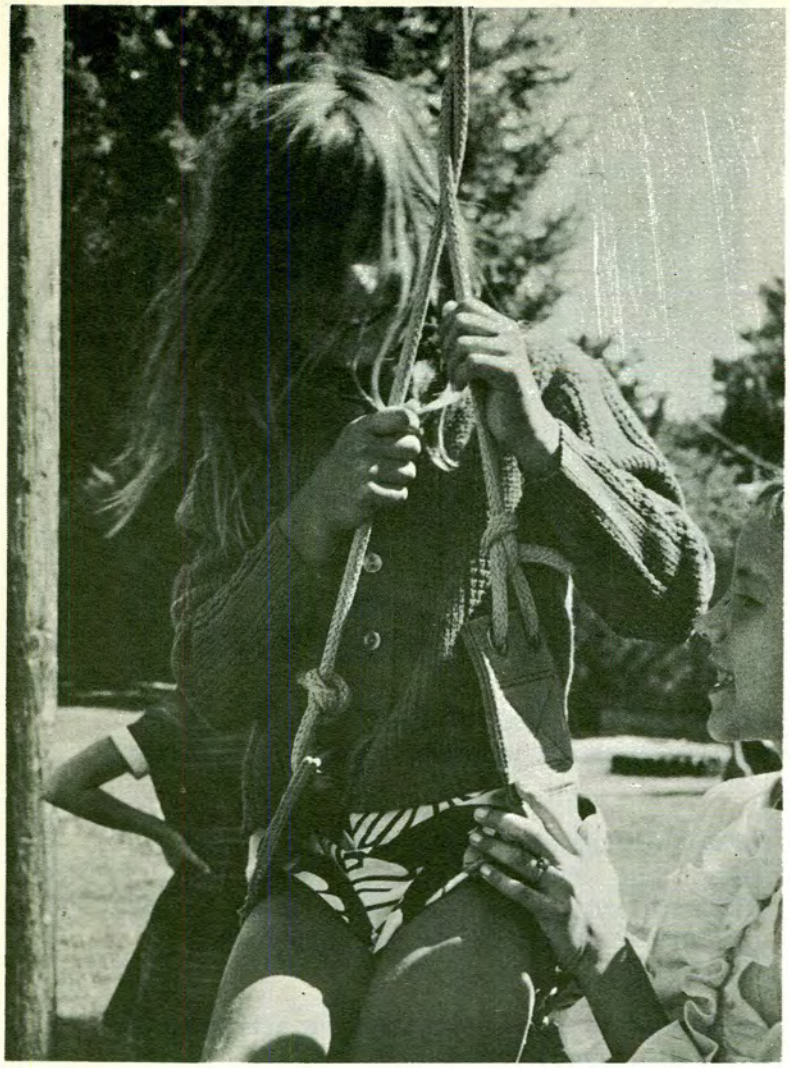
Quiet, serene campgrounds are disrupted by aimless riding of noisy minibikes or motorcycles at all hours of the night by thoughtless young people.

All of these acts make it necessary to establish more restrictive rules and regulations.

Today many of the freedoms and certainly much of the spontaneity and pleasure of camping has been curtailed as has the enjoyment of our outdoor heritage.

What will it take to reverse the trend? The California State Park System is an organization devoted to providing for people a pleasant, inspirational, and enjoyable experience when they visit units of the State Park System.

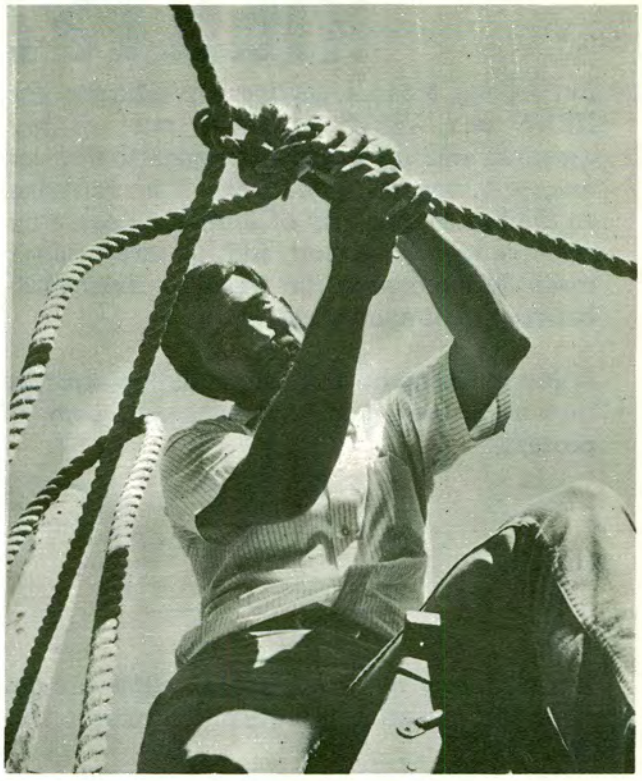
Are we regulating for or against the good solid citizen? Are we doing everything possible in spite of current social upheavals to make our state parks enjoyable, exicting, beautiful places for good, honest, considerate, law-abiding citizen to visit and re-create informally and with a minimum of rules, regulations, and restrictions? It seems to me these people's rights need to be defended more vigorously than ever before. Maybe this is the way to reverse the trend.



← Some rope and a canvas strap for a seat is all you need for fun.

And if you don't have a seat, just rope will do. →

↓ Ron Christman secures a rope slide for the kids to use.



domain for creative play

Something as simple as a pair of field telephones can keep any number of children happy for hours. The other phone was in the pirate ship. ↓

"Permission to come aboard, sir?" They finally got permission, but only after a hassle. This pirate ship was one of the most popular "toys" constructed by the class.

This summer, six members of our Department attended a course entitled "Domain for Creative Play" at Valley Oak Elementary School in Davis. It was presented by the University of California, Davis "to provide practical ways to introduce new materials and concepts into playgrounds and the classroom to allow for maximum creativity, invention, and learning."

Department participants were Gordon Bradley, Bruce Chang, Ron Christman, George Dong, and Bob Robertson of Master Planning Branch, and Les Maddox of Development Branch. The course was taught by Simon Nicholson of the U.C.-Berkeley Art Department.

The tools they used were simple--rope, wood, dirt, sand. The idea was to experiment with new low-cost creative facilities and to get away from the asphalt, tubular steel, and concrete concept normal to children's playgrounds. Were they successful? We think the expressions on the children's faces tell the story.

Sometimes a fellow just wants to be alone. This is a pipe, covered with dirt to make a mound. Obviously, it has more than one purpose. →

Photos by Dick Thompson

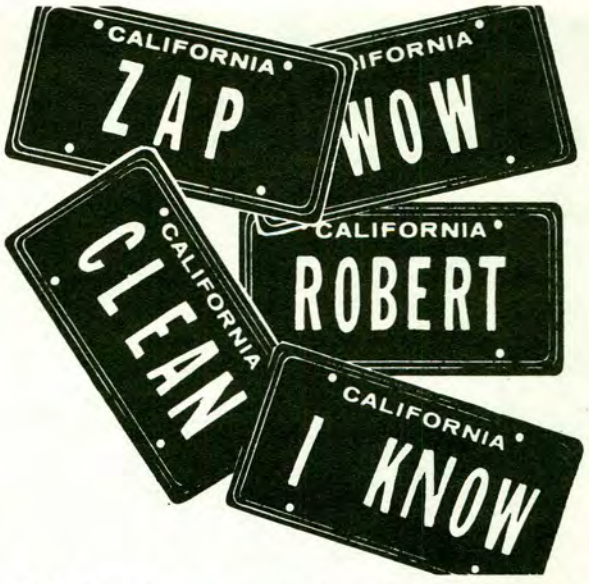
PERSONALIZED PLATES OFFER NEW WAY TO FUND ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS

by William Dillinger, Chief
Information and Interpretation Division

The Department has accepted the challenge to join in a campaign to create a new source of funds for environmental programs – the personalized automobile license plate.

Under a new state law, for $25 you can get almost any combination of up to six letters or numbers you ask for – if it doesn't conflict with the regular plates being issued or say something offensive. The money goes into the California Environmental Protection Program Fund to fight air pollution and support other environmental protection programs. Based on the experience of other states, several million dollars may find their way into environmental coffers under the new program.

To get things off to a running start, an all-out effort is being made to publicize the new program. And, to keep things fair, all applications mailed by September 22 will have an equal chance for the most popular combinations of letters and numbers. A drawing is set for early October to decide between duplicate requests.



Department Role

In an effort to distribute application forms as widely as possible the Department has been asked to make them available in State parks. Fire stations of the Division of Forestry are also participating, as are many similar outposts of State government. Major distribution, of course, is being handled through offices of the Department of Motor Vehicles, which will process and issue the special plates. Representatives of the Sierra Club, the Planning and Conservation League, and other major conservation groups are also pitching in with enthusiasm, as are leaders of business and industry.

Director Mott has asked all Department personnel to help in every way they can to get the word out and help make the program a success.

"We conservationists are too often accused of being prophets of gloom and doom," he said. "Here's a chance to urge people to have a little creative fun while doing their bit for California's environment!"

Detailed information on the program is available on the application forms distributed through Department installations, or from the Department's Information Section.

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PARK VISITORS FAVOR MORE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

"Interpretation is great--give us more of it! And give us more recreation!"

These were the main suggestions of park visitors interviewed in a 1968 survey directed by Recreation Planner II Ralph McCormick of the Statewide Planning Branch. The survey, conducted at seven parks, indicated that while visitors were generally satisfied with our preservation efforts and the quality of our field personnel, they felt that parks should offer something for each family member--or, as one camper put it, "Just how long do you expect my kids to sit still and stare at a redwood tree?"

A report on the results of the survey, which was conducted under McCormick's supervision by Sacramento State College students Francis Allen, Keith Demetrals, Steve Schultz, Ken Saulter, and Rick Tolley and Catholic University student Pat Foley, should be available in mid-September. The report is the first in a series of three progress reports and a final, comprehensive report on a study requested by Director Mott to provide a broad overview of the visitors to our State Park System--where they come from, what they do, and what accommodations they use--and how we can serve them better.

PARK VISITOR RANDALL EDWARD _____

by Ranger Richard C. Edwards
San Diego Coast Area

His name is Randall Edward___ . He says his friends call him Randy. He was born about twenty-one years ago, somewhere in Connecticut, and began dying here at San Elijo State Beach on an overcast afternoon in June.

Randy was the son that every man hopes for and the child that every woman longs to hold. But now, he's here across the table from me in the back room of the park office, alone and forlorn. I sit with a county sheriff and a California highway patrolman, looking across the table at the frail, emaciated, shivering excuse for a human being called Randall Edward

You see, Randy is an addict, a hype, a mainliner, a pillhead, a speed freak. He may be carrying hepatitis and most assuredly has a veneral disease. He sits in the chair, hands cuffed behind him, trying to answer the sheriff's questions. His answers come slowly, even his own name is difficult to remember.

He says that he comes from Connecticut but now lives in a commune just across the highway from the park. He shivers as he recalls what he did, his shoulder-length hair is still wet from the ocean. He remembers taking off his clothes on the Santa Fe railroad tracks and then walking across the highway and through the park and into the ocean. His reason was related to God, and the narcotic high he was on, but he remembers little more.

As the sheriff leads him, now wearing levis, to the patrol car to take him to the county jail, I notice the faces of the crowd standing by the office door, all waiting to see what becomes of this young man. There is disgust and distaste in the faces of the women that he offended, and hatred in the eyes of their husbands. You can see and hear snickers from the young people and, from a few couples, a look of wondering where their son or daughter is at this very moment.

And this Ranger, what am I thinking? I want to grab Randall Edward___ by his undernourished frame and shake him until his teeth rattle. I want to sit him down and tell him what I think of him. I want to make him ashamed for turning his parents' dream into a nightmare, and most of all, ashamed for destroying himself.

When it is all over and the crowd is gone, I walk with the highway patrolman to his motorcycle to see something he found in the park shrubs. It is a "hype kit" in a small sucretes cough drop box. Inside the tin box is a hypodermic, a bent spoon, needles, and matches--all that is needed to mainline . . . and on the outside, painted in red letters, the words, "God is Love." I think to myself, "I hope God is love, for whoever owned this kit, like Randy, will need all the love God can give."

AMEN!

The Sacramento Bee received this letter:

Sir: This is to all the people who gripe, cuss and yell at state park rangers about prices, garbage, roads, land and other little things. These park rangers give up their holidays, Saturdays and Sundays to help make yours more enjoyable and to serve your recreational needs.

Most of the people who gripe about litter are the ones that do it. The reason some of the parks aren't better equipped is because it takes money and that's why the prices are what they are. The rangers do it the best they can and the people of California should appreciate this more than what they show.

These rangers give up church, trips and other recreation to fight fires, look for kids, and rescue trapped people from rocks. They break up fights and riots.

And for all of you who after, reading this article say, "Well if they don't like it they can quit," well, if everyone felt as foolish as you and if they did you'd not have a park or beach to go to. Maybe it might help if you wrote a letter of thanks and also made some suggestions.

This was written when I was in the fifth grade and I'm now in the llth grade, but I still feel the same.

RANGER LOVER.

HISTORIAN ENJOYS RETIREMENT

by Ed Earl, Manager
Will Rogers SHP

Frank L. Gutierrez was first employed by our Department at La Purisima Mission SHP in 1943. He also worked at Pio Pico and Fort Tejon, and was again working at La Purisima when he retired in December 1963 at the age of 67.

Frank's interest in California history started back in 1920 when he entered the University of California. He later did archeological work with the well known archeologist Dr. Harrington of the Southwest Museum.

By 1927 Frank was hard at work at San Fernando Mission as caretaker, guide, and restorer. His sixteen years' experience there made him a well trained and qualified employee when he joined our Department.

In 1944 he accomplished two things he is still proud of—his marriage to Dominga, and passing the State's curator examination.

Frank did one of his most commendable jobs while assigned to Pio Pico SHM for a three-year period starting in 1944. He did a major restoration project on the old adobe mansion and such an outstanding job of documenting his progress and findings that his notes are being used today to plan for the continued restoration work.

Frank made such a name for himself through his special work assignments and his Spanish heritage that Mr. Robert Morris, a well known local writer, did a nineteen-page biography on him. In this article I have used some of Mr. Morris' material.

His advice to new and old timers is worth our attention; "Be sure it is your line, then know your work; do it right, be conscientious; interested; enjoy it."

Frank and Dominga have a pleasant home at 215 South "N" Street, Lompoc, California 93436. Frank's health is in fair condition, but he does have problems with injuries he suffered in 1959 in an auto accident, and his eyesight is somewhat limited. Both Frank and Dominga would be most happy to see any of the park employees. If you can't get to see them they would enjoy a card or note saying "Hello".

Dominga and Frank Guiterrez

RECOMMENDED READING

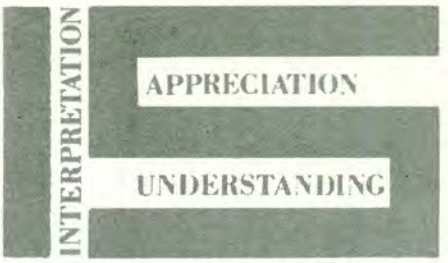
Your Career in Parks and Recreation, by *Joe and Virginia McCall* of PLUMAS-EUREKA SP, is directed to the high school student considering a future as a ranger, naturalist, landscape architect . . . any of the many and varied professions found in the burgeoning fields of recreation and park administration.

In addition to the practical information on salaries, duties, etc., the book gives an outline of the fields' development from the 1870s, when a few men worked to persuade Congress to set aside Yellowstone as the first national park. Now, as the book points out, a ranger can work for the federal government, a state, a county, a company, or even for himself in a private recreational enterprise.

Also covered are the personal qualifications for a successful ranger, recreation leader, or park administrator . . . a love for the out-of-doors is not enough.

Anyone considering a career in the recreational field will find this book (published by Messner, 1970, 190 pages, $3.95) full of helpful information. A copy can be borrowed from the Personnel Section, Sacramento.

What? Interpret Recreation?



by John Michael, Supervisor
Interpretive Services Section

For many, many years the "longhairs" had been going merrily on their way interpreting either history or natural history and resisting any effort to try to merge the two into a good solid interpretive program. Recently, though, we have made a great deal of progress in convincing the interpreters that history and natural history are dependent upon one another, and can therefore be interpreted simultaneously. This has resulted in a much more effective interpretive program. Now we have another opportunity and it has been dropped practically into our lap.

Have you ever considered the interpretation of recreation? After you have peeled the Naturalists and Historians off the ceiling, and some semblance of order has been restored, let's take a look at this proposal.

In recent years, millions of dollars have been spent on active types of recreation. All these recreational pursuits are dependent on natural phenomena, and in many cases take place in historic areas. The interpretation of recreation would most certainly have serendipitous benefits, and would afford us a great opportunity to broaden the scope of our interpretation.

Many people come to state parks because it gives them an opportunity to fish, boat or hike; sometimes to hunt or ride trail bikes or horses; or to indulge in other active recreational pursuits. It is conceivable that we might, for instance, give a demonstration of how to handle a fly rod properly for trout fishing. During such a demonstration it would be easy to weave in conservation or environmental messages.

We could explain that for a person to enjoy his favorite sport, if it's flyfishing, there must be fish. For fish to survive, there must be clean, clear water; and for there to be clean, clear water, it is necessary that people, individually and collectively, do all they can to keep pollution from streams. The fisherman, therefore, could become one of the greatest proponents of keeping streams clear and clean.

In many of our areas, boat launching ramps are provided for the launching and retrieval of boats; theoretically, all persons fishing by boat pass through areas where we could have exhibits to identify certain types of fish which may be caught, to illustrate techniques on how to catch them, and even to have handouts on how to prepare fish. Again we have an opportunity because when the written word is offered we can control what is made available to the public.

How about the guy who likes to waterski or swim? He certainly doesn't want to use polluted waters. We can easily put on waterskiing demonstrations or perhaps support the American Red Cross in swimming instruction, and while these activities are being demonstrated, the conservation message can be subtly woven in.

If by chance the activity takes place in an area that has some degree of historical significance, this information too can be transmitted by reference to pioneers and the legacy our forefathers have left for us – a legacy of plenty or destruction. If it's a legacy of plenty, are we properly handling this legacy, and if it is a legacy of destruction, which it looks as though we may be leaving for our descendents, what can we do to alter the course?

The interpretation of recreation is a challenge, but a challenge with many benefits.

For years we have scoffed at recreation, and many of us have even said that recreation parks are really not state parks, but you had better stop and reconsider. Recreation is getting to be one of the biggest and most profitable activities we have ever known. Virtually billions of dollars are spent on recreation and recreational pursuits every year, and some of the counties in our state get their major support from the recreation dollars spent within their boundaries.

Recreation is big business and must be recognized as such. If in some way we in the interpretive field can participate in this recreation picture and encourage those who are single-purpose recreationists to look at their activity in a greater depth and encourage them to protect the environment, this will help solve many of our problems. If, on the other hand, we continue to interpret natural history only to those who are interested in natural history, we will continue to be surrounded by our own shell and perpetuate our restricted outlook.

Interpretation provides something for everybody and can help everyone to provide something for themselves.

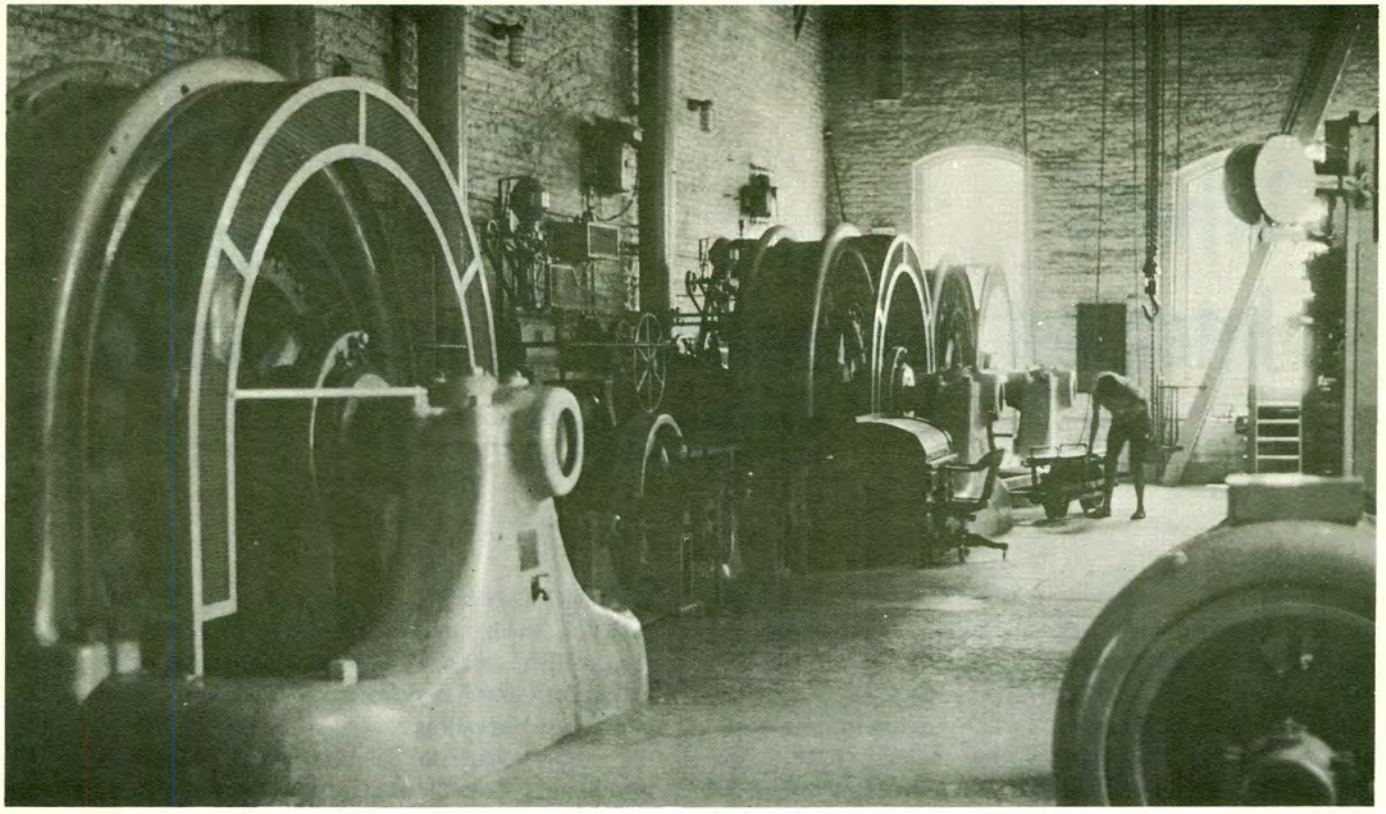


Photo by Tom Myers

SACRAMENTO CELEBRATES HISTORY WEEK

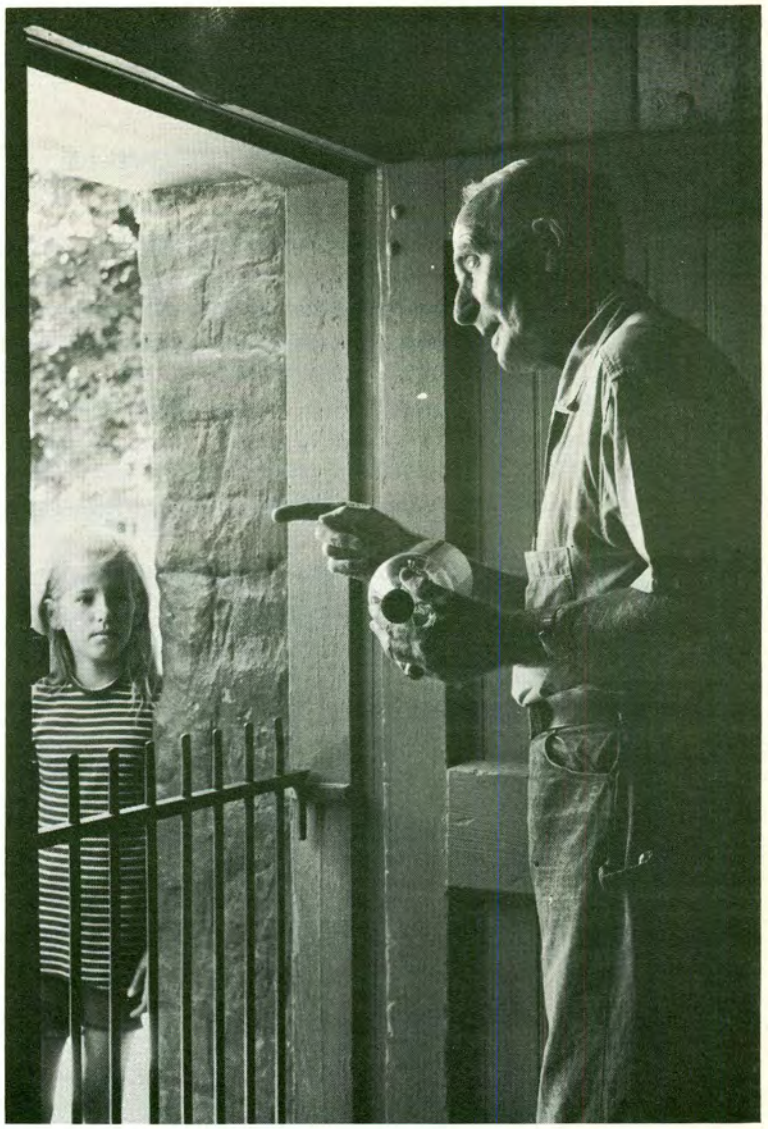
The old Folsom Powerhouse and Sutter's Fort were the focal points for History Week, celebrating the 75th anniversary of the date that hydroelectric power was first transmitted the 22 miles from Folsom to Sacramento. The activities began on August 1 and ended August 8 with the Sacramento Birthday celebration banquet at the Fort.

Chair caning and rushing, practically lost arts today, are demonstrated by Bill Kameyer. ⟶

All week long visitors poured into Sutter's Fort to tour the historic park and to watch the demonstrations of artisans and craftsmen practicing their skills using 19th-century techniques.

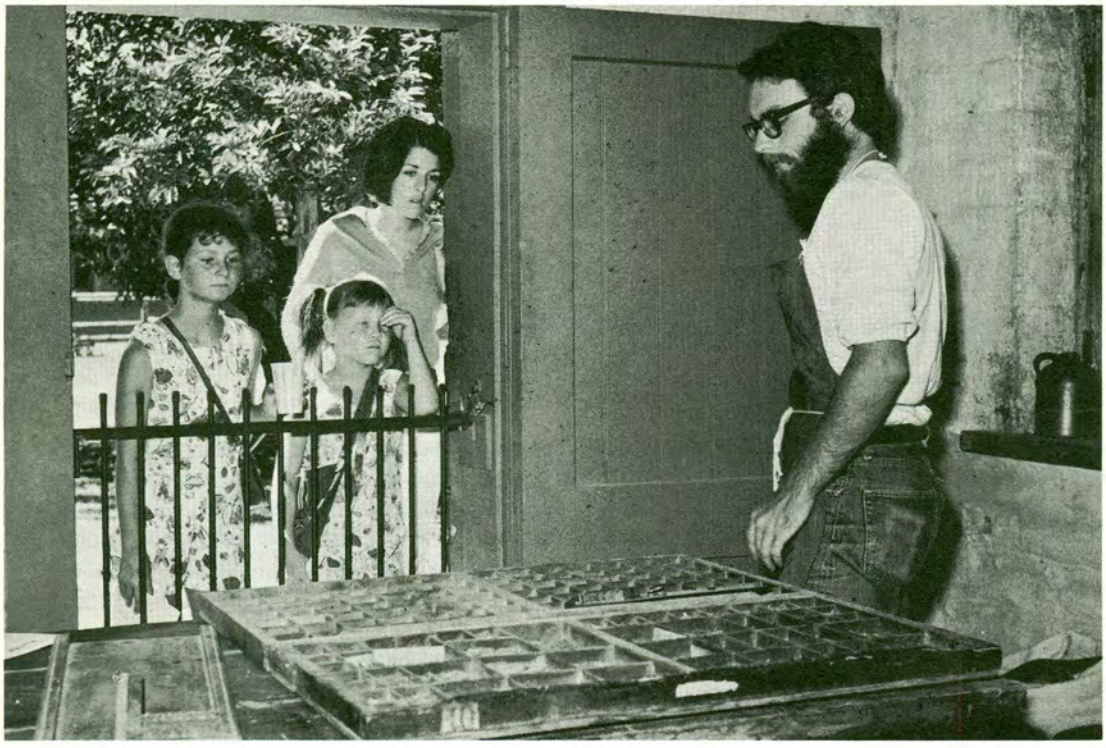
↑ Sacramento Area Supervisor Bob Tardiff chats with Miss July Marine and Mrs. Jeame O'Taylor, who demonstrated Indian crafts.

← The interior of the old Folsom Powerhouse as it must have looked 75 years ago.



Fred W. Newman explains to a young visitor how he fitted "two" wooden ships into a bottle. →

↓ Printing methods of the 19th-century are displayed by W. Brent Bray.



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SAFE BOATING PROGRAM AT OROVILLE PAYS OFF

Ranger *L. L. Lance* reports that the safe boating program at Lake Oroville SRA which was held June 20-July 12 paid off--50,000 people visited the lake during the period without a single serious accident. Credit goes to members of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla No. 38 of Paradise and Boy Scout troops and Sea Explorer ships from Chico, Paradise and Oroville, who educated visitors on boating safety, and to the publicity efforts of many merchants in the Oroville area, local publications, and KHSL-TV of Chico.

Coast Guard Operations Officer Lowen Hather of Paradise explains safety equipment to visitors as Ranger Emmett Smith looks on.

Coast Guard Training Officer Fraser Lovett inspects safety equipment on visitors' boat launching at Spillway ramp.

Sea Explorers Jerry Hilliard and Mike Maguire hand out safe boating literature and litter bags at Lake Oroville boat ramp.

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COME AGAIN??

It was up to Ranger Allen Hibch *at MCGRATH SB to unscramble this one:*

Dear Sir:

We again have a problem which we hope you will be able to assist us with. One member of our organization has resigned, her ticket I have returned to her to cancel through the Sacramento office. Two other members are unable to attend. One reservation in the name of Smith, J. has been purchased by another member, who would like to use same. Is this possible? If so it will be used by a member named Jones, W. The other reservation in the name of Brown, F. is also to be used by another member if this too is possible, however, at this time no one has purchased same. How late can a reservation be cancelled for a refund?

I am enclosing a self addressed envelope. Please advise us at your earliest convenience. Still hoping for a great weekend.

Sincerely,

COMMISSION REPORT . . .

Three California groups with responsibilities for the development of various parts of the State Park System had their first get-together in history on July 20, 21, and 22 at the Mark Thomas Inn, Monterey. The three are the Parks and Recreation Commission, the Recreational Trails Committee, and the Historical Landmarks Advisory Comittee.

On the first evening, July 20, some of the group attended the dedication of the Plaza in Pacific Grove. Tuesday everyone boarded a chartered bus and visited Asilomar SP, San Juan Bautista SHP, Point Lobos SR, and Monterey SHP. Highlight of this field trip was a hair-raising ride from Monterey to San Juan Bautista on the hilly, winding, original, unpaved stagecoach route.

Wednesday, July 22, the three groups held separate meetings at the Inn. Part of the Park and Recreation Commission meeting was devoted to hearing reports on the history and accomplishments of the two Committees. George M. Dean, Chairman of the Recreational Trails Committee, reported for his group, and Dr. R. Coke Wood, chairman of the Historical Landmarks Advisory Committee, reported for his.

Two other special presentations were made at the Commission meeting. Mrs. Clarice Gilchrist, vice chairman presiding in the absence of chairman Daniel Villanueva, presented plaques to William Lane, publisher of Sunset Magazine, and Melvin Lane, publisher of Sunset Books (who was unable to attend) in appreciation of their contribution of posters depicting 16 of the flags that have flown over California. The six-color poster is for use with the Bicentennial Trailer. The Lanes provided 20,000 copies to the State free of charge.

In a surprise presentation, William Lane presented Director Mott with framed copies of the poster, one showing the flags and the other carrying the description of each flag. →

Members of the Park and Recreation Commission and the Historical Landmarks Advisory and Recreational Trails Committees: Kneeling--Wendell Robie, Trails; Ian McMillian, Commission; Raymond Girvigian, Landmarks; Tom Bonnicksen, Commission; Glen A. Settle, Landmarks; and Dr. R. Coke Wood, Landmarks. Standing--Andrew M. Genzoli, Landmarks; Leah McConnell, Commission; Lowell Berry, Commission; Rev. Noel F. Moholy, Landmarks; Oscar Holdenreid, Trails; Clarice Gilchrist, Commission; Dr. Clement Meighan, Landmarks; Dr. Loren Lutz, Commission; Kathryn Kaiser, Landmarks; George Dean, Trails; Mary Louise Bardin, Trails; William A. Lucking Jr., Trails; and Dougald Thamer, Trails.

Director Mott receives a framed flag poster from William Lane.

Area Manager Don Rich chats with Mrs. Gilchrist at Point Lobos.

From left: George Dean, Mrs. Gilchrist, and Dr. R. Coke Wood.

Photos by Ray Chapman

Commission Report (Continued)

The second presentation was a plaque given to Mrs. William (Mayo Hayes) O'Donnell of Monterey in appreciation of her contribution to the history of the Monterey area and to the restoration of the area's historic buildings. Mrs. O'Donnell gave her home, the Casa Soberanes, also called the House of the Blue Gate, to the State Park System as a historical landmark.

Director Mott reported on a new "Pennies for Poppies" program being carried on by various garden clubs throughout the State that are collecting money to be used to purchase a poppy reserve. He added that the Department is interested in acquiring a poppy reserve in Antelope Valley, Los Angeles County, about 15 miles west of Lancaster. It contains one of the last remaining natural stands of popies and should be preserved.

The Commission endorsed the recommendations of the Montana de Oro Advisory Committee calling for a nine-month study of the use of the dunes areas at Morro Bay SP and Pismo SB. While the study is being conducted, the Commission voted that no vehicular traffic be allowed at Morro Bay within 50 feet of the water line.

The Commission's resolution stipulated that "during the nine-month study period, the Department study the use of the dunes not only at Morro Bay but at Pismo Beach, collect information and data, and prepare a report to cover use control, protection, equipment and/or manpower requirements, operational cost and possible revenue sources, land requirements and such other data and/or information as may be pretinent together with recommendations for the Commission's study."

The Commission also acknowledged three gifts:

1. Hearst San Simeon State Historic Park, San Luis Obispo County, including the buildings and 149.8 acres of land, valued at $3,500,000, a gift of the Hearst family and Corporation;

2. Three parcels of land at Castle Rock State Park, Santa Cruz County, totaling 400 acres, valued at $115,000, a gift of Conservation Associates in memory of the late Dr. Russell H. Varian;

3. The Robert Crafts Memorial Grove of 10 acres at Big Basin Redwoods State Park, Santa Cruz County, valued at $5,000, given through the Sempervirens Fund by Lt. Cdr. Byron C. Crafts, Dr. Robert Crafts and Dr. David Crafts.

BITS & PIECES

A long-haired, bearded fellow inquiring about employment at TORREY PINES SR found out that he would have to shave and get a haircut. His response: "It might be worth it!"

This ad was seen on the campground bulletin board at DOHENY SB: "Three 2-day weekends at Doheny State Beach--prefer to trade for same weekends at San Elijo or Carlsbad State Beach..."

OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO SHP, in there fighting the environmental battle, has a display including a bottle of dying Lake Erie's water, a bottled oil spill "cleaned up" with detergent, and a bent beer can with the legend "Every Day is Earth Day." According to Historian *Don Nicol*, a nice little lady came in, looked it over, and dropped a quarter into the beer can to contribute to the cleanup – that should pay to pick up three quarters of a piece of litter.

As RUSSIAN RIVER AREA Ranger *Bill Bishop* was leaving home one day, he mentioned that he had to go on duty at the kiosk. His daughter asked, "How do you spell that?" and, when he told her, she said, "The way you talked about it all these years, I thought it was spelled CHAOS."

Radio report from the ranger on patrol in the SAN MATEO COAST AREA: "Two horsemen, 36 hounds, and one bugle just passed through San Gregorio unit." Area Manager *Dave Redding* waited and waited, but the fox never appeared.

A camper decided that BOTHE-NAPA VALLEY SP wasn't the spot for him – his generator broke down, and the park had no electrical hookups so he could have air conditioning for his dog.

Drawings by Martin Chan

The comfort station where the Microphor system had been undergoing tests for the two months prior to the dedication.

New Waste Disposal System Eyed for Parks

Imagine a standard five-toilet comfort station with an average of 600 uses daily. Would you believe that such a system would only use 150 gallons of water each day?

The new Microphor System of Sewage Conversion, which is manufactured by Microphor Inc. of Willits, has had such a facility in operation at Russian Gulch since late May. Installed in one of the park's standard five-toilet comfort stations, it reduced the amount of water used for waste discharge by 95 percent . . . from 3,000 gallons to 150 gallons per day.

On July 24, Director Mott officially accepted the new system for the State Park System. At a short ceremony attended by officials from various state agencies, the Director expressed the hope that the system be used not only where there is a water shortage, but at all units of the park system.

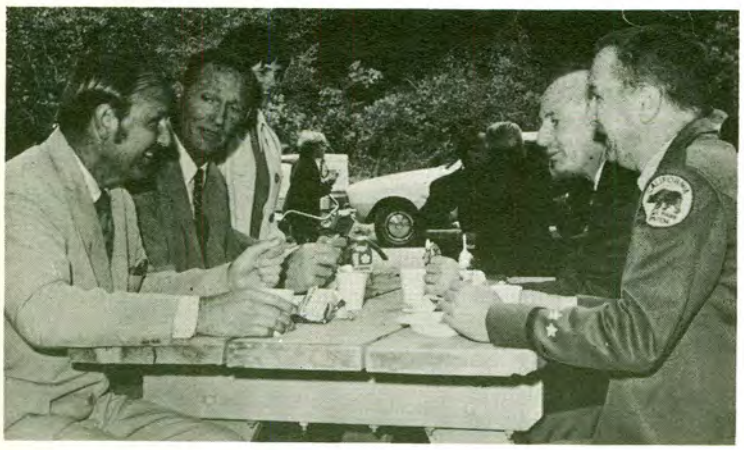
He called the new system a creative and positive approach to preserving the environment, and added "If Los Angeles were using this system, we wouldn't have to worry about moving water from up north to there."

Basically, the system works by conducting waste to a device called an "Analgester," where bacteria and other organisms *completely* digest and reduce the material. Only one quart of water in conjunction with compressed air is used as opposed to the five gallons normally expended in a regular system. And, since half the water is evaporated during treatment, only about one pint of pure, completely treated liquid is discharged.

The liquid is clear, clean, and suitable for irrigation or discharge directly into a sewer system or harmlessly into the ground.

Director Mott also acknowledged the work of the area's park personnel in getting the site ready for the dedication. They worked all night for two nights painting and cleaning the comfort station.

Photos by Dick Thompson



(from left) Herb Heinze, Deputy Director Ray Hunter, Department of Public Health Sanitary Engineer Richard McMillan, and Area Supervisor Bill Allison, talk over the merits of the new system at the picnic lunch given at the park that day.

Jack Hiehle pointed out in his article on Design Review in the July issue, roof overhangs can be quite a hazard to camper rigs and trailers. After three accidents at GRIZZLY CREEK REDWOODS SP, Park Maintenance Supervisor George Kafka and Ranger Jeremiah Hayes solved the problem with these attractive planters. Not only have they prevented accidents in the year since they were installed, but they also provide a good interpretive feature.

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$60 MILLION RECREATION BOND ISSUE TO APPEAR ON BALLOT

On November 3, California voters will be asked to approve a $60 million bond issue for the construction of vitally needed recreation and fish and wildlife facilities at lakes and aqueducts of the State Water Project.

A "YES" vote for Proposition 20 will provide $54 million to our Department for design and construction of facilities for swimming, picnicking, fishing, and boating, as well as for utilities, parking, roads and trails, and $6 million to the Department of Fish and Game and the Wildlife Conservation Board for fish and wildlife habitat development, and warm water fishery establishment.

The bill, SB 1268, which authorized to measure to be placed on the ballot, was signed by Governor Reagan late last month. It was authored by Senators Coombs and Lagomarsino, and co-authored by Assemblywoman Davis and Assemblymen Porter, Harvey, Johnson, Quimby, and Stacey.

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FORMER ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR MOVES TO OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON

Bob Bates, former Assistant Deputy Director and chief of the Division of Information and Interpretation, will be moving to Olympia, Washington to accept the position of Supervisor of Information and Education for Washington State Department of Natural Resources. He will be reporting to Bert L. Cole, Commissioner of Public Lands and Bruce W. Reeves, Executive Assistant, on September 1. His new job will be to develop a public affairs program for environmental education and work with schools to establish environmental education centers around the state.

Since he left the Department in 1969, Bates has been with the U. S. Navy Undersea Warfare Center in San Diego as Deputy Public Affairs Officer. He has been an active member of the Department's Advisory Board on Underwater Parks and Reserves.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD . . .

DISTRICT 1. . .

The MENDOCINO AREA switch from District 2 to District 1 necessitated a property inventory which, according to Area Manager *Bill Allison*, turned up some interesting items . . . for instance, a "paint house" on the inventory which is really a pit toilet converted to a check station, then to a paint storage building, and now back to a pit toilet . . . and the Manchester SB "office" which started out life as a portable tool shed.

Ranger *Reed Denham*, checking out a report of a peacock seen in Fern Canyon at VAN DAMME SP, found only a large domestic duck . . . either an inexperienced bird watcher or an extremely unusual mating pattern.

DISTRICT 2 . . .

Ranger *Dennis Doberneck* confirmed rumors of wild pigs in the SALT POINT SP area . . . he accidently came up on one drinking from the creek after dark. Dennis dodged behind a tree as the pig dashed off through the brush, both of them visibly shaken.

Benicia Area Manager *Lorin Forsyth* reports that the county mosquito abatement man, called into quell the epidemic of mosquitos on the Fischer property, had to catch a mosquito of each sex before he could proceed with his eradicating, according to a new state law. Having complied with the regulation (and how did he tell?) he was able to proceed.

According to Herb Caen, writing in the *San Francisco Chronicle*, "Justice is not blind, as the kids who swim nude around STINSON BEACH discover upon being busted by Head Ranger *Robert Justice*."

DISTRICT 3 . . .

A camera crew from the BBC visited SUTTER'S FORT SHP recently to shoot part of a documentary on the "Real West" to be shown in England.

District 3 Superintendent *Clyde Newlin* was made an honorary life member in the Golden Chain Council recently. He also received a State Assembly resolution recognizing his 34 years of public service in the Mother Lode district.

The Wakamatsu Chorus from Wakamatsu, Japan, picnicked at MARSHALL GOLD DISCOVERY SHP recently. They also paid visits to Okei's grave and the shrine at the Gold Trail School.

COLUMBIA SHP Manager *Neil Power* spotted an ad for a chain saw which illustrated the unsafe practice of the operator holding the saw directly overhead while cutting through a tree limb. Power had lost a friend who was killed using a chain saw overhead. He wrote to the manufacturer, and the ad was replaced by one showing the operator standing away from the limb and holding the saw at a safe angle.

Many public-spirited young people have been donating their time to help out the rangers at MILLERTON LAKE SRA recently: Lifeguard *Tim Ledford's* sister and brother each put in four hours cleaning up the shoreline; *John Reinhardt* spent ten hours on litter cleanup and other duties; fourteen girls and two leaders from Fresno's Queen of the Valley High School put in six hours each to pick up a ton of litter; and three unknown youths put in two hours each to fill ten bushel sacks with litter.

Quick action by Ranger *William E. Perry* and Park Aids *W. E. Pilger* and *S. C. Mord* saved the life of a swimmer at GEORGE J. HATFIELD SRA. Their efforts at mouth-to-mouth resuscitation revived the victim enough to transport him to a hospital.

DISTRICT 4 . . .

Glenn Davis, a permanent-intermittent ranger at BIG BASIN REDWOODS SP for the last eight years, will be leaving to accept a position as principal of Sly Park Environmental Resources School in Sacramento County.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD (CONTINUED)

SAN MATEO COAST AREA Manager *Dave Redding* is really amazed at the ideas and enthusiasm of his seasonal employees . . . for instance, Lifeguard *Bill Wright* proposed a new work schedule which would give better coverage during peak times but call for the same number of hours worked per week. The new schedule was agreed on by all lifeguards and is now in operation.

A group of volunteers from the Ortega School District in Sunnyvale picked up about four cubic yards of trash and debris from MANRESA SB in June.

DISTRICT 5 . . .

A thirteen-year-old was arrested for intoxication at EMMA WOOD SB with two friends who were also arrested, one for possession of liquor and one for having an altered driver's license.

Visiting FORT TEJON SHP after a two-day trek through Sequoia National Park, CARPINTERIA SP Ranger *William Miller* found himself cleaning and waxing the office floor (on his day off!). He was the victim of Con Artist-Park Aid *Tina Araiyo* who somehow talked him into the project.

VENTURA BEACHES Area Lifeguard Supervisor *Merv Larson* and Lifeguard *Howard Henderson* were successful in the National Canoe Trials in Philadelphia and were selected as part of an American team of 25 which competed in Copenhagen in late August.

Ranger *James MacDougall* reports that two ducks, all nice and legal on six-foot leashes, camped in CARPINTERIA SB recently. Their quacking and other antics had the dogs in nearby camps going crazy.

DISTRICT 6 . . .

The sea birds at the SAN DIEGO BEACHES, fascinated by the hordes of people, were perched in a solid line on the guardrails, watching the activity on the beaches on a recently busy weekend.

A park ranger from Australia, camping overnight at South Carlsbad SB, commented on the shortage of public beaches here. Seems his province has over a thousand miles of coast, of which only three miles are private.

ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP Maintenance Man *Ab Null* was enroute from Borrego Palm Canyon south to Tamarisk Grove when several thousand bees, moving west to east, intercepted him. Of course, his windows and wind wings were wide open to catch any breeze. Ab was a bit startled, but his defensive driving training paid off and he had neither a vehicle accident nor a bee sting to report.

A professional-style shoplifting operation was broken up at the SAN ELIJO SB concession stand recently--three boys, ages 7 to 10, were caught with candy bars in their hands. The older boys had been diverting the concessioner while the youngest stole the candy. On being caught, one of the boys nonchalantly exclaimed, "Well, I guess we blew that one." But apparently the incident made an impression on him - his mother told Ranger *Dick Edwards* that when he got home, he threw up.

ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP Rangers *Glenn Mincks* and *Chester Getty* were pruning the Coyote Creek tree tunnel when they heard an unmistakable rattle close by. Both men are still with us, but they report it was a "bit unnerving" to see a big rattlesnake in the tree directly above their heads.

MITCHELL CAVERNS SR Park Aid *Steve Schloming* has been going into the desert-rescue business in a big way of late--he recently picked up two men who were heading for Essex on foot after their car had broken down, then the next day rescued a family of five stuck in the sand on a side road.

Multiple births are hardly even news any more, but the recent "new arrivals" at ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP are a bit out of the ordinary--about 700 baby desert pupfish, each weighing a trifle under two miligrams, are now residents of the park's new pool.

The Marines came to the rescue recently when PICACHO AREA Manager *Don Pohl* had a problem--how to get his Witte generator, back from a trip to Long Beach for an overhaul, into the shed. Three Marines camping the park knew just what to do and the generator was back in place in under two hours.

A pickup camper rolled down the road at HEART BAR SP and narrowly missed going over the Coon Creek Jumpoff. It finally stopped, upside down, in a draw to one side of the jumpoff; the child inside was not hurt.

We join the ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP staff in hoping that Area Manager *Jack Hesemeyer* can work his way through this work which piled up during his month-long vacation in time to take another vacation next year.

This is one of a weekly series of articles "From the Plaza Square" that Ranger William J. Hill of San Juan Bautista SHP writes for the Hollister **Evening Free Lance.** *Reprinted by permission.*

SAN JUAN BAUTISTA CELEBRATES CENTENNIAL

Approximately 35,000 persons gathered in San Juan Bautista Sunday, July 12, to celebrate the 173rd birthday of the old Mission. Lt. Governor Ed Reinecke and his wife motored to San Juan to be a part of and enjoy the day's festivities. The Department of Parks and Recreation was well represented by our District Superintendent Milton M. Frincke and family and Area Visitor Services Supervisor Jim Beck, all of Monterey.

The parade, comprised of beautiful floats, surpassed only by their delightfully beautiful occupants, interspersed with marching bands, baton twirling majorettes, precision stepping drill teams and the epitome of saddlery mounted on some of the West's finest horses, started the day's exciting festivities. As usual, the afternoon found stalwart men seeking to outwit their counterparts of the animal kingdom in the Rodeo Arena.

Following the parade hundreds of people gathered in the Plaza Square to enjoy the music of the Mariachi Band, dance or picnic on the lawn. It was standing room only in the streets surrounding the square and only the hardy, standing shoulder to shoulder, could shuffle their feet to the beat of the music.

As cans, bottles, paper and other debris made walking increasingly difficult across the square and along the crowded streets many expressed concern for those facing the monumental clean-up problem the following morning. The City, County and State, however, have a well coordinated system of clearing the debris following crowd-bearing days such as the annual Fiesta and Rodeo, Flea Market, etc.

Monday morning found three clean-up crews totalling approximately 30 men and volunteer merchants, Scouts and 4-H members working side by side in an all-out effort to restore cleanliness to the city. Approximately 700 cubic feet of debris was dumped into large potato bins and fork-lifted onto trucks bound for Refuse Centers.

By 11 a.m. the Park and San Juan Bautista could have withstood the traditional white glove inspection.

During the clean-up process many sacks of aluminum cans were being filled by youngsters along the streets and around the square to be returned to their source for re-cycling and for which the youngsters received one-half cent per can. It might be well to note here that if all cans and bottles carried a bounty of two cents, coupled with convenient centers to receive and pay for this refuse, housekeeping at San Juan and throughout the State would be decidedly diminished and less costly.

Of interest to local readers is the appointment of Ranger Barry Breckling as Unit Supervisor of Fremont Peak State Park filling the position recently vacated by the retirement of Elmer Jones.

Barry, a graduate of Humboldt State College with a degree in Wildlife Management, is a distinct asset to the Interpretive staff of the Area. He will continue to assist with the historical interpretation of San Juan Bautista until another Ranger is assigned to round out the staff. Barry and his lovely wife, Candy, have taken up permanent residence at the Peak and are a most welcome addition to the Monterey Area State Parks.

"PLAYING" WITH FIRE CAUSES BLAZE AT MARSHALL GOLD DISCOVERY SHP

Two boys, ages 10 and 11, started a brush fire that scorched 35 acres of Marshall Gold Discovery SHP on Sunday, August 9. All told, about 161 acres of tinder-dry, sun-scorched foothill land were burned. Over 300 men and airplanes to drop chemicals were called out to fight the fire, which fortunately destroyed only one structure, a small wooden outbuilding. The boys started the fire near their homes in Lotus, just across a ridge from Coloma and the park.

THE POPULATION EXPLOSION IS A MYTH!

The results of the latest census are now known, and it appears that things may not be so bad after all. By the year 2000, we may have only 266 million people in the United States and not the 350 million projected. The larger figure was a projection based on the rate of population increase during the 1950s--the smaller figure is the projection based on increase during the 1960s . . . viva la pill!

You will be happy to learn, however, that even if the population increase does not slow down as expected there is nothing to fear--we have a plan.

There are approximately 100 million acres in California, of which something like two-thirds is not suitable for habitation, being made up of desert, mountain ranges, lakes, etc. This leaves us with about 33 million acres of prime residence land along our coast, in our delta and valley areas, and in the redwood regions.

If indeed there are 350 million people living in our country by the year 2000, we could put all of them in this prime residence area. Figuring about 3.5 persons per family, each family would have better than a one-third acre plot. And that's not bad when you realize that the average home lot is only a quarter of an acre or less.

This leaves the remaining two-thirds of California and the entire area of the other 49 states as open space. Except for the portions needed for farming, mining, manufacturing and the like, the greater part of the United States would be one big picnic ground.

There is one small problem,though. That is waste disposal. We are working on that and we think we have it solved. If we pump out Lake Tahoe, we can use the basin as a gigantic landfill area. It may take some engineering, but after all if we can put a man on the moon . . . !

. . . Editor

BOTTOMS UP?

Ranger *C. B. Smith* of SAN LUIS RESERVOIR SRA reports rescuing two fishermen whose boat overturned recently . . . the boat was painted to blend with the surroundings, in order to sneak up on the ducks, and if the two men themselves hadn't been seen they might easily have drowned. Ranger Smith suggests painting boat bottoms an easily visible color such as yellow, red, or flourescent orange so that "bottoms up" won't mean "curtains."

PLAGUE INVESTIGATION GIVES PARKS CLEAN BILL OF HEALTH

The recent outbreak of bubonic plague in northern California which led to an investigation of McArthur-Burney Falls Memorial SP has resulted in a clean bill of health for the park. Results of tests made on fleas and animal tissue collected in the park have come back negative, and no signs of plague were found.

Bubonic plague is endemic to northern California and the area involved in the recent outbreak extends from Susanville and Lake Almanor northwest through parts of Shasta and Siskiyou Counties. However, Lassen Volcanic National Park and Castle Crags SP have not been affected.

Dr. Louis F. Saylor, state public health director, announced a quarantine on commercial trapping of small animals, especially squirrels and chipmunks, which had been dying in large numbers this year in parts of Plumas, Lassen, Shasta and Siskiyou counties. Animal burrows have been dusted with pesticides to kill the fleas that carry the disease.

The disease may be transmitted to humans by infected fleas, which leave the burrows in which the rodents die to seek other animal hosts, although not all fleas will bite humans and not all fleas carry the plague.

The investigation and chemical treatment program to eliminate fleas were sparked when two persons who had visited the park became ill with the plague.

VOX POP

LETTERS! We got so many letters telling about the wonderful jobs the men in the field are doing that we can't come close to printing all of them. Below is just a sample of the compliments:

Super-Honest Camper wishes to make payment for stay at SAN ELIJO SB:

We stayed one night with 17' trailer but found no one to take our money. Please write us if you wish us to make payment. P. S. 2 persons, no pets, no firearms.

Frank Noel
Carpinteria

These campers will return another day when they can better enjoy the redwoods at PRAIRIE CREEK REDWOODS SP:

Please accept our grateful appreciation to you and your staff for your assistance in the search for our daughter on June 24th. She was looking for flowers and soon realized she didn't know her way back to the car. "I never cried", she said, "I just found a trail and stayed on it. I wondered where I would come out. I had just walked out of the woods when a Highway Patrolman picked me up." We celebrated the 4th of July with grateful hearts. Thanks again to all.

Dr. and Mrs. Luther Stumme & Sonja

Sheriff commends DISTRICT I Hq. personnel for being available in times of emergency:

I wish to extend my personal thanks and that of my Department to you for your prompt response on July 20. It is comforting to know that you people are available in time of emergency. It is our hope to develop a plan that will include police and related agencies within the county. Any ideas that you have will be most welcome.

Gene Cox, Sheriff
County of Humboldt
Eureka

Group's stay at VAN DAMME SP a pleasurable one:

May I take this opportunity to express the pleasure afforded our group during a recent stay at Van Damme SP. The accommodations were very satisfactory and the Park Staff most helpful.

Curt Bowman
Santa Cruz Aquatechs

Personnel at RICHARDSON GROVE keep their cool:

During a visit to Richardson Grove State Park I noticed that though Park Employees were under constant strain from people trying to get into the park, they never once lost their tempers. Also after I foolishly drove my car into the bottom of the river, the maintenance man who pulled me out actually *apologized* for taking so long. Congratulations to these employees for doing a fine job.

Wayne Fanning
Transfer Counselor
DeWitt State Hospital

Visitor praises cleanliness at JEDEDIAH SMITH REDWOODS SP:

We were very impressed with the park and with the personnel. Everything was kept clean--restrooms shining, garbage cans emptied--with none of the hustle and rattle-bang of the city. One rarely saw these things being done--much less heard them. We enjoyed the campfire program, we found it fun and interesting. This is one place one can see where his tax money is being used and can enjoy it.

Mrs. Joanna B. Morton
San Leandro

Family enjoys campfires at DONNER MEMORIAL SP:

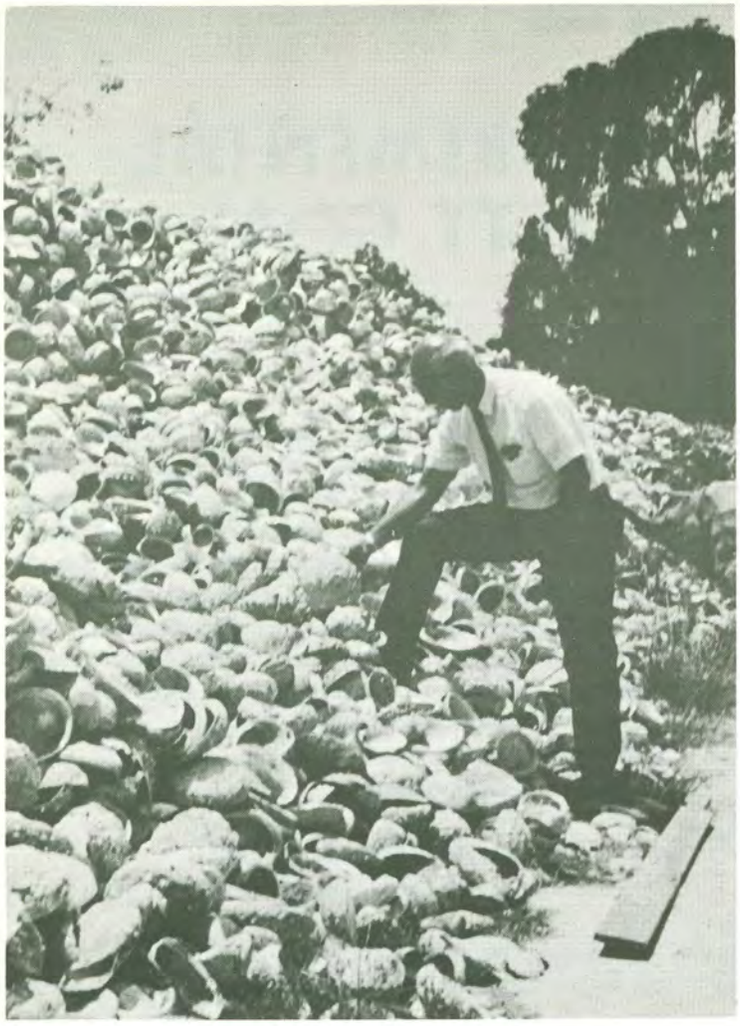
Our girls *thoroughly* enjoyed the campfires especially the new and funny songs. The neighborhood now sings "Gladys" in loud unison. Our family will think of Donner (and the men who make it work) with warm and happy memories.

Jean Davini and Family
Yuba City

These folks say no "Generation Gap" at PFEIFFER BIG SUR SP:

We arrived quite late and without reservations. We were tired from a lengthy drive and there was a long line ahead of us. When our turn came the young men were so friendly and acted so genuinely happy to see us, we thought there certainly was no generation gap here.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rutherford
San Jose



Not too long ago, there was a terrific row between conservationists and abalone fishermen--the latter contended that those *&!!@† sea otters were eating all the abalone. As District 5 Superintendent Lloyd Lively pointed out, it certainly is nice of the sea otters to pile up the shells so neatly--here, Assistant Superintendent Al Salzbeger admires such a pile on the outskirts of Santa Barbara.

VOX POP (continued)

Off Duty Employee to the rescue at SAN CLEMENTE:

A member of our party suffered a severe knee dislocation and had to be driven 15 miles in a park truck for medical treatment. An employee, *Robert Vasquez*, though off-duty, assisted us in a most cooperative and thoughtful manner. With appreciation I bring his name to your attention.

Professor Donald Urquhart
California State College
Long Beach

The Rangers at LAKE ELSINORE get three cheers from this grateful couple:

My husband and I wanted to send this note of appreciation for the fast and efficient action of your Patrol Boat Crew June 28, when my husband so nearly drowned. It takes just one emergency such as this to make us appreciate how important it is for your department to be there.

Mr. & Mrs. D. McKeel
San Dimas

Rangers from BIG BASIN & MT. PALOMAR win a vote of confidence from this family:

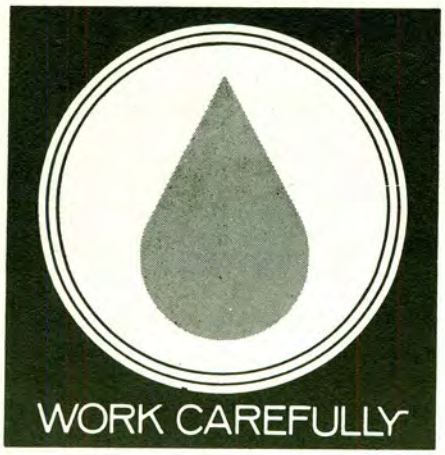
Happiness is camping at Big Basin and Mt. Palomar with 6 kids. We wish to make special mention of Rangers *Glen Davis* and *Roger Miller* at Big Basin and Ranger *Tom Miller* at Mt. Palomar. Their courtesy, good humor and information were invaluable.

The J. H. Kosman Family
Norwalk

Three debs give park personnel of PLUMAS-EUREKA a plug

We're grateful not only for the lovely setting and pleasant neighbors, but for your extremely pleasant manners and helpful ways. The park personnel we've come in contact with *love* this park and show it. Thanks once more.

Elaine Pikull, Belmont
Janet smith, Corte Madera
Jackie Smith, Corte Madera



SAFETY

by Edward D. Wilson
Personnel Officer

Yesterday a State Park Equipment Operator was spraying equipment with diesel oil to prevent rust when a gust of wind blew oil on his face and hands, causing an allergic reaction. The employee did not PLAN to be injured.

Last week a Youth Aid was sharpening a McCloud hoe with a hand file. While checking the sharpness, he tapped the file against the hoe causing metal filings to fly up into his eye. The employee did not PLAN to have an eye injury.

Two weeks ago a Park Maintenance Man I was working with a crew repairing a fence. He stepped on a nail which had not yet been pulled by the "nail puller" on the crew. The employee did not PLAN on being injured.

Three weeks ago a State Park Attendant was mowing a lawn. He was mowing uphill on a riding mower. Improper use of the controls when the wheels slipped caused the mower to flip over. The employee did not PLAN to injure his arm.

Last month a Park Aid incorrectly lifted a garbage can with one hand. The can swung back and hit him in the groin. The employee did not PLAN to be hurt.

Early last month a lifeguard jumped from a tower to run to a victim's aid. He suffered a twisted knee. He did not PLAN to be injured.

Six weeks ago a Park Aid was helping to unload a picnic table from a four-foot-high truck bed. He jumped from the truck bed while holding the end of the table. He did not PLAN to have a sprained ankle.

Two months ago a Maintenance Aid was pulling a McCloud hoe from the back of a pickup. He misjudged his momentum and ran into the handle. The truck was moving. He did not PLAN to injure his lower rib cage.

DEPARTMENTAL SAFETY GOAL – 12 BY 1971

In July 1970 alone, the Department of Parks and Recreation employees suffered over 50 such simple, but serious, UNPLANNED accidents. The common thread causes us to ask: If the employee did not plan to have an accident, who should have planned to avoid the accident? Planning, according to all of the modern literature, is a primary responsibility of management and supervision. We are firmly convinced that our accident and injury experience will only improve when our supervisors and managers effectively plan and lay out the work with proper tools, job instruction and follow-up. Safety and good supervision cannot be separated.

JULY WAS A LOSER

by Bob Dutra, Personnel Office

During the month of July 1970, there were 51 injuries to Parks and Recreation employees reported to the State Compensation Insurance Fund. Of these, 14 were lost-time injuries. The breakdown of lost-time injuries by district was:

District 1	*District 2*	*District 3*
2	*2*	*1*
District 4	*District 5*	*District 6*
2	*4*	*5*

Our lost-time injuries included two from lifting; seven were strains from bending, twisting, stooping, and jumping; two were eye injuries; two were from poison oak; and two were cuts and puncture wounds.

These injuries involved primarily seasonal employees: two Maintenance Aids, four Park Aids, two State Park Rangers (Intermittent), and five Lifeguards (Seasonal). In addition, there was one injury to a State Park Ranger I and one to a Custodian, Historical Monument.

Injuries occurred in a variety of ways. A hernia resulted from the lifting of a heavy waxing machine; a strained back from trying to lift and push a visitor's car out of a ditch; two cases of twisted knees from moving on loose or rocky terrain; one strained back while reaching to paint; one when an employee jumped from a pickup bed holding a picnic table; one when a bottle shattered when dropped into a garbage can; one when a nylon rope under tension snapped; two involved Lifeguards cutting their feet; and two involved Lifeguards jumping from lifeguard towers.

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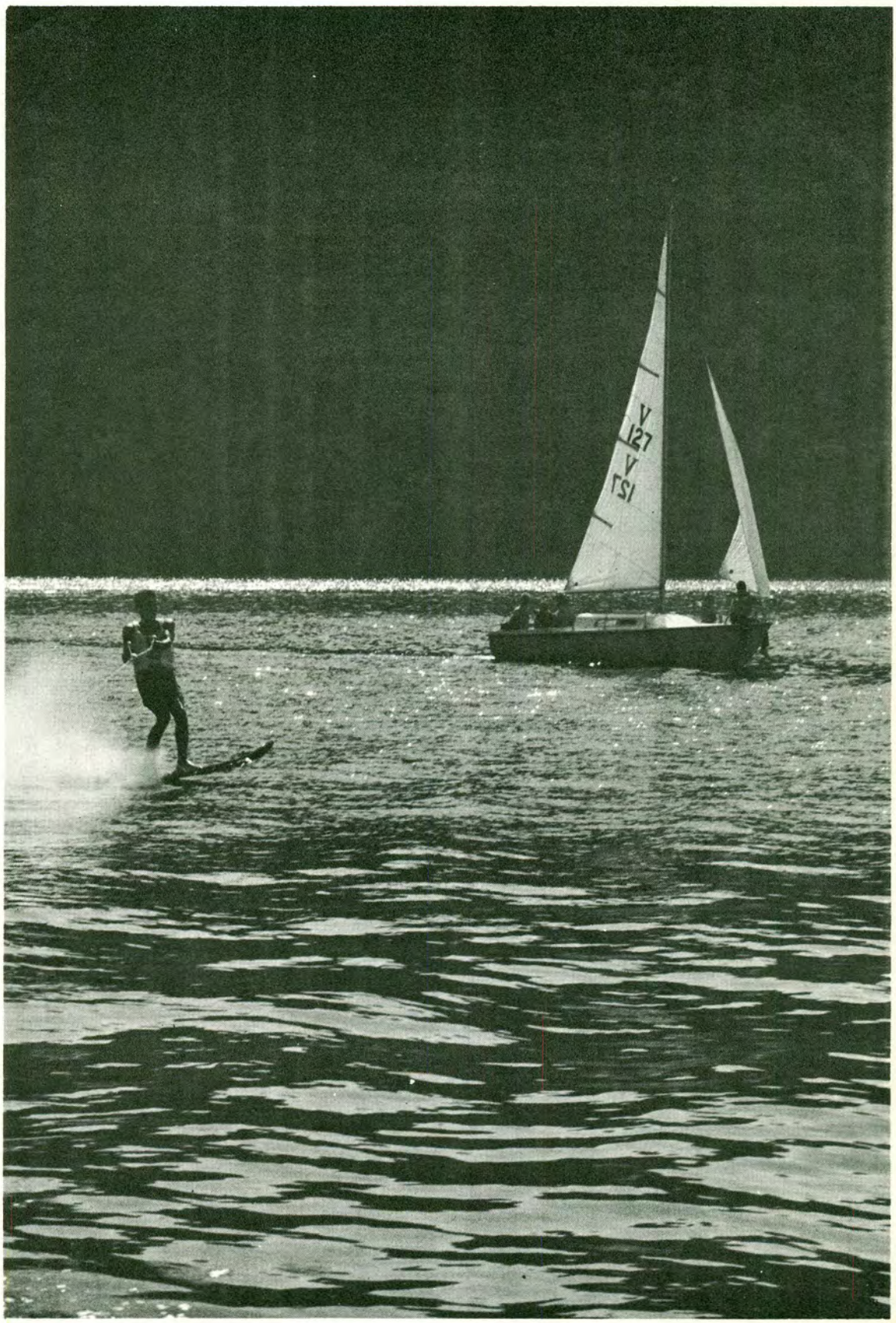

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ON THE COVER: Recreation facilities like those at LAKE OROVILLE SRA at reservoirs throughout the State will be developed if Proposition 20, a $60 million bond issue, is approved by the voters. See story, page 17. Department of Water Resources photo.

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.
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PROPOSITION 21

Forty-five million visitor days of use were accounted for in the State Park System last year. This is an increase of nine million visitor days over the previous year. California's 20 million population continues to increase and at some point in time – 1980, 2000, 2020 – California's population will reach 40 million.

The reservoirs of the State Water Project provide man-made resources that can, if properly developed, satisfy much of the water-oriented recreation demand in California. Passage of Proposition 20 will provide the Department of Parks and Recreation with $54 million to build on-shore recreation facilities at 17 major reservoirs of the State water projects. It will also provide the Department of Fish and Game with $6 million to develop the fishery resources. It is estimated these facilities will provide 15.5 million visitor days of use annually, relieving the State Park System of people pressure it is now experiencing.

The general funds of the State are so limited that financing this recreational development is not possible at this time, nor can we use 1964 State Park bond funds. I, therefore, believe that Proposition 20 offers the best solution for funding and developing the recreational facilities of the State Water Project.

An enthusiastic, positive presentation of Proposition 20 to your friends will do much to ensure its passage.

ticks ambush unwary travelers

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The grasslands on the Pacific slope of the mountainous areas in Southern California are dotted with Live Oak and White Oak trees. Cooling winds blow over these savannas in the months of August, September and October, bringing with them whisps of fog that nurture the lichens hanging from their branches.

A mat of leaves covers the ground underneath these trees, making an inviting place for the weary traveler to stop for a brief siesta. However, many of these travelers do not know that in this serene atmosphere, unseen by man, lurks one of his worst enemies.

Those who frequently visit the open spaces are familiar with the arachnids, or the tick family. Altogether there are some three hundred members with the Western Dog Tick leading the group in popularity. Many are also familiar with the dog tick's larger brother, the Castor Bean Tick, but few have seen or suffered from the bite of the Pajaroella - pronounced Pa-HO-way-lo.

One of the largest in size of the ticks found in California, it measures approximately one-fourth inch wide and a half inch long. Instead of clinging to brush along a trail, like most ticks, waiting for an opportunity to drop on a passing animal, it burrows into the warm bed of leaves beneath the oaks and waits for its opportunity to crawl onto an unsuspecting victim while dozing. The tick will not attack while a person is active, but waits until movement ceases.

Because of clothing most bites are on the legs and arms. A small amount of saliva is deposited which acts as a local anaesthetic, deadening the nerves so the parasitic arachnid can engorge itself without disturbing the host.

The venom from the bite of the Pajaroella is similar to that of the poisonous snakes and can cause extreme discomfort and, at times, require hospitalization. The area for approximately an inch around the wound becomes swollen and sensitive to touch. The wound usually heals slowly due to the fact that when a quantity of venom has been absorbed the living cells are destroyed, leaving an open wound until the natural processes can replace the tissue.

The best defense against the Pajaroella is activity. With the slightest movement of the host the tick folds it legs and drops to the ground at which time it takes on the appearance of a small piece of bark or the end of a twig from a tree.

Those who live in areas where these varmints are prevalent never see them and rarely are bitten. Their protection for an afternoon siesta is a hammock strung between trees in their back yards.

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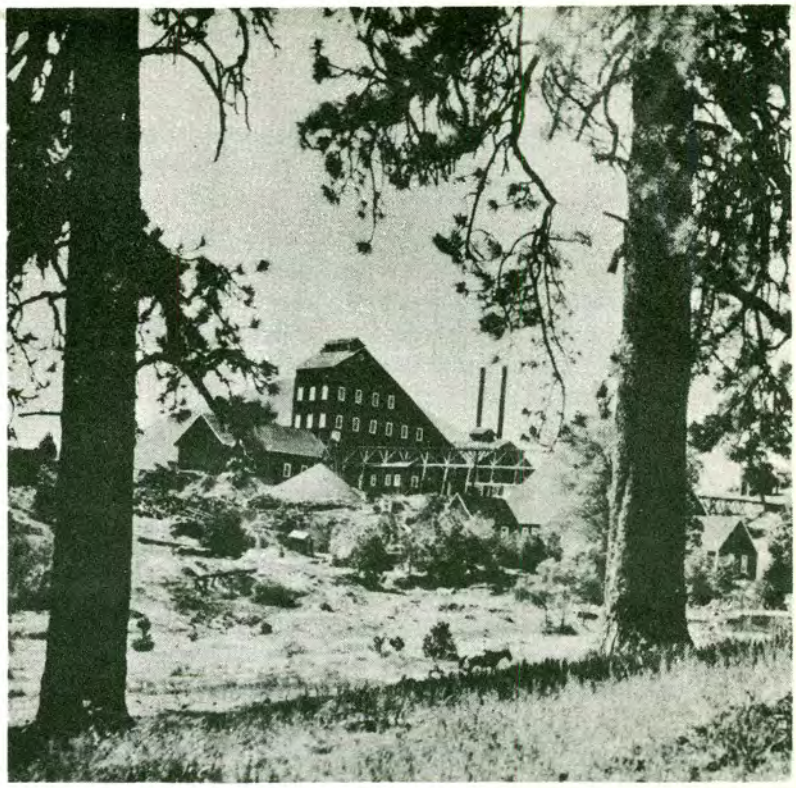

Cuyamaca Gold

The Story of the Stonewall Mine

Twin pines frame this early view of the Stonewall mine. The tall building between the trees contained hoisting apparatus and stood over the mine shaft.

By
Ranger Richard A. Bloomquist
Montane Area

High in the Cuyamaca Mountains of Southern California a pine-dappled knoll overlooks a sweeping panorama of grasslands and timbered peaks. To the south sharp-pointed Stonewall punctuates the skyline, while off to the southwest hump-backed Cuyamaca Peak fills the horizon. Out of sight to the north and west are the waters of Cuyamaca Lake, or "The Lake that Dries Up" as it was known to the Mexicans and early American settlers. Scattered over this attractive hillside in the northern corner of Cuyamaca Rancho State Park are the walls, tailings, and rusting equipment of the Stonewall Mine, the greatest gold producer in the history of San Diego County.

Bill Skidmore, a Texan who had come to California in 1869, made the original discovery in March of 1870 while in pursuit of a stray mule. He found gold ore in a quartz outcrop and called his strike the "Stonewall Jackson" after the southern general of Civil War fame. However, with sectional feeling still running high so close upon the heels of the War Between the States, the mine soon became known simply as the "Stonewall."

Despite its considerable potential, the Stonewall was not a financial success during the first years, since none of its operators possessed the capital needed to develop the mine into bonanza proportions. Skidmore sold out within a few months, and in 1876 the debt-ridden mine and its ten-stamp mill were sold at public auction for $3,246. A succession of owners gained control of the property during the late 70's and early 80's, but it was not until 1886, when Robert Whitney Waterman acquired the Stonewall and 26,000 acres of the old Cuyamaca Land Grant, that the mine finally began to boom.

Waterman, who served as Governor of the State of California from 1887 to 1891, appointed his son Waldo mine superintendent and undertook large-scale improvements in the workings. He ordered a new mine shaft sunk 200 feet southeast of the original one. It eventually penetrated vertically for 630 feet, with horizontal offshoots, called "drifts", totalling 2700 feet on six levels. (This is the shaft, now almost completely caved and filled in, which visitors to the site see today). The lateral drifts probed the ore body or "pay shoot" at various depths, while the shaft itself joined these workings with the surface.

Down the slope from the shaft entrance stood the stamp mill and smelter, where gold ore was converted into bullion. Waterman brought in twenty additional stamps, giving the mine a total of thirty. They rose and fell around the clock, crushing the ore prior to the chemical separation of the gold. The waste rock formed large piles called "tailings", which are still in evidence at the mine site. Although mellowed by time, they nevertheless retain a certain artificial look which betrays their human origin.

Between 1888 and 1891, the Stonewall enjoyed its glory years. About $900,000 in gold, or nearly half its total production of $2,000,000, came up from the depths during this short span. These years also saw the flowering of Cuyamaca City, the adjoining settlement which had been growing along with the mine.

The town spread out on the wooded promontory jutting northward from the mine toward Cuyamaca Lake, a pleasant corner of the mountains now occupied by the Girl Scout Camp. Here stood the two-story Cuyamaca Hotel,

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the Cuyamaca City Post Office, the mine superintendent's home, and many miners' dwellings. The community had its own schoolhouse, reservoir, and cemetery. Governor Waterman himself spent a portion of his time there, living in a frame home shaded by black oaks and surrounded by a picket fence. In an early photograph well-dressed ladies and gentlemen are seen passing away a lazy afternoon with a game of croquet in front of his residence.

It's been said that Cuyamaca City had as many as 500 inhabitants. Over seventy men once worked in the mine and mill alone, and another old photograph shows approximately sixty-five persons -- men, women, and children -- posing in front of a local boarding house.

During its boom years, the Stonewall consumed enormous quantities of wood. Twelve cords reportedly went into the steam boilers every twenty-four hours. (*One* cord is 128 cubic feet, or a rick eight feet long, four feet wide, and four feet high). Some of the stumps and skid roads and forgotten ricks of wood found today on Cuyamaca Peak are probably relics of the mine's voracious appetite for fuel.

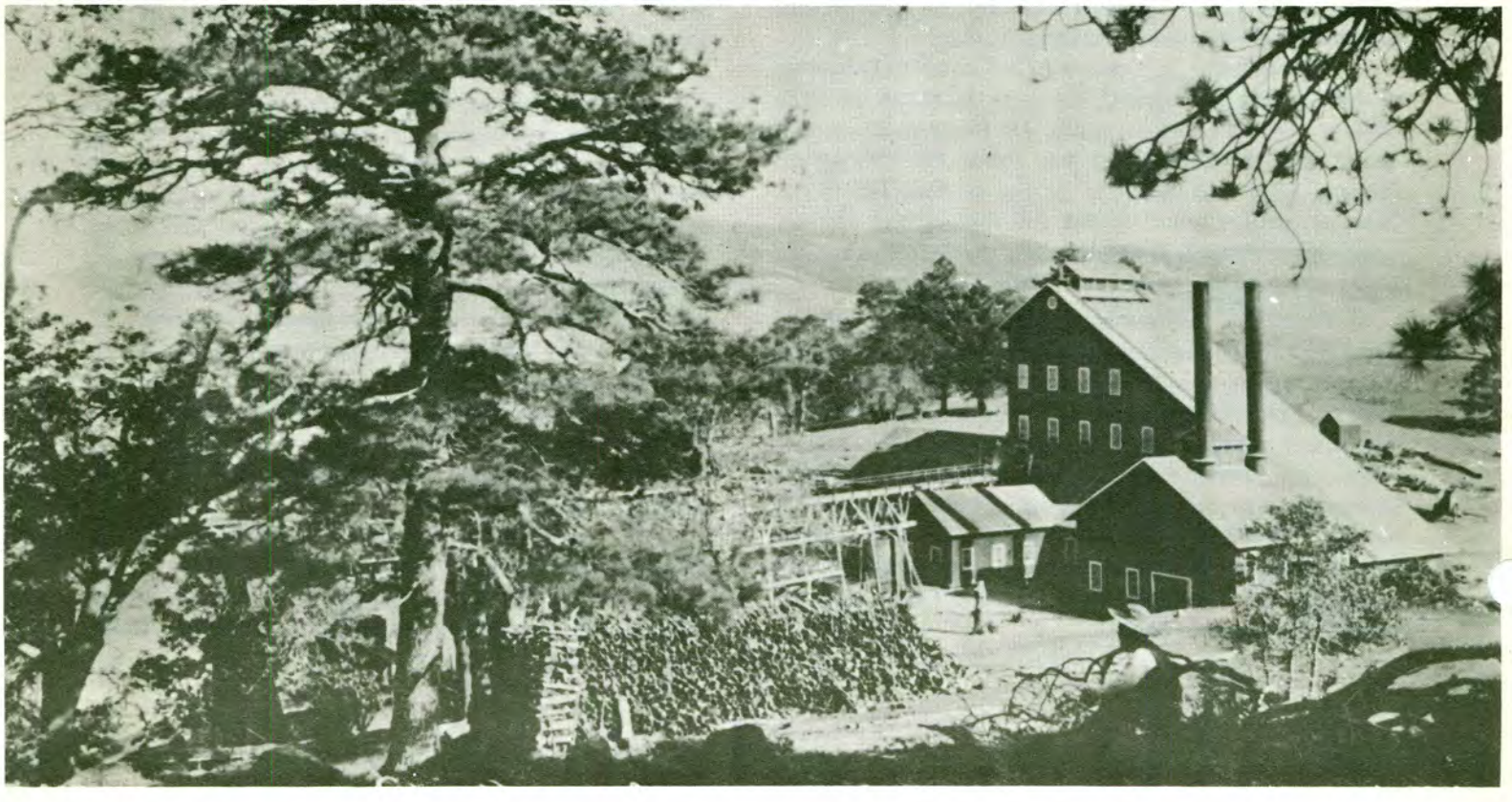
This, then, was the "Governor's Mine" at its zenith. Bonanzas, however, are fleeting things, and the Stonewall soon began to decline. Robert Whitney Waterman died a few months after finishing his term as Governor in 1891; he lies buried in the Mount Hope Cemetery in San Diego. Shortly afterward, the accessible ore pinched out, the Sather Banking Company of San Francisco acquired the property, and by 1893 operations had come to a halt. Later during the 90's some gold was recovered from mill tailings by means of a cyanide reduction process. A second attempt at reactivation took place in 1907-08, but water seeping through from Cuyamaca Reservoir made it impossible to keep the workings properly drained.

Despite the closing of the Stonewall, many of the structures at the mine and at Cuyamaca City survived down into the 1920's. A 1926 issue of *Touring Topics* (now *Westways*) reported that the Cuyamaca Hotel had been razed within the last year, and that some of the mine buildings were still standing. Harvey Moore, who became the first supervisor of Cuyamca Rancho State Park when it was created in 1933, lived in the old Waterman house briefly during the mid-20's. He also recalls that one grave at the Stonewall cemetery was being cared for at that time. Unfortunately, the historical value of these relics was not appreciated, for sometime in the 1920's the remaining structures were torn down and sold for scrap at a Los Angeles wrecking company.

Today's visitor to the Stonewall sees only a shadow of the mine's former glory. A chain-link fence surrounds the boiler and hoist sites; rusting ore buckets, wheels, and cables lie scattered amid buckwheat and coffeeberry bushes; an ore car track runs along the fence for a few feet, while in the center of the enclosure stonework and rotted timbers mark the entrance to the filled-in mine shaft, once 630 feet deep. Outside the fence are the tailings dump, the smelter room site, and the blackened earth of the smithy. A massive wall stands at the mill site where gold ore once passed beneath the stamps.

The miners, along with their buildings and machines, are gone now; imagination as well as a look at historical records and photographs are required to recreate the Stonewall's past. But one portion of the mine's heritage -- the natural beauty of its setting -- has come down to us largely unimpaired. The grasslands still sweep downward from the wooded knoll, and the timbered summits of the Cuyamaca Mountains still fill the far horizon.

Note the wood supply in the center foreground of this old photograph of the mine.



YIELD FROM THE FIELD . . .

DISTRICT 1 . . .

Area Manager *Bill Kaiser* reports that a state park day use ticket and a quarter, evidently meant to cover the $1 camping fee, turned up in the cash box at a USFS campground near CASTLE GRAGS SP.

Assemblyman Paul Priolo, who camped with his family at HUMBOLDT REDWOODS SP, commented that he found both the campfire program presented by Ranger Trainee *Ken Jones* and his visit to the park enjoyable and that he wished he had more time there. He also remarked that he wished Assemblymen showed the same enjoyment of their work as did park employees he observed.

Jack Hiehle of the Development Branch had a busman's holiday at HUMBOLDT REDWOODS SP--during the week he was there he led a group of 17 hikers along the 5½-mile Big Tree Trail through Rockefeller Forest in addition attending many interpretive activities and other hikes.

DISTRICT 2 . . .

Ranger *Martin Brown* was bitten by a rattlesnake smuggled into the JACK LONDON SHP museum by a 12-year-old member of a visiting church group but recovered rapidly.

A $57,000 gift from the Save-the-Redwoods League, plus bond funds, added 270 acres of land containing a first-growth redwood forest to MONTGOMERY WOODS SR. The addition is located at the northern entrance to the park.

It happens every year: campers left GRIZZLY CREEK REDWOODS SP and got 15 miles, to Alton, then returned in a hurry to retrieve something they'd forgotten--their son, patiently waiting at the contact station.

ARMSTRONG REDWOODS SR Ranger *Bill Bishop*, making a camp check, overheard these comments coming out of the combination building: "Do you know how to camp in a state park for free, even if they have their full signs out? I've been camping for three years and haven't had to pay yet." The fellow's system was to come in after midnight and park as close as he could to someone with a camper, lay out his sleeping bags, and leave early. Guess who had to pay his first $3 camping fee in three years!

Among the visitors to BENICIA CAPITOL SHP was a small delegation of gentlemen from Ashi, the Japanese sister city of Vallejo.

DISTRICT 3 . . .

Assistant District Superintendent *Mel Whittaker* had an operation on September 11. He should be back to work around Thanksgiving--meanwhile would appreciate cards and letters. His address: 2715 North Pershing Avenue, Stockton 95204; phone 465-1613.

The Director has commended LAKE OROVILLE SRA Ranger *Lee Lance* for his participation in the successful District 3 safe boating program--Lake Oroville had no serious injury boating accidents during the period of the program.

Two high-school girls, who wished to remain anonymous, cleaned up the litter on a quarter of a mile of beach at MILLERTON LAKE SRA. →

YIELD FROM THE FIELD (continued)

District 3 Aquatic Specialist *Jim Tucker* has recommended that FOLSOM LAKE SRA Lifeguard *Peter Raab* receive an American Red Cross award for his part in saving the life of a swimmer. When the man was pulled from the water there was no sign of life, but after a few minutes of mouth-to-mouth resuscitation and closed-chest cardiac massage a faint pulse became detectable and the victim started to respond. Tucker states that but for the quick action of the lifeguards, the incident would have been fatal.

DISTRICT 4. . .

Ranger *Barry Breckling* of FREMONT PEAK SP has decided to collect rodents instead of insects. . .the mice found his insect collections, all pinned in various locations, and made a snack out of them. Maybe next he'll collect cats!

After their experiences at MOUNT DIABLO SP, the California Air Patrol will surely be ready for real emergencies. In the park to train for search and rescue missions, six boys were picked up by the park staff out of their search areas, and six more were guided back to their area by a local property owner.

DISTRICT 5 . . .

SAN LUIS OBISPO COAST AREA Ranger *Bob Hanks* reports that among other firsts, (the Junior Ranger Program, of most recent fame) the north end of the newly-gathered-together and renamed area lays claim to the first park ranger (Intermittent) who has stepped down from Ranger I. *David Duncan* has been a ranger for nearly five years, serving first at Tin Can (alias Bolsa Chica) and Refugio before joining the staff at the former Morro Bay Area. Dave was in one of the first groups of Rangers to attend the eighty-hour law enforcement training course at the Riverside County Sheriff's Academy. Some of the reasons Dave gave for back-tracking to IntermittentRanger were such enticements as:

1. Wanting more time for hiking and camping.
2. Wanting to devote more work to his junior-size ranch in Atascadero.
3. Wanting to become more actively engaged in our present-day, much-needed conservation projects.

A purposeful planner, Dave has prepared himself for his semi-retirement role by spending 23 years in the Navy and Air Force, retiring from the Air Force as a Major. Eight years of his Air Force duty were in the Explosive Ordinance Disposal Branch. Intermittent Ranger Duncan also holds a degree in Forestry from the University of California.

"There is nothing that compares with this in all the great houses of Europe," said Mr. and Mrs. Hunt during their recent visit to HEARST SAN SIMEON SHP. This is high praise from these professional art and antique appraisers who have over 40 years' experience. The Hunts work through Sotheby's of London, from which Hearst bought many items, and they had been Hearst's guests. "The finest collection of sgabello chairs is here at San Simeon." said the Hunts, referring to the little reception chairs from the houses of kings and lords. "They would go very well on today's market." Mr. Hunt instructed guide Jerry Reynolds in how to detect a fake as he inspected the Dante chairs in the dining room. (If you would like to try his technique, carefully put a straight pin in a worm hole on the surface of the wood. If it goes in, you have a fake. The cagey little worms turn corners, it seems.) The Hunts explained that the crystal case in the Assembly Room was made to house a gift. . .imagine the kind of gift that would be wrapped in ebony, crystal and ormolu.

VENTURA AREA lifeguards came off well in the National Lifeguard Championships held recently at Santa Monica, winning the Ironman competition and tying Los Angeles County in the Surf Mat race. Lifeguard Supervisor *Merv Larson* and Lifeguard *Eric Arneson* placed first and second, respectively, in the 400-meter Surf Ski and 400-meter Kayak races in the International Lifeguards' Championships at Santa Barbara.

Park Aid *Jim Franklin* picked up a *Telea polyphemus*, moth at CARPINTERIA SB recently. The moth, one of two wild silk moths of the area, is more common in the canyons and woodlands and is also sometimes found in chaparral areas. Its larvae feed on the tops of sycamores, California live oak, and canyon maple, and it is seldom seen at ground level. The moth has a wing span of five inches and is tan in color; on each lower wing is a large blue eye, transparent in the center, and also a transparent eye on each upper wing. →

COOKING CORNER

A few issues back we published the recipe for Cornish pasties as served in COLUMBIA SHP. We received the following letter with an interesting variation on the recipe-

"My son-in-law (*Hank Hjersman*) brought home a July issue of News and Views and called my attention to the recipe for Cornish Pasties, as I am of Cornish descent and I learned to make pasties from the wife of a Cornish miner. I'm certain that the pastie recipe of the California Beef Council makes good eating, but the Cousin Jack recipe is somewhat different. I learned it over 50 years ago while I was living in Plymouth, Amador County. The major differences are the suet and parsley.

COUSIN JACK PASTIES

1½ pounds beef top round
2 medium-sized potatoes
1 medium-sized onion
3 teaspoons salt
1½ teaspoons pepper, coarse ground
½ cup parsley, chopped fine
¼ cup suet, finely cut

"Cut beef, potatoes, and onion into ½-inch cubes. Season with salt and pepper. Place about 2/3 cup filling on each of six 8-inch pastry rounds, layering meat on bottom, potatoes next, then onions, and parsley on top. Sprinkle a bit of suet on top of the parsley. Moisten pastry edges and fold over to enclose filling, and press edges firmly together. Prick tops. Place on baking sheet and bake on moderate oven (350 degrees) for 1 hour.

"PASTRY: Combine 3 cups flour with ½ teaspoon salt. Cut in ½ cup each of lard and finely cut suet. Add about 6 tablespoons milk to make stiff dough. Divide into 6 equal portions and roll each to an 8-inch circle.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Marguerite H. Reaves
Sacramento"

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YIELD FROM THE FIELD (continued)--

DISTRICT 6 . . .

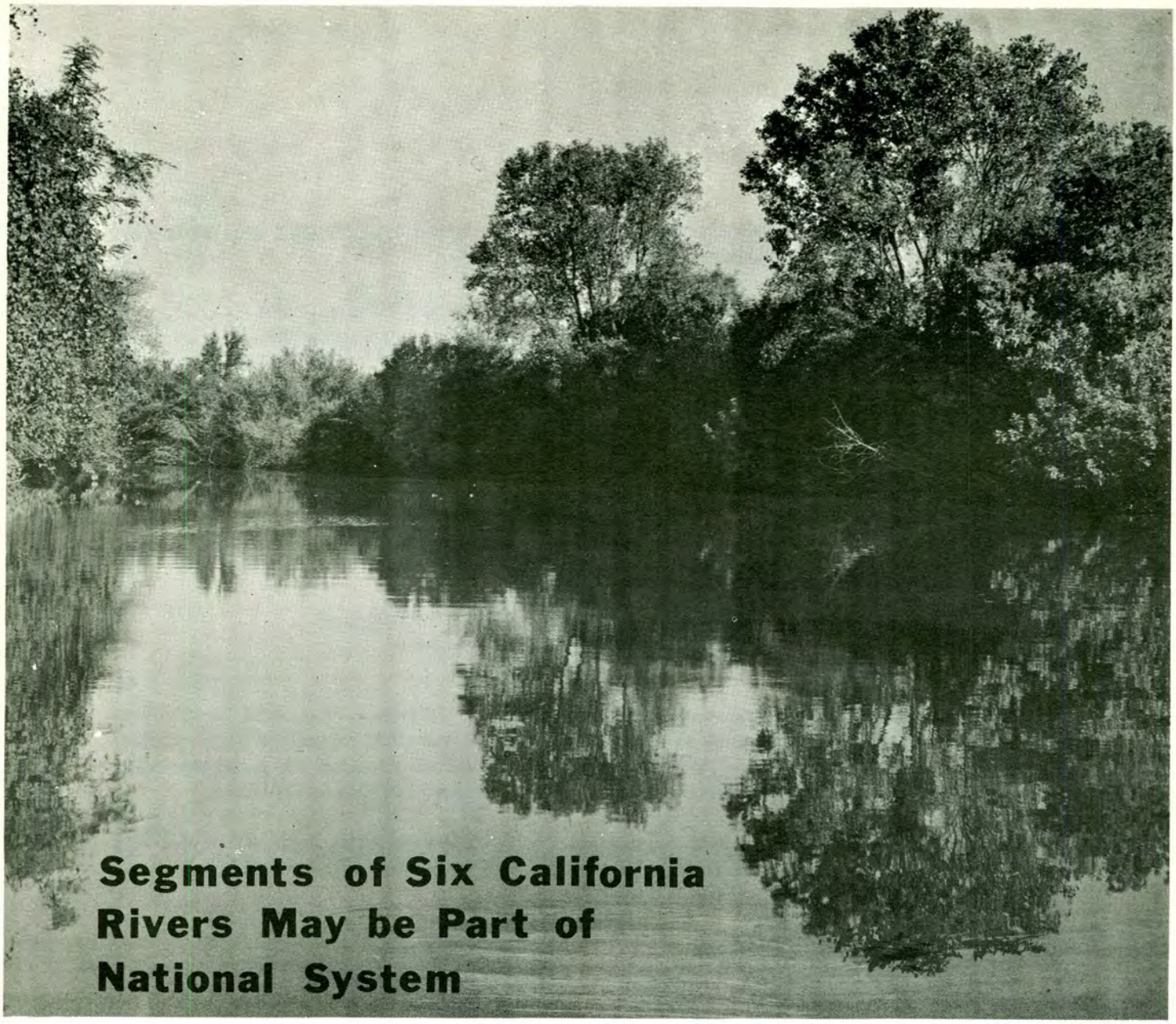
ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP Ranger *Frank Davies* and family had a typical ranger's vacation at SAN CLEMENTE SB--he helped clean restrooms, move furniture, put new washers in hoses and, most important, shared some of his many and varied park experiences.

Eleven members of Boy Scout Troop 884 assisted the staff at PICACHO SRA in litter cleanup--they covered about four miles of road near the southern boundary of the park and collected about two tons of trash.

A camper at SAN ELIJO SB offered Ranger *Dick Edwards* a $100 "deposit" so he could ignore the park rules and do as he pleased.

One visitor didn't feel that the new day use facilities at DOHENY SB were worth the 75-cent fee--he gunned around the office, stopped in the exit lane, and unloaded five people with their swim gear, three coolers, two ice chests, two boxes of food, one watermelon, one beach umbrella. . .and a partridge in a pear tree. Then he drove across the road, parked and walked back in to join his family.

PICACHO SRA now has a new resident--a burro deer fawn which a Mexican national apparently picked up in the Gavalon Wash area and brought to the campground. The Border Patrol picked up the Mexican, and the park staff has a fawn on its hands.



Segments of Six California Rivers May be Part of National System

Sacramento River

Interior Secretary Hickel and Agriculture Secretary Hardin announced their recommendations of rivers for inclusion in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

Altogether all or portions of 47 rivers in 24 states were selected as potential additions to the national system, six of which are to be in California. They are:

Kern--segment from source to Kernville at Lake Isabella.

Klamath--segment from Iron Gate Dam to mouth.

Russian--segment from Ukiah to mouth.

Sacramento--segments from source to Shasta Lake and from Keswick Reservoir to Sacramento.

Smith--entire main stem, North Fork to Diamond Creek, Middle Fork to Griffen Creek, and entire South Fork.

Tuolumne--segment from Hetch-Hetchy Dam to New Don Pedro Reservoir.

These rivers are in addition to the eight rivers Congress designated as original components of the system, and to the 27 rivers originally listed for study in the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (Public Law 90-542).

INTERPRETATION
APPRECIATION
UNDERSTANDING

BE INVOLVED!

By M. H. Getty, Interpretive Specialist
District 6

Involvement must be a final product of interpretation.

And involvement is a key ingredient of good interpretation. Without involvement or participation by the public in an activity, it fades to just another talk or lecture. For young people who are exposed to lectures almost daily in school there must be participation for the activity to be relevant to them.

Participation can vary from the handling of an historic object to a deeper involvement in an action program such as a Junior Ranger program. Smelling the camphor odor of an old sea chest means more to a visitor to Old Town San Diego than reading a label telling from what kind of wood the chest is made. Feeling the leaves of a desert plant and then guessing that its name is Sandpaper Plant is more important than being told its name.

There must be involvement on the part of the interpreter, too. Interpretation is an art and there isn't a real need for technicians who merely relate factual information. The interpreter must give of himself, his feelings, to make the experience meaningful.

Involvement is caring about, and for, a Torrey Pine seedling.

The participation by interpreter and visitor must then be translated and expanded into an involvement in the entire park concept, into a land ethic and a reverence of all life.

The involvement can be taking a child to see a flower or to write a book on nature. It can be buying a memorial redwood grove. . .or a cup of Beth Coppedge's coffee.

Involvement must be a final product of interpretation.

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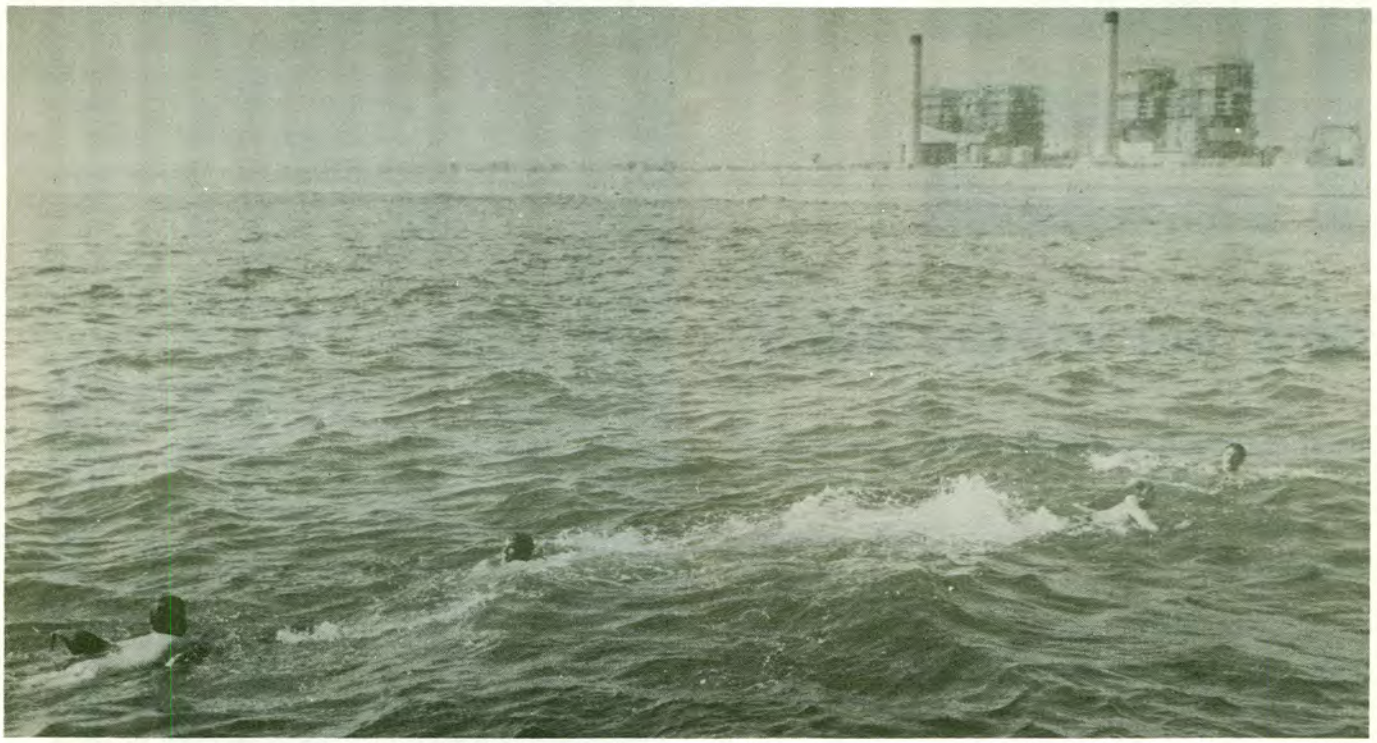
PAR GOLF CLUB KEEPS TROPHY

The Department's golf club, PAR, successfully defended the William Penn Mott Trophy at its annual tourney with the East Bay Regional Parks District and the Oakland Parks and Recreation Department, held this year at the Franklin Canyon Golf Club at Rodeo on September 9. The 9-player PAR team netted 666 strokes under the Calloway System of scoring, winning by over 10 strokes. Individual trophies were won by *Robert Abbot* for hole-in-one proximity, *Walt Barbour* for low net, and *John Hightower* for second low net. Ed Atterbury of the East Bay Regional Park District took the prize for low gross. The departmental team will host next year's meet in the Sacramento area.

Winner of the PAR round-robin tourney, held from April 27 to August 30, was *Carl Greenwood*. *George Dong* took the low net trophy, and *Walt Barbour* was awarded the low gross prize. *Gordon Kishbaugh* received the Friendship Trophy.

Unusual Save at Huntington S.B.



This dramatic shot of the moment of rescue was taken by Mel Tubbs. From left: Mary Otten, Guard Rich Rambaud, Steve Fort, and guard John Campbell.

When the residents of the City of Huntington Beach opened their newspapers Friday, September 4, there on the front page under a banner headline they saw a story and a four-column picture about a rescue the day before by lifeguards at Huntington SB.

What makes this so unusual is that the saving of lives by our lifeguards there has become as routine as "dog bites man" as far as news is concerned. At best, the 40 or 50 rescues on a weekend day would get a passing mention, and then only if it were a record. To warrant this much attention meant that something pretty spectacular had taken place.

The day started out routinely enough. The surf was small, but soon rip tides began to develop. Lifeguard *Rich Rambaud* noticed a pair of swimmers in difficulty about 200 yards out. As a matter of procedure he notified the main lifeguard tower before going to their aid.

The tower radioed *Mel Tubbs*, Lifeguard Supervisor piloting the rescue boat *Surf Watch*, who immediately headed for the swimmers. As the boat came alongside, guard *John Campbell* jumped into the water to make the rescue.

So far, everything was going by the book. Then, when Campbell saw that he was not able to attract the pair's attention, even though they appeared to be looking right at him, he realized they were *blind*.

Being caught in a rip tide is enough to panic an ordinary person--how much more terrifying the experience must be if one is blind. But Steve Fort, 24, of Bell Gardens and Mary Otten, 17, of San Gabriel remained absolutely calm throughout the entire experience.

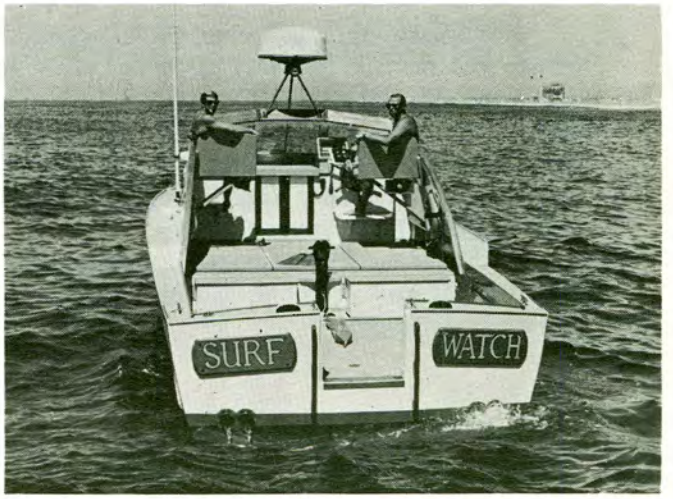
The first thing they wanted to know, said Tubbs, was how far out they were. "I knew we were in trouble when we could not touch bottom anymore," remarked Fort later.

By then Rambaud had reached the scene and along with Campbell, who had already fixed rescue tubes around the pair, began towing them back to shore. Just then three youngsters about 100 yards farther toward shore became caught in the tide, panicked, and started screaming for help.

Campbell left Fort and Miss Otten in Rambaud's custody and struck out for the trio. All five were safely brought to shore.

Altogether that day there were 27 alarms. Final box score: Lifeguards--27, Sea--0.

This picture, taken last year, shows Mel Tubbs at the wheel of rescue boat Surf Watch. The lifeguard next to him is no longer with the Department.



VOX POP

Church Group Says Special Event Tour at SAN FRANCISCO MARITIME SHP was "Greatest":

The San Francisco Lutheran Laymen's League wants to thank all the rangers at the Maritime Park for their assistance in our Special Event Arrangements. We have sent our guests away from San Francisco with fond memories of that gallant ship the Eureka and with an echo of joyful sounds of music, good food and happy people.

Robert A. Gennighof
San Francisco

Visitors really Enjoy the Programs and Personnel at MacKERRICHER SP:

The young man from Humboldt College who put on the program last week showed a true enthusiam for conservation and the park system. We look forward to visiting MacKERRICHER again soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jull
Woodland

VAN DAMME'S Film "Closed for Cleaning" Gets Plug:

We enjoyed the film made by Ranger *Steve Parker* at VAN DAMME. He did a fine job with the campfire program too. Thank you.

Rev. and Mrs. Douglas Bray
Huntington Beach

"Well Done", from Beach Visitor:

We had the pleasure of spending one night at NEW BRIGHTON near Capitola. We want you to know that we were most happy with our stay there. Everything was clean and well run and organized.

Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Cam

These Vacationers Found Park Delightful:

My husband and I were fortunate to be able to spend a delightful week at D.L. BLISS. We felt your park's washrooms and the beach were exceptionally clean and while we told each of the rangers we saw, we also wanted the other folks in the department to know.

Mrs. Florence Dinsmore
Long Beach

This High School Principal is all for our California Park System:

In times such as we find ourselves, I think it doubly important that we maintain parks and open spaces. The youth of our state need to get out of the cities and into areas where they have an opportunity to contemplate nature and get their own relative importance back into perspective. I was delighted to find that the people employed at the HUMBOLDT REDWOODS SP were efficient, courteous and went out of their way to make everyone's stay in the park pleasureable.

William K. Noble, Principal
St. Helena High School

SOUTH CARLSBAD SB Ranger Wins Round of Applause From Camper Club:

We would like to bring to your attention the outstanding manner in which Ranger *Randy Whitefield* handled our accommodations. We were impressed by his efficiency and courtesy to all campers. We feel you have an outstanding employee in Ranger Whitefield.

California Camper Club
Ralph Thomas, Wagonmaster
Garden Grove

This Family Recommends NEW BRIGHTON:

We found the beach so quiet and orderly that our family felt completely safe. We highly recommend the management.

Mr. & Mrs. C. L. Babb
Denair

This Camper is Pleased with "Motorcycleless" Campground at D.L. BLISS:

We were pleased to find a campground where motorcycles were not continually disrupting the general peace and quiet that the majority of people seek when they go camping. I hope the administrators of the State Park System can continue to resist the pressure to allow motorcycles the free run of the parks that cyclists seem to consider to be their constitutional right in so many other places.

Arthur G. Sylvester

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VOX POP (Continued)

Traveler Calls California "Magnificent":

After a two-thousand-mile motor trip through our state, we felt we had to acknowledge the wonderful job the Department of Parks and Recreation is doing to preserve the heritage of California and to express our thanks for the courtesy and kindness extended to us by all the members of that Department at every location we visited.

John A. Sage
Los Angeles

Camper Appreciates Fast-acting Park Ranger:

My daughter was bitten by a snake at FOLSOM LAKE SRA at approximately 9:00 p.m. It was determined later to be a garter snake, but at the time, with only flashlights to see by, it was not easily determined whether it was a rattlesnake. Realizing the potential danger, Park Ranger *Jim Terry* quickly called for a boat to take her across the lake and an ambulance to meet us on the other side. We were at Mercy San Juan Hospital approximately 9:30 p.m. I sincerely thank all those involved in this service.

Mrs. Max F. Jones
Fair Oaks

Lifeguard is Johnny-On-The-Spot at SILVER STRAND SP:

My husband saw that our 7-year-old son was in trouble and was closer to him than anyone. However, Dan had the boy out of the water before he could get there. Our most sincere thanks to *Dan Brimm* and all the other Lifeguards.

Mrs. Gerry Massis
Bonita

PRAIRIE CREEK REDWOODS SP Gets Gold Star and a Big Thank You from this Visitor:

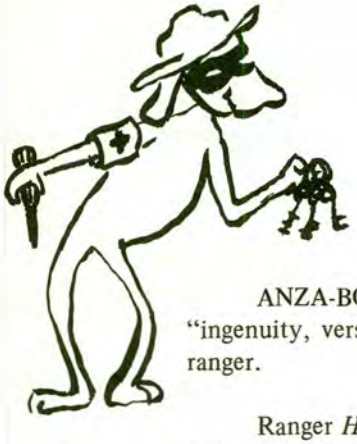
This was the finest vacation we have ever enjoyed. Thank you and your people for making this type of enjoyment possible for the citizens of this great state.

Frank C. La Mont
Modesto

When This Park Visitor Overstays, he Very Gladly Overpays:

We overstayed an hour or two at McGRATH SB. We owe 75 cents or more but I feel we should pay for the entire day. We sure do appreciate the *very nice* personnel. We look forward to patronizing the park again in the near future.

Jenna M. Reinhart & Family
Phoenix, Arizona



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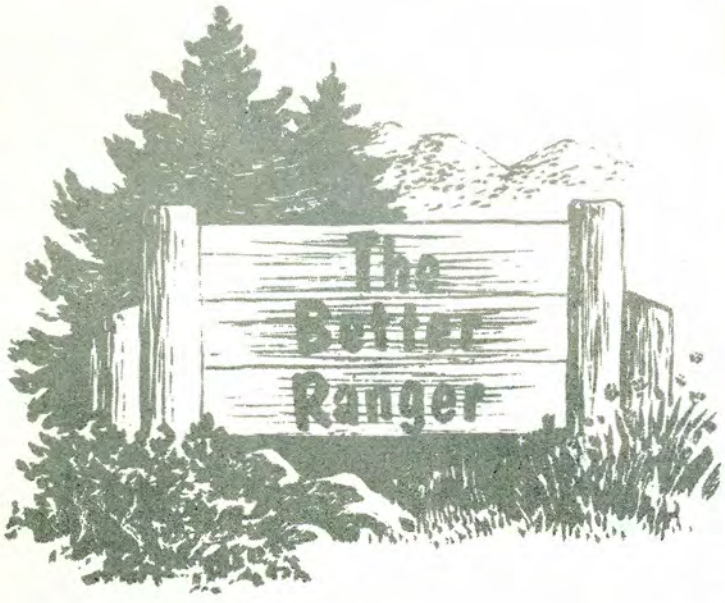
RANGER QUALIFICATIONS

ANZA-BORREGO AREA Manager Jack Hesemeyer reports the following to give us some idea of the "ingenuity, versatility, resourcefulness" . . . and perhaps criminal background . . . required to be a successful ranger.

Ranger *Herman Griffen* was driving to Bow Willow at about 55 mph in the 1969 Dodge pickup when the ceiling liner collapsed around his head. Though he doesn't like driving blind, even momentarily, he succeeded in extricating himself and proceeded to the newly purchased Shear's residence. There was no key, so he picked the lock of the residence with his pocket knife.

His next stop was the Bow Willow Ranger Station, where he was to pick up the rental generator for return to San Diego. The patrol vehicle was parked directly in front of the generator with both doors locked, so he naturally picked the lock, pushed the vehicle out of the way, hooked on to the generator, pushed the patrol vehicle back into the compound, and headed for San Diego.

Returning from San Diego, he rounded a curve on the Montezuma Grade and came upon a car rolled over, with a man pinned beneath. Ranger Griffen and three other men jacked the car off the victim. When the ambulance arrived, Griffen came back to park headquarters to finish his day.



A BUSY, RETIRED, BETTER RANGER

By Ed Earl, Manager
Will Rogers SHP

When the title of "Better Ranger" is mentioned, who but Earl P. Hanson comes to mind? This is not only because of his well established record as better ranger, but for his column that ran in News and Views for so many years. In the July 1948 N&V was the beginning of a series by Earl on "How To Use The Field Manual" that ran monthly until June 1949. The first of"The Better Ranger" series started in July 1949 and ran regularly until his retirement.

Earl started with our Department in 1936 at Richardson's Grove as a naturalist, and worked at Founder's Tree, Humboldt County, at Big Basin Redwoods State Park, and at San Francisco Headquarters. He went to La Purisima Mission for three years and then was called to Humboldt Redwoods as Assistant Supervisor for four years. After that he really settled down in Sacramento for 18½ years. Earl retired as Chief of the Division of Beaches and Parks on November 7, 1967.

Earl and his charming wife Rigmor, "Ree" for short, have enjoyed retired life. A grandson was born at Thousand Oaks, California, September 1969 and another grandson born March 1970 in Ithaca, New York, making them very proud grandparents. They are in good health and have been on the move and active during these past three years. He attended the annual meeting of National Conference on State Parks in New Hampshire in September-October of 1969. He is a member of La Purisima Mission SHP Advisory Committee, a member of SIRS (Sons In Retirement), an elder in Carmichael Presbyterian Church and their Institutional Representative for a Boy Scout Troop and an Explorer Post.

During July 1970 the Hansons went on a three weeks' tour of the Scandanavian countries, visiting aunts and cousins. Sweden is the land of Earl's ancestry and Denmark that of Ree's. They enjoyed a week on board ship viewing the majestic fjords of Norway, several cathedrals and castles of the Eleventh Century, the verdant agricultural areas and pulpwood forests, and the impressive sculpture parks of world renown.

Earl addresses a recent California State Park Rangers Association General Executive Council.

As all Better Rangers do, Earl kept an eye on items of park interest; and his letter contained the following: "The mammoth ski jump of Oslo might have made Squaw Valley even more spectacular. The lack of stray pets, especially loose dogs, in Sweden demonstrates how effective wise enforcement or reasonable regulation can be. Camping in all three countries is noteworthy because most of it is in open country where the brightly colored tents of blue, orange, yellow and green boldly decorate the landscape while sheltering campers from the frequent summer rains. In Denmark, we visited a campground operated by the nonprofit Danish Campers' Association on a city waterfront. It was flanked by the burning dumps on one side and by a sewage plant on the other. But it was full, even in a pouring rain, the bright yellow rain clothing of campers adding to the colorful tents. Our advice is, if you are contemplating European travel, don't miss Scandanavia. Its beauty, historic places, social program and people will leave you with lasting impressions."

Earl and Ree also make frequent trips in the State with tour groups. State parks are always included on their tours; parks recently visited were Calaveras Big Trees and Mount Diablo. They visited other units, from Leo Carrillo State Beach to Jedediah Smith, on their own. Earl is proud of California State Parks and wanted the word of a job well done passed along to everyone in the Department.

Earl and Ree celebrated their 37th wedding anniversary recently with the Elmer Aldrichs at the latters' cabin near Tahoe.

SEX REARS ITS DANGEROUS HEAD

Scientists have attacked the western pine beetle through its baser instincts, according to a recent press release from the U.S. Forest Service. They used a synthetic sex attractant in 257 supression traps set up in the Sierra National Forest; each lured from 500 to 15,000 beetles to their dooms. Sex attractants are considered one of the most promising alternatives to use of pesticides for forest insect control, especially for bark beetles which destroy an average of 500 million board feet of lumber annually.

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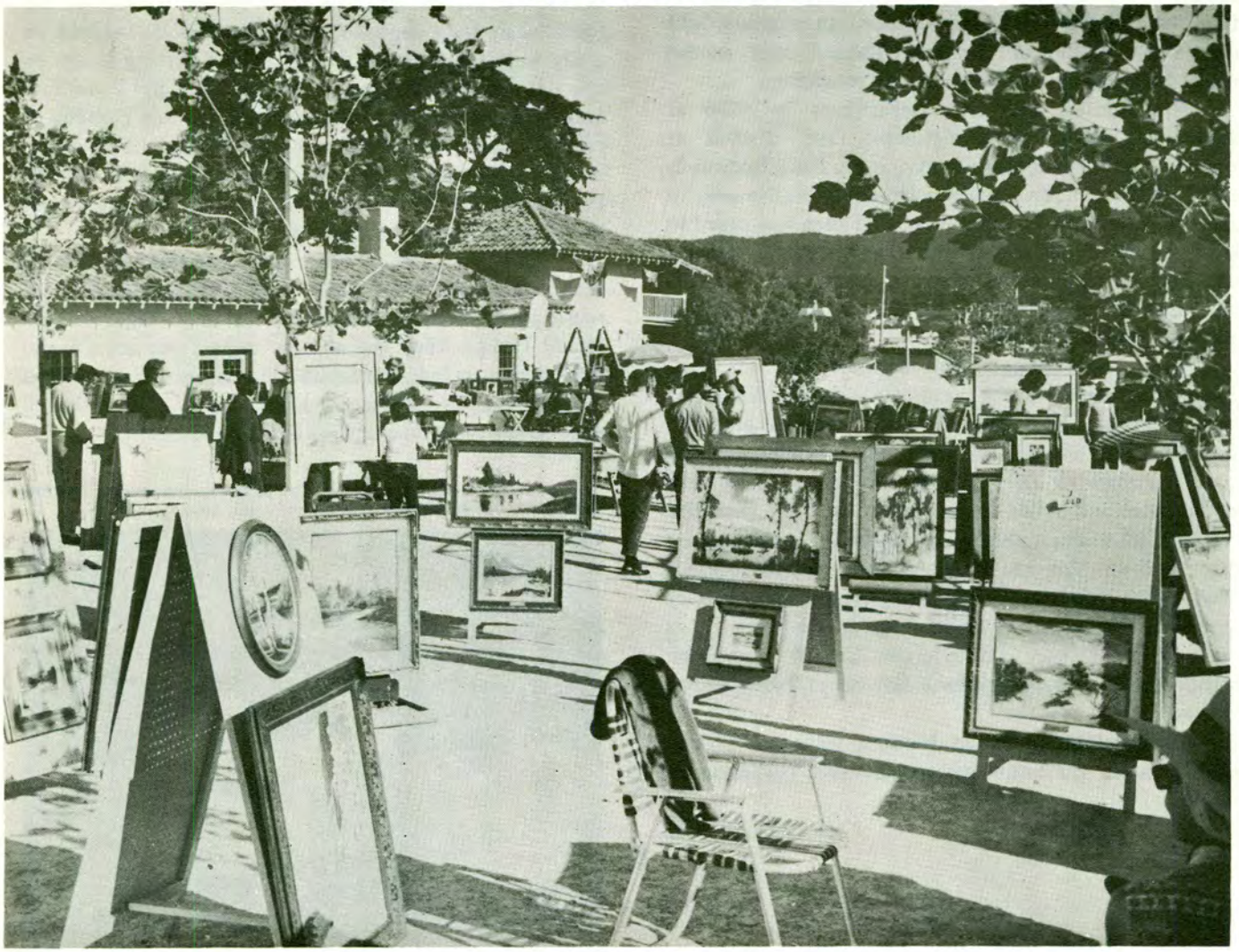
The Arts & Craft Show August 6 through 9th in the Custom House Plaza brought in 208 artists. One could watch welders or a glass blower working his trade or just look at the work of the many painters on exhibit. Photo by Mr. J. D. Carmichael, Monterey.



THE UGLY AMERICAN

Whenever Boy Scout Troop 182 of Elmhurst, New York, finds a pile of garbage in the woods, they plant a sign reading *Destroy a bit of American today*. Leave a beer can in a bush . . . go ahead, no one will see you . . . Placed here in the interest of conservation . . . "

LITTER – A PROBLEM IN OUR COMMUNITY

This article by 12-year-old Boy Scout Mike Bellinghausen, son of FRONTERA AREA Manager Frank Bellinghausen, *appeared in the Imperial Beach and San Ysidro* Reminder.

Have you looked lately at how much litter there is in our community? Just look along the highways, in the streets and the waters around us – Yes even around our houses and churches. Litter is a bad problem everywhere and our Community is no exception. Pollution is a result of litter. Litter ends up in the waters of our Bay, in the ocean and on the highways. Everytime you throw a piece of paper out your car window, a candy wrapper on the street or an empty Pop can in the grass you are littering our Community. It isn't always the other person, but all of us.

The result of littering is polluted water, dirty highways and land that you can't enjoy. Who enjoys driving along a highway full of cans, bottles, papers and garbage? Would you revisit a park or playground that is so covered with trash left by careless persons that you can't even see the grass? That old swimming beach we all used to use may be closed one day due to water pollution. The favorite stream or river we like to fish in will have no fish and be just another polluted stream. It is time that each and everyone of us does our share to stop the problem of litter. Every time you have a candy bar or get something at the store, don't throw the wrappings on the ground or street. Put them in a garbage can or in a litter basket in your car. Almost everywhere there is a litter can. Let's use them. Join the fight to make our Community, highways and parks nice to look at and enjoy using. Don't litter!

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Based on observation of visitors, status of garbage cans, condition of areas surrounding fire rings, and letters of complaint about inadequate number of garbage cans available, Ranger *Lewis Myer* of HUNTINGTON SB has come up with the following statistics on goodies consumed for one July day when 3,472 carloads of visitors came to the park:

hamburger – 3,000 lbs.
wieners – 1,800 lbs.
soft drinks – 1,000 cases
beer – 1,000 cases
marshmallows – 3,000 bags
corn – 1,440 ears
watermelons – 287
hamburger buns – 12,000
wiener buns – 14,400
wine – 100 gals.
firewood – 25,200 board feet
miscellaneous items not counted – relish, coat hangers (for roasting marshmallows) bags, cartons . . . and the all-too-familiar etc.

LOCAL PARK SUFFERS SETBACK

The State Grant Program received a setback recently. The local assistance grant of $75,000 for Alpine County is directed to a project known as Turtle Rock Park named for a large outcropping of rock which resembles a turtle. Unfortunately, this rock was not located in the park site. The State Division of Highways agreed to move the rock for the county for $8,400, but some local residents expressed dissatisfaction with the moving of the rock. On the night of the 14th of September, vandals solved the problem . . . they dynamited the rock into a number of pieces. A reward of $25 has been posted for apprehension of the vandals.

YOUNGSTERS' ENERGY
PUT TO GOOD USE IN

Junior Ranger Program

La Purisima Mission SHP Ranger *David Kirkpatrick* lines up Junior Rangers for a watermelon feed.

By Mardi Pendleton

For the past several years the Parks and Recreation people have been concerned about the young people from the neighboring subdivision making a playground out of the pine grove area at LA PURISIMA MISSION SHP. There have been trees mutilated by building tree houses and other undesireable results of this playground activity.

Our personnel there have come up with a most effective means of park protection. Area Manager Jack Mason and his staff deserve a great deal of credit for the Junior Ranger program, which has been of great assistance in the protection of the historic park. The work activities include litter cleanup and the watering of seedling pine trees recently planted. This entitles a youngster to a Junior Ranger Badge and membership card. For each additional six hours of work a bear badge is awarded.

The Junior Ranger program at La Purisima started in June 1970. Since then the idea has spread to several other State Park areas. Each one may differ in some ways, but the point of the project is the same in all the areas.

Rangers at PALOMAR MOUNTAIN SP talked with about a dozen youngsters who visited the camp and asked them what they thought the requirements should be to earn the junior ranger patch. They incorporated the kids' ideas into their requirements and came up with a project designed to involve the whole family in outdoor education and conservation.

To earn a junior ranger patch, a silk-screened design in blue on yellow felt with the emblem of the state park system and the designation "Junior Ranger", each youngster must turn in a bag of litter to a ranger. They must also indentify two kinds of trees, two kinds of animals and birds, and two kinds of plants, and be able to locate the North Star and Big Dipper. In addition, the youngsters must help cook and clean up at least one meal while in camp and keep their campsites clean, and know not to use an ax on trees or camp furniture.

The staff at Palomar chipped in $2 for bags and $4 for felt to make the patches and feel they have made a good investment. About 100 patches have been given out to camp visitors so far and the program has been well accepted by young and old alike.

McArthur-Burney's Anti-Litter Club Also Doing Well

This summer the Rangers formed the "Gitter Bug Club" for the children of campers staying at the park. The club met daily to get litter bags and a short talk about the litter problem in the parks and in America. After the meeting the children disperse throughout the park to collect the litter from picnic sites, campgrounds, trails, beaches, and roads.

This program has also been sucessful; the park was kept remarkably clean throughout the summer. Over 400 children participated, collecting over 1800 bags of litter, and were rewarded for their efforts with Smokey Bear pins, color pictures, stickers, books, posters, and shoulder patches.

Still Another Twist IntroducedAt Morro Bay

Some 5,000 badges have been handed out to "Junior Rangers" at Morro Bay since the program began in July. To get one, a youngster must collect 25 pop top cans or cigarette butts. After he gets the big patch, he gets a little bear badge every time he turns in additional trash.

The personnel report the Parks are cleaner than ever and that as much as three 50-gallon trash cans' worth have been turned in a day.

Keeping our parks and our country beautiful is part of a continuing effort on the part of our State Park System. It should be on the part of all Americans. Perhaps this program will help to control the never-ending litter problem and at the same time instill in our young people the desire to preserve and protect the beauty of their state.

San Luis Reservoir SRA (Bureau of Reclamation photo).

PROPOSITION 20

RESERVOIR RECREATION DEVELOPMENT --ON NOVEMBER 3 BALLOT

In a joint statement to all California voters, Director Mott, Fish and Game Director Ray Arnett, and Wildlife Conservation Board Executive Director Ray Nesbit urged support for Proposition 20 on the November 3 ballot.

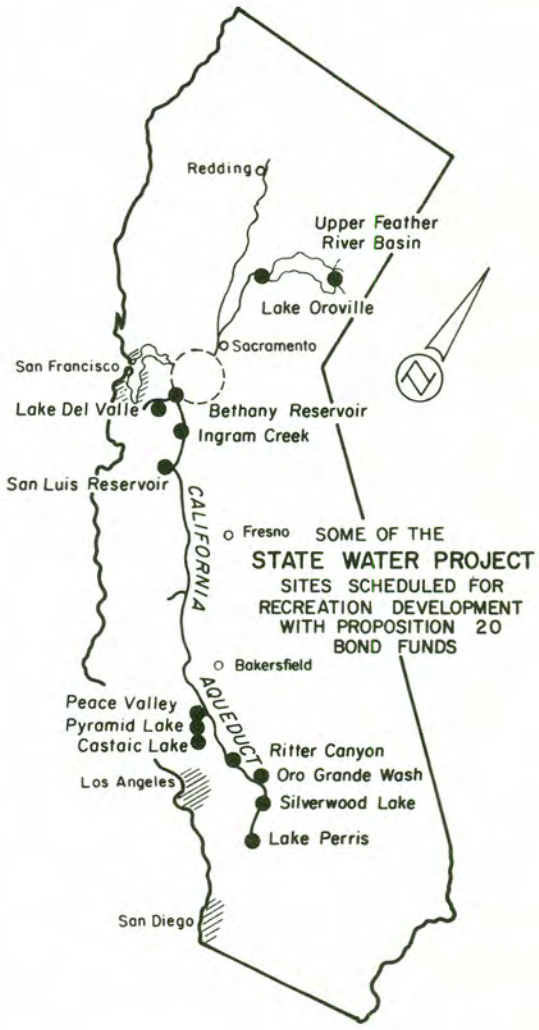
The proposition will provide $60 million in bond funds for construction of recreation facilities at reservoirs and streams of the State Water Project to give the biggest single boost to water-oriented recreation in the history of our state. Of the total $54 million will come to our department for the design and construction of recreation facilities at these sites, and $6 million will go to Fish and Game and the Wildlife Conservation Board for fish and wildlife enhancement and access to fishing sites.

In making the statement, Director Mott pointed out that recreation at reservoirs is extremely popular, and cited Folsom Lake as the most heavily used recreation area in the State Park System.

"It is imperative that we find a means of financing recreation facilities at new State Water Project lakes when they begin impounding water," he said, "because our experience tells us that people will demand to use them as soon as they have water in them. Also, we must provide additional recreational facilities at existing waters."

Last year the State Park System hosted 45 million visitors and turned away countless others. The facilities added from our share of the bond funds would provide for 15 million additional visitors annually to increase our park capacity by one third.

All kinds of water oriented recreation such as boating, water skiing, swimming, and fishing would be offered at these sites as would facilities for camping, picnicking, riding and hiking, and sightseeing. →



CLEAN WATER ON BALLOT AS PROPOSITION 1

The Clean Water Bond Law of 1970, signed by Governor Reagan on July 28, places a $250-million bond issue on the November ballot as Proposition 1. If approved, bonds would be sold during the next five years for the construction of nearly $1 billion in much needed waste water and disposal facilities. At the same time, the cost of these facilities to communities and districts would be greatly lessened.

The federal government now provides grants of 30 percent of the cost of such facilities. Local communities and districts pay the remaining 70 percent. A new provision in the federal law raises the federal grant to 55 percent if the state participates to the extent of 25 percent. Thus, cost to the local community is reduced to 20 percent. The State Water Resources Control Board has estimated that within the next five years, approximately $1 billion in new or improved waste water treatment facilities will be required to protect the State's waters from pollution.

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PROPOSITION 20-- (Continued)

A ranger admires the catch of a happy fisherman at San Luis Reservoir SRA (Bureau of Reclamation photo).

The $6 million earmarked for fish and wildlife enhancement, Nesbit said, would allow both trout and warm water fisheries to be built and make possible the enlarging of fish hatcheries to provide millions of fish for stocking. Fishing areas along the California Aqueduct, which runs from Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta to Lake Perris in Riverside County, would be opened, fishing access trails would be built, and planting to furnish cover and food for many wildlife species would be developed.

WHY BONDS

Up to now, Director Mott said, the limited recreational facilities built at State Water Projects have been paid for out of the state's General Fund. Now, however, with the largest units of the project coming into being, the massive investment required to develop them for recreation would be too great for the Fund to bear.

Unfortunately, the act creating the State Water Project did not provide money for recreation development; the Davis-Dolwig Act, while charging the Department of Water Resources with the responsibility to acquire sufficient land for recreational use, did not make development funds available; and the Davis-Grunsky Act provides money only for recreational development at local water projects.

Not even the 1964 Park Bond Act can be of help since none of its funds can be used at State Water Project facilities. New bonds, then, are the best and only way to provide the large sums needed for immediate development. And, since they are repaid over a period of years, both costs and benefits can be shared by present and future generations.

A pay-as-you-go procedure would stretch out development over many years, and escalating construction costs probably would equal or even exceed bond interest costs.

Boat Launching at Lake Oroville SRA.

Arnett said that the State Water Project has the potential of offering millions of days of fishing for California's anglers, but realizing this potential depends upon supplementing natural fish populations and providing anglers access to fishing waters.

Nesbit added that with 58,000 acres of reservoir surface and nearly 500 miles of open canals in the State Water Project, the need for fishery development and annual fish stocking is tremendous.

DEPARTMENTAL SAFETY GOAL - 12

BY 1971

DEPARTMENTAL SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETS

The Departmental Safety Committee met in Sacramento on September 23 to review our safety program. They were particularly concerned with our very poor record of lost-time injuries. Through the end of August our rate of manhours lost per million manhours worked had risen to over 23, and it was obvious that we would not meet our goal to reduce our rate to 12 by 1971.

The Director's message to the group, relayed by Deputy Director Meyer, emphasized the key role of the first-line supervisor in the safety program. During discussion of agenda subjects covering tailgate safety meetings, safety eyeglasses, methods of fixing accountability, accident reporting, and other matters, the division safety coordinators and Park Safety and Enforcement Specialists identified several items for supervisory action.

The consensus was that a positive and personal commitment must be made by every supervisor and manager to become actively involved in *accident prevention*, rather than to passively wait for the time to report one which has already happened.

WEAR YOUR GOGGLES

FORESIGHT SAVES EYESIGHT

Of all the disabilities that could occur to an employee of the Department of Parks and Recreation, the loss of eyesight would have the most far-reaching effects. Even when sight is not lost, eye injuries are extremely painful. Although eye injuries are not as common within the Department as some other types of injuries, their seriousness warrants an all-out eye injury prevention effort by every employee.

During the period January through August 1970, there were a total of 12 eye injuries to Department of Parks and Recreation employees requiring hospitalization or medical treatment. Foreign objects involved included metal filings, metal cable strands, cleaning chemicals, dirt, sawdust, paint thinner, broken glass, and a staple. One employee was injured when a taut nylon rope snapped and the broken end of the rope struck him in the eyeball.

"Foresight saves eyesight" is not just a slogan. Think ahead and analyze tasks to be performed before beginning the job. Wear goggles, safety glasses, safety shields, or other protective equipment where appropriate. →

SAFETY GOAL – 12 by 1971 (Continued)

AUGUST INJURIES

During the month of August there were six losers in the Department, bringing our 1970 lost-time injuries to 49. They were:

1. *Guide Trainee, Hearst San Simeon SHP*--slipped on the stairs, straining leg ligaments.

2. *Park Aid, Trinidad Area*--strained back while lifting garbage bags onto truck.

3. *Park Aid, Hearst San Simeon SHP*--pulled back muscle while unloading three-inch pipe from truck.

4. *State Park Ranger I, Sonoma Area*--bitten by a rattlesnake which he had picked up to remove from a building.

5. *Park Aid, Ventura Beaches*--pulled back muscle upon standing after having worked in a kneeling position.

6. *Park Aid, San Diego Coast Area*--developed a hernia after lifting a picnic table to carry it over a five-foot-high obstruction.

There were several other painful injuries that did not involve lost time, including: a Lifeguard (seasonal) at Ventura Beaches broke his finger when he fell while jumping from a lifeguard tower; a District 5 State Park Equipment Operator burned his finger badly when his ring shorted against a battery cable; a San Diego Coast Area Park Maintenance Man I was burned when his hand slipped into a lighted welding torch; a Park Aid of the Frontera Area suffered torn ribcage cartilage when a truck tailgate slipped as he was lifting it; a San Diego Coast Area Park Aid chipped a bone in his finger when it was caught in a truck door; a State Park Ranger (Intermittent) had to undergo painful rabies treatment after cutting his finger on a trap that had contained a rabid bat in the Piercy Area; and the eyeball of a State Park Ranger (Intermittent) in the Dyerville Area was scratched when a dry twig became embedded in it.

All of these injuries meant pain and inconvenience to the employees as well as cost and lost time to the Department. They were caused by unsafe acts or unsafe conditions.

Supervisors must work to reduce unsafe acts through training and checking back, and unsafe conditions through elimination or guarding of hazards. Safety is a thread that runs through the entire supervisory job; to a large degree, it determines the supervisor's success or failure in meeting the demands made on him for a maximum work output.

Our safety problem is serious . . . let's get serious about stopping it.

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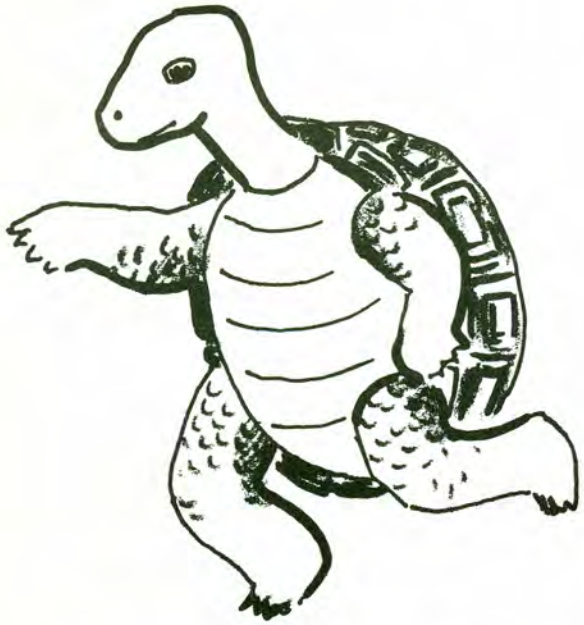
DISTRICT 6 EMPLOYEES RETIRE

On July 17, 1970, some 90 District 6 employees and wives attended a retirement dinner for Norm Pedersen and John Hamann at Marty's Valley Inn in Oceanside.

Norm joined the District 6 staff in September 1954 in the accounting function, and is retiring as Accounting Technician. He plans to continue his residence in San Clemente. One of Norm's hobbies is 8 mm photography and he was presented with a splicer-editor to assist in his movie projects. He will be missed, and we wish him only the best in whatever he does.

John became a member of the District 6 staff in 1960 and is retiring as Property Clerk. Travel figures prominently in John's future, so just prior to retirement he purchased a beautiful motorized home. He and his wife are presently on the road, but San Juan Capistrano is home. John is quite a fisherman, so after much thought and consideration he was presented with a new rod and reel. We wish him safe travels and good fishing.

John Hamann, District 6 Superintendent Jim Whitehead, and Norm Pedersen.



Bits & Pieces

MENDOCINO AREA Manager *Bill Allison*, now the proud owner of two Brazilian Red-Legged Tortoises, challenges any and all owners of desert tortoises to a race--he will even give a handicap. He says, "They are the fastest tortoises I've ever seen."

BENICIA SRA Ranger *Roy Benedict*, whose mobile home is in the park, was awakened at 4 a.m. by a father and his four sons who wanted permission to hunt rabbits in the park. Needless to say, they didn't get it.

While on foot patrol at TORREY PINES SR, a ranger overheard this conversation: "Hey, you guys, let's hurry up and get out of here!" "Why?" "I can't *stand* another lecture from the ranger on being in here after hours!"

Boat Patrol Ranger *Bill Garrels*, seeing a dog being used as a waterski observer at LAKE OROVILLE SRA, asked the boater, "Is the dog twelve years old!" He wasn't--hence a Notice of Violation, of course!

Confusion galore--a local paper published the SAN DIEGO COAST AREA'S phone number as belonging to Penny's Beauty Salon.

ARMSTRONG REDWOODS SR Ranger *Bill Bishop* found an Irish setter roaming the park and, for his daily Good Deed, decided to return the dog to its owner. He opened the door to the truck and the dog jumped in--and then wouldn't let Bill in. (He reports that it's surprising how many teeth an Irish setter has!) Last seen, Bill was *walking* back to the office to phone the dog's owner.

Maintenance Man *Floyd Pendleton* of STANDISH-HICKEY SRA was awakened by the sound of his doorbell at 3 a.m. recently and, considering the hour, he expected an emergency request for directions to a doctor or hospital. But when he opened the door, there stood a sleepy camper and a small girl. The man told him, "This little girl is lost," which the child promptly corrected with, "I'm not lost, my sleeping bag is!" She had gotten up and then, unable to find her way back to her own campsite, knocked on a neighboring camper's door for help. Floyd found the little girl's "lost" sleeping bag, she snuggled into it, and all was well--her parents weren't even aware of her nocturnal excursions until a more reasonable hour that morning.

Ranger *Art Parker* reported fire at the LAKE OROVILLE SRA Overlook recently--in a disposable diaper.

STAFF CHANGES

These changes update the new personnel roster dated August 1, 1970.

APPOINTMENTS

Albright, Georgene G.	Stenographer II	Office & Res. Svcs.	9-14-70
Beck, Patricia D.	Clerk Typist II	Personnel Section	8-17-70
Caster, Edward R.	State Park Ranger I	Montane Area	8-3-70
Clark, Laurent F.	State Park Ranger I From	Dyerville Area	8-3-70
	State Park Ranger(Inter)	Sierra Area	8-3-70
Diamond, Joseph P.	Clerk Typist II	Gaviota Area	7-20-70
Eckles, Joan E.	Account Clerk II	District 4 – Headquarters	8-10-70
Engel, Craig A.	State Park Ranger I	Folsom Lake Area	8-3-70
Fife, James M.	State Park Ranger I From	San Luis Obispo Area	8-3-70
	State Park Ranger (Inter)	Santa Cruz Mountain Area	
Frederick, Wayne E.	Park Lndsc Maint Tech	Orange Coast Area	7-27-70
Freeman, Warren C.	State Park Ranger I	Folsom Lake Area	8-3-70
Grant, Donald E.	State Park Ranger I	Folsom Lake Area	8-3-70
Griggs, Edward A.	State Park Ranger I	Big Sur Area	8-3-70
Helm, Larry R.	State Park Ranger I	Marin Area	8-24-70
Henderson, Jerry E.	State Park Ranger I	Santa Cruz Mountain	8-24-70
Hillerman, Jr., John P.	State Park Ranger I	Sierra Area	8-3-70
Izdepski, Odessa J.	Account Clerk II (Perm Int)	Claims Unit	9-4-70
Johnson, Paul R.	State Park Ranger I From	Montane Area	8-3-70
	State Park Ranger(Inter)	Fort Humboldt Area	
Jones, Kenneth B.	State Park Ranger I	Dyerville Area	8-10-70
Klose, Patrick S.	State Park Ranger(Inter)	Piercy Area	7-4-70
Krumbein, William J.	State Park Ranger I	Santa Cruz Mountain	8-3-70
Lloyd, Rhonda A.	Clerk Typist II	Office & Res. Svcs.	8-11-70
Luckey, Virgil H.	Park Maint. Assist.	Marin Area	8-10-70
McGee, Calvin W.	Assist. Budget Analyst	Budget Section	9-1-70
Peat, James H.	Park Maint. Assist.	Anza Borrego Area	7-22-70
Polder, John E.	State Park Ranger I	Folsom Lake Area	8-3-70
Richards, Henry L.	State Park Ranger I	Marin Area	8-10-70
Ritchie, Donald M.	State Park Ranger I	Marin Area	8-3-70
Ross, Jr., Leroy E.	State Park Ranger I	San Diego Coast Area	8-3-70
Rossi, Norma J.	Clerk I (Perm Int)	Frontera Area	7-9-70
Sauer, Thomas L.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Frontera Area	7-31-70
Scott, Daniel E.	State Park Ranger I	Big Sur Area	8-3-70
Stanchfield, Charles H.	Park Maint. Assist.	Clear Lake Area	8-7-70
VanHook, D. Michael	State Park Ranger I	Sierra Area	8-3-70
Waggoner, Landon C.	State Park Ranger I	Sierra Area	8-3-70
Winje, Russell, N.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Marshall Gold Discovery Area	7-3I-70

CLASS TITLE CHANGES

Draper, Theodore F.	Instrumentman	Construction Section	8-21-70
Klopotek, Jerome P.	Eng. Aid II	Construction Section	8-21-70
Sousa, Albert J., II	Eng. Aid II	Construction Section	8-25-70

NAME CHANGE

Etzler, Susan M. To: Thomsen	Stenographer I	Office & Res. Svcs.	9-5-70

PROMOTIONS

Knight, Linda	Clerk Typist II	Management Reports Unit	8-10-70
Miller, James L.	Training Officer II	Training Section	7-31-70
Ritter, Jimmie M.	State Park Ranger I	Four Rivers Area to Dyerville Area	8-3-70
Schrick, Carl F.	Park Maint Super I	Mendocino Area to Orange Coast Area	7-15-70

RETIREMENTS

House, Florence	Senior Stenographer	Office & Res. Svcs.	8-3l-70

SEPARATIONS

Alexander, Brenda J.	Stenographer II	Planning & Dev Div Chief's Off	9-4-70
Banks, Ray L.	Civil Eng Tech II	Construction Section	8-14-70
Bennett, Frederick L.	State Park Ranger(Int)	Dyerville Area	8-17-70
Bradley, Gordon A.	Jr Lndsc Arch	Master Planning Br.	8-20-70
Ciarcia, Rose M.	Senior Account Clerk	Claims Unit	8-28-70
Gardner, David R.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Folsom Lake Area	8-26-70
Graham, Mary R.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Dyerville Area	8-8-70
Joesten, Glenn B.	State Park Ranger I	Trinidad Area	9-4-70
Lane, Stephen	Account Clerk II	Claims Unit	8-31-70
Love, Carol A.	Account Clerk II (Perm Int)	Claims Unit	8-31-70
Mansfield, Desiree D.	Stenographer I	Office & Res. Svcs.	9-11-70
Onstot, Gordon L.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Channel Coast Area	8-16-70
Pekarek, Ronald E.	Assist Lndsc Arch.	Master Planning Br.	8-19-70
Plescov, Ivar	Assist Civil Eng.	Planning & Dev Div Chief's Off.	8-14-70
Porter, Petra L.	Clerk Typist I (Perm Int)	Pt. Lobos Area	7-24-70
Ranck, George H.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Salton Sea Area	6-11-70
Seale, Richard A.	Eng Aid II	Construction Section	9-11-70
Smith, Jr., Richard K.	Park Lndsc Maint Tech	Orange Coast Area	7-23-70
Stilwell, Dale A.	Stenographer I	Office & Res. Svcs.	9-30-70
Williams, Tyrell C.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Santa Cruz Mountains	6-20-70

TIME BASE CHANGES

Bloomquist, Richard A.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Montane Area	8-7-70

UNIT CHANGES

Acrea, Robert M.	Assoc Lndsc Arch.	Contract Services to Master Plng Br. Mgrs. Off.	7-1-70
Bechtel, Jack C.	Rec. Planner II	Contract Svcs Section to Statewide Planning Br.	7-1-70
Cermak, Lawrence A.	State Park Ranger I	Montane Area to Pt. Lobos Area	8-14-70
Chaffee, Merick H.	Assoc. Mgmt. Analyst	P&D Div. Chief's Off. to Mgmt. Analysis Sect.	9-14-7
Gehr, Robert E.	State Park Ranger I	Folsom Lake Area to Millerton Lake Area	9-1-70
Hampton, Marvin H.	Assist. Civil Engineer	Construction Section to Design Section	8-17-70
Henry, Ross T.	Rec. Planner III	Statewide Planning Br to Grants Admin. & Local Assist.	8-16-70
Hiehle, Jack L.	Recreation Planner III	Development Br. to Statewide Planning Br.	8-17-70
Hill, Gordon S.	Assist. Civil Engineer	Construction Section to Design Section	8-19-70
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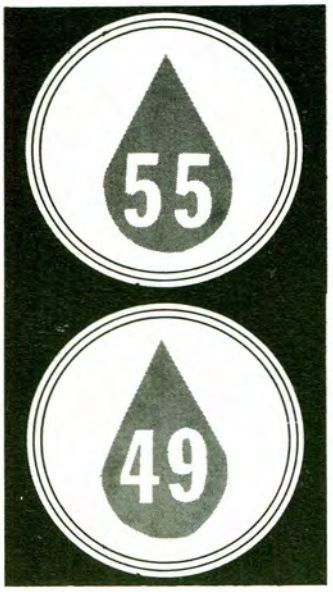

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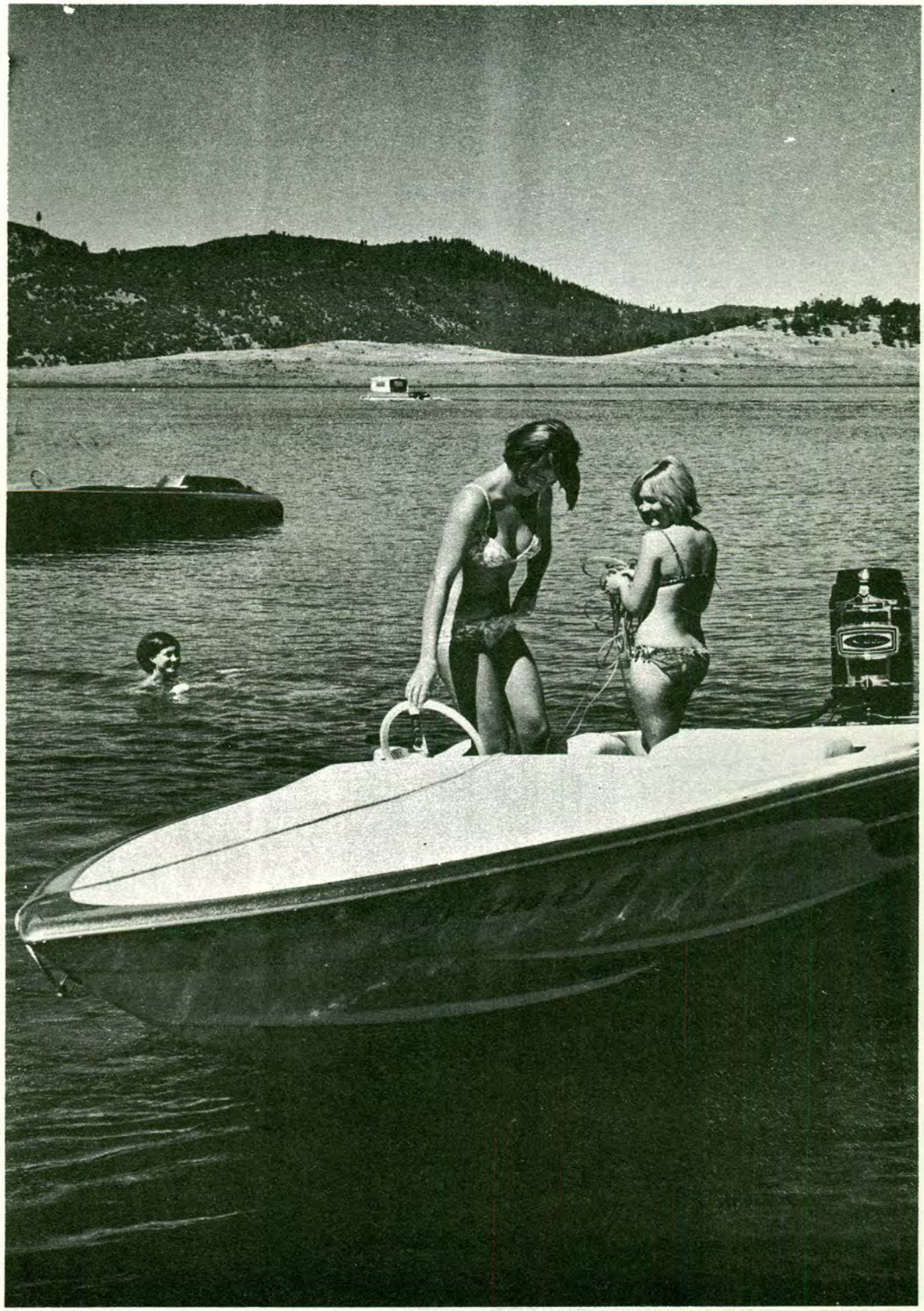

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ON THE COVER: *Photo by Bill Dillinger*

This will be the scene on the many reservoirs of the State Water Project since Proposition 20, the $60 million recreation and fish and wildlife bond act on the November 3 ballot, was passed by the voters.

Two days of my vacation were spent at Lake Tahoe. I walked with tourists down to Vikingsholm and had an opportunity to observe their reactions firsthand. I was concerned because when we installed new culverts under the trail, the old, rusty culverts were thrown to one side. The beauty of Emerald Bay is truly inspirational, but its beauty was tarnished for me by the sight of the rusty culvert litter.

Looking out over Emerald Bay from Vikingsholm, I was disturbed by the appearance of a 40-foot, overpretentious cabin cruiser heavily decorated with chrome. The cabin itself was completely encased in the polished metal. I later learned that this cruiser was owned by one of the gambling clubs at South Tahoe. Having only an hour before visited the Ehrman house at Sugar Pine Point State Park, I enjoyed the interpretive displays developed by our Lake Tahoe Citizens Advisory Committee. I could not help but contrast this obvious display of pretentiousness with the simple utilitarian design and function of the Tahoe steamers which, before the advent of the automobile, were the communication and transportation link for residents around the lake.

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.
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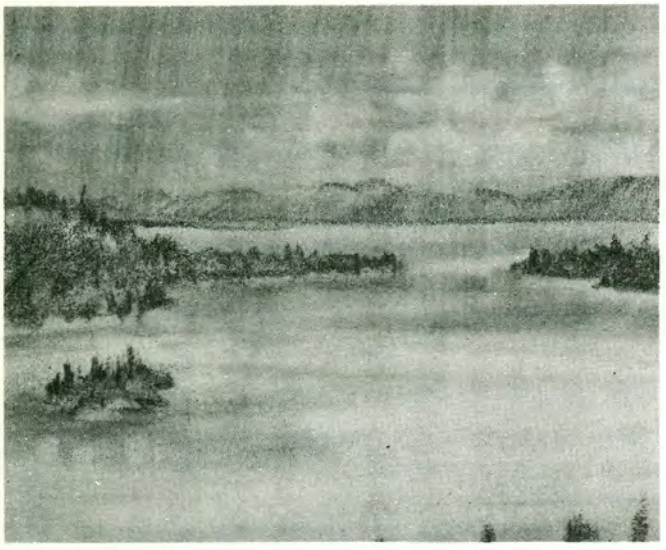
To wash from my mind the ugly, chaotic, cluttered image of the several communities that I drove through along the North Shore in the evening and similar ones – only bigger, gaudier, more flamboyant and even more ugly – along the South Shore, I decided to take an early morning dip at Pope Beach. It was beautiful. Only a few people were present on this entire stretch of unspoiled beach. None of the ugly, man-made features of the evening before had invaded this portion of Lake Tahoe. The view out over the lake was inspirational. The image of Lake Tahoe as "the gem of the Sierra" was restored. A swim in the crystal-clear water of the lake was exhilarating and renewed my spirits. A young seasonal forest ranger checking the beach for litter stopped to chat. His opening remark was "It's too bad more people don't come down here in the early morning to enjoy the real beauty of the lake." While we talked, I knew that thousands slept hardly aware that the superb beauty of the lake is being destroyed by growth, greed and gambling.



As I dried off in the warm summer sun, I wondered whether it was important to remove those pieces of rusty culvert from the scene at Emerald Bay. Would anyone notice? Would anyone care? Surely, I mused, among the millions who visit Lake Tahoe, someone would notice, someone would care. We cannot permit the beauty of Emerald Bay State Park to be marred by even one small piece of rusty culvert. Maybe the contrast of the superb natural beauty of Emerald Bay State Park, D. L. Bliss State Park, and Sugar Pine Point State Park to the ugliness of the manmade developments at the north and south shores of Lake Tahoe will cause a renaissance.

It must take place. We **can**, *through our interpretive program, open people's eyes so that they will see the ugliness man has created around the lake. A renaissance* **can** *take place if we want it to, and Lake Tahoe* **can** *be restored to its former place of grandeur as the "Gem of the Sierras."*

MOTT NAMED DIRECTOR OF RECREATION ORGANIZATION

Director Mott has been named as Director of the Pacific Southwest Region, National Association of Outdoor Recreation Liaison Officers. These state officials serve as liaison with the Department of the Interior's Bureau of Outdoor Recreation in the administration of the Land and Water Conservation Fund program.

The present level of the Fund is $337.4 million. The Fiscal 1971 share for California is nearly $13 million.

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CALIFORNIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY SELECTS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dr. J. S. Holliday has been appointed Executive Director of the California Historical Society. The Society, the largest historical society in the country funded entirely by its membership, supports a major research library and fine arts collection, as well as a publications program of books, monographs, and a quarterly.

Dr. Holliday, who received his Ph.D. in American History from the University of California at Berkeley, has taught at San Francisco State College; served as Assistant Director and Chairman of the Council of the Friends of the Bancroft Library; is a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the San Francisco Conservatory of Music; been a Research Fellow at the Huntington Library; and served as Director of the Oakland Museum.

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DISTRICT 5 SOLVES INFORMATION PROBLEM

How do you get information out about conditions and activities of the state parks in your District? No problem if you have a talented writer on hand, as does Lloyd Lively in District 5.

Kathy Simas, *Personnel Clerk for the District, has taken on the considerable task of writing and taping 100-second spots for Radio Station KTMS in Santa Barbara. Except for some general editing by the District staff, she does all the work herself and sees that the spots get out regularly.*

She does such a good job we thought our readers might like to see a sample. Here's what she did with the Labor Day weekend situation:

This being Labor Day weekend, State Parks with camping are filled to capacity, but there is more than just camping offered by your State Park System. We have day use facilities for picnicking and beach use, and historical parks for sightseeing.

Our largest day use area in the vicinity is San Buenaventura SB in Ventura. They have a large grassy picnic area if you don't relish sand in your food, and they can accommodate over 1,100 cars, so there is room for everyone. A little closer to Santa Barbara there are State Parks such as Carpinteria, El Capitan, Refugio, and Gaviota. Though they are noted for their camping, these parks offer excellent facilities for picnickers.

All of our day use areas have outstanding surfing and swimming spots, not to mention nice sandy beaches to catch a few rays of the sun. There are lifeguards on duty 9 - 6 to provide aquatic safety services for those who find the water inviting.

Want to avoid the crowds? Visit La Purisima Mission in Lompoc. This State Historic Park is an island of tranquility in our hustle and bustle world. There are many, many things to see and, for a restful lunch – picnic tables in a tree-shaded area.

However you choose to spend your Labor Day, I hope it's an enjoyable one. Wherever you go, drive safely and don't litter. Keep your recreational areas free from trash by remembering "If you can bring it in, you can take it out". Let the next person enjoy it as you have.

EMIGRANT TRAIL STORY

"The view was magnificent. Perennial snow, rock, chasm, forest, lake and stream, a veritable map of one of the wildest, grandest parts of America, spread out on every side." — From diary of John Steele, who stood at this point in 1850. Looking east toward Donner Lake from Roller Pass (so named for log rollers emigrants used to pull wagons up the steep grade).

Schallenberger Tree atop roller pass. Named for Moses Schallenberger, whose cabin at Donner Lake was used by members of the Donner Party. Tree is mentioned in pioneer records.

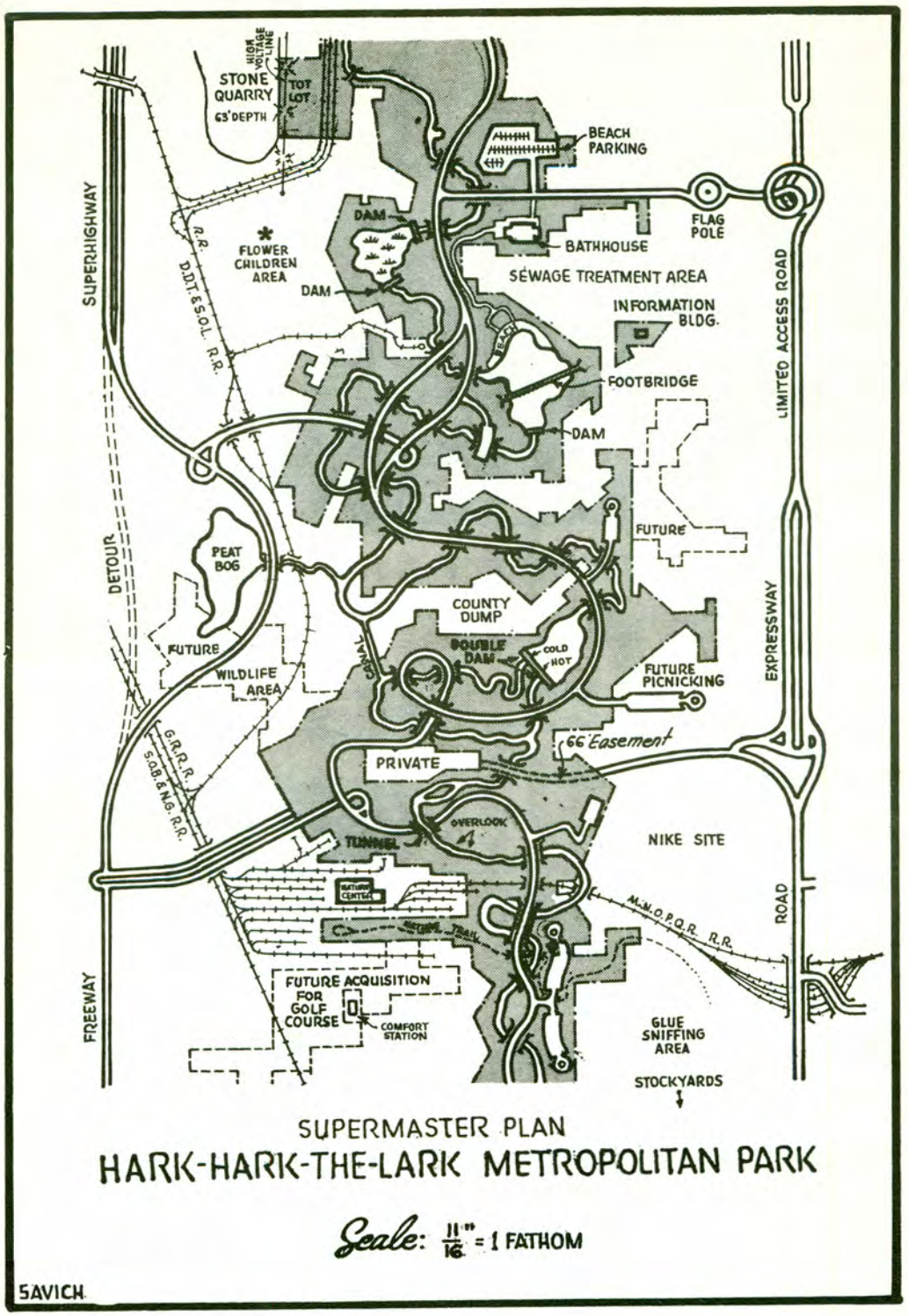
Story and Photos by Bill Dillinger

Fading traces of the Emigrant Trail from DONNER LAKE SHP of the Sierra to the Sacramento Valley near present-day Wheatland were relocated last summer by *Bert Wiley* of the Department's Land Section, who had made a detailed study of the trail for the Department and the Legislature in 1949. A bronze plaque will be dedicated at Wheatland next spring to mark the site of Johnson's Ranch (California Historical Landmark No. 492), the first settlement the emigrants reached on the California end of the overland trail.

Rocks moved to side of trail mark path of emigrants up east slope of Mt. Judah.

Historian Allen Welts of Resource Management and Protection Division, Forester Eugene Thomas of District 3, and Wiley count rings on tree that stood when emigrants passed. Logging has obliterated much of trail in this area, just west of DONNER MEMORIAL SHP.

Wiley photographs rust marks left by emigrant wagons. Road construction, other development have destroyed many spots recorded in his 1949 study, but some still remain.



This plan, by Ed Savick of the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority, appeared in TODAY, newsletter of the American Park and Recreation Society. Reprinted by permission.

FORT ROSS Chapel Burns

The 145-year-old Fort Ross chapel was destroyed by fire on October 5. Cause of the fire has not been determined.

Built in 1825, the chapel collapsed in the 1906 earthquake and was restored in 1916-17 using many of the original timbers, and further restoration work was done in 1955. It was the oldest Russian Orthodox chapel still standing in the United States and was furnished much as it was in the early days.

The bell, which was melted in the fire (see photo), was taken to Sacramento by John Sutter when he bought the fort, around 1844. It was stolen from him and turned up in a San Francisco junkyard in 1866. The Native Sons of the Golden West returned it to Fort Ross in 1945. The Russian inscription around the edge meant, "Cast in the St. Petersburg Factory of Master Merchant Michael Mararov Stukolkin."

Plans are being made for the restoration of the chapel, and the Redwood Empire Association has offered to assist by donating redwood timbers to be used in its reconstruction.

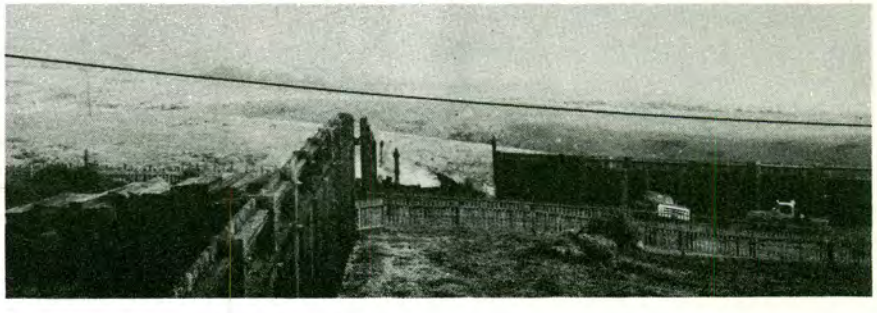
The chapel bell, before the fire . . .

His Grace, the Most Reverend Anthony, Archbishop of San Francisco and Western America (right) and the Right Reverend Nektari, Bishop of Seattle, view the remains of the chapel.

. . . and after.

By the time the firefighters arrived, it was too late.

The burning of the chapel left a gaping hole in Fort Ross' stockade.



THE STATE PARK USE SURVEY

In our September issue, we ran a brief description of the 1968 survey directed by Recreation Planner Ralph McCormick. This article by Ronald Hanshew, also a Recreation Planner in the Statewide Planning Branch, expands on the results of the three-year survey program.

The State Park Use Survey is a three-year program of visitor interviewing within units of the California State Park System to document what people do in state parks, both what they do because of park location and design, and what they do even though we have not provided the desirable facilities. Second, the surveys provide information about where park visitors are from, how long they stay, how many come in a car, and what type of camping equipment they use.

The surveys required a great deal of preparation and anning. College students were hired and trained as terviewers and during summer 1968 a pilot program was dertaken involving seven park units. The result was not y a bulky collection of data, but a field-tested method conducting the survey. The second year, 1969, saw an hasis on coastal units of the State Park System. Park s were chosen for the 1970 survey that would fill out of the landscape provinces; consequently they were y inland units.

During the three-year period 23,056 visitor parties osed of 94,407 people were interviewed at 56 park units.

Both day users and overnight campers were ned regarding their stay at the park, and their nts concerning the park recorded.

ach party was asked their place of residence, the of persons in the party, whether or not their stay of a longer outing, how long they stayed, what amping equipment they used, and what they did he park. At the conclusion of the interview, the r recorded any remarks the visitors made the park and its facilities.

All of the data gathered in the field was then tallied and summarized by the survey interviewers. The results of the 1968 and 1969 surveys are reported in detail in Rec Tips (Recreation Technical & Information Papers) Nos. 1 and 3 now being circulated, and the 1970 summer survey data is now being summarized. Some highlights of our findings are:

Despite the cliche "no one walks anymore," the surveys show that most park visitors do walk. In fact they walk a great deal!

At beach units, one hundred percent of overnight visitors used the beach, but only three out of four day users did so. Swimming, picnicking and photography are very popular activities.

Some activities increase in popularity as one goes north or south because climatic or other physical characteristics limit opportunity. For example, surfing is much more popular along the southern beaches, while scuba diving is more prominent along the north coast. Another factor limiting activity participation is the lack of facilities or operation necessary for some type of activity. Attending interpretive programs has a higher participation rate at inland parks than along the coast, but coastal parks have fewer programs offered.

Party size and length of stay data show some contrasts. The three years of surveying have shown the average number of people per car to be four day users or five overnighters. Day users along the coast stayed, on the average, only half as long (one hour) as their counterparts visiting inland units (two hours).

However, the situation is different with campers. . . the coastal campers stayed an average of 5 nights, while the inland campers limited their stays to an average of 4 nights.

Most park visitors are Californians. The out-of-state rate varies from near zero at some north coast camping areas to as high as 1/3 of the campers at McConnell SRA. At every camping park along major highway routes, Los Angelenos are found in significant numbers. The advent of the reservation system seems to encourage this situation considerably, since now some of the many southern California residents can successfully compete for distant campsites.

"Give us more interpretation and rangers qualified to answer natural history questions," say park visitors. The visitors also told us they would like to see recreation programs offering something for all family members.

Comments concerning the reservation system were generally favorable, but many visitors expressed dissatisfaction because the reservation system discriminates against the casual camper who cannot plan his outing months ahead.

Visitors to primitive camps said, "please leave it this way," while people using the more sophisticated units asked for more showers, trailer hookups, water outlets, etc.

Most visitors had very favorable comments about the park system and its rangers. We were also pleased to receive many favorable comments about our surveys. Most visitors who were interviewed were interested in our study, cooperative, and made the interviews a pleasure.

The State Park Use Surveys have given us a great deal of documented, statistically reliable data concerning our state park visitors, and their origins, activities, needs and desires. This material will provide valuable guidance for planning, developing, managing and operating our park units.

But visitors to State Parks are only a part of the picture. What about the people that go to other places because state parks don't provide what they want? Or more important, what should we do about the many Californians who don't use state parks because they can't afford it, they have no transportation, or their background did not teach them how to use state parks? We hope future studies will provide answers to these questions.

Surveyor Fred Correa interviewed horsemen at Mount San Jacinto Wilderness SP last summer.

Hanshew talks to hikers at Mount San Jacinto.

Ron Turner interviews Brannan Island SRA visitors.

An Old-Timer Champion

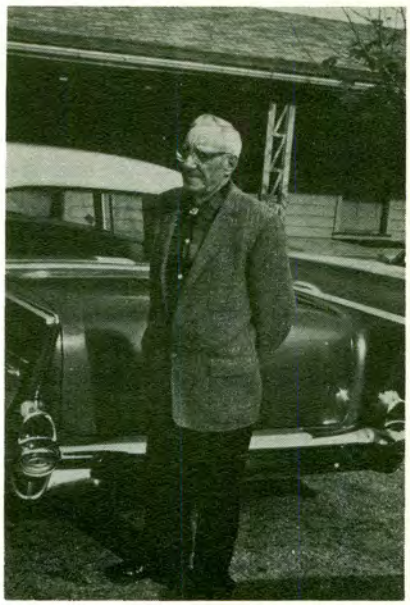
by Edward A. Earl, Manager
Will Rogers Area

Fred Canham has been in and around California State Parks since he was three years old, when his dad worked for the Maddock family who came to Big Basin in the 1880s. Fred's parents were pioneers of Santa Cruz county and very active in the lumber business.

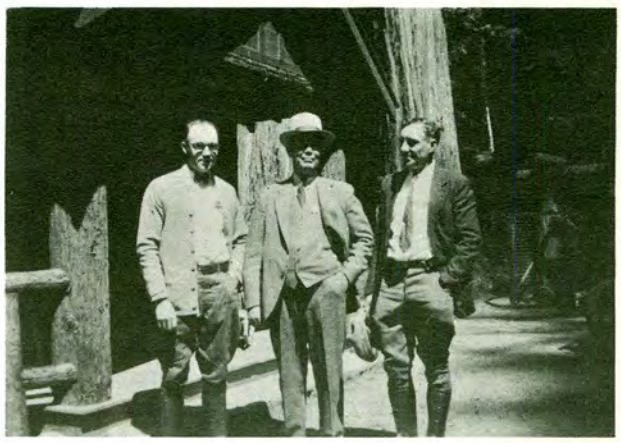
Fred started working for the parks in 1920 as a laborer at $4.50 a day, and retired on December 4, 1951, after 31½ years of service. He managed to stay in the redwoods, which he loves, for 26½ years, serving at Big Basin, Richardson Grove, Dyerville Headquarters, and Armstrong Redwoods, and then was Chief Ranger at Morro Bay. Some of the people he worked with are John McKone, Nelson Garhart, Louis Wakefield, and Pat Dougherty. Along with Roy Cushing, Clyde Newlin, Fred Moody, and Elmer Crawford, Fred was on hand at Big Basin in 1952 when Old Timers' Night, commemorating the 50th anniversary of our State Parks, was held at one of the evening campfire programs.

He and his wife, Geraldine, have a very pleasant retirement home in Santa Cruz which keeps them busy, keeping it up and tending the garden. They have also managed to do a little traveling in the western states since 1951. The Santa Cruz American Legion Post is proud to claim Fred as a charter member and past commander, and he is also active in the Retired Employees Association and a member of the Odd Fellows Lodge.

Although it is not always possible for them to have company because of illness, Fred and Geraldine would love to find friendly notes in the mailbox. Their address is 4250 Court Drive, Santa Cruz 95060.



Fred Canham in 1968.



Roy Cushing and Fred Moody worked with Fred Canham at Big Basin in the early 1930s.

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STATE PARKS NOW HAVE SAME "RULES OF THE ROAD"

Assembly Bill 1723 by Assemblyman Earl Crandall of San Jose amends the State Vehicle Code to cover Department of Parks and Recreation property in the absence of any special regulations or conditions imposed by the Department. This new rule is expected to help control both on- and off-road vehicles, which have been driven in remote park areas with little regard for safety or the landscape.

The Department is also now authorized to equip vehicles as law-enforcement emergency vehicles with lights and sirens, for use by State Park System peace officers.

Ringnecked Pheasant

This is one of a weekly series of articles "From the Plaza Square" that Ranger William J. Hill *of SAN JUAN BAUTISTA SHP writes for the Hollister* Evening Free Lance. *Reprinted by permission.*

The ringnecked pheasant stands in first place in terms of distribution and availability to hunters. It is a highly successful alien first introduced into the United States in the Willamette Valley in Oregon in 1881.

Today, aided by many subsequent plantings, the pheasant is established in all suitable habitats in the nation and is considered wild game in 34 states during legal seasons.

The original pheasant of Western Europe, familiar in accounts of shooting on English and Irish estates, is believed to have been introduced from Phasis at the eastern end of the Black Sea by the Romans. At the close of the 18th Century a Chinese species of the ringnecked pheasant (Phasianus torquatus) was introduced and has interbred so completely with the original species that purebred pheasants are quite rare.

The Ringneck nests and thrives in moist lowland country where there is an abundant ground cover and sufficient agricultural industries to provide its natural foods of grain, berries and seeds, as well as snails and insects.

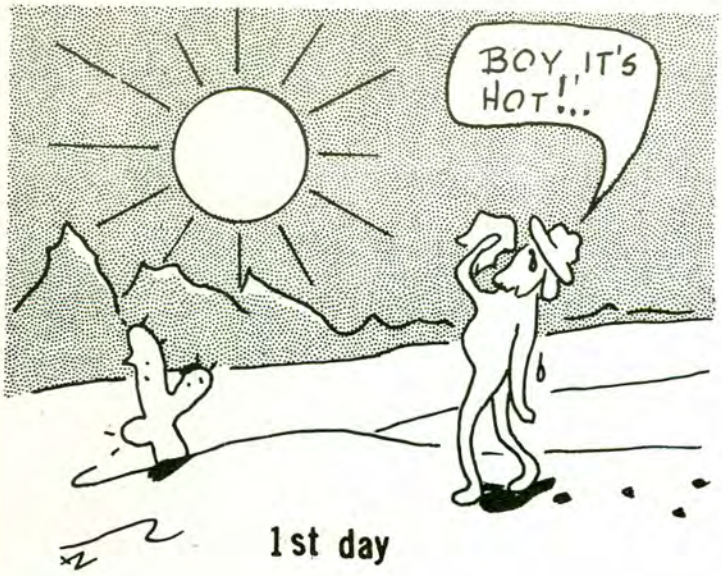
In keeping with the coloring system of bird families, the rooster wears all of the fine plumage. Reddish brown in color, it has a long graceful tapered tail with spurred legs and greenish head with the characteristic white ring around the neck. The hens are somewhat smaller than the males and dull olive brown in color.

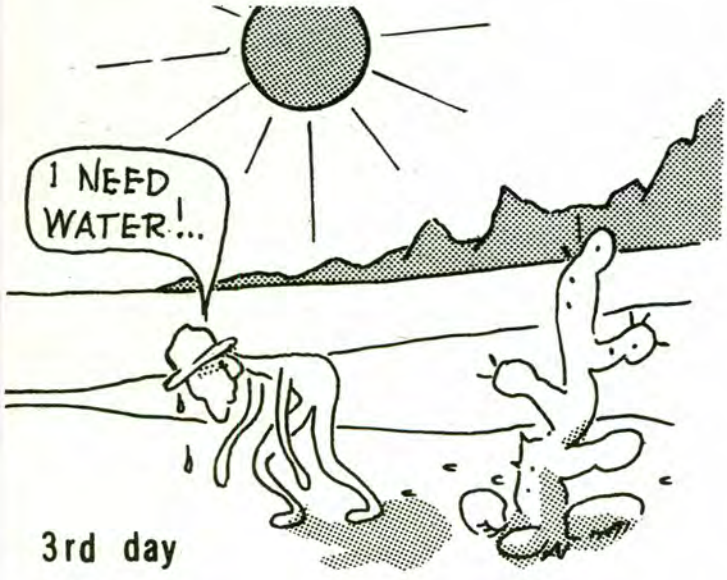
They nest on the ground in a small cup lined with grass and feathers, laying 10 to 14 pale olive green colored eggs which hatch in about three weeks. Like quail and killdeer, the young pheasants gain strength rapidly and learn to care for themselves within a few days.

Although they can fly when three weeks old, young pheasant broods are seclusive and difficult to flush. When danger threatens they prefer to run even after they are full grown. The coloring of the bird blends perfectly with the habitat. They rise from the ground cover with a raucous crackle and a whirring of wings when the nimrod is standing almost on top of them. This is a startling experience to the beginner and few, if any, ever get off a shot at close range.

The ringneck pheasant has been highly successful in establishing native breeding populations. The first hunting season in California was in the Owens Valley in 1925. The first statewide season was in 1933 and annual seasons have been in effect since then.

Most pheasant hunting land is private property and permission is required from the owners to hunt in these areas. Since World War II competition for hunting areas has become keen and the wise sportsman plans well in advance of the season to have a spot to hunt the wily ringneck.





Budget Dog and "THE BUDGET SYNDROME"

TICKETRON INC. PICKED TO PROVIDE RESERVATION SERVICE

Hopefully, by the time this issue of NEWS and VIEWS is in our readers' hands, the Hearst San Simeon portion of the Department's new reservation system will be in operation.

Plans called for Ticketron, Inc., the computer reservation system for campground and Hearst reservations, to have the Hearst segment of the system working by mid-November for the Thanksgiving holiday. This may not be possible because of difficulties in getting the extra phone lines arranged between the Castle and the Ticketron computer in Los Angeles.

In any event, the Hearst reservation system will be in operation sometime before the end of this year, and the campground reservation portion will by operable by January 1, 1971.

The new system will work much like the old Computicket system we had last year. Anyone wanting a Hearst or campsite reservation will merely have to walk up to any one of Ticketron's terminals and make direct, paid, confirmed reservations. If there is no terminal nearby, the reservations can be made by mail directly with the Department in Sacramento. As before, no reservations will be made directly at the park (with the exception of group arrangements, of course).

The cost for this service will be 35 cents extra for each reserved ticket sold for Hearst tours, and $1.50 extra for each block of reservations made for a campsite.

The Ticketron system is much better than the old one in that Ticketron has nearly four times the number of computer terminals that Computicket had – 230 versus 60. In addition, Ticketron has them spread over a much larger area, and is expanding its outlets as fast as it can.

Terminals are located in such major stores and businesses as Sears and Roebuck, Pacific Savings and Loan, May Company, Union Bank, Harris and Frank, World Savings and Loan, Broadway Stores, and Emporium Stores.

Gladys Thompson, Head Cashier for Sears and Roebuck at the Arden Fair Store in Sacramento, demonstrates how the Ticketron computer reservations system works. Each terminal is linked by telephone lines to the master computer in Los Angeles.

Ken Macker (center) of Ticketron accepts the signed contract from Director Mott. From Deputy Director Bob Meyer came the admonition, "Don't go out of business!"

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BOB PUGH JOINS ASILOMAR STAFF

Robert W. Pugh, manager of the former FEATHER RIVER AREA which included Lake Oroville SRA, Bidwell Mansion, and Colusa-Sacramento River SRA, has taken on new duties as a "resident professor" at the California State Park Rangers Training Institute, Asilomar. In his new position, Pugh will be responsible for setting up courses and coordinating the program as well as teaching many classes and developing evaluation procedures for rating students.

His position at Lake Oroville has been filled by *Donald Royer,* who transferred from PFEIFFER BIG SUR SP – *Jack Stowe,* formerly of SALTON SEA SRA, has moved to Pfeiffer.

COMMISSION REPORT . . .

Photos by Bill Dillinger

Mario Valadez, Managing Director of El Pueblo de Los Angeles Inc., presents an impressive sombrero and serape to Commission President Dan Villanueva at luncheon in the Pico House.

El Pueblo de Los Angeles SHP was the setting for the October meeting of the California State Park and Recreation Commission, with a luncheon hosted by El Pueblo de Los Angeles, Inc. in the Pico House and the meeting itself across the courtyard in the Garnier Building. Also attending the luncheon were members of the El Pueblo de Los Angeles SHP Commission.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Mott reported to the Commission on the October 6 sale of $30 million of the 1964 State Park Bonds, which will allow the Department to proceed with several major acquisition and development projects. Later in the meeting, the commission took action to clear the way for acquisition of lands for one of these, the Topanga Canyon Project in the metropolitan Los Angeles area, after the Director reported that negotiations had been completed and with bond funds again available, the property could now be acquired.

The Director also presented copies of several new publications, including *The Scenic, Scientific, and Educational Values of the Natural Landscape of California,* by Dr. Herbert Mason (Emeritus UC Berkeley) produced by the Department's Planning and Development Division; a conservation education leaflet, *You and Nature*, produced by the State-Federal Resources Information and Education Officers' Council; and five new park folders turned out by the Department's Information Section – Russian Gulch SP, Lake Oroville SRA, Point Lobos SR, San Diego Coast SBs, and McArthur-Burney Falls Memorial SP. The leaflet and folders are available from the Information Section and at the parks; a limited number of the *Natural Landscape* booklet is available as a source book to agencies and organizations involved in planning.

Dr. and Mrs. Parker receive Commission's Special Recognition plaque from Commissioner Harry Sokolov.

PRESENTATION TO DR. PARKER

A highlight of the meeting was the presentation of the Commission's special recognition plaque to Dr. Horace Parker for his service to the Commission from 1967 to 1970 and for his continuing work in desert conservation.

The work of the Anza-Borrego Committee of the Desert Protective Council, with which Dr. Parker is active, was also acknowledged with the acceptance of 10 acres of land within Anza-Borrego Desert SP donated through the committee by Mr. and Mrs. John P. Heyne.

Other gifts included four redwood groves, presented through the Save-the-Redwoods League, two in Humboldt and two in Prairie Creek Redwoods SPs. Donors were Judge and Mrs. McIntyre Fairies; J. N. Van Patten; Herbert Nichols; and Mrs. Christopher Granger.

A request by Assemblyman John Stull of San Diego County to allow grazing in Cuyamaca State Park as a temporary relief measure for stockmen suffering range damage from the big September fire was denied by the Commission. Several expressed reluctance to reverse existing policy without specific information on the ranchers' situation and safeguards necessary to insure protection of the park.

Several reports listed for consideration were put over until the November meeting, a two-day session scheduled for November 12 and 13 in San Francisco. Included were reports on beaches, dunes, and the shoreline; recreation policy; resource management policy; and impacted area problems. Also slated for November are a report from the Hearst Monument Fine Arts Committee and a report on dogs.

THE MOTHER LODE TRAVELER

By Mary Bowen Hall

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The man-made chasm at Malakoff Diggins State Park is a canyon of memories. The towering sandy cliffs, now eroded by nearly a century of weathering, and the silted-in basin where cliffs and straggling pine trees are reflected in shallow water, are memorials to a variety of events.

The mine at Malakoff produced millions of dollars worth of gold to nurture California's economy in the two decades following the Civil War. It also produced tons of silt which settled downstream and helped initiate a pioneering conservation battle. It brought prosperity and almost 2,000 residents to the nearby camp of Humbug, later renamed North Bloomfield. There are a host of memories to be found here, but perhaps the most poignant and least celebrated are the memories of the men who worked the diggings and the hardships they endured.

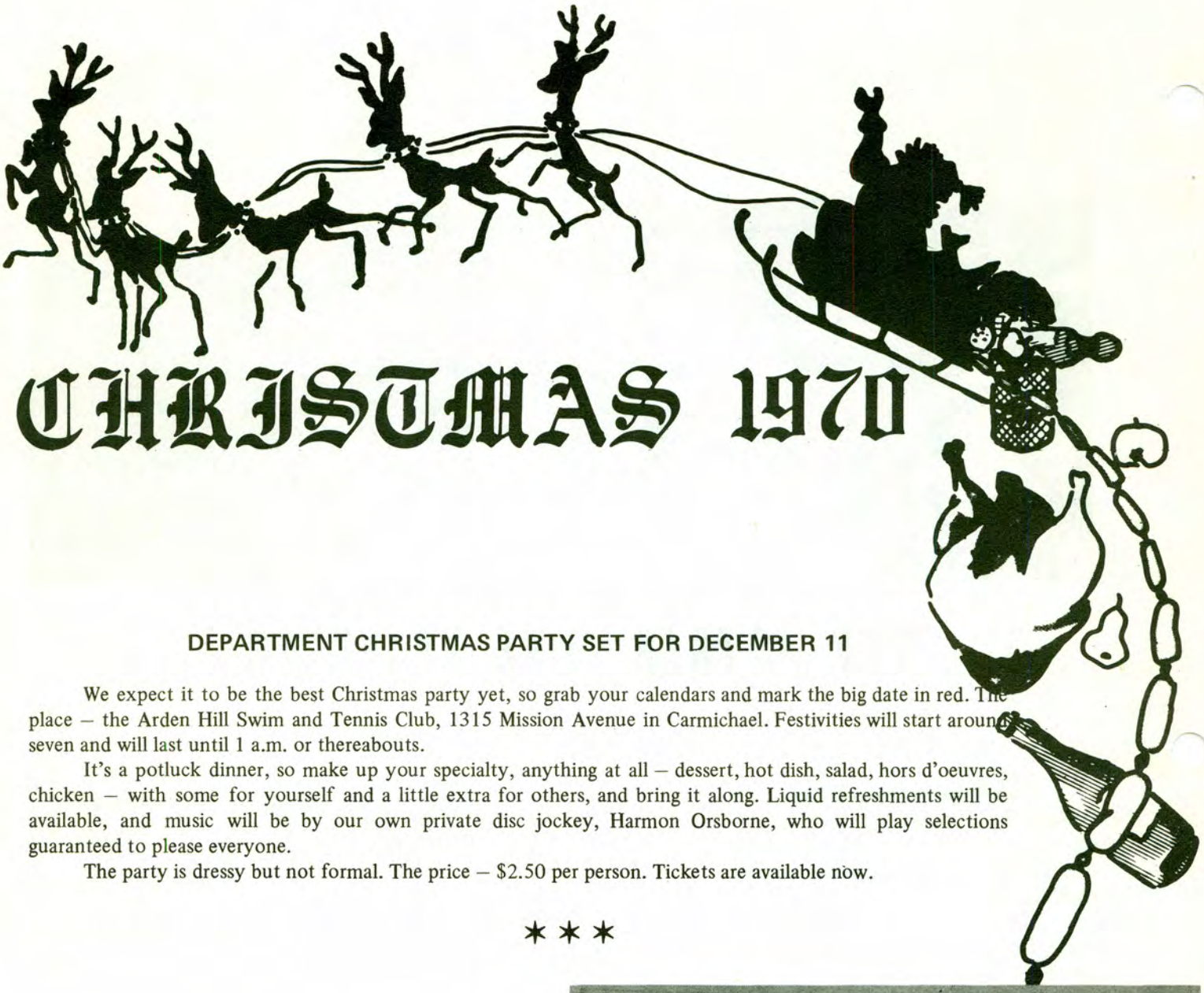
The mines operated night and day, with streams up to ten inches in diameter moving at a speed of nearly two miles per minute directed toward mining faces of compacted gravel and sand many hundreds of feet in height. The potential for tragedy was enormous.

According to the recollections of one oldtimer the night shift was the hardest. "These men walked to work by candle lit lanterns at six o'clock in the evening and returned, if lucky, at six o'clock in the morning, carrying the same lanterns. The night Albert Marten was killed will ever remain in my memory. The night was a wild one. Torrents of rain were falling, and the winds were howling a gale . . . the gleam from the sizzling, complaining arc lights could scarcely penetrate the blanket of rain that was falling."

On this particular night all went well until the "piper"--the man in control of the monitor -- took it upon himself to hose away an outcropping of earth which had been left to help buttress the rainsoaked cliff. Earth tremors from the resulting landslide were felt in the town three-quarters of a mile away. The miner killed at the time, Marten, was "literally knocked out of his boots. His body was found at least a dozen feet away from the long-legged boots that were well mired in the muck."

Another miner, Jim Cummings, was struck with flying debris and all but buried in the mud. "The breath was slowly being squeezed out of him . . . but Cummings was a powerful man and with a mighty effort he was able to squirm from under the heavy weight and free himself. The terrific strain took its toll, however. He was never the same man again, and within a few years death claimed him." In those days, injured miners had to pay their own hospital expenses, and bereaved families were lucky to be awarded as much as $150 to compensate for their loss.

It is no doubt a good thing that the days of hydraulicking are long since over. The huge mines were not only disastrously damaging to the natural terrain, they were also arduous and hazardous for the men who worked in them.



CHRISTMAS 1970

DEPARTMENT CHRISTMAS PARTY SET FOR DECEMBER 11

We expect it to be the best Christmas party yet, so grab your calendars and mark the big date in red. The place – the Arden Hill Swim and Tennis Club, 1315 Mission Avenue in Carmichael. Festivities will start around seven and will last until 1 a.m. or thereabouts.

It's a potluck dinner, so make up your specialty, anything at all – dessert, hot dish, salad, hors d'oeuvres, chicken – with some for yourself and a little extra for others, and bring it along. Liquid refreshments will be available, and music will be by our own private disc jockey, Harmon Orsborne, who will play selections guaranteed to please everyone.

The party is dressy but not formal. The price – $2.50 per person. Tickets are available now.

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John W. Thompson, General Superintendent of the A & MR Railroad; Henry K. Trobitz California Timberlands Manager for the Simpson Timber Company; Andrew Genzoli, member of the California Historical Landmarks Advisory Committee; and Lynwood Carranco of the Humboldt County Historical Society attended the dedication of the Arcata and Mad River Railroad as State Historical Landmark No. 842 at Blue Lake on September 26. Incorporated in 1854 as the Union Plank Walk, Rail Track, and Wharf Company, the line is the oldest on the North Coast and originally used a horse-drawn car to link Humboldt Bay and the Trinity River mines.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD . . .

DISTRICT 1 . . .

HUMBOLDT REDWOODS SP Ranger *Jerry Beauchamp* has received a Certificate of Commendation from the Merit Award Board for a suggestion to simplify radio procedure.

Mendocino Area Manager *William Allison* is baffled by the motives of vandals who slit the 25-foot water hose at HENDY WOODS SP lengthwise; they did no other damage.

In August, twenty children and young adults from The American Revolution organization, descendants of Revolution participants, painted and renumbered campsite number posts in the Elk Prairie campground at PRAIRIE CREEK REDWOODS SP under the watchful eye of Park Attendant *Ken Avery* and adult leaders.

The 137-unit, Class A Coyote Campground at Loafer Creek, LAKE OROVILLE SRA, was dedicated by a host of dignitaries, including Governor Reagan, on October 3. About 400 visitors attended.

A gentleman who could have passed for Colonel Sanders of Kentucky Fried Chicken fame, after requesting information at HUMBOLDT REDWOODS SP, remarked as he was leaving that the beauty of the woods was exceeded only by the graciousness of Receptionist *Rose Chapman.*

DISTRICT 2 . . .

BENICIA SRA Ranger *Roy Benedict* predicted a dark future for a band of fortune-telling gypsies if they didn't cease and desist in their efforts to drum up trade in the park.

Pittsburg's Concert Services Project brought 33 underprivileged children to BRANNAN ISLAND SRA for a campout recently.

A small boy reported seeing an animal at the Wright's Beach campground, SONOMA COAST SB . . . it looked and growled like a "large black bear." Turned out to be a raccoon.

BOTHE-NAPA VALLEY SP Ranger *Earl Wilder* needed 35 stitches after being bitten by a loose dog that he was trying to tie up.

DISTRICT 3 . . .

Three different family groups approached Ranger *Caleb Smith*, shook hands, and said that they were not planning to come out any more weekends this year and wanted to thank him for making SAN LUIS RESERVOIR SRA a nice, safe place for them to swim and boat.

Al Beck, supervisor of CALAVERAS BIG TREES SP during the '40s, visited the park with his wife on October 2. He retired 15 years ago.

A shotgun, balance, and two sets of hames bells which had been missing from SUTTER'S FORT SHP were found shoved under the front gate of the Fort on a recent Monday morning. Apparently, the thieves had a twinge of conscience.

DISTRICT 4 . . .

An elderly gentleman, who arrived by taxi, said that he came to PFEIFFER BIG SUR SP to die. He nearly made it—at midnight, he was found sitting against a tree, gasping and coughing, and was taken to a hospital.

A boat operator beached his two boats, an 18-foot twin outboard towing a 40-foot World War II lifeboat which had been converted into a houseboat, at PESCADERO SB recently. He had started Wednesday trying to get from Sausalito to Monterey Bay, but he got lost in the fog off the Golden Gate and, having no compass or radio, drifted all night long. Thursday he made some progress, but got lost again Thursday night and, seasick, drifted in the rough seas all night. By Friday noon he had made only 40 miles of the 90-mile voyage and had only one

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RARE PAINTINGS AT HEARST CASTLE RECEIVE PRESERVATIVE TREATMENT

by Wes Cater, Manager
San Simeon Area

Several weeks ago, Conservators Janet and Peter Kushel began preservative treatment of the many rare tempera and oil paintings at Hearst Castle. The Kushels received their very specialized training under the direction of Mrs. Kushel's father, Alfred Jakstas, Conservator of the Art Institute of Chicago.

Their work is the initial phase of a carefully planned, long-range program to preserve and restore the 15th to 17th Century paintings and the museum quality antique furnishings at the Castle.

It is fascinating to watch Janet and Peter work, and see the amazing array of paints, chemicals, resins and the various tools employed. You soon realize that many technical skills are required in addition to an extensive knowledge of art history and of the physical and chemical properties of the materials involved.

The picture shows Janet and Peter painting in "lost" areas and repairing cleavage in a 15th Century tempera painting. Tempera is an egg-based paint, usually painted on a wood panel, that preceded the use of oil-based paints on canvas. Cleavage results from the expansion and contraction of the wood panel which loosens the thin plaster adhesive primer used as a paint base.

The Kushels at work.

To minimize damage to the painted surface, a hypodermic needle and syringe are used to insert an adhesive mixed with poison, to prevent insect infestation, under the loosened portion. Then a weight is placed on the area until the adhesive bond has been made.

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YIELD FROM THE FIELD (Continued)

gallon of gas left, so he made a sharp left turn and landed at Pescadero, where Ranger *Max Foster* saw his difficulty and assisted him in beaching his flotilla. He spent most of the day Saturday trying to get a line out from shore to a fishing boat which would tow him out to sea, but without success; so on Sunday he had a mobile crane come in to lift the boats out of the water to be transported to Monterey by truck and trailer. Throughout all of this, very little damage was done to the boats; but the owner's pocketbook sustained major injuries!

MONTEREY SHP Guide *Barbara Burdick*, an occasional contributor to our pages, has just published a book on "California, the Fabulous Island." Barbara calls her book, with its 28 cartoon illustrations by Tom Huntington, a "painless, spoon-fed history of California."

Sierra Club groups cleaned up SAN GREGORIO, POMPONIO, and DUNES SBs recently – did an excellent job in getting rid of trash.

DISTRICT 5 . . .

Steven Prochter, a former ranger at WILL ROGERS SHP, was married there recently, with a buffet supper and reception on the patio following the ceremony. Prochter and his bride, the former Claudia Jeanne Sult, honeymooned in Europe and will make their home in the Bay Area.

DISTRICT 6 . . .

A park aid at DOHENY SB took home an injured dog that a visitor had left tied to a tree in the day use area – comments Area Manager *Pat Dougherty,* "Some types must know that park people are softies."

SALTON SEA SRA Ranger *Garlan Salzgeber* is now a radio personality – he is heard three times daily on KCHV, one of Coachella Valley's leading stations, covering Fishing, Weather, and – according to Area Manager *Jim Hibbert* – Propaganda.

The entire staff at SALTON SEA, except for adaptable new Ranger *John Van Camp,* who adapted to a 17-hour shift, took the ranger promotional exams at one time. Seems to show a distinct lack of planning on the test-schedulers' part.

When some recent visitors to ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP were visited in their tent by a sidewinder, two scorpions, and a black widow spider, they became a little unesasy and were considering terminating their stay at the park ahead of schedule until sightings of two desert bighorn rams and a chuckwalla persuaded them to extend their stay beyond original plans.

VOX POP

This Camper is Grateful for Places Like Sugar Pine Point SP:

The Ranger and his staff keep the area lovely with the grass around the museum and flowers. They also do a good job of keeping the beaches clean in spite of the many messy campers. We are truly grateful for beautiful places like these.

M. Mitchell
Napa

Park Visitor Finds Ranger Kind and Coureous:

I wish to draw to your attention the kindness and courtesy of Mr. *J. W. Zaiger* at PATRICK'S POINT SP. When we were due to leave the campsite, our car would not start. Being Labor Day, and the fact that our auto was an English sports car, help was not available. Mr. Zaiger gave us all possible assistance, way beyond what could be reasonably expected. My wife and I hope his professional record will be endorsed with our appreciation.

J. Michael Brown
Vancouver, British Columbia

A Satisfied Customer Praises Several State Parks:

No only are VAN DAMME, RUSSIAN GULCH and MacKERRICHER delightful, the staffs there are courteous and competent. Thanks to them my wife and I had a very pleasant and interesting vacation. At MT. DIABLO, there was the same courtesy and competence in the person of Mr. *Dana Long*. I did not want to leave California without writing this note of thanks.

Richard Hale
Massachusetts Historical Commission
Boston, Massachusetts

Camper Gets Only Friendliness and Cooperation From Staff at PORTOLA SP:

We especially appreciated the talks, nature walks and other educational aids that were available – they increased our enjoyment and understanding of our surroundings immeasurably. Rangers *(Miles) Standish* and *(Harry) McClintock* are such high quality personnel, their concern is contagious and helps our children become aware of what is necessary to preserve the nature that is left.

Paul and Diane Hill

"No Litter Anywhere," Says Park Visitor:

I want to tell you how nice Mr. *(George) Linden*, the Ranger, keeps INDIAN GRINDING ROCK campgrounds. When a camper leaves, he is right there to clean up if necessary. He makes rounds regularly and makes it known to the campers that he hopes they will have an enjoyable stay. The State parks of California are so wonderful, it adds so much to our lives. They sure are for the "modest means" people of California.

Mrs. Yuaola Wischnack
Livermore

Boy Scout Has Big Thank-You for Park Rangers at D. L. BLISS SP:

Thank you for bringing me down off the mountain. I had 14 stitches, so next time I'll bring a spare head.

David Collier
Walnut Creek

This Out-of-Stater Likes California's Parks Best of All:

Your Parks and facilities make California a pleasurable place to visit. We visited other states but California surpassed them all in camping accommodations. I hope the quality and quantity of your campgrounds continue.

Pat Busichio
Rumsom, New Jersey

CASTLE CRAGS SP Gets Round of Applause From This Family:

We just wanted to thank the personnel of this fine camping ground for the way they helped in rounding up all our gang so that we could all camp together as we did arrive at different times.

The Alfred J. Skinner Family
Yarro, British Columbia

Are The Parks in Good Shape?

Are the parks in good shape? Is California a nice place to live? Monroe is a nice place to live. We have good parks. Is California a little state? Do you have a lot of children in California? Do the children come to the parks? Well, nice talking to you.

Dawn McPhail
Monroe, Michigan

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OFF-SEASON CAMPING TICKETS ARE BEST-SELLERS

The off-season camping ticket booklets, which went on sale in September, are going so well that an additional printing of 20,000 booklets has been ordered. As expected, District 5 with its popular beach parks has proved the front runner in sales, but that District 1 came in No. 2 was a surprise. Perhaps District 1 sales have been boosted by the promotion they receive on the Hiouchi Area's rangers' morning radio broadcast. District 2 and 4 also had fairly good sales.

Each of the tickets in the ten-ticket booklets, which sell for $10, is good for one night's camping at a trailer or Class A, B, or C campground on a first-come-first-served basis – they cannot be used for reserved campsites, or in parks where the normal season is winter (Anza-Borrego Desert, Joshua Trees, Mitchell Caverns, Salton Sea, Picacho). Since the purpose of the tickets is to encourage more use of state park campgrounds during the less busy periods of the year, ever-busy parks such as Doheny, San Clemente, San Elijo, and South Carlsbad SBs are also excluded.

The books can be obtained at parks or by sending a $10 check or money order to the Reservation Office, Department of Parks and Recreation, P. O. Box 2390, Sacramento 95811.

VOX POP (Continued)

This Visitor Compliments Park and Ranger:

I thought it necessary to write to you, not as a complaint, but a cordial compliment regarding RUSSIAN GULCH SP and Rangers *J.H. Miller* and *D.W. Urton.* The facilities, design and location of the park are probably the finest one can find anywhere. The courtesy, cooperation, and friendliness of the Rangers is second to none.

Tom Nunes
Castro Valley

Chamber of Commerce Thanks ARMSTRONG REDWOODS SR:

I wish to express our thanks and appreciation to your department and the park personnel for the help, courtesy and cooperation from your people during the ten weeks we sponsored the Sunday afternoon concerts.

Mrs. June Lewek, Chairman
Guerneville Chamber of Commerce

HEARST SAN SIMEON SHP Guide Gets Plug From This Traveler:

My husband and I took the Enchanted Hill Tour and we were both extremely impressed with our guide's handling of the tour group, her information and her presentation of the information. We have done considerable traveling in Europe and South America, and guides of the quality of *Kay Stuart* are distinctly rare.

Mrs. Gordon Woods
Lafayette

PLUMAS-EUREKA Ranger Really Gives His All, Says This Park Visitor:

I wish to espacially commend one of the summer Rangers, *John Kolb.* I have attended his campfire meeting, nature hikes, historical tours, etc., the past two summers, and have found him to be especially dedicated and well informed. He performs his work well "beyond the call of duty."

Mrs. Walter Roche
Petaluma

This Note Was Found Attached To the Camp Cupboard Next To A Campsite at EL CAPITAN SB:

To whom it may concern: Please water and feed the gray cat (we called him Smokey) we wanted to take him home but our father wouldn't let us. Thank you. P.S. Have fun camping.

The Kearney Gang

In View of the Problems Facing Park Personnel Today, the Staff at BOTHE-NAPA VALLEY SP Appreciated This Note:

We certainly enjoyed our stay at your park this summer. The staff made our stay very pleasant and most memorable. In these times it is encouraging to find someone who still enforces the rules and regulations. Your staff was exceptional, not only in enforcing the rules, but doing it in a pleasant manner even under stress.

The Andrew Vavuris Family
San Francisco

A MOUNTAIN RESCUE

Bob Stephens, an Assistant Civil Engineer in the Construction Section, went on a mountain-climbing vacation with his wife Harriet last August. As they were climbing 7,695-foot Mount Olympus in Washington, they passed a Catholic Youth Organization group, consisting of about two dozen teenage girls with two seminary students and a priest serving as leader, also making the climb.

When the Stephens' came back down the mountain after reaching the peak and visiting the two glacier study centers on the mountain, they saw a pack and equipment strewn near the edge of a very large crevasse in the ice. One of the seminary students and the girls were trying to lower a rope to the priest, who had fallen into the crevasse, but without success.

An experienced rock climber, Stephens organized the rescue work and belayed a glaciologist from the study center into the crevasse who managed to get a rope around the priest so Stephens and the girls could pull him out. A rescue helicopter had been summoned by radio from the glacier study station, and Bob and Harriet and three of the girls carried the priest by stretcher down the glacier to a place where the 'copter could land. From there the priest, who had suffered a collapsed lung, a broken bone, and other injuries, was taken to a hospital in Port Angeles.

The body of the seminary student was finally found by a search team of students from the glacier study center.

This left the shaken girls leaderless, so the Stephens took charge of their group and saw them safely back to their camp. One of them wrote to the Stephens later, saying of their help, "It's sure great to have that strength and security of good people near when you need them."

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A blue Monday at ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP, as Dispatcher-Clerk *Dora Teele* starts her vacation. Warns Area Manager *Jack Hesemeyer,* "Look for misspelled words and typing errors in all corespondence (sic)."

Litter problems have developed new wrinkle at PICACHO SRA, according to Area Manager *Don Pohl* – a jet fighter from Yuma U.S.M.C. facility, in trouble because of fuel shortage, dumped about a ton of military hardware in the northern part of the unit. The Marine ordnance crew helped the park staff collect some of the debris, but they are still looking for one pod housing a 20 mm cannon and 300 rounds.

While BIG BASIN REDWOODS SP Ranger Trainee *Bill Krumbein* was on duty at the kiosk one day, two elderly ladies drove up and asked if they had to pay the day use fee. "We're just going to be there for an hour or so, to look at the big trees," one of them said, pointing in the direction opposite that of the Redwood Trail. Bill explained the day use fee and told them that the largest trees are on the Redwood Trail, pointing it out, but the woman insisted that the biggest trees were the other way. As they drove away, Bill heard one mutter, "They must have moved them!"

When a prospective park aid at PICACHO SRA went to the sheriff's substation in Winterhaven for fingerprinting prior to his appointment, they put him in jail. Seems there was a Santa Cruz County warrant out on him . . . better luck next time!

STAFF CHANGES

These changes update the Personnel Roster dated August 1, 1970.

APPOINTMENTS

Anderson, Paul N.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Four Rivers Area	7-31-70
Appel, Harold L.	Janitor	Hearst San Simeon	8-17-70
Bennett, Terry L.	Janitor	Hearst San Simeon	8-17-70
Boulian, Philip	Guide I, Hist Mon	Hearst San Simeon	8-20-70
Duckworth, Edward W.	Park Maint Assist	Sonoma Area	8-10-70
Fish, Phillip F.	Park Maint Assist	Channel Coast	8-12-70
Hart, James W.	State Park Ranger I	San Luis Obispo	8-3-70
Hilkert, Robert S.	State Park Ranger I	San Diego Coast	8-3-70
Irwin, Richard L.	State Park Ranger I	San Diego Coast	8-3-70
Jordan, Steven E.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Mendocino Area	6-24-70
Scott, Ronald G.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Santa Cruz Mountain Area	7-9-70
Ybarra, Rudolph G.	Groundsman	Sonoma Area	8-31-70

NAME CHANGE

Massoni, Michelle A. To: Conner	Stenographer I	Office & Res Svcs	9-20-70

PROMOTIONS

Carlson, Gordon H.	Park Maint Man I	Lake Oroville Area	8-19-70

RETIREMENTS

Hamann, John H.	Property Clerk I	Dist 6 Headquarters	9-30-70
Parvin, Arthur W.	Park Maint Supvr I	San Luis Obispo	8-31-70
Pedersen, Albert N.	Accounting Tech	Dist. 6 Headquarters	9-30-70
Peterson, Ivan A.	Park Maint Man I	Orange Coast Area	8-7-70

SEPARATIONS

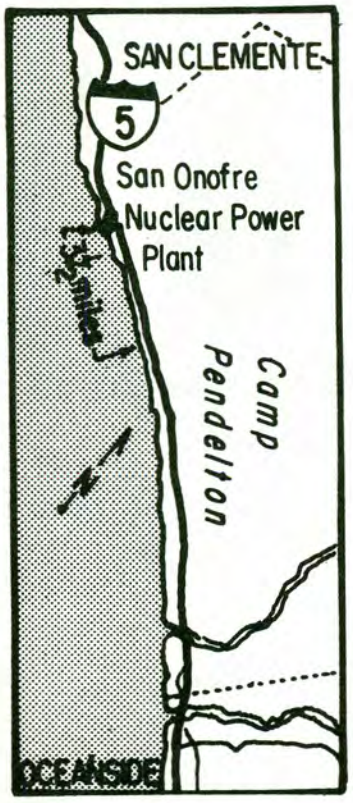
Baker, Allen J.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Dyerville Area	8-27-70
Baker, Maude A.	Clerk I (Perm Int)	Piercy Area	9-2-70
Donsker, Terrie N.	Stenographer II	Office & Res Svcs	9-30-70
Evans, Roger W.	Park Maint Assist	Orange Coast Area	9-8-70
Fisher, Robert A.	State Park Ranger II	Santa Cruz Coast	8-31-70
Hill, Leroy C.	Snow Safety Spec	Squaw Valley SRA	9-16-70
Holeva, Thomas A.	Park Maint Man I	San Luis Obispo	8-29-70
Jang, Karen L.	Stenographer II	Dist. 3 Headquarters	9-16-70
Jessop, John W.	Bus Svc Assist	Bus. Svcs Unit	9-30-70
Prochter, Steven J.	State Park Ranger (Int.)	Will Rogers Area	9-9-70
Radke, Dennis M.	State Park Ranger I	Golden Gate Area	8-31-70
Seale, Richard A.	Eng Aid II	Construction Sec	9-11-70
Skaalen, Lee M.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Frontera Area	8-31-70
Skjonberg, Knut B.	Lifeguard Supvr	Orange Coast Area	8-31-70
Sweeney, Kathleen A.	Clerk Typist I	Sierra Area	9-4-70

TIME BASE CHANGE

Duncan, David L.	State Park Ranger (Int)	San Luis Obispo	8-3-70
Knight, Linda	Clerk Typist II (Int)	Management Reports Unit	9-14-70

UNIT CHANGES

Ash, Daniel J.	State Park Ranger I	Santa Cruz Mts To San Mateo Coast	9-1-70
Bushley, Michael P.	Park Maint Assist	Russian River To Santa Cruz Mts	9-20-70
Carson, Stanley R.	State Park Ranger I	Will Rogers To Pt. Mugu Area	9-15-70
Jones, Glen N.	State Park Ranger IV	Calaveras Area To Montane Area	9-1-70
Larson, Mervil C., Jr.	Lifeguard Supvr	Pt. Mugu Area To Channel Coast Area	9-1-70
Pugh, Robert W.	State Park Ranger IV	Lake Oroville Area To Training Sect—Asilomar	9-1-70
Royer, Donald D.	State Park Ranger IV	Big Sur Area To Lake Oroville	9-1-70
Stowe, Jack P.	State Park Ranger IV	Salton Sea Area To Big Sur Area	9-1-70



SAN ONOFRE BEACH WILL BE LEASED TO STATE

After six years of negotiation, the Marine Corps has agreed to lease a 1,100-acre portion of Camp Pendleton just south of the San Onofre Nuclear Powerplant to the State for a 25-year period.

The 3½-mile stretch of beach, worth $10.5 million, is expected to be opened next spring or summer. There will be facilities for camping, parking, and stairs to provide access down to the beach from the steep bluffs. Development for the anticipated ten million visitors per year will not be completed until 1972.

The new park will help take some of the pressure off Doheny, San Clemente, San Elijo, and South Carlsbad SBs, perhaps the most heavily used units in the State Park System.

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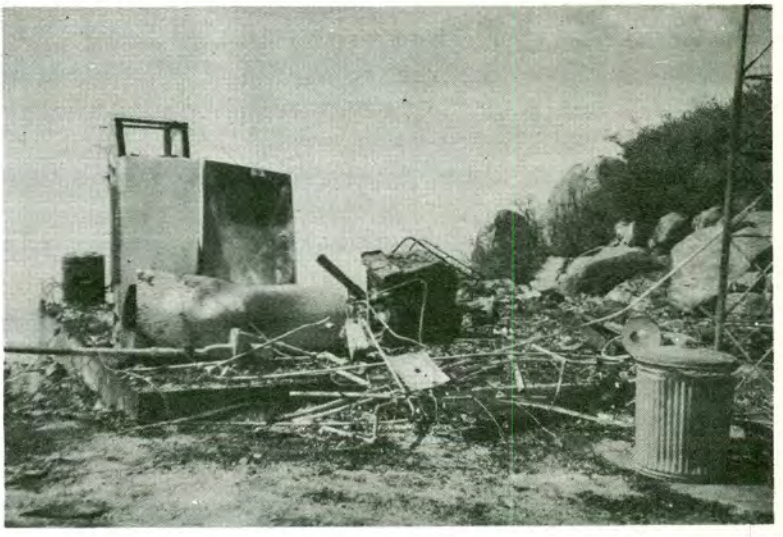
FIRES AVOID STATE PARKS

The consequences of last month's raging fires to state parks can be summed up briefly – "no significant damage." This is the opinion of Fred Meyer, Department Forester in the Resource Management and Protection Division.

While some acreage burned, notably in Humboldt Redwoods and Cuyamaca Rancho SPs, only one old-growth redwood tree at Humboldt was destroyed. At Cuyamaca, about 800 acres including a U.S. Forest Service radio facilities building and lookout station were burned, but no park facilities were damaged. (The fire at Fort Ross SHP which destroyed the chapel had no connection with the blazes which spread through forested and brush areas – see story, page 5.) Mount Diablo, Leo Carrillo, Will Rogers, Austin Creek Redwoods, Mount San Jacinto Wilderness, and Heart Bar were among the units which were also closed because of fire danger. Fires in San Luis Obispo County did not seriously endanger Hearst San Simeon SHP.

The strong winds – Santa Ana – which fanned and spread the fires throughout the state received some help. At Mount Diablo, a visitor discovered a smoldering pillow placed near the park road, and the California Division of Forestry caught a fire bug as he set his fifth fire around Lake Wolford, near Escondido.



Radio facilities building on Cuyamaca Peak was destroyed, but other structures in the park were saved. Photo by Jim Tryner.

DEPARTMENTAL SAFETY GOAL – 12

TAKE THE PLEDGE* **BY 1971**

I, Being a Skilled and Resourceful Supervisor, Promise that I Will Fulfill My Safety Obligation to My Employees. Each Day I Will:

- Analyze usual and periodic jobs to identify potential sources of accidents.
- Provide, as a minimum, approved safety guards on all equipment as determined by the Division of Industrial Safety.
- Establish safe job practices.
- Post operating instructions on or near all equipment and machinery and post Industrial Safety Orders in all work areas, where possible.
- Determine the knowledge and proficiency of each employee in the care, use, and limitations of tools and equipment applicable to his assignment.
- Provide job instruction training appropriate for each employee.
- Provide personal safety equipment for each employee appropriate to his assignment.
- Consider each employee's physical abilities, limitations, and condition in relation to his work assignment.
- Encourage employee discussion about the hazards of their work.
- Establish routine safety inspections of tools, equipment, machinery, and job practices, and take corrective action as indicated.
- Investigate and analyze every accident.
- Take appropriate action in cases of negligence.

** It's in the Book. Look it up – Administration Manual Section 1202.1.*

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STATE ACQUIRES SITE FOR INTERNATIONAL PARK

The Federal Government has turned over Border Field, a 360-acre area with 6,000 feet of ocean frontage just north of the Mexican border, to the State of California. In commenting on this action, Governor Reagan said that this will give us the opportunity to develop an international park where people of both nations can mingle in a pleasant recreational environment, developing further understanding of each others' cultures.

Tentative plans for the area, which was first sighted by Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo in 1542 – Cabrillo National Monument can be seen from the bluffs here – include a visitor center, parking, picnic facilities, and development for swimming, surfing, and fishing. The estuarine area, last such area remaining in this part of Southern California, will be preserved.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

EMPLOYEE INJURIES

BREAKDOWN OF LOST TIME INJURIES
JANUARY THROUGH AUGUST 1970

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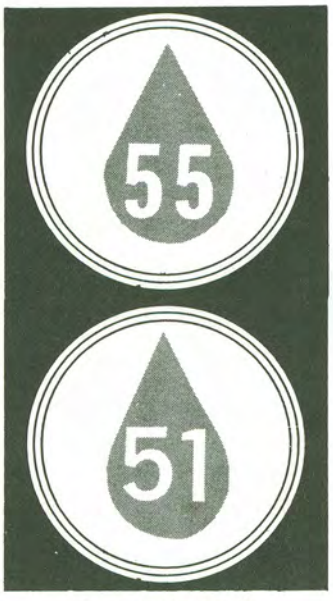

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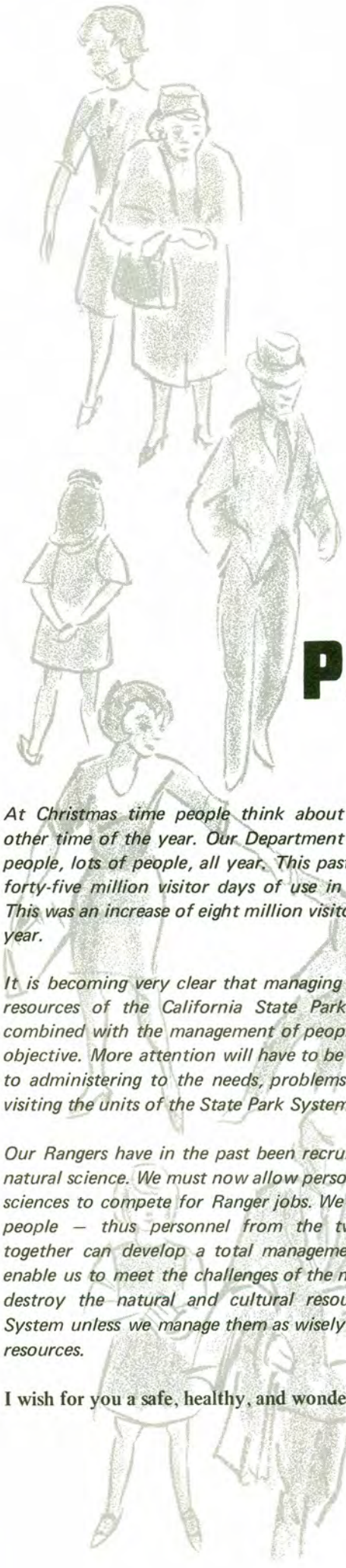

People

At Christmas time people think about people more than any other time of the year. Our Department must be concerned with people, lots of people, all year. This past fiscal year we recorded forty-five million visitor days of use in the State Park System. This was an increase of eight million visitor days over the previous year.

It is becoming very clear that managing the natural and cultural resources of the California State Park System must now be combined with the management of people in a total management objective. More attention will have to be given by our field forces to administering to the needs, problems and conflicts of people visiting the units of the State Park System.

Our Rangers have in the past been recruited from the schools of natural science. We must now allow persons educated in the social sciences to compete for Ranger jobs. We need their knowledge of people — thus personnel from the two disciplines, working together can develop a total management philosophy that will enable us to meet the challenges of the next 25 years. People can destroy the natural and cultural resources of the State Park System unless we manage them as wisely and as well as we do the resources.

I wish for you a safe, healthy, and wonderful Christmas season.

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.
DIRECTOR
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
AND RECREATION

Informal attire was the rule at the Fair.

Frontera Area Clerk Betty Ruebeling chats with two Fair participants.

"THEY"

by M. H. Getty, Interpretive Specialist
District 6

A lot of them had long hair and were barefoot. They sat around on the ground and passed out pamphlets on no-phosphate detergents while they drank organic grape juice. A pretty young lady sang folksongs. (And I even smelled incense.) And they were selling buttons that said "GIVE A DAMN".

They had just won a battle against the mighty Army Corps of Engineers and stopped an unnecessary jetty from being built across the beach. And they invited the California Department of Parks and Recreation to participate in their Ecology Street Fair.

The Ocean Beach Ecology Action Committee's Street Fair was held on a vacant lot on the main street of Ocean Beach. The Wilderness Society, the Sierra Club, The Audubon Society, the San Diego Zoo, Planned Parenthood, Zero Population Growth and others manned tables and dispensed information to the fair visitors.

We carried in a small table and tacked on our sign "EVERY DAY IS EARTH DAY". *Jim and Peggy Whitehead, Hank Nicol, Betty Ruebeling, Randy Whitefield, Dominic Gotelli, Lois Goode* and *Joe White* came and participated at the fair.

We met a lot of young people in our two days at Ocean Beach. A lot of them had long hair and were barefoot. They sat around on the ground a lot. And they were every bit as concerned about the environment and people as we were, and just as deeply involved.

And they wore little buttons that cried "GIVE A DAMN". □

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BEER IN RETURNABLE BOTTLES OUTSELLS OTHERS

Who says people won't buy beverages in returnable bottles? Not only will they, they seem to prefer to.

The Blitz Weinhard Company of Portland, one of the country's larger breweries, put on a promotion for the sale of its beer in returnable, money-back bottles. Not only did sales of beer in these bottles climb by 21 percent, the sales of beer in non-returnable bottles dropped 14 percent.

A similar test is taking place in New Hampshire and Pennsylvania by the Rheingold Breweries. The company is betting that consumers in these two states will respond to the sale of beer in returnable containers the way Oregon consumers did. □

The Plaza Square

This is one of a weekly series of articles "From the Plaza Square" that Ranger William J. Hill *of SAN JUAN BAUTISTA SHP writes for the Hollister* Evening Free Lance. *Reprinted by permission.*

Our recorded heritage of tomorrow is taken from the commonplace to spectacular events of today. And speaking of history, Ranger Breckling and his wife, Candy, recorded a bit for themselves Tuesday of last week with the arrival of their son, Michael Norman Breckling at the Kaiser Hospital in Oakland. Michael's father, Barry, became a part of the Monument staff last spring and was later assigned to the permanent Ranger position at Fremont Peak State Park.

Your San Juan Bautista State Park recorded another bit of history the first of this month with the very welcome addition of Ranger Charles Murray to fill a vacancy of more than a year. Chuck is a native of Mendocino County and started his career with the Park Service a decade ago at San Clemente State Beach in Orange County.

He later served at Anza-Borrego Desert State Park and comes to San Juan Bautista via Folsom Lake State Recreation Area. He and his wife, Catherine, a retired school teacher, have chosen nearby Gilroy for their home in this area.

The colorful past of the Castro Breen Adobe and its historic occupants is one of 50 historic houses across the Nation to be found in a recently published book entitled "Great Historic Houses of America."

The book is written by Phyllis Lee Levin and published by Country Beautiful Corporation of Wisconsin. The book contains two other houses in the State of California, the Larkin House in Monterey and the Leland Stanford House in Sacramento.

The lavishly illustrated book contains a comprehensive interpretation of the historical heritage of buildings that played a prominent role in the colonization and development of our country. National distribution of this book will emphasize the historical significance of the monuments in San Juan Bautista.

With the holidays fast approaching it might be well to remind you that our Monument buildings at San Juan Bautista are closed three days of the year – namely, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's. Although the buildings will be closed an attendant will be on duty to answer the phone and greet those wishing to stroll through the grounds and absorb some of the atmosphere of bygone days.

This issue of "The Plaza Square" commits to history the first year of the column which, it is hoped, you readers have enjoyed. Articles on wildlife, history and conservation have been contributed in an effort to add some new thoughts to the humdrum of our daily lives and create an awareness of the total natural environment necessary for a full and enjoyable life.

RECOMMENDED READING

CALIFORNIA – THE FABULOUS ISLAND

by Barbara Burdick, cartoons by Tom Huntington.
Christensen Graphics, Monterey – 64 pages, $2 including tax

Robert Louis Stevenson, a fire bug?

How did *Sacramento* ever become the State's capital?

Will California secede from the mainland?

Why did they call Fremont "The Pathfinder"?

These and many other questions are discussed, but left largely unanswered, in the new book by Barbara Burdick, Guide at Monterey SHP and sometime contributor to these pages (see below).

This little book gives the comic-opera and human-interest aspects of many famous events of California's early history – smugglers, soldiers, sailors, settlers, heros, and of course Calafia dance through its pages. Those who are acquainted, however remotely, with California's history will enjoy it – and for those who are not it will provide a painless introductory course.

THE HEROIC TRIAD

by Paul Horgan
Holt, Rinehart and Winston – 256 pages, $7.95

"From its first mountains to its slow and exhausted arrival in the sea, the river is surrounded by forces and elements constantly moving and dynamic, interacting to produce its life and character."

This is the Rio Grande, the Great River that rules a vast region from the Rocky Mountains to the Gulf of Mexico. Three peoples are governed by that long rush of water, and it is of the river's peoples that Paul Horgan speaks.

There is the Indian who was the first to live at the river's edge. With him came the spirit and harmony with all parts of nature except individual human nature. Then the conquering Spaniards and their Mexican sons, scornful of what they found, brought saints and silks and the last stages of a great civilization that was already doomed to sleep.

The Anglo-Americans created a wild new strain in the river kingdom – an original, tough, vigorous and passionately dedicated to the future. Thus the Heroic Triad came to the land.

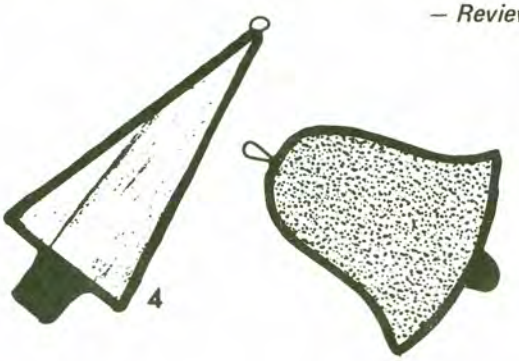
The Pulitzer Prize-winning author has produced a remarkably sensitive chronicle that is an adventure to read. The course of his narrative twists and turns as it tumbles and crashes through the centuries much like the way of the Great River itself.

As the broad study develops, the reader is constantly aware that each culture is an entity made more complete by its interconnection with the others.

Horgan is a scrupulous historian with a highly developed descriptive ability. This book is a classic, often pietic in feeling, earthy and poignant, and, most of all, stimulating. This is more than just a good story. It is a mighty pageant presented by a work artist.

Paul Horgan has made the recording of history an art – quite an achievement.

– Reviewed by Barbara Burdick



by Ed Wilson
Personnel Officer

Last month Director Mott wrote to all employees announcing a campaign to eliminate eye injuries. In announcing the four-point action program, Director Mott stated, "While eye injuries are not as common in the Department as falls and lifting injuries, their elimination is important because of their serious nature. During the period January 1 through September 30, 1970, we had 13 employee eye injuries requiring hospitalization or a doctor's treatment. We must reduce this to zero eye injuries."

The four-point action program directs that supervisors:

- Provide appropriate eye safety protection devices for use with power tools and in potentially hazardous operations such as welding, chipping, pruning, or handling hazardous chemicals and solvents.
- Post and enforce eye safety rules at hazardous work stations.
- Purchase at State expense prescription and non-prescription safety glasses for employees who are regularly assigned to duties with a high risk of eye injury.
- Make prescription and plain lens safety glasses available to other employees at commercial rates through a group purchase program.

The Department's program to purchase or to assist in the purchase of safety glasses is similar to the program initiated a few years ago by the Division of Highways.

Safety glasses are particularly recommended for employees who normally wear glasses, since in the event of an accident they face the additional hazard of glass fragments in the eye. Attention has recently been focused on this serious problem by a Food and Drug Administration proposed ban on breakable eyeglasses. The Food and Drug Administration said only about one-fourth of the prescription glasses worn by Americans are impact resistant, and an estimated 120,000 eye injuries occur each year from eyeglass breakage.

Don't become one of these statistics! See your District Business Manager or the Business Management Section in headquarters for further information about the Department's safety glasses program.

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It's business as usual while technicians install the Ticketron equipment in the Hearst Reservation Office at Sacramento Headquarters. Three terminals, each consisting of a keyboard, a teletype link to the computer in Los Angeles, and a ticket printer, have been installed and will handle all mail requests for Hearst tours and campground reservations.

A Little Gray Long-tail Bear

A little old lady hailed Intermittent Ranger *Jim Miller*, at RUSSIAN GULCH SP.

"Why," she asked, "didn't you Rangers tell me that there are bears in this camp?"

"Bears?!!," replied Jim.

"Oh yes, I had one on my table last night," she informed him.

"Was it a black bear or a brown bear?" inquired Miller.

"No, no, it was a little gray bear."

"A little gray bear, huh? Well, tell me about him."

She began, "Well, the first thing he did was to get into my eggs. He bit a hole in the end of the shell, and then he sucked the egg out of each one. Then he got into my vegetables. He took them down to the creek and ate 'em. After that, he came back and helped himself to my crackers."

"Well," interpreted Jim, "I believe you are talking about a Raccoon."

"Oh no, young man, it was a BEAR!" came her indignant reply.

"O.K.," Jim retreated, "Was it a Long-Tail Bear or a Short-Tail Bear?"

"Come to think of it, it was a Long-Tail Bear," she recalled.

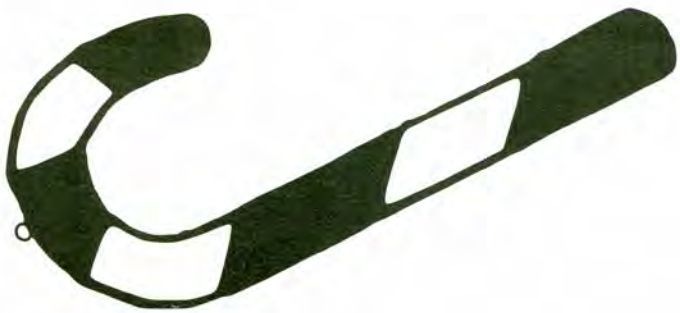
Seeing that the LOL had an "I've-already-made-up my-mind; don't-confuse-me-with-the-facts" attitude, Jim finally conceded,

"Well, on occasion, we do get those little gray long-tail bears prowling this camp."

Comments Mendocino Area Manager *William Allison*, "Often it is difficult to convince a visitor that she is mistaken. (Often it's best not to try!)"

CLUB MEMBERS HELP OUT FRONTERA AREA STAFF

Members of the San Diego State College Circle K Club and Old San Diego Kiwanis got together on a Saturday in mid-October to help refurbish a restroom in the Washington Square area of OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO SP. They cleaned and painted the entire building under the guidance of Park Maintenance Supervisor *Homer Rail*. This is intended as the first in a series of one-day projects designed to assist the regular park staff by freeing them for other duties.



District 5 Interpretive Specialist Mike Merkel reports that these patches are now being used to encourage Junior Rangers in District 5 units. The small bears are awarded for additional efforts after the large patch is achieved, and the park name badges are for special efforts "above and beyond." He hopes that soon all units will have a special badge.

All Employees:

I want to thank each of you for your help in putting Proposition 20 across to the public. When the final tally was counted, the measure had won handily by 3,084,360 to 2,346,676 – a margin of more than 700,000 votes.

Even if the measure had failed, we would still have been responsible for the development of recreation facilities at units of the State Water Project. And, without the $54 million in bond funds, the cost of providing even minimum facilities would have drastically curtailed all other park system acquisition and development programs for a long time to come.

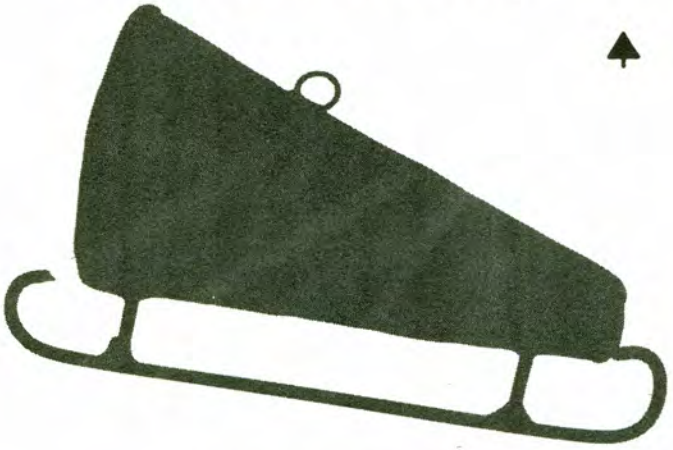
Thanks to your active support of Proposition 20, we are now able to move ahead with the planning and construction of these onshore recreational facilities.

William Penn Mott, Jr.
Director

LONG-TIME DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE RETIRES

December 2 is the start of retirement for Wayne Cox, former Assistant Superintendent of District 4. Since Cox went on a long vacation just prior to his retirement, friends and well-wishers got together in early October to present him with a portable TV for his trailer, since travel figures prominently in his retirement plans.

Cox started as a ranger in 1942 at Big Basin Redwoods SP, and also worked at Pfeiffer Big Sur before moving to the district office at Monterey.



FORMER SECRETARY IS ON THE GO

by
Edward A. Earl
Will Rogers SHP

It seems only appropriate to follow the article on Earl Hanson, which appeared a few issues back, with an article about Virginia L. Fillinger, who was for many years secretary to Earl, prior to her retirement in April of 1968. After leaving State service, Virginia, with her mother, managed a trip to the Hawaiian Islands in 1968, visiting six of them. This trip was the highlight of the year.

Virginia and her 84-year-old mother had a real western adventure on their trip to Fremont, Nebraska to visit her brother and family during the spring of 1970. They were snowed in for three days by a blizzard at the home of relatives some sixty miles from Cheyenne, without a telephone or electricity. They were very happy to get back home to Sacramento.

Next year Virginia plans on going to the Scandinavian countries. She can get a run-down from Earl Hanson and others in our Department that have been recent visitors to the land of the Norsemen.

Virginia started work with our Department in April 1941, and retired as a Senior Stenographer in April 1968.

She and her mother live in a comfortable cottage at 941 Third Avenue, Sacramento 95818. She is really enjoying retirement and wishes the best to all of us and she requests we all keep in touch.

Virginia Fillinger and her mother.

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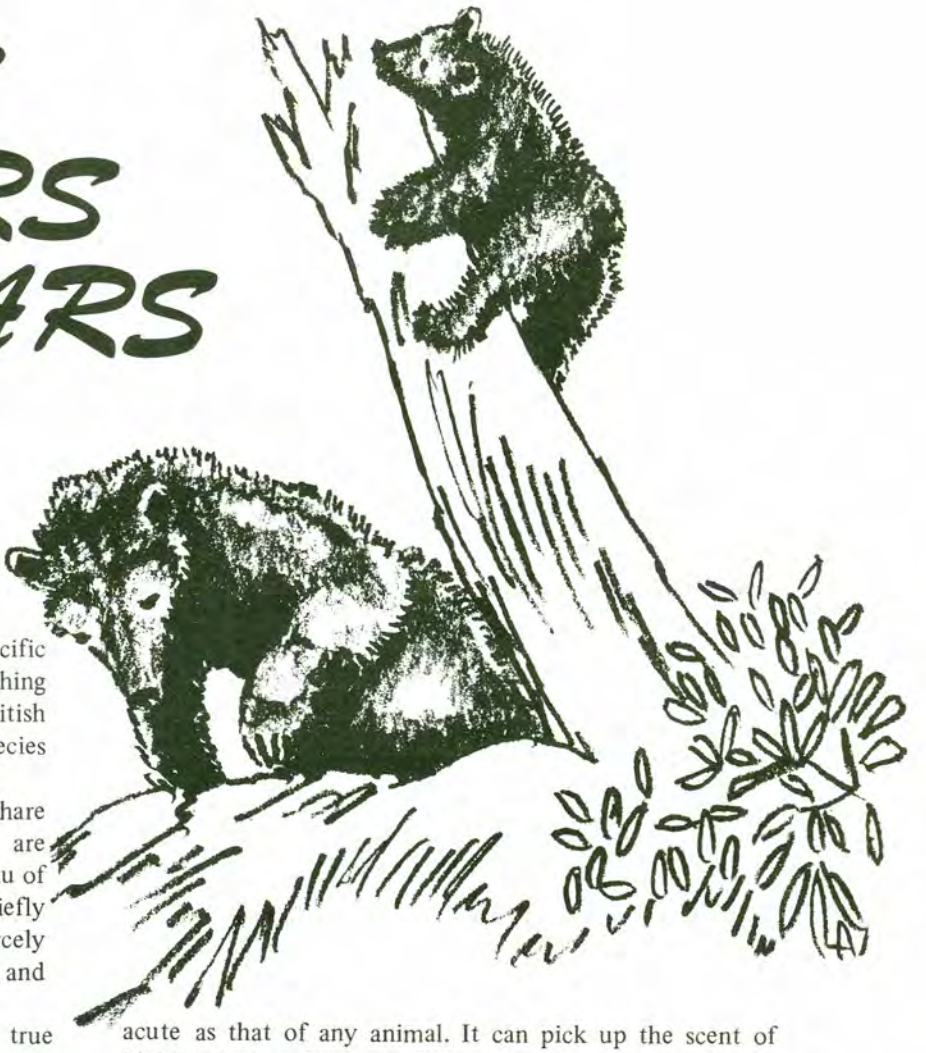

by Delphine Haley
Associate Editor, Pacific Search, Seattle
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No area in the world can match the Pacific Northwest for bears. Vast areas from the Artic stretching south to the mountain ranges and salmon streams of British Columbia and the United States provide our three species with an ample diet and uncontested territory.

Northwest bears – polar, grizzly and black – share certain characteristics. Though carnivores, all are omnivorous and will change diet according to the menu of the season. They are solitary animals, meeting only briefly during the mating season. Like all mammals, they fiercely protect their young. Mothers groom, feed, transport and teach their cubs all the tricks of survival.

Contrary to belief, bears do not enter true hibernation – a condition permitting animals to live at very low body temperatures often near freezing point. Bears go into a state of dormancy (the only large mammals to do so) where a somewhat slowed metabolic rate conserves energy and heat. Their physiological functions continue – the cubs are born and suckled, and some bears will even leave their dens during the winter.

If unprovoked, bears generally are non-aggressive unless wounded, cornered or defending their young or food supply. However, a bear's idea of provocation may not correspond to human logic.

Civilization is gradually encroaching on the bear's wilderness habitat. The only predator of this mighty beast is man.

During most of the year, polar bears live on the moving pack ice of the Artic – a sort of pelagic merry-go-round. Their range is not completely circumpolar but limited to large Artic areas such as off the Alaska coast. About 12,000 of this species drift on ice floes feeding in winter on refrigerated shrimp, seals, crab or occasionally whale and walrus carcasses, and in summer on the vegetation of offshore islands.

Icebergs and pressure ridges serve as vantage points atop which *Nanook* – so called by the Eskimos – lifts a long serpentine neck to prospect for seals. Hunting at whatever angle of the wind affords the widest sensitivity, it stands on hind feet and searches with a nose which is as acute as that of any animal. It can pick up the scent of blubber from a distance of 10 miles. Before Nanook is seen against the white snow, its nose can be spotted. Stefansson wrote that "no stone, no bare spot in the snow, no dark shadow is as black as a polar bear's nose." Seemingly aware of this, the stalking polar bear will often put its nose behind its forepaws or even push a piece of ice along in front of it. Although the bear's small eyes are keen for locating prey, its hearing is not well developed in this land of grinding and cracking ice floes.

Should it spy a ringed seal, the polar bear can move faster than any other creature on ice. Broad 12-inch paws with thick soles provide excellent traction; the claws are short and curved. Stalking silently to 15 feet from the seal, the bear bounds forward with forelegs outstretched and head low; then it strikes out with a deadly left paw that says goodbye seal. Polar bears prefer blubber to flesh and can consume 40 lbs. at a session.

Although more defenseless in water, the polar bear is a powerful swimmer. Gripping the ice with its forepaws, it lowers itself backwards into the water. Then letting down one hind leg after the other, it sinks until only the muzzle shows. Quietly swimming to a nearby ice floe, it leaps from the water to grab a napping seal. If it misses, the bear may jump up and down or beat the water in rage.

When food is available, the he-bear hunts through winter. It sniffs out seal areas under the ice and will obligingly scoop out breathing holes for them. Although

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the seal's hearing is acute, it can't hear while blowing. When it surfaces at the hole, the bear grabs the seal's head and jerks it up through the ice, breaking ribs and pelvis.

Like all bears, Nanook is a fierce, protective mother. In October when her fur and fat thicken after a summer diet of berries, she makes a den on land-fast ice – usually a hollow or cavern in a snow drift. In December she gives birth to cubs. Without this den the young couldn't survive five months of polar night.

The babies are very small – 7 to 12 inches – when compared to their mother's size. The milk supply must last until March when they emerge for spring seal hunting. During the next two years they follow mother closely, even hitchhiking on her back as she swims for food. She protects them from the walrus and killer whale; they learn to kill for blubber in winter and to scout for lichen and sedges in summer. The cubs adjust during their first years to temperatures ranging from -50° to 75° F.

In spring of the second year, Nanook will leave them to mate again. Her male cubs will grow to an average of 8-9 feet and weight 800-1000 lbs., the females will reach 6 feet and 700 lbs. In the Artic wild they live 20 years.

Ursus arctos horribilis – the grizzly bear – is a living superlative. This is the world's largest carnivore (the polar bear is second) and the strongest North American land mammal. With one blow of its mighty paw it can break the neck of a bull bison.

Small populations of this magnificent beast inhabit Washington, Idaho and Montana, becoming more numerous in British Columbia along the ridges of the upper Rockies as far as the Yukon and Northwest Territories. Within a 12-square-mile area, the grizzly roams Alaskan islands, the heads of inlets and salmon-spawning streams of the B.C. coast. In the interior, high meadows and thickets provide them with sunshine and protection. The northernmost grizzly ranges on the open tundra where it has sometimes crossbred with the polar bear.

This bear group includes the true United States and Canadian grizzly and related brown bears found in Alaska and on adjacent islands, familiarly known as Kodiak bears. Although the Kodiak is also classified *Ursus arctos,* it stands apart mainly because of its huge size. Due to the abundance of coastal vegetation and protein-rich salmon, the Kodiak bear can reach 10½ feet and 1656 lbs. This giant animal has the largest skull of any predator on land.

Considering the geographical diversity of the grizzly habitat, it follows that members of this species will look and behave differently. For instance, a grizzly living in coastal forests on a salmon diet will be dark in color, coarsely furred and large, because of abundant food. Another grizzly that eats ground squirrels and lives on treeless mountain tops will have a light colored coat, silkier from the sun. It will also be smaller due to limited food. There are 86 grizzly subspecies in the Northwest.

Bears' sensitive noses will search out anything to eat – berries, salmon or mammals from mice to moose. Their weights vary from 200 to 1600 lbs. and their life span in the wild is about 25 years. Whitish tipping gives most of them a silvery appearance, hence the name "grizzly" or "silvertip".

Silvertip is differentiated from its black bear cousin by a dish-faced or concave profile and high shoulder hump. Its non-retractile claws, which handle small items expertly, can grow as long as six inches. Thanks to these long horn-colored claws, the grizzly digs deeper and faster than the black bear as it searches for marmots or ground squirrels. In autumn the claws are worn down from summer digging, but winter's denning will allow time to grow out.

Like the polar bear, grizzly cubs are born during the winter and reared by the mother for two years. The winter sleepers (usually those in north of the grizzly range) find a cave or dig a sleeping chamber underground, furnishing it with a bed of leaves and grass. In this chamber – about four feet wide and six feet high – the mother delivers a litter of from one to four tiny cubs.

Befitting their strength, grizzlies are defiant, proud beasts with unpredictable dispositions. As the West was colonized, they fought fiercely for their territory and were nearly wiped out by high-powered rifles, traps and poison. Within 75 years of their first contact with white men these largest carnivores, indomitable since the Ice Age, are nearly gone. The California state flag which displays a grizzly is an anachronistic memory of their former numbers in that state. Today they are only found in roadless wilderness areas in the Northwest.

The little black bear – *Euarctos americanus* – is an all-American species. Often seen in our national parks, it is the commonest, most widely distributed bear in North America. There are more in the Northwest than any place else. Even north of the Artic Circle these bears can be found snorting, grunting and filling their greedy mouths.

The black bear – which also comes in cinnamon and dark brown phases – has an indiscriminate appetite. It eats absolutely everything – berries, fruits, seeds, nuts, roots, insects, ants, fish carrion, even bees' nests – including wax, honey, bees and stings. It is a canny pilferer with great fondness for raiding campsites, garbage dumps and locked cabins. Although its vision is poor, good hearing and a sensitive Roman nose aid in the search for food.

This animal appears to be more friendly than its grizzly kin – perhaps this is because of its roly-poly shape and comic waddle. However, it can kill domestic or big game animals and even a human, should it be so disposed. Although it flees at the first sign of human scent when in the wild, its behavior changes in national parks. The black bear quickly overcomes a natural fear of man in favor of food and attacks man unpredictably.

The average black bear weighs 200 lbs., but larger

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AUTHOR OF REDWOOD POEM COMES FORWARD

A poem entitled "To Richardson's Grove," written some 30 years ago and left at the park, has been something of a mystery in that we only knew the author's name – Keith Noble. The following letter by the author was received at headquarters recently. We thought everyone would be interested in what he had to say.

Gentlemen:

One of my friends recently made a visit to Calaveras Big Trees State Park. She brought back the enclosed "South Grove and Trail Guide", and I was quite pleased and pleasantly surprised to find a portion of a poem which I wrote, quoted therein. I do not know how you came to use it, but I thought you might like to have a copy of the complete poem, which I wrote "To Richardson Grove" in 1940. This same second stanza is also used on a permanent plaque on the nature walk in Richardson Grove today, and believe me that I feel honored indeed to have it there along with such famous writers as John Muir, Walt Whitman and Henry David Thoreau.

The origin of the poem is that in 1940 there was no limit to the time one could camp at Richardson Grove, and I used to set up camp for my wife and two daughters and leave them there for the summer, visiting them from Oakland on weekends. In those days they had a campfire program, which incidentally used to be located where the nature walk now is. It was first read there by my wife, and she left a copy of it with the campfire director. Someone in your department evidently liked it, because I next found it quoted in a brochure titled "Nature Notes from California State Redwood Parks ", by John B. Allard and illustrated by Julie K. Howard.

I am indeed grateful that this poem has been perpetuated for thirty years by your department. I am now retired and I am 70 years old, so you must know what a source of great satisfaction it is to be so honored.

Yours sincerely,

/s/ Keith M. Noble

TO RICHARDSON'S GROVE

I know a place where the river
Winds in the glistening sun.
Where towering redwoods pierce the sky
And the speckled beauties run.

I know a place where laughter
Rings through the forest's shade
And children play in the rippled pool
Of the river God has made.

Then why should man build a city,
With buildings tall and grim?
With busy streets and murky air
To crowd and stifle him.

I'll take the peace of the river.
Give me the forest's tang!
With a rod and a reel and the one I love,
And the city can go to hang.

Keith M. Noble (1940)

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BEARS, BEARS (Continued)

members can reach 600 lbs. – heavier than many grizzlies. In fact, a large black bear in cinnamon phase can look much like a grizzly but lacks the distinguishing shoulder hump and concave profile. Its claws are shorter and more curved – the black bear would rather climb than dig.

She-bears mate in their third summer and usually have one cub the first time which is born during winter denning. In preparation, the mother bear gorges on so much salmon and berries that in autumn her coat is shiny black and insulated with about four inches of fat.

When the cubs are two months old and weigh about five pounds, they leave their shelter to begin the strict training program set up by their mother. At this time, she protects them from the males who would kill and eat them. As early as the first autumn the cubs can be turned out on their own. Frightened at first, they gradually adjust to independent life. In another two months, when their playful mauling becomes too serious, they drift apart. □

BITS and PIECES

We received a real eye-opener in the birth announcement line lately from LA PURISIMA MISSION SHP – a 35-pound infant named Nina, born to *Roja*. We were relieved to learn that Roja is a red heifer.

They've been having a lively time at ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP lately . . .

. . . Ranger *Bill Harris* recently investigated the unsettling report that a large pool of blood had been seen on the road south of Sweeny Pass with signs of a large body having been dragged across the road. He left his supper to investigate and discovered that someone had spilled a gallon of red paint.

. . . With friends like that, he doesn't need enemies – a camper had convinced ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP ranger *Chet Getty* that he shouldn't have to pay the $1 camping fee, as he hadn't arrived until 4 a.m. Then his wife blew it, commenting on how strong the wind through the camp had been at *midnight*.

. . . and Ranger Getty, offering assistance to a man whose vehicle was stuck hub-deep on Thimble Trail, was rebuffed with, "No, not from the Pigs."

. . . A campfire program on animals, being conducted by Naturalist *Ernie Brown*, broke up early when a small spotted skunk strolled into the outdoor theater and Brown abruptly lost his audience.

Greetings

MENDOCINO AREA Ranger *Harry Shook's* luck just wasn't holding up – he responded to reports of nude swimming at Hendy Woods and explained the rules to the male violators, but though he made a diligent effort to do his duty, he couldn't find the females.

After a Johnny Horizon cleanup group did their thing at ORANGE COAST AREA beaches, gathering 55 cubic yards of debris, a surfer returned from the water began frantically accosting those doing the work. Seems he had "hidden" his car keys in an empty beer can for "safe keeping" and so, far into the night . . .

We are honored – SAN MATEO COAST AREA Ranger *Elmer Lindstrom* reports that one visitor informed him that he raises thoroughbred poodles and names them after personnel at the parks he visits. A problem arises in that there aren't enough feminine names . . . Area Steno *Rennie Foster* suggests that maybe we should mail him a Roster.

CARPINTERIA SB Ranger *J. MacDougall* comments that when we first started permitting dogs to camp in parks we probably didn't realize the wide assortment of pets that would follow in their wake . . . so far they have had cats, monkeys, canaries, parrots snakes, ducks, and a South American animal that looked "like a cross between a marmoset and a marmot." And who knows *what* went undeclared.

One employee at CALAVERAS BIG TREES SP, who shall remain nameless, forgot the rhyme and put his clock ahead instead of back on the last Sunday in October. He put in a l-o-n-g day!

TRAINING and EMPLOYEE DEVELOPMENT

by Jim Kruger
Director, Training Institute

With this edition, a new monthly section is being established in *News and Views*. The purpose of the section is to provide all employees with timely communications regarding our Department's Training and Employee Development Program efforts. Future issues will include articles on present and planned training programs, new courses, a correspondence course program for all employees now being developed, and other news of general interest. We want this section to work for you, so let us know if and how we can better do that.

As starters, the Training Institute is developing a rapidly expanding Lending Library for DPR employees. Each month, we will publicize several books available and, if you're interested in reading any of them, let us know. We'll mail your request to you as soon as possible. Selected titles include:

The Successful Supervisor in Government and Business, by William R. Van Dersal. Presents seven principles basic to skillful supervision, developed to cover a broad spectrum and showing working application in a variety of situations. Analyzes the motivations of people, the necessity for communicating effectively and what the supervisor must know about the principles of organization. Simply and precisely describes what works and why, and provides insight and common-sense advice for anyone whose job it is to get a response from people.

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Interpreting Our Heritage, by Freeman Tilden. If you have an interest in our natural and man-made heritage, this book will provide inspiration and guidance for further discovery of the resources available for your enjoyment throughout our state and country. If you don't have that interest, this book might just stimulate you toward developing it.

Our library is being developed by purchases, by loan and by donation of books. If your personal shelves at home or in the office are holding some dust-gathering books you've found helpful in your personal development, you might consider sharing them with others, either on a loan or donation basis. Think about it: We can always build more shelves.

HORSE CLUB BUILDS CAMP AT HEART BAR SP

The Yucaipa Valley Riding Club has constructed and donated to the State a beautiful horse camp about ten miles from Camp Angelus. The facilities, which include 37 paddocks, restrooms, and camping facilities, were constructed over a period of several months by members of the club and other horse clubs because there was no state money budgeted for them. Any group wishing to use them, including the Yucaipa club, will make advance reservations.

VOX POP

SEACLIFF SB ranger can take a bow

After many pleasant weekends observing ranger *Harry Eugene*, we have seen him insist quietly, but convincingly, that the rules of the park be obeyed. We have also seen this man tenderly care for a small child who is lost and frightened. These are but two of many instances, however, we believe, two very important ones. Men like this contribute greatly to our California Park and Recreation system.

Floyd J. Hopkins
Sunnyvale

Park visitor finds JACK LONDON SP interesting and enjoyable

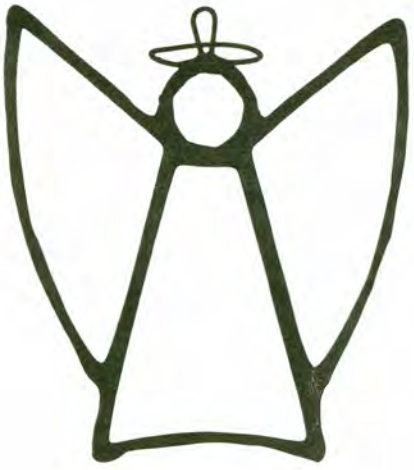
We were very much impressed by not only the organization of this park but the courteous manner in which the personnel conducted themselves. On two occasions I witnessed a situation which could have been a problem, but our people promptly smiled and handled themselves very professionally.

Ted Diaz
Walnut Creek

Camper appreciates park's protection

My wife and I recently visited the BIG BASIN REDWOODS SP after an absence of some thirty years. This is a long time and we were just a little apprehensive that possible overuse by our runaway population combined with lack of funds might have worked together to seriously erode the park. To our delight we found the park in excellent condition.

Raymond H. Euston
Vista



Camper's stay in parks a happy adventure

In August of this year my family and I spent several weeks camping at MORRO BAY, RUSSIAN GULCH and HUMBOLDT REDWOODS STATE PARKS. We had a very wonderful vacation, and found the parks we camped in to be excellent in all ways.

Raymond A. Drake
San Pedro

A local group appreciated the help of the park staff

On September 26, the City of Tiburon celebrated its Second Annual Ayala Day, a civic picnic and get-together to celebrate the landing of the Packet San Carlos under the command of Juan Manuel de Ayala in 1775. As Ayala used the cove on Angel Island as his main base, and as it is in our city, we have been pleased to use it as the site of this event. This year over 500 attended the celebration. In no small way, the success of this activity was due to the help of the staff of ANGEL ISLAND SP. Throughout the planning and dedication ceremonies the work and enthusiasm of Rangers *(Kenneth) Huddleston, (Harvey) Lively, (Robert) Grace,* and *(Bernard) Bragg* were most appreciated. Mr. *(James) Neider,* District Interpretive Specialist, was especially helpful in assisting us with some of the historical aspects of the program.

David H. Teather, Chairman
Ayala Day, 1970
City of Tiburon

History class sends letter of appreciation to Ranger Lee Shelton *and volunteer worker at BIDWELL MANSION*

Thank you for your very fine tour. It was most appreciated that you were willing to devote your Sunday afternoon to handle the tour personally. Please express my appreciation, too, to Kathy Musser. Both of you were so very gracious and patient with this older group and the frailities of some of us.

Ruby Swartzlow
Paradise

yield from the field

FROM HQ

Emerald French Barker, who was employed for many years in the Department's Accounting Section, would love to hear from some of her old friends. Her current address: P. O. Box 66aa, Route No. 1, Ronan, Montana 95864.

Stella Flores, strong right arm of *Carl Anderson* in our Los Angeles office, has had minor surgery but should be back to work shortly.

DISTRICT 1

Amid heavy rains (2.89 inches during the night), JEDEDIAH SMITH REDWOODS SP Ranger *Frederick B. Meyer* rescued an unwary fisherman's car as it was about to float away in two and a half feet of water. He also assisted in removal of a pickup and trailer – the owner was found just as the water reached the floorboards. The Smith River rose 10.3 feet in 13½ hours.

Working on the idea of the "Braille Trail" and standard campsite for blind visitors, MENDOCINO AREA Manager *Bill Allison* has assigned the task of gathering ideas for the area's first "walk-talk-feel" interpretive programs to Ranger *Wendell Rickon.*

DISTRICT 2 . . .

ANGEL ISLAND SP Ranger *Harvey Lively* made a special early-morning (0345 hours) run recently on behalf of Mrs. *Robert Grace,* who graced the Grace family with a little girl at 0930.

Area Manager *Dale Buschke* reports that the General Vallejo Historical Association, as part of their continuing program to assist in the interpretation at the unit, has contributed a console table, part of the Vallejo Home's original furnishing, to SONOMA SHP.

Five scientists, all heads of medical institutes in the U.S.S.R., visited JACK LONDON SHP recently and expressed great interest in the author and his books. They also appreciated the special tour given them by Ranger *Martin Brown.*

DISTRICT 4

The report is from PORTOLA SP that the *Harry McClintocks* have a fine new baby boy, who recently weighed in at eight and a half pounds.

Dog leashes are not just for the benefit of other visitors, comments MOUNT DIABLO Area Manager *Bob Stewart* – an unleashed Doberman lost its life recently when it fell from a rock while playing with the family's children.

"The three little pigs," after finishing off their repast – BIG SUR AREA Manager *Jack Stowe's* lawn – were finally caught in a live trap and got a free ride to JULIA PFEIFFER BURNS SP where they were released.

DISTRICT 5 . . .

Mrs. Zipp, who at 86 years of age has been camping at CARPINTERIA SB for 35 years, spent a week there recently with two of her children. She said that it is her favorite camping place "from the East Coast to the West Coast."

DOHENY SB Ranger *Frank Herald* gave a "touch-and-smell" interpretive talk to a group of blind children who visited the beach recently.

CARPINTERIA AREA reports 318 books of off-season camping tickets sold – over 90% of the park's campers are now camping for $1 per night. →

SHE WORE AN ITSY BITSY TEENY WEENY . . .

A capitol correspondent, widely syndicated and read, devoted much space in his columns to arguments against the passage of Proposition 20, the $60 million recreation and wildlife enhancement bond issue. In spite of his best (or worst) efforts, the proposition passed nicely.

Just the other day this columnist called us and remarked on last issue's cover picture by Bill Dillinger and the caption "This will be the scene on the many reservoirs of the State Water Project since Proposition 20 . . . was passed."

He said, "If I had known that passing Proposition 20 would result in scenes like that on the reservoirs, I would have come out in favor of it." □

YIELD FROM THE FIELD (continued)

DISTRICT 6 . . .

SALTON SEA SRA Rangers *Gar Salzgeber, Kenneth Wilbur,* and *Laurie Simpson* have instigated an auto tour into the Mud Hills which has proved very popular and so effective that, after seven tours, litter has virtually disappeared from the countryside.

A Palm Springs Boy Scout troop, camped at SOUTH CARLSBAD SB, offered suggestions to aid in erosion control of the bluffs. The rangers later had to reprimand these same Scouts for camping on the beach and climbing up and down the bluffs.

Ranger *Kenneth Wilbur,* while picking up litter near Hidden Springs at SALTON SEA SRA, found a broken piece of pottery. Subsequent trips yielded further pieces, and he has glued together a twelve-sided, 7" serving dish of white baked pottery with a blue flower design. From its markings, it was made in Stratford, England prior to 1900.

A camper at SAN ELIJO SB went through the campground recently trying to sell his welfare food stamps.

Several church groups and Boy Scout troops, nearly 600 people, got together recently and, as part of the Johnny Horizon cleanup program, cleaned up *all* of BOLSA CHICA SB between the highway and the ocean, gathering about 55 cubic yards of debris, and HUNTINGTON SB which, not being as dirty, yielded only about 20 cubic yards.

A California Outdoor Recreation League group of eight, camped at SALTON SEA SRA's Mecca Beach, helped out Johnny Horizon by picking up sixty 30-gallon plastic garbage bags of litter.

Johnny Horizon became a narc at SOUTH CARLSBAD SB, where a cache of marijuana was uncovered as the anti-litter contingent scoured the area. □

COMMISSION REPORT . . .

by Bill Dillinger

A strong new resolution on management and development of State Parks highlighted a series of policies adopted by the State Park and Recreation Commission at its November 12 and 13 meeting in San Francisco.

The resolution, introduced by Commissioner Bonnicksen, states that developments within units classified as state parks "shall be for the purpose of making the areas available for public enjoyment in a manner consistent with the preservation of natural, scenic, and ecological values." It approves development for camping, picknicking, sightseeing, nature study, hiking, horseback riding, and "other such uses involving no major modification of lands, forests, or waters." But off-road vehicles such as trail bikes and dune buggies "shall be confined to designated and maintained State Park roads." And recreational developments that "conflict with the public's enjoyment of the natural values inherent in the resource and/or which are attractions in themselves, such as playgrounds, golf courses, swimming pools, ski facilities and other such developments which are best provided within state recreation areas, are not to be encouraged within State Parks."

In a related resolution, the Department was asked to prepare management plans for each classification of park units, and a specific plan for each individual unit. A detailed resources management plan prepared by the Department was submitted to the Commission for action at their January 8 meeting in Palm Springs.

The Commission also endorsed the Governor's recently issued "California Policy for Recreation" as a guideline for recreational development within the State Park System.

Another policy resolution asked the Department to prepare a statewide interpretive program and to encourage local park and recreation districts to develop interpretive programs related to the environment.

The Commission also heard a report on a study of the use of sand dunes by recreational vehicles in the Morro Bay area. A master plan for Pt. Mugu SRA was presented for study, with action scheduled for the January 8 meeting.

At the same meeting, final action will be taken on proposed changes in the Administrative Code (Title 14) included adoption of names for several previously unnamed projects.

The Department's new fee schedule for 1971 was approved. Major change was a new system of classifying campgrounds as either "Primitive" or "Developed" rather than the old "A", "B" and "C" categories. Fee for "Developed" campsites will continue to be $3, but the charge for the "Primitive" sites was set at $1.50. The reservation fee will also go up $.50, as will the charge for sites with trailer hookups. For the first time there will be a $.50 charge for dogs. The day-use fee will also increase from $.75 to $1, and the charge for boat facilities, including use of day-use facilities, will be $2 per day per vehicle and boat.

The Commission also approved the Department's proposed allocation of $10.5 million for 10 acquisitions under the 1964 State Beach, Park, Recreational, and Historical Facilities Bond Act. About half the money would come from the remaining bond act funds available for acquisition, and the rest would be from reimbursements under the U.S. Land and Water Conservation Act. The 10 projects listed were: Fort Funston, Pismo SB, Doheny SB, Emma Wood SB, Jetty Beach, Montana do Oro SP, Picacho SRA, Sugarloaf Ridge SP, Cardiff SB, and San Onofre. →

Jim Warren and Director Mott Explain Pismo SB acquisition plan as Margie Grima takes notes.

Commissioners hear Ed Mercurio explain Sierra Club's views on Point Mugu development.

Potpourri

DON'T FALL IN THE CREEK!

This note was left on a camp cupboard in RUSSIAN GULCH SP by a camper who was good enough to share his thoughts and experiences with those who follow.

Dear Fellow Camper:

Your enjoyment of this lovely campsite (32) will be guaranteed IF you take certain precautions, f'rinstance:

1. Don't fall in the creek.
2. Don't feed the raccoons.
3. Keep everything edible in the locker or in the trash, where the bobcats won't get it.
4. Keep track of your snakebite kit.
5. Go to the bathroom *before* you get in your sleeping bag.
6. Remember, it gets *cold* here – so use four blankets with your sleeping bag.
7. Take showers before 5:00 a.m. so you'll be sure to get hot water (or after 9:00 p.m.)
8. Don't plan on playing monopoly.
9. Don't try to buy wine in Mendocino!
10. Shake all the spiders and gooky bugs out of your sleeping bag.
11. Keep a flashlight handy.
12. Don't plan on sleeping on the beach – it's too cold and windy.
13. Don't go too far on the *north* trail unless you like lots of silkworms.
14. *Take* the trail to the falls. (Get a map from the Ranger.)
15. Marshmallow sticks? North trail, 500 feet up.
16. The stores in town close at 8:00 p.m.
17. Don't use a plastic tablecloth.
18. Notice the unusual formation of the grill.

MOST IMPORTANT, a few little bugs never hurt anyone, so don't get too shook up if one falls in your oatmeal. Remember, Smokey is watching you!.

PEACE!

Katzen Krutch Koncepts
Sept. 2, 1970

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PESTICIDES ENDANGER BROWN PELICAN

Only one hatching, out of the 552 California brown pelican nesting attempts, occurred at Anacapa Island off Oxnard this year, according to a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service-and National Park Service-sponsored study. The study showed that the brown pelicans' eggs were too thin-shelled to be incubated. This failure has been correlated with the high level of pesticide residues found in the tissues and eggs of the birds. This reproductive failure indicates a major contamination of marine life, which could mean the extinction of some species.

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PAR WINDS UP SEASON

The team of *Gordon Kishbaugh* and *Russ Porter* took home the trophy for low net at the PAR golf club's final tournament of the season, played November 3 at the Plumas Lake Golf Course. The *Ron Miller – Dick May* team tied their score but lost the coin toss.

Walt Barbour won the low gross trophy, and *John Hightower* made the long drive, but since no one could seem to hit the elusive green on the sixteenth hole there was no hole-in-one winner.

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THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH: *Los Angeles' smog problems today should come as no surprise. In 1542, Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo observed that smoke from Indian camp fires hung in the air for days there, and named the area "Bay of Smokes."*

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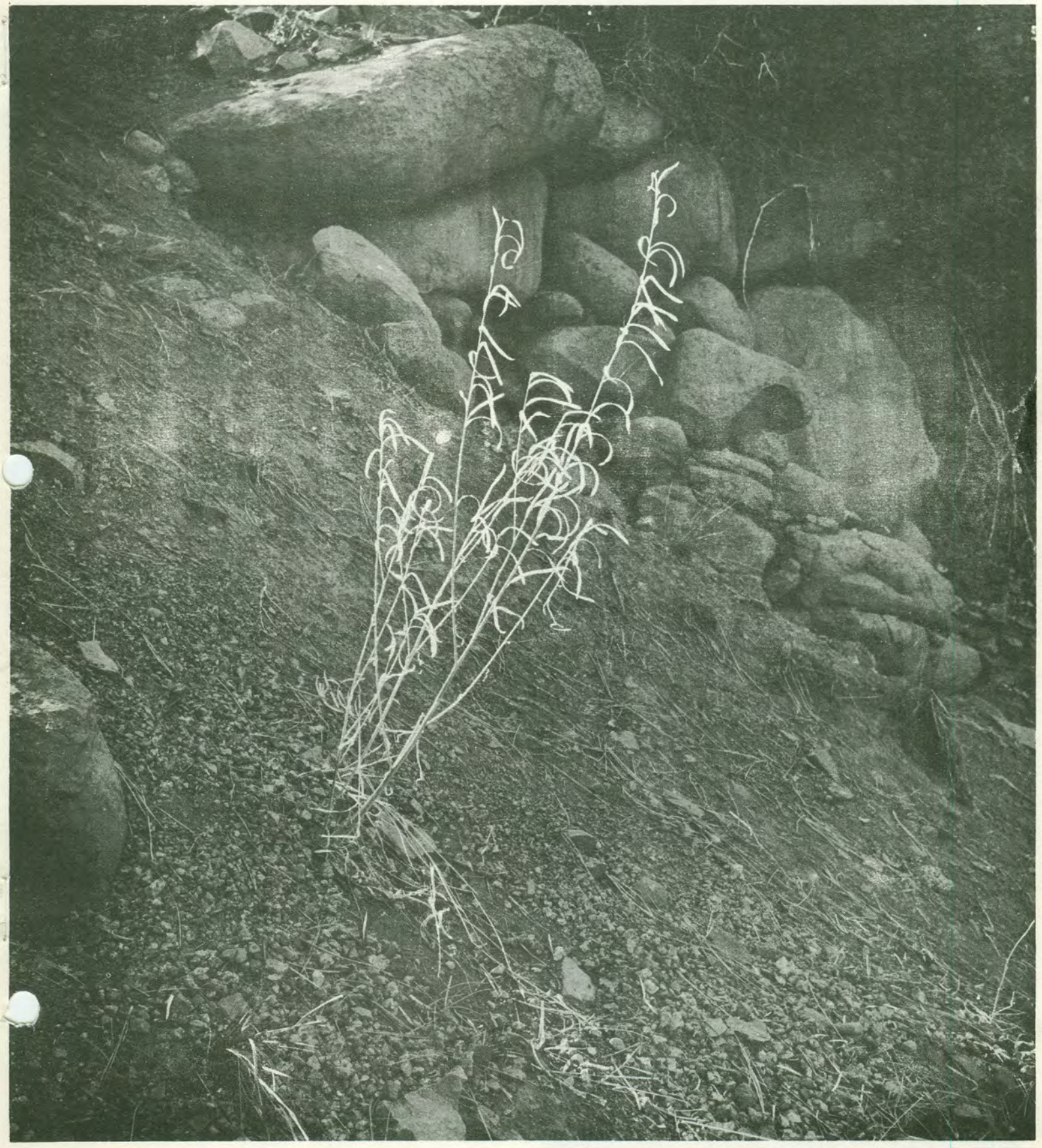

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ON THE COVER: The winning photograph in the CSEA Chapter 2 photo contest, taken by Department Photographer Gene Russell, is entitled *Twilight Radiance.* Two of Gene's other entries received Honorable Mentions.

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.
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A NEW YEAR

A "New Year." Just the words stir the imagination and provide the incentive to accept the challenges of the future. Some would look ahead by consulting their horoscopes in the hope that the future is predestined and they need not put forth much effort; others will set goals and objectives to motivate their actions during the year: still others will "hope for the best," believing that they have little to contribute nor could they do anything to change the course of events if they wanted to.

The Department of Parks and Recreation staff, at its Coloma meetings, agreed to a number of objectives which we believe will provide positive direction for the Department during the coming year.

These goals, in general, are to:

1. *Focus attention on youth.*
2. *Strengthen and expand the interpretive program of the State Park System.*
3. *Provide proper storage and cataloging of artifacts.*
4. *Develop a plan for dispersal of campers throughout the System.*
5. *Achieve better communications.*
6. *Encourage development of campgrounds by the private sector.*
7. *Develop plans to stabilize the capital improvement budget.*
8. *Establish program budgeting.*
9. *Take leadership in development of program and facilities for recreational vehicles.*
10. *Develop and make available to the citizens of the State information on total outdoor recreational opportunities available to them.*
11. *Continue upgrading personnel through improved recruitment practices and in-service training.*
12. *Develop effective resource management for all units of the System.*
13. *Establish and implement a departmentwide activities priority order.*
14. *Resolve problems related to several ongoing projects of special concern.*

The course will not be easy. There will be many problems to resolve during the coming year, but the challenge and the opportunity to provide a balanced program of preservation and recreation within the California State Park System for the people of California is as challenging as a "New Year."

BITS and PIECES

Comments from visitors to HEARST SAN SIMEON SHP:

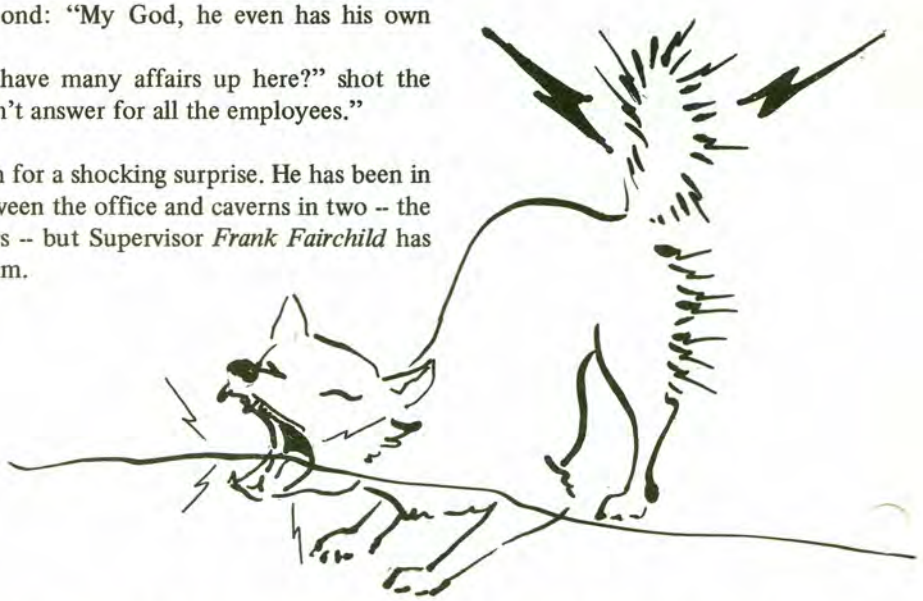
Lady staring at washbasin on Tour 3: "Imagine trying to keep *toothpaste* off that black THING!" *Guide Charles de Vogel*

An 11-year-old boy: "How much does the whole house weigh?" *Guide Kay Orrell*

Another youngster, looking at the fish pond: "My God, he even has his own swamp!" *Guide Woodrow Yost*

And *Guide Liz Barnes,* asked: "Do you have many affairs up here?" shot the questioner down in flames with, "I don't, but I can't answer for all the employees."

A coyote at MITCHELL CAVERNS SR is in for a shocking surprise. He has been in the habit of biting the wire for the intercom between the office and caverns in two -- the breaks were as clean as if made with wire cutters -- but Supervisor *Frank Fairchild* has now attached an electric fence charger to the system.



The MARSHALL GOLD DISCOVERY SHP staff is tired of being the catchall for the Coloma post office. They have received mail for the Chamber of Commerce, Mayor, Fire Chief, Chief of Police, and even Coloma Taxi Company. Once in a while the post office recieves ashes from somebody's cremation, but Supervisor *Gus Till* draws the line at taking care of these.

After Supervisor *Frank Fairchild's* remark on cavern formation "All of the gray stone . . . is limestone . . . " a young boy asked, "Is it all limestone? Don't you have a lemonstone or applestone?"

When FRONTERA AREA Rangers *Clark Adkisson* and *Lyman Sutton* went with Janitor *Milton Gamboa* to the San Diego County Health Department for chest X-rays, the X-ray technician told the rangers, "Bring him back here." Adkisson asked, "All three of us?" and the technician said, "I only see one . . . where are the other two?" Seems he mistook the rangers, in their Class A uniforms, for sheriff's deputies and Gamboa for an inmate. Even after explanations, he kept asking Gamboa if he had ever had an X-ray while at the County Jail.

A QUIET WEEKEND ON THE DESERT

As most of our readers know, the Supervisor's Weekly Log, that melange of sometimes funny, sometimes tragic, and sometimes routine events, is one of the best sources we have for material. We read the logs carefully, then pass them on to the Director and the Division of Operations for any action.

The reports covering the Thanksgiving weekend were really something to read, but the one from Anza-Borrego Desert SP was almost unbelievable. In a way, what went on at Anza-Borrego was typical -- not so much of individual problems or incidents, but of the frenzy and activity that take place throughout the entire State Park System during those frantic "long weekends."

Area Manager Jack Hesemeyer *divided his sprawling, 488,000-acre park into six patrol districts. After the weekend, he asked each to report. He wrote ". . . these are excerpts from the patrol rangers' reports. They tell a far better story about the activities in the park than we could ever condense into the Weekly Log, and are being sent as an attachment."*

We would love nothing better than to present the entire attachment, but there just isn't enough room. The report from Patrol District No. 1 by Ranger Chester Getty *is representative, however, and we are printing it almost exactly the way we received it.*

Thursday, November 26 -- A windy and dusty day. Very few people camped in my area, but there are 73 campers on the fringes who are using the park. Example: 32 bikes just came through 17 Palms area. I asked the leader where they were camped and he said just east of the Microwave tower. A rockhound club digging rocks in Palm Wash were camped at Pegleg. I made them stop digging and move out, explaining that pretty rocks are our only decoration here in the desert.

At 1320 hours found evidence there had been a motorbike accident with possible injury in Arroyo Salada Canyon between Truckhaven turnoff and the oasis. Tracks show he hit a big rock and then ran into a sandstone bluff, leaving a man-sized scar there.

At 1410 hours found a group of bikes (27 in all) having a Jackrabbit race on the sand flat in the vicinity of Basin Wash. They stated they felt this was OK because when the sand blew, their tracks would fill in.

At 1440 hours a group of 39 bikes doing the same thing in Basin Wash; and at 1510 hours found 21 bikes having their race in Bank Wash.

Friday, November 27 -- At 0730 counted 97 campers before I had gone 10 miles, and each camper had from two to four motorbikes attached to the camper or on trailers. So now I know where all the bikes came from yesterday. Where will they be racing today? And they get to do this free. The Park System is the only one that pays.

Ran into many old friends today, some I haven't seen since last season. They all have bikes, but all stated that "after all the hell you gave us last year, we will stay on the roads from now on".

1400 hours - Have pulled seven campers out of soft sand so far today, and have passed out almost 50 park brochures.

2300 hours - Have found five ground fires. Otherwise, all quiet.

Saturday, November 28 -- By 0850 hours, have pulled 6 cars from soft sand. This place is loaded. Campers are almost bumper to bumper from Arroyo Salada Primitive Camp to 17 Palms Oasis.

1010 hours - Caught a lady washing dishes in the spring at 17 Palms Oasis. I asked her if she would like soap in her drinking water. Up to that point I don't think she realized what she was doing. She wept and I was sorry I had spoken. We all got together and bailed or dipped all the water out of that one spring. Fresh water will seep in and fill again in 24 hours.

Sunday, November 29 -- In my area today were four bike clubs. They had a pleasant weekend. Total of 97 bikes; left no tracks on the hills - only in the big washes.

A dunebuggy club, 51 in all, visited Arroyo Salada restrooms this morning all at once. What a line-up! Then I cleaned them again.

Had "Hippie" problems this morning. Campers near them said they were shooting pistols. The Hippies said, "No". Campers said they were riding their bikes in the mud hills. Hippies said, "No." ??????

Five cars pulled into the entrance to Ella Wash, each with a flatbed trailer, and each trailer loaded with 4 to 6 bikes. Thirty more bikes won't bother me too much, I guess. Already have 200 plus.

1400 hours - All quiet. Ten cans full of garbage and I can call it a week. What a week!. Sometimes I feel there should be five of me!

1510 hours - I am in Font's Wash and it looks like Cox's Army went through here. Dunebuggy and bike tracks all over the place. I visited this wash twice on Friday, once on Saturday, and once today, but they seem to know when I am coming because there's never a dunebuggy or bike in sight when I am present. □

PEREGRINE FALCON NEAR EXTINCTION

According to the State Department of Fish and Game, the Peregrine Falcon is about to go the way to the Passenger Pigeon -- out!

The species began to decline in the late 1940 s, not just in California where it was once fairly common, but throughout the world. This year, only ten birds were counted in the state.

Contamination of the food chain by chlorinated hydrocarbons -- particularly DDT -- has been identified as the major cause. But, there are other factors too, such as the removal of birds from the wild for falconry.

The Peregrine is considered to be one of the world's fastest flying birds. This would normally be a survival characteristic, but its great speed makes it that much more popular with falconers. And, although falconers are not responsible for any serious decline in Peregrine numbers, continued removal at this point will only wipe out the species.

Stringent federal and state laws were enacted recently to protect the falcon. The new California Species Preservation Act places the Peregrine along with several dozen other endangered species such as the Brown Pelican and the Pacific Right Whale on the list of fully protected animals. A maximum fine of $1,000 and a year in jail can be levied against anyone illegally taking or even possessing such a protected animal.

Another interesting note. The state has moved to protect endangered species not native to California. By amendment to the State Penal Code, it is now unlawful to import into California for commercial purposes the bodies or body parts of the alligator, crocodile, polar bear, leopard, ocelot, tiger, cheetah, jaguar, red wolf, timber wolf, vicuna, sea otter, free roaming ferel horse, or Spanish lynx. □

GOLDEN EAGLE FLIES AGAIN

After a year or so of confusion, the Golden Eagle Passport program has taken off again. The 1971 Passport will cost $10, up from the 1968 fee of $7, and will allow the holder to use federal outdoor recreation areas operated by the U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, and National Park Service. They are sold by the field offices of the participating agencies and at federal parks and recreation areas.

Revenue from the permit will go into the Land and Water Conservation Fund to be used to buy and develop recreation lands. □

RETIRED MOUNTAIN MAN

Our feature retired employee is a name familiar to many Department employees. Harvey Moore and his charming wife Louise are synonymous with Cuyamaca. Harvey sent a very interesting letter and it is being printed so all of your can read it . . . I'm sure you will enjoy it as much as I did. Harvey and Louise now live at P. O. Box 601, Alpine, California. Residence Alpine Oaks Mobile Estates, Space 60.

—Ed Earl, Chief Ranger
Santa Cruz Coast Area

November 7, 1970

Today I am celebrating my 80th birthday and it has been 45 years since I came to work for Mr. Dyar at Rancho Cuyamaca, and 15 years since I retired from Park Service.

Parks took over in March 1933, and they adopted me, a poor Cowboy, to be Custodian. I could not have managed had it not been for the sincere counseling of the many dedicated park officials who came often and stayed overnight at Stonewall Lodge, which Louise ran for several years. Colonel Wing and Newton Drury came regularly and especially Earl Hanson who guided me through the transition Cowboy to Ranger.

The C.C.C. made it easy the first few years in the construction of campground facilities, etc. and completely spoiled campers by piling free wood at each camp stove; the park gang had to suffer for this service when we lost the C.C.C. Camps.

Paul Travis was my first Ranger and others who worked with me were Bob Hatch and Louis Juch. Leo Crawford and Morey Morgan were the first permanent Rangers – both had to go in the service, but were given their jobs back when they returned.

Meantime they were sending boys that had served their hitch in the armed services and were still celebrating their freedom. Had they not been the right kind, could have given this old Cowpoke a hard time for I was having hard enough time making a better Ranger out of myself.

Carl Anderson came to Cuyamaca literally "still flying" and for a time I had doubts, especially after hearing of some of his escapades while in the Air Corps. But he finally made a landing and we are real proud of him. In fact we are real proud of every one of the boys and their lovely families.

I could not mention all of them unless I were writing a book, there were so many. Just to mention a few there was Bill Allison, shot down over enemy-occupied Holland and came out through the "underground"; I remember him as showing just a little the effect of his strenuous experience. Also there was Les McKnight who showed just a little twich from his experience driving ammo truck at night in the Battle of the Bulge. There was Clyde Strickler, a boy that made sudden decisions, so sudden that I called him "Spontaneous Combustion." The story is told that he couldn't stand being pinned down in a shell hole and jumped out and charged an enemy machine gun nest with hand grenades.

I have many pleasant memories of Cuyamaca, some real sad; especially the fire of August 1950 when about 10,000 acres burned. Some funny things happened. Once during the fire we had been fighting for several days without much rest or sleep and no time for shaving, etc. Clyde and I traveling in a striped jeep, Clyde driving, went through fire so we could not go back and came to a place with rocks on one side and a huge pitch pine log on the other, burning and shooting white flame from a hole clear across our road, and here's where I gave him the name "Spontaneous Combustion." All of a sudden he hollored "Duck!" and stepped on the gas. I had hold of the windshield and the first chuck hole sent me up just right to get the cleanest shave on one side. After Clyde quit laughing at me, said now if you want the other side I can drive back. He could have let me out to walk around.

Some time later I put in a request for a blond Steno-Clerk, but my good friend Earl Hanson turned it down, saying the young Rangers needed the experience. So I guess you know my secretary turned out to be this red-headed fat boy.

After retiring, Louise and I went to Enumclaw, Washington to live with Mr. Dyar and stayed with him until he passed away in 1962. Since we have made annual trips to Arizona in the summers for about four years to take care of relatives' home while they were in Europe.

During these years we missed the pot lucks and parties at the park, as those nice people continue to be almost like one big family and we are grateful that we are always remembered and included in every event.

As you know, Morey Morgan took a demotion to come back to Cuyamaca.

We have enjoyed meeting and knowing Ron and Alice McCullough. They were wonderful to us and we hope they will be happy in their new assignment. Now we are happy that Glenn and Mary Jones are here and we enjoy them very much. They are real park people.

Sincerely,

Harvey W. Moore

Photo by John Walstrom.

CUYAMACA'S "RANGER AIDE"

by
Ranger Richard A. Bloomquist
Montane Area

Ann Carlton, a resident of Thermal and a junior at Coachella Valley High School, has been making weekend jouneys to Cuyamaca Rancho State Park. From her desert home a few miles northwest of the Salton Sea it is over 100 miles, each way, to Cuyamaca, but she travels the miles gladly. As a Girl Scout, Ann is working toward her "Ranger Aide Bar," which requires fifty hours of voluntary service without pay in a park-related field. At Cuyamaca she has been staffing the Paso Picacho Campground's Nature Den, a rustic stone-and-wood structure housing natural history displays. Her interest in the out-of-doors has enabled the park to open the Nature Den -- beginning with the Labor Day weekend -- for the first time since 1967, when lack of manpower forced its closing.

Ann is starting her tenth year in scouting, but it is only one of her wide-ranging activities, which include Sunday School teaching, piano, Job's Daughters, several school organizations, and writing. Her ultimate goal is to become a writer of fiction -- perferably novels -- but with her strong feeling for nature she is also considering a naturalist career, hopefully with the California State Park System. After graduating fron high school she plans to attend The College of the Desert in Palm Desert, then Redlands University, where her major will most likely be in the field of English or journalism, with a natural science minor.

She would like to return to Cuyamaca next summer for more weekend work at the Nature Den and perhaps some experience at the Indian Exhibit and park office. This could be applied toward the Museum Aide Bar, another Scouting award she intends to earn; it, too, requires fifty hours of noncompensated service.

We hope Ann will be able to make Cuyamaca her home during many future weekends, for both she and the State Park System profit from her unselfish interest in nature's world. It is a pleasure to publicize this kind of attitude on the part of today's young people. □

LOCAL GIRL MAKES GOOD

Our own *Artie Carsley*, Personnel Assistant in Headquarters, was installed as president of the State Women's Club during its monthly meeting in December. She will head the 1,000-member organization, which is open to all women who work for the State of California, through 1971.

Artie has been with the Department since 1966, and has been a member of the Women's Club for 12 years. As President, she will help direct the organization's many activities and charitable programs.

The installation ceremony at the Sacramento Elks Club was presided over by Department Deputy Director Bob Meyer. □

That's Gus and Adele Till with Gerry Ramsdell in the middle.

THE CHRISTMAS PARTY – 1970

The Department's annual Christmas party was held this year at the Arden Hills Country Club in Sacramento December 11. Dinner was pot luck, with dancing and refreshments before and after. Altogether, some 160 people showed up, stuffed themselves on all manners of goodies, and "waddled" around the dance floor to the canned music of Harmon.

The mode of dress was as varied as the food. It was billed as a "dressy" party, and arrivals showed up in everything from floor-lengths to minis . . . we even had a see-thru (whee!).

The food was excellent, the women all beautiful, the company stimulating, and the music outstanding (even Guy Lombardo???) Special thanks go to those who worked to make the party the success it was:

As usual, George Pantell chaired the affair with help from Roberta Gisler. The decorations were designed by Mary Lowe and Aldona Vilkas, and everybody's children assisted with the painting and the popcorn and cranberry stringing. Mary Jane Barclay supervised the candle making (they were all hand made). Fay Cobleigh took over the ticket chores, and a bunch of others helped with decorating and other activities – Ron Rawlings, Shirley Humphrey, Ross Henry, Ron Christman, Jim Warren, Bob Phillips, Dorothy Hardy – as did their respective spouses. □

Something like this makes the photographer's job so much nicer. Lee Forsyth and Lynda Donaldson.

Photos by Dick Thompson

"Waltz a little faster, John, they're playing a fox trot." John and Kay Hightower are in the foreground. In the background are George and Chris Pantell.

FAIRCHILDS DISCOVER SEGMENT OF HISTORIC ROAD

MITCHELL CAVERNS SR Manager *Frank Fairchild* and his wife have been searching part time over the last five years for traces of the old Mojave Road. This road served as a supply route between Drum Barracks and Fort Mojave on the Colorado River and points east a hundred years ago.

Recently, with the assistance of letters written in 1850 - 1860, they located a four-mile segment in an area which they had previously dismissed as too difficult . . . indeed, the route was abandoned for an easier one in 1861. The letters were uncovered by Historian Dennis Casebier, who has been assisting them in the project.

Fairchild expects to uncover all the portions of the road in the vicinity of the Reserve, between Camp Marl Spring and Camp Soda Spring, before long. He plans to submit the route to the Historical Trails Committee as a road worthy of recognition for the part it played in California history. □

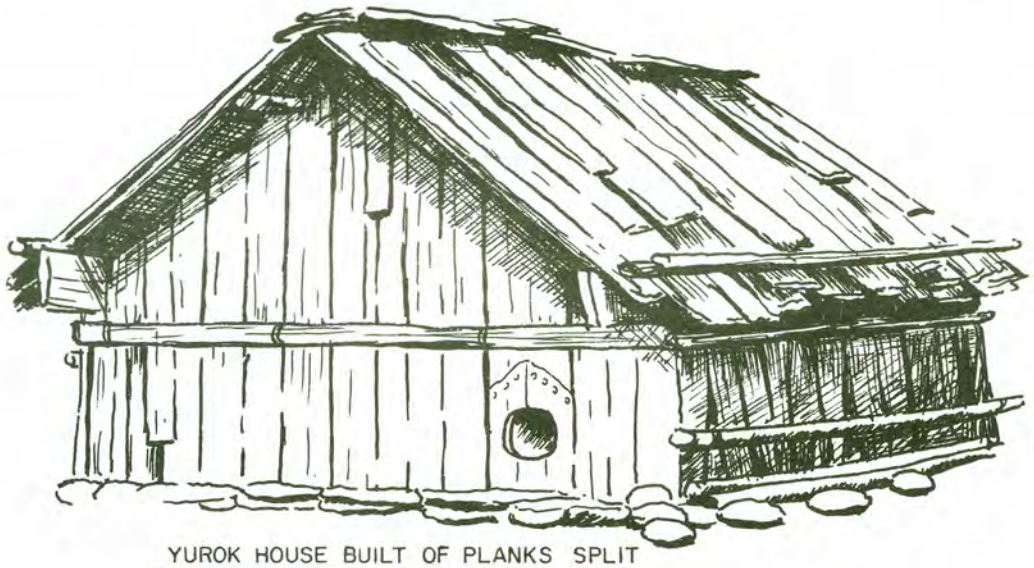
INDIAN VILLAGE SITE DEDICATED AS HISTORICAL LANDMARK NO. 838

A sacred pepperwood tree, from whose branches once hung cradles of dead infants, is all that remains of the prehistoric Indian village of Tsurai, now State Historical Landmark No. 838. The site was dedicated as a historical landmark on October 18 at ceremonies attended by previous residents of the village and their descendants; California Historical Landmarks Advisory Committee member Andrew Genzoli was guest speaker.

Tsurai, located on Trinidad Bay, was visited by Spanish, Russian, and English ships -- Don Juan Francisco de la Bodega y Quadra wrote of its inhabitants in 1775: "In cold weather the men cover themselves with skins of deer, seal, sea otter, or the like; but if the temperature is tolerable they go about like true sons of nature, except for wreaths of flowers on their heads. All the man wear their hair long, sometimes in a knot, at other times loose over their shoulders . . . "

And Captain Jonathan Winship remarked, in 1806: "The natives at one time increased to nearly two hundred about the encampment, and a strict watch was kept . . . trade was carried on by the Russians, who purchased a considerable number of otter -- for those of the first quality not over fifty cents in value was paid for anyone, and several were bought for two cents of beads each."

Tsurai "just died out" as its residents died or moved away . . . Humpback Jim died in 1913 or 1914, and when his widow moved away in 1916, the historic site was abandoned. □



YUROK HOUSE BUILT OF PLANKS SPLIT FROM REDWOOD LOGS AND LASHED TOGETHER WITH POLES AND VINES.

VALLEY FEVER ON THE RISE

More students than ever before are taking archeological field courses, and more than ever before are coming down with valley fever. Valley fever, or *Coccidioidomycosis*, is endemic to many low-altitude areas of California which have hot summers, few winter freezes, and alkaline soil. While symptoms are usually flu-like, the disease can be quite severe, even fatal.

Surviving victims acquire life-long immunity to the disease; part of the current problem is the increase in archeological students from nonendemic areas. Archeological field workers are among the most likely to be exposed to the disease. For further information regarding the disease's area and symptoms, contact the Infectious Disease Element, California State Department of Public Health, 2151 Berkeley Way, Berkeley 94704. □

YIELD FROM THE FIELD . . .

Nineteen members of the Davis Community Church assisted park personnel by picking up litter in the North Grove Campground and along Big Trees Trail at CALAVERAS BIG TREES SP.

DISTRICT 1

MACKERRICHER SP accommodated a van load of hippies who were without funds, but in the morning cleaned litter from 200 feet of park road, so they gave something for their night's rest.

A salmon that looked like a miniature submarine, at least 50-60 pounds, was seen travelling up the South Fork of the Eel River over a shallow riffle near DYERVILLE BRIDGE by State Park Equipment Operator *Don Cameron*. Fishing fever, among area staff, soared to an all-time high.

GRIZZLY CREEK REDWOODS SP Attendant *Jess Butterfield* received a phone call from a camper, Mrs. Johnson, stranded in Fortuna with car starter trouble. She requested that Mr. Johnson be told and also asked Butterfield to take him a sandwich, for which she would gladly pay. Mission accomplished – no pay accepted.

Don Royer transferring to the LAKE OROVILLE AREA, was loading his belongings onto his pickup when he noticed a pack rat's nest in the back of the refrigerator. The nest was full of many interesting items – hair brushes, combs, etc. . . and a book of traveler's checks worth $400. A wealthy rodent.

DISTRICT 3

At MILLERTON LAKE SRA members, and their wives and children, of the Central California Boaters Club planted 25 shade trees in the Meadow Area. Area Manager *Bill Keinhardt* adds that this was done completely on their own.

As part of a state-wide program to increase the number of successful nestings, Boy Scouts from Sacramento Troop No. 425 installed three wood duck nests in a slough near the Mormon Island Dam unit of FOLSOM LAKE SRA under the direction of Department of Fish and Game Wildlife Management Specialist Bill Bailey. →

DISTRICT 4

A young man was arrested at PFEIFFER BIG SUR SP for stealing a redwood fence rail and using it for fuel. Upon impounding his vehicle (bus), rangers found a suitcase of narcotics. He had been camping in the park for about three weeks and selling his wares.

PFEIFFER BIG SUR SP Ranger *Lloyd Geissinger's* wife Susie presented him with a seven-pound, four-ounce boy. The Geissingers named their new son Robert Stephen.

MONTEREY AREA Manager's wife, *Shirley Ray,* suffered a bad fall resulting in surgery, but is recovering very well.

PFEIFFER BIG SUR SP Ranger *John Fehling* investigated drum beats across the river that ran through the campground, but was unable to locate the source. Evidently, the natives were restless.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD (CONTINUED)

DISTRICT 5

A nude male strolled from Isla Vista along the beach to REFUGIO SP, spouting quotations from the Bible. Rangers finally corraled the character with the assistance of the Santa Barbara Sheriff's Office.

Franny the nanny gave birth to triplets recently. LA PURISIMA MISSION SHP seems to have its own population explosion.

During heavy rains at JOSHUA TREES SP, Ranger *Earl Hooven* got up and dressed at 1:30 a.m. and went out to assist campers and be sure none were stranded in dangerous or isolated areas.

The Gold Star of the week goes to CARPINTERIA SB Maintenance Supervisor *Al Boren*, who became suspicious when two youngsters about 14 or 15 years old disappeared into a large clump of acacia. He notified Ranger *Kenneth Donohoo* who, with young Maintenance Assistant *Deryl Atanasu* went to investigate – end results, the boys were apprehended with an ice chest and Coleman lantern taken from the campground.

DISTRICT 6

At the suggestion of his grandmother, *Paul Hartwell*, nine-year-old son of Ranger *Kent Hartwell* of TORREY PINES SR, sent President Nixon a booklet about the Reserve and a picture of himself. The President recently replied with a letter thanking Paul for the letter and the book.

ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP personnel served as one-day hosts for a group of African students touring the Western United States. The tour was arranged by and under joint sponsorship of the National Park Service, the State Department, and the African Wildlife Association, to introduce the students, by observation and field experience, to the conservation of natural resources as practiced in the United States.

On November 12, a luncheon was held at the Atlantis Restaurant in Sea World commemorating the success of the TORREY PINES SR extension fund drive. More than 160 people attended.

SALTON SEA SRA Ranger *Laurie Simpson* led four cars on an auto tour to Hidden Springs. When she returned with only one car, they asked if she had forgotten anything . . . she said the people in the other three cars did not want to leave such a nice and interesting place.

After being told hookups were unavailable at SOUTH CARLSBAD SB, a camper proceeded to hook up to a water tap at the wash tubs of a restroom and ran a long electric cord to the restroom outlet for his lights and T.V.

Several campers are planning to write letters because the staff at SALTON SEA SRA enforced the law on motorcycles. One said he was 100% for the law, but that the law was too hard on him for operating without license and for not paying fees. Another asked why he was being stopped then after getting away with it for three days. Numerous campers did express their gratitude for the staff's attempt to control these motorcyclists.

Probably the most expensive motor home ever to grace a campsite in this area was seen at SAN ELIJO SB recently. The owner of this converted Greyhound Bus modestly put the price of his unit in excess of $100,000. (This price falls just $50,000 short the entire redevelopment price of MOONLIGHT SB.)

The S.P.C.A. came into HUNTINGTON SB with 200-300 lb. sea lion (an oldtimer) that had been captured in the flood control channel at Hamilton Avenue. With aid of lifeguard vehicle and Lifeguard Supervisors *William Kramer* and *Melvin Tubbs*, they released it into surf. For ten to twelve minutes, the sea lion looked as if it were drowning, but it finally took to the sea. □

Hearing Held on Point Mugu Development

by Bill Dillinger

Over 200 people attended each of two sessions of a meeting in Oxnard, Ventura County, on December 15 to discuss the Department's plans for development of Point Mugu SRA.

Director Mott conducted the meeting and is scheduled to give a report on it to the State Park and Recreation Commission at its January 8 meeting in Palm Springs. Commissioners Bonnicksen and McMillan were in attendance, as were Senator Lagomarsino and a representative of Assemblyman MacDonald.

Groups represented included the Sierra Club, Audubon Society, Friends of Point Mugu, a Boy Scout troop and a high school ecology club, the Motorcycle Association of California, the California Outdoor Recreation League, model airplane and archery groups, a teen-age motorbike club, a youth hostel director, a biologist and an archeologist, and numbers of interested citizens from both Ventura and Los Angeles Counties.

Conservationists applauded the sizeable areas to be preserved for open space, the plans for complete treatment and recycling of sewage and the intended limitation of vehicular traffic. But they expressed concern for the type of development called for in La Jolla Valley and sought further protection of natural grasses and archaeological sites.

Camping groups and recreation organizations favored the planned diversity of development, emphasizing their need for facilities, and expressing gratitude for the recognition being given their activities.

Director Mott noted that the Department was aiming for a balanced recreation program serving as wide a range of interests as possible. He stressed Point Mugu's classification as a State Recreation Area, which places special emphasis on meeting mass recreational needs.

"We look on these as transitional areas, where people can enjoy recreational activities in a park-like setting. This is a way of introducing them to the environmental values preserved in the State Park System," he pointed out.

Noting that the plan was still not final, the Director said that changes could and would be made to protect archaeological sites as they are identified, and to preserve the natural grasses.

The Director said that most of the 6,500-acre coastal mountain area would be kept as open space for enjoyment of the environment. Major development would be along the beaches, where 75% of the use (about 3 million visitor days annually) would be concentrated. Other development would be largely in the 65-acre upland La Jolla Valley, with a separate area off Woods Canyon for motorcycles, model airplanes, and a marksmanship range.

The plan calls for the ultimate investment of over $23 million in State and private concessionaire funds for the recreational facilities. The State has already invested $16,600,000 in acquiring the land. □

Speakers lined up for an opportunity to express their views.

Director brought staff along to help field questions, and Secretary Margie Grima to take down the answers. On the platform: Margie, Lee Warren and Gene Boucher of the Master Planning Branch, Resource Management and Protection Division Chief Jim Tryner, and Archeologist Fritz Riddell. District 5 Superintendent Lloyd Lively and Point Mugu Area Manager Jim Geary were in the audience, as was Concessions Division Chief John Hightower.

ANOTHER YEAR – ANOTHER LOOK

by Jim Kruger
Director, Training Institute

The August issue of News and Views carried an article, written in a somewhat philosophical vein, about the training and development of the new rangers joining our department that month. Now that they've been with us for some time, a more practical look at them and our responsibilities toward them might be in order.

Their average age is 26.5 years. They're members of the first TV generation, and are accustomed to being "told like it is". They've been raised in the Age of the Bomb, the Vietnam War, a generally high-tide economy, increased awareness of racism and poverty, the urban-suburban population reversal pattern, and Man on the Moon.

They find themselves members of "The System" and led by "The Establishment." That establishment is most directly represented to them by their Area Managers and Training Supervisors, whose average age as trainees here was 45.6 years. These are men who went through and remember the Depression and World War II, events which still have influence on them. They generally have about the same background and views, being raised in a wave of nationalism and pride that followed America's involvement in World War I. A major influence on them was economic, since just finding a job for themselves was difficult. Now they have their job in The System and are key members of The Establishment.

The new rangers joined us with an academic background which has generally provided them with an upper-management point of view and an outlook of a higher-level decision-maker. Their combined intelligence, imagination, and education is offset only by their lack of exposure and experience to the real world. There's a good possibility that much of what they've been taught will appear not relevant to the world in which they find themselves. They'll want to change The System but will be confronted by The Establishment. If they stick to it, and keep trying to make changes, they know they'll inherit The System. The question is: will they want to?

Recent studies have shown that new, young employees need *more* supervisory attention than in the past, and that new employees want to know where they stand at all times. There should be no question that any extra effort to achieve this is worthwhile.

The agility with which most of our long-time park people have adjusted to the drastic changes of the past few years is an encouraging demonstration that the potential challenges that may be made by our new employees will be viewed not as a threat but as a welcome additional resource to be utilized in solving our ever-increasing problems, with an open meeting of minds. □

BOOKS NOW AVAILABLE FOR INDIVIDUAL LOAN FROM THE TRAINING INSTITUTE LIBRARY

How to Motivate and Persuade People, *by Gabriel S. Carlin.*

Methods of persuading others to follow your ideas; of selling them on your plans and goals. If you have difficulty in getting through to some people, if you feel a lack of response or an inability to gain attention and make things happen your way, this book provides new methods and possible help in breaking through the mental barriers between you and others.

The Next Generation, *by Donald N. Michael.*

Looks ahead into the world of the '70s and '80s – the world in which today's and tomorrow's youth will come of age, look for work, produce and consume, and take part as citizens of and share its fate in the world. Argues that tomorrow's challenges and opportunities will offer sharply different perspectives from those we conventionally accept.

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Ranger Jim Geary *spent almost a week searching for a loose dog that bit a young camper at LEO CARRILLO SB. He found it in another campground and called the boy's doctor just in time to forestall the painful rabies treatment. The boy's parents said in a letter:*

> Thanks again for your help and consideration -- we won't be forgetting you for many years.
>
> Mrs. Bill Stringfellow
> Palos Verdes Peninsula

MARIN AREA Ranger Don Engler *joined a trainee group from the National Park Service touring Point Reyes and Samuel P. Taylor SP:*

> Mr. Engler was most helpful and informative in explaining the California State Park Reservation system . . . in addition, he provided skilled and experienced comments on the character of visitation to that portion of Marin County. We were very impressed by his competence and dedication. The latter quality was particularly evident since he donated his afternoon off to be with us.
>
> Lemuel A. Garrison, Director
> Horace M. Albright Training Center
> National Park Service
> Grand Canyon, Arizona

Interpretive Services Section Exhibit Supervisor Norm Wilson *helped in securing flags that have flown over California:*

> We used them as the theme for our annual reception. Many city, county and state officials attended this function and were impressed most favorably by the flag display. Mr. *(Mel) Whitaker* of Stockton was very cooperative in arranging for us to borrow the flags.
>
> Col. Kibbey M. Horne, Commandant
> Defense Language Institute
> Presidio of Monterey

The efforts of SONOMA COAST SB Ranger Emmet Crisp *in caring for an injured blue heron brought this letter:*

> He was very gentle and yet efficient in capturing the bird. He assured us that the bird's leg would be splinted and that the heron would be allowed to go free again. I would like to commend the park service and Mr. Crisp in particular for their promptness and kindness.
>
> Marie Nelligan
> Bodega Bay

Out-of-state visitors also enjoy California's beaches:

> For the past two years, I have been coming to SAN ELIJO SB. All of the employees have been nice, but Mr. *R. H. Michael* has been outstanding in courtesy and helpfulness at all times.
>
> Mrs. Edna Dendy
> Ozona, Texas

This visitor was delighted by her tour of HEARST SAN SIMEON SHP:

> We were so impressed with the high quality of *Joe Lanier*, our Tour 1 guide, who compared favorably with those anywhere in the world, that we hardly expected his equal, but Mr. *H. J. Swanson* made it. I must commend the Department on its choice of personnel.
>
> Elaine Elliott
> Reference Librarian
> San Diego State College

LA PURISIMA MISSION SHP Historian John McKenzie *greatly enhanced this teacher's visit:*

> His knowledge, which he willingly shared in a most friendly manner, has been invaluable in teaching my seventh grade class about early California. I have always found the state parks enjoyable -- both for day trips and camping -- and may we have more J. C. McKenzies in your service.
>
> Marta W. Goldstein
> Tustin

Ranger Bill Harris *of ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP was a welcome sight to these campers:*

> We were camping in the Mountain Palm Springs when we discovered much to our horror that our car wouldn't start. Ranger Harris discovered our situation when he was on routine patrol, and through his most generous efforts we were ready for our trip back to Anaheim within a few hours.
>
> Douglas F. Henry
> Anaheim

SAN MATEO COAST AREA Manager Dave Redding *hopes that this employee will be back:*

> Your employees at THORNTON SB have been of a calibre that is distinctly higher than in many areas. I learned yesterday that Mr. *H. LeRoy Merrell* is leaving soon. His efficiency and personality have impressed me.
>
> Mrs. Mildred Harrison
> Daly City

STAFF CHANGES

APPOINTMENTS

Beatty, James J.	Lifeguard	Point Mugu Area	10-6-70
Bisbee, Clifford M. (From Limited Term Appt)	State Park Historian II	Cult Resource Sect	11-30-70
Blamey, Dorothy J.	Clerk I	Personnel Section	11-16-70
Horner, Sydney J.	State Park Ranger (Int)	San Luis Obispo Coast Area	10-10-70
McClary, Alfred H.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Anza Borrego Area 11-7-70	
McQuillan, Arthur J.	Park Safety and Enf Spec	Dist 3 Headquarters	10-5-70
Michel, Stephen E.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Point Mugu Area	10-1-70
Miller, Roger M.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Santa Cruz Mtn Area	10-17-70
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Neal, Robert L.	Lifeguard	San Diego Coast Area	10-27-70
Pope, Buddy A.	State Park Equip Opr	Orange Coast Area	10-15-70
Quandt, Paul W.	State Park Ranger	Bothe Napa Area	10-10-70
Stewart, Paul M.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Santa Cruz Mtn Area	11-21-70
Travis, Charles A.	Park Maint Assist	Orange Coast Area	11-4-70
Truitt, Thomas W.	Property Clerk I	Dist 6 Headquarters	10-5-70
Twibell, Ray E.	Park Maint Assist	Big Sur Area	11-13-70
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Jones, John W.	Park Maint Man I	San Luis Obispo Coast Area	11-1-70
Kramer, William R.	Lifeguard Supvr	Orange Coast Area	10-17-70
Meacham, Ethelyn B.	Stenographer II	Office & Res Svcs	11-10-70
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Hawke, James L.	Park Maint Assist	San Simeon Area	11-1-70
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NAME CHANGES

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Wolff, Diane A. To: Stretton	Clerk Typist I	Office & Res Svcs	12-2-70

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Fehling, John A.	State Park Ranger I	Dyerville Area to Big Sur Area	11-1-70
Hayes, Jeremiah F.	State Park Ranger I	Dyerville Area to San Diego Coast Area	11-10-70
Murray, Charles C.	State Park Ranger I	Folsom Lake Area to Monterey Area	11-1-70

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Higgins, William T.	Park Maint Man I	Millerton Lake Area	11-10-70

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SAFETY GLASSES PAY OFF

Two Folsom Area employees, Park Maintenance Man I John Lionakis and Park Maintenance Man I Clayton Thurs, have reason to believe in safety glasses.

On November 23, 1970, while working on cabinets in the shop, Thurs hit a nail which flew back up, hitting right in the middle of one lens on his safety glasses and shattering it. On December 4, 1970, Lionakis was grinding the edge off a splitting wedge when particles flew up, pitting his safety glasses badly.

Both men would have suffered eye injuries without their safety glasses. How about you? Can you afford the loss of your eyesight? If your job involves eye hazards, talk with your supervisor about getting safety glasses. The procedures are outlined in Section 1217 of the departmental Administration Manual. □

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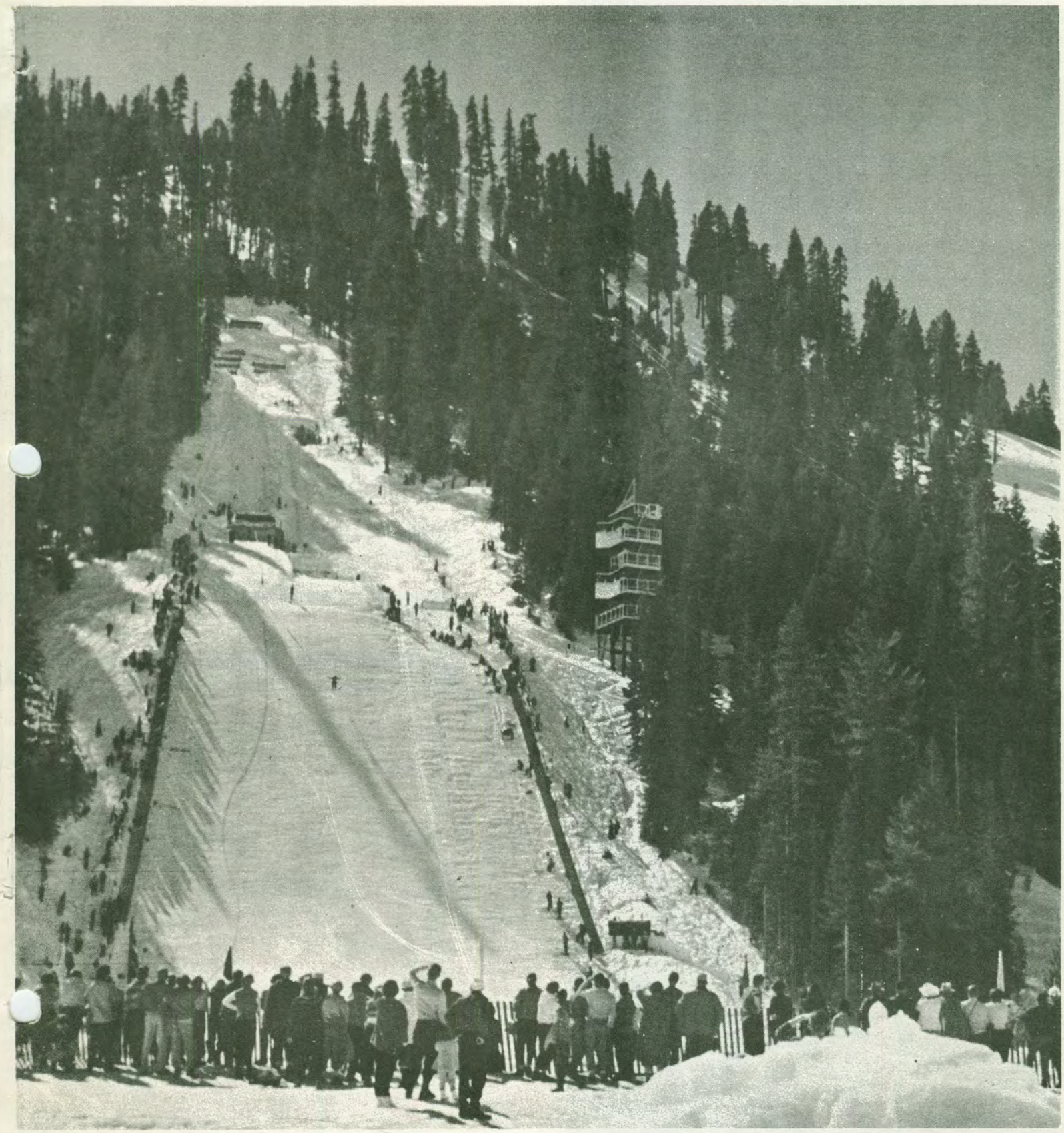

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A ROLL IS A ROLL, IS A ROLL, IS A ROLL

A roll
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a roll. But is it? Early in
December I had the privilege of taking part
in the placing of Historical Plaque Number 844
establishing the Hotel Del Coronado as a State Historical Landmark.
After the ceremony, some of us were privileged to a guided tour of the hotel. In the basement we were shown the bakery and the old brick oven. The oven has been in continuous use for over eighty years, producing bread and rolls for the hotel. The present baker has been making rolls for thirty-five years – a routine task for him. Little did he realize that eating a roll at the Hotel Del Coronado wasn't just eating a roll; it was eating one baked in a historic brick oven steeped in the history of one of America's last remaining elegant old resort hotels where gracious living is exemplified. A note in each basket of rolls served at dinner, interpreting the exciting story of the brick oven which produced the rolls, would make eating them a novel experience instead of a routine matter.

How many seemingly routine subjects do we take for granted in our State Park System? How many routine tasks do we perform that, if properly interpreted, would remove them from the ordinary and mundane class to something special? Maybe we should look about and make sure that we are not like the baker and the hotel manager, allowing simple, everyday chores, for lack of imaginative interpretation, to become routine. Properly interpreted to our visitors, even routine tasks can make their visit not just an ordinary trip but an exciting adventure.

Each of us can, in our own way, be interpreters of our fine State Park System, opening the eyes and minds of the public visiting the system so that they can better enjoy and appreciate the natural and cultural values preserved within the 202 units of the system, as well as have a better understanding of the routine operations that contribute so significantly to a pleasant visit to a unit of the California State Park System.

People ARE interested in us
just as we ARE
interested in
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WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.
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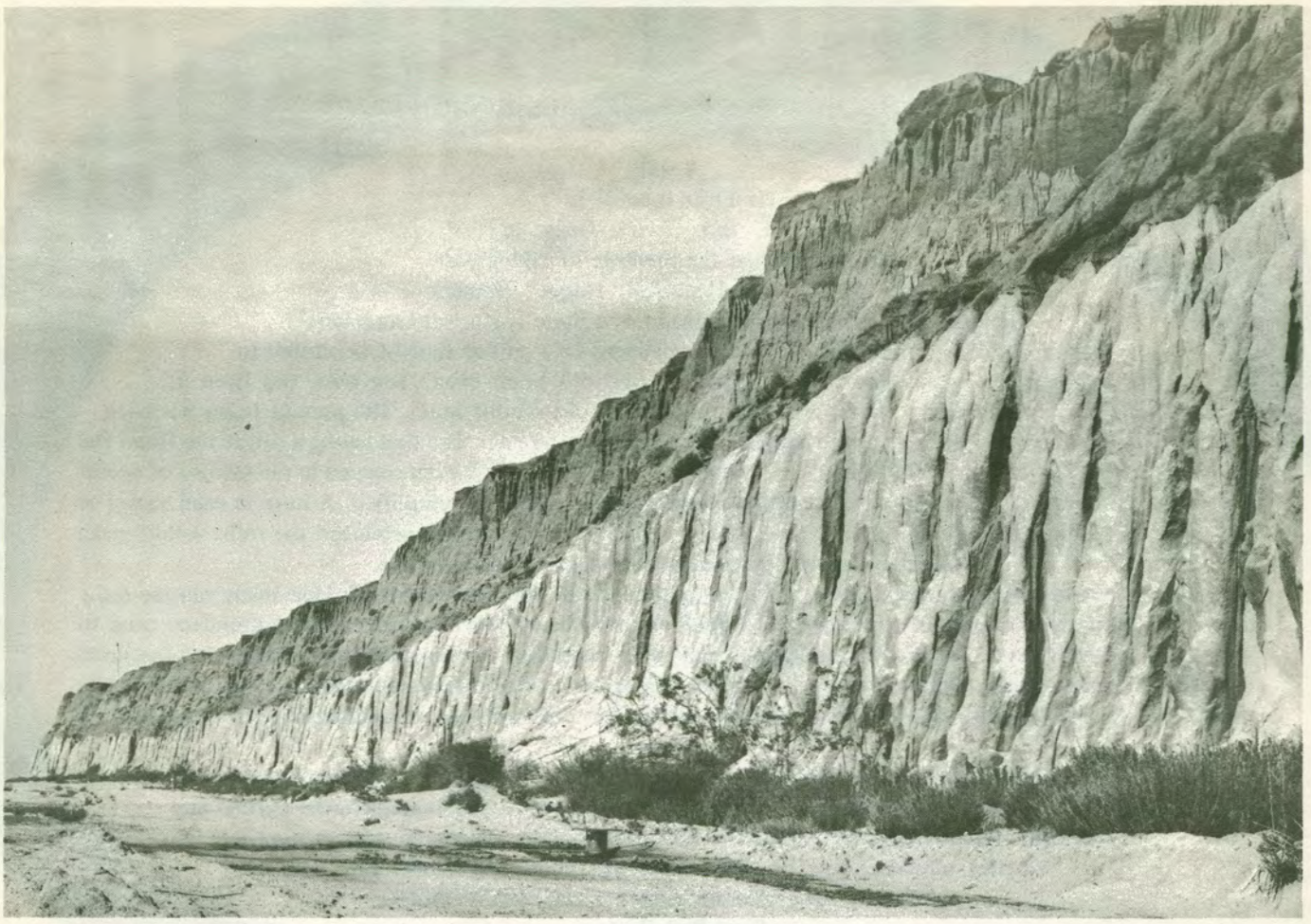
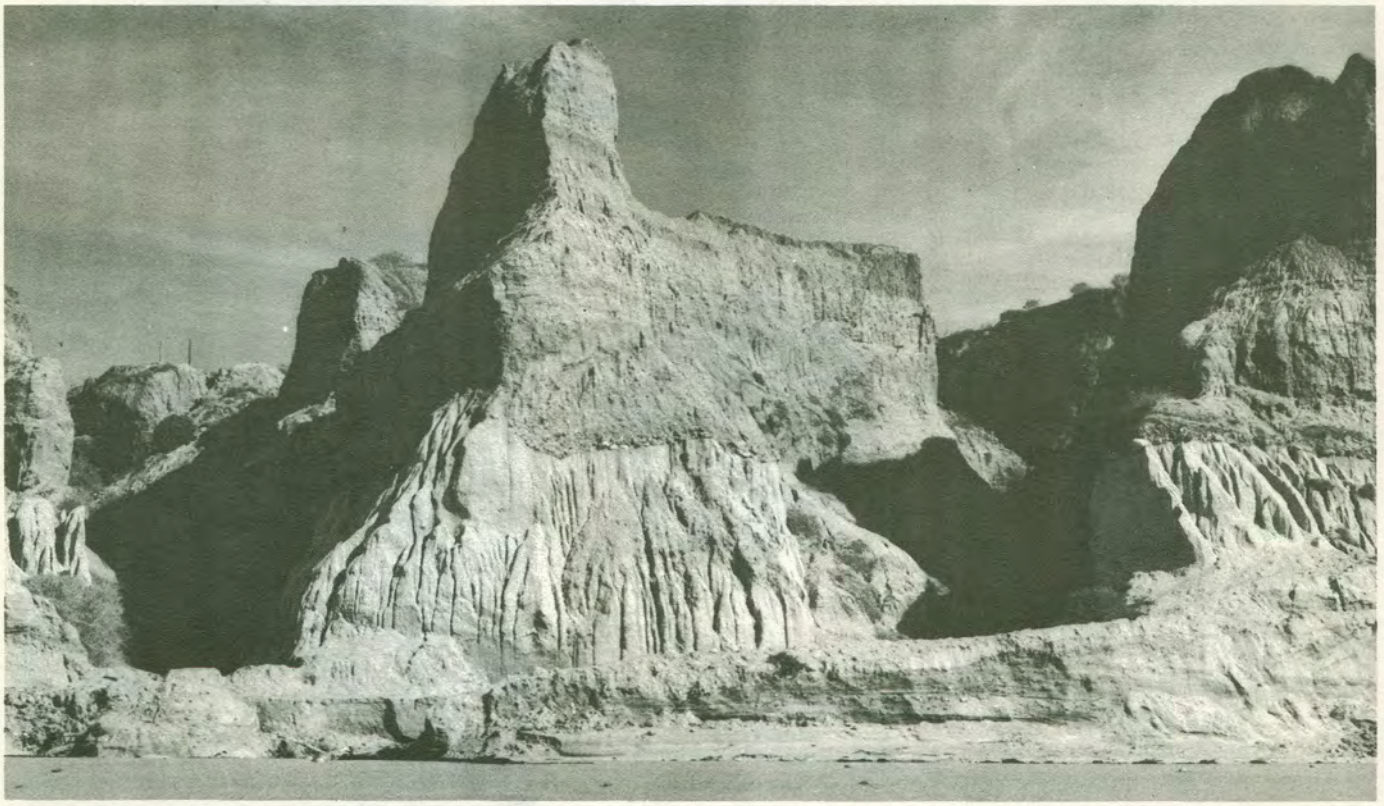


A clam's-eye view of the fantastically formed bluffs.



Occasional canyons snake their way from the bluffs from old Highway 101. Some of these canyons will be developed into natural pathways for beach access.

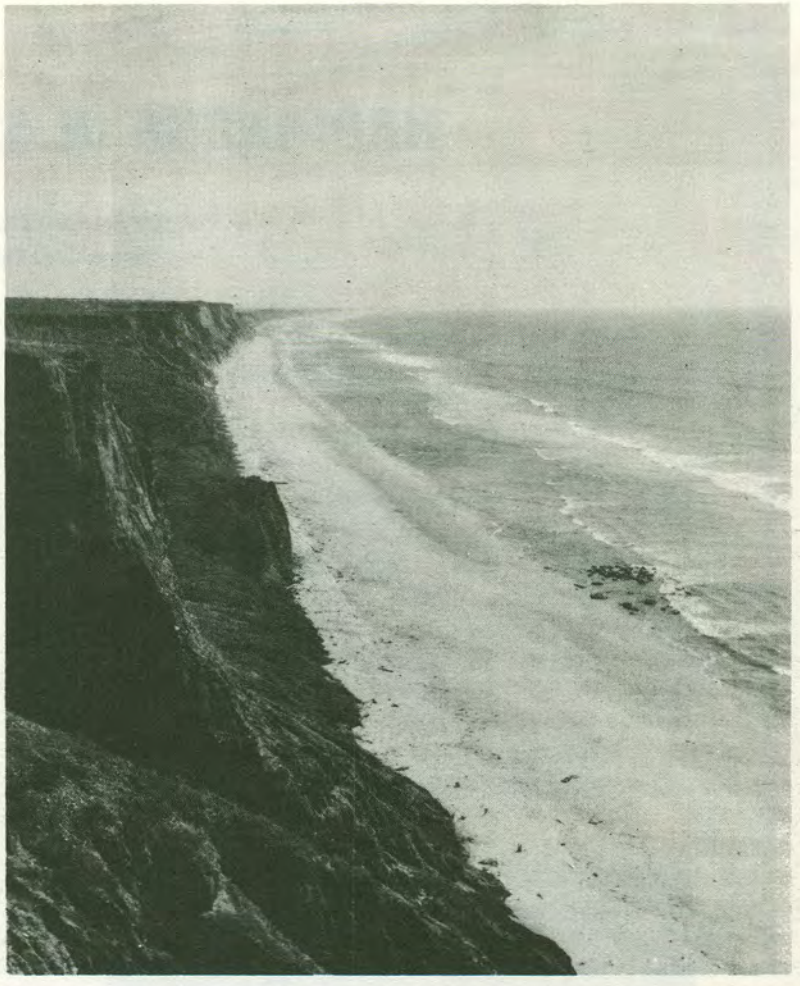
NEW BEACH !

SAN ONOFRE BLUFFS

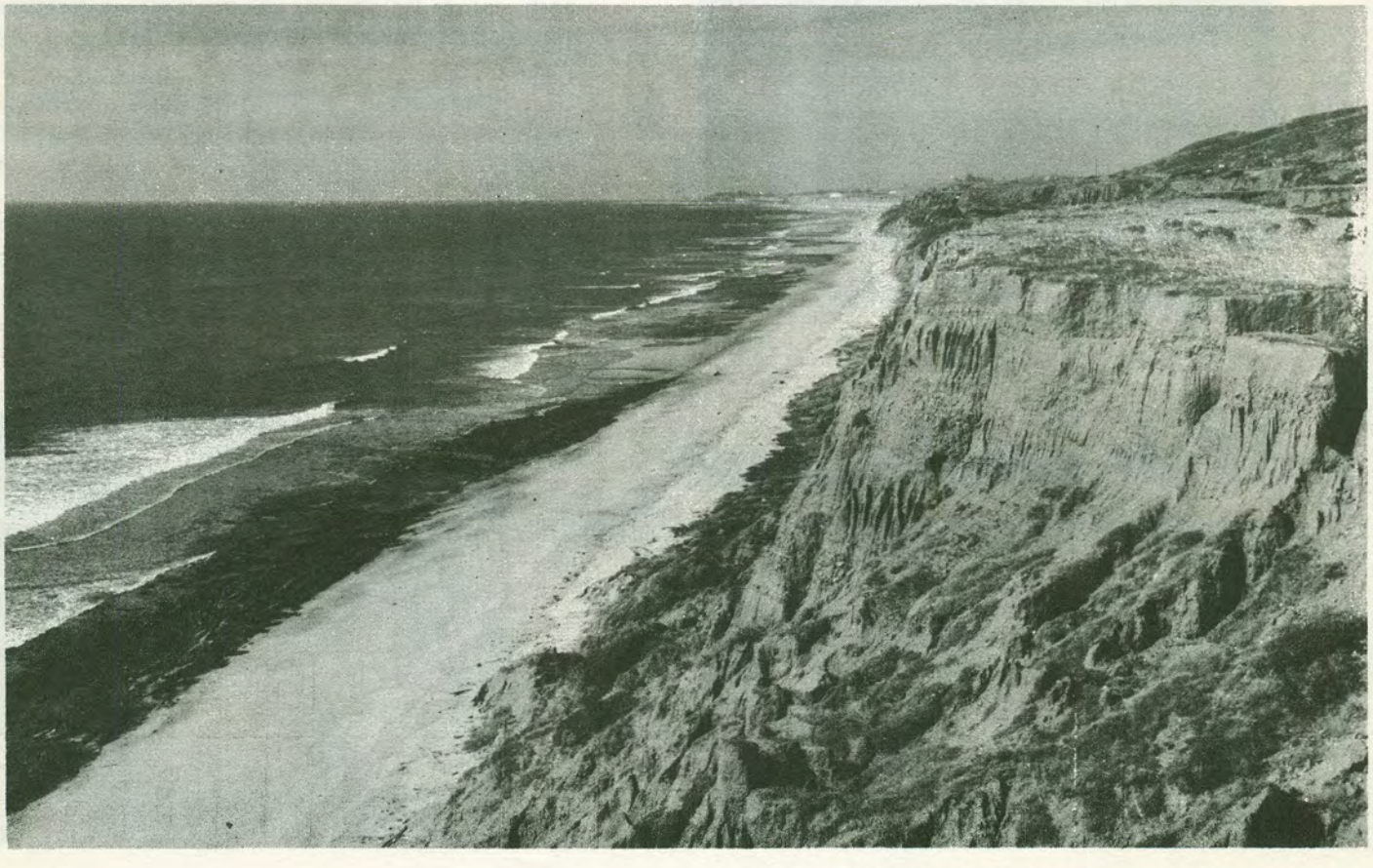
Photos by Dick Thompson

If things go as planned, the new state park acquisition in San Diego County presently known as San Onofre Bluffs will be dedicated and opened for public use some time in spring or early summer.

Originally part of Camp Pendleton Marine Base, the property was leased to the State by the federal government for use as a state park. It consists of 3.5 miles of beach flanked by steep, sandstone bluffs that are relieved only by an occasional canyon or rock formation. Although the beach is not considered ideal for surfing, it is good for swimming and fishing.



From atop the bluffs, a view of the property looking south . . .



. . . From the same vantage point, the view looking north. The tiny white speck in the background is the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station.

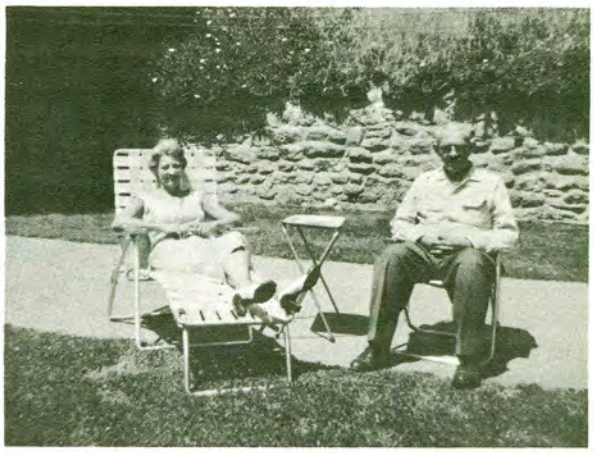
HAPPINESS IN A MOBILE HOME

by Ed Earl, Chief Ranger
Santa Cruz Coast Area

John McKone retired on June 1, 1967. He and his wife Claire have settled into a peaceful and carefree life at a mobile home park in Watsonville.

John started work in April 1947 as TAU Ranger at Point Lobos. He first worked for retired Ranger Roland Wilson, with whom he still keeps in contact, and was later assigned to Morro Bay for three months. After about two years each at Monterey Monuments, Palomar Mountain, Seacliff Beach, and Tahoe Campground, he spent seven years at Colusa SRA prior to retirement. A highlight in his park career was the 86-mile boat trip from Colusa to Sacramento in a fourteen-foot runabout, described in the October 1964 issue of *News and Views*.

Before joining the Department, John worked as a coal miner in West Virginia. He went into railroad detective work in Cleveland, Ohio and from there to the Washington, D.C. police department. This could very well account for his reading an average of two detective and mystery novels per week.



John and Claire McKone.

In between John's park assignments he was recalled back into military service and served with the rank of Major at a West German U.S. Air Force Base.

The McKones enjoyed life in the State Parks – as Claire noted they lived in the mountains, seashore, river park, and scenic reserve, and not many occupations give families an opportunity to experience living in such lovely places.

John's advice to young Rangers is: "Develop good public relation attitudes in the park and the community in which you make your home." John and Claire were very successful in practicing this advice in the Colusa area.

They have now retired to quiet mobile home living at 49 Blanca Lane, Watsonville, California 95076. When you are visiting Monterey Bay Area give John and Claire a call and say "Hello."

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fifth grade class EARNS RANGER PATCHES

Without ever going out of the classroom, the fifth grade class at Montecito Union School recently earned their Junior Ranger patches, according to District 5 Interpretive Specialist Mike Merkel. Working with assembly-line precision, they filled over 200 teachers' aid kits with park and ecology information supplied by the Department. Merkel reports that the class was enthusiastic about the project and eager to take on more.

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On New Year's Eve a sea lion pup, trying to get warm, crawled out of the ocean and in between two campers sleeping on the sand at PISMO SB. The campers accepted the pup as one of them until the following morning, when they banished him from camp and called in Ranger *Rodger Kellogg*. Kellogg picked up the pup, took him to an isolated part of the beach, and attempted to free him by placing him in the surf. . .but the pup no sooner touched that icy water than he hot(cold?)-footed it back to the truck. Ranger Kellogg tried this three times, and each time the pup beat him back to the truck. Finally Kellogg took the pup to the Pismo shop, where he seemed most content to sit in Maintenance Man *Bob Bird's* chair or in the shop's sink and eat fish brought in by Park Aid *Tony Costa*. He had a slight case of pneumonia, but with all the attention he received he was soon feeling better. On January 3 he was taken to the Morro Bay aquarium, where he now lives in comfort with two other California sea lions, very thankful no doubt that he will never again have to set flipper in the cold waters of Pismo Beach.

A new attraction at SAN LUIS RESERVOIR SRA – football! Seems a Bay Area radio station announced that, since certain football games were blacked out locally, the best place to receive them, from a Fresno TV station, was the park's Romero Overlook. About 40 cars, vans, campers, trailers, etc. showed up for the event.

Ranger *Richard Edwards* accidentally backed into a youth who was walking away from the park vehicle after questioning at SAN ELIJO SB. The youth refused to identify himself and left hurriedly with his friends when Ranger Edwards called the sheriff to help convince him to cooperate in filling out an accident report. This is the first case on record where it was the hit-and-run *victim* who ran!

MENDOCINO AREA RANGER *Tim Neeley* had a stroke of luck with his cat trap – caught one the first night he had it out. Unfortunately, it was a polecat. Ranger Neeley opened the cage door carefully and beat a hasty retreat, but the polecat apparently decided it liked its new surroundings – it curled up and went to sleep.

BENICIA AREA Manager *Lorin Forsyth* reports that, owing to the cards getting smeared, the area staff has been to the police station four times to be fingerprinted. The neighbors probably think they're suspicious characters!

And BIG SUR AREA Manager *Jack Stowe* contributes the following bit of information – An oppossum can run (or waddle) at a speed of five miles per hour – one was clocked crossing a bridge near the Big Sur Lodge.

Skiers are a determined bunch – not dismayed by the unsuitability of the SANTA CRUZ COAST AREA climate for their sport, a ski instructor from Rio Del Mar conducted classes on a large sand dune at SUNSET SB.

by Bill Dillinger

COMMISSION STORY

A spectacular fifteen-minute ride from the desert to a spot high on snowy Mount San Jacinto launched the January meeting, as Commissioners joined the Palm Springs City Council as luncheon guests of the San Jacinto Winter Park Authority.

The two-day meeting had its own ups and downs, with about 250 people crowding the Palm Springs Jaycee auditorium in a day-long discussion on the proposed master plan for Point Mugu SRA and on a $2 million concession contract for development of the Pico-Garnier Block at El Pueblo de Los Angeles SHP. Action was postponed on the Point Mugu proposal until the Commission's February 11 and 12 meeting in Oroville. A special meeting was scheduled in Los Angeles for March 11 to discuss the Pueblo contract.

The Commission also adopted a resolution urging the San Diego County Board of Supervisors to delete a proposed highway through the Coyote Canyon area of Anza-Borrego Desert SP from their County Master Plan.

Approval of proposed technical changes to Title 14 of the California Administrative Code was deferred until the February 11-12 meeting.

Other agenda items included acceptance of two gifts of redwood groves from the Save-the-Redwoods League and a resolution honoring De Graff Austin of San Diego County.

The two redwood groves are the Walter Schroeder Memorial Grove, 10 acres valued at $17,602 of which Mrs.Walter Schroeder of San Francisco contributed $8,801, and the Robert and Leona Train Memorial Grove, 10 acres valued at $17,110 of which Mrs. Robert Rienow of Selkerk, New York contributed $8,555. Both are in Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park.

Bishop John J. Ward, president of the El Pueblo de Los Angeles SHP Commission, summarized the concessions contract with Specialty Restaurants, which his commission approved January 6.

The resolution honoring De Graff Austin was for his "far reaching efforts and achievements" in helping to develop the State Park System, especially his help in the acquisition and development of Old Town San Diego State Historic Park. He was retiring after many years as a member of the San Diego County Board of Supervisors. ▲ ▲ ▲

Mrs. Berry joined a chilly Commissioner McMillan and Mr. Berry at the top of the tramway, starting point for over 50 miles of trail into Mount San Jacinto Wilderness SP.

O. L. McKenney, general manager of the aerial tramway, showed the tram route to Mrs. Gilchrist.

YIELD from the FIELD

District 1. . .

DYERVILLE AREA Manager *Wendell Davis* reports that, as a result of recent heavy rains, a 50- to 70-foot-wide strip of soil containing 65 redwood trees, including 19 "giants," is being undercut on the bank of the South Fork Eel River. Last winter, 30 trees were lost. He comments that if this trend continues scenic Old Highway 101 will be lined with nothing but riprap.

Phyliss Robison, wife of HIOUCHI AREA Ranger *Ray Robison*, was travelling along Highway 101 near DEL NORTE COAST REDWOODS SP when her car was hit by a toppling 250-foot redwood. Though the car was a total wreck, Phyliss was not injured – though understandably somewhat "shook up."

Famed interpretive specialist Freeman Tilden, a full-time National Park Service employee at the age of 87, visited HUMBOLDT REDWOODS SP recently as part of a special nationwide tour of parks assigned by the NPS director.

District 3. . .

The entire student body of Sacramento's Fremont Elementary School paid a surprise visit to SUTTER'S FORT SHP while the police were checking out a bomb scare at the school.

At last. . .after thirteen days a local property owner finally disposed of the cow that expired near the entrance to FOLSOM LAKE SRA's Peninsula Campground.

District 4. . .

The grass must really be greener in HENRY COWELL REDWOODS SP. . .the neighbor's horses invaded them two days in a row recently.

A small group of Pearl Harbor survivors, braving the wind and rain, attended the eighth annual beacon lighting ceremony atop MOUNT DIABLO to commemorate the "Day of Infamy." Area Manager *Bob Stewart*, himself a survivor, turned on the 10,000,000-candlepower light. ⟶

YIELD FROM THE FIELD (continued)

District 6. . .

ANZA-BOREGO DESERT SP Ranger *Chet Getty* found two lizards, barely alive, in a collector's bag. He took them to headquarters for treatment, and by the following Thursday the iguana was gulping lettuce ravenously. The collared lizard, though, took no interest in the stunned flies carefully swatted by Area Manager Jack Hesemeyer (these lizards live wholly on live insects), and forced feeding has been unsuccessful.

Lifeguard *Tom Russell* of HUNTINGTON SB is the proud father of an eight-pound baby boy.

It looks as if the ORANGE COAST AREA office staff is on a winning streak – *Louise Short* won a Triumph motorcycle (won't she look sporty tooling off to work every morning!), and the Christmas decorations on *Sherry Locke's* home in Dana Point won second place in the community competition.

One recipient of a citation for driving in a closed area at ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP was an off-duty policeman. According to Ranger *Glenn Mincks*, his wife thought it was hilarious.

One evening in early November, FRONTERA AREA Manager *Frank Bellinghausen* saw a number of people with flashlights moving around near the boundary of SILVER STRAND SB. They proved to be members of the Border Patrol and the Imperial Beach and Coronado police departments, looking for smugglers believed to be swimming across the border with marijuana and entering the U.S. near Border Field. A car containing seven persons had been chased from Imperial Beach to the entrance to Silver Strand, where five of the suspects were arrested; two escaped on foot. Ranger *Ken Smith* assisted in the search for almost two hours, but without results. One suspect was later arrested near the Hotel del Coronado.

A black Labrador Retriever puppy deserted by his owner was found at SALTON SEA SRA's Corvina Beach campground. Nearby campers told rangers that the owner had appeared drunk and had kicked the dog just before leaving. When the incident was aired on the park's radio report, the Humane Society representative called the park and offered to foot the veterinary bill for treatment of the puppy's broken leg.

New MONTANE AREA Manager *Glen Jones* is flabbergasted at the number of people descending on PALOMAR and CUYAMACA RANCHO SPs to play in the snow. The traffic has been so bad some days that the mailman won't even try to deliver the mail (whatever happened to "Neither snow, nor sleet, nor dark of night. . ."?).

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FEDERAL LAND AND WATER FUND RULES DISCUSSED

Some 50 representatives of city, county, and district park and recreation jurisdictions met in Sacramento January 5 to discuss proposed revisions to the regulations governing the disbursement of California's share of money from the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund.

The change that drew the most attention would delete the criterion that all projects for these federal funds be at least regional in scope, so that city and neighborhood park projects could be eligible.

Testimony only was taken at the January meeting. Final decisions will be made by Director Mott and presented to the State Park and Recreation Commission at its February meeting in Oroville.

Joe Rodota (standing), Director of the Sonoma County Parks and Recreation Department, makes his presentation. Seated are Director Mott, State Liaison Officer for the program; Russell Porter, Manager of the Grants Administration and Local Assistance Branch; and Recreation Planner Warren Gardner.

WORLD'S RICHEST RACCOONS live at McARTHUR-BURNEY FALLS MEMORIAL SP

Photos courtesy of the Intermountain News.

All summer long, the raccoons at McArthur-Burney Falls Memorial SP live off the fat of the land – the many campers at the park keep them well supplied with tidbits. As a result, a whole generation of raccoons in the area has grown up without any idea of how to fish or forage for themselves.

Area Manager *"Tommy" Thompson* and the park's other rangers couldn't, of course, let the little beggars starve – but there are quite a few of them, and neither the park budget nor the rangers' salaries could quite stretch to cover the vast and growing amounts of dog food required to maintain them in the winter, when campers in the snow-covered Burney area are few and far between. So on Christmas Eve, the Intermountain News of Burney ran a front-page picture story describing the rangers' and raccoons' problem.

Delicious dog food a la niege.

Chow line.

Almost immediately donations of dog food and money came pouring in to the newspaper office and the park. Typical of the letters that came with some of the donations was this one, from a family in Woodland: "We visit your beautiful country several times a year and enjoy all of it . . . we would like to meet you one day" or this one, from two brothers and their sister aged 4, 9, and 7: "We would like to send you some money for the hungry little raccoons . . . we are sending 1 dollar from each of us."

Now, reports Area Manager Thompson, the raccoons have plenty of food and money to buy more for this winter plus, probably, a good start on next year – and if donations keep coming in as they have, the raccoons will have more in their special bank account than he does! ▲ ▲ ▲

Chef Tommy Thompson serves up dinner.

Smorgasbord!

This story was submitted by Carlos Espinosa of the Development Branch as the

STORY OF THE YEAR - 1970

Place: San Bernardino

Time: 7:30 a.m.

Characters: Robert Hines, Darrell Ayers, Jim Gilbertson

Scenario: Our three heroes have just left their motel after having eaten breakfast at a nearby cafe and are on their way to the job site (Silverwood Reservoir) in a 1970 gold-colored Rent-a-Car. Hines is driving, Ayers is in front seat, Gil in rear seat.

Action: Siren, red light – Hines pulls over to curb and two cops walk up to 1970 gold-colored Rent-a-Car and look in. All the while Gil is accusing Hines of speeding or some such traffic violation. Hines is resigned to the fact that he has somehow fouled up. (He has not quite recovered from the libations of the night before.) Ayers has visions of a huge narcotics bust for Gil.

More Action: Hines gets out of car to find out what is the matter. No common problem, that's obvious.

Action – Action – Action: Another police car arrives.

Action – *Action* – ACTION – **ACTION:** More cop cars. Maybe three or four. Inside gold-colored 1970 Rent-A-Car, Ayers mumbling while Gil reads environmental handbook (Berkeley Barb). Big policeman looks into car, asks to see Ayers's I.D.

Next: After some dialogue between Ayers and cops, Ayers up against car for shakedown (for weapons).

Ride: Ayers gets into police car (of own free will) to ride to scene of crime. Hines and Gil follow in Rent-a-Car, both cracking up. They didn't suspect it – Ayers is a criminal. A crook? Unbelieveable!

Scene of Crime: People all around – police prop Ayers up in front of Little Old Lady still wild-eyed from recently experiencing huge butcher knife against her throat. And then. . .

MOMENT OF TRUTH: LOL says, "I told you he had red hair – this one doesn't even have *hair*!" Cops drop Ayers and rush off in search of real armed robber. Ayers is free. The trio leaves for the mountains.

(To top off the day, later Hines fell in the mud.)

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STAUNCHEST REPUBLICAN RETIRES

Landscape Architect *Philip C. Smith* of the Development Branch, who retired in December after over twenty years of state service, is famous for his stalwart adherence to the Republican Party's aims and candidates, so what could be more appropriate as a retirement gift than – of course! – a Spiro T. Agnew wristwatch?

At least, that's what his coworkers thought. To go with it, fellow Landscape Architect Joseph Mills thought a word from the VP might be appropriate, so he wrote to Washington outlining the situation. "Smitty" was amazed, astounded, and delighted to receive the following telegram

> PLEASE ACCEPT MY BEST WISHES ON THE OCCASION OF YOUR RETIREMENT. THE VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS YOU HAVE MADE TOWARD BUILDING A BETTER, MORE BEAUTIFUL AMERICA ARE APPRECIATED. YOUR DEDICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IS WORTHY OF THE RECOGNITION YOU ARE RECEIVING. I JOIN WITH ALL YOUR FRIENDS IN WISHING YOU HAPPINESS AND SUCCESS IN THE FUTURE.
>
> SPIRO T. AGNEW.

Now bring on your Muskies, your Humphrys, your Kennedys. . .

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CARPINTERIA EXHIBITS enhanced by STUDENT

Jim Franklin, a student at Ventura College, has designed and constructed movable panels for outdoor exhibit shelters at CARPINTERIA SB. He volunteered his time and talents to make up the displays, which cover local fish of the area, shells of the area, an Indian village scene, and objects found along the beach; he is now working on a panel showing the geology of the Channel Coast.

Franklin explains his Indian panel to Ranger Bill Miller.

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GEC Will Be Held March 13-15

The Sixth Annual General Executive Council of the California State Park Rangers Association will be held March 13, 14, and 15 at the Miramar Hotel in Santa Barbara.

The Second Annual GEC, which was also held at the Miramar in Santa Barbara, was one of the very best. The physical surroundings make a very attractive convention setting.

Among the social events planned are a golf tournament, assorted ladies activities including a wine tasting tour, and, of course, the GEC Banquet. Jess Chaffee has again agreed to do the honors as the Master of Ceremonies. There will be a baby sitting service.

The business of the Association will include committee meetings on Friday, March 13; General Council on Saturday, March 14; Installation of New Officers at the GEC Banquet Saturday evening; and a Board of Directors meeting Sunday, March 15, at which the new Regional Directors will preside.

Plan to be there and support your Association. For further information contact Jack Welch at District 5 headquarters.

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The State Historic Landmarks Advisory Committee held their January meeting at Columbia SHP. After the business meeting, the committee viewed the park with Director Mott and Mrs. Clarice Gilchrist, who is a member of the statewide advisory committee on Columbia as well as vice chairman of the State Park and Recreation Commission. Operation and future plans for Columbia were discussed at a dinner meeting. Pausing before the Wells Fargo Express Building above are Glen Settle, newly elected landmarks committee chairman; Dr. Clement Meighan, recently appointed committee member; Mrs. Kathryn Kaiser, named vice chairman at the meeting; Director Mott; Mrs. Gilchrist; and Dr. Coke Wood, outgoing chairman.

TRAINING AND EMPLOYEE DEVELOPMENT

by Jim Kruger
Director, Training Institute

What's Our Department's "TI"?

No, Martha, "TI" doesn't stand for Training Institute. In this instance, TI stands for Telephone Image, certainly one to be highly strived for in our daily service to the public and dealings with others.

There's a constant need for improved communications, and the telephone is a key element in any communications system. Unless our Department is an exception, we have more dealings by phone than through any other single medium, in actual number of contacts. The telephone company has recently conducted studies showing that 99% of all organizations surveyed have a telephone image that is negative and often damaging to their goals. That's a percentage we obviously wish or need no part of.

In the December 1970 issue of News and Views, we announced the planned future offering of correspondence and self-study courses for all DPR employees. The first course to become available is intended to partly meet the need for improved communications. It is called "Telephone Dynamics," an audiographic training program in effective telephone usage. The learner, by either individual or group study, listens and critiques actual examples of proper and improper telephone usage, records his own voice, and through the use of an illustrated workbook, answers quizzes. The program is an unique combination of pre-recorded dialogue, sound effects, and other stimuli, all reinforced by printed materials. Techniques are provided to demonstrate interest, convey good-will, soothe irritated callers and to suggest desired responses.

The course can be completed in 3½ hours. Further details may be obtained from the Department Training Office, District Training Coordinators, or Training Institute.

An Event of Significance

On February 28, 1971 the first group of 18 employees to complete the Ranger Trainee Program will be honored at a special breakfast ceremoney. These are State Park Rangers who, in a period of less than three months, have completed 450 hours of formalized training both here at Asilomar and at Riverside. Coverage of the ceremony will be included in the April issue of News and Views.

Lending Library Needs Borrowers

We've been adding to our library through donations and purchases, and the books now need reading. If you're interested in one below or previously listed, let us know.

The Elements of Style, by William Strunk, Jr. Useful to anyone, "the little book" presents the principal requirements of plain English style, helping you to write effectively and well. The author's premise is "*not* that the writer make all his sentences short, or that he avoid all detail and treat his subjects only in outline, but that every word *tell*".

Outdoor Recreation in America, by Clayne R. Jensen. An overview of the present and future of outdoor recreation, and a helpful guide for those working in recreation and park departments. Interprets the significance of outdoor recreation; describes the responsibilities of the numerous agencies and organizations involved; covers recent legislation and special programs, and identifies current and possible future problems in outdoor recreation.

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We are sorry to have to report that George Hagens, who retired from the Department after more than 23 years of continuous service, died January 7. There was no prior illness.

George came to the old Division of Beaches and Parks as a Deputy Ranger at Big Basin on June 25, 1946. He served at several parks and in August 1956, he was assigned to headquarters as Administrative Assistant to the Chief, Newton Drury. He worked in this capacity for Directors DeTurk, Jones, and Mott. He retired from State service on December 31, 1969.

A DRUG PUSHER IS A NICE PERSON, BUT A RANGER IS A NASTY PERSON.

This parody by SAN DIEGO COAST AREA Ranger Dick Edwards is based on an incident which happened in late December. It proves the old saying, "Know your local drug pusher."

A drug pusher is a **nice** person,
He gives you rides when you are hitchhiking.
A drug pusher is a **thoughtful** person,
He asks if he can buy you some booze because he knows you are all under legal age.
A drug pusher is a **generous** person,
He gives you packets of ZIG ZAG cigarette papers and promises to return tomorrow with something to put inside them.
A ranger is a **nasty** person,
He recognized the drug pusher who gave us a ride to our campsite.
A ranger is a **mean** person,
He surprised us in our trailer while we were getting drunk and he arrested us.
A ranger is a **thoughtless** person,
He got our telephone numbers and called our parents, who really were supposed to be camping with us.
And a ranger is almost the **worst** person,
Instead of sending us to jail so that we could brag of being busted, he released us to our parents, who are probably the worst of all.

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A SILLY QUESTION, I GUESS

by Ranger Dick Edwards,
San Diego Coast Area

While on duty in the kiosk one night during the Christmas holidays, I was approached by a camper who reported that five teenage boys were spitting all over the glass panels in the telephone booth near the concession store. I quickly went to the area and found the boys, who were not registered in the camp, still indulging in this vulgar pastime. They were caught red handed and I made them clean up the mess with the nearest available rags, which just happened to be three of the boys' tee shirts. While they were completing their task, one boy turned to me and asked, "Why does San Elijo have a curfew that keeps kids under 18 from camping without their parents?" I don't remember if I choked or sighed, but I do know I said, "Boys, you're a classical example why". ▲ ▲ ▲

DEPUTY DIRECTORS TO SHARE RESPONSIBILITIES

In a move to establish better coordination and understanding of the Department's objectives, Director Mott has assigned each of his two Deputy Directors specific areas of responsibility regarding the functions and activities of the Department.

Deputy Director Ray Hunter will be responsible for liaison between the Director and the Divisions of Planning and Development, Operations, and Resource Management and Protection. In addition, he will continue to coordinate the activities of the various citizens' advisory committees.

Deputy Director Bob Meyer will handle liaison for the Divisions of Administration, Information and Interpretation, and Concessions, and will be responsible for the Department's relationship with the State Legislature.

Director Mott has asked each Deputy to become completely familiar with his respective Divisions, to attend their staff meetings, to evaluate their operations regularly, to work to develop new ideas and methods, and to improve efficienty and effectiveness. In particular, he has asked his Deputies to direct the attentions of their Divisions to the accomplishment of the goals developed at the December staff meeting in Coloma.

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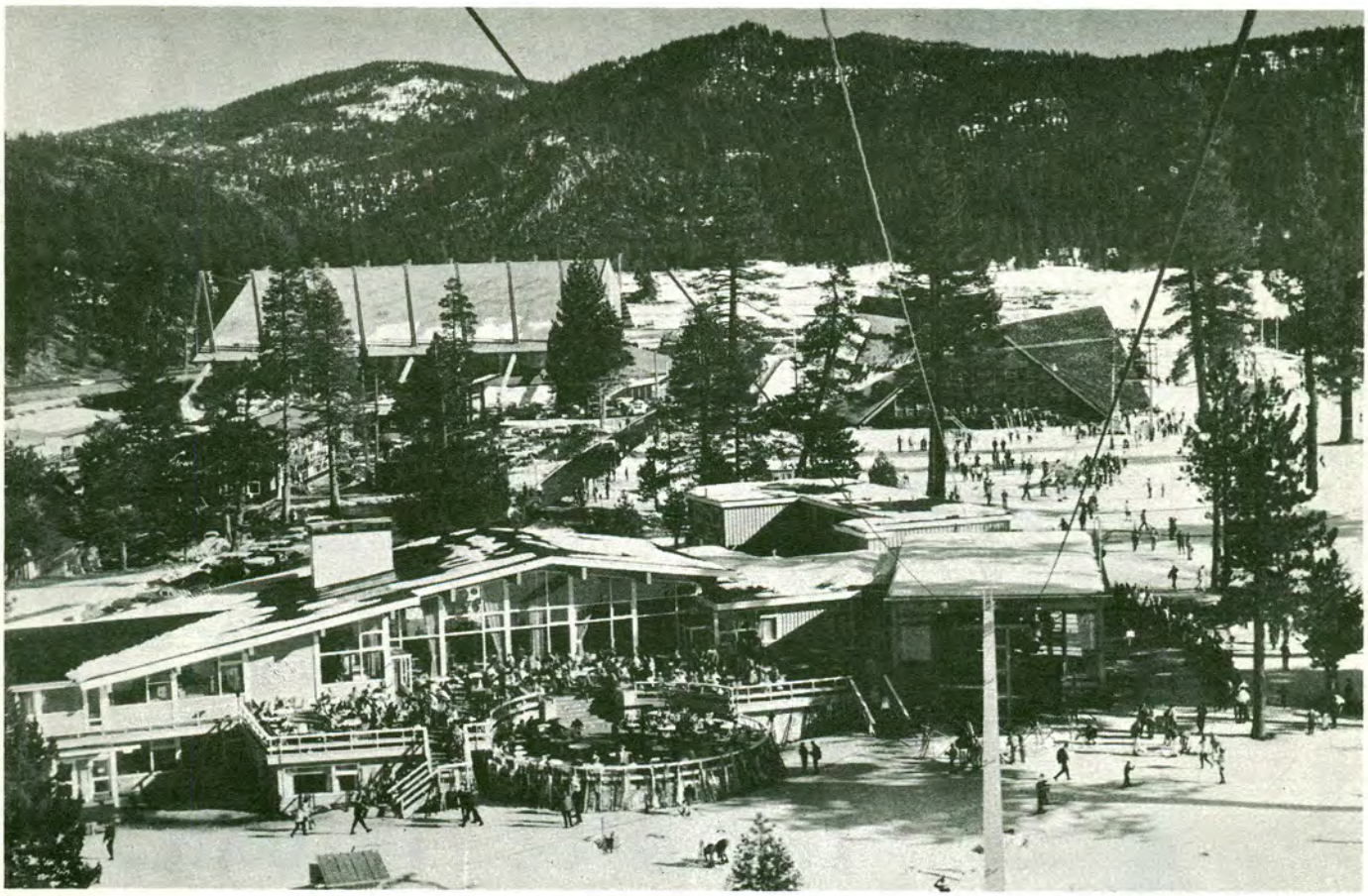
FULL-SCALE NATIVITY SCENE CHARMS PARK VISITORS

Visitors to MARSHALL GOLD DISCOVERY SHP during the holiday season were greeted with a life-sized display of the Nativity in a stable across from the Coloma post office. The figures, made of papier-mache over wire forms, were made by local artists Jean and Carol Mathis and were set up by park personnel and the Coloma-Lotus Booster Club.

Gus Till, Area Manager, said the display was a big hit and that they are planning on making it an annual affair. He hopes to be able to add additional figures next year.

The display comes complete with livestock in the form of a donkey, which democratically enough goes by the name of Hubert H. Humphrey. According to Till, Hubert loves alfalfa, cigarettes, and people. In fact, the donkey has come to appreciate company so much that when left alone for any time he sounds off to the entire village.

Squaw Valley Goes on the Block



For sale, by owner, one year-round vacation resort attractively situated in the magnificant Sierra Nevada, just minutes away from one of America's great natural wonders, Lake Tahoe. Terms can be arranged.

If you know anyone who might want to answer that ad, have them get in touch with our Concessions Office for an attractive Bid Prospectus describing the property – all 1,220 acres of Squaw Valley SRA including improvements and developments – being offered for sale to the highest bidder.

The move to sell Squaw Valley is the result of Assembly Bill 557, passed by the State Legislature in 1967. It provided for the State to divest itself of " . . . all its rights, title, interest, and obligations in or to the Squaw Valley State Recreation Area."

Squaw Valley first rose to national prominence as the site of the 1960 VIII Olympic Winter Games. That same year it was made a part of the State Park System, where it has become one of California's favorite vacation spots. Last year alone it attracted more than 800,000 visitors.

Improvements and developments being offered with the property include the Olympic Village complex, service and headquarters areas, parking for up to 2,500 cars, ski lifts, a theater and meeting hall building (Nevada Center), and a "Hofbrau" type restaurant (California Center). ▲ ▲ ▲

Be careful Be safe !

This item was borrowed from the Guy F. Atkinson Co. Safety Bulletin by District 3 Safety and Enforcement Specialist Art McQuillan.

"Whenever I draw a face," an artist said, "I start with the eyes. And when I have finished the eyes, I know whether or not I have got the face right; because the eyes are everything.

"In a man's eyes you see the very stuff he is made of; fire, sparkle, determination, dullness, imagination, hate, hope, love. And through a man's eyes he sees the very stuff his life is made of; earth, sky, his loved ones, his work, his world, just about everything he knows.

"You cannot estimate the value of your eyes any more than you can estimate the value of your being. But to give you an idea of their worth, name something, anything you would trade your sight for. Is there anything you would take, any amount of wealth, power or fame?

"Think of this the next time you are tempted to skip eye protection when you know you should be wearing it, because whenever you do, you could be trading your sight for nothing."

During the first nine months of 1970, 13 employees in the State Parks and Recreation Department received eye injuries requiring hospitalization or a doctor's treatment. Let us all strive for no eye injuries in 1971. USE SAFETY PROTECTION DEVICES (appropriate glasses, goggles, hoods, or face shields, etc.)!

EMPLOYEE INJURIES

1969

Today is your reward for yesterday's safety

1970

DEPARTMENT SAFETY PROGRAM

By Ed Wilson
Personnel Officer

On February 20, 1970, Governor Reagan launched a three-year program to reduce State employee job injuries. This program was announced as an ". . .intensive effort to reverse the spiraling trend of employee injury in State government. . ." When Director Mott introduced the Governor's program within the Department of Parks and Recreation on March 11, 1970, our departmental rate of employee lost-time injuries was just average compared to other California State departments--17.4 lost-time injuries per million man-hours exposure for the calendar year 1969.

After nine months of intensive effort we must announce that we are still just average. Our twelve-month figure for 1970 has risen slightly to 20.07 per million man-hours exposure. This, again, is about average with statewide experience. Not only are we about average with the statewide rate, but we are experiencing about the same rate of lost-time injuries as other State departments and larger divisions with similar type activities.

We are also about average compared to our own experience for the last four years as shown by the following:

Year	Lost-time Injuries	Man-hours Exposure	Frequency Rate
1967	69	2,827,576	24.40
1968	55	2,935,757	18.73
1969	55	3,159,369	17.40
1970	63	3,138,257	20.07

We have had a very active employee safety program during this year, with committees working in each of the Operations Division Districts with the assistance of full-time Park Safety and Enforcement Specialists.

Each Division has a safety coordinator, and various selected staff have worked on special programs.

A special committee was appointed to develop techniques to assist supervisors in reducing our high number of poison oak cases.

The District Aquatic Specialists have been seeking alternatives which will reduce the number of injuries resulting from the present design of our lifeguard towers, and are in touch with manufacturers of specialized safety equipment.

The Equipment Management Supervisor has been reviewing accident reports involving vehicle and equipment failure or deficiences.

Special measures have been taken to eliminate vehicle breakaway accidents.

The Budget Section has been giving special attention to equipment justifications which include safety reasons.

The Operations Division has developed a tailgate session program for maintenance personnel.

Publications, pamphlets, and posters from the National Safety Council, State Compensation Insurance Fund, and other sources have been distributed throughout the organization to assist supervisors in making safety a part of every employee's job. The eye safety program was adopted to provide or make available safety glasses to all employees.

The Safety Section of the Administration Manual has been revised to clearly fix responsibility on managers and supervisors for accident prevention.

Job safety training has been added to the Supervisory Practices Course, and all State Park Ranger Trainees at the Training Institute in Asilomar will receive extensive training in many aspects of safety.

With all of these activities, and with the assistance of every employee and supervisor, it will be possible to improve our record. Many of the activities developed last year by local safety committees should result in long-range improvements.

In announcing that the Department of Parks and Recreation goal for 1971 will continue to be to reduce our lost-time injury rate to no more than 12 per million man-hours' exposure by the end of the year, Director Mott asked that each Division Chief review his program and personally direct changes in job practices, order necessary supplies and safety devices, and assist his managers and supervisors in gaining control over the causes of our accidents. ▲ ▲ ▲

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SAN JUAN BAUTISTA SHP Ranger William J. Hill's *efforts made this group's visit memorable:*

Your orientation lecture and availability for answering questions during our two hours at the park made the visit much more enjoyable and informative.

Ralph E. Shaffer
Associate Professor, History Extension
University of California, Riverside

A group enjoyed their tour of MILLERTON LAKE SRA:

Rangers *Kirby Morgan* and *Charles Marshall* were very effective in giving us an understanding of the California State Park System, and the tour through Millerton Courthouse was most interesting and informative.

Ralph L. Worrell
Fresno State College

Assistant Deputy Director Carl Anderson *made a hit with students of San Fernando Valley State College:*

Students need the point of view from the professional in the field, and I also believe that the professional needs to know the students' point of view. As you might have noticed, when the two come together, it makes for some interesting and stimulating exchange of ideas.

John P. Sherrod
Department of Recreation

The Rangers' Christmas spirit was appreciated:

The Tiburon City Council, as well as many Tiburon residents, would like to express their appreciation to you for the beautifully lighted Christmas tree atop ANGEL ISLAND. This innovation is certainly a spectacular highlight of the holiday season, and you should be complemented for a job well done.

Robert L. Kleinert
Acting City Manager

WE GET COMPLAINTS TOO...BUT NOT VERY MANY

We like to think of the Vox Pox section of NEWS and VIEWS as our good news offering. We never print complaints, just the nice things people say about us and our field personnel. Lest you think that we do not get any complaints, however, you should know that last year (1970), 290 were received and answered by the Operations Division and an additional 210 referred to the district offices for direct reply.

Let's put that in perspective by adding that we served almost 44 million visitors. That figures out to one complaint per 88,000 visitors. As Operations Division Chief John Knight said in a memo to Director Mott, ". . .an excellent record. I am sure that this reflects on the quality of our field employees and their dedication to public service."

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MAYBE. . .MAYBE NOT

Quite a while back we reported that a problem was being created by Polaroid litterbugs. . .the film discards were being eaten by wildlife and were poisoning them. Now the National Park Service says that there is neither circumstantial evidence nor scientific data to support this "fact." Whatever the case, these throwaways certainly don't do the wildlife any *good*!

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PERSONNEL TRANSACTIONS

APPOINTMENTS

Barr, Ernest C.	Park Maint Man I	Will Rogers Area	12-2-70
Bennie, Thomas	Deckhand, Hist Ships	Golden Gate Area	11-23-70
Carnegie, Merle L.	Assoc Architect	Architectural Section	1-1-71
Cram, Donald L.	Park Maint Assist	Mendocino Area	11-18-70
Sears, David L.	State Park Ranger I	Trinidad Area	11-10-70
Stadelman, Albert H.	Park Maint Assist	Point Mugu Area	11-9-70
Stewart, Paul M.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Point Lobos Area	11-21-70
Wagner, Carol I.	Bookkeeping Mach Op I	Accounting Services	11-16-70

CLASS TITLE CHANGE

Bilto, Walter G.	Custodian to Janitor	Hearst San Simeon SHP	11-17-70

NAME CHANGE

Gutierrez, Brenda M. to Noel	Stenographer II	Office and Res Services	12-19-70

PROMOTIONS

Elliston, Robert E.	Park Maint Man I	Monterey Area to Point Lobos Area	12-4-70
Plaisted, Leland H., Jr.	Park Maint Man I	Frontera Area to Montane Area	12-2-70
Schnubauer, Walter M.	Park Maint Man I	Golden Gate Area	11-16-70

SEPARATIONS

Ballard, Dan	Guide I, His Mon (Int)	Hearst San Simeon	11-25-70
Beck, Patricia D.	Clerk Typist II	Personnel Section	12-18-70
Ellis, David L.	Guide I, His Mon (Int)	Hearst San Simeon	11-28-70
Fisher, James C.	Admin Assist I	Director's Office	12-31-70
Gay, Sally J.	Stenographer II	Director's Office	12-31-70
Higgins, Richard G.	Watchman	Hearst San Simeon	12-1-70
Moore, Carolee A.	Clerk Typist II	Office & Res Services	12-31-70
Ore, Howard B.	Park Maint Man I	Channel Coast Area	12-10-70
Pennington, Paula A.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Trinidad Area	12-8-70
Rosenthal, Margaret E.	Guide I, His Mon	Hearst San Simeon	11-18-70
Sackett, James E.	Tree Maint Man I	Env Resources Sec	11-9-70
Sczbecki, Theodore	Guide I, His Mon	Hearst San Simeon	12-15-70
White, Jr., George W.	State Park Attendant	Millerton Lake Area	12-4-70

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A helicopter delivers a load of oil-soaked straw from the Steep Ravine area to the staging area at Stinson Beach. See story about the San Francisco oil spill on page . Photo by Dick Thompson.

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.
DIRECTOR
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
AND RECREATION

The dictionary defines "in the groove" as slang meaning in perfect functioning order, in the popular fashion, up-to-date; "in a rut" is defined as a fixed or established mode of procedure or course of life, usually dull or unpromising. To get out of a rut means change must be achieved. People accept the dullness of being in a rut rather than face the exciting opportunity of change because they fear the uncertainty of change. Faced with change, people conjure up all of the objectionable things that might happen.

The Department has experienced this phenomenon as we try to adjust our plans and the management of the State Park System to meet changing recreational and social patterns. Change is not bad. It is even, ecologically speaking, sound. Ecology is not fixed but an ever-changing balanced relationship.

Once we planned our campgrounds within the redwood groves of Big Basin, our oldest State Park. Now we are moving them outside the groves of Sequoias, not only for the benefit of the trees themselves, but for the campers and their safety.

Once outdoor dance floors were considered proper facilities for a State Park. When they were removed from the parks, like the campgrounds, irate citizens wrote bitterly complaining letters to the Park and Recreation Commission.

Change is inevitable. Sometimes it occurs rapidly. Recent earthquakes attest to that. Sometimes it occurs over eons of time. In a man's lifetime, it may be imperceptible. Our Department has the expertise to achieve change that is sensitive, harmonious, and good, and although there will be some who will resist change and be fearful, I believe we can best serve the people of the State if we are "in the groove" rather than remain "in a rut".

COMMISSION REPORT

The Commission paused for lunch at the present overlook above the dam.

Pt. Mugu again highlighted the Commission meeting, held in Oroville February 11 and 12. After a spirited discussion, the modified master plan proposed by Director Mott was approved, with Commissioners McMillen and Bonnicksen opposing. The Commission then reclassified the area as a State Park. The plan adopted is the one discussed at the Palm Springs meeting in January and at Santa Monica February 2, except for deletion of the recreation vehicle area.

The Commission also heard a detailed report on development plans for Lake Oroville SRA, as a preliminary to their Friday field trip to inspect the facilities and work in progress around the lake.

Appointments of 20 young persons to serve as members of a Student-Youth Advisory Committee to the Commission were also approved. They will serve one and two year staggered terms. An organizational meeting was to be scheduled in the near future.

Named to the committee were: Kenneth Roberts III, Long Beach State; Virginia Esperanza Castillo, Long Beach State; Judy Friend, San Diego State; Joseph White, San Deigo State; George Craig Hjelte, UC — Santa Barbara; Charles F. Willd, UC–Irvine; Melody Winston, UC–Riverside; Michael Martin, UC–Irvine; David M. Sugar, UC–Irvine; Alice Ground, San Jose State; Jon David Thomas, San Jose State; David L. Mori, San Jose State; Stephen W. Hastings, Cal Poly; Robert R. Koury, Cal Poly; Ronald Wakimoto, UC–Berkeley; W. Bruce Dinneford, Humboldt State; Marcia A. Wood, UC–Berkeley; James J. Worthington, Jr., Humboldt State; Mark Peetz, St. Mary's College; Steve Warfield, Saratoga, California.

The Commission rescinded a resolution defining the policy for units classified as State Parks that had been adopted in November, and announced intention to consider a broader policy for all classifications of State Park System units at its March 12 meeting in Carpinteria, with action scheduled for the following meeting in May.

A scheduled public hearing on changes to Title 14 of the California Administrative code was deferred to the March meeting.

Other Business

The Commission adopted a resolution of commendation to be sent to the General Executive Council meeting of the California State Park Rangers Association, held in Santa Barbara in March, commending field personnel for their dedication and efforts above and beyond the call of duty.

John D. Steward, Secretary of the Bidwell Mansion Restoration Association, praised the quality of the restoration undertaken by the State at Bidwell Mansion SHP, and expressed the wish of the community to continue to be involved. The Commission adopted a resolution commending the citizens and local organizations.

Four memorial redwoods groves were accepted by the Commission, which expressed its gratitude to the Save-the-Redwoods League and their four donors. Gifts included a 10-acre grove at Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP dedicated to former State Park Commissioner Alfred J. Stern and donated by Mrs. Minette Ornstein of San Francisco, and the 10-acre Helen and Menhart Stern Memorial Grove, a bequest of Mr. Stern.

On Kelly Ridge, the Commissioners saw the plans for the new Visitor Center. →

COMMISSION REPORT (Continued)

Also a Jedediah Smith RSP was the Ernest L. and Lou R. Adams Redwood Grove, additional 20 acres of redwoods and 40 acres of beach valued at $100,000, donated by Mrs. E. L. Adams of Chico; and at Prairie Creek Redwoods SP, the John Glide Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Thornton William Elliott Memorial Grove Addition, 40 acres valued at $46,890, donor Mrs. Eula Glide Elliott of Berkeley.

Director Mott in his report noted that a review of last summer's snowmobile hearing has gone to the Commission, and that funds were just beginning to come in from the $5 license approved by the 1970 Legislature. As soon as enough funds have accumulated, the Department will get together with the U.S. Forest Service, National Park Service, and other interested agencies to work out a statewide plan.

He also gave a progress report on negotiations involving the Haslett Warehouse in San Francisco, where he felt a decision would be reached shortly, and on the issuing of bid proposals for the sale of the State's interests at Squaw Valley SRA.

Commissioners visited Area headquarters at Oroville Lake SRA and heard the story of the Mother Orange Tree.

He distributed to the Commissioner advance copies of the new Pt. Lobos Reserve book, which he said would be the first of series of outstanding interpretive publications on major units of the SPS. It will be available for sale at Pt. Lobos SR within the next few weeks. Also distributed were copies of the new general folder on the State Park System, the *Guidelines for Preparation of Interpretive Prospectuses* published in response to a Commission policy adopted in November, a Concessions Report (followed later by a report on the Concessions Program by Division Chief John Hightower) and a construction report which he said illustrated "a major thrust forward in our construction program."

Commissioner Lutz kept smiling though a balky engine sent Commander John Hightower's flagship back to the dock before the first boat-in campground could be inspected.

The Director also reported on the activities of the State Parks Foundation, which is working on a radio and television publicity program emphasizing several projects. The foundation has already received considerable funds for the proposed wildflower preserve in Antelope Valley, Los Angeles County, he said, and is making progress on programs for the Painted Caves in the Santa Barbara area, the Hackett Ranch in Yolo County, and the restoration of the Chapel at Fort Ross SHP. The Commission adopted a resolution commending the Foundation.

His report on the Department's anti-litter program highlighted a series of litterbug sings presented to the Department for use at Lake Oroville SRA and other areas by the Southern California Financial Corp., concessionaires at Lake Oroville. He also mentioned the shoulder patch program sparked by Sonoma County school children and now in operation in several north coast parks. He noted that several major companies were starting programs to recycle their contrainers, and the Commission asked that a letter be sent the Adolph Coors Company commending their recycling program.

The Commission's next meeting was scheduled for March 12 in Carpinteria, with a meeting in Los Angeles the previous day to discuss the concession contract for the Pico-Garnier building at El Pueblo de Los Angeles.

ALLENSWORTH captures "first" in Tulare fiesta parade

The prize-winning float represented three distinct features of Allensworth: Pioneering, the restoration of drinking water to the town through the efforts of blacks and whites, and planting fertile seeds in black culture.

(Photo courtesy Fresno Bee)

The "Spirit of Allensworth" was the theme of the prize-winning float entered by citizens and advisory committee members of the City of Allensworth in the annual Dairy Fiesta Parade in Tulare last September.

The float, which was put together by young people of the area under the directon of advisory committee member George Pope, was entered in the senior float division and won out against county-wide competition.

Allensworth is a pioneer town in Tulare County. It was settled in 1906 by Colonel Allen Allensworth, a Negro and former slave who rose to hold the highest military rank of any member of his race at that time. His dream was to found a community where his people might build a meaningful life for themselves. It is under consideration for inclusion in the State Park System as a State Historic Park.

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LIFEGUARDS ARE COMMENDED

In January 1969, heavy storms stuck Southern California, creating extremely hazardous conditions along the beaches where ocean currents picked up tons of debris carred down by overflowing rivers. ORANGE COAST AREA Lifeguards *Knut B. Skjonberg, Erick V. Emery,* and *Jerry L. Bennette* rescued a man from the ocean at the mouth of the swollen Santa Ana River.

In recommending these lifeguards for a Special Act Award, Director Mott commented, "Their action was taken without regard for their personal safety and was far above the normal duties of a lifeguard."

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Maintenance Man *Gene Martin*, at MOUNT DIABLO SP, was cleaning the men's rest room at the summit and came upon a group of juveniles, all with long hair. He suspected that they were not all boys and asked if there were any girls in the group. One youngster replied that they were all boys. Gene then turned to one youth and asked if she was a girl. The youngster replied, pointing her finger, "She's a boy, she's a boy, and I'm a boy."

Shortly before Christmas a large package was delivered to POINT LOBOS SR, and, certain it contained Christmas goodies from some thoughtful person, the staff eagerly ripped it open. Pine cones??? It seems while visiting Point Lobos, the sender was caught red-handed by one of the rangers as she was gathering pine cones. He accompanying note explained her guilt for not returning the ones she had stashed in her big coat pockets. "The ranger was such a gentleman and gave such good reasons for leaving nature alone. If I burned those cones in the fireplace, the chimney would crumble – so here they are." In closing the lady added, "Imagine being a grandmother and swiping pine cones – 'Tis the changing times."

The personnel of the CHANNEL COAST AREA had been working on an operations plan for over a month. Since it was apparent that the first deadline of December 31, 1970 could not be met, Assistant Superintendnet *Jack Welch* came up with the follwing memo: ". . .your new deadline will be January 25, 1971. . .This new deadline is a DEADLINE!"

It may have been the first time in a long history of COLUMBIA SHP that someone tried to break into the jail instead of out. Park rangers discovered that the hasp was broken on the jail door and the building entered during the night. Nothing was disturbed, and rangers believe whoever entered the jail was just looking for a place to sleep.

Derrick Andrews of the RUSSIAN RIVER AREA ran across this poem.

When I was a student I was quiet,
I didn't protest, I didn't riot.
I wasn't unwashed, I wasnt't obscene;
I made no demands on prexy or dean.
I sat in no sit-in; I heckled no speaker,
Nor dressed like a brother that needed a "keeper"---
I'm forced to admit, with some hesitation,
All I got out of school was a good education.

ANZA-BORREGO AREA Ranger *Frank Davies* and Equipment Operator *Milo Arneklev* arrived at Jones Trespass at Cigarette Hill to inspect a metal building to be salvaged. They found it partly dismanteled and being loaded on a pickup by some people who were planning to build a chicken coup. Ranger Davies was pleased that the hardest part of the dismantling had been accomplished "voluntarily."

Ranger *Chet Getty* came upon two youths scraping white paint from the sandstone cliffs in Arroyo Salada of the ANZA-BORREGO AREA. It seems that people in three jeeps had caught the youths painting the cliffs, and were making them scrape it off. When the job was completed, the "Jeep People" called to Ranger Getty, "They're all yours now, Ranger," and drove off. He talked for a few minutes to the very embarrassed young men, then sent them on their way.

A lady at Fish Creek in the ANZA-BORREGO AREA reported a "shifty" dunebuggy driver to Ranger *Glenn Mincks*. She found the driver of the dunebuggy removing one of the mirrors from their camper. He *said* he only wanted to see how that type of mirror was mounted. The lady requested Ranger Mincks to be on the lookout for a "man with a female companion in one of those cut down things with big tires on the back." There are only a couple hundred vehicles of this description in the Fish Creek area every Sunday.

SALTON SEA SRA Rangers *Kenneth Wilbur* and *Newton Johnson* were unable to get Restroom No. 7 lights to go on. After several tries, they called Maintenance Supervisor *Len Algeri* who, after checking all possibilities, changed the light bulbs. All six were burned out at once! A one-in-a-million chance. . .

The annual crab race between the State Parks and Federal Parks took place February 6 in Crescent City. Redwood National Park Superintendent *Jack Davis* trained his entry, Giant Stride, on natural redwood juice spiked with a secret formula. Even Giant Stride didn't know what made him go. *Jack Schlotter,* Manager of the HIOUCHI AREA, trained his entry "Hiouchi 5-0" in the ice-cold Smith River, and at a secret training camp on the ocean, and rewarded his racer with "a touch of the bubbly" after each session. However, this was not the whole secret in crab training. "We have developed a lotion in which we rub down "5-0" after each heat, using the secret juice on each of his ten armpits (or is it leg pits?). You have to be extremely careful how this is applied to each leg, and if you get more on one than on the other, you could throw the crab off balance. This would have a tendency to make him run in circles, rather than straight ahead." The results of the race? The State Parks lost. . .

At CLEAR LAKE SP Ranger *Edward Griggs* was awakened at 1:30 a.m. by a teenage couple. They had a dead battery in their car. Ranger Griggs asked the girl if they were fishing and she said no, that they didn't even think about that. ▲ ▲ ▲

PARK SYSTEM GETS ANTI-POLLUTION SIGNS AS GIFT

The Southern California Financial Corporation recently presented the State with 50 sets of all-weather anti-pollution signs for use in units of our State Park System. The firm, which specializes in recreation-land development, is a major concessioner at Lake Oroville SRA.

Each set consists of five full-color silkscreened signs featuring different animals and slogans: For Heaven's Sake Don't Pollute Our Lake, Be a Deer Don't Litter Here, We Skunk Dislike Your Junk, Give a Hoot Don't Pollute, and Be an Eager Beaver Not a Litter Leaver.

According to the firm's president, Kenneth D. Childs, this is only an initial presentation. The company plans additional anti-pollution programs for the Department.

The signs were formally accepted by the State at a ceremony in Lt. Governor Edward Reinecke's office on February 10. The 250 aluminum signs, 11 X 14" in size, will be posted in selected State Parks and Recreation Areas.

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Lt. Governor Ed Reinecke (left) and Director Mott look over the anti-pollution signs presented to the State by the Southern Financial Corporation for use in the State Park System.

TRAINING INSTITUTE LIBRARY OFFERINGS

by Jim Kruger
Training Institute

Our library contents is increasing, and we're waiting for an increase in the one request received so far as a result of listing titles available for loan. New listings include:

The Markets of Change: a series of magazine-format publications released by Kaiser News, with four of the planned six titles released, including

"Ecology: The Man-Made Planet"
"Shelter: The Cave Re-examined"
"Energy: Transactions in Time"
"Food: An Energy Exchange System"

This series explores some of the probable future responses of our technology to the problems the world faces today, in a time span of 30 years.

Applied Imagination, by Alex F. Osborn. Sets forth the ways in which the reader can more productively apply innate creativity toward the betterment of personal and occupational life. The author submits that ". . .creativity is an art – an applied art – a workable art – a teachable art – a learnable art – an art in which all of us can make ourselves more and more proficient, if we will". ▲

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OPEN ENROLLMENT PERIOD FOR MEDICAL AND HOSPITAL CARE INSURANCE

The Health Benefits Division of the Public Employees' Retirement System has scheduled an open enrollment period from March 22 through April 12, 1971. During this period, employees may change health insurance plans or enroll in a basic major medical plan regardless of preexisting illness and without a physical examination.

In addition, the Health Benefits Division has announced an increase in health insurance premiums. The increase will be deducted from the March 1971 pay period paychecks.

Employees should take this opportunity to review their health insurance coverage in terms of family needs and availability of medical care at present work location. Information on the open enrollment period and premium changes will be distributed before the open enrollment period. ▲

One of the hardest hit areas was Stinson SB. Note the huge pile of oil saturated sand in the foreground and the heavy equipment. In the background are the beach's parking lots, where Standard Oil was storing equipment and from where it was directing the cleanup operation.

Bay Area OIL SPILL soils State Beaches

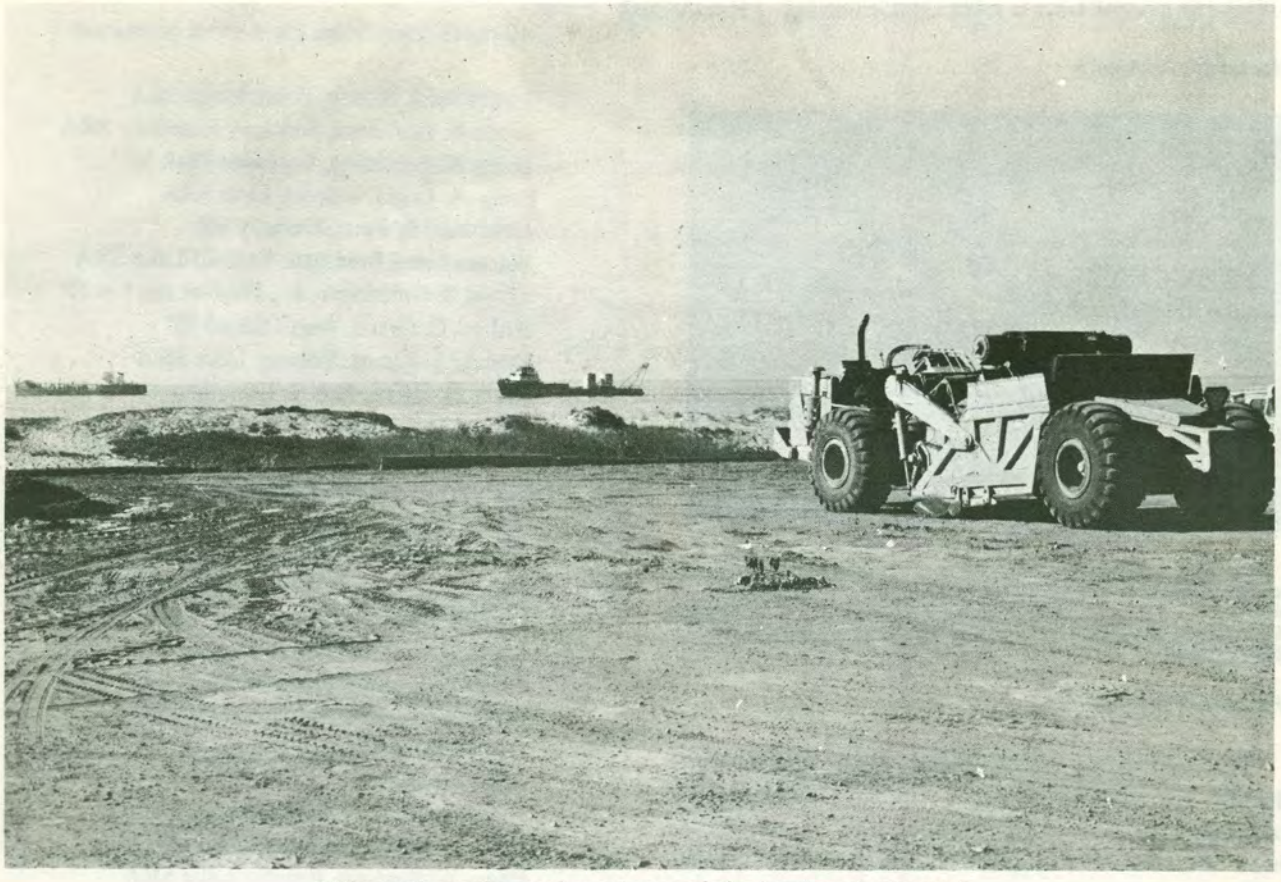
Photos by Dick Thompson.

The collision of two Standard Oil tankers just outside the Golden Gate last January 18 resulted in some 840,000 gallons of bunker oil (by Standard's own estimate) dumped into the bay. Before long, the spill had spread up and down the coast, ultimately affecting 17 of our park units:

Stinson SB
Mount Tamalpais SP
Marin Headlands SP
Angel Island SP
James D. Phelan SB
Gray Whale Cove SB
Montara SB
Half Moon Bay SB
Francis Beach
San Gregorio SB
Seal Rocks SB
Thornton SB
Sharp Park SB
Pomponio SB
Pescadero SB
Bean Hollow SB
Baker SB

In addition to oil on these units, injured birds were coming ashore at Seacliff SB and Sunset SB.

To facilitate Standard Oil's attempts at cleanup, the Department allowed the company to use Stinson SB as its general staging area. From there, the company coordinated its cleanup operation. →



While earth moving equipment scraped the beaches of oily sand, Standard Oil's ships "swept" the off-shore area of as much oil as it could.

Stinson Beach Ranger Bob Carlson shows where workers and visitors use the curbing in the park to scrape off their shoes.

RANGERS COMPLETE ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

Photos by Bill Dillinger

The first graduating class of the special, 200-hour law enforcement course at the Riverside County Sheriff's Academy. On the left is Stan Everett, Police Science Coordinator for Riverside City College. On the right, Jack Knight, Chief of the Department's Operations Division.

Oh Fantastic! Riverside!

The first group of California State Park Rangers graduated this month from a special 200-hour law enforcement course developed for them by Riverside City College. The course was given at the Riverside County Sheriff's Academy and was completed by 26 rangers, including 11 newly recruited ranger trainees. Plans are to give all State Park rangers this training over the next three years.

Goal of the course is to train rangers in the basic elements of law enforcement for the protection of the public, the resources of the parks, and the rangers themselves. Need for such training was emphasized in a report prepared for the Department by the State Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training. The report cited an increase in crime and vandalism in California's parks and in parks across the nation. It recommended a comprehensive program for crime control and prevention in the State Park System, with training a key part.

Ranger Lloyd Geissinger, Pfeiffer Big Sur SP, gets a lesson in checking drivers' licenses. Unfortunately, not all drivers are like Lifeguard Jon Trefethen's wife Sue.

Rangers completing the 5-week course are:

James John Beatty, Point Mugu SRA
Merle E. Beckman, San Luis Reservoir SRA
Barry N. Breckling, Fremont Peak SP
Craig A. Engel, Folsom Lake SRA
Lawrence E. Ferri, Doheny SB
Warran Craig Freeman, Folsom Lake SRA
Lloyd B. Geissinger, Jr., Pfeiffer Big Sur SP
Robert C. Grace, Angel Island SP
Donald E. Grant, Folsom Lake SRA
Larry R. Helm, Mount Tamalpais SP
Robert Hilkert, San Diego SB
Jerry E. Henderson, Big Basin Redwoods SP
Richard Irwin, San Diego SB
Harry McClintock, Portola SP
John E. Polder, Folsom Lake SRA
Henry L. Richards, Stinson State Beach
Donald M. Ritchie, Samuel P. Taylor SP
Leroy Ross, San Diego SB
Keith M. Steinhart, Mount Diablo SP
Kirby W. Temple, Jr., San Diego SB
Jon Trefethen, San Clemente and Doheny SB
Anthony A. Ulm, Pismo SB
John Van Camp, Salton Sea SRA
Robert Walker, Sonoma Coast SB
Edgar Williamson, Folsom Lake SRA

Jack Knight presents certificates to (from left) Ranger Al Ulm, Trainee John Van Camp, and Lifeguard Kirby Temple, while Riverside County Sheriff Ben Clark, Riverside City Police Chief L.T. Kinkead, and Riverside City College President Ralph Bradshaw look on.

Director Mott stressed that the need for increased attention to law enforcement will not affect the basic goals and objectives of the State Park System, nor will it affect the friendly, helpful attitude of our ranger staff. Our primary concern will still go to maintain and preserve the natural beauty and heritage of the California State Park System and to provide recreational opportunity for the residents of the state, he said. But to do this in today's world, we cannot escape the need for basic preparation in law enforcement. This was recognized by the 1970 Legislature which gave park rangers peace officer status within the State Park System." ▲ ▲ ▲

EXHIBIT MAINTENANCE

By Norm Wilson
Supervisor of Exhibit Preparation

Maintenance of exhibits in the State Parks is no different from maintenance of other facilites. It is a recurring job which must be performed to preserve and keep presentable our interpretive displays. Maintenance of exhibits can vary from renewing a faded photograph to replacing large parts of a deteriorating exhibit.

Interpretive Services, in cooperation with the Operations Division, has been conducting a program for two years in an attempt to catch up with a backlog of exhibit maintenance needed statewide based on priority of need. Projects vary from the restoration of the Shasta Stagecoach to the relabeling of a small exhibit at San Francisco Maritime State Park.

With the use of new techniques including photo silkscreening, IBM typewriters, spraypainting, and good photographic services, the Exhibit Lab has been able to speed up the production time to provide a steady flow of work to the field. Exhibit personnel Norm Wilson, Jack Dyson, Robin Holmes, Ron Warr, "Mac" McCambridge, and Len Penhale are spending a great deal of their time on this program.

Some of the projects to be completed this year include sign work at Richardson Grove, relabeling exhibits at Shasta, exhibit work at Sonoma Mission and the Benicia State Capitol, house museum work at Sutter's Fort, and exhibit panels at Brannan Island, and also exhibits in the First Theatre, trail panels at Henry Cowell, museum exhibits at La Purisima, furnishings at Fort Tejon, labeling at Mount San Jacinto and Mitchell Caverns, and panel exhibits at Torrey Pines.

Jack Dyson and "Mac" McCambridge.

Each spring a list of priority projects is submitted from the Districts. Next year's maintenance program that needs the skills of the exhibit artists is taken from these lists. Many of the projects are handled at the District and Area level with technical advice from the Exhibit Lab, while others require the special skills of the exhibit artists.

As with all maintenance, it is a continual process and a large amount of the Exhibit Lab's production is and will be devoted to this program. ▲

Robin Holmes.

"Mac" McCambridge.

LONG-TIME EMPLOYEE AT WILL ROGERS SHP RETIRES

This letter from Eddie Allen, who retired February 1 from his position as Custodian at Will Rogers SHP after more than 21 years there, was forwarded to us by Wes Cater. Wes says, "For all Rangers, farewell to Eddie and his wonderful wife, Elzora. Those of you who have known and worked with Eddie know as I do that there has never been a better Park Ranger . . . we wish him all of the happiness and good fishing that there can be."

"I have been working for the State of California 23½ years, (2) two years I worked as a Janitor for the State Employment Office in Santa Ana, enjoyed it. Made and left many friends there. That was my first job after being discharged for the United States Army in 1945. I quit the state in 1947 to work for Horse Race Track, Inc. for several months, made a much better profit, but in return lost most of my profit betting on the horses, so I had to come back to State employment on July 6, 1949.

"My intention was to work at Will Rogers Ranch for a short time and make enough money to return to Texas and work on the dock in Galveston as a longshoreman. But, I had such a nice warm welcome from Rangers like Harold Pesch, Wes Cater, Mel Schneider, Frank Wiget and Herb Hedicke, they were calling and greeting me before I got out of my car, they seemed to make me forget about my Texas job. My wife, Elzora, found a good steady job and I did a little part time work, so we decided to make State Parks our career, and for the last 21½ years at the Will Rogers Historic State Park I have met and made many friends.

"My arthritis forced me to make up my mind to retire and to find a warmer climate to live in. I will be able to retire February 1, 1971 and go back to Texas where the fish bite every day.

"Now to all my good state employed friends hello and so long."

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ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES SECTION EXPANDS

Two positons in newly established classifications have just been added to the Environmental Resources Section in the Resource Management and Protection Division. The new State Park Plant Ecologist, Wesley James Barry, will prepare standards and direct technical programs in the perpetuation, restoration, and control of the plant resources of the State Park System. Barry, who recently completed graduate studies at the University of California at Davis and is now completing his doctoral dissertation on plant ecology, holds degrees in soil science and environmental horticulture.

The other new positon, that of State Park Wildlife Ecologist, has been filled by Jack Hiehle, who was formerly a Recreation Planner III in the Planning and Development Division and spent 18 years with the Department of Fish and Game doing wildlife management and big-game research. In his new positon, Hiehle will prepare standards and direct technical programs to perpetuate, restore, and control all types of animal life in the State Park System, and will serve as liaison with other agencies in this area. The responsibility for standards and criteria and technical programs in control of wildfire, forest insects, plant disease, weeds, pesticides, and tree hazards is borne by Peter Gaidula, who has been working in this Section since 1967 and holds degrees in ornamental horticulture and forestry; Robert Hiller, trained as a biologist, is working in the Section on special assignment from the Division of Operations. The section is supervised by Fred Meyer.

With these additions, the Environmental Resources Section will be far more effective in protecting the natural values of the State Park System.

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ANZA-BORREGO FIGHTS SEWAGE PROBLEM

Trailer and camper holding tanks are creating a noxious problem at Anza-Borrego Desert SP. Many owners of these self-contained units camping in undeveloped portions of the park empty them before leaving, either in garbage cans or on the ground.

Area Manager *Jack Hesemeyer* says that camping in the undeveloped areas of the park may have to be restricted if the situation doesn't improve soon. . .the mess in the garbage cans is causing trash-collection problems, and dumping on the ground renders the area unfit for other campers. While the park itself has no trailer dumps other than the facilities at the trailer campground, there is a service station at Borrego Springs with dumping facilities. One solution to the problem, says Hesemeyer, might be to charge all campers a fee, instead of just those who camp in a developed campground, and then use the money to build additional trailer dumping stations.

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MORE RANGERS COMPLETE TRAINING

February 11 was graduation day for 18 rangers who completed the 200-hour Park Management and Operations Training Course at the Asilomar training facility. This brings to 94 the number of rangers that have graduated since the program began in October 1969. The purpose of the program is to train permanent field personnel in public information and protection, resource management and preservation, and program management principles – the many complex skills needed for modern park management.

Those in the graduation class were:

Franklyn Brown, Bothe-Napa Valley SP
Theodore Crane, Folsom Lake SRA
James Greene, Heart Bar SP
Richard Felty, San Luis Obispo Coast Area
Robert Freese, Carpinteria SB
Maurice Hayes, Will Rogers SHP
Francis Hodgkins, Sierra Area
Gerald Johnson, Calaveras Big Trees SP
Carl Lonnecker, Marin Area
William Marshall, San Mateo Coast SB
Les McKnight, San Luis Reservior SRA
Richard Menefee, Santa Cruz Mountains Area
Karl Moltzner, Richardson Grove SP
Maurice Oller, San Diego Coast SB
Edgar Strouse, Fort Ross SHP
James Taylor, Butano SP
Raymond Westberg, Dyerville Area
Delbert Williams, Lake Elsinore SRA

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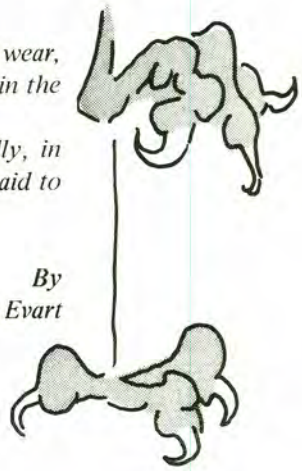
WHY BIRDS HAVE FEATHERS

The following "original" write-up was given to District 2 Interpretive Specialist *Jim Neider* by one of his young Audubon friends. He passed it on for all of us to enjoy:

In the beginning, God created a bird as a featherless creature. The bird asked God for something to wear, and God gave him a plaid suit. And the bird said, "No, not that." So God gave him a coat of fur, and again the bird said, "No, not that, either."

So now God gave him a coat of leather, and again the bird said, "No, not that, either." Finally, in desperation, God gave him a coat of feathers, and the bird said, "I'll take it." And he flew off. Then God said to Himself, "When I create man, I'll let him get his own clothes!"

By
Bob Evart



from the field

DISTRICT 1

Mr. and Mrs. Moon Lee conducted a service in the WEAVERVILLE JOSS HOUSE SHP to give thanks for the health and prosperity the Lee family enjoyed during the Chinese year 4648. The Chinese regulate their calendar by the heavens, and New Years Day occurrs on the first new moon after the sun enters the sign of Aquarius. The Chinese entered the year 4649, the "Year of the Boar," on January 27.

DISTRICT 2

According to area Manager *Lorin Forsyth*, school group attendance at BENICIA CAPITOL SHM seems to improve in direct relation to the number of letters and Teachers Aid Kits distributed, although the financial cutback on schools may slow down the use of buses for tours.

DISTRICT 3

The boom of the cannon at SUTTER'S FORT SHP can now be heard, as well as the chatter of the Indians who guarded the gates, and other information and interpretation of the exhibits. By-Word installed a head phone system so you can stand in front of any of the 42 exhibits and hear a description of what you are viewing.

Rangers *Carl Chavez* and *Jim Hart* of SAN LUIS OBISPO COAST AREA, responding to a horse-car collision on the beach, were notified that a serious accident had occurred in the nearby privately owned dunes. After directing the ambulance to the area and helping load the injured, they pulled a person who was apparently drowning from the surf and managed to bring him to the point where he was breathing without difficulty.

MILLERTON LAKE AREA Manager *Bill Reinhardt* spent his "happiest day in over 25 years" when he was surprised with a luncheon for his 25-Year Service Award. The Millerton staff presented him with a lapel pin, nerve pills, beach robe, and a Notice of Violation for physical fitness. Bill remarked, "I shall always cherish these mementoes for one of my fetishes is keeping physically fit. I believe this should be considered by more state employees, if not everyone."

The staff at MILLERTON LAKE SRA made "whistle stops" with the Cal Expo 200 historical trailer at three to seven schools a day -- with great success. Early in February the trailer was moved to SAN LUIS RESERVIOR SRA.

Area Managers declare certain materials surplus and what happens? Recently MARSHALL GOLD DISCOVERY SHP had a surplus of old drain pipes, originally part of the old Big Basin water system. They were first transferred to FOLSOM LAKE AREA, then to MARSHALL GOLD DISCOVERY AREA, then to MILLERTON LAKE AREA to be used as road drains – some staying at each unit. How many present and retired rangers have worked on this pipe?

DISTRICT 5

WILL ROGERS SHP Park Aid *Nancy Castle* exerted every effort to see that a bus load of mentally retarded people from the Orange Coast Hospital enjoyed their visit to the park.

Ranger *James MacDougall* of the CHANNEL COAST AREA was chosen for jury duty on a trial concerning assault of a police officer. Ranger MacDougall showed up in full uniform, badge and all, but was still accepted by the prosecution and defendant. Justice is blind?? →

YIELD FROM THE FIELD (continued)

DISTRICT 6

A pilot, forced to land his light plane on BOLSA CHICA SB when he couldn't find Meadowlark Airport because of fog and failing light, was uninjured – he spent the night in a sleeping bag under the wing.

Thirteen-year-old Mike Bellinghausen, son of FRONTERA AREA Manager *Frank Bellinghausen*, received his Eagle Scout Award, the highest award in Scouting. He has earned 23 merit badges, 13 hiking and camping awards, and was named to the Order of the Arrow honor camping society.

The Junior Ranger program is proving very successful in TORREY PINES SRA. Teachers are enlisting parents to become actively involved, and rangers also report that some of the "hippie types" are among the most ardent and enthusiastic supporters of the Reserve. Quite often they turn up with sacks of litter from the trails and report damaged areas.

Rangers *Loren Dietz* and *Dick Edwards* of the SAN DIEGO COAST AREA took the Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs course given at Mira Costa College. Ranger Edwards scored the highest in the class and Ranger Dietz third.

The HEART BAR AREA reported a low temperature of 1 degree January 10. At 6 a.m., the inhabitants began trying to heat Residence No. 1 with a wall heater, fireplace, heat lamp, oven, and several lights. By 8 p.m. the room temperature *finally* reached 70 degrees!

Picture by Historian Hank Nicol at the November meeting of the Assistant District Superintendents.

Ranger *Triebel Hicklin* of the ANZA-BORREGO AREA reports more camping in the undeveloped areas. Campers tell him that the reason is the increase in camping fees at the developed campgrounds and more stringent bike and 4-wheel-drive vehicle control.

Three young girls took their ponies into the new restroom at MOONLIGHT SB, plugged up the washbasins and filled them with water for their horses. Naturally, by the time the rangers arrived, they were gone.

Comment from SALTON SEA SRA -- "Our daily 9:15 a.m. radio broadcast was preempted by the moon landing -- someone ought to re-evaluate their priorities."

Reaction to the dog fees at SALTON SEA SRA: many visitors became verbal, one nearly became physical, and another even offered to kill the dog; said "He isn't worth 50 cents".

← During the past year aluminum cans have been collected along trails, on the beach and from roadsides of TORREY PINES SR. The cans were placed in containers, and most of the smashing was done by Ranger *Kent Hartwell's* boys, Mark, Paul, and Bruce. The pay-off for this re-cycling added up to 115 pounds which bought $11.50 cash. ▲

ANOTHER RETIRED EMPLOYEE ENJOYS RETIREMENT

By Ed Earl, Chief Ranger
Santa Cruz Coast SBs

Like many other park employees, Stan Jones got a sample of park work by TAU appointment in the 1940 s, found it to his liking, and went all out to get permanent employment with our Department. He started work as a laborer at $1.00 per hour in March 1946. He was hired by Superintendent Guy Fleming who was on the job in overalls at Pio Pico State Historical Monument. Mrs. Conners was Curator of Pio Pico at that time. Stan also worked with our friend Frank Gutierrez (see September 1970 issue).

When Stan's TAU time ran out as a laborer he applied for a permanent position and received his Ranger appointment to Seacliff Beach. He reported for work on New Year's Day 1947. He recalls his first job assignment, hand raking kelp off the beach, which impressed him as being an endless task.

Stan remembers another holiday well – Washington's Birthday, 1948, when he was the first Ranger assigned to Sunset Beach. Ranger Art Parvin took over as Supervisor in September 1948. He also worked at Fremont Peak, San Juan Bautista, and Natural Bridges during the eight years he was in residence at Sunset Beach.

Except for a two-year assignment to Big Basin Redwoods, October 1957 to July 1960, Stan made Sunset Beach his home park. Out of his twenty-two year's park service, almost eighteen years were as a Ranger at Sunset Beach. He met his wife, Marion, while working at Seacliff and they were married on November 9, 1947.

Stan and Marion Jones had always considered Aptos as their home, no matter where they were located. They retired on May 1, 1968, to a neat and comfortable home they built on a sunny hillside in back of the Santa Cruz County community.

They have a real retirement schedule worked out. They hook up their house trailer and spend part of the winters in the California and Arizona deserts. During part of the summer months, their address is Sierra campgrounds.

Stan and Marion have always enjoyed State Park visitors during his working years, and the same friendly feeling is taken with them in retirement as they become campers and park users. They particularly enjoy the many friends they meet, new and old, on each of their camping adventures.

Stan pretty well sums it up in advice to us: He always went to work with eagerness and set out each morning with the thought that it was a beautiful day and would not let an unhappy public contact or event of the day spoil his happy outlook.

Stan and Marion live at 131 Vista Mar Court, Aptos, California 95003. Send them a picture post card of your travels and perhaps they will exchange one of theirs. They plan on visiting Idaho country, a real picture-post-card state , soon.

In future issues we will be hearing from other of the many retired park employees in the Santa Cruz-Monterey Area. ▲ ▲ ▲

Stan Jones at Pio Pico SHM in the mid-1940's.

VOX POP

This couple enjoyed their tour of the GOVERNOR' MANSION, conducted by Guide Jeanine Wells*:*

You are an excellent and charming hostess for our Governor's Mansion. . .it is evident that you love your work and people.

John and June Clunie
Napa

This couple was pleased to receive help from Department Surveyor Ralph Lydecker*:*

Thanks so much for the maps. In each governmental office there is nearly always at least one person who has both competence and a deep interest in the basic matters handled by that office. The visit my wife and I had with you was such an experience. . .we hope to cross paths with you again.

Stanley M. Barnes, Civil Engineer
Corcoran

The students at James Monroe Elementary School appreciated the visit of the "California 200' trailer, brought here from MILLERTON LAKE SRA:

The children and staff enjoyed seeing the dioramas depicting the various periods in California history. The children particularly enjoyed and learned from the artifacts and fur pelts that they could actually see and touch. The exhibits were well done and the park personnel most helpful.

Mrs. W. B. Quick
Mrs. C. Southall
Miss Kathleen Lopes
4th Grade Teachers

One of the many youth groups enjoying the snow at CALAVERAS BIG TREES SP sent this letter:

I would like to commend you on the interest one of your rangers took in helping us on a toboggan run and in staying with our group. . .we are looking forward to returning.

Douglas K. LeRoy, Social Worker
O. H. Close School for Boys
Stockton

HIOUCHI AREA Ranger Fred Meyer *received this letter of appreciation from a young outdoorsman:*

Dear Mr. Ranger:

Thank you for finding my nife. I am so glad you found my nife. It is my best nife. Thank you for taking your time in finding it.

Mike Murray – age 10
Soquel

Ranger J. B. Alexander *inspired a group of Campfire Girls touring BENICIA CAPITOL SHP:*

He got the girls into the tour by asking questions of them, as well as answering theirs. He knew his subject and seemed to enjoy telling about it. I think his joy in his subject helped the girls to enjoy their trip a great deal.

Mrs. R. B. Brosius
Vallejo

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VISUAL AIDS DONATED TO BIDWELL MANSION SHP

The Chico Horticultural Society has presented a slide projector and accessories to Bidwell Mansion SHP. Ranger *Lee Shelton* says that, in addition to its use at the Mansion, it will also be helpful in illustrating talks to school classes and other groups.

In addition, one of the few remaining flour sacks from the Bidwell Flour Mill, stenciled with a picture of the mill and the name of Bidwell's San Francisco agents, and a hand-pieced throw made of silk cigar labels embroidered with patterns popular during Bidwell's era were donated by Mrs. Josie Crum.

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FORMER COMMISSIONER DIES

Dr. Robert E. Burns, a member of the State Park Commission from 1951 to 1959, died on February 13. He was president of the University of the Pacific in Stockton, the only president of that institution who was also an alumnus, and was a member of the University Senate of the United Methodist Church, president of the Board of Trustees of the Pacific Medical Center in San Francisco, past president of the Western College Association, and a member of numerous academic honorary fraternities and historical societies.

During his term on the Commission, Dr. Burns was instrumental in arranging the donation of the Fallon House at Columbia SHP to the State. He also helped to raise funds for the restoration of the park's Eagle Cotage.

IN MEMORIAL

John Arthur Rowe died February 1, 1971. John had almost twenty years of park service. The last eight years he had been working at maintenance projects in Columbia State Historic Park.

John was known for his craftsmanship. He believed that the job had to be done right. There was no half-way method in accomplishing his maintenance tasks.

The park employees at Columbia, as well as all park employees in the Department, have lost an outstanding fellow employee as well as a friend.

Our sympathy is extended to his wife Alice, daughter Kathleen, and son Phillip.

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FORT ROSS GETS COFFEE FUND DONATION

You remember Beth Coppedge, secretary to Resource Management and Protection Division Chief Jim Tryner. She and her coffee-type pot were featured several issues ago for their contribution of more than $200 for the purchase of inholdings at Anza Borrego Desert State Park.

They're at it again. This time she and her pot collected $30 and turned it over to the California State Parks Foundation to be used in the restoration of the Chapel at Fort Ross, which burned down last October 5.

If that gives you any ideas, you can send your own contributions to the California State Parks Foundation, 315 Montgomery, San Francisco, California 94104. Much, much more is needed.

SAN DIEGO COAST AREA Ranger Dick Edwards received this at the Area's Christmas Party. Though he says he's not sure of the reason for the presentation, he adds, "I really appreciated my co-workers giving me the dog instead of the bird."

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ETHER IN YOUR EMERGENCY PACK??

Ether starting fluid, that is. Millerton Lake Area Manager *Bill Reinhardt* reports in his weekly log that he intends to include a can of it in his emergency pack.

He relates that a snowmobile stalled out while negotiating a steep slope – no gas to the carburetor. The vehicle stopped dead in a depression, and no amount of pushing and pulling could budge it. Ranger Reinhardt to the rescue (with son-in-law Bill and son John) but still no luck until son-in-law came up with the idea of dripping lighter fluid into the carburetor to get it started. They did and it did – well enough to get the machine out of the depression for normal gas flow.

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By Ed Wilson
Personnel Officer

Man is a funny animal. He was originally built to walk on four legs. Like a chair or a table, he was very stable and seldom tipped over. That was a long, long time ago – before man invented evolution. With the invention of evolution came progress and efficiency.

Efficiency suggested that man use his forelegs for purposes other than walking. This left just the hindlegs for walking, standing, running, and jumping. To keep from falling over it was necessary to invent two other things: equilibrium and surefooting. Equilibrium has worked out fairly well; apparently surefooting is not quite perfected.

In the last year and a half, 77 employees in the Department of Parks and Recreation slipped and fell, receiving injuries serious enough to require medical attention. Our most recent injuries from slips and falls include:

* A State Park Equipment Operator placed his foot on the running board as he was stepping down from a truck cab. His foot slipped and he fell off balance.

* A Stationary Fireman was moving a cylinder of chlorine. He slipped on icy pavement and the bottle fell on his leg.

* A State Park Ranger Trainee engaged in police baton training slipped and his head fell in the path of the rebounding baton.

* A State Park Ranger I, while waxing a patrol vehicle, stepped off a tool compartment and slipped on the wet metal bed of the truck.

Man, like a snake, is a vertebrate. Vertebra is a word which comes from the latin verb vertere, meaning to turn. Vertebrae are made of many pieces of bone with hard jellylike cushions between them, all tied together with muscle.

On a snake, vertebrae work fine. They are excellent for helping a snake turn corners and move along. On a man, vertebrae do not work so well. The pieces of bone and the jellylike discs have been turned up on end so that the weight of the man constantly compresses the spine. Also, man runs, jumps, slips, falls, stoops, and lifts. He does many other things to place extreme pressure on his up-ended vertebrae. Snakes do not do these things – neither do snakes complain of aching backs.

Some recent employee back injuries are:

* A State Park Ranger I was placing a roll of fencing in a pickup truck. His foot slipped and he sat down hard, hurting his lower back.

* A State Park Ranger I attempted to grab a heavy timber which was falling. It has been used as a temporary roof support. He twisted and pulled the muscles in his back as he tried to stop the 6" x 6" x 16' timber from going through the window.

* An Automobile Mechanic strained his back while putting a clutch assembly in a motor grader. He was working on an uneven dirt floor with no lifting aids.

* A District Interpretive Specialist suffered general bruises to his back and elbows when he slipped while walking down a steel-surfaced vehicle ramp.

* A Janitor carrying a vacuum down steps lost his balance. In an effort to keep from falling and damaging equipment, he jerked backward pinching a nerve in his lower back.

* A State Park Ranger II, in pursuit of violators, lost his footing in sand twisting his back, resulting in lower back strain.

* A Civil Engineering Technician II walking over rough, steep terrain slipped on loose rock and leaves, resulting in swelling and bruises near the lower end of the spine.

Now, all man has to do is to invent SAFETY!

STAFF CHANGES

APPOINTMENTS

Barry, Wesley J.	State Park Plant Ecologist	Env Res Sec	2-5-71
Eddy, Clarence H.	State Park Ranger (Int.)	Picacho Area	1-28-71
Hastings, Richard B.	State Park Archeologist II	Cultural Res	2-2-71
Hermoso, August N.	Park Lndsc Maint	Sacramento Area	12-10-70
Lanphear, Robert M.	Heavy Equip Mech	District 1-Headquarters	12-17-70
Little, Richard L.	State Park Ranger (Int.)	Mt. San Jacinto Area	12-12-70
Lynn, Linda G.	Clerk Typist II	Personnel	1-11-71
Neal, David A.	Park Maint Assist	Montane Area	1-18-71
Roberts, Margaret E.	Clerk Typist I (Perm Int)	Russian River Area	11-30-70
Sugioka, Thomas	Groundsman	Golden Gate Area	2-1-71
Turner, Jack P.	Groundsman	Orange Coast Area	12-9-70
Weiner, Paul S.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Salton Sea Area	12-18-70
Wildman, Helen R.	Clerk Typist I (Perm Int)	Point Lobos Area	12-7-70

CLASS TITLE CHANGE

Hansen, Dorothy E.	Clerk Typist II to Steno II	Golden Gate Area	2-1-71
Hiehle, Jack L.	Rec Planner III to State Park Wildlife Ecologist	Env Res	1-1-71
Hiller, Robert V.	Park Sfty & Enf Sup to Assist Dist Supt.	Env Res	1-1-71
Michael, Russell H.	State Park Ranger I to Park Maint Assist	San Diego Coast Area	11-9-70

TIME BASE CHANGE

Caporgno, Lino S.	Watchman	Hearst San Simeon	12-2-70

UNIT CHANGES

Chavez, Carl S.	State Park Ranger I	Pt Mugu Area to San Luis Obispo	1-1-71
Dutra, Robert S.	Assoc Personnel Analyst	Personnel to Budget Sec	1-1-71
Fisher, Carol L.	Clerk Typist II	Mgmt Repts to Syst & Cont Sec	2-1-71
Horner, Sydney J.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Hearst San Simeon to San Simeon Area	1-1-71
Odegard, Kenneth G.	Applied Sci Prog III (Perm Int.)	Mgmt Anal to Sys & Cont Sec	1-1-71
Sargent, Ruth L.	Clerk I	Accnt to Sys & Cont Sec	1-1-71
Schmitz, Francine V.	Assoc Data Proc Syst Anal	Mgmt Anal Sec to Syst & Cont Sec	1-1-71
Smith, Marsha R.	Clerk I	Accnt to Syst & Cont Sec	1-1-71
Wood, Craig A.	Assoc Data Pro Syst Anal	Mgmt Anal to Syst & Cont Sec	1-1-71

PROMOTIONS

Sly, Walter R.	Park Maint Man I	Fort Humboldt Area	1-6-71

RETRIEMENTS

Carpenter, Keith N.	State Park Ranger II	Four Rivers Area	12-30-70
Fields, Robert B.	State Park Maint Man I	Dyerville Area	12-31-70
McManus, John C.	State Park Ranger I	Orange Coast Area	12-30-70
Ritzmann, Walter W.	Carpenter I	Sonoma Area	1-31-71
Smith, Philip C.	Assist Lndsc Arch	Lndsc Arch Sect	1-4-71
Butler, Neal L.	Tree Maint Man I	Env Resources Sec	2-15-71
Charnas, Mark P.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Santa Cruz Mt	12-1-70
Cordon, Gerald K.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon	1-29-71
DeVogel, Charles F.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon	1-3-71
Dickerson, Roy E.	State Park Attendant	San Luis Obispo Coast Area	1-31-71
Klein, Isidore	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon	12-31-71
Laguna, Roger R.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Picacho Area	12-20-70
Sater, Wayne K.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Lake Elsinore	11-5-70

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Wilson Riles, a new Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Norman B. Livermore, Jr., Secretary for Resources, join Mrs. Ronald Reagan, honorary chairman for California Conservation Week, in reading Conservation Week proclamation. California Conservation Week, March 7 - 14, has been sponsored annually for more than 30 years by the California Conservation Council. It is celebrated by local observances throughout the State, with many park units and personnel actively participating.

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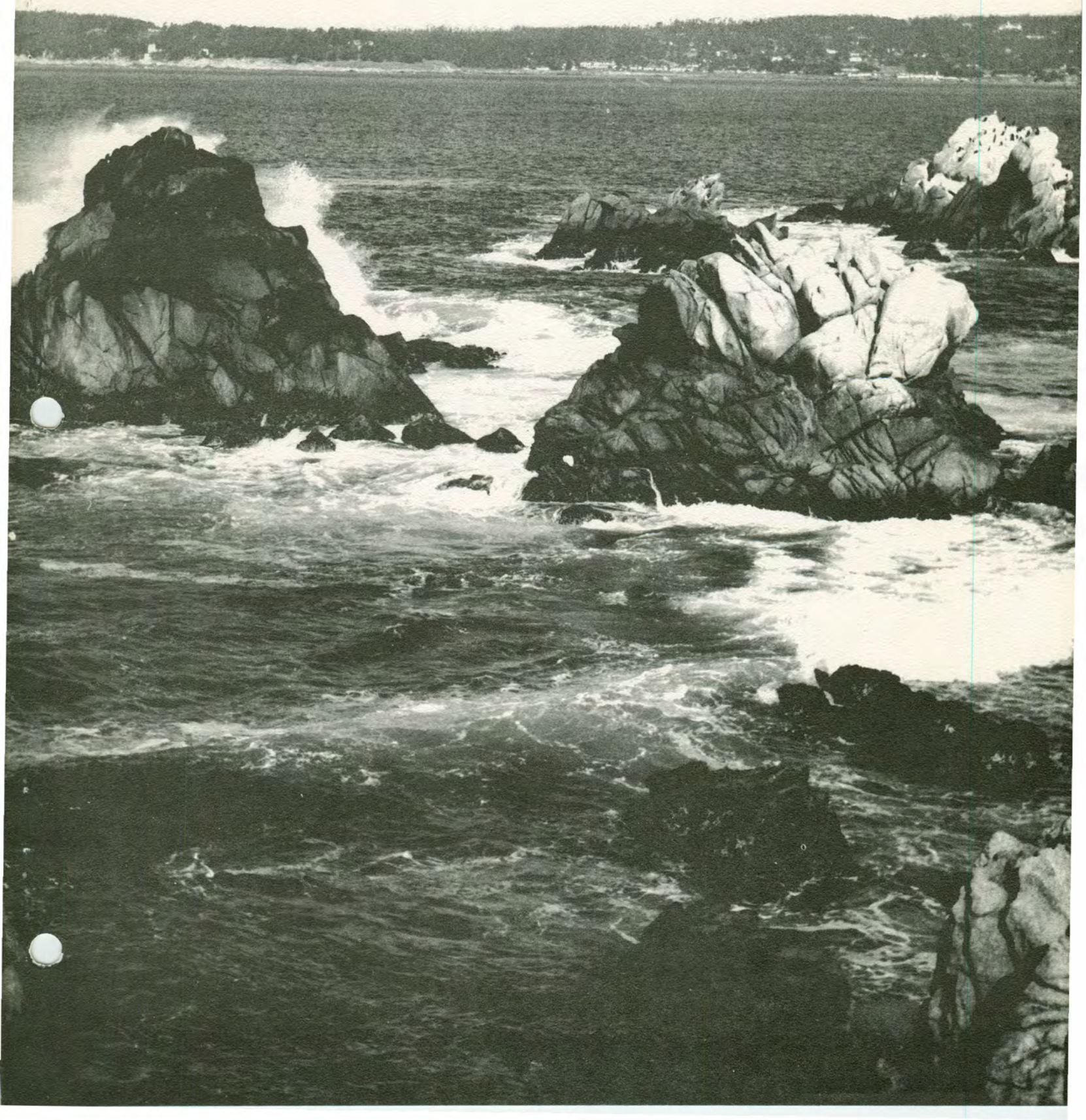

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Contrast

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.
Director
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and Recreation

Flying at a speed of 625 miles per hour at an elevation of 38,000 feet in a 747 airliner, reading an archeological report on the "dig" at Fort Ross State Historic Park is contrast. Eating "grilled tenderloin steak, cooked to your liking, charcoal broiled rib lamb chops and Italian sausage" for breakfast-lunch in that same jet between Denver and Chicago certainly is in contrast to a statement in another archeological report which I was reading which stated, "These peaceful people living off the abundant land, harvesting a bumper crop of acorns, schools of fish, flocks of pigeons, herds of deer and fields of wildflower bulbs."

The drive to the San Francisco airport produced a kaleidoscope of color contrast so beautiful that I was filled with nature's inspiration to the extent that it erased the ugliness of the cityscape from my awareness. Each side of the freeway was flanked by orchards, blanketed informally with yellow-flowered mustard ground cover in contrast to the dark trunks of the fruit trees. The delicate pink flowers of the almond trees against the clear blue of the sky added beauty and contrast to the scene.

NEW YORK CITY – 5:15 p.m. EST. 2,800 miles in four hours – a trip that 200 years ago took almost a year. New York City, the largest city in the United States: noisy, pulsating, dramatic, sometimes ugly, sometimes beautiful, intimate, aloof, a city of contrast and scale. A compact vertical city; a great city built by the same animal species, man, that only a few hundred years ago lived in this very locale in simple skin wigwams. I wondered what this restless creature man would produce in the next 200 years. Some say that he will destroy himself. Some say the results will be even more exciting and rewarding. Contrast the ideas that are about today of doing nothing with the more positive point of view of doing something; of being against everything rather than for things; of tearing down rather than building up; pointing out what is wrong rather than accenting the positive. Contrast is desirable. It gives zest to life. The opportunity is ours to assist in making the next 200 years rewarding and satisfying. But this can only be accomplished with a positive attitude in contrast to a negative approach.

ROBERT EDWARD BURNS

July 26, 1909 – February 13, 1971

Lives of great men all remind us
We can make our lives sublime,
And, departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time.

From "A Psalm of Life" by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Robert E. Burns was a visionary with a can-do attitude and was an ardent enthusiatic supporter of our California State Park System. His vision and can-do attitude provided inspiration to those who had the privilege of working on State Park projects and programs with him. He had a saying which truly represented his philosophy: "Dream your dreams and scheme your schemes, then work like the dickens to make them come true."

He served as a member of the California Centennial Commission from 1948 to 1951. Appointed to the California State Park Commission by Governor Earl Warren in July of 1951, he gave outstanding public service to the citizens of California until March of 1959.

The following California State Park Commission resolution expresses the thinking and feeling of his fellow Commissioners and Department of Parks and Recreation employees:

> "WHEREAS, Dr. Robert E. Burns of Stockton, San Joaquin County, was first appointed to the California State Park Commission by Governor Earl Warren in July 1951; and
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> "WHEREAS, he was reappointed successively to this Commission by Governor Goodwin J. Knight, serving until March 1959; and
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> "WHEREAS, during this period as a member of this Commission he rendered outstanding service in the conservation and public use of the scenic, historic, and recreational units of the California State Park System, which was recognized in a legislative resolution in 1957; now, therefore
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> "BE IT RESOLVED by the California State Park Commission, that an expression of gratitude be rendered to Dr. Robert E. Burns for his many years of devotion to the development of the State Park System; and
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> "BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Commission extend to him its appreciation for his inspiration, cooperation, and leadership, rendered in the highest public interest, all of which has made the State of California a finer place in which to live."

Many of us who worked on State Park projects with Commissioner Burns can recall how enthusiastic he was and how proud he was to have played a leading role in the development of Columbia State Historic Park, the acquisition and operation of the Asilomar Conference Grounds, and the acquisition of Emerald Bay State Park, among other State Park projects he was involved with.

He was a driving force and a leading advocate of the State providing recreational facilities at major reservoirs such as at Folsom Lake. His vision has provided the citizens of California with recreational opportunities which are now appreciated and enjoyed and, further, will provide recreational opportunity for California citizens on into infinity.

by M.M. Whittaker
Assistant Superintendent
District 3

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FOOTNOTE TO THE OIL SPILL

Bob Carlson,Ranger at Stinson SB, was formally commended by the Marin County Board of Supervisors for his work in helping to alleviate the effect of the recent oil spill in the San Francisco Bay. Stinson Beach was one of the heavier hit areas, and the state beach there was used as a staging area by Standard Oil for its clean-up efforts (See NEWS and VIEWS, March, 1971).

Well-Travelled Organ Finds a Home at San Juan Bautista SHP

This is one of a weekly series of articles that Ranger William J. Hill of San Juan Bautista SHP writes "From the Plaza Square" for the Hollister Evening Free Lance. Reprinted by permission.

The barrelled organ is a portable musical instrument played by turning a rotary handle. Turning the crank creates a volume of air and at the same time turns a cylinder set with brass pins. The pins raise certain trigger-shaped keys that regulate the flow of air to the pipes in the instruemnt.

The date of manufacture of the first barrel organ is uncertain but the manufacture of organ-type instruments dates back to the Seventh Century A.D. History records that at one time barrel organs were frequently used in European rural churches and by organ grinders who, accompanied by the traditional monkey, collected alms in the city streets.

Since the early 1900s a quaint old Gothic barrel organ has been on display in the museum at San Juan Bautista. The instrument was out of order when it was first placed in the museum but history reveals that each of its three cylinders contained 10 different selections which could be played.

It is believed the organ arrived in California as the result of the friendship between Father Fermin de Lasuen and the English Sea Captain, George Vancouver. On December 7, 1792, while awaiting favorable winds to hasten his departure from San Diego Harbor, Captain Vancouver decided to take advantage of the weather to visit his old friend, Padre Fermin de Lasuen who, at that time, was Father President of the California Missions.

On parting the captain presented Father Lasuen with his handsome Gothic barrelled organ which, at that time, was approximately 60 years old as it is said to have been made in England by a man named Benjamin Dodson - or Robson - about 1735.

Father Lasuen received the organ for Mission San Carlos at Carmel where in due time it made its appearance. It was used for both church services and entertainment. The selections that rolled off the barrels, however, were more suitable for the latter as we are told they included such numbers as "The Spanish Waltz," "Go to The Devil," "The Lady Campbell's Reel" and "College Hornpipe."

How the organ arrived in San Juan Bautista in 1829 is not clear. However, history reveals that Vancouver's handsome barrelled organ was the only known such instrument in California or Mexico at that time. In Father de la Cuesta's year-end report of 1829 he wrote, under the caption Iglesia - "Se anadio un Organo de 3 cillindros."

For the Mission, unfortunately, the organ he acquired was nothing more than a barrel organ and the unholy titles of its music indicated clearly it was not intended for church services. It was more suitable for the uncouth sailors who were not known for piety in words or music in those days.

Father de la Cuesta at San Juan Bautista was well known for his musical ability and for his success in employing music to arouse the interest and friendship of the wild Tualre Indians. On one occasion the organ was credited with saving the Mission from destruction by the hands of the warlike Indians.

When they attacked, Father de la Cuesta brought out the organ and began furiously grinding away at the crank. The blare of the music first puzzled, then delighted, the raiding savages who called off the intended attack and later peacefully returned to the Mission they had intended to destroy.

Although the exact movements of the organ are not completely documented we can be assured the venerable little source of music employed by Father de la Cuesta to subdue the Indians is the handsome barrelled organ that Captain George Vancouver unloaded at the port of San Diego in 1793.

It's hard to tell, but under that beautiful mantle of snow lies the part of Cuyamaca Peak that was burned over in last September's fire. Photo, courtesy of San Diego Union.

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SO WE CAN ALL SAY THE SAME THING. . .

The Department Management Report for 1970 contained a district-by-district summary of our park facilities. We are presenting it here so that when asked about the State Park System we can all say the same thing.

STATE PARK SYSTEM
FACILITY INVENTORY

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Parks*	37	24	26	38	24	23	172
Acres	82,211.30	32,152.19	51,752.90	58,300.92	32,554.55	560,160.47	817,142.33
Campsites	1,889	508	1,301	972	1,600	1,545	7,815
Developed	1,778	337	1,182[1]	935	1,118	1,322[2]	6,672
Primitive	107	154	182	25	478	211	1,157
Group	4	17	7	12	4	12	56
Picnic Sites	661	818	1,721	1,443	525	652	5,820
Boat Launching Lanes	23	6	50	0	0	25	104
Museums	4	6	7	2	2	3	24
Historic Structures	7	22	58	17	48	2	154
Campfire Centers	11	3	6	6	2	6	34
Parking Spaces – paved	3,899	2,961	8,971	4,586	3,950	8,230	32,597
Roads (miles) – paved	69.7	42.6	65.1	59.3	28.5	48.3	313.5
Trails (miles)	238;2	95.7	95.1	155.7	61.7	172.9	819.3

[1] Includes 70 Boat Camps

[2] Includes 16 Horse Camps

*Operated by the State. Does not include 24 operated by local agencies.

Have You Caused Any Safety Lately?

by
Ed Wilson
Personnel Officer

As I sit in my office reviewing automotive accident reports, industrial injury case records, and happenstance reports of near misses, I realize that all of the reporting, reviewing, analyzing, and follow-up investigations will not result in a good safety program. To look at accidents and study mishaps will only give us a token program.

We have leveled off and are continuing to have the same numbers of accidents, generally of the same kind, from month to month and from year to year. In a typical year about 300 employees are injuried seriously enough to require medical attention, and about 140 reportable automotive accidents, plus numerous accidents which do not fit either of these two groupings. The chain saw that dropped to the ground because the lowering rope had been improperly tied is typical. The number of skinned knuckles, slips and falls that did not result in injury, and other near misses which were not reported can only be guessed.

If each employee and each supervisor waits until after the happening, our accident rate will continue predictably at its same high plateau. A change is possible only if a change is caused by employees and supervisors. The challenge is to *cause* safety to happen in each task that is performed each day.

Have YOU caused any safety lately?

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District 4 area managers met in Sacramento March 9 and 10 in order that headquarters' personnel could participate. Standing, from left: Bob Stewart, Martin Johnson, Dave Redding, District Superintendent Milt Frinke, Clyde Ray, Paul Griffith, Jack Stowe, and Don Rich. Seated: Charles Mehlert, Division Chief Jack Knight, and Tony Trigeiro. →

DISTRICT 4 AREA MANAGERS IN SACRAMENTO

As part of their meeting, the area managers visited the Department's Interpretive Services Section where they watched Exhibit Coordinator Robin Holmes (center) work on a special project being prepared for the Director to present to the Governor. ↓

WHO?

JESS CHAFFEE, THAT'S WHO.

by Ed Earl, Chief Ranger
Santa Cruz Coast Area

From a bell boy in a San Francisco hotel in 1934, to being listed in *Who's Who in The West 1966-68*, is a proud accomplishment for our Jess Chaffee.

It was his working days as a bell boy that gave Jess an opportunity to start work for State Parks. A friend staying at the hotel told Jess about a job at Big Sur. Jess went to Big Sur in 1935 and landed the job with Warden Everett Powell. Jess arrived at Big Sur just about the time Everett played an important part in the rediscovery of sea otter off Big Sur. Another big news story of the day was the loss of the dirigible Macon off Big Sur.

Jess stayed on for three and one-half years and then headed north to Humboldt Redwoods for six months. He was at Mount Diablo for three years until the war interrupted his park service and he served in the Air Corps. He returned for six months as Chief Ranger at Big Basin, and a record twenty years service at the Monterey District Office followed – three years as Assistant Superintendent and seventeen years as Superintendent.

His most memorable park experiences were accepting the Larkin House for the State and seeing it open to the public in 1958, working with Mr. Drury and many others for the ten-year period 1947-1958 in opening Hearst Castle for public tours, and turning off the Mount Diablo beacon on December 7, 1941, and the view from the peak during the blackout. Especially noticeable were the brilliant lights from Mare Island.

Jess's mother left him with an impression that helped guide him in his many accomplishments and may very well have resulted in his recognition in *Who's Who*. She told him and his bride Betty in 1933 that to succeed he was going to have to work at his job much like a marriage has to be worked at, with the same loyalty, respect, and effort, and that his bride would have to be willing to share him with his job.

Betty and Jess Chaffee

Jess and Betty have retired to their pleasant estate of two and one-half acres. They have not given their place a name. What could you call such a place that is on Candy Lane, just off Ice Cream Grade in Bonny Doon? But Jess hasn't really retired, even if his cane slows him down a little. He is busy making improvements, including a large sun deck by the pool. Jess has a grandson living close by, so that keeps the proud grandparents busy too.

A fourth generation Californian, Jess has stayed fairly close to home. Even while in the service he was stationed at Stockton. With great anticipation he received new shipping orders and shipped out to Modesto. He and Betty are looking forward with great excitement to a November trip to Hawaii.

When calling on the Chaffees do not be alarmed when Jess offers to pour you a cup of coffee, goes to the refrigerator for a brown jug, and then pours a jigger from the jug into the cup. It is a delicious cold-water coffee he prepared to mix with a cup of hot water.

Jess and Betty enjoy company, so call on them at 280 Candy Lane, Bonny Doon, Santa Cruz, California 95060.

Mrs. Chaffee suffered a stroke on March 14 but appears to be recovering rapidly. As we go to press, it is expected that she will be home from the hospital in about a week.

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SAVE-THE-REDWOODS LEAGUE PRESIDENT DIES

Dr. Ralph W. Chaney, president of the Save-the-Redwoods League since 1961, died March 3 after a heart attack. He was 80 years old.

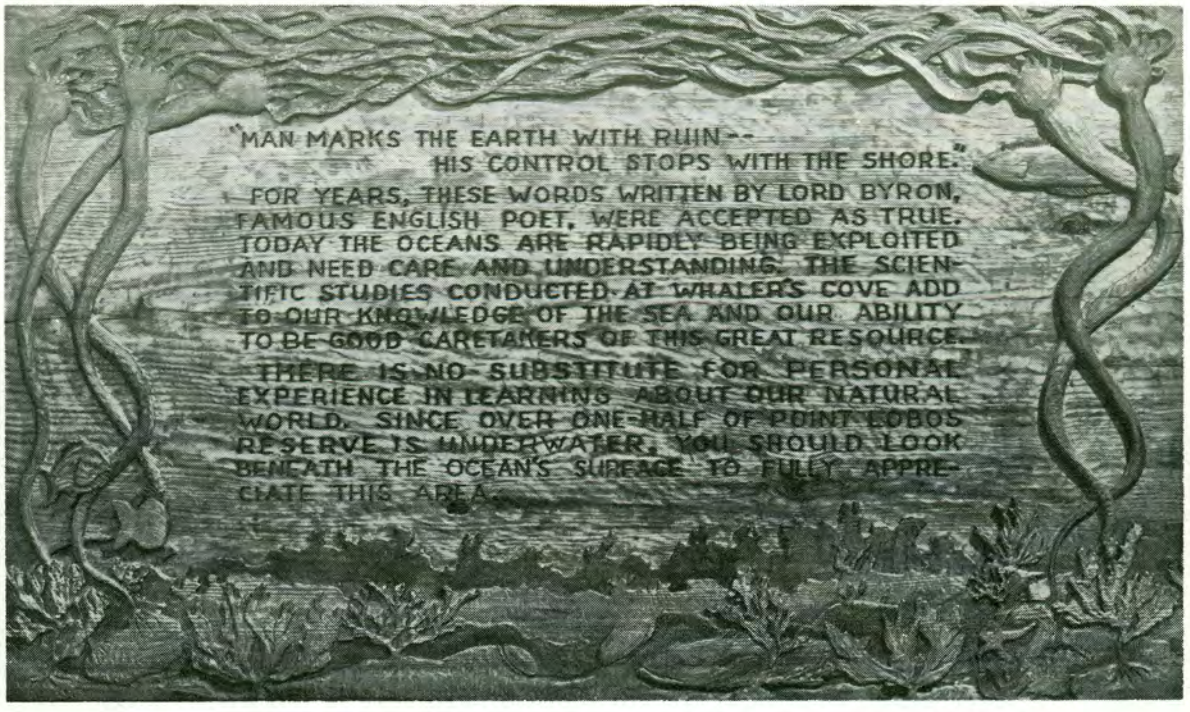
Dr. Chaney was perhaps most famous for his discovery of living specimens of dawn redwood, or metasequoia, previously thought extinct, in China in 1948. For many years he was a member of the National Parks Advisory Board and in 1969 received the Department of the Interior's Conservation Service Award. He became a professor of paleontology at the University of California, Berkeley, in 1931, and served as assistant director and consultant to the Lawrence Radiation Laboratory.

Dr. Chaney had been active in the Save-the-Redwoods League since 1928, and under his leadership the League raised $8,000,000 to preserve 25,000 acres of redwood forest.

New Exhibit at POINT LOBOS

Point Lobos visitors study one of three redwood panels carved by Frank Hickoy that were recently installed at Whalers' Cove. The exhibit, planned to blend unobtrusively into the scenic background, was produced by the Interpretive Services Section with funds made available from the Zellerbach Foundation by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Zellerbach.

This closeup of one of the other carved panels shows the detail of work that went into their preparation.



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NEW POINT LOBOS BOOK PUBLISHED

An extensively revised edition of the Point Lobos State Reserve book originally published in 1954 is now available. Designed to help visitors see new aspects of the Reserve's great beauty – and the natural processes behind that beauty – the 80-page book contains over seventy photos, some by famed photographers Ansel Adams, Edward Weston, and Philip Hyde. Sections of the book were written by such experts in the fields of natural science, history, landscape architecture, and park administration as Newton B. Drury, Frederick Law Olmstead, and Willis Linn Jepson.

The 1954 edition of the book, which was based primarily on a 600-page technical report done in 1935 by the Point Lobos Advisory Committee, was made possible by a gift from the Carnegie Institution of Washington, D.C. through the Save-the-Redwoods League, and sales income was earmarked to keep the book in print. It was edited by Aubrey Drury.

The revision, edited by Information Section Research Writer Joe Engbeck, will be sold for $2 including tax at selected park units in addition to Point Lobos and is also available from the Reservation Office, Department of Parks and Recreation, P.O. Box 2390, Sacramento 95811.

COMMISSION REPORT . . .

Mrs. Clarice Gilchrist was elected chairman of the California State Park and Recreation Commission at its March 12 meeting in Carpinteria. She succeeds Dan Villanueva, who has served as chairman for the past year. Lowell Berry was named vice chairman, succeeding Mrs. Gilchrist.

Chairman Villanueva finished his tour of duty with a double-header, as a special meeting in Los Angeles on March 11 preceeded the regular meeting at Carpinteria. Next meeting will be May 14 in Sonoma.

At Los Angeles Director Mott repeated his earlier statement before the El Pueblo de Los Angeles SHP Commission, saying that because of several technical problems he had had to reject the proposed agreement for development of the Pico-Garnier block by a master concessionaire. He said he had recommended that the Pueblo Commission proceed as quickly as possible to develop new specifications for a master concessionaire, and that it employ an historian to work with its staff in developing the new bid specifications.

The State Park and Recreation Commission concurred in his action on the concessions agreement, and also took action to formally reject two related contracts that would have been part of the same package.

At Carpinteria, the Commission approved the recodification of Title 14 of the California Administrative Code, the only change being a provision that special events permits be approved by the Director instead of by the District Superintendents. Their action on Title 14 also served as official confirmation of their previous action classifying Point Mugu as a State Park.

A lengthy discussion of the stalled development program for Carpinteria SB culminated in the Director's assurance that he would give the Carpinteria project highest priority as soon as funds again became available.

A discussion of proposed Policy No. 37 and related resources management directives were put over for consideration with some new legislation.

A proposal from Save-the-Redwoods League for establishment of the Walter Schroeder Memorial Grove Addition at Prairie Creek Redwoods SP was gratefully accepted by the Commission.

Dr. Pearl Chase of the Santa Barbara Trust on Historic Preservation addressing the Commission meeting on El Presidio de Santa Barbara.

Stella Flores of the Department's office at El Pueblo de Los Angeles and Ranger Maynard Hogsett of Will Rogers SHP show the Commission the earthquake-damaged Avila Adobe in Olvera Street.

PLANE CRASH TAKES RANGER'S LIFE

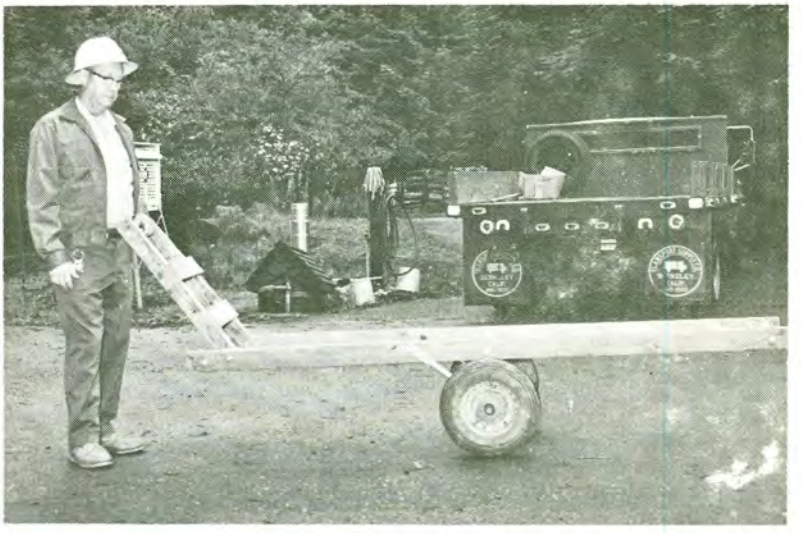
ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP Ranger *Bill Harris* died on March 3 as the result of injuries suffered in a plane crash on March 2. Mrs. Harris died shortly after reaching the hospital but their son, who was also involved, is expected to recover.

Ranger Harris began his career with the Department in 1962 as a State Park Attendant at Weaverville Joss House SHP; he was promoted to State Park Ranger I and transferred to Anza-Borrego in 1968.

RANGER HAYES RECEIVES MERIT AWARD

Congratulations to Jeremiah F. Hayes, currently at SAN ELIJO SB, who received a merit award from the State Merit Award Board. While he was at GRIZZLY CREEK REDWOODS SP, Hayes constructed a two-wheel device used as a lever to lift picnic tables and transport them over the sometimes rough terrain. Ranger Hayes was awarded $70 on the basis of the improved safety factor, since the dolly is expected to reduce back injuries.

The dolly in action ↓



↑ Maintenance Man Jesse C. Butterfield displaying the dolly.

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UNIFORM COMMITTEE PETITIONED FOR CHANGE

Ranger Trainee *Donald Ritchie* sent us a letter and a copy of a petition that he had sent to each district superintendent and to *Floyd Lemley*, Chairman of the Department Uniform Committee.

Ritchie explained that the petition was signed by "nearly 99 percent" of the trainees of recently graduated Group "B" in the Ranger Trainee class at Asilomar, and by Bob Pugh of the training staff there.

He asked us to publish the petition and to ask for readers' reactions. Please send your comments directly to Don Ritchie, Golden Gate Area, P.O. Box 227, Point Reyes Station, California 94956.

Following is the text of the petition, and a list of the signers:

We the undersigned feel that the present departmental grooming regulations are in need of liberalization. We believe it necessary for the State Park System to adapt to the rapidly changing mores and codes of our society; and our own grooming code is a good place to start. Mutton-chop sideburns, beards, longer hair, and wide mustaches *can be* compatible with the uniforms of all classes of departmental employees.

SIGNED

Robert S. Hilkert, Lawrence E. Ferri, Larry R. Helm, James Fife, John D. Van Camp, Warren C. Freeman, Robert J. Walker, Donald E. Grant, Henry L. Richards, Donald M. Ritchie, Richard L. Irwin, Leroy F. Ross, Barry N. Breckling, Robert Pugh, Robert C. Grace, Jerry Henderson, and John E. Polder.

C.S.P.R.A. News

ROSS HENRY

P. O. BOX 206, SACRAMENTO 95801

by Ross Henry

Over a hundred rangers, many with wives and families in tow, attended the California State Park Rangers Association's Sixth Annual General Executive Council held March 12, 13, and 14 in Santa Barbara. This excellent attendance was attributed in part to special features introduced this year: free babysitting, a variety of scheduled activities for wives and children, and an arrangement with the hotel permitting children under 12 to come along at no extra charge.

Saturday's business meeting centered on discussion of the 17 resolutions submitted by the membership. The Resolutions Committee, chaired by Kirk Wallace, did an excellent job of reviewing, amending, and recommending action. Among the actions taken, it was recommended that the Board of Directors canvass the membership to determine if active membership should be extended to Ranger Trainees, seasonal rangers, and maintenance classes.

During discussion of the CSPRA resolution recommending affiliation with the California Recreation and Park Society, Ron Rawlings, newly elected Director of Region VII and chairman of CSPRA's committee considering affiliation with CPRS, reported on his committee's findings. CPRS Executive Secretary Don Neer and President Dona Vaughn also commented on possible affiliation and fielded questions from the audience.

Dr. Pearl Chase and State Park and Recreation Commissioners Clarice Gilchrist, Tom Bonnicksen, and Ian McMillan were guests at the evening banquet and were present for the installation of the new Regional Directors and naming of Harriet (Petey) Weaver as an Honorary Ranger. Ranger Weaver worked as a seasonal naturalist and directed the recreation and campfire programs at Big Basin Redwoods SP during the 1930s.

In a short message, Director Mott complimented the Association on the action taken during the General Council; he was particularly enthusiastic about the possible affiliation of CSPRA and CPRS, and felt that such affiliation would be beneficial to both organizations.

Highlight of the evening was a thoughtful ecological commentary from Dr. Bob Johnson of the University of California at Santa Barbara and president of General Specifics. He described the natural process as one involving constant change and intimated that many conservationists and ecologists are trying to hold this dynamic process static in an attempt to preserve the environment as we find it today or as we might have found it in an idealized past.

After the dinner, which featured a filet mignon that was worth the trip to Santa Barbara by itself, dancing and socializing were the order of the evening.

The tremendous success of this GEC can be credited to Jack Welch, who did a beaufiful job of making all the necessary arrangments. My personal compliments go to him for assuring an enjoyable, entertaining, and productive convention for everyone.

← **District 6 Superintendent Jim Whitehead gives the opening remarks. Seated is Wes Cater, CSPRA president.**

↓ **Gordon Kishbaugh installs the new Regional Directors, assisted by Al Salzgeber (standing right). From left, Herman Schlerf, Region 1; Gerald Johnson, Region 3; Dick Felty, Region 5; and Ronald Rawlings, Region 7.**

And after the banquet, the dance.

WHEN TIME GOES BY

Calaveras Area Manager *Darrell Knoefler* just about said all there is to say on the subject with this elegy on the passing of time. Reprinted from the February *CSPRA Reporter*.

You never notice the years go by
Until one day it catches your eye
That your hair is getting a lot of grey,
And your joints are stiff at the end of day.

The bounce ain't there that once you had
And the kink in your back is gettin' bad.
Your eyes aren't sharp like they used to be,
You have to wear specks so you can see.

You wonder why your friends talk low
And you strain your ears so you can know
What's going on in conversations
About the job and situations.

The stairs are steep and your breath gets short
And playing ball just ain't your sport.
A day of rest ain't long enough
And it's gettin' hard to get off your duff.

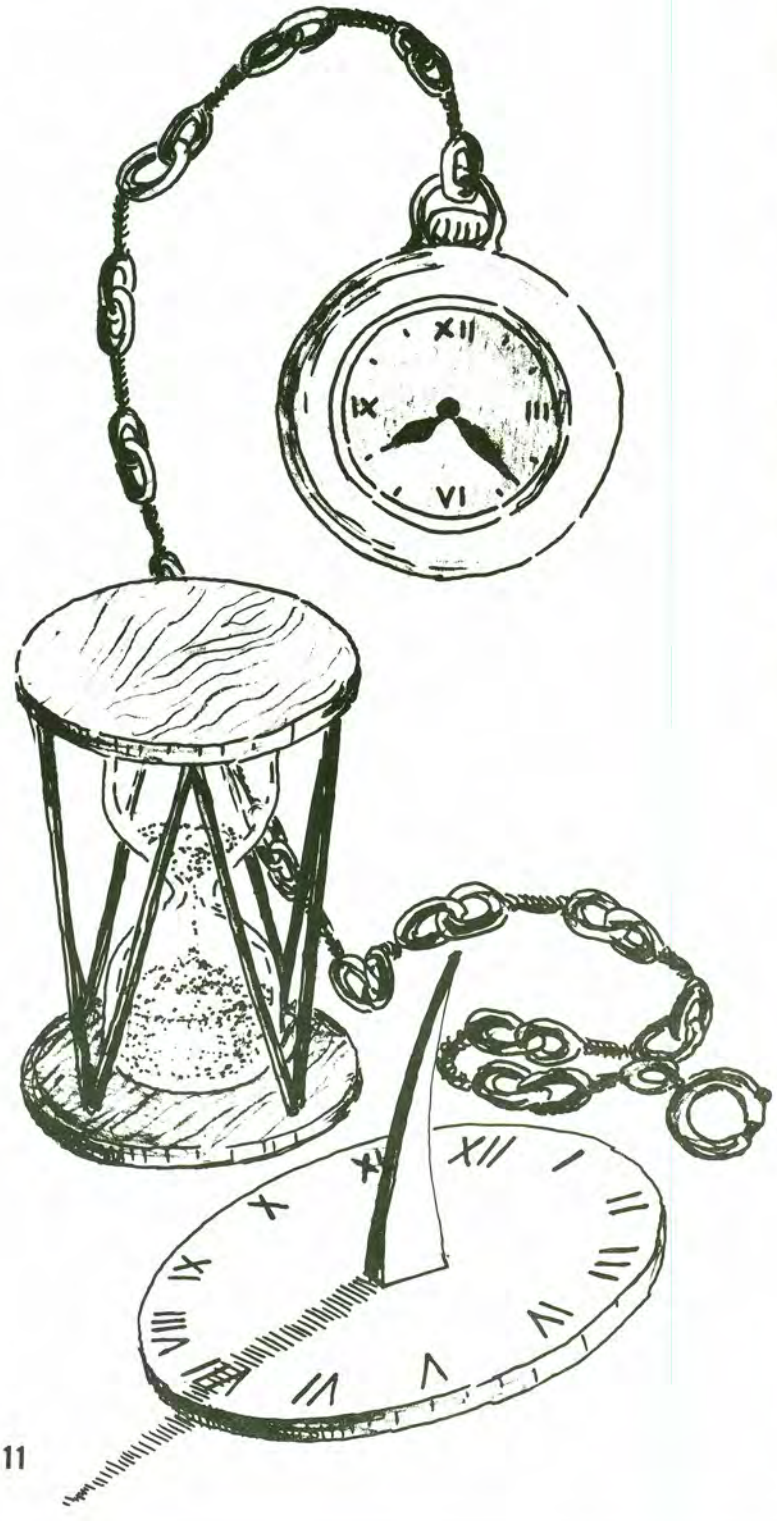
So it's time to think what you should do
With the remaining years that's left to you.
Being as how you're out of fire
It might be smart if you'd retire.

You have the place you want to live,
And you figure the time you'll have to give
To fixin' the house to make it home –
And you and the missus want to roam.

Your plans are made on what you'll do
When you tell the boss that you are through,
That the job goes well as it always does
But you ain't quite the man you was.

And then one day the boss comes in
To greet you with a hearty grin.
"Well how's with you?" he will inquire,
Then wants to know when you'll retire.

You tell him what you plan to do
And why and when that you are through.
A sudden thought occurs to you –
By gosh, your boss should retire too!



VOX POP

Interpretation is not just a word at Benicia Capitol SHP:

We have visited many historical monuments. . .these visits can be dull and generate little or no enthusiasm. Our visit to Benicia was by no means a "Ho-hum" visit, due entirely to Ranger *R. W. Benedict*. His genuine interest and enthusiasm concerning the historical facts of Benicia and California was truly infectious.

Beatrice W. Bull
Ethel F. Davis
Los Angeles

HEARST SAN SIMEON SHP guides, as usual, are top rated:

The tour guide, Mr. *Gerald Reynolds*, was extremely gracious and knowledgeable; his handling of the tour was superb.

Don Saraceno
Blair Television, San Francisco

The staff at JEDEDIAH SMITH REDWOODS SP got this vote of thanks:

It's time we took time to send our many thanks to *Larry (Ramel), Dan (Goswick)*, and *Fred (Meyer)*. . .Our stay was wonderful, even though the storm ruined our fishing trip. The rangers were always cheerful, helpful, and always with a *smile*, they were a pleasure. They made our rained out vacation that much more enjoyable.

N. S. Schaffer Family
Fairfax

PICACHO SRA Area Manager Don Pohl *was complimented:*

It was my privilege along with my family, my sister's family, and my parents to stay in your new park and campgrounds at Picacho. We have never seen one better maintained and managed than this.

Michael E. Bever
Leucadia

WE GET LETTERS. . .

It's not only the field that gets letters of praise from satisfied customers. Take this unsolicited testimonial we received last month:

Dear Mr. Thompson:

I am on your mailing list for "NEWS and VIEWS" and I wish to express my *sincere* gratitude for your ability in publishing a very interesting newsletter. I happen to be a very influential, unknown person with a whole lot of experience that don't know much, but I really enjoy "NEWS and VIEWS."

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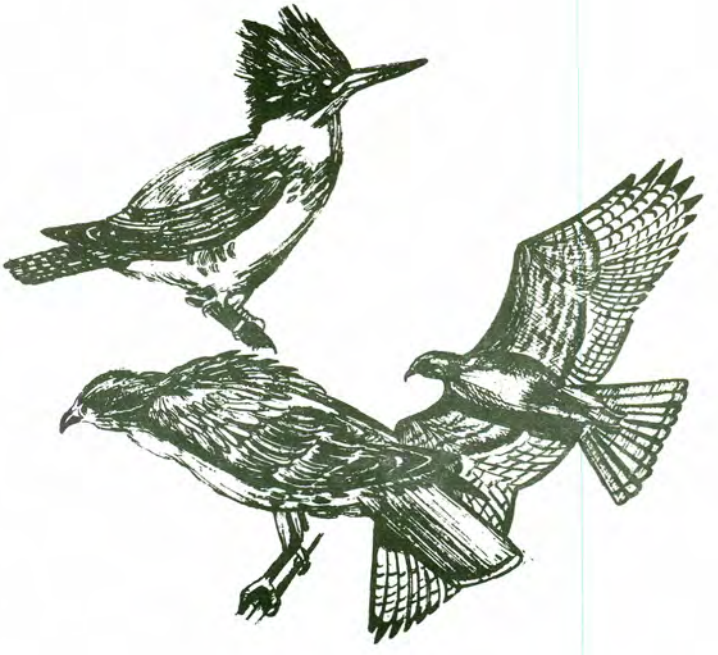
NEW BOOK TELLS LA PURISIMA STORY

The tragic results of Spanish colonization of California to its native population is only one of the vivid stories in this book by Research Writer Joe Engbeck of the Department's Information Section. The accomplishments of the padres in converting the natives to Christianity, the problems faced by the missions when their financial support from Spain was cut off by Mexican revolution, the Indians' struggles to preserve their vanishing way of life. . .all are dramatically told and illustrated by drawings and historic photos from the files of the Department, the National Park Service, and the Musee de l'Homme in Paris.

In addition, the book tells the story of the Civilian Conservation Corps' restoration of the Mission, during the 1930s, from a few broken-down adobe walls and piles of mud to its appearance during the days of the padres – an operation which has been described as one of the most ambitious historical restoration projects ever undertaken in the United States.

One in a projected series of self-supporting publications for units of the State Park System where in-depth interpretation is important, the 32-page book is for sale at the park or from the Reservation Office, Department of Parks and Recreation, P.O. Box 2390, Sacramento 95811, for $1 including tax and postage.

"Getting People Involved" pays off



TORREY PINES SR has received the first printing of a new brochure, *Birds of Torrey Pines State Reserve*, made possible by a cash donation from the Spring Valley California Women's Club plus many hours of volunteer labor from Rangers *Kent Hartwell* and *Herb Pierce* and local people interested in ornithology. The brochure includes a checklist of over 200 species of birds found in the reserve illustrated with 32 outstanding pen-and-ink drawings by Ranger Pierce's wife Sally, a commercial artist. The brochure also has return-addressed, detachable postcards so that observers can return a list of sightings.

SAN DIEGO COAST AREA Manager *Maurice Morgan* comments, "This publication is another example of what can be accomplished by 'getting people involved'."

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INFORMATION KIOSK AT LOS FLORES VISTA POINT

The Department was invited by the Division of Highways to create a panel display for an information kiosk at Los Flores Vista Point. The roadside viewpoint is on Interstate Highway 5 between San Clemente and Oceanside, on the way to San Diego.

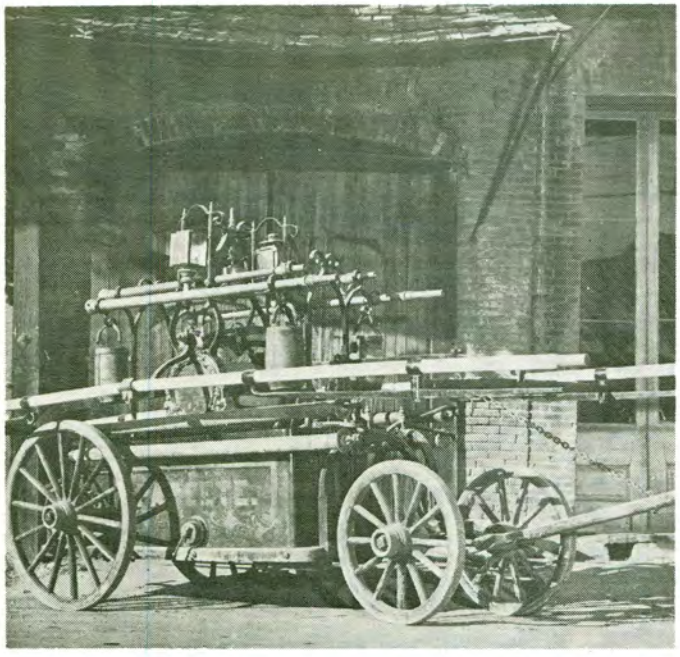
Interpretive Services, with the help of District 6 and Interpretive Specialist Bud Getty, installed the display. Hopefully the information board will aid San Diego area visitors in locating nearby state parks and historical points of interest.

Display panel in place ↑

← Exhibit Specialist MacCambridge preparing for placement of panel display

POTPOURRI

Members of the Sacramento Junior League served as hostesses in the Gold Coast, private car once owned by Lucius Beebe and one of several historical railroad items destined for display at Old Sacramento SHP. Occasion was an open house sponsored recently by members of the Sacramento area legislative delegation and the Sacramento Trust for Historic Preservation to highlight development plans for Old Sacramento.



Barring breakdowns, blowups, or other Acts of God, this old fire engine — the Papeete — will participate in the 11th Annual Firemen's Muster to be held at COLUMBIA SHP May 1 and 2. On Saturday, May 1, there will be hose-cart races and some visitors will compete in a bucket brigade contest — the prize goes to the team that gets the most water in the garbage can in the allotted time. On Sunday comes the parade, and then the Papeete will compete in the pumping contest. The Papeete was built in 1852 by the Hunneman Co. of Boston and was used in Tahiti before she came to Columbia, hence her poetic name; she belongs to the Columbia Volunteer Fire Department and was in active service until the 1920s.

Director Mott affixes a 25-year service award to the tie of Jim Tryner, Chief of the Resource Management and Protection Division. Tryner has been with the Department since 1948, starting out at Patricks Point SP.

Sacramento Mayor Richard Marriott was among the 100 or more guests at a concessionaire-sponsored open house to introduce the new By-Word electronic tour at Sutter's Fort SHP.

Bits & Pieces

A man who appeared a trifle intoxicated cornered FOLSOM LAKE SRA Chief Ranger *Hal Terry* and complained bitterly that he hadn't caught a decent steelhead in Folsom Lake since the dam was constructed. Terry didn't have the heart to remind him that the lake was *created* by the dam.

Our safety-conscious Personnel Officer, *Ed Wilson*, contributed this gem: A driver who had made an unusually solid habit of always using his seat belt left his car at the garage for repairs one day and took a loaner to work. As it happened, the loaner had no seat belts but, from force of habit, he unbuckled, got out of the car – and his pants fell down.

CHANNEL COAST AREA Lifeguard Supervisor *Merv Larson* spotted a young porpoise aground on Ventura Beach recently, so he put the animal back into the surf. Again the porpoise grounded, and again he came ashore, and again, and again. . .finally Larson wrapped him in a wet blanket, put him in a litter, loaded him on the Scout, and hauled him to the quiet waters of the marina where he stayed afloat. Rescue completed – it isn't often that a lifeguard is required to throw the victim *into* the water!

The first signs of camping season have arrived at MOUNT DIABLO SP. . .an eight-year-old girl came to the office early one recent Sunday morning with a dollar in hand; her mother had sent her for enough instant coffee for four people. The only coffee on was warmed over from Saturday, but she got it free – rangers are suckers for eight-year-old girls (and on up).

A couple had chosen a quiet country meadow for their Valentine's Day wedding ceremony, but arrived (with preacher and guests) to discover that the farmer had turned a herd of cows and a somewhat short-tempered bull into it. So they fled to TORREY PINES SR, explained their desperate plight, and were married among the pines.

SAN LUIS OBISPO COAST Ranger *Carl Chavez* has discovered a new attention-getter for his butterfly walks – a live garter snake, carried inside his Stetson.

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The Unbeatable Pair Rides Again

Nineteen-year-old Jim Luscutoff of the campsite reservation office in Sacramento and his partner, Lee Cameron, combined their efforts to win the March Fuel and Gas Championship in Bakersfield. They brought home a $700 purse driving their 1970 Dodge Challenger superstock dragster.

Jim in his "Swift Dodge"

YIELD FROM THE FIELD . . .

DISTRICT 3

Ranger *Ken Legg* of the SIERRA AREA started a very successful winter nature walk program this year. The three-hour hikes were held every Saturday, January through March. Ranger Legg and his fellow hikers began at SUGAR PINE POINT SP and went through deep snow, requiring snow shoes or skis. Along the walk they discussed Lake Tahoe natural history, animal tracks, and life in the creeks of the area.

DISTRICT 4

HENRY W. COE SP had an unusual visitor when an aircraft based at the Livermore Airport crashed in the park. The cause of the crash could not be determined. Fortunately no one was injured, but the plane was completely demolished.

DISTRICT 5

In mid-February many of the Joshua trees in the Antelope Valley were heavily loaded with buds and nearly ready to bloom. Since that time there have been many bitter cold nights with winds and temperatures as low as +9 degrees. Unfortunately it looks like many of the buds may not develop properly or even open at all.

Under a recently signed agreement, the Los Encinos Historical Committee, Inc., is now operating the LOS ENCINOS SHP. Volunteers provide interpretive tours and collect fees which are deposited in a restoration fund. Interpretive tours are available Wednesday through Saturday, 1 to 4 p.m. and 1 to 5 p.m. on Sunday. The park is closed Monday and Tuesday.

Steal a snake?? The police problem at CARPINTERIA SB is illustrated by the following conversation between a park ranger and a police officer.
Police officer: "Don't you have those campfire sessions down there anymore?"
Ranger: "Campfires? You must be kidding. We used to light the fire and then call them together and the first thing we would do was warn them about locking everything up."
Police officer: "What happened?"
Ranger: "The fire was a signal to start mass stealing. They'd grab everything in sight before we could get them together to warn them. They'll steal anything. Last year someone stole a snake."
Police officer: "A snake?:
Ranger: "Yes, a pet snake."

It is not unusual to have planes circling over LA PURISIMA MISSION for an aerial tour. On one occasion the couple buying tickets had landed, pulled out their bicycles and peddled over from the Lompoc Airport for their ground visit. .

Population of SAN LUIS OBISPO COAST AREA increases! Maintenance man *John P. Jones* and wife Sharon are the proud parents of Dennis Lee, weighed in at 10 lbs. AND Maintenance man *Clyde Clark* and wife Joyce are the proud parents of Karen Lee who weighed 7 lb. 11 oz. – via natural childbirth.

DISTRICT 6

Ranger *Bud Getty* of the ANZA BORREGO AREA found a Jeepster straddling a 4-foot rock. It took one Bronco and nine men to get it off. . .

Steve Oller and Rebecca Hendricks were married in a beautiful outdoor ceremony in the Parry Grove overlook of TORREY PINES RESERVE. Pounding surf and a breeze whispering through the Torrey pines provided an "outdoor cathedral." True to state park tradition, the wedding guests showered the couple with bird seed instead of the conventional rice. No litter and the park birds appreciated the nuptial gesture! →

PARK FOUNDATION GETS FORT ROSS FUND RAISING AID

State Parks Foundation Executive Director Bob Howard and Department Director William Penn Mott, Jr. inspect a scale model of Fort Ross. The model will be used to help publicize the need for contributions to the Foundation for the reconstruction of the Fort, which was destroyed by fire last October.

The model was made from bits of wood of the Fort collected after the fire. It was put together by B & C Enterprises, an architectural and model building firm in Santa Rosa. Plans are for the model to be publicly displayed in San Francisco and Los Angeles.

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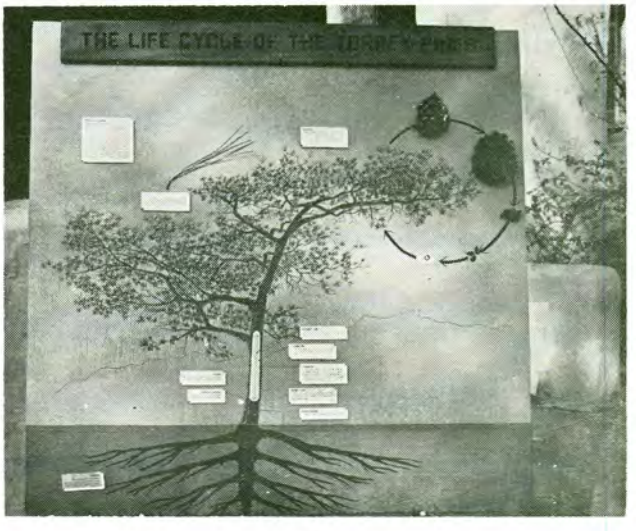
CUB SCOUTS BUILD DISPLAY FOR TORREY PINES SR

Last Spring, a group of cub scouts from La Jolla, Pack 595, contacted TORREY PINES SR Ranger *Kent Hartwell* about a science-conservation project for the annual San Diego County Scout Fair. They wanted to do something on the life cycle of the Torrey Pine, and with help from the staff at the Reserve, built the display shown here.

The display is of 4 x 4-foot plywood. According to reports, it was a great success at the fair and is now in the museum at the Reserve.

As Area Manager *Maurice Morgan* points out, "This is a good example of what can be done through cooperation with outside organizations."



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YIELD FROM THE FIELD (continued)

SAN ELIJO SB "went to the dogs" as a result of the Del Mar All Breed Dog Show. There were over 150 dogs registered. One camper growled louder than the dogs when he had to pay $3 per night for his six Chihuahuas!

LAKE ELSINORE AREA has a new boat patrolman. Born to Ranger *Larry Devine* and wife Terry – a 6 lb. 10 oz. baby boy.

Boy Scout Troup 915 from Westchester built a fire circle from native rock and cement they brought themselves to SALTON SEA SRA. Then they got Ranger Laurie Simpson to help them carry five short pieces of scrap telephone pole for table legs and used a donated piece of plywood for the top and spiked it down with five railroad spikes they had found. The result was a beautiful table and group cooking area.

STAFF CHANGES

APPOINTMENTS

Angier, Elvena R.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon	2-13-71
Buckhammer, Gary L.	Clerk I	Bus Mgmt Sect	2-22-71
Crandall, Robert E.	State Park Ranger I	Point Mugu Area	2-23-71
Strauss, Arlie L.	Park Maintenance Assist	Point Mugu Area	3-2-71
Yount, John W.	Park Maintenance Assist	Four Rivers Area	3-2-71

CLASS TITLE CHANGE

Flohr, William	Park Maint Man II	Columbia Area	3-2-71

DEATH

Harris, William A.	State Park Ranger I	Anza Borrego	3-3-71

PROMOTIONS

Domich, Thomas E.	Assist Budget Analyst	Budget Sect	3-7-71
Sargent, Ruth L.	Clerk II	Systems & Control Sect	3-4-71
Smith, Marsha R.	Clerk II	Admin Serv	3-4-71

RETIREMENT

Cullom, Lawrence A.	State Park Attendant	Santa Cruz Coast	3-1-71

SEPARATIONS

Brown, Jacklynne M.	Stenographer II	Office & Res Serv	3-1-71
Goyer, John C.	Park Maint Man I	Salton Sea Area	3-1-71
Griggs, Edward A.	State Park Ranger Trainee	Big Sur Area	3-1-71
Thompson, Doyal R.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Millerton Lake	2-16-71

TIME BASE CHANGE

Knight, Linda	Clerk Typist II (Full time)	Admin Serv	2-8-71

UNIT CHANGES

Bradshaw, Harold D.	Recreation Planner II	Statewide Planning To Grants Admin Local Assist	1-1-71
Coulter, Elizabeth V.	Senior Stenographer	Office & Res Serv To P & D-Branch Manager's Off	2-1-71
Gaskins, Elizabeth A.	Senior Stenographer	P & D-Branch Manager's Off To Office & Res Serv	2-1-71
Hodge, Matthew L.	State Park Equip Op	Golden Gate To Marin Area	2-9-71
Hood, Joe D.	State Park Ranger II	Lake Oroville To Mendocino Area	3-2-71
Stanchfield, Charles H.	Park Maint Assist	Clear Lake Area To Orange Coast	2-8-71

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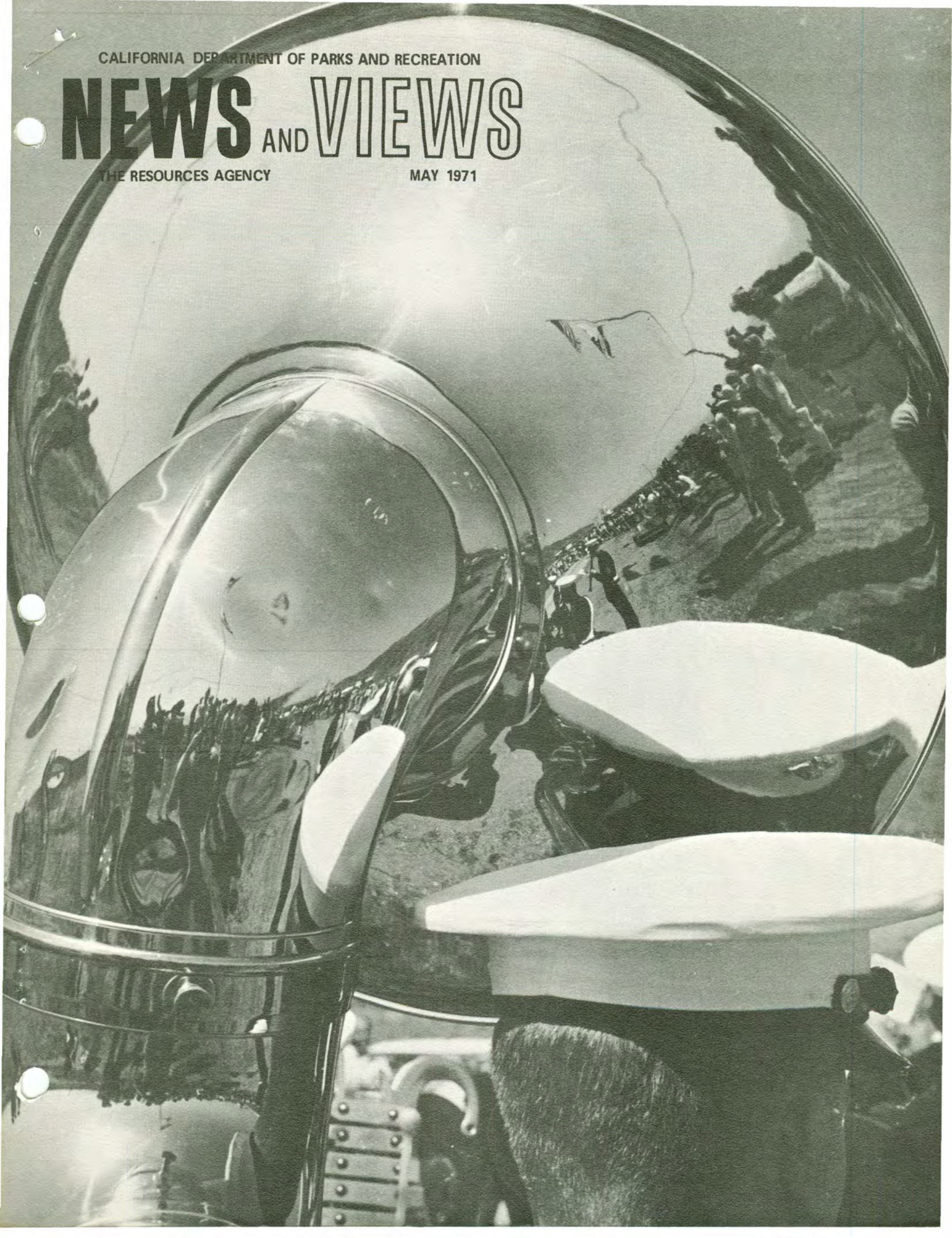

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About the Cover: *Reflections in a golden tuba . . . the dedication of San Onofre SB seen from a different angle, courtesy of the tuba in the Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Band. Photo by Dick Thompson.*

Carrying Capacity.....

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.
Director
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and Recreation

A rancher whose family has grazed cattle on the land for a generation or more knows from experience the carrying capacity of that land. He knows, for example, in the Napa Valley area 6 acres of pasture will support 1 beef cow and calf per year. In San Diego County it takes approximately 20 acres of range land to support a cow and calf and even then supplemental feeding may be necessary. A rancher who is concerned with the stewardship of his land can maintain good pasture continuously year after year by proper management of the number of cows per acre of land.

On the Serrengetti Plain in Africa, which is a large expanse of native grassland, several species of wild animals graze this area. Each species grazes a particular variety of herb or grass growing in this grassland. Through this selective process there has emerged over the years a perfect balance between the wild animals and the plant growth so that the plain supports the animals and at the same time preserves the grassland ecology. In recent years, cattle have been introduced, and their nonselective grazing habits have disrupted the delicate balance that has maintained this natural pasture. Now the grasses and herbs are not reproducing, the sod is disappearing, and the area is becoming a dust bowl.

People (46 million days of use last year) have been introduced to the California State Park System, and we are seeing human erosion upsetting the delicate plant ecology in some State Parks to such an extent that some areas are turning into dust bowls. As stewards of the State Park System, we must establish a human carrying capacity for our State Park units if they are to be transmitted as fine and beautiful to future generations as when they were acquired. The natural laws of the universe have established and maintain the ecology and environmental quality of these priceless bits of nature's handiwork and we must not permit overuse by people to destroy that which we are charged to preserve.

It may be difficult for some people to understand the philosophy of establishing a carrying capacity for each State Park unit. It will take patience, education and good communications for us to establish in the public's mind the desirability of limiting human use of the State Park System. Unless we can accomplish this objective, we cannot insure future generations the opportunity and pleasure of enjoying at least within our State Parks the environmental quality of nature in perfect balance with its wild things.

Man must learn to be with nature rather than constantly trying to conquer it.

San Onofre Dedication and Easter Preview attracts thousands

Photos by Dick Thompson

It was official, finally. After years of negotiation, the Marine Corps agreed to lease to the state 3.5 miles of virgin swimming and surfing beach at its Camp Pendleton in northern San Diego County. Immediately we began to develop plans to open it to the public.

There was only one problem – we had no money in the budget for the project. The California State Parks Foundation came to the rescue, however, and with their sponsorship we were able to offer a "preview" showing of our newest acquisition during Easter Week. Although it's now closed again, we plan to reopen it permanently, albeit with minimum development, July 1. With luck, we may be able to open it on occasional weekends before that.

By week's end, some 22,000 visitors had come to see their new beach, and the Foundation took in $7,681 in donations – at $1 per carload for day use and $3 per camper for overnight use. Everything in excess of expenses will be given to the state for use in developing the area.

District Superintendent Jim Whitehead (left, facing the camera) and Assistant Deputy Director Andy Anderson (right) brief field personnel on what they can expect during the Easter Week Preview. Although gate and service personnel were provided by the concessioner, some field personnel were on hand to help when they could.

Saturday, April 3 – opening day and dedication day for the new beach. By 8 a.m. visitors were lined up in their vehicles waiting for the gate to be opened. It stayed that way for most of the remainder of the day.

Signs along the bluffs and by the paths to the beach warned of the dangerous bluffs and sink holes. The fact that there were no accidents during the nine days the beach was opened attests to their effectiveness. In the background, steam can be seen coming from the nuclear generating plant.

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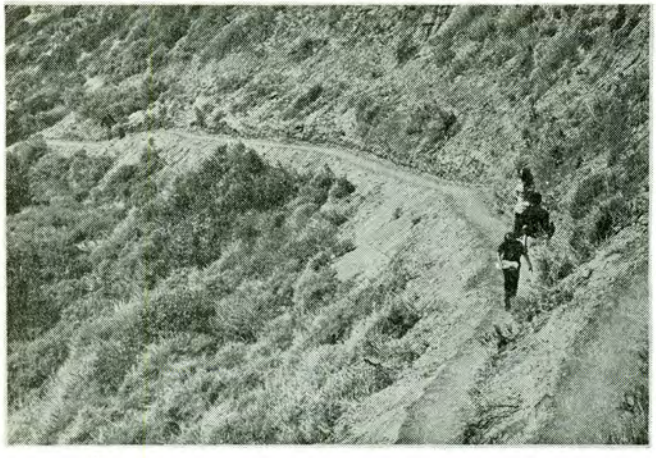

There were only three trails cut from the bluffs to the beach for people to use, and they were steep and full of switchbacks. But, there were few complaints. In fact, one visitor said he liked going to a beach that isn't developed. "It's different," he said.

This view of the new beach was taken near the northern boundary. If you have good eyes you might be able to see some of the visitors there in the background.

Three and one-half miles of sand can absorb an awful lot of people. One can feel alone and even isolated along the bluff-shrouded beach. All opening day and every day through the week there were swimmers, surfers, fishermen. . .

. . .and sun worshippers enjoying themselves.

Above the beach behind the bluffs on abandoned Highway 101 were the campers. It was a unique experience for most of them, camping directly on a highway, and most of them enjoyed it. There were even a few tenters who tried it, tying their tent ropes to anything handy because they couldn't pound stakes into the concrete.

By 2 p.m. Saturday afternoon the crowd was assembled for the dedication. The band from the Marine Corps base was on hand, as was the Marine mounted color guard. Deputy Director Bob Meyer MC'd the affair.

". . .This beach will be used by people, not automobiles," said Director Mott. He then introduced Rep. Alphonzo Bell and credited him for his work in helping to establish the new park. Other speakers were State Park Commission Chariman Clarice Gilchrist, Camp Pendleton Chief of Staff Colonel Radics, and State Parks Foundation Vice-chairman Arthur Cates.

And, of course, what is a dedication and opening without a ribbon cutting. From left, Colonel Radics, Mrs. Gilchrist, Director Mott, Representative Bell, and Arthur Cates.

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General Folder To Be Reprinted

We have started work on revising and reprinting the new map folder, The California State Park System. We are picking up some corrections (like getting the State mineral and State rock straightened out), and will fix up the map so it is easier to read. We welcome any comments and suggestions. Please send them in to Dick Thompson here at headquarters (address is on the masthead). □

Charles Fakler in 1955. →

HOW TO MAKE YOUR RETIREMENT TIME USEFUL

by Ed Earl, Chief Ranger
Santa Cruz Coast Area

This month we are back to a retired park employee in Southern California.

I hope that many of you who read the articles can get by and say "hello" to the retired gang, or at least send them a card.

Charles Fakler wrote a nice letter about his park experience and mentioned many of his friends' names.

"My State Park tour was from 1936 to 1960. I started my various Park jobs in Big Sur in 1936 under Everet Powell. That was my first time in the Redwoods and the odor was so wonderful I hoped I would never leave. In 1937 to 1939 I was in Mount Diablo under Lee Blaisdell and Robert Coon. The three above were tops in my book. In 1939 I was went to Big Basin again under Everet Powell, I loved it there. During that year I was sent to San Juan Bautista and Fremont Peak. I was alone and it was lonesome, very much by myself. During the winter it was better, I hauled shingles from Northern California to Big Basin and there about. In 1940 I was sent back to Mount Diablo for a short time, then to the Russian Gulch, and also took care of Van Damme. In August I got tired living alone so I got married and have been happy ever since.

In 1941 I was sent back to Big Basin under Roy Cushing, also a fine man. The War came and I was sent back to Mount Diablo to take charge of it until Jess Chaffee returned three years later. Then back to Big Basin. However, I received my Warden's Badge while I was at Mount Diablo, but a year or two after I thought I lost it on a trail but a friend of mine was looking around above the shop and he found it and returned it to me. His name was Gene Shaal. This Badge was used by Lee Blaisdell, Robert Coon, and Jess Chaffee. Number 3. I still have it. It is one of my treasures. In 1946 I was sent to Portola, stayed seven years and I enjoyed it very much; had a very nice group of helpers. Dave Redding, Don Royer, Jim Beck, Harold Sederquist, Cliff Calliham, and Hugo Hoy. In 1953 I was sent to Doheny Beach where I spent seven years and enjoyed it very much. I retired in 1960 and had a part-time job before I left Doheny.

Now I am retired completely and I am with a very nice group, The Veterans of World War I. We hold two meetings a month, one business and one a pot luck. About eight of us go to the Veterans Hospital in Long Beach to escort the disabled Veterans to their place of treatment. We enjoy it and it is inspiring. We ask them how they are and they reply, oh I am alright. They are strapped in a guerney and we look at ourselves and wonder what am I complaining about.

I think the State Park employees are one of the most wonderful group of men and women that I know. I wish I had more space I could put in a hundred more names that I think are tops and I wish I could see them all. Yes, my wife and I would gladly like to see any and everyone of them with open arms."

"Sincerely,
Charles Fakler"
34245 Camino El Molino
Capistrano Beach, California 92672

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ALLENSWORTH FLOAT WORKERS SLIGHTED

In our March issue, we ran a story and picture about the prize-winning float entered in the Annual Dairy Fiesta Parade in Tulare last September. We credited Allensworth Advisory Committee member George Pope for his work as chairman of the float committee, but failed to give recognition to other members of the committee.

We were promptly taken to task for this. We should have mentioned Cecil W. Berkley, Public Relations Chairman of the Allensworth Advisory Committee, and Mrs. Kathryn Lounder Green, Chairman of the Spirit of Allensworth, an auxiliary of the Advisory Committee. □

PRESIDENT NIXON PLEDGES PENDLETON BEACH PROPERTY TO THE STATE

Photos by the San Clemente Daily Sun-Post

Last month, just a few days before the "Easter Week Preview Opening" of San Onofre Bluffs State Beach (see page 2), President Nixon made a surprise announcement of his intention to give the state some six miles of outstanding swimming and surfing beach at Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base in Northern San Diego County. The offer included not only the 3.5 miles that we were leasing from the Marine Corps there, but an additional 2.5 miles of adjoining surfing beach to the north. Here are excerpts from the President's statement and from Director Mott's acknowledgement.

Aerial view looking south to the San Onofre bluffs State Beach area opened to the public during the Easter Week Preview. This is the portion of Camp Pendleton that is presently under 25-year lease to the state.

STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

Camp Pendleton, California, is part of the legacy which the World War II era left for the 70s. For 30 years these 18 miles of choice coastal land have served as an important training center for the U.S. Marine Corps. During that same period, California has become the Nation's most populous and most urban state; several million people now live within an hour's drive of Camp Pendleton in the San Diego – Los Angeles metropolitan complex.

For these people, as for all Americans, we must seek to leave a legacy that goes beyond good housing, vital industries and strong defense. We must also provide an endowment of park lands and recreational areas that will enrich their leisure opportunities and make the beauties of the earth and sea more accessible to them. As an important step toward creating such a legacy for the people of Southern California, I am pleased to announce today that fully one-third of the beach front area within Camp Pendleton will soon be made available for use by the general public.

I recently requested the Secretary of Defense to initiate proceedings which will offer approximately six miles of Camp Pendleton beach front located on both sides of the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station for park land and public use by transfer of title to the State of California. Another 3400 acres of undeveloped land lying in back of Highway 101 on the San Clemente side of the Base will also be made available either to public bodies, or for public sale, in which case the proceeds would, under the law, be added to the Land and Water Conservation Fund and be used for federal and local park development.

As soon as it becomes possible formally to declare that the entire six miles of beach front are in excess of Federal Government needs, the lease will be terminated and the six miles beach front area – with exception of the site of the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station – will be deeded to the State of California for park purposes.

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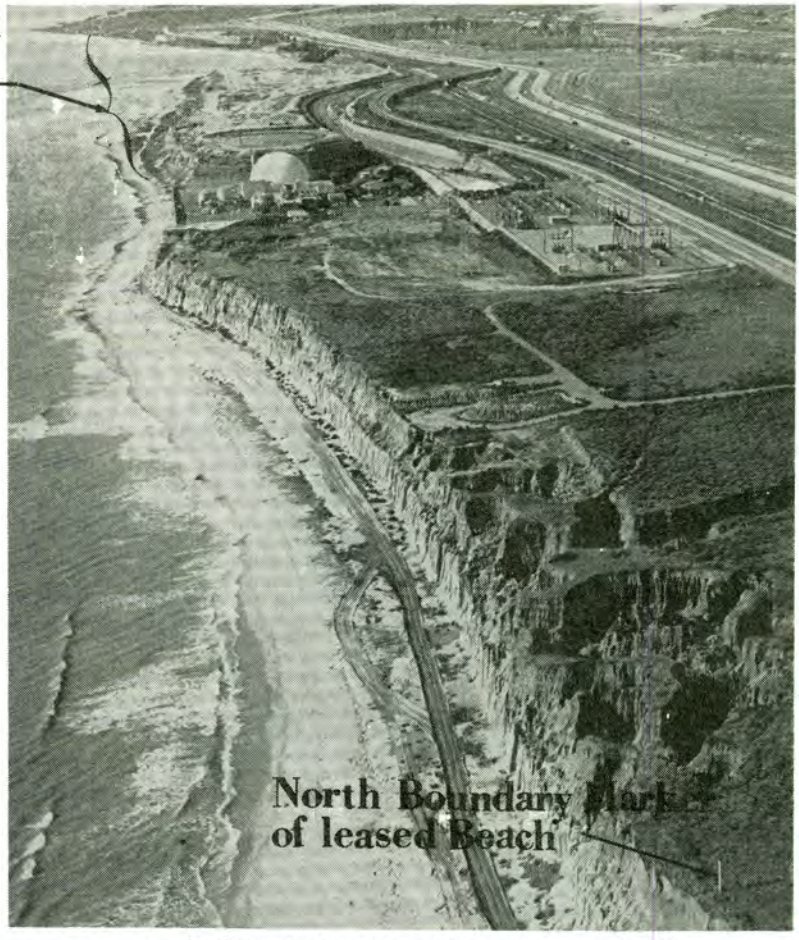
PENDLETON (cont'd)

STATEMENT BY THE DIRECTOR

We are very grateful to the President of the United States for the leadership he has displayed in making this marvelous beach and backup land available to the Department of Parks and Recreation of the State of California. We are also grateful to the Marine Corps for their cooperation and the fact that they have preserved this outstanding beach.

The Department recognizes its trustee responsibility to the people of California and the nation. It is our plan to preserve the beach and area west of the highway in its natural condition, placing the camping development east of the highway in the 3400-acre parcel. We envision the possibility of 2,000 to 3,000 campsites, together with all the necessary facilities needed for such a development. We believe that we can develop an innovative transportation system that will move the people from the campgrounds to the beach area; thus, the beach will be for people use *and will not be cluttered with parking lots, automobiles, trailers, and camping facilities.*

We believe that preserving the beach for people use in its natural form is its highest and best use. We feel that this beach and the backup land represents the finest beach in one continuous stretch in the United States, and we intend to exercise the same outstanding stewardship of this land as we have in the redwoods and other areas entrusted to the Department.



Looking north across nuclear plant property. The additional beach promised by President Nixon begins just north of the plant and extends for approximately 2.5 miles. Although the area on the bluffs will not be open to the public, the beach will be, offering public use of the entire six miles.

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LAND – THE UNWRITTEN TEXTBOOK

Why should we get involved in environmental education? What's in it for Parks? The following comments are from an article on Nature Center purposes and values originally published in the Spring 1971 issue of Environmental Education, *a publication of Dembar Educational Research Services, Inc., and in Outlines of Environmental Education by the same publisher. The author, Byron L. Ashbaugh, is currently outdoor education chief for the Genesee County Parks and Recreation Commission of Flint, Michigan, and was formerly Associate Director of the Nature Centers Division of the National Audubon Society.*

Nature Center Role For Parks

People will not safeguard what they do not know, let alone what they do not understand. They will not protect and treat kindly what they do not appreciate. A nature center is designed to help park visitors understand and appreciate the natural environment, to help them become good stewards of public lands and all related natural resources. A well-planned nature center program will keep people from destroying the very open space and natural resources they hope to preserve and enjoy. Mr. Walter A. Tucker, director-secretary, Columbus Metropolitan Park System, Columbus, Ohio, has commented on the values of educational programs in parks as follows :

> The success of interpretive programs in our parks is reflected by increased public participation. The benefits are evident in the improved public behavior as shown by the orderliness of visitors, the absence of litter, and freedom from willful destruction of property.
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> We believe that interpretive programs more than justify the expense involved. We are convinced that our park nature program more than pays its way on a dollars and cents basis.

The keys to effectiveness in a nature center are careful planning, training of youth leaders and teachers for the effective and best use of park land, and the assistance of specialized naturalist-interpreters. The needs of park users – and the needs of other facets of the community – will be best served if, in the initial phases of implementation, care is taken to involve all segments of the community in the process of planning the nature center services. Through such a procedure the nature center will be individualized to the unique needs of its community and will thus be solidly grounded to reach its full potential.

Exotic Animals Return to Hearst Castle

After 20 years of absence, wild animals are returning to Hearst Castle. William Randolph Hearst once had the largest privately owned zoo in the world. He had 2,000 acres of ranch land surrounding his Castle with 450 wild animals roaming freely. After his death in 1951, this aggregation was dispersed to various zoos throughout the country, and the fences and animal compounds fell into disrepair.

A few of the animals, such as the Sambar deer, Roosevelt elk, zebras, Barbary sheep and the Tahr goats from the Himalayas, escaped and lived in the wild. Most of these are rarely seen by the visitors riding the buses up to see the hilltop Castle. The zebras remained along the road but had dwindled to only three in number.

State employees who work at the Castle, local citizens, and youth groups have volunteered to help restore the old animal shelters, feed and care for the animals, and re-establish a zoo-like atmosphere for the enjoyment of the many visitors who visit the Castle. The Hearst Corporation is furnishing materials for the restoration as well as hay and grazing for the exotic animals.

Three of the five zebras in one of the old Hearst shelters.

Male and female yaks making themselves at home at the Castle.

The project got off to a big start March 27, when Earl Tatum, an animal dealer from Visalia, delivered five female zebras and male and female yaks. His next trip he brought male and female llamas. All of the females are pregnant and should foal in May or June. As their numbers increase, Mr. Tatum plans to supply zoos throughout the country with the young.

Negotiations are under way to return to the ranch some of the progeny of the white fallow deer owned by Mr. Hearst.

It is doubtful that 68 species will ever roam the Castle hillsides as they did during the golden days of San Simeon, but then again, who can tell! □

NATURE WALKS IN THE SNOW

by Keith Caldwell
District 3 Interpreter

In years past, rangers in the Tahoe area parks considered the winter months as the "off season," when park maintenance and such were the main order of the day. Just to live and move around in some of these parks in the winter often required all the rangers' time and effort. By spring, they were anxious to meet the public again after a long cold winter in the woods.

This year, though, the rangers of the Sierra Area took the "off season" as an opportunity to conduct winter nature walks over the snow, with each employee normally assigned interpretive tasks participating. *Fran Hodgkins*, Chief Ranger, started the hikes at Sugar Pine Point SP in January, and hikes were conducted each Saturday through April 1 by Ranger *Ken Legg* assisted by Ranger *Scott Pineo*, Intermittent Ranger *Joan Benner*, and Ranger Trainee *Lannie Waggonner*.

Each hiker furnished his own lunch and snowshoes or skis. Hikes lasted about three hours including the stop for lunch. Ken tells us they alternate trips going about two miles up General Creek with a hike along the shore of Lake Tahoe.

Ranger Ken Legg instructs a group before starting on a snow hike. He reports that those who tried it without skis or snowshoes sank, and sank, and sank. . .but made it!

All of the species of plants visible are identified, and there was discussion on the composition and natural history of staghorn lichen. The hikers inspected the stone fly nymphs in General Creek and talked over the tracks in the snow and the animals that made them.

One can't work or live in the Sierra long without becoming interested in its animals. For example, two Canadian honkers were killed and eaten on the north shore of Emerald Bay. . .Ken believes they were killed by a pair of bald eagles that nest on Eagle Point, and finished off by coyotes. Deer, raccoons, Douglas squirrels, white-footed deer, mice, weasels, mountain beaver, hawks, and ducks are a few of the other animals that Ken talks about on his snow hikes.

The hikes were publicized in local papers and on the radio, and attendance was good, including youth groups from Incline Village and other communities around Lake Tahoe. Ken invites everyone to take winter nature tours with them. . .next year. □

← Ranger Joan Benner makes tea over a fire by the side of General Creek for group of Girl Scout hikers.

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BEACH PRESERVATION CONFERENCE

Our Department, along with other State and Federal and local agencies, will participate in the annual meeting of the American Shore and Beach Preservation Association at Marina Del Rey May 25, 26 and 27. A Department speaker, not named at press time, will present a paper on Recreation and Use of Open Spaces. □

THE PRESIDENT'S WALK . . . AND OUR NEW BEACH

Photos by Dick Thompson

President Nixon said that it was a walk along the beach that triggered his thoughts and gave him the idea to give not only the leased 3.5 miles of beach at Camp Pendleton to the state, but an additional 2.5 miles as well. "It's the best beach in the world," he said, and added that it should be filled with people enjoying themselves.

The property starts about one-half mile from the Western White House and extends south in a continuous strip for approximately six miles. Exempted from the gift, of course, is the property for the nuclear generating plant, but the beach itself will be accessible.

Our thanks to the Camp Pendleton Marine Base Commandant for letting us on the base so we could look the beach over and take these pictures.

← The beach in front of the nuclear generating plant will be open so that the entire six miles of coastline can be used as one continuous strip. This is a view of the property looking south to the San Onofre Bluffs area from the south boundary of the Camp Pendleton enlisted men's club. The couple here were the only persons using that stretch of beach Friday, the day before the opening and dedication of San Onofre Bluffs State Beach.

From roughly the same vantage point — the south boundary of the enlisted men's club — is the additional beach looking north towards the Western White House. The clump of trees in the center background stands near the entrance of the club, and is just south of the famed "Trestles" surfing area.

SECOND LAW ENFORCEMENT CLASS GRADUATES

A second group of state park field personnel completed the 200-hour law enforcement course at the Riverside County Sheriff's Academy on April 2. This brings to 52 the number of department personnel who have finished the five-week course; all permanent employees who deal with the public will receive this training.

The training program is part of a comprehensive program of crime prevention and control to protect the public from the increase in thefts and vandalism in parks to provide a safe, pleasant outdoor recreation experience to all who seek it, and to protect the historical and natural resources of the State Park System. It is no longer sufficient for a park ranger to be only a naturalist or historian. In today's complex world, he must now add the function of peace officer.

Field personnel completing the second five-week course are:

Laurent F. Clark, Humboldt Redwoods State Park
Kenneth Jones, Humboldt Redwoods State Park
Jimmie M. Ritter, Humboldt Redwoods State Park
Frederick B. Meyer, Jedediah Smith Redwoods State Park
Timothy J. Neeley, Russian Gulch State Park
Robert R. LaBelle, Richardson Grove State Park
James B. Alexander, Benicia Area
Dennis A. Doberneck, Fort Ross Area
Carl G. Lonnecker, Marin Area
Scott B. Pineo, Donner Memorial State Park

Michael D. Van Hook, Sugar Pine Point State Park
Landon C. Waggoner, Tahoe State Recreation Area
John P. Hillerman, Emerald Bay State Park
Alan R. Scheibli, New Brighton State Beach
William J. Krumbein, Big Basin Redwoods State Park
Dennis W. McMullin, San Buenaventura State Beach
Roger L. Titus, San Buenaventura State Beach
William C. Miller, Carpinteria State Beach
James W. Hart, San Luis Obispo Coast Area
Robert E. Long, Refugio State Beach
Ronald J. Secovitch, Anza-Borrego Desert State Park
Edward S. Hill, Cuyamaca Rancho State Park
Paul R. Johnson, Cuyamca Rancho State Park
Frank W. Herald, Huntington State Beach
Daniel E. Scott, Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park
Daniel J. Ash, San Mateo Coast Area

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RECOMMENDED READING

Young Red Flicker, *by Anna Roller Issler, (David McKay Company, Inc., New York, 1968, $3.75). Review by Jack R. Dyson*

Mrs. Anna Issler will be remembered by many in the Department as she served in several units of the System including the Vallejo Home, Stevenson House, and the Indian Museum at Cuyamaca Rancho State Park. While working at the Indian Museum at Cuyamaca, she became intensely interested in the Diegueno Indians of the area. *Young Red Flicker* is the result of this interest.

At a recent conference of Western Writers of America, Mrs. Issler's book was one of three books published in the United States selected for the Golden Spur award of that organization. It was given the number one runner-up rating in this category.

While the 243-page book is said to be written for teenagers, it also provides an excellent introduction for adults into the present-day thinking and problems of the Diegueno. The book is a realistic novel of how a young Diegueno tries to handle the matter of pride in being Indian, the powerful pull of his traditional culture, and his conflict with the reality of today's world.

The book is very timely as it has been published when there is a great need for an understanding of the history and socio-cultural evolution of the American Indians, particularly in California. □

VISITOR PROTECTION

by R. E. Westberg, Chief Ranger
Dyerville Area

Visitor protection means many things – protecting parks from people, people from parks, and people from people. Good interpretation plays its part by creating a better appreciation and understanding of the park, which in turn creates a protective attitude on the part of the visitor. This reduces enforcement situations and increases public support for park programs. Support or opposition is expressed by the public through their legislators.

Good interpretation and public relations, not only with park visitors but with people in local communities, is an important key to effective visitor protection. An employee who becomes part of the community can do much more to enhance protection of both people and parks. Once the park has the wholehearted support of the community, with local people acting as "assistant rangers," we have everything going for us.

Here, in an area where logging was the only industry until parks came along to preserve the remaining timber and land around the communities, park people were despised by most locals eight years ago. And for their part, new park employees in the area naturally had somewhat of a standoffish attitude, hesitating to set down roots because they knew they would eventually transfer, breaking close ties, uprooting their school-age children, and changing their lives all over again. But the park employees slowly became attached to their communities and came to realize that they were dealing with real people who were only trying to make a living where they were raised, and now good relations exist, with many of the loggers looking to the parks for jobs for themselves and their children. The park people are integrated into community activities and acceptance by the communities has improved fantastically.

Educational contacts on enforcement, courteously and thoughtfully presented by a carefully selected patrolman, can do more to promote visitor protection than anything else. Local youths will harass one patrolman because his attitude, but flock around another ranger who can communicate. Though there are situations that require a different approach, on the whole if we act as hosts to our visitors we will make our enforcement job far easier.

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FINAL RETIREMENT OF A NOTED HISTORIAN

Hero Eugene Rensch retired from State Park Service on August 1, 1959. He retired from this life April 3, 1971. His wife, Ethel, devoted companion and able collaborator through some four decades of historical research and writing, will continue their work.

Known throughout California and the West for their meticulous research as well as for their contributions to Western Americana, the Renschs authored *Historic Spots in California*. The book has gone through several editions and numerous printings since publication of the first volume by Stanford University Press in 1932.

Employed by the Division of Beaches and Parks as a curator from 1949 until the 1959 retirement, Gene Rensch carried forward his research and writing with significant contributions to background history at Sutter's Fort, Cuyamaca and Columbia. *Columbia, a Gold Camp of Old Tuolumne*, written in the 1930s for the Division of Beaches and Parks under the Federal Works Progress Administration, is a basic manuscript sourcebook on Columbia. Original research and published papers brought new light on the Pedro Fages crossings through the Cuyamaca region, as well as later pioneer routes linking San Diego with the desert trails. Valued contributions were made to the Old Sacramento and Coloma preservation projects.

Possibly the most significant single contribution of the Renschs was the fortuitous discovery at Bancroft Library of the famous Heinrich Kunzel map during the Sutter's Fort restoration work of the 1950s. Disclosing much detail of the Fort's quadrangle, the map was published in 1848 in Darmstadt, Germany.

Gene Rensch began his preface to that first volume of *Historic Spots* with these words: "The purpose of this work is threefold: to create interest in the local history of California among its citizens, both juvenile and adult; to make knowledge of the historic spots of the different localities available to tourists; and to arouse a statewide interest in the preservation of those vanishing historical landmarks which still survive." To these purposes Hero Eugene Rensch devoted his life.

by Cliff Bisbee
State Park Historian II

FROM THE PLAZA SQUARE

This article by SAN JUAN BAUTISTA SHP Ranger William J. Hill *appeared in the Hollister Evening Free Lance. Reprinted by permission.*

Our State and National Park Systems were created for the enjoyment of our ever increasing population that they may get away from it all for a few hours, days, or weeks and let nature heal the wounds of their hurried, and some times harried, existence.

Parks of historical significance, such as San Juan Bautista State Historic Park, were created for those who wish to turn back the pages of history to an era of peace and quiet, when automobiles, planes, telephones, radio, television and whirring appliances were still a figment of man's imagination.

In order to present an interesting and enjoyable experience in history and nature for our many thousands of annual visitors, the staff of San Juan Bautista has been busily engaged in arranging, cleaning and repairing exhibits and cultivating the old and planting new shrubs and flowers which will soon turn barren grounds into spectacular floral displays.

Of interest to our local readers is the filling of the position vacated by *Robert Elliston* when he was assigned to Point Lobos State Reserve following his promotion to Maintenance Man I. *Richard Cutler* has been assigned to San Juan Bautista as a Maintenance Assistant. Dick and his wife and 18-month-old daughter will be moving into San Juan Bautista or adjacent area as soon as suitable housing can be found.

Before joining the Park Service, Dick was an employee of the aerospace industry in Sacramento where his wife, in addition to her homemaking activities, worked for the Bell Telephone Company.

Ralph Morehouse, a newcomer to San Juan from the State of New York, has been employed at the park to round out our seasonal aid personnel. Ralph is an artisan with hammer and saw and his talents are a most welcome addition to our maintenance program. His wife, Esther, is employed as an accountant in the Gilroy area.

Returning for a second season at San Juan Bautista after an absence of four months is *Herman Brotz*. A former utility company employee, now retired, Herman keeps pace with the times spending a few days a week here at the park during the peak months. He and his wife, Leila, had an enjoyable trip to New Zealand during his absence where they visited with friends and relatives.

Also returning for a second season is Mrs. *Joann Noceti*. Joann and husband, Larry, an employee of P.G.&E., make their home in San Juan where their two daughters, Elizabeth and Cathy, are enrolled in the elementary school and Larry, Jr. hobnobs with the nursery crowd in Hollister. Joann is primarily the hostess of the Castro-Breen Adobe where she collects fees, handles phones and correspondence and interprets the artifacts.

A "new" and "welcome back" employee get-together was held this past week during a potluck dinner and talkathon in the dining room of the Plaza Hotel and was attended by members and families of San Juan Bautista and Fremont Peak. Special guests for the evening were Mrs. Clara Zanetta, daughter-in-law of the man who constructed the hotel in 1858, and Mr. and Mrs. *Lee Beavenue*.

Lee recently retired after 19 years with the Park Service, the last 10 of which were spent at Fremont Peak. Mrs. Zanetta delighted the group with her reminisces of a dinner she attended in the old dining room following her wedding to C. C. Zanetta 60 years ago. Everyone enjoyed the film "Ishi" taken from the book "Ishi in Two Worlds" which depicted the life of the last known Indian of the Mill Creek Area, now submerged by the Oroville Reservoir. □

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Discussing the California State Department of Parks and Recreation prize, "A Week With a Park Ranger," to be given for the first time this year to a Santa Clara Valley Science Fair winner, are left to right, Dr. Donald F. Sinn, member of the board of the Science Fair and a professor at San Jose State College; Milton M. Frincke, Superintendent of District 4; Manager Tony Trigeiro of the Santa Cruz Mountain Area; and Ranger Nils W. Bergman, Forest of Nisene Marks State Park. The Valley Science Fair is open to all sixth through 12th grade students in Santa Clara Valley.

VOX POP

Ranger's courtesy greatly *appreciated:*

My husband and I were traveling with a ½ ton truck and camper with a trailer. We stopped at Tamarask Grove to get information and Ranger *Arthur C. Richter* was one of the most courteous rangers we have ever talked to, and we have talked to a lot of them in our line of traveling.

After Richter gave us the information we continued on to try to find a place to camp overnight. We pulled off the road and in doing so the wheels of the truck got stuck in the sand. A motorist stopped and helped us to get the truck out. The ground looked harder further ahead so we pulled off the highway to turn around and both the truck and trailer were stuck in the sand. We were frantic. About that time our Good Samaritan Richter passed by and stopped. We knew he would help us out of our misery. We disconnected the trailer and pulled the truck out of the sand, then Richter attached the trailer to his 2-wheel drive Jeep and pulled the trailer out. We feel like we owe a lot of thanks to Ranger Richter.

If writing this letter helps Richter receive a medal of honor, all we can say is that it couldn't happen to a better person. He is a wonderful person and we wish there were more people in the world like him. It would be a wonderful world to live in. Thanks for listening to my tale of woe.

Mrs. W. D. Sinclair
Inglewood

Wes Cater, *Supervisor of the Hearst Monument, receives praise for rescue operation:*

I would like to take this opportunity to commend you and your men for the quick response to an emergency situation and the professional manner in which the crew carried out their assignment. Without the assistance of the men and equipment from your facility, the situation could have been fatal to the young man needing help. Again thank you for a job well done and I hope we have the opportunity to work together again in the future.

Sheriff L. R. Mansfield
San Luis Obispo

Frank Hickox *of the Interpretives Services Section is praised for his art work:*

On behalf of my unofficial Wednesday hiking group of retired friends and neighbors, numbering about 10-12, we wish to extend our feelings of the most appreciation for the superb artistry of the redwood plaques now installed in Whalers Cove in POINT LOBOS SR. A splendid idea, beautifully carried out. Congratulations for adding so much to the story of this, one of the most beautiful places in our world.

Bruce F. Crane
Carmel

BIG BASIN SP Unit Supervisor Wes King's *help is appreciated:*

We would like to thank you for coming to help us. We realize that your job is to take care of people who do foolish things like us. Considering the hour of the night you could have been a grouchy person, but we appreciate that you didn't mention our stupidity in running out of gas. We felt stupid enough as it was. We wish that all rangers were as nice as you were. We are sorry we took you away from your nice comfortable evening into the cold night. We felt so happy that you helped us that we decided to do a favor for someone else; so we found hitch-hikers and took them wherever they wanted to go. We felt it was only right to pass a favor on.

Steven Wesolowski
Sandy Ginsburgh
Crown College, Santa Cruz

The "exceptional" ranger at SAN FRANCISCO MARITIME SHP saves the day:

This letter is to reiterate our thanks for allowing our kindergarten class of Woodrow Wilson School to visit your Maritime Park. In a day and age when red tape has taken precedence over people, it is especially gratifying to learn that the class was permitted to visit the park without having completed the required arrangements. The children not only benefited by the experience of visiting the many ships but also appreciated the human understanding of the ranger.

John Belforte, Principal
Daly City

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GOOD NEWS

Conservation News, an education service of the National Wildlife Federation, published several short items under the heading of *Good News*. We thought you might like to read a few of them. . .

"*Good Old Yankee Ingenuity* – The Soviet Press Agency, Tass report that Russian scientists have developed a process that turns 80 percent of the ash from coal and oil shale fueled power plants into a form of cement." We can't help but comment here on how lucky this is for the Russians – think of all the parking lots they can build now.

"*Quiet for Condors* – Interior Secretary Rogers Morton has refused to extend an oil drilling permit in the Los Padres National Forest, a principal nesting area of the California condor.

"The condor, the nation's largest bird with a wingspread of up to nine feet, is extremely sensitive to noise. The slightest amount of noise may drive the bird permanently from its nest. Since there are estimated to be only 60 to 80 condors left in California, and since the majority of them nest in the Los Padres Forest's Sespe Sanctuary, Morton's refusal to allow the drilling to continue there is good news indeed."

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NOTES FROM THE EDITOR. . .

You may have noticed that we have been "fooling around" with the cover and insides of NEWS and VIEWS. We've tried some new ideas in layout, covers, design, etc. in an attempt to make it a little easier and more enjoyable to read.

Last issue presented our new cover design. We are making a slight change to the title block – by adding the words "The Resources Agency" to it – but unless we get any serious objections, this is about the way it will look from now on.

Also last issue and this issue we experimented with using Veloxes instead of halftones. Simply, that means we are using a pre-screened photograph that can be pasted directly on the layout. With the other method, the photograph has to be re-photographed by the printer and inserted (stripped) into the page negative by hand. This results not only in a savings in time but in money, too. And that's important today.

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VOX POP (cont'd)

A group enjoyed their outing at PALM CANYON:

Last weekend the Rainbow Ranglers Trailer Club enjoyed another outing at the Palm Canyon campground in ANZA BORREGO DESERT SP. Our members thank Area Manager *Jack Hesemeyer* for a well ordered park, and express special appreciation for the courtesy and friendliness of Rangers *Al McClarey, Chet Getty*, and *Bert Frizzel*.

Rainbow Ranglers Trailer Club
Spring Valley

Ranger B. L. Frizzel *made this couple's visit memorable:*

Recently Mrs. Martin and I spent a week camping in ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP. We had a most enjoyable time, and we particularily wanted to say that State Park Ranger *B. L. Frizzel* was most helpful and accommodating to us. We think he is doing an excellent job and is a real credit to the State Park Service.

Jack Martin
Carmel Realty Company

Ranger Carles Pasha *of SEACLIFF SB gave a talk at Soquel Elementary School March 18 and the following are samples of the letters he received:*

Dear Mr. Pasha, I think you were pretty nice to tell us about the cement boat you might have been a little funny, but we still like you. thank you from Donna Condon.

Dear Mr. Pasha, How are You? Is your park clean? I hope it is clean. Has many people came to your park? I hope. From Christina.

IT CAN BE DONE!

By Ed Wilson
Personnel Officer

A full year has passed since Director Mott established an employee safety improvement goal for the Department of Parks and Recreation. There were those who said that the goal was unrealistic. There were those who said that the level of our lost-time injury rate had come down significantly in the prior two years and that further reduction was not possible.

But not District 6. In the calendar year 1970, District 6 accomplished what some had said was impossible. Its lost-time injury rate for the calendar year 1970 was 11.08, impressively below the ambitious 12 per million man-hours set as a departmental goal to be reached over a three-year period.

Permanent and temporary employees there worked over one-half million man-hours last year and recorded only six lost-time injuries. Five of these occurred in the month of July and all involved seasonal help. Four of the five included Lifeguards, two of whom injured themselves jumping from towers. The fifth injury happened to a Park Aid when he jumped from a truck bed. The sixth lost-time injury was recorded in February when a temporary clerk was hospitalized for hand surgery for an injury which had actually occurred in the preceding year.

From the standpoint of actual incidents, District 6 did not have a single accident resulting in lost time in 11 out of 12 months in 1970!

Five out of the six reportable lost-time accidents involved jumping from one level to another, and slips and falls.

I discussed the 1970 District 6 safety record with *Jack Smyre,* Acting Park Safety and Enforcement Supervisor, Operations Division Headquarters. Jack was the Park Safety and Enforcement Specialist in District 6 during the early part of 1970. Jack believes that the record of District 6 was due to the personal interest and follow-up on safety by District Superintendent *James Whitehead,* members of his district staff, the area managers, immediate supervisors, and each employee. Jack stated that there is no single cause of a good safety record – that safety can only happen when all employees are involved.

It can be done! □

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LA PURISIMA MISSION BECOMES NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK

La Purisima Mission has attained official recognition as a National Historic Landmark.

Founded December 8, 1787, Mission de La Concepcion Purisima de Maria Santisima was reestablished at its present site following earth temblors in 1812. Completely restored by the Civilian Conservation Corps during the Great Depression, the Mission is one of the largest and most complete historic restorations in the West.

City, county, state and federal officials were on hand for the dedication ceremonies which took place Easter Sunday. There was a full color guard and the Mission Council Boy Scouts led the Pledge of Allegiance. Dr. Pearl Chase, head of the Mission Advisory Committee, gave a brief history of the mission and the bronze plaque, mounted on a native diatomite boulder, was dedicated by Donald M. Robinson of the National Park Service. □

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TAHOE CITY WOMEN'S CLUB GIVES CHAIRS TO PARK

Thanks to a most generous donation by the Tahoe City Women's Club, visitors to the Ehrman Mansion center at Sugar Pine Point State Park will be more comfortable while listening to our rangers give their interpretive talks.

The club gave the park 40 Samsonite folding chairs with a chair truck for storage. Director Mott, in a letter to the club, said: "We in the Department of Parks and Recreation sincerely appreciate your generosity and your interest in California's State Park program in the Lake Tahoe region." □

OUR ANNUAL VISITOR, THE MONARCH BUTTERFLY

by William J. Coleman, State Park Ranger I
Santa Cruz Coast Area

I have made extensive studies of the Monarch butterfly by tagging more than 5,300 of them over a 15-month period – a worthwhile adventure that I'd like to share with you.

The Monarch, or milkweed butterfly, belongs to the order of insects known as *Lepidoptera,* a Greek word meaning insects with scaly wings. He begins his life as an egg the size of a pinhead, laid on a milkweed with hundreds of others.

In three or four days the 1/8-inch-long larva with a shiny black head hatches. Its first meal is its empty egg case; then it begins eating the milkweed ravenously. It grown to maturity and its maximum size of two inches in about fifteen days.

The creature we see now has changed considerably. It has shed its skin four or five times and now has black, white, and yellow stripes. Two black, hornlike projections have appeared at the head and two at the tail. Soon after moulting for the last time, this caterpillar attaches itself to a tree or fence and hangs head down; what happens next seems magical.

In a few hours we see a pupa, or chrysalis, beginning to form. Depending on the temperature, it takes 9 to 15 days to complete. The chrysalis hangs motionless and appears lifeless, but within a beautiful butterfly is in the making. It will be a new creature with a radical change of color, sucking mouth parts in place of the larva's jaws, six true legs instead of the many legs of the larva, two compound eyes (giving the Monarch 72,000 images) in place of the six single eyes of the caterpillar, and a third body segment to which the wings and legs of the butterfly are attached. Internal body changes also take place.

In about two weeks, a Monarch with a four-inch wingspan emerges for the inch-long chrysalis. In 10 to 20 minutes the wings reach maximum size, but the butterfly remains clinging to the pupal skin for at least two hours, opening and closing its wings as if to try their strength. Then, suddenly, the butterfly takes off on its maiden flight with a quick upward thrust, its internal maps guiding it. Without the aid of its pair of antennae, the butterfly could not fly, hunt for food, sense danger, or seek a mate.

The Monarch is a daytime flyer and during the fall makes an incredible journey unique in the insect world when it migrates southward in search of a mild winter area with a good food supply. Then, in mid-March, the mated female again searches out the milkweed areas, lays her eggs, and dies, beginning the drama of the egg changing to caterpillar, caterpillar to chrysalis, and chrysalis to butterfly all over again. □

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ENTRY PERMIT REQUIRED FOR WILDERNESS

Starting June 25, a permit for entry into Mount San Jacinto Wilderness SP and the 17 Wilderness and 4 Primitive Areas within the National Forests in California will be required of visitors. This means all groups or individual hikers traveling by foot or horseback into any such areas must have a permit *in their possession.* This new system incorporates a combination wilderness entry and campfire permit that visitors will have to obtain prior to their entry into these areas.

There is no charge for the permit, and persons planning to go into the federal areas can obtain information on the permit from any U. S. Forest Service office in the State. However, the permit is issued only at the Forest Service office which administers that Wilderness or Primitive Area. Entry permits for Mount San Jacinto Wilderness SP are issued at the park ranger station. □

YIELD FROM THE FIELD . . .

District 1

A fellow from Gridley hauled his 35-foot *homemade* cabin boat in a flat bed semi-truck to COLUSA-SACRAMENTO RIVER SRA to launch. In order to unload it, he had to jack it up to remove the skids and blocks. Unfortunately, one of the jacks went through the hull, making a good size hole. When they finally got the boat in the water, it sank to the bottom.

District 3

The children of Oakland's Highland School brought a specially prepared lunch for COLUMBIA SHP Area Manager *Neil E. Power.* It was decorated with a special label attached with a bright purple ribbon. Ranger Power enjoyed the lunch and hopes that the kids enjoyed the tour as much as they enjoyed the snow!

MARSHALL GOLD DISCOVERY SHP Manager *Gus Till* and his wife Adele welcomed their first grandson on April 6. Dustin Trowbridge Till was named for his mother's brother, who was killed in Viet Nam.

A "Walk for Development" was held in the Sacramento area April 3. The "walkers" were paid for every mile they completed according to how much their sponsors bid. The earnings went to several charities in the area. An estimated 4,000 foot-sore and weary group of young people made it to the finish at SUTTER'S FORT SHP. Some even went on to pick up the litter on the Fort grounds before they left!

District 4

Visitors to MOUNT DIABLO SP had quite a shock when a free-wheeling soul came roaring down Southgate Road on a skateboard. The happy traveler was all decked out in his birthday suit!

Ranger *Jesse Burgin* of MOUNT DIABLO SP resigned April 1 to accept the position of ranger-in-charge of the Woodward Reservoir Recreation area for Stanislaus County. Area Manager Bob Stewart was sorry to see him go, but says, "In this case our loss in Stanislaus County's gain. Good luck, Jesse!"

District 5

Students of Frances Judkins Junior High School participated in a conservation project at PISMO SB. The seventh and eighth grade students planted Monterey pines and acacias, stained tables, and disposed of litter in both the North Beach and Oceano campgrounds. The entire Pismo staff helped in the project. It was a great example of cooperation between a State Park unit and the community.

A fourteen-year-old boy who had been digging in the sand at POINT MUGU SP suffocated when a trench collapsed on him. Lifeguards *Jim Beatty* and *Jim Burhoe* attempted mouth-to-mouth resuscitation and cardio-pulminary resuscitation and revived the youth. He was then taken to a nearby hospital where he died during the night.

A couple married only nine days died of asphyxiation in their van at ATASCADERO SB. They went to bed with a charcoal hibachi lit and the windows closed. They were discovered by Ranger *James Hart* 2 to 3 days after death.

Gerald I. Morrison, Park Safety and Enforcement Specialist of the District 5 office, and *James MacDougall*, State Park Ranger I of the CHANNEL COAST AREA, have been placed on the Dean's Honor List, Santa Barbara City College's honor roll. District 5 Superintendent *Lloyd Lively* comments, "These men are to be congratulated for having the initiative to further their education through their own efforts and on their own time, as well as for having the ability to complete the work and wind up on the college's honor roll."

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CALIFORNIA GETS FEDERAL FUNDS FOR HISTORIC PROJECTS

Interior Secretary Rogers Morton has announced that California's share of the $2,323,762.22 earmarked for acquisition and development of historic projects is $62,236. The money is available from the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, which is designed to encourage the preservation of buildings and sites that have historical, archeological, or architectural significance.

Altogether, some 30 states qualified for funds, in amounts which ranged from as low as $14,223.16 for Oklahoma to $202,582.90 for New York. All states receiving money for this purpose must match federal funds with money of their own. □

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YIELD FROM THE FIELD (cont.)

District 6

A group of young people visiting TORREY PINES SR brought their dog and goat along for company. They had to be asked to leash the dog and remove the goat before he devoured the entire floral display of the Reserve.

Within a lapse of one week, HEART BAR SP had more power problems than anyone would want in a lifetime! It all started out with a lack of funds to repair their truck. Then the primary generating plant stopped, (the standby generator hasn't worked since last July due to lack of funds for repair) and there was no money to rent one. A loaner from ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP ran for a while, then quit. By the third day the freezers were beginning to drip and the food was spoiling. By the sixth day a State mechanic arrived, after two vehicle breakdowns, and managed to start the loaner which ran for ½ hour, then quit. A happy ending – the generator was finally repaired and no more difficulties have been reported.

Rangers of PICACHO SRA rescued four missing visitors who had left on motorcycles, without water, and traveled until they ran out of gas. They were found in the Cargo Muchaco mountains, one person suffering from exposure and exhaustion.

Even Big *Frank Davies*, fearless Chief Ranger of ANZA-BORREGO AREA, turned a trifle pale when two men drove up to headquarters office with a live bomb and asked where they should put it. Seems they had been doing some volunteer cleanup work for the park when they came across the World War II bomb. They twiddled the dials, then loaded it onto their vehicle and jounced through Borrego Springs and the crowded Palm Canyon campground to the office. They were immediately sent to the dump with it, and the Army Bomb Disposal Crew took care of it the following day.

A commercial film was being made in CUYAMACA RANCHO SP about a motorcyle gang. Make-up was so realistic that several visitors inquired, wondering if Hell's Angels had invaded the park!

The 150-foot Richfield tower, located for years across from DOHENY SB, is gone. Constructed in the early 20s, it became a symbol to the local residents, a guide for the fishing boats, a point of direction for aircraft, and last but not least, a way to pinpoint Doheny. Natives of Dana Point were up in arms, some even shed a few tears. . .but after 48 years, the tower was dismantled March 9 to make room for progress.

Snake day at Coyote Canyon – Ranger *Chet Getty* of the ANZA-BORREGO AREA spent a Saturday afternoon removing snakes for frightened visitors. He removed a beautiful diamond-back from a lady's tent; then found cars lined up because a rattler was coiled in the roadway and the man in the first car wouldn't drive over it or move it. Chet thanked the man for protecting the snake and received a look of disbelief in return. Undaunted, the amateur herpetologist then was called to Lower Willows where he moved another large rattler from the roadway.

Headquarters

Bob Margosan of the Property Section has been elected president of the Mount Ralston Club. The 46-year-old conservation-oriented club was founded by a small group of Sacramento sportsmen and has around 1000 members. □

bits & pieces

A motion picture company out of New York City moved into WILL ROGERS SHP and within a period of five minutes, all props had been set, cameras and lighting adjusted, model dressed, and the crew ready to shoot. . .without having observed any of the preliminary formalities (fees, insurance, etc.). Concerned about their disappointment and our California image, the rangers sent them to a nearby private canyon road which proved adequate for their purposes. . . □

Ranger *Donald Pohl* of PICACHO SRA reported that "Easter holiday visitors were well behaved, although they did create an excessive amount of litter. Today one might say our business is 'picking up'." Ouch! □

The fact that MACKERRICHER SP has had 47.5 inches of rainfall was emphasized by two large white domestic ducks who were swimming not in Lake Cleone, but in a pool of water in Campsite 94. Since they were "walk-ins", they were not charged for use of the site. □

Rangers at MARSHALL GOLD DISCOVERY SHP found the sawmill beautifully decorated in pink and blue. The new look in sawmills? No – it was someone's idea of an April Fool's joke to drape the sawmill from top to bottom with toilet paper! □

Another thrilling Supervisor's Report from MARSHALL GOLD DISCOVERY SHP: "Pauline was tied to a log on the carriage of the sawmill and was slowly but surely being pulled into the saw. At the last moment the hero came rushing up to the mill and rescued her a fraction of a moment before the saw cut her into boards. Once again the villain was foiled and right triumphed over wrong." (Can Supervisor *Gus Till* be on the stuff?) □

Five thousand cartons of cedar block were delivered to SAN LUIS OBISPO COAST AREA via two very new and very large Hamms Beer trucks. Rumor has it that the parks are going to start giving out six packs to campers using the parks in the off season. □

The historic old light fixture in front of the MONTEREY AREA office at No. 10 Custom House Plaza has once again been put to use. It is being occupied by a pair of young house finches. Sebastian, the Custom House's salty old parrot, is generously sharing his seed supply as a sign of welcome to the new residents. □

A visitor to BENICIA SRA was extremely pleased by what he saw in the mirror at the Dillon Point rest room. He liked it so well he took all the mirrors! □

A Boy Scout troop was shown the group area at SALTON SEA SRA and decided they didn't want to use it. Why? The wife of a Scout leader wanted to have the facilities closer and didn't want to be all alone out there in the tules. All the scouts wanted to stay. . .Moral: Women and Boy Scouts don't mix. □

An excerpt from the weekly log of SALTON SEA SRA: "Got District Mechanic, *Joe Ramos*, towed into Indio for dealer repairs." □

Is this the rule? While reading the regulatory signs at the entrance to SOUTH CARLSBAD SB, one lady became so engrossed that she ran off the road. □

District 6 Interpreter *Bud Getty* picked up some loose trash at Culp Valley in ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP and was almost to the garbage can with it when he heard a rattler very close by. He looked around very carefully, but no snake. Then he discovered it was in the paper sack he was carrying!!! □

On April Fool's Day, five tireless park wives from ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP, touched with Spring madness, held a 5:30 a.m. "paint-in" at the State trailer parked at the headquarters office. Under the close supervision of Ranger *Glen Mincks*, his wife Irma, Jenny Ramos, Alice Getty, Irene Null, and Helen Davies transformed the ratty looking trailer into a thing of beauty and a joy forever. □

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THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH: *How's this for a sobering thought:*

It takes 36 square miles of forest to produce the paper to print the *New York Times* newspaper for one year. Or, if you like your sobering thoughts in easier-to-comprehend doses, each week the *New York Times* consumes 440 acres of forest land. □

As reported to the Personnel Office by April 19.

STAFF CHANGES

APPOINTMENTS

Cutler, Richard N.	Park Maint Assist	Monterey Area	3-25-71
deVogel, Charles F.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	4-1-71
Hadley, Harold B., Jr.	Park Maint Assist	Hearst San Simeon SHM	4-1-71
Hamilton, Gilroy W.	Watchman (Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	3-2-71
Rittmann, Gwendolyn G.	Clerk Typist I (Int)	Office & Res Svcs	4-1-71
Sutton, Ronald W.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Point Mugu Area	3-27-71
Ward, James E.	Park Maint Assist	Dyerville Area	3-22-71
Yost, Maxine V.	Clerk Typist II	Office & Res Svsc	3-29-71

PROMOTIONS

Boswell, Brenda R.	Editorial Tech	Information Sect	3-22-71
Bowdoin, Jean M.	Supvg Account Clerk I	Budget Sect	4-1-71
Butterfield, Jesse C.	Park Maint Man I	Dyerville Area	3-8-71
Miller, Thomas S.	State Park Ranger III	Lake Oroville Area	4-1-71
Thomas, Susan R.	Stenographer II	Dist. 3 Headquarters	4-9-71
Wichman, Phyllis L.	Personnel Assist I	Personnel Sect	12-29-70

UNIT CHANGES

Edwards, Richard C.	State Park Ranger I	San Diego Coast Area to Big Sur Area	4-5-771
Hart, Vada L.	Accounting Tech	Accounting Svcs to Budget Sect	4-1-71
Lynn, Lorraine H.	Supvg Clerk I	Claims Unit Central Dist & Repro Unit	4-1-71
O'Halloran, Penelope	Stenographer II	Office & Res Svcs To Sacramento Area	4-19-71

REINSTATEMENTS

Moore, Carolee A.	Clerk Typist II	Office & Res Svcs	4-1-71

NAME CHANGES

Stewart, Fern K. to: Magorian	Guide I (Int)	Hearst San Simeon	2-1-71

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Fife, James M.	State Park Ranger I	San Luis Obispo Coast Area	4-14-71
Foster, Wyrinda C.	Stenographer II	San Mateo Coast Area	3-3-71

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Dahmen, David A.	Assist Civil Engineer	Design Section	4-2-71
Goodwin, Geraldine	Personnel Assist I	Personnel Sect	3-31-71
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Irving, Robert N.	State Park Ranger I	Sierra Area	3-31-71
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Morabito, Catherine V.	Stenographer II	Sacramento Area	3-31-71
Nevins, Thomas E.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Santa Cruz Mtns Area	3-1-71
Robertson, Robert M.	Assist Lndsc Architect	Planning & Dev Div	3-24-71
Smith, W. William	State Park Ranger Trainee	Folsom Lake Area	4-18-71

Number of Lost Time Injuries during January, February and March

	1970	1971
Executive	0	0
Administrative Services	0	0
Planning and Development	0	1
Operations Division	0	0
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District 3	5	4
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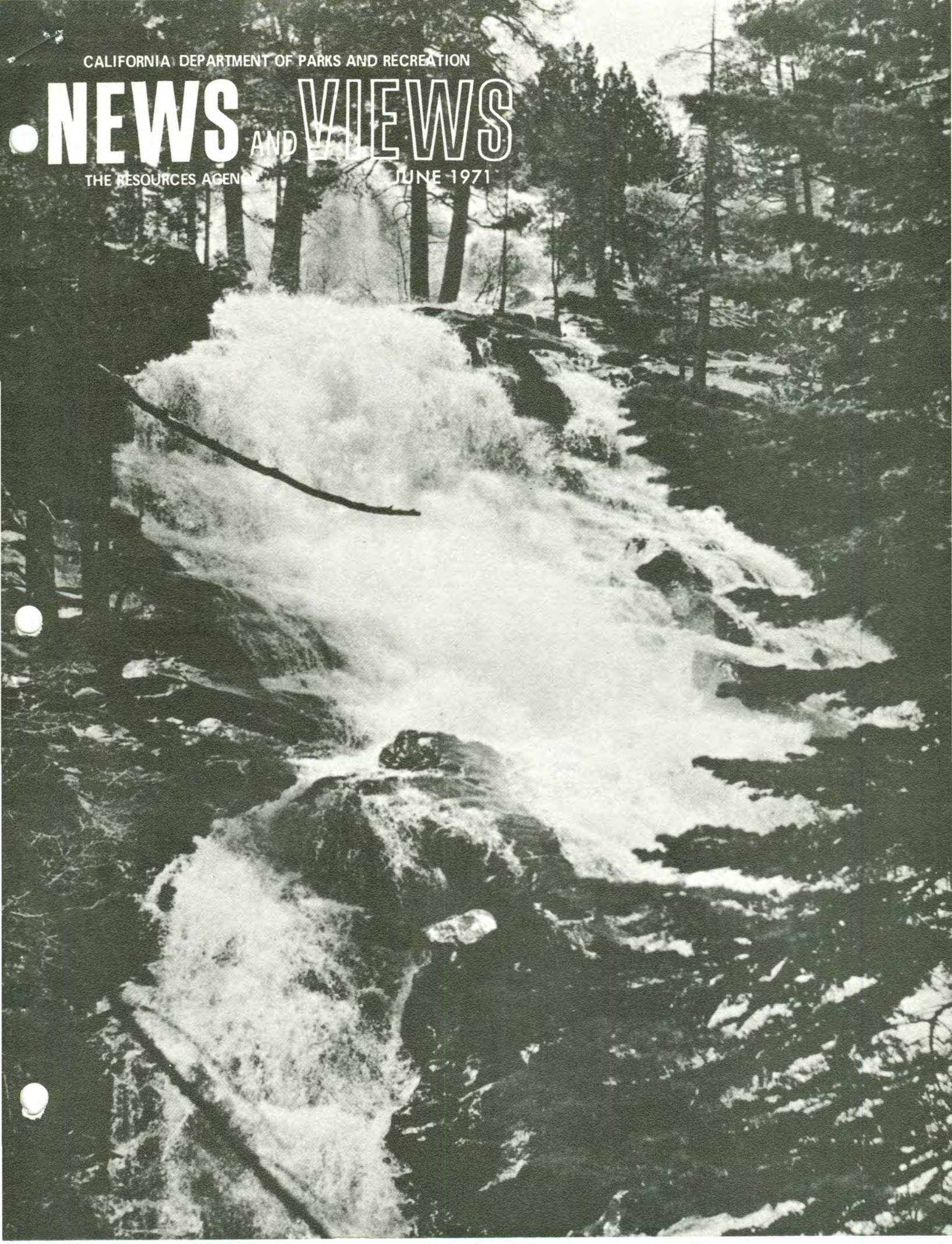

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The Ranger

In the formative years of the California State Park System, our Rangers were primarily concerned with resource management and protection. As more and more people visited the units of the System, our Rangers found their attention and time was being diverted from resource management and protection to serving the needs and demands of the public. In recent years, law enforcement and interpretation of the natural and cultural values of the System have been added to the responsibilities of a Ranger.

To cope with this increasing responsibility, the Department established in October of 1969 an in-service training program not only for our Rangers, but for our park maintenance and operating personnel. Ninety-four employees have taken the 200-hour park management and supervisory training program. Thirty-six employees have taken 240 hours of ranger training program. Forty-eight employees have taken the supervisory personnel program. Eighteen employees have taken the 40-hour maintenance management training. Seventy-three employees have taken the 200-hour peace officer training.

We are now planning an 80-hour training program for the Rangers to assist them in understanding the natural and cultural values and the techniques necessary to interpret these values to the public.

The California State Park System has advanced significantly in its efforts to provide the public with the best service possible. To the Rangers themselves, my sincere appreciation for the outstanding adjustment you have made in accepting not only the responsibility for resource management and protection, but for serving the System as peace officers and interpreters of the natural cultural values.

This has been a major effort, and I want at this time to compliment everyone who has contributed to the success of the program. It has meant sacrifice and a personal commitment to make the in-service program succeed.

To each of you, thanks and congratulations!

IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AT PICACHO SRA

They've been busy at Picacho SRA! Boy Scout Troop 376 spent several weekends clearing a trail which leads to the Old Mill area along the Colorado River, and Area Manager Don Pohl constructed interpretive signs for the site.

The trail begins at the concession-operated store near park headquarters and is about one mile to the Mill site. Gold is said to have been discovered along the Colorado River as early as 1862, but major development of this resource didn't take place until around 1879 when the first mill was built. The second mill was built in 1895, and by 1904, when production was at its peak, there were 700 men employed at the mine and mill, and the town of Picacho boasted a population of 2,500 people.

The trail and the interpretive signs have added greatly to the visitor program. Before they were built, visitors to Picacho had to get to the river over the rough terrain of the area, and when they got to the area they didn't know what they were looking at! Now, with the help of the easier access and the interpretive signs, people are able to appreciate the history and beauty of the area even more.

The trail leading to the Mill site. Boy Scout Troop 376 plans to keep the trail cleared as their special project.

This is the location of the town of Picacho which is now under water. That's the Colorado River with Arizona in the background.

One of Don Pohl's interpretive signs at the site of the upper mill, the second to be constructed.

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ALL YOU EVER WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT CONSERVATION BUT WERE AFRAID TO ASK

The Van Nostrand Reinhold Company has just announced publication of a new five-volume study on the history of conservation policies: *Conservation in the United States: A Documentary History*. In its announcement the company says, "In addition to offering probing analyses of our past and present conservation policies, (the book) presents guidelines to the roles of the individual, the school, and industry in conserving our natural resources."

At $150 per set the book will probably not make the best-seller list, but should prove invaluable to anyone needing conservation information who has access to rich library.

TRANSFERS, PROMOTIONS, RECLASSIFICATIONS HIT FIELD

Eight promotions, eleven transfers including three under the department's Management Development program, and two voluntary reclassifications highlighted last month's personnel transactions.

Of statewide interest was the appointment of *Bob Baker* to replace *Andy Anderson* as Assistant Deputy Director. Baker, who had been an Assistant Landscape Architect with the Statewide Planning Branch, took over the Southern California office May 1. Anderson took a voluntary reclassification to Ranger V, Sierra Area Manager. In another voluntary reclassification, *Neil Power* went from Ranger IV to Ranger III in order to stay on as Area Manager at Columbia.

Promoted were:

Chuck Lyden, from Ranger IV, Manpower Utilization Section, to Ranger V, San Luis Obispo Coast Area.

Charles Cline, from Interpretive Specialist, District 1, to Assistant Superintendent, District 3.

James Geary, from Ranger III, Pt. Mugu Area, to Ranger IV, Pt. Mugu Area.

Richard Felty, from Ranger III, San Luis Obispo Coast Area, to Ranger IV, Salton Sea Area.

William Allison, from Ranger IV, Mendocino Area, to Ranger V, Golden Gate Area.

Jewell N. Caughell, from Facilities Maintenance Specialist, District 6, to Ranger V, Orange Coast Area.

Dale Buschke, from Ranger II, Sonoma Area, to Ranger V, Personnel Section (Management Development).

Transferred were:

Walter Johnston, from Sierra Area to Manpower Utilization Section (Management Development).

Jack Welch, from District 5 to San Diego Coast Area.

Maurice Morgan, from San Diego Coast Area to Gaviota Area.

Fred Eggimann, from Gaviota Area to Will Rogers Area.

William Dougherty, from Orange Coast Area to Channel Coast Area.

James Davis, from Channel Coast Area to Four Rivers Area.

Richard Brock, from District 2 to Manpower Utilization Section (Management Development).

Curtis Mitchell, from Manpower Utilization Section to Santa Cruz Mountains Area.

Anton Trigeiro, from Santa Cruz Mountains Area to Santa Cruz Coast Area.

Paul Griffith, from Santa Cruz Coast Area to Mendocino Area.

Ted Wilson, from District 3 to Concessions Division (Management Development). □

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GROOMING REGULATION PETITION HITS SACRAMENTO

In our last issue, we reported on the petition being circulated by Ranger Trainee *Donald Ritchie* asking for redress from the requirements of the Department's grooming regulations. At that time, Ranger Ritchie's petition was signed by "nearly 99 percent" of the trainees graduated as Group B from the class at Asilomar.

Since then, the petition has been circulated around headquarters in Sacramento, and has picked up an additional 101 signatures, including seven conditional signatures (the signers agreed with the petition, but only *within reason*), and two flat rejections. One of the rejectors identified himself and stated "Absolutely not!" the other merely wrote "If the Ranger Trainees don't like the present good grooming regulations – let them go to work elsewhere!"

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ARMY OFFICER LOSES LIFE AT MORRO ROCK

A 27-year old warrant officer, Ronald Riddell, tried to jump down to a ledge on Morro Rock and fell to his death. Riddell and his wife were touring the California coast while en route to Maryland where he was stationed.

He first climbed the rock from the "safe" side and then tried again on the dangerous ocean side. His wife kept calling to him, and finally he started to come down. Riddell reached a drop of 5 to 10 feet from a ledge, and instead of facing the surface of the Rock and inching down, he jumped. He landed on the ledge, but his knees buckled and he was catapulted outward. He fell head first onto the rocks below, dying instantly.

Park personnel are constantly having to rescue people from the rock, even though there are warning signs in the area. According to *Al Ulm*, in one weekend 24 persons had to be either talked down or physically removed from the Rock after they had become stuck.

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SAFETY

by Lloyd Lively
Superintendent, District 5

The theme of the April 28-29 District 5 Area Manager meeting was "safety." Greeting the managers was *Lloyd Lively*, District 5 Superintendent, who presented a challenging safety message to introduce the program. Mr. Lively has consented to sharing his message throughout the department. Thank you, Mr. Lively, for the following guest editorial for our regular News and Views safety article.

Judging by the statistics we have been receiving for the past year, our Department's safety record needs considerable improvement. Both on-the-job accidents and vehicle accidents are far too numerous. I do not propose to go into the statistical part of the safety presentation this morning. Mr. Morrison, our Safety and Enforcement Specialist, will take up that subject later in the day. My purpose in asking for your time and attention is to give you a few of my personal thoughts on the importance of good safety conditions.

By definition from Webster an accident is "a sudden event or change occurring without intent or volition through carelessness, unawareness, ignorance or a combination of causes, and producing an unfortunate result." I am sure that all of us here would not want to consider ourselves careless, unperceptive or ignorant, but sometimes these things can creep into our daily lives without us being conscious of them. The result of an accident can be far reaching, from momentary discomfort to a sudden or lingering death. We can't afford to gamble with safety precautions. The stakes are far too high.

We have in District 5 a recent example where one of our employees decided to save a little time by not performing a job in the safest manner possible. He might have saved thirty minutes had he been successful in performing the work. However, he gambled thirty minutes time and lost. He suffered an accident that will impair his physical capability for the rest of his life. He will no longer be able to perform any job requiring physical ability and will have to retrain himself for a light duty type of work. The effects of this kind of an accident, from a monetary or a physical well being viewpoint, are incalculable. In terms of loss of income and human suffering, the damage is beyond any compensation.

Safety consciousness must become a subconscious part of our daily lives if we are to avoid unnecessary accidents. I have a responsibility to every employee in this district to do my very best to encourage and require that this kind of safety consciousness be reached insofar as possible. You, as Area Managers, have the same responsibility to instill this thought in those employees under your supervision. You are far closer to the potential accident scene; therefore in a position to be much more effective than I am. If you let safety shortcuts develop, the scene for accidents will be set.

Stop and think until it becomes automatic to be sure that all work is being done safely, then pass this concept on to your personnel. The man who lifts too heavy a load or lifts improperly is flirting with physical disability of the kind I just spoke of. Train your people to avoid saving minutes when the cost may be months of lost time. The employee who gambles with safety and loses does a great disservice to himself, his family and his employer. Remember safety is an attitude. Let us all cultivate an attitude that will bring our accident rates down.

I would like you to consider this the primary purpose of our meeting today. The rewards will be substantial in time and money saved and human suffering avoided. I am sure next year's statistics can show much improvement with your insistence on safety consciousness for all your personnel. □

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— A couple of issues ago, we ran an article on the "dolly" invented by Ranger Jerry Hayes while he was stationed at Grizzly Creek Redwoods SP. Ranger Hayes got a Merit Award for his idea, but transferred to the San Diego Coast Area while the award papers were in the shuffle. Finally, though, his $70 check caught up, and District 6 Superintendent Jim Whitehead presented it to him with the award certificate last month.

bits & pieces

At RUSSIAN GULCH SP the night patrol found a gentleman with a lantern playing a trumpet at 2 a.m. out on the tip of the south headlands. Since it could disturb no one, he was left to his "thing."

CLEAR LAKE SP had its first *car* launched from the new boat ramp. The husband drove the boat onto the trailer and told his wife to take off. She did but the car was in reverse. It was rescued by a tow truck after disappearing completely under water.

Can Ticketron handle this one? A camper wrote this note to the ORANGE COAST AREA office in hopes of reserving a campsite. . ."I cannot recall where I camped last time, but I wish to camp there again. To reserve this campsite, I must tell you which one, but I am unable to do so. It is, I believe, on the side of the camp which would be closest to the entrance (it might be the exit), near some kind of marshy-type terrain across a dirt road (possibly paved). If this is not enough information, use your best judgement for a secluded site."

On the first anniversary of a "hippie" type wedding held at GAVIOTA SP, Ranger *Richard McKillop* came upon the same group of people who were at the wedding. This time the sunrise affair was a christening! Biology works that way.

An unidentified Navy object was found in the SILVER STRAND SB surf. Ranger *Ken Smith* called the Naval Amphibious Base and the Navy did not identify the object but stated that it was *not dangerous* but *armed*??? □

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INTERPRETATION THROUGH COOPERATION

by Mike Merkel
District 5 Interpretive Specialist

Las Cruces Hot Springs is a warm spring that issues from the ground in a pretty canyon lined with oaks and sycamores, a short walking distance form the main highway in the Gaviota Area. Recently its popularity with young people has increased causing concern that the area would develop into a trouble spot with high crime rate, fires, litter and undesirable activities.

A continual ranger-interpretive foot patrol of the canyon to solve the problem was not feasible, and bulldozing out a natural spring did not seem the right thing to do. We felt a positive approach dealing people-to-people should be tried.

Word was spread by radio, newspaper and person-to-person for all interested individuals or groups to meet at the spring with Parks and Recreation staff. The first meeting was held last August with Area Manager *Fred Eggimann*, Assistant Superintendent *Al Salzgeber* and me; since then, other meetings have been held under the trees.

Since the first meeting, four colorful hand painted signs in the current idiom have been installed. The area looks very clean. There is less evidence of vandalism.

There will always be renegades and those who disregard other's rights. We are trying to open doors of communication between persons of good will. □

Kathleen Moore and Damon Richard of the Santa Barbara Ecology Center with one of the signs they made to help protect Las Cruces.

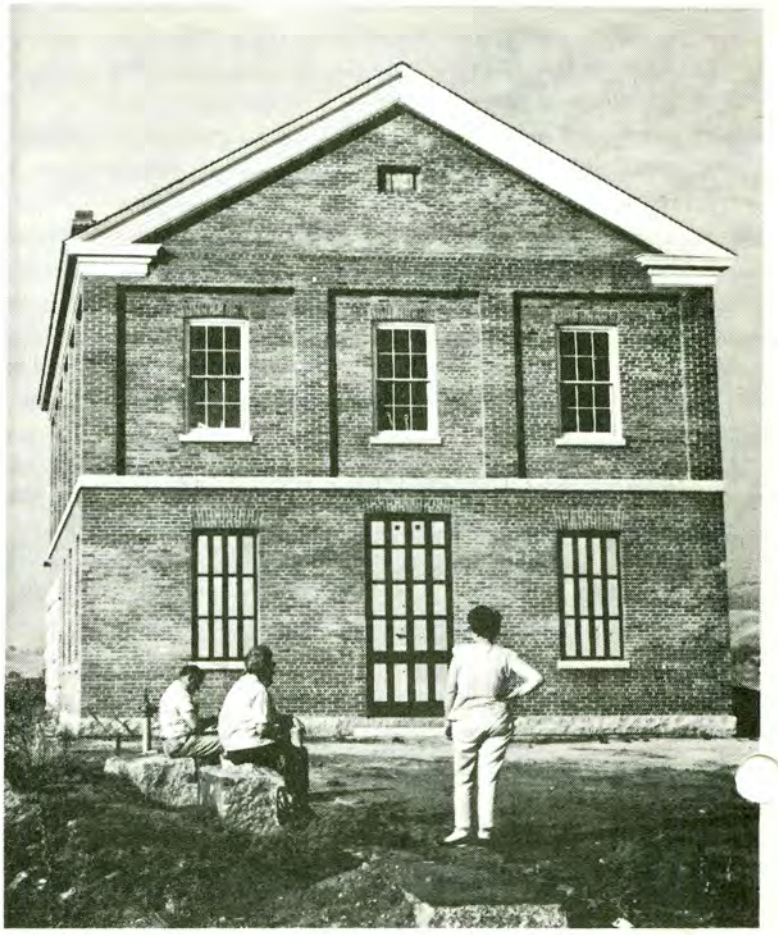
MILLERTON COURTHOUSE DEDICATED

On April 25, the Fresno County Board of Supervisors held its first meeting in 97 years at the old Millerton County Courthouse, when the reconstructed courthouse was officially opened and dedicated. Area Manager *Bill Reinhardt* spoke, and Deputy Director *Bob Meyer* read a message from the Governor. The Fresno County Sheriff and the Assessor briefly occupied restored offices in the reconstructed building. Also on the scene were Fresno Mayor Ted Wills and former State Senator Hugh Burns. The Sierra Mono Indian Museum, the Fresno Arts Center, and the Fresno Museum of Natural History and Junior Museum contributed exhibits for the affair, and the California 200 mobile history trailer was also on hand.

The courthouse was moved in the late 1930s when its original site was inundated by Millerton Lake. Assisted by about $13,000 in contributions, work on reassembling its stored parts began in 1966.

The offices of the sheriff, assessor, and tax collector have been furnished as they might have been when the courthouse was in use from 1867 to 1874 before a devastating flood nearly wiped out the town of Millerton. There are also exhibits on natural history, Indian life, and 19th-century law and order – including a slide show on the trial of Charles Converse, builder of the courthouse and also the first to be incarcerated in its jail, for the murder of one William Crow.

The courthouse is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily except Monday and Tuesday.



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TOUCHING LETTER IN PRAISE OF PT. MUGU LIFEGUARDS

Saturday, April 10, Pt. Mugu lifeguards Jim Beatty *and* Jim Burhoe *responded to a call for help on the beach. It seems a 14-year-old youngster had been digging a tunnel in the sand and it collapsed on him. The guards, with the help of bystanders, managed to dig the boy out and with mouth-to-mouth resuscitation and heart massage got him breathing again. He was in very bad condition, however, and died later in the hospital. They figure the boy had been buried for nearly ten minutes.*

A few weeks later, Beatty got the following letter from the boy's parents:

Dear Mr. Beatty,

My husband and I wish to thank you for your response to the rescue call for our son, Brock Stratmann.

We realize the frustration that you must sometimes feel in your endeavor so we wanted you to know this. That small thread of life that your skills coaxed from Brock enabled us to preserve his life long enough to arrange to have his kidneys and corneas made available for transplant. This he wanted, for we had discussed this miracle of modern medicine within our family many times.

Words can't express our gratitude to you for making this priviledge possible.

Anne and Joe Morton

HE DOESN'T WORK, HE HIKES - AND "INTERPRETS" SIERRA

This article by Rod Beaudry appeared as part of the "State Line" series in the Sacramento Union. Reprinted by permission.

SQUAW VALLEY – He gets up each morning and there is a Pine Marten waiting at the back door for breakfast. And the more he learns about flowers and birds and hiking trails, the better he does his job.

Ken Legg had a birthday last week but it won't change the generation gap that exists between him and most older – and younger – people.

This outspoken individual is not a Berkeley student, a member of SDS or a hippie. He is a park ranger in the Sierra-Tahoe area – and celebrated his 55th birthday Thursday.

Ken likes working for a living – but doesn't consider his job work. What does he do?

"I take hikes with other people," he explained in an interview here at the State Department of Parks and Recreation headquarters for the Northern Sierra.

Translated, this means his job is the interpretation of the Sierra area. This involves knowing a lot about the animal life, vegetation and what the area has to offer to the nature lover.

Ken has been with the parks department for nearly 25 years. He started at Big Sur, then was transferred to a mission in Santa Barbara and then to Point Lobos. There have been other tours of duty at Natural Bridges Beach in Santa Cruz and in the redwoods of Humboldt County.

At his Emerald Bay quarters, many people would ask him how he got out during the winter. "Who wants out?" was his patented reply. He adds that when he "wanted out" he would don a pair of snow shoes and take a long walk.

Ken has been assigned to the Tahoe area for the past 10 years – and is sort of pessimistic about the willingness – or ability – of people to change or preserve the area.

"Man is alien today (to nature,)" observed the ranger. "(He is) always trying to alter his environment . . trying to control and change."

He says many people take the time to hike into the mountains to observe nature – but leave beer cans and other litter. This has to be the falsity of man, he says.

"People are simply not telling it like it is," Ken said, borrowing a phrase from another generation. He said human nature is hard – maybe impossible – to change. And the way it stands now "everybody is only concerned about himself."

Ken says that there is a lot of talk about saving Lake Tahoe and its environs from runiation. Yet, an energetic building program continues and more and more people flood the area. He said he used to hike into Desolation Valley and not see a person for days – but now it is like downtown Sacramento.

Ranger Ken Legg instructs a group before starting on a snow hike.

But Ken is not bitter. He says he has become philosophical and believes that if a person can acquire a feeling for nature, he could once again be a part of nature.

That's where his job comes in.

"If man doesn't have a concern, a feeling, a knowledge of nature, then there is no hope," Ken says.

But Ken believes that a city boy from Sacramento can acquire this feeling, this knowledge – starting by joining him for a hike. Or by attending a few of his lectures at Donner Memorial State Park.

Ken's job is to interpret the area. He does this with books on wild flowers, by training new rangers and by educating the public.

Ken said it's easy to love wolves if you're not a sheep rancher. And it's easy to say "don't develop the land if you don't own a big chunk that would bring thousands of dollars from a developer."

Ken says that a basic problem of development is the increase in population. The second aspect of the problem is the general affluence of these people.

Just a few short years ago, according to Ken, few people visited Tahoe. Now there is more free time and more money to get out of town and see the country.

And its Ken's job to show them a part of that country – and at the same time try to impart a feeling for man's natural surroundings . . . a strong enough feeling to make man make his actions follow his words. □

YIELD FROM THE FIELD . . .

District 1

DEL NORTE COAST REDWOODS SP has set the record for being the wettest spot in Del Norte County! Ranger *Ray B. Robison* recorded a total of 103.30 inches of rainfall this year, 14.68 inches over last year.

Three stray dogs were picked up in GRIZZLY CREEK REDWOODS SP. One dog was covered with porcupine quills. Maintenance Man *Jesse Butterfield* carefully removed 47 quills from the dog's face and the dog made a remarkable recovery. After the dogs had eaten the rangers out of house and home, they had to be turned over to the Deputy Poundmaster. Luckily the owner caught up with his strays.

District 3

COLUMBIA SHP isn't going to the dogs, but the dogs are coming to Columbia. Mrs. Vera Moore, proprietor of the Ebler's Harness Shop, has a brand new toy poodle with the official registered name of "Cherie of Columbia State Park."

We were sorry to hear that Honorary Ranger Charlie Gaus, who lives at MALAKOFF DIGGINS SHP, fell and broke his hip.

Bob Lettmann, Ranger at McCONNELL SRA, had been on limited duty for some time. Recently Bob was returned to Stanford Hospital, and after extensive examination, a heart pacer was installed. Bob is now at home at McConnell SRA, McConnell Road, Ballico 95303. He would appreciate hearing from his friends both in the field and at Headquarters.

District 4

Two young Capitola boys actually discovered a money tree and it paid them $5 each. They were walking along a path from Capitola down to NEW BRIGHTON SB when one of them spotted a woman's handbag in a tree. They took the purse to the Capitola Police Department, then wrote a note to the owner, a lady in Oak Park, Illinois. Each boy received $5 and a letter which said the handbag was stolen from her in December, 1969.

Twenty well conditioned men aged from 21 to 64 participated in the 2nd Annual MOUNT DIABLO Disturbance Race. The winner ran a distance of 6.6 miles in a time of 43:18. It takes that long to *drive* that distance on a busy day! Jack Kirk, a 64-year-old youngster, ran the race in 48 minutes and won the prize for coming in 8th. He was so good they saddled him with a handicap.

Three gray whales were observed feeding near the mouth of McWay Cove at JULIA PFEIFFER BURNS SP. They were diving near a kelp bed. They would come up with their heads out of the water and hold that position for 30 seconds or more. At times all three whales would be out of the water at once. Ranger *Cliff Wade* claims that the park has the best whale observation post along the coast.

District 5

Mary Millicent Hearst, great-granddaughter of the late William Randolph Hearst, was married in the reception hall of HEARST CASTLE SHM. She was the first member of the Hearst family to be married at the Castle. Many of the park officials and attendants were on hand for the ceremony.

Up at SHASTA SHP they are worried that someone will try to break *into* the jail. So a fire and intrusion detection system was installed in the City Hall and Jail Buildings of SHASTA SHP. The system ties into the local fire station and sheriff's office. →

YO-HO-HO

If a bill recently introduced by Ventura County Senator Robert Lagomarsino becomes law, the Department will be authorized to enter into agreements with treasure-hunters for splits of any loot found on, in, or under State Parks. The Department would keep anything of historic or cultural value (such as doubloons, pieces of eight. . .).

According to Lagomarsino, as quoted in the *Sacramento Bee*, an electronics engineer knows where Sir Francis Drake left his booty but won't tell unless the state gives him a share. There is also reputed to be a Spanish galleon, loaded with Inca treasure, that is supposed to have gone down in an area subsequently silted over, in the vicinity of Torrey Pines.

Perhaps an alternative to bond financing has been discovered. □

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YIELD FROM THE FIELD (continued)

District 5 (continued)

Men's Liberation? *Dick Higgens*, District Headquarters Park Maintenance Assistant, was given a surprise baby shower. Dick was showered with gifts for his new daughter, Carol Ann.

District 6

CUYAMACA RANCHO SP Area Manager *Glen Jones'* wife Mary was understandably shaken when she went to the door and found 20 Mexican aliens. She quickly phoned Chief Ranger *John Walstrom* and cried, "John, hurry over – I have part of the Mexican Army on my front porch!" Park staff detained the aliens until the U.S. Border Patrol arrived.

The ANZA BORREGO AREA has been having high winds and blowing sand. Ranger *Glenn Mincks* didn't know what the wind speed was, but he clocked a rolling and bounding beer can at 25 mph for at least 100 yards.

If there ever was any doubt about the need for law enforcement training for our rangers, perhaps this will set minds at rest. ANZA BORREGO DESERT SP Ranger *Ron Secovitch* found a note while on patrol advising a "Tommy Tootsie" that the writer and friends were going to San Diego for drugs and would see him later. The note was written on the back of a sales receipt for *ammunition*.

A Pacific Telephone Community Relations team held one of its monthly meetings in OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO SHP. Community relations was not only discussed but put into action. The group set aside their pens and paper and spent the afternoon painting 11 benches in the park plaza area.

Boy Scout Troop 430, North Orange Council, really put in a day's work at SALTON SEA SRA. They dug a ditch and laid 260 feet of water pipe in the build-it-yourself Youth Group Area.

It was all in a day's work for Ranger Trainee *Richard Irwin* of SOUTH CARLSBAD SB. A girl lost her contact lens in a washbasin and Ranger Irwin went to the rescue with his wrench and flashlight. After carefully opening the trap and flushing the basin, the lens was recovered intact.

Headquarters

If NEWS and VIEWS is late this month, it might be because MT/ST (Magic Typewriter) Supervisor *Erika Loutzenhiser* is off having her baby – a 4 lb. 13 oz. boy. □

LOS COCHES WAYSIDE CAMPGROUND OPENED

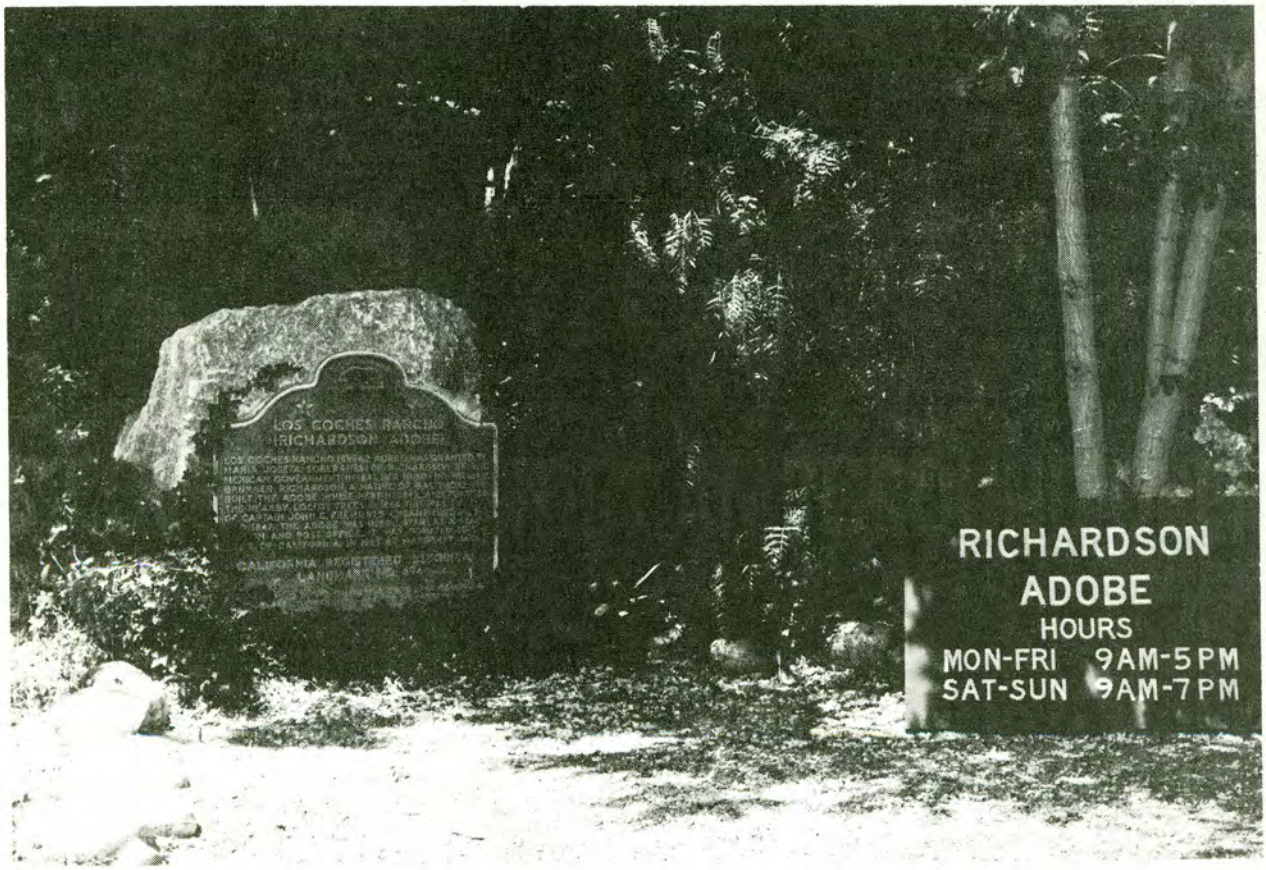
Photos by Dick THompson

Soledad is now famous for two things – its state prison and the new Los Coches Wayside Campground. One big advantage the campground has over the prison is that the "guests" can leave whenever they want.

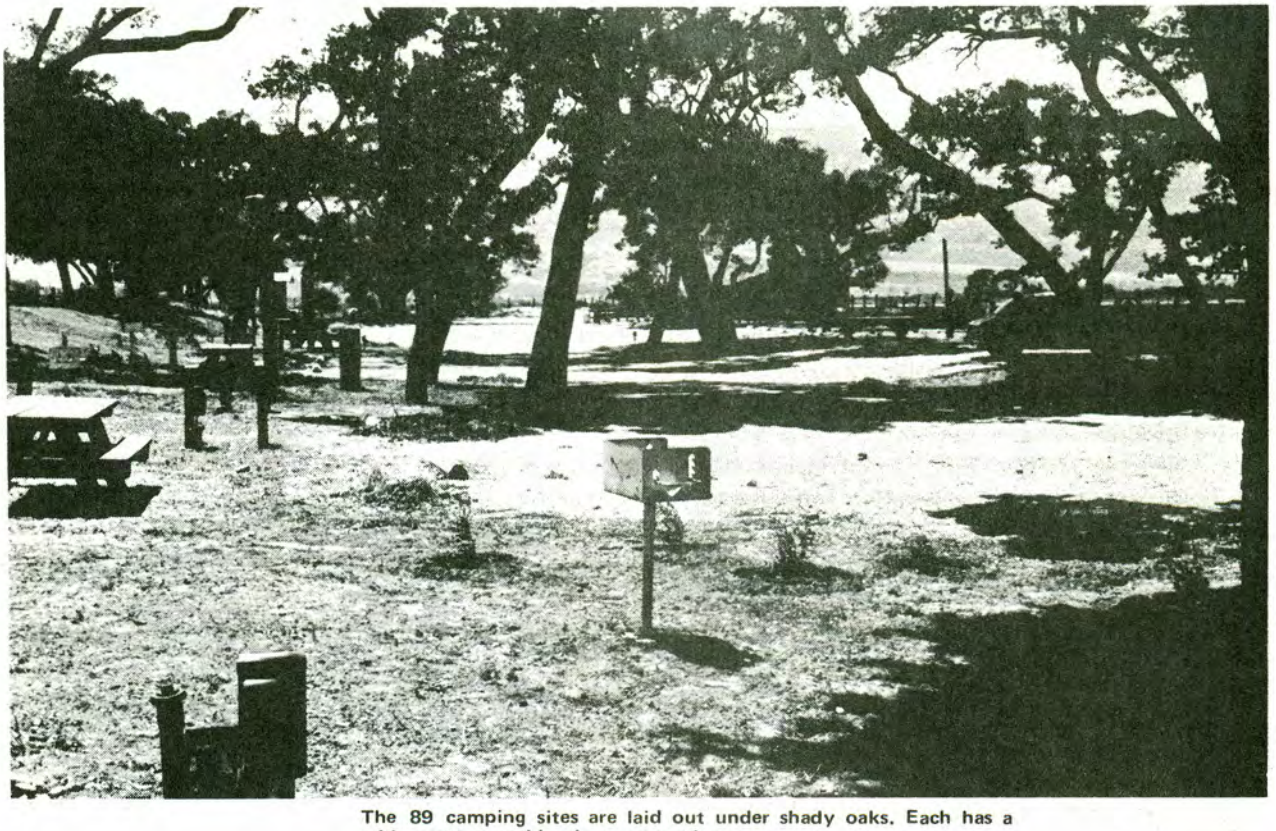
Los Coches, the first State Park System unit to be developed entirely with private capital, was formally opened on May 15. Present were District 4 Superintendent Milt Frincke, Concessions Chief John Hightower, Assistant Planning and Development Chief Dick May and his wife, the concessioners Mr. and Mrs. George Phillips, and the guest of honor Assemblyman Robert Wood of Salinas.

The campground is situated on a 15-acre site, of which nine are presently developed. It has 89 modern trailer spots with hookups, restrooms with hot showers and laundry facilities, a soon-to-be-completed country store, a trailer sanitation station, and the historic Richardson Adobe, which was built in 1834.

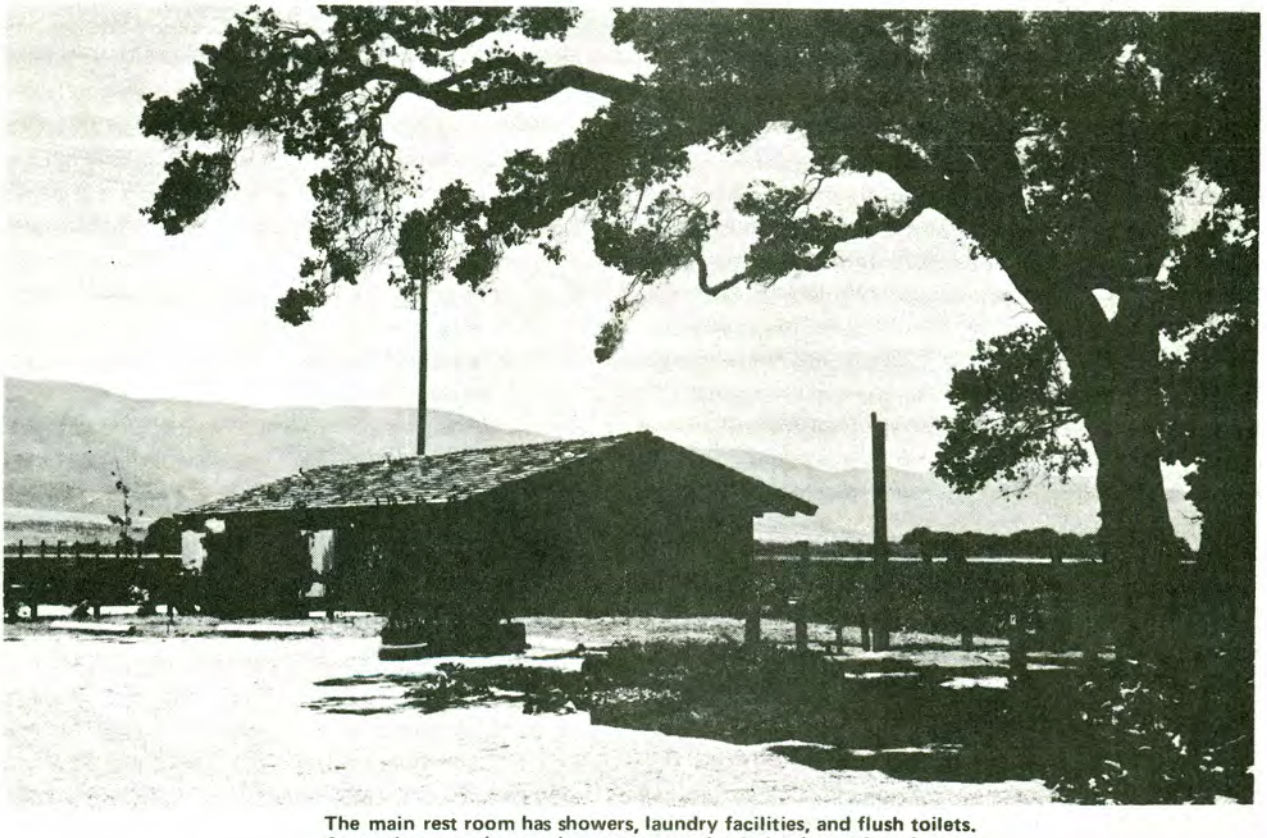
Concessioner George Phillips (left) shakes hands with Milt Frincke. Others, from left, are Mrs. May, Mrs. Phillips, Dick May, John Hightower, and Assemblyman Bob Wood.



The main attraction is the Richardson Adobe, California Historical Landmark 494, which was the site of Captain John Fremont's encampment in 1846-47, and later a stage coach station and post office.



The 89 camping sites are laid out under shady oaks. Each has a table, a stove, and hookup connections.



The main rest room has showers, laundry facilities, and flush toilets. As can be seen, the area is not yet completely landscaped, and many of the plants are still in flats waiting to be set out.

COMMISSION REPORT . . .

by Bill Dillinger

The Commission held its May meeting in Sonoma, following a trip the previous day (May 3) to Angel Island SHP to preview a KRON-TV special on the island and its history.

In Sonoma, the Commissioners were welcomed by the Sonoma League for Historic preservation, and also stopped off at the home of Richard Raoul Emparan and his wife, former State Park Commissioner Madie Brown Emparan, to see two paintings of General Vallejo and his wife which the Emparans plan to give to the State Park System. Several commissioners also managed a brief visit to the Petaluma Adobe.

A candlelight visit to the mission chapel for commissioners and local dignitaries christened new area manager Jerry Fialho and Ranger Jim Alexander, both knowledgeable despite less than a month on their new assignments.

Plans for a July 1973 Sesquicentennial celebration of the founding of the mission were announced by local officials at the Commission meeting.

Senator Milton Marks with Commission Chairman Gilchrist and Ray Taliaferro of KRON-TV at preview of Angel Island television special in the island's old military chapel. Senator Marks has introduced a bill to support historic restoration and limited expansion of picnic and trail facilities on the island.

Director's Report

Director Mott reported on current legislative committee hearings on the department budget, noting that proposed cuts in the planning staff could seriously affect the department's ability to be ready with recreational facilities when the new state water project reservoirs start filling.

The Director presented the 1970 report of the Anza-Borrego Committee showing over 800 acres of inholdings acquired and over $8,000 in funds raised for completion of the huge desert state park. The Commission passed a resolution commending the Committee.

A San Diego County hearing on the proposed Coyote Canyon Road, scheduled for mid-June in Borrego Springs, was brought to Commission attention.

Fritz Riddell, chief of the department's Cultural Resources Section, showed bottles and other artifacts recovered in archaelogical research at Fort Ross SHP in a program utilizing students from *Sonoma State College*.

A flip chart presentation prepared for a recent meeting with the Governor was shown to the Commission. Included were figures on the new State Parks Foundation, showing cash gifts of over $164,000 received and another $250,000 in real estate and bequests, with a listing of several major projects on which the foundation is active.

Fritz Riddell shows Commission a beer mug recovered with bottles and other artifacts in archaeological excavation at Ft. Ross SHP. Program involves Sonoma State College and is scheduled to continue this summer.

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COMMISSION REPORT (continued)

Business Meeting

Business before the Commission included approval of a report on the Point Mugu SP General Development Plan earlier adopted at the Commission's February meeting in Oroville.

Two other actions authorized the Director to arrange for transfer of the Haslett Warehouse in San Francisco and Squaw Valley SRA at Lake Tahoe to the Department of General Services for disposal as surplus property. The department is under legislative mandate to dispose of both, and these were technical steps in the procedure.

The Commission also authorized the Director to take advantage of a recent offer for sale to the State of the former Huntington Hartford Estate in the Santa Monica Mountains.

The property, being offered by owner Jack Morehart at one-half appraised value, would be acquired with Federal Land and Water Conservation Funds.

Following a presentation by Senator Peter Behr of Marin County, the Commission endorsed in principle his proposed California Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (SB 107). This would establish a wild and scenic rivers system administered by the State, with the Klamath, Eel, Trinity, and North Fork American to be studied by the Resources Agency for possible inclusion.

The Commission directed the Department to ban auto traffic on the beach at Morro Bay SP to conform with a similar regulation just adopted by the City of Morro Bay regarding city beaches.

As promised at the meeting in Carpinteria, the Director reported on status of the development program for Carpinteria SB. The State does not favor transfer of the beach to the city, he noted, and despite the funding problems which affect all state programs, there are circumstances which make it look favorable for some funding of the project this Fall.

The Commission accepted with gratitude gifts through the Save-the-Redwoods League establishing the Paul H. Kea and Grace F. Kea Memorial Grove at Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP and the McEuen Family Grove at Prairie Creek Redwoods SP

The Commission's next meeting is set for June 10 and 11 at Morro Bay, with the following meeting slated for July 9 in San Diego. □

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RANGERS STAR ON TV

In April, SAN DIEGO COAST AREA Rangers *Floyd Lemley, Leroy Ross*, and *Richard Irwin* participated in an hour-long segment of the "Mornin' Folks " cable TV program. During the informal program, the rangers fielded questions on why they had chosen "rangering" as a profession, the history of the ranger uniform and particularly the Stetson, and requirements for becoming a Ranger Trainee. They described the Asilomar Training Academy courses and peace officer training at the Riverside Sheriff's Academy and this led into the types and amounts of crime problems in State Park units, the status of rangers as peace officers, and the citizen's responsibilities when a crime is committed, whether in a park or not.

Impact of heavy use, due to decreasing wild areas and increasing population, was discussed in relation to wooded areas in San Diego County and especially Torrey Pines SR. In talking about park regulations, the rangers gave some details regarding dogs in the parks and the new dog fee, and briefly reviewed checkout times and policies regarding assignment of campsites.

Ranger Irwin commented that appearing on the program was interesting, informative, and well worth the time spent. □

From left: Rangers Ross, Irwin, and Lemley with interviewer.

VOX POP

Ranger Herbert Pierce *is praised:*

It was recently our pleasure to visit MITCHELL CAVERNS SP. This delightful spot was made more interesting by the informative tour given by Ranger Pierce. Of all the state parks we have visited, Ranger Pierce was one of the most helpful, well-informed and courteous rangers we have encountered. No question was too insignificant for his careful explanation, and his touch of humor was refreshing, as well as his apparent enjoyment of his work. He is an asset to the Department and deserves to be complimented on his outstanding performance of his duties.

Harold and Grace Curtis
Temple City

Lifeguards save the day:

This is just a note of appreceiation regarding help given me by the Lifeguard Service at HUNTINGTON SB. My daughter and two of her children and I stopped at Huntington Beach, and I stayed in the car while they played on the beach. I enjoyed watching them but it was such a beautiful day I decided to take a walk along the driveways (not in deep sand). I must have walked a couple of miles when I decided to return to the car. But I *could not find* the car! What I did not know was there are two beaches, state and county. I walked and walked and finally asked a friendly and competent lifeguard who asked "George" the young USC man to help me. He did, very couteously and I even got a ride in the dune buggy and I had the time of my life! It isn't every day a grandmother gets a ride in a dune buggy!

Mrs. Rae E. Prugh
La Canada

Director Mott *receives letter of praise:*

Your staff people at HEARST CASTLE treated me and my wife with such extraordinary courtesy on our visit there that I must express our thanks to them and to you. The state has reason to be proud not only of the park but of the personnel.

Ralph B. Bennett
Politics Writer, Evening Tribune
San Diego

LA PURISIMA MISSION SHP people got a chuckle out of this letter:

Dear Sister, I am a fourth grader and I am going to do a report about your mission. I wanted to have pictures of the Mission and some brochures, but my mom and dad said that they couldn't take me there right now, but that we could go in the summer. Maybe I'll come to your Mission this summer. I picked your Mission to do a report on, I didn't write very much but one more thing, if its a father thats reading this letter then I'm sorry I wrote dear Sister.

Judy Smith
Costa Mesa

Linda Ross, Clerk I at OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO SHP is praised for her efforts:

Recently I inquired by phone on certain recreational areas in Northern California. Not only did I receive courteous attention from Miss Ross, but two days later I received more information than I had inquired about. Miss Ross did not confine her helpful efforts to brochures but she took the extra time to enclose a personal letter describing adjacent recreational areas which may enhance our vacation. My sincere gratitude for all she has done.

Dean Srygley
San Diego

Ranger Carl Chavez *shows how enforcement can be carried out in a positive vein:*

While at PISMO SB our son Kyle received a warning violation for driving a Scrambler we had rented for him. Mr. Chavez was really very nice to us and explained why he had stopped Kyle. We had no idea that our son was in the wrong. Anyway I am just writing to let you know that we really appreciated how nice Mr. Chavez was. We just really enjoy Pismo and will be back soon – but not with a rented Scrambler!

Mrs. Kenneth Beckman
Lodi

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WHAT THE FEDS ARE DOING

New Entrance and Camping Fees in Yosemite National Park

Effective May 1, the daily entrance fee went from $2 to $3, and allows a vehicle and its occupants a day's stay in the park. This new charge is a reflection of the increased cost (now $10) of the annual Golden Eagle Passport, which affords year-long entries to designated federal park and recreational areas.

The new camping fees for Yosemite Valley have gone up from $3 to $4 per night per family campsite, and from $.25 to $.50 per person for the group campsites.

The increase is in keeping with the National Park Service philosophy that those who benefit directly should pay, in part, for special services.

The balance of the park's campgrounds outside of Yosemite Valley will continue to have the same fees as last summer. They vary from $1 to $3 per night, and $.25 per person for group camping.

New Law Enforcement Division

A new Division of Law Enforcement has been established as one of several measures underway to cope with the increasing law enforcement situation. This division provides the capability of developing a cadre of park police which may be dispatched on short notice to assist park staff in police functions.

Heading the program will be Inspector Franklin A. Arthur, a 20-year veteran of the U.S. Park Police. The training program is planned to reach seasonal park rangers and supervisory park rangers as well as the regular park ranger staff.

The Park Service is beginning to emphasize recruitment of personnel experienced in the social and police sciences rather than almost exclusively from the fields of history, archeology, biology, anthropology, botany, etc. With the record high of more than 172 million visitors last year alone, it is understandable that the need for law enforcement has increased.

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VOX POP (continued)

Fresno Girl Scout Troop has memorable visit to MORRO BAY SP:

> We want to thank Miss *Debbie Kampf* for being so helpful on our visit to the Museum of Natural History at MORRO BAY SB. When she learned of our group she offered to show us a film on the California Sea Otter. Her knowledge and enthusiasm were outstanding. She exhibited a degree of professional excellence seldom seen. A credit to your department.
>
> Troop 508
> Fresno

Ranger Emmet Crisp *of the Russian River Area has some young admirers:*

> Thank you very much for talking to us. We learned a lot (those who paid attention) and we had much fun. I hope we take another trip there, but when the tide's out so we can learn about the tidepools. I've been to the coast before but I've never seen rangers talking to a group, so thanks again.
>
> Cindy Plummer
> Spring Creek School
> Santa Rosa

Ranger Trainee Jim Hart *of the SAN LUIS OBISPO COAST AREA made a new friend:*

> I really appreciated the field trip. It was very nice of you to help us learn about the forest, plants, and animal tracks. The arm that guards the forest must be very strong. I think the best things I liked were the hundred inch bug hunt and the butterflies.
>
> David Kurtze
> Orcutt

Ranger R. W. Kellogg *is good detective:*

> During Easter week our family visited PISMO SB where we had the misfortune of having two overnight bags stolen from our tent while we were away from the area. Through the efforts of the park staff our bags were found, intact, about one hour after our departure. By the time we arrived home we had notification from Ranger Kellogg and within the week our property was returned. I wish to commend Ranger Kellogg and the Pismo staff for their fine cooperation and assistance.
>
> Ted Smith
> Auburn

$25,000 BID OFFERED... AND REJECTED... FOR SQUAW VALLEY

At precisely 2 p.m., April 23, Director Mott opened the lone bid for Squaw Valley while a battery of reporters and TV cameramen recorded the event. With him were Curt Vincent, Chief of General Services' Land Acquisition Division; John Hightower, Concessions Division Chief; and Al Brown, Department of Finance.

The lone bid received April 23 for the state's interest in Squaw Valley SRA was rejected as being non-responsive to the bid requirements. Submitted by Ski Properties Company, the bid of $25,000 was accompanied by so many terms and conditions that it could not legally be called a bid.

For example, one of the bidder's conditions was that it be allowed an additional 60 days so that it could submit still more terms and conditions.

Director Mott called the bid unresponsive and said that if we were to accept the bid we would be doing an injustice to other bidders who did not feel that they could meet the state's formal bid requirements. Now, he said, we will accept proposals from any person or firm that wants to discuss conditions and terms, including the Ski Properties Company.

John Hightower, Department Concessions Division Chief, said that we will continue to accept proposals until we receive an offer that we can present to the Legislature for approval. Since the April 23 bid opening, he added, our office has received 40 to 50 inquiries from interested bidders.

Formal announcement of our intent to sell Squaw Valley was made in January. By the formal bid opening, we had received 900 requests for general information brochures and sent out 40 of the $25 bid packages to prospective bidders. □

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FIRST MAINTENANCE MANAGEMENT TRAINING PROGRAM IS HELD AT ASILOMAR

by James Kruger
Director, Asilomar Training Institute

The first formal Maintenance Management Training Program concluded at Asilomar on April 30. The purpose of the training was to provide an understanding of Facilities Maintenance Program goals, concepts and standards, and a study of methods for carrying out program activities. Developed and led by Program Supervisor Herb Heinze, the training included scheduling, budgeting, safety, equipment, employee development, and relationships and roles of the Maintenance series to other classes and departmental programs.

Plans for the future include repeating similar training to meet existing needs, and integrating the program into the departmental Employee Development Program.

The 40-hour training session was attended by:
George E. Kafka, Dyerville Area
Frederick A. Parson, Mendocino Area
Glen E. LaVine, Piercy Area
Renie A. Laret, San Luis Obispo Coast Area
Roy E. Mealey, Golden Gate Area
Derrick G. Andrews, Russian River Area
Theodore G. Crane, Folsom Lake Area
Jack C. Sutton, Sierra Area
Edwin K. Strain, Four Rivers Area
Richard C. Powers, Santa Cruz Mountains Area
Jack N. Costello, Santa Cruz Coast Area
Richard D. Carpenter, Monterey Area
Leonard A. Malcolm, District 5 Headquarters
Johnnie D. Allen, San Simeon Area
David A. Despain, Channel Coast Area
Melvin E. Schneider, Orange Coast Area
Gordon H. Sears, San Diego Coast Area
Homer W. Rail, Frontera Area □

TRAIL DAYS 1971 A GREAT SUCCESS

by Dale Wilson, Civil Engineer
Planning and Development

Dale Wilson (second from left) discusses the work with State Senator Donald Grunsky, Mrs. Betty Hughes, and District 4 Superintendent Milt Frinke (far right).

On April 17 and 18, some 800 volunteers nearly completed the trail work required to open the 15-mile hiking trail system at The Forest of Nisene Marks SP near Aptos; required signing and final sections will be completed soon. They also added to trails at Big Basin and Castle Rock SPs.

This makes the third successive year that volunteers have turned out in the Santa Cruz Mountain Area to construct and maintain trails, working under a pilot partnership arrangement between the Department and the Santa Cruz Mountain Trail Association. The Association was formed in 1969 to promote, use, and care for a master trail system in the Santa Cruz Mountains. In the springs of 1969 and 1970, a 47-mile foot and horse trail system was created to connect Big Basin and Castle Rock SPs, and nearly 1000 volunteers worked to improve that trail system again this year, in addition to the volunteers working at The Forest of Nisene Marks.

The turnout was gratifying, since the weekend began with rain. The trail work planned at Castle Rock, elevation 3,000 feet, was snowed out, and volunteers were diverted to adjacent, lower, areas.

District 4 staff members, from Superintendent *Milt Frincke* down, have been of tremendous assistance to the partnership program, providing assistance to the Trail Association, private groups that have taken trail-care contracts at Big Basin and Castle Rock, and the extra forces as required at the three Trail Days sessions. Ranger *Nils Bergman*, assigned to The Forest of Nisene Marks, has worked hard to make the cooperative trail effort a success.

Initial Trail System in The Forest of Nisene Marks

This 9,780-acre park was principally a gift to the State in 1965 from members of a pioneer Monterey County family and is named in honor of their late mother. The Department has been unable to develop the park due to lack of funds, but thanks to these volunteers the public will probably be able to use its trails this summer.

Planning the park's trails commenced last fall when the park's Advisory Committee asked the Department for assistance in laying out the trails, and the Santa Cruz Mountain Trail Association for assistance is planning and coordinating the trail work activities. The Trail Association, in turn, enlisted the help of the Monterey Bay Area Boy Scout Council and the Ventana Chapter of the Sierra Club.

Troops of Boy Scouts from Monterey, Santa Cruz, and San Benito Counties registered for the trail work at Nisene Marks. Jerry Hughes, Director of the Santa Cruz County Parks and Recreation Department, and William Tefertiller did a great deal of advance planning to coordinate their work, and Advisory Committee members Emmet Reed and Robert Hueter offered the use of their land for temporary campgrounds. Other Advisory Committee members who assisted in planning the event were Morse Trine, who organized the Sierra Club activities, and Mrs. Betty Hughes.

The U.S. Army supplied 4-wheel-drive vehicles to take Sierra Club members and Scouts to their isolated bases, from which they hiked to their assigned trail sections, and a jeep club assisted in providing communications.

The Boy Scouts waded through the mud to their assigned trail sections. →

TRAIL DAYS 1971 (continued)

↑ It takes a lot of digging. . .

↑ . . .and hoeing. . .

As the weather improved, all through the forest the shovels dug away, and sections of trail were linked between fifty starting points. By late Saturday afternoon the great majority of all assignments was completed and volunteers were hiking out. Several Boy Scout troops indicated an interest in taking a trail-care contract for one of the ten trail sections completed.

After a camp dinner on Saturday night the Scouts gathered at an evening program at which Director Mott delivered a short address and thanked all for their assistance. Each person who registered for Trail Days 1971 received an appropriate arm patch provided by the Santa Cruz Trail Association.

In this period when so much news of youth group activity is negative if not depressing, it is encouraging to see the cooperation and generosity which so many individuals and groups showed to make this program a success. Their achievements at Castle Rock and Big Basin will be the subject of a separate article when the "Skyline to the Sea" Trail is completed.

. . .and pruning to make a trail. →

Ranger Nils Bergman takes a well-earned break. →

INTERPRETIVE PROGRAM VISUAL AIDS - SOMETHING NEW HAS BEEN ADDED

by Burgess W. Heacox
State Park Naturalist III
Interpretive Services Section

The Interpretive Services Section has added a series of new and improved "song" slides to the photographic enlargements, duplicate slides, silk-screens for the development of Junior Ranger "patches," and similar interpretive aids it prepares for field use. Ranging in their visual effect from somewhat prosaic and obvious theme illustrations to those approaching the psychedelic, the 28 titles (almost 50 verses) cover an equally wide range of subjects including "old timers" as well as campfire program melodies which have become popular within the last decade. In fact, about the only kind missing is a "rock-n-roll" number.

Many areas and/or units made excellent suggestions of slides to be made, including traditional song titles and verses, local improvisations of familiar tunes, and certain of the more widely used "action" type audience participation "chant-alongs."

After final selection of the titles and verses to be used, production scheduling began. The "storyline" method was used to develop professional slide illustrated programs. Each verse was assessed for its illustration potential and a preliminary sketch or theme idea was identified. After the artwork had been prepared and the photographs or color transparencies selected, special photographic techniques combined artwork, lettering, transparencies, and color gels to produce the resulting illustrated song slides. □

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JESS CHAFFEE THANKS FRIENDS FOR WELL WISHES

Jess Chaffee, *who was Superintendent of District 4 until he retired in 1968, wrote and asked us to forward his thanks for the many well wishes you sent during his wife's recent illness.*

"During my wife's recent illness she was most heartened by the many, many letters and cards she received from you, beloved friends in the Department of Parks and Recreation.

"During the first eight days of hospitalization, she was in no condition to realize these thoughtful expressions were being received. I know, however, Betty's almost miraculous, rapid convalescence was aided by the awareness that so many *cared*, the doctors' skills and modern medicine notwithstanding.

"Personally I was deeply moved to know so many of you took the time to send these considerate get-well thoughts to Betty. We both appreciate them more than you can ever realize.

"Betty is coming along fine at home now and while she must see the Doctor often and take much rest and medication, she still is able to set a plant or two, and to enjoy life a little more each day.

Thank you again for all that you have done.

Yours with much gratitude,

Jess Chaffee"

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HANG UP YOUR SKIS

It is no longer necessary to make cold, hazardous trips into the Sierra to get information on the composition and condition of the snow pack, since the installation of a new type of snow gage by the U.S. Forest Service. Now a scientist can sit back in his warm, cozy office and dial a computer that tells him all he wants to know about snow.

The gage consists of a radioactive source and a detector, which are lowered into the snow a few feet apart. As protons penetrate the snow, some are absorbed or deflected; the number reaching the detector gives the computer enough information to make a complete "profile" of the snowpack from top to bottom. □

A SHORT MOVE DOWN THE ROAD AND A FEW NOTES

by Ed Earl, Chief Ranger
Santa Cruz Coast Area

This month's article takes us back to the northern section of our fine State. *Garland Gray* must hold somewhat of a record for receiving a transfer for one of the shortest distances and for a long stay in an assignment.

On October 1, 1941, he received his Custodians appointment to Richardson's Grove. Eight years later he and his wife moved down the road just fifteen miles, to Standish Hickey. That's where the Grays stayed for almost twenty years. Garland took a lot of pride in "his" park and it was known for its spotless appearance.

Since retiring in October 1967,Garland and Irene moved "just down the road" again. They keep busy working on the Gray's Lazy Acre just west of Santa Rosa at 2030 Folton Road.

Garland and Irene wish us all well and advise us to keep our chins up and keep smiling.

We will get back to Garland and Irene again and really get the full lowdown on what they are doing in the way of traveling, hobbies, and keeping busy.

Irene and Garland Gray visited Calaveras in 1969.

A Few Notes

Retired Ranger *Paul Minton* and wife Ruth took an April hike to the bottom of Canyon de Chelly in Arizona.

The *Roy Cushings* visited in Southern California during April including visits to *Gene Velzy* and *Charles Falker.* They left the driving to Greyhound from their home in Centralia, Washington.

Good News: *Betty Chaffee's* recovery is remarkable. She works outside a little everyday, and she is able to drive the family car again. Jess and Betty may delay their trip to Hawaii and in its place take shorter trips closer to home. □

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Alexander, James B.	State Park Ranger I	Benicia Area to Sonoma Area	4-15-71
Ballou, John A.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Squaw Valley SRA to Channel Coast Area	5-11-71
Brock, Richard L.	State Park Ranger V	Dist 2 HQ to Oper Div Chief's Off	4-15-71
Cain, Charles A.	State Park Ranger I	Marin Area to Benicia Area	4-28-71
Crawford, Robert K.	State Park Ranger IV	Marin Area to Russian River Area	5-3-71
Donahue, David B.	State Park Ranger I	Mt. San Jacinto Area to Orange Coast Area	5-1-71
Edwards, Richard C.	State Park Ranger I	San Diego Coast Area to Big Sur Area	4-5-71
Eggiman, Fred H.	State Park Ranger III	Gaviota Area to Will Rogers Area	4-15-71
Fialho, Gerald A.	State Park Ranger III	Russian River Area to Sonoma Area	5-3-71
Griffith, Lewis P.	State Park Ranger IV	Santa Cruz Mtns Area to Mendocino Area	4-27-71
Johnston, Walter R.	State Park Ranger IV	Sierra Area to Oper Div Chief's Off	4-26-71
Mitchell, Curtis B.	State Park Ranger V	Oper Div Chief's Off to Santa Cruz Mtns Area	4-15-71
Morgan, Maurice C.	State Park Ranger IV	San Diego Coast Area to Gaviota Area	4-15-71
Trigeiro, Anton J.	State Park Ranger IV	Santa Cruz Mtns Area to Santa Cruz Coast Area	5-1-71

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Buschke, Dale H.	State Park Ranger IV	Sonoma Area to Personnel Sect	5-3-71

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Button, Donald W.	Park Maint Assist	Santa Cruz Mtns Area	4-26-71
Campbell, Richard T.	State Park Ranger (Int)	San Diego Coast Area	4-9-71
Corella, William	Park Maint Assist	Channel Coast Area	4-1-71
Cottalorda, John E.	Groundsman	Hearst San Simeon SHM	4-1-71
Dean, Douglas A.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Weaverville Joss House Area	4-23-71
Dinneford, William B.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Trinidad Area	4-12-71
Hackett, D. LaVerne	Account Clerk II (Int)	HQ	4-26-71
Hadley, Jr., Harold B.	Park Maint Assist	Hearst San Simeon SHM	4-1-71
Johnson, Glenda I.	Clerk I (Int)	Golden Gate Area	3-31-71
Lawson, Donald K.	Tree Maint Man I	Env Res Sect	5-3-71
Masunaga, Kim	Personnel Assist I	Personnel Sect	4-26-71
Mercer, Richard O.	Asso Data Proc Syst Anal	Syst and Control Sect	4-21-71
Okimoto, Allen H.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Point Lobos Area	4-16-71
Robustelli, Joseph C.	Tree Maint Man I	Env Res Sect	5-10-71
Speers, Dale W.	Park Maint Assist	Clear Lake Area	4-26-71
Westbrook, Cynthia	Clerk Typist I (Int)	Montane Area	5-3-71

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Allison, William R.	State Park Ranger V	Mendocino Area to Golden Gate Area	4-19-71
Balding, Melvin E.	Park Maint Supvr I	Mendocino Area to Columbia Area	4-12-71
Cobleigh, Faye G.	Supvg Clerk I	Office and Res Svcs	4-1-71
Felty, Richard E.	State Park Ranger IV	San Luis Obispo Area to Salton Sea AREa	4-21-71
Geary, James R.	State Park Ranger IV	Point Mugu Area	4-15-71
Geissinger, Jr., Lloyd G.	State Park Ranger II	Big Sur Area to Hearst San Simeon SHM	4-12-71
Hanshew, Ronald L.	Rec Planner II	Grants Admin & Local Assist Br	4-26-71
Lyden, Charles P.	State Park Ranger V	Oper Div Chief's Off to San Luis Obispo Area	4-26-71
Miller, Thomas S.	State Park Ranger III	Montane Area to Lake Oroville Area	4-1-71

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Foster, Wyrinda C.	Stenographer II	San Mateo Coast Area	5-3-71

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Gibbs, Robert L.	State Park Attend	Gaviota Area	4-9-71

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Burgin, Jesse L.	State Park Ranger I	Mount Diablo Area	3-31-71
Davies, Richard S.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Weaverville Joss House Area	3-9-71
Davis, Glenn S.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Santa Cruz Mountains Area	4-14-71
Drewes, William A.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Santa Cruz Mtns Area	4-30-71
Gilmore, Diane R.	Account Clerk II	Claims Sect	5-7-71
Kilgore, Otis H.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Montane Area	4-1-71
McGee, Calvin W.	Assist Budget Anal	Admin Svcs Div	5-7-71
Query, Charles L.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Point Lobos Area	4-10-71
Rial, Norman A.	Assist Civil Engineer	Design Sect	4-23-71
Stanchfield, Charles H.	Park Maint Assist	Orange Coast Area	4-12-71
Tacker, Loran F.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Int)	Hearst San Simeon	4-7-71
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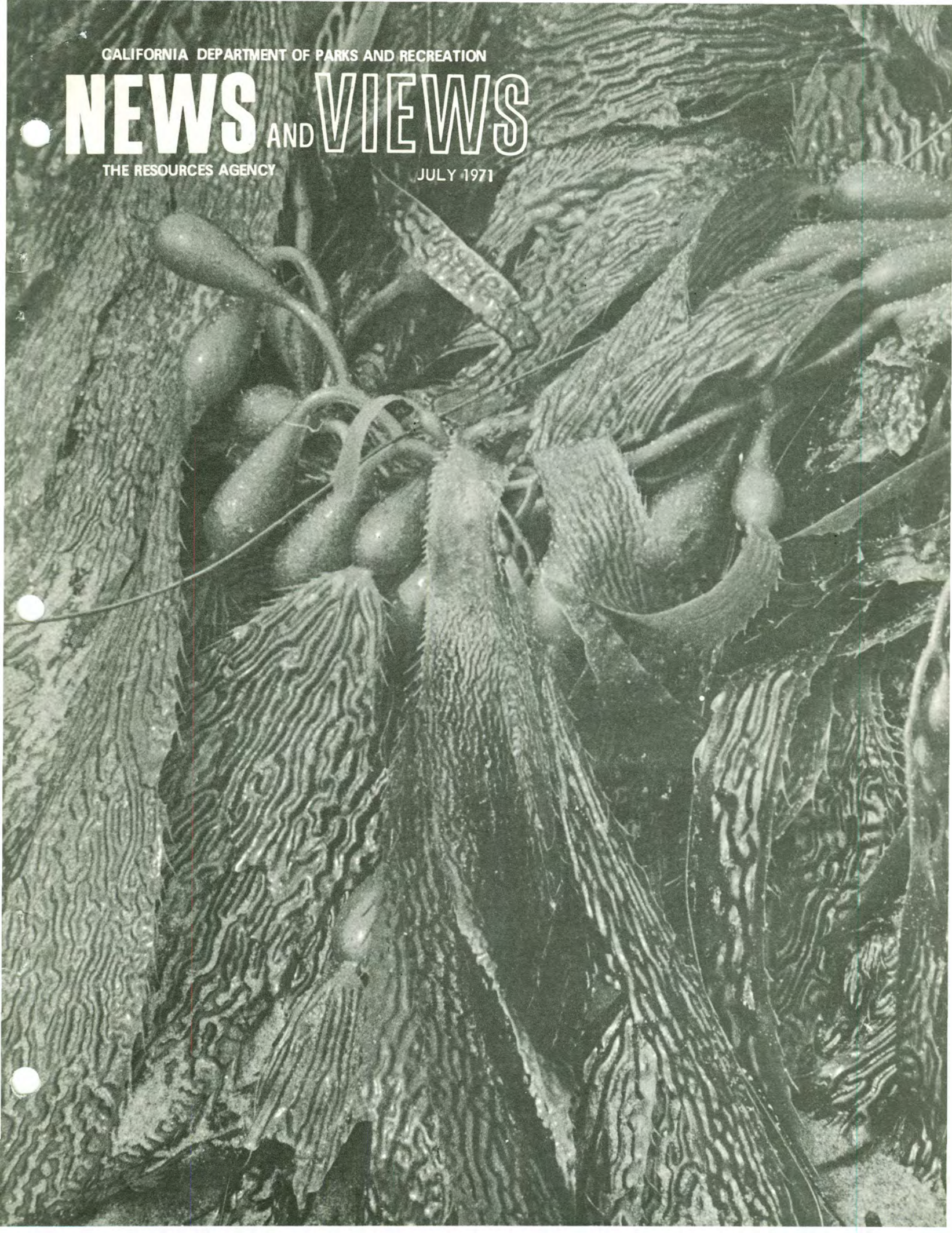

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RECREATION

Recreation is translated by people into different types of activities, and the meaning of the word to people is almost as varied as the number of people engaged in this burgeoning, leisure-time pastime.

For some, recreation is backpacking in the solitude and grandeur of the Sierra wilderness. For others, it is diving and photographing the wonders of the unique ecology of the oceans. The silence and contrast of the desert has an appeal for many, while camping in the redwoods provides the relaxation many urban dwellers seek. Waterskiing behind a powerful boat is recreation for some, while others prefer "riding the trail" on a fine, well-trained horse for their diversion. Playing in the sand dunes behind a dune buggy put together by the driver with his own hands is his thing. Golf, tennis, or swimming is the outdoor exercise that is relaxing for many and is their recreation.

The dictionary defines recreation as "refreshment by means of some passive agreeable exercise. A pastime, diversion, exercise, or other resource affording relaxation and enjoyment."

The State Park and Recreation system is charged with the responsibility of providing for the outdoor recreation needs of people. We must develop a balanced program. This is difficult to achieve because each recreation devotee feels his form of recreation is best. Recreation is not necessarily entertainment but it can be fun, it can be pleasant, and it can be enjoyable. Recreation is something one does for one's self spontaneously.

The California Park and Recreation system, as one of its responsibilities, is to provide the outdoor areas and the facilities for the people to participate spontaneously in their form of recreation in a quality outdoor environment. We must balance the recreation needs of people throughout the system, recognizing that some units cannot – must not – provide recreation beyond the simple, passive recreational activities of walking and stimulating the mind by viewing beautiful and inspiring landscapes and vistas, while other units may be environmentally and topographically capable of more active recreation pursuits.

FUTURE OF SAN ONOFRE STILL CLOUDED

Although the future of San Onofre is still in doubt, that part of it under lease to the state by the U. S. Marine Corps opened to the public as planned July 1. *Photo by Dick Thompson*

The future of San Onofre Bluffs State Beach was booted out of orbit by the House Armed Services Committee in May, and when and where it will come down is anybody's guess.

For a while it looked like President Nixon had finally got the project off the launching pad when he recommended that 6-1/2 miles of beach front and 3400 acres of upland at Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base be given to the State in fee for park purposes.

The committee shot that idea down by recommending that the beach, excepting a half-mile occupied by the enlisted men's club, be leased instead of given in fee to the state and that the Marines retain the 3400 acres of upland. Although the committee's recommendation is not binding on the President or the Department of Defense, it caused consternation in many quarters. The Department was particularly annoyed because no one bothered to tell us the hearings were in progress in this matter.

Director Mott says this Department will diligently pursue Mr. Nixon's recommendation, and he and the Department will not rest until the whole 6-1/2 miles of beach and the upland area is given to the State for recreation. The upland area is needed for camping, to free the beach for day use, and the 3-mile northern section of beach is one of the finest surfing areas in the nation as well as being excellent for swimming and fishing.

Congressman Alphonzo Bell of Los Angeles, who testified before the committee on behalf of the public, urged a massive letterwriting campaign to the President, the Defense Department, the Marines, and members of Congress asking for State ownership of the land.

The Los Angeles Times editorialized, "Camp Pendleton has 17 miles of empty, inviting beachfront going to waste. Of course the beach should be available for maneuvers when needed. The rest of the time, however, the entire 17 miles, not just six, should be firmly in the public domain."

The way it stands now, the Department has a 25-year lease on 3-1/2 miles of beach from the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Plant southward. Camping and day use will be run by a concessionaire, Seakist Enterprises, from July 1 to September 26 this year.

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Blind Children Enjoy Tour

Guided tours for handicapped people are only one of many services offered by park units, but every so often an expression of thanks is so poignant that it merits special mention.

Neil Power, Area Manager at Columbia SHP, tells about a recent tour taken by handicapped children of the Ahwahnee Junior High School in Fresno. The resource teacher there, Myron W. Carrothers, wrote a letter of thanks to the District staff and State Park Ranger *Harry Wilson*, who conducted the tour.

Two of the youngsters who made the trip, Gregory Matthai and Ralph Uribes, wrote glowing letters of thanks, raving about the fun they had "seeing" how gold was mined, "seeing" the Wells Fargo office, and "seeing" the old fire engine Papeete.

The two children are blind, and wrote their letters of thanks in Braille.

Milt Frincke

San Juan Bautista on National Register

Ranger *Bill Hill* of San Juan Bautista SHP said the weather cooperated with the first warm, sunny day of the season on May 22 to bring out some 150 people for the dedication of the park and mission as a National Historic Landmark. A suitably inscribed bronze plaque notes the park's place in the history of our nation.

The dedication program was arranged by Historian Bob Reese, who also served as Master of Ceremonies. The plaque was presented by Theodore R. Owings, Assistant Director, Western Region, National Park Service.

Welcoming remarks were made by Leonard Caetano, mayor of San Juan Bautista; Chris Borgren, president of the San Juan Bautista Historical Society; Milton M. Frincke, District 4 Superintendent; and Clyde W. Ray, Manager of the Monterey Area.

Father Amancio Rodriguez of the Old San Juan Mission gave the invocation and benediction. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Louis Pertano of VFW Post 6359.

Music was provided by the San Benito High School band from Hollister, directed by Jim Lowry. The colors were presented by Boy Scout Troop 428 of San Juan Bautista.

Among the dignitaries present was Herman Botelho, chairman of the San Benito County Board of Supervisors.

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THE MALAKOFF TURNS BACK THE CALENDAR

Nearly a century was lopped off the calendar for visitors to the 6th Annual Homecoming Day at Malakoff Diggins SHP June 13. The park, which celebrated its sixth birthday, tells it like it was back in the 1880 s when the Malakoff was a spectacular hydraulic gold mining area.

The huge pit left by the hydraulic hoses, called "Mighty Monitors of the Malakoff," measures 7000 feet long and 3000 feet wide and is as much as 600 feet deep in places.

The mining town of North Bloomfield on the Yuba River, now part of the park, is just as it was in the 1880 s, give or take a few buildings, and it is the residents and former residents of this little town who are honored each year at homecoming.

The festivities included a demonstration of one of the monitors, a parade, band concert, program in the amphitheater, horse gymkana, and a special exhibition by pony express riders.

Master of Ceremonies was Judge Harold Wolters of the Superior Court of Nevada County. Featured speaker was Dr. Albert Shumate of the California State Historical Society.

COMMISSION REPORT.

By Bill Dillinger

The Commission held its June meeting in Morro Bay, following a field trip the previous day to inspect Hearst San Simeon SHM, the new Montana de Oro SP, the Morro Bay sandspit, and Los Osos Oaks, where Mrs. Emily Polk hosted the Commission in thanks for their support of her efforts to save the giant trees. A 90-acre area is being acquired for the State Park System through a gift from Los Angeles Industrialist Justin Dart and monies from the U.S. Land and Water Conservation Fund.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Opening of 3.5 miles of San Onofre Bluffs State Beach on July 1 was officially announced by the Director. He said the Department has made a terrific effort to get the new beach open this summer, even though the State would not be able to install permanent facilities there this season. He said an agreement has been worked out with Seakist Enterprises, the concessionaire at Huntington SB, to operate camping and day-use facilities in about the same way as the Easter Week preview was handled. The property is being leased to the state by the U.S. Marine Corps at Camp Pendleton and is part of the 6.5 miles of beach and 3400 acres of upland property President Nixon promised to the state last month. The additional 3 miles of beach and the upland area still under negotiation, the Director noted, contain the Trestles area, one of the best surfing spots in the nation, plus the acreage that will eventually provide the permanent camping area.

The new Ticketron reservation system is working most satisfactorily, the Director reported, with 48,000 reservations processed to date. With computerized reservations, there is less tendency to use the parks merely as overnight stops, and people are tending to stay longer and really enjoy the natural environment and the interpretive programs available. Average stay is now 3.4 days per visitor, nearly a full day longer than previously. The National Park Service and the park systems of several other states are getting ready to follow our lead.

The State's first experiment limiting the number of users allowed in a wilderness area is being tried at Mt. San Jacinto SP, the Commission was told. With heavy use threatening the very environment the users come to enjoy, the State has joined with the U.S. Forest Service in a uniform system of regulations for the whole Mt. San Jacinto wilderness area. This should also make the wilderness experience more meaningful for everyone, he said.

Educational use of state parks was also discussed, as Commissioner Thomson introduced J. Bruce Crawford of the Kern County schools, who told of the portable camp his school system uses in its outdoor education program. Under arrangement with the private landowner, the school will be set up for a teacher training program this summer at Hazard Canyon, which the State is about to acquire as an extension of Montana de Oro SP. During the regular school year, the outdoor school is set up on various locations and can handle up to 120 sixth grade students at a time in week-long environmental education programs. The Director expressed interest in what use schools might make of environmental education facilities that might be set up by the Department.

Drawings showing proposed development for the old Casa de Pico motel buildings at Old Town San Diego SHP were shown by the Director, who announced that a contract was being signed with the successful bidder. He said it was hoped that the project, featuring artisans and small shops appropriate to the area, could be in operation by this fall.

COMMISSION RESOLUTIONS

The Commission clarified action taken at its May meeting on the banning of vehicles from state beaches in the Morro Bay area, and commended the City of Morro Bay for its action in banning the use of vehicles on beaches within the city.

In other resolutions, the Commission concurred in the appointment of Merrill P. Passey of Pacific Grove to a vacancy on the Asilomar Conference Grounds Operating Board, and commended the Department for the recently dedicated Revelation Trail for the blind at Prairie Creek Redwoods SP.

The Commission also asked that the 50th anniversary of the National Conference on State Parks be recognized by a suitable event, and that the last week in August be designated as National Conference on State Parks Week.

The town of Sonoma was commended for its efforts to establish a special zoning program for the historical area adjacent to Sonoma Mission.

The Commission also accepted with appreciation the gift through the Save-the-Redwoods League of the Carrie Pratt Elwell Grove at Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP and the Clyde McIntyre Edmondson Grove and Enoch Percy French Memorial Grove at Humboldt Redwoods SP. Barney Gould of San Francisco was also thanked by resolution for the gift of family artifacts for Ft. Ross SHP.

Next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for July 9, in San Diego. There will be no August meeting. →

COMMISSION REPORT ..

(Continued)

Mrs. Gilchrist and Director Mott introduced three members of the Student-Youth Advisory Committee attending the meeting – Alice Ground of San Jose State College, Committee Chairman Robert Koury and 7-footer Stephen Hastings of Cal Poly at San Luis Obispo.

Photos by Bill Dillinger

Bob Baker attended his first Commission meeting as the Department's new Assistant Deputy Director in Los Angeles.

Harold Miossi, chairman of the newly expanded Morro Bay Area State Parks Advisory Committee, urged rapid action on the Sharks Cove and Suicide Hill acquisitions to Montana de Oro SP.

Mrs. Emily Polk thanked the Commission for their support in the Los Osos Oaks acquisition.

Dune live oaks twist into strange patterns at Los Osos.

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NEW HISTORICAL LANDMARKS BOOKLET AVAILABLE

The Department's newest publication, a complete revision of the California Historical Landmarks booklet, is now available. The 134-page book lists and describes each of the state's official landmarks, beginning with Number 1, the Custom House in Monterey, to Number 844, the Hotel Del Coronado in San Diego. There is also a list of the 37 historic parks and monuments operated by the Department.

The booklet's glove-compartment size makes it an ideal traveling companion, and there are many photos of the missions, forts, ghost and mining towns, and other sites of interest around the state.

All landmark data is arranged in numerical order by registration number (the number shown on highway markers) and is cross-indexed by county. It is for sale in many of our park units or can be ordered by mail from the Reservation Office, Department of Parks and Recreation, P.O. Box 2390, Sacramento 95811. The price is $1, which includes tax and postage.

On the Move

Our onetime "Better Ranger" and retired chief of the Division of Beaches and Parks, *Earl Hanson*, has been reclassified – he is now our "Rambling Ranger," as this letter from Way South of the Border shows:

"¡Sonria! ¡La vida es amable en Cali-Capital de alegría! "

From the hillside residence of our daughter and son-in-law we are overlooking much of this Columbian city of the richly fertile Cauca Valley. Nearly 1,000,000 persons reside in this center of industry and agriculture, capital of the Department (State) of Valle, 350 miles south of Bogota, the nation's capital. A semi-tropical climate prevails within 1,000 miles of the Equator at an elevation of 3,500 feet, in Cali.

Everywhere, preparations for the Pan American Games are rapidly approaching the August deadline for the start of the events. On the highways bicyclists and walking competitors impede weekend traffic as they train and make trial runs. One can only hope that the facilities will be completed in time. "Careful planning through the Critical Path Method and PERT – to guarantee that all projects and Pan American Village, housing 4,000 athletes will be completed one month prior to opening of the games." With six weeks to go, things don't look so PERT. The computers didn't include the 10 months of continuous rainfall and subsequent serious floods.

From the porch balcony, we can count at least 12 skyscrapers of 20 floors or more in various stages of completion – condominiums, hotels, office buildings all follow modern trends in architecture and construction. They offer startling contrast to the red-tiled roof residences and shade trees which they overshadow. Autos, which cost double their purchase price in duty, leave many residential garages available for small shops or handcraftsmen. Supermarkets are "mini" compared to a Safeway and a Sears outlet is about 1/2 the floorspace of Wards in downtown Sacramento. Drug stores sell drugs - period!

Only fleeting glimpses of the Andes Mountains on the east and the Cordillera on the west have favored us during the week we've spent here, because of overcast skies and thunder clouds in the high places. We did journey into the lower Andes last Sunday to the village of Sylvia, quaint with narrow streets, Indian market and central plaza facing the principal church. Indians in colorful costume, including black hats give the village a special charm. Popayan, ancient capital of the early Spanish Cauca State is a combination of 16th century culture and 20th century architecture, perfectly blended. Its one hotel is delightfully "Old World."

Vast ranchos dot the mountain slopes, with lean cattle, groves of bamboo, plantations of an agave plant, from which manilla -hemp is made. Banana trees shade the coffee shrubs. The coffee "cherries" (beans) may be seen drying on mats on the asphalt edge of the paved highways. Small cornfields and root crops including "yucca papas" – potato but not from the yucca plant we know in California. The principal export crop is sugar cane, topping "mountain grown" coffee and bananas.

Husky bamboo stems are used during surveying construction, as temporary barriers and in thatched-roofed structures. Columbian coffee, though mild, is brewed strong and served with warm milk. Bananas areof numerous varieties, some used only for cooking. Meat is lean and tender and about 1/2 as costly as in the States. Beefsteak is frequently served with fried bananas. Many well known brands are sold here, especially Kellogg's and Quaker cereals, Colgate - Palmolive soaps and detergents. American brand gasolines are marketed at 1/2 their cost in California as there are no gasoline taxes. While most highways are well paved, city streets abound in chuck holes.

University students staged an uprising here a couple of months ago. As a result the University is closed to all but senior students and some graduates doing research. The national government has refused to accede to students' demands to prescribe the curricula and administer the colleges. Those students who can find work are more fortunate than others who can't. Universidad de Valle is being constructed on a new site and matters may be settled when the new campus opens in September. There are few long hairs among the young here and most are neatly dressed and well groomed.

Friday, we fly to Lima and on subsequent days will visit the jungle Indians near Igiutos and spend one night in their village and 1/2 day on a jungle trail in the upper Amazon River. Then on to Macchu Picchu, the "lost" city of the Incas, Cuzco their cultural center and Lima's environs. We look forward to bargaining in Indian markets out of Quito, Ecuador, and Guatamala City before returning to Sacramento on July 3, in time for fireworks, in celebration of Independence, not of revolution.

Rambling Rangers
Ree and Earl Hanson

NEW PRAIRIE CREEK TRAIL A "REVELATION"

"The work of Lions International in sight conservation and aid to the blind triggered a dream of helping the blind and other visually handicapped people enjoy the magnificent redwood forests of the northern California coast."

The above is the introductory paragraph in the program for the "Revelation Trail for sightless persons," dedicated Sunday, June 13, at Prairie Creek Redwoods SP. It is the first trail in the State Park System designed specifically for the blind.

James Chaffee, Assistant District 1 Superintendent, said a great deal of help and inspiration for the project came from Robert Lewis, a high school biology teacher in Aspen, Colorado, who dreamed of and then developed the first trail for sightless persons in the United States. Back in 1965 he inspired the construction of the Roaring Fork Braille Trail in the Roaring River area of the White River National Forest.

Dedication of the Revelation Trail followed the original idea by several years, during which time a large number of groups and individuals participated in making the trail a reality.

Constructed under the direction of District 1 Superintendent Alan "Tiny" Philbrook, the 1/4-mile-long trail has guide rails and ropes with signal bells keyed to a trail guide printed in Braille. A copy of the Braille book is obtained at the park office and returned there when the tour is completed. For those who can see, the trail is marked with conventional interpretive signs.

Among the many who helped with the project in addition to park personnel were the Eureka and Arcata Lions Clubs, Zone Lions Club officials, Division of Forestry personnel, the Alder Conservation Camp, the Save-the-Redwoods League, which put up the money for the trail, the Department's Interpretive Services Section, and many private individuals.

John H. Knight, Chief of the Operations Division, was the featured speaker at the dedication. Others who helped make the program a success were from the Musicians Association Band Local No. 333, directed by Jerrod Moore; the 777th Radar Squadron, U. S. Air Force, Klamath; and College of the Redwoods. Masters of Ceremonies were Virgil Ziemer, president of the Eureka Lions Club, and Judd Brown, president of the Arcata Lions Club. Acceptance of the trail on behalf of the blind was by Judge Donald H. Wilkinson of the Humboldt County Superior Court, a still "very active" judge who is blind.

Some 20 sightless persons including two children were among the 150 who attended the dedication. Chaffee said the enjoyment of the trail by the blind was a heart-warming, unforgettable experience to witness.

The Arcata Lions hosted a luncheon for members and blind guests. The program was held at the park campfire center.

HASTINGS AND THE DONNER PARTY

This one of a weekly series of articles that Ranger William J. Hill *of San Juan Bautista SHP writes "From the Plaza Square" for the Hollister Evening Free Lance. Reprinted by permission.*

The trials and hardships of the Donner-Reed Party are well documented but little has been written about Lansford Hastings and his infamous cut-off.

Born in Ohio during the second decade of the Nineteenth Century he first arrived in Oregon territory as a young lawyer. Young and ambitious, he was the prototype of the "California tin horn," and the practical-minded Oregon settlers had no use for him. His ambition in life was to become a great leader and organizer and, meeting with no success in Oregon, he migrated to California. Here he recognized a great opportunity to further his ambitions and set about writing a flowery rendition of an "Immigrant's Guide" to California.

Minimizing the hardships he extolled the advantages of reaching California's limitless opportunities using a route branching off from the known Humboldt Trail at Fort Bridger; passing south of the Great Salt Lake and going south through the Ruby Valley before returning north to the Humboldt Trail near what is now Elko, Nevada.

When his manuscript was finished and without making any attempt to explore and map the proposed route, he returned to the East Coast by sea and indiscriminately distributed copies of his book where they would be sure to fall into the hands of the westward bound. The hapless Donner-Reed party carried copies of his book.

In 1845 Hastings guided a horseback party westward along the Fort Hall Trail arriving at Sutter's Fort in December. In California the following spring he organized a small party of experienced frontiersmen and, with their combined experience and the knowledge gained from General Fremont's expedition that blazed a trail through the same general area, managed to reach Fort Hall by way of Ruby Valley.

To further his ambitions, and in spite of the difficulties encountered on this return trip, he organized a splinter train at Fort Hall and started west. After much hardship and difficulty the infamous route, known by 1850 as the Hasting's Cut-off, was established.

Hastings was to have met the party, which included the Donners and Reeds, at Fort Hall. However, their arrival was delayed by two weeks and he was then well on his way to California. As a result the disappointed and frustrated group split, after much argument, with approximately 60 wagons attempting to follow the Hasting's Route with the thought of possibly catching up and joining him.

The trail was rough and difficult to follow. Their progress was slow and, in final desperation, they sent a horseback messenger to catch up with the Hastings Party. Upon learning their situation he advised that they return to Fort Hall and follow the Humboldt Route to California. What happened after this is history. The Donner Party continued on west and, after building trail most of the way, finally arrived back on the main trail north of Ruby Valley. Fall was approaching and by the time they arrived at what is now Donner Lake the winter snows had begun. Approximately 84 persons camped there the first night, but following a winter of starvation, only 42 reached Sutter's Fort in the spring of 1847.

Hastings was discredited in California following the Donner Party tragedy. For some time he practiced law, dabbled in politics and speculated in Real Estate. He was in Arizona pioneering mining enterprises when the Civil War broke out. He chose the South and schemed to capture southern California and Arizona for the Confederacy. This also came to naught and he died in 1870 while attempting to establish a colony of unreformed Confederates in Brazil.

Patrick and Margaret Breen and their seven children were victims of this infamous trail. It was practically unused by the year 1847 but during the Gold Rush all trails to California were in heavy use, even the Cut-off. During July and August, 1850, a constant stream of travelers followed the route. One party, the largest single group to cross the desert south of the Great Salt Lake, consisted of about 300 gold seekers.

An August, 1850 entry in a journal by John R. Shinns records the last usage of the Hasting's Trail. For the balance of the immigrant period the hardships and dangers encountered along this primitive path discouraged all travel.

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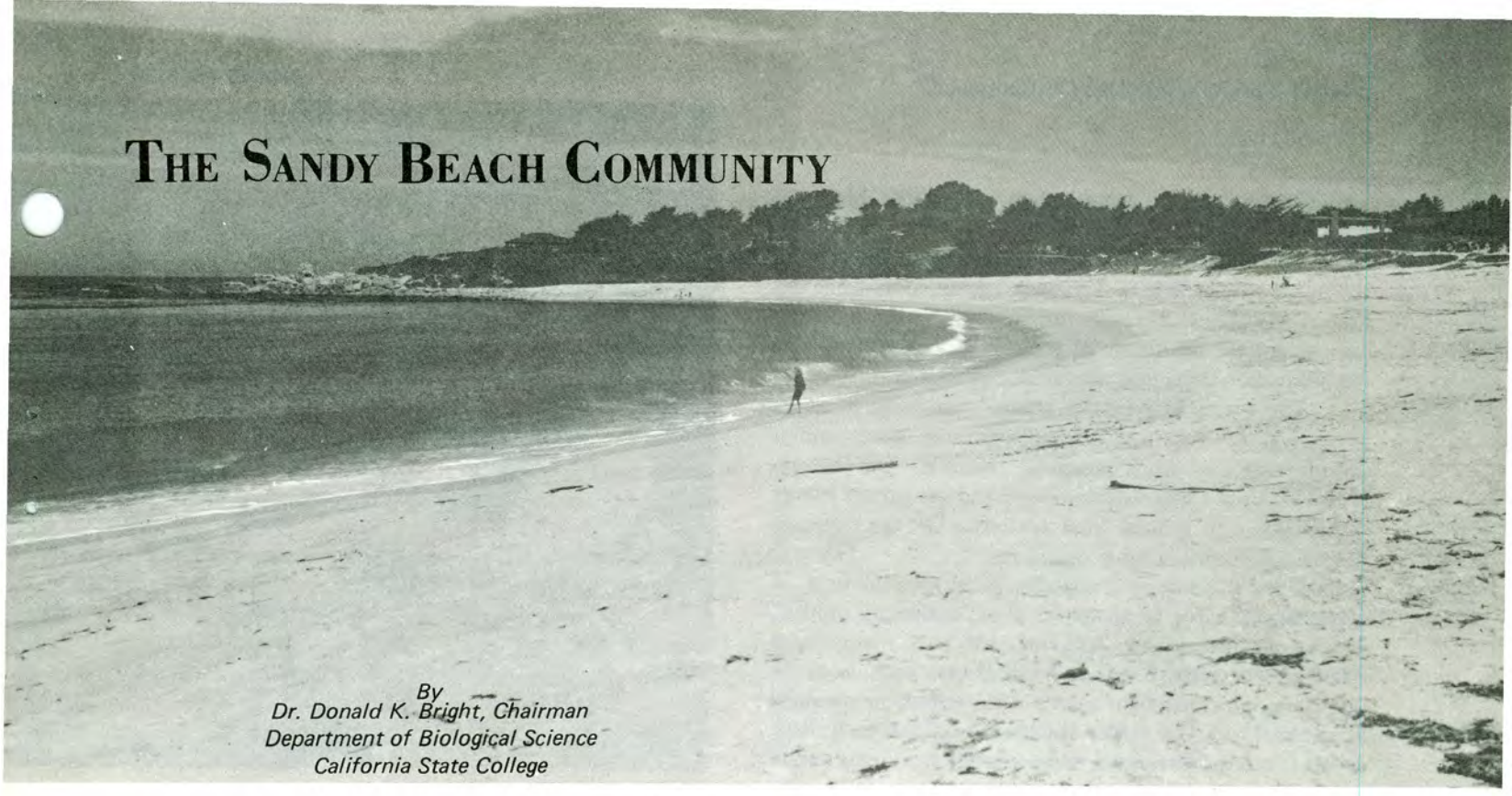
Beginning next issue, we will be going to a more simplifed "newspaper" format for NEWS and VIEWS, and will also be trimming our mailing list. We think this will give us a more effective publication, at a considerable reduction in cost.

Our objective is to concentrate more intensively on the information needs of our primary audience, the employees of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

NEWS and VIEWS will continue to be delivered to all Department personnel (past and present), to our commissioners and advisory board members, and to our current paid subscribers. If you're not in one of these groups, but have a need for the publication and want to continue receiving it, drop us a line and we'll see that you also stay on the list.

The Sandy Beach Community



By
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To a casual observer, a sandy beach might seem lifeless, almost a desert; yet, in reality, it is teeming with countless living things. Only specialized organisms, though, can live in such an ever-changing place. . .bacteria which attach to the surface of sand grains, small crustaceans (shrimp and crab, for instance) living between or on sand grains, and a wide variety of amazingly efficient burrowers like sand crabs, clams, and segmented worms that dig out homes in the sand.

Sandy beach dwellers can be classified generally into four categories, according to their menus: plankton feeders, detritus feeders, scavengers, and predators. Plankton feeders – sand crabs and burrowing clams, for example – have specialized body parts that allow them to burrow in the sand and still capture the minute floating, drifting organisms carried about primarily by movements of the water. The sand crabs burrow backwards in the soft sand where each wave sweeps across the wet beach and, as the wave recedes, extend their antennae to capture them.

Detritus feeders literally eat the sand. . .many beaches are entirely eaten every five years. The sand passes through their digestive systems and the small fragments of organic material attached to the sand grains are digested. The blood worm, which lives in large colonies just under the surface of moist sand, is a detritus feeder.

Scavengers feed either on debris as they follow the tide in and out, or come to the beach when "unexpected" food, like plant and animal debris, is washed up. Seaweeds, particularly kelps, and animals torn from their homes by tides, waves, or storms serve as food sources. The most widespread beach scavenger is the sand hopper or beach flea, a small amphipod crustacean, that roams over the sand as the tide recedes, consuming all manner of organic remains and thus cleaning the beach. Another group of scavengers, consisting primarily of kelp flies and beetles, is found on many beaches where windrows of seaweeds and animal debris are left after a storm or extreme high tide.

Most sandy beach predators are adapted, like the long-billed sandpiper, for probing into the sand in search of food. Others, such as the ubiquitous seagull, patrol the beaches in search of animals left stranded or exposed by a receding tide. Cliff swallows nesting on adjacent bluffs often feed on kelp flies and at night many small animals, such as deer mice, that live adjacent to the beach venture forth in search of insects and bits of food. →

The Food Web

Energy is the capacity to do work. Since all organisms must work to live they require a source of energy. So concern for the flow of energy is at the heart of ecological studies. Where does such energy come from and how it is utilized? Through various other forms of energy are recognized, the forms of greatest importance to living organisms are mechanical, chemical, and heat energy.

The energy is generally available to living things in two ways. An autotroph, or self-producer, manufactures organic materials from inorganic chemicals and energy. Most autotrophs possess chlorophyll and use radiant energy – sunlight – to achieve food synthesis. Or, the organism can eat autotrophs or other organisms.

Once the energy is available, what happens to it? A plant may be eaten by an animal which is eaten by another, which, in its turn, is eaten by yet a third. Such a sequence is called a food chain. But food is not always available at the right time, or in the right place, or it can only be obtained in a special way. Our earlier discussion on plankton feeders, detritus feeders, scavengers, and predators represents a food web, a feeding and survival relationship among the organisms living in a sandy beach community. One simple example of energy flow: Autotrophs (*dinoflagellates* and *diatoms*) that take nutrients from the environment plus radiant energy from the sun are eaten by a filter feeder (sand crab) that in its turn is captured by a predator (seagull) as the tide recedes. The seagull eventually dies and is disposed of by a reducer (bacterium or fungus) that brings about its decomposition into the elements required to nourish the autotrophs.

A sandy beach community is complex, representing a system of interacting physical, chemical, and biological forces. There is a delicate balance in such a system, and any event might determine whether the whole community lives or dies. If we clean the beach and remove the sand crabs, the seagulls may starve. . .if we remove the seaweed, perhaps the kelp flies won't develop, so the cliff swallows will have less food. . .if we dig up the blood worms, the sand might become so polluted with organic detritus that other forms of life might die.

The flow of energy is the force turning the wheel of life, and any act that alters it can slow – or stop – the wheel.

Photo by Tom Myers

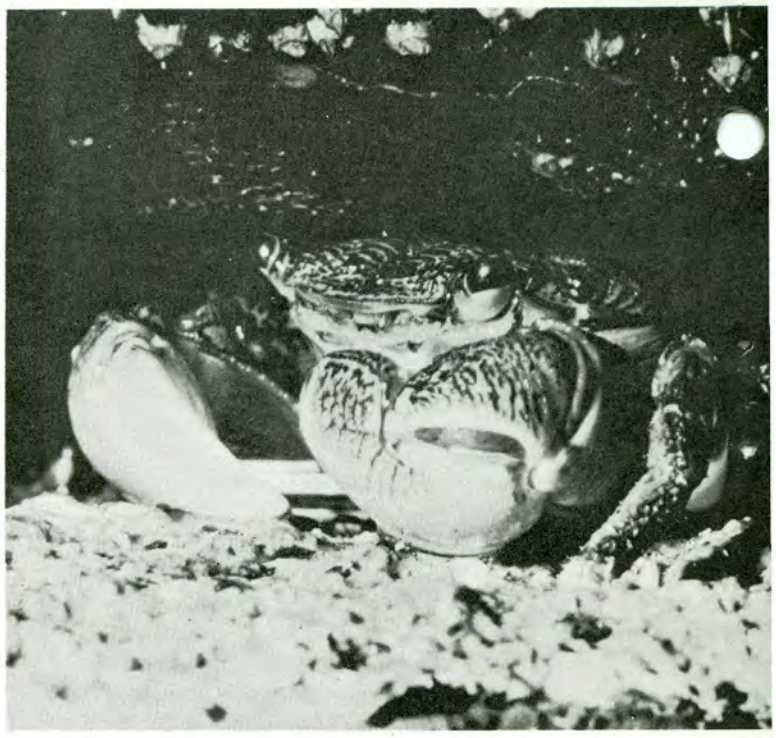

Photo by Dick Thompson

GRAFFITI for fun and profit

Visitors to Bidwell Mansion can see an excellent example of what happens when "people get involved".

Usually, State Park System rangers are inclined to take a dim view of practitioners of the ancient art of the graffito who ply their avocation in park units. But at BIDWELL MANSION SHP, Ranger *Lee Shelton* has a different view.

It's all part of a fund-raising campaign to complete restoration of the second floor of the mansion. For $1, visitors can write their names on one of the asphalt floor tiles installed while the Mansion was being used as a college dorm. Director Mott kicked off the campaign on April 6, and since then it has garnered the signatures – and dollars – of such notables as Governor Reagan, Lieutenant Governor Reinecke, Resources Secretary Norman Livermore, State Senator Fred Marler, and Assemblyman Ray Johnson.

The contributions go to the Bidwell Mansion Restoration Association, a private group which has spearheaded a great deal of the work done at the Mansion, to buy carpeting similar to what the Bidwells had on the second floor. This is the final step in the second-floor restoration; restoration of the first floor of the mansion is already completed. Almost $500 has been collected from Mansion visitors and local groups like the Chico Horticultural Society, the Butte County Historical Society, Chico State College Faculty Wives, and Daughters of the American Revolution.

The story of the Mansion's restoration has been one of local citizens and groups working with the State to improve the State Park System. The Chico Women's Club instigated the second-floor restoration by volunteering to restore a room, and response by other groups in the community was phenomenal. Representatives of Las Senoras, the Bidwell Mansion Restoration Assocation, and students from Chico State College and high schools contributed time and money and also volunteered as docent guides. Mrs. Coin Knotts, whose father was for 27 years the Bidwell's gardener, brings fresh flowers to the Mansion regularly to add to its "lived-in" look.

Mrs. Wood of the Women's Club signed her name in the room that was once occupied by Annie Bidwell.

Mrs. Coin Knotts, whose father was the Bidwell's gardener for 27 years, supplies fresh flower arrangements to the Mansion each week.

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Retirement Set for Darrell

After threatening it for over a year, CALAVERAS AREA MANAGER Darrell A. Knoeffler has finally set a retirement date. He will be GTO (Gone To Oregon) on September 1.

Knoeffler has worked for the State over 32 years, first with the Division of Forestry and, since 1941, in the State Park System. He started out as a Custodian at Big Basin, but his Park System service was interrupted by a stint in the Marine Corps, 1943-45. He came back to work at Big Basin as a Ranger in 1946 and was the first ranger assigned to Columbia SHP in 1947. Since then he has supervised as Chief Ranger at Doheny, Donner, Turlock, Millerton, and Folsom Lake in addition to working as Assistant Superintendent at Monterey.

Maintenance Man Clyde Clark prepares "Diaper Seat" sling.

Ranger Al Ulm, "On Belay" for descent.

TRAINING FOR CLIFF HANGERS

Five Department employees joined 40 employees of the Federal government and the Fresno and Tulare County sheriff's departments for a three-day Mountain Rescue Course put on at Sequoia National Park.

Completing the training were Rangers *Al Ulm* and *Carl Chavez* and Maintenance Man *Clyde Clark* of the San Luis Obispo Coast Area, who are called upon frequently to rescue persons from Morro Rock; and Maintenance Men *Randy Harris* and *Bill Higgins* of San Simeon Area who are often required to help climbers down from the rugged cliffs along Highway 1.

Instruction was given in searching techniques, first aid, belaying and repelling, and stretcher rigging from cliffs 50' to 100' high. Each had the opportunity to "walk" down the sheer face of a cliff, and a few even managed to climb back up. Basic techniques, knots, and safety were stressed.

Ranger Carl Chavez repelling off cliff face.

Descending cliff with fully rigged stretcher.

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Manager Development

By Jim Miller, Training Officer

In 1970, Governor Reagan asked each department to help increase the effectiveness of the State's Manager Development Program. In a memo, the Governor stated, "Today's governmental problems demand managers who are able to move across organizational and functional lines. Over-specialization of our managers in occupational or organizational disciplines is to be avoided."

To provide a pool of qualified managers with job experience in more than one specialty, the Department recently implemented a Manager Development Program designed to develop employees who demonstrate a high managerial potential. The program provides candidates with opportunity for varied work experience throughout the Department, in Manager Development assignments up to two years long.

The program gives candidates an opportunity to experiment and innovate in accomplishing their work goals. Career development planning and personal coaching also help them prepare for future management positions.

For employees interested in pursuing management careers, positions with development potential have been identified in the Administrative Services, Operations, Concessions, and Information and Interpretation Divisions. Any full-time employee can apply for the program by submitting a written request through his supervisor to the Training Section. Policies and procedures of the Management Development Program are outlined in the Department's Administration Manual.

Employees now in Manager Development assignments include:

	From	To
Bob Dutra	Personnel	Budgets
Dale Buschke	Sonoma Area	Personnel
Ted Wilson	District 3 HQ	Concessions
Dick Brock	District 2 HQ	Manpower Utilization
Dick Johnston	Sierra Area	Manpower Utilization
Bob Baker	Statewide Planning	Director's Office

VOX POP

The side trip to MITCHELL CAVERNS SR proved worthwhile:

The site of the park is absolutely beautiful. We took the ten o'clock tour into the caverns and were delighted at the impressive sight. The lighting is excellent, the passageways interesting and well done, the intricate limestone formations are as spectacular as any we have visited in a cavern of that size. Our guide, Mr. *(Roy) Wagoner,* spent an hour giving his guests a most interesting, informative lecture on the history of the area, the geology, botany, ecology, and current developments. Even the small children in the group were fascinated. We wish to express our gratitude for this lovely state reserve.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Glenn Patton
Santa Ana

ANGEL ISLAND SP is just getting better and better:

I took a group of 33 persons to Angel Island for an all-day picnic. The entire group was in accord with commending your employees on the most excellent cooperation and courtesy we've experienced in any state or national park. For the past two years I have taken my children to Angel Island for outings, and each time I become more impressed with the tremendous job these employees do.

Foster W. Weeks II
Crazy Horse Saloon
San Francisco

This little girl missed her class trip to SONOMA SHP, but wrote a "thank you" to Ranger Bob Culwell *anyway:*

Thank you for taking our class around General Vallejo's Home. I am sure it was very nice. I don't know because I was home in bed with the flew and cring my eyes out because I wanted to go.

Your friend
Carla
St. John's School
Healdsburg

OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO SHP Park Maintenance Supervisor Homer Rail's *efforts in the San Diego City Schools Exploratory Work Experience Education Program were appreciated:*

Your help and the interest and dedication of your supervisors provided students with an invaluable opportunity to make career commitments based on realistic, first-hand experience. Your guidence will help to provide guidelines for future employment.

Mrs. Freyda Cohen, Career Counselor
Career Development Services
San Diego City Schools

A nonproductive fishing trip was worthwhile, after all:

I visited MALAKOFF DIGGINS SHP while on a fishing trip. I was tremendously impressed with the excellent way you are presenting this valuable part of California's past. Deserving of special commendation was the tour guide, Miss *Sherrie Grassick,* whose enthusiasm and charming personality is matched by her excellent knowledge of all aspects of the area. I am surprised that I had never heard of this excellent park prior to my fishing trip; although my trip was less than productive in fish, it was more than compensated by the discovery of Malakoff Diggins.

Alan E. Hardtarfer
Vallejo

Wherever he goes, Ranger Bill Williams *runs a good park:*

My wife and I have been visitors at NEW BRIGHTON SB and TURLOCK SRA on different occasions when Mr. Williams was there, and have noted the cleanliness, well-kept grounds, and provision of very nice accommodations, and the absence of the rowdy, disturbing element, under his supervision.

Rev. Roger S. Wilbor
San Leandro Foursquare Church

SAMUEL P. TAYLOR SP Ranger Don Engler *made this class' field trip successful:*

I was overwhelmed. He met us at the park. He and his wife spoke to our class and took groups of children on short walks to point out various life around. This was a valuable learning experience for the children. The State of California is indeed fortunate to have a young couple like this to help our children learn.

Mrs. Eileen Kerr
Oakview School
San Rafael

A family found a weekend at HENRY COWELL REDWOODS SP rewarding:

This was by far the cleanest, most efficiently operated state park that we have ever patronized. We spoke with Ranger *(Kenneth) Boynton,* a very sincere, dedicated gentleman. All the parks are good . . . this one is *great.*

The Walter J. Young family
San Leandro

Cub Scout Pack 605 of Aptos enjoyed NEW BRIGHTON SB Ranger Bill Williams' *talk and the movie he showed:*

His theme was appropriate to the Boy Scout theme SOAR (Save Our American Resources). I wish to extend our appreciation for the time Mr. Williams gave.

Paul Hill
Cub Master

INTERPRETATION
FOR RANGER TRAINEES

By John Michael, Supervisor
Interpretive Services

Our Training Institute at Asilomar has been conducting classes for almost two years, time enough to appraise the materials used and results obtained. So, on May 11 and 12, all district superintendents, area managers, instructors, and some members of Sacramento headquarters staff met at Asilomar to evaluate the program thus far, with special emphasis on materials given ranger trainees.

It was agreed that we have made one hell of a lot of progress, but there is still a long way to go in improving course materials and presentation. All course areas were discussed, and teams assigned to reorganize and review course material for use by the next ranger trainee class in mid-September.

In the interpretive material, it was decided, emphasis should be put on four broad areas — philosophy, instruction on and demonstrations of techniques for media, and participation in interpretive activities. District 5 Interpreter *Mike Merkel* and Ranger *Jim Taylor* of the Santa Cruz Mountains Area will tackle revision of the material on the philosophy and administration of interpretation; Interpretive Services Exhibit Supervisor *Norm Wilson* and Photographer *Gene Russell* will handle exhibits and audiovisual orientation; and District 4 Interpreter *Harry Batlin* and Monterey SHP Historian *Bob Reese* will rewrite material on interpretive media and techniques while District 6 Interpreter *Bud Getty* will work with San Diego Coast Area Chief Ranger *Mory Oller* on their application. This group met at Asilomar on June 8 and 9 to compare notes and begin to assemble material, and again on June 24 in Sacramento to get Operations Division approval of their course outlines.

In the past, the interpretive course at Asilomar has been taught as a "one-shot" assignment. To improve program continuity, and upgrade the quality of instruction, the course will be taught by two-man teams on overlapping two-year assignments starting next fall with *Bud Getty* and *Harry Batlin*, who will call on other Department employees for outside help as needed.

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VOX POP (Continued)

These students will be back at MARSHALL GOLD DISCOVERY SHP next year:

> You and your staff are thanked for making our day at Coloma a very enjoyable and intellectual experience. Despite the large number of children and adults, your personnel remained cordial and polite.
>
> Paul Phipps, History Department
> Jackson High School

Bad weather failed to dampen this couple's enjoyment of HEARST SAN SIMEON SHM:

> We were extremely impressed at how lovely the grounds and home are kept and may we convey our compliments to all the fine employees. Our guide, Mr. *("Pete") Pedersen*, made Hearst's home live again. He appears to love the home and its treasures, and his knowledge astonished us. Mr. Pedersen is truly an asset.
>
> Mr. and Mrs. S.L. Campbell

This group had a fine time during their campout at HUMBOLDT REDWOODS SP:

> We wish to thank you for your wonderful reception and kindness to our group of students and advisors. The friendly atmosphere and consideration is sincerely appreciated. The impression left on all of us is that the park service is certainly composed of wonderful people.
>
> James Kershaw, Superintendent
> Hamilton Union High School
> Hamilton City

The Navy had a kind word for our new general folder, and also California's parks:

> Speaking as an inveterate traveler of California by-ways since 1939, I must say that the state park system is the finest in the country. Your department does a fantastic job in developing new parks and maintaining the old ones.
>
> O. A. Imer, Special Services Director
> Naval Weapons Center
> China Lake

Ken Murray's Book *"The Golden Days of San Simeon" is off the Press*

When describing a new book, it is customary to use the reviews that have been printed about it (assuming, of course, that they are good reviews). But, how many authors can claim reviews like this???

"You have beautifully captured the heart of San Simeon itself. The pictures and accompanying text will take us all back many years in memory." Signed – Ron (Ronald Reagan)

"Certainly, you have captured, both in photography and text, the magnificence of 'The Castle,' and provided your readers with a never-to-be-forgotten tour of the Hearst mansion." Signed – Richard Nixon

"... well written and beautifully illustrated, and I hope to use it as a guidebook someday for seeing the Hearst estate in person." Signed – Ted (Spiro T. Agnew)

"... I'm glad that you, not I, wrote and compiled it, because it could have hardly have been done better. Signed – Cary (Cary Grant)

And on, and on, and on. It really is a remarkable job. Its 160 pages and 167 rare photographs take the reader back to the days when Hearst San Simeon was the Mecca of Hollywood's great and near great. Already it's a best seller – having completely sold out the first printing even before it hit the book stores. And at $10 a copy, that's quite an achievement.

The book is being sold at the Monument and in the nearby areas by the State Park Foundation. All profits will go to the Foundation. The book may also be sold in selected units of the Park System and will be sold by mail here at headquarters. Anyone interested can order one by sending a check for $10 plus tax (50 cents) to the Reservation Office, State Department of Parks and Recreation, P.O. Box 2390, Sacramento 95811.

The book is available in the bookstores, but the Foundation benefits only from those copies sold directly by the Foundation or through the Department.

Murray dictates the first draft of the book to his wife Betty Lou.

Photos by Dick Thompson

At $10 a copy, it qualifies as a "coffe-table" book. It has already sold more than 8,000 copies, just in advance sales, without even appearing in a bookstore.

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CALENDAR OF SPECIAL EVENTS

August 1 — *San Juan Bautista SHP:* Flea Market.

August 8 — *Henry Cowell Redwoods SP:* Competitive trail ride, Graham Hill Trail.

August — *Sutter's Fort SHP:* Annual birthday party.

ON THE PATH WITH TOM

By Ed Earl
Chief Ranger, Santa Cruz Coast Area

Tom Spencer retired in 1968 after twenty year's, plus one day's, park service.

He began park work at Big Basin in 1948 as a Stock Clerk and became a Ranger I there a year later. Lloyd Lively was the Chief Ranger and George Hagens was the Assistant Ranger. Deputy Rangers were Gene Davis, Lou Donaldson, Len Penhale, Bill Epperly, Jim Whitehead, Bill Yager, James Chaffee, Bob Crawford, John Anderson, and Art Parvin, and Miss Petie Weaver was the summer campfire program director.

In 1955 Tom moved to Marin Riding and Hiking Trails as a Ranger II for a year's assignment and when John Michael moved from Natural Bridges to the Interpretation Section in Sacramento Tom joined Jim Beck at Natural Bridges for three years. When Bob Crawford promoted out of New Brighton, Tom moved again and worked nine years at the beach until he retired in 1968.

Tom struck out across the Nevada desert while working near Elko Wells a number of years ago. He made it to Rogerson, Idaho, three days later, a 125-mile hike, with only a compass to guide him. While working as a Park Ranger, Tom enjoyed striking out on park trails on his days off. He enjoyed the solitude and exercise hiking provided.

Tom claims to be 100 percent retired now, but those who know Tom doubt it, and there is good evidence when looking over his one-third-acre homesite that he is not. Maybe he is fifty percent retired, as he sets his own working hours and takes weekends off. Then again, he may be justified, because he is home more often with his lovely wife Marion.

Since suffering a minor heart problem just prior to his retirement, Tom is very conscientious of his diet and of getting proper exercise. He suggested our present ranger duties have taken us away from physical activity, so now rangers should schedule exercise or have after-hours hobbies to keep in good condition.

Tom and Marion make numerous short drives in the Santa Cruz – Monterey Bay Area. They often make it over to the Sierra foothills where they enjoy visiting the towns of the Mother Lode.

A visit with the Spencers at 475 Sims Road, Santa Cruz, is always a pleasant experience. All the Spencer household are a friendly family.

Tom's motto is titled "Indian Prayer" and it has led him gracefully through his park work:

Great Spirit
Grant that I may not
criticize my neighbor
until I have walked a mile
in his moccasins.

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TICKETRON PICTURE EMERGES

Administrative Services Chief *Lee Lutz,* in a report to Director Mott regarding the Ticketron reservation system that went into effect this year, stated that during the first five full months of operation almost 48,000 campsite reservations were made for 162,000 nights of camping. At an average length of stay per reservation of 3.4 days, this figures out to be about $495,000 in advance camping fees paid to this Department.

The greatest majority of the reservations, nearly 90 percent, were made at the 230 or so Ticketron terminals around the state. Only 10 percent were made at Department headquarters.

For Hearst tour reservations, Ticketron outlets are accounting for about three-quarters of all the advance sales. The rest are made at headquarters, mostly by mail. The bulk of Hearst tour tickets, however, amounting to about 75 percent of sales, is made directly at the monument on a first-come, first-served basis.

An earlier study, which covered the period April 15 through June 1, revealed this interesting fact: of all the persons who inquired about a campsite and were told that the spot of their choice was available at the time they wanted it, only 81 percent took it. The remaining 19 percent were only idly curious, maybe. If that figure surprises you, it doesn't surprise Ticketron. They tell us that when people are informed that a theater ticket is available for the performance of their choice, full 40 percent turn it down.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD . . .

DISTRICT 1

Maintenance Man *Roy Allen,* Equipment Operator *Don Cameron,* and Ranger Trainees *Larry Clark* and *Ken Jones* of the DYERVILLE AREA took back the trophy from the Division of Forestry, which had won the annual Forestry-State Park Golf Tournament for several years before this year's meet, held June 5-6 at Eureka and Benbow. Allen shot a 39 for the nine holes at Benbow.

A visitor from Washington was the first blind person to try the new Revelation Trail at PRAIRIE CREEK REDWOODS SP (see story in this issue). She and her friends were very impressed.

TRINIDAD AREA rangers alerted the CHP to a hazard on U.S. 101 near the park entrance – a car was following a bicycle, very slowly, and its driver planned to continue "protecting" the cyclist through the entire State of California. The patrolman helped him change his mind.

DISTRICT 2

RUSSIAN RIVER AREA Ranger *Robert Walker* is the proud father of a girl, Stacy, who weighed in on April 22 at a hefty ten pounds, five ounces.

DISTRICT 3

Determined Memorial Day campers had to shovel the snow out of their campsites at PLUMAS-EUREKA SP before they could occupy them.

There's a new way to see MARSHALL GOLD DISCOVERY SHP and FOLSOM LAKE SRA. . .river rafting. Three separate organizations operate tours by large rubber raft, starting at Chili Bar and ending up in the lake. Ranger *Harold H. Sederquist* comments that it's quite a sight to see a parade of nine rafts passing through Coloma on the American River.

DISTRICT 5

Park families from HEARST SAN SIMEON SHM and the District HQ joined SAN LUIS OBISPO COAST AREA employees in a going-away party for *Renie Laret*, who's heading south to take the Park District Maintenance Specialist spot in District 6 vacated by Bud Caughell who now heads up the ORANGE COAST AREA. *Bob Hanks'* homemade banana ice cream provided the finishing touch to a tasty meal.

JOSHUA TREES AREA Manager *Roy Gholson* reports that 20th-Century Fox plans to use Red Rock Canyon to film title background scenes for a new television series, "Cade's County."

HEARST SAN SIMEON SHM Guides *Vena Angier* and *Dottie Boulian* were two members of an art class that spent a half day sketching the Enchanted Hill recently. Special photography tours have also been tried there.

DISTRICT 6

The show must go on. . .so ANZA-BORREGO AREA Ranger *Chet Getty* hooked his winch onto a car and brought it down Montezuma Grade so that its occupants, the baseball team scheduled to play the Borrego Springs school ball club, could make the game.

The elusive desert bighorn has never even been seen by ANZA-BORREGO AREA Manager *Jack Hesemeyer* or Dispatcher Clerk *Dora Teele* – in fact, they were beginning to believe that the sheep were figments of somebody's imagination – but recently a young couple came into the office and accused them of planting tame bighorns in Palm Canyon. . .a young ram had been following them around to the point of making a pest of himself. To prove their point, they sent in this picture, a regular color slide taken with an ordinary lens. →

Potpourri...

SEWER LINES TO BE BUILT

The Department has agreed to give the city of Ventura an easement across San Buenaventura State Beach to install two 20-inch underground sewer lines. Director Mott called the agreement an excellent example of how different agencies of California government are working together to preserve and improve the environmental quality of the state.

The lines will carry sewage across the State Beach to a new sewer plant near the Santa Clara River. Construction in the park is expected to take about a year. A minimum fee of $250 will be charged for the easement.

No visitor facilities or services will be disrupted by construction. The State Beach will be served by the sewer facilities, and the sewer work will preserve the environmental quality of the beach.

NEW AREA IN DISTRICT 1

Weaverville Joss House SHP and Shasta SHP have been combined into a new Northern Mines Historical Area in District 1. Manager of the new area is *Bob Perkins*.

Assistant Superintendent *Doug Bryce*, who is responsible for the new area as well as the Castle Crags, Lake Oroville, McArthur-Burney, and North Valley Areas, is now headquartered in Oroville to cut down on travel time and improve communications with his units.

NUMBER OF LOST TIME INJURIES JANUARY THROUGH MAY 31

	1970	1971
Executive	0	1
Administrative Services	0	1
Planning and Development	2	1
Operations Division - Headquarters	0	0
District 1	2	2
District 2	3	5
Distirct 3	8	8
District 4	2	2
District 5	5	6
Distirct 6	1	6
TOTALS	23	32

NEW GUIDE FOR GETTING AWAY FROM IT ALL

The National Park Service has published a new guide for those who backpack, canoe, or ride horseback into the more remote areas of national parks. "Back-Country Travel in the National Park System" describes 41 such areas and gives rules and suggestions for those making such trips. The guide, Stock No. 2405-02-67, is available from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D.C. 20402 for 35 cents.

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YIELD FROM THE FIELD ... (continued)

District 6 Superintendent *Jim Whitehead* celebrated his 24th anniversary in park service by hiking to Round Valley Campground, elevation 9,100 feet, at MOUNT SAN JACINTO WILDERNESS SP on April 21. Ranger *Phil Claud* hopes he'll be spending his 25th at Mount San Jac's Peak, at 10,831 feet the highest point in the State Park System.

That's gratitude – while ANZA-BORREGO AREA Ranger *Gar Salzgeber* was escorting a motor home with radiator and fan belt problems to Ocotillo, the driver threw a beer can out the window.

A large gathering of motorcycle enthusiasts at CARLSBAD SB made the staff a little uneasy, but it turned out that all they had in mind was enjoying the beach facilities. . .and when they left, the area that they had occupied was clean of every bit of litter, right down to the last cigarette butt.

STAFF CHANGES

APPOINTMENTS

Baker, Robert M.	Assist Deputy Director	Director's Office	5-1-71
Baxter, Sam C.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Point Mugu Area	4-3-71
Beauchamp, Donald C.	Pk Safety & Enf Spec	District 3 HQ	6-7-71
Delp, Ronald J.	Groundsman	Point Mugu Area	5-3-71
Fritz, Gregory E.	Groundsman	Orange Coast Area	6-7-71
Kauffman, Gregory L.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Marin Area	5-18-71
Lawson, James D.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Marin Area	6-9-71
McIsaac, Theodore J.	Park Maint Assist	Frontera Area	5-17-71
Rodgers, Rosalind L.	Clerk I (Perm Int)	Frontera Area	5-10-71
Tribsees, Betinna S.	Clerk Typist II (Perm Int)	Golden Gate Area	5-24-71
Waltz, James W.	Park Maint Asst	San Luis Obispo Coast Area	5-1-71

PROMOTIONS

Caughell, Jewel N.	State Park Ranger V	Dist 6 HQ to Orange Coast Area	6-1-71
Cline, Charles G.	State Park Ranger V	Dist 1 HQ to Dist 3 HQ	6-1-71
Duckworth, Edward W.	Park Maint Man I	Sonoma Area	5-1-71
Laymance, Jerry A., Sr.	Park Maint Man I	Hearst San Simeon to Salton Sea Area	5-17-71
Marshall, William E.	State Park Ranger II	San Mateo Coast Area to San Luis Obispo Coast Area	5-1-71
Schlotter, Jack W.	Dist Interp Spec	Hiouchi Area to Dist 1 HQ	6-1-71
Wilson, Richard W.	Clerk II	Office & Res Services	5-1-71
Yee, Mary J.	Clerk II (Perm Int)	Accounting	5-14-71

CLASS TITLE CHANGES

Anderson, Carl A	State Park Ranger V	Director's Off to Sierra Area	5-1-71
Bauer, Otton F.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Grants Admin & Local Assist	5-19-71
Beauchamp, Jerry P.	Park Maint Man I	Piercy Area	5-10-71
Bechtel, Jack C.	Assist Park & Rec Spec	Statewide Planning	5-19-71
Blackburn, Owen	Assist Park & Rec Spec	Grants Admin & Local Assist	5-19-71
Bradshaw, Harold D.	Assist Park & Rec Spec	Grants Admin & Local Assist	5-19-71
Doyle, James M.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Statewide Planning	5-19-71
Dwyer, Ed V.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Statewide Planning	5-19-71
Emrie, William J.	Staff Park & Rec Spec	Statewide Planning	5-19-71
Filipponi, Mervyn L.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Grants Admin & Local Assist	5-19-71
Gardner, J. Warren	Staff Park & Rec Spec	Grants Admin & Local Assist	5-19-71
Hagy, Robert H.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Contract Services	5-19-71
Hanshew, Ronald L.	Assist Park & Rec Spec	Grants Admin & Local Assist	5-19-71
Henry, Ross T.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Grants Admin & Local Assist	5-19-71
Hinton, Ralph N.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Contract Services	5-19-71
Hjersman, Henry A.	Sr Park & Rec Spec	Contract Services	
Hongola, Norman	Sr Park & Rec Spec	Grants Admin & Local Assist	5-19-71
Martin, Kenneth E.	Assist Park & Rec Spec	Grants Admin & Local Assist	5-19-71
McCormick, Ralph B.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Statewide Planning	5-19-71
McDade, James D.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Contract Services	5-19-71
Meier, Paul R.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Contract Services	5-19-71
Pierce, Kenneth H.	Assist Park & Rec Spec	Contract Services	5-19-71
Power, Neil E.	State Park Ranger III	Columbia Area	5-1-71
Ramsdell, Gerald H.	Assist Park & Rec Spec	Statewide Planning	5-19-71
Rawlings, Ronald D.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Grants Admin & Local Assist	5-19-71
Spharler, Lon E.	Sr Park & Rec Spec	Statewide Planning	5-19-71

NAME CHANGE:

Lloyd, Rhonda A. to: Lucas	Clerk Typist II	Office & Res Services	6-1-71

UNIT CHANGES

Bitting, Samuel R., Jr.	State Park Ranger I	Orange Coast Area To Mt. San Jacinto Area	5-7-71
Bruno, Donald F.	Sr Land Agent	Land Sect To Special Services Sect	6-1-71
Chambers, Brian M.	Assist Land Agent	Land Sect To Special Services Sect	6-1-71
Dougherty, William P.	State Park Ranger IV	Orange Coast Area To Channel Coast Area	4-15-71
Featherstone, John S.	Assist Land Agent	Land Sect To Special Services Sect	6-1-71
Happersberger, Tobie J.	Clerk Typist II	Information Sect to Office & Res Svcs	6-14-71
Ingram, Thomas G.	Assoc Land Agent	Land Sect To Special Services Sect	6-1-71
Johnson, Marsha M.	Clerk Typist II	Office & Res Services To Information Sect	6-14-71
McGuckin, Andrew J.	Assist Land Agent	Land Sect To Special Services Sect	6-1-71
Powell, William H.	Assoc Land Agent	Land Sect To Grants Admin & Local Assist	6-1-71
Ryan, Herbert C.	Asst Land Agent	Land Sect To Special Services Sect	6-1-71
Salzgeber, Garlan A.	State Park Ranger I	Salton Sea Area To Anza Borrego Area	5-1-71
Welch, Jack P.	State Park Ranger V	Dist 5 HQ San Diego Coast Area	4-15-71
Westberg, Raymond E.	State Park Ranger III	Dyerville Area To Hiouchi Area	6-1-71
Wilde, Ray B.	Assoc Land Agent	Land Sect To Special Services Sect	6-1-71
Wiley, Bert H., Sr.	Assoc Land Agent	Land Sect To Special Services Sect	6-1-71
Wilson, Theodore A.	State Park Ranger V	District 3 HQ To Concessions Div	6-1-71

SEPARATIONS:

Bushley, Michael P.	Park Maint Assist	Santa Cruz Mtns Area	5-16-71
Day, Max W.	Assist Conces Spec, DPR	Concessions Division	5-31-71
Hill, Jo Ann C.	Clerk Typist II	Office & Res Services	6-11-71
Logan, Matthew F.	Account Clerk II	Dist 6 HQ	5-31-71
Lynn, Linda G.	Clerk Typist II	Personnel Section	6-11-71
McQuillan, Arthur J.	Pk Safety & Enf Spec	Dist 3 HQ	5-7-71
Moore, Delbert L.	Park Maint Man II	La Purisima Mission Area	5-23-71
Pugh, Robert W.	State Park Ranger IV	Training Section	6-4-71
Rittmann, Gwendolyn G.	Clerk Typist I	Office & Res Services	6-4-71
Weiner, Paul S.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Salton Sea Area	5-12-71
Wildman, Helen R.	Clerk Typist I (Perm Int)	Point Lobos Area	6-4-71

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COMMISSION REPORT . . .

The State Park and Recreation Commission meeting in Coronado Friday, July 9, was highlighted by Director Mott's announcement of a proposed acquisition of 6,000 acres of land adjacent to Point Mugu SP. The acquisition would involve a donation of land by the owner equalling one-half the value of his ownership. With matching funds anticipated from the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund making up the reminaing half, the entire acquisition, worth an estimated $12 million, could cost the state nothing. The landowner is Richard Danielson of Los Angeles.

Director's Report

In his regular report to the Commission, the Director explained the 1971-72 budget and its effect on the Department's activities; acknowledged a gift of $2,000 by former Commissioner Zellerbach for the preparation of a park classification brochure; explained a plan to interpret California missions, particularly La Purisima, to the public with the help of funds donated to the State Parks Foundation; reported on the progress of the program to restore the second floor of the Bidwell Mansion with funds raised from a "tile-signing" program; discussed the need for preserving coastal property; reported on the status of the Annadel Farm project; and explained the criteria used in distributing federal funds and bond funds to local government agencies for recreation development.

Other Business

The Commission approved the establishment of the Ralph Works Chaney Redwood Memorial Grove at Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP. The grove consists of 20 acres and is worth approximately $100,000, of which $50,000 was contributed by friends and family of Dr. Chaney and of C. M. Goethe.

The Commission also approved the establishment of a 27-acre marine biology study area and wildlife sanctuary, to be operated by a local public agency, in the South San Diego Bay area. The U. S. Navy is expected to lease the land to the state.

Robert Meyer, Deputy Director, traced the current legislation directly and indirectly affecting the Department. He also announced that a new book by Ken Murray entitled "The Golden Days of San Simeon" has been published by Doubleday and is available for sale at the Monument. The book is already into its second printing.

Director Mott explained to the Commission the situation in the Department's Planning Division as a result of the budget, and how this will affect the unit-by-unit ecological studies underway. He pointed out that of the Division's 109 positions, only 29 are available for work on General Fund projects, and all except four of these are already assigned to high priority studies. He said the Department cannot do all the work that has been requested of it and has so notified the Legislature. By making the situation clear to everyone, he added, he hopes to be able to rectify the situation in next year's budget.

Commissioner Bonnicksen submitted a proposal for adoption by the Commission asking that immediate action be taken to control off-road vehicles in Anza-Borrego Desert SP, and that a master plan be prepared containing a detailed and comprehensive environmental impact study of the park. Director Mott explained again about the manpower situation and said that his Department could not undertake this special effort until next year. The majority of the commissioners present agreed, and the resolution was defeated. →

↑ The State Park and Recreation Commission met Friday, July 9, in the Coronado City Council Chambers.

Dale Sutliff of the Planning and Development Division explains the Border Field project to commissioners and staff. ↓

↑ The field trip concluded with a visit to Old Town and the Bandini House.

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COMMISSION REPORT (continued)

On Thursday preceding the meeting, the Commission was taken on a field trip to Border Field, a proposed international park site on the border between Mexico and the United States. The commissioners also visited Silver Strand SB, the proposed 27-acre wildlife sanctuary in South San Diego Bay, and Old Town San Diego SHP. •

LEST WE FORGET. . .

The list gets longer and longer. Here are the rare and endangered species of California, as submitted by the Department of Fish and Game to the Fish and Game Commission:

Endangered

California brown pelican
California condor
Southern bald eagle
American peregrine falcon
California clapper rail
Yuma clapper rail
Light-footed clapper rail
California least tern
Morro Bay kangaroo rat
Salt marsh harvest mouse
Colorado River squawfish
Mohave chub
Owens pupfish
Tecopa pupfish
Unarmored threespine stickleback
Santa Cruz long-toed salamander
Desert slender salamander
Blunt-nosed leopard lizard
San Francisco garter snake

Rare

California black rail
California yellow-billed cuckoo
Mohave ground squirrel
Stephens kangaroo rat
Fresno kangaroo rat
Island fox
San Joaquin kit fox
Wolverine
Guadalupe fur seal
California bighorn sheep
Peninsular bighorn sheep
Lost River sucker
Shortnose sucker
Humpback sucker
Bonytail
Siskiyou mountain salamander
Kern Canyon slender salamander
Tehachapi slender salamander
Limestone salamander
Shasta salamander
Black toad
Southern rubber boa
Alameda striped racer
Giant garter snake

The Director

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.
Director
Department of Parks
and Recreation

"THE NEXT TEN YEARS"

We have seen many changes during the past ten years which have influenced recreation. What will the next ten years bring? What will be the priorities? What effect will the 4-and-40 work week combined with a continuous school year have on people's recreation patterns? Will greater emphasis be placed upon developing parks closer to major metropolitan areas? What restrictions will we have to place on the use of wilderness areas in order to maintain their pristine beauty? What effect will the 18-year-olds who now have voting privileges have on government spending priorities? Will our economy continue to provide people with the money and time to freely pursue an almost unlimited variety of recreational activities? Will we continue to have the mobility that the internal combustion engine has provided? Will the user-pay concept develop into a philosophy – that recreation should be self-supporting? Will the private sector's interest in recreation change government responsibility to provide recreational opportunities for everyone? Will the federal government move into the urban recreation field? Will federal cost sharing enhance recreational opportunities at the local levels of government? Will funding for preserving open space at all levels of government be provided by business and industry on a cost-sharing basis as a part of an employee's vacation? Will the popularity and rate of increase of power boats and off-road recreation vehicles continue? Will the camper bus replace the trailer, camper-car and tent? Will environmental education and interpretation be given the status and funds which they deserve? Will the intrinsic values of beauty and quality be given the same consideration as economic values in making a judgment decision? Will funds for maintaining parks at all levels of government be increased to match increasing usage?

All of these questions and many more must be considered as we plan for the next ten years. Our analysis of trends and our forecasts of future recreation needs must be sound and as accurate as data available to us will permit. The ability and creativity of our Department will be severely tested as we plan for the future in the caldron of economic, social, and moral change. We cannot look backward. We must look forward to the opportunities and challenges that await us.

For Your Information

STATE PARK SYSTEM FACILITY INVENTORY
March 31, 1971

	Districts						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Acres	88,041.44	32,394.87	46,597.89	58,699.52	35,483.84	574,858.16	836,075.72
Campsites	1,998	508	1,351	955	1,660	1,553	8,025
Developed	1,920[1]	337	1,162[2]	918	1,178	1,322[3]	6,837
Primitive	74	154	182	25	478	219	1,132
Group	4	17	7	12	4	12	56
Picnic Sites	661	818	1,721	1,460	540	653	5,853
Boat Launching Lanes	23	10	50	0	0	25	108
Museums	4	6	7	2	2	3	24
Historic Structures	7	22	58	17	48	2	154
Campfire Centers	11	3	6	6	2	6	34
Parking Spaces – paved	3,899	3,161	8,971	4,603	3,980	8,230	32,844
Roads(miles) – paved	69.7	42.6	65.1	59.3	28.9	48.3	313.9
Trails (miles)	238.2	95.7	95.1	155.7	61.7	172.9	819.3

1 Includes 5 Boat Camps
2 Includes 70 Boat Camps
3 Includes 16 Horse Camps

Training Benefits

As our training facility has continued its operation on Asilomar Conference Grounds, we occasionally benefit from unplanned, unexpected but pleasantly rewarding experiences.

As an example, our group of Ranger Trainees who recently concluded their training here was able to establish some good dialogue with a 360-member group of "Hotline" staff. "Hotline" is an international organization which provides emergency guidance and aid to individuals experiencing personal problems through drug abuse, alcoholism, pregnancy and many other social problems. Their conference consisted of a series of special-interest sub-group meetings, many of which our Rangers were able to share in during their free hours. Their speakers includes such men as Carl Rogers, internationally recognized psychologist and educator.

In talking with their group's Conference Coordinator, I was pleased to hear of the impression our employees had made in their contacts. There was an exchange of knowledge and experiences which seem to have had great impact on members of both groups.

Encounters such as this offer extra benefits to our employees and, through them, to our Department. They are encounters that, while not as frequent as might be wished for, are often available to us at Asilomar, and can not be overlooked as an additional resource in our Employee Development Program and its conduct. It's a resource not readily available at sites other than Asilomar and, if possible, one that we intend to increase our efforts to take advantage of in the future.

James S. Kruger, Director
Asilomar Training Institute

News Clipping Service Reduced

Beginning this month, we are reducing the news clipping service of Allen's Press Clipping Bureau. This means that we will be dependent upon our field personnel to spot articles of interest about our parks and our staff and send them to us.

When sending in a news clipping, please only send the article, not the entire paper or even the page. Cut it out, note the name of the paper and the date of its appearance on the top, and send it to the Information Office. Department of Parks and Recreation, Box 2390, Sacramento 95811 with the weekly Supervisor's Reports. Do not send it to the Director's office or to the Operations Division office. We will see that these and all other headquarters offices get it.

NUMBER OF LOST TIME INJURIES JANUARY THROUGH JUNE 30, 1971

	1970	1971
Executive	0	1
Administrative Services	0	0
Planning and Development	2	1
Operations Division – Headquarters	0	0
District 1	2	2
District 2	4	5
District 3	8	11
District 4	4	3
District 5	5	6
District 6	1	8
TOTALS	26	37

Save A Life – The Importance of First Aid Training

Lifeguard Supervisor *William R. Kramer* organized and supervised a First Aid Training Class at Huntington State Beach on Wednesday, June 16, 1971. In attendance were Rangers from Doheny and San Clemente State Beaches, and Rangers and Maintenance men from Huntington State Beach.

On Sunday, June 20th (four days after training class), at approximately 1335, there was a minor accident at Huntington State Beach. *Lee Palasik*, Maintenance Man I, was at the scene and called for Duty Ranger *Jeff Snider* to coordinate details; while Ranger Snider was talking to a Mr. Palmer Casson, he seemed to faint/pass out. As a result of their recent training, they were immediately suspicious of a heart condition and of the IMPORTANCE of IMMEDIATE mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Just as if they had rehearsed it – Mr. Palasis started mouth to mouth resuscitation on Mr. Casson while inside his car; Ranger Snider went to his patrol vehicle and radioed for assistance from Lifeguard personnel and also called for an ambulance. Lifeguards were at the scene within three minutes, and within ten minutes Mr. Casson was on his way to Hoag Memorial Hospital in an ambulance.

Medical opinions suggest that Mr. Casson is alive today due to quick and fast action implemented by Huntington State Beach Personnel.

I am sure Mr. & Mrs. Casson, along with all Maintenance, Ranger, and Lifeguard personnel at Huntington State Beach "Salute" and say "Beautiful" to Messers. Kramer, Palasik, and Snider; it is nice to know and work with people like you.

Louise M. Short
ORANGE COAST AREA

REVEALING QUESTIONNAIRE BY SAN DIEGO ASSEMBLYMAN

San Diego Assemblyman E. Richard Barnes sent out a questionnaire to members of his (the 78th) Assembly District. Consisting of 42 questions, it asked for opinions on subjects ranging from Property Tax to the Chavez Boycott, including four about Ecology. We thought you might be interested in the results.

QUESTIONS: Do you favor more state controls to assure continued public access to California's beaches and coastline? ANSWER: 6282 Yes, 591 No, and 773 Undecided.

QUESTION: Do you favor more state controls to assure reduction in air pollution from stationary sources such as industry and power plants? ANSWER: 6730 Yes, 384 No, and 532 Undecided.

QUESTION: As an automobile owner, do you support the idea of required annual inspections of all vehicles to insure their safe operating condition and compliance with antipollution laws? ANSWER: 5695 Yes, 995 No, and 956 Undecided.

QUESTION: It will cost millions of dollars to clean up our total environment. What taxes should be increased to do the job? ANSWER: 2853 Sales Tax, 2928 Auto License Fee, 1394 Personal Income Tax, 495 Property Tax, and 2411 believed that some other kind of tax should be used.

There were other interesting questions, and results, too. Of those questioned, 55 percent oppose Nevada style gambling for California, 58 percent favor withholding of state income taxes, 87 percent want written permission from parents before students are bussed out of neighborhood schools, 68 percent favor retaining the death penalty, and a whopping 93 percent support the idea that if no regular jobs can be found for welfare recipients, they should work in state jobs developing state parks, clearing stream beds, and cleaning roadside areas.

BITS & PIECES

Ranger *Gar Salzgeber* of ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP reports, "In my environmental crusade to save the world, I find myself blocking off and camouflaging unnecessary jeep and buggy trails across the desert by raking and planting cactus over the start of the trails. While working on such a camouflage project, where such a trail joins County Road S-2, the driver of a blue 4-wheel-drive vehicle squeaked to a stop and caught me in the act of watering the newly planted cactus with my one-gallon water jug and asked the inevitable question, 'Do you water *all* the cactus that way?'"

Park Maintenance Assistant *Howard Parks* has established rapport with some of the small wild life in the vicinity of the compound at the Ricardo Ranger Station at Red Rock Canyon. His "kingdom" includes one red racer, one gopher snake, two small cottontail rabbits that squeeze through the chain link fence for a nightly sip of fresh water, kangeroo rats, field mice, and white-tailed antelope ground squirrels. For a short time a small desert pack rat was included in the menagerie until parts of the patrol vehicle fell victim to his gnawing teeth, at which time the little rat was deported to JOSHUA TREES SP, some 60 miles away. Meanwhile, we are waiting to hear if Howard has taken up feeding the sidewinders and will at that time contemplate an involuntary transfer.

We may have a bit of competition between Benicia Area and the Sacramento Area if we have more tours of school children from Richmond. One such group visited the Capitol, and then moved on to tour BENICIA CAPITOL SHP. After both tours, they decided they enjoyed the tour of Benicia better.

Rattlesnakes at SUGARLOAF RIDGE SP are causing a bit of a stir --- they seem to have the idea that it may be fun to snuggle with some of the campers in their tents at night. It's difficult to remove a snake from a tent in the dark . . . and it becomes *worse* than difficult when the tent falls down!

Speaking of rattlesnakes, there is a certain Scout that is evacuated every time there is the slightest rattle in it. It seems a certain snake, in order to avoid capture, escaped into the wheel splash pan or the gas tank of said Scout. It is still not known if the snake has left the Scout, or if he is just waiting in the gas tank to get his revenge.

We may have a new way to rid SOUTH CARLSBAD SB of ants. . .A lady camper informed Ranger *James R. Avant* she sprays them with "Ambush" perfume by Lanvin and claimed it really repels the ants. Wonder what it does to men!!!

What's Happening?

No Longer a Retirement Park

The place – Fremont Peak State Park. The time – a number of years ago – – It had been a busy Saturday at the Park. The picnickers had left early but one of them had littered two gum wrappers and a popsicle stick on the ground. That litter pickup takes a lot out of a man so an extra coffee break had to be scheduled into the afternoon. Three out of the four campers had been pretty good but that fourth – well he had let his dog off his leash and that took at least 40 minutes of the ranger's time giving the camper a lecture on loose dogs. Then there was the book work, that took a good three to four hours to complete. When the ranger finally settled back in his easy chair at 4:37 that afternoon, his thoughts turned to the next week – there would be garbage to pick up and restrooms to clean and then there would be next weekend with Troop 1 from Salinas coming in. They would have five Scouts and three leaders and it was only the year before that this same troop had dropped a half full mustard jar on one of the tables making a half day clean up job for the park staff. Such was a typical weekend at Fremont Peak State Rangers' Retirement Park.

The Park is still a small 244 acres with 12 campsites but many other things have changed. The Park now has a display shelter, a nature trail better than half completed, and a new group area. The visitor attendance has gone up each year with a jump of over 20,000 this last year over the year before. Visitor attendance:

1966	–	1967 –	22,998
1967	–	1968 –	26,098
1968	–	1969 –	31,945
1969	–	1970 –	50,509
1970	–	1971 –	71,529

The use by groups has also greatly increased: About 40 groups in '68 - '69; about 45 groups in '69 - '70; and over 90 groups in '70 - '71.

More and more people are finding out that Fremont Peak is a beautiful park and it is well worth driving the 11 crooked miles from San Juan Bautista to enjoy the fine view, pleasant weather and quiet campgrounds.

Barry Breckling
Ranger I

SHAKESPEARE AND MUSIC GRACE PARK SCENE

What is more natural than "A Midsummer Night's Dream" in a wooded setting, and what wooded setting could be better than a redwood park, particularly ARMSTRONG REDWOODS SR with its Forest Theater.

For the first time this year, a series of Shakespeare plays are being presented in the reserve's theater, and according to attendance figures – 1775 for three performances of "Midsummer Night" and 1125 for two performances of "As You Like It" – it is a rousing success. Assistant District Superintendent *Murrell Gregory* reports that most of the audience is made up of local people from the neighboring communities.

The program of Shakespeare began July 8 and ended July 31 with a performance of Romeo and Juliet. In addition to the plays, a series of Summer Concerts are underway on Sunday afternoons. These will continue through August 29. •

The character "Bottom" performs in Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream **to a standing room only crowd.**

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT – In the Parks?

At 9:00 a.m., on Tuesday, July 13, a wild animal was sentenced to death at Cuyamaca Rancho State Park. The crime? Sunbathing along the Sweetwater River. The punishment? A crushed skull and decapitation. The judge? Four park visitors hiking along the river. The law? All animals are protected. The criminal? A sleek, beautifully mature Pacific Rattlesnake.

The real crime which was committed that warm July morning was murder – though of course that's not what the book says. What makes this act totally inexcusable is the fact that it occurred in the victim's own home – a home which is granted full protection by the State of California, Department of Parks and Recreation.

Just what is the purpose of a state park? Defined one way, it is to provide a place where man may go and observe nonhuman creatures living their lives in an undisturbed and relatively natural habitat. What can possibly be the justification for killing any animal which lives in such a place? It is like going into the zoo and shooting the wolf . . . "because someone might accidentally wander into the

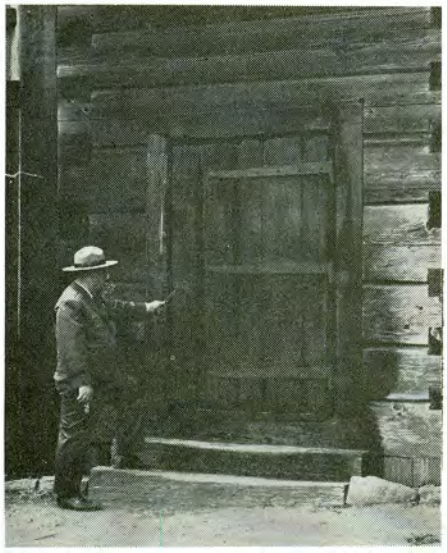
wolf area and get bitten"! Man is the intruder in such a place – and rightfully it is his responsibility to look out for himself, not to kill or remove everything which represents a potential threat to his safety.

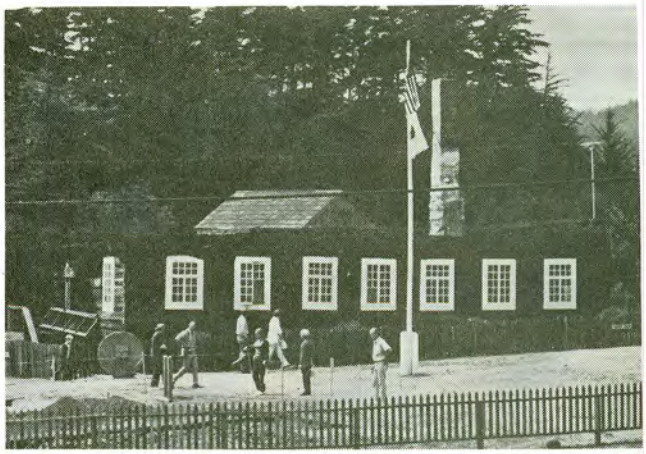
Someone once said: Shouldn't there be a place, somewhere, at some time, where a man can't come in and do anything he wants, just because he is a man? That is what our parks are supposed to be, but it seems the wings of "ecological consciousness" have not yet spread wide enough to shield the rattlesnake. If the park visitor is truly interested in eliminating things which are a threat to other men, he could be a thousand times more effective by starting with the automobile sitting in his driveway.

Paul Johnson, SPR I
Cuyamaca Rancho SP

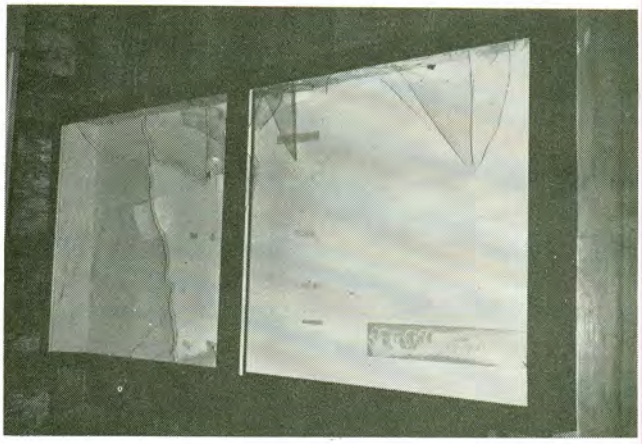
BAD NEWS – AND GOOD NEWS – FROM FORT ROSS SHP

By now we have all heard of the deliberately-set fire July 11 at Fort Ross SHP during which two sections of the stockade wall, the roof on the Cammandant's House, and the lower outside corner and entry to the northeast blockhouse were burned. It was also during this time that the Commandant's House was broken into and two cases of Indian artifacts and a bow and arrow display stolen. Thanks to the quick action of resident ranger *Bob Jensen's* wife, who first spotted the fire at about 2:15 that morning, the fire was brought under control before the entire fort was destroyed. Jensen sent his wife to phone for aid while he fought the fire with the Fort's 50-gallon skid unit. When he ran out of water, he entered the burning building and began removing artifacts until the Salt Point 500-gallon pumper arrived. The fire was finally put out with the help of local volunteers and four crews from the Division of Forestry. As for the good news – students from Sonoma State College working on the archeological project at the Fort have uncovered the footings of the original chapel built in 1825. They have also unearthed evidence of the official's barracks there. The students are part of the school's summer Archeology Field Class working under instructor William Pritchard and Department archeologist Francis Riddell.

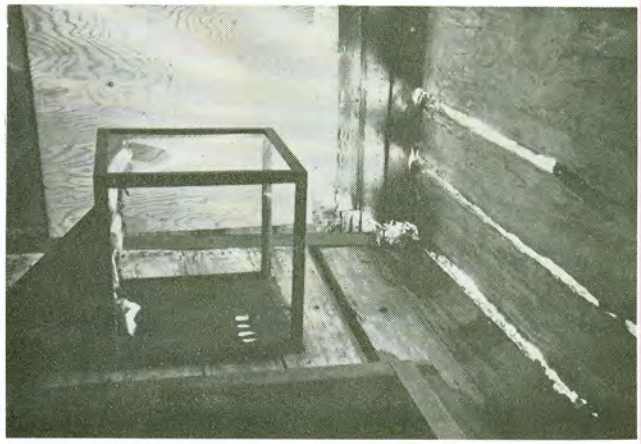




It was business as usual at the Fort, even though it had been seriously damaged by fire. Many visitors asked about the fire, and were shocked to learn that it was arson. Notice the fire damage along the roof line of the Commandant's House.



This is the case that was broken into during the fire. All the exhibited material it contained was stolen.



Light seeps through the damaged roof of the Commandant's House. Plans call for a free-standing roof to be built over the structure until more permanent repairs can be made.

←Ranger Bob Jensen inspects the damage done to the northeast blockhouse. The door and surrounding area were charred.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD ...

District 1

A fire developed recently in a "goosepen" redwood in the F. K. Lane Grove at HUMBOLDT REDWOODS SP. It looked as if the tree would have to be felled to extinguish it, but quick work by Park Maintenance Men *Thomas Griffith* and *Hugh Metcalf* with extension ladder, hand tools, and skid fire pumper put the fire out and saved the tree.

BIDWELL MANSION SHP reports an average of $75 per week is being donated for the new carpeting. Among the first donations were *Fred Eggimann*, State Park Ranger III of WILL ROGERS AREA, *Brenda Boswell*, of Sacramento Information, and the Cutler-Orosi Courier.

District 2

A retirement dinner for Ranger *Fred Newbill* and his wife, Mildred, was held in Guerneville. Those attending included Superintendent and Mrs. *Bob Hatch*, Assistant Superintendent and Mrs. *M. Gregory*, plus many from the area. The Newbills plan on settling in Fort Bragg.

District 3

Congratulations are in order for Ranger *Jim Hendrix* of FOLSOM LAKE SRA who is also a student at Sacramento State College. For the second semester in a row Jim has made the Dean's Honor Roll, this time with a 3.5 grade point average.

Ranger *Edgar Williamson* proved that a good ranger is also a good detective after the Beals Point Entrance Station was broken into at FOLSOM LAKE SRA. After some top-notch detective work by Ranger *Williamson*, a young adult was arrested and most of the goods recovered in spite of the fact that by then they were spread throughout Sacramento County.

Area Supervisor *Darrel Knoefler* did his good deed at CALAVERAS AREA by allowing a litterer to escape a citation. The young man in question fell off his Honda which made it necessary for him to obtain treatment and bandages. What did he leave on the roadway? - - -His skin!

District 4

Rangers *Dan Scott* and *Clifford Wade* report a "normal" day in the life of a BIG SUR ranger. While on their way to a clam hunt at PISMO BEACH on their day off, they found a large Grayline tour bus over the embankment. Two boys with the bus said they had been picked up by a 400-pound "pig" who was driving the bus. Our rangers, being the doubtful type, contacted the local Highway Patrol officer, to whom the boys admitted stealing the bus.

District 5

Ranger *Richard McKillop* managed to do a little salvaging, crabbing, and repair work all at once at GAVIOTA SP when a boat hoist cable was cut recently. When Ranger *McKillop* dove to find the weight and hook, he brought back with it a fishing rod and spinning reel, fishing knife, and six crabs.

Maintenance Assistance *Bill Corrella* of CHANNEL COAST AREA has added a second son to his family recently ----- a hefty 7-pound, 13½ ounces. Also adding to our "baby boom" are Ranger and Mrs. *James Hart* at SAN LUIS OBISOP COAST AREA with an 8-pound, 8-ounce son.

A small group of boys visiting Fort Tejon SHP on their way to Yosemite National Park had all kinds of luck. While exploring the Fort, they found a snake and decided to carry it down to their advisor for identification. Much to the advisor's surprise and consternation, the snake turned out to be a rattlesnake, so he passed it on to Ranger *Louis Wakefield*. Wakefield informed the boys that the only reason they were able to pick up the snake was that it had been in the process of eating a lizard and just couldn't get its mouth open any wider to bite them.

District 6

Who says women are the weaker sex? While *Leslie Spooner*, Park Aid at TORREY PINES SR, was on a patrol, a snake slithered across the trail and she didn't as much as flutter an eyelash.

Our newly-organized horse patrol at CUYAMACA RANCHO SP won in its first race recently when Chief Ranger *John Walstrom* succeeded in catching an invading motorcyclist in the meadow area. . .much to the cyclist's surprise! →

Yield from the Field (Continued)

ORANGE COAST AREA has more than its share of lost and found items, but DOHENY SB takes the award for this month. One woman, probably tired and a bit harried, gathered her belongings and several children together and left after a long day at the beach. Half an hour later she returned to pick up the little boy she'd forgotten when she left.

FRONTERA AREA personnel and their families had themselves an outing at Silver Strand SB. From left, *Rachael Adkisson, June Rankin* from the District 6 office, *Verda Gotelli, Ann* and *Dave Sutherland, Bob Hinman, Lois Goode,* and *Linda Ross.*

Ranger *Chet Getty* has a "thing" about animals, it seems. After discovering a Desert Tortoise being tortoise-napped in ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP and getting him safely back, he turned to wildlife photography of the Desert Bighorn. He was attempting to focus his camera on one large Desert Bighorn when three more sheep appeared. That's some focusing!!

Headquarters

Those at Headquarters who have missed the cheerful presence of *Mary Summers*, secretary for *Leland Lutz*, will be happy to hear that she is the proud mother of a 6-pound, 4-ounce boy, Jason Tindall Summers.

Reno was the city for *Lowell Ray* of DISTRIBUTION AND REPRODUCTION CENTER and *Mary E. Roberts* of BUSINESS SERVICES to tie the nuptial knot on July 9, 1971.

Lorraine Lynn, former supervisor of the Claims Section and now head of the new Distribution and Reproduction Center at Sacramento HQ, hasn't been seen around the office for a couple of weeks. She is taking most of July off on vacation to pursue her hobby --- harness racing with her Standardbred horse Myrna's Boy. Throughout the spring Lorraine has been training Myrna's Boy, after work and on weekends, for the harness racing meet held at Cal Expo from mid-June until the first part of August. Lorraine has been interested in horses for years --- she had her own mare while she was attending college at Davis, and has even worked as a featured rider in a circus. Now, though she enjoys weekend carriage rallies, she is not planning to start driving her own horse in competition at the Cal Expo track.

Potpourri

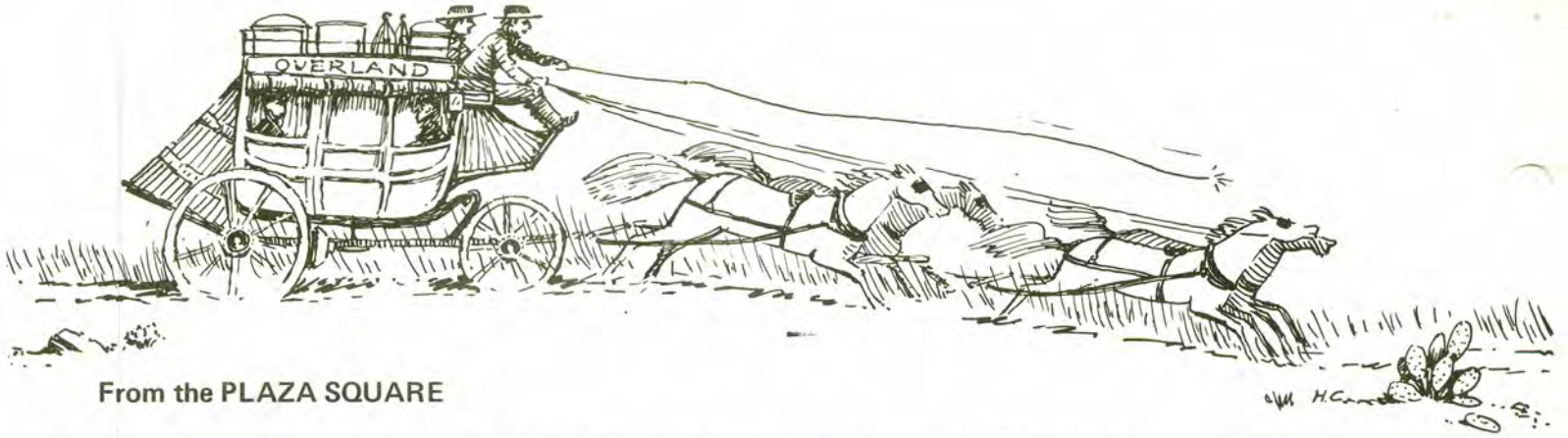
Chrysanthemums Provide Insecticide

A non-polluting insecticide derived from a species of chrysanthemum will be field-tested in Minnesota this summer by the U.S. Forest Service. The Chinese have used similar substances for insect control for nearly two thousand years, but these had the disadvantage of losing effectiveness rapidly when exposed to sunlight. A new, more stable formulation means that the insecticide will last for about two days; then it will break down into harmless substances, unlike DDT and other chlorinated hydrocarbons. Lab tests and a 1969 field test indicate that the stuff is both extremely effective and safe.

Local District Follows our Example

Merced Irrigation District Parks Manager Everet Gale (formerly of our Department) has announced that persons bringing motorcycles or other recreation vehicles into his district are being charged $1 above the regular admission fee.

He is doing it, he said, to help pay for the time involved in carrying out law enforcement activities. The new policy is based on the recent and similar policy adopted by our Department.



From the PLAZA SQUARE

This one of a weekly series of articles that Ranger William J. Hill *of San Juan Bautista SHP writes "From the Plaza Square" for the Hollister Evening Free Lance. Reprinted by permission.*

Travelling today between continents is by far more comfortable and swift than travelling between hamlets 100 years ago.

The Old Stage Road, winding down the grade from the top of the hill above the cement plant, conjures up mental pictures of great Concord stages rocking along on tough thorough braces and of the wild and hardy breed of matched mustangs that pulled them, not to mention the rough and tough breed of men and women who rode and drove them.

The manager of the Coast Line Stages, William Buckley, had a flair for the spectacular. He insisted that company stages move behind matched teams of Whites, Bays, Grays or Roans. The Coast Line State Company, founded in 1869 by Benjamin Flint and his cousin, Llewellyn Bixby, was the best known line in this area. Their company advertised 60-hour service to Los Angeles.

Early accounts of the daily stages record that people for miles around came down to the Livery Stable to watch the changing of the horses and to catch a glimpse of the linen dustered travelers. A light linen overcoat, or duster, was necessary to protect the travelers from the clouds of pulverized real estate stirred up by the four- and six-horse-drawn stages.

When the northbound stage from Natividad started down from the top of the old grade drivers sounded a long blast on their horns that could be heard for miles. Fresh teams were readied on this signal and the hotel proprietor hurried into the barroom to clear it of any cowboys that might be sitting atop their mounts while sipping a mug of grog at the bar.

On disembarking, the stage coach passengers refreshed themselves at the bar and after a quick trip to the dining table in the room nearby were ready to resume their journey. Angelo Zanetta's Plaza Hotel was known along the El Camino Real from Los Angeles to San Francisco for its excellent wines and cuisine.

Stages fanned out from San Juan to New Idria, San Jose, San Francisco, Santa Cruz and Hollister. Travelers to Hollister learned from a newspaper item of Jan. 15, 1874 that the crossing at the San Benito River had been much improved and the high bank on the east side had been considerably cut down eliminating the necessity for teams to "pull themselves up in the position of a perpendicular flagstaff."

One of the oldest drivers on the Pacific Coast was Mark J. Reagan who died Jan. 29, 1930. He operated out of San Juan Bautista for 55 years and, as late as 1873, when the railroad extended its branch line to Hollister, celebrated by investing $3,000 in a new Concord coach, four horses and the necessary harness and trappings.

Charlie Parkhurst was one of the early best known drivers in this area and long before the gold fever began calling the drivers to California he had been a driver in New England. He eventually came to California to drive for Birch and Stevens who had employed him previously as a driver on their New York Lines. Charlie, described as a "lean, lantern jawed tobacco-chewing chap in blue jeans," was reportedly able to cuss all the other drivers off the road.

One day Charlie quit and retired to a ranch nearby and it was not until his death in 1897 that his life-long secret became known. Charlie was a woman, fooling everyone for 50 years, even voting in the election that made General Grant President of the United States, thus becoming the first woman in history to cast a ballot. She is buried in the IOOF cemetery in Watsonville.

Passengers had mixed reactions to stage travel but on one point they all agreed – it was rough and uncomfortable. A notable exception was a traveler from San Francisco who described his trip to Monterey in an early newspaper. "I took the cars (train) from the Bay City and in a few hours landed at Pajaro Station. Here I found waiting a most comfortable coach. Lighting a cigar, I mounted the box with the driver and at the crack of the whip our six mustangs made things lively for a time."

If I were to venture a guess at the name of the traveler it would be Horace Greeley, the distinguished American journalist, who was known to encourage drivers to wrest maximum performance from their mustangs in order to meet a particular deadline. On one such occasion his driver modestly noded his assent upon being admonished not to be late for a speaking engagement Greely had in Placerville that day. History records that he arrived on time though not without incident. His head at one time had pierced the roof of the coach and he arrived with a broken arm.

VOX POP

This lady was rescued after she slipped from a rock and fell 20 feet into the ocean:

I cannot adequately express my appreciation and gratitude to the MONTANA DE ORO SP rangers who, with great care and sensitivity, hoisted a carrier with me in it 40 feet up a cliff wall. The panic and shock I experienced from my accident were at least partially set at east by their trust-inspiring safety precautions and capability. I believe that because of their timely help I came through the ordeal without any permanent disability.

Marianne Lagerquist
Santa Monica

LA PURISIMA MISSION SHP Supervisor Jack Mason *helped guide school groups:*

We feel that this experience of direct observation is an integral part of the educational process. It is our hope that in these future citizens you will see how your investment in their education has increased their value to society.

Mrs. Judith C. Ratcliffe
Teacher Resource Center
Lompoc Unified School District

This lady camped at several state parks, each better than the last:

I just want to tell you how grateful we are for the beauty that has been preserved, the comfort that has been provided, and for the courtesy we received from the men in charge. Thank you for giving this wonderful experience to those of us who like camping.

Florence B. Crosley
Idyllwild

Ernie Howard retired from San Juan Bautista SHP in 1969. He was recently hospitalized but is now home and on the road to recovery.

How does one thank all the people who have been so kind to us during a crisis?

The Desert Rats
Ernie and Doris Howard
Chloride, Arizona

A big "Thank You:"

Thank you for ARMSTRONG REDWOODS SR. . .SONOMA COAST SB. . . .HALF MOON BAY SB. . .NATURAL BRIDGES SB. . .HENRY COWELL REDWOODS SP. . .SEACLIFF SB. . .POINT LOBOS SR (truly the most beautiful spot we have seen), and most of all for MORRO BAY SP and Museum and our visit to the Blue Heron's rookery. We found the facilities excellent everywhere and the staffs friendly and helpful. Count us as one of the thousands of families who know that the California State Park vacation is a restful and happy experience.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Lyman
San Diego

The Raytheon Company Engineering and Management Association enjoyed a talk by District 5 Interpreter Mike Merkel*:*

Mr. Merkel's presentation was very informative and was followed by a question and answer period which was well received by our members. I would like to thank Mr. Merkel and commend your department for the service rendered by these informative presentations.

D. A. Cameron, Vice President
Engineering and Management Association
Raytheon, Oxnard

This park visitor appreciates rangers' willingness to help:

We attempted the hike up to the falls at RUSSIAN GULCH SP, buy were forced to turn back when it became evident that my mother-in-law was in distress from the exertion. I went to bring my car up the trail to meet them, but entry was barred to all but pedestrian traffic. I drove out to the station to explain the situation. Ranger *Rand Hall* immediately went back with me to open the gate, and I was much impressed with his readiness to be of help. If he is at all typical of your personnel, you are to be congratulated on the quality of your park employees.

H. D. Weller, City Manager
Alameda

Guide Ralph Tarkenton *of the GOVERNOR'S MANSION received several complimentary letters recently, among them this one:*

I want to go to the chair where the Governor sat cause I want a chair like that. I want it pink velvet I love pink it is my favorite color. I want a colorful bedroom and I want a pool. Had a very nice time. Hope you did too.

VOX POP (continued)

These Senior Citizens visiting Camp Cuyamaca, the San Diego City/County-operated campground, enjoyed a slide program:

> Throughout the years we have enjoyed the lectures, slides, and discussions led by the Rangers, but never before have we experienced the excellent program that was presented to us by a Mr. *Paul Johnson*, a Ranger stationed at CUYAMACA RANCHO SP. His eloquent delivery, thoroughly correlated with excellent slides, depicted the necessity of conservation and was the most outstanding presentation given to any of the groups I have sponsored in the past twenty years.
>
> Evelyn S. Herrmann
> Senior Citizens Coordinator
> City of San Diego

Our No-Dogs-On-The-Beach rule is praised:

> We appreciate your awareness of this problem. The tact displayed by the lifeguards in reminding dog owners has been noteworthy. We wish to compliment them for their alertness and courtesy.
>
> Mrs. Robert Hyson, Secretary
> Solimar Sands
> Carpinteria

Rangers Bill Miller *of the Channel Coast Area and* Dick McKillop *of the Gaviota Area volunteered many hours to present an environmental education program in the Santa Barbara area:*

> Over 2500 sixth-grade students had an opportunity to be involved in their program. I am sure their talks had a lasting impression on the students and hopefully when they next visit your state parks they will respectfully appreciate the beauty of such places without littering or destroying the natural areas.
>
> Phylis Gandy, Director
> Environmental Education
> Santa Barbara County Schools

Young conservationists are getting the message, as this letter to the editor of the Santa Cruz Sentinel *shows:*

> Our class went down to the NATURAL BRIDGES. There were many classes there. Some of the classes were very disappointed because almost every child was pulling crabs out of their homes and keeping them. One boy killed a crab and an octopus by hitting them real hard with a stick. What made us most mad was their teacher standing there and doing nothing about it. Pretty soon, if this keeps going on, there will be no animals for people to study.
>
> Laura Pauly
> Mrs. Martin's Class
> Valencia School, Aptos

Year after Year, They Enjoy Standish Hickey

This photo shows members of ten families who met at Standish-Hickey SRA and who have been returning, year after year, to enjoy the park's outstanding weather, scenery, and staff. Mr. John Harmon, the camper who sent in the photo, says, "We've seen the park leadership change three times, from its distinctive and far-sighted developer, Garland Gray, to its present supervisor, Don W. Mowrey. The incomparable tradition of the park has been kept by all with the excellent assistance of such rangers as Floyd Pendleton. . .All in all, the peaceful surroundings. . .communing with nature among the tranquility of the awesome, magnificent, incomparable redwoods. . .resting all day in the shade or swimming in the cool, crystal-clear waters of the Eel. . .dinner under the trees. . .or enjoying the weekend presentations at the Campfire Program, we "hit the sack" beautifully relaxed with the thoughts of the office routine more than a million miles away! You can use the park as a beacon of comparison wherever you go. . .for very few we have seen can equal it."

PEOPLE

Just a "little thing".

It was bound to happen, and I may never live it down. But I have been rescued by a man in green – a State Park Ranger. For years I have been a frequent visitor to magnificent ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP. I come well equipped with 4-wheel-drive, and plenty of water and tools, survival equipment, and what-have-you.

I am a reporter for a local newspaper and have written dozens of stories about the unprepared who have died in summer heat in the desert Southwest. Accordingly, I go prepared for the worst.

But you can't win them all, as they say. So it was a dead battery that determined where our campsite would be on a recent hot summer night. We had jeeped into a remote area of the park to photograph Bighorn Sheep. When we realized our plight, we decided to just wait, take pictures and make the best of the situation and the limited supply of liquid refreshment along for such emergency situations.

The pictures we got were great. I have enclosed one for you to use as you see fit. The beer wasn't bad, either. But it was the arrival of Ranger *Chet Getty* that made our day. He gave us a charge, both mentally and electrically, and soon we were on our way. It wasn't a big thing he did, for we were not far from civilization and know our way around. But it was just one of the hundreds of little things done each day by Park Rangers to make visitors enjoy this great land a little more.

Many thanks to Ranger Getty and the others like him.

Ernie Cowan
Evening Tribune Staff Writer
San Diego

We Thank You

"Jack and I wish to thank our many friends for their kind letters and cards, and the generous contribution to a memorial fund in Keith's name to the Golden Empire of the Boy Scouts.

"Keith was a unique person, living life to the fullest, taking the challenges it offered for the experiences it gave.

"He loved Alaska for its freedom, beauty, and serenity, the last great frontier where a man could be a man and answer only to himself.

"Keith died where he wanted to be, doing what he enjoyed. Few of us have that privilege, for most it comes too late in life.

"I would never be able to thank each and everyone individually, so to our many friends, we thank you."

Sincerely,
Jack and Lorraine Dyson

WHAT ABOUT TODAY?

What about today? Plans are being made for tomorrow, plans to help preserve nature, plans to help people, plans to contribute to our country, and plans to become a better person. We have so many plans for tomorrow, but what about today? A man, Bob Lettmann, lived for forty-eight years and his thoughts were about today.

During his employment with Parks and Recreation, he worked to preserve the pure nature of our country for the enjoyment of the public. To him public relations was showing concern and consideration for those he met. He was more than just a Ranger, he was a "Better Ranger."

Bob Lettmann showed his interest, concern and love for youth by giving of himself and his talents. A small example of his work with youth was teaching them the purpose and proper use of the American flag. Also he emphasized the need to pick up trash so that all people can enjoy the beauty our earth has to offer.

Bob found much personal fulfillment through youth. The youth who filled this part of his world expressed their gratitude in these simple affectionate words, "Thank you, we miss your smile and your love." They had the privilege of knowing a "better person."

Bob Lettman is no longer with us, but even through sickness and pain he shared his beliefs – most importantly, his concern about today – with those who will pass them on. Now, in God's Heaven, there lives a "Better Ranger and a Better Person."

Clyde Strickler, Manager
Four Rivers Area

Ranger Bob Lettmann began his park career in 1948. He had worked at McConnell SRA for about eighteen years prior to his death on June 24, 1971.

Annual Star Party at Fremont Peak

The weekend of June 18 – 20 brought Bay Area amateur astronomers to Fremont Peak State Park for their annual star party and campout. Members from the San Mateo Astronomical Society began coming to Fremont Peak a number of years ago because it affords some of the best conditions for observational astronomy in a reasonable distance from the San Francisco Peninsula.

The Park is at an elevation of approximately 2,900 feet, and at night, when the fog rolls in at about 2,600 – 2,700 feet, all the lights from the valleys below are blocked out, providing a dark sky studded with brilliant stars, nebulae, clusters, and planets. During the day observations of the sun are made with special safe solar telescopes.

In the last few years members from other Bay Area groups have joined in the event, notably the San Francisco Astronomers, the San Francisco Sidewalk Astronomers, the →

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Peninsula Astronomical Society, the San Jose Astronomical Society, the East Bay Astronomical Society, and the Southern Alameda Astronomical Society.

Beautiful campgrounds and friendly and helpful Park Rangers make it a pleasure to return year after year.

Chris Palmer, President
San Mateo Astronomical Society

PARK VISIT MOVES STUDENTS TO HAIKU

Recently, a group of eighth grade students from St. Charles School in Imperial Beach were taken on a field trip to Torrey Pines SR. They were moved to poetry (no doubt by their teacher) and expressed their impressions in Haiku -- a poem form developed by the Japanese and consisting of three unrhymed lines of five, seven, and five syllables each.

One might think that such rigid structure would be inhibiting. Oddly enough it generally works just the opposite. Being unrhymed, the form lends itself to any language and has its devotees all over the world. Here's what some of the students felt. Pick a subject and try it yourself.

The tall and green trees
They sway with the blow of wind
As they scatter leaves.
--Camille

High, towering cliffs
Scaring climbers as they crawl
Will it never end?
--Monica Zumstein

Big, powerful winds
Die down to simple zephyrs
The sun sets in west.
--Mike Bellinghausen

Climbing mountain trails
Seeing lizards squirm about
Getting very scared.
--Lisa

Digging Into Retirement

During the last six years, since his 1965 retirement, Ranger Frank Hart and his wife, Reva, have really dug into their hobby. They are serious rockhounds and have branched out into lapidary (gem work). They have entered their valuable collection in many mineral shows. Their hobby has taken them to Mexico, Hawaii, British Columbia and all of the Western States.

Frank and Reva live in a mobile home off Old San Jose Road out of Soquel just two miles from the shores of Monterey Bay. The mobile home requires little care, so they can pack up and go when they want. They will be taking another journey to Mexico in October. They are also looking forward to September 12th, their 40th wedding anniversary.

Besides all that traveling, Frank worked on their one-hundred-acre ranch below Grass Valley during the summers of 1965 to 1970; this year he is going to let his son operate the ranch where they have purebred Brangus cattle. The Hart's second choice of retirement locations would be Grass Valley.

Frank recalled many park friends' names and happenings during his thirteen years on the park job. His first assignment at Big Basin brought him in contact with such friends as Max Hansen, Maurice Oller, Ted Wilson, Alan Philbrook, Larry Cullen and Kirk Wallace. He worked seven years at Henry Cowell where Len Fisher, Wayne Dennis and Jim McDade were assigned and he added to his list of park friends. His short assignment to Fremont Park and San Juan Bautista provided him another opportunity to make more park friends including Wendell Davis and Keith Caldwell.

During his assignment to Henry Cowell he took visitors on guided hikes on the famous loop trail through the Big Trees. Included in one of the groups was Ayoub Mussallam, Mayor of Bethlehem, Jordan.

His toughest assignment was hauling a visitor with a broken leg out of Berry Creek Falls in 1954. It took eight hours of hard work to get the victim back to the headquarters area.

Frank is known for his cooperative spirit. He applied that spirit to his park work and found his work days were more pleasant and that his co-workers and the park visitors were always willing to meet him half way.

We wish the Harts good health and continued pleasures during their retirement.

By Ed Earl
Chief Ranger, Santa Cruz Coast Area

STAFF CHANGES

APPOINTMENTS

Armanino, Peter A.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Sierra Area	6-11-71
Baker, Jerry A.	Tree Maint Man I	Env Res Sect	7-12-71
Brown, Leonard B. Jr.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Santa Cruz Coast Area	6-18-71
Culina, Victor C.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Salton Sea Area	6-28-71
Godwin, Robert C.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Marin Area	6-17-71
Goss, Donald K.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Mendocino Area	6-17-71
Graham, Mary R.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Plumas Eureka Area	6-5-71
Hee, Dewey L.	Clerk I (Int)	Golden Gate Area	6-11-71
Holliday, Thomas M.	Admin Trainee	Audit Sect	7-1-71
Roberts, Paul W. Jr.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Sierra Area	6-22-71
Rodgers, Rosaline L.	Account Clerk II	District 6 HQ	7-7-71
Stumph, Jeffrey C.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Golden Gate Area	7-9-71
Thompson, Terry D.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Big Sur Area	7-1-71
Tonini, David J.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Dyerville Area	6-13-71
Trzaska, Cynthia E.	Clerk Typist II	Gaviota Area	6-14-71

MANDATORY REINSTATEMENT

Aldrich, Elmer C.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	P&D-Div Chief's Off	7-1-71

NAME CHANGE:

Roberts, Mary E. To: Ray	Clerk Typist II	Bus Mgmt & Contr Cont Sect	7-12-71

PROMOTIONS

Clark, Thomas L.	Tree Maint Foreman	Env Res Sect	7-1-71
Heilbronn, William C.	Park Maint Man II	Mendocino Area	6-15-71
Laret, Renie A.	Park Dist Maint Spec	District 6 HQ	6-15-71
Lawson, Donald K.	Tree Maint Man II	Env Res Sect	7-1-71
Neal, James E.	State Park Ranger III	Dyerville Area	6-17-71
Smith, Neil F.	State Finan Examiner III	Audit Sect	6-23-71
Stathakis, Joan M.	Accountant I	Acctng & Fiscal Cont Sect	7-1-71
Williams, Edwin A.	Assoc Civil Eng	Eng Unit	6-1-71

CLASS TITLE CHANGES

Barritt, Howard W.	Park Maint Man I	Millerton Lake Area	6-21-71
Myers, Dorothy B.	Clerk Typist II	Trinidad Area	7-1-71
Trend, Digna M.	Account Clerk II	Claims Unit	6-21-71

DEMOTIONS IN LIEU OF LAYOFF

Bradshaw, Harold D.	State Park Ranger II	Operations Div Chief's Off	7-1-71
Bruno, Donald F.	Assoc Land Agent	Special Svcs Sect	7-1-71
Deering, Robert B.	Assoc Lndscp Arch	Planning Sect	7-1-71
Draper, Theodor F.	Engineering Aid II	Survey Unit	7-1-71
Dwyer, Ed V.	Assis Park & Rec Spec	Stwd Plng & Local Assis	7-1-71
Filipponi, Mervyn L.	State Park Ranger II	Operations Div Chief's Off	7-1-71
Gilbertson, James M.	Assis Lndscp Arch	Planning Sect	7-1-71
Hadano, Masao	Assis Lndscp Arch	Planning Sect	7-1-71
Hanshew, Ronald L.	State Park Ranger II	Operations Div Chief's Off	7-1-71
Henry, Ross T.	State Park Ranger II	Operations Div Chief's Off	7-1-71
Lydecker, Ralph J.	Land Surveyor	Survey Unit	7-1-71
Martin, Kenneth M.	State Park Ranger II	Operations Div Chief's Off	7-1-71
Mitchell, Kenneth L.	Assis Lndscp Arch	Planning Sect	7-1-71
Woodhouse, George C.	Delineator	Graphic Svcs	7-1-71

UNIT CHANGES

Abbott, Robert E.	Account Clerk II	Claims to Acctng & Fiscal Cont Sect	7-1-71
Addobati, Walter V.	Account Clerk II	Claims to Acctng & Fiscal Cont Sect	7-1-71
Bechtel, Jack C.	Assis Park & Rec Spec	Stwd Plng to Stwd Plng & Local Assis	7-1-71
Benner, Joan M.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Squaw Valley SRA to Sierra Area	6-1-71
Bennett, David M.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Calaveras Area to Sierra Area	6-5-71
Benson, William B.	Assoc Estimator of Bldg Const	Branch Mgr's Off to Branch Svcs Sect	7-1-71
Bowdoin, Jean M.	Supvg Account Clerk I	Claims to Acctng & Fiscal Cont Sect	7-1-71
Bradley, Ernest V.	State Park Ranger I	Calaveras Area to Sonoma Area	6-19-71
Coulter, Elizabeth V.	Senior Stenographer	Branch Mgr's Off to Branch Svcs Sect	7-1-71
Dietz, Loren A.	State Park Ranger II	San Diego Coast Area to Montane Area	6-1-71
Doyle, James M.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Stwd Plng to P&D Div Chief's Off	7-1-71
Duke, Darrell D.	Civil Eng Tech I	Branch Mgr's Off to Branch Svcs Sect	7-1-71
Elufson, Shirley M.	Senior Account Clerk	Claims to Acctng & Fiscal Cont Sect	7-1-71
Emrie, William J.	Staff Park & Rec Spec	Stwd Plng to Stwd Plng & Local Assis	7-1-71
Fujita, Julie	Stenographer II	P&D-Div Chief's Off to Plng & Design Br	7-1-71
Hagy, Robert H.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Contract Svcs to P&D-Div Chief's Off	7-1-71
Haug, Wayne H.	Civil Eng Tech II	Branch Mgr's Off to Branch Svcs Sect	7-1-71
Hewitt, Felicitas R.	Senior Account Clerk	Claims to Acctng & Fiscal Cont Sect	7-1-71
Izdepski, Odessa J.	Account Clerk II (Perm Int)	Claims to Acctng & Fiscal Cont Sect	7-1-71
Larson, Robert N.	Assis Lndscp Arch	Stwd Plng to Stwd Plng & Local Assis	7-1-71
Maddock, Charles B.	State Park Attendant	Point Lobos Area to Santa Cruz Coast Area	7-1-71
Marceau, Richard E.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Folsom Lake Area to Trinidad Area	6-1-71
McCormick, Ralph B.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Stwd Plng to Stwd Plng & Local Assis	7-1-71
Overhouse, Bertha	Clerk Typist II	Claims to Acctng & Fiscal Cont Sect	7-1-71
Pierce, Kenneth H.	Assis Park & Rec Spec	Cont Svcs to Stwd Plng & Local Assis	7-1-71
Pope, Buddy A.	State Park Equip Op	Orange Coast Area to District 5 HQ	6-1-71
Ramsdell, Gerald H.	Assis Park & Rec Spec	Stwd Plng to Stwd Plng & Local Assis	7-1-71
Richards, Ellen C.	Clerk Typist II	Claims to Acctng & Fiscal Cont Sect	7-1-71
Richter, Arthur C.	State Park Ranger I	Anza-Borrego Area to Millerton Lake Area	6-21-71
Spharler, Lon E.	Senior Park & Rec Spec	Stwd Plng to Stwd Plng & Local Assis	7-1-71
Standish, Miles K.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Santa Cruz Mtns Area to Trinidad Area	6-21-71
Sutliff, Dale A.	Assis Lndscp Arch	Stwd Plng to Stwd Plng & Local Assis	7-1-71
Trend, Digna M.	Account Clerk II	Claim to Acctng & Fiscal Cont Sect	7-1-71
Uhls, Betty A.	Senior Stenographer	Stwe Plng to Stwd Plng & Local Assis	7-1-71
VanNatta, Richard K.	State Park Ranger I	Folsom Lake Area to Mount Diablo Area	6-15-71
Vaughn, Elsie N.	Senior Account Clerk	Claims to Acctng & Fiscal Control Sect	7-1-71
Vogel, Virginia L.	Account Clerk II	Claims to Acctng & Fiscal Control Sect	7-1-71
Wallace, Kirk M.	State Park Ranger II	Sierra Area to Trinidad Area	6-21-71

FORMALIZED TRAINING ASSIGNMENT

Erba, Eugene F.	Civil Eng Tech I	Design Sect to Budget Sect	7-1-71
Mizutani, Suguru	Delineator	Graphic Svcs to Mgmt Reports Unit	7-1-71
Nicholson, Cynthia G.	Clerk Typist II	Office & Res Svcs to Systems & Cont Sect	7-1-71

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Loutzenhiser, Erika D.	Senior Clerk Typist	Office & Res Svcs	6-14-71
Summers, Mary A.	Senior Stenographer	Admin Svcs-Div Chief's Off	6-30-71

DEATH

Lettmann, Robert M.	State Park Ranger I	Four Rivers Area	6-24-71

TERMINATIONS WITHOUT FAULT IN A LAYOFF SITUATION

Garnett, James P.B.	Delineator	Graphic Svcs Unit	6-30-71
Hanson, Jr., Russell T.	Civil Eng Tech II	Survey Unit	6-30-71
Joe, Paulyne D.	Delineator	Graphic Svcs Unit	6-30-71
Waters, Arthur D.	Eng Aid II	Survey Unit	6-30-71

RETIREMENT

Newbill, Frederick R.	State Park Ranger II	Russian River Area	6-30-71

SEPARATIONS

Brown, Jacklynne M.	Stenographer II	Office & Res Svcs	6-18-71
Chatfield, John B.	Assis Lndscp Arch	Planning Sect	6-30-71
Diamond, Joseph P.	Clerk Typist II	Gaviota Area	4-14-71
Downing, Ollie M.	Water & Sewage Plant Supvr	Big Sur Area	6-30-71
Gugielmino, Judith H.	Clerk Typist II	Golden Gate Area	6-15-71
Hughes, Martin C.	Assis Lndscp Arch	Planning Sect	6-30-71
Malik, John	State Park Ranger (Int)	Lake Oroville Area	6-27-71
Martens, Wilfred J.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Per Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	5-22-71
Pitts, Gordon E.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Orange Coast Area	5-31-71
Robustelli, Joseph C.	Tree Maint Man I	Env Res Sect	6-24-71
Sorenson, Gary R.	Watchman (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	5-22-71
Williams, Stanley J. Jr.	Park Maint Assis	Lake Oroville Area	6-30-71

OOPS! *Last month we reported that Bill Marshall of San Mateo Coast Area had been promoted to a SPR II and had moved to San Luis Obispo Coast Area. He did move, but the promotion was from a SPR II to a SPR III.*

SALUTE TO A SCIENTIST

Friends of history and anthropology throughout California and the West mourn the death on June 30 of Dr. Mark R. Harrington of Mission Hills. He is survived by his wife Marie, a son John Harrington, and several grandchildren. Dr. Harrington was 88.

Widely known as an authority on American Indian history, Dr. Harrington gained a warm and sympathetic understanding of the original Americans by living with and visiting numerous Indian tribes. He served as a curator in his field for several museums in the United States including the American Museum of Natural History, the Peabody Museum, Heye Foundation, Museum of the American Indian and the Southwest Museum in Los Angeles. Heading archeological projects in several states including California as well as in Cuba, he applied the knowledge gained to the museum experience, to the great benefit of other scholars, students and the many thousands of visitors to these institutions. Over a period of several decades, Dr. Harrington was called upon by the Division of Beaches and Parks and by the National Park Service as an advisor and consultant in prehistoric archeology and Hispanic California culture and in the preservation and restoration of historic adobe buildings. He became interested in adobe houses in 1930 when he and Mrs. Harrington purchased the Andres (or Romulo) Pico Adobe in the San Fernando Valley at Mission Hills.

With characteristic zeal, the Harringtons set out to restore the badly deteriorated home which had been built by the Picos soon after the secularization of nearby Mission San Fernando. A few years later, the Harringtons built a new adobe home that has long been a showplace and did much to popularize modern adobe construction. The success of these projects led Dr. Harrington to a study of adobe buildings and their construction and he soon became involved as an advisor for such historical restorations as Mission San Fernando and Mission La Purisima. Over the years since, he has been an obliging and valued consultant on many state projects including the Hugo Reid Adobe, Charles Lummis Home (a stone building), Pio Pico Casa, the De la Osa Adobe at Los Encinos, and Pueblo de Los Angeles. At the Southwest Museum he built a full-scale replica of a Spanish-California ranch house, the Casa de Adobe.

A contributor to scholarly journals and popular publications over the years, Dr. Harrington's "How to Build a California Adobe" has been a source book for individuals, contractors, and government agencies since its appearance in 1948.

We salute Dr. Mark R. Harrington, a man whose works may be expected to last for centuries.

Cliff Bisbee
State Park Historian II

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LET'S PLAY MUSICAL PARKS!

(Our Field Is in Motion)

It may seem like a new game – musical parks – but actually, headquarters staff members, in an attempt to improve the State Park System, have been classifying areas as to whether they merit SPR IIs, IIIs, or IVs (or even Vs!) as managers. A number of areas required managers of higher or lower classification, according to the standards in the Operations Manual (Section 0311 et seq.), and this is what it looks like now.

Al Ulm will be* promoted to SPR III and move from the SAN LUIS OBISPO COAST AREA to take over SAN MATEO COAST AREA; *Dave Redding* moves to the TRINIDAD AREA, which has been upgraded to the IV level. *R. V. Sims* will be moving to McARTHUR-BURNEY AREA, now at the III level, and *C. "Tommy" Thompson* will leave there to go to SAN MATEO COAST.

Morrie Morgan will leave GAVIOTA AREA and move to the spot left by former FRONTERA AREA Manager *Frank Bellinghausen*, who went to assist at the Asilomar Training Academy; *Hal Terry* will leave FOLSOM LAKE AREA to promote to the IV level manager's job at GAVIOTA, while *Dana Long* will be promoted to the III level and leave MOUNT DIABLO AREA to fill in behind Terry at Folsom. SPR II's *Bob Carlson* of the GOLDEN GATE AREA and *Ed Strouse* of the RUSSIAN RIVER AREA will be moving to Mount Diablo.

Bob Stewart, long the "Man on the Mountain" to Bay Area radio listeners, will leave MOUNT DIABLO for the CALAVERAS AREA, taking over the spot vacated by *Darrel Knoefler's* retirement on September 1. *Ed Earl*, a monthly contributor to these pages, promotes to SPR IV and will take over the upgraded job of manager at Mount Diablo; he will be replaced at PAJARO COAST by *Ron McCall*, promoted from a II spot at BIG SUR. *Bob Allen* will leave FOLSOM LAKE to take a promotion to SPR III at BIG SUR.

The PLUMAS-EUREKA AREA managership has been upgraded to the III level, and *Carl Lonnecker* will be moving there from the GOLDEN GATE AREA. *Joe McCall* will go to the SACRAMENTO AREA, replacing *Charles White*. White will go to CHANNEL COAST.

Roy Gholson is being promoted to SPR III; he will be the manager of the new HIGH DESERT AREA: Joshua Trees and Red Rock Canyon SPs, Fort Tejon SHP, and Tule Elk SR.

Jim Hibbert will go from a II at SALTON SEA to the III spot at MONTANE AREA vacated by *John Walstrom*, who is now Chief Ranger (SPR IV) at the SIERRA AREA. In other Sierra Area changes, *Jerry Garrelts* comes from the DELTA AREA to take the spot *Kirk Wallace* left to go to the SAN LUIS OBISPO COAST AREA earlier this year; the Delta Area will be supervised by *Al Hibsch*, who is being promoted to SPR III and moving from the CHANNEL COAST AREA. *Pat Watkins* will trade BODIE for GROVER HOT SPRINGS, and *Max Hansen* will move to the FOLSOM LAKE AREA to replace *Bob Allen*, who is promoting to SPR III at BIG SUR.

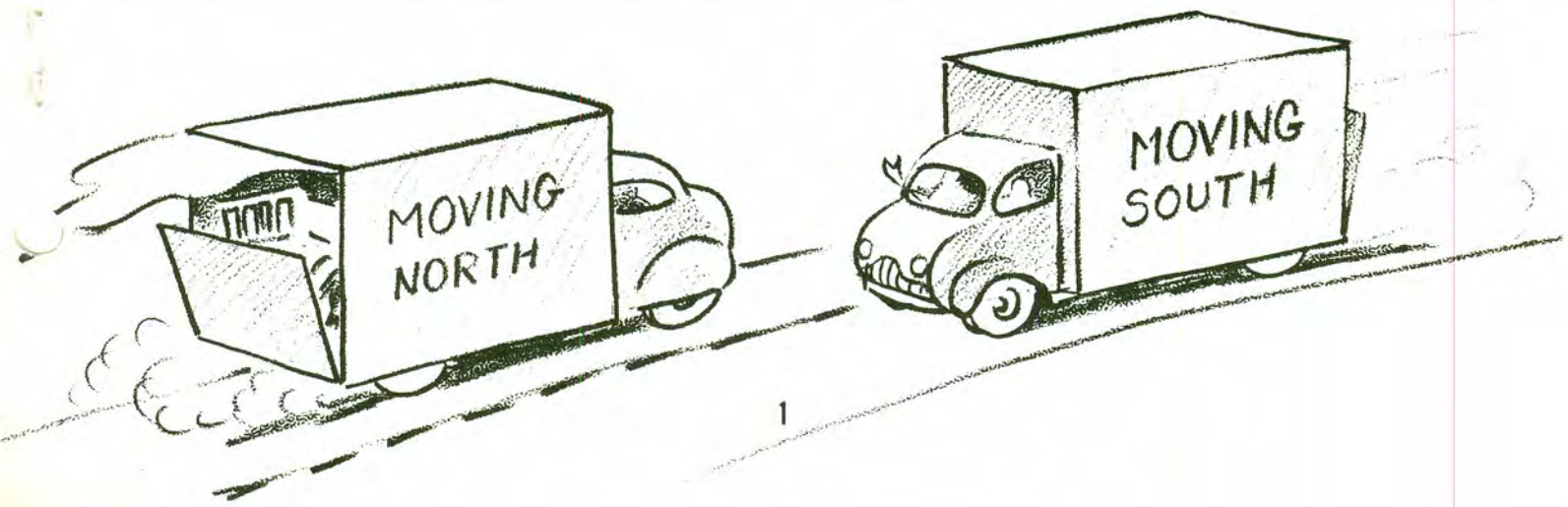
SPR II *Jim Hartman* will leave WEAVERVILLE JOSS HOUSE for the MENDOCINO AREA; since the Joss House is now part of the NORTHERN MINES AREA, the position has been downgraded to the I level and will be filled by *Fred Meyer* from HIOUCHI AREA.

Lorin Forsyth, long at BENICIA AREA, will be promoted to SPR III and will swap areas with *Auburn Rose* of the NORTH VALLEY AREA.

Paul Jordan will be moving from the PAJARO COAST AREA down to the MONTEREY AREA; *Walter Martell* will move into the II spot at PAJARO COAST from the SANTA CRUZ MOUNTAINS AREA.

Is this all? Tune in our next exciting issue and find out!

* All this started August 1 and is still going on. So who knows where anyone is at any given moment?



THE DIRECTOR

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.

WE'RE GLAD YOU CAME!

National statistics indicate that loneliness is one of the most serious social problems affecting people of all ages living in our metropolitan centers. There are corporate loyalties that provide working people with "working friends" and some sense of stability during the work day. There are clubs and organizations in which friendships develop that eliminate for some the empty feeling of loneliness. There's the family that brings people together in a stable, gregarious relationship. For the vast majority of people living in our great metropolitan centers, loneliness – the feeling that no one cares – is a gnawing sensation that haunts their daily existence. Many of these people visit units of the State Park System to relax and enjoy the natural beauty. The unfamiliar, strange surroundings of a park tend only to heighten their feelings of loneliness and isolation. Their "security blanket" is their trailer. A warm welcome, a cheery "hello", a brief friendly chat, a helping hand, an introduction here, some suggestions and advice elsewhere, even a fleeting smile will make people feel that we care, that we want them in their parks.

In striving to provide a quality experience for visitors to the State Park System, we must make people feel that they are welcome; that we care not only about the natural and cultural values within the System, but we *care* about them and that we *want* them to enjoy their parks.

I shall never forget my first visit to Texas. My first introduction went something like this. "Mr. Mott, I would like for you to meet Mr. Smith." Mr. Smith's warm, sincere, drawling reply was "I am sure glad to meet you Mr. Mott, I sure am, I sure am." How could anyone not feel wanted with that kind of a salutation? I have liked Texas ever since. That is the attitude all of us should have toward the visitors to our great State Park System. "We are sure glad you came to the California State Park System, we sure are, we sure are." And mean every word of it.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

FIGHT OUTDOOR VANDALS

Donald O. Renn, *Park Maintenance Supervisor at the SAN MATEO COAST AREA, thought this article by Earl Clark, which appeared in the June issue of Ford Times, would be of interest to all Department employees; we had to agree. Reprinted by permission.*

Just before the 1968 summer vacation season opened, a Weyerhaeuser Company truck drove up to the Nesika Camp maintained by the company for public use near Coos Bay, Oregon. A crew of men jumped off the truck and went to work. When they were finished, they had erected a big sign blocking the road into the camp. The sign gave notice that the camp was permanently closed.

Why did the timber company lock up a popular campground that could accommodate several hundred picnickers and campers, in a time when more and more people are seeking outdoor recreation?

"The cost of repairing vandalism damage just got to be more than we could justify," explains George Hess, Weyerhaeuser information officer. "It cost us over $2,100 to restore the place – fountains were pushed over, toilets wrecked, and the water supply fouled. And this wasn't just a one-time thing; it was a continuing problem. We didn't feel we could afford to put on a man full time just to keep an eye on things, so we took the only alternative: we closed the camp."

A timber company that sets aside a campground in its tree farm holdings as a public relations gesture can lock the public out, as Weyerhaeuser did, if vandalism losses become prohibitive. But state and national parks have no such easy choice, for their land is dedicated to public use. When hoodlums destroy public property, the damage must be repaired, even if something else in the budget has to be postponed. So the law-abiding recreationists suffer.

The United States Forest Service estimates that its losses from willful, malicious vandalism run to a staggering $5 million annually. Add to this the depredations in state and national parks and privately owned campgrounds, and the total is equivalent to the annual loss from forest fires.

"The situation has reached crisis proportions," Assistant Interior Secretary Harrison Loesch told a U.S. Senate committee last summer.

For example, Olympic National Park gave up a self-guiding nature trail at a popular ocean campground: as fast as signs were installed, hoodlums ripped them out.

In Oregon's Umpqua National Forest, vandals blew up a trail crew storage shed that contained six cases of dynamite, also destroying nearby buildings and killing a doe and yearling deer.

Rangers of Washington's Snoqualmie National Forest packed in outdoor toilets for use at a dozen high mountain lakes at a cost of $3,600 for materials alone. Within five years, all had been destroyed.

Superintendent Larry Barrett estimated that vandalism damage in that one forest runs over $5,000 a year. "That sum would have been enough to install 140 new picnic tables," he adds. "It would have bought three or four new campground wells, or a boat launching ramp, or seven new campsites." →

What's Happening (Continued)

But it didn't. Instead of providing new facilities needed for the unprecedented influx of campers, the Forest Service has to allocate $5 million a year to replace facilities already built for public use.

Vandalism can even be murderous. A few winters ago two Oregon collegians, Lanny Coate and Rodney Carver, set out for a drive up Larch Mountain in Mt. Hood National Forest. Their car bogged down in deep snow, and both youths died of exposure.

They were innocent victims of an otherwise routine act of vandalism. The Forest Service had posted signs warning that the road was closed for winter, and barred it with a locked gate. But two teenagers later admitted to investigators that they had shot off the padlock, knocked down the gate, and destroyed the signs.

Who's responsible for this widespread destruction of outdoors recreation facilities?

More people than you might suspect. Regional Forester William H. Huber of Atlanta asserts that five out of every 100 visitors to national parks and forests are guilty of such destruction. Another 15 are just plain thoughtless – the litterbugs, stream polluters, and smokers who toss a cigarette into the brush instead of their ash trays.

Most park and forest officials agree that tougher laws are needed to deal with hoodlums. Daniel A. Poole, president of the Wildlife Management Institute, cited to a congressional committee a typical case at Wyoming's Fossil Butte. Park employees worked 50 days and drove hundreds of miles to track down a man who was stealing fossil specimens from the grounds. He was caught, brought to court – and fined $25.

Another need is to alert the public to the fact that vandalism is cheating it out of full enjoyment of its parks and forests. That project has been taken on by a citizens' group based in Seattle, Washington.

Case of the crew cabins

It started about 10 years ago when Peggy Robarge, a Seattle housewife planning a back country hiking trip for her family in Mount Rainer National Park, requested permission to use a trail crew cabin. Permission was denied – the park superintendent replied that cabins could no longer be left open to the public, because vandals had made them unusable for trail crews and fire patrols. She then studied a Forest Service map, and wrote to inquire about the shelters it listed. Back came a reply that the shelters no longer existed – they had been broken up by vandals, and the Forest Service had insufficient funds to replace them.

Mrs. Robarge didn't stop at righteous indignation. She got together a handful of other outdoors lovers and formed a committee which eventually was incorporated as the Good Outdoors Manners Association. Although still financed on a miniscule budget and operated by volunteer labor, GOMA now conducts a continuing nationwide campaign to educate the public about the vandalism threat and to counteract it.

If you want to do your bit to spread the word, the Good Outdoors Manners Association (P. O. Box 7095, Seattle, Washington 98133) will be tickled pink to send you literature that you can pass on to your school, scout troop or sportsmen's group. (Or for $5 you can become a member of GOMA, and be on its regular mailing list.)

Finally, you can ask your congressman and state legislators to strengthen laws dealing with destruction of facilities installed for the safety and convenience of the public. A slap on the wrist is no deterrent to damage that eventually runs into the millions.

Vandalism now has surpassed fire as the greatest threat to the nation's fine park and forest system, in part because public awareness has brought the danger of man-caused fires down on manageable proportions. It will take the same kind of stern public reaction to bring vandalism under control – and save our parks and forests for the great majority of families who love and respect the outdoors.

LEGAL TENDER FOR ALL DEBTS PUBLIC AND PRIVATE

We've all seen that phrase hundreds of times – every time we look at a dollar bill, in fact – but a Dr. Younger of Los Angeles doesn't seem to believe it.

Dr. Younger sold some land to the State, to be used for a road, and demanded payment in gold or silver, specifically the gold or silver in the coin collection at COLUMBIA SHP. The collection, fortunately, is still intact and a Superior Court judge has ordered Attorney Martin Radoff to face contempt of court charges for attempting to seize the coins from the park.

And we thought Congress had settled this issue in 1934 when it took us off the gold standard!

THE GOOD OLD DAYS

Just how practical is our reservation system??? Next time someone complains about campsites being taken up by reservations, remind them of the "good old days" when people used to wait outside for hours to get a spot. It was repeated last month, as *Pat Dougherty* reports, at CARPINTERIA SP. Since the park is not on a reservation basis this year, hopeful campers are flocking in to get a place on a first-come, first-served basis. On one weekend, there were 101 families' names on the waiting list Sunday for the 2:30 p.m. roll call – about 38 were able to get a campsite.

FIRE – A NATURAL AGENT

This is a copy of letter to San Luis Obispo County Telegram-Tribune:

To the Editor:

The following comments are prompted by the recent criticism of the California State Park officials for preposing to restore natural conditions at Montana de Oro by the judicious use of fire, a natural agent.

Before the know-it-all white man came to California, the hills were frequently burned off by lightning fires or by fires set by the Indians. Since the aborigines have been →

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successfully liquidated, the omniscient white man has prevented or supressed wild fires to the best of his ability, thus upsetting a balance of nature that took untold ages to evolve. The State Park officials belatedly have seen the error of the white man's ways.

When Cabrillo sailed into San Pedro Bay in October, 1542, he named it "La Bahia de los Humos" or "Smokey Bay"; the aborigines were burning off the hills to improve browsing for the deer and to make deer hunting easier for themselves.

The fire prevention and supression practices of the white man have led to the stockpiling of highly volatile fuels that explode into holocausts such as the Bel Air – Topanga fires on November 1961, the Santa Barbara County fires of September 1964, and the San Diego County conflagrations of the fall of 1970. The obvious answer is the controlled burning of chaparral areas frequently to prevent big fires. This would save lives, topsoil, and money, and would improve the natural growth which over the eons developed with the aid of fire. To prevent the use of a natural agency that has existed since time began is to tinker with nature.

– Paul W. Minton
State Park Ranger, Ret.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

District 1 . . .

After gallant Ranger *Neil Thom* rushed to the rescue and fixed the flat tire of a young lady he thought stranded at GRIZZLY CREEK REDWOODS SP, she thanked him . . . and commented that her father had made her learn to change tires before he would let her use the car, leaving Neil perhaps wiser . . . and at least forty years older than the young lady!

MENDOCINO AREA Ranger *Wendell Rickon*, off work with a broken rib, should be back soon, according to his doctor.

A lady camped at HUMBOLDT REDWOODS SP came into the office to complain about the "make-work project for park employees" – filling springboard notches in the old-growth stumps in the campground. When the ranger explained the reason for the project – the numerous injuries to children who find the stumps irresistible to climb – she was glad to learn we had a reason for the activity but still felt that children's injuries are just something parents should expect.

An elderly lady in tears appealed to the HUMBOLDT REDWOODS SP staff to find her six-year-old baby. She was overjoyed when they were successful in locating Nina – a toy poodle!

It was a case of "Love me, love my goat" at RICHARDSON GROVE SP – a hippie-type camper's neighbors complained when his goats started singing in harmony. Ranger Dave Stratton found the offending songsters staked out in a huckeberry patch and their owner decided that if the goats couldn't stay, he wouldn't either.

District 3 . . .

The pull-tabs off beverage cans, carelessly discarded, can be a real hazard in beach areas where many people walk around barefoot. At SAN LUIS RESERVOIR SRA, *Paul Setnor, Keith Murray,* and *Mike Oliver* collected enough of the tabs to make a chain over fifty feet long.

District 4 . . .

The eighth annual Flea Market attracted scores of bargain hunters to SAN JUAN BAUTISTA SHP on August 1 and was reported a great success.

District 5 . . .

CARPINTERIA SB Lifeguards *Serge Morales* and *Chris Blakeslee* averted a near-drowning when they rescued two teenage girls who had become entangled in kelp a hundred yards from shore.

HEARST SAN SIMEON SHM Guide Supervisor *Irene Hanks* tells us that the new multilingual Castle tour guides – in Spanish, French, German, and Italian, plus an English version for deaf visitors – are proving to be a rousing success.

District 6 . . .

Fatty Lumpkin got sheared recently at OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO SHP, but it was all on the up-and-up. Fatty is a sheep, one of four sheared to obtain wool to demonstrate the park's spinning wheel. The shearing demonstration was arranged by Park Historian *Hank Nicol* and performed by Robert Rutherford, an agriculture teacher at El Cajon Valley High School, and Archie Becker, who spent 10 years as a professional shearer.

No work is being accomplished at ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP with Area Manager *Jack Hesemeyer* on vacation. Comments Assistant *Frank Davies*, "He's enjoying himself and so are we."

POTPOURRI

MANAGEMENT CHANGES AT YOSEMITE

National Park Service Director George B. Hartzog has ordered major management changes at Yosemite National Park after a visit there on the weekend of July 4. The park superintendent, Wayne Cone, who has been at Yosemite just one year, will be transferred to Estes Park in Colorado, and officials in charge of the park's public relations, administration, and two of its districts are also being transferred elsewhere.

Lawrence C. Hadley, previous superintendent at Yosemite and now the Park Service's acting assistant director for park management, said, "We are looking to the future of Yosemite and to the centennial of national parks in 1972." The changes are thought to be part of a multimillion-dollar modernization plan for upgrading facilities at the park.

COURT CRACKS DOWN ON FISHERMEN

A Guerneville judge has sentenced two fishermer caught at Timber Cove, Sonoma County, with more abalone than the law allows to pay fines of $500 and serve ten days in jail. One of the fishermen, who were apprehended by a warden of the Department of Fish and Game, had 25 abalones in his possession; the other had 15. The limit is 5. In addition, both men lost their sport fishing licenses for a year.

VOX POP

HEARST SAN SIMEON SHM Guide Frank Sullivan *impressed these visitors:*

> He was most informative and interesting and helped our imagination to become very active. The day was a complete pleasure.
>
> Mrs. Ray W. Johnson
> Bakersfield

This young lady, who signed herself "a satisfied camper," promised BOTHE-NAPA VALLEY SP Ranger Frank Brown *that she'd be back next year:*

> Our family enjoyed camping in your park very much. We went to both of your campground programs. I really enjoyed them. I loved the swimming . . . every spare minute was in that pool. It was very nice of you to stop by our campsite and just have a friendly chat. I've been camping a lot and never have I met a more friendly ranger.
>
> Suzanne Paris
> Palo Alto

In a letter to Ranger Miles Standish, *this lady describes the day spent at PRAIRIE CREEK REDWOODS SP as the "outstanding day of our trip:"*

> It was so beautiful there that I am in danger of not being happy until I can go back again! The lush growth of the forest there, the trees growing out of fallen tree-trunks, the ferns covering every inch of both ground and decaying trees, were like a dream. The campfire was a nice close to the day, and we realized this even more the night we stayed at CASTLE CRAGS SP, which has no campfire. The ranger there was very hospitable, but the coffee and singing would have added to our memories of the park. We cannot praise the State Park System too highly, especially the work they are doing to protect the forests and keep the trails open so that families like ours can have an experience of the wilderness which seems so very important even though it only occupies a day or two out of our year. We want to thank you and the other rangers for your part in this experience.
>
> Mrs. Ann Fields
> Pacifica

MENDOCINO AREA Ranger Wendell Rickon *puts on a good campfire program:*

> My boy is still singing "My Hat It Has Three Corners" and "Little Tommy Tinker." Ranger Rickon is a spontaneous, lively, and imaginative asset to the park.
>
> Jim Ford
> Fairfield

Park Aid Deborah Kampf's *slide talk enhanced this visit to the museum at MORRO BAY SP:*

> I wish to compliment you on the quality of the museum, and especially on the excellence of the slide talk. The girl who gave it knew her subject and did a first-class job of presenting it.
>
> Richard H. Mors
> Santa Maria

A new "confirmed fisherman" thanks Ranger Dal Scott *of PFEIFFER BIG SUR SP:*

> I just want to let you know how much I appreciated your *superb* fishing clinic. It was sure a thrill to see my son catch his first fish.
>
> Bill Sexton
> La Palma

For Your Information

"OH, MY ACHING BACK"

"Oh, my aching back" – that's a familiar lament around the Department. The problems vary from simple muscle strain to more severe injuries including pinched nerves and even fractured vertebrae.

Those aching backs resulting from on-the-job injuries in this Department from July 1970 through May 1971 involved over 35 employees. Each suffered some loss and a few suffered severe loss because of these injuries. The maximum compensation benefits for those completely off work amounted to only about $85.00 per week. In addition to the more obvious losses resulting from aching backs these employees lost the physical comfort and, in some cases, even the capability to do many of the things you and I take for granted such as golf, bowling, picking up our children, or just plain getting out of bed comfortably each morning.

What kinds of things are the cause for this often-heard complaint and what can you do to help insure that you won't join the ranks of those with backaches?

Most back complaints are due to improper lifting but that doesn't account for all back injuries. A six-year survey by the Kearny Works of the Western Electric Company showed that 44% of lost-time injuries came from people doing clerical or very light work – most of the cases resulting from bending or reaching.* The following are samples of the conscious effort you can make to avoid this situation:

– If you spend most of your time standing at a work station, you should alternate placing one foot, then the other, on a raised railing while you work. This will relieve pressure on your lower back.

– If you do a lot of leaning forward in your job, you should avoid bending over with straight legs . . . this puts unnecessary pressure on the lower back.

– If you are a mechanic and spend time on a creeper working beneath vehicles, you should raise your knees occasionally to ease back strain.

Improper lifting is the cause for the majority of back injuries. If you can't get help or don't have access to mechanical aids such as hoists or dollies, you should develop a habit pattern of proper lifting techniques.

KINETIC LIFTING METHOD

The "kinetic" method is one tested way to lift heavy or awkward objects without excessive strain. In this method the strong leg muscles are used, rather than the weaker muscles of the back, and the momentum of the weight of the body is used to start horizontal movement. With practice, you can develop it into a successful habit pattern for efficient lifting.

The feet are positioned with one slightly forward and with the other placed to the rear so that it can give thrust to the body. The feet should be placed about shoulder width apart with the knees bent.

The back is kept straight, easily accomplished by putting your chin on your chest when starting to lift. (A look at a champion weight lifter in motion reveals that a "straight back" is actually one with a slight curve. A perfectly straight back – vertical back – would do nothing but make you fall backward when you start to lift your load.)

The arms hold the load as close to the body as possible and the legs may be used to help support the load as you begin the lift.

The lift is begun by utilizing the foot and leg muscles to move the body and load forward and upward, and followed by bringing the back leg forward into position by the time the lift is completed.

The kinetic method of lifting uses body weight, leg muscles and thrust to maximum advantage and, if developed into a habit pattern, can minimize your potential for back injury resulting from lifting heavy loads.

Finally, you should be aware of the use of your muscles in lifting. By starting each lifting job with bent knees you bring into play the strongest muscles in your body, the *quadriceps femoris* (leg muscles). A person in excellent physical condition using his arms and back can lift only his body weight, but almost all of us can lift five to ten times our body weights with our leg muscles. Most of us, though, forget to use our leg muscles when lifting heavy loads, and place excessive strain on some of the weakest muscles in our body, those of the pelvis and lower back, through improper lifting techniques.

The lower back muscles, since they get continual exercise as we walk and stand, stay in pretty good shape. But the stomach muscles, which have an important role in stabilizing the pelvis when we lift, often literally "go to pot." If the back muscles are too much stronger than those of the stomach, the back may be injured when the pelvis tips forward, resulting in excessive forward curvature of the spine and probable nerve damage. So strengthening the stomach muscles will help avoid back injuries.

It will take a conscious effort on your part to avoid backaches – a conscious effort to vary your working position, to use the stronger muscles of your body and proper techniques when lifting heavy loads, and to strengthen those muscles which may have "gone to pot".

– Bill Borden
Personnel Analyst

*** "Six-Year Evaluation of Lost Time Back Cases – Their Relationship to Heavy Work and Preplacement Back X-Rays", Wilbur J. Harley, M.D., April 20, 1971, Industrial Medical Association.**

For Your Information (Continued)

NUMBER OF LOST TIME INJURIES
JANUARY 1 THRU JULY 31, 1971

Executive	0	1
Administrative Services	0	0
Planning and Development	3	1
Operations Division - Headquarters	0	0
District 1	4	4
District 2	6	5
District 3	9	11
District 4	6	5
District 5	9	7
District 6	6	8
TOTALS	43	42

Director Mott presenting an award for District 6 safety accomplishments to Superintendent Jim Whitehead. In calendar year 1970, District 6 had a lost-time injury rate of 11.08, well below the 12 per million man-hours set as a departmental goal. Individual awards will be presented to each District 6 park area.

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BITS AND PIECES

GAVIOTA AREA Chief Ranger *Dick McKillop* reports that the rangers at REFUGIO SB got a laugh from the motto emblazoned on a (well-filled) sweatshirt: "I love you until Labor Day."

WILL ROGERS AREA Manager *Fred Eggimann*, commenting on the scanty attire seen at the park during hot weather, says, "One of the hazards of the job, heart palpitations."

When the patrol ranger was notified that three young ladies in bikinis were stranded off McKenzie Point at MILLERTON LAKE SRA, he set new speed records making the rescue.

Overkill – a family arrived at GRIZZLY CREEK REDWOODS SP with a seven-day reservation and attended the Saturday campfire, subject backpacking and fishing in the Trinity Mountains. The next day they cancelled the rest of their reservation and packed up – destination the Trinities.

The staff at MacKERRICHER SP thinks that an addition should be made to the fee schedule – what do you charge campers who want to fill up a water bed? Well, maybe nothing – after all, they return the water when they leave!

Some visitors to SALTON SEA SRA asked Ranger *Vic Culina* if they could get in free, as they had at other places, because they were from a foreign country. When he asked where they were from, the answer was . . . *Chicago.*

DYERVILLE AREA Chief Ranger *Jim Neal* reports on his golden educational opportunity with some park rule violators. After his discussion on basic identification and hazards of contact with poison oak, the nude group – three men and two women – dressed hastily and made for the showers.

After a break-in at Vallejo Home and the fires at Fort Ross, they're a little uneasy at BENICIA CAPITOL SHP – so Manager *Lorin Forsyth* asked the Benicia Police for stepped-up surveillance. Result: While he was changing the sprinklers at BENICIA SRA at 2 of the a.m. Ranger *Roy Benedict* was contacted by two different police units wanting to know what he was doing out there at that hour.

Area Manager *Bud Caughill* reports that a thirsty-looking group of ORANGE COAST employees sadly watched the destruction of a two-month accumulation of the alcoholic beverages impounded from minor visitors.

PEOPLE

ANOTHER TOM

Tom Greico retired February 1, 1966. He got around during his 18 years of park service – he worked in 9 parks, all in Districts 3 and 4 except for an assignment to Riding and Hiking Trails at Cuyamaca.

During Tom's military service he did some boxing and had seven or eight fights. He recalls that as being a hard way to get an extra three-day pass off base.

Tom's quality of work was that of a professional. He believes that anything done should be done right. Not many people have the patience to attain such high quality results as Tom. He credits much of his skill to the guidance of carpenter foreman Wallace Moody during the days of 1948 when he was working as a skilled laborer in Big Basin. Tom's favorite assignment was Henry Cowell where he enjoyed the pleasant mixture of trees, river, and open spaces.

Tom and his wife, Hilda, spent the first two years of their retirement in a travel trailer. They took a three-month trip crossing the continent and then swung up into Canada. They also visited Palm Springs and Mexico. Tom is settled down now – he loves to work and finds retirement pleasure in remodeling a structure built a number of years ago at 3131 Victory Lane, Santa Cruz. Hilda is the groundskeeper and specializes in flowers and plants. Their teamwork has produced a very attractive retirement homesite. Only occasionally does Tom leave his home – for instance, when he feels lucky he goes to Las Vegas.

Ed Earl, Chief Ranger
Pajaro Coast Area

DESERT GARDEN HONORS MEMORY OF FORMER RANGER

The staff at ANZA-BORREGO DESERT SP, with the unwitting cooperation of a sloppy public, has raised enough money by accumulating aluminum cans for recycling to purchase a two-acre Desert Garden at the park, to be dedicated to the memory of Ranger Jack Calvert.

Ranger Calvert, who passed away several years ago, was chief ranger at the park in the late 1930s, wintering at Anza-Borrego and summering at Donner, and was permanently assigned there in 1945 for a tour of duty lasting several years. Area Manager *Jack Hesemeyer* reports that he is still remembered by many oldtimers of Borrego Valley, so the park staff feels that this is a fitting memorial to one of our rangers.

SHE BELIEVES IN HER JOB

A ranger with a "Smokey" smile, dark eyes, and dark hair best describes our Intermittent Ranger of the Sierra, *Joan Benner*, according to some visitors. This isn't to say that she is known only for these attributes, however. Joan happens to be one of our very few women rangers, but she is highly respected because she believes in her job, and carries over this belief into all phases of her life.

For instance, her feelings on pollution are very strong and not only does she speak out against pollution, she does her part in preventing it and in helping others to prevent it. One method she uses is cutting down on her car usage and riding a bike as much as possible, both in and out of the park. She is against the use of salt on snowy roads, which adds to the destruction of trees when it joins with automotive exhaust . . . better to use sand instead.

As an Intermittent Ranger, Joan's activities include leading tours of the historical monuments in the parks she works in, setting up campfire programs, and interpretation of the many displays for the park visitors.

Mrs. Benner is also an active citizen in her city. She favors the regional land use plan for the Tahoe Basin area and lets her Congressman and other public officials involved with the project know her feelings with frequent letters.

In a recent statement to Jeanne Sollen, Tahoe Action Staff Writer for the Sierra Sun-Bonanza, Joan said, "We are still operating under the old pioneer attitude that the land is to be conquered and that, when the land is used up, we can always go west. But now we've reached the west shore and we can go no further. We can't use up our land so recklessly anymore or our environment will be ruined."

– Marti Johnson

People (Continued)

GORDON KISHBAUGH RETIRES

On August 6, Department of Parks and Recreation coworkers gathered to wish Gordon T. Kishbaugh, Manager of the Planning and Design Branch, best wishes and a fond farewell as he began a vacation prior to his retirement on October 1, 1971.

Gordon's illustrious career with Parks and Recreation spans approximately 33 years, with 2 years out for military service during World War II. He started as a State Park Custodian with State Parks in 1938. From this modest start, Gordon has raised himself through the ranks of State Park Ranger to Assistant District Park Superintendent and then Supervisor, State Park Planning and Development, CEA, which later was changed to Branch Manager, State Park Planning and Development, CEA.

The party, under the supervision of Edward Sheehy, Darrell Duke, and Betty Coulter, took place at Sacramento's Woodlake Inn, with much eating, drinking and dancing enjoyed by all. Master of ceremonies for the event was one of Gordon's best friends and personal nemesis, John Michael of Interpretive Services. Evidence of this "feud" was heard when Mr. Michael read a few of the letters exchanged between himself and Gordon.

One of the gifts for Gordon was his own personal (manzanita) branch to manage, with push buttons to get various jobs done, such as reorganizing the Planning and Development Division. For some reason, the button to appropriate a larger budget for Planning and Development wouldn't work.

The Department's going-away gift to Gordon was a large portable barbecue that he plans to use at his retirement home at Cobb, near Clear Lake.

Those of us in Parks and Recreation all join in wishing Gordon and Thelma Kishbaugh the happiest of retirement years ahead!

– Marti Johnson

TWO P&D EMPLOYEES RECEIVE AWARD

At a recent meeting of the Planning and Development Division staff, Director Mott presented 25-year pins to *James Warren* and *Paul Meier*.

Now Planning and Development Division Chief, Warren started to work for the Department of Natural Resources in 1946 as a civil engineer. In 1953, he became a ranger and was District 1 Superintendent for several years; and in 1958, he came to Sacramento to head up state park development.

Meier started State service with a brief stint as a forest ranger and, after a period working in private industry and in the U.S. Navy and the Forest Service, he went to work for the Division of Highways in 1947. He came to work for the Division of Beaches and Parks in mid-1947 as a Senior Engineering Aid at Monterey, working on the Riding and Hiking Trail Program, and then joined Bill Weatherbee, Al Salzgeber, Bill Haussler, and Chuck Mehlert in working on State Water Project reservoir evaluation under the direction of Bob Hatch. He is now an Associate Park and Recreation Specialist, assistant supervisor of the Contract Services Section.

Director Mott presents award to Jim Warren.

Paul Meier receives his award.

STAFF CHANGES

As reported to the Personnel Office by August 16, 1971.

APPOINTMENTS

Ackerman, Larry D.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Point Mugu Area	8-1-71
Crary, Don M.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Orange Coast Area	8-9-71
Donoghue, Kathleen C.	Clerk I (Perm-Int)	Central Dist & Repro Unit	7-26-71
Dryden, Jean	Clerk Typist I	Office and Res Svcs	7-20-71
Evanikoff, Marsha	Clerk Typist I	Office & Res Svcs	7-19-71
French, Karl L.	Tree Maint Man I	Env Res Sect	7-26-71
Goldstein, M. Azalea	Stenographer I (Perm-Int)	Point Lobos Area	8-2-71
Jennings, Paul T.	Tractor Opr-Labr (Perm-Int)	District 4 Hq	8-6-71
Kjos, Ruth L.	Clerk Typist II	Clear Lake Area	6-19-71
Knight, Mary Lou	State Park Ranger (Int)	Sierra Area	6-22-71
Lipanovich, Ivan P.	Park Maint Asst	Santa Cruz Mountain Area	7-26-71
McAllister, Dennis D.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Russian River Area	8-1-71
Munizich, Joseph M.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm-Int)	Sacramento Area	6-17-71
Nakatomi, Bette M.	Clerk Typist II	Personnel Sect	7-19-71
Orlando, Valgene K.	Clerk Typist II	Personnel Sect	7-26-71
Pedersen, Paul J.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Channel Coast Area	8-2-71
Rockwell, Robert G.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Channel Coast Area	7-17-71
Roy, Donna E.	Accounting Tech	District 6 HQ	8-1-71
Sherburne, Antoinette M.	Clerk Typist I	Central Dist & Repro Unit	7-26-71
Smith, Elizabeth M.	Clerk Typist II	Golden Gate Area	7-19-71
Snelling, Dianne L.	Clerk Typist II	Office & Res Svcs	7-27-71
Stitt, David J.	Park Maint Asst	Millerton Lake Area	7-15-71
Worthington, James J. Jr.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Dyerville Area	8-9-71
Yee, Freda	Clerk Typist I (Perm-Int)	Office & Res Svcs	8-4-71

REINSTATEMENTS

Fife, James M.	State Park Rngr Trnee	San Luis Obispo Cst Area	7-8-71
Loutzenhiser, Erika D.	Senior Clerk Typist	Office & Res Svcs	8-2-71

CLASS TITLE CHANGES

Giuffre, Leonard R.	State Park Ranger (Int) To State Park Attendant	Santa Cruz Mtn Area	5-17-71
Loutzenhiser, Erika D.	Senior Clerk Typist To Operator – MT/SC*	Office & Res Svcs	8-2-71

FORMALIZED TRAINING ASSIGNMENTS

Bellinghausen, Frank B.	State Park Ranger III	Frontera Area To Training Section	7-15-71
Vogelsang, John R.	Senior Budget Anal	Prog Mgmt & Cont Sect To Dept. of Education	7-31-71

UNIT CHANGES

Ashabranner, Jr., Cas D.	State Park Ranger II	Mt Diablo Area To Picacho Area	7-1-71
Bisbee, Clifford M.	SP Historian II	Cultural Res To Stwd Plng & Local Asst	7-21-71
Bunn, Marie G.	Asst Mgmt Anal	Mgmt Repts To Mgmt Anal Sect	8-1-71

* Actual Civil Service title – Composer Operator – Magnetic Tape Selectric Composer.

Forsyth, Lylia L.	Clerk Typist I	Office & Res Svcs To Cent Dist & Repro Unit	7-1-71
Hastings, Richard B.	SP Archeologist II	Cultural Res To Stwd Plng & Local Asst	7-21-71
Kay, Quinton E.	State Park Ranger I	Folsom Lake Area To Calaveras Area	7-16-71
Mizutani, Suguru	Delineator	Mgmt Repts Unit To Prog Mgmt & Cont Sect	7-1-71
Pohl, Donald H.	State Park Ranger II	Picacho Area To San Diego Coast Area	6-7-71
Schrick, Carl F.	Park Maint Supvr I	Orange Coast Area To Frontera Area	8-1-71
Simmons, Joseph O.	Const Inspector	Engrng Unit To Dist Svcs Unit	8-1-71
Strouse, Edgar W.	State Park Ranger II	Russian River Area To Mount Diablo Area	8-1-71

PROMOTIONS

Allmer, Linda A.	Operator – MT/ST**	Office & Res Svcs	6-2-71
Blamey, Dorothy J.	Clerk Typist II	Personnel Sect	7-6-71
Bradshaw, Harold D.	State Park Ranger II To Asst Park & Rec Spec	Operations Div Chief's Off To Stwd Plng & Local Asst	7-21-71
Buckhammer, Gary L.	Clerk II	Cent Dist & Repro Unit	8-1-71
Caffrey, John P.	Senior Budget Analyst	Budget Sect	7-6-71
Callaway, Roberta A.	Operator – MT/ST	Office & Res Svcs	7-1-71
Conner, Michelle A.	Operator – MT/ST	Office & Res Svcs	6-2-71
Draper, Theodore F.	Civil Eng Tech I	Survey Unit	7-21-71
Filipponi, Mervyn L.	State Park Ranger II To Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Operations Div Chief's Off To Stwd Plng & Local Asst	7-21-71
Fujita, Julie	Operator – MT/ST	Plng & Design Br To Office & Res Svcs	7-19-71
Hanshew, Ronald L.	Asst Park & Rec Spec	Operations Div Chief's Off To Stwd Plng & Local Asst	7-21-71
Hendrix, James G.	State Park Ranger II	Folsom Lake Area	8-6-71
Henry, Ross T.	State Park Ranger II To Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Operations Div Chief's Off To Plng & Des Br Mgr's Off	7-21-71
Lucas, Rhonda A.	Operator – MT/ST	Office and Res Svcs	6-2-71
Marceau, Mary E.	Accounting Tech	Acctng & Fiscal Cont Sect	7-1-71
Martin, Kenneth E.	State Park Ranger II To Asst Park & Rec Spec	Operations Div Chief's Off To Stwd Plng & Local Asst	7-21-71
Meacham, Ethelyn B.	Operator – MT/ST	Office & Res Svcs	7-1-71
Moore, Carolee A.	Operator – MT/SC	Office & Res Svcs	6-2-71
Miles, Lucille G.	Operator – MT/ST	Office & Res Svcs	7-1-71
Provost Carol L.	Operator – MT/ST	Office & Res Svcs	6-2-71
Rail, Homer W.	Park Maint Supvr II	Frontera Area To Golden Gate Area	7-7-71
Thomsen, Susan M.	Operator – MT/ST	Office & Res Svcs	7-1-71
Walstrom, John E.	State Park Ranger III	Montane Area To Sierra Area	7-8-71
White, Arlene V.	Operator – MT/ST	Concessions Div To Office & Res Svcs	7-26-71

RETIREMENTS

Noad, Charlotte C.	Accountant I	Acctng & Fiscal Cont Sect	7-31-71
Palmer, Robert W.	State Park Attendant	Pajaro Coast Area	7-8-71

** Actual Civil Service title – Power Keyboard Typewriter Operator – Magnetic Tape Selectric Typewriter.

SEPARATIONS

Connor, Robert W.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Santa Cruz Mtn Area	6-30-71
Gamboa, Milton S.	Janitor	Frontera Area	6-30-71
Giuffre, Leonard R.	State Park Attendant	Santa Cruz Mtn Area	7-31-71
Keith, Bruce E.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Orange Coast Area	6-30-71
Olson, Gary J.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Orange Coast Area	6-30-71
Ritchie, Donald M.	State Park Rngr Trnee	Golden Gate Area	7-19-71
Sanders, Dean E.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Four Rivers Area	8-10-71
Schaeffer, Philip P.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Golden Gate Area	7-31-71
Schmidt, Paul D.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Big Sur Area	6-30-71
Sousa II, Albert J.	Engineering Aid II	Survey Unit	7-30-71
Stretton, Diane A.	Clerk Typist I	Office & Res Svcs	7-30-71
Sutliff, Dale A.	Asst Lndscp Arch	Stwd Plng & Local Asst	7-30-71
Sutton, Frances A.	Stenographer II	Sonoma Area	7-31-71
Waddington, Gwendolyn L.	Clerk Typist II	Training Sect	7-16-71
Youmans, Charles D.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Orange Coast Area	8-3-71

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COMMISSION REPORT

Commissioners McConnell, McMillan, and Thomson pose with Student-Youth Advisory Committee member Marcia Wood for Columbia's newest concessionaire, Daguerrian Artist Harry Wright. (Photo by Julian Fein, Modesto Bee)

Columbia, which has been State Capital for a day on a couple of occasions, was State Park System capital for two days in September, as the State Park and Recreation Commission held its regular meeting in Angelo's Hall, after a day of touring the park and environs, getting photographed by Daguerrian Artist Harry Wright – the park's newest concessionaire – and dining informally at Columbia House with the local citizenry and others who had come to attend the meeting.

Charley Cline, District 3's new assistant superintendent, led the field trip with Area Manager Neil Power, and gave a report on Columbia at Friday's formal session.

Allensworth, another historic townsite, was also a major agenda item, with Dr. Kenneth Goode and a delegation from the Aliensworth Advisory Committee asking that acquisition be expedited so the Tulare County town could be restored as an historic park for the interpretation of the history of the blacks in California. Director Mott noted that while the Department's feasibility study had not been formally completed and sent to the Legislature, its recommendation would definitely favor the project. The Commission asked the Director to continue to work closely with the Legislature on the program, and Mrs. Gilchrist pledged that she would work with Mr. Mott to see that the project was expedited in every way possible.

The Commission also adopted a resolution authorizing the Director to continue his efforts to acquire the Cooper-Molera adobe in Monterey, if this could be done with no cost to the State. The three-acre property in the historic area of Monterey has been willed to the National Trust for Historic Preservation, but the Trust is considering plans to convert the building into a bank and the grounds into a parking lot.The Director was also authorized to proceed with discussions on another acquisition, the proposed exchange of lands owned by Boise-Cascade adjacent to several State Parks in Mendocino County for an equivalent acreage in the Jackson State Forest. The Director said the State Board of Forestry was willing to explore the possibility, and the Commission asked him to try to set up a joint field trip in conjunction with their October 8 meeting in Chico. The exchange would give the State Park System 77 acres at Mendocino Headlands, 623 acres near MacKerricher SP, 218 acres at Reynolds WC, and 787 acres next to Admiral William Stanley SRA.

A report by Resource Management and Protection Chief Jim Tryner on a proposal to use fire as a tool for restoring the original grasslands cover on a 35-acre marine terrace at Montana do Oro SP resulted in considerable discussion, culminating in a resolution authorizing the Department to proceed on a test basis.

The Commission also heard a report on the construction program at Asilomar State Conference Grounds. A highlight was the special attention to parking facilities to reduce the impact of automobiles on the scenic and environmental resources.

The Commission received the Department's proposed changes in the park system rules and regulations and in the classification and naming of several park units. These will be discussed at the October meeting and acted on in November.

Most of the rules changes are technical clarifications. Included, however, is a proposal to adopt a regular permit system for camping in Mt. San Jacinto Wilderness State Park, following this summer's successful joint experiment with the U.S. Forest Service in the area.

A regulation to require presentation of a dog license or other proof of rabies innoculation for all dogs brought into parks is also proposed, on advice from public health officials.

Classification and name changes include four new units: Andrew Molera State Park in Monterey County; San Onofre State Beach in San Diego County; William Randolph Hearst Memorial State Beach in San Luis Obispo County; and Camillus Nelson Historic Farm in Yolo County. Mitchell Caverns would be classified as a State Park instead of a Reserve, reflecting its recent enlargement. At Torrey Pines, the beach area would be designated as Torrey Pines SB and separated from the reserve set aside to protect

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THE DIRECTOR

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.

Civilization

Mark Twain, in commenting on civilizing the West, wrote: "First comes the poor immigrant with ax and hoe and rifle; then the trader; next the miscellaneous rush; next the gambler, the desperado, the highwayman and all their kindred as seen in both sexes; and next, the smart chap who has bought up an old grant that covers all the land; this brings on the lawyer, the newspaper; the newspaper starts up politics and a railroad; all hands turn to and build a church and a jail and a store and a park, and behold, civilization is established forever in the land."

With civilization comes problems. Little dusty pioneer towns grow into ugly, dirty cities. Once friendly, helpful town folks turn on each other in greed and lust. Once beautiful, productive land is exploited, abandoned and left derelict. Bubbling brooks become polluted streams, and even the clean, fresh invigorating air is contaminated with the fumes of civilization as it aspires to greater heights, even to colonizing outer space so that man on earth may have room for expansion as world population explodes.

Crisis follows crisis and slowly but surely we come to the realization that modern technology, although adding much to our live, is also a menace with its poisons and pollutants that impair our health and enjoyment. That ugliness is costly, and of even greater significance it can be the breeding ground of our very destruction.

And so our Department is offered a great challenge through education, interpretation, and the preserving of our most prized natural and cultural resources to reverse by every means possible the current destructive trends, and begin the slow practical application of the lessons of ecological understanding and its relationship to all living things to our dealings with humans and their relationship – one with another – and with every living thing so that harmony and balance may replace the forces of exploitation and violence.

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COMMISSION REPORT (Continued)

Golden Bear Plaque is presented by Chairman Gilchrist to Mrs. Emily Polk for her efforts on behalf of Los Osos Oaks.

the famous trees. Joshua Trees SP in Los Angeles County would be renamed Saddleback Butte State Park, to end present confusion with Joshua Tree National Monument.

Appointment of Miss Laurie Geissinger as a member of the Student Youth-Advisory Committee, Southern California Section, was approved. She is a student at UC-Santa Barbara.

The Commission presented its Golden Bear Award Plaque to Mrs. Emily Polk for her efforts on behalf of the Los Osos Oaks in San Luis Obispo County. The area of unusual coastal live oaks is now slated to become part of the State Park System. Mrs. Polk also made a presentation on her current project, the preservation of the Wilderness Gardens of Pauma Valley in San Diego County.

A resolution thanking Mrs. Zena Holman of Pacific Grove for her gift of valuable Jack London manuscripts and other materials was also adopted by the Commission. Chairman Gilchrist noted that this was but the latest example of Mrs. Holman's long support of the State Park System, through gifts such as the renowned Indian collection at the Pacific Building in Monterey.

The Commission also approved with gratitude the proposals of the Save-the-Redwoods League for establishment of an Abraham Haas Memorial Redwood Grove at Humboldt Redwoods State Park; a Don J. Leiffer grove at Jedediah Smith RSP; and the Alexander Lincoln Prairie at Prairie Creek RSP. They also approved a change in location of the Ralph Works Chaney grove from Jedediah Smith RSP to Humboldt RSP, where the memorial to the long-time League president will be established along the Avenue of the Giants.

–Bill Dillinger

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Do-It-Yourself Group Camp Area at Salton Sea SRA a Success

A Boy Scout group built this fire ring at the Salton Sea SRA do-it-yourself group camp area.

The group camping area at Salton Sea SRA is a good example of what can be accomplished with outside group cooperation, a small amount of funds, and a great will to develop a facility that will ably serve both visitors and park operations alike.

Still in the development stage, the area is intended for youth and educational groups who would appreciate its primitive and natural qualities, be responsible for the immediate condition and cleanup during their stay, and be willing to contribute something of value, whether it be fees or voluntary donations of time and labor for the area's betterment. From the first concept of what the facility should be to actual involvement of various groups, cooperation and enthusiasm was remarkably good. Boy and Girl Scout Troops, Cub Scouts, YMCA, educational classes, and other organizations have all participated, thus establishing for themselves and the park a progressively more valuable asset and proof of the success possible through this type of venture.

Rangers and maintenance personnel helped with the project, which began late in 1970. During the following months, the response from various groups was responsible for the extension of the PVC line over 200 feet, construction of two plywood tables, two fire rings, and many dollars to be utilized in a contingency fund toward the area.

Each incoming group is given a talk about the project's purpose. In addition, any arrangements are finalized, legalities and work safety covered, and mechanical or technical assistance is provided to complete the agreed upon task. However, no extensive aid has been necessary to date, and that is the whole idea of the facility. A general plan for the area has been brought together by park staff and extreme deviations are discouraged to prevent a low-quality or haphazard facility.

Participating groups receive some local publicity, usually a letter of gratitude, and the name of the group and its leader will be inscribed on a contribution plaque. Undoubtedly, however, the greatest rewards inherent in this cooperative development will be those of a job well done.

– J. D. Van Camp
State Park Ranger I

Ticketron Provides Camping Statistics

Did you know that one out of every five families making a reservation indicates that they will have a pet with them – and that one out of 25 is bringing a boat?

That's a couple of interesting statistics given to us by Ticketron, Inc. They also told us that 39 percent of the campers use tents, 29 percent use trailers, 21 percent use campers or motorhomes, 7 percent use tent trailers, and 3 percent indicate no equipment (probably just sleeping bags on the ground). The remaining 1 percent? They just list "other" as their equipment.

Squaw Valley FD Takes Honors in Firemen's Muster

The first annual Lake Tahoe Firemen's Muster ended with the Squaw Valley Fire Department taking four of the six performance trophies awarded for competitive events. The Kings Beach FD was second and Meeks Bay third. Because of its performance, the Squaw Valley team will display the Perpetual Trophy in the fire house until next year.

The muster will be held annually from now on. The idea originated with the Squaw Valley FD, who organized and hosted the first program.

Kings Beach fireman Jay Mandeville competes in the "make and break" contest using Squaw's Valley Engine No. 2 as Nels Stone from the U.S. Forest Service, who was judging the contest, looks on. In spite of Mandeville's efforts, the Squaw Valley entry took the event.

What's Happening (Continued)

General Services Director Lawrence Robinson, Jr., approves the lease that gives the San Onofre property to the state for 50 years. The lease was also signed by Department Deputy Director Ray Hunter (left), and by Department Counsel F. C. Buchter.

Department Acquires More San Onofre Property

The Department's holding of 3.5 miles of prime beach property at San Onofre Bluffs near San Clemente has been extended two miles and added to by 2380 acres of upland. In addition, the terms of the lease with the federal government have been amended so that the property is ours for 50 years instead of only 25.

The new agreement was signed last month to culminate nearly a decade of effort by this Department to open the beaches at Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base to the public. At first, the Corps was willing only to give us the 3.5-mile stretch of beach extending along the bluffs south of the nuclear generating plant (see *News and Views*, May 1971). Through the efforts of President Nixon, however, more land was added.

Although not as much as hoped, the new acquisition will make it possible for more people to use the area, and with the addition of the upland property, the beach portion can be kept unspoiled and undeveloped.

The Department has been operating the original 3.5 mile acquisition through a concessioner since July 1. In the first two months, nearly 55,000 people have visited the beach, and 39,500 have camped there along the temporary campground on old abandoned Highway 101. Plans for future operation are now being formulated.

Six Months After the Tanker Collision

On January 18, 1971, two Standard Oil Company tankers collided in a dense fog under the Golden Gate Bridge, releasing an estimated 20,000 barrels of bunker fuel oil into San Francisco Bay and the ocean. Sixteen units of the State Park System, from Stinson Beach down to Bean Hollow, were affected by this oil. After the collision, the two tankers drifted into the bay and anchored only a half mile to the west of Angel Island; incoming tides brought the oil to its shores.

Since the Island received the full brunt of the pollution, the Department of Fish and Game made detailed ecological studies to determine the effect of the oil on its flora and fauna, and our Department made a number of observations and photographs to document the oil spill's total ecological impact on the Island.

Immediately after the oil spill, extensive portions of the southwestern shore of Angel Island were heavily polluted, and the populations of several species of crabs, limpets, isopods, barnacles, and mussels were greatly reduced.

Two months after the oil spill, the purple shore crab, which had had an extremely heavy loss immediately following the spill, seemed to be making a comeback, but the common starfish was in trouble; a number of dead animals were found on the shore, and oil again was suspected as the cause. Oily iridescence was still to be seen on wet sand on the beaches and in tide pools, indicating that the oil was still active and potent. Oil that had been splashed on dry rocks had done some melting and running, and oxidation had dulled its surface; wave action had reduced the amount of oil adhering to the rocks in the wash area.

Six months after the oil spill, the purple shore crab, in a remarkable recovery, was abundant along the entire southern shoreline of the Island. Likewise, the starfish appeared to be coming back. On the cobble beaches where the cobbles were small enough to rub together, it was difficult to find any traces of oil, and this was also true of sandy beaches, although a lot of the floating debris at the high tide line still showed the presence of oil and tar.

California mussels, never too abundant on the south shore of the Island, had suffered heavy mortality immediately after the oil spill, but six months later, there were some young mussels attached to the rocks.

There was no indication, six months after the spill, of the oily iridescence that had been noted in the tide →

Oil on the rocks on the west side of Angel Island, south of the West Garrison, six months after the oil spill.

What's Happening (Continued)

Even six months later, oil globs were so thick on Angel Island that they would hold a six-inch spike (center of picture) upright.

pools and sand after two months. All the algae and kelp seemed healthy where they were growing, and oil that had been deposited on dry rocks was showing a great deal of oxidation and was not nearly as apparent as it had been immediately after the spill.

On the negative side of the ledger, the oil that had been deposited on the larger rocks was still quite evident, although somewhat duller in appearance. Where the oil had been quite thick on the rocks, it was still moist under the surface but was not as sticky as it had been two months after the spill; most of the oil on the rocks could be walked upon without picking it up. Vegetation attached to rocks was growing only on the portions free of oil.

It's still too soon to determine the full ecological impact of the oil spill – we can only hope that time will help us to remedy the damage.

——Jack Hiehle
State Park Wildlife Ecologist

Petaluma Adobe Dedicated as National Historic Landmark

Richard Raoul Emparan, grandson of General Mariano Vallejo who built Petaluma Adobe, was a featured speaker at the ceremonies dedicating the Adobe as a National Historic Landmark on August 15. His wife, a former State Park Commission member and historian of the Vallejo family, said that the dedication clinched national recognition of the debt that the United States owes to General Vallejo. Five Vallejo descendants including 11-year-old Mariana Gabriela Vallejo Emparan of Fresno, whose yellow lace mantilla added color to the scene, attended the ceremony.

The dedication took place during the Old Adobe Fiesta, and thousands of visitors thronged the Adobe to see exhibits of weaving, pottery making, blacksmithing, and spinning. Another highlight was the Indian dances presented by a local Boy Scout troop.

↑ Theodore R. Owings, Assistant Director of the National Park Service's Western Region, presented the plaque, and said that the Adobe forms a unique historic link with the past.

Making bread, the old-fashioned way. ↓

Candle-dipping. ↑

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

District 1

The Butte County Historical Society held the tile-signing party at BIDWELL MANSION SHP and contributions surpassed the $1000 mark. The party was attended by Elsie Bidwell Bumgarner. Karen A. Weseloh, a daughter of Mrs. Bidwell's niece, donated $25 to the carpeting project.

A sick bull elk had to be destroyed at PRAIRIE CREEK REDWOODS SP . . . the autopsy revealed what looked like a .22 slug embedded in his jaw. The jaw was shattered and a growth had formed, making it impossible for the animal to eat.

DYERVILLE AREA Ranger *Jimmie Ritter* saw three young visitors stoking a fire in a garbage can lid. He had them extinguish it and requested that they clean the blackened lid. Later, checking the outcome, he found a note: "Dear Ranger, we Harry, Marty and me (Barb) appreciate your kindness. You love the redwoods like only a ranger can. We cleaned the can top as best we could in the dark. Thank you for understanding and letting us off."

DYERVILLE AREA Park Aid *Charles Studebaker* married Kathy Randall of Redway in the beautiful setting of the Lower Bull Creek Flats on August 21.

District 2

The joint's been jumping at the ARMSTRONG REDWOODS SR Amphitheater . . . the Shakespearean productions have been attracting crowds of over a thousand people, and a Sunday concert by the New Orleans Jazz Club of Osaka, Japan, filled the place to near capacity. The group was enthusiastically received, and some of the jazz buffs in the audience couldn't sit still . . . they joined the band on the bandstand for some old-time two-stepping and jitterbugging.

A mock cemetery, "graves" outlined with rocks removed from the walks and "headstones" of large pieces of sandstone, was set up overnight on the grounds at BENICIA CAPITOL SHP . . . Ranger *Roy Benedict* checked carefully but found no bodies.

Admission Day was a "scorcher" at BENICIA AREA . . . the most heavily used facility was a lawn sprinkler that a group of hippies "camped" under. Area Manager *Auburn Rose* comments, "and we thought they were *afraid* of water!"

District 3

The Tahoe State Parks Advisory Committee and the Women's Club of Tahoe City have cooperated with the Department to staff the museum at Sugar Pine Point with two volunteers, two days a week. The museum gets about two hundred and fifty visitors a day.

District 4

Lawrence Welk strikes again! At least, he's the No. 1 suspect for the recurring vandalism problem at MONTEREY SHP — detergent in the fountain. If there's a breeze, visitors rounding the corner to the Plaza are greeted with a four-foot blob straight out of a science-fiction horror movie.

The family of SANTA CRUZ MOUNTAINS AREA Ranger *Bill Krumbein* had a busy August . . . on the 3rd, they celebrated Bill's conversion from a Trainee to SPR I, and on the 10th, the birth of their son, Mathew Eric.

District 5

Bouquets go the Division of Highways in exchange for 25 full-grown palm trees that the Division men had to remove from the path of a new freeway . . . so they transplanted the trees to REFUGIO SB, where they are doing well and greatly enhancing the beauty of the park.→

The Presidio Volunteers, a branch of the Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation, held open house at EL PRESIDIO DE SANTA BARBARA SHP during the Old Spanish Days Fiesta on August 14 and 15. Highlights of the display were flags and uniforms of the Presidio period, painstakingly recreated by Mr. and Mrs. Russell Ruiz; visitors also enjoyed seeing the archeological "dig" and artifacts, and eating Mexican food.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD (Continued)

A 90-member high school band with advance reservations for tours at HEARST SAN SIMEON SHM lucked out . . . they arrived a day early, but the Castle personnel managed to accommodate them. And the next day, the day they *should* have come, the Castle closed down due to a bus drivers' strike.

When the electricity to the trailer sites at CARPINTERIA SB had to be shut off, the staff didn't receive one complaint. One man said, "Too bad, I won't be able to watch television, but I really don't care."

Lifeguard *James Beatty* and Ranger *James Geary* of POINT MUGU AREA, Ranger *Earl Hooven* of the HIGH DESERT AREA, Ranger *David Felt* and Lifeguard *Frank Cercos* of the GAVIOTA AREA, Ranger *Charles Potthast* of LA PURISIMA MISSION SHP, and District 5 Assistant Superintendent *Al Salzgeber* have completed ten hours of training in mountain rescue techniques. They learned rules of rope use, belaying, and rappelling in the class, instructed by SAN LUIS OBISPO COAST AREA Ranger *Al Ulm,* who was assisted by GAVIOTA AREA Ranger *Dick McKillop.*

Training Officer James Kruger **(right) and Ranger** Frank Bellinghausen **(left) admire the enlarged photos that GAVIOTA AREA Ranger** Richard McKillop **made, using his own time and from his own photographs, to adorn the walls of the Training Academy at Asilomar.**

The SAN LUIS OBISPO COAST AREA office has moved to the Cuesta Conservation Building in the State Division of Forestry's Camp San Luis Obispo.

District 6

They're painting the office at SALTON SEA SRA . . . and "Sadness is leaning against a newly painted shelf," comments Ranger *Jim Hibbert.*

Several sleepers, found on the beach at DOHENY, assured the ranger that they were safe . . . they had a gun.

While campers at MOUNT SAN JACINTO WILDERNESS SP were out hiking somebody stole their campstove, radio, and sleeping bag. Park staff members got together and managed to lend enough of their own equipment so that the visitors could finish their camping trip.

The ANZA-BORREGO DESERT Natural History Association's 25 volunteers sighted 121 bighorn on their annual sheep count in August . . . Naturalist *Ernie Brown* says the volunteers were enthusiastic, and the sheep seem healthy.

"Other duties as required" goes for wives, too . . . while TORREY PINES SR Superintendent *Kent Hartwell* was out of town, his wife *Carol* went on patrol between 11 p.m. and 1 a.m., escorting eight groups out of the park.

POTPOURRI

National Conference on State Parks Publishes Important Book

"Islands of Hope" is the rather improbable title of an important book just published by the National Recreation and Park Association, concerning the environmental crisis and how it affects professional park and recreation personnel. Inspired by two institutes sponsored by the N.R.P.A. and the National Park Service, the book was written by William E. Brown, an environmental consultant of Santa Fe, New Mexico, who has, in this reviewer's opinion, established himself as a park professional of the keenest sensitivity.

Getting down to cases early, the author points to four notable mistakes that have been made by park organizations and personnel, and how they could have been better handled. At least one of these is related to an issue that is currently attracting national attention among environmentally concerned persons.

But the book is fundamentally a highly constructive and optimistic one, and not destructively critical. If one had to pick out two main theses from the message of this book, they might be these:

1. Man's environment is an indivisible whole; and no action that we undertake in park work is acceptable unless it recognizes this wholeness, this ecological integrity, and contributes towards its perpetuation.

2. Supporting environmental integrity in professional park work is the surest and most significant way that park people can contribute toward a better environment generally, outside the park system as well as inside.

The book relates throughout to people – to the park visitor →

Potpourri (Continued)

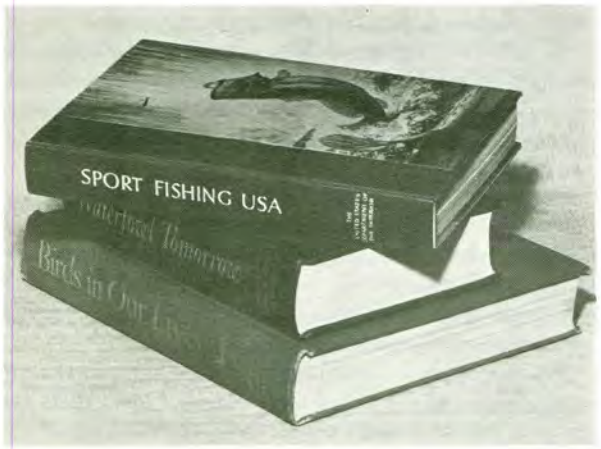
and the quality of his experience, and to the park professional who is working for the visitor – not to abstract or theoretical ideas and concepts. This is one of the factors that gives the volume its significance and its imperative for these times.

The three longest chapters are entitled "Environmental Management," "Environmental Interpretation," and "Environmental Education." Each of these deals in turn with ways in which we park people familiarly do our jobs, and then, by contrast, with those ways in which we ought to improve them in view of the environmental crisis of our times. Although it contains examples from all levels of park work from national to urban, there is no level of government or of concerned employee that should not find it stimulating and thought provoking.

If you are concerned about the quality of man's environment – and what park professional is not? – I commend "Islands of Hope" to your early reading. It should help you do a better job, and give you a greater sense of significant accomplishment in the doing of it.

(Available at $3.95 in paperback from the National Recreation and Park Association, Washington, D.C.).

–Frederick A Meyer
Environmental Resources Section



Everything You Wanted To Know About Fishing*

***But were afraid to ask...**

The newest book by the Department of the Interior, *Sport Fishing USA*, is everything one would expect it to be––well documented, technically accurate, detailed and informative, completely indexed, big (464 pages), and expensive ($10).

But don't let that put you off. It is also handsomely bound, beautifully illustrated, well written, highly interesting, easily read, and well, just about all the things one might not expect a government publication to be.

This really comes as no surprise, however. The book is just one of several very excellent publications put out by the Office of Conservation Education of the Fish and Wildlife Service. This one is edited by Michael Walker and illustrated by Bob Hines.

The book is divided into eight major sections that are further divided into chapters. Each is authored by an expert on the subject. And the subjects range from *Why People Fish*, by Curt Gowdy, through *Tricks of the Trade*, by Wheeler Johnson, to *Lip-Smacking Goodness*, by John Doyle.

There is technical information––*Understanding Fish Behavior*, by Warren Wisby, basic information––*Tools of the Trade*, by Jack Randolph, practical information––*Cash and Carry Fishing*, by Willard Johns, and environmental information––*The Future, Good, Bad, or Indifferent*––by John Gottschalk. In fact, this book is probably the last word on the subject of sport fishing in America. Beginner or expert, it belongs in your library.

Sport Fishing USA is available at $10 per copy from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington D.C. 20402.

Birds of Central California

The Sacramento Bee has recently published at cost and as a public service the columns of Edwin R. Pickett, a Sacramento conservationist, on birds of Central California. The book covers 160 Central Valley birds. It not only describes the birds and their habitat but also includes a number of historical notes, and should provide valuable background material for interpretive talks. Illustrations are black and white. The book is available for $2.50, including sales tax and postage, from the Sacramento Bee, Public Relations Department, 21st and Q Streets, Sacramento, California 95814.

Burton E. Smith, Senior Vice President of Southern California Financial Corporation, a major concessioner at Lake Oroville SRA, presents Director Mott with a set of five anti-pollution patches, one of 2,000 such sets the company is giving to the Department. The patches will be used in our Junior Ranger program in the field. Last February the company gave the Department 50 sets of 11 X 14" aluminum anti-pollution signs for posting in selected state park units.

For Your Information

Ranger's Wives Air Views on Uniform

Last year, in order to find out what direction uniform revisions should take, the Department went directly to the top, and over 300 rangers' wives were polled to determine their views on how their husbands should dress. Over a hundred responded, and if their majority views were followed, a ranger would look something like this –

He would be wearing a longer jacket with four front pockets, fitted at the waist (like National Park Service Rangers') and slimmer-cut trousers to match. The material would be permanent press and somewhat lighter weight than the present but the same color. His shirt would look as it does now, silver tan with military creases and shoulder tabs, but his shoulder patch would be redesigned for brighter color and better quality. The present distinctive stiff-brimmed Stetson was overwhelmingly favored, but most wives preferred black belt, shoes, and hatband to the present cordovan color. Better quality and improved design was also favored for the tie tack, badge, and nameplate. (A new badge – a modified star – is on order and work is being done on the shoulder patch.)

But what of the minority-view ranger?

Well, his jacket and trousers would be brown. They would be wool doubleknit, and the jacket would be the cruiser style (straight cut, with an extra pocket in the back). The trousers could be either Western cut or flares (!) and they just might have a stripe down the leg. Our ranger would be wearing a gold cotton turtleneck or Western shirt with a wide gold tie or scarf – or maybe no tie at all – and underneath, a gold round-necked T-shirt. He would be wearing the present departmental patch on *both* arms (it would go beautifully with his brown jacket and gold shirt), and if he wore a hat at all it would be an Aussie rolled-brim. He would wear the present belt, in any color he liked, and black socks (terrible with the brown pants, but never mind). He would have a stitched-on name plate, and his badge would be a star (a la Marshall Dillon?).

In view of the $450-plus cost of outfitting a new ranger, 27 wives commented that a uniform allowance was desirable; 10 went even farther, saying no change should be contemplated without one. But one lady suggested that funds for a uniform change be used to hire more rangers instead; 30 commented that no basic change in the uniform was necessary. Another lady, bucking a strong trend, opposed wash-and-wear fabric. One wife suggested that there should be different uniforms for different climate zones . . . one that rangers need to lose weight . . . two opted for longer hair and beards . . .

And one suggested that *wives* should get service awards.

While we're on the subject of uniform changes, BOTHE-NAPA AREA Manager Frank Brown has made a suggestion. Noting that it was impossible to fit the park emblem on the swimsuit of his feminine summer lifeguard, and that a larger swimsuit was emphatically discouraged by all he consulted, he suggests adoption of a smaller emblem. →

Anyone for Butterflies?

Tired of rolling out in the middle of the night to go sit in a barrel in a frozen swamp waiting for a duck to fly over?

Or hiking 14 miles over a mountain to where the deer were yesterday – but aren't today?

Or missing supper because the fish are rising out just a little beyond the farthest you can toss a fly?

How about a nice sport where all the action is in the middle of the day, in the bright sunshine, on just about any old piece of open land?

Try butterfly watching.

You don't need any gear – in fact, a net's a no-no. You can see the things better with birdwatching binoculars, but such glasses aren't essential, and even a little frustrating at close range.

The critters are bright and colorful – none of that business about sorting out three different kinds of juvenal female sparrows, like birders have to put up with.

The habitat is great – fields of flowers.

And there's lots of action. Not you chasing the butterflies. You sit tight. Even lie in the grass. But all kinds of territorial behavior and complicated mating rituals send these little bright bits soaring literally out of sight up into the sky. And there's all that stuff about pupae and larvae and metamorphosis if you want to get mystical or scientific. Even the larvae are pretty spectacular (if you dig bright colored worms?). Then there's protective coloration, and fake eyes to make birds peck at the wrong end of the bug, and habits like standing parallel to the slant of the sun, so they won't cast a shadow. Or dilemmas like whether to blend in safely with suit of camouflage or display their fancy threads for the girls and take their chances on being nipped off by a marauding robin.

Anyway, here's a new activity to get park visitors involved in. Department people at the last session of this year's Audubon Camp got turned on to it by Bob Pyle, a fellow camper from Seattle who's getting his Master's on butterflies and has a Fulbright scholorship to study butterfly conservation at a big ecological think tank in →

For Your Information (Continued)

England. Ron Secovich says he wants to give it a try at Anza-Borrego, and Don Engler was thinking about it for Tamalpais, if only to out-kook the regular clientele. Keith Caldwell doesn't know how Clyde Newlin will take it.

As with all new things, you have to pioneer. Pyle says there aren't any good books (he's writing one to fill the gap). The Peterson series has one in the mill, and Paul Ehrlich, the population man, is the author of the most respected text *How to Know the Butterflies.* There's some pretty good butterfly stuff in Storer and Usingers' *Sierra Nevada Natural History*, and the *Golden Book on Butterflies and Moths* has some pictures and information in it, too. Or run down A. B. Klots' *Field Guide to Butterflies,* J. W. Tilden's *Butterflies of the San Francisco Bay Region* (University of California Press, California Natural History Guides), and F. A. Urquhart's definitive study *The Monarch Butterfly* (University of Toronto Press). A good reference on moths is *The Moth Book – A Guide to the Moths of North America,* by W. J. Holland (Dover Press); this has excellent color plates of many species. Those that we don't already have we're getting for our Interpretive Services library.

But give it a try. The little fellows make bright colorful displays (okay, you can take one or two if you're really going to use them). They inspire all kinds of environmental messages (where have all the pesticides gone?).

And they're a change, if you want one, from watching miniskirts.

– Bill Dillinger

Number of Lost Time Injuries
January through August 31

	1970	1971
Executive	0	1
Administrative Services	0	2
Planning & Development	3	1
Operations Division – Headquarters	0	0
District 1	5	5
District 2	7	6
District 3	9	11
District 4	6	5
District 5	12	8
District 6	6	9
TOTALS	**48**	**48**

VOX POP

"Thanks to *Serge Morales, Lee Bergthold, Chris Blakeslee,* and *Don Reimel* (lifeguards at Carpinteria State Beach), I'll be here for my 17th birthday," writes Valerie Mills of Bakersfield. She was one of six victims rescued in a single incident at the beach. Caught in a strong riptide, Miss Mills commented, "I didn't even have to yell for help and . . . these guards had me to shore within minutes." Lifeguard Supervisor *Bergthold* commended his men for a fine job all season long.

Hearst Castle continues to lead the units in the volume of "bouquets" received from the public. Assemblyman Harvey Johnson of El Monte wrote Deputy Director Bob Meyer expressing appreciation for the tour, and thanked the "wonderful" Castle staff for finding and returning his watch, which had great sentimental value . . . Mrs. Alberta Anders of San Jose praised Guide *Vena D'Angiers* for making her fourth Castle visit the most enjoyable of all, and Hazel Cisternino of Freedom, after her first visit, lauded the art treasures, the beautiful setting, and the friendliness and courtesy of the excellent personnel . . . Mr. and Mrs. Sam J. Paperny of Culver City enjoyed the expertise and charm of Guide *Fred Barry.*

When a group of Swiss educators arrived unexpectedly at Sutter's Fort SHP, everything went smoothly, thanks to the park staff, Ranger *Don McCormick* (who conducted the group through the Fort), and *Herb Heinze.* Superintendent of Public Instruction Wilson Riles expressed his thanks in a letter to Director Mott.

Plumas-Eureka SP personnel received plaudits from Mrs. Harold Norris, Jr., after her family's first camping trip. The campfire and interpretive programs were enjoyed particularly. "The children sang *Jay Hedley's* songs all the way home to Livermore." Jay and aids *Mary Graham* and *John Kolb* were commended by William H. Lawler, a dentist from Canoga Park. The "excellent" staff was praised for being very friendly and helpful. Clayton H. Condit and his family from Redlands had no time to spare but wound up spending two hours at San Juan Bautista SHP. So impressed were they with the whole layout that they vowed to return and spend more time. *John Nozumi* was given special praise.

Helene von Damm, Governor Reagan's personal secretary, thanked Deputy Director Meyer for recommending the Peninsula Campground at Folsom Lake SRA. "Really a lovely spot," she wrote. Admitting ignorance of some of the boating laws, she said patrolman *Paul Donovan* gave a most courteous lecture (but no ticket).

A note tacked to the office door at Bothe-Napa Valley SP, signed by Mary Gilbert of Miami, Florida, claimed it was the most wonderful park she and family ever had stayed at. She had one complaint, however. "The toilet paper is too hard."

Calaveras Big Trees SP drew praise from two quarters. Mr. and Mrs. John Haarama and family of Arnold were allowed in the park free, because they "visited the park on Saturday and we don't do any business on that day as it is our day of rest." The family sent in the $1, as

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VOX POP (Continued)

promised. William P. Gloster, Jr. "et all" of Sacramento claims to have seen many state parks but none as well taken care of as the Big Trees. Praised were the Rangers and other personnel, the clean air, and the excellent control of "bikes" and the attendant noise. A noisy biker got "what for" in their presence.

Weldon T. Spears of Los Angeles wrote his appreciation of the "facilities available to motorists desiring a bit of travel relaxation" which he enjoyed at Fort Tejon SHP. He also praised the facilities and personnel at many other units, "When we used them in our hardier days."

The Ranger staff at New Brighton SB was thanked for giving George B. Keith and family of Stockton the most enjoyable stay ever in the State Park System.

For the seventh straight year, Frank R. Shubat and family of Pinole enjoyed vacationing at McArthur-Burney Falls SP. They expressed regret at the transfer of Park Supervisor *C.D. Thomas,* but praised the staff and the concessionaires, the Norris family.

McGrath SB personnel were addressed as "Gentlemen and Gentlewomen" by Mrs. Leo F. Salvin of Santa Barbara because of the "Lovely young lady on duty in the park office." She and "every employee we saw or met" were friendly and willing to help, and facilities were immaculate. *Chris Clary* of McGrath was thanked by Mrs. Douglas L. Ott of Bloomington for her help and cooperation in making the visit of Mrs. Ott's family comfortable and pleasant.

A tree planting conservation project at Brannan Island SRA brought "Thanks for the help" from Billy B. Burton of Fairfield, Assistant Solano District Commissioner for the Boy Scouts. He wrote that Ranger *A. H. Hagberg* made the conservation project possible.

Visiting Del Norte Coast SP for the second summer, Mr. and Mrs. George Williams III of Galt praised all the "Professional, courteous, friendly, helpful, and interested staff" at the Mill Creek campground. Special thanks was given *Ray Robinson, J. L. Howe, Cherie Parker, Frank Altick*, and *Andy Warden*.

Bridget O'Neill of Tacoma enjoyed the clean, comfortable facilities and the nature tours at Sugar Pine Point SP. Ranger *Joan Benner's* "excellent talks on coyotes and the ghost town of Bodie" were praised for being very educational and entertaining.

BITS AND PIECES

At MILLERTON LAKE SRA, a hose bib drips continually. Park personnel turn it off every time they go by, but next time they pass it is dripping again, even when there are no campers around. Finally, Detective Rangers *George Zwingman* and *Kirby Morgan* solved the mystery. They saw an acorn woodpecker land on the bib and start tapping away on the faucet handle for about a minute, until the faucet started to drip. Then he took a drink and left, to be replaced by smaller birds who came up for their afternoon drinks.

MARSHALL GOLD DISCOVERY AREA Manager *Gus Till* still seems to be getting all the mail that the Coloma Post Office doesn't know what else to do with . . . like the one addressed to the Women's Auxillary of the Coloma Fire Department. They also got one addressed to James W. Marshall.

POINT MUGU Lifeguard *Jim Beatty* received a luscious-looking sandwich from two luscious-looking young things recently, but didn't eat it. Just as well . . . it kept moving. The girls were especially disappointed because of all the trouble they had had trying to keep the sand crabs from crawling out of the peanut butter. Peanut-butter-and-sand-crab???

The Avenue of the Giants was featured in the September issue of Playboy magazine, with the virgin redwoods being used as a backdrop for other natural beauties. (You don't fool around with an item like this!!)

One couple trying to find BENICIA CAPITOL SHP asked for directions at a large chain-store outlet in the town . . . the manager assured them that there was no such building in Benicia (population 7100). Ranger *Roy Benedict* comments, "Some people live in a very small world."

GOLDEN GATE AREA Manager *Bill Allison* commented in his Supervisors' Weekly Log – "It must have been important as I spent three days doing it, but it was all office work and I can't remember the details." We sympathize.

A day in the life of MARSHALL GOLD DISCOVERY AREA Ranger *Harold Sederquist* . . . getting ready to barbecue some steaks, he was called for an emergency at the picnic area. Never did find the emergency, so returned to the steaks. Was called to get the resuscitator . . . cooled his heels for a while at the museum, finally found that the resuscitator wasn't needed. Went back to where the steaks had been and found his dog had eaten them.

Christmas Party Set

Circle December 10 on your calendar and keep it open. On that Friday, the Department will hold its annual Christmas Party and we are looking for a big turnout. It will be a catered affair (no pot luck this time), and will last from about 6:30 p.m. until 1 a.m. or so. Dancing, refreshments, and all the trimmings. We will give you more details in the next issue.

– Christmas Party Committee

PEOPLE

The "4 – 40"

In October, many Sacramento headquarters employees will be trying out the "4-40"—working four 10-hour days instead of five 8-hour ones. But this isn't the first time the Department has tried this experiment—business service employees in our District 6 headquarters have been on the 4-40 since the first of September. How do they like it?

Linda Larsen: "Fine, really fine. A 10-hour day doesn't seem long at all. And our biggest work interruption is the phone—but it doesn't ring at all before 8 a.m. and seldom after 5, so we really can get a lot done in the first hour and between 5 and 5:30. Half-hour lunches are OK—there's no place to go around here anyway—and the extra day off is really neat!"

Leo Crawford: "Only the office personnel are officially on the 4-40—I haven't been able to schedule a week that I didn't have to come in for some reason all five days yet, myself, but they really seem to like it."

Bud Getty: "It's fine—I've worked it a couple of times. I can get in the paperwork, then get out to the parks' interpretive programs in the evenings. I haven't heard of anybody who doesn't like it."

Ira Samuels Gets Vietnam Assignment

Ira Samuels, who for the past three years has been supervisor of the Department's Management Analysis Section, departed for Saigon, Vietnam last month on a two-year leave of absence. He will work with the South Vietnamese government on a U.S. Agency for International Development (AID) program regarding the establishment of a management analysis training program for the major ministries of the Government.

During a farewell party in Samuels' office, Administration Division Chief Lee Lutz presents him with a survival kit put together by his co-workers. The kit included a "pint" of snake-bite remedy and a pound of his favorite pipe tobacco, which his fellow workers swear will act as a sure-fire mosquito and insect repellent.

Photo by Phyllis Madonna.

Mrs. St. Johns chats with Castle employees.

An Evening with Adela Rogers St. Johns.

Rarely is it possible for employees working at Hearst Monument to talk with someone who visited there during its heyday and who knew the original owner personally. Such an opportunity was provided on June 24, when over sixty members of the staff of Hearst San Simeon State Historical Monument met with author Adela Rogers St. Johns in the *Round Room* of the Madonna Inn in San Luis Obispo.

Introduced by W. J. Kruft, President of the Guide Association, Mrs. St. Johns utterly captivated the group with her wit, charm, and vivid recollections of life at the *Hearst Ranch*, and her 50 years of work as a newspaperwoman for William Randolph Hearst.

"I can't get used to calling it *Hearst Castle,*" she said. "To us it was simply *The Ranch.*" She recalled Winston Churchill telling her, "A bit of swank calling it a Ranch, isn't it?"

In ringing tones she claimed, "Freedom of the Press is the first of the four freedoms. Without it you haven't got the other three. I want to tell you that the greatest battles for journalistic freedom were waged from San Simeon. There was more history made there than from any other home in America, aside from the White House. I only wish that Mr. Hearst was still up there."

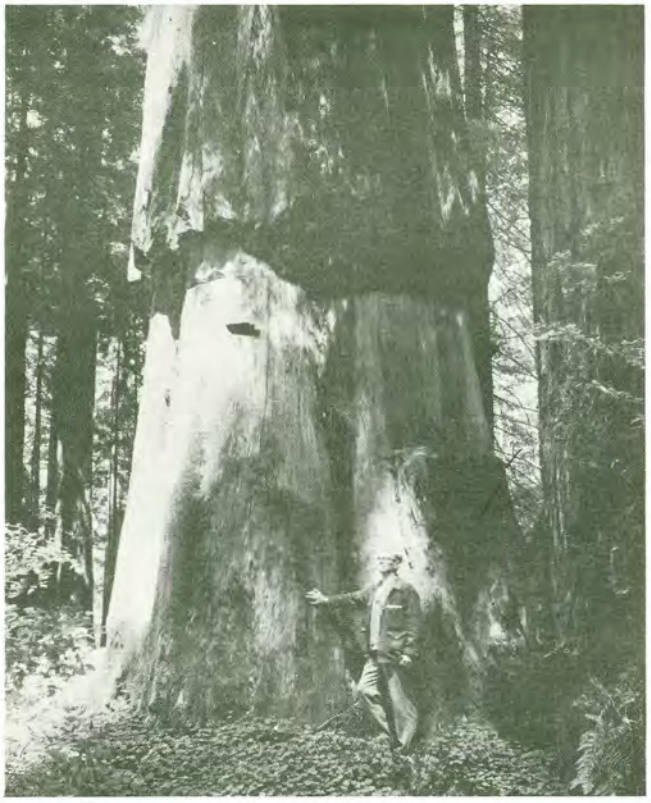
Mrs. St. Johns received a standing ovation from the crowd when she concluded her remarks.

It was indeed an historic occasion, and one of the most memorable evenings in the history of the Monument. It was even more memorable when Mr. Alex Madonna donated the use of the Round Room and picked up the tab for all of the steak dinners.

Gerald G. Reynolds

We have learned that the home of John Stotz, Maintenance Man at Lake Elsinore SRA, was destroyed by fire last August 8. What possessions he owned were either burned or made useless by smoke damage. He can use whatever help can be given. Send what you can spare to Assistant Superintendent Bill Weatherbee, District 6.

People (Continued)



Percy French in 1964.

Grove Dedication Honors Percy French

A redwood grove at HUMBOLDT REDWOODS SP was dedicated to the late Enoch Percy French, one of the first rangers in the State Park System, on September 12. Members of the Save-the-Redwoods League, and his family and friends, are establishing the grove as a living memorial to a man who was dedicated to the redwoods, and to redwood parks.

French was a timber cruiser, or volume estimator, and first superintendent of the Northwest District of the State Park System. He retired in 1952 to live overlooking the South Fork of the Eel River near Richardson Grove. He died in June 1970 at the age of 91.

Thank You

Dear Park Friends:

We would like to thank each of you for your many cards, letters and contributions in memory of our son, Robert, who was killed in an automobile accident on July 4th.

We appreciate your concern and thank you most sincerely.

Bob and Helen Tardif

Departmental Auditors Injured

On a trip early last month, a driver going northbound on Highway 1 fell asleep at the wheel and crossed over the divider, crashing head-on into the state car containing Stan Stiles and Hubert Nickles of the Audit Section. The accident occured just 4,000 feet from the entrance to Point Mugu State Park. They were both seriously injured.

After surgery and partial recuperation in a hospital in Southern California, Stiles was moved to Mercy Hospital, where he will stay for a number of months. His address there is Mercy General Hospital, 4001 J Street, Room 290C, Sacramento 95819. Nickles is recuperating at home and is expected back at work possibly by the end of the year. His hone address is 3108 Greenwood Avenue, Sacramento 95821. Cards and letters would be appreciated.

Retirement Party Draws Big Crowd

Over a hundred people attended the retirement party for *Darrel Knoefler* at Wallace in late August, sweltering in the heat. (Gentlemen were permitted to remove coats and ties, but ladies were requested not to take corresponding action. Discrimination!) Even the *Ernie Howards*, from Arizona, noticed the heat . . . both from the weather and from the Master of Ceremonies *Gene Velzey's* remarks.

Ranger *Gene Schaal,* who ramrodded the affair, is temporarily exhausted . . . but his painstaking work has been complimented by the Inn manager, who was so taken with the party decorations that he requested that they be left in place. Hats off, also, to the Calaveras Big Trees staff who worked hard to make the party a success.

Knoefler received scrap books on his years with the Department, a resolution from the State Assembly, and a rack of coffee mugs for his friends' visits. He also was presented with all sorts of tools to help with the work he has lined up for his "retirement" – a portable saw, a sander, soldering kit, and even a plank for his porch . . . carpeted with $1 bills. Now, he says, he is waiting for his friends to come and do the work for him.

Golden Days of San Simeon Now Available

A few issues ago we mentioned that the new book by Ken Murray, *The Golden Days of San Simeon,* was off the press and available from the Department. Since then, the book has had two more printings (it keeps selling out), and only recently have we been able to get a supply of them.

By arrangement with Ken Murray and the publisher, Doubleday, it is being sold through the California State Park Foundation, and the proceeds of all such sales will be earmarked for use by our Department.

The price is $10 (plus 50 cents tax), and can be ordered by sending a check or money order to Sacramento headquarters. Keep it in mind for a Christmas gift or for that nostalgia buff friend. If you would like to have an autographed (by Ken Murray) copy, let us know in the Information Office, and we will see that you get one. Allow a little extra time for delivery, though.

STAFF CHANGES

As Reported to the Personnel Section by September 16, 1971.

APPOINTMENTS

Ackerman, Larry D.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Point Mugu Area	8/1/71
Audette, John P.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Channel Coast Area	8/4/71
Boggs, Patricia B.	Stenographer II	Sonoma Area	9/1/71
Cook, George E.	SPR Trainee	Dyerville Area	9/15/71
Deneen, Cheryl J.	Operator MT/ST	Dictation/Typing Center	8/25/71
Emerine, Lois M.	Clerk Typist II	Central Records	9/13/71
Evans, Glenn R.	Park Maint Asst	Lake Oroville Area	8/9/71
Green, Martha L.	Clerk Typist I	Central Records	9/7/71
Hadsall, Gary W.	State Park Equip Op	Orange Coast Area	8/16/71
Hamilton, Leon	Park Maint Asst	Orange Coast Area	9/10/71
Hite, William J.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Orange Coast Area	8/24/71
Horner, Charles R.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Russian River Area	8/20/71
Johnston, Aubrey R.	Asst Land Agent	Special Svcs Sect	9/1/71
Madison, Dean S.	Park Maint Asst	Pajaro Coast Area	8/30/71
Peterson, Gary G.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Channel Coast Area	8/14/71
Raleigh, Nancy L.	Clerk Typist I	Office & Res Svcs	8/24/71
Roper, Jr., R. Kenneth	SPR (Int) to Park Maint Asst	Clear Lake Area	8/25/71
Russell, Geraldine F.	Bkpng Machine Op I	Acctng & Fiscal Cont Sect	9/1/71
Whiteley, Allan D.	Watchman	Hearst San Simeon SHM	8/1/71
Woy, Clark W.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Clear Lake Area	9/1/71

REINSTATEMENT

Fife, James M.	SPR Trainee	San Luis Obispo Coast Area	7/8/71

UNIT CHANGES

Breckling, Barry N.	State Park Ranger I	Monterey Area to Pajaro Cst Area	8/16/71
Galli, Alfred	State Park Ranger I	Folsom Lk Area to Four Rivers Area	9/10/71
Garrelts, Adolph F.	State Park Ranger II	Delta Area to Sierra Area	9/1/71
Jordan, Paul E.	State Park Ranger II	Pajaro Cst Area to Monterey Area	8/18/71
Martell, Walter F.	State Park Ranger II	Santa Cruz Mtn Area to Pajaro Cst Area	8/18/71
Mealey, Roy E.	Park Maint Supvr	Golden Gate Area to Big Sur Area	9/8/71
Polder, John E.	State Park Ranger I	Folsom Lk Area to Marshall Gold Dis Area	9/15/71
Redding, David W.	State Park Ranger IV	San Mateo Cst Area to Trinidad Area	9/1/71
Rose, Auburn W.	State Park Ranger II	North Valley Area to Benicia Area	8/19/71
Sims, R. V. Lesley	State Park Ranger III	Trinidad Area to McArthur-Burney Area	9/1/71
Stewart, Robert E.	State Park Ranger III	Mt Diablo Area to Calaveras Area	9/1/71

CLASS TITLE CHANGES

Eugene, Harry L.	SPR I to Guide I, Hist Mon	Pajaro Cst Area to Monterey Area	8/16/71
Jenkins, Ray L.	Pk Maint Supvr to SPR II	Big Sur	9/1/71

PROMOTIONS

Dwyer, Ed V.	Assoc Pk & Rec Spec (Perm Int)	Contract Svcs Sect	7/21/71
Earl, Edward A.	State Park Ranger IV	Pajaro Cst Area to Mt Diablo Area	9/1/71
Forsyth, Lorin B.	State Park Ranger III	Benicia Area to No Valley Area	8/19/71
Gaidula, Peter	State Park Plant Ecol	Env Res Sect	7/8/71
Gholson, Roy A.	State Park Ranger III	High Desert Area	8/1/71
Hibsch, Allan E.	State Park Ranger III	Channel Cst Area to Delta Area	9/1/71

Holliday, Thomas M.	Junior Staff Analyst	Audit Section	8/17/71
Klopotek, Jerome P.	Instrumentman	Survey Unit	8/2/71
Long, Dana B.	State Park Ranger III	Mt Diablo Area to Folsom Lk Area	9/1/71
McCall, Ronald D.	State Park Ranger III	Big Sur Area to Pajaro Cst Area	9/1/71
McKinnon, Robert J.	Water & Sewage Plant Supvr	Squaw Valley SRA to Big Sur Area	8/16/71
Reed, Joe J.	State Park Ranger II	Ft Humboldt Area to Russian River Area	9/1/71
Schaser, Deanna	Clerk Typist II	Opr Div Chief's Off to Off & Res Svcs	9/1/71
Smyre, Jack F.	Park Safety & Enf Supvr	Opr Div Chief's Off	9/8/71
Terry, Harold C.	State Park Ranger IV	Folsom Lk Area to Gaviota Area	9/1/71
Ulm, Anthony A.	State Park Ranger III	San Luis Obispo Cst Area to San Mateo Cst Area	9/1/71

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Briscoe, Robert C.	Deckhand, Hist Shps	Golden Gate Area	8/31/71

RETIREMENTS

Bier, James F.	Civil Engng Assoc	Engineering Section	8/31/71
Knoefler, Darrell A.	State Park Ranger IV	Calaveras Area	8/31/71

SEPARATIONS

Baker, Jerry A.	Tree Maint Man I	Env Res Sect	9/3/71
Beauchamp, Donald C.	Park Safety & Enf Spec	District 3 HQ	9/17/71
Christman, Ronald L.	Asst Lndsc Arch	Planning Sect	8/31/71
Dotson, Kenneth J.	Park Lndsc Maint Tech	Monterey Area	8/6/71
Dryden, Jean	Clerk Typist I	Off & Res Svcs	8/24/71
French, Karl L.	Tree Maint Man I	Env Res Sect	8/18/71
Hyer, Carolyn M.	Clerk Typist II	District 6 HQ	9/13/71
Izdepski, Odessa J.	Account Clerk II (Perm Int)	Acctng & Fiscal Cont Sect	9/10/71
Leslie, Paula D.	Clerk Typist II	San Luis Obispo Coast Area	8/12/71
Lucas, Rhonda A.	Operator – MT/ST	Dictation/Typing Center	9/10/71
Mankin, Robert S.	Park Maint Man I	Calaveras Area	8/16/71
Mann, Paul D.	Shipwright-Joiner Appren	Golden Gate Area	8/31/71
Muma, Shirley J.	Stenographer I	Office & Res Svcs	9/16/71
Trefethen, Jon M.	Lifeguard	Orange Coast Area	8/16/71
Winiecke, Robert J.	Clerk I (Perm Int)	Office & Res Svcs	8/20/71
Yee, Freda	Clerk Typist I (Perm Int)	Office & Res Svcs	8/23/71

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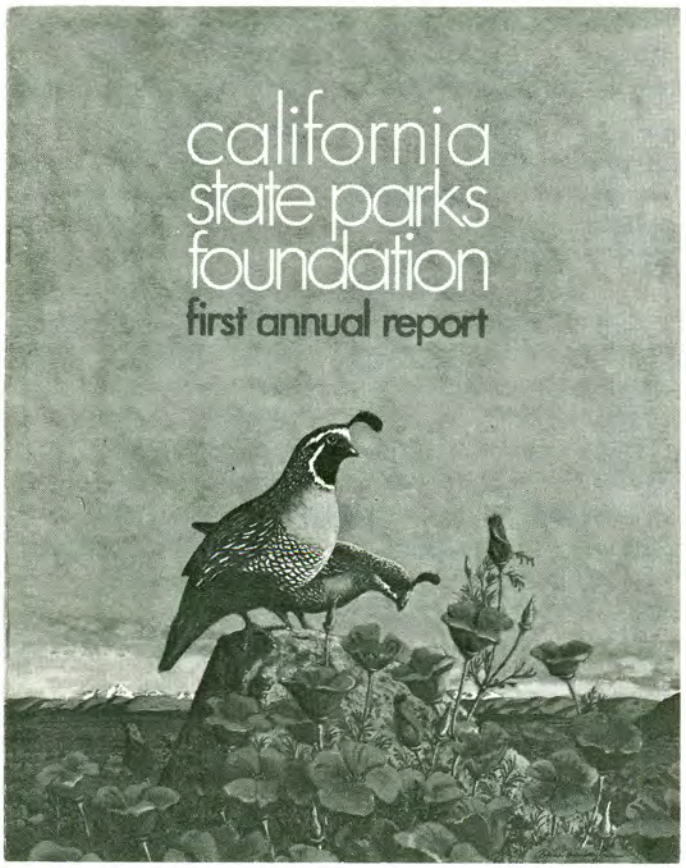

Preserve the Poppy

The California State Parks Foundation is working to preserve one of the few remaining areas where our State flower, the California poppy, flourishes – it's a 700-acre area in the Antelope Valley, Los Angeles County. This article by Fremont Peak Ranger William J. Hill, which appeared in the Hollister Evening Free Lance *and is reprinted by permission, is illustrated with a reproduction of the poster being sold by the Foundation to help finance this effort. The poster, from a painting by Bruce Bomberger, sells for a dollar, of which 50 cents goes to the Poppy Fund – it is available from the Distribution and Reproduction Center, Department of Parks and Recreation, P.O. Box 2390, Sacramento 95811, or from the Foundation's headquarters at 315 Montgomery Street, San Francisco 94101.*

Wherever there are well-drained slopes with porous soil and freedom from forest shade the golden poppy of California will raise its reddish-gold blooms above the sod.

It was on the grassy slopes of the Coast Ranges and the plains of the Central Valley that the fiery blossoms at one time gave the State a golden hue from San Diego to San Francisco, and the Spanish explorers who first viewed these blossoms from the tall mast of their galleons called the land "Tierra del Fuego," or Land of Fire. Also, with poetic Latin imagination, they spoke of the poppy fields as "La sabanilla de San Pasquel" in honor of the shepherd saint of Spain who knelt among the wild flowers to thank God for their existence.

The Mission Fathers called this new world poppy "la dormidera," or sleepy one, as it opens only in bright sunlight and closes at night. They were also referred to as "copa de oro" or cup of gold.

Strictly a native of California, the golden poppy can be found from Oregon to Arizona between sea level and an elevation of approximately 3,000 feet.

One of the most popular garden flowers, it has been transplanted in every country in the world. A fine old Scotsman, Archibald Menzies, who accompanied Vancouver's expedition in the late 1700s, was the first botanist ever to see the poppy. He gathered seeds and sent them back to the Old World but they failed and were soon forgotten.

Some 20 to 30 years later, a French nobleman by the name of Albert Van Chamisso, also a botanist, aboard the Russian expedition headed by Kotzebue, bestowed upon the beautiful gold blossoms the scientific name of "Eschscholtzia californica" in honor of a fellow worker on the same expedition.

During the gold rush days the Forty-Niners believed the poppy gave promise of gold beneath the soil. However, in spite of its beauty and numerical quantities, it was not until 1903 that the California Legislature officially adopted the Golden Poppy as our State Flower.

THE DIRECTOR

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.

Camping

We have concluded another heavy but successful summer camping season. The statistics for the months of June and July indicate that we will have greater attendance this season than last year when we registered 46,000,000 visitor days of use. For June and July this year, we registered 1,505,264 visitor days of camping, but sadly we turned away 74,001 vehicles representing an estimated 300,000 visitor days of use because our campgrounds were full. We collected $990,242 in camping fees and made 33,107 advance registrations through our computerized Ticketron Reservation Program. 51,540 dog nights of camping were logged for which we collected $25,770. It is interesting to note that 43.5 percent of those who camped used tents, 25.5 percent used trailers, 19.3 percent used camper cars, and 8.7 percent used tent trailers, 33.9 percent stayed two days, 19.1 stayed one day, 16.5 percent stayed three days, and 10.3 percent stayed seven days.

Two and eight tenths percent of the campers who made advance reservations planned to bring boats.

With all the statistics and information we have gathered in the last two or three years, I am asking staff to decide whether camping is a social or an environmental experience. The answer to this question will determine how we plan our campgrounds, what kind of programming we should do, and what rules and regulations we should establish.

It may very well be that we are frustrating campers because we thought camping should be an environmental experience, whereas the campers coming from our metropolitan areas think of camping as a social experience in an outdoor setting. What do you think? Is camping by the general public a social or environmental experience? Do you think there is a difference? Does the answer warrant a new look at how we plan program and regulate our campgrounds?

I'd like your comments.

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COMMISSION REPORT

A program to convert the State Park System's historic houses into living museums was outlined by Director Mott at the Park and Recreation Commission meeting, October 8th in Chico.

Speaking before an audience that included many Chico State students, the Director commended the community of Chico and the Chico State students for their "tremendous" help in restoring Bidwell Mansion. The students are participating in a docent program, and the community has been instrumental in restoring five second-floor rooms and opening them to the public.

Mott suggested that areas like Bidwell Mansion, Petaluma Adobe, San Juan Bautista, the Estudillo House in Old Town San Diego, and La Purisima be made available for use by people to implement the concept of a living museum.

"This was successful at Sutter's Fort during History Week," Mott explained. "We had people caning chairs, weaving and spinning, tanning leather, cooking, grinding flour, making barrels, and casting bullets." He suggested these concepts could be implemented through community involvement.

Another part of the program suggested by the Director was the use of historical parks by groups during off hours. The fee for this kind of use could go into a special fund to further the work in living museums.

"Why couldn't a dinner be catered at the Bidwell Mansion, with guests entertained and fed the way they were by Governor Bidwell? And why not a music program, featuring music from the Bidwell era?"

The Director asserted these programs would bring the historical sites to life and make them more meaningful to everyone.

As a result of the Director's presentation, Commissioner Thomas Bonnickson asked for a

For Your Information

4–40 Trial Period Ends

October 29 saw the end of the "4-40" – working four 10-hour days instead of five 8-hour ones – for Sacramento headquarters employees. Now, the Director has requested Division Chiefs to evaluate the program from a management point of view, and Recreation Specialist Ralph McCormick is working on a survey to find out what people did with all that time "off."

Lost Time Injuries

January 1 through September 30, 1971

	1970	1971
Executive	0	1
Administrative Services	0	2
Design and Development	3	1
Operations Division – Headquarters	0	0
District 1	6	5
District 2	7	6
District 3	10	12
District 4	7	6
District 5	12	9
District 6	6	9
TOTALS	51	51

History Plan Will Help Local Groups

The Department of Parks and Recreation has begun development of a Comprehensive History Plan. The acceptance of this plan in June of 1972 by the National Park Service will extend California's eligibility under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-665) for up to five years. Monies received through the Grant Section of this Act will be available to private individuals, organizations, and public agencies on the matching basis for preservation of California's historical resources. The Department anticipates making most of the money received under this program available to local agencies, organizations, and individuals for local restoration projects.

In order to be eligible to receive grant funds under this program, projects must be on the National Register, have some means of accounting for receipts, and be open to the public. Money from this program has been used to help restore the Bandini House and the Machado Adobe in Old Town San Diego SHP and the B. F. Hastings Building in Old Sacramento SHP.

For complete information on this program, individuals should contact the Department of Parks and Recreation, P.O. Box 2390, Sacramento, California, attention History Plan Task Force.

–Hal Bradshaw
Recreation Planner

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COMMISSION REPORT (Continued)

feasibility study and report to the Commission on the use of historical parks as living museums, with special emphasis on how the artifacts would be protected and used.

Continuing his report to the Commission, Director Mott gave some figures comparing the California and New York State Park Systems. Both states have populations of around 19 million and park attendances of around 46 million. California's income from park fees is around $6 million and New York's $7 million. But here, the Director said, the similarities end.

The New York payroll is $24 million for 2,871 full time employees, while California's is $14 million for 1,269 permanent employees. "I think this indicates the effectiveness and efficiency of our State Park System."

Commenting on the Department's Ranger Trainee program, the Director said a park ranger entering state service receives a year of training before becoming a Park Ranger I. This includes 200 hours of peace officer training and 80 hours of interpretive training. He listed the basic tasks of the ranger today as resources management, people management, interpretation, and peace officer responsibility.

About today's park users, the Director reported some figures that came out of the 1970-71 computerized reservation set-up. Some 43% of the campers used tents, 25% trailers, 19% camper cars and mobile homes, 8% tent trailers, 2% no equipment, and the rest "miscellaneous." The average stay was 2.4 days with 34% staying two days, 19% one day, 17% three days, and 10% seven days or longer. About the number of people in camping parties, 25% contained four persons, 19.7% contained eight (the maximum), 17% five, 13% six, and 11% two.

The Director reported that the State Parks Foundation had reelected officers at its annual meeting October 6 in Santa Rosa. They are Joseph M. Long of Orinda, chairman; Arthur J. Kates of

COMMISSION REPORT (Continued)

Pacific Palisades, vice chairman; and Robert H. Power of the Nut Tree, secretary-treasurer. Copies of the Foundation's annual report were distributed to the Commission. Major projects listed in the report are Los Osos Oaks, Annadel Farms, the Fort Ross Chapel, Pine Ridge museum, Painted Caves in Santa Barbara County, and the Wildflower Preserve.

Due to the large turnout of Chico State College students, the Director suggested future Commission meetings might be held on college campuses so that young people could have the opportunity to become familiar with Department and Commission operations.

The experimental control burn at Montana de Oro State Park was discussed and the Commission voted to have an advisory group monitor the experiment and report on and interpret the results to the Commission. Asked to serve on the advisory group were Commission Vice Chairman Lowell Berry and Commissioner Bonnicksen.

Director Mott said the experiment will involve only a small part of the park, 35 acres. He said we are trying to find a way to end the encroachment of brush in this area which used to be a prairie-marine terrace type of grassland.

Commissioners reviewed proposed changes to Title 14, Administrative regulations, to be voted on at the November 12 meeting in San Francisco. Aside from several technical matters, the proposed Title 14 changes include naming four new units: Andrew Molera SP, San Onofre SB, William Randolph Hearst Memorial SB, and Camillus Nelson State Historic Farm; reclassifying Mitchell Caverns from a State Reserve to a State Park because of the enlargement of the area; changing the name of Joshua Trees SP to Saddleback Butte SP because of public confusion with Joshua Trees National Monument; and establishment of Torrey Pines SB, with the rest of the area remaining a State Reserve.

Also proposed is requiring persons bringing dogs into park units to possess either a valid dog license or a valid rabies inocculation certificate; and establishing the following carrying capacities at Mt. San Jacinto Wilderness State Park: 250 at Round Valley, 50 at Tamarack, 40 each at Deer Spring and Little Round Valley, and 12 at Peak Shelter Cabin.

F. J. Hortig, executive officer of the State Lands Commission, outlined the program of giving the Department of Parks and Recreation jurisdiction over tide and submerged lands offshore from State Park units. All requests made by the Department to date have been honored. Jurisdictional transfers have been made in seven cases, and 21 leases have been made. In addition, requests involving eight park units are now being processed. Assistant Attorney General Jay Shavelson also represented the State Lands Commission.

In other business, the Commission took the following action: adopted a policy of not issuing scientific collecting permits for seals and sea lions at Ano Neuvo SR; renewed for a one-year period two existing grazing leases at Anza-Borrego Desert SP, with the stipulation that the Department make additional efforts to see that damage is not caused by the grazing, and an attempt be made to terminate all grazing there when the leases run out; adopted a policy that the stewardship of park lands by local agencies be a factor when considering applications for local grants; renewed approval of the off-sale of beer and wine by the Columbia Mercantile Store at Columbia SHP.

Vice Chairman Lowell Berry presided at the meeting in the absence of Chairman Mrs. Clarice Gilchrist. Other commissioners present were Mrs. Leah McConnell, Harry E. Sololov, Leonard Thomson, Ian McMillan, and Thomas Bonnicksen. Attending from the Department were Director Mott, Administrative Assistant Frank Bechler, Stenographers Margie Grima and Joyce Lanford, North Valley Area Manager Lorin Forsyth, Park Ranger Lee Shelton, and Information Officer Ray Chapman.

For Your Information

Why Speed?

In a recent experiment, two identical cars made a competitive trip covering 1000 miles. One driver was told to make the best speed possible; the other driver was told to avoid all unnecessary risks and move only as the traffic flow permitted. Both cars were fitted with instruments to record all actions which took place.

Results:

The "speedster" made the trip in 20 hours and 12 minutes.
He passed 200 cars.
He used his brakes 1,339 times.
He used an extra 10 gallons of gas for the trip.
The "slow" driver made the trip in 20 hours and 43 minutes.
He passed 13 cars.
He used his brakes 652 times.
He used 10 gallons of gas less for the trip.
The "fast" driver saved 31 minutes on the trip. This amounts to about 1½ minutes per hour.

—Guy F. Atkinson, Co.
San Francisco, California

People

Casual Informality to be Theme of Christmas Party December 10

Just come and have a good time – and wear something comfortable. The doors at the Arden Hills Swimming and Tennis Club, 1315 Mission Avenue, will be open by seven, and dinner, catered by Smorga Bob's, will be served from 8 to 9:30 – buffet style with roast beef, fried chicken, spaghetti, and all the trimmings. The price – $4 a person, which includes dinner (all you can eat) and music by Harmon.

There'll be door prizes galore, entertainment, ample liquid refreshments, decorations, and dancing 'till 1 a.m. Dress will be very casual. . . jeans, hot pants, pant suits, long skirts, short skirts, what have you, so come, relax, and enjoy. This is a Department Christmas party, so we want as many as possible to be there.

Semi-Retired and Keeping In Touch

Like many rangers of the 1940s, Dominic Barra started as a skilled laborer. Then he became interested in ranger work, took the examination and made the list.

He worked ten years at Big Basin and ten years at New Brighton SB. Lloyd Lively was Chief Ranger at Big Basin when Dominic started park work. Others to follow Lloyd were George Holmboe and Alan Philbrook. Their assistants were Jim Chaffee, John Dixon, Ted McMillian, Len Fisher and Ted Wilson. During Dominic's assignment at New Brighton, Bob Crawford, Tom Spencer and Bill Williams were his supervisors.

Dominic is another semi-retired ranger. He works in Santa Cruz as a handyman to supplement his retirement check. His park work was always high quality and his present employers receive the same high standard of work and craftsmanship.

It hasn't been all work and no fun for Dominic and his charming wife, Dora. They have traveled northward and southward and along the routes have visited other retired or ex-park employees including George Thornton at Houston, Texas and Al Inness at Olympia, Washington. They also manage to get to Reno every few months – Dominic is trying to develop a system to improve his winnings at Reno.

The Barras both enjoy bowling and have dozens of tournament trophies, and in the winter there are always the duck hunting trips at Los Banos to look forward to for Dominic and his hunting friends.

25–Year Awards

Four members of the Department received their 25 year awards November 1. They are *Gene Boucher*, Senior Landscape Architect in the Design and Development Division; *Bill Haussler*, Staff Services Officer in the Operations Division; *Don Rich*, Point Lobos Area Manager; and *Ed Wilson*, Department Personnel Officer.

Boucher began his State service as a Landscape Architect for the Division of Architecture. He remained there for almost 17 years, and in 1963 he came with our Department.

Haussler's entire term of service has been with Parks. He started with his first permanent ranger assignment at Samuel P. Taylor SP and has worked at Mount Diablo SP, Palomar Mountain SP, and Richardson Grove SP. In 1956 he was assigned to Sacramento.

Ed Wilson came to the Department in 1962. He began his State service as a Job Analyst in the Department of Employment.

Dominic and Dora Barra.

The Barras visit with their many park friends frequently, and Dominic continues to be helpful to the State Parks. He knows where every foot of pipe and water valve is at in New Brighton – and offers his knowledge to help solve many emergency situations. Many retired park employees continue to have this interest and knowledge for which we are grateful.

Dominic's guide was, "Remember your job is to serve," and he lives what he preaches. He remembers park work for all the friends he made, both fellow employees and park users.

The Barras live at 145 Hageman Avenue, Santa Cruz 95060. Send them a picture post card if you can't get by to say "hello" soon.

–Ed Earl, Manager
Mount Diablo Area

People

Department Furnishes Two Noble Grand Humbugs

The Department of Parks and Recreation has the honor of furnishing two Noble Grand Humbugs for the well-known "cultural" organization, E Clampus Vitus. *John Michael*, Interpretive Services Section Supervisor, was so installed in the New Helvetia Chapter, and *Clyde Ray*, Monterey Area Manager, in the Monterey Viejo Chapter. In addition, R. Coke Wood of the California Historical Landmarks Advisory Committee has been named Noble Grand Humbug of the newly formed Tuleburg Chapter in Stockton.

E Clampus Vitus was originally formed during the Gold Rush days as a sort of parody of the many solemn and mysterious fraternal orders of that time. It's tongue-in-cheek purpose was to aid the widows and orphans of deceased gold miners – with emphasis on the widows. It was reborn in 1931 to promote interest in the history of California . . . and to have fun in the process. There are approximately 25 chapters around the State, plus several in adjoining states.

Recently, the Assembly passed a resolution honoring the organization.

Two Receive NCSP Cash Awards

Two rangers, *Wendall Rickon* of Mendocino Coast and *Jerry Hayes* of San Diego Coast, were given national awards by the National Conference on State Parks last month for their suggestions submitted to GRIST to improve park operations. Rickon received his award – a $100 check – for two ideas: an improved lantern holder for use at campsites, and a method for turning small glass vials into pocket-size interpretive displays. Hayes was awarded $25 for his design for an interpretive log planter at visitor registration stations.

Though they are, perhaps, a little old for tricycles, District 5 Assistant Superintendent Al Salzgeber *and District 6 Assistant Superintendent* Jack Welch *(who has since become Manager of the San Diego Coast Area) seem to be having a fine time as they try out Honda "All Terrain Cycles" at Joshua Trees SP. Though the ATCs were of limited use for desert operations, High Desert Area Manager* **Roy Gholson** *says that they were certainly capable of going almost anyplace.*

Herb Ryan and Bert Wiley were guests of honor at a retirement luncheon.

Retirements, Transfer, Decimate Special Services

Don F. Bruno, Herb Ryan and Bert Wiley of the Special Services Section (formerly Land Section), have ended long relationships with the Department of Parks and Recreation. Their combined service with this Department represents approximately 50 years in land acquisition and management for the State Park System, an era of notable expansion that witnessed the addition of approximately 56 park units, a 50% increase in area.

Before coming to work for the Division of Beaches and Parks, Don Bruno spent some time in the employ of the Division of Highways and the Department of Mental Hygiene. Bert Wiley also spent some time with the Division of Highways as well as with the Department of Water Resources, the Pacific Telephone Company, and the Great Northern Railroad, and Herb Ryan was a real estate broker.

A joint retirement luncheon was held at Sam's Ranch Wagon on October 13, 1971, for Herb Ryan and Bert Wiley; on September 30, 1971, Don Bruno had been given a farewell luncheon at Frank Fat's where many of his friends wished him the best in his new job at the Department of Real Estate.

San Mateo Coast Employee Dies

Many San Mateo Coast Area and District 4 employees attended funeral services on September 24 for Maintenance Man *Joe Wiley*, who suffered a heart attack while on the job on Monday, September 20, and died a short time later in the hospital. Wiley had been with the Department, and working at San Mateo Coast, since 1963.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

District 1

Wayne Griffith's last day at Humboldt Redwoods SP was memorable – while he was loading up for his move to San Clemente, a moving dolly toppled over and broke a bone in his big toe.

All the tiles in the Will Alexander room at Bidwell Mansion have been "sold," and negotiations for carpeting it have begun. Everett V. Bidwell of Wisconsin, a great- great-nephew of the late General, sent in a donation for the project.

District 2

Fishermen at Clear Lake SP are doing well – but the prize goes to Area Manager *Ed Griggs'* wife. She and his son have taken over 200 crappie, and Griggs reports that now most of the campers with boats are fishing near her . . . and catching lots of fish. Mrs. Griggs' favorite lure is working for all of them, too!

District 3

A good thing may have been carried a bit too far by a lady at Calaveras Big Trees SP who threw a stick at a boy for killing a ladybug. Ranger *Paul Schuessler* managed to mediate between her and the boy's father.

A fire caused by persons unknown burned several acres and two unusable buildings on the north levee at Franks Tract SRA. Delta Area Manager *Al Hibsch* reports that very few trees were destroyed, however, and the area should recover by spring.

It was a lively night at Indian Grinding Rock SHP – activities of the Indian Festival held there on September 25 didn't get under way until after 4 p.m., but they lasted until eight the next morning.

Sierra Area Chief Ranger *John Walstrom* reports on Indian summer at Bodie – overnight lows one degree above zero. An early 2½" of snow fell on September 30, according to Calaveras Area Manager *Bob Stewart*.

District 4

A drunk driver who nearly ran over Pfeiffer Big Sur Ranger *Daniel Scott* attempted to escape on foot, but when he got to the river, walking on the water wasn't as easy as it had looked, so he wound up in the county jail.

District 5

San Buenaventura SB Lifeguards *Merv Larson* and *Derrick Adamache* rescued a sea lion pup from a group of people who were trying to catch it and, after feeding it a few "live" perch (a little slight of hand was needed to convince the pup of that) they carried him out to the surf line. But is wasn't long until the pup reappeared, in the hands of four young "big-game hunters," who were assured that there was, indeed, a fine for taking sea lions. Meanwhile the pup, who was very nervous and upset by now, had taken refuge under the park truck. The lifeguards finally got him from under the truck, but there was no way to convince him that he should go back to the ocean . . . so he spent the night comfortably ensconced in the shower.

District 6

Whatever happened to the old Boy Scout motto? At Picacho SRA, *Norman Nunery* assisted a visitor with a flat tire who had no jack, lug wrench, or tire pump.

Salton Sea SRA Ranger *John Van Camp* and his wife are the parents of a son, John Derek, born September 27.

Orange Coast Area Lifeguards *George Babashoff* and *Don Card* ran down a purse snatcher . . . their "hot pursuit" led them to Lifeguard Tower 17 on the Huntington Beach's city beach before they nabbed him.

The smog monitor at Doheny hit 17 parts per million on one recent afternoon . . . apparently that means you can't read the meter from over one foot away. But it didn't seem to bother the ten brown pelicans spotted fishing near Towers 1 and 2 at Huntington SB.

Linda, *Bob Meyer's secretary, was married September 24 to Gary Basich in Carson City, Nevada. Her new sister-in-law, Sheri Basich (to the left in the picture), was matron of honor.*

Potpourri

It's the Water?

The spectacular Burney Falls, now a part of the McArthur-Burney Memorial SP, was termed by President Theodore Roosevelt the eighth wonder of the world. Apparently, the Adolph Coors Company of Colorado thinks the waterfall is something special, too.

In the September 3, 1971 issue of Life Magazine, the Coors Company extolls the virtues of its beer, "brewed with pure Rocky Mountain spring water." And to illustrate where this pure Rocky Mountain spring water comes from, the ad carried a full color picture of, you guessed it, Burney Falls.

Quizzed by Burney businessmen, the brewers reluctantly admitted the picture might have been "misrepresented" when sold to them some five years ago.

C.S.P.R.A. Members, Take Heed

C.S.P.R.A. "Reporter" Editor Neil Power asks that, after you've moved, you send your new address to Doug Bryce, Route 1, Box 214, Chico 95926, so the "Reporter" mailing lists will be up to date. Write him, too, if you aren't now receiving a copy of the "Reporter."

About Those Pictures. . .

We love to have articles submitted for NEWS and VIEWS. Even better, we love to have articles *with pictures* – but please, don't attach the photos to the story with paper clips or staples. They mar them and it shows when we reproduce them.

"Is Someone Pulling My Leg?"

Dear Mister Hausller:

The ranger hear at Prairie Creek sez I can writ you at the State Capital. He an I had an argument.

My name is Luke Brown. Lucy an me and ma 5 kids a come to Californica from Kickapoo Oklahoma. 3 days ago. The man in Crescent City sez my welfare check wud take a week. He told me there was a good camp over yonder hill at Prairie Creek.

The ranger at first wasn't gonna let us camp but we got in by the crick. While I and 1 of the boys made camp. Lucy and Annie done took the wash down to the crick and Jody took the ax and saw to cut down an ole snag fur fire. It was then the ranger come. He wuz mad at Lucy fur washing her clothes and when he spied Jody chopping a tree he done got real mean. He come at me a spitting fire. It was then Ole Red my coon dawg spied a bunch of big deer and took off – Well that big elk thats what the ranger called them a took off across the east pastur with Ole Red a biting at his heels. When they hit the road a big log truck nearly hit Ole Red but missed him by going off the road. He took out a ½ mile of fencing. Well, that big elk he done gone thru a camp ground where one of those fancy doods wuz camped. and had a line of fancy cloths a hung out. Will, the line a got tangle in the elks horns and elk an cloths doen disappear over yonder hill.

What ah want you to do is tell this ranger that I an Lucy an the kids can camp here until my welfare money comes.

Luke

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

District 6

While hiking in the vicinity of Saddle Junction, two campers at Mount San Jacinto Wilderness SP discovered a fire in an old tree trunk. When the fire resisted their efforts, they hiked back down the mountain to get help, and the U.S. Forest Service crew flown in by helicopter quickly extinguished it.

At Cuyamaca Rancho SP, somebody drove his car three hundred feet up a hiking trail and ignited twenty charcoal briquettes on top of the duff under an oak tree. Fortunately, a passing horseman sounded the alarm and attacked the fire with a bucket of water.

A man visited Torrey Pines SR recently to investigate the possibility of establishing a nudist camp on the State beach south of Mussel Rock. He figured at least 2500 nudists a day would use the area, and assuaged rangers' fears by promising to erect warning signs on both sides of the "bare" area.

Some visitors from Virginia had lotsa luck, all of it bad – while they were in Tijuana, their money was stolen. Then, they came to camp at San Elijo SB, set up their equipment, and went to get some food – and when they returned, their camping equipment was gone, too!

Potpourri

Coastline Study Released

The long-awaited California Coastline Preservation and Recreation Plan, which identifies the natural, historical, and recreational values of our coastline and recommends the preservation of specific areas, was released October 15 with the following general recommendations:

– All decisions affecting land use and development within the coastal zone should be based on a comprehensive plan prepared and administered from a single authority so that it represents the local, regional, state, and national views, and all actions by this authority must be subject to public hearing so that all interests may be considered.

– The responsibility for protecting the coastal environment must continue to be primarily that of local government.

– Only those public work projects dependent upon the coastline should be allowed, and existing legislation should be amended to require appropriation of funds to correct adverse effects of these projects when funds are appropriated to construct them.

– The Division of Highways should acquire all land seaward of coastal highways where the distance is 300 feet or less and should continue to provide scenic overlooks and rest stops along these highways.

– A comprehensive education and interpretation program should be initiated to help the public understand and appreciate the values of our coastline.

The 123-page report will be a guide to the Department's activities regarding the coastline and is our input to the Comprehensive Ocean Area Plan (COAP) currently under preparation by the Department of Navigation and Ocean Development.

When They Said Red Tape in 1936 –– They Weren't Fooling Around

Remember those good old days? In case you've forgotten, Gerry Fialho, Sonoma Area Manager, will jog your memory. He came across an old letter written by the Division of Parks Chief, James A. Snook, to Mrs. L. V. Emparan of the Vallejo Home State Monument. The date: August 7, 1936. It reads –

Dear Mrs. Emparan:

This is your authority to purchase locally one quart of "Oronite" for window cleaning purposes. This item was ordered on Estimate 401-76.

Please have bills in triplicate sent in to this office covering the above purchase.

Very truly yours,

JAMES A. SNOOK, CHIEF
Division of Parks

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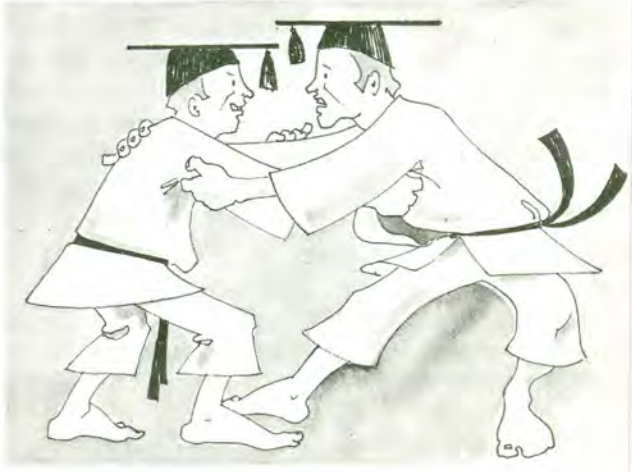
BITS AND PIECES

Seasonal Aid *Frank Altick*, on his last night at Del Norte Coast Redwoods SP, heard some rummaging around in the garbage can outside. He had been cleaning up after the raccoons all summer long, so he decided to give them a scare. He crept up next to the corner of the building . . . came around it running . . . and came face to face with a bear. The park staff is storing his belongings in a dry spot, in case he should return for them.

While some fourth-grade students were visiting the Vallejo Home, one asked another where the television set was. The reply: "Don't be silly – they had radios then!"

Talk about gamboling on the green . . . a very upset lady reported to Sutter's Fort Manager *Bob Tardif* that her blanket, girdle, and pantyhose had been stolen from the lawn.

New Mount Diablo Area Manager *Ed Earl* thought at first that he was faced with a gang fight – but it was only the Orinda Judo Club holding their graduation exercises in the park's Summit Parking Lot.



What's Happening

The Delta Surprise

Certainly one of the most underrated units in the State Park System is Brannan Island State Recreation Area. It is described in our folder as four miles south of Rio Vista, 13 miles northeast of Antioch on State Route 160. That really doesn't tell you much about the area. And the territory surrounding the park does nothing for the imagination.

But Brannan Island turns out to be a very pleasant surprise.

The 224 acres offer picnicking on grassy slopes, swimming and sunbathing on sandy beaches, and plenty of camping space – either single units under the trees, or more open spaces for groups. Also within the park are historical displays, and plans are being made to show an old ship's anchor in a future interpretive display on some of the boat trade carried on in earlier years along the Delta.

From the park's launching ramp on the Three-Mile Slough, boaters can travel northwest to the San Joaquin River, or southeast to the Sacramento River. Fishing, I'm told, is marvelous. Spring and fall in the Delta Area see the striped bass run, with some taken that weigh over thirty pounds. Catfish, crappie, sturgeon, and bluegill are also plentiful and attract fishermen from all over Northern California.

Delta Area Manager *Al Hibsch* was our guide around the park and, though new to the area, was able to show many points of interest to us. The irrigation system, lawn care, installation of drinking fountains, and the trees planted around the park are among the projects completed by the rangers since Brannan Island opened in 1954 – a good example of their enthusiasm for the park.

Ranger *Robert Justice* took us on a boat trip to Franks Tract State Recreation Area near Brannan Island. The island is under water in places due to flood damage of the levee, but a good deal of the park can be explored on foot. Ranger Justice pointed out a white-tailed kite, a less-than-common bird that has been nesting on the island in recent years. Hopefully, Franks Tract will be allowed to remain "as is" to provide a natural sanctuary for birds such as these.

Brannan Island State Recreation Area offers much to the person just looking for a place to relax and let the world drift by.

–Marti Johnson

Group picnic area.

Boat launching area on the Three-Mile Slough.

On the Three-Mile Slough toward Franks Tract.

Owl is USDA Symbol

The U. S. Department of Agriculture has a mascot now. The Department adopted "Woodsy Owl" as its symbol, and said Woodsy will work as a constant reminder to children and adults of the positive ways in which pollution can be fought. His theme will be, "Give a Hoot! Don't Pollute."

Prior to unveiling "Woodsy" the Department announced a nationwide environmental campaign designed to lend increased support to thousands of community groups and volunteer leaders. USDA employees throughout the U. S. were instructed to "lend all possible support to individuals, civic and service clubs, development committees, and local, county, and State governments in pursuing activities, projects, and programs whose goals are to reverse the trend of greater and greater degradation of the environment."

Third Annual Banana Slug Derby

On August 7th at 5:00 p.m. large groups of excited youths, clutching their banana slugs (very delicately), waited patiently for the start of the third annual grand and glorious banana slug derby at Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park.

At a signal from Race MC *Miles Standish*, contestants moved forward in groups of five to place their entries on the moist target track. At the sound of "THEY'RE OFF AND CRAWLING," shouts from the participants and on-lookers echoed through the redwood groves: "Come on Sticky-Icky," "Go Yellow Wonder, Go," and "Charge Yellow Submarine, Charge."

Those participants who made it to the finals were David Rout of Riverside with Droop-Along Dot, Charles Fisher with Slimy Sims, Mark Landry with Jumping Jack, Ron Devor with Let-it-all-hangout, and Kenny Knutson with Banana Split. As evening light faded from the race arena, not a sound was heard as the winners of the elimination heats held their yellow wonders over the starting circle and waited for the words, "On your marks, get ready, crawl."

David Rout with his now famous slug Droop-Along Dot received the grand champion P. Pennington Founder Award (named for Paula Pennington, Seasonal Ranger who started the first banana slug derby in 1969). The runner-up award went to Charles Fisher with his slug Slimy Sims. They were presented with trophies made from 2 x 4's decorated with a plastic banana, complete with eyes and feelers, secured to a minature log, inscribed "P. Pennington Founder Award" and "J. T. Slug Runner Up Award." Two other awards were presented: the Sluggiest Slug award went to Larry House with Icky Irvine, and the award for Most Inspirational Slug went to Darren Baeor with Dippy Deaner.

The race was coordinated by Park Aid *Mike Hawkins*, who also served as judge. His derby team was *Donna Kring*, Banana Slug Queen; *Grace Sears*, Park Photographer; *Jim Chapman*, Judge; *Dave Sears*, Judge; *Walt Allard*, Rain Maker; and *Miles Standish*, official Master of Ceremony.

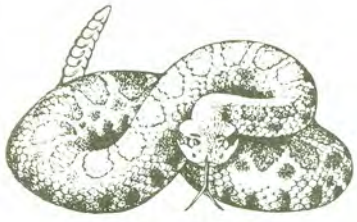
Planning is now underway for the fourth annual banana slug derby which should be even bigger and better than this year's. Some of the losers vowed that they would return two days early, next year, so that they would have more time to catch and train their slimy entries.

– Jack W. Schlotter, Interpretive Specialist
District 1

Aaron Mapatis, 17, a Haulapai American Indian student at Sherman Indian High School, Riverside, pounds the drums for ecology. His drum is covered with patches carrying anti-pollution slogans created by Southern California Financial Corporation especially for the State Park System.

What's Happening

New Trail Signs for Grover Hot Springs



RATTLESNAKES

RATTLESNAKES MAY BE FOUND IN THIS AREA. THEY ARE IMPORTANT MEMBERS OF THE NATURAL COMMUNITY. THEY WILL NOT ATTACK BUT, IF DISTURBED OR CORNERED, THEY WILL DEFEND THEMSELVES. GIVE THEM DISTANCE AND RESPECT.

This sign, one of those produced for the new nature trail at Grover, could easily be used at many other parks. (If you could use a few, contact your District Interpretive Specialist.) Another series of this type of sign is being produced for Prairie Creek Redwoods.

The campground at Grover Hot Springs overflowed this year as many visitors found Markleeville and the beautiful mountain passes for the first time for deer hunting, fishing, or just exploring the mountains from the quiet little town. The park's campground and pools were an added bonus.

Along with the changes came a need for added interpretation, so nature walks and campfire programs were started. A new nature trail route was selected and interpretive stations marked. A new type of sign was constructed for each station that not only shows a small picture of the subject but has the corresponding text beside it. The Interpretive Services Section silk screened them on pre-finished aluminum, and then they were cemented and nailed to 2" X 12" redwood sign boards mounted on 4" x 4" posts. The first sign costs approximately $5 and duplicates about 40 cents each. Many of the same signs can be used in other parks as well.

If you haven't seen the new nature trail signs, or the new pool, or maybe even Grover Hot Springs and Markleeville, you should make a trip to Alpine County.

–D. Keith Caldwell
District 3 Interpreter

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All In A Day's Work

At 10:00 p.m. Sunday, 9/12/71, Isham R. Thompson, about 45 years old, came to my house and asked for water. He looked like he had been walking for two or three miles. I gave him one warm glass of water and a pitcher of cold. He then told me that he and a friend had left a Scout 4-wheel-drive, with a dead battery, near "The Drop," at different times and directions, on foot. His friend left about 2:30 p.m. and he left about 4:30 p.m. When Thompson left, he filled four 12 oz. beer bottles with water and stuffed them, uncapped, in his pockets. He drank one bottle within 2 miles of his vehicle, and half of another bottle between there and my house. Total distance hiked – 12.3 miles.

While I was trying to dig information out of Thompson to determine if a search was in order, the Border Patrol showed up with his friend, Walter V. Gaston, about 50 years old, who had left the Scout and headed toward Mt. Laguna, knowing that he would eventually come to S-2 road, with a fifth-size liquor bottle full of water. He walked about seven miles in 114° heat. When he got to the highway, he lay down to rest. Three cars passed him and then the Border Patrol found him asleep.

He looked beat when he arrived at Bow Willow Ranger Station. I gave him water and offered them both food, while the Border Patrolman radioed information to notify Mr. Thompson's wife that the men would be back later than expected.

The Border Patrolmen left on patrol. Mr. Thompson wanted to get his Scout so they could go home. I made a bed for Gaston so he could get some rest while Thompson and I were searching for his Scout.

We backtracked Thompson's footprints east on Bow Willow Wash to the junction of Vallecito Wash, then up Vallecito Wash to Arroyo Tapiado, and up Arroyo Tapiado to almost the top end, where we found and started the Scout.

We arrived back at Bow Willow Ranger Station at 1:00 a.m., where both men had some more cool water and then left for home.

Mr. Thompson will set his now-empty beer bottles on a shelf in his barber shop to remind his patrons that his unrelated namesake "Snowshoe Thompson" doesn't have much on him.

– Gar Salzgeber, Patrol Ranger
Bow Willow District
Anza-Borrego Desert SP

Riding Herd on Big Sur

A year ago, Jack Stowe became Big Sur area manager for the State Department of Parks and Recreation, moving here from Salton Sea. From desert to redwoods, the change in scene was considerable but the problem was the same – how to accommodate all the people.

Weeks before this year's Labor Day weekend, reservations were full for Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park, whose 840 acres are just part of Stowe's responsibility. In addition, he has 1,750 acres at Julia Pfeiffer Burns State Park and 2,200 at Molera State Park, though at Julia Pfeiffer just the parking and picnic areas and trail to the headland are open to the public, and at Molera there are no immediate plans for opening the property. Development funds and manpower are needed in both instances.

That doesn't stop the people who believe that any open space is free.

Magic in Name

"For some reason, Big Sur has that magic in its name," Stowe said in an interview. "Groups of kids just flow up and down Highway 1. All of them quote Robinson Jeffers. Some of them have money, come in and camp at Pfeiffer Big Sur, and are asked to abide by its simple rules. But lots of them seem to think that here you have all this open space, it ought to be free, they should be able to camp free, so they pick what looks like a nice spot and forget, or don't know, or don't care that there's any obligation to protect this resource for the future.

"Most of them, however, are fairly receptive if you can approach them correctly. You do run into a few who are belligerent and then perhaps have to issue a citation. We try to be firm but fair."

On Stowe's permanent staff are seven rangers, plus four known as "permanent intermittent," plus a maintenance crew of five, and one office girl, kept busy with reports and accounting and answering the telephone. Two fire trucks and a radio communications network are among the more important facilities.

"We've had people build fires in redwood groves and simply go away and leave them," said Stowe. "It may seem incredible, but it's one of the problems we have to face – that, and litter and pollution from illegal camping. It's a matter of education as well as law enforcement, so we use the soft approach first, asking people to camp in the proper place and build fires in a proper stove.

No Communes

"We haven't had any of the so-called communes, such as the U. S. Forest Service has had to contend with, but we have had hippie groups trying to set up camp for two or three weeks at a time on land that isn't open for camping. All this adds to the fire danger and the pollution.

"To achieve better control of parking and campgrounds at Pfeiffer Big Sur, we changed the entrance road, took out 20 campsites because of overcrowding – those that had deteriorated too much – lowered the number of people per campsite from eight to five, and to restore some of the natural beauty, planted some additional trees.

"But we're full here all the time at Pfeiffer Big Sur, from reservations, which run from 50 to 60 percent of the total, and from people off the road, who enter on a first-come, first-served basis. Every weekend, we have to turn several hundred cars away. So people start to camp along the highway, others see them and do the same, and at night they jump the fence and go down to the river to use makeshift toilet facilities. The Division of

Cars flock into the area by the River Inn on Labor Day weekend as footloose groups gather by the post office and store, or stand at the edge of Highway 1 waiting for a ride in either direction. Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park reported between 400 and 600 campers turned away due to lack of space each night during the three-day holiday period. "Traffic," said rangers, "was unbelievable. And we're used to heavy traffic."

Ranger C. A. Culver takes fees from a long lineup of vehicles which filled the 198 campsites (all reserved long in advance) and 300 day-use spaces at Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park.

A youngster crosses the bridge over the Big Sur River and glances at the water for signs of trout. Rangers give fishing lessons periodically.

Highways and the County Health Department are just as concerned as the parks department.

"Controlling hikers who come in from the back country and want to use park facilities is almost impossible without a constant patrol. The U. S. Forest Service trail into Los Padres (National Forest) goes through the park. We're attempting to change its route so that it will not go directly through the campgrounds, thus giving more privacy and an opportunity for more enjoyment to the people camping.

Demand Great

"There are only so many Forest Service campsites in the back country and the demand for permits is 10 or 20 times what it was even five years ago. So the impact from overuse, the human erosion, expands around us."

State park rangers, Stowe pointed out, must be jacks-of-all-trades, capable of helping someone start a stalled car, conducting a fishing clinic, picking up a runaway youngster and taking him or her to Juvenile Hall in Salinas, giving a campfire program or guided walk, finding somebody wanted by the FBI or an AWOL soldier from Fort Ord, heading a rescue party in the Big Sur gorge or simply asking the nudes in the gorge to put some clothes on.

Summer fire danger and lack of manpower, Stowe explained, have prevented further development this year of the Julia Pfeiffer Burns acreage south of Big Sur. One of its purposes is to serve as a base for expeditions into the back country. At the Molera Ranch, on the northern edge of Big Sur, the land is still leased to Frank "Bud" Nelson for a cattle operation, until development funds are available. The parks department helps Nelson patrol the property, to reduce fire danger. Eventually, both these parks are expected to relieve much of the pressure on Pfeiffer Big Sur.

Meanwhile, park rangers continue to expand their skills. One of the men has trained as a scuba diver, to be available for problems in the gorge area or to be ready when the eventual underwater park at Julia Pfeiffer Burns is opened. A cliff rescue training course is to be given this winter. Rangers must be proficient in first-aid, to treat anything from cuts and bruises to heart attacks and broken limbs. In emergencies, they can call on the sheriff's rescue team and the Pacific Grove Marine Rescue Patrol for aid.

Like to Help

"We try to work with all the public agencies. This year we've had at least a dozen runaway kids whom parents were trying to trace, and five or six AWOL soldiers. Sometimes there's a narcotics problem. When we get a kid who freaks out, we call on Aquarian House (A Monterey 'crisis center.') Their people come out, talk to the kid and try to find a solution. But our fellows have to know how to handle these situations, too. Essentially, rangers have got to like to help folk."

During the past year, Stowe remarked, park problems at Big Sur have been not quite as intense as the year before. "We've learned how to deal with people a little better. Administering a park is very much like administering a small city, with sewage, water, road maintenance, law enforcement and education problems all to be met.

"But, in our administration, we try not to forget that parks are for people and parks are forever, and if we let them get overrun, they will become a blight, with nothing left for anyone to enjoy."

– John Woolfender, Staff Writer
Monterey Peninsula Herald
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Custom House Gets National Recognition

The Old Custom House at Monterey SHP became a National Customs Historic Landmark on September 30, when U.S. Commissioner of Customs Myles J. Ambrose came from Washington, D.C. to present a bronze plaque to Mrs. Clarice Gilchrist, Park and Recreation Commission Chairman.

The Custom House at Monterey, which dates from the late 1820s, is the second to be so honored; the first was the oldest custom house in the U.S., at Sag Harbor, Long Island, established in 1789.

The Costs of Pollution

No one really knows how much it will cost to control environmental pollution, but the White House Council on Environmental Quality has now made an informed if admittedly rough estimate of $105 billion in public and private funds over a five-year period, ending in 1975. It is a lot of money, certainly, though the council argues persuasively in its second annual report that not only can the nation afford it, but that the benefits to be realized from cleaning up pollution will more than repay the costs.

Take, for example, the destructive effects of air pollution alone. In 1968 it did damage totalling $16 billion, more than $80 for each American. The Environmental Protection Agency breaks down that $16 billion annual bill this way: $6 billion in health costs, based on work loss and medical care alone; $4.9 billion in damage to crops and other vegetation; and $5.2 billion as a result of lowered property values in areas with heavy air pollution. Most of these continuing losses are suffered by individuals. They don't show up in any balance sheet, but they are nonetheless real.

Economic losses from water pollution are a lot harder to identify, yet in some respects they are more tangible. Pollution has forced the closing down of more than one-fifth of the nation's shellfish beds. Commercial harvesting of softshell crabs in San Francisco Bay used to be a big business; today it is virtually nonexistent, because of pollution. Chemical fertilizers, detergents, dumping of industrial wastes into lakes and rivers have had direct and malign effects on water used in the home, in agriculture, in production, for recreation.

Our environmental problems, says the council, "stem largely from [the] fundamental failure of the economic system to take account of environmental costs." Air and water are resources, but their use, and abuse, seldom are figured into the market price of a product. We now have a good idea of the economic and social costs of degrading these resources, and we know that adapting the technology and procedures to protect these resources must become part of the price of doing business.

For meeting air and water quality standards the council figures that about $62 billion will have to be spent by 1975, 42% of that in public funds, mainly for water treatment facilities. Solid waste management will cost $43.5 billion, though all but about $1.5 billion will be for collection costs – trash pickup – which is an on-going expense anyway.

Investments in pollution abatement by industry, says the council, will in many cases actually result in plant modernization, increased productivity and, in the long run, significant economies. Some smaller operations could, however, be hurt, and marginal plants can be expected to close. This will mean some job loss, though the council sees no reduction in total employment. In fact, pollution abatement will lead to the growth of new industries and services, and overall should create new jobs.

There is some danger, Mr. Nixon has noted, of being overzealous in setting air and water quality standards, with the result that some taxpaying enterprises might be forced out of business. It's a point worth considering. But the economic expediency argument must be kept in perspective.

Environmental degradation is exacting its own appalling economic costs right now, including, as in the case of the shellfish industry, the destruction of taxpaying enterprises. The cost of vigorously enforcing pollution abatement may be high; but certainly the cost of not enforcing it will be far higher.

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Bidwell at the Half Way Mark

The drive to raise funds to carpet the second floor of Bidwell Mansion SHP is nearing the half-way mark, according to *Lee Shelton*, Ranger in charge at Bidwell. But that's only the beginning, because next there's the third floor, then the sentry tower on the roof, and then . . .

The carpeting project is only one of many going on at the home of former Governor and Mrs. John Bidwell in Chico. There's the room restoration, artifact restoration, a docent program, and a couple of irons in the fire with Chico State College.

The carpeting project was launched in April of this year by Director Mott, who came up with the fund-raising idea. For a dollar, you can sign your name on one of the nine inch square asphalt tiles on the second floor. The funds go to the Bidwell Mansion Restoration Society, a private group, and will be used to install the kind of carpeting that graced the floors when the Bidwells lived there. A total of $3200 is needed to carpet the whole second floor. After that, there's the eight bedrooms and ballroom on the third floor, closed to the public at present.

Park and Recreation Commissioners visited the Mansion after their meeting in Chico October 8. Had they made their visit two years ago, they would have found the whole second floor closed and the rooms piled high with furniture, artifacts,

Bidwell (Continued)

dust, and just plain junk. Thanks to the energy and enthusiasm of a host of local organizations, five rooms on the second floor have been restored, refinished, furnished, and are open to public view.

In addition, Chico State students, acting as docents, guide people through the Mansion and answer questions for visitors. The volunteers are dressed in period costumes made by the faculty wives.

Now Ranger Shelton and North Valley Area Manager *Lorin Forsyth* are working with Chico State College to secure accreditation in leadership training and history for students working at the Mansion.

And the roof? In addition to the flagpole, the roof acts as a lookout tower. Ranger Shelton said General Bidwell used to post sentries in this tower. Their job was to spot dust clouds off in the distance and estimate the kind of equipment making the dust (wagons or just horses), the number of people in the party, and the estimated time of arrival at the Mansion. When the party arrived, the Governor was ready to offer his hospitality.

The roof affords an excellent view of the countryside in several directions, so when all the other projects are completed at the Mansion, perhaps the lookout tower atop the roof could be made safe for visitors.

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VOX POP

"A Concerned Employee" severely chastised the staff of News and Views for the drawing in the August issue, which depicted two trucks, both on the wrong side of the road. The staff apologizes to its anonymous pen pal but hastens to point out that the drawing was by Sr. Graphic Artist *Mary Lowe*, and we all know about women drivers.

After a summer vacationing in California, Oregon, and Washington, Mrs. Frank Payne of Brentwood wrote that Prairie Creek Redwoods SP was the most delightful and beautiful of them all. For design, she wrote, the inverted-cone-shaped stove/fireplace ran "circles" around all others her family had used. She added that *Miles Standish's* campfire presentation was so infectious that many of the participants caught his enthusiasm. Her youngsters also enjoyed the chocolate provided by the rangers.

Ranger Intermittent *George H. Mettler* was singled out for his courtesy during a recent Girl Scout Camporee at Sugar Pine Point SP. Pat Sutton, Neighborhood Chairman of the Truckee-Tahoe Council, Girl Scouts, expressed her thanks to Sierra Area Ranger *John E. Walstrom*.

Carl Ingram of Sacramento wrote Operations Chief *John Knight*, thanking the ranger staff at Sutter's Fort SHP. It seems he and his family, with a group of guests from Germany, arrived at the Fort at closing time. The staff invited the group in and showed the people around, and "even helped ride herd on our wandering children."

There wasn't a service station in sight when Charles Brigham of San Francisco pulled into the check station at Mount Diablo SP, his crankcase low on oil and clanking dangerously. This didn't faze Ranger *Keith Steinhart* who offered a quart and a half of his personal motor oil. This enabled Mr. Brigham, his wife, and four children to enjoy their picnic in the park and reach a service station safely. For which the grateful visitor wrote his thanks to the Resources Agency.

A family visiting San Francisco Solano Mission learned enough history to last the whole trip. Mr. and Mrs. Wade Wallace of Walnut Creek wrote that *J. B. Alexander* imparted so much valuable information they were able to utilize it as they continued their tour of the missions. Mission Solano is part of Sonoma SHP.

The many misfortunes of a Santa Barbara YMCA group were mitigated by one "good" break, a stop at Big Basin Redwoods SP over the Labor Day weekend. Ranger *Wes King* was thanked by Program Director John Fesler for accommodating the "unexpected" group.

The Pfeiffer Big Sur staff received a bundle of thanks. Ronald C. Johnson of Danville appreciated the interpretive and campfire programs. Bill Sexton of Pasadena was so pleased with the description of the redwoods that he wrote three separate letters to the staff. Donald Bruns of Steamboat Springs, Colorado, a Colorado State Student on an Outdoor Recreation field trip, thanked Ranger *Cliff Wade* for information on management programs and special problems, and the course instructor, Dwain Miller, thanked District Superintendent *Milt Frincke* and Wade for the most valuable visit of the entire trip. Larry Bowdle of Carson liked the nature camp, and took the time to write and explain the differences between *Laureus nobilis* and *Unbellolaria californica*. Finally, Shirley Wagstaff of San Diego lauded Rangers *Wade* and *Dick Cascio* for their campfire programs and the excellent program of handicrafts for the youngsters.

STAFF CHANGES

As reported to the Personnel Section by October 15, 1971

APPOINTMENTS

Anderson, Erwin S.	Park Maint Asst	Russian River Area	9/15/71
Armstrong, Kenneth H.	Park Maint Asst	Orange Coast Area	9/10/71
Bartlett, David E.	State Park Rngr Trn	Santa Cruz Mtn Area	9/15/71
Basura, Robert C.	State Park Rngr Trn	San Luis Obispo Cst Area	9/15/71
Bogardus, Burton C.	State Park Rngr Trn	Golden Gate Area	9/15/71
Bolton, Michael H.	State Park Rngr Trn	San Diego Cst Area	9/15/71
Brean, Ronald L.	State Park Rngr Trn	Golden Gate Area	9/15/71
Caldwell, Patrick D.	State Park Rngr Trn	Golden Gate Area	9/15/71
Campbell, John F.	Lifeguard	Orange Coast Area	10/1/71
Cave, Gary R.	Drafting Aid II	Graphic Svcs	10/11/71
Cometa, John A.	Groundsman	Frontera Area	10/4/71
Cook, George E.	State Park Rngr Trn	Dyerville Area	9/15/71
Dooley, Clark E.	State Park Rngr Trn	Golden Gate Area	10/10/71
Ebbatson, Arthur J.	State Park Rngr Trn	Folsom Lake Area	9/15/71
Elliott, Bonnie A.	Clerk Typist I (Perm-Int)	Central Records	9/21/71
Engel, Theodore W. Jr.	Watchman (Perm-Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	9/1/71
Gerber, Terence H.	State Park Rngr Trn	Dyerville Area	9/15/71
Graeber, Donald E.	Watchman (Perm-Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	9/20/71
Graham, Oliver B. Jr.	State Park Rngr Trn	San Luis Obispo Cst Area	9/15/71
Harris, Lee N.	Park Maint Asst	Folsom Lake Area	9/27/71
Haskins, Dale R.	State Park Rngr Trn	San Luis Obispo Cst Area	9/15/71
Jones, Jeffrey J.	State Park Rngr Trn	Golden Gate Area	9/15/71
Kraft, Curtis D.	State Park Rngr Trn	Folsom Lake Area	9/15/71
Kutsch, Melvin E.	State Park Rngr Trn	Folsom Lake Area	9/15/71
Lavenson, Charles R.	State Park Rngr Trn	San Luis Obispo Cst Area	9/15/71
MacDonald, Donna M.	Operator, MT/ST	Dictation/Typing Center	10/1/71
Miller, Hester M.	Clerk Typist I (Perm-Int)	Interp Svcs	10/11/71
Moore, Steven D.	State Park Rngr Trn	Folsom Lake Area	9/15/71
Naramore, Stuart L.	State Park Rngr Trn	Golden Gate Area	9/15/71
Patton, Donald G., Jr.	State Park Rngr Trn	Santa Cruz Mtn Area	10/8/71
Price, Jeffery B.	State Park Rngr Trn	San Diego Cst Area	9/15/71
Reed, Thomas H.	State Park Rngr Trn	Dyerville Area	9/27/71
Reich, Lucille A.	Clerk Typist II (Int)	Orange Coast Area	9/27/71
Roeder, Terry D.	State Park Rngr Trn	San Diego Cst Area	9/15/71
Sage, Robert A.	Park Maint Asst	Hearst San Simeon SHM	10/5/71
Schmus, James A.	State Park Rngr Trn	Santa Cruz Mtn Area	9/15/71
Soderlund, Frederick J.	State Park Rngr Trn	San Diego Cst Area	9/16/71
Sutherland, David R.	State Park Rngr Trn	Dyerville Area	9/15/71
Vasquez, Michael M.	State Park Rngr Trn	San Diego Cst Area	9/15/71
Verardo, Denzil R.	State Park Rngr Trn	Santa Cruz Mtn Area	9/15/71
Walfoort, Glenn D. Jr.	State Park Rngr Trn	Folsom Lake Area	9/15/71
Walling, William H.	Watchman	Hearst San Simeon SHM	9/1/71
White, Joseph H.	State Park Rngr Trn	San Diego Cst Area	9/15/71
Wilson, Richard C.	State Park Rngr Trn	Santa Cruz Mtn Area	10/8/71
Youngberg, Alv D.	State Park Rngr Trn	Santa Cruz Mtn Area	9/15/71

NAME CHANGES

Donaldson, Linda J. to Basich	Senior Stenographer	Director's Off	9/24/71
Perrigo, Eve J. to Giordano	Stenographer II	Off & Res Svcs	9/10/71

PROMOTIONS

Allen, Robert L.	State Park Ranger III	Folsom Lake Area to Big Sur Area	9/1/71
Bragg, Bernard B.	Park Maint Man II	Golden Gate Area	10/1/71
Cermak, Lawrence A.	State Park Ranger II	Point Lobos Area to Sierra Area	9/15/71
Chavez, Carl S.	State Park Ranger II	San Luis Obispo Cst Area	9/1/71
Fait, William V.	State Park Ranger II	Montane Area to Santa Cruz Mtn Area	9/13/71
Johnson, Gerald J.	State Park Ranger II	Calaveras Area to Golden Gate Area	9/8/71
Kolb, John A.	State Park Rngr Trn	Plumas-Eureka Area to Folsom Lake Area	9/15/71
Leon, Frank	Supvg State Fin Exmr I	Prog Mgmt & Cont Sect to Audit Sect	10/4/71
Mewha, Alfred N.	Park Maintenance Assistant	Hearst San Simeon SHM	10/5/71

CLASS TITLE CHANGE

Freeman, Robert M.	Pk Maint Supvr I to SPR II	Pt Mugu Area to Golden Gate Area	9/7/71

UNIT CHANGES

Carlson, Robert G.	State Park Ranger II	Golden Gate Area to Mt Diablo Area	9/7/71
Clark, Laurent F.	State Park Rngr Trn	Dyerville Area to Pt Mugu Area	9/11/71
Crary, Don M.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Orange Coast Area to Frontera Area	10/9/71
Crum, Alan F.	Park Safety & Enf Spec	District 6 HQ to District 3 HQ	10/1/71
Fife, James M.	State Park Rngr Trn	San Luis Obispo Cst Area to Pt Lobos Area	9/15/71
Fish, Phillip F.	Park Maint Asst	Channel Coast Area to Four Rivers Area	9/4/71
Flynn, Randall G.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Piercy Area to Golden Gate Area	9/8/71
Freeman, Warren C.	State Park Ranger I	Folsom Lake Area to Monterey Area	9/1/71
Gaskins, Elizabeth A.	Senior Stenographer	Off & Res Svcs to Admin Div Chief's Off	10/2/71
Gehr, Robert E.	State Park Ranger I	Millerton Lake Area to Hiouchi Area	9/15/71
Goode, Lois K.	Clerk Typist II	Frontera Area to Dist 6 HQ	10/1/71
Goswick, Daniel N.	State Park Ranger I	Hiouchi Area to Fort Humboldt Area	9/14/71
Hansen, Theodore M.	State Park Ranger II	Sierra Area to Folsom Lake Area	9/1/71
Hart, James W.	State Park Ranger I	SLO Cst Area to Anza-Borrego Area	9/15/71
Hartman, James E.	State Park Ranger II	Northern Mines Area to Mendocino Area	9/15/71
Helm, Larry R.	State Park Ranger I	Golden Gate Area to Big Sur Area	9/15/71
Henderson, Jerry E.	State Park Ranger I	Santa Cruz Mtns Area to Orange Cst Area	9/1/71
Lonnecker, Carl G.	State Park Ranger III	Golden Gate Area to Plumas-Eureka Area	9/7/71
Marceau, Richard E.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Trinidad Area to Golden Gate Area	9/21/71
May, Charles H.	State Park Ranger I	Lake Elsinore Area to Orange Cst Area	9/15/71
McCall, Joseph R.	State Park Ranger II	Plumas-Eureka Area to Sacramento Area	9/1/71
Meyer, Frederick B.	State Park Ranger I	Hiouchi Area to Northern Mines Area	9/15/71
Nygren, Robert N.	State Park Ranger I	Golden Gate Area to Lake Oroville Area	9/14/71
Reese, Don L.	State Park Ranger I	Four Rivers Area to Lake Elsinore Area	9/16/71
Reynolds, Vernon L.	State Park Att	Folsom Lk Area to Marshall Gold Dis Area	9/27/71
Ritter, Jimmie M.	State Park Ranger I	Dyerville Area to Montane Area	9/15/71
Schuessler, Paul G.	State Park Ranger I	Dyerville Area to Calaveras Area	9/10/71
Smith, Ruth E.	Senior Stenographer	District 4 HQ to District 2 HQ	10/1/71
Strachan, Aubrey W.	Park Maint Asst	Orange Cst Area to Santa Cruz Mtn Area	9/1/71
Thompson, Collian D.	State Park Ranger II	McArthur-Burney Ar to San Mateo Cst Area	9/1/71
White, Charles A.	State Park Ranger II	Sacramento Area to Channel Cst Area	9/1/71

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Douglas, Warren R. Sr.	Park Safety & Enf Spec	District 4 HQ	9/28/71
Hilkert, Robert S.	State Park Ranger I	San Diego Cst Area	9/9/71
Moody, William N.	Park Maint Asst	Calaveras Area	8/21/71

DEATH

Wiley, Joe M. Jr.	Park Maint Man I	San Mateo Cst Area	9/20/71

RETIREMENTS

Alden, Flora A.	Custodian, Hist Mon	Hearst San Simeon SHM	10/1/71
Hill, William H.	State Park Ranger II	Golden Gate Area	9/30/71
Hodgkins, Francis I.	State Park Ranger III	Sierra Area	9/15/71
Kishbaugh, Gordon T.	Br Mgr, SP Plng & Dev, CEA	Plng & Des Br Mgr's Off	9/30/71
Pedersen, Neils E.	Guide I, Hist Mon	Hearst San Simeon SHM	10/1/71
Ryan, Herbert C.	Asst Land Agent	Spec Svcs Sect	9/30/71

SEPARATIONS

Ballard, Thomas M.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Russian River Area	10/4/71
Bruno, Donald F.	Assoc Land Agent	Spec Svcs Sect	9/30/71
Christensen, Carl A.	Custodian, Hist Mon	Hearst San Simeon SHM	9/27/71
Divine, Larry N.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Lake Elsinore Area	9/19/71
Gray, Christopher	Park Maint Asst	Channel Cst Area	9/20/71
Hamilton, Gilroy W.	Watchman (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	8/31/71
Holliday, Thomas M.	Junior Staff Analyst	Audit Sect	10/11/71
Iona, Calvin H.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Folsom Lake Area	9/14/71
Littrell, Elizabeth F.	Clerk Typist I (Perm Int)	Interp Svcs	10/5/71
Mosback, Ella N.	Clerk Typist II	Channel Cst Area	9/17/71
Spivak, Helen L.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Sacramento Area	9/15/71
Stumph, Jeffrey C.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Golden Gate Area	9/12/71
Summers, Mary A.	Senior Stenographer	Admin Div Chief's Off	9/29/71
VandenBosch, Thomas L.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Four Rivers Area	6/15/71
Wilson, Richard C.	State Park Rngr Trn	Santa Cruz Mtn Area	10/8/71

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Old Town San Diego SHP Gets New Attraction

Old Town San Diego SHP was the scene last month of the grand opening of a new, Mexican-style shopping arcade – Bazaar del Mundo. The buildings that house the attraction were formerly part of the old Pio Pico Motel and were renovated by concessioner Richard T. Silberman and designers Diane Powers and Al Forster. Mrs. Powers and Forster operate Design Center, a furniture and home accessories shop in the bazaar.

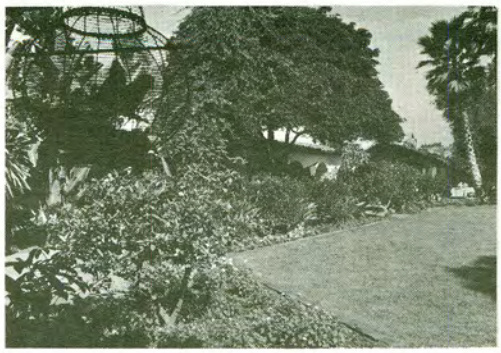
The shops in the arcade, in addition to the Design Center, include an art gallery, candle shop, straw shop, fruit bazaar, book store, Mexican restaurant, several arts and crafts shops, a flower market and farmers market, clothing store, toy shop, and a Mexican bakery. Space in adjacent garages will be developed and leased to artists and craftsmen.

Dignitaries at the grand opening November 4 included the mayors of San Diego and Tijuana, State Park and Recreation Commission Chairman Clarice Gilchrist, and Director Mott, who called the bazaar a perfect example of the department's concept of creating "living museums" that are colorful and innovative.

Todd Neiger, Concessions Specialist in the department, says the bazaar has been filled with visitors and shoppers every day since the opening, and it looks like a tremendous success.

BAZAAR DEL MUNDO

2754 CALHOUN STREET / OLD TOWN / SAN DIEGO



The main entrance to the 17-shop, Mexican-style arcade is on Calhoun Street, right across from the park office.

The arcade is laid out in a square, with the shops looking out onto a large, shrubbery-lined court. . .

. . . and a colorful "gazebo." Right up to minutes before the scheduled grand opening, workers were still putting last-minute touches on everything. The gazebo served as a band stand for a mariachi group, and as a speakers' platform. . .

. . . where, among others, Director Mott welcomed the visitors.

Between 500 and a thousand invited guests filled the area on opening day. . .

. . . and sampled Mexican delicacies from the Casa de Pico, the bazaar's Mexican restaurant.

After the dedication and lunch, the various shops were thrown open to the guests.

Photos by Dick Thompson

THE DIRECTOR

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.

"A Christmas Present"

Under the State Christmas tree this year, the Department of Parks and Recreation will place a package for the citizens of this State that they made possible through their "Christmas Savings."

It can be used forever, if it is wisely managed and protected. It consists of 17,259 acres of land acquired for park and recreation purposes. Within this package are elements of California's unique landscape, including 18,919 lineal feet of ocean frontage and 26,769 lineal feet of lake frontage.

This package will bring the total acreage of land under the jurisdiction of the Department of Parks and Recreation to 941,679 acres, which includes 976,885 lineal feet of ocean frontage, 1,455,421 lineal feet of lake frontage and 435,286 lineal feet of river frontage. We are stewards of these lands for the people of California now and forever, and 44,167,875 days of use of the State Park System in 1971 indicates that Californians will open this year's "Christmas Package" with appreciation, concern and hope – appreciation for the State's continuing acquisition and preservation of California's unique natural and cultural heritage; concern for the quality of California's total environment; and hope that vision and courage will bring a quality of life to everyone living in this marvelous State that will produce "men to match her mountains."

May each of you have a very merry Christmas and a healthy, creative New Year.

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COMMISSION REPORT

The Commission at its November 12 meeting in San Francisco acted on parts of the package of new regulations that has been before it since September, but decided to take another look at the rules on dogs and at a couple of proposed name changes to which objections were raised.

It also heard a report on the Department's new Coastal Study by Assistant Deputy Director Bob Baker, and passed a resolution honoring Newton Drury on his being named president of the Save-the-Redwoods League.

Mr. Drury, chief of the old State Division of Beaches and Parks from 1951 to 1959, has been executive secretary of the League since 1919, except when he was Beaches and Parks Chief and from 1940 to 1951 when he was head of the National Park Service.

New Proposals

A couple of new proposals were placed before the Commission by Director Mott. One is a project to provide a richer natural environment around recreation area reservoirs. It would involve experimental plant and animal introductions at San Luis Reservoir SRA in cooperation with various agencies and educational institutions. The Director was asked to look further into its feasibility.

The second proposal, which the Director said he had laid before the new Morro Bay Area Advisory Committee, was to develop the area as a statewide interpretive center to emphasize the values and importance of the coastal environment.

New Regulations

The newly adopted regulations, along with a number of technical changes, include formalization of the new permit system for Mount San Jacinto Wilderness State Park, where capacity limits for back-country use were successfully tried last summer.

A minor amendment to the dog regulations, however, was put over to the January meeting when the Commission's committee on regulations recommended that the whole system for allowing dogs in parks be reviewed. The Department was asked to report on the feasibility of allowing dogs only in certain designated campgrounds and banning them elsewhere in the parks.

COMMISSION REPORT

Two proposed name changes were deferred. Reclassification of Mitchell Caverns State Reserve as a State Park came under fire from the Department of Fish and Game and others who felt the newly added acreage should be made a "recreation area" so it could be open to hunting.

Opposition rose also to renaming Joshua Trees State Park after its principal geographic feature, Saddleback Buttes. A representative of the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce said local groups wanted "Antelope Valley State Park."

Names and classifications were officially settled for the new Andrew Molera State Park, about 30 miles south of Monterey along Highway 1; San Onofre State Beach for the Camp Pendleton Area now leased to the State; William Randolph Hearst Memorial State Beach for the county beach taken over by the State at San Simeon; and the Camillus Nelson State Historic Farm in Yolo County.

A new Torrey Pines State Beach was designated, to separate the recreational beach from the rest of the area, which will continue to be managed as Torrey Pines State Reserve.

Commissioners were shown old ships at San Francisco Maritime State Historic Park by interpretive historian Glenn Burch.

Mrs. Mary B. Farrell and the National Society of Colonial Dames of America were honored with a resolution commending their efforts in the restoration of the Casa de Estudillo in Old Town San Diego State Historic Park.

Also commended were entertainer Dean Martin and his wife for their gift of 78.9 acres in the Topanga Canyon area for the Santa Monica Mountains project.

The Commission's next meeting will be January 14 in Monterey.

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What's Happening

Snowmobile Registration

Although the special snowmobile fund contains only $595 at the present time, the future of the program is much brighter than you might suspect, and should soon return some $75,000 or more to the fund every two years.

The snowmobile fund was established by the Legislature in 1970. It requires registration of all snowmobiles with the Department of Motor Vehicles. A first-time registration costs $18, and renewing the registration at two year intervals, costs $10. In either case, $5 of the fee goes into the snowmobile fund to be used by Parks and Recreation to plan and develop snowmobile areas.

The initial law offered a pink slip for an $18 fee. A year later a special fund was set up. This means the 2,000 snowmobiles already registered when the 1970 law went into effect didn't contribute to the fund.

Erwin Cooper, Information Officer for DMV, said 2,680 snowmobiles were registered as of February 1971, and 3,114 by August of this year. He anticipates an upsurge in registrations this fall and winter, but this will depend partly on enforcement of the snowmobile law.

Since snowmobiles can't operate in state park units, park rangers will be unable to provide effective enforcement, and since they cannot be used on highways and are seldom used in cities, the highway patrol and city police in California will be able to do little. The burden of enforcement, then, will fall on counties, the U.S. Forest Service, and Fish and Game, because snowmobile use will be in their spheres of responsibility.

The first batch of registrants will be up for renewal January 1, 1973, so this should see a healthy gain in the fund. Since the Department estimates there are some 15,000 snowmobiles in California, when the program goes into full swing some $75,000 should go into the fund every two years, and the amount should increase along with the number of vehicles in use.

Manchester – Where Are You?

There are times when I wish I had some artistic ability; just enough to be able to paint some of the scenes I've seen in recent years. Like Manchester State Beach on Highway 1 about forty miles south of Fort Bragg. When we arrived at Manchester it was foggy, cold, and very damp, but the absolute stillness and the beauty of waves rolling in out of the fog was enough to make me forget the weather.

We drove to Manchester by way of Hendy Woods State Park, stopping long enough to talk with Ranger *Al Kramer* about Manchester. Ranger Kramer has worked at Manchester and Hendy Woods since the summer of 1970, and he feels that Manchester should have more people visiting there. The potential there is excellent for there are many activities for the average person.

Camping is available, with about fifty campsites open in summer and 17 open during winter. (Two campsites were inundated by drifting sand last winter.) Smelt fishing is fairly common, and most of the smelt taken there are between 3 and 9 inches long. While there are no marked hiking trails, the sand dunes offer ample opportunity for hiking, and horseback riding is allowed on the beach.

Another point of interest at Manchester State Beach is Lake Davis, a natural lake with an underground spring that keeps it a fresh-water lake during the summer. During the winter, the tide comes farther in and changes it to a salt-water lake.

Manchester is also known as the "driftwood beach" because of the large amount of driftwood that appears year round. We didn't see any small pieces of driftwood but the larger ones were very much in evidence. Some of them had definite possibilities for the driftwood collector and, according to Ranger Kramer, visitors are allowed to take driftwood off the beach.

Unfortunately, many of the advantages of Manchester are lost on a large percentage of people looking for a place to camp, simply because of the poor roads leading into the area. The beach has only two signs pointing towards it, one of them at the entrance. So, if you miss the entrance sign you must turn around and head towards it again. After you finally find the road, it's rough and full of potholes that make driving it at any speed faster than a snail's pace hazardous. But, in spite of the roads, visitors return again and again to Manchester.

-Marti Johnson

Trail Clean-Up Days at Big Basin and Castle Rock

On the weekend of October 16 and 17 a volunteer labor force of 700 people contributed a total of 3,100 manhours in litter pickup in Big Basin Redwoods and Castle Rock State Parks and along the 21-mile trail connecting these two units. These volunteers gathered fifty-three cubic yards of litter (that's approximately 700 garbage cans full).

The event was sponsored by the Sempervirens Fund, the Santa Cruz Mountains Trail Association, and the Loma Prieta Chapter of the Sierra Club, all working in cooperation with the park staff. The mammoth labor force was made up of Girl and Boy Scout troops, Campfire Girls, members of ecology groups, and individuals or families dropping by as well as members of the three groups. Equipment for trash pickup and dumping was donated for the weekend by the 91st Transport Division of the Sixth Army, the Los Altos and San Lorenzo Valley Garbage Companies, the County of Santa Cruz and the State Division of Highways.

The Department appreciates the help of the sponsors of this event and the volunteers who participated so enthusiastically. Their combined

efforts resulted in main park trails, streams, picnic and campground areas being left in litter-free condition. Equally important, the young people who participated in this undertaking were, through a first-hand experience, made acutely aware of the contrast between a clean park and one filled with the litter of thoughtless human beings.

It is hoped that this event will become firmly established as an annual volunteer project as long as people insist on disposing of their refuse so carelessly.

The Best Rescue Team

Where there are mountains there are usually people and, unfortunately, sometimes accidents. After a series of near tragedies in the Squaw Valley area, the Squaw Valley Fire Department was approached regarding the take-over of the rescue responsibilities for Squaw Valley, and a group was formed consisting of Chief Robert Butler and many volunteer rescue personnel from the surrounding Tahoe area.

For the past two years, these volunteers have worked at becoming proficient in rescue methods of all types, specifically those involving mountain rescues. This summer alone the team, described by Chief Butler as "the best technical mountain rescue team north of Yosemite," responded to four emergency calls within the area.

Recently, the team was featured as the lead article in "Fire Chief," a magazine circulated in all fifty states and many foreign countries.

The Squaw Valley Mountain Rescue Team is sponsored entirely by donations and fund-raising events, costs nothing to the State Recreation Area and state parks in the Sierra Area, and is an outstanding example of community participation with the State Park System.

Conservation Award

The principal of the San Diego City-County school camp program, Denver C. Fox, was voted a special honorary award by the California Conservation Council in November. He has been a leader in the program for 24 years, during which time 300,000 sixth grade children have learned about the outdoors. Of the three camps used in the program, two are located in State Parks: one at Cuyamaca Rancho and one at Palomar Mountain. The third, Camp Marston, is near Julian.

This type of rescue, called the two-man rapell, is used when the cliff is too steep for any other type of rescue. The ropes are arranged in such a way that when they clear the rock overhang, rescuers and victim will be 20 to 30 feet from the face of the cliff.

On gentler slopes the belay system pictured here is used. The victim is lowered with the aid of a friction brake at the top of the cliff.

A Different Breed of Lifeguard

When San Onofre Bluffs State Beach was formally opened on April 3, 1971, no one could really predict what type of, or how much, rescue work might be needed. Since then, we have discovered that actual water rescues are sometimes less common than are the rescues that take place on the 100-foot bluffs. This isn't to say that our lifeguards don't still have their share of ocean rescues; during the July Fourth weekend alone, over 100 were made.

However, the dunes are rugged and criss-crossed with gullies that almost beg to be climbed upon, and that's where the trouble begins. According to Nick Sopha, seasonal superintendent of lifeguards, there are two types of people usually in trouble on the dunes – "They're either Marines from nearby Camp Pendleton, or little kids. A 12- or 14-year-old boy – or a Marine – will try to climb anything you put in front of him." And oftentimes, a climber will be exploring the dunes and suddenly find himself on a ledge with only one way to go – straight down! At that point, our lifeguards must abandon their time-honored tradition and "head for the hills!" The lifeguards are well trained for bluff rescues and, upon reaching the area of distress, waste no time in getting the job done. They drive steel stakes into the ground, rig a 12-inch nylon rope to the stakes, and in a special harness, one lifeguard will lower himself to the trapped victim. Once there, the victim is placed in his lap and they begin the long ride to the bottom.

To do their job at this and other beaches with the same sort of terrain, the lifeguards have to be trained in mountain rescue work. As a result, their work experience makes them a valuable asset, be it on the beach or in the mountains. Certainly, these fellows are a different breed of lifeguard.

Plumas-Eureka Is Fishing Headquarters

Plumas-Eureka State Park and its surrounding waters are featured in the July 1971 issue of "Four Seasons Trails" in an article by Jim Martin, a freelance outdoor writer who lives in the Feather River country. The article points out that the historic park is a beautiful and excellent base camp for anglers who wish to beat the Dog Day fishing doldrums. He recommends Grass, Rock, Jamison and Wade lakes, all in the headwaters basin of Jamison Creek, as prime brook trout fishing waters. Their attractiveness is enhanced, he says, by the fact that the lakes can be reached only on foot.

Sugar Pine Point Winterized

Sugar Pine Point SP, which boasts a brand new 175-unit campground, also is the first winterized state park in the snow country. It's open this winter for the first time and features 75 winterized campsites, paved parking, tables and stoves at each site, and heated restrooms and hot water nearby.

Groups Aid Bidwell Restoration

The Park and Recreation Commission presented a certificate of appreciation to the Bidwell Mansion Restoration Association, thanking the group for helping restore the Mansion, at the October Commission meeting in Chico. From left the Mmes. Garrison Patrick, Edward C. Gage, and J. O. Chiapella of the Association and Commission Vice Chairman Lowell Berry.

North Coast Area Manager Lorin Forsyth and Park Aid Cheryl Catlett pose with part of the collection of John Bidwell's letters and papers that was given to the Mansion by the Restoration Association. The background is a display of Indian artifacts.

Chico State students and Chico citizens dress in period costumes and act as docents at Bidwell Mansion. From left, Bill Mullins, Chico State; Miss Genevieve Jezler, President of the Chico Horticulture Society; Mrs. John Patterson, Chico Women's Club; and Miss Edyth Hughes, Chico State.

Photos by Ray Chapman

Administration Division Assignment Changes

With the departure of a substantial proportion of the Department's Management Analysis Section for Vietnam – perhaps in search of a little peace and quiet? – a few changes have been made in the Administration Division staff assignments.

To plug the gap in the Management Analysis Section while Ira Samuels completes his two-year stint in Saigon (Management Analyst Merick Chaffee is also there, but only for eight weeks), Bob Dutra has been promoted to Staff Management Analyst and will be supervising the section. Dutra's five-year career with the Department includes assignments in the Personnel and Budget Sections.

Another change is occasioned by the September auto accident involving Departmental Auditors Stan Stiles and Hugh Nickles – Frank Leon has returned to the Audits Section as supervisor. Hugh is back to work, and as we go to press Stan is looking forward to getting around on crutches within a week or so. He may be back to work in January.

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VOX POP

Dorothy Bredlow, chairman, current events section, the Walnut Creek Women's Club, raved about Park Ranger *Keith Steinhart's* interpretive presentation at Mt. Diablo SP. "His choice of slides was excellent," she wrote, adding that Keith was kept busy with questions well beyond the one-hour program. "We all feel we really know our Mt. Diablo as we never had before."

The Samuel P. Taylor SP staff was thanked by Lt. Cdr. Henry Lawrence (USN-Ret.) for use of the day use facilities even though he didn't have the $1 admission charge. (The $1 was dutifully sent in later.) The Commander added, "We enjoyed it very much."

A tour of Angel Island SP, arranged by Park Ranger *Ken Huddleston,* was termed "Great" by Don Porter of the Division of Information and Education, U.S. Forest Service in San Francisco. On behalf of the S.F. and Berkeley personnel, Ken was cited for his "interest, enthusiasm, and professionalism."

Traci Tafoya, scribe for Girl Scout Troop 287 of Tracy, thanked personnel at Brannan Island SRA and Sunset SB for making room for the troop. Singled out for praise were Park Ranger *Ernest Hunter* at Sunset and at Brannan, the man "who was very nice and I forgot his name."

Richard Hepburn of Santa Clara cited Bus Driver *Richard Valentine* of Hearst San Simeon SHM for an excellent tour. "He did an outstanding job, giving us far more information than on the other two tours combined!"

Park Ranger *Burtis L. Frizzell* of Anza-Borrego Desert SP was applauded for his "helpful, pleasant attitude" and termed "a credit to your service," by Mrs. J. E. Fitzgerald of San Diego.

Mrs. Robert R. Templeton of Costa Mesa thinks San Onofre SB has the "cleanest, nicest smelling toilet facilities of any State Park." She adds, "We all wish the same arrangement could be used in other State Parks." (Editor's Note – I'll drink to that.)

"A very delighted teenager" was the signature on some free verse stuffed in a toilet paper dispenser at Lake Oroville SRA'S Loafer Creek campground. The verse extolled the virtues of the SRA, commented on the cleanliness of the place, and promised the writer would "bring my children here" in future. The signer admitted to 16 years. Along with the note was a quarter which Park Maintenance Man *Glen Evans* forwarded to the State Parks Foundation.

New Red Cross Program

Right after college graduation Sally Trautwein went to work for the Red Cross as a recreation aide in a military hospital.

"What will I do?" she asked the supervisor her first day in the wards.

"Well, this is an orthopedic ward," answered the supervisor, "so all the occupants are bed patients. We've set up some games for you so they can participate without leaving their beds."

So Sally entered the ward full of sailors and Marines, blithely announcing, "All right, fellas, it's time for recreation in bed with your friendly Red Cross Worker."

She hasn't lived it down, of course; but recently it was made to hurt less when *Reader's Digest* paid her to publish the anecdote.

– Reprinted from NRPA's Communique

Potpourri

Young Girl's Honesty Pays Off

The check station ranger at Torrey Pines SR was startled recently when a young girl came racing up to the Reserve kiosk fairly bursting with excitement. She thrust a roll of bills into the surprised ranger's hand and exclaimed, "I just found this on the trail."

After calming the excited girl and her mother, the ranger counted the money, a total of $18. There was no identification with the bills nor any way to determine the owner, and the finder might have easily kept the money. Instead she was anxious to return the money to the rightful owner. The ranger explained that the money would have to be kept at the Reserve office for a reasonable time to see if anyone would claim it. If no one did then the money would be returned to the girl. Both the mother and daughter thought this arrangement very fair and remarked that they hoped the owner was located.

The money wasn't claimed, and in due time, was given to the girl. A note from the mother to the Reserve staff adds a final note to this incident. "My six-year-old daughter who found the money was overjoyed when she received the $18. She has already spent some of it on a surf raft to use at Torrey Pines State Beach – and has started a savings account at our local bank with the balance."

– Ranger George Leeion
San Diego Coast Area

Where is Mt. Diablo Area Manager Ed Earl getting his office help?

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

District 1

A bull elk is causing trouble for the rangers at Trinidad Area. Ranger *Terry Adams* was chased into his yard by the irate elk; so far, other damages include a dented trailer with a broken window, four windows in the sign shop and an employee's trailer that now sports several large dents.

A welcoming potluck party was held at Patrick's Point for the new Trinidad area manager, *Dave Redding.* An accident marred the fun, however, when Clerk II *Dorothy Myers* fell and broke her arm.

Dorothy seems to be having a run of bad luck lately. Someone decided they needed the gasoline in her car more than she did, so they helped themselves. Her car was parked next to her trailer.

State Park Attendent *Ken Avery* suffered a heart attack while fishing along the Smith River on his day off. Luckily he was able to make it to the Seaside Hospital in Crescent City where he is recuperating now.

Two members of a "Jesus" cult decided to take on a climbing expedition and tackle the Founders Tree at Humboldt Redwoods State Park. Upon orders to come down from about 347 feet height, they received a citation and were sent on their way. They were heard to remark that their next expedition would be in Redwood National Park to climb the world's tallest tree!

Some parents do discipline their children according to rangers at Fort Humboldt who reported two vandals caught in the act of smashing floodlights. When informed of the vandalism, the parents instituted disciplinary action and told the rangers that the boys would be available for an afternoon's work at the Fort.

A litter collection project along the Avenue of the Giants in Humboldt Redwoods SP marked the use of the new anti-litter patch awards to park employee children. Those receiving the awards were George Cook, Jr., Gerri Kafka, and Susan, Kelly, and Eric Neal.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

District 2

Restoration and Maintenance Supervisor *Harry Dring* informs us that the ships at San Francisco Maritime SHP are in the background on a new U.S. stamp, part of a series of Historic Preservation stamps being put out. In the foreground will be a cable car headed down Hyde Street toward the pier.

It happens every time. . .Terrific fishing at Benicia SRA, and one man caught 93 pounds of stripers – but the man standing next to him grumbled that he hadn't had a bite all morning.

District 4

The one-in-a-million accident happened at Pajaro Coast when a 70-year-old lady from Sweden was hit by a fifteen-foot log while walking along the edge of the surf and suffered fractures below each knee. It's very rare to even find a log adrift in the ocean but there was one this time.

On September 9th the San Ramon Valley Congregational Church picked up a dump-truck load of litter along the roadway to Mount Diablo SP and, according to Area Manager Ed Earl, "It was an outstanding example of what good leadership can do when working with young people."

District 6

Everybody took part in the Borrego Springs Desert Festival! Area Manager *Jack Hesemeyer* helped with the Lion's Club Pancake Breakfast and took his turn at the Anza-Borrego Desert natural history exhibit, as did District Superintendent and Mrs. *James Whitehead;* Ranger *T.J. Hicklin* was in the parade, with Smokey the Bear in the back of his sparkling Bronco; Naturalist *Ernie Brown*, Ranger *Herman Griffin*, and District Interpretive Specialist *Bud Getty* all helped out with the exhibit; Ernie's wife *Jane* participated in the Red Cross Exhibit; *Elayne Hesemeyer* organized a pet show for youngsters; *Kathy Peat*, wife of Maintenance Assistant *Jim Peat*, paraded with her Brownie troop; and Mrs. *Cas Aschebrenner*, wife of Picacho SRA'S manager, exhibited her paintings.

The District 6 revelers celebrated at the 2nd Annual Halloween Party at Torrey Pines Lodge on October 29. Winner of the best costume award was Barbara Lemley, wife of Supervising Ranger *Floyd Lemley* of San Diego Coast Area. Ranger *Dominic Gotelli's* children won the pumpkin carving contest and, unofficially, District Superintendent and Mrs. *James Whitehead* were considered the number-one dance couple. Music was provided by the cordovox of John Ross, husband of Frontera Clerk Typist *Linda Ross.*

While en route to Sacramento recently, *Louise and Orville Short* of Orange Coast Area developed car trouble – and Orville, always having the situation well in hand, decided to eat lunch first, and worry about the car later. While they were eating lunch, a former Supervisor of Doheny, *Charlie Fackler* with his wife and two sons came in. The meeting ended with the two sons (both former Doheny Park Aids) repairing the car while Charlie and Orville supervised. Both felt they had trained the boys quite well.

The ultimate in desert "necessities" has been discovered at Anza-Borrego Desert SP by Ranger *Chet Getty* – a bowling ball. For a "Cactus League" perhaps?

Ranger *Roy Benedict* of Benicia Capitol SHP shows real faith in his tours. When some visitors wanted to know what was worth seeing in the Capitol, he stuck his neck out by promising to return their money if they weren't satisfied with the tour. They must have enjoyed it, because the money wasn't requested.

It looks like Ranger *Jim Phillips* of Samuel P. Taylor SP has turned in his patrol truck for a jackass. Ranger Phillips discovered the animal grazing in the Irving Picnic Area and, rather than leave him there, left the truck instead and rode the ass back to his residence. The jackass was not cited for destroying state property or for being in a closed area because he couldn't sign his name to the citation.

A new type of dwelling was discovered on the beach recently at Torrey Pines SR. Basically it was a concrete igloo with chicken wire framing and colored glass for windows. After all the work of bringing cement, fresh water, chicken wire and glass down two miles to the beach, it seemed a shame to have to destroy it, but it didn't meet our State Park building standards.

For Your Information

Summer Interpretive Program Turns On Visitors

According to Interpretive Services Supervisor *John Michael*, more personnel were involved in the summer interpretive program than at any time before, with the result that more people were "turned on" to our efforts. And, he reports, all things considered, we think we have had a highly successful interpretive season during 1971 and wish to thank the District Interpretive Specialists, the District Superintendents, and all personnel who participated in helping to make this a better year in interpretation.

The Interpretive Services Section feels that one of the most vaulable assets to the program was the 40-hour training session given earlier this year. The section will continue to work on upgrading the quality of this presentation and participating with the various districts in the preparation of training material. It will coordinate this activity with the interpretive portion of the Trainee Program at Asilomar.

Michael also said that his section will try to set up some type of program to send certain individuals to Hearst San Simeon during the guide training session they have there. Mike Merkel, District 5 Interpretive Specialist, is looking into this.

District 3 Interpretive Specialist Keith Caldwell is working on a training program where seasonal employees will be brought in for a one-day orientation session prior to their summer employment.

A summary of the summer interpretive program shows that on a statewide basis there were 109 campfire programs, 154 walks or tours (excluding the tour program at Hearst), and 41 information stations or interpretive demonstrations. These were in addition to the tours-on-request program at Bodie, evening star walks and early morning tide pool tours in parks in District 4, and the monthly interpretive demonstration held at Fort Tejon.

Another area of activity during the summer, surprisingly, was in the southern desert parks. It had been previously assumed that little or no interpretive activity occurred in the desert during the summer. However, Bud Getty says Mitchell Caverns recorded 41 activities, Anza-Borrego had 12, and Salton Sea had 15.

Let's Shape Up!

Looking back over my career, it seems that whenever I received an injury such as muscle strain, sprain, or a sore leg, back, or arms, the usual cause was that I was in a hurry, more interested in getting the job done than in avoiding injury. I firmly believe that we need more training in keeping physically fit to reduce on-the-job injuries.

For instance, when stacking a load of timbers, do you do a few gut-bending exercises, a few knee bends, a few wrist and arm flexes? By the same token does a baseball player throw a baseball hard at first, or does he warm up?

If you're shovelling a wheelbarrow of dirt, how about a little warm up to avoid back muscle spasms? A football player does knee bends and roll-overs to warm up!

Do we neglect warming up because our fellow employees will laugh at us? Do we feel that it is beneath us to maintain good physical conditioning on the job and even off the job? Are we too interested in getting the job done so fast that we neglect safety? Many jobs are not done every day, and when the difficult, heavy, and possibly hazardous job comes up, physical conditioning becomes more important.

To me it appears that a simple program allocating a few minutes per day would solve the problem. Or are we uptight and disagree because we may be overweight, not a believer in body mechanics or conditioning?

– Bill Reinhardt, Manager
Millerton Lake Area

A few issues ago, we explained that we were no longer using a clipping service (except for certain types of stories), and that we would be relying on the field to keep us informed of how the press was treating us.

The response has been pretty good – particularly that of District 6. What we would like is this – when you run across a story in any of your newspapers about us or our parks, clip it out, jot down the name of the paper and the date right on the clip, and send it off to us. We will note it, and distribute it for everyone here in headquarters to see.

Just send them to the Information Office here in Sacramento.

For Your Information

New Law Enforcement Training Class Underway

The third class of Park Ranger Basic Law Enforcement Training began November 15, at the Riverside County Sheriff's Academy with 25 of our personnel in attendance.

The purpose of the five-week class is to develop a knowledge of the fundamentals of law enforcement with emphasis on safety – both for the ranger and for the public. Trainees will gain an understanding of the complexity of the criminal justice system, and will learn techniques of law enforcement procedure.

Jack Welch, San Diego Coast Area Manager, has been designated as Ranger in Charge for the session and will serve as liaison between the students and the school and department officials.

Those attending the class are:

District 1
Nolan Albright, SPR II
Jerry Beauchamp, MMI

District 2
Don Engler, SPR I
Martin L. Brown, SPR I

District 3
Allen Oliver, SPR I
John Walstrom, SPR III
Robert Justice, SPR I
Richard Schnurr, SPR I

District 4
J. Gianopoulos, SPR I
Clifford Wade, SPR I
James Fife, SPR I

District 5
Roger Kellogg, SPR I
Robert Freese, SPR II
Mervil Larson, Lifeguard Supervisor
Robert Crandall, SPR I
Earle Hooven, SPR I
Louis Wakefield, SPR II
Phil Van Deusen, SPR I

District 6
Jack Welch, SPR V
Lyle Watson, SPR II
Kenneth Wilbur, SPR I
Jeff Snider, SPR I
Rene Avant, SPR I
Kenneth Smith, SPR I
Jeremiah Hayes, SPR I

BITS & PIECES

As one of our maintenance men was working near the kiosk at Russian Gulch SP, shots rang out and, very sensibly, he hit the deck . . . only to find out that all the commotion was just a chase scene being filmed for TV's "The F.B.I."

Ranger and Nature Enthusiast *Bill Reinhardt* of Millerton Lake SRA reports his latest sightings: a coyote, two golden eagles . . . and three young ladies in bikinis!

Mothers-in-law have problems, too – one camping at San Elijo SB became so upset that she left her family, caught a bus, and went to a motel.

An Orange County Deputy Sheriff was hard on the heels of a skid row wino who staggered into Doheny SB recently. The man mumbled something about waiting for a bus to Los Angeles, but since he had just come from under a bush his story lacked credibility.

Oh, my aching head . . . 68 empty 16-oz. beer cans were found neatly stacked in a San Elijo SB campsite recently.

Apparently Benicia Area pheasants are up on SP Rules & Regs . . . Ranger *Roy Benedict* came home on the opening day of the season and found ten or so on his front lawn, probably thumbing their beaks at the hunters in neighboring fields.

Winter's here, as a camper at Cuyamaca Rancho discovered to his dismay. He had put his false teeth into a glass of water overnight and woke the next morning to find them frozen solid.

Needed: Golf Cart Mechanic

The District 6 golf tournament held on October 4, prior to the Area Managers meeting at Warner Springs, was a great success.

The sharpshooters from San Diego Coast Area made off with the bulk of the prizes, with Maurice Oller winning Low Gross and Jim Avant sneaking in with Low Net. Mrs. Lew (Nita) Myer won the Ladies Low Net, and an outsider, Mr. Ken Sampson, Director of the Orange County Parks, was the sharpshooter coming closest to hole-in-one.

Most humorous event of the day was the futile efforts of District Mechanic Virgil Morehouse and District Equipment Operator Jess Ramirez to keep their golf cart operating. Finally, after many adjustments and several nasty words, they abandoned the cart in midfairway, shouldered their heavy golf bags, and headed for the green.

A few minutes later, a little old man from the following foursome drove up to their cart. He showed our mechanical experts the choke knob and explained that the cart worked perfectly with that knob pulled out a short distance.

Oh well, our "experts" work on *heavy* equipment most of the time.

People

Information Section Adds Artist

The Information Section has secured a Senior Graphic Artist to handle the delineating and graphics of News and Views, park folders, and other informational publications. He is *John Kaestner* a former graphic artist for the Department, who had been working for the Office of State Printing.

Kaestner took over the layout of News and Views beginning with the November issue. Until then, for the past five years or more, Senior Graphic Artist *Mary Lowe* had performed this task.

Mary, who has been with the Department since 1963, took over the layout chores for News and Views in 1966, when Esther Seaman left. She works in the Design Section of the Planning and Development Division.

The Department approved the hiring of a Senior Graphic Artist in the Information Section because of general fund cutbacks in the Planning and Development Division budget. With emphasis on Proposition 20 projects, there was neither staffing nor time to offer graphic services to the rest of the Department. So, in order to keep public information materials flowing off the presses, the Information Section asked for and received its own graphic artist, funding the position out of the existing section budget.

News and Views editor Dick Thompson and the whole information staff extend their thanks and appreciation to Mary for her many years of faithful and talented service in the production of information materials, and especially, thanks for putting up with News and Views' editor.

Another Santa Cruz Retiree

It was Roy Kerr's concern for people and his desire to work where the air was fresh that lead him to park work. He had been working at the Standard Oil Co. Refinery in Richmond before he filled a temporary park position at Mount Diablo in 1940 – Ray Bassett was chief ranger. Later that year Roy passed the Ranger I examination and took a permanent position at Big Basin under Lloyd Lively. Seven years later he returned to Mount Diablo under Bob Stewart for a four-year period, and his final seven years of park service were at New Brighton SB..

Roy has always been an early riser, and a pot of coffee was a day's starter. He went along with the park water system problems and adjusted his coffee to fit the water at each park. One day at Big Basin Roy remembers because he missed his morning coffee – redwood cones and a dozen 1" trout in brownish-colored water came out of the faucet. After the intake pipe was returned to its proper level in the reservoir, Roy went back to his morning coffee.

Roy recalls the great pleasures of park work when he had direct contact with campers while on foot patrol and working with young people, which he found rewarding.

The Kerrs are from the heart of the Missouri Ozarks, land of the wood whittlers. Roy has some back problems that keep him from being as active as he would like, but since retirement he has been able to find time to do wood carvings and build excellent furniture.

Since Roy's retirement in 1968, he and his wife, Marguerite, are enjoying the clear, cool air of Santa Cruz and the proximity of their granddaughter. When in Santa Cruz give him a call – they are always pleased to hear from their many park friends.

–Ed Earl, Manager
Mount Diablo Area

Marguerite and Roy Kerr.

Personnel Officer Ed Wilson receives his 25-year award from Director Mott as Mrs. Wilson looks on.

Recent recommendations at the meeting of the uniform committee (from left: Ken Huddleston, Gordon Sears, Floyd Lemley, Martha Kania, Carl Chavez, Charles Shideler) included lighter weight trousers, jacket style similar to that of the National Park System, a different type of belt, and to the dismay of all girl watchers, a switch from the usual lifeguard bikini to a one-piece tank suit.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the staff of News and Views

Drawing by Aldona Vilkas.

Dirk Thompson

Brenda Boswell

John R. Kaestner

Marti Johnson

APPOINTMENTS

Barker, Gail L.	Clerk Typist I (Perm-Int)	Central Records	10-26-71
Barnes, Thelma T.	Clerk Typist I (Perm-Int)	Millerton Lake Area	10-20-71
Campbell, John F.	Lifeguard	Orange Coast Area	10-1-71
Dick, Ida V.	Clerk II (Perm-Int)	Lake Elsinore Area	11-2-71
Fish, Kermit F.	Park Maint Asst	Channel Coast Area	11-8-71
Janton, John A., Jr.	Watchman	Orange Coast Area	10-28-71
Kaestner, John R.	Sr Graphic Artist	Information Section	10-18-71
Larson, Janet M.	Clerk Typist II	Training Section	10-18-71
Ledesma, Janero	Groundsman	San Diego Coast Area	11-1-71
Matthews, Dennis S.	State Park Rngr Trn	San Luis Obispo Coast Area	10-10-71
Miller, Jean H.	Clerk Typist I (Perm-Int)	Sierra Area	11-2-71
Myers, David W.	Engineering Aid I	Survey Unit	10-26-71
Samuels, Victoria A.	Clerk Typist I (Perm-Int)	Reservation Office	10-19-71
Sprague, Patricia J.	Clerk Typist I	Off & Res Services	11-9-71
Stemmerman, Rita J.	Pwr Keybd Typwtr Opr, MT/ST	Dictation/Typing Center	11-10-71
Stewart, Gayle J.	Personnel Assistant I	District 4 Hdqtrs	11-2-71
Stymelski, Henry P.	Stationary Engineer I	Squaw Valley SRA	10-26-71
White, Holly P.	State Park Rngr (Int)	Orange Coast Area	10-23-71

PROMOTIONS

Bilto, Walter G.	Custodian, Hist Mon	Hearst San Simeon SHM	10-16-71
Dutra, Robert S.	Staff Mgmt Analyst	Mgmt Analysis Section	11-11-71
Forsyth, Lylia L.	Clerk Typist II	Reproduction Unit	11-2-71
Hill, Gorden S.	Civil Eng Assoc	Engineering Unit	10-15-71
Kramer, William R.	Lifeguard Spvr II	Orange Coast Area	10-28-71
Matsuo, Judith M.	Sr Steno	Budget Section	10-26-71
Meek, Ralston H.	Park Maint Man I	Golden Gate Area	11-2-71
Phillippi, Betty A.	Pwr Keybd Typwtr Opr, MT/ST	Dictation/Typing Center	11-15-71
Stokes, Roy L.	Park Maint Spvr I	Point Mugu Area	11-2-71
Tanhauser, Gwendolyn G.	Custodian, Hist Mon	Hearst San Simeon SHM	11-2-71
Uhte, Robert F.	Br Mgr, State Pk Plng & Dev, CEA	Des & Constr Br – Br Mgr's Off	10-15-71
Vilbrandt, Jack R.	Bus Service Off II	District 5 Headquarters	11-11-71
Warner, Martha L.	Custodian, Hist Mon	Hearst San Simeon SHM	11-2-71
Warren, Linda L.	Clerk Typist II (Perm-Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	10-16-71

UNIT CHANGE:

Hale, Benjamin H.	Park Maint Man I	Monterey Area to Pajaro Coast Area	11-2-71
Haug, Wayne H.	Civil Eng Tech II	Proj Coord to Ownrshp Maps Unit	11-8-71
Kuromoto, William M.	Delineator	Graphic Services to Ownrshp Maps Unit	11-15-71
Miller, Richard E.	Clerk II	Bus Mgmt & Cont Control Sec to Ownrshp Maps Unit	11-2-71
Rieke, Grace R.	Acctg Tech	District 1 Hdqtrs to Dist 5 Hdqtrs	10-26-71
Werts, Roger W.	State Park Rngr I	Big Sur Area to Pajaro Coast Area	10-6-71

CLASS CHANGE:

Harnett, William J.	State Pk Rngr I to Park Maint Man I	Folsom Lake Area to Calaveras Area	10-18-71

NAME CHANGE:

Laughlin, June D. to Berg	Stenographer II	Columbia Area	10-16-71

FORMALIZED TRAINING ASSIGNMENT

Ramsdell, Gerald H.	Asst Pk & Rec Spec	Grants & Stwd Studies Br to DWR	11-2-71

VOLUNTARY DEMOTION:

LaRocca, Lola L.	Pers Asst I to Steno II	District 2 Headquarters	10-4-71

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Chaffee, Merick H.	Assoc Mgmt Analyst	Mgmt Analysis Section	10-29-71
Pasha, Charles C.	State Park Ranger I	Pajaro Coast Area	10-5-71
Samuels, Ira	Sr. Mgmt Analyst	Mgmt Analysis Section	11-10-71

RETIREMENTS

Adams, Thelma B.	File Clerk II	Central Records	11-1-71
Coleman, Festus C.	Park Maint Man I	Pajaro Coast Area	9-30-71
Haapala, K. Verner	Architectural Assist	Architecture Unit	11-2-71
Hand, Charles E.	Watchman	Hearst San Simeon SHM	9-30-71
Hoy, Hugo E.	State Park Ranger I	Orange Coast Area	10-31-71
Wiley, Bert H., Sr.	Assoc Land Agent	Spec Services Section	10-31-71

SEPARATIONS

Ayers, Darrel L.	Assist Landscape Arch	Proj Devel Section	11-5-71
Bristow, Elaine R.	Clerk Typist II	Channel Coast Area	11-1-71
Buckhammer, Gary L.	Clerk II	Central Dist & Repro Unit	11-1-71
Callaway, Roberta A.	Pwr Keybd Typwtr Opr, MT/ST	Dictation/Typing Center	11-15-71
Chaffee, James B.	State Park Ranger V	District 1 Headquarters	11-2-71
Elliott, Bonnie A.	Clerk Typist I (Perm-Int)	Central Records	10-25-71
Foster, Wyrinda C.	Stenographer II	San Mateo Coast Area	11-1-71
Fujita, Julie	Pwr Keybd Typwtr Opr, MT/ST	Dictation/Typing Center	11-12-71
Lawson, Donald K.	Tree Maint Man II	Environ Res Section	11-5-71
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NUMBER OF LOST TIME INJURIES
January 1 Through October 31, 1971

	1970	1971
Executive	0	1
Administrative Services	0	2
Design and Development	3	1
Operations Division – Headquarters	0	0
District 1	7	6
District 2	7	6
District 3	11	12
District 4	7	8
District 5	13	9
District 6	6	9
TOTALS	54	54

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The New Year Island

What better way to start the New Year than to describe the island known as New Year's Point or, as it is more commonly called, Año Nuevo State Reserve. The reserve has 481 acres including 20,230 feet of coastal frontage and, most important, the island itself. We visited the mainland at Año Nuevo in December, but the island is closed to all visitors except for scientific studies. Even the rangers seldom venture there. Even so, it is still a worthwhile trip, just to see the beach which can be reached from Highway 1 about 29 miles south of Half Moon Bay.

Año Nuevo was one of the earliest-named spots on the California Coast; it was mentioned at least 150 years before the explorer Portola discovered San Francisco Bay. Its history began in 1602 when the Viceroy of Spain dispatched Sebastian Vizcaino to sail north from Mexico along the North American coast to find a port that could be used as a stopover point for sailing vessels on their way to the Philippine Islands. Vizcaino and his three ships located the harbor at Monterey and after spending a rollicking New Year's Day there, they headed north along the coast until they spotted the point of the island. A padre on board ship kept a diary and in it noted the discovery as *Punta del Año Nuevo* in honor of their stay in Monterey.

The island became the landmark the Viceroy had requested, but the rough surf and jagged rocks were to claim many of the ships that came too near. In 1872, a lighthouse had been established on Pigeon Point and the following year one was built on Año Nuevo, but the number of shipwrecks continued high. One of the more spectacular wrecks was caused when a captain on the 346-foot steamer *Colombia* heard the horn on Año Nuevo and mistakenly thought it was the one on Pigeon Point. Upon hearing Pigeon Point shortly thereafter, he believed it to be an approaching ship and turned to the right to avoid it. . .the last turn made by the *Colombia*.

With the exception of seal noises, Año Nuevo is a pretty quiet place these days. There are no facilities of any kind, and the only visitors seen are hikers or beachcombers. The lighthouse was abandoned in 1948 when the shipping traffic changed patterns, and the buildings have been allowed to decay and weather away. The island is the primary breeding grounds of the Steller and California sea lions, and the northern elephant and harbor seals, and scientific studies are being conducted on the habits of the animals by the University of California at Santa Cruz under the direction of Dr. B. Le Bouef. But, if you want a beach all to yourself do go to Año Nuevo – you won't be disappointed.

Although mostly a sand-covered beach, there are areas such as this where the tides have created a layered effect on the rocks at the oceans edge. The abandoned buildings can be seen on the island in the background.

A common sight on Ano Nuevo Island, especially in January, during the breeding season, are the many seals and sea lions shown here.

THE DIRECTOR

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.

A New Year

A new year with new opportunities, new challenges and new responsibilities. What does the New Year offer our Department.

We will be exploring the idea of developing and programming simple group camp areas to meet the needs of young people who want to experience the pleasure of camping with their peers in primitive natural surroundings with a minimum of manmade intrusions.

We will be studying the possibility of using some of our historic parks as living museums, allowing people to use the facilities and buildings so that they will feel a sense of association with the past.

We will be developing trails and use areas for off-road vehicles originating a new kind of recreation area using design, construction and supervision techniques that we will bring into being.

We will, through the Department's History Plan, cause people to have a keener awareness of the significance and importance of this State's cultural heritage. Preserving historic structures and areas throughout the State will take on new meaning and importance as we prepare to celebrate the bicentennial of the revolution.

We will be developing new water-oriented recreation areas adjacent to the reservoirs that are now being completed as part of the California Water Plan.

We will be experimenting with new management techniques so that we can gain greater knowledge in how best to manage not only the resources that have been entrusted to us but the people who use the resources.

The newly-acquired underwater areas will present to our Department opportunities and problems that will challenge our innovativeness.

Our Coastline Plan sets goals and objectives for our Department as we move forward to preserve and utilize this limited precious resource.

We have almost unlimited opportunities to improve and expand our in-service training program.

Interpreting in an exciting, inspirational and informative way the natural and cultural values within the State Park System offers each of us opportunities to participate with our professional staff in telling visitors about the wonders of nature and the purposes of the State Park System.

These and many other opportunities will be available to us in the coming year.

To all of you who did such a splendid job last year planning, developing and managing the California State Park System so that it is the envy of Park professionals throughout the United States, I can only say that you have an exciting year ahead. May it be a happy, healthful and creative one for each of you.

William Penn Mott, Jr.
Director

The Good Old Days?

The article following is an example of what was required of all would-be rangers in 1926. It makes you wonder whether the olden days were really any better after all.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
Yellowstone National Park
Yellowstone Park, Wyoming
March 1, 1926

Office of the Superintendent

Dear Mr. Smith:

We have received your letter indicating your desire to become a ranger in Yellowstone National Park for the season of 1926. Before giving it further consideration we ask you to read this circular letter very carefully and thoughtfully, and if you are still interested in the ranger position after completing your study of this communication, fill out the enclosed blank and return it to the Park headquarters with a picture of yourself.

In General

It has been our experience that young men often apply for a place on the park ranger force with the impression or understanding that the ranger is a sort of sinecure with nothing resembling

hard work to perform, and that the beauties and wonders of Yellowstone Park, and very frequent trips about the park and innumerable dances and other diversions to occupy one's leisure hours.

Again, young men very often apply for ranger positions with the feeling that the duties of the place require no special training or experience and that any man with a reasonably good education can perform these duties regardless of whether he has a good or bad personality or whether he has or has not had experience in outdoor activities.

Also, many young men apply for ranger positions in the hope of making and saving considerable money to aid them in continuing their college work.

The conceptions of the duties of the ranger as just mentioned are just as untrue as it is possible for them to be, and unfortunately the pay is so small that boys earning their way through college, and who live at a distance from the Park cannot afford to become a ranger if tendered a place.

The Ranger Job

The term of service of a temporary ranger is three months from June 15th, but the superintendent has authority to reduce the force at any time he believes it to be in the interest of the Government to do this. However, a ranger can be sure of 75 days employment.

The pay is $100.00 per month. The successful applicant must pay his own traveling expenses to and from the Park, and must subsist himself in the Park. He must furnish his own clothes, *including a uniform costing about $45.00.* He must bring his own bed. The Government pays each man $100.00 per month and furnished quarters, light and fuel, also certain articles of furniture including bunk, tables, dishes, cooking utensils, etc.

The ranger usually must do his own cooking and always has to care for the station. In certain places rangers must board with road crews which are furnished very plain but wholesome food at $1.00 per person per day.

We make no promises regarding transportation around the Park to see its wonders, and often rangers do not get a chance to see all of the Park unless they can be granted leave from their duties and make their own arrangements for the trip. Men who render excellent service and are retained until the close of the season are given an opportunity to tour the Park if facilities are available, otherwise not. If you apply, do not do so with the expectation that you will *surely* see more than the part of the Park you traverse in reaching your station.

Qualifications of a Ranger

Applicants for a ranger's position *must be 21 years of age* or must attain that age by June 15th. If you are not 21 or will not be by June 15th, don't apply. If you have the reputation of appearing unusually youthful or immature for a man of 21, don't apply. We want men who are mature in appearance. We prefer men of 25 to 30 years of age.

The ranger is primarily a policeman, therefore he should be big in frame, tall, and of average weight for his age and height. We always prefer big men to small men, other conditions being equal. If you are small of stature, better not apply.

The ranger comes more closely in contact with the visiting public than any other park officer, and he is the representative of the Secretary of the Interior, the Director of the National Park Service and the Superintendent of the Park in dealing with the public. Naturally, therefore, the ranger *must have a pleasing personality; he must be tactful, diplomatic and courteous; he must be patient.* If you are not possessed of such characteristics, please don't apply. Without them you would become, if selected, a failure from the beginning of your service.

The ranger is often called upon to guide large parties of tourists and to lecture to them on the features of the Park. He should have a good strong voice and some experience in public speaking. Detail public speaking experience and training on the application form.

The ranger is charged with the protection of the natural features of the Park, especially the forests. Applicants should present evidence of their having had experience in camping out in the woods. Forestry students who have had training in forestry work and forest fire fighting are given preference to other applicants if they possess the qualifications as to age, size and personality.

The ranger must be qualified to ride and care for horses.

The ranger must know how to cook ordinary foods and must have experience in kitchen police. If you cannot cook and care for a ranger station, don't apply. You would be an unpopular burden on your fellow rangers and the butt of all station jokes should you be selected without this essential qualification.

We want big mature men with fine personalities, and experience in the out-of doors in riding, camping, woodcraft, fighting fires and similar activities.

Duties of a Ranger

The ranger force is the park police force, and is on duty night and day in the protection of the

park. Protection work primarily relates to the care of the forests, the fish and game, and geyser and hot spring formations and the camp grounds. Of equal importance is the detection of violations of the speed rules.

The ranger force is the information-supplying organization. The issuance of publications, answering of questions, lecturing, and guiding are all accomplished by rangers.

The ranger force is charged with care of all Government property, hence must watch the use of such property by other Government men as well as constantly caring for the ranger stations and other property used by the ranger organization itself.

Routine of the Ranger Station

Rangers must rise at 6:00 a.m. if not on night duty, and must retire not later than 11:00 p.m. They may attend dances or other entertainment not more than two evenings a week. They must obey every order of their station chief, who is a permanent ranger. Leave from the station will be granted only in emergencies and then only by the chief ranger. Semi-military discipline is in effect at all times. A ranger is on duty from the time he arises until he retires, and may even be called from his bed for emergency service. He is not subject to an 8-hour law, and he is not paid for services rendered in excess of an 8-hour period.

In Conclusion

The ranger who renders satisfactory service is a very busy man all the time. There is no vacation about his work. The duties are exacting and require the utmost patience and tact at all times. A ranger's job is no place for a nervous, quick-tempered man, nor for the laggard, nor for one who is unaccustomed to hard work. If you cannot work hard ten or twelve hours a day, and always with patience and a smile on your face, don't fill out the attached blank.

Carefully reflect on what you have just read. You have perhaps believed Government jobs to be "soft" and "easy." Most of them are not, and certainly there are no such jobs in the National Park Service. The ranger's job is especially hard. There will not be more than 20 vacancies in next year's force of rangers, and there is really very little chance of your being considered unless you possess *all* of the qualifications mentioned herein. Please do not return the inclosed blank unless you believe you are fully qualified, and unless you mean business. Remember there is no vacation in the work, and mighty little money. If you want to come for pleasure you will be disappointed. If you want a summer in the Park as an experience in outdoor activity amid forests and a fine invigorating atmosphere, apply if you are qualified. Otherwise, please plan to visit the Yellowstone National Park as a tourist.

If you apply and are accepted, no promises will be made as to the station to which you will be assigned, nor will promises be made as to assignment to foot, horse or motorcycle patrol. You will be examined upon reporting for duty on June 15th, and will be assigned to the station having duties that we believe you can best perform.

Do not apply unless you are positive you can report June 15th and remain until September 15th. If there is a chance of your not reporting, if accepted, we do not want your application.

If you have special qualifications which cannot be listed on the attached blank, write them on a separate sheet of paper. Send us a picture of yourself in out-door costume if possible, otherwise a portrait will be acceptable. Pictures must be clear.

Cordially yours,

HORACE M. ALBRIGHT
Superintendent

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What's Happening

Torrey Pines Volunteer Projects

Over a thousand manhours of volunteer work were contributed to projects at Torrey Pines State Reserve during 1971, according to Ranger George Leetch. These volunteer projects, Leetch explains, free the Reserve staff for other duties and take care of a lot of jobs that otherwise would go undone.

Beach sand is being cleared at Torrey Pines SR to make the area suitable for Least Tern nesting.

What's Happening

Accomplishments include the donation and planting of over 100 Torrey pine seedlings, painting of signs and trash barrels, and opening up of Los Penasquitos Lagoon. Currently, a group of teenagers from Del Mar is cleaning the beach of oil from spills.

A recent wildlife enhancement project was directed by Allen Craig of the State Department of Fish and Game. Reserve Supervisor Kent Hartwell and his family, along with local volunteers, removed brush from a stretch of beach near the lagoon, and set out decoys to attract nesting Least Terns. The fast disappearing birds have been observed nesting in the area and plans are being made to increase its size.

Another project saw four truck loads of litter picked up by Boy Scouts as part of Operation SOAR (Save Our American Resources), and on another front, a group of local ladies known as Community Service Volunteers walk in pairs along the scenic trails, answer questions for visitors, and caution people to stay on established trails.

Since 1968, the Torrey Pines Association has supplied volunteers each week to give out Reserve literature, sell books, and pass out information to visitors.

Leetch says the Reserve staff feels Torrey Pines gets more volunteer help than any other park unit. "And even if it isn't so," he quips, "it's a good feeling."

Mark Hartwell adds a Least Tern decoy to the nesting site at Torrey Pines SR. *Photos by Kent Hartwell.*

Free Pine Cones?

Around the Christmas season, many people come to state parks for pine cones and greenery to decorate their homes. And they are, often, more than a little annoyed with the ranger who objects to their collecting. This article, written for local newspapers, helps tell them why "a park is a special place."

"Why can't we take the pine cones home?", the little girl asked after a park ranger had requested that she and her mother and father return the shopping bag full of pine cones they had collected along Highway 79 in Cuyamaca Rancho State Park.

"A park is a special place," he told her, "a place where you and your friends can come to see the animals and plants in their natural homes. If you take a pine cone home you might rob a gray squirrel of his evening dinner – he eats the seeds that grow inside this pine cone. How would you feel if you came up here to the park and there weren't any pine cones at all, just bare ground under the trees? That's what could happen very easily if everybody came to Cuyamaca and took home a bagful of cones – pretty soon there wouldn't be anything left."

"Oh, that wouldn't be very nice," she replied. "Would you like to help me put those cones back where the squirrels can find them?" The Ranger had made a new friend and perhaps sparked a new kind of feeling toward nature in the minds of a little girl and her parents.

State Parks are special places, set aside to be used and enjoyed for what they are, natural areas relatively undisturbed by man. Regulations exist to protect all the features of such places, from the mightiest Ponderosa pine to the lowliest oak leaf in the dirt. It is the *combined* beauty of the autumn-gold leaves, russet-brown buckwheat and carefully sculptured pine cones, along with the other plants and animals, all working together, that produces the special flavor that is Fall in the mountains. If you take away one of those ingredients you destroy the essence of the product, reducing the value of the experience for all future visitors.

The State Park System encourages you to pick up and study anything which catches your eye or interest. We only ask that you consider the next family who may come the same way and leave what you have discovered for them to find and enjoy too.

–Ranger Paul Johnson
Montane Area

Things Looking Up at Fort Ross

Fort Ross State Historic Park in Sonoma County has fallen on hard times during the past year, but prosperity may be just around the corner.

The 160-year-old Fort was established by Russia in 1812 as a headquarters for its fur trading empire. Twice in the past 16 months it has been struck by disastrous fires. The historic chapel was completely destroyed by fire in August of 1970, and in July of this year the Commandant's House was partially destroyed and the stockade walls and one blockhouse were damaged by another fire.

The cause of the chapel fire is unknown, but the second was incendiary in origin.

Now things are looking up for the Fort. Several groups are busily raising funds for restoration of several buildings, a water system has been installed for fire prevention, and U. S. Highway 1, which runs right through the middle of the stockade, will be relocated this year by the Division of Highways to bypass the Fort.

Coordinating the fund raising efforts at Fort Ross is the State Parks Foundation. Raising funds are the American-Russian Historical Society, which is establishing the "Fort Ross Foundation" for this purpose; the Sea Ranch, under the Restore Fort Ross Fund; and a group of divers.

Ambitious Plans

George Lebedeff of San Francisco, a spokesman for the Russian group, said the original intent was to raise sufficient money (between $50,000 and $60,000) to restore the chapel. Now the society has more ambitious plans. The priorities are (1) restore the chapel, (2) restore the walls of the stockade, and (3) restore eight selected buildings. For the first project, the chapel, a $26,000 grant has been made by the National Park Service to help with restoration.

The Sea Ranch Fort Ross Fund has held a series of fund raising events. A big barbecue in November netted some $1,200 for restoration, and a benefit by Turk Murphy in December raised additional funds. Also, Christmas trees (Bishop pines from a Sea Ranch planted forest that needed thinning) were sold weekends until Christmas in the stable area of Fort Ross.

So far, Lebedeff said, between $4,000 and $5,000 in cash and $10,000 to $11,000 in pledges has been raised. A ball is scheduled January 20 at the Russian Center in San Francisco as another fund raiser.

Lebedeff said the Society hopes to bring Aleut craftsmen to the Fort for restoration work. The original Russian settlers brought Aleuts who served as hunters and builders. The Aleuts of today, part Aleut and part Russian, follow the same style of architecture that was practiced in the 19th Century when the Fort was built.

Russ Thompson, Sacramento president of the Valley Council of Diving Clubs, presents a $100 check to Director Mott for restoration work at Fort Ross SHP.

Two Sea Ranch residents, Barbara MacLeod and Jean Rand, are co-chairmen of the Fund.

In addition, the Sea Ranch and Coast Construction Co., a land developer north of the Fort, provided labor and materials to build a temporary roof over the Commandant's House to protect the building during the coming winter. Eventually, this will be replaced by a replica of the original roof.

Enter the Divers

Another group moved center stage recently with a $100 check for restoration work at the Fort. It was the Central Valley Council of Diving Clubs with members from Merced to Redding.

Council President Russ Thompson of Sacramento said, the cove is an excellent diving spot and meets and dives are scheduled there regularly. The cove was used for boat building and as a harbor in early days.

The new water supply for fire protection is a $43,000 project that includes a four-inch pipeline from the well to the Fort, five major fire hydrants, a pump for the well head, and a 5,000-gallon redwood water storage tank.

The Division of Highways project to relocate Highway 1 around the Fort will be carried out this year.

The Department of Parks and Recreation will contribute $70,000 to be used for an access road from the relocated highway to the Fort, and a parking lot.

All in all, things at Fort Ross should take a definite turn for the better in 1972.

Public Works Board Oks Refugio State Beach Project

Work on a new entrance road to Refugio-El Capitan State Beaches in Santa Barbara County should begin in a few months. The Public Works Board has just approved the $483,617 highway project that will put a new entrance road in to the heavily used beaches.

The entrance project will tie in with our $1.8 million development project there that will see new camping and picnicking facilities, a bicycle trail linking the two beaches, and utilities.

Thumbs Down on Portguese Bend

A feasibility study by the Department has shown that the Portuguese Bend landslide area in Los Angeles County is not suitable for inclusion in the State Park System.

The area has had major slippages in the past years, including one in 1956 that caused $10 million worth of damage to property. The report advises that because of geologic hazards, the 1,095-acre parcel should be zoned by the county to preclude development, and that it be operated by the county as a shoreline access park.

Foundation Honored

The California State Parks Foundation has been given the Award for Meritorious Service for outstanding accomplishments on behalf of state park systems by the National Conference on State Parks. Three individuals also received the award, making the Foundation the only organization in the nation so honored.

The October 1971 issue of "Communique," a publication of the National Recreation and Park Association, had this to say about the foundation:

"The foundation, a non-profit organization established to solicit and receive gifts of personal and real property for the California state park system, in 1970-71 received more than $1.7 million in gifts. These funds allowed the state to purchase key tracts of land not obtainable through normal budgetary processes."

One of the three individuals honored was Horace Marden Albright, for many years assistant to the director of the National Park Service. He is 81 and resides in Los Angeles. Others honored were Conrad L. Wirth, former director of NPS, and Mrs. Dora A. Padgett of Washington, D. C.

These were the first awards under the newly created Founders Awards Program.

Zoo Addition at Hearst

Four new zebras have been added to the zoo at Hearst San Simeon SHM. The four are a breed called Grevey zebras, and once they get used to the pens, they will be let loose to run free with the seven Chapman zebras and two yak now in residence at the Castle.

Arrangements were made with the Hearst Corporation to add the animals. They were supplied by Earl Tatum of Visalia, who deals in exotic animals. The Grevey is considered more rare than the Chapman.

The newcomers have become so popular that Monument Supervisor Wes Cater has made the pens a stopping point for the buses, so visitors can see and photograph the animals.

Blasting Necessary to Remove Cliff Hazard

The cliffs along the Orange Coast Area have proven to be a bit of a hazard because of the easily-dug sandstone. Both adults and children have dug caves into the sides of the cliffs that, because of the porous nature of sandstone, can and do collapse – occasionally with someone inside them. Earlier this year at San Clemente, one of these cliffs collapsed and killed the boy digging a cave. . .it was only three feet deep when it fell in.

So far, the only way found to combat these cave diggers has been to destroy the caves, using several hundred pounds of explosives under the direction of U. S. Army personnel. As a result, a lot of the natural cliffs both at San Clemente and at Pomponio SB in the San Mateo Coast Area have had to be destroyed and the end is not yet in sight as people continue to dig more caves.

The dirt slide in the center shows the most recent blast to close the caves at San Clemente SB. Can you spot the boy digging another cave at center right?

DAR Aids Torrey Pines

About three hundred people attended a dedication in the Torrey Pines Extension area recently, when members of the Daughters of the American Revolution presented Director Mott and District 6 Superintendent James Whitehead with a check for $2,500 toward the purchase of a grove, trail, and plaque in Torrey Pines SR.

The purchase was part of the DAR's National Bicentennial project: purchasing a natural setting, having it dedicated to their cause, and contributing annually thereafter to cover maintenance costs. The California DAR chapter is the first in the nation to complete this assigned project.

Shown with Ranger Kent Hartwell is Mrs. LeRoy Conrad Kaump (left), State Regent of the California DAR, and Mrs. Frank Robert Mettlach, National Vice President General.

BITS & PIECES

Sonoma Area Manager *Jerry Fialho* returned an antique clock that had been repaired by Janitor *Sammie Neel* to Petaluma Adobe and put it on display. They got it going, and then the park staff activated the burglar alarm and went home for the night. Next morning, when the rangers came to open up the Adobe, they found this note from a neighbor: "PLEASE DO NOT WIND THE STRIKING (LEFT SIDE) OF THIS CLOCK. LAST NIGHT BEGINNING AT 1900 HOURS IT SET OFF THE BURGLAR ALARM EVERY HOUR ON THE HOUR. MY SLEEP WAS BADLY INTERRUPTED AND I GOT UP THIS MORNING IN AN UGLY MOOD. THANKS."

Roughing it. . .Ranger *Charles Gordon* assisted a lady who was looking for Camp A-9 at New Brighton SB to deliver caviar and mushrooms to a trailer party camped there.

Giving his reindeer a rest, Santa Claus takes a ride on the stagecoach at Columbia SHP. He visited the park for two consecutive weekends during December and, reports Area Manager Neil Power, *"Even I got to sit on his lap."*

In their usual kind, humanitarian way, rangers at Pismo SB removed a lady beaver in distress from the surf and gave her a refuge in the lagoon. It turned out that the lady was in a family way, and soon the lagoon was populated with a thriving beaver population which is entertaining itself by building dams. . .in fact, upwards of ten manhours a week must be spent removing the dams which, if left undisturbed, block culverts and cause flooding. Now, District Superintendent *Lloyd Lively*, in asking for the help of the Resource Management and Protection Division and the Department of Fish and Game in removing these eager beavers, comments, "The beavers' dam building staff is constantly multiplying, while our dam removal staff is pretty generally on the shrinking side."

Decorative decorators Gail Barker and Marsha Evanikoff, Central Files, paint Christmas scenes and greetings for the windows of their offices on the 14th floor.

Potpourri

I Shoulda Stood in Bed

While Big Basin Redwoods SP's Supervising Ranger *Wes King* is cavorting on Hawaiian beaches, Ranger *Ira Brants* is home minding the park. He finds it's not all peaches and cream, as this excerpt from his Weekly Log shows:

November 20 – 1300 hours – fatal accident two miles south of park headquarters. Motorcycle out of control on turn slams into VW van killing the rider. 1500 – young hiker brought in from Pine Mountain trail by staff using Stokes Litter; transported to hospital by ambulance for X-rays. 2000 – Ranger *Ira Brant* and Trainee *Jim Schmus* evict about twenty young adults from "J" 4-5-6, thereby breaking up a wild beer bust and/or orgy after repeated infractions of park rules and complaints from neighboring campers.

November 21 – Tony Look, Sempervirens Fund, in with two prospective Memorial Grove donors. 1100 – hunters reported inside of east boundary. 1730 – Interrupted at dinner by camper and wife who brought neighboring camper's wife to residence area for treatment of a 2" gash in head, received in family altercation. This required a trip to hospital for suturing, but not until we called in Chief Ranger *Dick Memefee* to form a search party after a May Day call from Ranger and Mrs. *Wes Jones* at Castle Rock SP, stating that a Scoutmaster and nine boys were lost. It was a long night until they were found in the Kings Creek drainage at 0927 the next morning.

Brant comments, "None of this need have happened if visitors would heed our educational programs and safety and interpretive talks to schools, groups, and Scout councils."

Yokoso

Hardly anyone knew it then, and not many more know it today, but from early 1942 until VJ day, Angel Island was one of California's two staging areas for Nisei graduates from the Army language school at Monterey. The Japanese-speaking GIs shipped out from there or from Camp Stoneman in Pittsburgh for the Pacific.

So secret were these shipments of Japanese language experts that the people of California were unaware of their presence. Yet, many did obtain passes to visit San Francisco and nearby towns.

Recently they returned to San Francisco for the 30th Anniversary of Military Intelligence Service Veterans reunion. A highlight of their reunion was a display of Angel Island pictures we provided to them.

Gokurosama!

School Gives to Adobe Building Fund –We Think

The earthquake in Southern California earlier this year did considerable damage to the area, including El Pueblo de Los Angeles SHP. Particularly "shook up" was the Avila Adobe built in 1818. With major fractures in the exterior walls, and many of the cross walls torn completely loose, we had to close it down – it was just too dangerous.

Recently a group of 36 fourth graders and their teacher, from a suburban elementary school in Los Angeles, visited the park and took in the shops and other attractions there. When they got to the adobe, however, and found it closed, they were very disappointed – so much so, in fact, that when they got back to their classroom they immediately began making plans to raise funds for the adobe's restoration.

From the many ideas, the class settled on a cookie sale. Posters were made up and displayed in all the school's classrooms. Mothers were pressed into service to make the cookies, and when the flour and dust settled, they had $44.65 in their coffers.

EPILOG: Being naturally curious, we decided to check to see when the check was presented to the park, and were somewhat taken back to find that no one there had ever heard of it. You don't suppose. . .?

Conservation Education Gets Recognition

Conservation Education people have a chance for an important role in the selection of State textbooks, under a bill passed by the 1971 Legislature.

AB 2800 (Karabian), which reorganizes the various statutory committees serving the State Board of Education, sets up a new "Curriculum Development and Supplemental Materials Commission" to replace the existing Curriculum Commission, which assists the State Board in choosing the textbooks for California's schools.

Conservation Education is one of several specific fields from which appointees to the committee may be chosen by the State Board and the Superintendent of Education.

Snoopy Joins Anti-Pollution Fight

World War I fighter ace, erstwhile head beagle, and *bon vivant*, the star of Charles M. Schulz's comic strip "Peanuts" has decided to add another light to his already burdened tree and become an antipollutionist.

The Department of the Interior has just announced that Snoopy is now a full partner in the federal environmental program, and that with the motto "Pounce on Pollution," he will take his place with the other greats – Johnny Horizon, Smokey the Bear, and Hooty Owl – to help make America a little cleaner and a lot nicer.

In case you're wondering how we found out about it – the announcement was delivered to us by his flying secretary, Woodstock – flitter. . .flutter. . .flutter. . .flitter. . .bonk – Good Grief!

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YIELD FROM THE FIELD

Headquarters

Congratulations to *Al Karim* of the Program Management Section – he has just received word that he passed the State Bar exam, and is scheduled to be sworn in on January 5. He has had seventeen years of experience in the real estate field, and studied law for three years at McGeorge School of Law in Sacramento, two years at Humphries in Stockton.

District 2

Sixteen Soviet journalists toured Jack London SHP recently; Sonoma Area Manager *Jerry Fialho* reports that they were very familiar with London's work and said that many of his books are published in the Soviet Union.

On November 26 a couple was married in the Chapel at Mission San Francisco de Solano. No wedding has been performed there in 92 years but, the park staff hopes this one was the first of many in the near future. About 30 people were in the wedding party, and about that number of park visitors also came to the event.

A real early bird came to Benicia SRA at 7 a.m. the morning after the Vallejo newspaper announced that annual passes were on sale.

About 1:30 p.m. on November 28, a low-flying airplane struck the power transmission lines above the ranger's residence at Clear Lake SP and knocked out power and phone service for about twelve hours. Area Manager *Ed Griggs* was in the yard and thought he had had it when he saw the plane coming straight at him, out of control, but the pilot managed to pull it up and just brushed the tree tops.

District 3

Folsom Lake SRA Rangers *Craig Engel* and *Ed Williamson* and Ranger Trainee *Curtis Kraft* turned out to be good detectives, recovering some valuable equipment taken in a car clout at the Rattlesnake area. Comments Area Manager *Ron McCullough*, "This is the type of incident where training pays dividends."

At least, as a ranger you're seldom bored, according to Four Rivers Area Ranger *Caleb Smith*. As he was returning to his trailer home at Los Banos Creek recently with his hands full of camera, etc., he reached into an informal mailbox beside his door and found a large bird inside. The bird, a roadrunner, made a break for freedom and ran *into* the trailer by mistake. An exciting chase – highly detrimental to Smith's bric-a-brac, dishes, pipe stand, etc. – ensued, but finally the roadrunner found the door and dashed out . . . only to crash when he tried to clear the fence minus his tail feathers, lost in the fracas, for balancing. He finally escaped, leaving Smith with quite a mess of feathers and broken dishes.

Mount Diablo Area Chief Ranger *Bob Carlson* attended a meeting of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association on the evening of December 7. He is an active member of the Association; he was on a navy ship at Pearl on the day of the Japanese attack in 1941.

Maggie, the burro who has been in residence at Sutter's Fort since History Week in August, gave birth to a jack on November 13; hard to say who was more excited, Maintenance Man *George Carlin* or Maggie's owner, Nevada Jack.

District 4

Mount Diablo SP Ranger *Bob Carlson* had some visitors recently – four children, between 7 and 9 years old. He fed them cookies and milk while waiting for their parents in Danville to come for them; they had hiked about eight miles from home.

Representatives of the Big Sur, Point Lobos, and Monterey Areas met with the placement officer of Monterey Peninsula College regarding participation in the College Work Study program and learned that there was not much chance of participating; the number of vacancies is limited, and most students prefer to work at the school, unwilling to leave the "security" of their familiar surroundings.

Comedian Red Skelton visited the First Theater at Monterey SHP for the first time in 29 years, reminiscing about some of the skits he used when he played four performances there for GI audiences in 1942.

District 5

San Luis Obispo Coast Area Manager *Chuck Lyden* received a report of a whale washed ashore at Montana de Oro SP, but all the investigating ranger could find was a *very* dead cow.

District 6

Anza-Borrego Desert SP Ranger *Chet Getty* had a nice surprise recently – he discovered 11 large bags of cans and bottles neatly gathered for him by pupils from the Palms School for Exceptional Children. Mr. Mark Hammermess of the school has been taking the boys out every Monday for cleanup duty at the park.

Historian *Hank Nicol* who's always on the lookout for some wool so he can demonstrate the spinning wheel at Old Town San Diego SHP, really got carried away recently – he captured a large white rabbit in the Stewart House grounds. By the end of the day, though, he had given up all hopes of shearing the animal and was trying to turn it over to the Humane Society instead.

A helicopter landed on the West side of Los Penasequitos Lagoon at Torrey Pines SR, and the two passengers told Ranger *Kent Hartwell* that they were changing the film in their cameras. Then they took off again, and soon San Diego police arrived ... the 'copter had landed five times between Torrey Pines and La Jolla, with **FAA** and Coast Guard planes in hot pursuit.

A hiker took his leashed pet on the trails at Torrey Pines SR .. after all there's no regulation against *raccoons* in parks!

Of 18 campers registered at San Elijo SB recently, only 7 were Californians – the others included one from Germany, two from Canada.

For Your Information

NUMBER OF LOST-TIME INJURIES JANUARY THRU NOVEMBER 30, 1971

	1970	1971
Executive	1	1
Adm. Services	0	2
Design & Development	3	1
Operations Division Headquarters	0	0
District 1	7	5
District 2	10	6
District 3	11	13
District 4	8	8
District 5	15	9
District 6	6	9
Total	61	54

Senator Randolph Collier and Mrs. Collier, after renewing their wedding vows in the chapel at Mission San Francisco Solano in Sonoma SHP. Among the five other couples who did so were Richard Raoul Emparan, grandson of General Mariano Vallejo, and his wife Madie, a former State Park Commissioner. The event, one of many planned for the Sesquicentennial Celebration to celebrate the mission's founding in 1823, was the first time in nearly a hundred years that marriage rites had been held at the mission.

What's in a Name . . . ?

The trouble with the state position classification system is that it rarely tells you the most important thing – like, "What can this guy *do* for me?"

This is the problem that *Fred Meyer*, Supervisor of the Environmental Resources Section, has noted, particularly with the new State Park Plant Ecologist and State Park Wildlife Ecologist positions established last January. Nearly everyone knows that Jim Barry and Jack Hiehle joined the Department in these positions last January, but few are aware of the many services they offer.

Is an oil slick approaching your beach? Is Lophortyx californica rapidly vanishing from your landscape, are you being overrun with Mephitis mephitis? Do you need a friendly liaison with Fish and Game? Call *Jack Hiehle*; he'll do his best. (In the case of the oil slick, you understand, he may not be able to send it back where it belongs – but he can give you some pretty sound advice about cleanup of the ocean, the beach, and the inhabitants of both.)

And there's *Bob Hiller*. His title is State Park Ranger, but his job includes overseeing the scientific collecting permit program, writing miscellaneous technical reports, analyzing probable impacts of uses of State Park System lands, and "other duties as required."

Bob Hiller, Jack Hiehle, and Jim Barry of the Department's Environmental Resources Section.

The point is, regardless of what they are called, they will do their best to help you with any problems involving the environment of the State Park System.

–Beth Coppedge

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People

Department Experts Contribute to Smithsonian Handbook

The Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D. C. has recognized the expertise of two Department people who have been asked to do articles for the Smithsonian's definitive new handbook on the American Indian. *Fritz Riddell* is doing a 7000-word article on the Northern Maidu, and *Norm Wilson* is doing a similar piece on the Southern Maidu.

Norm, supervisor of exhibits in the Interpretive Services Section, has demonstrated that artists can write too by authoring a work on the Nesinan Indians. He is currently doing a bibliography on the Maidu, and is also the author of the article on hydraulic mining published as the 1971 Keepsake Edition of the California Book Club. Fritz, chief of the Cultural Resources Section of the Resource Management and Protection Division, has a number of archeological publications to his credit.

Brenda Boswell Elected to Office

Brenda Boswell, Editorial Technician in the Information Office, was elected Secretary of the State Information Officers Council at its regular meeting in Sacramento December 1.

Brenda, who has been with the Department since 1964, started as a Senior Clerk Typist in Management Analysis. In 1967 she came with the Information Office and in 1971 passed the Editorial Technician exam.

Other officers of the organization are President, Vince Vandre, Department of Public Health in Berkeley; Vice-President, Fred Baumberger, California Council on Criminal Justice; and Treasurer, Dick Wilford, Water Resources.

Sempervirens Fund Borrows Dale Wilson

Dale Wilson, Associate Civil Engineer of the Development Branch, has been granted a leave of absence until the end of next June to work on the trail program in the Santa Cruz Mountains. As Trail Chairman for the Sempervirens Fund of

Conservation Associates, he will work on completion of the trail work in and between Big Basin Redwoods and Castle Rock SPs and on planning trails between Big Basin and the coast. He will also work with volunteers in establishing a maintenance program for trails already constructed.

Salary Review

Fully aware that our Ranger salaries are lagging from 11.9% at the trainee level to 51.8% at the District Superintendent level from comparable salaries for National Park Service employees, Director Mott has petitioned the State Personnel Board for a ranger salary review.

In a letter to Richard L. Camilli, Executive Officer of the State Personnel Board, Director Mott explained that as far back as October 1969, our Department has been requesting such a review, and that if the disparities are not corrected, they will affect the future of the State Park System.

Six Million Pounds of Cans Recycled.

The Adolph Coors Company, a leader in recycling cans with their offer of a dime a pound for all aluminum cans turned in, recently announced that California beer drinkers had turned over 6,445,386 pounds of cans. California was the front runner; next was Texas with 3,647,539 pounds, followed by Oklahoma, Arizona, Colorado, and New Mexico.

Mike Doyle of the Design and Development Division, scoutmaster for Boy Scout Troop 603, was responsible for a substantial part of the total. With the help of members of the troop and his family, he collected and turned in 850 pounds; proceeds have helped,among other things, to purchase equipment for the boys.

We regret to report two deaths – Verna Beddig, wife of Accounting and Business Management Supervisor *Harry Beddig*, died on November 27 after an illness. Minnie D. Tryner, wife of Resources Management and Protection Division Chief *James Tryner*, was killed in an auto accident on December 2.

That person hobbling around the Headquarter's offices, on crutches, December 15 was auditor Stan Stiles. He is finally, but just barely, up and around after his very serious automobile accident last August in which he and auditor Hubert Nickles were seriously injured. Stan hopes to be back at work sometime in January . . . Nickles is already back. Stan is shown with Frank Leon.

Governor Reagan pins the Medal of Valor on Lifeguard Supervisor Eric Emery while Lifeguard Knut Skjonberg, right, looks on. The two participated in rescuing a young man from the flood swollen Santa Ana River, off Huntington SB, in January of 1969. The Medal is California's highest award and is given for extraordinary heroism.

A special award went to Chris Emery, Eric's son. It was a box of jelly beans.

The Christmas Party 1971

Nearly 150 Department personnel and their guests were on hand for the 1971 Christmas party – more than anticipated – and it caught the caterer a little unaware. But everybody got fed, the music was good, the mood bright, and everyone had a good time.

This year the *Committee* decided that the party should be a catered affair, and everyone seemed to enjoy the change from our usual pot luck arrangement.

Roberta Gisler and George Pantell were the co-chairmen again, and the very excellent way they handled things will, we are sure, assure them of receiving this honor every year for years to come.

On decorations were Artie Carsley, Dorothy Hardy (who made her house available for spraying pinecones and the bottles used for the candles), Mary Lowe, Connie Johannsen and daughter, Ron Rawlings and daughter, Shirley Humphrey (wife of Dick), and Bob Phillips.

Tickets were again handled by Faye Cobleigh and her lovelies: Margie Grima, Janice Walker, Betty Coulter, Mary Jane Barclay, Marie Russell, Bonnie Glasby, Dean Reid, and Eve Giordano.

Photos by Dick Thompson

Once the decorations were assembled, they had to be put up. From left, Roberta Gisler, Dorothy Hardy, Shirley Humphrey, and George Pantell. There, but not pictured, were Bob Phillips and Artie Carsley.

An "attitude readjustment and conviviality period" preceded dinner, and shop talk was kept to a minimum.

Promptly at 8, those who could lined up for their food – chicken, beef, spaghetti, and salads. Any resemblance to a G.I. chow line is purely accidental.

By 9:30 everyone was fed at least once. Some people table hopped, but most settled into groups and the party was on.

Music was by Harmon, and he played the spectrum from polkas, through the Charleston and swing, to hard rock. That's Lylia (Lee) Forsyth and Dean Reid "jitterbugging" to the big band sound of the '40s.

Christmas Party Annex

APPOINTMENTS

Bauer, Raymond M.	Jr Staff Analyst	Audit Section	11-8-71
Berry, James D.	Groundsman	Channel Coast Area	11-5-71
Carroll, Edward J.	Administrative Trainee	Accounting Section	12-9-71
Curtis, Clyde G.	Park Maint Assist	Channel Coast Area	11-15-71
Curtis, Edith G.	Accounting Tech	Acctg & Fis Cont Section	11-22-71
Dickenson, Douglas E.	Deckhand, Hist Ships	Golden Gate Area	11-22-71
Hunt, Eva R.	Clerk Typist I	Off & Res Services	12-2-71
Kurdis, Theodore F.	Park Maint Assist	District 5 Headquarters	11-2-71
Lewison, Connie J.	Clerk Typist II	Off & Res Services	12-2-71
Magnuson, Chester O.	Park Maint Assist	Orange Coast Area	11-22-71
Muspratt, Paul A.	Park Sfty & Enf Spec	District 6 Headquarters	11-15-71
Ray, Richard J.	Park Maint Assist	Mt. Diablo Area	11-15-71
Scalzo, Wanda F.	Pwr Kybd Typwr Opr, MT/ST	Dictation/Typ Cntr	12-6-71
Steward, Carol A.	Clerk I (Perm Int)	Golden Gate Area	11-19-71
Strine, Michael E.	Watchman	Orange Coast Area	11-26-71
Vice, Donna R.	Steno II	District 3 Headquarters	12-2-71

PROMOTIONS

Allmer, Linda A.	Composer Oper, MT/SC	Dictation/Typ Cntr	12-8-71
Boelens, Leo M.	Pk Maint Man I	San Mateo Coast Area	11-15-71
Hommon, James B.	State Pk Des Supvr	Proj Design & Constr Section	11-17-71
Kay, Quinton E.	State Pk Rngr II	Frontera Area	11-12-71
Moore, Larry A.	State Pk Rngr II	Orange Coast Area	12-2-71
Ratliff, William L.	Pk Lndscp Maint Tech	Monterey Area	11-4-71

VOLUNTARY DEMOTION

Marceau, Mary E.	Acct Clerk II	Acctg & Fis Cont Section	11-22-71

MANDATORY REINSTATEMENT

Douglas, Warren R., Sr.	Pk Sfty & Enf Spec	District 4 Headquarters	11-15-71

UNIT CHANGES

Ward, James E.	Park Maint Assist	Dyerville Area to Piercy Area	12-6-71

TIME BASE CHANGES

Mason, Fredie R.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int to full time)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	11-17-71

CLASS TITLE AND TIME BASE CHANGE

Lance, Leon L.	State Pk Rngr I (Full Time) to State Pk Rngr I (Int)	Lake Oroville Area	11-4-71

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Wilson, Dale	Assoc Civil Eng	Engineering Unit	12-10-71

SEPARATIONS

Bernstein, Linda L.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	11-1-71
Bower, Raymond T.	State Pk Rngr (Int)	Pt Mugu Area	9-17-71
Caldwell, Patrick D.	St. Pk Rngr Trainee	Golden Gate Area	12-1-71
Davis, Wendell K.	State Pk Rngr IV	Dyerville Area	11-5-71
Hee, Dewey L.	Clerk I	Golden Gate Area	11-10-71
Klavano, Norman E.	State Pk Equip Oper	Sierra Area	12-3-71
Loutzenhiser, Erika D.	Composer Operator, MT/SC	Dictation/Typing Cntr	12-1-71
Rankin, Frances J.	Sr. Steno	District 6 Headquarters	12-12-71

RETIREMENTS

Mitchell, Stanley J.	State Pk Attend	Piercy Area	11-30-71
Reynolds, Gerald G.	Guide I, Hist Mon	Hearst San Simeon SHM	11-1-71

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The Conceptual Field Trip

This article by Matthew J. Brennan, who is Editor of People and Their Environment, *special consultant to the U.S. Office of Education, and former Director of the Pinchot Institute for Conservation Studies, first appeared in the March 1970 issue of* Science and Children. *Reprinted by permission.*

SINCE EDUCATORS first directed their attention to the idea of helping children develop concepts rather than filling their minds with facts, the "concepts" approach has found general acceptance. Textbooks, elementary science projects, and more recently a series of teachers' curriculum guides for conservation education, have been developed under the South Carolina Curriculum Improvement Project using the same concepts. Even so, in the field, teachers still stuff their pupils with facts. Some interpretive naturalists in the park and forest programs for the public also go in for the "whole load approach." A teacher, forester, or park naturalist may take a group out into the field and proceed to tell the children numerous facts he has learned during his formal education and work experience, in a period of 1 hour or less.

At some resident outdoor education programs, the children get the "whole load" on a different area of science every day (sometimes two a day). On a trip through a national park or forest, the child or visitor may be exposed to all about the geology, soils, plants, animals, and the type of conservation which the managing agency practices on the area. The result is that children in school and summer tourists are environmentally illiterate – they have no concepts of environment and particularly their own interdependence with the environment. If the conceptual approach is acceptable for textbooks, teachers' guides, and media materials, why not try it for teaching and learning in the field – in the natural science laboratory? A "conceptual field trip," can be used effectively, lasting 5 to 10 minutes, offering a child acquaintance with a single concept of the

environment. In this way, rather than the "whole load" the teacher can present a sequentially planned series of field experiences which will lead to development of several concepts of environment.

In an analysis of the "whole load" presentation of several foresters, explaining the reasons for block cutting of Douglas fir, black walnut, or cherry, why not prepare a list of the concepts they briefly mention: germination on mineral soil, response to sunlight, tolerance to shade, effects of crowding, and thinning. These concepts can be better developed in a planned elementary science sequence, than through a unit taught a day or longer.

For example, at The Pinchot Institute, many interesting field trips are taken with children at all levels. With kindergartners, the Institute has had great success with a 10-minute trip to see three trees. One is big and tall and straight, the forester's dream tree. The second is a hemlock that blew down in a storm several years ago. Its roots are still intact and the tip has turned up toward the sun. (Or is it away from the pull of gravity?) The third tree was bent over when another fell on it in a storm. Three of its side branches are now growing upright.

conceptual field trip (cont.)

At the kindergarten level, we are told that children cannot develop a concept of plant response to sunlight. That is generally done in third grade (or is it fourth?) by putting a box over a geranium plant in the classroom window. Nevertheless, when the 5-year-olds are asked what they have learned from seeing these trees, several in the class will invariably say, "All of the trees are trying to get up to the sun."

The other concepts necessary to an understanding of forestry can be developed just as easily as the child progresses through elementary school science. Last May, a different kind of "conceptual field trip" was tried with students from an Oregon school. As it began, the children were asked to look for two things: (1) evidence of change (concept: living things and the environment are in constant change); and (2) evidence that one living thing is dependent on another – that living things are dependent on one another, or interdependent. (Concept: living things are interdependent with their environment and each other.)

The directions for the 10-minute field trip were simple: "In the next 10 minutes, find as many examples as you can of change and dependence." The children regrouped after 10 minutes. They were loaded down with dead leaves, flowers, and seeds. The students saw all kinds of changes, and discussed how these were caused. They decided that changes in living things were:

1. natural (species) – buds – flowers – seeds – dead remains;
2. natural (caused by other living things) – chewed, sucked, mined leaves;
3. physical – storm, erosion, flood, time;
4. chemical – pH, mineral deficiency, salt spray;
5. man-caused (In another hour the children might have decided that man-made changes are also natural. Is not man a natural animal?)

The children further decided that changes are going on all the time. Living things change, environments change, sixth graders change, constantly.

Concepts of dependence and interdependence are just as quickly developed through this type of experience. In the very short time spent on the field trip, the children are beginning to develop the third major concept of environment – *living things are the product of their heredity and their environment*. This concept also applies to populations of organisms. What would happen if an animal ate *all* the leaves of a tree? If man killed all grouse? Why are two Sitka spruce trees different? Two daisies? Two sixth graders?

This type of field trip means a new role for the teacher – but it is an enjoyable one. All he has to do is direct his students to new experiences and help them explore unknown environments. Let them develop their own concepts of environment. Then every new experience they have in the environment in the future will reinforce their concept or cause it to be modified.

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What's Happening

Appeal for Pics

If anyone has any pictures of Big Basin Redwoods or of themselves or friends at Big Basin Redwoods, please get in touch with *Denzil Verardo*, Ranger at the park. He tells us he is compiling a pictorial history of the park and needs help.

If you send him a picture, include a description and brief history of the subject. He says the photographs will be mounted and preserved as a permanent part of the library there, so we guess that means the material will not be returned.

It Costs An Arm and A Leg . . .

Did you know that Americans shelled out $176 million in 1969 just to pay the cost of disposing of the nearly 47 billion beverage containers that were produced that year?

And did you know that the problem of beverage container disposal is growing at the rate 7.5 percent per year – compared to the overall waste growth of 4 percent per year?

And, if *that* doesn't boggle your mind, consider that the $176 million referred to only covers that cost of household collection of this waste, and does not include the cost of collecting and disposing of these cans and bottles along our highways and in our parks.

Let's all buy our beverages in returnable containers.

THE DIRECTOR

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.

Silence

Pollution to most urban dwellers is the yellow smog that causes watery eyes and headaches and obsures the view of distant snowcapped mountains that, not too many years ago, was enjoyed daily by Californians. Now a glimpse of a distant mountain is an instant topic of excited conversation.

To the fisherman pollution is the silting up of his favorite trout stream as valuable topsoil is eroded away due to mining, lumbering, and farming activities that have stripped the protective natural cover from the land, or it is his favorite ocean fishing spot that has been contaminated by a sewer outfall.

To the hiker, pollution is the scarring of the landscape with road construction or excessive grading as subdividers rush to exploit for second homesites California's priceless mountain landscapes.

All of us, however, should be concerned with the ever-increasing noise level that daily engulfs us – unwanted noise created by blaring loudspeakers, motorbikes without mufflers, air hammers, airplanes buzzing wilderness areas, "dragging" and "gunning" automobiles, sirens, horns, radios and television sets turned up so that the master of the house can hear the Bowl game three blocks away, amplified music and a host of other noisemakers. Noise is a form of torture. Doctors and scientists believe that the increased noise level that people are daily being exposed to is a hazard to their physical and mental health.

The State Park System offers people a place to go and enjoy the quiet of nature's symphony of sound, so delicate that people must adjust their audio senses to hear them. The hum of flying insects blended into the rustling sounds of dry grasses caressed by gentle breezes...the melody of bird's songs sometimes pierced by the hunting cry of a red-tailed hawk. . .the sound of small animals as they move about in search of food. Nature blends all of her sounds together into a restful melody. Those who will discipline themselves and listen quietly will find an inner calm that will be recreative.

Silence, another attribute of the California State Park System.

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What's Happening

Snow Camping? Why Not?

Why would you ever want to camp in the snow?! Some do, though, and now there is a park in operation for just this type of person.

Sugar Pine Point State Park is on the west shore of Lake Tahoe about 15 miles south of Squaw Valley SRA via Highway 89. It has 175 campsites, 75 of which are open during the winter for snow camping, plus 75 picnic units, and day use parking for 154 cars. The park also features hot water, sewer facilities, heated restrooms and a breathtaking view of Lake Tahoe.

After a stop at Squaw Valley SRA for a tram ride and a talk with Ranger *D. Michael Van Hook* we took the short drive to Sugar Pine Point. In charge at Sugar Pine and the entire Sierra Area is Ranger *Carl (Andy) Anderson,* a veteran of nearly a quarter century with the Department. Ranger Anderson and his wife Lou live at Sugar Pine, and we stopped for coffee before he took us to the camping area.

We drove around the campground (no, I'm not one of those people that wants to camp in the snow just yet) and discovered that this beautiful park is not used nearly enough. Either there are not enough people aware of the existence of a snow camp, or they just are not willing to give winter camping a try.

At this time of year, the snow is deep, but the roads in the park are kept clear except during extreme storm conditions. Of course, it is unusual to have to clear the snow off the table before sitting down to breakfast, but a minor thing like this is nothing to the hardy soul camping during the winter. In fact, I have heard that the only difference between winter and summer camping is

that you dress warmer during the day, and cover yourself more at night. On the day-use side is the Ehrman Mansion which is open during the summer for guided tours. There are plans set for a later date to make it into an interpretive center for the Sierra Area.

Besides the obvious benefit of being near the major ski areas in the Sierra Area, Sugar Pine Point has an often-overlooked advantage of being just far enough away from the crowds to be a very peaceful place to stay. Sure, it's cold and snow is everywhere – it was that way the day we visited the park this January – but when you realize that the snow muffles every sound, and the only thing you hear is an occasional pack of snow falling off the trees nearby, a visit seems more than worthwhile.

–Marti Johnson

Above right: The Ehrman Mansion, completed in 1903, was considered the finest summer home in the Sierra during its heyday. Now the main house, set amid a beautiful grove of pine and cedar, is the park's interpretive center and museum.

Right: Fine weather for a picnic, if you don't mind a little snow.

Allensworth Should Be A State Park

The Department has recommended that the historic townsite of Allensworth in Tulare County be added to the State Park System as a center for interpretation of Black history in California in a feasibility study prepared at the request of the 1970 State Legislature.

Allensworth was founded in 1908 by Colonel Allen Allensworth and the California Colony and Home Promotion Association. Born on a slave plantation in the Deep South in 1842, Colonel Allensworth was sold at auction twice. He escaped slavery and served in the Civil War, the Spanish American War, and the Phillipine Liberation. At retirement, his excellent record earned him the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel (Retired), the highest rank attained by a Negro to that time. His dream was to establish a community where his people might live and develop themselves free from the direct influence of slave-oriented social attitudes.

Eventually, Colonel Allensworth located in Tulare County and started his dream town. The community experienced its greatest growth from 1908 to 1918, the period to be depicted in the historical area, but began to decline when a series of man-made barriers and increased agricultural demands exhausted the in-flow of water from the Sierras.

Cost of the Allensworth project is estimated at $150,000 to acquire 240 acres of land at the townsite, plus $1,400,000 for restoration and development of park and interpretive facilities. Buildings to be restored include Colonel Allensworth's house and the railroad station, postoffice, general store, hotel, drugstore, church, library, and school. Facilities for the 400,000 visitors yearly would include agricultural and outdoor history areas, an educational and cultural complex, and areas for day use, camping, and concessions.

According to the report, Allensworth's contribution to our social and cultural history by increased awareness of the role of the Negro in this nation's development would be significant, but the town may be irretrievably lost as a historical resource if not acquired soon.

Recycling

All that glitters is not gold, and the recycling of paper may not be the panacea some people think it is.

Sparked by suggestions that News and Views be printed on recycled paper, and that the State make a greater effort to save paper for recycling and use more recycled paper, News and Views talked to the Office of State Printing and the Purchasing Division of the Department of General Services to find out more about this whole recycling business.

Milt Arnold, the paper expert at OSP, said all kinds of paper can be recycled, and recycling is not new. All rag content paper is manufactured by recycling old rags in with wood pulp. Also, for many years, paper has been recycled and used for corrugated board, and has been shredded and used for packing.

Recycled paper is more expensive than the original product, Arnold said, becuase the process of recycling requires the removal of the ink in addition to breaking down the paper into pulp. There are additional waste products in recycled paper, too. Arnold estimates that a ton of recycled paper will yield 100 pounds of sludge (ink plus acids, waxes and other caustic substances).

Recycled paper is not as bright a white as newly manufactured paper, but gray or other colors are satisfactory color-wise.

Jack Berutich, Superintendent of Priniting Production at OSP, points out that recycled paper is more costly and of lower grade, because when paper is rebeat, it is weakened. Also, there is the pollution problem caused by the chemicals used to bleach out the old paper.

James Knibb of Purchasing said the State has used mostly recycled newsprint and envelopes to date, but is getting more and more into the use of recycled paper.

New legislation in 1971 (SB 1269, Beilenson), requires the State to buy recycled paper when price, fitness, and quality are equal. Recently a bid was accepted for 100% recycled newsprint, and the Printing Plant is awaiting receipt of the new stock to see how it works. The State has a contract now for regular ream stock (large size sheets that are cut up to fit individual job specs) and will soon ask bids for recycled cut stock (cut into standard sizes, such as 8-1/2 x 11).

If there are any recycling experts among you readers, News and Views would like to have your opinions.

Oroville Survey Reveals Typical Visitor

Richard E. Webb and Associates, a market survey group under contract to Southern California Financial Corporation, the principal concessioner for Lake Oroville SRA development, recently completed a survey of more than 400 visitors to the area. Their findings are interesting and even enlightening.

A typical family visiting Oroville consists of three members, has a median annual income of nearly $12,000, lives within 75 miles of the park (although 6 percent were out-of-staters), and spends about $10 per day while there. The head of this typical family is in a professional or managerial occupation and is 38 years old.

Of all those questioned, slightly more than half – 53 percent – had visited the area before, but a resounding 82 percent indicated that they would not visit there again in the next 12 months. Most were sightseers and tourists and were only there for the one day, but those who were there to camp spent two to three days on an average.

An interesting statistic – only one in four owned a trailer or camper. The rest were tenters or stayed in their cars (38 percent), stayed in motels (26 percent) or on their boats (25 percent), or stayed with relatives or in cabins on their own land.

A story on Oroville gives us a chance to run our favorite picture. Photo by Bill Dillinger.

What's Happening

Finally, the visitors were asked what kind of facilities they would want to see there at Lake Oroville. This is what they replied:

Rest Rooms	32.5%
Showers	15.8
Concessions (grocery, bar, snacks, gasoline, etc.)	11.9
Running Water	9.1
Improvements (shade, parking)	7.9
Campsite Improvements	7.0
Picnic Improvements	3.5
Beach Improvements	3.1
Tables	2.9
BBQ Grills	2.9
Better Boat and Fishing facilities	2.3

And 1.1 percent who were content with the place just the way it is!

The figures don't add up to 100 percent because there were a number of multiple answers.

Envrionmental Teachers' Aids

Know some group that's looking for a Conservation Week project?

How about encouraging them to give a set of environmental teachers' guides to a local school?

California Garden Clubs, through their statewide organization, are encouraging their members to do this with an eight-volume series called "People and Their Environment." The American Forest Institute has urged industry groups to do it, too.

The series is available from the J. G. Ferguson Publishing Co., 6 N. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Ill. 60602. It is recommended by the U. S. Office of Education, and various volumes are under consideration for adoption by the California Board of Education, with one already approved. The series also has the blessing of a Legislative Resolution (HR 595 Fong 1971).

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BITS & PIECES

Some young visitors were asking where all the deer were that usually frequent the campground area at Big Basin Redwoods SP. When Ranger *Bill Krumbein* explained that it was mating season, one young man exclaimed, "Wow – mating in nature – far out – those deers have got it made!"

Due to the Bay Area blackout of the game, hordes of dedicated football fans, using all conceivable modes of transportation, arrived at San Luis Reservoir SRA's Romero Overlook on the day after Christmas to watch the 49ers beat the Redskins on their trusty portable TVs.

An artist painting in the Arroyo Salada Primitive Camp at Anza-Borrego Desert SP asked Ranger *Ron Secovitch* exactly what he was getting for his $1.50 fee. When told, "Not a helluva lot except my company once or twice a day," he replied, "I just wanted to hear you say it."

Ranger *Frank Herald* of the Orange Coast Area has set up a 30-gallon salt-water aquarium at the office with his own time and money. Among his "pets" are two small octopi, a blenny, and a number of hermit crabs, culpin, and anemone. So far, there's been just one small problem . . . the octopi mistook a hermit crab for lunch.

Bolsa Chica SB is hard on tires . . . or at least it seems that way to Ranger *Larry Moore.* Three flat tires in one day!

Golden Gate Area Manager *Bill Allison* reports that his men can handle any emergency – including the plight of a young lady who came to the park office to ask the loan of a pair of pants. Seems she burned hers while drying them by the fire . . .

Learning that the Annual Day Use Passes stolen from the Sonoma SHP office had been discarded along Highway 1, Ranger *George F. ("Matt") Helm* deduced that something similar might have happened to those taken from Armstrong Redwoods SR. He searched along the roads in the vicinity of the park and found the tickets floating in a water-filled ditch.

Talk about *realism*! Exhibit Specialist *Robin Holmes* of Interpretive Services was preparing a display panel depicting a picnic site for Calaveras Big Trees SP. When he returned to work the following morning, his picnic site had been invaded by ants. So, he took his spray can of Black Flag and decimated them. Now . . . did he, or did he not, breach the rules about insecticide use in state parks?

COMMISSION REPORT

A flurry of gifts, regulations about dogs, and several commendations highlighted the State Park and Recreation Commission meeting in Carmel on January 14.

The Commission accepted gifts from the Save-the-Redwoods League and private donors of 105 acres at Prairie Creek Redwoods, Humboldt Redwoods, Grizzly Creek Redwoods, and Jedediah Smith Redwoods SPs; and a one-acre inholding at Will Rogers SHP. It also approved Director Mott's recommendation to accept a gift of 2,300 acres as an addition to Henry Cowell Redwoods SP from the Cowell Foundation.

By unanimous vote, the Commission approved the new regulation requiring that all dogs entering state parks either have a valid license or proof of rabies innoculation. The regulation will go into effect in late February, this year.

After the vote, Commissioner Thomson proposed a resolution that our Department begin an immediate investigation of a program to segregate campers with dogs from campers without dogs at state park campgrounds of sufficient size to make the practice possible.

Mrs. Zena Holman, Mr. Herman Marks, and Mr. Edward Graves, all from the Monterey area, were given the Commission's Golden bear awards for their work on behalf of the State Park System: Mrs. Holman for the contribution of her Indian artifact collection and for her books and memorabilia on Jack London; Mr. Marks for his generous gift of The Forest of Nisene Marks SP and the Gowan Cypress Grove as an addition to Point Lobos SR; and Mr. Graves for his many years of dedicated public service in the field of conservation.

District Superintendents Milt Frincke and Clyde Newlin were recognized by the Director for their efforts in meeting the "20 Challenges" given to all Districts. The Director said that all Districts responded well, and it was difficult to choose just two out of the six to honor.

The Commission also passed a resolution commending former member Daniel D. Villanueva for his service.

An item of old business, the renaming of Joshua Tree State Park, was held over by the Commission until its next meeting at Needles on February 11.

Photos, top to bottom:

Edward Graves and Mrs. Zena Holman received their Golden Bear awards from Commission Chairman Clarice Gilchrist.

Superintendent Newlin and Clyde Ray, who accepted for Milt Frincke, are congratulated by Director Mott for their part in meeting the 20 challenges.

On Thursday the Commission members saw several new additions to the State Park System. Here, they are arriving at the Molera property just north of Pfeiffer Big Sur SP.

Potpourri

Oops!

First, in last month's issue we had a story entitled "The New Year Island." One picture for the article came from our Department, but the other, the seals and sea lions on the island, was donated for our story by Dr. B. Le Bouef of the University of California at Santa Cruz. We usually credit those pictures donated from outside the Department; this one got away from us.

Also, in the same issue we included Mr. Horace Marden Albright as having received the Award for Meritorious Service and named him as former Assistant to the Director of the. National Park Service. Much to our embarrassment we understand from his nephew, *Bill Benson* of our Department, that Mr. Albright was the *Director*.

Keep Those Clips Coming!

Sixty-two press clippings were turned in to the Information Section in December by Department personnel, and Allen's Clipping Service supplied another 23, totaling 85 clippings that were carefully pasted up, placed in folders, and routed throughout the Department during the month.

Bill Dillinger, Chief of the Information and Interpretation Division, said headquarters relies heavily on Department employees to supply news clippings of park system events because the press clipping service was severly reduced early in the fiscal year.

District 5 led the Department by supplying 20 clippings, followed by headquarters personnel with 19. District 4 supplied 11, District 2 sent in five, District 6 forwarded 4, and District 6 sent in 3. District 3 recorded a goose egg.

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YIELD FROM THE FIELD

District 1

Rangers at the Mendocino Area are doing their part to practice what they preach about conserving our natural resources by returning glass to a glass company for recycling rather than throw it away.

District 2

Area Manager *Frank Brown* in Bothe-Napa had his faith in fellow men renewed when recently a gentleman came by to pay a camping fee he had incurred in August. As he was paying the $3.00, he stated he also had a cat and two dogs with him at the time and wanted to pay any fee that was due for them too. Thank *you* Sir!

Sonoma SHP entertained a celebrity recently – Julia Child, author of *The Art of French Cooking.*

District 3

Foreign Exchange students sponsored by the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship Society were the guests of the California State Park System at the Emigrant Trail Museum, Donner Memorial SP. The group of forty students represented such nations as Australia, Brazil, Indonesia, Hong Kong, African nations, and many others, and Ranger *Ken Legg*, guide for the tour, felt they enjoyed the museum every bit as much as he did.

District 4

The staff at Pfeiffer Big Sur SP interviewed the Ewoldsens, long-time area residents, in an attempt to build up the park history file and write unit histories. Mrs. Ewoldsen is a descendent of the Pfeiffer family.

District 5

For all the violent storms that occur along the coastal area, damage done by the elements can't compete with that done by the vandals in the Channel Coast Area, according to Ranger *Pat Dougherty*. The pier and flood-dike headgate at McGrath SB are continuously destroyed.

District 6

Area Manager *Jack Welch* turned in his bachelor button for a bride named Helen. Mrs. Welch is an elementary school teacher in Vista, where the couple will make their home, along with three teenagers, a horse, a 90-lb. Labrador retriever, and assorted chickens.

Torrey Pines SR continues to be one of our most donation-prone parks. Mr. John Price of San Diego started 52 young Torrey pines from seed and has donated them to the park. Also, a large picture of Torrey pines and seascape was donated by Giant Photo Service of San Diego. The photo is set in a shadow box and lighted by neon to make a handsome display for the park lodge.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

A man and his wife awakened Ranger *Jim Hart* recently to ask for help after an all-night hike out of the Pinyon Mountain Drop-off in Anza-Borrego Desert SP where they had wrecked their bike. The man had lost the cartilage in his left leg in a previous accident, and the wife was a polio victim who had left her brace at home.

After getting some rather testy questions about "too many rangers here" at San Diego Coast Area, Area Manager *Jack Welch* installed several signs explaining the Ranger training and intake park concept. The sign explains the presence of so many Rangers and invites questions and comments on the Ranger training program. Subsequent comments have all been favorable.

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For Your Information

Third Enforcement Class Completes Course

The third class of State Park Rangers has completed the 200-hour Law Enforcement class at the Riverside Sheriff's Academy held November 15 through December 22. In the group were: *Nolan Albright*, Lake Oroville Area; *Jerry Beauchamp* (the class's only Maintenance Man), Piercy Area; *Don Engler*, Marin Area; *Martin Brown*, Sonoma Area; *Al Oliver*, Calaveras Area; *John Walstrom*, Sierra Area; *Robert Justice*, Delta Area; *Richard Schnurr*, Four Rivers Area; *John Gianopoulous*, Pajaro Coast Area; *Clifford Wade*, Big Sur Area; *James Fife*, Point Lobos Area; *Roger Kellogg*, San Luis Obispo Coast Area; *Robert Freese*, Channel Coast Area; *Robert Crandall*, Point Mugu Area; *Earle Hooven* and *Louis Wakefield*, High Desert Area; *Phil Van Deusen*, Will Rogers Area; *Jack Welch*, San Diego Coast Area; *Lyle Watson*, Montane Area; *Kenneth Wilbur*, Salton Sea Area; *Jeff Snider* and *Rene Avant*, Orange Coast Area; *Kenneth Smith*, Frontera Area; and *Jerry Hayes*, San Diego Coast Area.

Top: Nolan Albright gets his diploma from Jack Knight (second from right). Flanking Knight are Stan Everett, the school coordinator, on the right and Mr. Davidson of the Los Angeles Department of Airports.

Above: Louis Wakefield receives his diploma.

For Your Information

"It Was A Very Good Year"

1971 was a banner year in the Department's acquisition and development programs. About 18,000 acres were acquired and an additional 3,728 acres were obtained under lease agreement. Two new park units were opened to public use – San Onofre SB and Border Field, both in San Diego County. Since July 1, when the park was opened through a concession agreement, 142,000 campers and day users have visited San Onofre. Border Field, acquired and opened in August, contains 372 acres with 6,000 feet of ocean frontage.

Two important areas were acquired through the State Parks Foundation: Annadel Farms, a 4,100-acre ranch in Marin County, cost over $4 million of which half was from private donations and half from the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund; and the Painted Caves in Santa Barbara County.

Major development projects during the year included a 175-unit campground at Sugar Pine Point SP, first state park campground to be winterized, and new sewer facilities at Emerald Bay and Donner Memorial SPs to protect the environment of the Lake Tahoe basin. New sewer facilities at D.L. Bliss SP are planned for 1972.

Three major developments were realized without cost to the taxpayers through concession contracts. At Old Town San Diego SP, a Mexican-style shopping arcade has been opened; and Los Coches Rancho WC in Monterey County opened to the public with 89 trailer campsites plus hot showers, laundry facilities, restrooms, and a grocery store. A third concession development, Brown's Ravine Marina at Folsom Lake SRA, will include 600 boat slips when completed.

We also took several important steps to protect the State Park System's environment. A permit system and carrying capacity were established at Mount San Jacinto Wilderness SP to prevent overuse and damage to the ecology; guidelines were established regarding the use of pesticides in the State Park System; the Park and Recreation Commission banned the scientific collection of pinnipeds (seals and sea lions) at Ano Nuevo SR; the California Coastline Preservation and Recreation Plan for the protection of coastal resources was published; a survey of native grasslands, the first step in protecting these valuable resources in the State Park System was undertaken; and two new positions, State Park Plant Ecologist and State Park Wildlife ecologist, were established in the Resource Management and Protection Division.

There were a few innovations on the interpretive front, too. A By-Word electronic system was installed at Sutter's Fort SHP; through a set of earphones a visitor can hear descriptions and vignettes at 42 different stations, each designed to interpret and enhance the specific scene he is looking at. A similar system will go into operation at San Francisco Maritime SHP in February. Also, Revelation Trail – the first trail for the blind in the State Park System – was opened at Prairie Creek Redwoods SP. This quarter-mile trail has guide ropes and signal bells keyed to a Braille text. Another unusual trail is the Anza Sky Trail at Anza-Borrego Desert SP, where flyers can tour the 480,000-acre park by plane with the aid of a specially designed Sky Trail brochure and map.

New publications included a map-type general folder giving information on the park system and facilities available in park units; folders on twelve individual parks; and a completely revised, illustrated sale book on Point Lobos SR.

Feasibility studies were completed recommending acquisition of the Leland Stanford Home in Sacramento and the Allensworth townsite in Tulare County as State Historic Parks. And the Director, as State Liaison Officer for the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund, processed and approved 24 county, 25 city, and 6 special district applications for park and recreation projects on the local level, eligible for a total of $9,950,478 in federal matching funds.

In the new State Park Ranger Trainee Program, new rangers take nine weeks of classroom training in park operation and law enforcement, then 43 weeks of field training, before becoming eligible for promotion to Ranger I (see story in this issue).

Ticketron, Inc., accounted for 100,000 campsite reservations and 640,000 Hearst tour reservations – a total of about $3 million worth – in 1971, its first full year of operation. In other administrative matters, headquarters employees experimented with a four-day, 40-hour work week, and a new dictating and typing center was installed to offer more efficent stenographic services and better utilize existing personnel.

And, of course, all this was in addition to the "routine" operation of some two hundred state park units that hosted over 44 million visitors – a million and a half more than in 1970.

At least, it was a very *busy* year!

State Gets New Land at No Cost

Thanks to the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, we were able to end 1971 with a flurry of significant "zero appropriation" land acquisitions for the State Park System.

The acquisitions were accomplished at no cost to the state and were made possible by land and money donations and matching funds from the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund, which is administered by the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation.

Since 1965, when the program was begun, the state has directly benefitted to the tune of $48 million in matching federal funds, of which more than half was allotted to local recreation projects, and the remainder to state projects.

The following parcels were acquired:

BIG BASIN REDWOODS STATE PARK – A 320-acre inholding valued at $1,300,000 was added in the Berry Creek area of Big Basin Redwoods State Park in Santa Cruz County. The property is in virgin redwood timber land and was owned by the Santa Cruz Lumber Company.

The acquisition was made possible by a $500,000 donation from the Save-the-Redwoods League, $500,000 matching funds from the Land and Water Conservation Fund, and a property gift valued at $300,000 from the Santa Cruz Lumber Company.

MOUNT TAMALPAIS STATE PARK – This state park in Marin County was expanded by 1,300 acres valued at $1,440,000. The new property begins at the west boundary of the existing park and extends down the west slope of the Coast Range behind to the town of Stinson Beach.

George Leonard of Stinson Beach, owner of the parcel, donated half the property – 660 acres – to the state, and money for the remaining half was provided as matching funds from the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

ANNADEL FARMS – The 4,100-acre Annadel Farms property is adjacent to the city of Santa Rosa in Sonoma County. A brand new unit of the State Park System, it is appraised at $4,100,000 and was acquired through donations by citizens to the State Parks Foundation, a non-profit, private corporation set up to handle gifts and donations for use by the State Park System, and by matching funds from the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

The new property is ideally suited for state park purposes because of its proximity to the San Francisco-Bay Area Metropolitan complex. Its addition to the State Park System will preserve one of California's most beautiful natural areas with gentle hills, tree-shrouded canyons, lush meadows, and lakes.

LOS OSOS OAKS – Los Osos Oaks in San Luis Obispo County is another new addition to the State Park System. Consisting of 90 acres valued at $489,500, the property is located inland between the cities of San Luis Obispo and Morro Bay. This acquisition will preserve an outstanding grove of native California oak and will be set aside for nature and archeological study. Additional acquisitions in the area will be made to establish camping and picnic sites.

The Dart Industries, Inc., donated half the money for the property, and the remaining half came from Land and Water Conservation matching funds.

RUSTIC-SULLIVAN CANYON – SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS – This vital property in the heart of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Complex consists of 86 acres of wooded canyon land with an appraised value of $956,000. It is just north of Will Rogers State Historic Park in the Pacific Palisades area of Los Angeles, and was originally part of the former Huntington Hartford estate.

The property was acquired by a donation of half the property by the owner, Jack Morehart of Los Angeles, and with matching funds from the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

In addition to these zero appropriation acquisitions, a number of other parcels of property, all in the Santa Monica Mountains project, was added to the State Park System during the same period. One was a gift, and the others were acquired with donations of one-half the appraised value of the property and matching funds from the 1964 Park Bond Act.

Dean Martin and his wife gave 78.9 acres to the state, an outright gift valued at $700,000.

John M. Morehart donated one-half the appriased value of $956,000 for 87 acres.

Jules and Berry De Vorzan donated one-half the appraised value of $433,500 for 80 acres.

The Topanga 17 Co. donated one-half the appraised value of $142,750 for 17.49 acres.

Harold E. Rolfe donated one-half the appraised value of $106,000 for 14.13 acres.

Altogether, the total acreage acquired during the last part of 1971 totaled slightly more than 6,173 acres.

For Your Information

Legislation of 1971

The 1971 Legislature passed a number of bills that will directly affect the Department. Most of them will go into effect March 6, 1972, unless passed with an urgency clause to become law on the date signed by the Governor. The bills signed by the Governor include:

AB 1767, Stacey (Chapter 1380) – Appropriates $100,000 for development at Red Rock Canyon SP.

AB 2342, Chappie (Chapter 1816) – Registration fee on off-road vehicles to provide for vehicle recreation areas.

AB 2424, Belotti (Chapter 1385) – Authorizes equal-value land exchange at Humboldt Redwoods SP.

AB 2444, R. Johnson (Chapter 1018) – Amends budget to provide $92,000 as Department share for water lines at Thermalito Forebay, Lake Oroville SRA.

AB 3071, Ketchum (Chapter 1222) – Provides $125,000 for the development of additional camping at San Simeon SB.

AB 3073, Badham (Chapter 1223) – Appropriates $2.1 million to acquire an addition to Doheny SB.

SB 215, Harmer (Chapter 827) – Clarifies authority to administer State archeological resources and defines state interest in and support of the program.

SB 405, Lagomarsino (Chapter 1051) – Authorizes Department to issue permits for recovery of buried treasure and other lost property within State Parks. Contains percentage-to-state provisions for recovered items.

AB 156, Davis (Chapter 995) – Requires 50% Land and Water Conservation Fund grants go to local projects. Of the State's share, 60% shall go to Parks and Recreation, 30% to the Wildlife Conservation Board or Fish and Game, 5% to Water Resources, 5% to Navigation and Ocean Development.

AB 407, Chappie (Chapter 198) – Provides that a person not paying at a public or private campground, or who leaves without paying, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

AB 1187, MacGillivray (Chapter 239) – Limits the Department in adoption of rules and regulations on boating; makes clear that this is within the jurisdiction of Navigation and Ocean Development.

AB 1358, Deddeh (Chapter 1206) – Exempts children on regular school tours from Department fees and provides for lease extension of Boy Scout camp at Cuyamaca Rancho SP.

AB 1959, Z'berg (Chapter 729) – Authorizes surplus highway lands in Old Sacramento to be transferred to the Department.

AB 2248, Russell (Chapter 1144) – Authorizes disposal of surplus State lands to local government entities at 50% of fair market value for use for park and recreation purposes.

AB 2328, Russell, Harmer (Chapter 1215) – Authorizes lease of all or part of the Castaic Lake project.

AB 2885, Wood (Chapter 1434) – Specified methods by which land owners may consent to use of land for public recreation.

SB 27, Grunsky (Chapter 298) – Authorizes District Attorney to use tear gas. Originally also included Parks and Recreation peace officers, but reference deleted.

SB 78, Nejedly (Chapter 68) – Adds public utilities to those agencies subject to declaratory relief action for determination of most necessary public use when rights of way are planned through park areas, etc.

SB 271 and 272, Beilenson (Chapters 126 and 1722) – Extensively amends procedure for classification of units of the State Park System and various classifications (a new brochure outlining the new classifications is available from the Distribution and Reproduction Center in Sacramento).

SB 504, Lagomarsino (Chapter 941) – Changes implied dedication law to make possible determination of ownership and clear owners title.

SB 537, Collier (Chapter 1249) – Appropriates $320,000 in Federal Land and Water Conservation Funds to include Mendocino Headlands in State Park System.

SB 1134, Marks (Chapter 311) – Directs that the Palace of Fine Arts be transferred to the City and County of San Francisco.

AB 424, Burton (Chpater 1764) – Extends statute authorizing transfer of San Francisco Maritime SHP to City and County of San Francisco by one year, until June 30, 1972.

In addition to *AB 3066, Z'Berg*, a proposal to put a $250 million park bond issue on the ballot, the Governor vetoed *SB108, Mills*, allowing .5 percent of Gas Tax Fund to be used for bicycle lanes that would increase the traffic capacity or safety of a highway and *AB 578, Ryan,*

establishing noise limits and trespass provisions for snowmobiles.

Legislative resolutions adopted were:

SCR 59 59, Collier (Chapter 133) – Directs Department to study feasibility of incorporating coastal lands near Ten Mile River into the State Park System.

SJR 23, Lagomarsino (Chapter 105) – Memorializes President and Congress to study feasibility of regional park in the Santa Susana Mountains.

AJR 38, Wilson, et al (Chapter 105) – Memorializes President and Congress that additional lands at Camp Pendleton (3½ miles of coast near Point San Onofre and 3400 acres of land) should be released.

HR 19, Z'berg – Directs Department to report on measures and planning necessary to construct a railway museum complex in Old Sacramento.

HR 28, Russell – Directs the Department to study feasibility of establishing off-road vehicle areas within the State Park System.

ACR 65, Deddeh (Chapter 224) – Resources Agency shall review land uses in the Tijuana River flood plain and report to Legislature.

ACR 83, Cline (Chapter 165) – Requests Department to conduct study of Santa Susana Mountains.

AJR 3, McCarthy (Chapter 79) – Memorializes Congress to establish a Golden Gate National Recreation Area including military lands near the Golden Gate Bridge unnecessary for national defense.

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State Park Ranger Trainee

By E. D. Wilson and W. E. Borden

In 1963 the average age of the State Park Ranger was 43.5. By 1968, when the Department of Parks and Recreation was reorganizaed to provide a structure for growth and program changes during the next decade, the average age of our Ranger staff had increased to 48.7!

Concurrent with the decision to separate maintenance work from the Ranger class series was a decision to further professionalize the Ranger class series by recruiting recent college graduates. Working with the Director's office, Operations Division headquarters staff, the Training Section, and District offices, we planned to reverse the rising trend in the average age of our Ranger staff and to provide a pool of trained and experienced professionals to meet our management replacement needs. These plans culminated in the establishment in 1970 of a new class – State Park Ranger Trainee – and the beginning of a formal classroom and on-the-job training program.

The first group to participate in the training program were 24 State Park Ranger Is hired in the summer of 1970, plus other recent State Park Ranger I hires. This group presented a contrast when compared with figures recorded for new State Park Ranger I hires of 1962. The 1970 group averaged 29 years of age compared to an average age of 34 years for the 1962 group. While 47% of the 1962 group came with college degrees, over 90% of the State Park Rangers hired in the summer of 1970 had college degrees.

In September and October of 1971 we welcomed our first class of those selected and hired as State Park Ranger Trainees. The 35 new trainees reported to Asilomar October 19, 1971 for their first week of training. They are an even younger group than those hired in 1970, with an average age of 27 years. All have bachelor degrees. They represent 20 different colleges, three from outside California, and 33 different majors. About half the majors were in the natural resource, life and physical sciences; the balance fell within the business administration and social science fields. Two-thirds of the group bring families with them on the start of new careers.

How are these new State Park Ranger Trainees selected? Candidates for State Park Ranger Trainee compete with other college graduates and State Park Attendants in the State Personnel Board – administered aptitude test, the State Service Entrance Examination. The State Service Entrance Examination is used by the State to recruit college graduates for many civil service classes.

The written test score is the basis for determining when a candidate will be called to interview. Candidates may be given a higher ranking based on grade point average or graduate record examination score. In addition, a "plus" score of 8 points is added to the written score for candidates who have served as either State Park Attendants or State Park Rangers (Intermittent).

The number of candidates called for interview depends on the number of appointments to be made, allowing for dropouts and disqualification. A candidate may be called for interview at any time up to one year following his written examination. Once interviewed and found

qualified, the candidates' names are placed on the eligible list according to the score assigned by the interview panel. Neither the written score nor the "plus" points are used for ranking the eligibles on this list, but veteran's points are added to the score assigned by the interview panel and enter into the final ranking on the list. Eligibles remain on the list until appointed or until they are automatically removed after one year.

What is in store for the future? We will continue our efforts to recruit recent college graduates to bring a variety of college backgrounds to the operation and management of the State Park System. Normal hiring needs are 40 new State Park Ranger Trainees annually, but we have been hiring at a slightly lower rate. In order to reduce our vacancies, we are now planning to accelerate our Trainee program and to divide our hiring between the spring and the fall. Our next State Park Ranger Trainee class of 20 will be appointed and begin their training at Asilomar in March.

A program to permit Department employees working in other class series to enter the Ranger class series is under consideration. The program, similar to that used by the Division of Forestry, is called the "Field Trainee Program" to distinguish it from the graduate trainee program. If such a program is adopted it will be made a part of the departmental Career Development Program.

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People

It Happens Every Time

On Wednesday, November 24, 1971 (day before Thanksgiving), quick footsteps, then a loud impatient pounding on the Area office door were heard. Area Manager's No. 1 son, out of breath, blurted out that the kitchen range in State residence was ablaze!

Area Manager (still in shape from outdoor activities) double-timed it the length of a football field to the scene of the emergency. Sure enough, the park wife was pressing hard on two of the spring-loaded valves to reduce the amount of gas escaping and flaming. Baking soda was liberally spread all over the stove and kitchen while a recently serviced class A-B-C extinguisher stood idle within arm's reach. Area Manager surveyed situation, reached behind stove, secured gas cock, and restored order.

After flames extinguished and still puzzled as to the why, the gas cock was opened and the pilot re-lighted. So far, so good – one burner valve gasped and opened – Ka-blooey, flames erupted immediately from the two orifices on the right. So ancient appliance was retired after having served up an estimated 17,136 meals to the occupants since 1955.

Repairman was contacted to check appliance and order parts; not available and strong recommendation made to remove hazard from structure. Meanwhile, husband of State Parks and Recreation Commissioner got into the act. Commissioner and husband traveling to San Francisco next day, perhaps parts might be located in the Bay Area. The following evening long distance phone call received from Commissioner's husband to the effect he and one of his employees had been everywhere looking for replacements, meanwhile losing a million dollar job, and that the old stove should be replaced; he would be in touch with Director Mott next day on the matter. Another follow-up long distance call followed from the same party who was informed a Form 42 was being processed.

Park family occupying State residence survived Thanksgiving by improvising (yep, during first snow of the year) and on Monday, December 6, a new range appliance was delivered from Eureka by the District Property Clerk, installed, and service restored.

–Robert L. Perkins, Manager
Northern Mines Area

Francis Wiget Receives 25-Year Award

Francis Wiget, Park Maintenance Supervisor I at Millerton Lake SRA, completed 25 years of State service on January 1.

Wiget started working in the Department in 1946 as a Ranger at Will Rogers SHP; he has also worked at Doheny SB, Salton Sea SRA, and the San Diego Beaches.

Reporter Gets New Editor

The "REPORTER," a lively little newsletter put out monthly by and for the California State Park Rangers' Association, has a new editor – Kirk Wallace of the San Luis Obispo Coast Area.

He is taking over from Columbia Area Manager Neil Power, who has been in charge of the publication since it was started about three years ago.

Retired At Home In Los Angeles

Every individual becomes known for particular traits – and Bernard (Bob) Mills is remembered by those he worked with as being one of the most congenial and good natured employees. His other trademarks were his presence at potluck dinners with his metal G.I. chow tray and his easily recognizable 1947 Willys station wagon. One of his fellow employees nick-named it "The Cracker Box."

Bob worked in the personnel section for Douglas Aircraft prior to working for 14 years at Will Rogers SHP. He enjoyed working close to nature and found pleasure as a park groundsman. He also proved to be an outstanding employee in public contact, as he was often called upon by visitors to advise them about plant cuttings and plant care.

Bob moved to California with his parents and sisters when he was 24 years old, back in the early 1920s. His father had a successful export business in New York. The family had a 60 ft. yacht that sailed in the Hudson. Bob developed an interest and appreciation of fine sea-craft from those New York days. While working in Historic Parks, he also became interested in local history and often applied the knowledge while talking to park visitors.

Bob's advice to those still working in parks is to use a religious daily guide before starting each day. He contributes his peace of mind and good nature to a proper daily start.

Since retirement on March 1, 1968, Bob has remained in Los Angeles. He has excellent neighbors and park friends there so he changed his plans of moving to Grass Valley.

Bob recently suffered an illness that hospitalized him for a number of weeks, but now he is back home again and says he is as solid as a rock. Retirement days are quiet and restful for him and his pet dog. He would certainly enjoy receiving a note or post card at 4275 Grandview Boulevard, Los Angeles.

–Ed Earl, Manager
Mount Diablo Area

They're At It Again!

As many of you eagle-eyed readers of the Staff Changes section of this publication will note, *Gerry Fialho* of the Sonoma Area has packed up and gone to Dyerville, where he will replace *Wendell Davies,* who left the Department. *Dick Menefee* will be moving up from the Santa Cruz Mountains to take over at Sonoma. But that's not the half of it!

Anza-Borrego Desert SP is getting a new boss – *Jack Hesemeyer* is moving to the Manpower Utilization Section in Sacto HQ, and Interpreter *Bud Getty* is leaving the District 6 office to replace him. Jack will be taking over from *Dick Johnston*, who is going around the corner to *Herb Heinze's* old desk in Maintenance. Herb is moving back to the Redwoods – taking over as District 1 Assistant Superintendent.

And what else? Well, *Keith Caldwell* is leaving his Interpreter spot at District 3 to come to Sacramento to help out Bill Haussler, and *Dick Felty* is leaving Salton Sea to assist Safety and Enforcement Supervisor Jack Smyre. *Jim Davis* will leave Four Rivers to take over at the Sea.

In Headquarters changes, Senior Stenos *Marge Grima* and *Mary Jane Barclay* are swapping jobs – Mary Jane will be the new Recording Secretary for the State Park and Recreation Commission, while Marge becomes the Strong Right Arm in Grants and Statewide Studies.

But who will be the next District 3 Interpreter? District 6 Interpreter? Chief Rangers at Four Rivers and Santa Cruz Mountains?

Tune in our next exciting issue.

Design and Development Loses Three

Members of the Design and Development Division held a luncheon at the Zombie Hut on December 30 for three retirees with a total of three quarters of a century of state service. Those honored were *Elmer Aldrich,* Associate Park and Recreation Specialist; *F. Gene Boucher,* Senior Landscape Architect; and *Ralph Lydecker,* Land Surveyor.

Elmer began work with the State (and also with Parks) in 1940, with 4 years out for military service. Upon his military release, he worked for three years at the State Personnel Board, then rejoined Parks in 1949. He served as editor of News and Views for a number of years.

Gene had worked a total of 25 years with the state, of which the last 17 were with Parks.

Ralph Lydecker began his tour of duty with Parks in 1956 as a TAU. He was with us for 14 years, for a total of 17 years' state service.

People

A "Better Ranger" Retires

Ranger *Lesley (R.V.) Sims*, Manager of McArthur-Burney Area, will retire on March 2 after 22-plus years of State service. He started out in 1950 as a Ranger I at Patrick's Point SP and since then has served at District 1 HQ, Humboldt Redwoods, Armstrong Redwoods, MacKerricher, Pismo, San Mateo Coast, Picacho, District 6 HQ, and Trinidad Area.

At Picacho, where he was the first supervisor, there were many squatters when the State took over, and Sims wasn't too popular because of his efforts to move them out. In fact, one morning when he went to work, there was a dummy ranger hanging in effigy from an ironwood tree. Fortunately, he was more successful in other community relations efforts.

District 1 combined a retirement party for Sims and his wife, Louise, with a Christmas party on December 3 in Fortuna, and what with eating, dancing, and Christmas spirits, a fine time was had by all.

As District 1 Interpreter Jack Schlotter comments, "There is no doubt that all of us will miss R.V. and his wife very much for they have given a great deal toward the building of the State Park System."

Bob Tardif on the Mend

Bob Tardif, Manager of the Sacramento Area, underwent an operation on December 20. But we're happy to report that he's due back at work on February 1, in the Interpretive Services Section – he'll be undertaking the interpretive planning for State Water Project reservoirs.

Lowell Ray Scores Again With Merit Suggestion

Storekeeper Lowell Ray is $20 richer now because of his suggestion to the Merit Award Board that a blacktop ramp be installed at the exit door next to the Resources Building dock area. He noted that by having such a ramp, hand trucks loaded with supplies would not have to be negotiated over the curb there.

General Services agreed and he was given his award based on 50 points on the scale for safety suggestions.

Ray has had several of his suggestions adopted. In 1967, for example, he received $20 for his idea that there be a phone installed along with a building directory at the back loading platform of the building.

Extraordinary Heroism

The Medal of Valor was presented to seven state employees December 16 to bring to 83 the number who have received California's highest award for acts of extraordinary heroism. Two of the 83 were employees of the Department of Parks and Recreation, bringing to seven the number of park people who have been so honored.

Another park employee, *Jerry L. Bennette,* has been chosen to receive the honor but the award cannot be made because he is in Australia.

Bennette, along with 1971 award winners *Knut Skjonberg* and *Eric V. Emery*, participated in the rescue of a young man from the flood-swollen Santa Ana River.

Previous award recipients from the Department were *William B. Bishop* and *John McKenzie* 1962, *Charles P. Potthast* 1964, *William T. Parker* 1966, and *George W. Leetch* 1969.

Following is a rundown of the number of award holders in various State departments:

California Highway Patrol	23
Corrections	11
Public Works	9
Conservation	7
Mental Hygiene	7
Parks and Recreation	7
Aeronautics Board	1
Agriculture	1
General Services	1
Highways	1
Justice	1
Military	1
S.F. Port Authority	1

Harry Beddig (right), Supervisor of the Business Management and Contract Control Section, congratulates Ray for his award.

Staff Changes

As reported to the Personnel Sections by January 14, 1972.

APPOINTMENTS

Bechthold, Marjorie L.	Clerk I	Hearst San Simeon SHM	12-23-71
Guiffre, Leonard R.	Park Maint Assist	San Mateo Coast Area	12-6-72
Gray, Jan M.	Clerk Typist II	District 5 HQ	12-15-71
Gump, Louise W.	Clerk Typist II	Frontera Area	11-22-71
Hautsch, Eva J.	Clerk Typist II	Off & Res Services	12-16-71
Houck, David M.	Shipwright-Joiner Apprentice	Golden Gate Area	1-1-72
Huckabay, Edward G.	Clerk I	Dist & Repro Cntr	12-14-71
Kranich, Catherine A.	Clerk I	Hearst San Simeon SHM	11-22-71
Kranz, Bruce L.	Lifeguard	Orange Coast Area	12-14-71
Nelson, Leonard F.	Park Maint Assist	Calaveras Area	12-20-71
Newbury, Maud W.	Clerk Typist II	Dict/Typing Cntr	12-28-71
Wu, Marilyn L.	Clerk Typist I (Perm-Int)	Central Records	1-1-72

REINSTATEMENTS:

Chaffee, Merick H.	Assoc Mgmt Analyst	Mgmt Analysis Sect	12-22-71

PROMOTIONS:

Fialho, Gerald A.	State Pk Rngr IV	Sonoma Area to Dyerville Area	1-1-72
Gilbertson, James M.	Assoc Landscape Arch	Project Devel Sect	1-1-72
Mitchell, Kenneth L.	Assoc Landscape Arch	Project Devel Sect	1-1-72
Vogel, Virginia L.	Sr Account Clerk	Accounting Sect	1-10-72

UNIT CHANGES

Berrigan, Leroy C.	Park Maint Supvr	Will Rogers Area to Gaviota Area	12-2-71
Bird, Robert L.	Park Maint Man II	San Luis Obispo Coast Area to Dyerville Area	12-16-71
Fregien, Gary O.	State Park Attendant	Squaw Valley SRA to Sierra Area	12-2-71
Henry, Ross T.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Design & Constr Br Mgrs Off to Project Coord Sect	12-2-71
Hines, Robert W.	Assoc Landscape Arch	Project Devel Sect to Proj Coord Sect	12-2-71
Houck, David M.	Park Maint Assist	Sonoma Area to Golden Gate Area	12-2-71
LaPlante, Alvin A.	Assist Landscape Arch	District Svcs to Project Devel Sect	12-2-71
Pineo, Scott B.	State Park Ranger I	Squaw Valley SRA to Sierra Area	12-2-71
Pope, Buddy A.	SP Equip Op	District 5 HQ to Channel Coast Area	12-2-71
Reed, Ronald F.	Park Maint Assist	Russian River Area to Sonoma Area	12-15-71
White, James H.	Assoc Civil Engineer	Engineering Unit to Project Coord Sect	12-2-71

TIME BASE CHANGES

Barker, Gail L.	Clerk Typist I – to full time	Central Records	12-2-71
Barry, Freedom	Guide I, Hist Mon – to full time	Hearst San Simeon SHM	12-26-71

CLASS CHANGE

Goldstein, M. Azalea	**Stenographer I (Perm-Int) to Clerk I (Perm-Int)**	**Point Lobos Area**	**1-15-72**

FORMALIZED TRAINING ASSIGNMENT:

Duke, Darrell D.	Civil Eng Tech I	Project Coord to Program Mgmt Sect	1-1-72

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Kolb, John A.	State Park Ranger Trnee	Folsom Lake Area	1-25-72

RETIREMENTS

Aldrich, Elmer C.	Assoc Pk & Rec Spec	Div Chief's Office	1-1-72
Boucher, Forrest E.	Sr Landscape Arch	Project Devel Sect	12-20-71
Dwyer, Ed V.	Assoc Pk & Rec Spec	Grants & Stwd Studies Br	12-30-71
Emery, Guy A.	Groundsman	Sacramento Area	12-30-71
Hicklin, Triebel J.	State Park Ranger I	Anza-Borrego Area	12-30-71
Lydecker, Ralph J.	Land Surveyor	Design & Const Br	12-30-71

SEPARATIONS

Angier, Elvena R.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm-Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	12-30-71
Backensten, Paul W.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm-Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	12-31-71
Eggimann, Fred H.	State Park Ranger III	Will Rogers Area	12-15-71
Habel, Harold B.	State Park Ranger I	Gaviota Area	12-30-71
Hewitt, Felicitas R.	Senior Account Clerk	Accounting Section	1-7-72
Johnson, Glenda I.	Clerk I (Perm-Int)	Golden Gate Area	12-31-71
Larson, Janet M.	Clerk Typist II	Training Section	12-21-71
Marceau, Mary E.	Account Clerk II	Accounting Section	12-17-71
Reich, Lucille A.	Clerk Typist II (Int)	Orange Coast Area	12-10-71
Rossi, Norma J.	Clerk I (Perm-Int)	Frontera Area	12-13-71

Number of Lost-Time Injuries

January through December 31, 1971

	1970	1971
Executive	1	1
Administrative Services	0	2
Design and Development	3	1
Operations Division – Headquarters	0	0
District 1	6	5
District 2	10	6
District 3	12	15
District 4	9	9
District 5	16	9
District 6	6	9
TOTALS	63	57

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Overnight Snow Hikes

When Sierra Area Manager *Carl Anderson* learned that we were conducting snowshoe nature hikes in winter, as reported in NEWS and VIEWS, May and June 1971, he suggested that we try overnight camping trips. Attendance on these trips has not been huge, but adequate – only so many people will fit around the evening campfire.

The December trip took place in zero weather – I had to chop some water with my axe. This trip was to Granite Lake in the Desolation Valley Wilderness Area. The snow was thirty inches deep and the lake was frozen over solid enough to walk on, though I don't advise it.

The campers – one local lady over sixty years of age, four Oaklandites, a lady criminologist and her teenage son – could sit in comfort around a large roaring fire of lodgepole pine logs throughout the evening, discussing their favorite topics. Two of the campers had tents, but one slept without a tent; one party went without snowshoes. . .I feel certain they won't try *that* again!

– Ranger Ken Legg
Sierra Area

COMMISSION REPORT

What's In A Name?

Mitchell Caverns SR will get a new name, but Joshua Trees SP will have to stick with the old one until the local school children can come up with a recommendation.

These were the main items of discussion at the February 11 Commission meeting in Needles. The Commission also urged the Department to move with all possible speed in resolving the sewage problems at Gaviota SP and Refugio SB, and agreed to hold its March 10 meeting in the Solvang-Buellton area in order to see the two units and discuss development plans.

The Commission also expressed interest in a proposal by the Director for the development of park facilities in urban centers, and passed a resolution asking the Department to move ahead on an experimental area.

After a presentation by the Monterey County Planning Director and representatives of a developer, the Commission approved in principle the acceptance of a gift of about 150 acres of ocean frontage adjoining Salinas River SB. Two memorial groves were also accepted with gratitude through the Save-the-Redwoods League. The Albert and Elizabeth Folsom Rathert Grove in Grizzly Creek Redwoods SP is a gift of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Rathert. A grove honoring former California Governor and Senator George C. Perkins will be established as a bequest of his daughter.

The Director reported on increased attendance at Old Town San Diego SHP resulting from the new Bazaar del Mundo, and told of future development plans there, including the possibility of a bank in one of the historic structures and the restoration of a barn building to display the extensive Hazard collection of carriages and wagons.

Director Mott also reported on the first year's operation of Ticketron, which saw over 102,000 campsite reservations made through the new computerized system. About a quarter of the Hearst SHM reservations were made through Ticketron in 1971, also – some 178,469 out of 647,076.

Mitchell Caverns

The Mitchell Caverns decision followed a full day's on-the-spot inspection and about two hours of public hearing. When the alkali dust settled, the unit as a whole had a new name – Providence Mountains State Recreation Area – and the name of Mitchell Caverns was retained for the Natural Preserve established around the caverns themselves. Only part of the Recreation Area would be open to hunting – the main point at issue – and then only from late September through January. The open area would lie north and east of the main part of the unit.

(Top) Mary Jane Barclay found out what "willing to travel" meant in the specs for her new job as recording secretary for the Commission. With Commissioners Lowell Berry and Mrs. Gilchrist, Mary Jane hears Ranger Frank Fairchild describe the boundaries of the new lands recently added to the Mitchell Caverns unit.

(Bottom) New Commissioner John Starkey of San Diego started his first meeting in a hole as Ranger Frank Fairchild showed off the wonders of Mitchell Caverns.

Five different names were suggested for Joshua Trees SP, ranging from Saddleback Buttes (or La Ensillade in Spanish) to Desert Tortoise. Antelope Valley had local Chamber of Commerce support, and Antelope Desert was a compromise suggestion. The Commission finally decided to submit the five names to the local school children for a vote.

New Commissioner

Present for his first meeting was John P. Starkey of San Diego. Commissioner Starkey was appointed by Governor Reagan to fill the unexpired term of Daniel D. Villanueva. He is president of the Southern Mortgage Company and is founder and president of the John P. Starkey Company, a real estate and property management firm. The new commissioner is active in many civic organizations.

THE DIRECTOR

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.

Wild Sounds

I had planned to write my entire editorial on wild animal sounds. For example, I was going to write about the excitement one feels when the shrill staccato yipping of a pack of coyotes breaks the quiet of a desert night; or the thrill of following the resounding rat-a-tat-tat, rat-a-tat-tat of a pileated woodpecker working on an old log, and then catching a glimpse of this interesting bird; or standing near a turkey buzzard's roosting tree in the early morning when these great soaring birds warm themselves in the sun, then in their awkward take-off flapping their great wings, fanning the air, creating a muffled sound one cannot mistake; or at night, on silent wings another great bird lights in a tree not far from your camp and calls whoo, whoo, whoo in that soft yet spine-tingling song of the great horned owl. These are nature's wild creatures that prefer the undeveloped open spaces and whose sounds are typical of the West. The California State Park System is a sanctuary for such wild animals and birds and it is here that those whose ears are tuned to hear and appreciate these wild sounds can listen and observe.

But I feel that I must cut short this writing and comment on the President's trip to China.

I was impressed with the cleanliness of the airport, the road leading to Peking, and the city itself, as portrayed to us by television. In all the television sequences that I watched, I saw only one street sweeper. He was on foot with his twig broom and bag, apparently responsible for keeping the great Plaza adjacent to the Gate of Heavenly Peace clean. I watched carefully the many hundreds of bicycle riders and not once did I see a rider drop a cigarette or a piece of paper of any kind. I was also impressed with the open space and the landscape, both natural and manmade, that appeared to be a part of the environment of this city of twelve million people.

I wondered what others saw in the television account of the President's visit to Communist China. I couldn't help but ask myself, why can't we discipline ourselves to stop littering. It costs one-half million dollars just to pick up litter in the California State Park System. What a waste of effort and money. I thought to myself, maybe the television pictures which portrayed Peking, Communist China's largest city, as a very clean city might shame us into doing something about eliminating the disgusting habit we have of littering our countryside and our cities with our own personal trash. I am sure that the President's trip to Communist China portends more for this country and the world than just to cause us to be concerned about the cleanliness of our cities and our countryside; however, if, after seeing the cleanliness of Communist China as we were permitted to do by television, we should resolve to clean up our cities and towns and stop littering I for one would feel that the trip was indeed worthwhile. The idea certainly presents a challenge to free man.

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What's Happening

Boise Cascade-State Land Exchange Goes Through

The state and the Boise Cascade Corporation exchanged property February 15, with the state, specifically our Department, getting three parcels of land totalling 658 acres and valued at $900,000 along the Mendocino Coast, and Boise Cascade getting 977 acres of land valued at $900,000 in Jackson State Forest.

Of the property acquired by the state, one parcel, Mendocino Headlands, consists of 70 acres with 7,000 feet of ocean frontage in the town of Mendocino. The second parcel, Pudding Creek, is a 15-acre piece at the northerly city limits of Fort Bragg with 1,700 feet along Pudding Creek. The third, Ten Mile Beach, contains 573 acres with four miles of ocean frontage between MacKerricher SP and Ten Mile River.

The property acquired by Boise Cascade is one mile south of Highway 20, halfway between Fort Bragg and Willits. The area contains nearly 20 million board feet of redwood, Douglas fir, and white fir timber.

What's Happening

The Park Needs Attention

The Joshua Trees for which the state park is named are a common sight in the northeastern corner of Los Angeles County, yet there is something about Joshua Trees that makes it stand out as an important park – one worth visiting.

For instance, a desert park such as this can offer you the spooky thrill of hearing coyotes howl at night just outside your tent. You know they are there and you can certainly hear them, but when you look outside, they're not anywhere in sight. . .an eerie feeling if there ever was one. And stars! Look at the sky and that's all you see. . .no smog, no fog, no anything! From any point in the park you can see Saddleback Buttes which stands between twenty-five and thirty-five hundred feet high, the only thing visible between you and the horizon.

The name of the park is up in the air at present. Because there is a Joshua Trees National Monument in Riverside County, a change is being considered by the California State Park and Recreation Commission. New names under consideration include Saddleback Buttes, La Ensillade, Desert Tortoise, Antelope Valley, and Antelope Desert. Until the local school children vote on it, however, the park will remain Joshua Trees.

The facilities at Joshua Trees are primitive, and you must really enjoy roughing it, or else have a completely self-contained trailer. There is no sewerage or electricity available although there are pit toilets. Water must be brought in from outside the park, so use it only for the bare necessities. A primitive group campground has been recently completed and is now available for use also, but the funds needed to develop the park are practically non-existent.

According to area manager *Roy Gholson*, ecological problems are beginning to appear at Joshua Trees that cannot be ignored. "For sale" signs now surround the park and if the property is sold and developed, the already low water table for the valley will drop even lower. Still another problem, one that is being felt even faster, is the impact being made on the surprisingly fragile desert by off-road vehicles such as motorcycles and dune buggies. Even the best efforts of rangers cannot cope with this problem at times, and the marks left behind will be there for years – a horrible thought for a beautiful park like Joshua Trees.

– Marti Johnson

Would you believe this tree is a member of the lily family?

For miles, clear to the mountains, there's nothing to stand in the way of your view.

photos by Richard Johnson

Work on Lake Silverwood To Get Underway

"Congratulations to your shop and the state's estimaters for coming so close in estimating the cost of Phase I. We have been continually impressed with the quality of work coming out of the Construction and Design Branch (sic)."

That is part of a letter from the District Ranger, Arrowhead Ranger Station, U.S. Forest Service, to Bob Uhte, Supervisor of our Project Design and Construction Section. It concerns Silverwood Lake Recreation Area and the fact that all the bids received were in the ballpark as far as our estimate was concerned.

Altogether, nine bids were received for Phase I of the three phase-recreational development program there. We estimated $2,253,721 for the work; four bids came in under, and five over, that figure. The lowest bid was $2,167,648.20 and the highest, $2,700,522.60.

Phase I will be completed in time for operation by the U.S. Forest Service in June 1973, when the lake is expected to be full. Funds are coming from the $60 million Recreation and Fish and Wildlife Enhancement Bond Act passed by the voters in 1970.

First stage development will be mainly in the Sawpit Canyon area of the 995-acre lake and will consist of a boat launching ramp, access and internal roads, parking for 620 automobiles plus 185 automobiles with boat trailers, a beach, sanitary facilities including four floating comfort stations, utilities, landscaping, and service buildings.

In addition, a number of boat-in facilities with landscaped picnic sites and sanitary facilities will be developed at Chamise, Liveoak, and Sycamore landing areas.

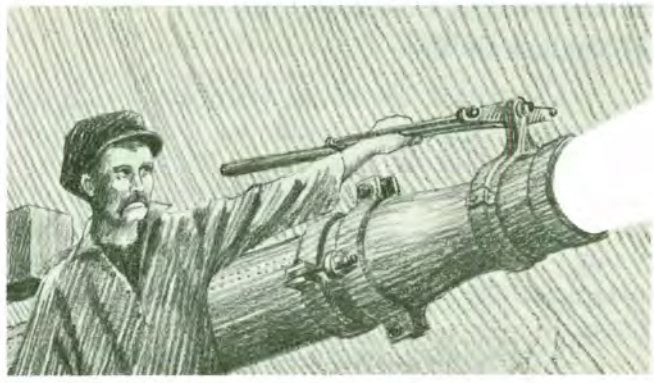
Stage two development will be in the Cleghorn Cove and Miller Canyon areas of the lake. Work will include access and internal roads, parking areas, picnic sites, a beach, sanitary facilities and utilities, and landscaping.

In addition, there will be group picnic sites, a mile and one-half of bicycle paths, and two miles of hiking trails. These will be put in the Miller Canyon area.

Stage three, the final stage, will see group and family campsites built near the west fork of the Mojave River, and the construction of a large day-use area in the Lower Mesa area.

When completed, the new recreation area with its 13 miles of shoreline will provide sorely needed water-oriented recreation to an estimated 1,500,000 visitors annually – most of them from the Los Angeles-Long Beach, San Bernardino-Riverside-Ontario, and San Diego metropolitan complexes.

New Historical Landmarks Designated



The North Bloomfield Mining and Gravel Company adjacent to Malakoff Diggins SHP was one of the new State Historical Landmarks recommended by the California Historical Landmarks Advisory Committee at its January 18 meeting and subsequently approved by Director Mott. The company operated the largest hydraulic mining site in Nevada County and was a party to the historic legal decision in 1884 that ended hydraulic mining in California.

Other new state historical landmarks are the Woodland Opera House, in business since 1885; the Captain Pedro Fages Trail, commemorating 1772 exploration of the east San Francisco Bay; and the Manzanar Relocation Center near Lone Pine, used for Japanese-Americans during World War II.

The Committee also nominated eleven new sites to be included in the National Register of Historic Places maintained by the National Park Service: the Cameron-Stanford House and the Dunsmuir House in Alameda County; Canon School and Rumsey Town Hall in Yolo County; Coachella Valley Fish Traps in Riverside County; Hastings Adobe in Solano County; Moraga Adobe in Contra Costa County; Point Fermin Lighthouse and San Dimas Hotel in Los Angeles County; Taoist Temple, Kings County; and John Adam Squire House, Santa Clara County.

Thin Ice Hazard

Pacific Gas and Electric Company is attempting to keep people out of their lakes this winter, especially the frozen ones. Sometimes they must raise or lower the water level in their reservoirs, and, what appears to be solid ice may in reality be only a thin sheet of ice over an air pocket created by a drawdown of the water, which a slight weight can break.

To make matters worse, many times these thin sheets of ice are covered with drifts of snow and give the impression of a snowy meadow. The company is posting warning signs, but people often ignore them with an icy bath or worse the result.

What's Happening

Native Grasses To Be Reintroduced At Montana De Oro

A program aimed at restoring a rare and endangered ecosystem will be conducted at Montana de Oro SP this spring. Its purpose is to reintroduce the prairie grassland that dominated the landscape for at least a hundred thousand years before it was replaced by brush and grasses introduced by settlers in the last two hundred years.

A 35-acre plot will be burned off as early in the spring as possible; competing grasses will have sprouted by then and can be burned out for the season along with the invading brush. The native grasses will survive the fire and have a chance to become reestablished and compete successfully with the introduced species. The soil, originally high in phosphates and other plant nutrients, has been depleted by farming and intensive grazing, so some fertilizing will probably be done along with reseeding. Seeds will come from a nearby area where scattered remnants of the native grasses still grow.

A five-man committee made up of State Park and Recreation Commissioner Thomas Bonnicksen, State Park Plant Ecologist Jim Barry, and three members of the park's advisory committee will oversee the burning program. Bonnicksen commented, "If fire from lighting or aboriginal burning was of ecological significance in the creation and maintenance of the pristine marine terrace ecosystem at Montana de Oro, then fire is a process which should be preserved. Under modern conditions, the only feasible method of reintroducing fire is through the use of controlled burning."

According to Dr. Barry, only a few scattered remnants of this prairie-type grassland remain in California, whereas they once covered more than twenty-five percent of the state – the whole central valley and most of the south coastal plains and coastal mountain valleys from San Francisco to San Diego. "If successful this year on a small plot," he says, "the program could later be applied to the park's whole 140-acre terrace."

Dream Up A Name

Have you ever had the opportunity to name a boat? Well, here is your chance of a lifetime!

Angel Island is getting a new passenger boat to replace aging "B-P 1". And you can name it, as well as the island's landing craft (an LCM used to transport vehicles and bulk cargo) now known as "B-P 2".

Golden Gate Area Manager Bill Allison decided that it would be more appropriate to have names on our boats, rather than letter/number designations (for you newer employees, "B-P" stands for the old Division of Beaches and Parks).

So, District 2 Superintendent Bob Hatch has selected an impartial panel consisting of District 2 Headquarters and Golden Gate Area staff members to review and select the names.

If you have name suggestions, please send them to Bill Allison, c/o Angel Island S.P., P.O. Box 318, Tiburon, California 94920, no later than March 31, 1972. The panel will review the names and make a decision by April 14. Ranger Allison has assured us that a unique prize will be awarded to the originators of the selected names.

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YIELD FROM THE FIELD

District 1

Del Norte Coast Redwoods SP Rangers *Ray Robison* and *Bob Gehr* and their families were isolated for two days by a heavy snowfall, and the heavy weight of the snow caused many tanoaks, firs, and hemlocks to snap like toothpicks – 120 in the Mill Creek Campground area alone.

Colusa-Sacramento River SRA Ranger *Neil Hyta* is back to work after a long illness.

District 2

The *C. A. Thayer* has left San Francisco Maritime SHP to make an exciting trip across the bay to Oakland, where she will undergo some routine maintenance and restoration work.

Ranger *Earl Wilder* is back to work at Bothe-Napa Valley SP after a serious operation.

In their fourth cleanup project at the East Garrison, Angel Island SP, the Army Reserve combat training company from Fort Cronkite removed all doors, windows, and fixtures from the hospital building to improve appearance and safety. The unit also helped clean up the parade field for public use.

District 3

In the Back-to-School surge at Millerton Lake SRA, Steno *Phyllis Kuykendall* and Maintenance Man *Howard Barritt* have completed a course in Personnel Management, Area Manager *Bill Reinhardt* has brought himself up to date on Management Techniques, and Ranger I *George Zwingman* has completed a Psychology course.

Three bald eagles, one immature and two mature, have been sighted on the south shore of Millerton Lake SRA. The mature eagles, who seem to be nesting in an oak tree behind the La Playa picnic area, have been diving on mud hens.

Modesto Junior College has donated over two hundred trees – eucalyptus, liquidamber, oak, and cherry – in one- to five-gallon cans for planting at Turlock Lake SRA. In addition, Wanda Burns, wife of Park Aid *Lyle Burns*, has donated nearly two hundred oaks, most of them around a foot high, that she propagated for McConnell SRA.

A celebrity in our midst is Sierra Area Ranger *Ken Legg* (see item on overnight camping in the snow elsewhere in this issue), who was interviewed on interpretive matters for a South Lake Tahoe TV station. His fame extends as far as Pennsylvania; he also did a radio interview on the Donner Party for a station there.

Christianna Katinka is the new daughter born to Marshall Gold Discovery SHP Ranger *Ed Polder* and his wife Ellen on January 6.

The salmon-viewing platform on the Tuolumne River at Turlock Lake SRA seems to be a great success; Four Rivers Area Manager *Clyde Strickler* reports that many visitors have taken time to express their appreciation.

District 4

San Juan Bautista SHP Custodian *Benito Tijerina* has been elected to the area's school board.

San Mateo Coast Area Manager *Anthony Ulm* wonders how we can protect tidepools from gourmets – he reports that many people have been contacted who were consuming limpets, sea urchins, and so forth on the spot, not to mention those who take these morsels home to prepare.

Having tried it, Big Sur Area Manager *Jack Stowe* reports that patrol on horseback is quite interesting – you find out many things about your area that you don't on vehicle patrol, and a few things about your anatomy as well.

Robert Parnell, formerly of TV's Bonanza, and several Los Angeles Rams were among the January visitors to Pfeiffer Big Sur SP.

Word just filtered in that the brother of *Chuck Mehlert*, Assistant Superintendent in District 4, is accompanying the President on his trip to China – he will be the interpreter. More details when we get them.

District 5

La Purisima Mission SHP Ranger *Charles Potthast* was really kept busy recently when 150 fourth-graders from Oceano View School in Arroyo Grande visited the park recently. He demonstrated wool carding, the loom, the big saw. . .

District 6

Gar Salzgeber, Ranger at Anza-Borrego Desert SP, has been made an honorary member of San Diego Boy Scout Troop 945.

After a seige of surgery and pneumonia, Mount San Jacinto Area Ranger *Phil Claud's* wife Sue is on the road to recovery.

San Diego Coast Area Ranger *Richard Irwin*, in full uniform, married Miss Darline Moll in the outdoor chapel at Fort Marston on January 8. And, since Ranger Trainee *Mike Bolton* had tied the knot with Lesley Ann Lind on December 20, this brought the area bachelor population down to *one*.

When an illegal tent camper was spotted on the beach at Border Field, he just picked up and moved twenty yards south, into Mexico. Comments Frontera Area Manager *Maurice Morgan*, "Border Field is unique."

Mount San Jacinto Area Manager *Bill Stahlberg*, with Anza-Borrego Ranger *Frank Davies* and his wife, were among those honoring Howard Evans at his retirement dinner in Riverside. Evans, who has acted as Fire Boss on many of Southern California's recent large fires, has left his mark as one of the outstanding fire control officers in the U. S. Forest Service.

Headquarters

A bridal shower in Central Files marked the happy event when *Dianna Snelling* became Mrs. Tom Taylor.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

A group of enthusiastic friends got together at the home of *Ron Rawlings* on February 12 to celebrate Parks and Recreation Specialist *Hal Bradshaw's* graduation from Sacramento State College after several years of the night-school grind.

Since *Jim Miller* is on a training assignment at the Department of Finance, *Frank Leon* has left the Audits Section to take over as Training Officer.

Where does all the money go? There's an easy answer when someone with an axe goes by our park signs. Photo by Gerald Ramsdell

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Potpourri

Then Came Neider

Last September, District 2 Interpreter Jim Neider *climbed on his motorcycle and, with a friend (who is a highway patrolman – talk about a busman's holiday!), traveled 3,000 miles through some of the country's most spectacular scenery. He kept a trip diary; we thought N & V readers might enjoy some of his observations –*

Utah State Capitol – Upon reaching the valley of Salt Lake, we were confronted by the worst smog I had ever seen. . .The capitol building is situated on a hill overlooking the downtown section (of Salt Lake City). . .we visited the Museum of Natural History at Utah State University. . .best of its type I have seen in western U.S.A. . .want to return to spend more time in Salt Lake City.

Arches National Monument – What a place – sheer rock walls raising straight into the sky, weirdly formed by the forces of erosion. . .I am really starting to visualize how the crust of Planet Earth is constantly in a state of change – pressure and upheaval here and there building, with the forces of erosion constantly tearing down. . .

Denver and Rio Grand Railroad – We managed to obtain seats in an 1882 combine car for an excursion to Silverton, Colorado and back. . .what an experience. . .one mountain peak, Windom Peak, raises over 14,000 feet. . .the clickity-clack of the steel wheels reminds me of my younger days in West Virginia. . .

Mesa Verde National Park – A tour of Cliff Palace was a highlight, though the museum is a must. It is not known why the Indians moved off the top of the mesa into the dark, damp quarters of the cliff houses. . .perhaps a drought, or other

Jim and Ron rode the Denver and Rio Grande.

hostile tribes. . .From there we headed toward the Grand Canyon, through Navajo land – red soil, buttes, mesas, wild jackasses, and some of the most wretched houses I have ever seen people try to live in. . .

El Capitan – This is a core from a prehistoric volcano that raises several thousand feet out of the plateau – what a rock. The next day we made a run through the Painted Desert and on to the Grand Canyon. . .I am glad that we approached the canyons of the Colorado River from the north because it allowed us to visualize how the Colorado Plateau is situated and how the mightly Colorado River cut its channel. . .

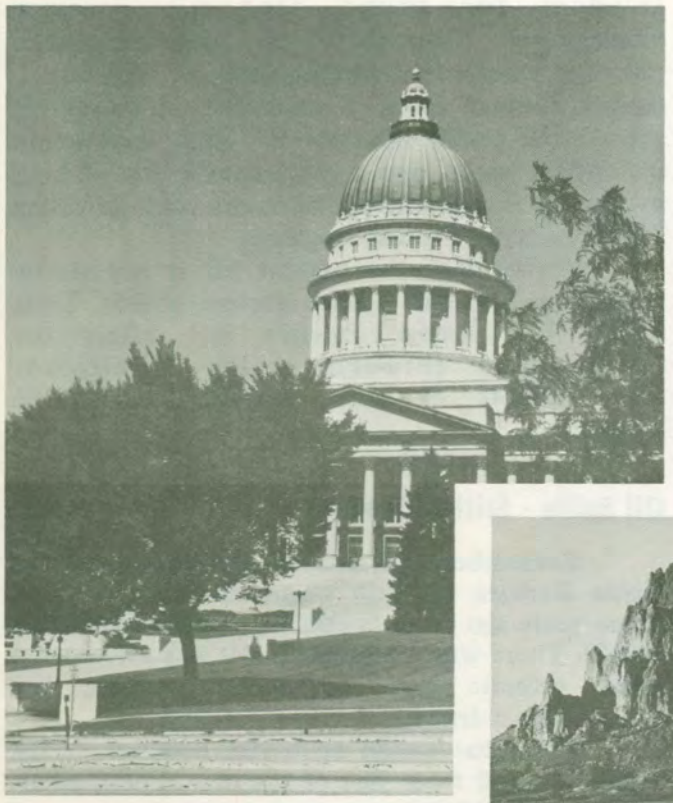
Bryce Canyon – It's really something when you can see a cross section of the earth's crust in three parks: the Grand Canyon represents the lower strata going back to pre-Cambrian days. Zion Canyon National park represents the middle and Bryce Canyon the top. . .it's a semicircular amphitheatre of fantastically-shaped weathered rock pink in color, represents the most recent rocks found in the earth's crust.

Zion National Park – Once again we found ourselves gawking in amazement at rock walls that towered over us some thousand feet. The Visitor Center was very good. Each federal park that we visited has some type of museum or visitor center.

The National Park Service seemingly places a great deal of emphasis on their interpretive function. We always found their interpretive facilities and programs staffed and functioning. . .I must admit that I like their priorities.

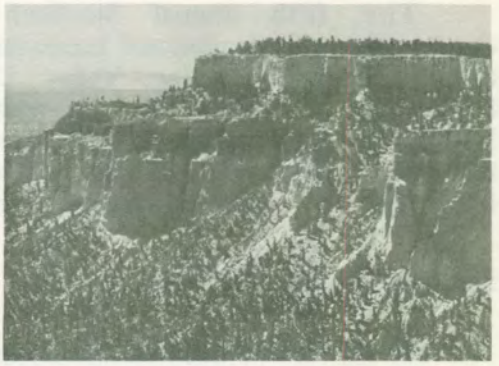
I have concluded that touring by motorcycle is the only way. The bike projects you into your surroundings. Your visibility is unencumbered, the temperature is evident and the sense of smell heightened. . .What a terrific sensation. We were out ten days, rode three thousand miles, slept in some of the weirdest places and ate some of the worst food imaginable, saw some of the most magnificent scenery in the United States, and had a very enjoyable time. It's an experience I will never forget.

Utah State Capitol



Mesa Verde National Park

El Capitan



Bryce Canyon

Arches National Monument

Zion National Park

Potpourri

Coors Eliminates The Pop-Top

The environment-minded Adolph Coors Company is introducing a new kind of beer six-pak. Called the Stik-Pak, it will eliminate both ring pull tabs on the cans and the carton. The Company says that the package will be totally recyclable.

The cans will be opened by a Press-Tab, a small hole in the top of the can; the disc will simply fold inside the can. The cans of the six-pack will be held together by drops of glue.

Coors reported that California leads the western states in cans returned to the Company under their "cash for cans" program. At 7,792,777 pounds for the program's first 23 months, California's returns are greater than those of the next three thirstiest states – Texas, Oklahoma, and Arizona – combined. But there are still quite a few cans around – ask any ranger!

Keep It Clean!

The fifth annual Southern California Conference on Environmental Improvement will be held at San Bernardino Valley College, San Bernardino, on March 18. Sponsored by the Natural Beauty Program of San Bernardino, the conference this year will be concerned with improving the quality of living in the inland basins.

Snowmobiles Are Here To Stay

In its newsletter, the Northeast Region of the Federal Bureau of Outdoor Recreation comments, "Snowmobiles can be delightful or dangerous – it depends on the user. Those who would take a sledgehammer to each and every snow machine are just as wrong as the snowmobiler who believes he has the right to run his vehicle wherever and whenever he wants to.

"Because the popularity of snowmobiles is relatively recent, the problems created by these machines is also new. But they are problems which are solvable. The important thing is to keep a proper perspective."

Speakers at the March 7 luncheon and workshop launching Conservation Week throughout California are State Superintendent of Public Instruction Wilson Riles and the State's Secretary for Resources, Norman B. Livermore, Jr. The sculpture was produced in a project of the Tulare County Schools showing how environmental education can be worked into almost any subject in the curriculum. The project was funded from the Personalized License Plate Program.

Stronger Forest Practices Act Recommended

In an appearance before the Assembly Committee on Natural Resources, Douglas R. Leisz of the U.S. Forest Service's San Francisco Region recommended strengthening the State's Forest Practices Act that applies to private lands, to set up standards of performance that will protect the public interest and still allow landowners needed freedom for sound economic resource management. Elements of his plan included a planning process to determine land use capabilities, timber harvest rules, a committee representing private and public interests to recommend action on critical issues, and a requirement that all land owners have a forest management plan providing for protection of forest resources.

Noting that the present act is not strong enough to prevent timber harvest abuses, Leisz said, "The Forest Practice Act offers the framework through which significant improvements in land stewardship can be attained."

Oil Spills - Still A Danger

Remember the national concern when the Santa Barbara oil spill occurred almost exactly three years ago (three years??? – was it really that long?). There was no doubt that it was a disaster – more esthetic than ecological, perhaps, but nonetheless a disaster.

Even that would be trivial, however, in the face of a spill from one of the new supertankers. Consider a 312,000-ton carrier with its cargo of 2,250,000 barrels of oil. A spill from one of these would be enough to saturate every foot of California coastline with nearly one-half barrel of oil.

The Diaper Caper

Rangers and maintenance staff at Fremont Peak SP keep an eye out for litter on their travels to and fro between Highway 156 and the park. Recently, one of these crusaders for ecological beauty noticed a neatly tied plastic bag tucked just under the fence along the roadside and made a mental note to pick it up on his return trip. He forgot, but a day or so later he noticed the bag again and stopped forthwith to pick it up. He was somewhat surprised to find it contained a number of well used infant seat covers but mused that some harried mother had probably discarded them in a frantic effort to end the air pollution inside the family vehicle, and it was but a moment until the offending bag was on its way to the nearest refuse center.

Later in the day, a call from the local Diaper Service "cleared the air" considerably. It seemed that our crusader had interfered with the orderly pick up and delivery, or "supply and demand," of a very necessary commodity being used by a brand new newcomer, living in a brand new house for which the driveway had not yet been constructed so that a more convenient "change" of seat covers could take place.

Restitution was proffered, but the Diaper Service declined.

–Ranger Bill Hill
Monterey Area

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BITS & PIECES

Ranger/Cowboy *Jimmie Phillips* brought in a donkey lost in Samuel P. Taylor SP, and recently he rounded up a goat from the highway running through the park. Git along there, little dogies!

About twenty-five Canadian honkers, too lazy to fly on to Mexico, have adopted McGrath SB as their winter home. The tourists don't seem to bother them – though the geese are careful to stay out of shotgun range.

Dyerville Area welcomed new Manager *Gerald Fialho* with his wife, two children, plus a cat, a dog, a turtle, and a chicken. When asked about the chicken, Gerry said his *wife* likes animals.

Some unneighborly visitors to Point Mugu SP recently – the day after a party of campers reported a plastic folding chair missing, it was discovered burnt in the next campsite's barbecue.

The burros at Sutter's Fort SHP decided they had been cooped up long enough and, when some children on their way to school opened the gate, Maggie and Gus took a walk outside. It took five park people to get them back inside. Needless to say, the gate is now locked early in the morning.

The groundsman at Benicia SRA is fighting a battle with the bunnies – they seem to think that the young trees he's planting are a sort of rabbit smorgasbord. Our man is winning, though – he's surrounding each tree with its own wire cage.

The bighorn sheep at Anza-Borrego Desert SP almost lost their reputation for shyness recently – a troop of Girl Scouts reported that the sheep were butting and harrassing them until driven off with rocks. Ranger *Chet Getty* discovered, however, that the "sheep" were really runaway nanny goats.

A boater at Lake Elsinore SRA went picnicking the hard way when his throttle jammed at high speed. The inboard ski boat, its pilot, and two passengers found themselves on dry land, thirty feet from the water but only about three feet from a picnic table. It took five men and a station wagon to get the boat back where it belonged.

"Other duties as required" – a lady phoned Columbia SHP to try to get the ranger's help in obtaining a 500-pound block of marble for her sculptor husband.

Oops!

In our last issue, we told about the Medal of Valor awards received by two of our employees – Knut Skjonberg and Eric V. Emery, lifeguards; and said that this brings to *two* the number of Department employees who have received such awards. We should have said there were *seven* who have been so honored.

We then went on to list all State departments that have had Medal of Honor winners, and listed the totals for each. In doing so, we omitted Department of Fish and Game, which has accounted for 12 awards.

For Your Information

Man And The Brown Pelican

Illustration by Gail Barker.

What do man and the Brown Pelican have in common? For one thing, they are both endangered species, according to Dr. Louis Leakey.

Leakey, famous for his work in paleontology, spoke at the 138th meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science recently and warned that unless man uses his power of "reason and thought" that distinguishes him from the lower animals, it is "perfectly certain that he will disappear from the face of the earth."

If society acts now, Leakey said, to stop pollution and overpopulation, man could survive for another 20,000 years. "If not, goodby!"

A chilling prospect, but there is hope. At least we didn't have to entitle this story, "Man and the Passenger Pigeon."

Number of Lost-Time Injuries

	1971	1972
Executive	0	0
Administrative Services	0	0
Design and Development	1	0
Operations Division - Headquarters	0	0
District 1	1	0
District 2	0	0
District 3	3	0
District 4	0	1
District 5	1	2
District 6	0	0
TOTALS	6	3

New Frontiers In Interpretation

When the Interpretive Services Section set out to do a display panel explaining the Pescadero Marsh environment, they called on District 4 Interpretive Specialist Harry Batlin *to provide the text. With tongue firmly in cheek, Harry submitted the following:*

The Marsh

Marshes are wet and squishy and they are generally not good places to spend the night.

Many different kinds of animals live in the marsh.

There are frogs which are usually green, a heron which is blue, and trolls which may be one color or another and quite often are.

Sometimes there are fish in a marsh and always there are small wiggly things which fish eat and which you find in the water when you try to drink it. There used to be Kraken in the marsh but they all were eaten some time ago before the Herons can remember.

Many noises are heard in a marsh, especially at night. There are loud noises, soft noises and mushrooms which go quirp. Crickets were thought to quirp but it has been proven that quirping is a fungi sound.

Many kinds of plants live in the marsh and some don't.

It is always a good idea to carry a pair of glasses when you visit a marsh since wet sounds can make you thirsty.

El Pueblo Bid Proposal Underway

Work is continuing to prepare a bid package for a concession in the Pico-Garnier block of El Pueblo de Los Angeles SHP. From left to right are Earl Carlson, *Senior Architect of the Department; Paula Baier, Department of General Services;* John Hightower, *Chief of the Concessions Division; and* Ted Wilson, *Ranger V. Not pictured is John Morris of the Attorney General's office. The group currently is working on the fifth draft of the bid proposal.*

What Do You Mean, It's In The DARC?

That's a question that's being asked less and less around Sacramento HQ these days, as the fame of the DARC (Distribution and Reproduction Center) spreads. Set up to increase efficiency in the headquarters mail, stock room, and Xeroxing functions, the DARC has its hands full with a variety of "other duties as required."

One of the major responsibilities of DARC personnel is the load of headquarters mail. Over three thousand pieces a day, on the average, are sorted, answered, or routed. The DARC routinely handles requests for folders and reports, sells departmental publications such as the California Historical Landmarks Booklet by mail, and provides control for mail received for the Director's Office. Special messenger service to departmental units not located in the Resources Building and to other departments is also provided.

In addition to maintaining supplies of the usual office miscelleny, forms, and park folders, the Center now has custody of all reports issued by the Department, so there is one centralized location at which you can find any current report – a great improvement over the office-to-office-search routine. In addition, DARC Supervisor *Lorraine Lynn* has established a card file on all reports *ever* published by the Department; if she doesn't have the one you're looking for, at least she can usually give you a Clue as to its whereabouts.

Nowadays, all the odds and ends that appear mysteriously in your in-basket, that used to originate from various sections throughout the Department – Management Memos, Departmental Notices, manual revisions, press releases – come straight from the DARC, an added service to the hard-pressed clerical personnel in other units. The DARC mails out supplies of tickets, forms, and brochures to field units.

And the care and feeding of the temperamental Xerox machine is handled by trained DARC personnel, who also keep track of reproduction and printing orders to insure the best service from the Department of General Services.

And, in the "other duties" category, assisting in moving has recently formed a great part of DARC workload – and what with the nomadic habits of various headquarters units, finding one temporary home after another, this duty does not look like one that will be retired in the near future.

(From left) Kathy Donoghue, Toni Sherburne, and Lee Forsyth handle the clerical details for the section. Greg Huckabay, not pictured, runs the Xerox machine. Lee Forsyth will have left the Section by the time this appears to work as receptionist at our Asilomar Training Center.

Lorraine Lynn checks out some information with Lowell Ray, who is in charge of mail, supplies, and the warehouse.

Supplies are ably handled by Fred Limbocker (right). Bob May, along with Dick Ward (not pictured), takes care of mail deliveries.

For Your Information

District 2 Leads Clippers

District 2 led the field in January in supplying clippings of news stories about Department activities. In all, 88 clippings were received by the Information Section during the month.

District 2 employees sent in 21 news clips, followed by District 6, nine; District 1, five; District 4, two; and Districts 3 and 5, one each. Headquarters personnel turned in 19 and 30 were supplied by Allen's Press Clipping Service.

Chief William C. Dillinger of the Information and Interpretation Division said the system is working well now and is doing an excellent job of keeping headquarters staff informed of park activities around the state.

The system is very simple, he noted. When field personnel read a state park item in their local paper or favorite magazine, they simply clip it out and send it to the headquarters Information Section. The clippings, with the date and name of the publication identified, are placed in folders and circulated throughout the headquarters office.

He asked all field and headquarters personnel to keep up the good work.

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VOX POP

A bashful Marina District resident of San Francisco (name not given) thanked Angel Island State Park for the Christmas Tree atop the mountain. "How cheery to see it every evening as I look out across the Bay," wrote the anonymous admirer.

Ranger *Charles Cain* was thanked profusely by Loren D. Good of Santa Rosa for a personal tour of Benecia Capitol SHP. "Although the hour was late, he did an extremely fine job," Good wrote. The writer is Executive Vice-president of the Redwood Region Conservation Council and President of the California Conservation Council.

Lawrence M. Hamilton of Englewood, Colorado, who called himself an amateur western history "nut," had glowing praises for the staff at Sutter's Fort SHP. His few minute visit extended to about three hours and "was the most informative and interesting stop on a 5,500 mile trip through Utah, Nevada, California, Arizona and New Mexico."

Morro Bay SP received a "thank you" from two directions. Mr. and Mrs. James W. Royle, Jr., of San Diego thanked the "friendly, courteous, and helpful" staff and commented that the museum is a joy to visit. Doris Gussenhoven of Morro Bay thanked the park for allowing *Erica Ness* to present her silver slide talk to St. Timothy's Altar Society.

Ranger *James Hibbert* of Cuyamaca Rancho SP was thanked by Robert Schwartz of San Diego for assistance when Schwartz's feet became frostbitten while he was backpacking in the Cuyamaca Mountains.

Robert B. Bradford of Sacramento, Executive Director of the Sacramento Redevelopment Agency, complimented the Department on its "Report on a Decade." He was impressed with the quality of the report and with the progress the Department has made under the leadership of Director Mott.

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People

25 Years

Six men in our Department are celebrating (?) 25 years of state service this year.

First on our list is *Robert E. Stewart*, Ranger III at Calaveras Area. Bob actually started working for us in June, 1946, and earned his 25-year award last year but was missed when the 1971 list was made up.

Also starting in 1946 was *John C. McKenzie*, Historian I at La Purisima Mission. John began working with parks as a Nature Guide at Cuyamaca.

In February 1947, *Alvin F. Whittington, Jr.*, and San Luis Obispo Coast Area Manager *Chuck Lyden* came to Parks as Ranger Is – Al, now in the Sierra Area, went to Pfeiffer Big Sur while Chuck started at Doheny.

William (Pat) Dougherty and *Glen Jones* started in 1947, Glen at Dyerville Headquarters and Pat at Morro Bay. Both are now Ranger IVs; Pat at Channel Coast Area and Glen in the Montane Area.

Waldemar L. Wiederhoeft, Ranger I at Lake Oroville continued his State service when he came to work for Parks and Recreation in 1963 at Curry-Bidwell Bar State Park.

Congratulations to all of you!

SPR IIIs Around The State

In our last episode of the continuing saga of field assignment changes, you may remember, we were left with several R-III vacancies – *R. V. Sims* retired, leaving McArthur-Burnery Area; Chief Ranger spots at Four Rivers and Santa Cruz Mountains and Interpreter positions at Districts 3 and 6 were also vacant. Now, our indefagitable NEWS and VIEWS reporting team has learned who will be moving into these slots.

Maurice Oller will be leaving the San Diego Coast Area to return to District 1 when he takes over at McArthur-Burney Falls. *Frank Fairchild* is leaving Mitchell Caverns to take over the job at the beaches.

Roger Werts of the Pajaro Coast area will move up into the hills to take over the Chief Ranger spot at Santa Cruz Mountains; *Pat Watkins* will leave the Sierra Area to become Chief Ranger at Four Rivers. To fill the Interpreter positions, *Dom Gotelli* makes the switch from Frontera to District 6 HQ, and *Jim Hibbert* will be leaving Montane for District 3 HQ in Stockton. *Kirk Wallace* will go from San Luis Obispo Coast to Montane. In other changes, *Kirby Morgan* goes from Millerton Lake to take over at the Sacramento Area; *Bob Tardif*, as we reported last issue, is working on a special assignment out of the Interpretive Services Section, Sacramento. *Carl Wilson* will leave Hearst Castle for Will Rogers Area, taking the position vacated by *Fred Eggiman*.

Next month, with any luck – the Ranger II changes!

Changes In Retirement Law

Until recently, final retirement compensation was figured on the three highest consecutive years of earnable income of the member. A recent change in the law makes the last three years the base for computation, unless the member requests that another three year period be used.

Retirement benefits will still be based on the three years of highest earnings. This change eliminates the detailed examination of each retiring employee's record to make sure that he is credited with his years of highest earnings. In most cases, the period of highest earnings is the last three years. The provision for the member to select another period takes care of the few cases where the highest earnings occurred before the last three years of service.

The Application for Retirement, Form 369, has been revised. The new form should be used to request retirement effective on or after April 1, 1972.

Lloyd Lively To Retire - Ted Wilson To Replace Him

We just learned that Lloyd Lively, District 5 Superintendent, will retire August 1 after 38 years of service with the Department. His replacement will be Ted Wilson, who is presently on assignment with the Concessions Division. Ted will report to District 5 on June 1 to familiarize himself with the operation there.

Trainee Program Qualifies For Veteran's Benefits

State Park Ranger Trainees who have served at least six months active military duty since January 31, 1955, and who had not received a dishonorable discharge, soon, if not already, will be eligible for veteran's training benefits.

Qualified trainees will receive up to one and one-half months of reimbursed training for each month they served. For the first six months of training, a trainee with no dependents can expect to receive $108, $120 if he has one dependent, and $144 if two or more. During the second six months, benefits are $81, $92, and $105, respectively.

In addition, it appears likely that trainees appointed prior to the date of acceptance of our program by the Department of Industrial Relations will also be eligible for some form of retroactive benefits. However, this will extend only to the current group of trainees – trainees already graduated are not eligible.

For more information, check with Bob Dean, Personnel Section at Sacramento Headquarters.

Robert Becker (left), Division of Apprenticeship Standards, shows the agreement authorizing veteran benefits to Department trainees to Ed Wilson and Ray Hunter.

People

Jack Dyson Retires

Jack R. Dyson of the Interpretive Services Section will retire from the Department of Parks and Recreation on April 1, 1972, after 28 years of service. He started at Richardson Grove, and served at San Juan Bautista, Sutter's Fort, State Indian Museum, and Sacramento Interpretive Services Section as Ranger, Curator, Historian, and Exhibit Coordinator. He will be assuming duties as the Director of the Kit Carson Museum at Taos, New Mexico. A dinner in his honor will be held on March 24, 1972, at the Caravan Inn in Sacramento. Dinner will be $6.00 per person, which includes tax, tip, and contribution to gift. Reservations should be sent to Mrs. Marie Russell, Interpretive Services Section, P.O. Box 2390, Sacramento, California 95811. Material for the memory book should be sent to David A. Tucker at the same address.

R. V. and Louise Sims "Hit The Road"

February 8, 1972 (from Picacho S. R. A.)

To the Staff, District One;

This is to say a temporary farewell and a great big "thank you" to all of you there at the Fort for all the help and understanding you gave me during this last hitch in District One. And particular thanks to Tiny for the time at McBurney – this let me round out my service by working in almost every type of environment the State has to offer, and was probably the best retirement gift I could have gotten!

Speaking of that, I would like to pass along my thanks also to all those at the Xmas party and my retirement party for making it so enjoyable. You might like to know that Louise and I split the money from the "bank" at the party, mine going for a complete fly tieing set of equipment, and hers for oil paints and supplies for painting. (She's pretty good, you know!) There was almost 40 bucks in that little devil! I've tied about 10 dozen trout flies so far, and Louise has been painting desert scenes most every day. Two of the wives here also paint, and they have been having a ball.

We have been "freeloading" here at Picacho for three weeks now, but plan to pull out tomorrow and head for Texas for the rest of the winter and into spring. Will use the summer up going up through the Rockies into B. C., and expect to be back in District One around September, and will hope to see all of your then.

We want to hear from *all* of you, hear? Correspondence will reach us c/o O. N. Green, 502 Pearl, Medford, Oregon 97501.

Best regards to all, and "adios!"

R. V. & Louise Sims

Law Enforcement Grads

Rangers completing the 240-hour Law Enforcement Academy at Riverside on February 4 were: *David L. Sears*, Trinidad Area; *Frederick C. Schmidt*, Marin Area; *Ernest Bradley*, Sonoma Area; *Dana Long*, Folsom Lake Area; *Paul Schuessler*, Calaveras Area; *Kenneth W. Martin*, Four Rivers Area; *Charles E. Gordon* and *Dale Hinkle*, Pajaro Coast Area; *Richard Edwards*, Big Sur Area; *Robert W. Short*, Santa Cruz Mountains Area; *Don Kinney*, San Simeon Area; *John F. Hollinger*, San Luis Obispo Coast Area; *William "Pat" Dougherty* and *Mervil Larson* (Lifeguard Supervisor), Channel Coast Area; *William Robinson*, High Desert Area; *Glen Watson*, Point Mugu Area; *Charles Potthast*, La Purisima Area; *Bud Caughell*, Orange Coast Area; *Dominic Gotelli* and *Quinton Kay*, Frontera Area; *Phillips L. Claud*, Mount San Jacinto Area; *Donald Pohl* and *Kent Hartwell*, San Diego Coast Area; *James Hibbert*, Montane Area; and *Harry Shook*, Salton Sea Area.

Dom Gotelli, who will be taking over as District 6 Interpreter, receives his law enforcement diploma from District 6 Superintendent Jim Whitehead.

The February 1972 Law Enforcement graduates.

APPOINTMENTS ·

Birtchet, Carol M.	Clerk Typist II (Perm Int)	Personnel Section	2-7-72
Doherty, Donna K.	Clerk Typist II (Perm Int)	Orange Coast Area	1-4-72
Fair, Connie J.	Clerk Typist I (Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	1-7-72
Gaines, Linda W.	Account Clerk II	Accounting Section	2-1-72
Hood, Roger D.	Groundsman	Sacramento Area	2-1-72
James, Eloise L.	Personnel Asst I	District 6 Headquarters	1-17-72
Kurtz, Martin W.	Park Maint Asst	Golden Gate Area	2-2-72
Limbocker, Frederick R.	Clerk II	Dist & Repro Center	2-7-72
Morris, Carl M.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Point Lobos Area	1-25-72
Pitts, Gordon E.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Orange Coast Area	1-20-72
Rives, James S.	Park Maint Asst	Will Rogers Area	1-3-72
Swanson, Kenneth W.	Park Maint Man I	Monterey Area	1-3-72
Templeman, Cheryl L.	Clerk Typist II	Personnel Section	2-7-72
Thompson, Barbara L.	Stenographer II	San Mateo Coast Area	1-6-72
White, Richard A.	Park Maint Asst	Golden Gate Area	2-2-72

PROMOTIONS

Caldwell, D. Keith	State Park Ranger IV	Oper Div – Chief's Off	2-1-72
Casci, Linda A.	Personnel Asst II	Personnel Section	2-1-72
Herald, Frank W.	State Park Ranger II	Golden Gate Area	2-3-72
Johnston, Walter R.	Fac Maint Prog Supvr	Oper Div – Chief's Off	1-17-72
Menefee, Richard L.	State Park Ranger IV	Sonoma Area	2-1-72
Muldavin, Clark H.	Senior Civil Engineer	Engineering Unit	1-21-72
Tardif, Robert	State Park Ranger IV	Oper Div – Chief's Off	2-1-72
Voos, Dennis W.	Staff Adm Anyst-Acctg Syst	Systems & Dev Section	1-17-72
Woodhouse, George G.	Senior Delineator	Graphic Services Unit	2-1-72

CLASS CHANGES

Burch, Glenn E.	Hist Exhbt Spec, SMHP to State Pk Hist I	Golden Gate Area	1-1-72
Getty, Maurice H.	Dist Interp Spec to State Park Ranger IV	Dist 6 HQ to Anza-Borrego Area	2-1-72
Heinze, Herbert L.	Facil Maint Prog Supvr to State Park Ranger V	Oper Div – Chief's Off to District 1 Headquarters	1-12-72

UNIT CHANGES

Barclay, Mary Jane	Senior Stenographer	Grnts & Stwd Studies Br to Director's Office	2-1-72
Felty, Richard E.	State Park Ranger IV	Salton Sea Area to Oper Div – Chief's Off	2-1-72
Grima, Marjorie A.	Senior Stenographer	Director's Office to Grnts & Stwd Studies Br	2-1-72
Hesemeyer, Jack W.	State Park Ranger IV	Anza-Borrego Area to Oper Div – Chief's Off	2-1-72

CLASS AND TIME BASE CHANGE

Ellston, Regina H.	Clk Typ II (Perm Int) to Clerk II (Full Time)	Accounting Section	2-1-72

TIME BASE CHANGE

Jones, Alfred D.	Guide I, Hist Monument (Full Time to Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	1-14-72
Rice, Lelia B.	Guide I, Hist Monument (Int to Full Time)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	1-14-72

FORMAL TRAINING ASSIGNMENT

Borden, William E.	Asst Personnel Analyst	Persnl Sec to Budget Sec	2-1-72
Dean, Robert R.	Assoc Budget Analyst	Dept of Finance to Persnl Sec	2-1-72
Miller, James L.	Training Officer II	Trng Sec to Dept of Finance	1-31-72

NAME CHANGE

Snelling, Dianna L. to Taylor	Clerk Typist II	Central Records	1-29-72

SEPARATION

Dong, George W.	Asst Landscape Arch	Proj Development Sec	1-31-72
Foard, Patricia J.	Clerk Typ II (Perm Int)	Mount Diablo Area	12-31-71
Fritz, Gregory E.	Groundsman	Orange Coast Area	1-31-72
Janton, John A., Jr.	Watchman	Orange Coast Area	1-22-72
Miller, Gary W.	Clerk II	Dist & Repro Center	1-21-72
Youngberg, Alv D.	State Pk Rngr Trne	Santa Cruz Mountain Area	1-1-72

RETIREMENT

Neblett, Edna M.	Janitor	Monterey Area	1-31-72
Rhodes, Jackson A.	State Park Ranger I	Marshall Gold Disc Area	1-31-72

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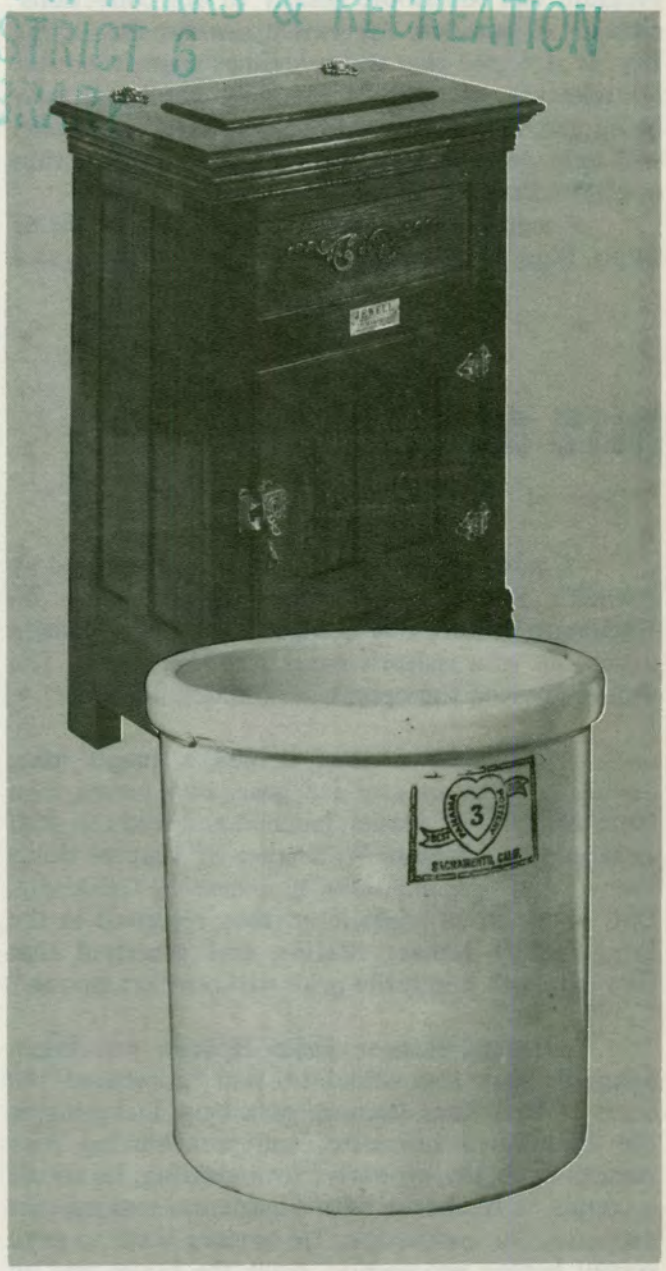
Artifact Conscience

In carrying out one of its primary missions – preserving, restoring, and interpreting "representative examples of California's history" – the California State Park System works to acquire sites, buildings, and artifacts with historical and anthropological significance. Though sometimes artifacts receive much less attention than sites or buildings, an authentic artifact can be an equally important source of historical information. It can reveal three-dimensional clues about the lives and attitudes of our predecessors, as well as their aesthetic values and technology.

Our Interpretive Services Section employs artifacts to add to the impact of park exhibits, to convey more to the visitor than labels and drawings could alone. Adding other senses – hearing, touching, smelling, tasting – to an interpretive display further increases its power. Labels and drawings can relate that a battle commenced with a bursting shell from a cannon; however, real meaning is added when a cannon barrel or a shell reinforces the interpretation of the past in a concrete way.

During the past decade, the State Park System has established a standardized system for accessioning and cataloguing its interpretive collection of over five hundred thousand artifacts, valued at more than fifty million dollars. But it is not enough to acquire and keep records of our collections; a collection of artifacts, no matter what their value, uniqueness, or rarity, will soon become absolutely worthless if not properly cared for.

Awareness of the numerous hazards that threaten our artifacts is essential. For instance, rapid changes in humidity and temperature, and the ultraviolet radiation emitted by sunlight and fluorescent lighting are significant hazards to their good health. The heat from sunlight or incandescent lightbulbs can make paper, leather, and textiles brittle, and cause wood to shrink and check. Chemical air pollution makes metals



This turn-of-the-century ice box has received good care – and looks as if it had just stepped out of the pages of Sears' 1902 "wish book".

On the other hand, this crock has led an entirely different life – neglect and careless handling have taken their toll.

corrode, and cloth, hides, wood, and similar materials are subject to damage from insects, rodents, and fungi. Dust, a great destroyer, can start a chemical reaction with moisture that causes deterioration; it also scratches and wears surfaces that are not cleaned properly and regularly. Certain rubber latex paints emit sulphuric acid fumes that are disastrous to many items. And, last but not least, neglect and careless handling also pose problems.

Although the field of collections preservation and restoration is extremely technical and specialized, a good day-to-day housekeeping program will contribute greatly to our collections' chances of survival. *Preventive maintenance* is the key. It is hoped that the guidelines artifact/exhibit housekeeping handbook for field personnel now being prepared by the Interpretive Services Section will help develop an "artifact conscience" within our State Park System.

According to Duncan Cameron, president of Janus Museum Consultants, Toronto, "The ideal environment (for the artifact) would provide pollutant-free air, total darkness, a constant temperature in the range 60-68 degrees Farenheit, a relative humidity constant in the range 50-60%, vibration-free structure and protection against shock and sound waves, and absence of all organisms (including humans), a site on high land, a fireproof structure, elaborate back-up control systems, and the cooperation of the Almighty."

Though this ideal environment may be unobtainable, with proper attention many artifacts will endure for centuries. We must develop artifact conscience, recognizing that each State Park System artifact is a unique, concrete tool for the study and interpretation of the past. We must be aware of the environmental agents that threaten their survival and know of the procedures required to preserve them for future generations of Californians.

–Anthony M. Knapp
Park Interpretive Specialist

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BITS & PIECES

A new wrinkle in pest control is reported by Patrick's Point Ranger *Bruce Dinneford* – on Washington's Birthday Ranger *Jake Zaiger* coaxed a tick out of a visitor's navel with liquid soap. The visitor survived the operation; the tick did not.

When warned that it was a tough hike, especially without any ice gear, two young men from Anchorage, Alaska, laughed and told the staff at Mount San Jacinto Wilderness SP that we don't know what ice and snow are, here in California. But, about three hours later, they returned to the Long Valley Ranger Station and admitted that they couldn't climb the peak without "crampons."

Resident Ranger *Earle Hooven* was taken aback to learn that somebody had "purchased" 40 acres of Red Rock Canyon park land, including an old abandoned homesite, and was barring park visitors from the property. Investigating, he found a couple at the house with a carpenter making cost estimates for restoration. He advised them to get a survey before proceeding, since the house was on park property and was scheduled for demolition. They took their estimates and "No Trespass" signs and faded away, and haven't been heard from since.

After noticing water for sale at a local store, a worried lady asked the rangers at San Elijo SB whether the water in Southern California was safe to drink.

Other duties as required – Answering the telephone at Seacliff SB recently, Ranger *Walt Martell* was asked, "Are the Grimes' still camping there?" "Yes, they are." Lady: "Can you take a message?" "Yes." "Be sure and tell him Happy Birthday – this is his daughter and I wouldn't want him to think I forgot." So Walt, accompanied by a rather startled telephone repairman, delivered the message *a capella* when he encountered Mr. Grimes on the pier.

Early in February, Ranger and Good Samaritan *James Hartman* stopped to assist a man who *appeared* to be an accident victim – he was on his hands and knees, making a feeble attempt to crawl onto the road. Assisting the man onto the road, Hartman discovered that he had no injuries and left him staggering towards his house, about a hundred yards away. Must have made it, because he was back in the same spot, in the same condition, the following evening.

THE DIRECTOR

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.

State Parks

The 202 units of the California State Park System are organized into several classifications. Each classification has its own management plan. "State Park" is the oldest classification. However, because all units of the System are to most people "parks", the classification "State Park" is misused and misunderstood.

As now defined, "State Parks" are major areas with outstanding scenic, natural, cultural, and/or ecological values. In them are preserved the most significant examples of California's varied landscape. Parks are managed as a whole in order to restore, protect and maintain their natural quality for the benefit of present and future generations. Improvements are limited to those necessary for public enjoyment and education.

Parks ordinarily embrace land areas but they may also include underwater environments. There are 58 units in the "State Park" classification containing 724,552 acres of land, of which 1,115 acres are developed. Eighty-seven percent of the total acreage in the State Park System is included in the classification "State Park". The largest state park is Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, located in Southern California, which contains 488,996 acres. The smallest unit is Grizzly Creek Redwoods State Park, located in Northern California, containing 234 acres.

Total attendance to the State Parks in fiscal year 1970-71 was 10,983,135, or approximately 26% of the total visitor attendance to the California State Park System. It cost $4,668,499 to support the State Park units, or 31% of the operating cost for the total California State Park System. State parks produce $1,716,392 of revenue, or 24% of the total revenue produced by the System. 4,627 camping sites contribute $1,260,480 while day use and 2,555 picnic sites produce $330,593 of revenue. Concessions account for $113,065 and miscellaneous fees and charges, $12,794.

D. L. Bliss State Park on Lake Tahoe can claim to be the park located at the highest elevation, 6,920 feet, and Van Damme State Park has the honor of being the park at the lowest elevation, 15 feet. The oldest unit in the system is Big Basin Redwoods State Park which was established in 1902.

In fiscal year 1970-71, 2,485,071 visitor days of camping use were registered in the state parks. Of this use, 1,559,102 visitor days were attributed to camping in the developed campsites, while 302,567 days of use took place in primitive campsites. Group camp activity accounted for 77,204 visitor days of use. The rest of the visitor camping days of use was distributed among the specialized camp areas, such as horse camps, boat camps and trailer campgrounds. 27,520 dog days of use were tabulated in fiscal year 1970-71.

State parks can be found from the redwoods to the desert, from the Sierra to the sea. Their variety and scope are great. Managing this priceless resource requires skill, understanding and dedication. Three ingredients with which our field forces are amply supplied. Visitors to the California State Park System, particularly its state parks, have a unique and rewarding opportunity to enjoy the best of California's outstanding land and sea scapes.

After Robert C. Cozens, DMV Director, gave Director Mott his plates, Dana Long, Chief Ranger at Folsom Lake SRA, gave Cozens a set of anti-litter patches.

4 Parks is 4 Mott

If you see a familiar looking automobile wheel into your park, and it has the personalized license plates 4 PARKS on it, spruce up – it's the Director.

Director Mott just joined the nearly 70,000 other California motorists who have paid their $25 for a set of these plates for their automobiles. The fee, plus the annual $10 renewal fee, goes into the state's Environmental Protection Fund to finance environmental and anti-pollution projects for the enhancement and protection of our outdoors.

COMMISSION REPORT

Berry Elected Commission Chairman

The Commission's March meeting in Solvang started newly elected chairman Lowell Berry off with a bang as the first two items of business before him were a discussion of El Pueblo de Los Angeles and a report on Point Mugu State Park.

Commissioner Berry, who had been vice chairman, succeeded Mrs. Clarice Gilchrist who has served for the past year. Dr. Loren Lutz was elected vice chairman.

The Pueblo item involved approval of the procedure for reviewing of the proposed new master concession agreement for the Pico-Garnier Block, which the Pueblo's own commission had approved on March 8. But Director Mott was also asked to confirm news reports that the Pueblo might be turned over to the City of Los Angeles. The Director said he had met with Mayor Yorty and Supervisor Debs who had indicated an interest. But the first action would be for the city council and board of supervisors to adopt resolutions indicating their willingness to accept responsibility for operating and maintaining the facilities. He said he saw no reason to delay proceedings for development of the Pico-Garnier Block, however, while this was pending.

The Point Mugu report reviewed plans shown a few days earlier to the Point Mugu Advisory Committee and covered in detail elsewhere in this issue.

Another major item was approval of the Department's acquisition programs for 1972-73, as reflected in the budget now before the Legislature. Items included approximately $6 million from the Bagley Conservation Fund (withholding tax monies) to acquire lands at the Morro Bay heron rookery, Carmel Bay, the Vallejo Home, Mount Diablo, Little River in Mendocino County, and Rincon Point in Santa Barbara County, plus a number of miscellaneous inholdings.

Nearly $5 million of acquisitions under the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (the so-called "zero appropriations") would include lands at Anza-Borrego Desert SP, Humboldt Redwoods SP, Point Mugu SP, Castle Rock SP, Big Basin Redwoods SP, Annadel Farms, Carmel River SB, and Carlsbad SB.

Plans for Gaviota SB were reviewed on the scene. Al Salzgeber acts as paperweight and resident authority, assisted by Commissioners Lutz and Berry.

Sewage problem at El Capital SB was inspected.

Retiring District Superintendent Lloyd Lively and wife were commended by Commissioner Thomson.

From the 1964 Bond Fund, about $3 million in acquisitions would include lands at Manchester SB, Topanga Canyon (a reappropriation), Torrey Pines SR, Annadel Farms, and Cardiff SB.

National Parks Week in California (March 20-24) was hailed in a resolution which noted California's role in development of the park concept here and in the nation. Sequoia, Yosemite, and General Grant (now Kings Canyon) were established by Congress in 1890 as the nation's second, third, and fourth national parks, the resolution pointed out, and Yosemite began as a California State Park under an act signed by President Lincoln in 1864.

The Director reported that plans for the new $1 million training center at Asilomar were moving along, with completion targeted for September 1973. Facilities would include classrooms, administrative offices and a library to house the valuable Holman collection, sleeping quarters for 60 people, and necessary parking. The facility would be across the street from the existing training center, on land newly acquired by the Pacific Grove-Asilomar Corporation. No cost to the State is involved. When not in use for State Park System operating training, the facilities would be made available to other groups.

The Director also presented the Commission with copies of the Department's new Lifeguard Training Handbook, which he said he hoped would become the standard training manual for local as well as state lifeguard operations throughout the State.

The new training program for seasonal personnel was also described to the Commission. For the first time, all seasonal employees will be given special orientation training before they are put in public contact jobs, the Director stated.

Success of another employment program was also mentioned by the Director. He said that some 125 people had been hired under the federally funded PEP program to provide temporary jobs for unemployed persons in areas where the unemployment rate is high. Jobs with the Department vary from park naturalists to painters.

A resolution commending the personnel of Anza-Borrego Desert SP was passed unanimously by all nine Commissioners. A scheduled discussion of bighorn sheep in Anza-Borrego Desert SP was put over. No action was taken on a request for review of development of artificial water supplies for wildlife.

A report by the Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation was presented by the Trust's president, Richard S. Whitehead, and Dr. Pearl Chase was introduced and commended for her long years of outstanding work in historical preservation and conservation.

Retiring District 5 Superintendent Lloyd Lively and his wife were introduced and commended by Commissioner Thomson.

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What's Happening

Rangers Association Holds Annual Meeting

Nearly 200 State Park Rangers, wives, and guests attended the 7th annual General Executive Council of the California State Park Rangers Association at the Airport Hilton Inn in Oakland on March 10-12.

Incoming president Jack Welch of San Diego Coast Area started his new regime with the shortest acceptance speech on record. Herman Schlerf of Eureka Headquarters was installed as Vice President, Kirk Wallace, Montane Area, is Parliamentorian, and Oren Welch, San Luis Obispo, takes over as *Reporter* editor from Neil Power.

A highlight was the naming of former Beach and Parks Division Chief Earl Hanson as an Honorary Ranger. Earl protested the irregular procedure, since the chairman of the Honorary Awards Committee (Earl himself) wasn't consulted, but he was railroaded.

Two other Honorary Rangers, Harriet "Petey" Weaver and Mrs. Verna Dunshee, were there to see Earl honored.

Outgoing President Wes Cater presented certificates of appreciation to Neil Power for his work on the Reporter (he was also commended in a resolution), to Doug Bryce for his efforts as Executive Secretary, and to Dana Long who handled arrangements for the meeting. Eighty-one year old Joseph Bruggeman of Bangor, who watched the building of Oroville Dam, was also given a special commendation for his help to park personnel in filling in visitors at the Kelley Ridge Overlook.

Attending the meeting were the new President of the State Park and Recreation Commission, Lowell Berry of Oakland, and his wife; the outgoing Commission President, Mrs. Clarice Gilchrist of Piedmont, and her husband; and Commissioner and Mrs. Tom Bonnicksen of Berkeley. Director Mott and Deputies Ray Hunter and Bob Meyer also were there, with other Department staff.

Outgoing President Wes Cater, who is officially Junior Past President, reported on another good year for CSPRA, summarizing a sizeable list of resolutions and committee reports and reporting on the continuing battle for better salaries.

A proposal to affiliate with the California Park and Recreation Society was sent back to committee, and a previously adopted mutual

recognition agreement with CSEA was dropped.

Broadening of membership to include intermittent rangers and maintenance classes was adopted, but a proposal that all employees of the Department be polled on their interest in joining CSPRA was returned to committee.

The Environmental Issues Committee reported on its efforts to increase environmental awareness throughout the Department and to seek solutions to environmental problems. A Committee resolution urging the Department to make greater use of recycled paper was adopted.

Several resolutions also urged a broadening and strengthening of the interpretive program. One asked that more interpretive equipment and materials be provided, and more time and money be allotted to the interpretive area. Another authorized the association to contribute funds to help produce an up-to-date film on the State Park System. A third sought encouragement of participation in Audubon Camp training by allowing rangers to attend on State time.*

Regional Directors were also named. They are:

Region I	–	Ken Jones
Region II	–	Mel Badger
Region III	–	Fred Spicer
Region IV	–	Ron McCall
Region V	–	Rodger Kellogg
Region VI	–	Loren Dietz (Montane)
Region VII	–	Ron Rawlings

Banquet speaker was Bob Howard, Executive Director of the California State Parks Foundation.

President Wes Cater opens GEC business session.

**The Director is okaying such a plan this year with the proviso that those who take the training be available for interpretive duties in their units.*

"Better Ranger" Earl Hansen was promoted to Honorary Ranger.

Wes and Reporter Editor Kirk Wallace give us an excuse to run at least one picture of marathon typing champ Maggie Souza, who showed CSPRA why she's Oroville SRA'S most valued possession. Dick Brock, Cliff Wade, and Ron McCall are overshadowed by the belle of the Buttes.

CSPRA, like State, gets two for price of one as ranger wives work harder than husbands to make GEC go.

Photos by Jack Schlotter.

Three items of legislation drew Council support. SB 338 (Short) to raise ranger salaries by about 15% was strongly endorsed, and plans laid to help it on its way. The Council also voted support for the California Coastal Zone Conservation Act (AB 200 Sieroty) and for Assemblyman Z'berg's $250 million park bond act proposal.

Program for the meeting, aside from business sessions and the ladies' program on flower arranging, was built around two panels, one a general presentation of Department programs by all six division chiefs and the two deputy directors, and the other an informal discussion of law enforcement approaches with Superintendent Lynn Thompson of Yosemite National Park and L. G. Olson of the East Bay Regional Parks. Thompson stressed the need for balancing enforcement with an equal effort in interpretation. Olson talked on the need for professional law enforcement training. Jack Smyre represented the Department, and Carl Anderson was panel chairman.

Bob Howard, Executive Director of the California State Park Foundation, was banquet speaker. He commended the Council members for their support of the Foundation, and noted that five of the Foundations first six major projects were nearing successful completion, and a good start was being made on No. 6, the wildflower preserve.

Our Own Grand Canyon

Although most people think there is only one Grand Canyon, the one in Arizona, we in California have a Grand Canyon of our own at Picacho State Recreation Area. In the southeastern corner of California, 25 miles from Yuma, Arizona and only 20 miles from Mexico – quite a trip from northern California – Picacho is full of canyons, washes, and jagged mountains.

Once you reach the park though, you will enjoy your stay there, especially during the months between October and April. During this time the temperature never drops below 20°, and it isn't too hot. . .during the summer, on the other hand, it may reach an extreme of 120°. The cool weather we had for our January visit made if difficult to believe that the temperature could rise so high.

Picacho is classed as one of our desert parks, but much to my surprise, there is a lake, Taylor Lake, in the center of the park. For my money, they could change its name to Ghost Lake, for it has all the appearances of a type of "Twilight Zone" show with its pale ghost-like trees and white dust-covered surface. To add to the feeling, you can see herons slowly drifting over the surface to land in the trees, along with many other migratory waterfowl that make Picacho an annual stop along the Pacific Flyway.

Another surprise at Picacho is the Colorado River winding its way through the park, offering much in the way of activities such as boating, fishing, and other water sports. Intermittent Ranger *Clarence Eddy* drove us to the River Overlook for a spectacular view of the Colorado.

There are fifty family campsites in the park, plus two group campsites, one of which is on the river for boat-in campers. Other facilities include drinking water, restrooms with showers (albeit cold ones), fire rings, a boat ramp and a concessionaire-operated store.

Many campers enjoy climbing the rugged mountains in and around the park. Just make sure you obey common sense rules necessary for desert exploring if you plan to go far.

The only drawback to going to Picacho is the road into the park. The first six miles of road is paved and you think that they must have been kidding when they warned you about the roads, but look out! After the first few miles the road suddenly (and I do mean *suddenly*!) becomes a dirt road full of rocks, bumps, hills and blind curves. For the next eighteen miles! The best type of car for this would be a four-wheel drive vehicle, but we drove it in a standard station wagon, so anything is possible. The road is also hazardous in that some stretches don't allow for more than one car, so if you meet another car coming towards you someone will have to back up (we had to back up twice before we finally got past one particular hill). But don't let the road stop you from having an enjoyable time at Picacho.

–Marti Johnson

Collecting Permits Protect Park Values

Protecting and perpetuating all natural features of State Park System units is a primary responsibility of this Department. The importance of this function led, some years ago, to the establishment of the Resource Management and Protection Division. More recently, the continued need to protect natural features, coupled with increased pressures for collecting them for various purposes, has led to the establishment of an intensified program to monitor more closely the collecting of specimens in park units.

In charge of the program is Bob Hiller, State Park Ranger V, who works in the Environmental Resources Section, supervised by Fred Meyer. It is Hiller's job, among his other program responsibilities, to issue scientific collecting permits, after he makes sure Park System values will not be damaged.

All requests for permission to remove any element of the natural landscape are given very careful scrutiny. Permits are issued only to qualified persons participating in research projects. Permits are not issued for general classroom collecting, whether supervised or not, because of the tremendous impact that thousands of students would make on the natural features of park units.

Operationally, the program works like this: The collector must fill out an "Application For Collecting Permit" (DPR 65A) and submit it to the District. (Forms are available at the District offices). Then the District and unit investigate the project. If it's o.k., the application is forwarded to Hiller, who further investigates and, if the project still meets the basic criteria, issues the collecting permit (DPR 65).

Another protective feature of the program is a policy of long standing that permits can be issued only if there is a very tangible benefit to the State Park System. This benefit usually comes in the form of increased scientific knowledge derived through copies of the study findings or resulting reports.

In addition to the permit from this Department, a permit from the Department of Fish and Game may be required under cetain conditions, if mammals, birds and nests, fish, amphibians, reptiles, or any other form of animal life or marine plants are to be taken.

When a permit is issued, Hiller noted that there are several conditions attached. Collecting is not allowed on weekends or holidays, nor in areas of heavy public use unless specifically authorized by the area manager. There may be other special

limitations, depending on the nature of the collecting. Also, the quantity of each species to be collected is enumerated and is kept to a very limited number.

Generally the research worker is required to contact the area manager each time he enters a unit of the State Park System to collect.

The scientific information garnered from collecting has supplied the Department with important knowledge of the resources and ecology of park units.

Here's a sampling of some recent or ongoing collection activities:

The Department of Agriculture is collecting insects, diseased plants, and weeds as part of a statewide pest detection survey.

Sonoma State College is studying the marine algae and flowering plants of Sonoma County.

The University of San Francisco is studying the effects of air pollution on small rodents in the Benicia and Vallejo areas.

Other studies underway include the effects of the San Francisco oil spill on marine organisms; the life cycle and population dynamics of common marine invertebrates of southern California; and the marine ecology of Point Lobos.

The Department, Hiller said, already has received valuable information from collectors in the form of progress reports or completed reports. A requirement for renewal of a permit is a status report on what's already been done.

Lists of specimens collected and the research data are evaluated and are then turned over to Plant Ecologist Jim Barry, Protection Specialist Peter Gaidula, and Wildlife Ecologist Jack Hiehle. Copies are sent to the Interpretive Services Section and to the appropriate district.

Hiller goes about his duties with a quiet, efficient enthusiasm, and he's happy to talk about the program if you want more information. So on your next park visit, before you swat that mosquito, you may want to talk to Bob Hiller about a permit. He's in the book.

Recycling Revisited

We received this letter in response to an article in our February issue.

As a member of the Environmental Issues Committee, E.I.C. (for the California State Park Ranger's Association), I will soon put together a report dealing with the responsibility of our Department of Parks and Recreation switching to 100% recycled paper stationery and envelopes and other paper products of varying percentages of recycled paper. Sacramento headquarters will be receiving a copy of this report.

So, just dipping into my data and references, I question and must take issue with the article on recycled paper in the last issue of NEWS and VIEWS.

"Recycled paper is more expensive than the original product". Arnold said, "because the process of recycling requires the removal of the ink in addition to breaking down the paper into pulp".

– Many companies use stationery and envelopes made from 100% recycled paper which has *not* been deinked or bleached. This environmentally sound practice drastically reduces costs very near to those of virgin pulp paper of the same quality.

"Also, there is the pollution problem caused by the chemicals used to bleach out old paper".

– The chemicals used in bleaching do not cause a pollution problem. The "pollution problem" lies in *how* the company treats its wastes and what it ultimately does with the wastes.
– Virgin pulp is also bleached.

"Arnold estimates that a ton of recycled paper will yield 100 pounds of sludge (ink plus acids, waxes and other caustic substances".

– All types of papermaking produce waste. Where it counts is how a company gets rid of these wastes. Are the wastes poured into a nearby river? Are they treated and dried and sent to a sanitary land fill dump? Are the wastes utilized? I know of at least one company which condenses this residue of plastics, waxes and inks (essentially petroleum derivatives) and uses it as a fuel supplement for the heat source to run the entire papermaking process. Almost all of these companies are researching new ways to use these waste products.

I contend that there is such a variety of recycled paper manufactured in the United States (recycled percentages from 65-100%) that at least 90% of our department's paper needs could be met using recycled paper.

In this same issue of NEWS and VIEWS, "It Costs An Arm and A Leg. . .", we were told that the staggering sum of 176 million dollars was spent in disposing of ". . .the nearly 47 billion beverage containers. . ." in 1969. Well, how about the 4.5 BILLION dollars spent last year in the United States to get rid of the 360 million tons of solid waste created by cities and industries? Forty to fifty million tons of this solid waste was paper!

"The reduction of the amount of solid waste is an essential component in the preservation of the environment", said the Bergstrom Paper Company, Neenah, Wisconsin, in its booklet, "Recycling and Environmental Improvement Papers".

Isn't it about time we contribute to the clean-up and *reuse* of our resources instead of using, abusing and adding more waste to our environment?

The state of Massachusetts has just purchased over 1000 tons of recycled paper.

As a conservation agency, we should be involved, too.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM J. KRUMBEIN, JR.
State Park Ranger I
Big Basin Redwoods State Park

P.S. This letter has been typed on 100% recycled paper.

Bidwell Canyon Opens at Oroville

A brand new $750,000 trailer and boating facility opened to the public March 17 at Bidwell Canyon in Lake Oroville SRA. The developer was Southern California Concessions, Inc., a subsidiary of Southern California Financial Corp. which is developing public use facilities at the lake under concession contract to the State.

Area Manager Don Royer says the initial facilities include 82 campsites with trailer hookups; a seven-lane boat launching ramp, dry storage for 80 boats, a camp store and snack bar, two fish cleaning stations, drinking fountains, an ice machine, and comfort stations with flush toilets.

To be operational as soon as possible are a marina with 52 covered boat slips, a fuel barge, laundry, public telephone, courtesy dock, lights at the boat ramp, and a trailer sanitation station.

The new facility, which opened for the Easter week vacation throngs, caters to trailerites and boaters. Tent campers are welcome in the

nearby 136-unit Loafer Creek campground which has a swimming beach, picnic area, and boat launching area. Bidwell trailer sites have no stoves or tables for tent campers.

The firm will operate the area with patrol provided by the Department. Construction of the visitor center and facilities at Kelly Ridge, adjacent to Bidwell Canyon, is expected to start soon. Work on the access road began March 20.

Fees at Bidwell will be the same as the state charges for camping, day use, and boat launching. Dry storage and marina use will be handled by the firm. State season day use and boat launching permits will be honored at Bidwell, and will be sold there also.

Other recreation facilities at Lake Oroville include marinas at the dam spillway and Lime Saddle areas. Overnight boating (for self-contained boats), boat-in camping, and boat mooring areas are offered at the lake. The lake has an excellent fishery for trout, bass, and catfish.

Two recreation experts from Southern California Financial's New York office were brought to Lake Oroville to help launch the new camping and boating area. They are Roswell F. Hunter, Operations Director, and Conway R. Tombs, Director of Project Planning and Control.

Oroville Takes to the Air

Lake Oroville SRA is on the air. The area is taping a 90-second radio broadcast at intervals to tell the listening public various facts about the lake: wind, water level, anticipated weather, special events, boating types, etc.

The spot is aired over the local station, KOAR-AM, three times a day on weekends and once or twice daily the rest of the week.

Ranger Tom Miller said the radio voices are Rangers Bill Garrels and Al Murray.

A Brand New Park Service

Look out, Wilson Riles, the Department of Parks and Recreation is on the move!

The latest addition to the park ranger's role and State Park System services is a four-room school at Lake Oroville SRA. It all happened this way.

During Christmas vacation, the new Ophir school in Oroville caught fire due to a faulty furnace and burned down. The "dream" of every school child was promptly foiled by Area Manager Don Royer who had oodles of room in the spacious quarters purchased from the Department of Water Resources last July 1. The offices served DWR while Oroville Dam was being built.

So Royer contacted the school district and made the most basic and generous offer ever devised by man, "How can we be of help?"

The desperate need was for classrooms, so with the approval of District Superintendent Tiny Philbrook and Operations Chief Jack Knight, Royer told the school district, "You move some of the kids in now and we'll do the paperwork later."

So 140 kids moved into four rooms that offered ample space for two second grades and two third grades. In addition, part of the parking lot, already fenced, was completely closed off and made into a playground.

The teachers of these four grades are Mrs. McInturf, and Mrs. Kelley, second grades, and Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Brazitis, third grades.

The offer, and its acceptance, built more good will than money could ever buy. It also has improved community relations which already were in a healthy state.

As an example, when the area couldn't dig up money for traffic control signs needed in the Bidwell Canyon area, Royer appealed to the community. Result? The County chipped in some funds, along with Southern California Financial, and the signs were purchased.

The whole ball of wax is an example of what can be done when park people and communities work together.

So look out, Wilson Riles. Today education, tomorrow the world.

All Together Now -- Happy Birthday To You

It's official. The National Park Service is 100 years old. So venerable an organization deserves hearty congratulations, and I'm sure you'll all join in in a hearty chorus or two of "Happy Birthday. . ."

It was on March 1, 1872, when President U.S. Grant signed into law the bill creating Yellowstone National Park, the world's first national park. Yellowstone was soon joined by others, and as a result of this country's initiative, countries around the world followed suit.

According to the United Nations, some 93 nations have a national park system, more than 1,200 parks all told.

Here in California we have five national parks, eight national monuments, two national historic sites, a national seashore, and a national recreation area. Together, they attract ten million and more visitors each year.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

District 1

Trinidad Area rangers found a large bus mired to the hubcaps in a soggy campsite, its twelve young occupants sacked out in the laundry room. Of course, they had no money for campsites, or for tow trucks either, as the tow truck operator found out to his dismay. After Chief Ranger *Lyle Keith* narrowly averted a fistfight between the bus owner and the tow truck operator, and the sheriff came in to check out the group, the self-styled "missionaries" departed for warmer climes.

The brass memorial plaque that disappeared from Reynolds WC about a year ago was turned up when the Arcata Fire Department discovered it while on a call.

District 2

Russian River Area Ranger *Robert Walker* is now a qualified obstetrician – he assisted a cow giving birth to a calf just north of the Wright's Beach campground at Sonoma SB.

In January, Benicia Area Manager *Auburn Rose* attended graduation exercises for his son Gary, a USAF Captain, who received his wings in a pilot training program held at Chandler AFB, Arizona. Gary is now at McDill AFB in Florida, receiving further training on the F-4 "Phantom."

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carrillo is planning to be married in the chapel of Mission San Francisco de Solano this month. Her great-grandmother was the last Carrillo to be married at the mission in 1840.

District 3

On February 12, a 125-snowmobile caravan visited Bodie SHP. Organized by the local snowmobiling club, the Bodie Bogies, the outing included snowmobilers from as far away as Los Angeles. Many of the 150 persons participating took the opportunity to stroll through the park's museum, opened for the occasion, and Supervising Ranger *Larry Cermak* says that many intend to return with their families when the snow melts. Both participants and park people considered the outing a great success.

Charlie Gaus, the 94-year-old honorary "Old Ranger of North Bloomfield," fell and bruised his hip while on a trip to Nevada City, and is recuperating at an Auburn convalescent home. Malakoff Diggins Area Manager *Eric Leffingwell* reports that he hopes to be back in North Bloomfield in time to celebrate homecoming in June.

Over sixty thousand campers, boaters, and fishermen converged on San Luis Reservoir SRA over the long Washington's Birthday weekend – a crowd that bought out every fishing license in the area and broke all previous attendance records at the Reservoir.

A National Geographic crew visited Plumas–Eureka SP to film a TV documentary on old-time skiing and mining towns to be shown sometime next fall. They set up a downhill racecourse and conducted races using 70- and 80-year-old equipment.

Calaveras Area Manager *Bob Stewart* breathed a sigh of relief – turned out to be a mild winter and not too much of a change from Mount Diablo after all – a good way, he says, to introduce a new area manager.

The Mexican Consul, Zenaido Acosta Munoz, gave a short speech at Mexican Flag Day ceremonies at Sutter's Fort SHP on February 24. District 3 Assistant Superintendent *Mel Whittaker*, Deputy Director *Hunter*, and Sutter's Fort employees attended the affair, which was covered by Radio Station KFBK and Sacramento's Channel 10.

Mr. and Mrs. *Jack Faunces* (he's the new lifeguard at Grover Hot Springs) won't be having many anniversaries–they were married in Gardnerville on February 29.

District 4

About forty members of the California Off Road Vehicle Association and the Duners of Santa Cruz "worked their tails off," according to Pajaro Coast Area Chief Ranger *Ron McCall*, on the last weekend in February. Saturday they planted trees, transplated ice plant, picked up litter, and generally made themselves useful at Sunset and Jetty Beaches – Sunday they cleaned up the beach and dune area at Zmudowski. They took about five dump truck loads of trash from the beaches. As Area Manager Tony Trigeiro comments, "The image they portray here is a far distant cry from the maligned picture applied generally to all dune buggy clubs."

Must be some kind of record – Seacliff SB reports that 462 Annual Day Use Passes had

already been sold as of February 28. Last year they sold over 900 there, mostly to local retired people who fish from the pier almost daily.

A "first" for the Santa Cruz Mountains Area – a girl, Miss *Paula Petersen*, was among the new Ranger Trainees starting in March. (The others, before we are accused of female chauvinism, are Messrs. *Don Hoyle, Lloyd Limprecht,* and *Glen McGowan.*)

District 6

After the long, strenuous Washington's Birthday weekend, Anza-Borrego Desert SP Ranger *Ron Secovich* had planned to go directly home, take a hot shower, and collapse into bed. Instead he dallied a few minutes to shoot baskets with the young sons of Chief Ranger *Frank Davies* and Naturalist *Ernie Brown*. He landed wrong while trying for a dunk shot breaking one ankle in two places and spraining the other. Area Manager *Bud Getty* comments, "We appreciate his consideration in waiting until the holiday was past, but summer would have been better."

Something new is being tried at Doheny SB – the local jail is overcrowded, so those who can't pay their Municipal Court fines can work out their sentences picking up litter, pulling weeds, and the like. If the offender doesn't show up or doesn't do the work, a warrant is issued for his arrest and he serves his time in jail. So far, the system has worked to the satisfaction of both the Court and the Beach.

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For Your Information

New Tidepool Regs In Effect

Get a copy of the 1972 California Sportfishing Regulations, turn to Section 51 on page 27, and familiarize yourself with the new laws regarding tidal inverterbrates.

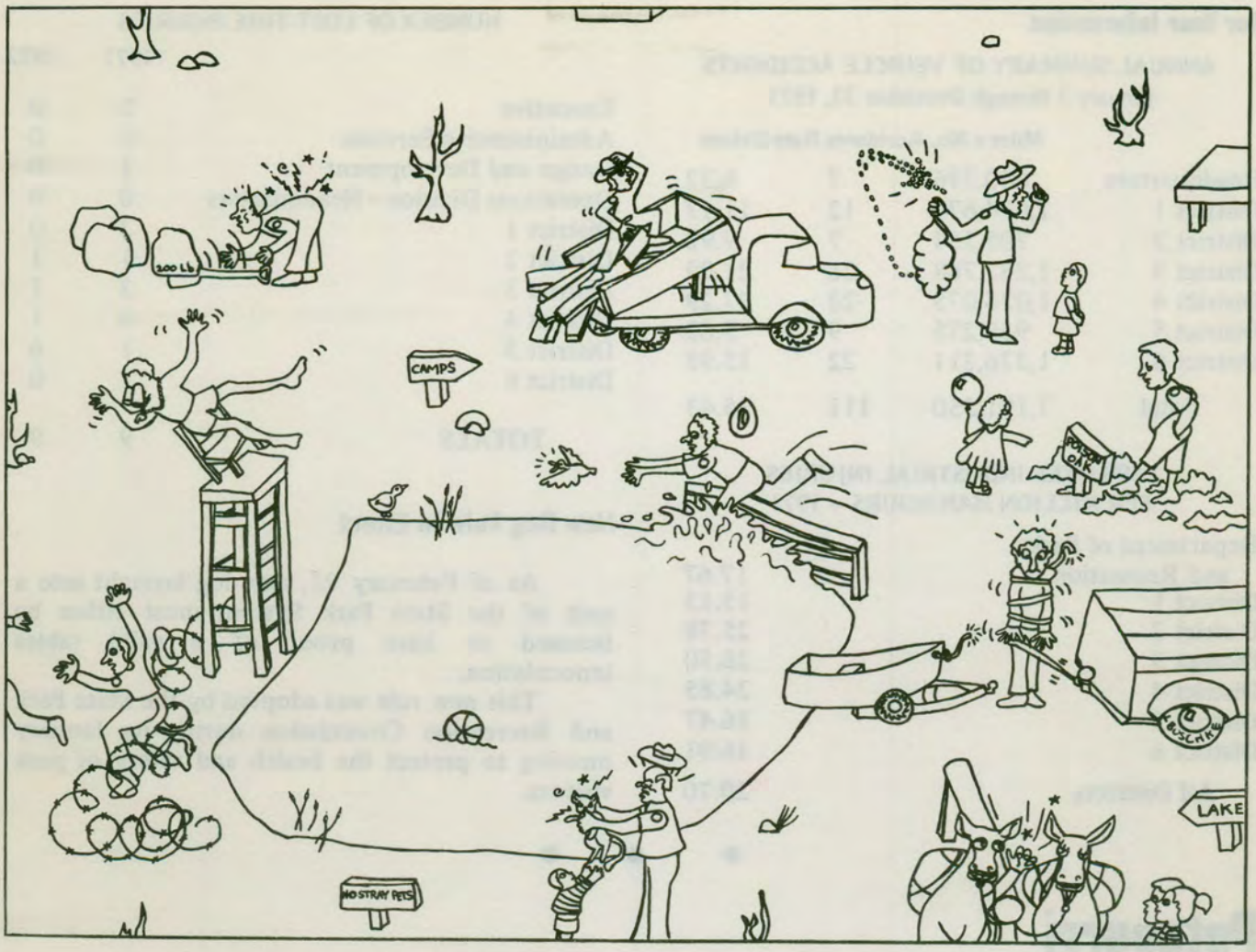
The new rules restrict the taking of specific invertebrates to those with valid sports fishing licenses in the area between the high tide mark and 1000 feet beyond the low tide mark in state park units including underwater parks and reserves, and in national parks and seashores.

In these areas, only abalones, chiones, clams, cockles, crabs, lobsters, scallops, and sea urchins may be taken, and some of these are subject to seasons and bag limits.

Districts 1 and 5 Safest

Director's 1971 safety awards were presented to Herb Heinze, Acting Superintendent of District 1, and Lloyd Lively, Superintendent of District 5, at the March superintendents meeting in Sacramento. District 1 led the districts in the Governor's Program to Reduce Occupational Injuries, with the lowest number of injuries (15.13) per million hours worked. District 5 had the fewest vehicular accidents per million miles (9.62).

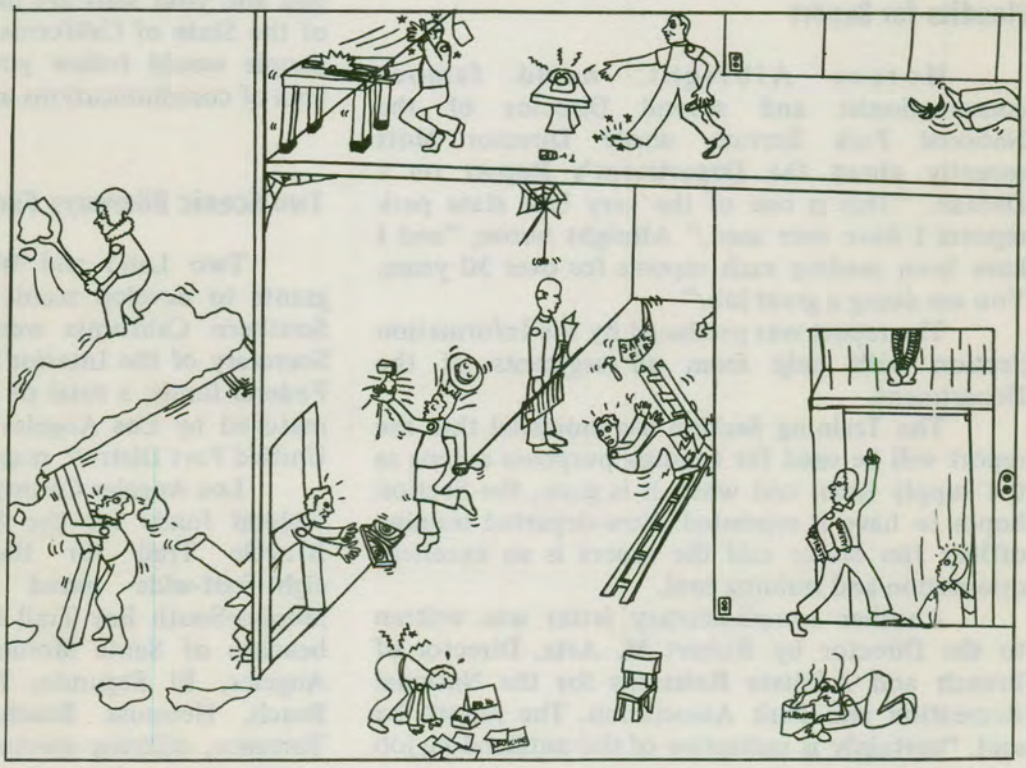
(Top right)
Herb Heinze receives award for lowest injury rate from Director Mott.
(Bottom right)
Despite L.A. freeways, Lloyd Lively managed to achieve the lowest vehicle accident rate, in District 5.



Accidentville 1971

Dale Buschke's daughter, Linda, who works for Health Care Services, put her talents to work to illustrate some of the accidents that occurred in our Department in 1971. Recognize any of them? We were down to 57 lost-time injuries last year – from 63 the year before, and if we can keep our awareness, we can continue the downward trend.

Dale Buschke is working in headquarters on training assignment as an Assistant Personnel Officer.



For Your Information

ANNUAL SUMMARY OF VEHICLE ACCIDENTS
January 1 through December 31, 1971

	Miles v No. Accidents		Rate Driven
Headquarters	840,796	.7	8.32
District 1	1,074,671	12	11.17
District 2	705,554	7	9.92
District 3	1,232,768	26	21.09
District 4	1,026,075	28	27.29
District 5	935,275	9	9.62
District 6	1,376,211	22	15.99
Total	7,191,350	111	15.43

EMPLOYEE INDUSTRIAL INJURIES
PER MILLION MAN-HOURS – 1971

Department of Parks and Recreation	17.67
District 1	15.13
District 2	25.78
District 3	28.50
District 4	24.85
District 5	16.47
District 6	16.01
All Districts	20.70

NUMBER OF LOST-TIME INJURIES

	1971	1972
Executive	0	0
Administrative Services	0	0
Design and Development	1	0
Operations Division - Headquarters	0	0
District 1	2	0
District 2	1	1
District 3	3	1
District 4	0	1
District 5	1	6
District 6	1	0
TOTALS	9	9

New Dog Rule In Effect

As of February 21, any dog brought into a unit of the State Park System must either be licensed or have proof of a valid rabies innoculation.

This new rule was adopted by the State Park and Recreation Commission during its January meeting to protect the health and safety of park visitors.

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Potpourri

Plaudits for Report

Horace Albright, world famous conservationist and second Director of the National Park Service, wrote Director Mott recently about the Department's Report on a Decade. "This is one of the very best state park reports I have ever seen," Albright wrote, "and I have been reading such reports for over 50 years. You are doing a great job."

The report was produced by the Information Section with help from all segments of the Department.

The Training Section has indicated that the report will be used for training purposes as long as the supply lasts, and when it is gone, the Section hopes to have it reprinted. Now-departed training officer Jim Miller said the report is an excellent orientation and training tool.

Another complimentary letter was written to the Director by Robert M. Artz, Director of Branch and Affiliate Relations for the National Recreation and Park Association. The report, he said, "certainly is indicative of the outstanding job you and your staff are performing for the citizens of the State of California. I just wish more of our people would follow your excellent lead in this area of communications and public relations."

Two Scenic Bikeways Funded

Two Land and Water Conservation Fund grants to develop scenic waterfront bikeways in Southern California were recently approved by Secretary of the Interior Rogers C. B. Morton. The Federal funds, a total of almost $8 million, will be matched by Los Angeles County and San Diego's Unified Port District, respectively.

Los Angeles County will receive $629,918 in Federal funds for the Santa-Monica South Bay Bicycle Trail for the development of an eight-foot-wide paved and landscaped Santa Monica-South Bay Trail to run 19 miles along the beaches of Santa Monica, Marina Del Rey, Los Angeles, El Segundo, Porto Beach, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach and Torrance, offering spectacular views of the Pacific

coastline. No land acquisition is needed since the pathway will be developed on lands provided by easements from the State of California, the County of Los Angeles and various municipalities. It will connect with existing trails in Santa Monica and proposed trails in Los Angeles and Culver City.

San Diego's Port District will receive $166,260 for the Harbor Drive Cycle Path to be developed on existing public thoroughfares. The path will give cyclists a contrasting waterfront panorama – views of a busy port, Navy ships in the harbor, Lindbergh Field, and a constantly changing view of the city and Harbor Island.

The federal grants are provided from the State of California's apportionment from the Land and Water Conservation Fund, $300 million a year for Federal recreation land acquisitions and grants to states and their political subdivisions for outdoor recreation projects. From the beginning of the Fund in 1965 through fiscal year 1972, California has received almost $48 million that has been matched by State and local money for a total investment of about $96 million in public outdoor recreation areas and facilities for the people of California.

For Good Use

Hank Hjersman submitted this quotation: "He that will have a good use of any part of his life must allow a large part of it to recreation."

–John Locke

Newspaper Clips Hit New High

Newspaper clippings supplied to the Information Section from the field, headquarters, and Allen's Press Clipping Bureau totaled 172 during February, about double the 88 sent in during December and the 85 supplied in January.

Headquarters led the Department with 37, followed by District 5 - 24; Districts 4 and 6 - 19 each; District 3 - 15; District 2 - 8; and District 1 - 7. Allen's provided 43.

Clips of stories about programs, activities, and special events in park units are placed in folders and routed to all segments of the Department to help keep everyone informed of what's going on.

Department employees are asked to clip suitable items from their local newspapers and forward them to the headquarters Information Section.

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors commended Director Mott for his dedicated service to the State and to the County of Los Angeles. From left to right: Norman Johnson, Director of Parks and Recreation for the County of Los Angeles; Director Mott; Ernest E. Debs, Supervisor, Third District for Los Angeles County; and Dick Fitzgerald, Director of Beaches, Los Angeles County.

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VOX POP

S. P. Taylor SP was the "best place we camped on our complete trip" says John H. Falge of Anderson, Indiana. He and his family traveled 7,300 miles and said Taylor was spacious, spotless, and had excellent facilities. "The park manager was helpful and very courteous."

Rangers *Scott Pineo* and *Lanny Waggoner* of the Sierra Area received thanks from Secretaries Lori Shaw and Carol Moore of the Tahoe Lake School. "We enjoyed your talk and learned more about Tahoe than we have known before." Both rangers were invited back.

Two work projects at Millerton Lake SRA brought letters of thanks from Area Manager *Bill Reinhardt*. Bill Wescott and his Scout Troop 116 from Madera spent 298 man-hours removing floating boating hazards. Commodore James Kitchen and members of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, Flotilla 62, Fresno, contributed three boats and 24 man-hours of work in the collecting and burning of wood debris.

Ranger *Chuck Lyden* was thanked for a gracious and polite reprimand when Lynn and Jerry Breakstone of San Luis Obispo, ignorant of the law, tried to take some seedlings out of a park in the area.

John and Mary McCue of Palo Alto wrote they enjoyed Ranger *Joe Fazio* when he led a

nature walk at Point Lobos SR. "He is a patient, dedicated, interested and very interesting man."

Ranger *John Myers* was not only thanked for special help in setting up a Girl Scout campout, at Montana de Oro SP, but he was presented the Chief Yellow Rooster award. The letter of appreciation from Pat Glau was signed, "Yellow Chicken."

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil T. Dughe of Modesto expressed appreciation to "the rangers at Sunset Beach" who made their two stays there such pleasant visits.

South Carlsbad SB was praised for being "clean, well maintained, and well layed out" by Mrs. Lorena Boice of sparks, Nevada. But more important, she wrote, is the attitude of unhurried courtesy and hospitality expressed by the staff. Ranger *Leroy Ross* was singled out for special mention. Mrs. Boice ended her letter asking for all the literature she could get on California state parks.

Jim Taylor of Rosemead, leader of the Cabrillo Section of the Sierra Club, was appreciative of the personnel at Salton Sea SRA for making an outing pleasant and rewarding. Particular thanks was extended to Miss Dorothy Hawkins.

Ranger *Douglas Jacobsen* of Cuyamaca Rancho SP performed nobly, according to Stewart E. Rogers of Santa Ana, by spending an hour in the rain repairing the Rogers' truck. Bad weather drove the family to evacuate, but the truck wouldn't start until Ranger Jacobsen came to the rescue.

Cuyamaca Rancho Ranger *Paul Johnson* has the satisfaction of knowing his article on *Free Pine Cones* in our January issue did some good – after a second-grade teacher read it to her class, a seven-year old girl brought a shopping bag of cones to school and asked her teacher to "take these back to the squirrels in the forest."

A fence at San Elijo SB, installed to help keep the campers' food chests, stoves, surfboards, and the like where they belong, caused some merriment among local residents.

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People

Lively Looking Forward to Retirement

By the time this gets to readers it will not be a scoop. Lloyd Lively has announced his retirement date. District 5 Headquarters personnel had formed a Lloyd Lively Retirement Committee and they were to tell Lloyd when he could retire, but the committee broke up when Jack Welch left for a new assignment in District 6. Before Al Salzgaber could get it regrouped, Lloyd took over and set a date of August 1, 1972. He will be retiring with 31 years of good service in State Parks plus 3 years for Fish and Game at Mt. Whitney Fish Hatchery.

Lloyd's first assignment was at Mt. Diablo for a short 3 months. Then he moved through the Custodian, Warden, Ranger series into four years in the Sacramento Land Planners Section. Back in the field, he became Superintendent of District 4, and more recently Superintendent of District 5. During the 31 years he worked throughout the state and in most big action parks, including Big Basin, Pfeiffer Big Sur, Morro Bay, Calaveras and Prairie Creek. His assignment at Pfeiffer Big Sur was interrupted by a 3-year break during World War II, when he served in the Navy.

Lloyd remembers his first park supervisor, Jess Chaffee, for "a terrific introduction to State Park leadership. He convinced me all park people are great."

Those of us that have been fortunate to have worked with Lloyd will certainly remember him for his patience and for getting the job done in an easy determined manner. He has been such a great guy we might even let him camp in our parks when he and Chris take their trailer on tour. To start

Chris and Lloyd at home in Big Basin during the late '40s.

Lloyd visited Pio Pico in 1969.

with they are going to fish and golf on a U.S. Trailer tour. When they return from their travels, Santa Barbara will be their home. Chris sews and is building a super rock garden, and she has life privileges to take extension courses without cost at UCSB. While she is busy with rocks, needles, and knowledge, Lloyd hopes to continue to support some of the Santa Barbara efforts to keep the environment intact and the history recognized. Lloyd's advice to us is "Be glad you are a part of the best Park System in the world. Do not let frustrations over short-range lack of progress dim your sight to the tremendous job that has been done and the fact that there is so much more to do. Think not in terms of material gain. There is much reward in doing something important toward saving some of our rich endowments for future generations."

We all wish Lloyd and Chris much happiness and good health during their retirement years.

—Ed Earl, Manager
Mount Diablo Area

New Ranger IIs Hit The Road

Several new Ranger IIs will soon be filling the vacancies left by the recent promotions reported in our last issue. *Harold Doerksen* will leave Point Lobos to fill in behind *Pat Watkins* at the Sierra Area; *Ronald C. Elkins* will take *Carl Wilson's* old slot at San Simeon; *Richard M. Johnson* comes from the Mendocino Area to fill the vacancy left by *Kirby Morgan* at Millerton Lake; after a stint at Sonoma Area, *Martin Brown* will take over from *Kirk Wallace* at San Luis Obispo Coast; and *Al Scheibli* will move down to Mitchell Caverns – Providence Mountains SRA – from Pajaro Coast, taking over from *Frank Fairchild.*

Jackpot at Oroville

The Don Royers' female black Laborador retriever, Teal, and the Jack Knight's male golden Lab, Thor, put their heads together recently and the net result was 14 all black puppies born to Teal during the night of March 22.

Two of the pups died the first day, but the other 12 are doing fine. Because of limited dining space, two of the puppies were farmed out to the neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Parker, whose half-poodle and half-chihuahua pet had given birth to four puppies. She has claimed them for her own.

Forced feeding was needed during the first few days and this was handled by Don's wife, Josephine, and Sheila Miller, wife of Ranger Tom Miller. Royer is Lake Oroville Area Manager and Knight is Chief of Operations.

The whole episode reaffirms our conviction that park people can do anything.

Mrs. Don Royer, left, and Mrs. Tom Miller, look on as a very patient mother poses with her family.

People

Jack Dyson Cops Out

Our long-time friend (30 years!), *Jack Dyson* of Interpretive Services, has left the Department of Parks and Recreation for a step up the ladder to success as the new Assistant Director of the Kit Carson Museum in Taos, New Mexico. A farewell party was held on March 24 at the Caravan Inn with John Michael as Master of Ceremonies, and the eating, drinking, dancing, and just plain partying around was enjoyed by all.

A memory book was presented to Jack and Lorraine as a tribute to the many years spent with us here in Parks.

For instance, Jack says he has held just about every position there is in Parks except Janitor – and in 1942 he worked at Richardson Grove as a State Park Custodian. Three years after resigning from his non-janitorial title, Jack returned as a State Park Ranger I at Richardson Grove, and three months after that he became Curator of Historical Monument at San Juan Bautista where he remained for over nine years. In 1951, Jack changed units and arrived at Sutter's Fort for a five-year stint until moving to Headquarters for five years more. Finally in 1962, Jack found his niche in an unlikely spot when he went to Interpretive Services Section as a TAU State Park Historian III. He did so well, they hired him permanently as an Historian I, and less than one year later he became an Historian II. In July 1970, Jack promoted again to the lofty position of Exhibit Coordinator and it was at this point the powers-that-be in New Mexico discovered how much they wanted him.

We'll all miss Jack and wish him the best of luck!

Lorraine Dyson looks on as Jack receives Interpretive Services' version of the "Golden Bear Award" from MC John Michael.

Al Karim is New Lawyer

After approximately eleven years of State service, *Al Karim* has terminated his association with the Department of Parks and Recreation to go into private law practice with the firm of Arnold, Browston, and White of Sacramento.

From January 1961 through February 1972, he had been with the Land Acquisition and Management Section of the Department as Title Officer, Land Agent and more recently Program Analyst with the Division of Administrative Services. Al can boast of a grand total of 18 years experience in the real estate field, with the State and with title insurance companies.

In March 1966, he began attending law school on a part-time basis and in June 1971 he graduated from the Humphrey College of Law in Stockton with a JD degree. He was admitted to the California State Bar in January of 1972.

Many of Al's friends, acquaintances and co-workers attended the going away luncheon at Sam's Ranch Wagon on February 29 to wish him the best in his new profession.

Your Help Is Needed

Your help is needed by Kay Skorup, Secretary to Bill Dillinger, who lost her sister in an automobile accident in Sacramento in early March.

22 pints of blood were given, and now it is necessary for Kay to replace them. All her friends in Sacramento may call the Sacramento Medical Foundation Blood Bank, 3230 J Street, at 444-6516 for an appointment to donate. Since replacement of blood is at the rate of two for one, 44 donors will be needed.

Those who live outside of Sacramento – or any place in the state for that matter – may contact their local blood banks and specify that their donations are to be credited to:

Mrs. Rose Bredthauer
Sacramento Medical Center

Congratulations All Around

There are several 25-year awards coming up soon.

Nolan E. Albright, now a Ranger II at Lake Oroville, started as a laborer at Calaveras in 1947. He made Ranger I a month later and received his promotion to II in 1948, transferring to Sonoma Coast. He also worked at Curry-Bidwell, now inundated by the waters of Lake Oroville.

Edward A. Griggs, for the past 16 years supervisor of Clear Lake SP, started his park career in 1947 at Cuyamaca Rancho as a Ranger I. He was promoted to II in 1954 and went to work at William B. Ide Adobe SHP, and also spent five years or so at Palomar Mountain before moving to Clear Lake.

William A. Stahlberg, now Manager of the Mount San Jacinto Area, has worked at Petaluma Adobe, Jedediah Smith, Castle Crags, MacKerricher, and the Hiouchi Area. He started his Parks career at Bidwell SP in 1948.

The Parks career of District 6 Superintendent *James Whitehead*, who began work as an Intermediate Stock Clerk at Big Basin in 1946, includes quite a roster of parks. He has worked at Mount Tamalpais, Hearst Castle, Squaw Valley, Point Lobos, and Goleta. He became District 6 Superintendent in 1963 after a stint as Assistant Superintendent in District 1.

Ranger Wyk Wiederhoeft was guest of honor at a luncheon at Oroville celebrating his 25 years of State service.

Rangers Chuck Lyden and Pat Dougherty and Historian John McKenzie received their 25-year awards from District Superintendent Lloyd Lively in ceremonies at District 5 HQ.

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APPOINTMENTS

Baynes, Melissa L.	Clerk Typist II	Squaw Valley Area	2-28-72
Beverly, Ira B.	Janitor	Monterey Area	3-16-72
Brann, Terry G.	St Pk Rngr Trn	San Diego Cst	3-2-72
Burgin, Jesse L.	St Pk Rngr I	Calaveras Area	2-15-72
Burris, Floyd R.	Pk Maint Asst	Montane Area	2-18-72
Canatsey, Ken	St Pk Rngr (Int)	Anza-Borrego Area	2-14-72
Christensen, Fay E.	Janitor	Hearst San Simeon SHM	2-14-72
Crutcher, Henry L.	Dept'l Commun Supvr	Oper Div - Div Chief's Office	3-2-72
Culbertson, Robert B.	St Pk Rngr Trn	San Diego Cst	3-2-72
Dodds, John C.	St Pk Rngr Trn	Folsom Lake Area	3-2-72
Garguilo, Michael B.	St Pk Rngr Trn	Dyerville Area	3-2-72
Giboney, Warren C.	St Pk Equip Opr	Sierra Area	3-2-72
Green, Susan D.	Clerk Typist II	Headquarters	3-20-72
Gurganious, Richard	Janitor	Frontera Area	2-24-72
Helfrich, John C.	Pk Maint Asst	North Valley Area	2-14-72
Hoyle, Donald W.	St Pk Rngr Trn	Santa Cruz Mts	3-2-72
Jennings, John H.	St Pk Rngr Trn	San Diego Cst	3-2-72
Kenton, Sannie L.	Clerk I	Interp Services	3-2-72
Knott, John L.	St Pk Rngr Trn	Dyerville Area	3-2-72
Lewison, Connie J.	Clerk Typist I	Off and Reservation Svcs	12-2-71
Limprecht, Lloyd M.	St Pk Rngr Trn	Santa Cruz Mts	3-2-72

Martin, John E.	Watchman	Orange Cst Area	2-14-72
McGowan, Glen R.	St Pk Rngr Trn	Santa Cruz Mts	3-2-72
Miles, Johnnie S.	Clerk Typist II	Channel Cst Area	2-1-72
Morse, Harry S.	St Pk Rngr Trn	Folsom Lake Area	3-2-72
Muetz, Michael G.	St Pk Rngr Trn	Folsom Lake Area	3-2-72
O'Neill, Cheryl S.	Clerk Typist I (Perm Int)	Dyerville Area	3-2-72
Peterson, Paula J.	St Pk Rngr Trn	Santa Cruz Mts	3-7-72
Reinhardt, II, Theodore A.	St Pk Rngr Trn	Folsom Lake Area	3-2-72
Richmond, Stoughton	St Pk Rngr Trn	Dyerville Area	3-2-72
Simpson, Robert S.	Asst Land Agent	Special Svcs Section	2-22-72
Spencer, Raymond W.	Janitor	Hearst San Simeon SHM	3-2-72
Standish, Miles K.	St Pk Rngr Trn	Golden Gate Area	3-2-72
Sugarman, Matthew S.	St Pk Rngr Trn	Golden Gate Area	3-2-72
White, Holly P.	St Pk Rngr (Int)	Orange Cst Area	10-23-71

PROMOTIONS

Clarke, Clyde J.	Park Maint Man II	San Luis Obispo Cst Area	3-2-72
Davis, James G.	St Pk Rngr IV	Salton Sea Area	2-1-72
Hibbert, James F.	Dist Interp Specialist	Headquarters	3-2-72
McGraw, Gerald F.	Lifeguard Suprv I	Orange Cst Area	2-1-72
Morgan, Kirby R.	St Pk Rngr III	Sacramento Area	3-8-72
Roberts, Margaret E.	Clerk Typist II	Russian River Area	2-1-72
Watkins, Patrick B.	St Pk Rngr III	Four Rivers Area	2-15-72
Wilson, Malcolm C.	St Pk Rngr III	Will Rogers Area	3-2-72

TRANSFER, CHANGE IN CLASS AND TIME BASE CHANGE

Yee, Mary J.	Clerk II (Perm Int) to Acct Clerk II (Full Time)	Accounting and Fiscal Control Section	3-2-72

TRANSFER

Forsyth, Lylia L.	Clerk Typist II	Central Dist & Repro Unit to Training Section - Asilomar	3-2-72

CLASS TITLE CHANGE

Ray, Lowell J.	Storekeeper I to Materials & Stores Supvr I	Dist and Repro Center	1-12-72

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Jones, William R.	Lifeguard	San Diego Cst Area	2-22-72

TRANSFERED FROM SQUAW VALLEY STATE RECREATION AREA TO GENERAL SERVICES

Allen, Arnold V.	Snow Safety Specialist	3-2-72
Broadway, Robert D.	Stationary Fireman	3-2-72
Brown, Dean	Water & Sewage Plant Supvr	3-2-72
Butler, Robert D.	Institution Fire Chief	3-2-72
Cosby, John A.	Institution Fireman	3-2-72
Degnan, Lloyd R.	Institution Fireman	3-2-72
Evans, James C.	Institution Fireman	3-2-72
Hart, Bret S.	Stationary Engineer I	3-2-72
Keechler, Ben F.	Stationary Engineer I	3-2-72
Neal, Ronald L.	Chief Engineer I	3-2-72

Ruschmeyer, Clifford G.	**Institution Fireman**		**3-2-72**
Stymelski, Henry P.	Stationary Engineer		3-2-72
Wilkins, Theodore R.	Stationary Engineer I		3-2-72

SEPARATIONS

Anderson, Arnold J.	Janitor	Hearst San Simeon SHM	1-31-72
Bennett, Terry L.	Janitor	Hearst San Simeon SHM	12-2-71
Campbell, John F.	Lifeguard	Orange Coast Area	2-19-72
Karim, Hasen A.	Assoc Land Agent	Prog Manag Section	3-1-72
Klenk, John M.	St Pk Rngr I	Columbia Area	3-2-72
Lewison, Connie J.	Clerk Typist I	Off and Reservation Svcs	3-17-72
Masunaga, Kim	Personnel Asst I	Personnel Section	2-24-72
Marshall, Charles W.	St Pk Rngr I	Millerton Lake Area	2-14-72
McNaughton, Gloria J.	Clerk Typist I	Folsom Lake Area	2-17-72
Ross, Linda J.	Clerk I (Perm Int)	Frontera Area	2-12-72
Sheridan, Michael C.	St Pk Rngr (Int)	Malakoff-Diggins Area	12-31-71
Sims, R. V. Lesley	St Pk Rngr III	McArthur-Burney Area	3-1-72
Trzasks, Cynthia E.	Clerk Typist II	Gaviota Area	2-16-72
Walling, William H.	Watchman	Hearst San Simeon SHM	12-10-71
White, Arlene V.	Pwr Keybd Tpywtr Opr-MT/ST	Dictation/Typing Center	3-1-72

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Above left: Archeologist Tom Wheeler at work on the dig.

Above, at the gravesite: Elise Fingado, George Lebedeff, Anthropologist Pete Schulz, a student, Father Kishkovsky, and Metropolitan Valdimir of the Russian Orthodox Church.

Photos by John Kaestner

Russian Gravesite at Fort Ross SHP

A chapter of early California history dating back 160 years was uncovered last week as a result of an archeological survey conducted by the Department of Parks and Recreation in partnership with the Department of Public Works at Fort Ross SHP.

Thanks to the state's policy of making exploratory surveys in advance of highway alignments, a gravesite and evidence of an early Russian structure were found by State Park archeologists that pre-dates by at least 20 years the original Russian cemetery located a mile away.

The survey was being made along the new right of way for State Highway 1, which presently bisects the historic fort and is being rerouted.

State Park Archeologist William E. Pritchard, project supervisor of the survey team, calls the new discoveries "a very significant find. The excavations prove there were more buildings and burial grounds outside of the stockade than have ever been recorded before."

He added that in the same area the survey team also found remains of the Mad-Shui-Nui Indian village, whose land had been purchased by the Russians from the Kashia Indian tribe.

Fort Ross is the site of a settlement founded in 1812 by the Russians to search California's coastal waters for sea otters. They remained here until 1841, only 10 years before California joined the Union, when Captain John A. Sutter purchased their supplies and equipment for $30,000.

Over the next few years, Sutter and his men took down several of the buildings and removed the arms, equipment, and livestock that the Russians had left. After 1845, the area became the center of a large ranching enterprise.

The Fort was acquired by California as the fifth State Historic Park in 1906, and the remaining buildings including the Orthodox Chapel, the commandant's quarters, and the surrounding stockade timber ramparts, were restored.

The relocation of Route 1 around Fort Ross SHP is planned for this summer and will cost in the neighborhood of $400,000. It will provide a two-lane scenic highway which will bypass the Fort and will include a park entrance and parking lot.

COMMISSION REPORT

At their May meeting in Bakersfield, the Commissioners survived a rugged 4-wheel-drive tour of the new Red Rock Canyon unit of the State Park System (though four vehicles didn't) and further demonstrated their sitting ability with a meeting that lasted most of the day.

Leonard Thomson saw that his fellow commissioners were hosted regally, and Lansing Warren, Chairman of the Red Rock Canyon Advisory Committee, arranged the field trip with assistance from the China Lake Naval Weapons Center, several 4-wheel-drive clubs, and other local organizations.

Meeting highlights included presentations to outgoing Commission Chairman Gilchrist and Lloyd Lively, retiring District Superintendent. Joshua Trees State Park was renamed Saddleback Butte SP. The lower half of La Jolla Valley in Point Mugu SP was declared a natural preserve to protect native grasses and Indian middens, with Commissioner Bonnicksen complimenting the Director on his having worked out an excellent compromise among the various interests involved. The Director was given the go-ahead to seek legislative authority to work out an agreement with the U.S. Navy to clear as much as possible of the remaining World War II bombing debris from the Carrizo Impact Area in Anza-Borrego Desert SP so it can be safely opened to the public.

Resolutions to turn San Francisco's Palace of Fine Arts SHP and Los Angeles' El Pueblo SHP over to their respective cities were held over for a later meeting. A resolution recognizing the need for further attention to San Juan Bautista SHP was adopted, as was a resolution proposed by Student-Youth Advisory Committeeman *Ron Wakimoto* for a feasibility study on acquisition of Inglenook Fen near 10-mile River in Mendocino County.

Gifts through the Save-the-Redwoods League of six memorial redwood groves were gratefully accepted – the Frances M. Newland Grove at Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP, and the George J. Yamas, H.S. Braucher, Dr. E. H. Pitts, Pleasant Memories, and California PTA groves, all at Prairie Creek Redwoods SP.

The Director reported on the Department's new computerized system to record attendance and revenue figures as an aid to SPS management and planning, and on the new Central Records filing system which gives the Department "the most up-to-date system in State government."

He praised the new Marine Ecology Training Course as an excellent way of helping rangers do a more knowledgeable job of interpretation along the north and central coast, and said he hoped a similar course could be conducted for the southern coast soon.

District Superintendent Lloyd Lively reported on the effects of increased vehicle use at Red Rock Canyon and Pismo Beach, and lauded the training recently given at Hearst SHM for rangers and guides from various units around the State.

The Commission's June 9 meeting was set for Newport Beach.

Commissioner Leonard Thomson , hosting the Bakersfield meeting, presents the outgoing chairman, Mrs. Cilchrist, with a commendation and engraved gavel.

Commissioner Thompson presents retiring Distric Superintendent Lloyd Lively and his wife Chris with a commendation.

Director checks convoy at start of back-country trip into Red Rock Canyon area.

Photos by Bill Dillinger

THE DIRECTOR

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.

State Beaches

Within the major classification "recreation areas" are several special classifications – beaches, wayside campgrounds, underwater recreation areas and vehicular recreation areas. The Park and Recreation Commission has not classified any unit of the system into the vehicular recreation area classification, and we have only two underwater recreation areas, although the Advisory Board on Underwater Parks and Reserves is investigating several new areas. There are three wayside campgrounds with a total attendance of 54,488 visitor days of use, or 1% of the total system's attendance.

The largest special class under "recreation areas" is state beaches. There are 57 units of the system so classified, with 15 beaches locally operated. The state beaches which are operated by the Department contain 9,324 acres of land, 546,819 feet of ocean frontage and 4,520 feet of river frontage. The largest state beach is Leo Carrillo State Beach containing 1,577.95 acres with 6,597 feet of ocean frontage! The smallest is Pelican State Beach with 5.15 acres and 975 feet of ocean frontage.

Total attendance at state beaches in 1970/71 was 19,747,805, or 46% of the total attendance in the State Park System. Beaches produced $1,744,444 of revenue, or 25% of the total; operating cost for beaches is $3,668,623 or 24% of the total cost to operate the California State Park System.

There are 2,224 campsites in state beaches and 1,297 picnic sites. Last year we recorded 1,529,902 camper nights of use. The figures can be broken down as follows:

Developed Campsites	861,449
Primitive Campsites	206,682
Trailer Camps	161,259
Group Campsites	12,077
Overflow Camping	32,853
Miscellaneous	255,582

In the next two years the Department will be putting greater emphasis on acquiring more beach frontage along the Pacific Ocean, developing campsites at state beaches, and increasing our effort in the interpretation of the tide pools and ocean ecology. It is a goal as big and as challenging as the ocean itself but, as trustees of this priceless resource, the land-ocean interface of California, we must not fail since we are not only preserving this resource for the citizens of this State but for the United States. It is finite, it can be destroyed and degraded – it must be saved. Our objectives relative to the preservation and providing for the recreation needs of the people of California along the Pacific Ocean are clearly set forth in the California Coastal Preservation and Recreation Plan. If you have not reviewed this Plan, you should do so because it clearly defines our objectives for the next several years, both in preservation and in development.

What's Happening

Headquarters Program Informs, Entertains

Headquarters personnel were treated to a slide presentation, "A Collage on Life," at a May 16 meeting in the Resources Building auditorium.

The presentation was by three students at the University of California at Davis, and was prepared for showing at the annual Davis Picnic. Director Mott caught the show on Picnic Day and arranged for the students to put on the show for the Department.

The slide show was reminiscent of Cinerama, with three separate slides appearing alongside each other at one time. Taped background music was provided.

The three students responsible for the production are *John Benedict, Bob Denne,* and *Ken Yeargen.*

To close out the program brief presentations on current programs were made by three Division Chiefs.

Operations Chief *Jack Knight* launched his talk by quipping, "No more instant rangers. . .some more instant parks."

Knight outlined the history of the ranger classes, noting that from 1927 to 1947, rangers entered state service as Custodians and advanced to Assistant Wardens and Wardens. When the ranger class was created in 1947, the progression was Deputy Ranger, Assistant Ranger, and Ranger.

With the 1967 reorganization of State Government and creation of the Department of Parks and Recreation, the classes established were Ranger I through IV, Assistant Superintendent, and District Superintendent.

Now the Ranger Trainee is the entrance classification as the Department tries to bring in the right kind of people at the right age. Trainees are recruited from college (now it's "him" or "her"), and assigned to one of six intake areas around the state for one year. After one year in the field, the trainee becomes a Ranger I. The trainee spends one-third of his or her time in formal training, the balance in on-the-job training.

Also in 1967, Rangers were made peace officers and charged with the responsibility of maintaining law and order in park units.

Knight said Director Mott was responsible for acceptance by the State of the Ranger Trainee program, and he will be chiefly remembered for this by the field.

Director Mott expressed pride in the field forces, saying they are doing an outstanding job. They must be well trained, he said, and have to know how to handle people.

Mott told of instances when he saw thousands of people at state beaches, all being capably handled by one or two Rangers.

Administration Chief *Leland Lutz* discussed Ticketron. He said the Department still is trying to clear up misconceptions about the reservation system.

Many people still believe Los Angeles residents have first crack at reservations because outlets open earlier in L.A. This is not true. Others think some people are beating the system by over reserving. This is not true either. Cancellations and refunds still are the biggest problem but this is abating, as now cancellations amount to only 5% of the reservations made.

He noted that people used to have to wait in line from three days to a week to get a campsite. Now they can reserve one and there is no waiting. (See Ticketron story in this issue.)

Reservations have reduced ranger problems, he claimed, because of the caliber of people who reserve ahead of time. They are less apt to cause problems than are the people who camp on the spur of the moment.

Jim Tryner, Chief of the Resources Management and Protection Division, explained the resources inventory procedure.

The resources inventory is a responsibility of his Division. The wildlife, plant, and scenic resources are listed and evaluated. This goes to the Design and Development Division which does a resource analysis and evaluates public use in relation to demand and opportunities. A land use pattern of development is planned and carrying capacity estimates are made.

Tryner said land use plans, general development plans, and resources management plans are presented to the Park and Recreation Commission for review, then forwarded to the Legislature.

Inventories have been completed for Gaviota and San Onofre. Also, his division has produced a report on the Central Valley Prairie Grasslands, the first of a series of California's grasslands. The second, North Coast Grasslands, will come out in the near future, Tryner said.

Director Mott commented that a $250 million park bond issue will be on the ballot in June, 1974. The bill is authored by Assemblyman Z'Berg. Mott said we will go to the people with a special program on what we plan to do with the bond money.

The Director explained the reorganization of the Information and Interpretation Division, the shifting of Interpretive Services to the Operations Division, and creation of a Reports Section under

Bill Dillinger. (See story elsewhere in this issue).

He concluded the meeting with a few remarks about future programs. "Our Department is considered the finest organization of its kind anywhere in the world. When you're number one, there are those who will try harder to take your place at the top. We'll stay on top."

"I hear commendations for our people from all around the State. We are trying to serve people. In the next few years, we will be providing for the off-road vehicle needs of Californians, and will prepare a state plan for these."

"Some people hope this kind of recreation will die out and go away, but it won't. There are some three million off-road vehicles in California today and this number will increase in the next few years. There are no standards or criteria now, but we will establish these and plan and develop off-road vehicle areas."

April 20 Was Earth Day . . .

. . .and a score of state parks benefitted. For instance:

At the San Diego beaches, Boy Scout troops from Oceanside to La Jolla got together to clean up the parks. The 570 boys collected 24 truckloads of trash. And Gulf Atomic employees contributed time and effort to remove initials and other carvings from the bluffs at Torrey Pines SR.

Nearly three hundred scouts got to work at the Montane Area, hauling out nine tons of trash. Volunteers also laid a pipeline from a cistern to the Granite Springs Trail Camp and made provisions along the way for places where wildlife can drink without being disturbed by humans.

In honor of "Clean Your Beach Day," declared by the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors, Boy Scouts cleaned every state beach in the county, from Thornton to Ano Nuevo.

At Lake Natoma, Folsom Lake SRA, an "Ecology Dive" held by 200 local SCUBA divers netted approximately a ton of debris from the lake bottom.

At Benicia SRA, 45 scouts from Pack 177 cleaned up litter along the waterfront at the east end of the park.

At Border Field, 190 scouts filled two five-ton trucks with litter, and at Silver Strand about 150 scouts worked four hours cleaning the beach and highway. Fifty scouts cleaned up Old Town San Diego SHP, and twelve cleaned, weeded, and watered trees at San Pasqual Battlefield.

And at San Onofre, about sixty scouts gathered enough litter to fill a two-and-a-half-ton truck.

Let's have Earth Day oftener than just once a year!

San Simeon: Explored

The unique position occupied by Hearst San Simeon State Historical Monument was reemphasized recently when California State Polytechnic College, San Luis Obispo, announced the offering of a three-unit extension course, "San Simeon: Explored."

Many castle employees plan to enroll in this course, which will be an interpretation of selected elements of Hearst Castle, including Architecture, Landscaping, Interiors and Furnishings and the relationship of these elements to the History of Architecture. The class is to be conducted by Carleton M. Winslow, M.A., School of Architecture and Environmental Design at Cal Poly.

Guest lecturers for the course include Mrs. Louisiana Clayton Dart, Director of the San Luis Obispo County Museum, and Mr. Vern Swanson, former Curator of Education at Santa Barbara Museum of Art and currently a member of the School of Architecture and Environmental Design, Cal Poly.

In addition, the students will take three field trips to the Monument.

Spectacular Fire Near Old Sacramento SHP

Headquarters employees, from their vantage point on the 14th floor of the Resources Building, were treated to quite a spectacle May 9 when a Southern Pacific freight shed behind Old Sacramento SHP went up in flames. At first glance, it looked like the whole park was blazing, but except for part of a fence, no state park property was involved. The city lost a fire truck, though.

The shed, along with the others, was scheduled for demolition, so the loss wasn't serious — except to the company that was hoping to salvage material out of it. At this writing, the police have picked up a couple of boys who are suspected of causing the fire.

What's Happening

A Hike To The Past

If you've ever read "The Silverado Squatters" by Robert Louis Stevenson – or even if you haven't – you'll enjoy a visit to Robert Louis Stevenson SP where Stevenson lived while writing the book, to hike and/or relive a little past history.

The park is located ten miles north of Calistoga and fourteen miles from Bothe-Napa Valley SP on Highway 29. Although the park is of fairly good size (3,100 acres), very little is actually developed and there are no facilities available.

The Stevensons honeymooned in an old abandoned bunkhouse at the closed-down mine in Silverado and you will be surprised to find that things have changed very little from the Napa Valley he wrote of then to the Napa Valley you see now. There are still vineyards with their castle-like buildings to visit, the natural wonders such as the petrified forest to see, and the sense of peace that will come over you as you relax in this quiescent setting.

The old bunkhouse is long since gone; in its place stands a marker. Further up the mountain is the old stone mining shaft mentioned in the book. To reach the monument, you take Highway 29, a very good but winding road from Calistoga. A sign at the parking lot is the only way you'll know you've reached the park, but it's easy to spot. Stone steps lead to a small meadow-like area called the summit and from there it's approximately one mile on a switchback trail to the marble monument. Two points to remember – erosion caused by visitors straying off the trail is a problem here. And, as a reminder, there is poison oak in abundance on either side, so watch for it and remain on the trail!

The Napa Valley is one of California's more fertile areas, and much of it is used for the wineries and vineyards. Some of these date back to the nineteenth century and are open to visitors. A trip to Robert Louis Stevenson SP followed by a tour through one or more of the surrounding wineries would be a pleasant way to spend a day – why not take advantage of the beautiful spring weather and try it?

–Marti Johnson

The More Things Change . . .

Wildlife Ecologist *Jack Hiehle* sent us the following article from the President of the Morro Bay Audubon Society:

"In fact, in regard to one of nature's elements we have no gratitude. For what luxuries and for what outrageous uses does she not subserve mankind? She is flung into the sea, or dug away to allow us to let in the channels. Water, iron, wood, fire, stone, growing crops are employed to torture her at all hours, and much more to make her minister to our luxuries than (to) our sustenance. Yet in order to make the sufferings inflicted on her surface and mere outer skin endurable, we probe her entrails digging into her veins of gold and silver and mines of copper and lead; we actually drive shafts down into the depth to search for gems and certain stones, we drag out her entrails, we seek a jewel merely to be worn upon a finger! How many hands are worn away with toil that a single knuckle may shine respondent! If any beings of the nether world existed, assuredly even they would have been dug up ere now by the burrowing of avarice and luxury! . . .all these avenues from which wealth issues lead but to crime and slaughter and warfare, and her whom we besprinkle with our blood we cover with unburied bones, over which nevertheless, when at length our madness has been finally discharged, she draws herself as a veil, and hides even the crimes of mortals. I would reckon this, too, among the crimes of our ingratitude, that we are ignorant of her nature."

The writer of this article was not some present-day conservationist begging us to reconsider what we are doing to our environment, but a philosopher of 77 A.D., Pliny the Elder in his HISTORIA NATURALS. Who says Ecology is something new!

Department Bond Campaign Chairman Named

Robert R. Dean has been named Chairman of the California State Employees' 1972 U.S. Savings Bonds Campaign for our Department.

Dean is now enlisting Vice Chairmen in all divisions and a corps of canvassers to ensure that every department employee is fully informed of the benefits of purchasing U.S. Savings Bonds through the Payroll Savings Plan – the easy, almost painless way to save.

Savings Bonds now yield 5½% when held to maturity in five years and ten months, competitive with other forms of savings, and they have other attractive features. There is a guaranteed ten-year extension of the maturity date, so federal income tax can be deferred for more than 15 years; this feature will permit many to redeem after retirement when they are in a lower tax bracket.

Payroll Savings Bonds accounts can be started for as little as $3.75 per pay period, though the average for state employees is in excess of $25 per month. State employees are presently buying Savings Bonds at a rate in excess of eight million dollars a year.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

District 1

When a pickup overturned at McArthur-Burney Memorial SP, its two passengers were found hanging upside down in their seat belts, shaken but unhurt. Comments Area Manager *Maurice Oller*, "There is absolutely no doubt that the belts saved them serious injury and perhaps even their lives."

District 2

Thirty Sonoma State Hospital patients, eight to twenty years of age, enjoyed an outing at Armstrong Redwoods SR in early April. Many of them, because of problems such as loss of an arm or leg, had never been outside the hospital grounds; none had ever seen a redwood tree. Ranger *Bill Bishop* gave the group a tour of the park, and then the patients enjoyed a hamburger cookout.

District 3

Ranger *Michael O'Rourke's* wife June is now a TV star – she was interviewed by CBS' Doug Edwards for a five-minute spot aired April 14, on life at Bodie SHP.

Seacliff SB's record 462 annual day use passes sold has been broken; San Luis Reservoir SRA reports that as of February 27, they had sold *1026* annual day use passes and 326 boat launch passes. By April 23, they had sold 700 more day use and 200 more boat launch passes.

It's school tour time at Columbia SHP – Area Manager *Neil Power* reports that he even had several groups of children from Walnut Creek dressed in period costume.

Gus Till, Area Manager at Marshall Gold Discovery, enjoyed conducting a tour of old time natives of the Coloma area through the park. They particularly enjoyed visiting the Thomas House, since many of them knew the Thomas family and some even had known the Prices, the house's original owners.

On Saturday, April 22, visitors to Columbia SHP were treated to the sight of thirty antique autos, their drivers and passengers in appropriate costume, parked on the town's main street.

District 4

The Big Sur Area staff gave a silver serving tray to Mr. and Mrs. *Jack Stowe* at a party held to celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary.

Big Basin SP Maintenance Man *Don Button* rescued nine wood duck "ducklings" that had fallen from their nest and is trying to raise them until they are big enough to get along on their own.

The interpretive program at Mount Diablo SP is getting assistance from a local 4H group. 4Hers have set up a table at the park and use displays to help attract visitors to the information center, according to Area Manager *Ed Earl*.

About fifteen hundred people worked on trails in the Santa Cruz Mountains Area for the fourth annual Trail Days celebration, held April 22-23. Many of the workers camped at one of the parks in the area and attended the big campfire held Saturday night.

District 4 gals enjoyed a lunch at the Crow's Nest in Monterey while attending a telephone communications course at district headquarters in April. From bottom left: *Azalea Goldstein*, Point Lobos; *Frances Furlong*, Santa Cruz Mountains; *Gayle Stewart*, Headquarters; *Kathi Carpenter*, Point Lobos; *Dorothy Goethe*, Monterey; *Donna Fero*, Headquarters; *Barbara Thompson*, San Mateo Coast; *Ruth Martin* and *Jerrine Keville*, Mount Diablo; *Barbara Von Protz*, Big Sur; *Noreen Neu*, Pajaro Coast; and *Anita Hackett*, Headquarters.

Monterey Area Chief Ranger *Jim Beck* recently suffered a heart attack and is hospitalized. Cards and letters will reach him at 530 Houston Street, Monterey, California 93940.

Off-road vehicles are starting to cause problems at Mount Diablo – like the visitor in a brand-new $4,000 Toyota who tried a too-steep hillside. The vehicle rolled seven times, breaking the arm of one of the passengers. Area Manager *Ed Earl* says that the hillsides are scarred from such misuse, and an educational program is needed to counteract the TV commercials promoting such vehicles.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

District 5

Will Rogers Area Manager *Carl Wilson* reports that a Sierra Club hike into the Santa Monica Mountains was a big success. Between three and four hundred people went on the five-mile hike, which was covered by LA's Channel 7, Eye Witness News.

San Simeon Area received a safety award for the least lost-time accidents in 1971. Fortunately, Guide Trainee *Paula Harper* waited until 1972 to break her leg while dancing.

In a project coordinated by District 5 Aquatic Specialist *Jack Steinmann*, members of the Santa Barbara Divers Club removed 2543 sea urchins from a 80-x100-foot rectangle off Refugio SB and transplanted them in an area where there had been a marine kill in late 1971. Club members will keep tabs on the transplants to observe repopulation rate of the stripped area, kelp growth in the area devoid of urchins, survival rate (80 to 90% so far) and adaption to new surroundings or urchins transplanted, kelp and algae decline in area of transplant, and whether the factors that contributed to the original marine kill are still active.

San Luis Obispo Coast Area Manager *Chuck Lyden* reports that the campfire and interpretive programs started at Morro Bay, Montana de Oro, and Pismo during Easter Week are coming along just fine; Rangers *Carl Chavez* and *Lloyd Dunkel* have done a fine job in setting up programs and training new ranger trainees to assist in the weekly campfires and nature walks, and District Interpretive Specialist *Mike Merkel* has also provided noble assistance.

The punishment fit the crime – the judge gave a litterbug who was so imprudent as to toss a can out of his car right under the nose of San Luis Obispo Coast Area Ranger *Bob Hanks* the choice of a fine or spending some time picking up litter at a state park.

The efforts of Hearst San Simeon SHM staff to increase the dwindling zebra herd at the castle by borrowing breeding stock from Earl Tatum of Visalia has borne fruit – or more exactly, colts. One was born on February 29, and was followed by another on March 4. The monument staff anticipates several more baby zebra which, in addition to increasing the herd, will provide an added attraction for visitors on their bus rides to and from the castle.

Caroline Boniface, Guide I at Hearst San Simeon SHM, recently suffered a heart attack. It's not yet known when she will be able to return to work.

District 6

Even though some groups that formerly toured Mitchell Caverns free are now charged, reports Providence Mountains Area Manager *Al Scheibli*, usually they agree that it is a bargain.

Flaming debris showered down around Ranger *John Kalko* and Park Aid *Rich Robbins* when a Navy Skyhawk jet crashed a half a mile from Huntington SB, but neither was injured. The pilot parachuted to safety and was picked up by the Orange County Harbor patrol.

Providence Mountains Seasonal Ranger *Roy Wagoner* is donating an oil-cooling device to try to solve the park generator's summer malaise – it can't stand the heat.

Ranger *Paul Mills* managed to release a small boy who was trapped in the trunk of his parents' car at Huntington SB.

A new service at San Diego Coast – free leashes! Chief Ranger *Frank Fairchild* reports that enforcing the leash law is considerably easier now that rangers hand out lengths of low-cost nylon cord when required as they explain the dog regs.

San Diego Coast Ranger Trainee *Terry Roeder* tied for first place at the Ranger's Tournament held at the Massacre Canyon Golf Course prior to a recent area managers' meeting. He won $5 and a pair of blistered thumbs.

The Anza-Borrego Desert Natural History Association provided a mimeograph machine to the Area for use in preparing interpretive activity notices, and also opened a bank account for an interpretive center building fund. The group is planning a prospectus for the center to initiate a fund-raising drive.

Expert Sidewalk Superintendent *Glen Jones* comments that it's interesting to watch the swimming pool construction at the City-County School Camp at Cuyamaca Rancho SP. He says that, while you would think that the procedure would be to dig a hole and fill it with concrete, at this job the procedure is that, while some dozers and loaders take out the dirt, the dump trucks fill the hole with more dirt. It looks as if the new dirt will be packed down, then excavated for the pool.

Lake Elsinore Area Manager *Del Williams* is off on extended sickleave. Also on the sick list: Assistant Area Manager *Bill Weatherbee*, who recently suffered a heart attack.

Potpourri

Another Time in Another Era

I am what is known as an avid fan of the nostalgic history of the good old U.S.A. I am a collector of books, magazines and all sorts of memorabilia of the good old days, and just recently, on a little-used, dusty shelf in the Headquarters of Pfeiffer Big Sur SP, I chanced upon a few pamphlets on the National Parks.

These pamphlets were printed in the year 1919 by an organization known as the United States Railroad Administration. The U.S.R.A. seemed to be a cooperative organization of the time that was interested in tourism and ticket sales, and by 1919 had 18 pamphlets printed on National Parks from Hot Springs, Arkansas west to the Hawaiian National Park..These little booklets were 20 to 30 pages long and contained photos, maps, natural history, railway fares, rates in the parks including meals and lodging, and an introductory paragraph or two by a well known author or lecturer of the time such as early Sierra club member and poet Harriet Monroe, or publisher-historian Charles E. Lummis.

Then, at the beginning of the post-World War I years and the tail end of the gaudy turn of the century, the Roaring Twenties and the Great Depression were just around the corner, and those with the resources to live affluently did indeed enjoy "the good life." It was the time of the great resort hotels, many of which were in our National Parks such as Yellowstone and Yosemite.

To a great extent our National Parks were a playground of the rich in this opulent era of our history. And so it was these little pamphlets emphasized that the park visitor could realize the virtue of the great out-of-doors while living the life of a visitor to one of New York's finer hotels. For those who desired a rougher form of outing, the pamphlets listed the price of cabins and the old reliable platform tent. Although this seems far afield from the majority of park use today, you must remember that 1919 and its people were just two or three decades out of the wilderness and were now shedding the pioneer spirit in favor of a plusher existence, just as enjoyable to them as the natural outdoor experience.

Today, when reading these old pamphlets and noting the prices of the various accommodations in 1919, we might have a little bit of sympathy for the 1972 State park user. In 1919, $3 bought the park visitor a platform tent and three meals a day. For $4 to $6, he could stay in a cabin or in the lodge for one day, meals included. For the truly hardy individual who rented or brought his own tent and equipment, the camping was free and the campers were shown to their campsite by the Park Superintendent. Ah yes, area managers, where is that personal touch of yesteryear?

It is easy today to read these pamphlets and laugh at or perhaps even criticize the National Park System and the people who used the park facilities during that era. But, don't judge too harshly the affluently oriented facilities and their guests. People in their class were for the most part the only ones who got regular vacations and weekends off. Also they were the only ones with the funds which enabled them to use the parks.

The average person circa 1919 worked six days a week, 52 weeks a year, and had little time for recreation. Mr. Average circa 1972 can be thankful that a few in that extravagant era had the affluence to sustain and enrich the park systems for the visitors of the '70s.

–Ranger Richard Edwards
Pfeiffer Big Sur SP

The attraction at Yellowstone – watching your clean hankie come bubbling to the surface of Handkerchief Pool.

Vehicle patrol at Yosemite in 1919.

A full company of U.S. Cavalry was used in Yosemite horse patrol.

Potpourri

BOR Celebrates Tenth Anniversary

The National Park Service is not the only one having birthdays. April 2 marked the 10th anniversary of the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation.

The Bureau was established as a result of a recommendation of the Outdoor Recreation Resources Review Commission. Since its inception, it has played a major role on behalf of conservation, in adding new park and recreation areas, and in stimulating state and local governments to take advantage of their own open space and recreation resources.

Save-the-Redwoods League President Honored

The new National Park Service's Headquarters – Visitor Center in Crescent City will be named in honor of Newton B. Drury, Save-the-Redwoods League President and former NPS Director and Chief of the California Division of Beaches and Parks. NPS Director George B. Hartzog, Jr., who made the announcement, expects the building to be dedicated in the spring of 1973.

Familiarity Breeds Contempt?

What ever happened to Moon, June, Spoon, and Honeymoon?

Once the domain of lovers, the moon has become just another place. If any proof is needed, consider this remark by New York City's environmental protection administrator, Jerome Kretchner:

"To me the moon is nothing more than the world's largest landfill. . .I look up at the moon and I think how much garbage I could put up there."

Please. . .don't ever let him see the Grand Canyon!!!!

Them Hairy Types

The following letter to the editor was printed in the San Diego Union:

"I feel that complaints about the hairy-types around San Diego and more specifically in the beach areas are justified. You know the type: never work, wear leather necklaces, seldom bathe, spread infectious diseases, and constantly molest peaceful gatherings of plain folks.

"Am I talking about hippies? No, just our friend the dog. Let's get all of them off all our bays and beaches for all time."

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VOX POP

The H. M. Bartell family of Manhattan Beach enjoyed their stay at Morro Bay – they described the staff as "kind and courteous at all times" and said that whoever administers that area is certainly doing his job well.

Ranger *Jim Reeves* of Will Rogers SHP impressed the Reverend Msgr. J. P. Hourihan, who visited the park to meditate and prepare a sermon, with his courtesy and dedication. . .he describes Reeves as "a credit to the park service."

Hearst San Simeon SHM scored again – Mrs. Ben Ramey of San Francisco visited the castle and comments, "You have done a remarkable job of preserving it and our guides were most courteous and well informed."

The wintering Monarch Butterflies are quite an attraction at the eucalyptus groves of Pismo SB – one school group, guided by Ranger Trainee *Robert C. Basura*, sent him a "Good Guy" award complete with seal.

Dr. Matt Meier of the University of Santa Clara's Department of History appreciated the help of Ranger *L. W. Dennis* in making the visit of a Japanese study group's visit to Henry Cowell Redwoods SP a successful, pleasant, and "friendship-creating" experience.

District 1 Interpretive Specialist *Jack Schlotter* made a hit with Natural Resources students at Humboldt State College – Lecturer Robert T. Van Kirk writes, "Students are eager to hear from and question people from the field. . .Jack is extremely good at this type of session. Both the students and I have learned a great deal about the State's park system and some of its problems from Jack."

Jill Swift, coordinator of the Sierra Club-sponsored hike into the Santa Monica Mountains on April 16, commended *Carl Wilson, Maury Hayes*, and a third ranger whose name she couldn't recall for donating their day off to the event. She says, "It is through the conjoint efforts and plans of public agencies and citizen efforts that solutions *can* be achieved."

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mushroom picking, cone gathering, wood gathering, rock hounding, etc. It always takes time to carefully explain the real reason behind a rule, but a reasonable amount of time must be taken to *correctly* inform the visitor. If we do not, he will come upon the proper answers in some other way and we will have lost credibility in his eyes.

The visitor frequently reasons that picking mushrooms properly does no harm, gathering downed wood for burning in the park will also return nutrients to the soil, gathering dry cones does no harm because squirrels feed on them only when the cones are green, and taking only a few leaves won't hurt a thing when there are obviously so many around. To the particular individual, his reasoning seems valid as, in some instances, it is; therein lies our challenge, to correctly realign this person's reasoning. State parks were really not set aside as farms for the devotee of mushroomery; once the mushroom is removed by one person, many other people are denied the right to view it in a natural environment. Burning of limbs and debris alters physical characteristics which in part account for ability of soil to retain moisture. Dry pine cones are as esthetically pleasing in the park as on the mantle, but, as intended, far more people benefit by keeping pine cones in the park. A few leaves taken per visitor multiplied times the total annual park attendance provides the enforcement-interpreter with a readily understandable reason for not permitting this activity.

Vigilant application of reason coupled with honesty will continue to pay us tremendous dividends, while incorrect answers from unskilled and unknowledgeable sources will always jump back to hit us where it hurts most, right in the middle of our credibility.

Attempting to deal with unknowing violators without our long-standing aura of credibility would reduce us simply to the role of an enforcer. I strongly feel that our credibility is worth maintaining. . .how about you?

—James H. Greene, Manager
Heart Bar Area

The Blind "See" Our Parks

The Foundation for the Junior Blind of Los Angeles recently sponsored a tour of some of our State parks. Among those visited were Columbia SHP, Sutter's Fort, and Calaveras Big Trees SP. Because the State Parks need to be seen in order to be enjoyed, the children (all 131 of them) were encouraged to "see with their hands".

Many of the rangers dedicated themselves to make this trip memorable by trying to find new ways of explaining about the various aspects of each park. At Calaveras, the students took their tour at midnight – it didn't make any difference to them! They walked around the large trees in order to judge size, and felt the bark, pine cones, and needles.

The children asked many questions and at the end of the Calaveras tour, Ranger *Paul Schuessler* said, "Never have I talked to a more enthusiastic, curious group. I don't think I can recall every trying harder to relate to a group and it means so much when you know for sure that you are reaching them."

District 6 Hosts NPS Trainees

On April 25, two District 6 parks, Torrey Pines SR and Old Town San Diego SHP, hosted a group of National Park Service Trainees. Members of this group, which is in a six-month training program at Horace M. Albright Training Center Grand Canyon, Arizona, hailed from all over the United States. Texas, Washington, Florida, Colorado, New Hampshire, Maryland and New York were among their home states. The purpose of their visit was to study the role of parks in an urban situation. "Both parks, within the San Diego City limits, provided ideal examples."

Dominic Gotelli, District Interpretive Specialist, addressed the group at the Torrey Pines picnic area and discussed the state park systems with a general breakdown of districts, units, unit types and modern park problems. Among possible solutions discussed was the hope of expanding recreational areas within some of the parks.

Ranger *Kent Hartwell* followed with a discussion on the effects of urbanization on our parks, using Torrey Pines as an example. Also stressed was the public interest in our parks, citing volunteer litter cleanup groups and their contributions in helping keep our parks picturesque.

Ranger Trainee *Fred Soderlund* gave a talk on the State Park Trainee program, detailing the qualifications of a ranger and concepts stressed in the one-year training period prior to Ranger I promotion.

Naturalist *Bruce Keller* finished up with a slide talk on the Los Penasquitos lagoon and marshland area. Color slides included the fauna and flora of the marsh along with comments on each slide.

Questions followed all of the discussions and many interesting opinions and ideas were exchanged.

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After lunch, Historian *Hank Nicol* presented a slide talk at the visitor center on the history of San Diego – Spanish discovery, colonization, and early life styles of Old Town inhabitants. The final two hours was spent on a tour of Old Town with Nicol. The visitors were impressed with the preservation of Stewart-Machado Adobe, Casa de Estudillo, Mason Street School, and other historic buildings. Nicol discussed the early history behind Old Town and the Mexican colonial buildings. He also demonstrated the use of a spinning wheel at Casa de Estudillo, showing raw wool fibers being converted into threads as was done in colonial times.

The day was enjoyable to all and, talking with most of the trainees, I got the impression that they satisfied their purpose in visiting our parks.

–Roland Ormsbee
Editorial Technician
District 6

Clippings Set New Record

"Like a snowball rolling downhill. . .It keeps getting bigger and bigger." That's the way *Bill Dillinger*, Chief of the Information and Interpretation Division, characterized the Department's voluntary clipping program. . .a program in which employees from all over the state clip park related stories from their newspapers and magazines and send them in to the Information Section at Headquarters.

The score for April is a total 358 news clippings with District 5 standing head and shoulders above the rest at 137. Following were District 2 with 69; District 6 and Headquarters, 40 each; Allen's Press Clipping Service, 39; District 4, 16; District 3, 9; and District 1, 8.

Since the voluntary program began in December, the total clippings sent in each month were 88 in December; 85 in January; 172 in February; and 299 in March.

News clippings are placed in folders and routed to all divisions to help Headquarters staff keep abreast of what is going on parkwise around the State.

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Ranger Training At The Castle

On April 10 through the 14th, six rangers, an historian and an Interpretive Specialist had the opportunity to spend a week undergoing intensive guide training at Hearst San Simeon State Historical Monument.

The week's course was set up by *Metta Hake*, Guide II, ably assisted by other staff members who gave talks and demonstrations and also observed and evaluated rangers "on the line."

The idea was not to make guides out of the participants, but to enhance their experience by exposing them to methods and skills developed over the years at Hearst Castle. These techniques should be valuable for any interpretive effort carried on in the parks.

Briefly, the course consisted of an introduction, some history and philosophy of interpretation, use of library and other research facilities, cataloging and accessioning, group handling, voice training, history of William Randolph Hearst and the Castle, art review, tour observation, study assignments, use of objects on a tour, guiding and guarding on a tour, extemporaneous interpretation, visual aids, photographic techniques, and finally, work "on the line" giving tours.

Area Manager *Wes Cater* led off the training with an introduction. He was followed by Interpretive Specialist *Mike Merkel.* Guide staff Metta Hake, *Bill Martin, David Dosch, Helen Conner, Erica Ness, Ethel Lynch*, and *Jack Smith* carried on the major portion of the training. *Ann Rotanzi*, Supervising Housekeeper, also participated.

The interest and enthusiasm shown by the trainees was evident in the time they donated to after-hours study and discussion, and by the way they performed on tour after only a few days' training. Many thanks to the entire guide staff at the Castle.

–D. E. Merkel
Interpretive Specialist
District 5

Rangers taking the course were, front row – Metta Hake, Guide II, Hearst Monument; Ranger Don Kinney, Hearst Monument; Ranger Bob Crandall, Point Mugu; Ranger Fred Meyer, Northern Mines Area (Weaverville Joss House). Second row – Ranger Dale Miller, Old Town San Diego; Ranger Charles Potthast, La Purisima Mission; Ranger Dan Goswick, Fort Humboldt; Jim Hibbert, District 3 Interpretive Specialist; Ranger Landon Waggoner, Sierra Area. Third Row – Mike Merkel, District 5 Interpretive Specialist; Wes Cater, San Simeon Area Manager; Historian Donald Nicol, Old Town San Diego.

For Your Information

Bootlegging In The State Park System

Rangers in the San Luis Obispo Coast Area recently "bootlegged" a much needed campfire center at Morro Bay SP.

Under the direction of Rangers *John Bollinger, Bob Hanks* and *John Myers*, and with the assistance from Ranger Trainees *Bob Basura, Buck Graham* and *Homer Townsend*, materials donated by Maintenance Supervisor *Robert Robles* were scrounged to build an 8' x 8' screen and projection booth complete with all underground utilities. The campfire center is the first such permanent facility in Morro Bay's 38-year history. It is hoped that with additional assistance from local church and Kiwanas groups, seating arrangements can be added.

Due to various training assignments it has not been possible to plan regularly scheduled activities at the center, so the rangers have developed a spontaneous campfire program announced with a walk to all 135 campsites only one hour before showtime. Since the inception of this technique during Easter week, they have met with great success and have averaged over 240 people per program. At the third program of the "off season" a Morro Bay record of 400 people attended.

All the rangers are getting an opportunity to sharpen their talents for the coming summer, much to the delight of the weekend visitors. The rangers' next project is to come up with the funds to maintain the facility.

The rangers and maintenance staff deserve all the credit for this project. The Maintenance and Facility Program Supervisor and all Department personnel should understand that the correct term for a project of this type is called "improvising on your own time," Category 3.

—Charles P. Lyden, Manager
San Luis Obispo Coast Area

Rangers Bob Hanks, Buck Graham, and Homer Townsend at work on the screen.

The finished product.

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BITS & PIECES

The Walt Disney organization is shooting a movie called "The World's Greatest Athlete" at Caswell Memorial SP. It features jungle scenes, and the cast is replete with wild animals. Ranger *Ken Martin*, taking a picture of some of the animal "actors," was heard to remark, "I've been telling my superiors about being bothered by cats at night, and sending them a picture of a Bengal tiger and a panther might convince them."

A jail cell lock removed from the guard house at Angel Island SP came back in the mail, with a note explaining that it had just been taken to see how it works.

Chief Ranger *Paul Jones* sent this "sign of the times" erected by an ecology-minded camper at the Lower Bayview Campground, Clear Lake SP.

Comment by Officer Carl S. Young of the Florida Department of Natural Resources: "Many gourmets consider rattlesnake meat a delicacy. I was told it tastes a lot like chicken. So, being a chicken eater, I decided to try some. They were right! It did taste like chicken. . .And now I can not eat chicken, because it tastes too much like rattlesnake."

A lady checked out of a beach campsite at Point Mugu SP looking upset, but did not explain what happened. Later, when she returned to check into a canyon campsite, she told Ranger *Larry Ackerman* that she was being pursued by a "mad, vicious, malpracticing hypnotist." She also accused Ranger *Laurent Clark* of paying a man in a red Toyota $10 to have the hypnotist harass her (the Toyota driver was a school teacher with no known connection to any hypnotist). Ranger Ackerman promised her that he would be on the lookout for the hypnotist, and that if she had any further trouble he would be glad to help. . ."other duties as required."

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People

Employee Development Appraisal

There's a good chance that most State employees moving up the career ladder into management will, sooner or later, run into EDA – Employee Development Apparisal.

There's nothing mysterious about EDA, although it differs from the traditional civil service selection process. It leaves most of the job of deciding which employees are ready for promotion to those who know best – immediate supervisors and department management. The State Personnel Board helps set up standards and procedures and the interview, but department supervisors and managers take the major role in judging candidates.

Last year the SPB held almost 100 EDA examinations. That means that about one-fourth of all promotional tests were via EDA. It also means that many supervisors were required to submit Employee Development Appraisals.

Simple Process

While EDA requires extensive job analysis and careful candidate evaluation, the process itself is simple.

Department managers and the Board staff take a look at the job to be filled and decide what abilities and behavior are needed. The criteria usually include extent of experience, level of responsibility, independence of action required, technical proficiency, accuracy or quality of work, unusual skills offered, concern for production, concern for the department, concern for subordinates, personal relations with the public, judgment, dependability, degree of initiative, quality of planning, completeness of staff work, reaction to emergencies, and potential for success in the higher position.

After the job requirements are determined, supervisors rate each candidate's potential. Ratings are prepared by at least two supervisors who know the candidate's work. Each candidate has the right to name one supervisor-evaluator. To guard against improper reports, there are provisions for challenging the appraisals and for appeal.

The confidential EDA reports are submitted to the EDA Rating Committee, consisting of a Personnel Board staff member and two or three top managers. The Committee reviews the data, interviews the candidates, and rates them for the eligible list. In some cases, the EDA is the total score; in others, a written exam and the EDA are combined for the total score.

Suggestions For Competitors

Here are some general suggestions for employees who expect to be rated in the future on the basis of the EDA process.

First of all, there is no such thing as "cramming" for the exam because it is based on day-by-day performance on the job.

Prepare a self-development plan and review it with your supervisor. The employee and the supervisor are both responsible for developing the plan.

Determine from your supervisor which qualifications need to be strengthened and go to work on them.

Periodically review your plan with your supervisor to measure your progress and expand your goals.

The EDA Interview

The purpose of the EDA interview is different from the usual panel interview. While it gives the Rating Committee a chance to take a look at the candidate, the interview is really the candidate's "own time." It is not a question-and-answer session, although the committee may ask some questions. The interview is intended to give the candidate a chance to tell the raters more about himself.

Be prepared to make a brief presentation, explaining your most pertinent qualifications. This

should be a planned and orderly presentation, showing you understand the requirements for the position and have the qualifications to fill it. This should take less than ten minutes.

The interview is not scored, but the information will be considered by the Rating Committee in arriving at the final score. The interview also allows the Rating Committee opportunity to make adjustments for the variability of supervisors' evaluation standards.

Supervisor Requirements

EDA places a heavy burden of responsibility on the supervisor; the importance of his being fair and objective cannot be overstated. It has been said that the EDA process is as much a test for the reporting supervisors as it is for the examination competitors. In our experience, this is very true. In fact, this is one of the strong points of the EDA system.

Administrators in the Rating Committee often discover previously unrecognized strengths and weaknesses in the supervisors. Different standards of quality frequently come to light. Sometimes a supervisor's lack of understanding of his job and responsibility to help employee development is revealed.

Feedback

There is another valuable byproduct of the EDA process - feedback to employees. When an exam is being planned, the department should prepare a feedback process for the competitors' benefit. The committee determinations are given to the candidates' supervisors, who, in turn, counsel with the people they supervise.

The entire EDA process, because good communication between an employee and his supervisor is fundamental, maximizes the opportunity for feedback. This continual communication should help the employee learn his strengths and weaknesses and guide him in self-development.

The rationale for EDA is logical – supervisors and managers working together can do a better job than anyone else in evaluating an employee's past performance and predicting future performance.

Employees who want more detailed information about EDA should consult their department personnel office or the State Personnel Board.

–Richard L. Camilli
Executive Officer
State Personnel Board

20 Years With State Parks, 20 Years Retired

The past two years I have been submitting a series to News and Views on what our retired employees are doing. I've enjoyed gathering the information and, when possible, interviewing those I do the stories on.

Recently, I had the pleasure of being invited over to Monterey to spend a few hours with *Lee Blaisdell* and his wife, Wyma Florence.

Lee entered park work in 1931 at Mount Diablo SP. He was the first ranger assigned to Mount Diablo and held the position of warden there until 1937. During that time he was actively involved with the National Parks and C.C.C. program, under which many major improvements to State parks were done in those days. Much of this work remains today as a monument to the men involved in the hard, back-breaking work. The interview with Lee and Wyma proved to be doubly productive to me as many interesting facts of Mount Diablo have been added to our historic notes because of the interview.

From the Warden's position, Lee moved on to become a District Superintendent of the Central District, which included park units from Mendocino to Ventura. During World War II, his District was much greater and had 50 or so employees in the field units. As Mrs. Blaisdell said, "The family did not see much of him as he was always away inspecting or working in one of the parks." This has changed now as the Blaisdells have time to see their two sons, two daughters, twelve grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Lee has been retired since 1951, due to illness. To keep the heart condition under control requires a lot of rest. Lee is now 81 years old, and he and Wyma will celebrate their 55th wedding anniversary on April 20th.

I found that Lee and Wyma both are very interested in the State parks even after being retired for over 20 years. Their physical condition limits their involvement, but it surely does not lessen their enthusiasm for California State Parks.

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Lee and Wyma Blaisdell on their golden wedding anniversary in 1967.

Besides the joy of the large family, Lee enjoys music. He spends many hours listening to his 3,000 stereo records. He also finds a little time to continue his study on Burros that started many years ago while at Big Sur.

Lee received an Honorary Lifetime Membership to the Rangers' Association on October 11, 1965. The membership scroll was presented to his son by L. P. Griffith, President of the Association and Al Salzgeber, Vice-president.

Though Lee and Wyma are limited concerning visitors, they would find pleasure in receiving a letter or post card greeting from their many park friends. The mailing address is 445 Casa Verde Way, Monterey, California 93940.

Lee contributes his success and happy work years with our Department to his love of the out-of-doors and to the early education and work experience he received in Forestry. He felt he had to extend himself to do the job – even had to neglect his family at times. He wrote a Park Creed for the first Statewide park conference held in San Francisco in 1937. You will find it of great interest and inspiration.

LET US

Consecrate our efforts to the perpetuation of Nature's handiwork
Owe loyalty and allegiance to all our Naturalist pioneers
Not knowingly disturb Nature's balance in any way
Save for posterity all natural park features
Endeavor to convey a message of conservation to those who desecrate
Revere Nature in all of her phases
Value the accomplishments of Nature above the works of man
Entreat our neighbor to assist in the work of preservation and restoration

Oppose all efforts to exploit our forests, rivers and wild inhabitants thereof
Urge the adoption of laws, rules and regulations to protection of natural features
Reforest our denuded hills to the verdure of their former state

Put our faith in the spirit of Nature to light the path of knowledge
Admonish the vandal to tread lightly, lest he bring the wrath of God upon his head
Refrain from all practices harmful to our natural resources
Keep a tryst with Mother Nature to the end of our days on this good Earth
Scorn the depredations of man in all of his selfishness, greed and vanity on the product of a bountiful and generous providence.

–Ed Earl, Manager
Mount Diablo Area

Foundation Chairman Gets Honorary Degree

Joseph M. Long, Chairman of the California State Parks Foundation and President of Longs Drug Stores, was honored last month with an honorary Doctor of Public Service degree from the University of the Pacific's School of Pharmacy.

Dean Ivan Rowland called Long a "pioneering businessman, counselor, and benefactor to higher education, and devoted public servant."

Long's service includes serving as vice-president of the National Association of Chain Drug Stores and on advisory committees for the University of California at Berkeley and Santa Cruz.

Joseph Long is congratulated by Governor Reagan on being elected to the State Park Foundation.

25 "Short" Years

Montane Area Manager *Glen Jones* and Russian River Area Manager *Bob Crawford* are among those who have recently received their 25-year service awards.

Glen started out as a Ranger I at Dyerville in 1947; he's also served at Grizzly Creek, Patrick's Point, Prairie Creek, and Calaveras before leaving the redwoods for Cuyamaca Rancho.

Bob also started in 1947, at Big Basin. From there he went to Santa Cruz, New Brighton, Goleta, Hearst, Sam Taylor, and the Marin Area prior to his transfer to Russian River. He also worked at Sacramento Headquarters on the Riding and Hiking Trails Program.

Glen Jones receives his 25-year award from Operations Chief Jack Knight (right center). Other 25-year award recipients were District 6 Superintendent Jim Whitehead (far right) and Bill Stahlberg (far left), Manager of Mount San Jacinto Area.

People

The award for the most significant improvement in employee safety was presented to Manager Pat Dougherty of the Channel Coast Area.

Area Manager at Hearst, Wes Cater, receives his award for the best employee safety record for the largest number of employees from Safety and Enforcement Specialist Gerald Morrison.

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APPOINTMENTS

Ballard, Dave W.	St Pk Ranger (Int)	Castle Crags	5-15-72
Dean, Peggy A.	Clerk Typist II (Int)	Lake Oroville	4-29-72
Harvey, Garry C.	Lifeguard	Orange Coast Area	4-1-72
Kelly, Jack M.	Park Maint Asst	Dist 3 – Four Rivers Area	5-1-72
Kolb, John A.	St Pk Ranger Trainee	Folsom Lake Area	5-1-72
Kruse, Raymond F.	St Pk Ranger (Int)	Russian River	5-11-72
Lampson, John C.	St Pk Rgr (Int)	Bothe-Napa Area	4-29-72
Newberg, Brenda K.	Clerk Typist I (Int)	Channel Coast Area	4-3-72
O'Dell, Bernice C.	Clerk Typist II	Frontera Area	4-12-72
Pennington, Paula A.	St Pk Rgr (Int)	Trinidad Area	4-16-72
Platter, Joanne R.	Clerk Typist II	District 4 HQ	5-15-72
Quisenberry, John M.	Asst Civil Engineer	Eng Unit	5-15-72
Reynolds, Gerald G.	Guide I, Hist. Mon.	Hearst San Simeon SHM	4-30-72
Richmond, Stoughton	St Pk Rgr Trne	Dyerville Area	3-2-72
Stark, Edward K.	St Pk Rgr (Int)	Pajaro Cst Area	4-24-72
Ward, William R.	St. Pk Equip Opr	Goleta	5-2-72
Whiteley, Eleanor R.	Clerk Typist I	Admin Svcs	4-3-72
Yambao, Nicomedes Jr.	Jr Civil Eng	Eng Unit	4-17-72

PROMOTIONS

Blackburn, Owen	Assoc Pk & Rec Spec	Grants & Stwd Studies Br	4-21-72
Chambers, Brian M.	Assoc Lnd Agnt	Spec Serv Sect	4-7-72
McGuckin, Andrew	Assoc Lnd Agnt	Spec Serv Sect	4-7-72
O'Neill, Michelle R.	Clerk Typist I (Int)	Dist & Repro Center	4-4-72

SEPARATIONS

DeSpain, David A.	Pk Maint Supvr I	Channel Coast Area	3-31-72
Hongola, Bruce	Data Pro Student Tr	Admin Svs	3-16-72
Smith, Edwin T.	St Pk Ranger (Int)	Mitchell Caverns	4-23-72
Travis, Charles A.	Park Maint Asst	Orange Coast Area	4-5-72
Turner, Jack P	Groundsman	Orange Coast Area	4-14-72
Twibell, Mildred L.	Clerk Typist II	District 4 HQ	4-21-72

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Boniface, Caroline B.	Guide I, Hist Mon	Hearst Castle	4-20-72

UNIT CHANGES

Cates, Robert D.	St Finan Ex III	Audit Sect to Budget Sect	4-7-72
Raleigh, Nancy	Clerk Typist I	Off & Res Svs to Dist & Repro Center	4-17-72
Quant, Paul W.	St Pk Rgr	Bothe-Napa to Plumas-Eureka	5-1-72
Yount, John W.	Pk Maint Asst	Four Rivers Area to Folsom Lake Area	4-20-72

FORMALIZED TRAINING ASSIGNMENT

Burrows, Marylnn L.	Acctg Off II	Accounting Sect to Budget Sect	4-27-72
Hart, Vada	Acctg Tech	Budget Sect to Dist & Repro Center	4-27-72

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Who Will Run Pismo?

San Luis Obispo County will consider taking over operation of Pismo SB. This was the decision of County officials who met in Sacramento with DPR personnel June 14. The County officials were insistent that no fees be charged by the State for day use of the beach area, the area between the ocean and first line of dunes.

Previously, over this same issue, Director Mott had offered the County three options: State operation, county operation, or close the dunes.

The Department is negotiating leases of land in the Pismo area, south of the present State beach. A lease has been negotiated with PG&E, and leases are being negotiated with San Luis Obispo County, Union Oil Co., and Union Sugar Co.

Both the State and County agree that one agency should run the whole show, at least south of Arroyo Grande Creek. Access to the dunes is via the present State beach, then the County property.

County officials indicated they would like to see the State's development plans before discussing a long-term lease of County land. The Department has budgeted in 1972-73 for such a plan, and if the funds are approved, the plan would be ready next June.

To simplify operations this summer, the County said it would be willing to lease its land to the Department for the rest of this calendar year.

The Department agreed that the Dune Lakes area should be kept in a natural condition without development, and that should a study reveal the advisability of permitting horses on the State beach, a special area be designated for that use.

The County asked that no camping be allowed on the beach, and that campground development be located beyond the dune line and be minimal in nature. The Department's position was that there may be times when it is advisable to permit informal overflow camping in designated areas along the beach.

Deputy Director Ray Hunter presided at the meeting. Chief spokesman for the County was Supervisor Howard Mankins.

At Pismo over the Memorial Day Weekend, Area Manager *Chuck Lyden* reports no serious accidents, all developed campsites filled, and ample room for everyone to camp informally.

He reported visitors receptive to the special regulations governing off-road vehicle use, amenable to fees, and pleased that park personnel would patrol and maintain traffic control. Park Rangers and County Sheriff personnel worked together to provide a happy outing for all 100,000 visitors.

About 60,000 maps, prepared by the Information Section, were distributed. The maps showed the kind of uses permitted in various areas and listed the special off-road vehicle regulations the Director adopted for Pismo SB.

COMMISSION REPORT

The Commission held its June meeting in Newport Beach, after an unseasonable drizzly tour of the State-owned beaches operated by Los Angeles City and County and an indoor tour via maps and models of the Irvine Company's proposed development of its coastal properties.

Deputy Director Bob Meyer stood in for Director Mott, who missed his first Commission meeting in several years, having been packed off to the hospital earlier in the week with a back problem.

Major items of business were the official classification of Silverwood Lake in San Bernardino County as a State Recreation Area, and approval of the transfer of the Palace of Fine Arts State Historic Park to the City and County of San Francisco, in accordance with legislation passed some time ago.

The Director was also authorized to proceed with negotiations for the Pacific Gas and Electric Company lands at Bodega Head on the Sonoma Coast, and for acquisition of some surplus lands at Camp San Luis Obispo.

Commissioner Leonard Thomson introduced two resolutions asking the Department to explore the feasibility of expanding the boundaries of Red Rock Canyon and improving facilities there. He also asked for study on establishment of a high desert area extending from the Cody Mountains just east of Barstow to the Nevada line.

The Department was complimented on its clean-up of Bolsa Chica SB – known as "Tin Can Beach" before the State took over – but was asked to see if still further efforts couldn't be made through enlisting citizen participation.

John Hightower reported on plans for a $1.9 million project at Gaviota SP, under which a concessionaire would develop and operate all facilities of the park, including the camping. John said he hoped the project could be put out for bid within a month and that the first phase, involving 157 campsites, could be fully operating by June 1975.

Mrs. Harriet Allen reported on the fund raising efforts of the Torrey Pines Association. Her group was complimented on its work and she was assured the Department intended to complete the acquisition and had the Governor's support.

It was announced that the next meeting would be in Eureka July 14.

–Bill Dillinger

Dockweiler SB, under the takeoff pattern from LA International Airport, has special development problems – like soundproofing the lifeguard station – according to Chuck Paioni and Seymour Greben of LA City Parks and Recreation, the local operating agency, who showed their development plans to Chairman Lowell Berry and the other Commissioners.

Commissioners Bonnicksen and Gilchrist learned how children create "instant fish" with sand and grunion eggs in the environmental education program of Cabrillo Museum Director John Olguin.

Photos by Bill Dillinger.

THE DIRECTOR

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.

Routine

While I was in the hospital, I became acutely aware of the monotony of routine. At six o'clock in the morning a nurse's aid comes in with a towel and warm washcloth – not lemon scented like on the airlines – and with a cheery "Good morning!" says it's time to wake up. Five minutes later she is back, suggesting that you wash your teeth and then another aid mysteriously appears and wants to know if you've used the urinal.

Then a nurse's assistant comes by and takes your pulse and temperature. This has been made a mechanical operation with a new gadget that doesn't require you to hold a thermometer in your mouth for 10 or 15 minutes but merely records your temperature by an electric device that operates somewhat on the order of an electric adding machine. The temperature is given in centigrade, and if you ask the nurse what your temperature is, she smilingly disappears to take the temperature and pulse of another patient without answering your question.

Next an orderly arrives and empties the waste paper basket. Then a nurse comes by and suggests it is time for a bath, either in bed (which at best is a poor excuse for a bath), or for those who can, a shower. You no sooner get back into your bed from taking a shower than the breakfast tray appears, after which a nurse comes by again, takes your temperature and pulse, followed by the head nurse who has a tray full of all kinds of pills with a particular category labeled for each patient. You are not only given the pill, but the nurse stands there and with a rather sweet but commanding voice says, "Take your pills." You ask her what they are, and she says they are what the doctor prescribed, and that is the best answer you can get.

A physical therapist arrives and gives you a back rub, after which one of the volunteer nurse's aids drops by to ask whether you want a newspaper or magazine. Then comes the mail; then the temperature-pulse routine all over again. And so it goes throughout the day until 9:30 at night.

After two or three days of this, I conceived a diabolical plan that I thought would be exciting and would break up the routine and improve my wellbeing. The plan was I would tear up the morning newspaper into little bits and scatter it throughout the room and up and down the hall of the fifth floor of the hospital. I could just imagine the chaos this would create, and the expression on the head nurse's face would certainly remove that frozen smile that says, "You're looking better."

Thinking about the routine, I wondered if maybe many of us in our daily work don't find that we are doing the same job over and over again and that the monotony of the routine is not only boring but sapping us of our real creative ability. With this thought in mind, I have developed a program that you will be hearing about which will, for all of those in the Department who are looking for an opportunity to do something creative, give them a chance to be creative, innovative, and productive and change a mundane program to one that is exciting while we continue to carry out those jobs which must be done in a routine fashion, just as it is absolutely necessary that a hospital operate on a fixed schedule. It will be a strictly voluntary operation which I am calling "Vibrations". You will be hearing more about this in the very near future, and I hope you will find it not only rewarding but something in which you will find the kind of involvement and commitment that will put a sparkle in your eye and a spring in your step and make life much more exciting than it would be without such stimulation.

Thanks for all the cards and expressions of "get well quick". I appreciated them very much and can only say to you that I am glad to be out of the hospital and back on the job again. I'm sure I represented one of the poorer hospital patients insofar as the routine of the hospital program was concerned, and I know that the head nurse on Floor 5 was pleased when the doctor released me from the hospital.

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Danger – Runaway Prose

Sometimes a writer gets so carried away with the "beauty" of his writing that he loses sight of what he is saying. A classic case in point is this excerpt from a publication extolling the wonders of our state parks along Highway 128.

"Hendy Woods State Park, west of Philo on Greenwood Road just off Highway 128, protects a silent and primeval forest of coast redwood, some of the trees tiptoeing more than 300 feet above the forest floor. . ."

What's Happening

The Malakoff Homecoming

"The mightly Monitor shooting water twenty feet into the air! Gunpowder explosions! A parade featuring "Honorary Ranger" Charlie Gaus and the Clampers (members of E Clampus Vitus Historical Society), a German band, and the croquet championship of the Northern Mines." These were just a few of the attractions scheduled for the Sixth Annual North Bloomfield Homecoming at Malakoff Diggins SHP on June 11, and what an event it was!

To avoid some of the certain-to-occur traffic, we (the *Dick Humphreys* and my family) decided to spend a night in the campground and enjoy a little exploring prior to the celebration that was to take place on Sunday. However, by early Saturday evening it began to look like others had the same idea and the campground filled to capacity. In spite of the crowd, however, the night was quiet (maybe the other campers were cold, too – even my sleeping bag shivered!) and by morning we were ready to see the historic sights.

Malakoff Diggins was the site of the most extensive hydraulic mining done in California and even today you can see evidence of this in the eroded canyons that exist as a result of the work done by the miners and their hydraulic cannons. The small town of North Bloomfield, previously called Humbug by disillusioned miners, has a small museum, an old swimming hole once the city reservoir, and some of the best hiking in Nevada County, not to mention a lot of gorgeous scenery.

The festivities began at 9:30 a.m. with a Catholic Mass in the newly restored St. Columncille's Church, followed by a Protestant service at 10:30 and a Folk Mass scheduled for three. Hourly events such as the parade down Main (the only) Street, the Monitor "showers" and the gunpowder explosions were enjoyed by all, as was the movie on hydraulic mining. A program in the outdoor amphitheater took place later in the afternoon with speeches by Deputy Director Ray Hunter and Assemblyman Gene Chappie, an invocation by Father Gerald Ryle, and the dedication of the Church as a State Historical Landmark.

With the attendance as high as it was – well over 1,500 – it looks as if the Annual North Bloomfield Homecoming will be an "Annual" success. See you there next year!

–Marti Johnson

Deputy Director Ray Hunter and District 3 Superintendent Clyde Newlin share a joke.

"Honorary Ranger" Charlie Gaus not only had a front seat for the parade – he was a part of it!

Photos by Marti Johnson.

The Run For Camp

On May 7, jogging enthusiasts participated in a 5.6-mile race run around Angel Island SP. Of the 228 starting, 227 made it to the finish line.

The race was sponsored by the Guardsmen, a Service to Youth organization, to raise money for sending underprivileged children to camp. The group hopes to make it an annual event.

Ribbons were awarded to all that finished the race. Winners were:

Open Class (1st overall) Gary Singer, 27:24
Senior (over 40) Class (8th overall) Bob Malain, 29:49
High School (10th overall) Jim Freeman, 30:19
Women's Class (34th overall) Fran Conley, 33:09

Save-the-Redwoods League Adds To Park

Important watershed protection for the Berry Creek falls at Big Basin Redwoods SP has been assured by the Save-the-Redwoods League's recent purchase of 240 acres in the upper Waddell Creek watershed. Half of the parcel's cost, it is expected, will be matched by a Land and Water Conservation Fund grant.

This parcel, the former Anderson-Simpson property, will add land in San Mateo and Santa Cruz Counties to the park.

New Booklet On Redwoods Published

Did you know that in the early days of logging, it took a two-man team six 12-hour days to cut down a redwood tree (today it can be done in less than four hours). . .or that the Indians occasionally "logged" one in order to get at the acorns stuffed into the trunk by woodpeckers? They used fire to burn through the tree's huge base.

These and many other interesting facts about California's most famous tree are in a new 32-page booklet, *The Redwood State Parks*, published by our Department. Written by Fred Meyer and Brenda Boswell, with graphics by John Kaestner, the booklet describes state parks in the redwood country and lists their facilities. It is being sold for $1 including tax and handling costs.

Amply illustrated with dozens of photographs and sketches, the colorful booklet traces the history of these giants from prehistoric times – fossil remains as old as 100 million years have been found – to their present protected status in parks.

The booklet tells about their discovery by European explorers. Even for those who had seen one, it was hard to believe that there could be trees so big. The reaction of one person when he saw his first redwood log was: "The man who cut that tree was a damned liar!"

The industry that sprang up to log redwoods is discussed, as are the continuing efforts to preserve them. Today, thanks to these efforts, over a hundred thousand acres of first-and second-growth redwood trees are preserved in state parks, and 58,000 acres will ultimately be preserved in the Redwood National Park.

Earth Day At Torrey Pines

This is a day to remember. The work started with the arrival of over 140 Cub and Boy Scouts plus their leaders to participate as part of the big S.O.A.R. (Save Our American Resources) litter pickup campaign in San Diego and Orange County on this 29th day of April. Following close behind the scouts came over one hundred employees of Gulf Atomic with their program "Keep America Beautiful Day." They were set to various tasks including litter pickup and the task of removing initials from the cliff surfaces and one group removed dangerous metal hazards from rip-rap with the use of cutting torches. Even the local National Guard units pitched in to do their bit, donating two large trucks for trash-hauling purposes. Total litter collection for just this one unit amounted to over 2,000 cubic feet.

The park personnel were busy supervising the mammoth cleanup job when they were called on to assist the Lifeguards in the rescue of a young teenager who had been stranded on the cliff face for over sixteen hours. Meanwhile, back at the North Beach area and throughout the rest of Torrey Pines State Reserve, over one hundred teenagers were contributing their athletic efforts in the "Walk for Life" fund drive.

To top off the day's events, Exhibit Specialist Chuck McCall assisted with an evening wedding held at Razor Point.

Don Pohl
State Park Ranger II

The SPS "Talking Dog"

When Folsom Lake Ranger *Ed Williamson* and Patrol Dog Ralph visited the Alta Vista Grammar School, Dog Ralph made quite a hit with the students. Ranger Williamson sent some of their "thank-yous" along to us. . .

"I hope you come again with Ralph. . .Please writh back. . ."

"I have a little brother he liked it (the program) too. He is in kidigordon."

"I'm glad you spent your time with us because I now myself I would probably go on a boat ride and fall in with out a life jaket on and Ralph I liked your trick but I couldn't pet you because I ride the bus and the buses were waiting. . ."

"I enjoyed your show. what do you feed ralph? Mr errek class didn't get to pet ralph the 1st grade did. . ."

"I liked the way you tought your dog to say his name. . ."

"Thank you for bringing Ralph. You sure are funny. . .I do not have much to say."

Editors Note: Me neither.

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YIELD FROM THE FIELD

District 1

North Valley Area Manager *Lorin Forsyth* reports that there's brand new carpeting on the stairs at Bidwell Mansion SHP, thanks to the efforts of Las Senoras, a group of local ladies who donate gifts and time. The carpeting was purchased with the proceeds of an ice cream social that they gave at the Mansion last fall.

District 2

KGO-TV visited San Francisco Maritime SHP to film one of its "Field Trip" series of programs; star of the show was Ranger *Robert Freeman*.

San Francisco Maritime SHP's *Alma* won first place in the "restored" division of the Master Mariners Race held in San Francisco Bay on May 14.

By 1971, Ayala Cove at Angel Island SHP was completely covered with people – paper doll people, as Ranger *Ron Brean* explained the purpose of proposed docking changes at the park to the Tiburon Chamber of Commerce. He showed how the same number of people could use the park much more pleasantly if they were not all concentrated at the Cove, but spread throughout the Island by installation of docks at other locations.

Vallejo's rooms in the Petaluma Adobe are looking up, thanks to the efforts of wives of Rangers *Robert Culwell* and *Harry Kauffman*, who volunteered to clean, and arranged flowers.

In spite of radio and press notifications that Clear Lake was full for the Memorial Day weekend, hordes of people came, only to be turned away. All the area's resorts and private campgrounds were also filled to capacity.

About a hundred contestants participated in the First Annual Sand Castle Building Contest held at North Salmon Creek, Sonoma Coast SB, with Ranger *Bob Walker* as one of the judges.

To celebrate Golden Gate Area Ranger *Ron Erickson's* completion of the Peace Officer Training Course at the CHP academy, Ranger *Jeff Jones'* wife baked him a cake in the shape of a badge.

Alerted by the fate of a local resident who was killed when the barbecue lighter fluid that he was squirting on his fire blew up the can, Clear Lake SP Rangers are cautioning park visitors against using this dangerous method to light barbecue fires.

District 3

San Luis Reservoir SRA has lost its title as Seller of Most Day Use Passes. According to Management Analyst *Bob Baker*, Folsom Lake SRA deserves the honor; nearly four thousand had been sold there by early June. They are also the Grand Winners in the Boat Launching Pass Division.

Three Boy Scout troops did a fine job of removing cans, bottles, metal signs, branches, and other debris from the duck pond at Sutter's Fort SHP. In exchange, Area Manager *Kirby Morgan* promised the boys all the turtles they could catch, but Sutter's Fort turtles must be faster than the traditional model, since all got away.

Folsom Lake SRA's Patrol Dog *Ralph* won the "Top Dog in The Department" trophy at the Manteca trials for police-trained dogs. (What do you say to that, Sam!!)

District 4

Alistair Cooke and a BBC filming crew were in San Juan Bautista SHP recently, filming scenes for a sequence on Father Serra, the Spanish

missions, and California life in the early 19th century in their series on America, "A Personal History of the U.S.A."

Santa Cruz Mountains Area Ranger Trainee *Paula Peterson* appeared on San Francisco TV Station KPIX and also did a radio interview for KFRC on career opportunities for women in the State Park System.

Big Sur Area Ranger *Dick Casio's* son and several of his friends provided the music for a Rock and Roll Pot Luck; Area Manager *Jack Stowe* reports that even several of the "old folks" were revitalized by the music and tempo.

Mount Diablo SP Maintenance Man *Emmett Leath* spotted an albino raccoon on the east slope of the Mount in May, confirming several reports of sightings in the same area.

District 5

A burglary suspect eluded the night watchman on duty at the visitor center at Hearst San Simeon, stole food from the concession, attempted to hot wire a car and failed, and removed credit cards, mileage logs, operating manuals, road flares, jumper cables and handcuffs from same. When apprehended the next morning, he had all items in his possession along with a fully loaded Mark I automatic pistol, and a 30 caliber rifle with a shell in the chamber and an extra supply of 50 rounds of ammunition. His reasons for being at the Mansion were unknown and when brought before the judge, was released on his own recognizance – On the following Wednesday, the sheriff was looking for the suspect for information on another car theft and *attempted murder*!

Statistic of the Month – the concessionaire at William Randolph Hearst Memorial SB cleaned over 21,000 lbs. of fish during the month of April for $1,273.66 which, as *Wes Cater* noted, averages out to .56% more money than a Ranger V makes managing the Castle and the concession.

Looks like the National Park System has decided we know what we're doing at Hearst – they sent one of their rangers to observe our total operation to learn about managing the newly acquired Scotty's Castle. Ah, our fame doth spread!

The recently opened segment of Interstate 5 passes within just a few miles of Tule Elk SR and may have quite an impact on the unit's attendance, according to High Desert Area Manager *Roy Gholson*. On one Saturday morning there were five large busses there before 7 a.m., creating the first traffic jam in the Reserve's history.

District 6

Girls everywhere at South Carlsbad SB! Several Girl Scout troops from Hawthorne arrived, with 109 reservations, and were assigned to campsites covering half the campground; the young "women's libbers" took over both sides of the restrooms. But, reports San Diego Coast Area Manager *Jack Welch* with a sigh of relief, all of the over one thousand teenagers were well behaved, and the campout was well organized.

A total of $110 – $55 each from District 6 HQ and Orange Coast Area – has been contributed to preserve two Desert Gardens at Anza-Borrego Desert SP, reports District 6 Superintendent *Jim Whitehead.*

Salton Sea SRA Maintenance Supervisor *Len Algeri* is recovering at home from his recent operation.

Old Town San Diego SHP Groundsman *John Cometa* won the car being given away by the Old Town Chamber of Commerce.

Theft at Mount San Jacinto Wilderness – two campers reported that when they returned to their campsite, several coyotes were going through their packs and made off with a pound of sausage, some hamburger, and a package of hot dogs.

Raccoons at Fremont Peak are even bolder than Mt. San Jacinto's coyotes – here, one snatches a goody from a visiting Girl Scout. While this particular raccoon seems polite, feeding any wild animal is a dangerous practice.

Potpourri

Tell It Like It Is

While on routine patrol at our newly acquired Annadel Farms State Park, Intermittent Ranger *Mike Lynch* found a campsite near a pond just off park property, with a couple of chaise lounge mattresses, pots, blanket, various pieces of trash and litter, and remains of a fire made from what had been a usable bridge. Ranger Lynch also found a note which had been placed under a rock on a mattress. It read:

How Can You Be So Selfish?

"You are obviously rebelling against something to be camping out up here away from society. Perhaps it is morality? Well, you're not creating a very sound alternative to it by raping this vernal pond with your trash. Maybe it's injustice. I've certainly been a victim of an age injustice being a youth. Well, you're carrying on society's injustice up here in your untrodden hideaway by denying an integral part of this landscape its rights – the bridge. Could it be you're fed up with the limitations a material society inflicts upon you – so you're up here escaping from the rush and confusion and pressure to conform? So, you're limiting the natural progress of this ecosystem with your obvious presence. Friend, your rebellion is well founded but your approach is mimicking those you are rebelling against.

"If you are up here to enjoy the peace, solitude, freedom and joy this place allows, then why don't you respect it? Why don't you spend every night up here – but in such a manner that none can tell you've been here but yourself. Hide your sleeping roll well every night. Bring an extra blanket instead of building a fire. Eat dried and cold-prepared food instead of trying to cook. Sleep on a natural mattress or extra blankets instead of ripping off chaise lounge mattresses.

"If you desire to improve society, you must begin by making a point of not continuing its evils in your own existence. Why don't you start now?

–The Walker"

Off-road Vehicle Check Station A Success

District 6 Superintendent *Jim Whitehead* sent us a report concerning the establishment of an off-road vehicle check station in the Fish Creek area of Anza-Borrego Desert SP. The station was set up in cooperation with several off-road vehicle organizations and was operated over a recent weekend. *Jim Hart*, Ranger at Fish Creek, did an evaluation of the project, and his overall opinion is. . ."a tremendous success."

He was able to meet with officers and members of the Square Wheelers, All American 4 Wheelers, California Off-Road Vehicle Association, and California Association of 4WD Clubs, Inc. A handout listing park rules and regulations was prepared, and in addition to the clubs mentioned, it carried the names of the National Association of 4WD Clubs and the California and Desert Motorcycle Clubs.

According to Hart's report, the members of the clubs handled the contact with drivers and put up signs in the area asking them not to litter, to operate vehicles quietly and safely around people, and "to drive on established trails so as not to run over the birds, bees, and elephant trees."

He says that not only did he not have to issue any citations that weekend, he actually got compliments from several "purist" visitors on the quiet, orderly manner of the people using the park.

One particularly significant observation by Hart is that people seemed to resent it less when stopped by a private citizen and asked to cooperate than when stopped by a man in uniform.

Hart summed up his feelings by saying ". . .All in all I felt it was a weekend enjoyed by everyone, off-roaders and purists alike. Being in the middle of both groups, I enjoyed the weekend because my blackboard was not all scribbled up with complaints from irate campers about the off-roaders. I think some attitudes were changed, and I can't thank the group enough for a tremendous and well spent effort."

Carrying Capacity Idea Gets Support

Harlon Bartlett, outdoor writer for the San Diego Evening Tribune, recently wrote a column decrying crowded conditions in parks and defending the state's attempts to establish a system of carrying capacities for its units. He writes:

"A study is under way to determine the carrying capacity for state parks within California. This is a tricky proposition.

The capacity of San Diego Stadium is simple to document – count the seats and multiply by 1.

Capacity for any city would seem to be limitless – when you can no longer grow out you can always go up. Although the more people you jam into them the more problems you create.

This is exactly what state parks are attempting to avoid. The same woes that are badgering urban areas – too much noise, too many vehicles, dirty air, etc. – are beginning to infiltrate parks now.

To prevent this trend from continuing in the next few years, while the number of recreationists keeps growing, the state will establish a capacity for each park.

When this happens, it will touch off a chorus of grumbling among many campers, some who will feel the figure is too high and some who will feel it's too low.

What some people consider a crowd is merely a small gathering to someone else.

Regardless, besides providing recreation for people, parks also, according to the original concept, are to be maintained in their natural state as much as possible. Hence, the need for crowd limits."

At Last

For the last few years, the Information Section has been issuing press releases before holiday weekends that described the reservation situation for state park campsites and suggested that campers either head for parts of the state where reservation pressure was lightest, or plan to camp at one of the many private campgrounds in the vicinity of state parks.

The private campground operators have not always appreciated our efforts – especially when the press release got garbled, as one did recently, to end up saying that *private* campgrounds were full in the North Coast, rather than *state park* campgrounds in Southern California. But finally we received a letter from Marvin D. Wadley, President of the California Campground Owners Association. . .he said, "It does give all private campgrounds a boost for you to mention us as you did in this release. It may also help to take the pressure off the State Park System. The members of the Association certainly need and appreciate your help."

NPS Tries New Permit System

Beginning this June, the National Park Service initiated a trial "back-country travel and camping" permit system in several of its parks. They are Kings Canyon in California, Rocky Mountain National Park in Colorado, and Great Smoky Mountains National Park in Tennessee and North Carolina.

The system only applies to the back-country areas of these parks and does not apply to the normal visitor usage of the developed areas.

The permits are free, and are issued on a first-come-first-served basis, with a number of permits issued based on the capacity of the area to absorb visitors without serious damage.

Secretary of Interior Rogers Morton says that the information gained from this trial program will be used to develop permanent programs at these and other parks.

Historical Landmarks Committee Member Honored

Raymond Girvigian, member of the Historical Landmarks Committee, recently became a Fellow in the American Institute of Architects. This is one of the highest lifetime honors that can be bestowed upon members of the architectural profession.

Mr. Girvigian, who practices in South Pasadena, has served on national, state and local AIA Historic Preservation committees, and was Vice-chairman of the National Park Service Advisory Board on Historic Buildings. He is presently chairman of the South Pasadena Cultural Heritage Commission.

DMV Kicks Off Registration Campaign

In a brief ceremony on the west steps of the Capitol Building, the Department of Motor Vehicles kicked off an intensive public information program to inform citizens of the new law effective July 1 that requires trail bikes, dune buggies, and other all-terrain vehicles to be registered.

The ceremony was attended by newsmen, Assemblymen Chappie and Z'Berg, DMV Director Robert Cozens, Deputy Director Bob Meyer, and Russell Sanford, President of the Motorcycle Owners, Riders, and Enthusiasts.

Registration fee for all-terrain vehicles is $15 for a two-year period. Of the fee, $4 goes to the cities and counties, $5 is for DMV, and the remaining $6 comes to us for planning, developing, and maintaining a system of trails and other facilities for off-highway vehicles.

DMV Director Cozens explains the new registration fee for off-highway vehicles. In the background, from left, Russ Sanford, Bob Meyer, and Assemblyman Z'Berg.

Potpourri

On The Bandwagon

The Virginia Division of State Parks has inaugurated a campsite reservation system similar to California's this year. The system, which will also be run by Ticketron, Inc., is the first for state park campsites on the East Coast. The Division expects to add cabins in state parks to the reservation system in 1973.

So, if any of you would like to camp in Beautiful Virginia. . .

District 6 Leads Clippers

Department employees supplied the Information Section with 205 news clippings in May, third highest total in the six months the program has been in effect. This compares to the high of 358 for April and 299 for March.

District 6 led the Department with 37. The remainder came from District 2, 33; Headquarters, 23; District 5, 20; District 4, 18; District 1, 17; and District 3, 16. Allen's Press Clipping Bureau supplied 41 in May.

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VOX POP

Davis Skinner of Fullerton, forced to cancel his stay at El Capitan because of illness, wrote in response to Park Aid *Irene Berrigan's* "May you enjoy a speedy recovery" written on his refund voucher form, "Both of us got a lift out of your expression of good will – a rarity these days. We had looked forward to camping and surf fishing at El Capitan as we have done before. . .hope to try it again." As Gaviota Area Manager *Hal Terry* says, "It's the little things that count."

Ronald Laugheny of Oakland, who ran out of money while staying at Millerton, said in the note accompanying his check, "You have one of the cleanest and most beautiful parks I have ever seen."

James Fitzgerald, San Mateo County Supervisor, appreciated San Mateo Coast Area Manager *Al Ulm's* efforts in publicizing "Clean-Up Day" – he wrote, "Your contacting the newspapers was most helpful in letting everyone know what we were trying to do. Your department is certainly very fortunate to have such fine, energetic representation."

Hearst Tour Guide *F. Berry* was commended by Frank Rogers of Burnaby, B.C., who commented, "Mr. Berry obviously enjoyed his work. . .because of his actions, this tour became the highlight of our trip to your state."

Governor Reagan dropped a line to Director Mott, commenting that he was enjoying the Department's new publication, "The Redwood State Parks," now on sale for $1.

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BITS & PIECES

Tell it to the judge – At least the owner of the unleashed dog that Ranger *Bill Williams* cited at New Brighton SB had an alibi, he said the dog had a sore throat.

Everything's bigger in California – While a group of ladies from foreign countries were touring the State Indian Museum, a lady from Brazil asked about a large rabbit-skin robe on display. When a lady from Japan told her what is was, she was amazed: "Rabbits so big!" Ranger *Don McCormick* stepped in to explain how many skins were used to make the robe.

Fort Humboldt Acres – When Ranger *Dan Goswick* approached a man and boy wandering zigzag around the grounds at Fort Humboldt SHP, the man explained, "We've just bought the place and we're surveying it for a subdivision." Dan was relieved to find out that the man, a scoutmaster with a sense of humor, was giving the boy a compass-and-map-reading test for a merit badge.

Shades of Batman – The Folsom dispatcher recently warned all personnel to "Be on the lookout for The Penguin." But it was a *real* one, ripped off from the Sacramento Zoo and liberated at Folsom Lake. So far, The Penguin has eluded efforts at recapture.

Caught with his pants down – When a camper came to Grizzly Creek Ranger *Will Rose's* door to report a disturbance in the campground, Will, dressed "informally," opened the door a crack to see who it was. Unfortunately, at just that instant the lady discovered the family of skunks that Will had been feeding and, with a scream, pushed open the door and rushed into the house. When the ensuing scramble had settled down, the skunks had left for parts unknown, and Will was in the bedroom, leaving the lady standing by the door with a puzzled look on her face.

Heavy-duty rangers – Big Sur Area Manager *Jack Stowe* reports, "Six of us carried a 220-pound, 16-year-old boy who fell and sprained his ankle out of Pfeiffer Falls. All six of us have arms two inches longer now."

Whittling through – When State Senators Dymally and Petris held a champagne reception at the Governor's Mansion after hours, the drummer in the band they had hired for the occasion left his drumsticks in Stockton. But the music – and the evening – were successful anyway, thanks to Janitor *Bill Thompson* who whittled a new set for the occasion.

The Cask of Amontillado – Mrs. Lee, a Byword employee stationed at Sutter's Fort SHP, was puzzled by a dull, steady pounding that seemed to be coming from the vicinity of a group of loudly chattering students. Questioning the children, she discovered that they had locked a group member in Sutter's vault. He was quickly released.

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People

Rangers Complete Basic

A class of 25 State Park Rangers has just graduated from the first Park Rangers Peace Officer Basic Training Academy to be held at the Regional Criminal Justice Training Center, Modesto Junior College West. Park Safety and Enforcement Supervisor *Jack Smyre* describes the 233-hour course, held from May 15 to June 16, as "the best ever."

Graduates were: *Bob Allen* and *Ray Jenkins*, Big Sur Area; *Mel Badger*, Russian River Area; *Burton Bogardus, Jeffrey Jones*, and *Stuart Naramore*, Golden Gate Area; *Loren Dietz*, Montane Area; *Arthur Ebbatson, John Kolb, Ron McCullough*, and *Glen Walfoort*,Folsom Lake Area; *Oliver Graham, Charles Lavenson*, and *Dennis Matthews*, San Luis Obispo Coast Area; *Paul Jones*, Clear Lake Area; *Arthur Kramer*, Mendocino Area; *James Neal* and *Thomas Reed*, Dyerville Area; *Donald Patton* and *Denzil Verado*, Santa Cruz Mountain Area; *Jeffrey Price, Terry Roeder,* and *Frederick Soderlund*, San Diego Coast Area; *Auburn Rose*, Benicia Area; and *Ray Westberg*, Hiouchi Area.

McKillop Receives Award

Ranger Dick McKillop (left) is congratulated on his award by District 5 Assistant Superintendent Al Salzgeber (right). District Superintendent Lloyd Lively is presenting the plaque as Gaviota Manager Hal Terry looks on.

On April 19, I had the pleasure of presenting to Richard McKillop, Chief Ranger, Gaviota Area, the first District 5 award for outstanding performance. This award was based on Ranger McKillop's part in the preparation of the Gaviota Area procedure for recruiting, orientation and training of seasonal personnel.

During the preparation of this work, Ranger McKillop spent 116 hours of his own time with no compensation. At the District office, we felt that the excellence of the seasonal employee program, plus the interest shown by Ranger McKillop in devoting so much of his own time to accomplish that excellence, was worthy of more than just a casual "good job".

–L.W. Lively, Superintendent
District 5

New Assistant Superintendent Appointed

District 1 Superintendent *Tiny Philbrook* has announced the appointment of Staff Assistant *Herman E. Schlerf* to the recently vacated position of Assistant Superintendent. After serving many years as a park ranger before coming to Eureka in 1969, he was promoted to Staff Assistant in the administration of the District maintenance program. Schlerf replaces *Herb L. Heinze* who was recently assigned to the Sacramento Headquarters units as assistant to Jack Knight, Chief of Operations.

25-year Awards

Bob Crawford, Manager of Russian River Area (left) and Clear Lake Area Manager Ed Griggs (right) received awards commemorating 25 years of State service from District 2 Superintendent Bob Hatch at the May 18 District Area Managers meeting in Santa Rosa.

Jr. League Digs Away

Members of Sacramento's Junior League, directed by Archeologist Bill Pritchard, are hard at work in Old Sacramento. The League, which has pledged to raise money for restoration of the Eagle Theater there, is doing considerable historical research to determine the original appearance of the building.

"Routine"

See story, page 2.

The Population Explosion

Dyerville Area Ranger Trainee *David Sutherland* and his wife Ann have announced the arrival of a tenderfoot camper, Nathan Campbell Sutherland, on May 6, weighing in at 7 pounds 4 oz.

Kaesa Marie, 9 pounds 3 ounces, arrived at the home of Salton Sea SRA Ranger *Ken Wilbur* and wife Linda on May 20.

An 8 pound, 6 oz. daughter was born to Judy and *Larry Moore* on May 30. Larry is Supervising Ranger at Huntington SB.

Off And Away

Many employees seem to be slipping quietly into retirement, like Ranger *Charles A. White* of the Channel Coast Area, who retired on May 2, 1972. Since then, I hear he camped at Brannan Island, and he sent me additional information about his plans from Irvine, Kentucky.

Charles is a natural traveling man; he spent twenty years in the Marine Corps, six months on U.S. Border Patrol and almost twenty years working in eight California State Parks for a total of nearly 42 years of Federal and State service – a record he can be proud of.

So it isn't surprising to find his retirement plans including trailer travel all over the United States, to Canada and Mexico, and perhaps some overseas travel. Charles said he also plans on trailer camping in State parks, and we will be glad to see him when he swings back our way again.

Charles enjoys the hiking, photography, and nature lore of each area he enters, and looking for the strange, the unusual, and the beautiful is all part of his plan.

He looks back to his service with California State Parks as a time when he worked with a lot of fine people. He thinks of such people as Jim Tryner as good examples for employees to follow. His first supervisor, while he was a seasonal employee, was Maurice Morgan. Carl Anderson was his supervisor when he accepted a permanent position at Doheny Beach. He finished his career days at Channel Coast with William "Pat" Dougherty. The Channel Coast Area set up a small retirement dinner for Charles at one of the Ventura restaurants.

As a parting word, Charles feels the best advice he can leave for new employees is to learn to be as dedicated as the "old-timers." He feels the strength of an organization is dependent upon the dedication of its employees.

Charles would enjoy receiving postcards from his many park friends. His mailing address is R.R. 2, Irvine, Kentucky 40336.

–Ed Earl, Manager
Mount Diablo Area

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APPOINTMENTS

Greene, Stanley K.	State Park Rngr (Int)	Sierra Area	6-7-72
Gowin, Graeme M.	Boat Operator	Golden Gate Area	5-15-72
Marquette, Louis J.	Lifeguard	San Diego Coast	5-12-72
Mizutani, Edwin Y.	Delineator	Admin Svcs	6-1-72
Platter, Byron A.	Groundsman	Monterey Area	5-15-72

SEPARATIONS

Brown, Ellen M.	Guide I, Hist Mon	Hearst San Simeon SHM	4-26-72
Huckabay, E. G.	Clerk I	Central Dist & Repro	5-31-72
Ingram, William I.	State Park Rangr (Int)	Delta Area	5-31-72
Kurdis, Theodore F.	Park Maint Asst	District 5 HQ	5-31-72
Nash, Shirley E.	Guide I, Hist Mon	Hearst San Simeon SHM	5-11-72
Simas, Kathlyeen M.	Personnel Asst I	District 5 HQ	6-13-72
Trend, Digna M.	Account Clerk II	Account & Fiscal Cont Sect	6-9-72
Whitefield, Randall R.	State Park Rngr I	Golden Gate Area	6-6-72

TIME BASE CHANGE

Birtchet, Carol M.	Clk Typst II (Int-Full Time)	Personnel Sect	5-11-72

PROMOTIONS

Chapman, Betty E.	Personnel Asst III	Personnel Sect	2-4-72
Felty, Richard E.	State Park Rngr V	Oper Div Chief's Off to Conces Div	6-1-72
Hypnarowdki, Mary T.	Clerk II	Personnel Sect	6-7-72
Scheibli, Alan R.	State Park Rngr II	Pajaro Cst Area to Mitchell Cvrns	4-5-72
Schlerf, Herman E.	State Park Rngr V	District 1 HQ	6-2-72
Wilson, Theodore A.	Dist Supt, Parks and Rec	Conces Div to Dist 5 HQ	6-1-72

REINSTATEMENTS

Allen, Lloyd	State Prk Equip Operator	District 1 HQ	6-1-72
Chatfield, John B.	Asst Landscape Arch	Project Design Sect	6-6-72
Myers, Dorothy B.	Clerk Typist II	Trinidad Area	6-1-72
Rodgers, Rosalind L.	Account Clerk II	District 6 HQ	6-1-72

UNIT CHANGES

Mello, Walter A., Jr.	State Park Rngr (Int)	Calaveras Area to Sonoma Area	6-8-72
Stratton, David L.	State Park Rngr I	Piercy Area to Sierra Area	5-15-72

TRANSFER CHANGE IN CLASS

Frenzel, Robert B.	Pk Maint Supvr I to St Pk Rngr II	Montane Area to Picacho Area	4-25-72

CLASS TITLE CHANGE

Buchter, Francis C.	Assoc Counsel to Staff Coun I	Director's Office	5-2-72

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Hello!

I hate saying goodby, but, there's only one thing worse than saying goodby, and that's not saying goodby. So, goodby. . .

. . .Ray (watch that ulcer), Kay, Brenda (keep plugging), Bill, John (Brandy will be back), Joe, Marti (don't argue with me), Bill (watch your back), Ray, Bob, Linda, Neil, Roberta (and Otto), Jim, Dick, Mike, George (I'm taking that picture with me).

Mary, Casey, Mary Jane, John, Merick (he hired me), DeDe (see you at Poor Reds), Tobie (foof!), Lois, Carlos (hi ho Silver), Merv (synactics), Bob, Dorothy (I'll miss the bourbon balls), Bill, Jack, Dick, John, Jack, Beth, Henry, Al, Bill, Lee, Lorraine (peanuts), Judy (boo!), Fred, John, and Rose (and her rose garden).

Dick, Todd, Bill, Betty, Russ, Ed, Jane, Jean, Lowell (and Mary too), Eletha, Dean, Fritz (don't take any wooden Indians), Marv, Ed, Gae, Stan, John, Jim, Aldona, Dick, Lee, Tom, Allen, Dale, Ted, etc., etc., etc., and etc.

As for the field, it was about six years ago that I visited my first park as a member of this Department. Clyde Strickler squired us around San Luis Reservoir (remember?) and had us over to his house that evening.

And, just a few weeks ago I visited Armstrong Redwoods and Sonoma Coast to do a folder there. Joe Reed, Mel Badger, Bill Bishop, George Helm – all helpful and friendly. Oh, yes, and Emmet Crisp.

He showed me around and helped me get the material I needed. Next time you see him, have him tell you about the woman with the boa constrictor around her neck and the dead fawn in the trunk. I would have put it in News and Views, but nobody would have believed it.

In between San Luis and Sonoma Coast I met a lot of others too, and never found anything but friendship and cooperation. Well. . .a time or two I did get the impression that, being from headquarters, I should have had someone walking ahead of me shouting "Unclean, unclean!" but that was a rare exception.

Anyway, I am off to the Department of Agriculture. It is a nice promotion (to PIO II) – I wouldn't leave any other way – and, who knows, the way things change, I may be back.

Hello–
Dick Thompson

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New Park in the Big Sur

Take 2-1/2 miles of shoreline four miles north of Pfeiffer Big Sur off Highway 1, add the mouth of a river extending back 2-1/2 miles through the park, and put in rolling hills, various species of trees, old ranch buildings, a primitive campground, and some interesting hiking trails, and what do you have? – Andrew Molera State Park.

The history of the Molera Ranch dates back to 1834 when it was part of the Rancho El Sur (Ranch of the South). It was originally granted to Juan B. Alvarado but was later confirmed to Juan B. R. Cooper by the United States. Captain Cooper, already doing well at sea, married into the prominent Vallejo family and prospered as land owner, shipper, and one of Monterey's leading citizens. The property passed in time from him to his son, his granddaughter, and finally to his great-grandchildren, Andrew and Francis M. Molera.

Under the care of Andrew Molera, the ranch continued to prosper. The acreage was irrigated using a series of dikes off the Big Sur River, and the cattle raised in the full scale ranch operation

thrived in the lush meadows. A small herd of dairy cows was also grazed there, and provided the Monterey area with Monterey Jack cheese which, along with his hospitality and his large size, became Andrew Molera's trademarks.

When Andrew died, the ranch became the sole property of his sister, Francis. Until the early '50s she worked the ranch, refusing the many offers made by those wishing to subdivide this choice coastline property. Recognizing that in the event of her death the property might be passed on to the very people she was trying to keep it from, she offered the property to the State of California. The Department took possession of the 2,100-plus acres on April 1, 1969, and amidst outcries from citizens in the Big Sur area about "no development – too many hippie elements in the area!" the park officially opened on January 1, 1972.

Because the park is open on a walk-in basis only, an attempt has been made to prevent indiscriminate camping. A primitive campground has been developed with stoves, pit toilets, and a fire ring, and room for fifty people. There is good hiking down to the beach.

Ranger *Jack Stowe*, Area Manager at Big Sur, hopes the ranch house and some of the other buildings on the property can be renovated or rebuilt in their original style, and that the grounds can be restored to make a semi-workable ranch for an interpretive display.

Another interesting feature of the property that will probably be interpreted in the future is the many Indian middens. (Middens are sites where the Indians camped, recognizable by the raised mounds and, when near the ocean, the heavy deposits of shells).

In spite of the possibilities for development at Andrew Molera, its future is uncertain. We know what we have there; now what will we do with it?

Although it's really only a small cove, surfers say it is one of the best in this area for a good ride.

photo by Jim Stewart

As this view of the hills aptly shows, not all of Andrew Molera is ocean and river.

The river is calm and usually has a few ducks on it to take advantage of some marine life that washes in with the tide.

photos by Marti Johnson

THE DIRECTOR

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.

Thy Wooded, Templed Hills

The California Department of Commerce estimates that about 9,700,000 tourists will visit California this year, an increase over 1971 of approximately 9 percent. Visitors are expected to spend $1.9 billion, a gain of more than 10 percent. Automobile sales in California in 1972 may for the first time reach a million cars – a substantial gain of 100,000 units over 1971. California's population will increase at the modest rate of 1.3 percent. By year's end the state's population will have increased by 265,000 to 20,660,000. Median family income should be $12,500, up 6.2 percent.

U. S. News and World Report, in its July 10 issue, reported that 3.3 million motor scooters, engine powered bicycles, and other off-road vehicles and 10 million trailers were registered in 1971 – showing a considerable increase in this type of equipment. In California boat registration for 1970 was 427,567; in 1971, 483,223 – a 13 percent increase. In 1970, 515,232 camper trailers were registered by the Department of Motor Vehicles; in 1971 there were 580,473 – an increase of 12.7 percent.

Attendance in the California State Park System increased approximately 5 percent this year over last year to a total of 43.3 million with income increasing 10 percent to a total of approximately $7,700,000.

More cars, more trailers, more off-road vehicles, more boats, more people, more income, and more leisure time can mean only one thing and that is greater pressure on the California State Park System. The conflict between use and preservation and conservation of the natural and cultural resources will increase. Our field forces are acutely aware of this.

Therefore, we must continue an aggressive land acquisition program, giving special consideration to those regions of California which are under increasing development pressures: the coastal shelf, the deserts, our lake and river shorelines. We must establish the carrying capacity for each unit of the System so that human erosion does not destroy the natural and cultural values which we are entrusted to preserve and conserve for the future. We must give greater emphasis to interpretation so that people using units of the State Park System will understand their purposes and our responsibility to conserve and preserve the cultural and natural values against the pressures of overdevelopment and use. We must provide, close to metropolitan regions, more recreation areas to provide for the various recreation needs of our urban population.

The California State Park System alone cannot meet the park and recreation needs of this state; therefore, we must constantly remind other levels of government, especially the federal government and private sector, that they must accept their share of responsibility for the preservation and conservation of our natural and cultural resources and for the recreation needs of the people of this state. Unless all levels of government and the private sector work together to eliminate duplication, we cannot expect future generations to find inspiration and recreation in ". .,.thy wooded temple hills."

COMMISSION REPORT

Four proposed acquisition projects were considered by the Park and Recreation Commission at its July 14 meeting in Eureka. Two of the projects were viewed favorably, one was rejected, and no action was taken on the fourth.

Commissioners adopted a resolution approving in principle the private development plans of the Irvine Co. The plans include relocation of the existing Pacific Coast Highway in the area, establishing More and Las Trancas Canyons as areas of open space, and providing 3-1/2 miles of coastline for public use. The Irvine Co. has offered to make the land available to the Department for park purposes. It is located in San Diego County.

Peter Dangermond, Director of Parks for Riverside County, proposed state acquisition of Temecula Canyon as a riding and hiking park. Director Mott explained that this once was a State Park, but was given to San Diego State College, for scientific study. Two parcels of land along the highway have been declared surplus by the Division of Highways. He said the State would be interested in a park here provided San Diego State was willing to return the land to the State. Dangermond indicated the college might be willing to do this and agreed to find out. Should this be the case, Mott said the Department would be interested in acquiring that land plus the Division of Highways land. If the college wants to retain their land, Mott said, the Highways land would be useless.

Mrs. Emily Polk asked the Commission to establish a State Park at Dinosaur Caves at Pismo Beach. Director Mott said the Department already had made a preliminary study of the 17-acre site and found it should be preserved but as a local project. It did not rank high enough on the State's priority list, he said, because other areas were of more statewide significance.

No action was taken on a proposal of Mrs. Harriet Gray for State acquisition of 169 acres of dunes called Murray Road Dunes near McKinleyville.

The Director's report covered Asilomar, training, and fees. He noted that the new training facilities at Asilomar, costing about $1 million, have an occupancy higher than projected. The project will pay for itself in 18 years. The Department uses the facilities from October to June, and they are rented to the public during the summer.

He reported the recent interpretive training program in marine ecology was so successful that similar projects are scheduled for desert and redwood ecology.

About fees, Director Mott said the Department plans no changes in park fees for the coming year.

As a final item, the Director said additional garbage cans have been placed on the beach at Bolsa Chica SB, to keep the area cleaner.

Commissioners approved seven memorial groves: the Rexford W. Barton and Samuel Price Wetherill groves in Prairie Creek Redwoods SP; the Day Webb Symmes grove in Humboldt Redwoods SP; and the Jane H. Hunter, Martha Alexander Gerbode, Robina and Edward Booth, and Helen and William F. Booth groves in Big Basin Redwoods SP. The Commission also thanked, by resolution, the Cowell Foundation for its gift of the Fall Creek property near Henry Cowell Redwoods SP.

In other action, the Commission discussed the concession prospectus for the Pico-Garnier Block at El Pueblo de Los Angeles SHP; and deferred a report on public use of facilities within historic units of the State Park System.

Commissioners and guests abandoned the bus to stretch their legs and view the Founders Tree at Humboldt Redwoods SP (top). (Center) Commissioner Loren L. Lutz cranes his neck to see the top of the Founders Tree while Dyerville Area Manager Jerry Fialho looks on. (Bottom) A trip to Benbow Lake SRA on Thursday, July 13, was part of the Commission field trip prior to the Friday meeting.

What's Happening

The Delta Flood

The topography of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta is unique in North America. Thousands of acres of some of the richest farmland in the United States have been created by the Delta ecology, most of it below sea level. The price of raising good crops and protecting the land is constant repair and maintenance of the elaborate system of levees. When a levee breaks, it's big trouble.

About 1 a.m. on a Wednesday morning, June 21, 1972, the San Joaquin River broke through a portion of the levee protecting Andrus Island, which is 17 feet below sea level. Since the break occurred where repairs had recently been made, there was speculation that they had somehow weakened the levee, but no one will ever know.

About 2:30 a.m. an unidentified man drove through the campground at Brannan Island SRA, arousing campers and telling them that Brannan Island must be evacuated due to flood danger. Unfortunately, the man didn't get to me until after the campers began to leave because the recreation area is 25 feet above high water (it was once used as a spoil area by the Army Corps of Engineers), and it was in no danger even though the rest of the island might be flooded.

By 6 a.m. it was light enough to use our boat so, with Maintenance Man *Bill Clary*, I towed the outboard down Highway 12 to Jackson Slough, which separates Brannan Island from Andrus Island. Andrus was just a big lake – water was about three feet from topping the Jackson Slough levees, and rising. After contacting the disaster office at Rio Vista, we launched the boat off the side of the highway and Bill went with three tanks of gasoline and emergency equipment to search for flood victims, almost two hours ahead of the Coast Guard rescue boats.

Bill returned at noon. The water entering the levee break had stabilized enough so that he could come out of the break and down the San Joaquin to the park. Fortunately, there had been no flood victims to pick up. Later in the day a searching Coast Guard hovercraft used our facilities to refuel. When it became apparent that Isleton could flood, Duty Ranger *Ron Angier* informed the town officials that we had facilities where evacuees could camp.

By sundown Wednesday we couldn't see the flood waters from the park, but by the next morning, the water, still rising slowly, had covered all the rest of Brannan Island. Finding that the temporary levee around Isleton might not hold, I went to the Red Cross officials at Rio Vista to make sure they knew we had space for flood victims. A few families started using the campground; most stayed only a night or two before finding more permanent places to live. Isleton was evacuated later Thursday morning and, despite prodigious efforts on the part of volunteers including Park Aid *Steve Heath*, water flooded half the town when the emergency Isleton levee failed during Thursday night.

Friday, Ranger *Bob Justice* used our boat to take phone repairmen around flooded Brannan Island while they tried to reestablish communications and prevent further damage to the lines. By Saturday, the situation had stabilized. The flood waters were rising and falling with the tides. Camping activity was below normal, but sight-seers plagued the law enforcement personnel who tried to keep them out of flood areas. Local Park Aid *Henry Scholting* was off duty three days, helping friends and neighbors.

On Monday, local farmers began making use of a remote, unused portion of the Recreation Area to store equipment from flooded farms. The equipment had been parked on the levees, but wind-driven waters were threatening to wash them out.

By the Fourth of July, things seemed almost normal again, though several flooded-out families were still with us.

There isn't much time to say "thanks" for assistance during such a hectic period, but we feel that we have become more a part of the local communities through our efforts during this crisis.

–Allan Hibsch, Manager
Delta Area

Desert Tortoise Gets Additional Protection

Department of Fish and Game regulations effective March 1, forbidding the capture and possession of desert tortoises, have supplemented legislative protection of this endangered reptile. The regulation excludes those tortoises legally acquired before its effective date.

First step in protecting the tortoise was taken in 1939, when the State Legislature passed a law making it illegal to sell or puchase a desert tortoise; in 1961, this was expanded to include needlessly harming, taking, or shooting a projectile at a desert tortoise. Pending legislation would confirm the DFG regulation, prohibiting possession of any desert tortoise except those legally acquired before the law became effective.

Meanwhile, DFG is exploring methods of marking or tagging legal desert tortoises, but their owners need not fear losing their pets.

What's Happening

Its Official!

Congratulations, Sugar Pine Point! You're finally for sure a state park. This was the final consensus on June 23 at the dedication ceremony held in the General Creek Campground.

The audience included such notables as Assemblyman Gene Chappie; Mrs. Isable Brucklacher, Chairman, Lake Tahoe State Parks Advisory Committee; Bill Brineer and Ray Thompson, Placer Board of Supervisors; Undersheriff Peterson of Placer County; and Mrs. Clarice Gilchrist, Parks and Recreation Commission. Representing the Department were District 3 Superintendent *Clyde Newlin; Jim Warren*, Chief, Design and Development; *Jim Hibbert*, District Interpreter; *Stella Flores*, secretary to Assistant Deputy Director Bob Baker with her family; and of course, our Master of Ceremonies, *Ray Hunter*, Chief Deputy Director.

Following the dedication ceremony and the placing of the plaque, a tour of the facilities was given by Ranger *Jerry Garrelts*. The Ehrman Mansion was opened for the day with historical objects from the Lake Tahoe area on display, and a short history of the Ehrmans and their home was given by Intermittent Ranger *Joan Benner*.

Final event of the afternoon was a coffee-and-cookie break at the home of Sierra Area Manager Carl Anderson – lots of stories about rangers, headquarters, and ceremonies in general were passed around as a fitting close for the Sugar Pine Point dedication.

Formerly with the Department, Landscape Architect Ed Kress gets together with Ray Hunter and Dick Humphrey to discuss future day use plans for Sugar Pine Point. Ed was one of the first designers at Sugar Pine and is now with the Division of Highways.

Ray Hunter leads off the speeches as Master of Ceremonies.

Seen A Red-Whiskered Bulbul Lately?

If you have seen a red-whiskered bulbul, a redbilled dioch, or a biddy biddy, you may be in violation of the law!

The Agriculture Code, not usually considered in the same class with Bill Finster's Joke Book, contains the following:

"It is unlawful for any person, who is employed by any agency or institution that is supported or financed from public funds,. . .to neglect or refuse to make a report to. . .the director, or such person's immediate superior. . .of any pest, as defined in Section 5006. . ."

Actually, clerical, administrative, and other Department employees (such as yours truly) who wouldn't know a red-whiskered bulbul from a kangaroo thorn are given an out by this section. . .

". . .if the presence of such pest has been determined as a result of investigation. . .made in behalf of the employing agency. . ."

So, supervisors, you needn't worry about a deluge of reported sightings of the woolly distaff thistle, or ovate goatgrass, or giant dodder, or Dalmatian toadflaz. . .

Xerox Reforms

Changes in procedures may save an estimated $17,000 plus annually in xerox costs, according to a recent report of the Management Analysis Section.

The Section had been asked to assist the Distribution and Reproduction Center in improving the Department's xerox copy service. The resulting study recommended that longer runs be taken to Central Duplication to free the xerox machine for shorter runs.

A followup questionnaire on the new setup disclosed that where 76 percent of the respondees were dissatisfied with the previous service, 88 percent noticed improvement with the new service, and 91 percent were getting the four hour turn around time that couldn't be met under the previous system.

As a result of the new system, the number of copies produced on the xerox machine dropped from 103,173 to 64,754 in March, and 76,088 in May. At this rate, xerox savings will be about $150 per month and in excess of $17,000 for a full year. Additional savings will occur in the time formerly spent making special arrangements for xeroxing because of a backlog of work and lines of people waiting to be served.

Should you have suggestions for improving xerox service, contact Lorain Hart at 5-8513.

Sentence Benefits Parks

The judge of the Municipal Court of a neighboring county directed an unemployed violator of Section 23101, Vehicle Code (driving while under the influence) to work ten days for the Sonoma Area in lieu of a $300 fine.

The participant was an able worker, and his varied skills as a carpenter were utilized in the parks throughout the area to carry out several projects including the refurbishing of picnic tables and sanitary facilities, constructing approximately 30 park signs, and assisting in the construction of an additional ranger station, as well as several maintenance assignments.

The area staff felt that this work referral was quite beneficial to our Department, and hopes that the satisfactory completion of this program will encourage programs of this type in other areas.

—R. L. Menefee, Manager
Sonoma Area

The Park Circuit

The campground at *W. R. Hearst Memorial SB* has been closed to camping. To take care of campers, the 80 primitive campsites at *San Simeon SB* (5-1/2 miles south) have been upgraded to improved sites, and 54 additional improved sites have been put in. Hearst SB will be renovated and made into a day use area. The renovation will include some picnic tables and stoves, and paving the parking lot. The old cement fire rings will be removed. The SB will remain open during the work.

"Is *Stinson SB* closed to swimming?" This is a question that crops up regularly, and the answer is, no, it is not closed to swimming. Stinson personnel say the confusion arises from nearby Bolinas Lagoon, which is quarantined because of sewage. It is closed and posted. Evidently visitors there wonder if Stinson, too, is closed.

Our first winterized campground, *Sugar Pine Point SP*, was formally dedicated June 23 at a ceremony sponsored by the Department and the Lake Tahoe State Parks Advisory Committee. The winterized facilities were opened last year.

Hearst Castle has increased the number of tours each hour to six. That's six of each of the three tours. Attendance boomed last year to a new high of 664,946 visitors.

The control burn of 35 acres at *Montana de Oro SP*, planned for early spring, cannot be conducted before the fall, if at all, this year. Purpose of the burn is to control brush and introduced grasses and restore the area to the native grasses that prevailed before Europeans came to California.

SP Plant Ecologist *Jim Barry* says a combination of circumstances have prevented the Department from conducting the burn. Burn days are recommended by the San Luis Obispo County Air Pollution Control District and authorized by the State Air Resources Board. On days when burning has been permitted in the county, humidity has been 100 percent and it has been impossible to burn at Montana de Oro. On days when the weather and air conditions were right, burning was not permitted in the county.

Now, Jim says, fog has taken over. He's hoping the right conditions and a burn day will coincide this fall. If it works out, the native grasses should get an excellent start this year.

Director Mott met with President Nixon in the Western White House at San Clemente July 17 to discuss the Department's development problems at San Onofre SB. President Nixon pledged Federal support with the water, sewage, and access problems, on a matching fund basis, and the Department is now trying to raise its half of the funds.

Along with Director Mott were Deputy Director Bob Baker and District 6 Superintendent Jim Whitehead. The meeting lasted about 30 minutes.

When almost out the door, Director Mott made a brief pitch to the President in behalf of a project to get people without transportation to the beach parks. He suggested Amtrack be used to deliver people along the southern California beaches, dropping them off in the morning and picking them up in the evening to return them to

their homes. President Nixon said he would have Amtrack officials contact the Director. The next morning, Amtrack was on the telephone. Plans are being made now to try to implement the program.

Acquisition of the 85-acre *Los Osos Oaks* in San Luis Obispo County has been approved by the Public Works Board. Valued at $480,000, the property is funded half by the Land and Water Conservation Fund and half by a gift to the State Parks Foundation by Dart Industries, Inc. of Los Angeles.

Director Mott has assured the San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors that the Department plans no development in the dune lakes area at *Pismo SB*. A 1964 DPR report had proposed development in this area but further investigation led to the conclusion that the dune lakes area should be kept in a natural condition. The temporary lease for the balance of 1972 of the county's 500 acres is still pending.

The access road to the visitor center at Kelly Ridge, *Lake Oroville SRA*, has been completed. Construction of the visitor center began in late May, and it should be open to the public in the spring of 1973. The center will serve as an information, interpretation, and orientation headquarters for recreational facilities and opportunities in the Lake Oroville area. The building will include a 30-foot-high observation tower to give visitors a panoramic view of the dam, the lake and its major arms, the valley, and the Sierra.

The many inquiries about whether or not *Brannan Island SRA* was underwater because of the levee break generated a news story assuring park visitors that the area was high and dry. The SRA is one of the highest points for miles around. It was built up in 1926-1929 by the Corps of Engineers who used it as a spoil area while dredging the Sacramento River.

The Palace of Fine Arts in San Francisco has been turned over to the City of San Francisco. It's official, and it no longer is a unit of the SPS.

A problem with the sewage lift station is all that is keeping *Emerald Bay SP* from reopening after having the new sewer system installed. Sierra Area Manager Carl Anderson says he is working with the Division of Highways, Utility Company, and U.S. Forest Service to resolve the hangup and get this beautiful and important park open again.

A choice piece of real estate called the *Fall Creek* property has been given to the State by the S. H. Cowell Foundation. It comprises 2,355 acres valued at $1,235,000, includes the Fall Creek watershed and is located near Felton in Santa Cruz County. It will make an excellent riding and hiking day use park. Also, Fall Creek contains native trout to attract anglers. A term of the gift deed prohibits public use of the new area until the Department builds about a mile of fencing between park property and the San Lorenzo Valley School District. Because the park isn't open to the public yet, no publicity is being issued.

The worm has turned at *Fort Ross SHP*. After disastrous fires destroyed the chapel and damaged the Commandant's House, reconstruction of the chapel and relocation of Highway 1 around the Fort became top priorities. Now, Bob Howard, Executive Secretary of the State Parks Foundation, reports sufficient funds have been raised to rebuild the chapel, and construction on the relocated highway has begun.

Prime fund raisers for money to rebuild the chapel were the Sea Ranch Community and Russian groups. About $28,000 in cash is in the bank, and the Feds have promised $26,500 for the project.

Division of Highways awarded the highway relocation job to Argonaut Constructors of Santa Rosa for $356,765. The estimate was $380,000 for the project. Construction started July 11 and is expected to take three months.

Archeological digs were conducted at the chapel site and the new highway route. They were under the direction of Fritz Riddell and Bill Pritchard. A Russian skeleton, dug up on the highway route, is considered a major find. As for the chapel, working drawings are scheduled for the current year, and when they are completed, construction can start.

Recognize Anyone?

Courtesy of Area Manager Wes Cater *and the Decatur, Illinois* Glue, *the following item.*

Someone once said that the membership of any organization is made up of four kinds of bones.

1. Wishbones, who spend their time wishing someone else would do the work.
2. Jawbones, who do all the talking but little else.
3. Knucklebones, who knock everything that the others try to do.
4. Backbones, who pick up the load and do the work.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

Many of the monthly area reports for June mention press interviews concerning the police equipment authorized for Rangers as of July 1. With very few exceptions, publicity has been favorable, recognizing the need to keep up with the times and protect people, park properties, and the Rangers themselves.

Anza-Borrego Area *Bud Getty* – A flood control dike planned on land next to the park offered a unique opportunity. With three days to act, park crews plucked many plants, some from 75 to 100 years old, from in front of the dozer. Many large barrel cactus, clumps of hedgehog cactus, and some small and large ocotillo were rescued and planted in the campground along old pipeline scars. Several large ocotillo were given to San Diego Gas and Electric for landscaping their Narrows Substation on Highway 78 . . . *Karen Flowers*, Director-Naturalist of the Living Desert Museum, delivered more desert tortoises for release in the park and transported a broodstock of desert pupfish back to the museum to establish a colony for interpretive work . . . several important Indian habitation sites have been discovered by student archeologists working under Archeologist *Siedel.* They have been located in virgin sites far up rugged and remote parts of the Coyote Canyon drainage. Several artifacts have been found, all in plain view, indicating modern man has not yet made the scene here.

Benicia Area, *Auburn Rose* – About 400 California National Guardsmen from Santa Rosa made a pit stop at the SRA. They coffeed, gassed, went to the potty, and roared off. The last group policed the area so well you couldn't tell anyone had been there.

Big Sur Area, *Jack Stowe* – The year will go into the record books as the driest of the past few decades. Staff is greatly concerned about fire. Community volunteers are keeping lookout on a hill on holidays and other critical periods . . . The concession camp store was burglarized June 2 and $283.83 in cash and goods stolen. No suspects were uncovered. A woman who witnessed the break-in was afraid to leave her camp to get the license plate number.

Castle Crags, *Bill Kaiser* – Contract work for the painting of three buildings and removal of unsafe trees was completed before the vacation season started.

Clear Lake Area, *Ed Griggs* – Some timely training in fire truck operation was provided seasonal personnel. Their first chore was to control a fire in a pickup truck loaded with trash on Soda Bay Road, next to dry hills. The fire was contained but the truck was a total loss . . . Extremely low water is causing boats to go aground when travelling too close to shore. Hot weather is sending large crowds swimming, as many as 200 at a time. Two youngsters were rescued during the month.

Columbia Area, *Neil Powers* – The Frank Dondero Nature Trail, connecting the Columbia Airport with the SHP, was dedicated. This enables airport visitors to walk the mile to town safely without hiking along the edge of the road.

Dyerville Area, *Gerald Fialho* – Humboldt County fisheries trucks planted 9,200 silver salmon fingerlings in Bull Creek near Albee Creek Campground. Fish doing well . . . Grizzly Creek was the setting for a wedding. Elizabeth McDonald and Walter Bay of Rohnerville tied the knot. Both are 65 years of age.

Folsom Lake Area, *Ron McCullough* – An extortion threat made to the Bureau of Reclamation June 12 turned out to be a dud (thankfully). A telephone caller demanded a million dollars, stating he had a bomb planted and would blow up the dam if he didn't get paid. Park crew worked out a plan with Federal authorities, but the extortionist didn't show up.

Fort Humboldt Area, *Dan Goswick* – Three juveniles were arrested by Eureka police for vandalizing the restroom building with paint. Arrangements were made to have the youngsters do some repair work, and they spent two eight-hour days paying the piper.

Four Rivers Area, *Clyde Strickler* – All units have reported an increase of thefts from campsites. Added patrol and changing patrol schedules are being used to try to control the problem . . . the Los Banos Sportsman Club is working with the park staff on several projects, using County fine money. To date, trees have been planted around O'Neill Forebay and foot trails have been built to areas of good fishing at San Luis and Los Banos Creek reservoirs.

Frontera Area, *Maurice Morgan* – The Machado Chapel was broken into June 18, apparently by someone looking for a place to sleep. Damage was slight and nothing was taken. Windows will be boarded up pending start of

restablizing work . . . Boy Scouts, as part of Project "SOAR", stained 10 trash barrels and swept the parking lots, earning a "well done."

Gaviota Area, *H.C. Terry* – Nude sunbathers are on the increase at isolated beaches between Refugio and Gaviota since a local judge ruled nudity is acceptable at isolated areas . . . A foot trail has been constructed from El Capitan Ranch Park to El Capitan SB. The hundreds of people walking along the road were creating a hazard . . . Ranger *Dick McKillop*, with the help of a park visitor, rescued a capsized fisherman after dark. The victim, a heavyweight at 300 pounds, was successfully transferred into the canoe. When they neared shore, a big wave dumped them all out onto the beach.

Golden Gate Area, *Bill Allison* – New display panels have been installed at Angel Island's visitor center . . . The U. S. Coast Guard has started a program of bringing underprivileged children to Angel Island for a day's outing. The program will continue every Friday until September 8.

High Desert Area, *Roy Gholson* – Joshua Trees SP officially became Saddleback Butte SP the end of June . . . A flash flood originating several miles northeast of the park damaged roads and washed out an area by the entrance road and administration building. Damage has been corrected. Up to a foot of silt was deposited in places . . . A small female dog, abandoned in Red Rock Canyon, was cared for until she could be transported to the animal shelter. She obliged by having eight pups.

Hiouchi Area, *Bob Folmar* – District Forester *John Summerly* inspected Jed Smith and Del Norte Coast SPs for hazardous trees and limbs. Three campsites at Del Norte were closed part of the month until unsafe limbs could be trimmed.

Lake Elsinore Area, *Delbert Williams* – Low water caused the boat dock to be extended 50 feet further out into the Marina, to keep from grounding patrol boats . . . The concessionaire has completed his fenced playground for children. It has swings, merry-go-round, slide, and benches under shade trees. The marina in the Peninsula Area is much improved with a wood rail parking lot for uniform parking and better traffic control. Looks very neat and orderly.

Marshall Gold Discovery Area, *Harold Sederquist* – A new concession opened at Coloma June 1 featuring old fashioned dresses and books on history and mining in the Mother Lode. *Virginia Bacchi,* who married into a pioneer family in the area, is manager . . . The historic Thomas House was dedicated June 11. Participating were Area Manager *Gus Till,* Ray Miller, president of the Coloma-Lotus Boosters Club, and Beverly Hempt, president of the El Dorado County Historical Society.

McArthur-Burney Area, *M. P. Oller* – June came in like a lion, and the staff is hoping for lamb-like months ahead. Two campers were seriously injured, one badly bitten by a beechy groundsquirrel he was attempting to feed. Two campsites were divested of all food, and two youngsters were subdued and charged with assault with a deadly weapon after attacking a camper and his son.

Millerton Lake Area, *Bill Reinhardt* – Lake dropping six inches per day. Good because NOD needs low water to install boat ramps September 1. Bad becuase the SRA will run out of paved launching on the South Shore by August 15.

Montane Area, *Glen Jones* – A June 5 lightening storm caused three small fires at Cuyamaca. Total area burned was 1½ acres.

Monterey-Point Lobos Areas, *Clyde Ray* – Traffic control aplenty at San Juan with five weddings at the Mission in one day.

Mount Diablo Area, *Ed Earl* – A visiting school teacher and class became very excited on sighting a road runner . . . The "Save Mt. Diablo" group has printed a folder seeking contributions for acquisition of additional land . . . The newly opened snack bar at the Summit Building is doing a fair business on weekends but hot weather reduces traffic to the summit.

Mt. San Jacinto Area, *Bill Stahlberg* – The U. S. Forest Service spotter plane detected two burning snags, started off by an electrical storm, on Jolly Peak at 10,000 feet elevation, flew in 3-man helicopter crews and put out the fires . . . The wilderness permit system is working well. Saturday nights are booked solid for a month in advance, and the drive-to campgrounds are filled every weekend.

North Valley Area, *Lorin Forsyth* – Bidwell Mansion Maintenance Man *Clayton Jagger* has uncovered the original silver plated hardware on the doors, under many layers of paint. He's also uncovered the beautiful carved brass wall levers that were used to summon the servants.

Orange Coast Area, *Bud Caughell* – Several Fish and Game employees visited Huntington SB to observe nesting terns in the sanctuary. The colony of 18 nests and 40 birds makes it the largest colony north of San Diego.

Pajaro Coast Area, *Tony Trigeiro* – Several Rangers were called in to control an unruly crowd that had harassed the public throughout the day at Seabright Beach, the westerly beach at Twin Lakes SB. This chronic problem has led the park staff to meet with the Santa Cruz City Council in an effort to have a patrol road opened along the beach. Portions of the road would be on city property.

Picacho Area, *Bob Franzel* – After three weeks of losing reservoir water every night a leak was discovered in the 1½ inch plastic main and plugged.

Piercy Area, *Doug Metcalf* – Construction of the new campground at Benbow Lake was completed prior to the July 4 holiday.

Plumas-Eureka Area, *Carl Lonnecker* – For the first time since opening, the campground filled, on June 20 and again the 21st.

Russian River Area, *Bob Crawford* – The spring-fed water supply at Austin Creek has failed. The Redwood Lake campground will be kept open as a dry camp.

Sacramento Area, *K. R. Morgan* – The East Side Winery, 6100 Highway 12, east of Lodi (Phone 209-369-4768) is selling 50-gallon oak brandy barrels for $75 each. Several were obtained for historical purposes.

Salton Sea Area, *Jim Davis* – Policing the highway from park headquarters to Bombay Beach yielded 390 pounds of aluminum cans, a like amount of steel cans, countless pounds of bottles and unbelievable quantities of paper and miscellaneous debris.

San Luis Obispo Coast Area, *Chuck Lyden* – Two men cited by a Park Ranger for climbing Morro Rock at the time two young falcons were first reported missing have been fined $350 and given two years probation. A second pair of men, cited by Rangers when the falcons were reported missing again, asked for a jury trial and a change of venue. First was set for September 19, second was denied . . . A museum breakin caused considerable damage to doors and windows. It was the third such incident in the past 12 months. A $2,500 burglar alarm system has been requested as a substitute minor capital outlay item in 1972-73. Fortunately, the museum hasn't been vandalized . . . Special pedestrian access from the 400-unit recreation vehicle resort was prepared at Pismo SB in time for the 4th of July. Some 800 patrons used it. The walkway access avoided problems of visitors climbing or cutting the park fence . . . With the new Los Osos Oaks property in the fold, requests are coming in for nature trail tours. The Santa Barbara Botanical Gardens will conduct a tour for members. So far, no "stay on the trail" signs have been needed, as the poison oak is a natural deterrent. Ranger *John Bollinger* attests to the toxicity of the poison oak.

San Simeon Area, *Wes Cater* – Thirty people from the Braille Institute were conducted on a special touch and feel tour of the Castle. Inspirational.

Santa Cruz Mountains Area, *Curt Mitchell* The second annual Concert in the Redwoods was held at Big Basin, jointly sponsored by the Santa Cruz Youth Symphony and the Sempervirens Fund. The Sempervirens Fund also sponsored a photographic art show.

San Mateo Coast Area, *Anthony Ulm* – The Half Moon Bay Harbor Master and the Army Corps of Engineers have admitted that the harbor has had an adverse effect on the south coast beaches. Area Manager Ulm fears that two to four residences will be lost to erosion in the next ten years.

Sonoma Area, *Dick Menefee* – Louise Deering, descendant of Bear Flagger William B. Ide, and Mrs. Katherine Hill, descendent of Bear Flagger John Grigsby, visited the Mission . . . A self-styled "school" group, camping overnight, proved to be loud and drunken, the kids dirty and unsupervised. One adult female disrobed and sat in a grassy meadow, but when told to put her clothes on, she did.

Will Rogers Area, *Carl Wilson* – CBS television interviewed Will Rogers, Jr., and actor Jack Smith for two segments of "You Asked for It." . . . Another Eagle Scout project in progress: identifying and signing the native growth along the hiking trail . . . Lake Encino continues to be the dumping ground for "Easter" ducklings. One benefactor left a turkey. Four or five ducks per week are captured and taken to the animal shelter.

For Your Information

Intern Program

Practical work experience in the "real" world (some people will challenge that definition of Sacramento) and a chance to turn out a needed product that wouldn't get produced otherwise – these are the carrots held out to three UC Davis student interns working at Department headquarters this summer.

Laurie Luedtke, a graduate student in ecology with some school teaching experience, is doing a teacher's aid kit for Calaveras Big Trees State Park. *Dave Newberry*, also an ecology graduate student, is preparing texts for a series of booklets on birds, mammals and plants of Folsom Lake SRA.

Both projects are jointly sponsored by the National Audubon society and the Department, under an internship program conducted by the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education. The two interns are working under the supervision of *Bill Dillinger*, Chief of the Information Division, which will publish the completed products. His hope is that the publications can not only be put to immediate use in these specific parks, but can also serve as models for development of similar materials for many other units of the State Park System.

Another student, *Linda Powell*, is working under the University's own internship program on various projects for the Director's office. She is the most recent of several interns to fill this position. Her predecessor, Jim Berglund, produced the slide talk on the coastal area which was recently distributed to the districts.

If It Itches – Don't Scratch!

California's park staffs can consider themselves lucky – California is the only one of the 48 continental states where poison ivy doesn't grow.

However, its lack is amply offset by the presence of good old *Rhus diversiloba* – poison oak – a member of the same family that grows only in California, Oregon, and Washington.

As many of us know to our sorrow, *Rhus diversiloba* is widespread, showing up almost anywhere in California under 5000 feet elevation. About half the adult population, probably including you, is sensitive to it – while very few people die from *Rhus* dermatitis, many wish they could! And scratching that agonizing itch just spreads it around. So it's only reasonable to take preventive measures when you're apt to encounter the plant.

The first, foremost, and most helpful preventive measure is: Stay away from it! It's possible to catch *Rhus* dermatitis from clothing, tools, or animals that have been in contact with the sap of the plant, or from the smoke of burning plants. Animals and birds can even transfer the sap to "harmless" plants. But the easiest way is by contact with the plant itself. In addition to its famed three-leaf grouping, the plant can be identified by quarter-inch greenish-white flowers that mature in the fall to waxy greenish and creamy white small fruits; in the fall its green leaves turn a bright red.

If contact is unavoidable, the next best thing is to wash with soap and water as soon as possible. While some people develop that itching sensation almost immediately, it takes an hour or more for many – and in that time, removal of the sap that causes the allergic reaction may prevent development of dermatitis.

Protective clothing and creams have been of some help, though the perfect protection has not been found. It's important to wash or dry clean clothes as soon as possible after wearing. And don't forget, whoever handles the clothes carelessly might contract dermatitis from them!

Various extracts administered orally or by shots have been tried, to reduce sensitivity to the plant. Even the Indians, before the arrival of white settlers, attempted to reduce the dermatitis by chewing on poison oak leaves – with predictably disastrous results. While use of extracts has had some success, the ideal immunizing agent is still being sought.

So – to repeat – the best protection is *avoidance*!

This rough excerpt is taken from a very scholarly article entitled Poison Ivy, Poison Oak, and Poison Sumac – Common Causes of Occupational Dermatitis *by Drs. Gerald A. Gellin, C. Richard Wolf, and Thomas H. Milby in the Archives of Environmental Health, Volume 22, February 1971.*

Dog Days

Ralph, Patrol Dog at Folsom, seems to like his job – here's some of the things he did in May.

5-6 Manteca Police Dept. – K9 Olympics – 36 dogs entered from Northern California. Everything went fine until we reached the agility course and Ralph balked at walking plank or jumping 6-foot wall. We got Top Dog of Department trophy and the food was good. Stoney, the National Champ, finished 33rd, Ralph 34th.

5-24 Put on swimming safety program for 450 students from kindergarten to 6th grade. Took Ralph along and what a hit he made.

He sat, told kids his name (Gralph) and did his tricks. He was petted by all the youngsters.

5-27 Dog unit dispatched to Bender's to back up other units on disturbance call. Presence of dog quieted situation.

Beal's Point Campground – Put on interpretive program. Explained function of dog, how trained, what he does, had him jump bar gate, and the small children played with and petted Ralph.

Dispatched to auto accident outside Granite Gate. C.H.P. and Placer County Sheriffs Office. Many youths using profane language and threatening officers. Ralph was taken out of unit and quieted two youths. Ralph was again brought into play when 3 youths were giving Placer Sheriffs Officer a bad time. No further problems.

5-28 Started marijuana training at Mather AFB. Ralph likes the games.

5-29 Ralph watched four suspects in auto burglary while I took statements.

Report of fight and gunfire at 5% ramp. Called dog to disperse 10-15 youths who objected to our breaking up disturbance. One male was nipped, but would not give his name or accept first aid. He stated that the dog was doing his job and he just got in the way.

–Edgar L. Williamson, State Park Ranger I
Folsom Lake SRA

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Seasonal Lifequards Complete Training

On June 15 at Asilomar, twenty-one Seasonal Lifeguards completed the required 32 hours of formal training in preparation for their assignments in the field.

Course leaders Jim Tucker, District 3's Aquatic Specialist, and Bill Kramer, Lifeguard Supervisor at Orange Coast Area, led the trainees through a comprehensive program which covered Park Operations and Administration; First Aid, Resuscitation and Physical Fitness; Lifesaving, Water Safety and Rescue Procedures; SPS Rules and Regulations; Legal Responsibilities; Safety Principles and Preventive Lifeguarding; Radio Communications; and Red Light and Siren Use.

Guest speakers included Dr. Robert Frost of the American Heart Association; L. C. Spencer of the CHP; and departmental staff members Milt Frincke, Warren Douglas, Henry Crutcher, Jack Steinmann, Casey Buchter, Bob Isenor and Jim Kruger. Pool, surf and classroom instruction and demonstrations rounded out the program.

Seasonal Lifeguard trainees were: Christy Lewis and Marilyn Keown of Lake Oroville; Scott Mowry, Jim Morris, John Allison and Frank Augenstein of Pajaro Coast; David Kinghorn, Randy Lee, John de Wit, Chauncey Hayes, David Hedges, Dean Anderson, Mike Chapman and Ron Jacobs of Folsom Lake; Gene Paris and Scott Christensen of Delta; David Bermudez and Mike Sonnenberg of Four Rivers; and Jim Pederson, Fred Richards and John McGinty of Millerton Lake.

For Your Information

NPS Program Materials Available

A number of field people have expressed interest in the National Environmental Study Area program of the National Park Service, and two or three have contacted NPS direct for information.

To make this information more widely available within the Department and also to coordinate our contact with NPS, Bill Dillinger has obtained copies of NPS materials from Bill Taylor, the NPS environmental education specialist in San Francisco. A small supply of some of these materials has been sent to each District office.

He also has two copies of the booklet *Adventure in Environment* which are available on loan. This is the textbook for the NEED program.

The Department has been working closely with the NPS on a joint environmental study program at Petaluma Adobe, and a number of DPR people who have participated with NPS in other programs throughout the State have also found them to be well worthwhile.

Some NESA materials currently available from DPR's Information Division or through District offices are:

1. *Environmental Education and The National Parks*, a mimeographed bulletin describing the "Strands" approach to environmental education.

2. *NEED* (National Environmental Education Development) folder. Describes NEED teaching materials and where they may be purchased.

3. *NESA* (National Environmental Study Area) folder. Describes NESA program.

4. *NEEL* (National Environmental Education Landmarks) folder. Describes program and selection criteria.

District 2 Leads In Clips

District 2 led the field in June by supplying 56 newspaper and magazine clippings to headquarters. District 6 was a very close second with 55, followed by District 5, 41; District 1, 29; District 3, 28; District 4, 14; and headquarters, 6. Allen's Press Clipping Bureau furnished 28.

The total number of clippings sent in for the month was 257, compared to 205 in May and the high of 358 in April.

News clippings are arranged in folders by the Information Section and routed around the Department to keep headquarters personnel advised of activities in the field.

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Trainees Go To Work

Another group of State Park Ranger Trainees successfully completed their 160 hours of formal training at the Department's Training Center at Asilomar on June 9. Hired in October 1971, they have also attended the 240-hour Basic Law Enforcement training program and are now in their first permanent assignment.

Pictured with Frank Bellinghausen, Training Coordinator, are trainees: George Cook, David Sutherland, Ronald Brean, Clark Dooley, Curtis Kraft, Melvin Kutsch, Steven Moore, David Bartlett, James Schmus, Robert Basura, Dale Haskins, Homer Townsend, Michael Vasquez, Michael Bolton and Joseph White.

Annual District 4 State Vehicle Accident Summary

During the District 4 Area Manager's meeting June 13, 1972, District Superintendent *Milt Frincke* and Park Safety and Enforcement Specialist *Warren Douglas* presented the first Annual District 4 Safe Vehicle Award to Point Lobos Area Manager *Don Rich*. Point Lobos has a perfect record of zero accidents in 174,409 miles driven.

There are nine spaces remaining on the award plaque for future years' winners. At the end of the ten-year period, the area whose name appears most frequently will get the Award permanently.

—Edward A. Earl
Area Manager

Warren Douglas looks on as Don Rich receives the plaque from Milt Frincke.

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Like a ray of sunshine on a cloudy day, Park Rangers continue to provide that extra something that makes the State Park System what it is today. During the past month, a few park visitors have taken the time to write the Department, expressing thanks for that little bit extra that is above and beyond the job specifications. Following are excerpts of some of those letters.

Michael Phifer of San Jose wrote that his church group arrived at the group camp at Calaveras Big Trees SP planning to roast a hindquarter of beef, only to find the grill broken. Ranger *Eugene Schaal* dropped what he was doing, repaired the grill, and the barbecue went off as scheduled. The park staff was complimented for running a very efficient campground in a neat, orderly manner.

Sierra Area Manager *Carl Anderson* drew thanks from Donald L. Clarke of the South Lake Tahoe Chamber of Commerce for contributing to the success of the Japanese Wild West Tour. The Japanese group was composed of publishers, editors, writers, and photographers, all of whom returned home with much material and many pictures of the Tahoe area.

Gary E. Goodson of the Temple City Unified School District thanked Sonoma SHP personnel for making the California Heritage Tour of 50 fourth graders a success.

Mrs. Helen Barkman of Los Angeles slipped and fell while walking through Jack London SHP. She thanked Guide *Richard Douglas* for coming to her rescue, and helping her back to the lodge.

Bill Brown of the Engineering Section while returning to Sacramento from Los Banos, rendered assistance to a distressed motorist. He was thanked by Leslie Shoemaker of Carmichael for "coming to the rescue of my son and myself when our car caught fire."

Ranger *Dick McKillop* of Gaviota SP helped make the Environmental Education program of the Santa Barbara County Schools a success. He was thanked by Phylis Gandy, Outdoor Education Specialist, for setting the tone for the week's activities with his "hand of man" talk, given in the evening after a full day of work.

Ranger *Dick Miller* of Carpinteria SB received letters of thanks from several young children in a class of 26 from the Rio Linda School who were guided on a tour of the tidepool area. One boy wrote he liked the sea anenome that squirted him, the starfish, and the crab that tried to bite him. Most were highly impressed with the starfish, which one student called "almost" the biggest starfish she had ever seen. A girl was impressed that the Ranger "got all wet" to show them around. Highlight of the letters was the one from Cindy. After the tour, she came across a little boy who had found a starfish and was going to take it home. "I said the starfish would not live if he took it home, so he put it back in the water, and I said thank you, and he said thank you for telling me."

"The Redwood State Parks," the Department's newest sale publication, drew praise

from two quarters. Merle E. Stitt, Acting Director, Western Region, U.S. Department of the Interior, called it "a most handsome publication." and State Forester L.A. Moran of the Department of Conservation found it "an exceptionally well done publication." The book, co-authored by *Fred Meyer* of the Resources Management and Protection Division and *Brenda Boswell* of the Information Section, was designed by *John Kaestner*, also of the Information Section. It sells for $1. Park units wishing to sell the book may order from Bernice Mills at headquarters.

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BITS & PIECES

The plastic garbage can liners at Azalea SR proved too slippery for one customer. A chipmunk jumped into the can in search of food and had to be rescued.

Two youngsters at Palomar Mountain helped themselves to some goodies in someone else's campsite. One of the items was a 10 speed bike, which had been chained to the tent. The boys took the bike, leaving the front wheel behind. Some hikers saw the two pushing a "one-wheeled" bike, thought it strange, and were able to identify the pair later when questioned by Rangers. All goods recovered.

Do earwigs enter ears? Yes, says Ranger *Keith Steinhart* of Mount Diablo who reports a camper was taken to John Muir Hospital to have an earwig removed from his ear.

The Point Mugu Area crew worked with the L.A. County Fire Department on improving knowledge and skills in fire fighting. Highlight of the event was provided by a one-inch hose that burst under pressure, scoring a direct hit on the fire chief.

A family from North Carolina camped at Providence Mountains for a few days. Ranger *Al Scheibli* discovered one of their three cats running loose (he has three, himself), tried to catch it and couldn't, but did succeed in herding it back to its owners. He warned the family to put the cat on a leash or else the coyotes might get it. Two days later the family reported to a Park Aid that a cat was missing. They didn't mention it to Ranger Scheibli until another two days had passed and they were leaving. They left a self-addressed, stamped envelope in case the cat showed up. Their parting shot was that they wouldn't be back to California because "You can't even let your cats run loose." Meanwhile, as the sun sinks slowly in the west, that silhouette is a coyote licking his chops.

A gentleman telephoned the Orange Coast Area recently and reported he had followed a Department truck from Del Mar to Cardiff, at speeds of 65 to 75 mph. He gave the license number. A check revealed it wasn't the Department's at all, much to everyone's relief. The gentleman was so informed. Maybe the truck was trying to escape his pursuer.

A lightening bolt jolted two women campers at San Elijo SB off their feet, sending them scurrying to their homes in San Diego. They returned the next day to retrieve their camping gear.

Chiquita, the burro at Petaluma Adobe, got a manicure recently. The smithy who trimmed her hoofs charged only $4 to beautify the frisky animal, including travel time, and gave some free advice on care of a pregnant mule. Pregnant? We didn't know she was pregnant!

Mrs. Fowler was hiking with a group of school children on the Pioneer Tree Trail at S. P. Taylor SP. Observing the youngsters climbing redwood stumps, she decided to try it herself. She climbed to the top of a stump and started to crawl down inside. In a flash, she was stuck. This was 10:45 a.m. Her companions tried to free her, to no avail. At 12 noon, help was summoned. Ranger *Jimmie Phillips* and Ranger Trainee *Michael Wolfe* couldn't dislodge Mrs. Fowler by hand, so obtained wedges, a maul, and Maintenance Man *Virgil Luckey*. By removing a four-foot thickness of trunk, they succeeded in freeing Mrs. Fowler at about 2:30 p.m. She emerged with only her dignity damaged, but the tree trunk will never be the same.

Ranger *Vernon Anderson* issued a warning violation to a young lady for nude sunbathing at Henry Cowell Redwoods SP. The young lady was sunbathing in the Garden of Eden, near the apple orchard.

District 1 Area Managers and staff were luncheon guests of the Save-the-Redwoods League in Eureka recently. Some missed signals resulted in three of the Area Managers heading for the local

"All you can Eat for $1.25" palace, instead. After they had loaded their plates, they were located and asked to join the party. *Bob Perkins* and *Lorin Forsyth* dropped their forks and were ready to go, but "hollow leg" *Bill Kaiser* responded with, "Be right with you as soon as I finish this. It's paid for, you know!" After that and a second lunch, and the termination of the proceedings, Bill expressed the hope he could stop at the "Sizzler" for a snack on the way to the airport.

There were 467 entries in the annual dog show sponsored by the American Kennel Club at Will Rogers SHP. Bagpipe music tempered the sound of dogs barking. The parking facilities were jammed beyond capacity.

Before

"Pete loves Vera" no longer on this rock at Millerton Lake SRA as a Fresno Jr. Chamber project gives this and other rocks back their dignity. The group spend 18 hours sandblasting "graffiti" off the rocks.

After.

People

Ranger I *John Fehling* is now Ranger II John Fehling, moving from Big Sur to Channel Coast Area.

Ellouise Stowe, wife of Big Sur Area Manager *Jack Stowe,* in Monterey for surgery, is out again and recuperating at home. All is well.

Chief Ranger Emeritus *Earl P. Hanson* and wife Ree visited Dyerville Area office enroute home.

Dyerville Area staff had a farewell potluck for departing Rangers *Ken Jones, Thomas Reed,* and *David Sutherland,* moving to new assignments at Mendocino, Trinidad and Oroville areas.

Ranger II *Jim Hendrix* of Folsom Lake SRA graduated with honors from Sacramento State.

Lake Elsinore Area Manager *Del Williams* has returned from sick leave, is well rested and ready to "have at 'em".

Asst. District 6 Superintendent *Bill Weatherbee* is back in action after a heart attack. Reports are he looks as great as he says he feels.

Area Manager *Bill Stahlberg* was honored by the Mt. San Jacinto staff for 25 years of service. A pot luck dinner was enjoyed and Bill was given a park decal handmade wallet and two sets of tickets to games at Dodger Stadium.

Northern Mines Area Manager *Bob Perkins* scheduled his first summer vacation in 18 years, a seven-dayer. He reports all phases of the operation functioned smoothly in his absence.

Providence Mountains Ranger *Herb Pierce's* wife worked on the elections board in Essex and was stranded overnight when the road became flooded. They spent the night with friends. Two

days later, Mrs. Pierce was rushed to the hospital in Los Angeles because of complications in her pregnancy. Learned she would have to stay there until the baby was born. On June 26 it happened. Sally delivered Jennifer Lynn Pierce, weighing in at 6 lbs. 6 oz.

Kathy Brown (now Mrs. Kathy Lee) has retired as manager of Byword at Sutter's Fort SHP. *Ellen Hayword* from S. F. Maritime SHP has become manager with *April Milliken* assistant manager and Byword representative at the Fort.

Sacramento Area staff held a luncheon June 1 for *Jeannine Wells* in honor of her service as guide at the Governor's Mansion. A four-year search for the maker of a crystal punch bowl, on display at the Mansion, has been sterile, one of the very few of her research efforts to end in failure.

Park Maintenance Supervisor *Len Algeri* of Salton Sea Area is back on the job after several weeks recuperating from chest surgery.

Also at Salton Sea, Maintenance Man *Jerry Laymance's* oldest son Jerry, Jr., is recovering from injuries received in an auto-bike accident. A badly injured leg will be in a cast for several months.

Gil Bruce is back to work at San Luis Obispo Coast after surgery on his left knee. He injured it in a fall near the museum building.

San Luis Obispo Coast Area notes the number of seasonal women is increasing. Park Aids are *Kassandra Green, Diana Stager, Nora Washington, Linda Todd, Karen Rea* and *Kathleen Thom.* As Area Manager *Chuck Lyden* says, "Oh, La-La!"

Hearst Castle Guide *Carl Gaede* was injured in an auto accident and will be unable to work this summer.

Trinidad Area reports a going-away party for the *Jake Zaiger* family. After 13 years, "Mr. Patrick's Point" has transferred to Hendy Woods SP.

Clerk Typist II *Dorothy Myers* is back on the job at the Trinidad Area after five months' leave of absence. Her broken arm is back in working condition again.

Celebrating the landmark of the one hundred millionth dollar of Land and Water Conservation Funds spent in California were, from left, Frank Sylvester, Regional Director of the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation; Lt. Gov. Ed Reinecke; Norman B. Livermore, Jr., Secretary for Resources; John Larson, Assistant Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior; Director Mott; and Russ Porter, head of the Grants and Statewide Studies Section for the Department. California is the first state in the nation to hit $100,000,000. Of this, half came from the federal government and half from state, local, and private matching funds.

APPOINTMENTS

Anderson, Thelma L.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-12-72
Avery, Shannon L.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-9-72
Brown, Bruce D.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-9-72
Carpenter, Richard E.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-9-72
Coffman, Taylor S.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-12-72
Dolcini, Valente F.	Staff Personnel Analyst	Training Section	6-1-72
Erickson, Barclay J.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-19-72
Frantz, Robert K.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-17-72
Gardner, Jr. Sidney L.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-12-72
Greenlee, Russell G.	Auditor I	Audit Section	6-21-72
Hall, Linda A.	Clerk Typist II (Int)	Channel Coast Area	6-8-72
Harr, Berdy V.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-12-72
Hawthorne, Ruth E.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-12-72
Hodges, Kenneth S.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Sierra Area	6-23-72
Iadepski, Odessa J.	Account Clerk II	Accounting Section	7-10-72
Johnson, Diane L.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-15-72
Kelly, Marjorie J.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-10-72
King, Joe M.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-10-72
Klavano, Norman E.	Park Maintenance Man I	Sierra Area	6-15-72
Louie, Betty K.	Account Clerk II	Accounting Section	7-10-72
Mandel, Jr., Donald J.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Orange Coast Area	6-16-72
Maring, Michele	Clerk Typist I	Golden Gate Area	7-3-72
Marsh, George T.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Orange Coast Area	6-27-72
Myers, Dennis G.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Sierra Area	6-28-72
Patterson, Dave R.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-9-72
Patton, James R.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Montane Area	5-27-72
Robbins, Winifred S.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-27-72
Scimeca, Charles J.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Sierra Area	7-17-72
Scott, Richard K.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Dyerville Area	6-12-72
Seger, Ronald G.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-24-72
Sherman, Glenna J.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-9-72
Skooglund, Stanley O.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Piercy Area	6-7-72
Strickland, Mark E.	Clerk Typist II	District 6 HQ	7-3-72
Sturges, Helen M.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-12-72
Terry, Beth A.	Guide I, Hist Mon (Perm Int)	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-15-72
Wall, Robert F.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Orange Coast Area	5-22-72
Whit, Charles T.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Millerton Lake Area	6-8-72

UNIT CHANGES

Angier, Ronald F.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Santa Cruz Mtn Area to Delta Area	6-9-72
Bolton, Michael H.	State Park Ranger Trainee	San Diego Cst Area to Picacho Area	6-19-72
Brant, Ira J.	State Park Ranger I	Santa Cruz Mtn Area to Mt Diablo Area	6-19-72
Caldwell, James L.	State Park Ranger I	Santa Cruz Mtn Area to Piercy Area	6-19-72
Doberneck, Dennis A.	State Park Ranger I	Russian River Area to Sonoma Area	6-19-72
Ebbatson, Arthur J.	State Park Ranger Trainee	Folsom Lake Area to Orange Cst Area	6-19-72
Flynn, Randall G.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Golden Gate Area to Piercy Area	6-12-72
Graham, Oliver B., Jr.	State Park Ranger Trainee	SLO Cst Area to High Desert Area	6-19-72
Hanks, Robert A.	State Park Ranger I	SLO Cst Area to San Simeon Area	6-19-72
Haslam, Ralph W.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Lake Oroville Area to Piercy Area	6-15-72
Jones, Jeffrey J.	State Park Ranger Trainee	Golden Gate Area to Russian River Area	6-19-72
Jones, Kenneth B.	State Park Ranger I	Dyerville Area to Mendocino Area	6-19-72
Knight, Linda	Clerk Typist II	Mgmt Repts to Office & Res Svcs	6-12-72
Kraft, Curtis D.	State Park Ranger Trainee	Folsom Lake Area to Four Rivers Area	6-19-72
Krumbein, William J. Jr.	State Park Ranger I	Santa Cruz Mtn Area to Pajaro Cst Area	6-19-72
Lance, Leon L.	State Park Ranger (Int)	Lake Oroville Area to Sierra Area	6-14-72
Lavenson, Charles R.	State Park Ranger Trainee	SLO Cst Area to High Desert Area	6-19-72
Matthews, Dennis L.	State Park Ranger Trainee	SLO Cst Area to Big Sur Area	6-19-72

People

McClintock, Harry M., Jr.	State Park Ranger I	Santa Cruz Mtn Area to Lake Oroville Area	6-19-72
Mcore, Steven D.	State Park Ranger Trainee	Folsom Lake Area to Four Rivers Area	6-19-72
Reed, Thomas H.	State Park Ranger Trainee	Dyerville Area to Trinidad Area	6-19-72
Roeder, Terry D.	State Park Ranger Trainee	San Diego Cst Area to Frontera Area	6-19-72
Soderlund, Frederick J.	State Park Ranger Trainee	San Diego Cst Area to Orange Cst Area	6-19-72
Stratton, David L.	State Park Ranger I	Piercy Area to Sierra Area	5-15-72
Sutherland, David R.	State Park Ranger Trainee	Dyerville Area to Lake Oroville Area	6-19-72
Uhls, Betty A.	Senior Stenographer	Grants & Stwd Studies Br to Office & Res Svcs	6-30-72
Van Rillaer, Andrew	State Park Ranger I	Salton Sea Area to Millerton Lake Area	6-19-72
Vasquez, Michael M.	State Park Ranger Trainee	San Diego Cst Area to Orange Cst Area	6-19-72
White, Joseph H.	State Park Ranger Trainee	San Diego Cst Area to Pt Lobos Area	6-19-72
Whiteley, Eleanor R.	Clerk Typist I	Office & Res Svcs to Mgmt Repts	6-12-72
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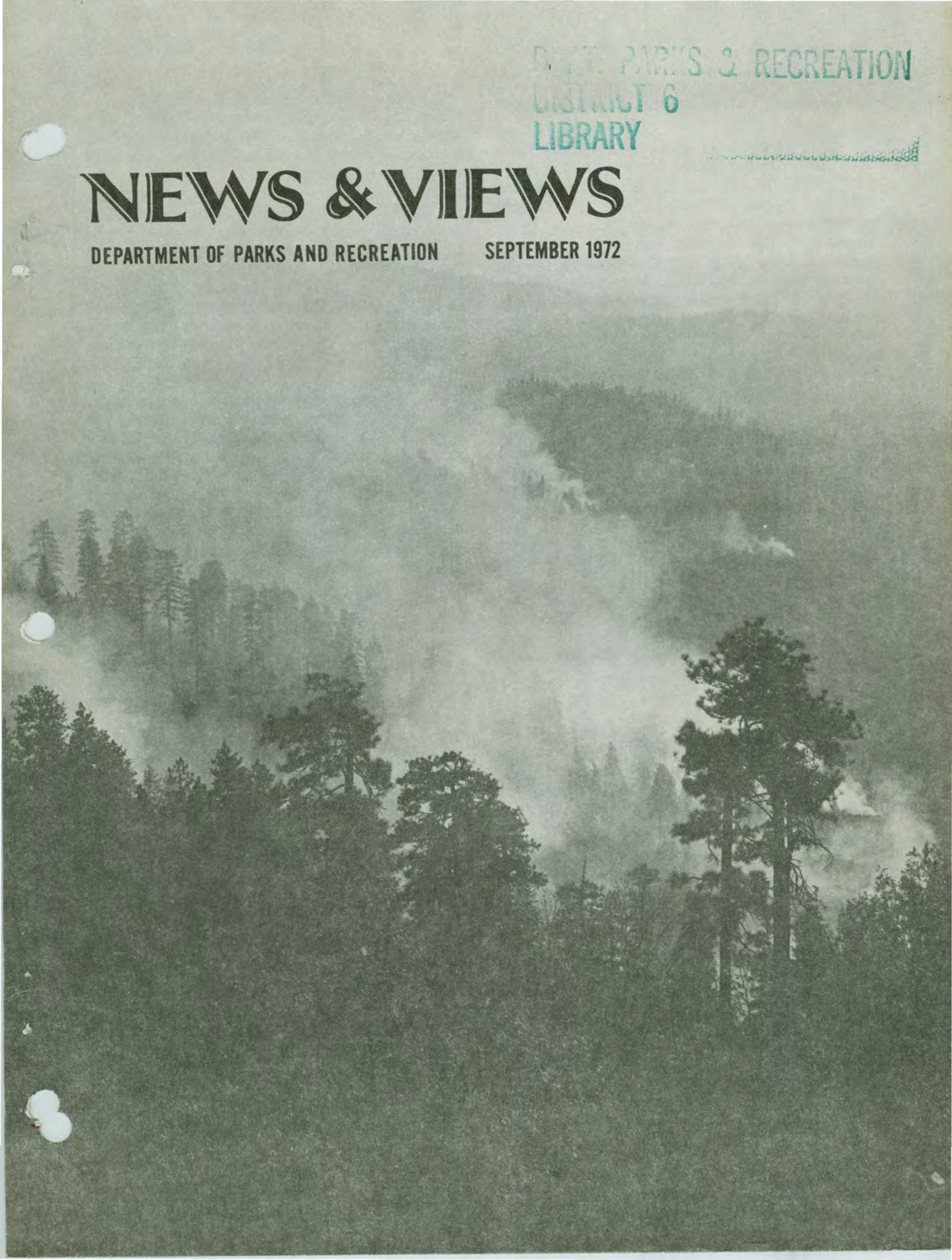

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

Anza-Borrego Area, *Bud Getty* – July 1 was the first day in the history of the park that cattle grazing did not exist. The last three leases expired June 30. . .Some 3,379 Boy Scouts earned desert hiking awards on the park's trails in 1971, according to the San Diego Council. . .The second annual bighorn sheep count, sponsored by the Anza-Borrego Desert Natural History Association, resulted in 22 persons sighting 190 different animals at 12 locations. All counters were volunteers. *Bud Getty* points out that sheep counting is a unique and exciting activity and invites rangers from other areas to participate. . .Wilding Corporation filmed Ford commercials for 1973 at Font's Point. . .Dr. Ken Brown of Cal Poly Institute at Pomona released some 175 reptiles native to the area. They had been confiscated from pet shops. Included were two rosy boas, some leopard lizards, collared lizards, red racers, and desert iguana.

Benicia Area, *Auburn Rose* – During July, 327 school teachers visited the Capitol under the St. Marys College Field Study Program. They receive 5 units of credit in California History for the course. Most teachers were from California, with some from Oregon, Washington, and eastern states. California areas studied included several towns in the Mother Lode, Monterey, and Santa Rosa.

Big Sur Area, *Jack Stowe* – Permanent Intermittent Ranger *Richard Cascio* has prepared a prospectus for use at **Andrew Molera SP** for educational purposes. It will be forwarded to headquarters through channels.

Bothe-Napa Area, *Frank Brown* – Campground was filled every night during July, with even the overflow area overflowing. Many visitors were unhappy because such a nice park didn't have more camps.

Calaveras Area, *Bob Stewart* – High school and college students from the Palo Alto School District conducted their annual summer camp at Beaver Creek, on Pickering Lumber Company property. The students continued charting and recording growth patterns of the giant redwoods. When the study is completed, the park will receive a copy. . .There was a rash of thefts during July, mostly of camping equipment such as lanterns, stoves. sleeping bags, and other portable items. Seems someone parks on Highway 4 and walks through the camps midnight and sunrise. The handout about locking up belongings works only part time. Hopefully, the situation will improve when the highway is relocated. . .Three boys from a family camped in the North Grove, jammed 13 toilets with tissue and stuffed rocks into the trailer dump station, decommissioning it for two days. They were identified from information supplied by other campers. The family was written to and asked if any light could be shed on the outrages. To date, no response. . .All the fences around the big trees in the North Grove have been rebuilt, and some were moved further away from the trees. The work was performed by the Vallecito Ecology Corps, which put in 218 hours. . .A concessionaire has expressed interest in conducting winter cross-country skiing and snowshoe hikes.

Castle Crags Area, *Bill Kaiser* – Thirty-eight members of the Los Angeles Sierra Club field tripped to the park and walked the Indian Creek Trail.

Bodie SHP entered this "Bad Man from Bodie" float in the July 4th parade in Bridgeport. The rear sign reads, "You Can't Keep a Bad Man Down." On the float, from left, are Ranger Michael O'Rourke, Undertaker; Ed Polglase, the Bad Man; Mrs. O'Rourke, Mourner; Bob Bell, Miner; and Ranger Lawrence Cermak, Lawman and Driver.

In his (her) longing to return to the good old days, the "Stenciler" has attacked Carlsbad State Beach's walls, buildings, and street signs with "tourist go home" legends, according to Administrative Ranger Don Pohl. Above, the "Dogs Prohibited" sign after the Stenciler revised it.

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Not Enough Time

Each of us daily faces the problem of "not enough time" to carry out even the simplest task or to solve the many problems confronting us. Problem solving has been given greater and greater attention by private industry in order to save time and get the job done. Several systems have been developed. Whether it is a complex diagram that charts each step in the course of problem solving or merely an orderly thought process that attains the goal, the basic steps are the same and are easily mastered, steps that will make time available and help you to solve problems, eliminating that frustrated feeling that there is just "not enough time".

The steps to follow are: (1) Define the problem; (2) develop the goals and objectives to meet and solve the problem; (3) develop program parameters; (4) implement the program; and (5) review the results. Then to try the system, take a simple problem – any problem – and define it in writing. Then move through Steps 2 and 3, putting the results in writing. This will help you to clarify your thinking. Then move to Steps 4 and 5. You will be amazed at how easy it is to solve problems and reach the goals and objectives you have set.

After you have done this a few times, you won't need to resort to writing. Logical programming will follow naturally. Complicated problems may require flow charts and diagrams so that the many inputs into the solution may be properly coordinated and brought out in the problem solving procedure in sequence and at the proper time. But the basic steps are the same.

Solve problems, don't save them! It is time-saving and rewarding.

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Yield From The Field

Channel Coast Area, *Hal Terry* – A joint program of the Chamber of Commerce, Ventura City Council, and the Area spawned a cleanup program at Ventura Beach. Local teenagers will be paid $1 an hour to pick up beach litter Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays during August. . .The Phase One campground construction at **Carpenteria SB** is about 90% completed. Almost-nightly vandalism has led Hal Terry to put out the word he would like to meet with the culprits and discuss their hostility toward the project. No feedback.

Clear Lake Area, *E.A. Griggs* – Interpretive programs are attracting 100 people to each campfire, and the guided trail hike is becoming too popular, averaging 40 persons.

Columbia Area, *Neil Power* – First stage of reconstructing the City Hotel has been finished; inside plaster and wall covering have been removed and sections of the floor and ceiling removed for inspection.

Delta Area, *Allan Hibsch* – A new program is designed to increase contact between youngsters and the park staff. Once a week youngsters meet with a Ranger and help clean up a portion of the park. A few boats to **Franks Tract** with a Ranger, pick up litter and give out litter bags to boaters.

Four Rivers Area, *Clyde Strickler* – Interpretive campfire programs were started at **McConnell** and **Turlock Lake SRA's.** Caswell will be next. More seating is needed.

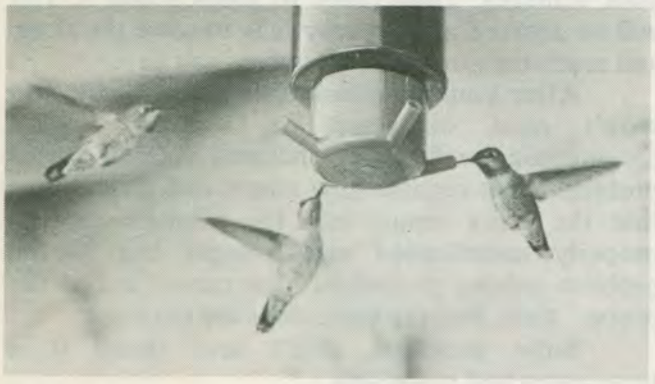
Dyerville Area, *Gerald Fialho* – Chief Ranger *James Neal* was called out at 2 a.m. to investigate a car blocking the avenue south of Williford Road. The driver was gassed, but the car wasn't. The car was pushed off the road, locked, and the driver taken to his son's home in Miranda.

Folsom Area, *Ron McCullough* – Chief Ranger *Dana Long* and Ranger *Craig Engel* were interviewed by Channel 10 TV, Sacramento, about the enforcement program and use of defensive weapons. The Rangers, anticipating an interview about the Trainee program, were somewhat surprised. Program turned out to be a good one.

Frontera Area, *Maurice Morgan* – A dead seal washed ashore at **Border Field SB.** It had been shot in the back of the head. . .Period furniture and displays were contributed to the Casa de

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

Estudillo by Mrs. Farrell of the Colonial Dames of America. . .Coleman Furr, owner of the Coleman College in Old Town, has proposed student labor for the Stewart House through a Student College Work Study Program. Girls in costume would operate the spinning wheel and weave the yarn into belts. He also is interested in operating horse-drawn conveyances through Old Town, through the same program. . .Two days of celebrating marked the 203rd anniversary of the founding of **Old Town San Diego SHP**.



Hummingbirds, shown at a feeder near Ranger Bill Hill's home at Fremont Peak, are a popular attraction. Photo courtesy of Seward Bartley.

Gaviota Area, *Pat Dougherty* – The **El Capitan** entrance station was broken into and robbed of $50 cash and 11 annual passes. This occurred during the half-hour absence of Ranger *David Felt*, who thoughtfully removed most of the cash from the box and put it in the floor safe. . .Someone shut off the water supply to El Capitan Ranch Campground, causing Maintenance Supervisor *Leroy Berrigan* and crew to work all night and get service restored before the morning rush. . .Combination Building 2 was closed for a week because sewer lines were plugged solid. . .The new beach sewer lift station at El Capitan has been accepted. It should eliminate sewage running across the beach.

Golden Gate Area, *William Allison* – The Department of Navigation and Ocean Development had the anchor buoys at **Angel Island** removed, to install a new 30-boat anchor buoy system. . .The 135' steam powered tugboat "Hercules" was moved into her berth at the Hyde Street Pier, on loan from her owner, a local tugboat company.

Heart Bar-Silverwood Lake Area, *Jim Green* -**Heart Bar** took on one more characteristic of a wilderness park when a "very" black bear was observed feeding in the refuse can at Residence No. 1.

Hiouchi Area, *Ray Westberg* – A major waterline break at **Del Norte Coast Redwoods SP** caused temporary closing of one of the restroom buildings. The maintenance crew had everything back to normal the same afternoon. . .Rangers *Norman Nunery* and *Bob Folmar* have conducted a study of the impact of U.S. 199 through a part of **Jedediah Smith.** Division of Highways requested the study. . .A truck loaded with glue bags lost one of the bags near Idlewild. The glue, containing carbonic acid and phenol formaldehyde, flowed into the Smith River. The Departments of Public Health and Water Resources tested the water and closed the river to fishing, swimming, drinking, and all other uses. By the next morning, the Public Health declared the river to be safe. . .A visitor from Illinois became stranded while climbing the mountain at **Del Norte Coast Redwoods SP**. The County Sheriff's department search and rescue team got him out but not before he had fallen while attempting to get down.

Lake Elsinore Area, *Delbert Williams* – a 22-year-old Los Angeles man became the third drowning victim this year. He dove into the water from the top deck of a houseboat, to retrieve a hat. He got the hat, got back aboard, and someone threw it back into the water. He went in again, to the applause of onlookers, and never came up. State Park Boat Patrolmen dragging the area retrieved the body.

Lake Oroville Area, *Don Royer* – Two more drownings in July, a 14-year-old Oakland boy and a 58-year-old Lime Saddle man. . .The new visitor center parking area was accepted by inspectors of the Office of Architecture and Construction.

Malakoff Diggins Area, *Eric Leffingwell* – The leak in the Blair is losing so much water that inflow cannot keep the lake full.

A donkey, Patrick, has been added to the interpretive program at Malakoff Diggins SHP. He leads campers on a weekly trip to Humbug Creek, and carries all the gear to boot.

Marshall Gold Discovery Area, *Gus Till* – The American River through the park is becoming popular for shooting the rapids on rubber rafts. A girl who had fallen from a raft was rescued and revived with the help of the community resuscitator. . .An old cottonwood snapped in gusts of wind and fell across an old wagon loaded with lumber at Sutters Mill. It broke the rear wheels of the wagon, damaged the flood lights, broke railings along walkways, and damaged some of the mill's roofing. Order was restored for the weekend. . .Rock removal during the past few years has created a five-acre lake on the river. It is used for boating, swimming, and sitting along the banks.

Mendocino Area, *Joe Hood* – The 52 divers who attended the annual meet of the Northern California Skin Divers Club left the beach and area in good order.

Montane Area, *Glen Jones* – Interpretive programs at **Cuyamaca** were increased to three in July. Friday and Saturday night campfire programs, and the Boy Scout camp on Thursdays. California Highway Patrol is participating in Saturday night programs using a slide talk on road safety and recreational equipment. . .Not included in the attendance records were 19 aliens picked up by park personnel and held for the Border Patrol. . .A report of army equipment south of the Cuyamaca park boundary led to the recovery of a flame thrower, ammunition, explosives, and booby traps. The items had been stolen and were held for the Sheriff's demolition team.

Monterey-Point Lobos Areas – A 15-year-old girl, attempting to climb a cliff at Sea Lion Cove in **Point Lobos SR** fell among the rocks and suffered facial lacerations, bruises, and a possible broken leg. She was airlifted to safety by an Army rescue helicopter. . .**Monterey SHP** hosted the annual ceremony commemorating the landing of Commodore Sloat. Sponsored by the Monterey History and Art Association, a 28-star flag was raised atop the Custom House flag pole where Commodore Sloat first raised the Stars and Stripes July 7, 1846. . .The gate to the new parking area was cut through the wall at **San Juan Bautista SHP.** The new parking facility, made possible by the cooperative efforts of the park, city, and mission, is now in use. . .Guide *Maria Daly* reported the theft of several small ivory pieces from a serving box on display in the Pacific House, and Park Aid *Bill White* reported a locked case had been opened in the Pacific House. An antique Spanish pistol, on loan from the Monterey History and Art Association, was missing. Police took fingerprints. . .The Monterey Police Department telephoned the park to say a citizen had reported someone on the balcony of the Larkin House. During the call, the burglar alarm went off at police headquarters. Investigation didn't turn up anyone, so it is presumed the alarm scared off the would-be intruder.

Mount Diablo Area, *Ed Earl* – Visitors are accepting Presto-Log fuel as the only fuel to be used in campground stoves. It is common to see wildfires burning from Diablo and this is a graphic illustration of the fire danger. . .The Alex Lindsay Jr. Museum is providing wild animals to the park for release. The animals come to the museum sometimes injured and sometimes healthy. If injured, park personnel care for them until well. Several park residences are serving as half-way homes for the animals, and ranger wives have been adopting raccoons and other animals.

North Valley Area, *Lorin Forsyth* – Senior Scouts and leaders, directed by Intermittent Ranger *A. O. Noriega*, have cleared a quarter acre of land at **Colusa-Sacramento River SRA** which had become overgrown with wild grapevines, brush, and weeds. The land will be leveled, seeded, and irrigated. The Scouts will earn conservation badges and the SRA will have removed an eyesore and gained some useable land. . .Mrs. Annie Bidwell Anderson, great niece and namesake of Mrs. Bidwell, visited the Mansion for the first time in four years. She had spent many childhood years there with the Bidwells. She was well pleased with the restoration.

Orange Coast Area, *Bud Caughell* – Crime reports increased at **Doheny SB** during the month due to vacant night watchman position. Concession building was burglarized twice. . .Among the visitors were President Nixon, at San Onofre July 5 and 7, and movie actor John Wayne, to the area office. Lifeguards escorted the President through San Onofre and received thank you notes from him. . .The Orange County Health Department was notified that six people had been bitten by a fox at **San Clemente SB** on the morning of July 13. Victims were advised to take rabies shots. . .Boy Scout Troop 299 installed a bulletin board at the entrance to **San Onofre SB.** Each letter was handcarved by a Scout. . .All parking areas at San Onofre SB were thrown open to overflow camping beginning July 22. As a result, weekend attendance has doubled.

Pajaro Coast Area, *Tony Trigeiro* – Pump failure at **Sunset SB** again threatened to shut down the unit. Chemical toilets were hauled in and with

the cooperation of campers, the park remained open. Water service was restored after two days. . .Heavy camping usage of **Jetty Beach** with only chemical toilets and garbage disposal is being questioned by the Monterey County Sanitarian, who suggested the unit be closed. The Area Manager muses that the county has permitted camping there for many years with the same minimum facilities, but the State has it now.

Piercy Area, *Doug Metcalf* – Thefts reported in three camps at **Richardson Grove SP**. The thieves, a group of five, were apprehended at Benbow day use area and held for the sheriff. Chief Ranger *Karl Moltzner* recognized the thieves' vehicle from a description taken from victims earlier that morning.

Plumas-Eureka Area, *Carl Lonnecker* – Fishing good at the lake with many limits being taken. . .Twenty-three students from Piedmont High spent a day at the park as part of a two week Career Exploration course offered by Feather River College. Bill Martin, park management instructor at the college, led the group. The students were taken on a tour of the historic buildings and a critique was held to discuss management of historic areas, budgetary problems in historic restoration, and the park system in general. In the afternoon, the group repaired the Grass Lake Trail.

Point Mugu Area, *Jim Geary* – Senator Tunney and Congressmen Goldwater and Bell looked over Mugu Lagoon as a possible addition to the park. . .The new concessionaire established his mobile snack bar on the beach July 1. Business has been slow and steps are being taken to advertise the snack bar in the park. . .The UCLA archaeological survey, conducting a dig on the **Malibu Lagoon SB** and on the Adamson property across the highway from the park, has uncovered burials with portions of plank canoes around the flexed body, and trade beads of all types and sizes. . .The new shower building at **Leo Carillo SB** continues to cause headaches. On July 21, the leach field became saturated, resulting in water surfacing in two campsites and a small stream running down the road. The building was closed and campers moved. Two days later, the water supply was reduced to all twelve showers and the building reopened with shower hours of 8 to 11 a.m. and 6 to 10 p.m. A sign was posted giving the new hours and reasons for them. Not a single comment was received, for or against the reduced hours. Park staff feels it's gaining on the problem.

Providence Mountains Area, *Alan Scheibli* – Visitors totaled 310 in July this year, about the same as the 319 of last July. Staff feels attendance will be boosted when the new freeway opens. . .Division of Highways is planning to install a bulletin board at their new rest stop on the freeway. It will promote the caves as well as the surrounding area.

Russian River Area, *Bob Crawford* – Work began July 12 to relocate Highway 1 around **Fort Ross**. .The Russian skeleton unearthed by the archeology team in April was given a ceremonious reburial in the Russian Cemetery at Fort Ross. The archeology class completed its dig at the Fort July 28.

Sacramento Area, *Kirby Morgan* – The area has entered into a training program with the U.S. Air Force called "Project Transition." It is of six months' duration and is designed to meet the needs of personnel retiring from the Air Force who are not trained in civilian skills. The Air Force pays wages and the area provides on-the-job training, supervision, and orientation. . .*April Milliken* of By-Word contacted radio stations and Sutter's Fort has been receiving public service spots ever since. . .Ranger *George Linden* started a campfire program at **Indian Grinding Rock**. . .The drinking fountain at the Indian Museum, destroyed by vandals, has been rebuilt. . .A group of Indians are interested in opening a native store at the Museum. *Todd Neiger* of Concessions is working on the project.

San Diego Coast Area, *Jack Welch* – Troop 383 from Santee camped in the North Beach overflow area and continued its Torrey Pine tree planting program in the extension area. . .Small tubular objects found at **South Carlsbad SB** turned out to be anti-nerve gas medicine of military issue. Lifeguards were alerted to look for additional tubes. . .Three sets of volley ball posts have been installed at **Carlsbad SB**.

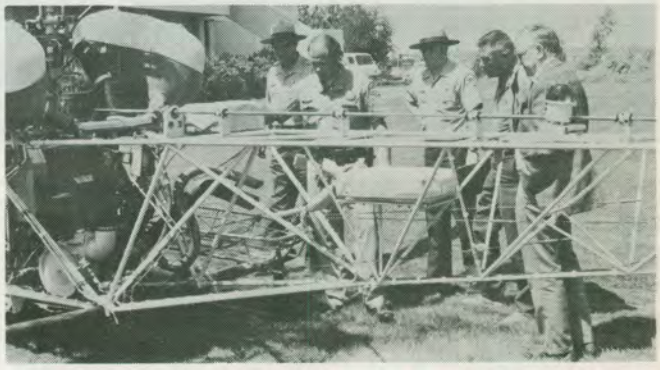
Salton Sea Area, *James Davis* – Boat house and Sea Ranger were broken into. A large fire extinguisher and pair of binoculars were stolen. . .Two Army trucks stayed in headquarters camp. As they were leaving, one of the trucks, a 17-ton tow wrecker, helped a camper free his stuck automobile. In the process, the wrecker sank in mud to the frame. It was late afternoon before something large enough arrived to pull out the truck.

San Luis Obispo Coast Area, *Chuck Lyden* – Ranger Trainees *Bruce Dinneford* and *George Gary*

started a three-mile bike hike with 23 bikers. They rode to different parts of the park and discussed the flora and fauna. . .Atascadero home owners registered complaints about campers' children walking across lawns and vegetation, and occasionally throwing rocks. These people may request the fencing they opposed a few years ago as it would restrict their access to the beach. . .A replica of the Wright Bros. plane crashed on the beach south of State Beach July 28. The pilot sustained a bruised jaw and a headache. The plane had been used in a movie of Wilbur and Orville, and was being used for a commercial film. About all it's fit for now is a museum.

San Simeon Area, *Wes Cater* – **San Simeon SB** was 100% occupied during July except for one night with four vacancies. Between 100 and 180 campers nightly pull off the highway and camp between the State Beach and the castle entrance. . .Miraculously, all 95 people on the landing dock at **Hearst Memorial SB** had already boarded when the pier fell into the ocean.

Sonoma Area, *Dick Menefee* – Lolita, the live animal exhibit, dropped a spotted calf July 2. A neighboring rancher said it's a girl. . .Maintenance Man *William White* designed and constructed a four-panel board for interpretive displays. The board was first used for a presentation to the Sebastopol Rotary Club on Annadel Farms. . .The Vallejo Unified School District is providing replicas of General Vallejo's chairs for display in the Vallejo Home dining room. School Board must approve the gift.



District 2 Interpretive Specialist Jim Neider reports the Sonoma County Sheriff's Department has a new $83,000 helicopter for use in search and rescue work. Above, Superintendent Bob Hatch poses with a county lawman. Below, Russian River and Sonoma Area Rangers get a quick training course in the birds' capability. Photos by Jim Neider.

Trinidad Area, *Dorothy Myers* (for *Dave Redding*) – Gold Bluffs Beach Road opened as far as the Ossagon Road but the road to Highway 101 still is closed due to severe storm damage. . .A barrier has been installed on the James Irvine Trail near the mouth of Fern Canyon to protect hikers from a dangerous dropout on the trail.

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What's Happening

Fires Strike All Over State But Parks Have Only One Serious Blaze

An unwelcome visitor made its annual midsummer appearance in several park units during late July and August. The visitor was fire, and the damage was severe in some areas, minor in others.

Man's best efforts have not been successful in completely eliminating this menace , and the civilized practice of keeping the park landscape in a natural condition has added to the problem by allowing fuel supplies to build up to such an extent that when a natural or man-made fire does start, it is very difficult to control.

The most serious park damage was done at Torrey Pines SR, where a series of small fires eventually led to a big one that destroyed 40 acres of the rare trees. Some 240 were affected, and about 90 percent of them are not expected to survive. The brush cover was completely destroyed. Arson is suspected and the City of San Diego, which is responsible for fire protection on the reserve, still is investigating.

The big fire broke out about noon Tuesday, July 25, in the grove east of old Highway 101. The 240 trees damaged represent about 9 percent of the 2,500 trees on the reserve.

In a telephone conversation with News and Views, Ranger *Kent Hartwell* was explaining what had happened, and suddenly cut off with, "I've got to go, there's another fire."

State Park Plant Ecologist *Pete Gaidula* investigated the scene the Monday following the fire. He said all the duff was burned off, and that the trees destroyed ranged from 6" to 18" in diameter. He added that we have an opportunity now to see whether or not the pines can reproduce by themselves in the burned off area, or if they will need help.

Fire destroyed about 40 acres at Torrey Pines SR and of the 240 trees damaged, about 90 percent are not expected to recover.

This was the 14th fire reported in the area and the fifth in the park. A crew of 12 park men patrolled the area all night July 25 to prevent flareups. San Diego City police helped with the patrol.

Another major fire broke out around noon August 1 at Andrew Molera SP, caused, the U.S. Forest Service believes, by an illegal campfire. Before it was contained the following Sunday, over 4,000 acres had been burned and fire fighting costs mounted to a million dollars.

Only 10 to 15 acres of Molera were burned, and although the fire threatened Pfeiffer Big Sur SP, it stayed outside the boundaries. Most of the damage occurred in the Los Padres National Forest.

At the height of the fire, some 1,700 men were fighting to contain it. Because a ground fog hampered aerial activity, photos taken by a U-2 spy plane were used to locate burning areas and bomb them with air-borne chemicals. A cooling fog and a drop in the wind helped control the blaze.

Thousands of residents evacuated their homes because of fire danger, and Pfeiffer Big Sur was closed and visitors and park personnel were moved out. The park was opened again Saturday morning.

Fire broke out on a remote hilltop on the eastern side of Angel Island SP at about 1:30 p.m. Friday, July 28. It was reported by two boys who spotted smoke. About 25 acres of brush burned before the fire was contained at about 6 p.m. The cause is unknown.

Marin County is responsible for fire protection on the island, under a contract with the State Division of Forestry. Chief difficulty in fighting the fire was its inaccessibility, making it hard for fire fighters to get to it.

The Angel Island fire truck and two trucks of the Marin County Fire Department are on the island at all times. In all, 80 men, 7 pieces of fire equipment and 6 borate bombers worked on the fire.

The limited telephone service was reserved for emergency use and any caller not connected with the fire fighting effort was asked to hang up. District 2 Business Service Officer *Garth Tanner* kept abreast of developments via radio, and relayed available information to anyone who called.

Ranger *Gerald Johnson* had high praise for all who helped, especially Milt McDonogh, operator of the Tiburon ferry, and Harbor Tours, for transporting fire fighters to and from the island. On the island, Harbor Tours provided its elephant train to carry fire fighters close to the blaze.

Elsewhere around the State, there were many scares but little damage.

A fire on the afternoon of July 14, started by persons unknown, burned off about 44 acres in the Sycamore Grove at El Capitan SB.

Continued illegal camping and ground fires at Gaviota Hot Springs have caused the staff to consider closing this area during the fire season.

A small fire in a redwood stump at Samuel P. Taylor SP was extinguished by park personnel. The fire was started when a picnicker dumped charcoal briquets from his brazier on the stump.

Ranger *Bill Robinson* reported Saddleback Butte SP's first forest fire. The former Joshua Trees SP was struck by lightining on Sunday afternoon, July 29, during a thunderstorm, igniting a small tree in the Joshua Tree Forest below park headquarters.

The park crew at Marshall Gold Discovery SHP quickly doused a fire in a shed adjoining the

park at 7:15 a.m. July 10. Area Manager *Gus Till* said the park crew has become very efficient at responding to fires. Equipment is rolling within five minutes. A second fire outside the park was reported July 12, but the Division of Forestry controlled it quickly.

Campers and staff quickly put out a small fire July 31 at Hendy Woods SP.

Palomar Mountain SP recorded a 1-1/2 acre fire, probably caused by a careless smoker, and Cuyamaca Rancho SP logged three fires in East Mesa and upper Green Valley, two caused by lightning and one by the abandoned campfire of illegal aliens.

Although a wildfire in May Valley July 21 was outside Mt. San Jacinto SP, the telephones were tied up all day answering questions on the fire. About 200 acres were burned before it was brought under control. On the 31st, the U.S. Forest Service spotter plane picked up a fire in the park near Little Round Valley. A crew was flown in by helicopter and with the help of two of the park's trail crew, the fire was put out. Two snags had been ignited by lightning.

A small spot fire in a canyon at San Clemente was put out by picnickers. The area was wet down with a back pump.

At Richardson Grove SP, a spark from a campsite stove, fanned by the strong evening wind, started a 1/2 acre grass fire that was brought under control by campers and staff. Division of Forestry helped with mop-up work.

Year after year, fires are a routine part of the scene during the hot, dry months of July and August. Perhaps the State should set up a new personnel series and recruit rainmakers. If the Indians did it, why can't we?

This is one of several innovative signs put up at Gaviota SP to call attention to the high fire hazard.

Parks Record Driest Year In Memory

Area managers in many parts of the State report this summer is the driest they can remember, and some have checked with local residents and found that they, too, find it the driest in memory. The hot summer and the below average rainfall of last season have caused many problems throughout the park system which may or may not have happened under more normal conditions. Here are some of them taken from the Area Managers Monthly Reports for July.

The Big Sur Area reports a high fog overcast which kept attendance below normal. The U.S. Forest Service said 1,100 fewer permits to enter the back country were issued this year than were given out a year ago. The main well at Pfeiffer Big Sur didn't produce enough water and the staff had to use Pfeiffer Creek for water, after chlorinating it. Water supply at Andrew Molera was insufficient, but conditions are expected to be better when the Courtland Hill well project is approved. This will supply ample water for the ranch house area.

Clear Lake was so low the navigational buoys had to be adjusted constantly. The boat channel was only three feet deep at the mouth of the lake. Lake level was too low to launch boats at many resorts, and visitors came to the park to launch.

San Luis Reservoir dropped 25.70 feet during July, and a total of 45.54 feet since May 8. This exposed a lot of goodies including several hundred pounds of lead sinkers, hooks, plugs, spinners, fishing poles, reels, and a boat that was lost two years ago. Turlock Lake reported 113-degree temperatures, hottest ever recorded there.

High temperatures, an overload, and bad wiring combined to discourage the transformers at Old Town San Diego and Silver Strand. Emergency replacement of wiring was made at Silver Strand and the San Diego Gas and Electric Co. replaced the transformer at Old Town.

Extremely hot weather cut down visitor attendance and off-road vehicle activity at Red Rock Canyon. The plant life in the High Desert Area is suffering from the drought, as is the wildlife.

Ranger Trainee *Buck Graham* successfully administered first aid treatment to a 21-year-old man who appeared to be suffering from heat stroke in the 118-degree weather at Red Rock Canyon. When the man became coherent, he mumbled about a friend being in trouble. Ranger Graham searched for and found the companion unconscious in a wash. First aid was administered and an ambulance summoned, but the man died on

the way to the hospital in Lancaster. Subsequently, Graham learned the two had brewed and drunk a tea made from the leaves of the jimson weed, a highly poisonous and narcotic plant.

The temperature soared to 102 degrees at Jedediah Smith, a rarity, and at Malakoff Diggins conditions were so dry, the staff started a program of talking to each registered camper about the danger of fires.

This appears to be one of the driest years ever witnessed in the Cuyamaca Mountains, causing Montane Area personnel additional maintenance problems in keeping the reservoirs full and the pumps running. So far the public has heeded the critical water notices. At Cuyamaca Rancho, the low flow of the Sweetwater River led to destruction of beaver dams south of Green Valley Campground. It appears that campers on private property below the park boundary opened up the dams for more water. The eager beavers are rebuilding their dams and ponds are filling slow but sure.

Mount Diablo reports all areas were kept open until July 14 when the water shortage forced closure of one camp and one picnic area.

Northern Mines Area reports 32 days over 100 degrees in June and July, 10 of them above 110, and a high of 118 on July 15. As the temperature went up, traffic went down. Visitors to the Shasta Court House commented favorably on the air conditioning.

Picacho reports 119-degree heat over the 4th of July and not a soul in the campground. Traces of rain recorded July 24 and 29 brought leaves and a few blossoms to some ocotilla, but the park still awaits its first rain of the year.

Richardson Grove SP hit 112 degrees July 15, hottest weather on record, but all campsites were still filled.

The Feather River proved too warm for a trout plant, so 500 of the fish were put in Plumas Lake at Plumas-Eureka SP.

Providence Mountains Area reports many days over 100 degrees and a high of 105 degrees during July. It's the off-season for the caverns.

A week-long heat wave at Sonoma peaked July 13 with 116 degrees, beating all known records. Of course, the air conditioner newly installed in the area office went kaput when the heat wave started and stayed out of commission throughout.

A cool 94 was warm enough to cause two boys, ages three and five, to skinny dip in the swan fountain at the Vallejo Home. Guide *William Getchey* was assured by the parents that all was well as they toweled off their youngsters before a smiling public. The service charge to the home was mentioned and the father responded indignantly, "We haven't gotten that far, yet." The family was reminded not to forget the shoes and socks left near the contact station, on the way out.

The Will Rogers Area reported a drop in attendance at all units, due to the extremely hot weather.

Fourth Of July

The Fourth of July weekend is, traditionally, the biggest weekend of the year in the State Park System, and this year's, being a four-day affair, was no exception. Despite crowds almost everywhere, only the customary problems arose, there were few serious incidents, and incidents of any kind were at a minimum.

Here's a roundup of Fourth of July – 1972 activities in the parks, as related in the Area Managers' Monthly Reports.

In mid-afternoon and with a full park, a camper broke off a standpipe at Bothe-Napa and loosed a stream of water under 100 lbs. of pressure. Maintenance Man *Don Dresler* was summoned and within 20 minutes had the wet fireworks under control.

Channel Coast reported full beaches and campgrounds except for Carpinteria which had a few vacancies July 3 and 4. Emma Wood was full, Ventura had moderately heavy day use, and McGrath had a problem. Ticketron oversold reservations by five campsites and there were some unhappy, would-be campers.

Clear Lake was full with turnaways, but this happens every weekend in summer.

No problems were reported at the annual celebration held at Columbia. A good time was had by all.

Because of adverse publicity, the Brannan Island campground barely filled. The flood in nearby areas has caused a 45% drop in attendance. Franks Tract is filled every weekend with swimmers, skiers, campers, and picnickers.

Folsom Lake had a capacity crowd on the 4th and for the rest of the weekend, use was heavy but normal.

Crowds were not good in the Four Rivers Area, possibly because of the heat.

Frontera Area reported four swimmers drowned about a mile south of the border on the 4th. The squeeze was on at Silver Strand with 2,804 vehicles (a new record) and only 1,785 parking spaces. Of the 14,000 visitors, the only police incident was caused by an intoxicated male who tried to use the women's rest room.

Angel Island recorded 3,500 visitors, the limit recommended as the park's capacity. Park

staff feels this number is sufficient as everyone was tired when the day ended.

All campsites at Heart Bar were filled, with overflow in the park. Motor bikes on trails continued to cause problems, but shortage of personnel precludes adequate patrol and protection of back areas. Silverwood filled by 9 a.m. July 2 and others were allowed in only when someone left.

The High Desert Area reported that both Saddleback Butte and Red Rock Canyon were virtually deserted. Tule Elk Reserve had increased attendance due to the opening of a new stretch of Interstate 5. Only Fort Tejon experienced good visitor attendance over the long weekend.

Hiouchi Area parks were full as usual over the 4th as well as on other weekends and during the week. In other words, all units fill every day.

Capacity crowds filled the campground and the lake at Elsinore and most private campgrounds were filled. The fireworks July 3 were the most spectacular in history. They were set off from the Lake Elsinore Navy (the barge) in the middle of the lake. After five rounds of pyrotechnics, the wind shifted and blew sparks into the magazine area. A chain reaction set off the rest of the fireworks about a half hour early. Five people on the barge either jumped to safety or were blown into the water. They were rescued by the Boat Patrol and Lifeguard and taken to Lakeview Hospital by ambulance. There were no major injuries or casualities.

Rescue of a young lady on private property in Pauma Creek at Palomar Mountain SP turned into a double rescue as a second victim was found along the trail while the rescue team was removing the first victim. The girl was carried out of the canyon and taken to the hospital by ambulance. Park personnel, men and helicopters from the San Diego Sheriff's office and the U.S. Coast Guard, men and equipment from the San Diego Mountain Search and Rescue Team, and volunteers from a nearby Baptist camp cooperated in the rescue.

All units in the Monterey and Point Lobos areas were jammed, and the Reserve had to be closed several times until people left.

Chief Ranger *Bob Carlson* of Mount Diablo only heard six firecrackers all day but couldn't locate the persons shooting them off. The park was cleared of day use visitors at 10:35 p.m.

There were large crowds at Mt. San Jacinto but no incidents. There were quite a few open camps Monday and Tuesday as many people had to leave Sunday.

A proposed old-fashioned type 4th of July picnic at Shasta was dropped because of hot weather. The people didn't want to leave their air-conditioned homes.

At the Rio Del Mar section of Seacliff, an unruly crowd celebrated the 4th by burning down two chemical toilets and damaging another. The Sheriff's Tact Squad coped with the situation, dispersing everyone by midnight.

Piercy area reported a relatively trouble-free 4th at all units. There were the usual petty thefts. A motorcycle group at Benbow Lake caused no problems.

It was quieter than usual in Russian River Area units. Campsites were filled and day use was heavy.

It was an active weekend in the San Luis Obispo Coast Area, but more subdued than in past years. At Pismo, there were 2,500 camps on the beach and another 500 in the dunes and at Oso Flaco Lake. The four-day visitor count was 151,219. There was one serious accident when an intoxicated driver drove his conventional vehicle head on into a jeep at 11:30 p.m. Saturday night. Two occupants sustained cuts and bruises. The 4th of July fireworks brought out some 15,000 local residents. The Square Wheelers of Orange County had a special event at Pismo. They reported 36 vehicles and 55 persons spent 220 man days in general cleanup of the area. They also spent $450 with local businesses.

A minor heatwave coincided with the July 4th weekend to produce capacity crowds at all units in the San Mateo Coast Area. The overflow camping area at Half Moon Bay also filled.

In the Sonoma Area, visitation was heavy at all units and Sugarloaf Ridge SP had an overflow camping crowd. Some 426 day users bicycled, hiked, or rode horses into Annadel Farms SP.

Rangers Quinton Kay and Bob Everett helped supervise construction of this spectacular sand castle on the 4th at Silver Strand SB. At high tide, the castle returned to the sea.

What's Happening

Pismo is the only State Beach where vehicles are allowed to drive on the beach. This shows a little of the July 4th weekend traffic.

With campers on the beach and in the dunes; cars, jeeps, dune buggies and motorcycles on the beach; and fishermen in the water, not much of Pismo State Beach goes unused. The only thing missing this 4th was an aerial show, and fireworks took care of this.

Coastal Initiative Will Appear On Ballot

An initiative measure designed to protect and enhance California's coastline will be decided by the voters in November. The bill provides for establishment of a coastal zone conservation commission and six regional commissions.

The commission would be responsible for preparing a California Coastal Zone Plan outlining measures to avoid irreversible commitments of coastal zone resources for submission to the Legislature in 1976; the report would define the public interest in the coastal zone, give ecological principles to be used in its development, and recommend governmental policies and powers necessary for implementation.

In the interim, the regional commissions would pass on all new development activity proposed in the coastal zone (within a thousand yards of the high tide line), permitting a proposed activity only if it would have no substantial adverse environmental or ecological effects.

The $5 million cost of the measure would come from the Bagly Fund.

Bonds On Ballot In 1974

State Beach, Park, Recreational, and Historical Facilities Bond Act of 1974

The Legislature passed and Governor Ronald Reagan signed, last month, a bill authorizing a $250 million bond issue for parks and recreation. The bond act will be put on the June 4, 1974 election ballot for approval by the voters of California.

Of the $250 million, $160 million is to be used by the Department of Parks and Recreation as follows:

$90 million for purchase of park system land;

$45 million for development of park land already purchased;

$15 million for development of historical sites;

$10 million for purchase and development of wildlife preserves.

Last year, Governor Reagan vetoed a similar bill that set the election for June 1972. He said the money was not yet needed.

Cities and counties throughout the state are to receive $90 million for purchase and development of land for parks, recreation areas, and beaches, and to acquire sites of historical interest.

Each county, including the cities within that county, may receive grants in proportion to the county's population, except that the total grants any county may receive will not be less then $200,000.

The lands to be acquired by the state under this act are to be predominantly open or natural lands, including lands under water capable of being used for multiple recreation purposes, and lands necessary for historic preservation.

New recreation lands must be acquired because the present outdoor recreation facilities in California are inadequate and will become critically inadequate in the future. Any delay in securing additional lands will result in the loss of suitable lands for recreation and will increase the cost of such lands.

Drink It Quick. . .

. . .or the bottle might dissolve. At least, it might if it's made out of plastic containing a new additive announced in an item in "Advance Planning" and submitted to NEWS and VIEWS by Landscape Architect *Bob Deering*.

According to the item, Bio-Degradable Plastics, Inc., of Boise, Idaho has developed and is marketing a polystyrene additive that permits disposable plastic products to decompose when exposed to direct sunlight. The product, added during manufacturing, has great potential for trash can liners, cups, egg cartons, and the like.

Romeo And Juliet Is A Midsummer Night's Dream

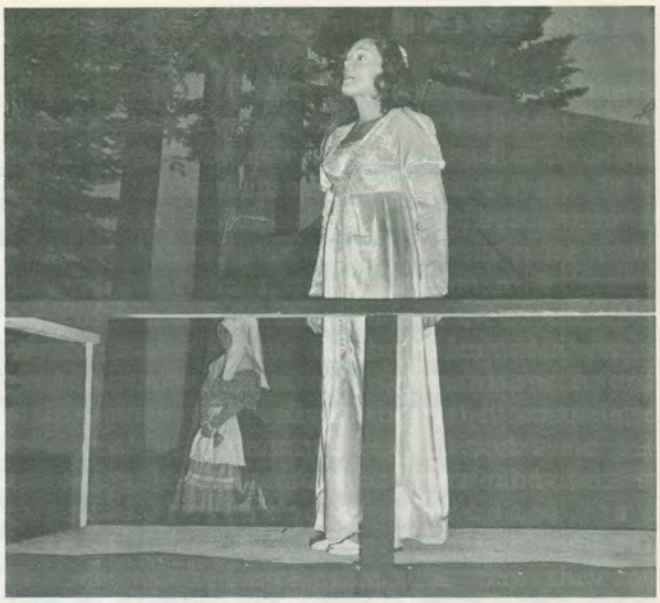
From the last week of July through the first week in August, the New Shakespeare Company of San Francisco played to a full house every night at Sugar Pine Point SP. The plays – As You Like It, A Midsummer Night's Dream, and Romeo and Juliet – were staged on the front lawn in front of the old Ehrman Mansion, and as many as 1,400 people attended each of the eight performances.

Their director is Margrit Roma, and the cast members take on their parts for the different plays as effortlessly as they do their costumes. They are thoroughly professional and a delight to watch. According to their billing (and their reviews) they present the Bard as "movement, passion. . .primitive and sensual. . .the old Shakespeare, the way they performed him in England back in the 1590s."

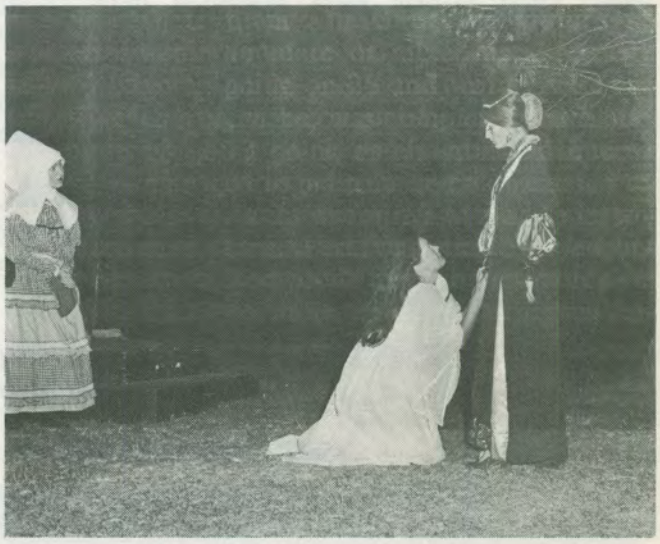
There were many children in the audience, and the fact that there was hardly a sound out of them attests to the group's ability to hold an audience of mixed ages. My daughter, who is 14 going on 26 and wordly wise as only a 14-year-old can be, was completely enchanted. My son, who is 13 going on 7, squirmed once in a while, but he managed to become captivated too.

As for my wife and me, we rated it four stars plus. Last year the troupe played at Armstrong Redwoods SR. Wherever they play next year, we'll be there watching (they're signed up for '73).

– Dick Thompson
Editor, Emeritus



"Romeo, Romeo. . ." Sandra Pappas as Juliet. That's Susan Santino as Nurse in the background.



Juliet's mother was played by Connie West.

In the tradition of the old Globe Theatre, the cast lines up and introduces the show.

Director Margrit Roma and a member of her cast.

What's Happening

More Least Terns At Huntington State Beach

To nest successfully, the California least tern (Sterna albifrons browni) needs a large expanse of open sand, a nearby estuary to serve as a source of small fish for food, and plenty of peace and quiet. The last has been increased at Huntington SB, thanks to the combined efforts of the Ranger, Maintenance, and Lifeguard staffs in adding an additional acre to the beach's Least Tern Sanctuary last March.

Now a total of two and a half acres at the beach, up from about an acre and a half, is enclosed with chain link fence to give the terns a haven from two major menaces – unleashed dogs from neighboring beaches, and children at play. The park staff still keeps an eye open for boys throwing rocks, and crows which will eat the terns' eggs. Their efforts were rewarded with about twenty fledglings this year in a colony of forty adults (some of which seem to have moved into the park from neighboring ternerys, according to Supervising Ranger *Larry Moore*). Last year, the beach hosted only 24 adults.

Since the terns are an endangered species, the Huntington staff hopes that this small colony will grow to provide enjoyment for many more generations of park visitors.

– R. R. Brown, State Park Naturalist
Orange Coast Area

Photos courtesy of the Borrego Sun.

Photo by Herb Clarke

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When the San Diego County Flood Control District began construction of a dike to control flood waters out of Tubb Canyon, the Anza-Borrego Desert SP staff snatched slow-growing desert plants from in front of the scraper and replanted them in the park. Plants saved included barrel, hedgehog, fishhook, and cholla cactus, and ocotillo. Below, Park Naturalist Ernie Brown, Park Aid Bill Lawrence, and Maintenance Assistant L. B. Burns load ocotillo into a truck to haul to headquarters; bottom, Park Aid Lawrence follows the scraper after saving an ocotillo. Park Naturalist Barry Jones provided the information for this story.

Students and Supervising Ranger Frank Herald work on the signs at Angel Island. Photo courtesy of the San Rafael Independent Journal.

Changes At Angel Island

Thanks to the help of students from Tamalpais High School and Navy men from Treasure Island, the East Garrison at Angel Island SP opened to the public in August, easing some of the crowding at Ayala Cove. First event held there was a party for Cornell University alumni, complete with five-piece band; since that first weekend, attendance at the park has picked up noticeably.

Many hiking trails are now open, with signs and maps available, and the Island's bicycle trails, an extension of the Marin Riding and Hiking Trails, are also very popular. The Island's concessioner is doing a booming business in bike rentals. For those not interested in hiking or biking, there are guided elephant train tours.

Another change is in the collection of fees; most visitors now pay park fees when they board the ferry. Those who come by private boat, of course, still pay when they get to the Island. So far, public reaction to this system has been favorable.

More changes are in store for the future, too. Installation of 40 new boat moorings has already been approved, and the Department of Navigation and Ocean Development should be putting them in soon. When the Island's buildings have been restored and made safe, some will be opened as interpretive centers; others will have signs nearby explaining the role they played in the Island's history. The park staff hopes to open the Island's little church for nondenominational services, if the Army can be persuaded to contribute field altar hardware – a small organ and its accessories.

So Angel Island, already a favorite of many Bay Area residents, may soon become even more popular.

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When 120 senior Girl Scouts from 34 states visited La Purisima Mission SHP as part of a historical tour, they got into the swing of things in a hurry. The pictures, from top to bottom, show the girls doing Indian bead work, demonstrating candle making, planting, and riding a carreta. Photos by Don Swabb.

What's Happening

The Park Circuit

Department of Aeronautics "News" reports working with us to develop a recreational landing field at **Lake Perris SRA.** Status of the project: We have contacted Riverside County for approval.

Border Field, on the ocean in San Diego County north of the Mexico boundary, has been officially turned over to the Department. The value on the 326.2 acres was $4,201,500, including a $1,500 dwelling, There was no charge to the state as the land was given to us under President Nixon's Legacy of Parks program. The transfer was recorded June 28, 1972.

A new law provides that cabin leases at Steep Ravine in **Mount Tamalpais SP** not be renewed when they expire. Current leases with 13 parties are due to expire in September, October, and November of this year. A previous law required the State to renew leases with the parties that occupied the cabins when the State acquired Steep Ravine in 1961. Senator Peter H. Behr, R-Tiburon, introduced the measure to terminate the leases.

Several valley newspapers carried a story announcing the plans of Four Rivers Area Manager *Clyde Strickler* to come up with a program of marking the 80 underwater hazards at **San Luis Reservoir SRA.**

A feature story in the Thousand Oaks News Chronical laments the new campground being constructed at **Carpinteria SB.** Some 73 campsites are being built, 34 with trailer hookups. The article says the campsites are much too crowded, and a visitor said it's like camping in the heart of Los Angeles.

Grazing leases at **Anza-Borrego Desert SP** were terminated by the Department at the end of June. The three leases involved 14,445 acres of land. July 1 marked the first day in the history of the park that there were no cattle grazing there.

Did you know that 1972 is the 70th anniversary of the founding of the first modern-day California State Park? It was way back in 1902 that the State purchased the California Redwood Park at Big Basin, now called **Big Basin Redwoods SP.** District 6 Superintendent *Jim Whitehead* pointed out the anniversary in a flyer sent to park personnel.

The Pacific Grove-Asilomar Operating Corporation has purchased a piece of property adjacent to **Asilomar SB** and given it to the State. The purchase involved 1.27 acres of land for $21,800 and a residence for $8,200. The corporation will operate the new property along with the rest of the area under the operating agreement with the Department. Date of the transfer to the State was July 19, 1972.

Ken Macker of Ticketron reports that Hearst tour reservations can now be made in person at some 50 Ticketron outlets in Chicago, Illinois. Most of the outlets are in Montgomery Ward stores, which comprise the largest ticket selling operation in the world. He says Ticketron expects to be handling Hearst tour reservations on the East Coast beginning September 20.

The new weekly campfire and interpretive program at **Old Town San Diego SHP** rated an article in the August 3 San Diego Union. Highlights described in the Union were the story of the California grizzly bear and how he became extinct, and songs by a barbershop quartet.

During demolition of the City Hotel in **Columbia SHP** a milk bill dated November 1, 1927, was dug up and now rests in the park office. The Sonora Union Democrat reported the bill was $12.40 for 124 quarts of milk. The bill was signed by J. C. Naegele, founder of the Columbia Candy Kitchen.

The Director has ordered the centralization of all acquisition activities under the Real Property Section of Les McCargo in the Administrative Services Division as of September 1. Its purpose is to make the program more effective.

The U.S. Army made the scene at **Andrew Molera SP** last month, as reported in the Monterey Peninsula Herald. Volunteer soldiers from Company C, 4th Batallion, 1st Brigade repaired fences, painted a barn, and cleaned up river banks as part of a regular weekend contribution to the Monterey ecology scene. Soldiers and their families participated.

Emerald Bay SP reopened to public use August 3 after being closed for over a year while sewer facilities were being installed. An hour after opening, 59 of the 100 developed campsites were occupied. D. L. Bliss is the last park in the Tahoe area to have a sewer system installed and it is now closed while that work is being done.

El Presidio de Santa Barbara has been turned over to the Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation under a concession contract, for a one-year period which began August 1. The trust will take care of operating and maintaining the facilities during the contract. A longer term contract will be considered during the interim.

Director Mott has written the San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors informing them that the State is the logical entity to operate the **Pismo SB** area for recreation. He has asked the county to relinquish its easement on PG&E property so that the State can proceed with acquisition.

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For Your Information

Let's Get Back In Shape!

For many of us in both field and staff assignments, keeping physically fit has become increasingly difficult. We're often tied to the desk all day, and those days soon mount into weeks or months before we realize just how easy it is to slip out of shape. Too much paperwork, too much food, too tired after work and, too soon, too much flab that's too hard to get rid of. Strike home? Well, don't despair. There's at least partial relief.

A course in the Ranger Trainee Program deals with physical fitness, and part of that course presents material which can help us all. It is the science of Isometrics, a proven method of exercising well suited for supplementing daily activity. Isometrics is physical exercise without movement and, using the nine basic exercises shown here, you can work toward physical fitness at your desk – *and in 54 seconds a day*.

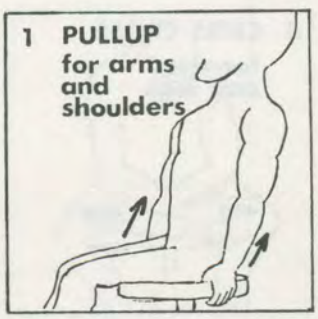
The secret of Isometrics is in using one set of muscles to exercise against another. By this method you can strengthen and tone your muscles without any actual body movement at all, and you have to devote only six seconds to each set of muscles! Why only six seconds? Because in only six seconds most individuals can gain significant amounts of strength and muscle tone. Science has shown that a muscle can grow in strength only at a certain rate which cannot be speeded up, no matter how much you exercise beyond a certain point.

For maximum benefit, the nine basic exercises shown must be done at least once a day. Although a single repetition in each position will result in a significant increase in strength for most individuals, several repetitions are better.

Think of it. Less than one minute a day. You do it at your desk. No equipment, no change of clothes, no strenuous physical activity. And it works!

– Jim Kruger, Director
Training Center

JUST A MINUTE, PLEASE! That's all it takes to perform these nine basic exercises each day without lengthy physical programs or strenuous activity. You need only a desk, chair, initiative, pride and desire. HOLD YOUR BREATH: do each exercise for six seconds; rest briefly, then go on to the next one. GET IN SHAPE – TRY IT!



1. Sit straight, holding sides of chair tightly with hands then pull up as hard as you can, using shoulder, back and arm muscles.

2. Sit straight; chest out and arms across it; place fist in other hand; press, using all your shoulders and arms strength possible.

3. Keep back straight and lean forward until you can grasp your legs (or chair brace); pull straight up using only muscles of back.

4. Sit straight clasping hands behind back; elbows pulling forward with hands while at the same time, pulling head back as hard as possible.

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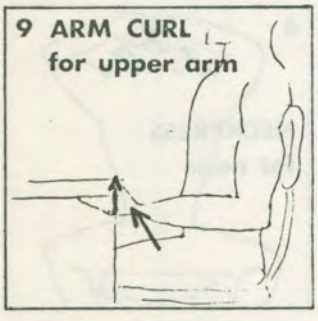
5. Legs together straight out; bending forward, grasp legs below knee; press down with hands; press up against the hands with both legs.

6. Sit forward on chair edge and with legs straight out hook one foot over other holding chair tight; rest your heel on floor; try to pull apart.

7. Back straight; lean forward with hands palm down on the chair sides; legs straight out; try to raise body one inch off your chair.

8. Bend forward and feet apart about 4" with hands against inside opposite knee; press knees in and hands out just as hard as possible.



9. Sit straight; grasping desk underside with handpalms up and arms parallel to desk, push up as hard as possible.

Ranger Clark Adkisson of Silver Strand SB is shown on duty in his undercover uniform. He looks like he just got the news about the new $150-per-year uniform allowance. That would buy a lot of sun tan lotion.

Wha'd He Say?

This is the sort of thing that the Distribution and Reproduction Center struggles with daily –

Gentlepersons:

Without resorting to redundant adulations, I can but recite that the pulchritude of your region has transcended the urbane boundaries erected by humanity. Indubitably, it is time for this nefarious denizen to decry the vicarious pleasures peddled by harbingers, cast aside inertia, and accept imminent vicissitudes.

Gratitude would be gratefully extended if literature could be relinquished to me exemplifying the untrammeled pastoral areas that represent a paragon of salubrious living, bristling with bosky aromas, glint-ridden tarns, and supernal swales.

Melodiously yours,

Ron Parrish
1002 Westlynn Way, Apt. 3
San Jose, Calif. 95129

New Law Provides Uniform Allowance

An annual uniform allowance of up to $150, depending on average annual replacement cost, will be provided to each employee required to wear a uniform as a condition of his employment, under a bill recently signed into law by Governor Reagan. However, new employees must still buy the initial uniform items required for their jobs.

The bill, AB 42 by Assemblyman Bob Monagan, also provides for state-furnished work clothing, and safety and protective equipment.

At its September meeting, the State Board of Control will review proposed procedures to determine what articles of clothing are to be included in the allowance, how often it will be paid and when the first payment will be made, and when new employees will become eligible for it. The Board must also pass on department requests for changes in uniform, and decide when uniforms are required for a job.

Clarification Of Xerox Savings

The last issue of NEWS AND VIEWS gave a nice plug to Management Analysis' recommendations leading to significant savings in Xerox reproduction costs. Unfortunately, some of the arithmetic in the article didn't hang together too well. It said "Xerox savings will be about $150 per month and in excess of $17,000 for a full year." There is *no way* to make $150 per month total $17,000 a year. We will save $150 a month – and we will save about $17,000 a year, but one is apples and the other oranges.

Savings will result from three factors – Reduction in Xerox copies – Elimination of wasted time of employees (many at high salaries), making Xerox copies themselves – Elimination of need for another Xerox machine.

Copy savings will be about $150 a month. We will save at least $16,000 on the other two factors. All three factors together will save us at least $17,000 a year.

– Merrick Chaffee

VOX POP

The "lady in the tree stump" incident related last month in *Bits and Pieces* was so well told by the lady herself in a letter to Governor Reagan that it rates a complete printing this month in *Vox Pop*:

Dear Sir,

I would like to commend Ranger Jim Phillips, Trainee Wolfe, and Maintenance Man Lucky, of the Ranger Station at Samuel P. Taylor State Park for their calm, skillful rescue of me on an outing with a 4th grade school class from Silveira School (in Marinwood) on June 5th.

While hiking, climbing swiftly up the Wildcat Trail, the group of children I was guiding stopped to hide and play in an old redwood tree stump as children often do in that beloved park. I, being a mother of 6 children, thought that looked fun, so when the group of kids got out, I climbed in. I immediately felt like Pooh Bear. I realized I couldn't get out or be pulled out. I was stuck but good. When the strong 10 year old boys, my son, Chris and Mark Bernadini tried to pull me up, we found I was caught at the hips, so my rib cage seemed to be almost separated from my body. The tree was thick, the outside hard, the inside rotting away. Although the ground felt solid, within an hour I was too far down to be seen by passersby. Chris said, "Don't worry, Mom, I'll stay by you". Mark said he would, too, and they did. We sent Sherry Bartlett and Raine Coker back to camp at the picnic ground where the school bus was parked to get Mrs. Alma Johnson (the teacher) and other ladies to help. Sherry, I realized as we'd hiked earlier, was a wonderful trail guide for a 10 year old. When the ladies returned, we soon realized we'd need the Rangers and more equipment to complete the needed rescue.

The gentlemen came, asked me with a grin what I was doing down there. I told them, also with a sheepish grin. They went back for equipment such as axe, hatchet, and other implements, and skillfully cut away enough of the tree to free me. I was caught in the tree rather helplessly for about 3 hours altogether. The Rangers worked on the very hard job of cutting the tree without jabbing a crow bar into my stomach for at least an hour before I was freed. They patiently allowed the children to watch and learn from the rescue mission until the last 15 minutes when they could almost see the thin but still unyielding layers of the tree breathing with me. They then sent the children up the hill as they finished their unusual but difficult task. When I was partially pulled up, then able to scramble the rest of the way out, they told Mrs. Johnson to see that I rested for a half hour or so in the pine-scented grass and dirt, because they knew shock would gradually affect me. I rested, and thought of what a wonderful bunch of children they were to realize the importance of *staying with me* – there are *so many* old redwood stumps in that park, but also sending part of our group back for help. Without all of the cool heads of the children involved, I could have been lost in that tree – perhaps a skeleton found years later. As it is, I have lots of faith in our young generation and our fine Forest Rangers. I promised the Rangers (especially Mr. Phillips) next time I enjoy an outing at Taylor Park, I won't climb in any old redwood stumps. I'm 40. I'll leave them for the kidlets who fit in and out better.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Joanne M. Fowler

VOX POP

An Oregon man wrote that his tour through the Weaverville Joss House State Historic Park on July 3 was particularly enhanced by the way Guide *Dick Davies* presented the historical information about the Chinese who built Joss House and worshipped there.

Irene Hanks, Supervisor of Guides at the Hearst State Historical Monument, commends *Mary Lowe*, of Graphic Services, for her excellent work on the new Tour I training manuals. The guides are highly pleased and express their appreciation for the very helpful books.

Metta Hake, Guide at Hearst Castle, received a special thanks, last month, for her arrangement and conduct of a tour by 30 blind people. The sense of touch was allowed for the first time there to an entire group. Howard F. Bergherm, Director of Special Activities for the Braille Institute of America, wrote, "I have heard wonderful, glowing accounts of your descriptive tour and about how thoughtful you were. It was a wonderful experience for our people."

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fitch of Burbank commended Guide *Gernard Bechthold* for the splendid organization and conduct of their recent tour of Hearst Castle.

The postman brought compliments for courtesy and efficiency by 5th District personnel from the Donald Williams family, of La Canada, who camped during the July 4th weekend at Atascadero State Beach; from the Halley family (origin unknown), who camped at Morro Bay State Park (and who think Ranger *John Meyers* is the greatest); and from Mr. and Mrs. George Cline of Bakersfield, who are grateful for assistance by Ranger Trainee *Homer Townsend* and his partner of the San Luis Obispo Coast Area.

Hayden P. Smith of Santa Ana commends the courtesy and helpfulness of Ranger *Allan Baker* of Humboldt Redwoods State Park. Smith and his party of campers had a flat tire and found there was not enough air in the spare. Baker drove them to the nearest service station, waited while the tire was checked and filled with air, drove them back to their stranded camper, and checked later to make sure everything was OK. Smith and his group say they have become volunteer public relations men for the Department.

Thirty third-graders from Redwood School in Fort Bragg and their teacher, Wes Bradshaw, have unanimously voted their tour of the Pygmy Forest at Van Damme State Park the field trip of the year, thanks to Ranger *Wendell Rickon*. Rickon's ability to communicate with the youngsters, Bradshaw said, was outstanding.

Lifeguards *Paul McGinnis, Randy Trefrey,* and *James Causey* of the San Clemente State Lifeguard Station each received a letter of commendation from President Nixon for their good work in helping to control crowds during his visit to the Western White House on July 5.

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Potpourri

A Call To Action

The American Revolution Bicentennial Commission has an official film, "A Call To Action", which is the Commission's effort to explain the opportunities the Bicentennial presents to all the people of the United States. Through voices, faces and communities of America, the film explores our heritage and projects our horizons.

This 14 minute film is part of an over-all national Bicentennial Awareness campaign. It is 16mm, sound and color and may be obtained on loan from:

Office of Communications
American Revolution Bicentennial Commission
736 Jackson Place, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20276

Department Publication Receives Award

Point Lobos State Reserve – Interpretation of a Primitive Landscape was awarded second place in the "Special Publications" division of a competition sponsored by the American Association for Conservation Education. First place went to the New York Department of Environmental Conservation's publication *Help! Give Earth A Chance*.

The contest judges were particularly impressed by the book's photos, some of which came from such famed photographers as Ansel Adams, Philip Hyde, and Edward Weston.

The 80-page book, a series of essays on the Reserve first published in 1954, was brought up to date and expanded by Information Section Research Writer *Joe Engbeck*. It is available at the Reserve, or at Department headquarters, for $2.

Food For Thought

From the Coors Beer Company "Caps and Taps", courtesy of District 6 Superintendent *Jim Whitehead*, we have the following:

"Coors and its 166 distributors in 11 western states have been involved with the Cash-For-Cans only since January 1970, but:

> . . .they have collected enough aluminum scrap to build seventy-three 747 jumbo jet aircraft!
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> . . .or enough to make 48 million aluminum golf club shafts!
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> . . .or enough to eliminate the need to mine 48 million pounds of bauxite, which would otherwise be needed to manufacture "new" aluminum!
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> . . .or enough scrap cans that if they were placed end to end, would stretch completely around the world!

These facts illuminate dramatically, again, the massive waste we have built into our system over the years and the potential for correcting this terrible decimation of our natural resources and the resulting burdens we are placing on those who will follow us.

WHAT HAVE *YOU* DONE TO HELP?

Golden Eagle Flies Again

After much delay, legislation authorizing the Golden Eagle Passport for entry to National Parks and U.S. Forest Service recreation areas has become law. The legislation comes too late to do Summer 1972 vacationers much good; it makes the passport permanent, though, so that park users will be able to buy a new annual passport at the beginning of each calendar year starting in 1973.

A new feature of the law is a free Golden Age Passport for persons 62 and older which admits them to the areas, and gives them a 50 percent discount on campground fees.

Meanwhile, a Parklands Passport is being issued by the National Park Service for this year. Though its benefits are limited to national parks, it too is available free under the "Golden Age" concept to those 62 and over.

329 News Clippings

News clippings supplied headquarters during July totaled 329, second highest number submitted since the program began eight months ago. The all-time high was 358 clippings in March.

District 6 led the field with 64, followed by District 5-60, District 3-53, District 2-32, District 1-25, and District 4-20. Headquarters supplied 11 and Allen's Press Clipping Bureau 64.

Newspaper and magazine articles about Department programs and activities are clipped and sent to the headquarters Information Section where they are pasted up in folders and routed throughout the Department.

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BITS & PIECES

The Administration Building safe in the Big Sur area was burgled early Sunday morning, July 13, and all the cash (a total of $5.14) was taken. Despite the low pay for a night's work, the burglars kept their cool. They borrowed *Jack Stowe's* poster and left it on the safe. It was a reproduction of a $250 reward poster for parties that had robbed the Wells Fargo treasure box.

Rangers *Bob Stewart* and *Al Oliver* of Calaveras, in Ranger uniforms and riding horses, won a first prize in the Murphys homecoming parade July 23. Their category was, "Park Rangers dressed in park uniforms riding a quarter horse and Appaloosa horse." They admit the competition wasn't too stiff.

Ever expanding its horizons, **McConnel SRA** has attracted a new clientele to the old swimming hole on the Merced River. It's a small Shetland pony. Although gentle as a kitten and enjoying the beach, he was removed to an improvised corral until his owner could be located.

Six nude males wandering through **Gaviota SP** led District Enforcement Specialist *Morrison* to acquire special equipment and assistance to trap the culprits. When all was in readiness, the weather turned cool and everyone kept their clothes on. Area Manager *William Dougherty* comments that the mention of nudes on the beach instantly conjures up a vision of sexy women without bikinis, and in reality, the scene is more likely to be made up by a 60-year-old, 5'2" grandmother weighing 250 pounds, or a bald-headed, hairy chested, beer-bellied exhibitionist.

S.P. Taylor SP reports a woman camper sat on a yellow jacket nest with the expected end result. No first aid was given (by the park staff, that is).

BITS & PIECES

Heart Bar, short of staff because of the **Silverwood** operation, had additional woes to report in July: At one time during the month, one generator was in the shop, another was dismantled in the shed, one borrowed from Anza was inoperable, and a rental unit was also down. Fortunately, a second rental was chugging away.

Hiouchi Area reported a fisherman left his tackle box at the edge of the forest along the Smith River as he went upstream fishing. Shortly after, he noticed a young lad walking upstream with a tackle box that resembled his own. Investigation disclosed it was his own. The lad said someone had given it to him for carrying some fish to camp. Six lures were missing.

Could it have been in the script? Bob Ager and Tom Crandall from the Department of Navigation and Ocean Development visited **Lake Elsinore SRA**, met with District Enforcement Specialist *Paul Muspratt*, and inquired about boating problems on the lake. Three boats promptly sank in the center of the lake, all at one time. All were retrieved and towed to shore within 15 minutes, without injury or further mishap.

A 10-year-old boy put a small firecracker in the cannon at the entrance to **Sutter's Fort.** The disappointingly small "pop" was more than offset by the big noise made by his father, plus the confiscation of his fireworks.

A mature golden eagle, alive but groggy, was brought into **Morro Bay SP** by a visitor. Staff deduced someone had shot and grazed his wing, knocking him to the ground. The bird was kept overnight in one of the animal cages and turned over to Fish and Game. Area Manager *Chuck Lyden* reported that one look at the bird's talons would discourage most people from picking it up. This eagle was particularly deadly, Lyden said. His breath alone would knock over prey at five feet.

The gardner at **Sonoma Mission** reported that a group of children preferred to stay outside and watch him mow the lawn rather than go inside and tour the mission.

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Trainees Complete Basic

Twenty State Park Ranger Trainees, hired in March 1972, have completed 170 hours of formal training at the Department Training Center in Pacific Grove. The group was unique in that it included the first female trainee to join our field forces. It was also the first group to be provided its complete Training Program Syllabus providing an overview of training year, on date of hire.

Trainee Program course leaders during the past fiscal year included: *Jim Whitehead, Milt Frincke, Casey Buchter, Warren Douglas, Jim Neal, Jim Tucker, Garth Tanner, John Walstrom, Jack Stowe, Ron McCullough, Dick Menefee, Ric Carpenter, Bob Reese, Harry Batlin, Mike Merkel, Dave Dosch, Norm Wilson, Gene Russell, Bud Gettỳ, Bob Allen,* and Training Center staff members *Frank Bellinghausen* and *Jim Kruger.* Guest speakers included: Mrs. Roma Philbrook, Asilomar Manager; Josh Barkin, East Bay Regional Park District; Lieutenant Carl Thormeyer, Meteorologist, Naval Post Graduate School; Gene Gertis, Department of Fish and Game; and members of a Forestry crew.

The trainee group, pictured during their last days at Asilomar in June 1972, include: *Mike Garguilo, Stouhgton Richmond* and *John Knott* of Dyerville Area; *Miles Standish, Matt Sugarman* and *Gig Loomis* of the Golden Gate Area; *Ted Reinhardt, Harry Morse, John Dodds* and *Mike Muetz* of Folsom Lake Area; *Don Hoyle, Glen McGowan, Lloyd Limprecht* and *Paula Peterson* of Santa Cruz Mountain Area; *Ken Leigh, Bruce Dinneford* and *George Gray* of San Luis Obispo Coast Area; and *Bob Culbertson, John Jennings* and *Terry Brann* of San Diego Coast Area.

–Jim Kurger, Director
Training Center

Ranger Needs Help

Marion Hanshew, State Park Ranger at Lake Oroville Area, has been in Kaiser Hospital in Sacramento since June 30 with heart disease and pneumonia.

Blood donations are needed to replace blood used by Marion on his road to recovery. Those persons wishing to help should contact the American Red Cross and specify that the blood is being donated in the name of Marion Hanshew at Kaiser Foundation Hospital, Sacramento.

Golden Gate Ranger To Set Headquarters Straight

Ranger II *Gerry Johnson* has been selected to fill a vacancy in the Management Analysis Section in Sacramento on a formal 1- to 2-year training assignment. He and his wife Marylee hope to have themselves, their two-year-old daughter, and their belongings all moved to Sacramento and ready to go by September 18, his first day on his new job.

Gerry started his career with the Department in 1960 as a Park Aid at Armstrong Redwoods. Since then he has served as a Laborer, State Park Attendant, Ranger I, and most recently as the Ranger II – Administrative Ranger – at the Golden Gate Area. Gerry also served four years in the U.S. Navy aboard a nuclear submarine.

I would like to thank all of the 29 field employees who responded to the announcement of this vacancy in late July. They represented a real cross section of the Department and included Guides; Rangers I, II, and III; Maintenance Men I and II; and Maintenance Supervisors I and II. The high quality of the applicants and the diversity of their backgrounds made selection very difficult. I am passing the names of those who applied on to the Manpower Utilization Section of the Operations Division so they will be aware of field employees who may be interested in future Sacramento assignments.

I hope that all field employees will think of Gerry as the Operations Division's representative on the Management Analysis staff and take advantage of the fact that he understands field problems. If there are any procedures that seem cumbersome or are not working for you, give Gerry a call and we will see what we can do to help.

– Bob Dutra, Supervisor
Management Analysis Section

DWR Employee Prevents Drowning

Clyde Strickler Manager of the Four Rivers Area, reports that the heroic action of Department of Water Resources employee Alden Chase saved the life of a boater at San Luis Reservoir on July 19.

Pete Murretti of Gilroy and two other men were out in a boat at 5:30 in the morning to catch that "fish that got away" a couple of days before. A sudden high wind whipped up waves 4 to 5 feet high, and the boat overturned. The other two men swam to shore, but Murretti had to cling to the capsized craft.

The men who made it to shore ran to the Water Resources administration building and found Custodian Alden Chase on duty. The three and another DWR employee climbed into a van and raced back to the shore near the shipwrecked Murretti.

Chase, over 60 years of age but equal to the challenge, swam a lifeline to Murretti.

By then, State Police Officer Dan Bonillas and Park Aids *Kent McVey* and *Louis Martin* had arrived on the scene, and they hauled the fisherman to safety.

Chase received a letter of commendation from Director Mott for his courageous and timely act. The Department of Water Resources is preparing an appropriate recognition of Chase's action.

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A Wing Ding Of A Party

To all our friends:

Since we can't write each of you individually, we are asking that this be printed in News and Views so you will all know our appreciation for the wonderful retirement party given us last Saturday night, July 29.

We were almost overwhelmed by the size of the crowd and the many wonderful gifts received. Our very sincere thanks to all who participated. Thanks, too, to all of you who traveled from all over the State to wish us well.

To those who have been my supervisors over the years; thank you for understanding and forbearance when I have goofed.

To all who have worked under my supervision; thank you for the loyalty and diligence you displayed that made possible my rewarding career with the California State Park System.

To those who labored mightily to make the party an outstanding success; Well Done! We will never forget the results of your efforts.

To all who attended and wished us well; our sincere appreciation and a warm invitation to give the latch string a yank when you are in our vicinity. If my skill is equal to the quality of the fishing tackle received there should be fish in the pan at the Lively hacienda.

July 29 will live in our memories as one of the outstanding events of our lives. Words cannot adequately express our appreciation. May God bless you all with the same warm feelings of friendship that were bestowed on us.

Sincerely,
Chris and Lloyd Lively

100 Years In The Parks. . .

. . .that's the total service of four Department employees receiving their 25-year awards.

Cliff Allen started as a Senior Engineering Aid in Sacramento in 1947 and became a Ranger later that same year. He's worked at Big Sur, McArthur-Burney, and Van Damme, but he's spent the majority of his career in the redwoods, at Dyerville and Humboldt.

Ranger *Harry Kauffman* started out in the redwoods – at Stephens Grove, Richardson Grove, and Pfeiffer Big Sur. Then he moved to the Central Valley and worked eight years at McConnell SRA and the Four Rivers Area and, in 1968, transferred to the Sonoma Area. He will retire September 1.

Redwoods must have been big twenty-five years ago, because that's where Park Maintenance Supervisor *Derrick G. Andrews* started out too, at Pfeiffer Big Sur. Now in the Russian River Area, he's also worked at Castle Crags, Armstrong, Mount Tamalpais, MacKerricher, and Sam Taylor.

Jack R. McConnell received a temporary appointment as a Senior Engineering Aid in 1946. Now, twenty-five years of service later, he's still on the job as an Instrumentman in the Survey Unit of the Design and Development Division.

Editor's Note: Do you know somebody who's about to retire, or complete 25 years of service, or do something else that's sensational? If so, why not write (yes, write*) a short article for NEWS and VIEWS, detailing the news and the career peculiarities, whatever, of the person involved. The facts are never the whole story!*

Account Clerk II Walter Addobati dropped everything in the Accounting Section July 31 and retired. With him is Supervising Account Clerk Jean Bowdoin. Walter had been with the Department for 15 years. His co-workers honored him with a going away luncheon and he was presented with a home-made scrapbook.

Mt. San Jacinto Area Manager Bill Stahlberg and his wife, Frances, celebrated his 25th anniversary with the Department with a party thrown by the staff. They were presented with tickets to two Dodger baseball games for him and his family.

Fred Meyer Receives 25-Year Award

On July 1, 1972, *Fred Meyer* completed 25 years with the State of California, all of which was served with this Department or its predecessor, the Department of Natural Resources. This momentous date achieved official recognition on August 31, when the staff of the Resource Management and Protection Division surprised Fred with a luncheon at Ellis' Restaurant, at the close of which Jim Tryner, Chief of that Division, presented Fred with his 25-year award.

During that presentation Chief Tryner pointed out that, while Fred's service to the State Park System is only officially 25 years, he has actually been serving the principles of that system for a good many more years, including work for the National Park Service and the U.S. Forest Service, and a stint with Frederick Law Olmsted during the 1945 Olmsted Survey for the then State Park Commission.

Fred has worn a number of titles during his tenure with this Department, from Assistant Forestry Engineer to Forester III, but he has finally achieved the title "Supervisor, Environmental Resources Section." If you drop the "Section", you have a pretty good picture of what Fred has been doing all these years, no matter who he happened to be working for or what title he happened to be wearing.

Congratulations, Fred. You are doing a tremendous job.

–Beth Coppedge

Fred Meyer (right) receives 25-year award from RM&P Chief Jim Tryner.

Jim Hamrick transferred to Anza-Borrego from the Orange Coast Area as a Park Maintenance Assistant to fill the position vacated several months ago by *Jim Peat*.

Ranger *Hal Terry* transferred from Gaviota to Channel Coast as Area Manager July 1. He swapped with Area Manager *Pat Dougherty* who went in the opposite direction.

Clerk Typist *Cheryl S. O'Neill* closed out her career at the Dyerville Area July 5 and transferred to District 1 headquarters in Eureka with a promotion.

District 6 Superintendent *Jim Whitehead* points out that personnel from Anza-Borrego, Orange Coast, and the District office have purchased three Desert Gardens as of this writing as their share in the elimination of inholdings at Anza-Borrego Desert SP. Also, the La Pacifica Chapter of CSEA, made up of District 6 personnel, has purchased two more. He asks, "How is that for putting our money where our mouth is?"

Eugene Velzy, retired District 6 Assistant Superintendent, dropped into the Dyerville Area office with his wife. They were on their way to Idaho on vacation.

Ranger Trainees *Steven Moore* and *Curtis Kraft* started work at San Luis Reservoir SRA July 1. Area Manager *Clyde Strickler* says that if these two young Rangers are representative of the Department's training program, we have no worries for they are highly trained, enthusiastic, and in all respects a credit to our Department.

Miss Betty Ruebeling, Clerk 1 (Intermittent) in the Frontera Area, became *Mrs. Robert Van Fleet* July 29 in Las Vegas.

Malakoff Diggins Area Manager *Eric Leffingwell* was on the sick list for a spell in July, recuperating from a bout with arthritis.

Ranger *Ken Legg* reported to Marshall from the Sierra Area July 10. He will help with the interpretive program.

Supervising Ranger *Paul Jordan* was elected president of the San Juan Bautista Service Club.

Pajaro Coast Area Secretary *Noreen Neu* accepted the duties of Personnel Clerk at District 4 headquarters in Monterey July 10. A going-away party was held for her at Garbini's.

Ranger *Dale Hinkle* of Sunset SB entered Dominican Hospital and was placed in traction to alleviate a back problem.

Ranger 1 *Dan Rushing* left Plumas-Eureka July 19 to take up his new duties as Maintenance Man II at Marshall. Ranger *Chet Cowden* replaced him July 29.

Ranger *Jeff Price* of San Elijo SB and his wife, *Peggy*, became parents of an 8 lb. 8 oz. girl July 22. Named Jennifer Lynne, she has a two-year-old brother, *Jerod*.

People

San Luis Obispo Coast Area held a potluck picnic for seasonal and permanent staff at Chorro Willows July 11. Highlight of the get-acquainted event was a softball game in which the Park Aids beat the Rangers, 37-31.

At Hearst Castle, Guide I *Caroline Boniface* returned to work July 3 after an extended illness. Guide *Lee Rice* entered the hospital July 22 for treatment of an illness.

Dale Crane, once a Ranger at Prairie Creek and a Recreation Planner for Contract Services, visited in the Resources Building August 15. *Dale* is now Chief of Reservoir Operations for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, with headquarters in Washington, D.C. and a home in Springfield, Va. *Hank Hjersman* reports that Dale's daughter is now married, and Dale is a GS-15.

Jack Bechtel and *Aldona Vilkas* were married August 12 in the United Methodist Church in Sacramento. *Jack* is an Assistant Park and Recreation Specialist in the Grants and Statewide Studies Branch; *Aldona* is a Delineator in the Graphic Services Unit of the Design and Development Division. They wish to extend their thanks for the outpouring of goodwill, and for the luncheon, the coffee reception, and the generous gift. "The turn out of so many friends at the coffee reception was truely heartwarming and somewhat overwhelming. Our honeymoon on the island of Kauai was filled with many rich and beautiful experiences."

Harry Beddig and his bride, *Frances*, vacationed most of the month after tying the knot August 3 in Las Vegas. Harry is a Fiscal Officer I in charge of the Business Management and Contract Control Section of the Administrative Services Division. *Frances* resigned her job as interior decorator for Penney's Florin Center store. We were unable to learn *Frances'* maiden name at press time.

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APPOINTMENTS

Badgley, Dale E.	Accountant Trainee	Administrative Services	7-10-72
Barton, Richard M.	Asst Civil Engineer	Engineering Unit	8-7-72
Boulian, Dorann L.	Guide I, Hist Monument	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-26-72
Correa, Fredrick A.	State Pk Rngr (Int)	Dist 6 – Orange Cst Area	7-6-72
Doran, Terrence L.	Engineering Aid I	Survey Unit	8-7-72
Emenegger, James F.	State Pk Rngr (Int)	Dist 4 – Pajaro	7-16-72
Farrell, Kevin D.	State Pk Rngr (Int)	Channel Coast Area	6-15-72
Hart, David D.	State Pk Rngr (Int)	Santa Cruz Mtns Area	6-30-72
Hartwell, Arthur	Assoc Civil Engineer	Design and Development	7-10-72
Hladik, Paul D.	State Pk Rngr (Int)	Channel Coast Area	7-16-72
Johnson, Harry W.	Park Maint Asst	Dist 1 – Trinidad Area	7-17-72
Kendrick, Kathryn S.	Guide I, Hist Monument	Hearst San Simeon SHM	6-26-72
Lamb, Charles A.	State Pk Rngr (Int)	Dist 6 – Orange Cst Area	7-6-72
Loewen, Thomas D.	Delineator	Adm Svcs – Ownership Rec	8-14-72
Nielsen, Leatrice N.	Stenographer II	Dist 4 – Mt Diablo	7-6-72
Parker, Debra E.	Stenographer II	Dist 4 – Pajaro	8-1-72
Rein, Edward A., Jr.	State Pk Rngr (Int)	Dist 6 – Salton Sea	7-17-72
Roberts, Bruce W.	State Pk Rngr (Int)	Dist 6 – Orange Cst Area	7-1-72
Rogers, Steven M.	State Pk Rngr (Int)	Channel Coast Area	7-26-72
Schmidt, Margaret L.	Clerk Typist II	Dist 6 – Silverwood Lake	7-17-72
Schutt, Richard M.	Pk Maint Lndscp Tech	Dist 4 – Montera Area	8-1-72
Sederquist, Randolph H.	State Pk Rngr (Int)	Sierra Area	7-1-72
Turnipseed, Dennis S.	Adm Trainee	Adm Services – Audits	7-3-72
Visser, Charles M.	State Pk Rngr (Int)	Dist 6 – San Diego Cst Area	7-14-72
Wells, George D.	State Pk Rngr (Int)	Dist 6 – Montane Area	7-1-72
Wright, Dennis R.	Park Maint Asst	Dist 6 – Orange Cst Area	8-1-72

UNIT CHANGES

Brant, Ira J.	State Pk Rngr I	Santa Cruz Mtn to Mt Diablo	6-19-72
Brock, R. L.	State Pk Rngr V	Div Chief's Off, Operations to Visitor Services Branch	7-1-72

Caldwell, James L.	State Pk Rngr I	Santa Cruz Mtn to Piercy Area	6-19-72
Canatsey, Kenneth	State Pk Rngr (Int)	Anza-Borrego Area to Montane Area	6-23-72
Crutcher, H. L.	Deptmntl Comm Supvr	Div Chief's Off, Operations to Maintenance Services Branch	7-1-72
Culina, Victor C.	State Pk Rngr (Int)	Salton Sea Area to Frontera Area	5-2-72
Dess, W. J.	Equip Mngt Supvr	Div Chief's Off, Operations to Maintenance Services Branch	7-1-72
Dougherty, Wm. P.	State Pk Rngr IV	Channel Coast to Gaviota	7-10-72
Ebbatson, Arthur J.	State Pk Rngr Trn	Folsom to Orange Coast	6-19-72
Haussler, W. J.	Dist Super, Parks & Rec	Oper Div Chf's Off to Visitor Services Branch	7-1-72
Hesemeyer, J. W.	State Pk Rngr IV	Div Chief's Off, Operations to Visitor Services Branch	7-1-72
Holmes, R. L.	Exhibit Coordinator	Intrp Svcs to Maint Svcs Brn	7-1-72
Kenton, Sannie L.	Clerk II	Intrp Svcs to Off & Res Svcs	7-1-72
Legg, Kenneth	State Pk Rngr I	Sierra Area to Marshall Gold Area	7-10-72
Matthews, Dennis S.	State Pk Rngr Trn	SLO Cst to Big Sur Area	6-19-72
Miller, Hester M.	Clerk Typist I	Intrp Svcs to Div Chief's Office, Operations	7-1-72
Polder, John E.	State Pk Rngr I	Marshall Gold Area to Sierra Area	6-19-72
Russell, G. R.	Senior Photographer	Intrp Svcs to Maint Svcs Branch	7-1-72
Russell, Marie G.	Senior Stenographer	Intrp Svcs to Operations Div Chief's Office	7-1-72
Smyre, J. F.	Park & Safety Enforcement Supvr	Div Chief's Off, Operations to Visitor Services Branch	7-1-72
Tardif, R.	State Pk Rngr IV	Intrp Svcs to Div Chief's Off, Operations	7-1-72
Tucker, David A.	State Pk Hist III	Intrp Svcs to Grants & Statewide Studies	7-1-72
Warr, R. E.	Exhibit Technician	Intrp Svcs to Maint Svcs Branch	7-1-72
White, Joseph H.	State Pk Rngr Trn	San Diego Cst Area to Pt Lobos	6-19-72
Wilson, Norman L.	Supvr, Exhibit Prep	Intrp Svcs to Maint Svcs Branch	7-1-72

PROMOTIONS

Bitting, Samuel R., Jr.	Pk Maint Supvr I	Dist 6 – Mt San Jacinto to Montane Area	6-19-72
Collier, Kenneth W.	Assoc Lndscp Arch	Project Development Section	7-1-72
Covert, Woodrow A.	Heavy Equip Mechanic	Dist 4 HQ	7-1-72
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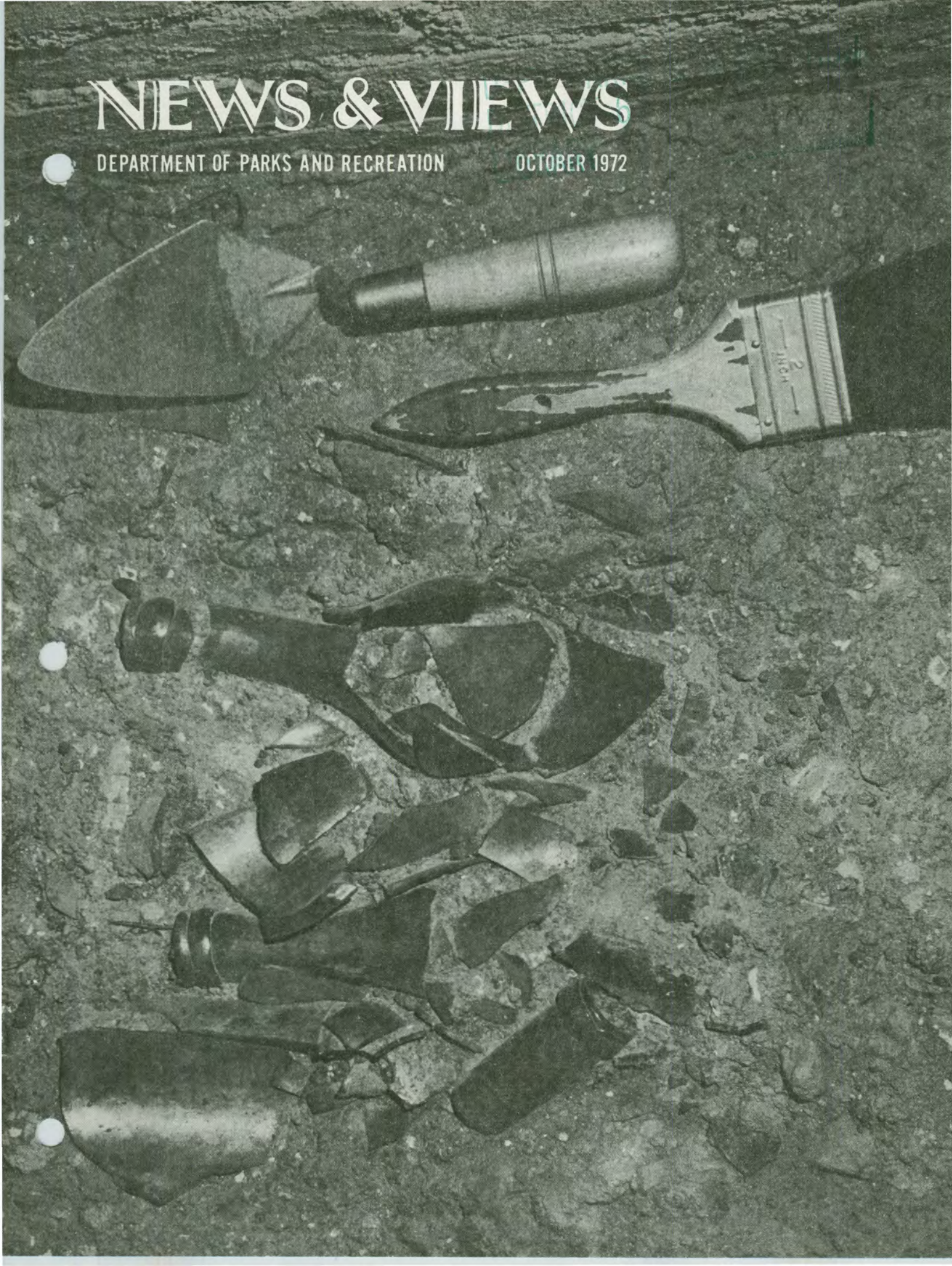


COMMISSION REPORT

The Ehrman Mansion at Sugar Pine Point SP was the setting for the September Commission Meeting, and Tahoe provided a good deal of the subject matter. On September 14 Area Manager *Carl Anderson* led a field trip from Sugar Pine Point to Vikingsholm at Emerald Bay SP to Grover Hot Springs SP where he and Commissioner Starkey "took the waters." At the next day's business session, Mrs. Isobel Brucklacher reported on the activities of the Tahoe Advisory Committee, which raised about $800 this summer toward the purchase of carpeting for the mansion's entrance hall, and with the help of the Federated Women's Clubs of Tahoe City, supplied two people twice a week to help staff the mansion and its museum.

Dick Heikka, director of the Tahoe Regional Planning Authority, was introduced by Commission Chairman Lowell Berry, who commented on the need for preserving open space throughout the Tahoe area, and a resolution was adopted expressing the Commission's vital concern.

Dale L. Puckett, recreation director for the North Tahoe Public Utility District, outlined plans for a 122-acre regional park for which a federal Land and Water Conservation Fund grant has been requested through the program coordinated by Department of Parks and Recreation.

Director Eric Cronkhite came around the Lake from Carson City to extend greetings from the Nevada Park and Recreation Department.

In statewide matters, the Department's Affirmative Action Program for equal opportunity employment was reviewed by the Director and Calvin McGee, the Department's Career Opportunity Development Coordinator. The Director pointed out the need to extend this program into other areas of responsibility – such as encouraging increased minority citizen usage of State Park System facilities; encouraging minorities to bid for concessions and other contracts; and including more historical material on ethnic minorities in interpretive programs. The Commission adopted a resolution asking for expansion of the program.

Most heated discussion of the day was on a Sierra Club resolution demanding immediate action for stringent control of off-road vehicles in Anza-Borrego and other units of the State Park System. The Commission, expressing its objection to the tone of the Club's resolution, asked the Director to continue his efforts to resolve the problem. It also asked him to arrange a meeting with Sierra Club leaders to work for better mutual understanding.

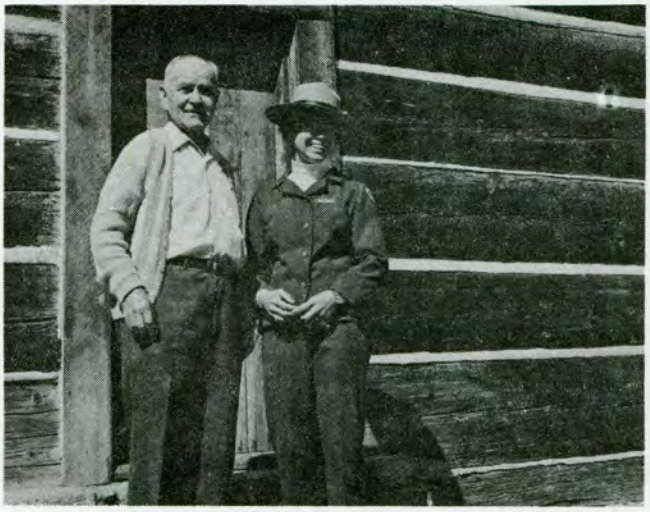
The Director noted that the problem at Anza-Borrego was complex because of the area's size, its many inholdings, and the number of access points. He said park personnel were doing a good job within these limitations.

A resolution thanking the Commission for its efforts on behalf of the Allensworth project was presented by Al Green, vice chairman of the advisory committee. He asked the Commission to express thanks also to the various federal agencies for their assistance.

A plaque was presented to Commission Chairman Lowell Berry for a gift which made possible the start of the Department's Junior Lifeguard Program. Mr. Berry asked that a similar plaque be presented to Bob Isenor, Supervising Lifeguard in District 6, who developed the program. (See story elsewhere in this issue.)

The Commission gratefully accepted the gifts of eight redwood groves at Prairie Creek, Jedediah Smith, and Humboldt Redwoods State

Intermittent Ranger Joan Benner tells about Vikingsholm as Commission Secretary Mary Jane Barclay and Commissioner Ian McMillan listen.



Retired Judge Bill Vernon, a Tahoe old-timer, helps Joan by interpreting the Phipps cabin on busy weekends at Sugar Pine Point SP.

COVER: *Morgan's Hotel, Columbia SHP. See story.*

THE DIRECTOR

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.

Points of View

I was talking to a lobster fisherman at Boothbay Harbor, Maine and he commented on the destruction of the lobster resources and the traps by harbor seals that frequent the Coast. He said that the lobster industry was very important to the economic well-being of the State of Maine. He felt strongly that the seals should be destroyed but felt equally strong that the poisoning and shooting of eagles in Montana was wrong. It is our national bird, he reminded me. Later in the day I spoke to the State Liaison Officer from Montana and asked him about the eagle situation in his state. There are plenty of eagles, he said, and they must be kept under control because they kill many lambs and calves. He reminded me that the sheep and cattle industry was very important to the economic well-being of the State of Montana. I asked him how he felt about the harbor seal herds we had seen on the boat trip the day before. I mentioned to him that a lobster fisherman that I had met felt that they should be brought under control by killing off a large number of the seals. He felt that killing these beautiful and interesting animals just to reduce their number was wrong. He had never seen a herd of seals before and felt that persons from states not on the coast would find seeing these beautiful animals living in their native habitat a most rewarding experience.

Our recent intern, Linda Powell, interviewed and sent questionnaires to the women working in our Sacramento Office. The following data represents the points of view expressed by the 48 women who answered the questionnaire and the opinions of 10 women who were personally interviewed by Linda.

When asked to classify their jobs according to four categories, 41.7 percent said that they had a satisfying job; 20.8 percent felt that their work constituted just an 8 to 5 job, and 8.3 percent felt that they were involved in an exciting career. However, the MT/ST System and the Central Filing System came under considerable adverse comment. The women were asked to consider in terms of their position as taxpayers, as a member of the staff of the Department, and as State employees whether they approved the new $250,000,000 park bond issue. All answered in the affirmative, with a majority expressing the opinion that acquisition was more important than development. Answers to the questions indicated that the physical and working environment and the attitude of fellow employees were highly favorable, but most of the women felt that communications could be improved and expressed the opinion that greater emphasis should be placed on orienting employees to the activities and development of the State Park System.

A summary of a five-day survey made by Linda reveals that family groups from Los Angeles and Orange Counties are coming to San Clemente State Beach year after year for an average stay of 6.3 days. They come because they feel that the facilities, the location, the campgrounds, the surf and the beach are outstanding. Most of the campers interviewed felt that more restrooms and shower facilities were needed, and they expressed the opinion that more landscaping and better beach access would improve the campgrounds considerably. Quite a few campers expressed the opinion that a play area for children in the campgrounds was desirable. Campers were equally divided on the need for more hookups, although all expressed the opinion that they came to San Clemente because the campground did have electric and sewage hookups.

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Parks, all arranged through the Save-the-Redwoods League. The Director noted that over the past two years, more than $23 million in gifts have been received for the State Park System through organizations such as the League and through the California State Parks Foundation.

The Director's report began with the introduction of Ranger *Dana Long* and four ranger trainees, *Theodore A. Reinhardt II, Harry S. Morse, Gary Fregin,* and *Michael Muetz.* He noted that Gary Fregien is from the field training program, under which department employees in other classifications may qualify to become rangers.

Operation of the New San Onofre State Beach and the AMTRAK project to take underprivileged children to the beach by train were highly successful this summer, the Director reported. The program for development of the beach had been moved ahead at least a year as a

result of his talk with President Nixon. "Federal cooperation in the entire project has been marvelous," he told the Commission.

Contribution of the archaeological work to the restoration and interpretive programs was cited by the Director in describing present projects at Old Town San Diego, Fort Ross, and Columbia.

Surveys by UC Davis Intern Linda Powell on the department's women employees and on improvements campers would like at San Clemente State Beach were presented to the Commission. The Director observed that we are turning away more people than ever at our state beaches, despite an increase in the number of campsites. "There's no way to provide enough beach camping to meet the demands today," he said, predicting that some means of restricting reservations would be needed in the future, so all campers could have an equal chance to use the facilities that are available.

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What's Happening

AMTRAK by the Sea

A noble experiment got on the track (literally) just in the nick of time late this summer – a school vacation project just 2 weeks before the end of school vacation.

Director Mott had long considered the prospect of combining the recreation value of California's beaches and parks with the growing facilities of AMTRAK, the new federally run rail transportation system. AMTRAK routes along the California coast connected the great centers of population and passed right by dozens of state beaches and parks.

Many city residents, particularly children, wished for a chance to get to the recreation areas. Here was a combination of need and opportunity just waiting to be brought together.

On July 17, at a Western White House meeting at San Clemente, the Director discussed with President Nixon the possibility that federal, state and local agencies could, together, develop a program to offer disadvantaged citizens better access to the Department's beaches and parks.

Mr. Mott suggested that AMTRAK could be used to take people to beaches. The President heartily endorsed the idea. He asked various federal agencies to work with the state and local agencies to develop and implement a trial program to transport people from the urban environment of the Los Angeles area to the sand and water and clean air environment of the new, underused San Onofre State Beach, south of San Clemente, about midway between Los Angeles and San Diego.

After more than 2 months of negotiations among various federal, state and local groups, it was decided that the program would be coordinated and principally financed through the federal Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO), in

cooperation with community groups in the Los Angeles area. AMTRAK would supply transportation to San Onofre Beach, and the state Department of Parks and Recreation would provide beach facilities, including an interpretive program.

The trial program got underway early Tuesday morning, August 29. About 150 boys and girls from economically depressed localities were aboard an AMTRAK train headed south from the Los Angeles Union Station.

Except for a slightly delayed start, the day's venture was an unqualified success. The kids thoroughly enjoyed the trip. They displayed that rare combination of good behavior and youthful exuberance on the train and at the beach.

Three television crews covered both the train trip and the beach events. Some of the girls brought hula hoops and put on a professional-caliber show for the TV people when they got off the train at San Onofre.

OEO got a number of tents and fabric sunscreens, some rubber rafts, fishing poles, and lots of food. The pictures tell the story of how the kids spent the day.

The park rangers did their part smoothly and unobtrusively, and no mishaps marred the day. The park men took the OEO beach equipment to the ranger office for safekeeping overnight.

The boys and girls called it a big day as they boarded the train for the return trip at 7:55 p.m.

Officials of the Department, AMTRAK, and OEO, and community leaders are considering the lessons learned during the 5 days the program ran this year to decide if it should be continued on a permanent basis beginning next summer and how it can be improved and possibly expanded.

What's Happening

Diggings

Another elusive bit of history has been dug up at Columbia State Historic Park, in northern Tuolumne County.

During the 1850s and '60s, a series of fires devastated the lively gold rush town of Columbia. One of those fires destroyed Morgan's Hotel, later called the City Hotel, and practically everything within it.

Much of the town has been restored to resemble its original condition, but, until just a few weeks ago, no one knew of a part of the old hotel that was still waiting to be discovered. A low wooden step in front of the hotel was removed, revealing a bricked-up entrance to a former cellar.

Archeological project leader Bob Orlins, working for the Department, took on the task of finding out what the old cellar was hiding. He and a crew of specialists carefully dug and scraped out tons of earth and debris that filled the underground room.

In one corner of the room, they found what appeared to be just a pile of broken glass. But closer study showed the necks and bases of wine bottles precisely alternated to take up the least possible space. The room had to have been the hotel's wine cellar. Orlins and his crew picked up adjacent pieces of glass and joined them together to fill out their original shapes.

The searchers have found many other artifacts of the period of the fire and are finding still more. They are writing another paragraph in a fascinating chapter of the history of Columbia, the gem of the southern mines.

Many hours of meticulous work restores hundreds of pieces of broken glass and other material to their original forms, and the artifacts are identified and labeled for the benefit of California history buffs.

Angel Island State Park's Wild, Wild, *Wild* Life

Angel Island is not particularly noted for its wide variety of wildlife. It has Columbia black-tailed deer, raccoons, gophers, moles, three species of snakes, two lizards, the California slender salamander, and a wide variety of visiting birds. But what wildlife there is on the Island, has made this last summer interesting for the Park's Rangers and staff.

In spring it is not uncommon for a doe to leave her very young fawn hidden away for a short time while she is off foraging. A well meaning park visitor, unaware of this pattern, stumbled across one of these hidden fawns and assumed that it had been abandoned. He wrapped it up in his jacket and carried it about a mile to park headquarters where he presented it to Rangers *Alex Weiss* and *Frank Herald,* expecting to be lauded for his heroic and humanitarian effort. The Rangers explained to him the chances of the mother taking the fawn back after its having been handled so intimately by humans were very slight. Ranger Herald took the fawn, which was only hours old, home with him, and Angel Island's entire "park family" had a hand in trying to bottle feed the infant. The following morning they left the fawn in the area where it had been found, and believe it or not, it was shortly claimed by its mother.

Things went along fairly normally for a while until "Ben", a slightly mixed-up sparrow hawk, landed on the head of Park Maintenance Man I *Bing Bragg.* Ben, who had quite an appetite for meal worms, was named and for a short time was cared for by Area Manager *Bill Allison's* wife, Jackie.

The next critter to find his way into the limelight had an appetite that Ben couldn't possibly match. It seems that Angel Island is the only place in the world where you might find a specimen of *Scapanua latimanus insularis,* the Angel Island Mole. Ranger Weiss learned about this sub-species of mole through his work with the California Academy of Sciences in San Francisco. The Academy became interested in obtaining a specimen of this mole to study, document, and mount for a display in the park's visitor center. Since that time, over a year ago, Alex had been trying to capture a mole.

One Sunday evening, after Alex had left for two days off the Island, Ranger *Ron Brean* managed to capture a *Scapanus latimanus insularis* that had been working in the lawn in front of the park office. "Morris", as the mole became known, found himself to be the center of a great deal of attention. Rangers Herald and Brean researched the literature to find out what the diet of a mole is, so that Morris could be kept alive until Alex returned. It turned out that Morris needed ten or more earth

worms every four hours, which he would gladly eat from the palm of your hand. No fishing trip ever warranted the worm digging that Ron and Frank did for Morris! By the time Alex returned, Morris had become such a friendly pet that Ron, Frank, and their families couldn't bear to see him wind up stuffed, so he was finally released. Alex was a bit put out, but he agrees that, had he cared for the little critter, he probably would have done the same.

An unusual interesting accident happened on the Island one weekend, when a red-tailed hawk went swimming. No one knows how the bird got into the Bay, but he was definitely *not* glad to be there. Boater *Fred Grecian* and friends fished the bird out of the water and brought it to Rangers Weiss and Brean, who dried it out. After Rangers Herald and Brean photographed the hawk, they lofted it into the air, where he seemed much more at home than in the water.

Speaking of being at home, Angel Island's raccoons made themselves quite at home in the concessionaire's snack truck a few weeks ago. A trap door in the bottom of the truck had been left open to recharge the battery, and the raccoons didn't need a welcome mat in front of that trap door. Picture a raccoon with ice cream and chocolate candy from ear to ear . . . and a very bad stomachache! Next morning the concessionaire had a headache to match, when she saw the mess the masked marauders had made. She soon forgot about her headache when she ran screaming from the snack truck after discovering one of the desperados still trapped inside the generator compartment. It seems he got in, but couldn't get out after his big meal. Rangers *Harvey Lively* and *Alex Weiss,* with the help of Maintenance Man I Bragg, first had to coax the little bandit out of the truck; then they had to coax the snack truck lady back in.

So it seems that although Angel Island's wildlife is not particularly varied, its fawns, fowl, moles, and marauders are especially active. They certainly keep the Angel Island staff on its toes!

—The Angel Island Ranger Staff

Old Adobe Days

Petaluma's extravagant weekend in August – the annual Old Adobe Days Festival – has grown until after 11 years, it is now one of the Redwood Empire's best-attended fun and history celebrations. Its sponsoring nonprofit citizen group is working to perpetuate our links with that Mexican California era when red, brown, and white men shared each other's cultures, if not wealth. Symbol of this memory must focus on General Mariano Guadalupe Vallejo and his immense, enterprising factory/hacienda/ranch headquarters.

So it is no surprise on August 20 for Petaluma Adobe SP, preempted from normal operations by Special Event Permit issued to the Old Adobe Association, to log 9000+ persons within its 39 acres.

Site of the affair straddles Sonoma County's Adobe Road. On the fun side, in a rented eucalyptus grove, the visitor hordes sought diversion in sundry ways. They pitched horseshoes, rode wagons with hay topside and ponies with hay inside, grew fagged in tag races, got hugs in tugs-of-war, beheld a whiskerino contest for the bearded, and the staging of musical and dancing numbers. Also they wiped ice cream and coke off childish faces, consumed creditable quantities of beer to quench in the queue necessary for buying and eating the deep-pit barbecue, and, too, they stood in lines leading to a trio of portable chemical toilets – men's, women's, and women's.

From carnival to more historic grounds across the road, they wandered back and forth to throng the state-restored Petaluma Adobe. To better appreciate its cultural past, they saw festival association members and costumed volunteers manning special exhibits. Many demonstrated craft skills practiced up to 136 years ago when "Don" Vallejo began erecting what was to become California's largest mud-brick structure known to historians today.

Boys puddled barefoot in a pothole while a geologist of the region, who authored a book on the "science," explained how to make adobe bricks, sun-dried a la Mexicana.

Another pair of authors, husband and wife, fired up an outdoor fireplace under the shade of a thatched and pitch ramada to boil organic dyes for coloring cloth.

And for nibblers, ladies extracted loaf after loaf of hot, good-smelling bread from a pueblo oven shaped like a beehive with their long paddle boards.

Other fires in the courtyard heated a try-pot for dipping candles, and a crude blacksmith's forge. Wood slab souvenirs were given out, still smoking from the impress of glowing cattle branding irons.

In one long room inside the 36-inch walls of the cool adobe, two ole-time carpenters stationed themselves to explain frame pit saws and other historic craft tools.

Above, on the second floor, operators were working textile material on a macrame, spinning wheels and an ancient loom not unlike that of the Navajo.

Elsewhere, a wood carver of tiny birds was demonstrating his tedious technique, shawls of the "Adobe Days" period were being defined as handmade originals, and winners of an art and

photo show that had Petaluma Adobe past and present as its theme were being announced.

The 86-year-old grandson of Petaluma Adobe's conceiver, Richard R. Emparan of Sonoma, and other decendants were feted ceremoniously as honored guests. One woman relative and her three daughters, attired in Old California apparel some of which was contemporary with General Vallejo himself, were declared festival princesses, or *favoritas.*

Hit of the day was the Boy Scout team whose training and cosmetics produced authentic Indian dances. Scheduled for only two performances, the chanting braves answered six encores. Audiences of thousands crowded the dance circle and even the galleries – a 12-foot wide veranda above the hacienda courtyard. None fell off, although the Red Cross nearby in a mobile unit was prepared for any emergency.

Four rangers kept order, gave orders, took orders from off-duty Sonoma Area Manager *Dick Menefee,* helped park cars, protected the State burro Chiquita from pullers of long ears, defused confusion prevalent with any crowd of 9000+ people, and expounded their knowledge by answering about that many questions – the majority of which concerned the whereabouts of the State Park restrooms.

–Ranger Bob Culwell
Petaluma Adobe SHP

District 4 Analyzes Visitor Impact

A careful, thought-provoking report on the impact of visitor use on District 4 park units has been prepared by Superintendent *Milton Frincke. Jim Tryner,* Chief of the Resource Management and Protection Division, has termed the report "excellent" and "recommended reading" for all park personnel. If you would like a copy, you can get one from the headquarters Information Section. A brief resume of the report follows.

Increased visitation, longer stays, and changes in use patterns are damaging the environment of the parks. Heavy use has caused a shift of field personnel to patrol and enforcement work and other aspects of park management suffer from neglect.

There is less opportunity for contact with visitors and relations between rangers and visitors become less warm and more impersonal. The visitor's sense of involvement and commitment to park system ideals and principles deteriorates as crowding and depersonalization occur, and the impact on resources seems to increase geometrically.

Major problems are caused by off-road vehicles, backpackers using undeveloped areas, overuse of developed facilities, and lack of control over entry into parks. There is a shortage of manpower to handle these problems adequately.

Each park unit in the District is examined in the report. Here is a resume of some specific problems:

Overuse and turnaways at Point Lobos; overuse of developed areas and lack of facilities for backpackers in the Big Sur and Santa Cruz Mountains areas; erosion of the natural arch at Natural Bidges SB due to people walking on it; uncontrolled use of recreational vehicles at Zmudowski, Salinas River, and Jetty Beach; overuse, particularly in the campgrounds, at Mt. Diablo SP; cattle trespass at Henry W. Coe SP; urban encroachment which threatens the integrity of historical units; overuse of developed areas in redwood groves.

The report comments, "Designing parks without planning around the resources has resulted in resource deterioration. Perhaps an orientation center is more important than 20 campsites."

Boy Scouts Clean Up on Brannan

Boy Scouts from all over the Golden Empire Council met at Brannan Island SRA on Saturday, August 26 to prepare for a cleanup of flood-damaged parts of Brannan Island. They went forth to clear out muck, mire, and debris left by the flood that resulted from a broken levee last July. The recreation area, left high and dry, continued to serve the public with opportunities for boating, swimming, camping, fishing and picnicking.

Photo by Ward Sharrer, Sacramento Bee

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

Anza-Borrego Area, *Bud Getty* – A couple stranded in Coyote Canyon during a flash flood turned out to be our PEP Clerk Typist *Leta Harris* and her invalid husband. They heard a rush of water coming and left their dune buggy to climb out of the stream bed. Leta made it up the bank, but Mr. Harris was swept away. Leta couldn't search for her husband because of the heavy undergrowth, but an hour later she heard him call from 200 yards downstream. A group of rangers, the Harris' son, and Bud Getty's 11-year-old son cut a trail through the brush to Harris and carried him out on a stretcher. The next day was Mrs. Harris' last day of work. She had resigned to accept a permanent position with a local private business . . . "And other duties as required" includes assistance to distressed bats, according to Ranger *Glenn Mincks.* He was called on to rescue a bat that was impaled on an automobile antenna. It was caught by the membrane between "fingers" and flew off when released. . . . We recently received a female desert tortoise, which was opportune for Borrego Sun Editor Rex Salmon, who was writing an article about the tortoise being designated the official state reptile . . . A new display panel on paleontology has been installed in the exhibit shelter at Borrego Palm Canyon.

Benicia Area, *Auburn Rose* – The Benicia Peddlers Fair, publicized in Sunset and other magazines, brought an estimated 25,000 persons to buy or sell items ranging from antique bathtubs to worn-out horseshoes.

Bothe-Napa Area, *Frank Brown* – Two couples with two motorcycles camped illegally, and at 2 a.m., in the midst of a family-reunion group of 40, but it was part of the reunion group that made most of the noise – wielding clubs and loudly insisting that the trespassing couples be arrested. The cyclists left quietly and everybody went back to sleep.

Castle Crags Area, Bill Kaiser – About a tenth of an acre of park land was burned in the early morning hours of August 5 when a fire was started by a careless smoker.

Columbia Area, *Neil Power* – Four persons narrowly escaped death when their plane crashed on state property. . . . The *Santa Ana Winds* played a concert to an audience of 300 on August 23 . . . $44 from the sale of poppy posters was mailed to the State Park Foundation.

Frontera Area, *Maurice Morgan* – Senator Jack Schrade visited Old Town San Diego State Historic Park on August 15 and discussed the progress of the Hazard Museum, about to be built at the park. . . . On August 17, Mr. Roscoe E. Hazard signed his name to the gift certificate for the Hazard Collection, consisting of many Wild West memorabilia, notably wagons and coaches . . . An interpretive trailer was opened for visitors at the Old Town on August 30.

Golden Gate Area, *Bill Allison* – Intermittent Ranger *Alexander Weiss* of **Angel Island SP** has won another film award. His ecology film, "A Fable for Fleas," won the $200 Fourth Prize at the Marin County Fair Film Festival. The film had previously won First Prize at the San Jose State College Survival Fair, Silver Medal at the Atlanta International Film Festival, Certificates of Merit from the San Francisco International Film Festival and the Foothill College Film Festival, and other awards. Weiss is now showing a new film, "The Keepers."

Heart Bar Area, *Jim Greene* – **Silverwood Lake** recreation use is high despite initial operation problems. Most problems indicated by report of San Bernardino County Health Department have been corrected, and further corrective actions are being taken. The Silverwood swim beach is now buoyed and float line completed. Life rings are posted on the beach, and depth level sign is planned. Electrical problems in the floating restroom have been corrected.

Hiouchi Area, *Ray Westberg* – A storm packing winds up to 80 miles an hour at Crescent City forced the closure of **Del Norte Coast Redwoods SP** for 3 hours and evacuation of campers on August 16. Three trees fell into campsites that had just been evacuated. No injuries resulted in state park areas . . . Other areas were not so lucky. Five ocean fishermen lost their lives, and eight were still missing as of September 1. Thirteen boats were washed up on the beach at Crescent City.

Lake Oroville Area, *Don Royer* – Southern California Financial Corp. has ceased all sales of real estate on the Kelly Ridge promotion. The status of Southern California concessions is yet unknown.

Los Lagos Area, *Ernie Brown* – Despite the odor of millions of dead shad floating on the surface of the lake, killed by lack of sufficient oxygen in the water, the campgrounds of **Lake Elsinore SRA** remained nearly full the last 4 days of August and over the Labor Day Weekend.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

Promoted from Naturalist at the Anza-Borrego Area, Ernie Brown reported for his first day as Area Manager on August 31, right in the middle of the smelly problem. . . . One lady had no complaint about the shad smell. She asked for some of the fish for fertilizer. The park people accommodated her with 4 truck loads (8 tons). And that's a lot of shad!

McArthur-Burney Area, *M.P. Oller* – The final evening coffee hike on August 23 ended with the most spectacular thunder and lightning storm that has hit the area in years.

Millerton Lake Area, *Bill Reinhardt* – Many of the trees in this area, particularly the gray pine, are in distress this year because they haven't been getting enough rain. Seventeen newly planted trees in the Finegold Area were lost because campers find they make great weiner sticks.

Marshall Gold Discovery Area, *Harold Sederquist* – Rafting and floating down the south fork of the American River has become a major sport, but it can be dangerous. In August, a young woman was thrown from an inner tube and drowned. . . . Green Thumb, a federally sponsored program to assist retired men with low incomes, was started in the area in August. The five men assigned are doing a great job in keeping things neat and clean along roads and trails, in picnic areas, and around buildings. They are paid $2 an hour.

Montane Area, *Glen Jones* – High temperatures (up to 106 degrees) and a critical water shortage have combined to confront the ranger crew with its No. 1 late summer problem. Fires have been avoided through luck (no fires from lightning), strict regulation (prohibition of camp fires in critical areas), and good cooperation by the public.

Point Lobos Area, *Clyde Ray* – Some citizens view our parks through rose-colored glasses; others see through a glass, darkly. The two views were spoken on the same day. A cyclist, on his way out of **Point Lobos SR** insisted on paying the $1 fee even though he didn't have to because he said what the Park System was doing to preserve such areas was "the first decent thing I have seen government doing in a long time." But Mrs. Jane Herbst met with manager Ray to express her concern with dirty beaches in the Monterey area. She hopes various government agencies can pool their resources to do their cleanup jobs more efficiently. She courteously assured Ray that he hadn't seen the last of her.

North Valley Area, *Lorin Forsyth* – The tile project at **Bidwell Mansion SHP** is going well. Dollars have been coming in from all parts of the state.

Northern Mines Area, *Bob Perkins* – A timber and brush fire, fanned by 25-mile-an-hour wind gusts, heavily damaged 4 of the 11.3 acres of **Shasta SHP** and slightly damaged another 3 acres. Rangers, PEP employees, and volunteers kept structural damage to zero. The fire consumed 1700 acres altogether and destroyed four houses and damaged others in the town of Shasta.

Orange Coast Area, *Bud Caughell* – An old gray mule that didn't understand English was the No. 1 object of attention one day at **San Onofre SB**. The mule left her home in Highland Ranch at Camp Pendleton and skipped around San Onofre a while, easily eluding pursuers. She barely missed being hit by a couple of Santa Fe trains and finally crossed Interstate 5 through the 70-mile-an-hour traffic without a scratch. Out of the park, she became the quarry of the Highway Patrol. They finally rounded her up and returned her to her owner, a Mexican-American who had taught her no English – only Spanish. . . . Lifeguards found a live torpedo on the San Onofre Beach. It was disposed of by a Camp Pendleton bomb squad.

Pajaro Coast Area, Tony Trigeiro – A fishing schooner ran ashore at night at the southern end of **Sunset SB**, in front of the Pajaro Dunes. The skipper said he mistook the lights from the beach homes for Moss Landing, 4 miles to the south. The $75,000 craft was a total loss, along with a load of fish and liquid consumables.

Plumas-Eureka Area, *Carl Lonnecker* – Camping use of the park was up sharply in August over August 1971 despite unusual heat (101°) sometimes and cold (36°) at other times. The campground was filled 14 nights during August of this year compared with only 4 nights in August 1971.

Russian River Area, *Bob Crawford* – A number of fires sprang up during August, but all were brought under control before they caused much damage. . . . A visitor from Teheran, Iran visited **Sonoma Coast SB** and **Armstrong Redwoods SR**. He was Mr. Esmail Owtad, who is studying sand dune stabilization. He was favorably impressed with the work in this area being done at Sonoma Coast.

San Diego Area, *Jack Welch* – Midnight delivery of oil to a stranded boat may not be routine duty, but Lifeguard Supervisor *Kirby Temple* took it in his stride, or rather swim stroke. He answered a phone call from Ranger Trainee *Jeff Price* and Park Aid *Ken Thrasher,* who reported a distress signal from a boat off shore from **San Elijo SB.** Temple sped to the scene and swam to the boat. Learning the boat's engine needed 3 quarts of oil, he swam back to shore, got the oil, wrapped the cans in a plastic bag, and swam them to the boat. Then it was back to shore and home to bed. . . . A survey by *Pete Gaidula,* plant ecologist of the Resource Management and Protection Division, resulted in a decision to leave the burned area of the *Torrey Pines SR* East Grove in its natural burned-over state to allow a study of the recovery process of the Torrey Pine. The area is being seeded with annual rye grass to control erosion.

San Luis Obispo Coast Area, *Chuck Lyden* – MGM studios attracted large crowds when they did a filming on **Pismo SB** August 18 and 19. . . A young couple requested approval to be married atop Morro Rock. After 10 citings during August and a number of rock-climbing rescues, the park staff were dubious about a marriage starting out on the rocks.

San Simeon Area, *Wes Cater* – An impromptu program by a camper back in July really rang the bell with the other campers. Mrs. Ellen Schultze of Sacramento, an employee of the State Public Employees Retirement System, was camping with her husband and another couple at **W.R. Hearst Memorial SB** just before it was closed to camping and converted to picnic use only. Mrs. Schultze's hobby is bell ringing, and she just happened to have two sets of musical bells with her. So she and her companions invited the other campers and Ranger *Jim Pond* over for a bell program. It was a welcome nightcap serenade. . . . The **San Simeon SB** campground was filled to capacity (134 campsites) every night during August. In addition, some 3,500 campers, during the month, spent a night on the highway right of way between San Simeon and Santa Rosa Creek.

Santa Cruz Mountain Area, *Curt Mitchell* – A number of fires occurred during August; arson was suspected in two of them. Little damage was done. . . . The public has been responding well to the campaign to collect aluminum cans and glass containers for recycling at Huckleberry Campground at **Big Basin.**

Trinidad Area, *Dave Redding (Terry Adams)* – It was cosmopolitan night when 30 Winnebago campers rolled in to **Patrick's Point SP.** The vehicles were transporting the 1972 Diplomatic Tours, with participants from 26 countries. At a special bonfire prepared by the park staff, the VIP's provided much of their own entertainment with songs of their native countries.

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PARK CIRCUIT

Deputy Director Bob Meyer, speaking before the Orange County Coast Association in Newport Beach, dropped a few remarks on a Department study of the possibility of allowing nude bathers on certain secluded state beaches. The idea followed a recent State Supreme Court ruling that nude bathing on isolated beaches is not illegal.

Meyer's remarks were picked up by the Costa Mesa Daily Pilot, which editorialized:

"One intriguing question that the state – and maybe the courts – will have to cope with, should this project mature, is how to keep the beaches "isolated" after the word goes out that they are populated by nudies."

New Study

Headquarters has a couple of visitors doing a special study. They are Dennis Mehl and Richard McManus of the Audits Division, Department of Finance. They are performing a management review of the design and development process as part of a Finance program of making its multi-disciplined management audit staff available to other agencies for solving management problems.

Redwoods Bought

The Save-the-Redwoods League has announced purchase of 345 acres of first-growth redwoods in the Canoe Creek area of **Humboldt Redwoods SP,** the last privately owned virgin redwood forest land in the park. Cost was $1,550,000. The League said it will turn the area over to the Department when we put up matching funds.

Lake Oroville Closures

Lake Oroville Area Manager *Don Royer* announced August 16 that the swimming portion of Loafer Creek had been closed because the water has dropped below the developed beach. Other day use facilities were kept open.

He also announced that the Craig and Bloomer areas had been transferred to us by the Department of Water Resources and would be closed to hunting this year along with the rest of the SRA.

PARK CIRCUIT

Columbia Utilities Agreement

The State has signed an agreement to turn over the **Columbia SHP** water and sewer systems to Tuolumne County Water District No. 2.

Old Sacramento Plans

Director Mott, appearing before the Public Works Board early in September, announced a plan for two railroad museums at **Old Sacramento.** One would be the already proposed museum where visitors could view early day rail cars and engines, and the other would be a working facility where the old cars are rebuilt, painted, and maintained. The Sacramento Bee carried the story.

The Bee also reported the signing of an agreement by the Redevelopment Agency under which the Southern Pacific will consolidate its many tracks into one leading to its Walnut Grove and Placerville branch lines. This will make room for the agency and the Department to build a waterfront park with bicycle trails, and possibly replicas of historic train and steamship terminals of a century ago.

Pfeiffer Off Reservations

The campground at **Pfeiffer Big Sur SP** went off the reservation system October 1 because of possible flooding this winter. The recent fire reduced part of the watershed to bare ground, and if heavy rains come, there will be no vegetation to hold the water. This means the campground could flood. Reservations will be taken for periods after April 13 of next year.

Point Mugu Cleared

The Thousand Oaks News Chronicle carried a picture spread August 20 showing the demolition of the Sycamore Cove Market and other structures near the beach at the south end of **Point Mugu SP.** It was cleared for beach development and recreation.

Refugio Closed

Refugio SB was closed to public use September 10 because of sewage problems and a water shortage. The beach entrance will be torn up during the next few months because of freeway construction, which also would have caused closure.

San Onofre Surfing

The Department plans to reserve about a half-mile section of **San Onofre SB** for surfing, according to *Bill Haussler,* head of visitor services in the Operations Division. The L.A. Times carried a story about this August 26, and, quoting Landscape Architect *George Rackelmann,* predicted the northern section of the beach might be ready for public use next January or February.

The surfing area will be in the vicinity of the enlisted man's club and is prime surfing beach. Federal help with initial development was obtained recently when Director Mott met with President Nixon at the Western White House in San Clemente.

President Nixon pledged $170,000 in federal funds and the state matched this with $170,000 of 1964 Bond Act money. It was appropriated by SB 467, Burgener, and has been signed by Governor Reagan. Initial facilities will include access and utilities.

Torrey Pines Arsonist

A 22-year-old transient indicted by the San Diego County Grand Jury on several counts of arson has been ruled insane and committed to Atascadero State Hospital. The man, Scott S. Whiting, admitted setting 18 fires since 1969, including two at **Torrey Pines SR.** Psychiatrists ruled he was incapable of telling right from wrong. While in jail, he set fire to his matress and tried to escape through a ventilation system.

From the La Jolla "Light"

The estuary and lagoon area adjacent to the reserve have been zoned agricultural by the San Diego County Council. This limits subdivisions to 10-acre lots and is expected to keep the land open and undeveloped.

Coyote Canyon Route

The Borrego Sun reported August 26 that the San Diego County Board of Supervisors has voted to keep the Coyote Canyon road through **Anza-Borrego Desert SP** in the general plan. The Department and the Park and Recreation Commission are opposed to development of the road.

The recent bighorn sheep census at Anza-Borrego tallied 192 animals, reports the Sand Paper, organ of the Anza-Borrego Desert Natural History Association. The breakdown was 65 rams, 86 ewes, 14 yearlings and 27 lambs.

New Facilities at San Luis

Some $676,000 worth of visitor facilities are nearing completion at O'Neill Forebay, **San Luis Reservoir SRA,** with Proposition 20 bond funds. Four Rivers Area Manager *Clyde Strickler* said the facilities will be inspected and possibly accepted in late September. Meanwhile, the Department is operating the new facilities on weekends.

The new construction includes the following: parking in the boatramp area for 50 cars and 133 cars with boat trailers, 1-1/2 miles of entrance road, park office and checking station, observation point for the exhibit structure and a 15 car parking area, two comfort stations and dressing room buildings, 150 picnic sites, planting of 6-1/2 acres of turf and 110 trees, irrigation system, 1,720 feet of 10-foot wide walkways, sewer lift station and two storage ponds.

Recreational development at San Luis is a joint state-federal project with the state responsible for 55% and the federal government 45% of the costs.

United Crusade

The annual United Crusade campaign is now underway in various parts of the state and will wind up around the end of October. The fund raising event goes under different names in different parts of California. In the Sacramento area, it's United Crusade, but in your area, it may be called Community Chest, Red Feather, or by some other name. Purpose of the event is to raise funds to support organizations that supply various free services to the public.

For Your Information

Technical Reports Section

In this golden era of reorganization, a new unit with the modest title of "Technical Reports Section" might easily be lost in the bureaucratic shuffle – especially since such a title leaves a great deal to the imagination. The function of the Technical Reports Section is not to *produce* technical reports, as might be assumed, but to *assist* Department staff members who are involved in the preparation of such reports. The unit was established as an arm of the Information Division with a view to improving the quality of the Department's technical publications.

Organization

The new section is headed by *Ross Henry*, who was formerly involved in various planning activities with the Design and Development Division. *Jim Earp*, Research Writer, and *Michaelinda Scherer,* Editorial Assistant, were spirited away from the Department of Education to provide writing and editorial services. ("They were sick of 'education-ese' and wanted to try their hands at 'resource-ese,'" says *Bill Dillinger*, Chief of the Information Division.) *Mary Lowe,* the Department's best-known artist, will provide graphic services for the technical reports.

A Departmental Reports Committee has been created in conjunction with the Technical Reports Sections. Its members are Bill Dillinger, *Lee Lutz* (Chief of Administrative Services Division), and *Bob Meyer* (Deputy Director). The Committee's main function is to review all proposals for Departmental reports and establish publication priorities.

A Service Unit

The Technical Reports Section is primarily a service unit. It exists solely to assist the Department's report writers. Now "assistance" is an ambiguous word, but perhaps it can be clarified through an understanding of what good writing really is.

Vigorous writing is concise. A sentence should contain no unnecessary words, a paragraph no unnecessary sentences, for the same reason that a drawing should have no unnecessary lines and a machine no unnecessary parts. This requires not that the writer make all his sentences short, or that he avoid all detail and treat his subjects only in outline, but that every word tell.

These are the words of Will Strunk, coauthor with E.B. White of *The Elements of Style.* Professor Strunk's statement about good writing is itself an example.

It is certainly a fact that editorial types have long set the writers of this world to fear and trembling. The editors are the pruners, the destroyers, the inexorable changers of meaning. The members of the Technical Reports Section do not wish to be cast into this mold. They see their mission as a simple and direct one - to get the writer's message to the audience for whom it was intended in the clearest possible way.

In closing, let us introduce you to Herman Klink, Plumber Extraordinaire. Better than any lengthy treatise on writing, his story proves the importance of straightforward communication.

Herman Klink, an elderly plumber, was a direct and simple man. And, in the latter days of his career, he discovered how quickly and thoroughly hydrochloric acid could clean out a drain. Herman was also conscientious, and he feared that the acid, while supremely effective, might be harmful to pipes. He therefore wrote to a

well-known chemical research company to ask if such was the case. He received the following reply:

Dear Mr. Klink:

While the efficiency of hydrochloric acid in eliminating extraneous matter from sanitary appliances cannot be doubted, we must caution you as to the deleterous effects of the aforesaid liquid when utilized for the purpose you mentioned in your recent communication to this office. We recommend the use of a less pernicious solvent as an alternative to your current procedures.

Herman's wholehearted delight at what he considered an unqualified approval of his methods can hardly be described. He again sent off a letter to the chemical company, this time thanking him for their praise of his work.

This communication was received with alarm by the chemical researchers. They replied immediately; however, their second letter only surpassed the first in verbosity and circumlocution. Its effect was to bring tears of humility and pleasure to our plumber's eyes – surely he did not deserve such applause for his accidental (but apparently momentous) discovery.

With the receipt of Herman's third letter (he felt he must once more express his gratitude and unworthiness), the chemical researchers knew despair. Thus it was that the plumber's file found its way to the desk of the company's president, a wise old man nearing retirement. He reviewed the case with a chuckle and drafted a short reply to the errant plumber.

Dear Herman: (it read)

Don't use hydrochloric acid. It eats the hell out of pipes.

RESCUE SERVICE AVAILABLE

A new state service is available to park units and other public agencies without charge. The service is a mobile, all-weather, 10-man rescue team trained and equipped to handle searches, rescues and evacuations in mountains or desert.

Team members have trained in the High Sierras and have had extensive practice in first aid, technical rock and mountain climbing, tracking, search and survival procedures. Basic training in winter rescue and ski mountaineering will commence winter 1972. The 10-man rescue team is stationed at the Calaveras Ecology Center and is led by a member of the California Division of Forestry.

The rescue team has a 4-wheel drive power wagon, a mobile rescue cache, tents, power generator with floodlights, portable power wench, CB and CDF radio units, rations, first aid supplies, and all other equipment required for entering wilderness areas and operating as a self-contained unit. The team is ready to enter isolation for a five-day period on a moment's notice, and for longer periods of time on short notice.

In addition to a full range of technical rock-climbing equipment, the team is equipped for operations under snow and ice conditions including glacier travel.

A Division of Forestry helicopter is usually available to the team for victim evacuation and will respond to emergencies on the east and west sides of the central Sierras. Further air transportation may be provided by the contacting agency. The team is based at the Calaveras Ecology Center 3-1/2 miles northeast of Angels Camp and has a suitable helicopter landing area.

The rescue team is trained and supplied to render first aid to victims suffering from climbing accidents, shock, exposure, and related injuries. The rescue team is also trained and equipped to handle subsistence and evacuation of injured victims no matter what the terrain or climate.

One member of the team is a dog-handler and specialist in tracking. At his disposal is the team bloodhound and an extensive map library of all of California. His specialty is the location of lost victims.

All team members are trained in search and survival procedures.

The team is in constant training for summer and winter rescue situations of the types which most public agencies cannot accommodate due to the need for specialized training and technical equipment.

The rescue team is available *without charge* to any public agency in California and will assist that agency to the full extent of its ability with

any type of mountain rescue or search problem (excluding body recoveries, except those of a technical difficulty).

For rescue assistance call:
Telephone 209 – 736-2622 (1st)
736-4367 (2nd)
736-9926 (3rd)

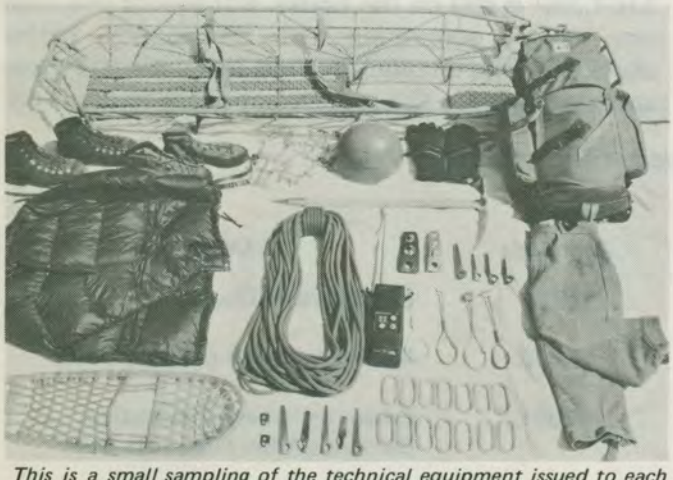
or contact the nearest office of the California Division of Forestry.

The rescue team address is:

Calaveras Mountain Rescue Team
Calaveras Ecology Center
Star Route
Angels Camp, California 95222

Included in the request for team assistance should be the following information:

1. Name of person and agency requesting assistance.
2. Nature of emergency (description of circumstances).
3. Area of emergency (geographical location).
4. Who to contact at or near the scene (where, when, and how to contact).



This is a small sampling of the technical equipment issued to each team member for climbing and rescue use. Photo courtesy Department of Conservation.

Three Chances for Safety

At one Area we had a vehicle hood replaced. The work was accepted although the secondary hood latch was left off. The vehicle was transferred through District Headquarters without the hood being red-tagged.

At District Headquarters the deficiency was noted, but for some reason the vehicle was transferred before the work was done. Again it went without the red tag.

At the new Area no one noticed the deficiency. Sure enough, the hood blew loose on the highway.

We fell on our faces in three places. Only the whim of chance kept someone from serious injury.

Safety is a matter of attitude, judgment, attention, a matter of taking the moment extra.

Are you doing the same careless work as those above? Who will answer for it?

–G. I. Morrison
Safety and Enforcement Specialist
District 5

Cooperating Associations Authorized

Units of the State Park System can set up their own cooperating associations to handle sales of interpretive publications and other materials under a new law passed by the 1972 Legislature.

The legislation was introduced by Senator Clair Burgener at the request of the Anza-Borrego Desert Natural History Association, and strongly supported by other park-oriented groups around the State, as well as by the Department.

Plans are to try the program on a pilot basis in a few selected units during the coming year. It will be patterned after the system that has operated successfully for a number of years in the National Parks.

All revenues from sales will go back to the non-profit associations to replenish their stocks and provide new publications and other interpretive materials for the unit. Purpose is to provide a greater range of interpretive materials for the interested park visitor, and to do it on a self-supporting basis.

The program will be coordinated by Bill Dillinger, Chief of the Department's Information Division, who also serves as chairman of the Publication Sales Committee. The present publication sales program will be continued for units which do not set up cooperating associations.

The new system will not affect concessions programs, and will be designed so as not to conflict with them or with local private businesses.

Establishment of each cooperating association must be approved by the Director, under regulations and procedures currently being prepared.

Project S.O.A.R. – Boy Scouts of America

Groups of Cubs, Scouts, and Explorers, donating time on conservation projects, have become a familiar sight in San Diego County State Parks this summer. Beginning Arpil 29th, "Keep America Beautiful Day", when the San Diego

For Your Information

Council of Boy Scouts of America kicked off their 1972 Save Our American Resources (S.O.A.R) Program, approximately fourteen thousand Boy Scouts from all over San Diego County descended upon fifteen State Parks and literally made them shine.

Projects undertaken by the Scouts varied widely, including such work as fence repair, trail building and repair, sign marking and maintenance, woodworking and carpentry, weed control, and litter pick-up.

The purpose of the program is to develop in our youths' lives a positive responsibility for making a better environment. To earn the S.O.A.R. project award, an attractive multi-colored embroidered patch, each participant is required to:

1. Demonstrate concern for the importance of our Natural Resources by *adopting the Scout Outdoor Code,*

2. Understand the rational use of our environment by *attending a presentation by a State Park Ranger,*

3. Conduct a *long term project* (three months or more, minimum one day per month) in a State Park to show commitment to a positive responsibility for development of a better environment.

—Bud Caughell, Manager
Orange Coast Area

MONEY IN THE BANK

There may be gold in them thar hills, but there's also money in the bank for a whole host of special projects throughout the State Park System.

The money is in what is called the "contingency fund," money donated to the fund by firms, organizations, and individuals, and usually earmarked for a special project in a specific park.

The Administrative Services Division has issued a report on the status of the contingency fund as of June 30, 1972. Up to that date, gifts for 54 projects totaled $645,968, and of this, $167,389 is still on the books. But before you rush out to buy something with this money, better check through channels to find out if it's still there and available for the project you want to use it on.

Following is a recap of the report.

Project	Amt. Given	Amt. Left	Donor
La Purisima-Adm, Devel., Maint.	$70,000	$5,227	Santa Barbara County
Point Lobos, Print Drury Book & Others	9,559	4,010	Income from sale of Drury Book
Columbia Gazette-1/2 of bldg. restoration	12,000	1,361	Crown Zellerbach Foundation, California News Publishers Ass'n
For Public Parks (Exhibit Trailer)	59,962	1,537	Ida Marie Sbragia
Interpretive Program, Dist. 1	400	123	Nat'l Audubon Soc.
Fern Canyon-Seasonal Help	3,011	0	Save-the-Redwoods League
Asilomar-Hire Park Ranger	32,197	52	Asilomar-Pac. Grove Ass'n
Hearst Castle-General Purposes	4,396	0	John F. Waggaman, Alskog, Inc., San Luis Obispo County
Point Lobos-Interpretive Exhibit	2,500	93	Harold & Doris Zellerbach Fund
Calaveras Book & other Park Publications	5,000	2,256	Calaveras Grove Ass'n

State Agency Directory	475	475	California Park & Rec. Society
Prairie Creek - Trail Const.	8,223	2,016	Save-the-Redwoods League
Torrey Pines-Maint and Preservation	2,700	2,525	Mrs. P. H. Gray, California Society Native Sons and Daughters
Little Rock-Maint. and Improvement	21,817	1,432	E.R. Ronan Estate
Correct Litter Problem in Park Units	50	50	Petaluma Jr. Hi Student Body
Torrey Pines-Acquisition	345,005	114,938	Torrey Pines Ass'n, Ed Fletcher Co., Miss Linda Semans
Providence Mts. — Acquisition	100	50	Design and Dev. Div. Coffee Fund
Great Redwoods Preservation	200	187	Theodore R. La Croix
Red Rock Canyon-Acquisition	112	112	Tumbleweed, Boron, and California Garden Clubs
Thomas House - Restoration	25	25	Lorena Smith
Bidwell Mansion - Restoration	600	7	Mrs. Patrick to Park Foundation
Del Valle - Improve Boat Launch Road	5,000	1,711	East Bay Regional Park District
Castle Rock - Picnic Tables	350	21	Sempervirens Fund
Montgomery Woods - Acquisition	600	61	Save-the-Redwoods League
Produce Hard Rock Mining Film	5,000	5,000	Wells Fargo Bank
Salton Sea - For Operation	137	137	Scout Groups, James G. Davis
S.P. Taylor - Road Repairs	2,125	1,523	Marin Municipal Water District
State Park Classification Brochure	2,000	397	Harold and Doris Zellerbach Fund
San Onofre-Build Trail, develop service road	1,500	1,500	Mariner's Office
General Operation of SPS	37	37	Miscellaneous Balances
Bodie Church Restoration	421	421	Misc. Donation
Exhibit Trailer-Maintenance	310	310	Ventura Co. Amvet Post 32
Cuyamaca Rancho - Build Horse Corrals	2,464	1,565	Area Residents
Carmel River Beach — Acquisition Costs	2,500	9	Odello Land Acquisition Fund
Henry W. Coe - Pine Ridge Museum	6,000	1,014	State Park Foundation
Adamson Ranch-Appraisal Fees	2,000	98	Home Savings & Loan Ass'n
Fort Ross - Restoration	3,100	3,100	State Parks Foundation Sacramento Valley Council of Diving Clubs

Santa Monica Mts. - Appraisal Costs	5,500	33	Lantain Corp.
Morro Bay - Appraisal Costs of Heron Rookery	2,000	96	Nils B. Hult
Point Mugu - Acquisition Costs of Danielson Property	5,500	111	R. E. Danielson, Jr.
Squaw Valley - Parking Attendants	5,000	1,178	Squaw Valley Improvement Co., Squaw Valley Development Co.
Humboldt Redwoods — Roadside Rest in Franklin K. Lane Grove	5,000	3,368	Sacramento Kiwanis Club
Anza-Borrego-Acquisition	1,699	1,699	Desert Protective Council, Educational Foundation, Chester C. Getty
Training Center - Operations	150	150	California State Park Rangers Ass'n
Grizzly Creek - Trail	442	121	Save-the-Redwoods League
District 3 - Seasonal Salaries	50	50	David Brothers
Little River -	1,300	1,289	Franklin S. Stauson
Caswell - Operation and Improvement	200	200	Walt Disney Productions
State Park System Movie	500	500	State Park Rangers Ass'n
Jed Smith - Trail Construction	2,000	2,000	Save-the-Redwoods League
Irvine Ranch - Pay Acquisition Costs	7,487	44	Irvine Company
Forest of Nisene Marks Construct Picnic Sites and Sanitary Facilities	2,500	2,500	Thomas B. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. D.E. Brown
Anza Borrego - General Purposes	257	257	Ernest and Jane Brown
Santa Cruz Mountains - Seasonal Salaries	500	500	Sempervirens Fund

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New Record for Clips

Clippings of newspaper and magazine articles on activities in the State Park System set a new record of 481 in August, easily surpassing the previous high of 358 set in April of this year.

The leader was District 6 with 94, a new high. Two other Districts surpassed all previous records, District 3 with 83 and District 4 with 47. The rest of the clips were supplied by District 1 - 26; District 2 - 68; and District 5 - 64. Headquarters personnel supplied 32 and Allen's Press Clipping Bureau supplied 67.

Marti Johnson of the Information Section receives all the clippings, places them in folders, and routes them throughout the Department to help keep headquarters personnel informed of what's going on in the field.

People

HE'S GONE!!!

Our Chief Deputy Director Ray B. Hunter has done flew de coop and moved onto bigger and better things as Director of Conservation. He replaces former Director James Sterns, recently appointed to the Governor's cabinet as Secretary of the Agriculture and Services Agency. Hunter's appointment is subject to Senate confirmation.

Mr. Hunter first joined the Resources Agency in 1967 as legislative assistant to Secretary for Resources, Norman Livermore. Shortly thereafter, he was named Deputy Director of this Department and in 1969 was promoted to Chief Deputy Director.

It is not yet known who will replace him as Chief Deputy Director. The appointment will be made by Governor Reagan.

One of the first orders of business for Hunter in his new job was the development of a properly illegible signature for his facsimile stamp. Yes, we in Parks have trained him well.

Jim Warren on Loan

Jim Warren, Chief of the Design and Development Division, is on loan to the State Office of Planning for a period not to exceed two years. He will take many years of planning experience to his new assignment and will help develop a State Land Use Plan.

He will continue on the Department's pay roll and his position will be vacant until he returns. The Division will function under the three Branch Chiefs – Dick May, Russ Porter, and Bob Uhte.

Assistant Superintendent of District 1, *Douglas Bryce* has been transferred to Operations Division Headquarters.

Ranger IV *Keith Caldwell,* of Operations Headquarters has been promoted to Ranger V. He is now Supervisor of the Capital Outlay Program Section.

Anza-Borrego Desert Naturalist *Ernie Brown* has been appointed Manager of **Lake Elsinore SRA.**

Retired Director *De Witt Nelson and his wife* visited the **Columbia Area** late in August.

Columbia Area Carpenter *Glen Shepherd* was transferred to Monterey as a guide because of back problems.

Ranger II *Les McKnight,* of the **Four Rivers Area,** received a 25-year award, effective October 1.

Secretary of the Interior *Rogers C.B. Morton* announced, on September 3, the appointment of *Dr. A. Starker Leopold,* of Berkeley, and *Dr. Douglas W. Schwartz,* of Santa Fe, New Mexico to the 11-member Advisory Board on National Parks, Historic Sites, Buildings and Monuments.

Ranger I *Dan Goswick* of the **Fort Humboldt Area** has been promoted to Ranger II and assigned to the **Lake Oroville Area.** He will be replaced by Ranger I *Neil Hyta* from **Colusa-Sacramento River SRA.**

Ranger I *Ed Hill* of the **Montane Area** is taking a 1-year leave of absence to obtain a Masters Degree in History at Chico State University.

Monterey Area Historian *Bob Reese's* 6-year-old daughter *Carrie* fell off a horse and suffered critical head injuries. She required cranial surgery but is now at home and doing well.

North Valley Area Park Maintenance Man I *Clayton Jagger* retired from state service August 16.

Sonoma Area Chief Ranger *Harry Kauffman* was feted at a dinner September 6 for a double event – a 25-year award and retirement from state service. About 50 attended, including some from other districts who had worked with Harry over the years.

Ranger II *Ed Hixson* of the **Point Mugu Area** was hospitalized with a sore back and had to have a disk removed. At last report, he still had some pain in his legs and will have to take it easy for quite a while.

WILL YOU HELP?

Nine members of Betty Chapman's family, including her sister, Mrs. Margaret LaVine, were killed when the plane crashed into Farrell's Ice Cream Parlour on September 24.

The family has asked that any donations be sent to the Sacramento Medical Center Staff Foundation. The funds will be used to purchase equipment to treat burn victims. There is an immediate need for blood donors from friends who wish to assist Betty's family in some meaningful way. There is an immediate need for 20 pints of blood, and there will be a continuing need for additional donors for at least 90 days. The Sacramento Blood Bank, 3230 "J" Street, suggests that you phone 444-6516 for an appointment. Advise the Blood Bank that the donation is to be credited to the LaVine – Nash – Martin account.

People

APPOINTMENTS

Barton, Richard N.	Assist Civil Eng	Engineering Unit	8-7-72
Brown, Michael W.	Assist Civil Eng	Engineering Unit	8-28-72
Caulkins, D. Wayne	Assist Civil Eng	Engineering Unit	8-28-72
Correia, Douglas W.	Pk Maint Asst	Half Moon Bay	8-21-72
Dickson, Frederick V.	St Pk Rgr (Int)	Frontera Area	8-31-72
Doherty, Donna K.	Clerk Typist II	Orange Coast	8-1-72
Doran, Terrence L.	Eng Aid I	Survey Unit	8-7-72
Earp, James G.	Research Writer	Technical Reports	9-5-72
Grisham, Darrell R.	Park Maint Asst	Orange Coast Area	8-14-72
Haynes, John F.	Jr. Landscape Arch	Project Development	8-1-72
Hofer, James L.	Groundsman	San Diego Coast Area	9-5-72
Kem, Kay	Clerk Typist I	Dic/Typ Center	9-5-72
Kolster, Alan K.	Assoc Landscape Arch	Project Development	8-31-72
Kucala, Norman	Assist Landscape Arch	Project Development	7-1-72
Loewen, Thomas D.	Delineator	Ownership Records	8-14-72
Louis, Daniel W.	Jr. Landscape Arch	Project Development	7-1-72
Maloney, Georgia L.	Clerk Typist I	Office & Res Serv	8-25-72
McGoey, Nettie M.	Clerk Typist I (Int)	Folsom Lake Area	8-5-72
Orlenko, Keith M.	Groundsman	Orange Coast	8-21-72
Samuels, Victoria	Clerk Typist I	Office & Res Serv	9-11-72
Scherer, Michaelinda	Editorial Assistant	Technical Reports	8-1-72
Silvernail, Jenette L.	Clerk I	Central Records	8-14-72
Smith, Kenneth K.	St Pk Rgr (Int)	Frontera Area	8-16-72
Snodderly, Robert D.	Pk Maint Asst	Silverwood Lake Area	8-31-72

NAME CHANGE

Hatzfeld, Florence H.	To: Bradley, Florence H.	Personnel	9-4-72

PROMOTION

Carroll, Edward J.	Jr Staff Analyst	Accounting	8-31-72
Chatfield, John B.	Assoc Landscape Arch	Project Development	8-1-72
Goswick, Daniel N.	St Pk Rgr II	Lake Oroville Area	8-31-72
Heilbronn, William C.	Pk Maint Supvr I	Sierra Area	8-31-72
Lintow, William H.	Park Maint Supvr I	Golden Gate Area	9-1-72
Metcalf, Douglas W.	St Pk Rgr V	Dist 1 Hq	8-31-72

Rackelmann, George O.	Sr Landscape Arch	Project Development	8-2-72
Robbins, Robert D.	St Pk Rgr (Int)	Orange Coast Area	7-19-72
Shaffer, William J.	Park Maint Man I	Golden Gate Area	8-1-72
Strain, Edwin K.	Park Maint Supvr II	Four Rivers Area	8-31-72

UNIT CHANGES

Cowden, Chester J.	St Pk Rgr I	Folsom Area to Plumas-Eureka Area	8-1-72
Mizutani, Ed	Delineator	Spec Svcs to Ownership Rec	8-31-72
Parker, Rupard M.	St Pk Rgr I	Mt. Diablo to Monterey Area	8-12-72
Philley, Hugh M.	Pk Maint Man II	Orange Coast Area to Silverwood Lake	8-31-72
Sprague, Patricia J.	Clerk Typist II	Off & Res Svcs to Acctg	8-7-72

CLASS TITLE CHANGE

Brown, Ernest H.	St Pk Rngr II	Anza-Borrego Area to Los Lagos Area	8-31-72
Martell, Walter E.	Pk Maint Man I	Pajaro Coast	8-31-72

TIME BASE CHANGE

Rae, Elethea M.	Clerk I	Visitor Svcs to Div Chief's Ofc	8-1-72

CLASS CHANGE

Shepherd, Glen M.	Guide I, SHM	Columbia Area to Monterey	8-31-72
Sutton, Jack C.	St Pk Rgr III	Sierra Area	8-1-72
VanDeusen, Phillip D.	Guide I, SHM	Will Rogers Area	8-31-72

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Polder, John E.	St Pk Rgr I	Sierra Area	8-9-72

REINSTATEMENT

Lodwick, William D.	Senior Delineator	Graphic Services	8-31-72

SEPARATIONS

Akin, Gerald A.	Property Clerk I	Dist 4 Hq	8-15-72
Dinneford, W. Bruce	St Pk Rgr Trainee	San Luis Obispo Area	8-25-72
Dodds, John C.	St Pk Rgr Trainee	Folsom Area	8-24-72
Free, Michael K.	St Pk Rgr (Int)	Sierra Area	8-25-72
Giboney, Warren C.	St Pk Equip Opr	Sierra Area	8-21-72
Harper, Geoffrey C.	St Pk Rgr (Int)	Frontera Area	7-21-72
Hilkert, Robert S.	St Pk Rgr I	San Diego Coast Area	8-3-72
Ledesma, Janero	Groundsman	San Diego Coast Area	7-31-72
Mello, Walter A., Jr.	St Pk Rgr (Int)	Sonoma Area	8-30-72
Sauer, Thomas L.	St Pk Rgr (Int)	Frontera Area	8-1-72
Spencer, Raymond W.	Janitor	Hearst SHM	8-14-72
Wall, Robert F.	St Pk Rgr (Int)	Orange Coast Area	8-7-72

RETIREMENT

Kauffman, Harry G.	St Pk Rgr III	Sonoma Area	9-12-72
Perry, Jack O.	Pk Maint Supv I	Golden Gate Area	8-31-72

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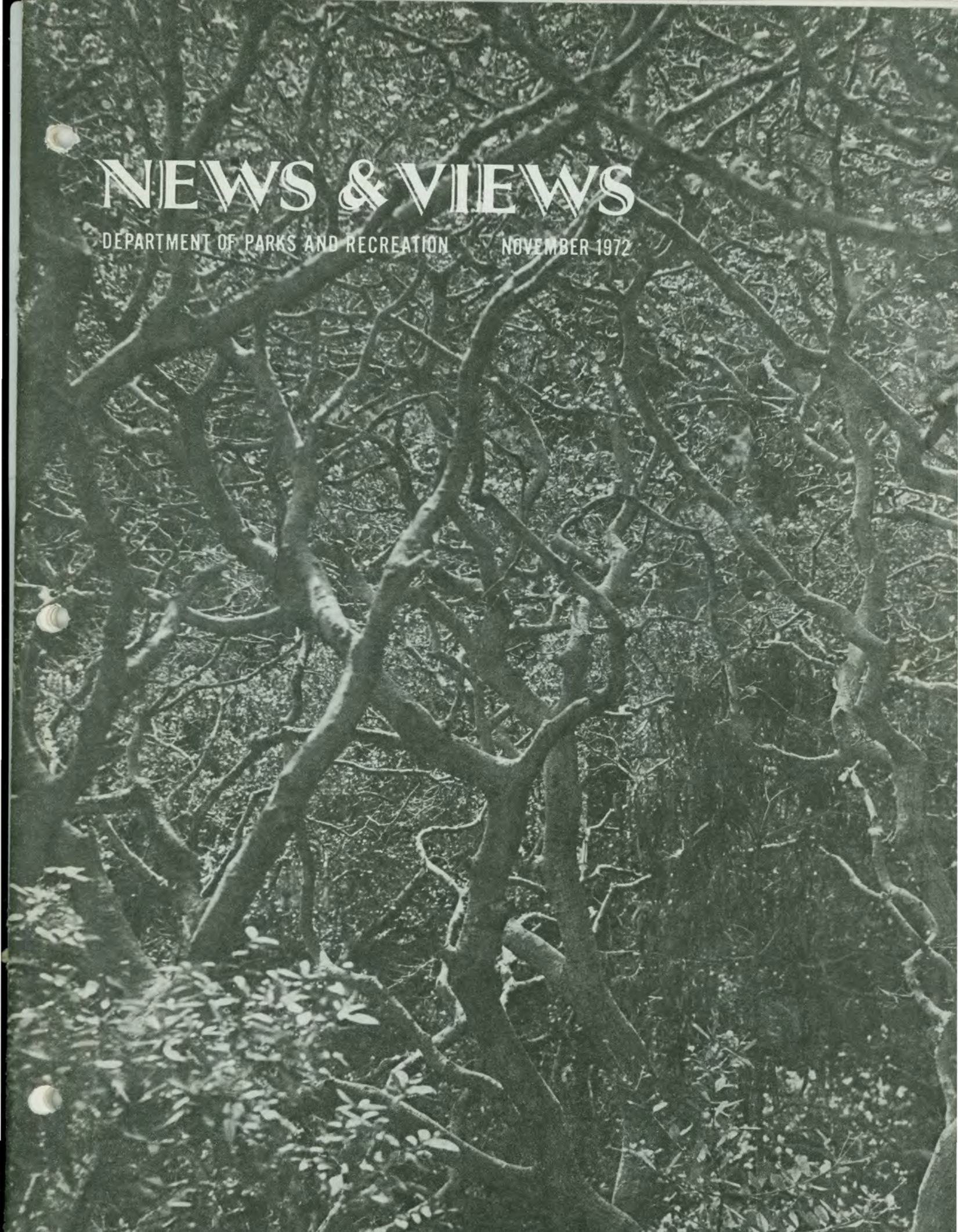

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION NOVEMBER 1972

THE DIRECTOR

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.

BOND ISSUE

In 1974, June, the voters of California will be asked to give their approval to a $250,000,000 bond issue entitled: "State Beach, Park, Recreational and Historical Facilities Bond Act of 1974". The enabling bill, AB392, introduced by Assemblyman Ed Z'berg, was approved unanimously by the Senate and with only one negative vote in the Assembly. The bill had the support of Governor Ronald Reagan and was approved by him.

The legislation provides that $90,000,000 be made available to cities and counties as direct grants; $90 million for the Department of Parks and Recreation for acquisition, of which $15 million is to be used for acquisition of inholdings. $15 million is available to our Department for historic restoration and interpretation, and $45 million for the development of real property. $10 million will be available to the Department of Fish and Game for acquisition and development of real property for wildlife management.

We will have about a year to prepare our program and establish our priorities. Dick May will head up a team to develop our recommendations which will be presented to the public in a series of public hearings.

The personnel of this Department represent a force capable of making available to the public the facts and figures relative to the bond issue. It is important to the success of this bond issue that the public be well informed as to the facts and how the money is to be used.

In 1976 the United States of America will be celebrating its bicentennial. What would be more fitting than to successfully pass this bond issue dedicating the use of this money to California's recognition of the commemoration of the bicentennial? The federal government and each state government has committees working on ideas as to how best we might commemorate the bicentennial. The federal government is talking about establishing a bicentennial park in each state providing matching grant funds for such a project.

The passage of the '74 bond act would make it possible for California, now the first state in the Union to adequately and appropriately commemorate this country's independence. Furthermore, the approval of the $250 million bond act by the public will make it possible for this department to acquire lands needed to meet future needs, preserve elements of California's unique landscape, eliminate troublesome inholdings and preserve, protect and acquire elements of California's colorful heritage.

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COVER: *Golden Gate Area Maintenance Supervisor Homer Rail won first prize for this picture in an amateur photography contest sponsored by the People for Parks and Open Space and eight Marin photo shops. The oak trees were shot within the city of Tiburon. Angel Island SP also is located in this city.*

Park Foundation's 3rd Birthday

The California State Parks Foundation held its third annual meeting in San Simeon, followed by a dinner at Hearst San Simeon SHM, at which several major contributors to the Foundation's program were honored. Funds from the $100-a-plate dinner, after defraying costs of the event, will go to support Foundation projects. Over 130 people attended.

Among those honored were *Henry Trione* of Santa Rosa, for his aid in the Annadel project, *Justin Dart* of Los Angeles, who helped in the Los Osos Oaks acquisition, and Foundation Chairman *Joseph Long* of Oakland, for his contribution of funds and leadership in the work of the Foundation as a whole.

Mrs. Emily Polk, instigator of the Los Osos project, was presented the 1972 American Motors Conservation Award, one of 10 given nationally.

Also given recognition were *Richard C. Danielson* of Los Angeles for his generosity at Point Mugu, the Singer Corporation for its aid to the Annadel project, and the anonymous donor for the Pine Ridge Museum at Henry W. Coe SP.

Over $4 Million in Gifts

At the annual meeting it was announced that over $4 million in gifts to the State Park System had been generated by the Foundation, ranging from over a quarter of a million dollars for outright purchase of a park to six cents from a school child for the "Poppy Park."

Major projects completed in the past year included Los Osos Oaks, the Pine Ridge Museum, Annadel, and fund-raising for rebuilding of the Fort Ross chapel. Other projects nearing completion include the Painted Cave near Santa Barbara, and the addition to Point Mugu State Park. Current major projects are for the addition of 700 acres to Annadel, and the campaign to establish a California Wildflower Preserve in the Antelope Valley of Los Angeles County.

Other projects listed in the new annual report are an acquisition program on the Sonoma Coast, re-creation of a living historic farm in Yolo County, preservation of the Steam Tug Hercules at San Francisco Maritime SHP, reconstruction of the

Eagle Theater in Old Sacramento SHP, a survey for a proposed underwater park in Carmel Bay, and assistance in the Hazard Museum project in Old Town San Diego SHP.

New Hearst Poster

Sales of Foundation Director *Ken Murray's* book *Golden Days of San Simeon* will be augmented by a new Hearst Monument poster, with revenues going into a fund that can be used for publications, including "starter" loans to the new cooperating associations the Department is planning for production and sale of interpretive materials at various State Park System units.

Three members of the Board of Trustees whose terms expired this year were reelected to new 3-year terms – *John P. Elsbach* of Beverly Hills, *Arthur J. Kates* of Pacific Palisades, and *Robert H. Power* of the Nut Tree. Chairman *Long* was retained in office, as was Vice-Chairman *Kates*, and *Power* will continue as Secretary-Treasurer. Other continuing board members are *Robert Nahas* of Piedmont, *W. Allen Perry* of San Diego, *Carl McConnell* of Redding, and *Mrs. Marlin H. Shirley* of Pomona.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. Trione, who helped with the Annadel project, were presented a picture of La Casa Encantado.

Vice Chairman Kates presents a surprise "quail and poppy" award to Foundation Board Chairman Long.

Mrs. Emily Polk receives 1972 American Motors Conservation Award from company representative R. W. Meeuf.

William Randolph Hearst, Jr. and Cary Grant reminisce.

Hors d'oeuvres and dinner were catered by Foundation Secretary-Treasurer Bob Power's Nut Tree restaurant.

Guides Bruce Brown, Winnie Robbins, and Shannon Avery with Debbie Reynolds and Cary Grant.

What's Happening

COMMISSION REPORT

Approval of resource management and general development plans for Doheny and San Onofre State Beaches highlighted the Commission's October meeting in Los Angeles.

The San Onofre plan calls for keeping the 4½ miles of beach primitive, with most of the camping and other development on the uplands east of the new coastal freeway (Interstate 5). Most of the discussion centered on the agricultural preserve, which would allow part of this area to remain under cultivation on a year-to-year basis until there was need to develop it for other park purposes. The section of beach that has been operated by the private surfing club would be kept as primarily a surfing area. Camping seaward of Interstate 5 would be restricted to the abandoned right-of-way of old Highway 101 where most of the present temporary facilities are located, plus a few walk-in campsites

Doheny

At Doheny, the plan calls for redeveloping the existing campground and its 220 campsites and providing an additional 234 campsites in the south-eastern part of the unit, between the beach and the railroad tracks.

Funding for initial stages of development will be requested in the 1973-74 budget.

The Director mentioned several other projects in his report. At Border Field, on the coast below San Diego, he said the Department was shortly scheduled to sign a lease with the Navy for 323 acres of estuarine land to be added to the 350 acres already received. Ultimate hopes are for about 1,600 acres, including 1½ miles of beach, plus more estuary upland area. Main use of the land now is for agriculture, but there have also been proposals for large-scale commercial development.

El Pueblo

A proposal for turnover of El Pueblo de Los Angeles to the City of Los Angeles will be submitted to the City Council soon, following a recent public hearing, the Director reported. The county has already indicated willingness to dissolve its part in the three-way agreement. Approval by the Commission and the Legislature would be necessary before the State could bow out.

The Director also expressed concern over a recent newspaper report that the Department's acquisition program was not active.

"We haven't acquired as much as we should or would like to," he commented, "but we are in a continuing program and getting encouraging results." Comparing 1956-62 with 1966-72, the periods cited by the newspaper, he noted that 94,000 acres valued at $37 million had been acquired in the earlier period, against 112,000 acres and a $75 million valuation for 1966-72. Development increased from $19 million to $34 million, for the same periods. The number of park visitors meanwhile increased from 130 million to 239 million, and revenues went from $7 million to $32 million.

Gifts

Gifts through the Save-the-Redwoods League of the Aaron Davis, Louise A. B. Cable, and Winnetka, Illinois Garden Club memorial groves were gratefully accepted for Prairie Creek Redwoods SP, as was an addition to the Frank Lusk Babbott grove at Big Basin Redwoods SP.

A special plaque commending his work with the Junior Lifeguard program was presented to *Bob Isenor. Jim O'Toole,* exchange ranger from the National Park Service, was introduced by Acting Chairman *Loren Lutz. Jim* has been at Orange Coast for about three weeks, trading places for a year with *Rene Avant*, who's gone to Yosemite. This is the first in a planned program of exchanges designed to broaden the experience of personnel in both services.

Carmen Saunders and *Gregory Allen,* two young counselors from Outward Bound Adventures, told of their experience working as maintenance aids for *Glen Jones* at Cuyamaca Rancho SP last summer. They were enthusiastic and are now going on to college to prepare for careers in the outdoor field. Both are remaining active in the OBA program of interesting young people from Watts and similar areas in wilderness and the environment, and hope to continue this effort in their future careers.

Area Manager Bud Caughill introduces exchange-program ranger Jim O'Toole of National Park Service to Dr. Loren Lutz, acting chairman of the Commission at Doheny SB.

Commissioners Starkey (left) and McMillan (far right) discuss San Onofre with Director, Senior Planner George Rackelmann, Bud Caughell, and District Superintendent Jim Whitehead.

Administrative Assistant Frank Bechler works for his junior ranger patch on the way up from the beach at San Onofre SB. Assisting are Mrs. Gilchrist, Mr. and Mrs. Bonnicksen, NPS Ranger O'Toole, and Bud Caughell.

WANT TO BE RANGERS

Six of the 16 applicants who applied for the 1972-73 Field Trainee Program have been selected by the Department and will receive instruction in all aspects of a State Park Ranger's job.

The formal training program is aimed at giving employees an opportunity to cross over into the Ranger series from other classes. The current crop of six applied in July. The program will be held again next summer.

The six successful applicants average 28 years of age with 4½ years of Department service and two years of college.

The six selected for the first year of the program are *William Beat,* Maintenance Man I, Santa Cruz Mountains Area; *Gary O. Fregien*, Attendant, Sierra Area; *Robert T. McAdams*, Attendant, Monterey Area; *William Walling,* SPR Intermittent, San Simeon Area; *James Dunn,* Property Clerk, District 1 headquarters; and *Armondo O. Noriega*, SPR Intermittent, North Valley Area.

After training, they will be assigned to various intake areas.

AUDUBON CAMP OF THE WEST

Six Department people took the opportunity to improve their interpretive skills by attending Audubon Camp of the West in Wyoming this summer.

Five attended on scholarships, and this year for the first time the Department authorized employees to attend on state time, as a training activity.

Three district interpretive specialists – *Jim Hibbert, Harry Batlin,* and *Dom Gotelli* – attended under a special arrangement through Audubon's western regional office. All district interpreters have now had the training, and a total of 32 Department employees have attended camp during the six years for which records are available.

Ranger *Joe Hood* of Mendocino Area attended on this year's CSPRA scholarship. *Kent Hartwell* of San Diego Coast Area was sponsored by the local Audubon societies of San Diego and Morro Coast. *Paul Johnson* of Montane Area went on his own.

The Audubon Camp offers two weeks of intensive field study interrelating a wide range of environmental subjects – plants, mammals, insects, geology, and of course birds. In the process, you can also pick up a lot of good interpretive techniques from the camp's professional staff. About 200 people attend the camp each year, in four two-week sessions.

CONGRESS PASSES GOLDEN GATE NRA

The Senate and House of Representatives have passed a bill establishing the Golden Gate National Recreational Area and it is now before President Nixon for signing. (A copy of the bill was not available at press time.)

Testifying before the Senate Interior and Insular Affairs Parks and Recreation Subcommittee in September, Secretary of the Interior *Rogers C. B. Morton* proposed that 11,337 acres of state-owned lands within the area continue to be managed by the State of California.

What's Happening

OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLE CRACKDOWN

The Department of Motor Vehicles announced last month that the time had come for public compliance with and strong enforcement of the new off-highway vehicle law.

DMV issued a news release to this effect and wrote all local law enforcement agencies in the state asking for strong enforcement.

The new law requires owners of off-highway vehicles to pay a $15 fee (good for two years) and obtain identification stickers. The law went into effect July 1.

Of the $15 fee, $6 comes to the Department of Parks and Recreation, half for local grants and half for Department use in providing off-road vehicle areas in the state. Also, $4 is returned to cities and counties in lieu of personal property tax and is to be used for local OHV recreation facilities and related law enforcement.

The Department is conducting an 18-month study which will result in an off-highway vehicle program for the State. *Ron Rawlings* is in charge of the program.

The DMV said only about 30,000 of the state's estimated 1.5 million off-highway motorcycles, trail bikes, dune buggies, snowmobiles, and all-terrain vehicles are registered to date under the new law.

The $15 identification sticker is required on all off-highway vehicles operated on public land.

FOR THE RECORD

The Department has made arrangements with State Historian, *Dr. W. N. Davis, Jr.*, for storage of some of the Department's valuable old records and drawings at State Archives. The first transfer includes some drawings of early structures on Angel Island going all the way back to post Civil War days. As far as we know, they are the only drawings of their kind in existence. Archives will catalog our material into the statewide archives system, thus making the information available to historians, historical societies, and researchers throughout the country. Also, they can preserve valuable documents with a laminating process that maintains their current condition for at least 300 years.

This arrangement with the State Historian is only one of the dramatic changes that have been taking place departmentwide in records management. The first step was taken 2½ years ago with the implementation of a centralized file system.

Director Mott presents the first batch of old records on Angel Island SP to State Archivist Dr. William Davis. Looking on are Merick Chaffee, Management Analysis, Connie Johannsen, Central Records, on Merick Chaffee's left; and Rose Eckberg, Office and Reservation Services.

Records throughout the Department, including those in district and area offices, are being brought under the Unified Filing System. Use of a common subject file coding system permits retrieval of records in the same consistent manner throughout the Department. Duplication of records is taboo except in rare, justified instances. Considerable file equipment and floor space savings have resulted.

Although records are controlled centrally, they are decentralized physically. There are three file stations at headquarters.

Building on the foundation of the new file structure and the new central records storage facility in the Department, the entire program of records management is being reorganized. Soon we will install a completely new records retention and disposition operation that will make it possible to streamline our file service.

Currently active records will be kept close at hand in office storage where they are needed to support ongoing programs and activities. Dormant, inactive records that are still important to the Department's operation will be stored in inexpensive, safe facilities at the State Records Center. Records that are determined to have historical significance will be transferred to State Archives.

This new records management system will contribute significantly to making the Department and its park system a smoother functioning operation.

Merick Chaffee
Management Analysis

RULING FOR ENVIRONMENT

An Oregon Circuit Court ruling that Oregon's anti-pollution "Bottle Deposit Law" is constitutional has paved the way for similar legislation now pending in 35 states and numerous municipalities and counties, according to the Crusade for a Cleaner Environment.

N. E. Norton, President of the group, in a story datelined Washington, D. C., said the purpose of the act is to aid in alleviating the problems of litter and solid waste associated with throwaway beverage containers.

The Bottle Deposit Law, passed by the Oregon Legislature in 1971, took effect October 1 of this year. It requires a 5-cent deposit on beer and carbonated soft drink bottles and cans and prohibits entirely the sale of beer and carbonated soft drinks in non-returnable containers. It is the only law of its kind in the nation.

It is anticipated that the can and bottle manufacturers will appeal this decision of Circuit Judge *Val Sloper.*

67 MILES OF BIKEWAY OPENS

The Department of Water Resources opened the first 67 miles of the California Aqueduct Bikeway October 28. DWR Director *William Gianelli* said it is the first section of a bicycle trail which he hoped eventually would extend along the more than 400 miles of the State Water Project's three aqueducts.

The 67 miles begins at Bethany Reservoir near Tracy and extends to near San Luis Dam in the Los Banos area, passing through parts of Alameda, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, and Merced counties.

Gianelli said the bikeway has a slope of less than one-half foot per mile and is completely surfaced. DWR is providing rest stations and water facilities along the route with special gate crossings designed for bicyclists.

DWR has been working with bicycle clubs for the past six months to design and equip the trail to meet the needs of the cycling public.

GOLDEN EAGLE ON AGAIN

The Department of the Interior has announced that the $10 Golden Eagle Passports and free Golden Age Passports will be issued for 1973 beginning January 1. Both passports will cover annual entrance fees to some 75 national recreation areas and will be available at post offices throughout the country and at some entrance stations. The program which lapsed this year, was renewed by Congress.

This cartoon is only part of the scene staged by the midnight camper. Study the cartoon, read the story, and see how many violations you come up with.

HOW'S YOUR CAMPGROUND ETIQUETTE?

(Here's a test of your powers of observation and knowledge about camping. In how many ways has the camper in the vignette violated park regulations or camping etiquette? Use the picture and story to see how many violations you can find. Send your answers to *Jack Smyre*, Supervisor of Safety and Enforcement, at Sacramento headquarters.)

It is almost midnight when the man finally decides to stop driving. He pulls into the campground, stops the car in front of the proprietor's office and leans on the horn until he rouses somebody out of bed to take his money.

Then he drives into the campground, looking for a site. Most of the sites are full and it's pitch dark so he puts his lights on high beam to see better as he drives all around the sleeping campground.

When he finds a site he parks his car so he can illuminate the place with his car lights. Then, at the top of his lungs, he rouses his sleeping family to help him make camp. To help keep them awake he turns the car radio on full blast.

By the time they get the tent up and camp made, the kids, who have been riding all day and sleeping for hours, are wide awake. They decide to work off a little energy and organize a noisy game of hide and seek.

The family dog joins in on the chase with gusto but is distracted by a cat. So it spends the rest of the night barking.

The old man wants to relax so he finds a nice grassy spot, piles up some trash and kindling and makes a fire. When it gets started good he saws off a limb on a nearby tree to keep it going. The green wood smokes a bit but he doesn't mind because he can sit upwind.

What's Happening

His wife has some clothes she wants to dry out so he hammers nails into two trees and puts up a clothesline. While he's at it he drives an extra nail and on that he hangs his brightly burning gasoline lantern.

Off in the distance he notices occasional flashes of summer lightning so just before going to bed he takes his jiffy trenching tool and digs nice deep ditches around his tent.

How many violations did you find? If you found in the neighborhood of 15 you are not only sharp-eyed but well versed in the camping code of etiquette.

The 15 points this mythical clod violated are, by no coincidence, covered in the Modern Camper's Code of Etiquette recently published by the Wenzel Company, one of the country's oldest and largest suppliers of quality hiking and camping equipment.

MODERN CAMPER CODE OF CONDUCT

1. Avoid loud noise in camp, particularly when others may be sleeping.

2. Don't litter.

3. Respect the privacy of others.

4. Never deface trees or camp property.

5. Leave a campsite cleaner, if possible, than you found it.

6. Build fires only in established pits.

7. Instruct children about camp rules and the rights of others.

8. Control your pets – never allow them to be a nuisance to others.

9. Obey posted speed limits – drive very slowly in camp.

10. Observe fire precautions.

11. Never let smoke from your fire be a nuisance to others.

12. Never molest wildlife.

The Wenzel Company

IMPACT STATEMENTS REQUIRED

The State Supreme Court has ruled that state and local governmental agencies must file environmental impact reports before they can approve construction projects that may have a "significant" effect on the environment.

The ruling means that the environmental impact of such projects as homes, shopping centers, and other commercial developments must be stated before a city or county can issue a permit for the project.

THREE TIME LEADER IN CLIPS

For the third straight month, District 6 led the Department in the number of clips supplied to the headquarters Information Office. The District's September supply was 66 of the total 300 clippings sent in.

Headquarters was second with 58, followed by District 5, 43; District 2, 27; District 1, 23; District 3, 22; and District 4, 14. Allen's Press Clipping Bureau supplied 47.

The clippings are placed in folders and routed throughout headquarters to keep staff informed of events and developments throughout the State Park System. Clippings also supply information and tips for news stories and News and Views articles.

SICK LEAVE

Department employees averaged 6.5 days of sick leave during 1971 compared to 5.8 days in 1970, according to a report of the State Personnel Board.

Lowest average for 1971 was the Department of Justice with 4.6 days, and the highest was recorded by Public Utilities and Legal Council, with 11.0 each.

The table below gives the averages for units of the Resources Agency.

Unit	No. of Employees	Days Used 1970	1971
Air Resources Bd.	173	5.1	6.3
Conservation	2,980	5.6	5.4
Navigation & Ocean Development	53	9.3	8.5
Parks & Rec.	1,159	5.8	6.5
Water Resources	2,980	7.8	9.2
Water Res. Cont. Bd.	235	6.8	7.5

VOX POP

Director *Mott* has received a letter from President Nixon praising the Department for its efforts at San Onofre SB.

The Director, in turn, pointed out that the late summer program of AMTRAKing underprivileged children to San Onofre SB was a big success because of the tremendous effort put forth by field personnel.

"In the future," Mott said, "I hope that many of our people will take advantage of AMTRAK for transportation to beaches and parks up and down the coast."

Following is the letter from the President.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 18, 1972

Dear Bill:

During the Labor Day weekend, I had the opportunity to drive by the San Onofre beach, and I was greatly pleased to see so many people taking advantage of the new and expanded facilities which you have so efficiently and promptly constructed. It is most encouraging to know that an increasing number of people are now enjoying the beach area and to know, too, of the trainloads of youngsters coming from the Los Angeles inner city to spend some time at the shore.

You and your people merit high praise for the fine job you have done on the San Onofre project.

With warm personal regards,

Sincerely,

Richard Nixon

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Bud Getty, Manager of **Anza-Borrego Desert SP**, boiled over when the San Diego Union carried a letter to the editor criticizing park personnel for "official thinking" and for being "so-called professional conservationists and self-appointed ecologists." Bud's reply, published in the Union, speaks for itself:

Editor, The Union: A recent letter to the editor concerning controls for off-road vehicles has some misinformation in regard to Anza-Borrego Desert State Park.

About 700 miles of off-road vehicle trail exists within the park. This is a sufficient trail system for access to the major features of the park.

No one who is willing to abide by a few simple rules is having any difficulty in enjoying Anza-Borrego. Only those who must "destroy to enjoy" are at odds with the policies to protect the fragile resources of the desert. Those who see every mudhill and untracked area as a challenge to their machines are the only ones who are unhappy with "State Park official thinking."

The "theory that locked gates and restrictive controls" will discourage entry and cause the public to go elsewhere and "consequently, make the Ranger's job easier" is not the policy of this park.

If it had been, it would have been a colossal failure. The park attendance has been climbing steadily; over 600,000 visitors have visited the park in each of the last two fiscal years and every indication is that it will continue to rise.

The letter points out that there are many recreational organizations in California.

Several of these organizations have been working with us to try to educate their fellow vehicle operators in their responsibilities to other users of the environment.

Those that do admit there is a conflict in land use are making headway toward reaching a solution.

The "so-called professional conservationists and self-appointed ecologists" are also making an important contribution to everyone who enjoys the out-of-doors.

One such group, the Anza-Borrego Committee of the Desert Protective Council, has purchased and obtained by gift over 2,000 acres of private holdings within the park. This was done to insure that this land would always be available to the park visitor.

This is the kind of "extremist" that we all need!

Maurice H. Getty, Manager
Anza-Borrego Desert SP

A special commendation came all the way from Wynnewood, Pennsylvania, to Hearst Castle Guide *F. Barry* for "the courteous, enthusiastic, and pleasant way in which he conducted the tour." The writer was *I. Arditi,* a professional engineer.

Ranger *Bill Long* and the staff at **Grover Hot Springs SP** were commended by *Ellis Siders* of San Ramon who, with his wife, camped there for 10 days this summer.

"We especially wish to thank him for his courteous and very fine rapport with the public. Other campers mentioned this trait, not only on *Mr. Long's* part, but on the part of the entire staff.

VOX POP

Assistant District 2 Superintendent *Murrell Gregory* lamented the fact that Ranger *Benedict* moved to District 1, commenting, "he has done an outstanding public relations job" and " we will miss him."

Mrs. Rita Cohen and her husband and daughter had such a delightful week camping at Bothe-Napa SP that the two ladies decided to stay on an extra week while *Mr. Cohen* returned to work. *Mrs. Cohen's* fear of being alone was quickly dispelled by Ranger *Franklyn Brown.*

"I felt completely safe knowing such a man as Ranger Brown was in charge of this camp," she wrote.

She commented further that her husband had been in many state parks and Bothe-Napa "is the best run State Park he has ever visited."

The staff at **Emma Wood SB** had fun last summer putting on the first interpretive campfire programs ever staged there. Their work brought words of praise from *Dorothy* and *Earl Key* of La Crescenta who wrote "We appreciated the work of all."

Supervising Ranger *John Fehling* of the **Channel Coast Area** singled out Ranger *Dennis McMullin*, Permanent Intermittent Rangers *Robert Rockwell* and *Kevin Farrel*, and Park Aid *Bill Murphy* for an outstanding job at this primitive campground.

One of their favorite ploys, *Fehling* said, came about 20 minutes into the program. A Ranger would rush in and shout, "We now interrupt this program to bring you a word from our sponsor, Southern Pacific." Then a freight train would roar by on the tracks less than 75 yards from the campfire center.

The center itself, *Fehling* said consists of a rock slope above the beach with a split 50-gallon oil drum for the fire ring. There's no electricity or other facilities. The programs he said, were well attended and well received.

"The girl with the long pigtails working in the kiosk" drew high praise from *Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Puaza* and boys of Santa Cruz.

They were visiting **Point Lobos SR** and appreciated the courtesy of Park Aide *Kathie Carpenter* while they filled out forms for diving.

"The world could use more people like her. She made our day a happy one."

Two buses loaded with 94 warm, worn, and weary teachers pulled into **Benicia Capitol SHP** this past summer, entered the former legislative chambers, and prepared to be bored.

But, as *Mrs. Lois Louie* of Sacramento wrote, Ranger *Roy Benedict* "made history come alive. We found outselves alert and sitting on the edges of our chairs." She commended him for his "wit, charm, and enthusiasm," and for awakening in all of them "a desire to learn more about past decades of our state's history."

The staff at **Donner Memorial SP** rated two letters of thanks from *Mr. and Mrs. Robert Summers* and family of Pacifica, who camped there this summer.

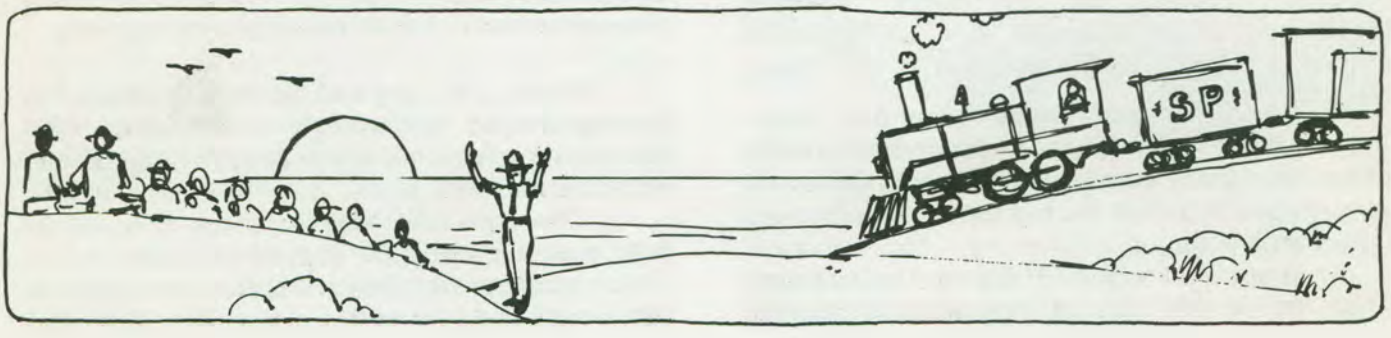
The first was a thank you to Naturalist *Steve McCormick,* who taught them many things about nature in the area and whose "pleasing personality" was matched by his knack of answering questions in a "simple and direct way."

The *Summers* were amazed at how much their three children, all under age 12, retained.

The second letter commended Park Aide *Barry Burton* for emergency assistance when the *Summers'* 7-year-old son caught his foot in the spokes of a bicycle. While the boy yelled loudly from the pain in his bleeding toes and lacerated ankle, *Burton* loaded him in a truck and drove him to help.

The *Summers* also commended the Department for its excellent choice of Park Aides.

A visitor complimented Janitor *Sammie Neel* of **Sonoma SHP** for having the "cleanest and best kept public toilets" he had seen.



YIELD FROM THE FIELD

The weather was still a prime subject for discussion in the monthly field reports for September, as many parts of the state recorded their first rainfall, thus easing one of the driest summers many Rangers could recall.

Generally, the Labor Day weekend was quieter than expected, due partly to bad weather that prevailed in some regions. However, some parks were filled throughout September, leading Chief Ranger *Schaal* of **Calaveras** to comment, "More and more people are jamming the parks in September by waiting for the busy season to end."

Senator *James Mills* of San Diego led a group of bicyclists through several state beaches in support of Proposition 20 in the November election (the Coastline initiative). The numbers rose and fell, with between 40 and 80 people in the group at various times. Some visits were quickies, some were overnight stops.

Several areas reported they were gearing up for the late deer season.

As for the rest of the news, here it is, as related in the Area Manager's monthly report for September.

Anza-Borrego Area, *Bud Getty* – An earthquake at 0755 September 10 set the Indian ollas on display to swinging, chairs to rolling, and water in the pupfish aquarium to splashing. A 4-foot light fixture crashed to the floor, narrowly missing Ranger *Getty's* head, and one water pipe broke in the campground . . . A report of a locked gate in the Sunrise Highway area, preventing people from entering park land, was investigated and found to be true. Steps taken included immediate removal of the barrier and setting up a meeting with a landowner in the area, BLM, and the Department.

Benicia Area, *Auburn Rose* – The Benicia Advisory Committee was formed to help develop the area. Attending the organization meeting were former Deputy Director *Ray Hunter,* District 4 Superintendent *Bob Hatch* and Assistant Superintendent *Murrell Gregory.*

Big Sur Area, *Jack Stowe* – The Indian Workshop at **Pfeiffer Big Sur SP** was one of the final interpretive programs of the year. This enables park visitors to make items the Indians made many years ago. It includes basket making, rope making, and cooking . . . An ambulance fund picnic was held in the group picnic area to help raise $12,000 for a new vehicle. Several of the park staff serve on the ambulance crew during off-hours . . . While patrolling **Andrew Molera SP** on horseback, Intermittent Ranger *Ed Tavares* and patrol horse *Mingo* walked into a nest of yellow jackets. It was rodeo time at the old ranch for *Mingo* and shots for *Ed.*

Bothe-Napa Area, *Franklyn Brown* – September 4 was the first night since Memorial Day weekend there was a vacant campsite. . . . Professor *Perry Lovelace* of the Napa J.C. arranged a class study of the possible damage the proposed vineyard of Stewart Smith and Associates will have on the park.

Castle Crags Area, *Bill Kaiser* – A timber trespass was discovered. Three trees had been removed and hauled to a mill, with small trees damaged by tractors.

Channel Coast Area, *H. C. Terry* – The City of Ventura Chamber of Commerce Beach Committee is considering a bicycle/walking path from the Santa Clara River to the Ventura Marina, along the ocean. It will have benches, drinking fountains, and landscaping. The path will cross state, city and county fairgrounds property.

Columbia Area, *Neil Power* – The archeology crew completed its dig at the City Hotel September 18. The wine cellar was the most interesting discovery.

Delta Area, *Allan Hibsch* – The Good Sam Recreation Vehicle Club met with Area Manager *Hibsch* to discuss making **Brannan Island SRA** a rally site. *Al* will make the group a preliminary proposal based on the Department publication, "Suggested Guide to Planning and Developing a Recreation Vehicle Club Ralley Site." Departmental approval will be asked before a permanent plan is adopted.

Dyerville Area, *James Neal* – A new trail through the Garden Club area to the new Harold and Kathryn Black Grove has been checked and flagged and is ready for installation . . . Area Manager *Gerald Fialho* mobilized the park staff at **Humboldt Redwoods SP** and enlisted the help of the CHP and Sheriff's office to nab a suspected car clouter who had been terrorizing parked cars all summer. The culprit, *Dennis Marshall* of Rio Dell, was channeled into the arms of the law at Rio Dell by use of a temporary road block. Items reported taken were found in the suspect's car. Ranger

Trainees *Knott, Garguilo,* and *Richmond* worked on the case.

Folsom Lake Area, *Ron McCullough* – The penguin stolen from the Sacramento Zoo some six months ago was discovered under a log at the Peninsula shoreline by picnickers. Rangers *Craig Engle* and *Ted Reinhardt* followed zoo instructions carefully to capture the animal. Zoo officials said the "Folsom Penguin" was fat and sassy, apparently thriving on his six months stay at the SRA, and not a bit happy to be back in the zoo.

Four Rivers Area, *Clyde Strickler* – Fishing picked up at **San Luis** with several 15-lb. catfish reported taken . . . The Delhi-Ballico Republican Women held a pot luck at **McConnell**, with Congressman *Bob Mathias* as speaker. One problem was they ran out of food for the 150 who attended. Another was that 75 students from Stanislaus College had a party that same night, but each group stayed in its own area and proceedings were relatively quiet.

Golden Gate Area, *Bill Allison* – The Area Manager has been working with Chaplain *Johnson* of the S.F. Presidio, hoping to restore the East Garrison Chapel at **Angel Island SP** and use it as a military church. The Presidio has given the park several items of "altar hardware", and plans more donations. Island wives have agreed to clean up and act as attendants so the chapel can be opened to the public on weekends . . . Following up on the summer work experience program at **Mt. Tamalpais SP**, the Mt. Tam High School has 10 students working at the park this semester. First project for the 10 (5 male, 5 female) will be assembly of a footbridge to cross the creek at Muir Beach. Next will be restoration of vegetation and soil at Pan Toll campground . . . The "Alma" was dressed up in special interpretive clothes and put on public display twice during September, for three days at Alameda, and two days at **Angel Island** during the "Ayala Day " celebration. Manning the scow for interpretive purposes were Historian *Glenn Burch* and Seasonal Aids *Carol Steward* and *Linda Kelly.* The girls wore period dress . . . A water shortage caused the closing of **Stinson SB** on the September 23-24 weekend. The city's water storage capacity of one million gallons dropped to half that amount, making it difficult to pump water to tanks in the highlands.

High Desert Area, *Roy Gholson* – A local resident brought in four desert tortoises for release at **Saddleback Butte SP** . . . The monthly demonstration skirmish staged by the 1st California Volunteer Light Artillery, Battery "A", at **Fort Tejon SHP**, was ambushed by a large band of Indians in full war dress. The Indians were some 150 fathers and sons making up the Huntington Beach YMCA Indian Guides. Their bright costumes, totem poles, and war drums added color and interest to the mock battles . . . A visitor reported a bundle of dynamite atop a ridge at **Red Rock Canyon SP**. Investigation disclosed the explosives had been there for several years and had been partially burned. The remains also were burned to protect visitors.

Hiouchi Area, *R. E. Westberg* – Oh for the life of a Ranger, A Vignette: September 5, *Mrs. William Stout* visited the Stout Grove and stopped by the area to work out details on raising the rail fence in front of the Stout tree to protect the tree, ferns, and other plant life from human erosion. September 11, *Mrs. Stout* visited the Stout Grove and contacted us to say she was dissatisfied with the height of the rail fence in front of the Stout tree. She wanted a six foot fence, we wanted four feet or less, and we compromised at 5 feet. September 17, *Mrs. Stout* visited Stout Grove again to observe progress on the rail fence. September 18, Asst. Superintendent *Herman Schlerf* met with *Mrs. Stout* to discuss removal of an old restroom and reconstruction of a new one at **Smithe Redwoods**. September 29, *Mrs. Stout* visited the Stout Grove again, said she was leaving for San Anselmo October 1. Have a nice trip, *Mrs. Stout.*

P.S. 45 million *Mrs. Stout's* visit the State Park System every year. God bless 'em.

Lake Elsinore Area – Number 3 pump at **Lake Elsinore SRA** was started up at noon September 25, after several years of rest, and immediately churned out 4500 gallons per minute. By 3:45 p.m., a million gallons of water had been added to the lake, according to *Bob Simpson* Assistant Land Agent in the Special Services Section at headquarters. An agreement provides that water be pumped into Elsinore when the lake drops to a certain level.

Lake Oroville Area, *Don Royer* – Press releases and contacts with local sporting goods stores apparently paid off as no major problems arose as the result of closing two newly acquired areas to deer hunting.

Malakoff Diggins Area, *Eric Leffingwell* – The water level in the Blair was so low it had to be

posted for "no swimming." A budget item is needed to repair the leak at the bottom of the dam.

Marshall Gold Discovery Area, *Gus Till* – *Charlie Marshall,* well known folk singer, radio, and TV star, and a participant in many events at the park, passed away. The Sacramento Fiddlers gave the park many of **Marshall's** belongings, including his famous hat . . . The annual flea market attracted over 6,000 visitors and the sponsoring Booster's club sold 200 booth spaces at $4 per booth. Funds will be used to finance the park's 125th Anniversary next year, and 10% of the proceeds went to restoration of the Catholic Church.

McArthur-Burney Area, *Jack Sanders* – Birdseed was used by a wedding party instead of the customary rice, providing a bonus for wildlife.

Mendocino Area, *Paul Griffith* – Mendocino Supervisors voted a four month open space zoning for the watershed of the Inglenook Fen.

Millerton Lake Area, *William Reinhardt* – Lack of rain this year has caused the failure of eight mature oak trees.

Montane Area, *Glen Jones* – Cattle were observed within **Palomar Mt. SP** twice during September. The owner was called and cattle were removed with great dispatch . . . Rangers *Doug Jacobsen* and *Jim Ritter* found their first hunter, stalking five deer, at **Cuyamaca Rancho SP**. The hunter was the most beautiful mountain lion they had ever seen, weighing in at an estimated 125 lbs.

Monterey-Pt. Lobos Area, *C. W. Ray* – The Third Annual Parade of Nations, a spinoff of the bicentennial, was held at the Custom House Plaza. The various ethnic groups served exotic native food items . . . Legislative Analyst *Don Benedict* toured the Cooper-Molera Adobe, First Theater, and Larkin House . . . Ranger *Parker*, removing a small gopher snake from the Plaza Hotel Saloon at **San Juan Bautista SHP**, reported the reptile was weaving but still on its "feet" . . . The Italina American Club sponsored the annual Santa Rosalia Festival in the Custom House Plaza and Memory Garden. This event was reborn during the bicentennial. Historically it celebrates the blessing of the fleet followed by singing, dancing, and much eating. The Club donated $50 to the State Parks Foundation in appreciation of the use of the facilities.

Mount Diablo Area, *Ed Earl* – The Local Junior Museum provided two coyotes for release in an isolated section of the park. Staff is hopeful of reintroducing predators and eliminating the need for rodent control by the County Department of Agriculture.

Mt. San Jacinto Area, *W. Stahlberg* – The U.S. Forest Service reported that the series of fires in the area is suspected to be the work of an arson ring . . . The Labor Day weekend provided the second largest night of camping during the year with 105 families using the 83 campsites and overflow area. Use of the wilderness is near capacity on weekends.

Orange Coast Area – *Jewel Caughell* – Work began September 18 on a segment of a bike trail system at Huntington Beach.

Pajaro Coast Area, *Anton Trigeiro* – The Monarch butterflies began to arrive in large numbers at **Natural Bridges SB.**

Piercy Area, *Karl Moltzner* – The summer season ended with the Labor Day weekend, leading to the closure of some campgrounds, removal of summer bridges at Oak Flat (**Richardson Grove SP**) and **Standish-Hickey SRA**, and water releases and flashboard removal at **Benbow Lake.**

Picacho Area, *R. B. Frenzel* – The Concessionaire, *Joe Linder*, reports gross sales for September are 50% above a year ago with most of the business coming from river travellers.

Plumas-Eureka Area, *Chester Cowden* – The Eureka Lake Road closure remains in effect Friday through Sunday. Fishing at the lake is waning, along with fishing success.

Providence Mountains Area, *Alan Scheibli* – The survey crew completed work on the boundary lines, but didn't have enough time to survey the area open to hunting. Because of the extremely dry year, not much hunting pressure is expected this season, but a definition of the areas open and closed to hunting is needed before the next season.

Russian River Area, *Robert Crawford* – The Forest Theater at **Armstrong Redwoods SR** was the setting for 69 weddings between May and September. They ran the gamut from the very formal to one where a Ranger was asked to hold the baby during the 15-minute ceremony. The best, according to Ranger *Bill Bishop,* was one

where a lady was making telephone arrangements. He was explaining the Do's and Don'ts, when she replied, "Oh, I know all about that. I married my first husband there. This is my second time around."

Sacramento Area, *Kirby Morgan – Paul Loui,* Consultant to the Commissioner on Human Relations for the County of Los Angeles, complained about use of the term, "Negro" in the Byword tapes. The historical accuracy of the term was explained, but *Mr. Loui* insisted it be changed to "Black," and promised to write the Governor about it. Cost of changes would be around $550 per tape . . . **Indian Grinding Rock SHP** hosted the annual Indian Day . . . Boy Scout Troops 9 and 405 spent a day cleaning out the duck pond on the **Fort** grounds.

Salton Sea Area, *H. B. Shook* – The Mecca Beach kiosk was demolished when a camper missed the entrance . . . A fisherman suffered a small head cut at the headquarters jetty. Seems fishing was so slow, he fell asleep and toppled out of his chair . . . Park Aide *Dennis Clark* was loading the garbage truck when he discovered a coiled sidewinder at his feet. He is now giving lessons on how to walk four feet off the ground.

San Diego Coast Area, *Jack Welch* – Accident at **San Elijo SB** saw a VW sedan go out of control, hit a parked car along the road (totaling it), tear out several sections of cyclone boundary fence, and land in campsite No. 70 . . . *Peter Gaidula* of the Resource Management and Protection Division and District 3 Forester *Gene Thomas* inspected the **Torrey Pines** burn area. This area will be set aside as a study area to observe regeneration under natural conditions.

San Simeon Area, *Wes Cater – Mr. Hart* of the Bancroft Library picked up some books that were donated by the Hearst Corporation.

San Luis Obispo Coast Area, *Chuck Lyden* – Two nude couples were found skinny dipping at **Montana de Oro SP.** They were advised to dress. The Ranger patrol said they were very cooperative and friendly, and well tanned all over.

San Mateo Coast Area, *Anthony Ulm* – A rare sandpiper curlew, normally found in the Arctic and northern Europe, was spotted by Audubon members at Pescadero Marsh. This is the second known sighting of this bird in this area and it brought bird watchers from all over California . . . Intermittent Ranger *Nicholas Lee* found oil washing onto the beach at **Thornton SB** and immediately alerted appropriate agencies. Shortly after, eight men from Pacific Pollution Control of Del Chemical Co. arrived and worked until the beach was clean.

Santa Cruz Mountains Area, *Curtis Mitchell* – Confirmed sightings of Pileated Woodpeckers at **Big Basin** and **Portola SPs** are the first known occurrence of these birds south of S.F. Bay in many years . . . The "Litter Getter" program at **Portola SP** resulted in youngsters turning in 2,617 bags of trash from July 1 through September 30 . . . Illegal campers are getting soft! A visitor at **Cowell** saw four youths carrying a bed and sofa into the park on the Rincon Trail. Staff never did find them . . . Thirty-five second year Park Management students from West Valley College will be working on field study projects at **Big Basin** and **Castle Rock SPs** this year. Each student will work one weekend a month.

Sierra Area, *Jack Sutton* – Seasonal Ranger *Joan Benner* interviewed *Mrs. Connie Sol* and her daughter. *Mrs. Sol* was housekeeper for the *Ehrman* family for some 30 years. The information will be used in future interpretation of the home and outbuildings . . . The contractor has begun to underground the utilities to the building on the lake side of Highway 89.

Silverwood Lake Area, *J. H. Greene* – A water skier dropped his tow line when he realized the boat operator and observer had been thrown from the 16 foot outboard. The slack line caused the boat to turn and head directly for the skier. He dived to the bottom and the boat continued on its way, hitting a boomline, becoming air borne, and flipping over. Patrol personnel salvaged the boat and towed it back to the launch ramp.

Sonoma Area, *R. L. Menefee* – Three baby ducks, making their first appearance in the Vallejo Home pond, delighted visitors and staff . . . Chief Ranger *Harry Kauffman*, on his last work day before retirement, paid a last visit to the Vallejo Home and made a final entry in the logbook.

Trinidad Area, *D. Myers* – A big bull elk spotted his image in the visitor center windows of **Prairie Creek Redwoods SP**, and charged, breaking about a dozen panes of glass. Two days later he did the same thing, breaking out a dozen more. They're playing it loose at the park.

Will Rogers Area, *Carl Wilson* – The park continues to be a favorite training site for local school track teams and several cross-country meets are booked there. The 1920 Model T truck which had been on display has been reactivated and is a working artifact, transporting the park maintenance section. Maintenance Man *Ernie Bar* is responsible for the reactivation.

BURYING THE PRESENT AT MARSHALL

Nearly 125 years ago the discovery of gold in the American River at Coloma, once the "Queen of the Mines," changed the course of the nation's history.

Today workmen are digging away on a project that will improve the appearance of historic and scenic Marshall Gold Discovery State Historic Park on Highway 49 about eight miles from Placerville.

Pacific Gas and Electric Company and Pacific Telephone are burying the utility lines that serve the park, which was established to commemorate the discovery of gold by James W. Marshall in 1848.

The utilities will remove 51 poles and nearly two miles of overhead lines after the Underground Cable and Construction Corporation of Roseburg, Oregon, contractor on the job, lays the underground electric and telephone cables by plowing them in with a specially-built rig.

PG&E will install 20 attractive colonial type post top lamps on laminated wooden poles to maintain the park's historic flavor.

Boosters Started It

About three years ago the Coloma-Lotus Boosters Club, with the approval of the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors, began the effort to convert existing electric and telephone lines from overhead to underground. Agreements were signed between the state and the utilities to clear the way for the project.

$105,000 Job

The job is costing approximately $105,000, including $56,000 allocated by PG&E, $30,000 by Pacific Telephone and $19,000 by the state. Also involved are 12 private property owners along the park's eastern edge.

The utilities' costs are being met from funds they set aside annually for undergrounding their lines along main traveled streets and in areas of civic, recreation and scenic interest.

Participating in a ceremony calling attention to the project were *Ray Miller* of the Boosters Club, *Mrs. Beverly Hempt*, president of the El Dorado County Historical Society; *E. G. (Gus) Till*, Marshall Gold Discovery Area's Manager; *M. M. Whittaker* of Stockton, District 3 assistant superintendent; *Ross Davidson*, chairman of the park's citizens advisory committee; Supervisor *Ray Lawyer*, *Jackson Bailey*, PG&E marketing representative in Placerville, and *R. D. (Denny) Rickards*, Pacific Telephone manager in Placerville.

FIRE BARES DEBRIS

The July fire that blackened several acres at Torrey Pines SR uncovered a lot of trash and debris that had been tossed by motorists on Highway 101 over the years. Three dedicated ladies of the Torrey Pines Wildlife Association took it upon themselves to clean up this mess, which they promptly did.

Supervising Ranger *Kent Hartwell* presented the three with Junior Ranger Badges on behalf of the Reserve staff, the Department, and the State.

Posing with one of the many piles of litter collected at Torrey Pines SR are, from left, Mmes. J. La Grange, J. Crane, and P. Whitehead.

TV PLUGS TREE PLANTING

District 4 Superintendent *Milton Frincke* reports his District is cooperating in a tree planting program sponsored by TV Station KQED, Channel 9, San Jose.

KQED, an educational TV station, is offering planted trees as a gift to subscribers. The size of the tree will vary from a seedling to five gallon size, depending on the size of the contribution. The trees will be planted either in the Bull Creek Basin or in the Big Sur fire area.

Details of the program, which was launched last month, were ironed out at a meeting in San

Francisco attended by Santa Cruz Mountains Area Manager *Curt Mitchell, Tony Look* of the Sierra Club, *Gerald Gauss* and *Emma Kuretich* of the U.S. Forest Service, and *Gerald Marans*, Assistant to the General Manager of KQED.

The trees will be purchased by KQED and will be planted by volunteers under the auspices of the Sierra Club. The Station hopes to do a feature on the program this winter, covering the actual planting.

MOUTH TO PORPOISE

The staff at Border Field SB did its best to save a beached porpoise recently.

Chief Ranger *Floyd Lemley* reports that Ranger *Don Crary* and Maintenance Aids *Larry Anderson* and *Dennis Johnson* observed a crowd of Mexicans on the beach about 50 feet south of the International Border. They investigated and found a beached bottle-nosed porpoise.

The park men carried the mammal to the water where it rolled onto its side. It was returned to the beach and Ranger *Crary* applied mouth-to-blow hole artificial respiration in an attempt to revive the victim. This was not successful and the porpoise was claimed by local fishermen.

GREEN THUMBS UP

Marshall Gold Discovery Area Manager *Evon Till* votes "thumbs up" for Green Thumb, Inc., a nonprofit organization that hires senior citizens (55 years and over) to work on public projects that cannot be accomplished with existing budgeted funds. *Till* declares that it is the best federally funded program he has seen.

Green Thumb, with groups in 26 states and Puerto Rico, is sponsored by the National Farmer's Union, which was organized to help farm workers through legislation, promotion of job opportunities, and other means. The Green Thumb program is funded through the federal Department of Labor.

For State Park System projects employing Green Thumb personnel, the Department of Parks and Recreation contributes at least 25% of the total project costs in the form of material and supervision. Green Thumb, Inc. supplies the work force, wages, insurance, and transportation to the job.

Green Thumb projects in the Marshall Gold Discovery area include thistle and weed control, repairing of a fence and relocation of a gate at the Catholic cemetery, rebuilding of a historic walkway along High Street, replacement of a brick sidewalk, painting of buildings, and control of erosion on a hillside by filling, seeding, and water runoff diversion. A future project for the group is extending of a water line in the North Beach area.

Bennie Juarez, manager of Green Thumb, Inc. in northern California, says the employees are men who want to supplement their limited incomes. Most are receiving social security payments or small pensions. Their ages range from 55 to 75 years.

The organization finds no difficulty finding projects to work on, *Juarez* says but also no difficulty finding men to do the work. There is a backlog of both, he says. That does not mean, however, that they are turning down applications for projects. They will gladly put any worthwhile public project on their future work list.

Several other State Park units are being helped by Green Thumb workers.

> Sutters Fort, Sacramento: Maintenance of grounds, museum, and interior of Fort.
>
> Governor's Mansion, Sacramento: General cleanup.
>
> Old Hackett Ranch, Woodland, recently donated to the State: cleaning of weeds and brush, drainage, outdoor repair, and use of special skills as opportunities arise.

City and county projects are also included in the program.

In October, 110 Green Thumb men were working on public projects in northern California. A Green Thumb group is to be set up in southern California next year.

KEEP IT SIMPLE

"Keep it simple and make it unique and as maintenance-free as possible" were the instructions given District 1 Carpenter *Marvin Christner*, who designed and constructed the new restroom at F.K. Lane Memorial Grove in Humboldt Redwoods State Park.

The restroom is part of a new rest stop facility which includes a gravelled parking area, water, and picnic tables. This replaced the old, worn out restroom.

Funds for construction were donated to the State Parks Foundation by the Sacramento Kiwanis Club. Labor for brush clearing and construction of the "stob and rail" fencing was provided by Ecology Corpsmen from the Division

of Forestry's Humboldt Ecology Center at Weott. Funds for Corps labor were provided by a Bureau of Outdoor Recreation grant from the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

The redwood shake-sided "gambrel" shaped building fits unobtrusively into the redwood scenery alongside of the Avenue of the Giants, just north of Phillipsville, and is the first State Park facility on the "Avenue" where north-bound travelers can stop and stretch their legs after leaving the freeway.

Many compliments have been received on the new rest stop, not the least of which came from Director Mott and Park and Recreation Commissioners when they visited District 1 recently.

Herman E. Schlerf
District 1 Actg. Superintendent

District 1 Carpenter Marvin Christner proves you can stand in the shade (or out of the rain) while waiting in line at the new restroom at Humboldt Redwoods SP.

JR. LIFEGUARD PROGRAM SUCCESSFUL

A Junior Lifeguard Program set up jointly by the Barry Foundation, the California State Lifeguard Association, and the Department has been termed a "terrific" success by District 6 Aquatic Specialist *Bob Isenor,* who ran the program.

A total of 72 boys 9 to 12 years old took the classes at three beaches, San Diego Coast, Huntington, and Silver Strand.

There were 33 days of instruction which included such fields as physical conditioning and competition (30 hours); surfing and boat safety or sailing (30 hours), marine biology and environmental study (20 hours), life saving (20 hours), and a standard first aid course tailored for the age group.

Physical conditioning included running, calisthenics, and swimming (they did a thousand yards in the surf by the end of the program), as well as basic ability to cope with the ocean environment.

Competition included the First Annual Moonlight SB Junior Lifeguard Carnival, a family affair, which lasted all day and netted awards for the winners.

Rescue training included work with the rescue tubes, instruction on the function of all equipment and at lifeguard stations, time on the lifeguard towers with lifeguards observing people in trouble, and learning to pick out trouble areas. They became very proficient at this, *Isenor* said.

Awards, course completion cards, and Red Cross First Aid certificates were given out at separate ceremonies at each of the three beaches.

Isenor said he knew of no other Department program which has gained such community acceptance and recognition as this one. He hopes it can be done again next year, with more boys and more Districts participating.

Junior Lifeguards learned, among other things, sailing (top); resuscitation (bottom).

BIGGEST EVER BANANA SLUG DERBY

The Elk Bowl was full and the audience waited with eager anticipation for the officials to begin the 4th Annual Prairie Creek Banana Slug Derby. Slugs in the stable were anxiously waiting their opportunity to creep across the finish line bringing their handlers either joy or sorrow.

Festivities began with an explanation of rules by *Paula Pennington*, the "Master of Festivities, Frivolities and other Gay Affairs", who originated the Banana Slug Derby. *Mike Hawkins,* "Judge Master", began the derby with a cry of "they're off and creeping."

After the dust had settled, two winners were crowned in the Children's Division. *Denise Cox* of San Louis Obispo, handler of "Sinkin' Cindy", was awarded the "P. Pennington Founders' Award", while *Shawn Failho* (son of *Jerry Fialho*, Dyerville Area Manager), the handler of "Dragon In", received the "J. T. Slug Award" for runner-up.

New this year was the adult race. Quite a few adults were willing to race the slimy slugs and the winner was given the "Ripe Slug Award". "Bobby Fischer Slug", the entry of the seasonal staff at Patrick's Point State Park, took top honors.

The climax to an already exciting day was the "B. S. Challange Race". This was the first year our letters of challenge were answered, though it's common knowledge that Prairie Creek slugs are unbeatable. Those accepting our challange were: Humboldt Redwoods, Patrick's Point, Del Norte Coast Redwoods, Jedediah Smith Redwoods, and Grizzly Creek Redwoods SPs, Redwood National Park, and District One Headquarters. Some areas sent their humble regrets for not being able to attend, giving a number of feeble reasons.

After the shouting faded into the Redwoods, the cries of woe and sorrow began, for Prairie Creek's "B.S.A." had emerged the winner. A slow second was District One Headquarter's "Interpedo" (handled by *Jack Schlotter*, District Interpretive Specialist) and a distant third was Patrick's Point's "Icky Ugy" (handled by Ranger Intermittent *John Schmill*). All promised a vengeful return next year to try and unseat the champion.

The derby concluded with the presentation of trophies by "Miss Banana Slug" *Kathie Dore*. In addition to the awards mentioned, *Donna Bacon* received the "Most Inspirational Performance by a slug" award for *"Darling Dorothy's"* superb sleeping act throughout its heat race.

This year's derby was the best yet and it is hoped the enthusiasm will continue. So if you find time next year, come join us at Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park for our 5th Annual Banana Slug Derby.

They're off and slugging in the fourth annual Banana Slug Derby, Prairie Creek Redwoods SP's answer to the six day bicycle races.

Paula Pennington Seasonal Ranger
Mike Hawkins, Park Aid

RETRACTION OF REPORTED TICKETRON OVERSELL

In the September, 1972 issue of News & Views, Channel Coast Area reported that Ticketron had oversold reservations at McGrath State Beach for the 4th of July period. This report was in error; park personnel oversold non-reserved space. Needless to say, if there should be actual Ticketron oversells in the future at any park, full details should be sent to departmental headquarters immediately.

Bob Baker
Management Analysis

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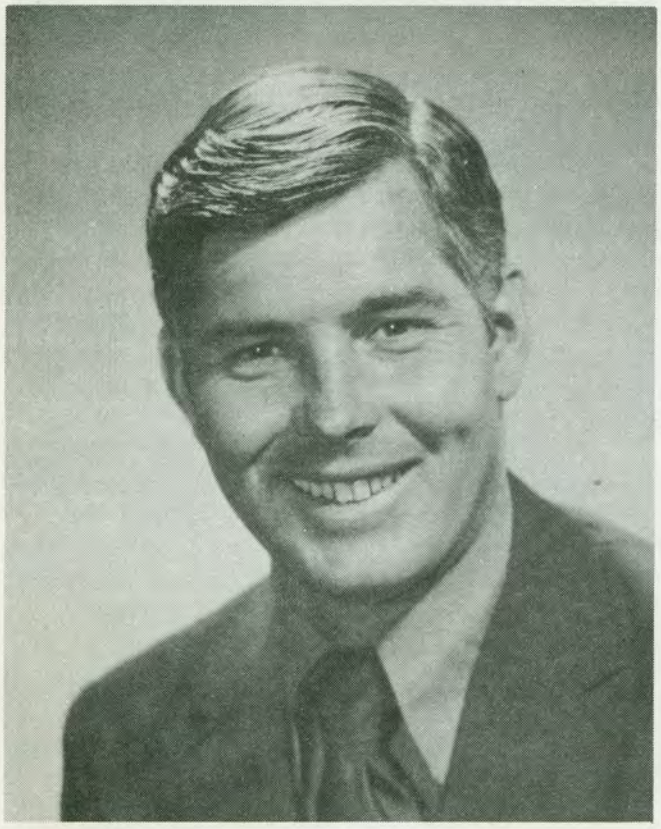

BOB BAKER TO JOIN B.O.R.

Bob Baker, Assistant Deputy Director in Los Angeles since May 1, 1971, has accepted a position with the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation of the U.S. Department of the Interior. He will be Regional Director in Atlanta.

Director *Mott* has advised staff that those wishing to be considered for this vacancy should submit their names to his personal attention.

Baker joined the Department in Monterey May 15, 1961 as a Delineator. He moved to the Goleta office in 1962, serving there until December of 1967 when he moved to the Planning and Development Division at Sacramento headquarters.

From Delineator he earned promotions to Landscape Architect and then to Assistant Deputy Director.

HOLE IN ONE

During the *Hiller's* vacation this September, *Bob* and *Mary* stopped at the Fallbrook Country Club north of San Diego to play 18. *Mary* shot superb golf including a birdie on the 1st hole and a *hole-in-one* on the 11th (all properly witnessed and verified).

The hole-in-one puts *Mary* in the running for a possible trip for two to Scotland with expenses as well as a chance at being the recipient of many other prizes. Congratulations *Mary*, By the way, *Bob* also played. *Bob* is in the Operations Division at Sacramento headquarters.

IT WOULDN'T HOLD THE DIAMONDS

Clifford (Corky) A. Allen was presented with a 25-year service certificate and lapel pin at Humboldt Redwoods SP September 14. The presentation was made by Assistant District Superintendent *Herman E. Schlerf* and Area Manager *Jerry Fialho.*

In presenting the gold lapel pin, *Schlerf* commented that while the pin represented the number of years of service, if diamonds were added for quality of service there would not be room for all the diamonds *Corky* would deserve for his many contributions to the Department in the past 25 years.

Members of the Humboldt Redwoods staff gathered to honor *Corky* at the presentation and enjoyed coffee and a cake contributed by Ranger *Jim Neal's* wife, *Beverly*. The cake was decorated with a large redwood tree (out of frosting, of course) and the words "25 years of service".

While most of *Corky's* service was at Humboldt Redwoods, he also served in Sacramento, Big Sur, and McArthur-Burney.

An added surprise for *Corky* was an unexpected visit by *Wallace A. Cooper. Wallace*, now retired, started with the Department with *Corky* in 1946 when he was an Assistant Civil Engineer and *Corky* was a Senior Engineering Aid. Their first job was to survey a trespass at Humboldt Redwoods.

Ranger Corky Allen displays his 25-year service certificate while Herman Schlerf, left, and Jerry Fialho look on.

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S.F. HAS ONE-OF-A-KIND

A year ago 29-year-old *David Houck* of San Anselmo "didn't know a poop deck from a forecastle" and now this Army veteran is the only shipwright apprentice in California.

Houck is learning the age-old skills required for the repair and restoration of ships at the Hyde Street Pier of the San Francisco Maritime SHP.

The one-of-a-kind training is under the statewide programs of the Division of Apprenticeship Standards, State Department of Industrial Relations. Co-sponsors are the State Department of Parks and Recreation and the shipwright union, formally titled Shipwrights, Joiners, Boat Builders, Caulkers, Millmen and Loftsmen Local 1149 of San Francisco and Oakland. It is the oldest union in California, founded in 1857.

There are about 70 shipwrights in the Bay Area, says *Harry Dring*, maintenance supervisor at the park, but very few master shipwrights are left. The maritime industry is not training them any more, he says, and most shipwrights are in their 60's. The best shipwrights still around, according to *Dring* are in Portugal building fishing boats.

Modern shipbuilding methods do not require the all-around knowledge that a master shipwright had. His job, *Dring* explained, has been taken over by the welders, shipfitters, pipefitters, machinists, boiler makers and other technical workers who build modern steel ships. As *Dring* points out, in former times the master shipwright designed the ship in its entirety and supervised construction from start to finish. Occasionally he would go into the forests to personally select the timber he wanted. The shipwright also designed the wet and dry docks, wharves and workshops, *Dring* said.

Houck does not design and build ships, but he must know a lot to take care of the different types of ships at the Maritime Park. The work ranges from caulking, painting and wood refinishing to replacing dry-rotted sheathing. There is welding to be done, installing marine hardware, building ladders and gangways, and replacing old decking. *Houck* spent a week in an Oakland dry dock working on the sailing schooner, the S.S. "Thayer," gaining experience he couldn't get at the pier.

His largest project so far was replacing the spokes and buckets on the ferryboat S.S. "Eureka's" paddle wheel. The other ships that he and four shipwrights work on at the Hyde Street Pier are the S.S. "Wapama," the last steam schooner in existence; the S.S. "Alma," the only hay scow schooner afloat; and the "Hercules," which the State Park Foundation plans to acquire.

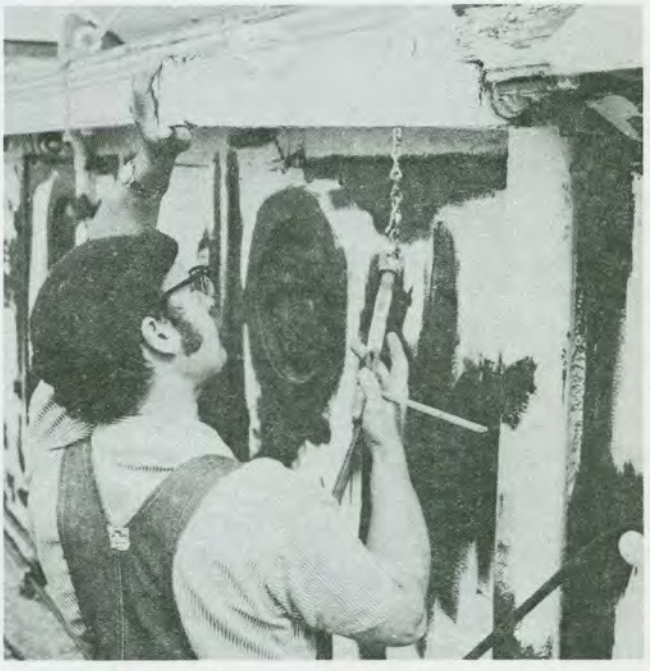
He became interested in restoration while working in building maintenance with the State Department of Parks and Recreation in Sonoma County. "The work there was similar," he said, "except now I am restoring old ships instead of old buildings."

Though not an "old salt," *Houck* is interested in the lore of shipbuilding, a craft that goes back thousands of years. Its real growth, according to *Houck,* took place in England in the early 16th century, when *Henry VIII* brought in shipwrights from Italy to design and build a fleet for his Royal Navy. It was later under *Elizabeth's* reign, *Houck* said, that *Matthew Baker* became the first master shipwright in 1572.

Houck began his three-year apprenticeship last December. In addition to his apprentice pay, he receives educational benefits provided by the Federal G. I. Bill.

He is married and lives in San Anselmo. Although he spends most of his work day on ships, he is not a sailing enthusiast and admits he has "only been sailing on the Bay twice." Nevertheless, *Houck* and his fellow workers at the Maritime Park are proud to be shipwrights, among the remaining few of their craft in the U.S.

Gene Cresci
Information Officer
Department of Industrial Relations



Army veteran David Houk, an apprentice shipwright, helps restore the steam tug Hercules, which is berthed at the Hyde Street Pier and is a top priority acquisition project of the State Parks Foundation.

Photo by Dept. of Industrial Relations.

ALL PART OF THE TOUR

Elmer Aldrich and *Gene Boucher*, former Park and Recreation employees, and their wives got a little extra action at no extra cost while on a Sacramento Audubon Society sponsored tour of Africa. They, along with others on the tour, were detained for a week by Uganda troops during an abortive invasion of Uganda by exile forces from neighboring Tanzania.

The Sacramento Bee reported that all were well.

CONVALESCING AT HOME

Mary Whittaker, wife of District 3 Assistant Superintendent *Mel Whittaker,* thanks the many people who sent cards and flowers during her illness. *Mary* has been ailing since May, has been in and out of the hospital, and has had major stomach surgery. She is convalescing at home now and expects to be fully recovered and back in circulation by the first of the year.

DONATE BLOOD, MONEY

A request in the October issue of News and Views for donations for a burn center to be set up in memory of the nine members of Betty Chapman's family killed in a recent ground/air tragedy that claimed a total of 22 people has resulted in the contribution of $130 to the Sacramento Medical Center. Also, a large but unspecified amount of blood has been donated by park people to fill the critical need for an immediate 20 pints with additional amounts left in reserve.

Those who donated to these very worthy causes deserve a large thank-you. Those wishing to still donate, either to the blood bank or to the Sacramento Medical Center, please specify the LaVine-Nash-Martin account.

FROM THE SEPTEMBER FIELD REPORTS

Ranger I *Roy Benedict* has left the ranks to join the maintenance forces. Benicia Area Manager *Auburn Rose* reports *Roy* was excellent at giving interpretive talks, and will be hard to replace.

September was examination time in the Big Sur Area. Maintenance Man I *Luther Cannon* took the Maintenance Supervisor I oral; Ranger II *Ray Jenkins* took the Maintenance Supervisor II oral and came out number two on the list; Ranger Intermittents *Ed Taveres* and *Jim Stewart* took the E.D.A. for Ranger I; *Cannon,* Maintenance Man I *Gary Person*, and Maintenance Assistant *Ray Twibell* took orals for Maintenance Man II; and Rangers *Jenkins* and *Bob Allen* took the E.D.A. for Ranger IV.

Channel Coast Area Manager *Harold Terry* has been appointed a member of the Ventura County Parks Advisory Commission.

Dyerville Area employees and their families held their annual end-of-season Labor Day barbecue and feasted on steak, beans, salad, tomatoes, cucumbers, hot French bread, and drinks. Some 125 attended.

The exodus of staff at Dyerville Area was for QAP's in San Francisco. It included Rangers *James Neal* and *Clifford Allen* and Maintenance Man *George Kafka* for SPR IV; State Park Attendant *Lloyd McElfresh* and Park Maintenance Assistant *Hugh Metcalf* for the Maintenance promotion series.

A campfire seminar held at McConnell SRA was successful. In attendance were members of Girl Scout Troop 483 from Ceres. The girls had never seen so many rangers at a campfire before and had an enjoyable time. (It may have been the first time there were enough Rangers to go around.) Attending were District 3 Interpretive Specialist *Jim Hibbert*; and Rangers *Patrick Watkins,* **Four Rivers Area**; *Merle Beckman,* **McConnell**; *Bob Justice*, **Brannan Island SRA**; *Paul Schuessler,* **Calaveras Big Trees SP**; *Tad Woodward*, **Turlock Lake SRA**; and *Steven Moor* and *Curtis Kraft*, **San Luis Reservoir SRA**.

Marion Hanshew, Ranger I at Lake Oroville SRA, has been ordered by his doctor to end his service with a disability retirement. He has been on the sick list since June 30.

Mrs. Bertha Parker, wife of Montane Area PEP Naturalist, passed away September 25 after an extended illness.

Ranger *George Leetch* of Anza-Borrego Desert SP is the author of a lengthy feature story on the history and habits of bats, which appeared in the September 23 issue of the Borrego Sun.

Douglas Metcalf, former Piercy Area Manager, moved from Oroville to Bidwell Mansion SHP in Chico as Assistant District 1 Superintendent, East.

Jim Stewart is the new Ranger I in charge of the Colusa-Sacramento River SRA. He has been on leave for four years attending Chico State. He had eight years previous park duty at Sam Taylor, Squaw Valley, Malakoff Diggins, and the Sonoma Area.

Ranger I *Rene Avant* left Orange Coast Area to report to Yosemite National Park where he will work under the exchange program between the Department and National Park Service.

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Ranger II *C. D. Thompson* left San Mateo Coast Area to assume his new duties as Supervising Ranger at Seacliff SB.

Permanent Intermittent Ranger *C. H. Eddy* moved to Picacho SRA September 29 to get settled before assuming his new duties October 1.

Ranger *Herbert Pierce* and his wife were shocked and saddened by the sudden death of *Mrs. Pierce's* mother.

Casey Buchter, Departmental Counsel, and *Jim Barry,* State Park Plant Ecologist, used the Torrey Pines SR shop as a base of operations while taking a SCUBA course at Scripps Institute of Oceanography at La Jolla.

Ranger Trainees *John Melvin, David Van Cleve,* and *Daniel Preece* arrived at the San Diego Coast Area for duty.

Ron Erickson, Ranger II, has assumed the duties of Chief Ranger at Hearst Castle.

Erica Ness, Guide I at the Castle, has retired after seven years of service. Area Manager *Wes Cater* said she will be missed by her co-workers.

A dinner party honored the retirement of Maintenance Man II *Fred R. Schulz* of the Trinidad Area. His new home will be in Trinidad. The party also served as a farewell to *David Sears*, Ranger in charge at Gold Bluffs Beach, who went to Samuel P. Taylor SP with a promotion to Ranger II.

Three new Ranger Trainees, *Robert Blanford, Robert Hobkirk,* and the first young woman Trainee, *Michel Bartoo*, have begun work at the San Luis Obispo Coast Area.

Members of the North Section Visitor Services and Maintenance Crews of San Luis Obispo Coast Area held their annual end-of-season fish fry at the Chorre Willows group camp.

Ranger *John Bollinger* of San Luis Obispo Coast Area has won the contest to name the new Angel Island passenger boat. The winning name is "Ayala." He went to Angel Island SP to accept his award and join the christening ceremony at Tiburon.

Del Williams took over as Chief Ranger at the San Mateo Coast Area to replace *C. D. "Tommy" Thompson* who was transferred to the Pajaro Coast Area. A pot luck was held to welcome the new and honor the departing.

New Ranger Trainees *Ray Patton, Steve Singer,* and *Dick Troy* and Field Trainee *Bill Beat* arrived at the Santa Cruz Mountains Area, were given a week's orientation, and departed for Asilomar.

The return to duty of Ranger *Al Wittington,* recovering nicely from a hospital stay, has made possible the reopening of Donner Memorial SP's museum seven days a week.

Joe Fazio of Point Lobos took over as Chief Ranger in the Sonoma Area.

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PERSONNEL TRANSACTIONS AS REPORTED TO THE PERSONNEL SECTION BY 10/15/72

NAME	CLASS	LOCATION	DATE
UNIT CHANGES:			
Acrea, Robert	Assoc Landscape Architect	Project Coord Sec to Grants and Statewide Studies	8-31-72
Bryce, Allan	Eng Aid II	Surveys Unit to Proj Coord Sec	10-1-72
Bryce, Doug	SPR V	District 1 HQ to Visitor's Serv Br	8-31-72
Doyle, James M.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Repts & Contract Serv to Director's Office	8-31-72
Flynn, Randall G.	SPR (Int)	Piercy Area to Golden Gate Area	9-30-72
Knight, Linda	Clerk-Typist II	Off & Res Serv to Operations, Division Chief's Office	8-31-72
Miller, Hester	Clerk-Typist I	Operations, Division Chief's Office to Central Records	8-31-72
Williams, Edwin A.	Assoc Civil Engineer	Eng Unit to Dist Svcs	10-1-72

SEPARATIONS:

Long, Marion W.	SPR (Int)	Sierra Area	9-2-72
Louis, Daniel W.	Jr Landscape Architect	Project Development Sect	10-13-72
Modlin, Karl E.	Dispatcher-Clerk	Folsom Lake Area	9-17-72
Pederson, Paul J.	SPR (Int)	Channel Coast Area	9-30-72

RETIREMENT:

Ness, Erica T.	Guide I, SHM	Hearst SHM	9-30-72

TRAINING ASSIGNMENTS:

Fregien, Gary O.	State Park Attendant	Sierra Area to Folsom Lk Area	9-18-72

NAME CHANGE:

King, Mary K. From: Burdett	Guide Trainee	Hearst SHM	9-26-72

APPOINTMENTS:

Barton, Michel A.	SPR Trainee	San Luis Obispo Area	9-18-72
Beilharz, Alan F.	SPR Trainee	Folsom Lake Area	9-18-72
Blanford, Robert P.	SPR Trainee	San Luis Obispo Area	9-18-72
Carver, Thomas	Assistant Civil Engineer	Engineering Unit	9-5-72
Chapin, Wesley C.	SPR Trainee	Golden Gate Area	9-18-72
Demetrak, Keith	Park & Rec Spec Trainee	Grants & Statewide Studies	9-7-72
Harrison, Thomas R.	SPR Trainee	Golden Gate Area	9-18-72
Hobkirk, Robert	SPR Trainee	San Luis Obispo Area	9-18-72
Lingel, Raymond D.	SPR Trainee	Folsom Lake Area	9-18-72
Peters, Ronald D.	SPR (Int)	Millerton Lake Area	9-22-72
Richter, David J.	SPR Trainee	Folsom Lake Area	9-18-72
Robeson. Laurie A.	SPR (Int)	Golden Gate Area	10-4-72
Vaught, Gary J.	Park Maint Asst	Hearst SHM	8-14-72
West, Eugent W.	Janitor	Hearst SHM	9-18-72
Weise, Patricia J.	SPR Trainee	Golden Gate Area	9-18-72

PROMOTIONS:

Barclay, Mary Jane	Sr. Steno to Sec I	Director's Office	10-1-72
Benedict, Roy W.	SPR I to Park Maint Man II	Benicia to Trinidad	10-2-72
Caldwell, Keith	SPR IV to SPR V	Operations	8-31-72
Erickson, Ronald J.	SPR II to SPR III	Golden Gate Area to Hearst SHM	9-25-72
Gardner, J. Warren	Staff Park & Rec Spec to Senior Park & Rec Spec	Grants & Statewide Studies	8-31-72
Jones, Jeffrey J.	SPR Trainee to SPR I	Russian River	9-15-72
Kraft, Curtis D.	SPR Trainee to SPR I	Four Rivers Area	9-15-72
Kutsch, Melvin E.	SPR Trainee to SPR I	Folsom Lake Area	9-15-72
Lavenson, Charles R.	SPR Trainee to SPR I	Gaviota	9-15-72
Moore, Steven D.	SPR Trainee to SPR I	Four Rivers Area	9-15-72
Nicol, Donald W.	State Park Historian I to Asst Park & Rec Spec	Fronters Area to Project Coordination Sec	9-18-72
Robles, Robert G.	Park Maint Sup I to Park Maint Sup II	San Luis Obispo	10-1-72

Steinhart, Keith M.	SPR I to Jr. Park & Rec Spec	Mt. Diablo to Grants & Statewide Studies	10-1-72
Walfoort, Glen D. Jr.	SPR Trainee to SPR I	Folsom Lake Area	9-15-72

APPOINTMENTS:

Anderson, Robert E.	SPR (Int)	Trinidad Area	9-18-72
Field, Lilian	Janitor	Lake Oroville	9-18-72
Gray, Christopher P.	Park Maint Asst	Big Sur Area	9-13-72
Guyette, Louis J.	Watchman	Orange Coast Area	9-14-72
Martin, David M.	Park & Rec Spec Trainee	Adm Services/Systems Dev	10-10-72
Maruyama, Timothy C.	Park Lndscp Maint Tech	Orange Coast Area	9-11-72
Monahan, William J.	SPR Trainee	Dyerville Area	9-18-72
Peavy, Joseph D.	Watchman	Orange Coast Area	9-16-72
Preece, Daniel C.	SPR Trainee	San Diego Coast Area	9-18-72
Sanders, Norma J.	Personnel Asst I (Int)	Sacramento HQ	9-18-72
Steed, Harry R.	SPR (Int)	Silverwood Lake Area	9-25-72
Tuttle, Daniel J.	SPR Trainee	Dyerville Area	9-18-72
Van Cleve, David H.	SPR Trainee	San Diego Coast Area	9-18-72

SEPARATIONS:

Garrells, William R.	SPR I	Lake Oroville Area	10-10-72
Howe, Leland J.	SPR (Int)	Hiouchi Area	8-1-72

REINSTATEMENTS:

Stewart, Samuel G., Jr.	SPR I	North Valley Area	10-2-72

RETIREMENT:

Ashabranner, Cas D., Jr.	SPR II	Picacho Area	6-9-72
Schultz, Fred	Park Maint Man II	Trinidad Area	10-1-72

CLASS TITLE CHANGE

Martell, Walter	SPR II to Park Maint Man I	Pajaro Cst Area to Jetty SB	8-31-72

UNIT CHANGE:

Cater, Kenneth E.		Orange Cst to Anza-Borrego	10-1-72
Fazio, Joe		Pt. Lobos SR to Sonoma Area	9-13-72
Johnson, Gerald J.		Golden Gate Area to Adm Services – Mgmt Analysis	9-18-72
Robinson, William L.		High Desert Area to Big Sur Area	8-18-72
Thompson, Collian D.		San Mateo Cst to Pajaro Cst Area	8-18-72
Williams, Delbert W.		Los Lagos to San Mateo Cst	8-31-72

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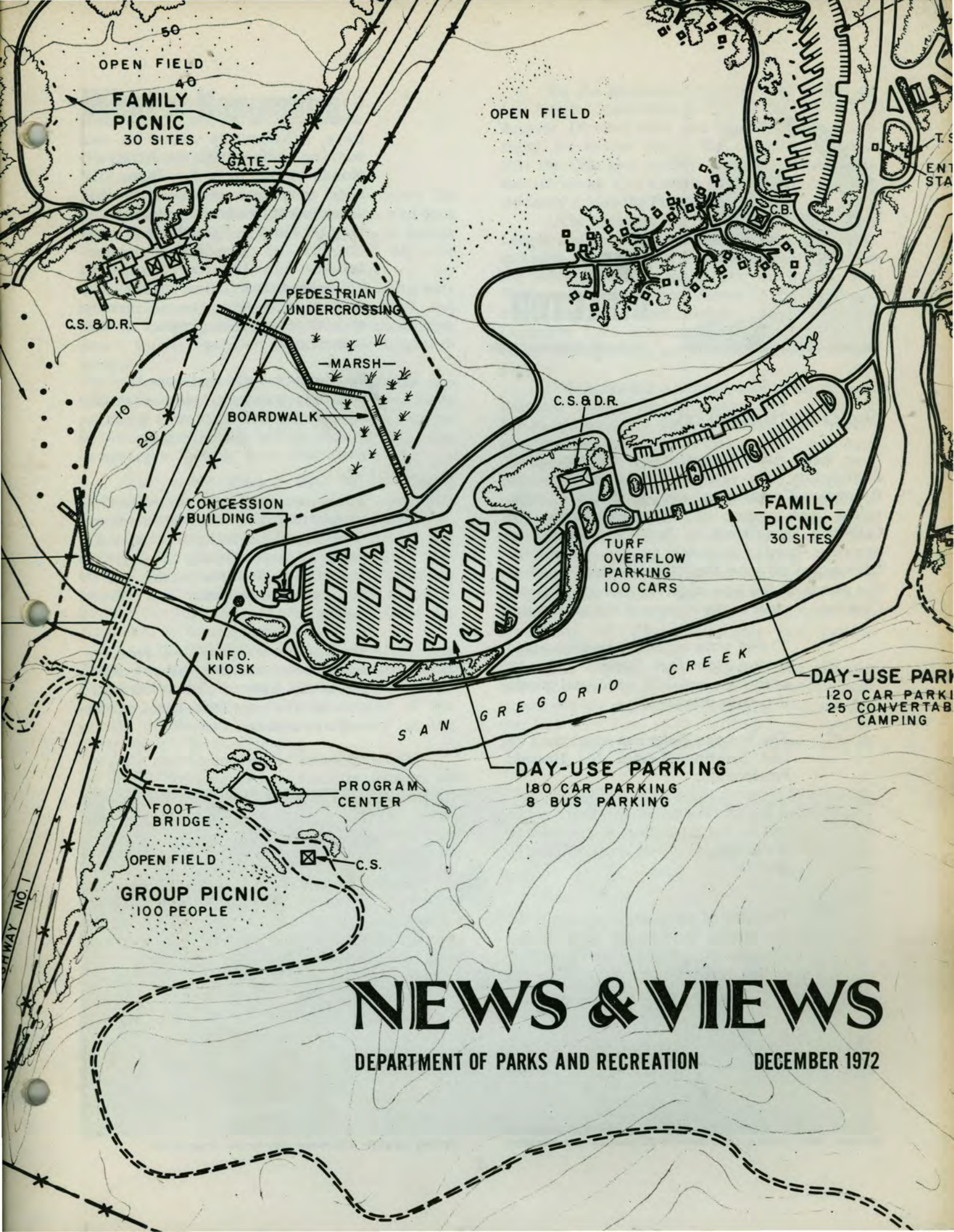

NEWS & VIEWS

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION DECEMBER 1972

THE DIRECTOR

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.

OUR CHRISTMAS PRESENT

With the cooperation of the State Legislature, the leadership of the Park and Recreation Commission, and the giving of time, talent, and money of many individuals, the California Department of Parks and Recreation proudly made available to the 20 million Californians we serve the following items, which at this season of the year might be thought of as our Christmas present to the citizens of this great state:

* 53,644 acres of land have been added to the State Park System. 277 new campsites and 329 additional picnic sites were developed.

* The Toscano Hotel was refurbished by the Sonoma League for Historic Preservation.

* A church was rebuilt and furnished to add to the rebuilding of the town of North Bloomfield at Malakoff Diggins SHP.

* The gift of an interpretive center to the Henry W. Coe SP adds to the educational and recreational potential of that unit.

* New concession developments in several units of the State Park System have substantially added to our servicing of the public. The Bazaar del Mundo at Old Town San Diego SHP adds color and excitment to that development, while the restoration of the City Hotel in Columbia will make possible a cooperative program between this Department and the Columbia Junior College that will add a new dimension to an already exciting interpretive program at that historic park.

* Sixty new rangers haye gone through our ranger training program which will improve our ability to make a visit to a unit of the State Park System a memorable and pleasant experience.

* Some 41 citizen participation committees with their memberships have helped substantially in building a bridge of understanding between this Department and the public and in developing a particular unit of the system.

* Many other projects and programs have been added to the system, frequently without cost to the State, through the contributions of people and corporations.

These "presents" were brought into being by the creative, efficient, and enthusiastic efforts of the Department's personnel who, for over seventy years, have been deeply concerned with maintaining the environmental quality of California.

To those we serve and to the personnel of the Department, I wish you a very Merry Christmas, good health, and a statewide environmental consciousness that will eliminate pollution, litter, and the wasting of our natural resources.

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ON THE COVER: *The master plan for San Gregorio SB.*

What's Happening

COMMISSION STORY

A November meeting in San Franisco has become a tradition with the Commission who once again were Thansgiving luncheon guests of former Commissioner Harold Zellerbach and his wife Doris.

Main items at the Commission meeting were a hearing on the Resources Management and General Development Plan for San Gregorio State Beach, several regulation changes, and a number of reports.

The Anza-Borrego Desert Committee was commended for the tremendous job it has done in acquiring over 1,340 acres of inholdings over the past two years through its desert gardens and other programs.

The newly formed Save Mount Diablo Committee was also commended for its programs for the expansion of Mount Diablo State Park, following a report on Committee activities and goals by Dr. Mary Bowerman. She noted that about 3,000 acres on the mountain are currently for sale – either to be added to the park or lost to private development. Another 3,000 acres are threatened by development.

A $250,000 HUD grant for San Onofre State Beach has just been announced, Director Mott reported. It will be used for bike trails, picnic facilities, and sanitary facilities as part of the general development program approved at the Commission's October meeting.

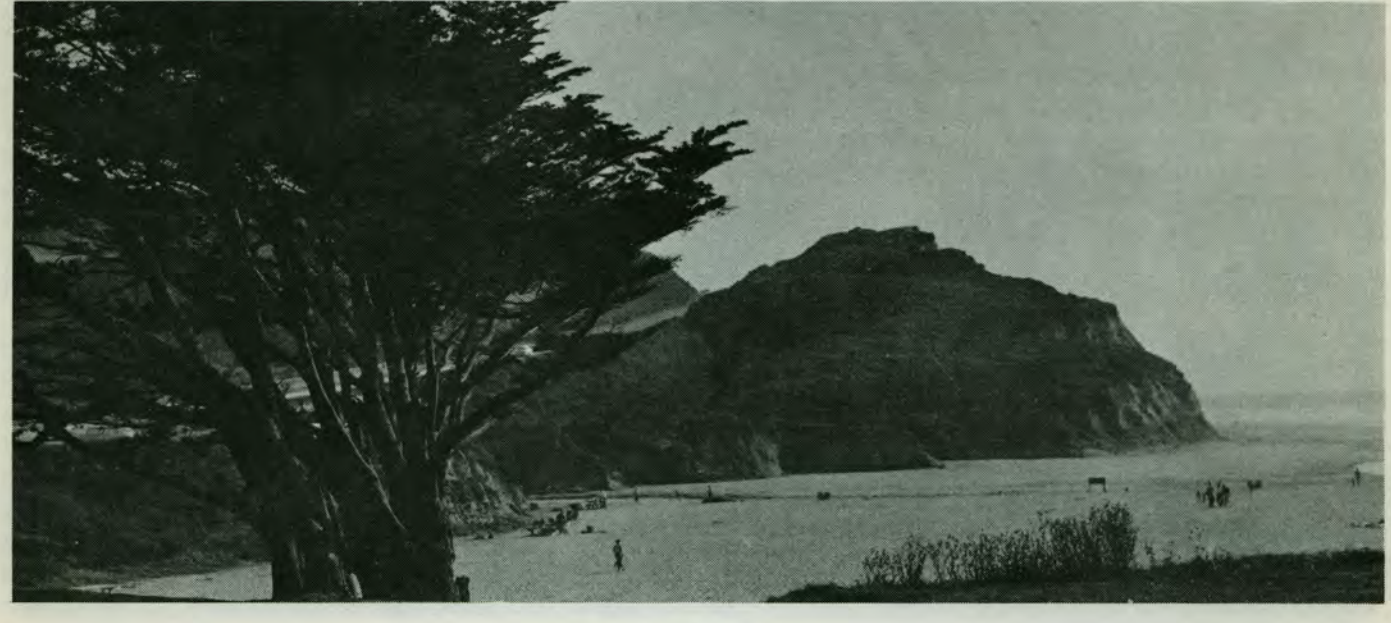
On the proposed turnover of El Pueblo de Los Angeles State Historic Park to the City of Los Angeles, Director Mott said the City Council had asked for further study. The Commission asked that the City give further thought to terminating the three-way City-County-State Agreement that currently covers the Pueblo.

Gifts arranged by the Save-the-Redwoods League and gratefully accepted by the Commission included the Elizabeth French Babbott Grove in Big Basin Redwoods State Park; the Pauline and William Russell Hubbard Grove in Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park; and the Marshall C. and Genevieve Fore Seagrave Grove and the Donald Edgar Marquis Grove in Humboldt Redwoods State Park.

Old-timers did a double take when the San Gregorio hearing was announced and up popped Landscape Architect Harry Dean to testify. Harry, who used to work for the Department, was there to speak for the San Mateo County Park Department. Like other speakers, he praised the plan and the Department's decision to proceed with development at San Gregorio. His main concern was the density of use proposed along San Gregorio Creek, and the need to deal with the water and sewage problems that face the whole San Gregorio area. Robert Mayer of the Sierra Club's Loma Prieta Chapter also questioned the desirability of placing camping and parking facilities along the creek.

Bob Deering, who heads up the planning team for the Department, said that development would put the pressure on the inland side, but that this had been done so the overused resources on the ocean side of the unit could be restored. He

San Gregorio SB.



said the Department would ask for $107,000 in the 1973-74 Budget to resolve the sewer and water problems, as a basis for over $1 million in development to be undertaken in 1974-75.

The Commission approved the plan as proposed.

Most of the suggested Park System Regulations were also approved. These were largely technical changes to bring the Administrative Code into conformance with new State laws. A proposal to close Point Lobos State Reserve to fishing and shell collecting was deferred, as was wording on control of the waterskiers' new sport of being towed through the air on giant kites.

A report on last summer's experiment to assign people with dogs to separate campgrounds was given to the Commission. Discussion on participation in the American Bicentennial celebration was deferred.

A proposal by the producers of the Renaissance Pleasure Faire for an "Old San Francisco Waterfront Fair" at San Francisco Maritime State Historic Park was approved in principle by the Commission. The Faire would run Thursdays through Sundays for 33 days during July and August next year, recreating the atmosphere of the 19th Century waterfront.

Area Manager Al Ulm, Commisioner Lutz, and Planner Bob Deering discuss San Gregorio SB development plan.

Maintenance Supervisor Don Renn, Planning Team Leader Bob Deering, and Area Manager Al Ulm showed Commissioners where San Gregorio State Beach General Development Plan facilities would go.

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From left: Dorothy Bernstein, Todd Neiger, Dick Felty, Arch Hagerman, Tom Welsh.

WANT TO BE A BLACKSMITH?

Or a gunsmith, or a brewer, or a banker? All these occupations, and more, can be found in current or proposed State Park concessions.

Concession businesses are established to provide goods and services to park visitors that augment those provided by the Department. Normally selected by competitive bidding, a concessionaire may be required to build and operate anything from a mobile refreshment stand to a whole park, as at Los Coches Rancho WC. Sometimes a park is operated by an historical or civic group under a concession contract, as at Los Encinos and El Presidio de Santa Barbara SHPs.

While the majority of concessionaires operate such things as beach refreshment and rental stands, bait shops, and camper-supply stores, there are also some unusual businesses carried on. For example:

* At Columbia SHP, where a variety of concession operations give the park the flavor of a living gold rush town, two saloons are operated by concessionaires. Other businesses there include a hotel that will soon be operated by Columbia Junior College to train students in hotel and restaurant management, a harness shop, and a stage line. Reconstruction of Columbia's Chinatown is in the early planning stage. The Concessions Division also needs volunteers to sample the "product" when the proposed brewery concession gets into operation.

* The Department is also looking for a gunsmith to add historic flavor to Marshall Gold Discovery SHP. Other businesses that are or have been conducted there under concession contract include a blacksmith shop, a dressmaker's shop, and one of the oldest post offices in California.

* There may soon be a chance for a back-to-the-soil movement at Camillus Nelson SHF (no, that's not a typo – the real classification is State Historic Farm, the only one in the State Park System). Discussions are being held about the possibility of a concessionaire operating this unit as a model farm, with real pigs and ducks and cows for the city kids to see and pet.

The Department's Concessions Division, supervised by *John Hightower* and consisting of Concessions Specialists *Arch Hagerman, Todd Neiger,* and *Tom Welsh*, Secretary *Dorothy Bernstein*, and Ranger *Dick Felty,* who is on a 2-year training assignment, administers 160 concession contracts in 70 park units. Not only do these businesses provide valuable and needed services to visitors, they also return an average of nearly $700,000 in rental revenue each year, as well as providing concessionaire-built facilities valued in excess of $6,000,000 to date. On the other hand, no rent is received from the concession at Picacho SRA, where the concessionaire operates a store and fuel supply facility as a "labor of love," a service to those using this isolated park unit.

D & D NOW TWO DIVISIONS

Jim Warren, Design and Development Division Chief, is working in the Office of Planning and Research on a two-year training assignment. During his absence, the division's two major branches – Design and Construction, and Grants and Statewide Studies – are assuming the status of divisions, with *Bob Uhte* and *Russ Porter* as their chiefs.

The Reports and Studies Section and the Acquisition and Disposition Section, both formerly in Design and Development, have been transferred to the Real Property Section in the Administrative Services Division; the Contract Services Section has been placed under the supervision of *Lee Warren* in the Project Development Section of the Design and Construction Division.

Under this reorganization, *Dick May* will be the Bond Program Coordinator, responsible for coordinating bond project work and other projects between the two new divisions. He reports to the Director.

AMTRAK SIDETRACK

The Amtrak – San Onofre program is sidetracked for the winter, but hopes are high that it will get back on line with next summer's school vacation. That is the program that was started late in August to transport children from the Los Angeles urban area by train for a day of the scenic sand-and-water environment of San Onofre State Beach.

Representatives of the Department, Amtrak, and the Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) met in Los Angeles September 28 and all agreed that the program should be continued and that it should include others besides children.

Before the program can be resumed, an important question must be answered: how will it be funded? Last summer's short program was funded by OEO. Discussions are continuing in efforts to reach a decision on future program funding.

Department and Amtrak representatives met November 9 to continue their planning discussions. The scheduled OEO representative did not arrive.

Craig Estes, of the Department's LA headquarters office, stated the position that we would provide the normal state park service for any such program and that San Onofre State Beach would be the only state park unit included in next year's program.

Amtrak agreed to offer the same group-rate reduced fare to San Onofre they allowed last summer if the program is resumed next summer.

State park officials will estimate costs to the Department of serving various numbers of day and overnight users of San Onofre Beach.

DIRECTOR'S OFFICE STAFF CHANGES

Robert H. Meyer has been appointed the Department's Chief Deputy Director by Governor Reagan. Meyer replaces Ray Hunter, who was recently appointed Director of the Department of Conservation. Meyer, 41, has been a deputy director of Parks and Recreation since July 1969.

William S. Briner, Chairman of the Placer County Board of Supervisors, has been appointed Deputy Director to replace Meyer. Briner, 45, a Republican, is also a member of the State Transportation Board.

BANK DRAFT PURCHASING SYSTEM

A retail purchasing system aimed at making life easier for both Departmental personnel and merchants will be implemented on a trial basis in selected units beginning December 1, 1972. If the test proves successful, and there is every indication it will, the system will go into effect Departmentwide about February 1, 1973.

The new system utilizes bank drafts to pay merchants for goods and services. A bank draft is used the same as a check, the only difference being the method in which the bank credits the account. The drafts will be used in place of petty cash funds and subpurchase orders whenever possible. Purchases up to $25 plus applicable taxes are now authorized and the limit may be raised to $50.

The new system was developed to solve problems inherent in using either petty cash funds or subpurchase orders for frequent small scale retail purchases. The use of a petty cash fund generates considerable paperwork as well as posing problems of security and fund replenishment. The use of subpurchase orders for small purchases can result in an unreasonable delay in the merchant being paid. As a result, some merchants are reluctant to accept subpurchase orders for small amounts. The bank draft will solve some of these problems by reducing the paperwork, causing fewer security risks, and insuring immediate payment to the merchants for goods or services provided.

Ed Carroll
Accounting Section

CLIP ALONG WITH SIX

District 6 has done it again – the mostest newspaper clippings for the month of October (73) came from the southland. District 3 was next with 34, District 4 sent in 33, District 5 came up with 26, and District 2 found 23. District 1 also achieved distinction by sending in the fewest, 15. Allen's Press Clipping Service supplied 31, and Headquarters employees 42.

The clippings, pasted up in folders and routed around headquarters offices, provide an invaluable source of information on what's going on in the real world.

JOB OPENING

Santa Cruz County is seeking a Director of Parks and Recreation at an annual salary range of $13,436 to $16,219. Applications may be obtained from Personnel Department, 701 Ocean Street, Santa Cruz, California 95060.

DOUBLING OUR INVESTMENT

Money spent for acquisition and development of the State Park System during the 1966-72 period is about double that of a similar period a decade ago.

Director Mott, reporting to the Park and Recreation Commission in October, compared the 1966-72 period to 1956-62. He noted that in the last six years, acquisition and development about doubled, maintenance and operation costs more than doubled, attendance was slightly less than double, and revenue more than tripled. Following is a breakdown of the various categories for each six-year period.

Category	1956-57 to 1961-62	1966-67 to 1971-72	Increase
Land Acquisition	$ 37,006,597	$ 75,279,886	103%
Number of Acres	94,007.11	111,139.64	15%
Development	$ 18,834,187	$ 33,604,023	78%
Maintenance & Operation	$ 29,163,002	$ 97,693,198	234%
Attendance	130,554,875	239,103,891	83%
Revenue	$ 7,113,365	$ 32,674,203	359%

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YIELD FROM THE FIELD

Recycling pays! Here, Kathy Henry and Tom Mitchell of the San Jose College Recycling Center present a check for $1,100, result of two years of recycling efforts, to Tony Look of the Sempervirens Fund (left). The money will be used to add land to Big Basin Redwoods and Castle Rock SPs.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

CLEAN UP DAYS – 1972

A once shiny automobile hub cap, held high by a young Girl Scout from Palo Alto, revealed the blue sky thru each of its 65 bullet holes. Discarded advertising signs, household appliances, cans, bottles, papers, rags and hub caps all became part of the "loot" collected by the 375 people who took part in the 4th annual Clean-Up Days held on October 21-22 in Castle Rock and Big Basin Redwoods SPs and along the more than 25 miles of trails connecting them.

More than 6,500 pounds of material collected during the two day clean-up campaign were recycled under the guidance of Cathy Henry and Tom Mitchell of the City College of San Jose. They estimate that this material – 24,000 bi-metal cans, 10,114 aluminum cans and 4,500 pounds of glass – will sell to recycling centers for enough to add another acre of land to the parks.

Another 30 cubic yards of trash that could not be put back onto the stream of commerce was placed in containers supplied by the Green Valley Disposal Co. of Los Gatos and the Los Altos Garbage Co. of Los Altos. Both containers were filled to overflowing by the enthusiastic workers long before quitting time on Sunday afternoon.

Girl and Boy Scouts from many Peninsula cities, Campfire Girls from San Jose and Palo Alto, the Bicycle Club of Awalt High School, Mountain View, church groups from the Los Gatos Nazarene Church and St. Timothy's of Mountain View and several college groups including the Los Mountaineeros Club of DeAnza College, Cupertino and another ad-hoc group from San Francisco College, Sierra Club members and people out for a drive in the country and attracted to the activities all took part , bringing to mind the slogan of the Avis Auto rental corporation, which furnished the 20 foot stake truck for setting up the recycling centers and collecting the recyclable material: "We Try Harder".

Curt Mitchell, Santa Cruz Mountain Area Manager, was very pleased with the determination of the clean-up workers. Rangers *Don Patton* of Big Basin and *Wes Jones* of Castle Rock directed the efforts of the volunteers in their respective parks, and the West Valley College Park Management class of the Saratoga Campus, under direction of John Nicolas, acted as field directors at assigned cleaning areas. Overall planning for the two day event was under John Russ of the Santa Cruz Mountain Trail Association, Tony Look of the Sempervirens Fund, and Don and Alma Diehl of the Sierra Club.

With each successful year of Clean-Up Days the accumulated piles of litter which have been gathering for many many years gets smaller and smaller. The goal of the sponsors of Clean-Up Days is to put themselves out of business!

Tony Look
Sempervirens Fund

MUD FLOOD

October's News & Views noted that the campground of Pfeiffer Big Sur SP was taken off the registration system October 1 because of possible flooding this winter.

The prediction soon came true – at least three times already. The first flood came on October 12 – a flood of mud. Many thousands of cubic yards of material had accumulated along the bed of Pfeiffer Creek above the lodge and main park entrance. A heavy rain with rapid runoff dislodged much of the material, and it flowed down the stream, carrying with it brush, trees, gravel, and boulders – and sandbags meant to divert any ordinary flood.

Children of park personnel had been waiting for the school bus at the park entrance road the morning of the 12th. About 10 minutes after the bus picked them up, the mud came down, and the park entrance was buried under 2 to 3 feet of the stuff. The mud flowed across State Highway 1 and blocked the road until Division of Highways equipment could push it out of the way.

Mud completely covered the main entrance parking lot and the lodge parking lot. The soggy mess stopped just short of the lodge itself, which was probably saved by sandbag barriers.

The entrance road was closed from October 12 through November, except for a couple of very brief periods. The rangers got it open for about half an hour on November 13. Then another rain – five times as much as the first time – brought down more material, mostly gravel, that covered the road again. It took only a day to remove the gravel, and the road was opened again on November 14.

But more rain came – and more – and more. Then, late in the afternoon of November 15, the *really big* flow of mud came down. Again mud and rocks and logs filled the entrance road and the parking lots. No buildings were damaged, thanks to strategically placed sandbag barriers.

The park fared well compared with commercial and residential buildings along State Highway 1 to the north. Several of the buildings in Big Sur village, three miles north of the park entrance, were leveled by a huge mass of mud,

Photos by Larry Paynter

rocks and debris. Boulders the size of a pickup truck were rolled and shoved onto and across the highway. Several cars on Highway 1 were buried in mud.

The park campgrounds are closed now for the winter because of the cleanup job that remains to be done and the danger that more mud flows might trap park users in their path.

A major cause of the Big Sur mud flows this year was the fire last August that destroyed a lot of vegetation that had been helping to hold the soil to the hillside.

With the vegetation burned off, a kind of soil movement known as dry creep caused some of the top layer of soil to slip from steep grades into gullies and creek beds. Then, on October 12, the rain, instead of soaking into the dry soil as it ordinarily does, rapidly ran off the burned-over area and down the slopes into the creeks. The rush of water lifted and pushed the accumulated material in the creek beds downstream, and the whole mass became a river of mud, brush, branches and logs.

The gravel that covered the entrance road on November 13 came mostly from the creek bed.

The mud that flowed over the road and parking lots on November 15 resulted mainly from erosion of the hillside surface by rain and runoff.

The burned area eventually will be healed by new growth. The U. S. Forest Service gave Nature a hand in October – seeding 20,000 pounds of rye grass by helicopter. The best solution, of course, will be natural growth of shrubs such as chaparral and native trees such as oak and bay.

Forestry experts have a further note of warning for the future. They say a lot of loose soil is still hanging on the Big Sur hillsides, just waiting for the right conditions to become another mud river.

The pictures were taken October 30, in the middle of the first cleanup period.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

NEVADA COUNTY HOSTS DISTRICT 3 MANAGERS

Superintendent Newlin awards Ed Williamson and Patrol Dog Ralph the Citation of Appreciation as Folsom Lake Area Manager Ron McCullough (left) and Bill Haussler look on.

The November Area Managers and staff meeting was hosted in Nevada City by Manager *Eric Leffingwell* of Malakoff Diggins. At the end of three days, he was successful in getting the coffee pot to cooperate properly just in time to prevent a lynching. The Area Maintenance Supervisors and Operations Division staff were much more helpful; they simply ridiculed Eric's efforts.

Since each Manager was allotted only ten minutes to report on the successes and problems of his Area, *Charlie Cline's* agenda became seven hours behind schedule. Superintendent *Clyde Newlin* clarified several fine points during the three sessions and introduced the safety segment with the question "Are Park People Axeident (sic) Prone?" *Bill Haussler* was the keynote speaker and explained the recent changes in the Operations Division as well as answering pre-arranged questions from the managers.

Superintendent Newlin awarded 25-year pins to four of the Department's finest: *Clyde Strickler* and *Les McKnight* of the Four Rivers Area and *Jerry Garrelts* and *Carl Anderson* of the Sierra Area.

Another highlight was the demonstration put on by *Ed* and *Ralph Williamson.* Ralph is an exceptional dog, but Ed was cited for his special effort and many long hours of donated time to say nothing of the hazards, the night calls and the assistance from his understanding wife, Peggy.

This successful and communicative meeting was adjourned after Miners' Meat Pastie Pies with beverage and an interesting tour of the Empire Mine led by Carl Beyer and John Burton.

Jim Hibbert
District 3 Interpretive Specialist

LUNCHTIME LARCENY

A thief quietly entered the Department's Los Angeles Headquarters office, found a purse under a desk, removed part of the contents, and carefully put the purse back where he found it. It happened right behind the back of secretary *Stella Flores*.

Clerk-typist *Thelma Jimenez* had left the office for a couple of minutes around noon, and Stella was busy typing with her back to Thelma's desk. She heard a slight noise, turned around, and saw a man standing behind her. He said, "Where's the restroom? I'm working with the janitor." Stella told him, and he walked out into the lobby and through the side door, passing Thelma on his way out.

Thelma came in and asked Stella who that man was. By then, something seemed wrong. Both girls went outside but saw no one. Then they found, outside behind the office, some papers that should have been in Thelma's purse. Thelma, of course, rushed back to see if her purse was under her desk where she had left it. It was right there, but $13, her checkbook, and her driver's license were missing.

The same afternoon, police picked up a man and a girl who had tried to cash a check for $400. It was on Thelma's account and in her bank. They had forged Thelma's signature to the only check left in the checkbook.

Thelma's $13, checkbook, and driver's license are still missing.

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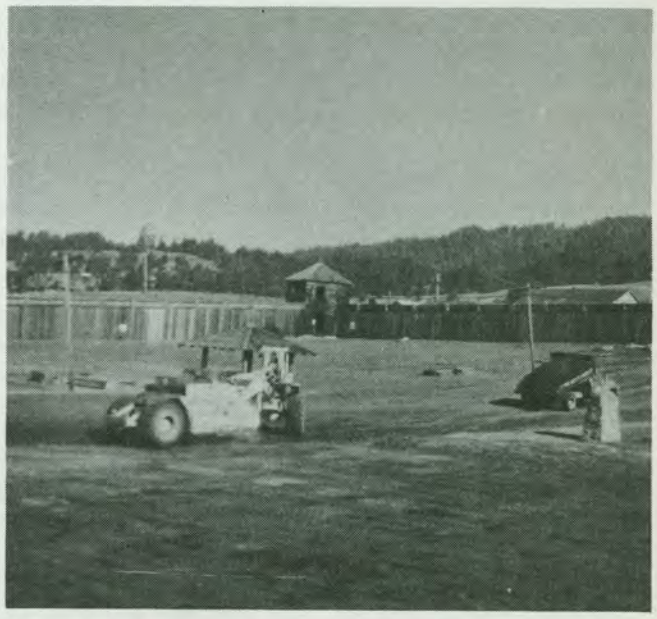

Earthmoving equipment covers over the remaining traces of Highway 1 which formerly ran through the center of Fort Ross SHP.

SAVE-THE-REDWOODS LEAGUE PURCHASES FOR HUMBOLDT REDWOODS SP

The Save-the-Redwoods League has purchased two properties to add to Humboldt Redwoods State Park. One parcel adjoins Humboldt Redwoods State Park along the South Fork of the Eel River across from the Avenue of the Giants Parkway; the second parcel adjoins the Children's Forest. The properties, purchased at a cost of $330,000, will add 749 acres of forest land to the park.

The acquisition of these properties is part of the League's continuing program to round out the existing redwood parks within watersheds.

Since it was founded in 1918, the Save-the-Redwoods League has raised over 16½ million dollars to match State and Federal funds to acquire 120,000 acres of Coast Redwood land now protected in the California Redwood State Parks.

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Big Sur Area – As if they didn't have enough problems with mud slides and such, a "phantom Ranger" has been plaguing Julia Pfeiffer Burns SP. A visitor reported that a man with long blond hair had refused to let him in the park unless he paid a $1 fee. When Secretary *Barbara Von Protz* went to check it out, the man had apparently left; the only person at the park was a man hanging around the ladies' restroom, who made a few unsavory remarks and sped off in his car when Ranger *Dan Scott* appeared on the scene.

Bothe-Napa Area – Somewhat stunned to find himself Acting Area Manager because of Ranger *Earl Wilder's* transfer to Big Basin and Area Manager *Frank Brown's* leaving on vacation, Maintenance Man *Don Dresler* reports that his campground was full by reservation on October 21, another surprise.

Calaveras Area – Area Manager *Bob Stewart* says that Nordic-style ski touring – using skis, boots, and poles that are lighter than Alpine-style equipment – and snowshoe hike programs will be starting at Calaveras in early December. Ski-touring instruction will be given by Tony Compagnone of Palo Alto.

Castle Crags Area – A Redding Boy Scout troop helped Area Manager *Bill Kaiser* winterize the park by opening water drains on the trail to the Crags and also picked up the inevitable litter.

Columbia Area – When 17 visitors returning from the World Conference of Parks, held at Yellowstone, visited Columbia, they took Area Manager *Neil Power* for the Sheriff – that's a big badge!

Folsom Lake Area – The North Fork of the American River has been designated a Waterfowl Observation Zone for the protection of Canadian geese. Since boating is restricted to 5 mph, it will also help out the fishermen. . .About two thousand dead small Kokanee salmon were discovered at Lake Natoma. They had died after being flushed through the Folsom Dam generating mechanism. . .Several grass fires were set at the south end of Mississippi Bar during October, but did not do any serious damage.

Frontera Area – On October 26, Director Mott accepted 283 additional acres at Border Field from the Navy. This addition will permit protection of the Tijuana sloughs. . .Bazaar del Mundo celebrated its anniversary with a week-long celebration, and Ranger *Floyd Lemley* lost his popularity with a number of the younger generation when he judged the Jack-O-Lantern contest – but at least he made one child happy!

Golden Gate Area – Student teachers from the University of California will be helping prepare teacher's kits for units of the area, and study ways that the educational values of field trips there can be improved. . .The Presidio has given 50 military hymnals, a cross, a missal stand with missal, and velvet altar cloths and linen and also plans to donate a set of chaplain flags, a field organ, and other items – all classified as "altar hardware" – so the East Garrison chapel at Angel Island will closely resemble a World War II chapel. Other future possibilities include a history panel on the Armed Forces chaplain services. The Island wives have volunteered to help with cleaning and act as attendants so that the chapel can be opened to the public on weekends. . .A new slogan at San Francisco Maritime SHP is, "Scows are beautiful." Over three thousand people visited the *Alma* during September, while she was on display at an Alameda boat show and during the Ayala Day celebration at Angel Island. . .Another Ayala Day event was awarding a prize to Ranger John Bollinger for his suggested name for the Island's new boat – it's now the *Ayala.* The Island's LCM was named *Ameja* (clam) by *Mrs. Frank Herald.*

Heart Bar Area – Though there's no snow for the proposed dog sled races to be held at the park, that doesn't bother the participants in the least – their sleds have wheels!

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

Lake Oroville Area – Area Manager *Don Royer* was interested in an idea he picked up from the Lake County Sheriff's Department – the partromen own the boats they operate on duty, and the County reimburses them.

Malakoff Diggins Area – A hunter that managed to get a buck in the China Gardens area of the park despite increased patrols was apprehended in a citizen's arrest made by former Park Aid *Jean Canby.* The local judge fined the man $250, suspended his hunting license for a year, and gave the deer to a local group for buck stew.

Marshall Gold Discovery Area – About a hundred members of the Jedediah Smith Society, a historical group which held its annual round-up at Coloma, enjoyed sawmill and stamp mill demonstrations, and a visit to local artist George Mathis' studio. . .During PG&E undergrounding operations at the park, an old 3-inch lead water pipe with 3/4-inch laterals was uncovered, probably put in by an old water company. . .On October 30 the park hosted USSR Consul-General Alexander I. Zinchuck and his party, from the Russian Consulate in San Francisco. Mrs. Zinchuck remarked that the park's fall colors reminded her of Moscow.

Left to right: Mr. Carl Borelli of Placerville; Vice Consul, Vladimir A. Sinitsyn, Consul-general Alexander I. Zinchuck, Mrs. Zinchuck, and Ranger Stuart Stinson.

Montane Area – Cuyamaca Rancho visitors wondered what two helicopters were doing in the parking lot at the park, with a third one circling overhead. Fog and low clouds had forced one of the choppers down the previous night, and the second one was bringing in a crew and gear to get out the first one, while the unit commander directed operations from above.

Mount San Jacinto Area – A visitor who was apprehended by Ranger *Jerry Henderson* while digging up a small white fir found it an expensive Christmas tree – the Palm Springs Municipal Court meted out a fine of $75. . .Eighteen students from the College of the Desert Resources Class spent half a day cleaning up Long Valley after a tour. . .Mr. Robert Smith of Scotland, who is touring the U.S. with two companions, looking for challenging rocks to climb, practiced on Tahquitz Rock after they were snowed out of Yosemite.

North Valley Area – A Rancho Fiesta at Bidwell Mansion SHP climaxed the week-long celebration of the centennial of the incorporation of the City of Chico. The event included an old-fashioned ice-cream social, games, a horse-shoe competition, and craft displays as well as tours of the Mansion. . .Wisconsin Senator Edward Bidwell, the great-great-nephew of General John Bidwell, visited the Mansion on October 25. . .The Mansion's upstairs carpeting project is going great guns, just one room left.

Orange Coast Area – Huntington SB was the scene of a daring rescue, as Supervising Ranger *Larry Moore* tackled and held a vigorously protesting brown pelican while Supervising Lifeguard *Jerry McGraw* removed about twenty yards of fishing line from its legs and wings, and removed a 6-ounce jig that was deeply embedded in a wing. After a short period of recuperation in the park shop, it was released and was soon back in the ocean. . .Lifeguard *Don Card* revived a drowning victim by mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, applied even though there were no life signs apparent. The victim is now recovering, after several days in the hospital.

Pajaro Coast Area – The school busses are lined up to see the monarch butterflies at Natural Bridges SB.

Picacho Area – A terrific downpour made everything so muddy that the county road grader got stuck. . .A model of the "Mohave", a paddlewheeler that once docked at the Picacho landing, has been presented to the park for the museum. The model was constructed over a two-year period by Waylan Kilgore of the Department of Agriculture, co-chairman of the Picacho Advisory Committee, from photos belonging to Mrs. Marian Mayer of Yuma, also a member of the committee, who lived in Picacho as a child. According to Ranger *Bob Frenzel*, the "Mohave" was unique among sternwheelers in that she had twin boilers and smokestacks athwartships,

like the Mississippi steamers. Originally too long to navigate the narrow channel of the Colorado, between the shifting sandbars, she had to be shortened for the run to Picacho.

Sacramento Area – On Friday, October 13 at 1300 hours, 13 guests attended the first wedding to be held since Indian times at Indian Grinding Rock SHP. A Thanksgiving wedding is also scheduled at the park.

San Diego Coast Area – Two nude sunbathers were "trapped" in Fat Man's Misery trail at Torrey Pines SR. . .A man posing as a ranger roused several complaints, contacting campers and searching their gear. He even flashed a fake badge.

San Luis Obispo Coast Area – A 26-foot trimaran got into trouble off Montana de Oro and managed by sheer luck to get into narrow Coraline Cove without going on the rocks. The area staff is watching with considerable interest to see how they get it *out*. . .Junior Ranger hikes at Morro Bay SP are proving very popular; held every Sunday morning, they take the children to the marshes, Black Hill, or White Point.

San Mateo Coast Area – Area Manager *Al Ulm* has discovered a new source of free labor – VIP, for Volunteers In Probation. Administered by the San Mateo County Probation Department, the plan permits offenders to work off fines at public institutions, with the recipient department at no obligation to provide other than normal supervision.

Santa Cruz Mountain Area – Ten students from the Menlo High Key Club picked up about five cubic yards of litter at Henry Cowell Redwoods SP. . .Two young men caught in a petty theft are serving their sentence by putting in 50 hours of conservation work at Portola SP.

Sonoma Area – In a newly established work experience program, students from the Santa Rosa Junior College Foresters Club spent the day working at Jack London SHP. Different volunteers will be on duty each Sunday until the whole class has had a chance to participate. . .Guide I *Richard Douglas,* who is also President of the Sonoma Valley Historical Society, gave the welcoming address at the dedication of the new Cooper Bridge over Sonoma Creek, the second replacement of what is said to be the first publicly financed bridge built in Sonoma County. The original was built in 1852 . . .Sunset Magazine used Mission San Francisco Solano as a setting for an article on the "Sonoma Rose". . .Dimitru Mazilu, a Romanian editor who is participating in the State Department's International Visitors Program, visited Jack London SHP in October. Mr. Mazilu has translated several American works, including three by London. . .Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Vella presented "In Apple Blossom Time", a Napoleon Vallejo painting, to Sonoma SHP in honor of R.R. Emparan's 87th birthday. . .A lady was so inspired by her visit to the mission at Sonoma that she sat outside and sang for a half hour; fortunately, she had a good voice. . .Intermittent Ranger *Mike Lynch* was rather startled to be greeted, "Howdy, Stranger" at Annadel SP – but the child's parents assured him that the child meant, "Howdy, *Ranger.*"

Tinidad Area – A bull elk, who became enraged at seeing his reflection in the office and kiosk windows, charged, breaking same, finally had to be disposed of by Fish and Game employees after he started charging cars and visitors.

Will Rogers Area – Los Encinos SHP was burglarized on Columbus Day, with an estimated $7,000 in Indian and Spanish artifacts taken.

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People

THE WOMEN SPEAK

A questionnaire seeking opinions and suggestions for improved working conditions was sent to 126 women employees at the Department's Sacramento headquarters recently. Conducting the survey was Linda Powell, a student intern at headquarters this summer. Director Mott requested the survey.

Of 126 questionnaires sent out, 48 came back, a return of 38%. They agreed unanimously that the 1974 Bond Act ($250,000,000) was necessary, favored increased communication, more orientation and training, more familiarity with parks (field trips as well as weekend and vacation visits), more acquisition and development, and increasing park staffs.

Some sentiment was expressed for the 4/40 work week, and some voiced dissatisfaction with the MT/ST system.

People

The 48 who responded averaged 4.1 years Department service and 6.2 years with the State. Most were in clerical or secretarial positions (35) while the balance performed specialized tasks.

About job aspirations, 48% indicated a desire for jobs within the Department, 22% preferred not to work at all, and 10% planned to continue their education.

About their current job status, 8.3% felt they were involved in an exciting career, 41.7% said their jobs provided a satisfactory work experience, 29.1% believed they held satisfying jobs, and 20.8% felt their work was just an "8 to 5" job.

Forty felt they were active participants in the day-to-day operation of the Department and eight felt they were not. But only 32 felt their participation contributed to the overall operation of the State Park System, while 16 felt it did not. Forty-six had visited one or more park units, and two (both new employees) had not.

Under additional comments, one woman put her finger on the heart of the job satisfaction issue when she wrote, "It is vitally important that all the women in the Department be given a strong feeling of the worth of what they are doing. No one – even the most junior typist – should ever feel such a minor cog in the wheel that she does her work mechanically and without interest."

As a result of the survey, Director Mott said he plans to encourage more park visits, encourage more women to enter professional job categories, and provide films and slide shows of park and Department activities.

He said he has asked Lee Lutz, Administrative Services Division Chief, to take another look at the MT/ST system to see if it should be modified or possibly eliminated.

WHO BELIEVES IN THE STORK?

On November 2, Butano SP Ranger *Jim Schmus* and his wife Georgene became the proud parents of twin, 5½-pound, girls. October 3 is the birthdate of Bryce Eugene Henderson, son of Mount San Jacinto Wilderness SP Ranger *Jerry Henderson*. And San Diego Coast Park Aid *Tom Fleming* and his wife Ann celebrated the arrival of their first baby, Timothy, on October 1. In the Grandparents division, San Diego Coast Ranger *Gordon Sears* has become one in October at the tender age of 43. An even younger contender is Dennis Voos, of the Systems Development Section, who says his age is "under 30," and announced the birth on November 11 of a grandson.

THE 4–40

When are we going on the 4-40? Which unit goes first? These are the questions most frequently asked of the members of the Ad Hoc Committee. Here is how we stand as of November 1972:

Each Division Chief is submitting to the Director's Office his plan on how his Division will go on the 4-40. This information is to be in the Director's Office by December 1, 1972.

The information will be used to put together a package to be presented by Mr. Mott to the Agency and then to the Secretary of Agriculture and Services Agency for approval. This is the procedure set forth by the Governor's Cabinet to be followed by Departments that want to deviate from the normal five-day work week.

As a part of the procedure we were asked also to produce a "favorable cost benefit ratio". This had us worried, especially when we were told by the Personnel Section that it would cost $2,000 per year to put some of our people on a 10-hour day. We found one very obvious saving: 30 minutes per man per week by eliminating two coffee breaks. To this we added an additional saving of 30 minutes by eliminating 15-minute start-up times in the morning and 15-minute stop times in the evening.

The average salary for the people who want a 10-hour day computed to $7.00 per hour. When we tied this to the number of people wanting a 10-hour day we were talking about an annual savings of $75,000. This greatly offsets the $2,000 Personnel Section cost.

Of course, there are the intangibles that cannot be readily tied to dollars and cents – the most important is the increase in the morale of the individual and the decreased use of the automobile which would help to reduce pollution. Everyone presumes that cars will be used on the off-day, but we don't think this is necessarily true.

There will be problems but not insurmountable problems. For example:

* Must we use two hours' vacation on holidays, or can we work on two or three of our days off to make up for it?

* Can people that earn CTO use it to make up the two-hour difference?

I am sure that people who travel on their jobs will experience difficulties. Another potential problem area is a four-day person showing up on Friday to take care of a rush job. Service units, such as the Dictation and Typing Center, will be staffed on Fridays based on the number of people on the five-day week. If you are a four-day person

and you come in on Friday, dictate to your heart's content but don't expect your rough back until Monday. Those of us trying to make the 4-40 a reality hope that everyone takes the most positive approach to solving the problems and exercises his patience until solutions are found.

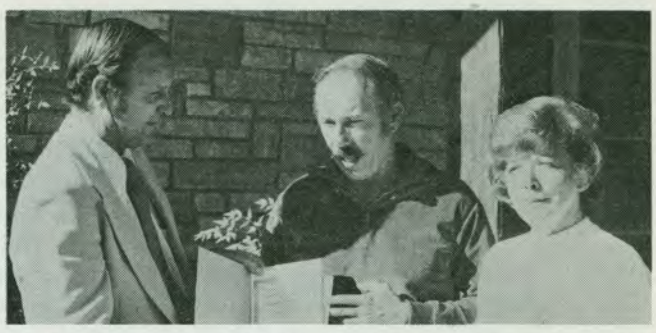
Anyway, 4-40 is just around the corner.

George Pantell, Chairman
4-40 Ad Hoc Committee

A "FIRST" IN ENFORCEMENT

The latest group of law enforcement class graduates, which finished training at Modesto Junior College West on November 3, included the first female Ranger ever to take the class. She is *Paula Peterson*, SPR Trainee from the Santa Cruz Mountain Area. Other graduating rangers were *Richard L. Brock,* Headquarters, *Gerald Fialho, Michael B. Garguilo, John L. Knott,* and *Stroughton Richmond,* Dyerville Area; *Miles Standish, Matthew S. Sugarman,* and *Gerig K. Loomis,* Golden Gate Area; *Theodore A. Reinhardt, Harry S. Morse, James G. Hendrix,* and *Michael G. Murtz,* Folsom Lake Area; *Roger Wertz, Lloyd M. Limprecht, Donald Hoyle,* and *Glen R. McGowan,* Santa Cruz Mountain Area; *Chuck Lyden, Ken Leigh, Carl Chavez,* and *George C. Gray,* San Luis Obispo Coast Area; and *Frank Fairchild, Robert B. Culbertson, John H. Jennings,* and *Terry G. Brann,* San Diego Coast Area.

FLOYD LEMLEY



Herb Heinze, Manager of the Maintenance Services Branch, presents a 25-year award to Ranger II Floyd Lemley, center, while his wife, Barbara, looks on. Photo by Leo Crawford.

Ranger II *Floyd Lemley* was honored on his 25th anniversary of Department service at the District 6 Area Manager's Meeting October 26.

Lemley joined the Department as a Ranger October 27, 1947, at Mount San Jacinto SP. He moved to Doheny SB in 1950 and a year later was promoted to Ranger II.

He later served at Portola SP from 1956 to 1960; Torrey Pines SR from 1960 to 1968; and San Diego Coast Area from 1968 to March of this year when he transferred to the Frontera Area.

WEDDING BELLS

Clear Lake Maintenance Supervisor *Richard Carr* lost a Park Aid but gained a son-in-law in October when his daughter Debbie married Park Aid Richard Todd.

OTHER DUTIES

When Valley Verde Elementary School visited Angel Island State Park on October 19, there was no Ranger to provide an orientation talk for the 200 people. (Area wide Ranger meeting was being held at S.P. Taylor S.P.) The parents and teachers with the group said they were sure that the children would be disappointed and appealed for anyone to tell them about the Island. Golden Gate Area Steno II *Dot Hansen* stepped into the breach, put on her other hat and gave one talk six times on the history, flora and fauna of the Island. Dot tells us that everything went very well and the high points of her talk seemed to be deer swimming to the Island and the fact that a county and city boundary cross the southwest corner of the Island so that anyone can stand on dry land with one foot in San Francisco and the other in Tiburon, California.

I wonder if our Rangers can take dictation and type?

Kenneth J. Huddleston, Chief Ranger
Golden Gate Area

PAR GOLF CLUB WINDUP

The Departmental golf club wound up the 1972 season November 11 with the fall tournament at Bing Maloney Golf Course.

Low gross trophy went to *Walt Barbour* who shot a one-over-par 73. *Bill Kuromoto* picked off low net with a 69, *Lee Warren* won the "long knocker" (driving) contest, and guest *Jim Puffer,* Department of Corrections, copped the hole-in-one award.

The "Chief Sandbagger" trophy, representing the season-long match play championship, was presented to *Carlton Greenwood* for the second consecutive year. Carl defeated *George Woodhouse* and *Bill Benson,* Co-winners of the first half, despite a drop in his handicap from 21 to 14 during the past two years.

Walt Barbour also won low gross honors at the CSEA tournament at Bing Maloney on Election Day with a 74 and picked up low net (66) and the hole-in-one honors as well, missing a clean sweep by being about 10 feet short of the winning distance in the long drive contest.

Club members voted a round of applause to President *Woody Woodhouse,* Vice President *Dick Mills,* Secretary *George Rackelmann,* Treasurer *Ken Mitchell* and Handicapper *Bill Benson* for the successful season. Nominations for the 1973 officers will be held in December.

CHANGES, CHANGES

Big Sur Area Ranger *Dick Edwards* is transferring to La Purisima Mission; who will Patrol Dog *Sam* get? *John Jones* will be the new Maintenance Man at the Mendocino Area, filling the vacancy left by *Bill Heillbron. Jim Neal,* formerly of Dyerville, is the new Area Manager at the Piercy Area . And Maintenance Man *Jesse Butterfield* of Grizzly Creek will be retiring around the first of the year; he's got a practically new uniform for sale (trousers 36 waist, 26 inseam; jacket size 44) – you can get in touch with him at Star Route Box 590, Fortuna 95540.

DEATH OF HENRY W. LANG

His many friends and previous work associates will be shocked to learn of the sudden death of Henry W. Lang on September 21 after a brief hospitalization. Henry was born in New York City and came to California in his college years. After a series of jobs with private employers and a stint in the Sea Bees during World War II, he began his state employment as a Junior Landscape Architect with the Division of Highways in 1950.

Henry's interests and abilities took him through various assignments and promotions in the Division of Highways, Department of Water Resources and the Department of Parks and Recreation. Then, serious illness forced him to retire in 1970. After a brief stay in Martinez, he and his wife Kay moved to Santa Rosa where they resided at the time of his death.

Henry will be well remembered for his interest and ability in the field of recreation planning and for his efforts to instill a feeling of camaraderie and teamwork in his associates.

Ralph McCormick
Park and Recreation Specialist

HAS ANYONE SEEN NATALIE LATELY?

A Ghost Story

Late Again! This story was supposed to run in our Halloween issue. . .

Well now, I am sure that you are saying to yourself as you begin to read this, who is Natalie? So let me introduce you to Countess Natalie Ivanhoff. She was friend, confidant and the traveling companion to Princess Helene de Gagarin Rotscheff of the Imperial Russian Court. Both young ladies, as they neared their 25th year, were citizens of the Great Alaskan Fur Company at Fort Ross in the wilds of Northern California.

Legend has it that on the 23rd of August when just the right conditions of Moon, Fog, and Imagination all occur together, a strange, beautiful, and haunting vision sweeps across the lands that are now Fort Ross SHP. As you stand alone in the deserted courtyard at midnight with the full moon shining down, fingers of gray fog suddenly begin to wisp about you and envelop the Fort. The moon will disappear from view, leaving its illumination to scatter about in the drops of moisture of the gray mist. Then, quickly as it began, the fog recedes into the dark Pacific and once again the entire area is bathed in the moon's silvery light. And there before you stands the Fort Ross of the 1830s.

In this Fort Ross of 1830, no ribbon of concrete and asphalt runs through the courtyard. Buildings and equipment that have long since been forgotten and turned to dust stand before you still new. Candles and oil lamps flicker in the windows of the Governor's home. The Chapel stands silhouetted in the moonlight and the cannons sit in readiness in their cannonades. Lonely sentries march monotonously to and fro on the ramparts, looking for an enemy that will never come.

To the right of the Fort you see a small community of the rude huts that house the convict labor from Siberia and the Alaskan Indians brought to work in the fur trade. No one stirs in this area, and only the coughs and snores of the men inside break the stillness of the night. Above the Fort, on a barren hill, stands a solitary building which is the Fort's grist mill.

You are drawn to a rear door of the Governor's house, where you see the shadowy figure of a young woman. As the bright moonlight shines down upon her, you see that she is beautiful, with long blond hair that hangs almost down to her waist. Escaping the eyes of the sentries, she slips from the confines of the Fort and rushes up a knoll behind the buildings. As she reaches a small gorge, a rough voice choked with fear and excitment calls, "Natalie, I am here," and from the shadows steps the haggard figure of a young man beaten and aged beyond his years by the toil in the mines of Siberia and the fur trade of the California wilderness. He is Prince Alexis Mikhailof, the betrothed of Natalie Ivanhoff, who two years before had been exiled to Siberia and then to California. Now, in the best romantic style of the early 19th century, the lovers embrace and then seek the shelter of the empty grist mill. Silently you follow them; in this dream, it is you who are the ghost.

Inside the mill, the two lovers who have been separated by the mines of Siberia and the cold Pacific plan their escape to the new young country to the east, the United States of America. They are so caught up in the happiness of the reunion that they fail to hear the sound of the mill as the wheel begins to turn.

Your shouts of warning fall on deaf ears as the long silver strands of Natalie's hair float up into the bands of the mill wheel. In a moment she is drawn up, into the gears of the mill. Her agonized, terror-filled screams fill the room, and then her body hangs lifelessly, crushed in the gears.

Young Alexis reverses the gears and drops her body to the floor and then, at the horrible sight, he bolts from the room and races down the hill, to fling himself off the cliff to the rocks and sea below. And as you stand looking down you know that he has joined Natalie in an eternal place.

Then suddely the fog will once again send its wispy fingers to shroud the Fort, and when it departs, you are back on the ribbon of asphalt called Highway I, in the twentieth century. The windows of the Governor's house are once again dark – the cannons, the grist mill, the sentries, and the convicts' rude huts, are all gone – and you are alone in the deserted courtyard.

And so, the story ends until next year. Perhaps, if on August 23, you bring the right amount of imagination to the old Fort to mix with the fog and the moonlight, you will see the players again repeat their parts in this ghost story of yesteryear.

Ranger Dick Edwards
Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park

PERSONNEL TRANSACTIONS
AS REPORTED TO THE PERSONNEL OFFICE BY NOVEMBER 14, 1972

APPOINTMENTS

Aird, Michael C.	Account Clerk II	Accounting Sect.	10-24-72
Blodger, John W.	Civil Eng Tech I	Survey Unit	10-10-72
Brown, Dean	Water & Sew. Plant Supvr	Four Rivers	10- 1-72
Budnick, Sidney J.	Assoc. Architect	Architecture Unit	11- 6-72
Gallup, Aaron A.	SP Archeologist II	History Pres. Sect.	10-17-72
Giboney, Warren C.	SP Equip. Op.	Sierra Area	10-24-72
Hartzog, Jack R.	SPR (Int)	Golden Gate Area	11- 1-72
Hayden, Lewis R.	Clerk I	Dist and Repro Cent.	10-30-72
Jones, Barry	Park & Rec. Spec Trn	Grants & Stwd Studies	10-12-72
Menna, Anne	Steno II	Mendocino Area	10- 2-72
Montgomery, John H.	Pk Maint Man I	Montane Area	11- 1-72
Odegard, Kenneth G.	Opr Rsrch Spec II	Systems Development	10-24-72
Peat, James H.	Park Maint Asst	Silverwood SRA	10- 5-72
Shaffer, William J.	SP Asst	Golden Gate Area	10-24-72
Stienman, Marion N.	Janitor	Hearst SHM	9-25-72
Vaught, James P.	Groundsman	Orange Coast Area	10- 1-72
Walker, Beverly A.	Clerk Typist II	Dictation & Typing Cent	10-16-72

REINSTATEMENTS

Bennett, Terry L.	Janitor	Hearst SHM	11- 1-72
Hysell, Olive	Janitor	Hearst SHM	10-20-72
Marler, Marcella L.	Account Clk II	Accounting	11- 2-72

PROMOTIONS

Basura, Robert	SPR Trn to SPR I	Golden Gate Area	9-15-72
Bell, John E.	Pk Maint Man II to Pk Maint Supvr I	Lake Oroville	10- 1-72
Bogardus, Burton C.	SPR Trn to SPR I	Golden Gate Area	9-15-72
Bolton, Michael H.	SPR Trn to SPR I	Picacho Area	9-15-72
Brean, Ronald L.	SPR Trn to SPR I	Golden Gate Area	9-15-72
Cook, George E.	SPR Trn to SPR I	Dyerville Area	9-15-72
Dooley, Clark E.	SPR Trn to SPR I	Golden Gate Area	10-10-72
Ebbatson, Arthur J.	SPR Trn to SPR I	Orange Coast Area	9-15-72
Graham, Jr., Oliver B.	SPR Trn to SPR I	High Desert Area	9-15-72
Haskins, Dale R.	SPR Trn to SPR I	San Luis Obispo Area	9-15-72
Hilzer, Mildred	Clk Typ I (Int) to Clk Typ II	North Valley Area	10- 1-72
Kem, Kay	Clk Typ I to Pr Keybd Typwtr Opr	Office & Res Svcs	9-11-72
Naramore, Stuart L.	SPR Trn to SPR I	Golden Gate Area	9-15-72
Neal, James E.	SPR Trn to SPR I	Dyerville Area to Piercy Area	11- 1-72
Okubo, Tom	Acctg Off III to Sup St Fin Ex I	Acct. to Audit Sect.	11-13-72
Potthast, Charles	SPR Trn to SPR I	La Purisima Mission to Golden Gate Area	10- 1-72
Price, Jeffery B.	SPR Trn to SPR I	San Diego Coast Area	9-15-72
Reed, Thomas H.	SPR Trn to SPR I	Trinidad Area	9-27-72
Roeder, Terry D.	SPR Trn to SPR I	Frontera Area	9-15-72
Sears, David	SPR I to SPR II	Trinidad to Golden Gate Area	10- 1-72
Soderlund, Frederick J.	SPR Trn to SPR I	Orange Coast Area	9-16-72
Sutherlund, David R.	SPR Trn to SPR I	Lake Oroville	9-15-72
Thorp, John F.	Assoc Civil Eng to Sr. Civil Engr	Engineering Unit	10-17-72
Vasquez, Michael M.	SPR Trn to SPR I	Orange Coast Area	9-15-72
White, Joseph H.	SPR Trn to SPR I	Point Lobos Area	9-15-72
Wolfe, Michael L.	SPR Trn to SPR I	Golden Gate Area	9-15-72

CLASS TITLE CHANGE

Berry, James D.	Grndsman to Pk Maint Asst	Channel Coast Area to Point Mugu Area	10-16-72
McCargo, J. Leslie	Sr Civ Eng to Sr Gov Prog Anal	Program Mgmt	6- 1-72

UNIT CHANGES

Grace, Robert C.	SPR I	Golden Gate Area to Four Rivers Area	11- 1-72
Griffith, Lewis P.	SPR IV	Mendocino Area to Visitor's Svc Br.	11- 1-72
Hiller, Robert V.	SPR V	RM&P Div Chief's Ofc to Ops Maint Svc Br.	10- 1-72
Hyta, Cornelius R.	SPR I	North Valley Area to Fort Humboldt	10- 2-72
Phillips, Jimmie W.	SPR I	Golden Gate Area to Sonoma Area	10-22-72
Sugarman, Matthew	SPR Trn	Golden Gate Area to Benicia Area	10- 1-72
Walker, Robert J.	SPR I	Russian River Area to Sonoma Area	11- 1-72

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Hysell, Olive	Janitor	Hearst SHM	9-11-72

SEPARATIONS

Auddette, John P	SPR (Int)	Channel Coast	10- 8-72
Baker, Robert M.	Asst Deputy Director	Director's Office	11-12-72
Bellinghausen, Frank B.	SPR III	Training	10-27-72
Lawson, James D.	SPR (Int)	Golden Gate Area	10-31-72
Little, Richard L.	SPR (Int)	Mt. San Jacinto	10- 8-72
Roberts, Margaret E.	Clerk Typist II	Russian River Area	10-31-72
White, Alan	Jr. Park & Rec Spec Trn	Grants & Stwd Studies	10-27-72

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BODIE, MARSHALL GOLD IN TV SPECIAL

A TV special featuring Bodie and Marshall Gold Discovery SHPs will be shown on NBC-TV on January 9 at 10 p.m. Titled "Gone West," the BBC film is part of a series on America with Alistair Cooke.

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RESOLVE 1973
A NEW YEAR - A NEW START: WHAT'S AHEAD

A new campground at Bodega Bay. Silverwood Lake SRA, with permanent boating and day-use facilities, will be open in the spring, and we will continue construction to meet the recreation and camping needs of the people of southern California.

At Old Town San Diego SHP, the Seeley Stable will be built and the marvelous gift of artifacts from the Roscoe Hazard collection will be on display. Restoration of the City Hotel at Columbia will be under way, and an exciting new cooperative venture with the Columbia Junior College will make the hotel a living museum and a training center for students in recreation management.

In Old Sacramento, detailed planning for the railroad museum will be moving forward so that this new feature can be constructed in the near future. The Sacramento Junior League is expected to complete fund raising to make possible the reconstruction of the Eagle Theater.

The new training academy at Asilomar Conference Grounds is under construction and will be completed by September. The California State History Plan will be published. New interpretive folders will enhance people's understanding of the natural and cultural values in units of the State Park System, and fund raising by the California State Parks Foundation will be intensified so that the Poppy Preserve may become a reality for opening California's contribution to the National Bicentennial celebration.

Planning will be completed for use of the $250 million bond issue under the State Beach, Park, Recreational, and Historical Facilities Bond Act of 1974, so the public will be confident in voting YES. Citizen activity should bring to realization funding to make possible the construction of an exciting new desert museum at Anza-Borrego Desert SP.

These projects and many more will come into being in 1973, but even more important than these materialistic manifestations of the Department's continuing creative activities will be how we serve the people who visit the 202 units of the California State Park System. They will be our guests, and as we strive to produce a balanced system, we must provide our guests with a quality experience – nothing less! Our goals for 1973 are not *above mediocrity* and *better than average;* they are *excellence* and *perfection.*

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Golden Gate NRA

The *Golden Gate National Recreation Area* was established October 27, 1972 when *President Nixon* signed Public Law 92-589.

The authorized area encompasses some 34,000 acres of land and water beginning in the north at the town of Olema in Marin County, then extending southward, paralleling Point Reyes National Seashore, to Bolinas Lagoon and then approximately 22 miles along the Pacific Ocean to the north end of the Golden Gate Bridge. To the south and across the bridge, it will extend from the San Francisco Maritime SHP, adjacent to Fisherman's Wharf on the east, to Fort Point on the west, and then from Fort Point westward and southward along the Pacific Ocean about nine miles terminating at and including Fort Funston.

In San Francisco Bay, Angel Island SP and Alcatraz comprise the third major component of the national recreation area.

State park units located within the recreation area are the San Francisco Beaches (Baker's, James D. Phelan, Seal Rocks), San Francisco Maritime SHP, Angel Island SP, Stinson SB, Mt. Tamalpais SP; Forts Baker, Barry, and Cronkhite; and Marin Headlands SP.

A National Park Service pamphlet discloses that state-owned lands within the recreation area will be managed by the State of California.

The area includes state and county parkland, developed and undeveloped military reservations, and private lands (16,000 acres in private ownership north of the Golden Gate). Plans call for federal acquisition of private lands when funds become available. Military reservations are to be turned over to the Secretary of the Interior, some immediately and some when their military usefullness ends.

Military lands in the recreation area including Fort Point, San Francisco Presidio, Fort Funston, Forts Cronkhite, Barry, and Baker, and Coast Guard properties.

Recreation and Interpretation

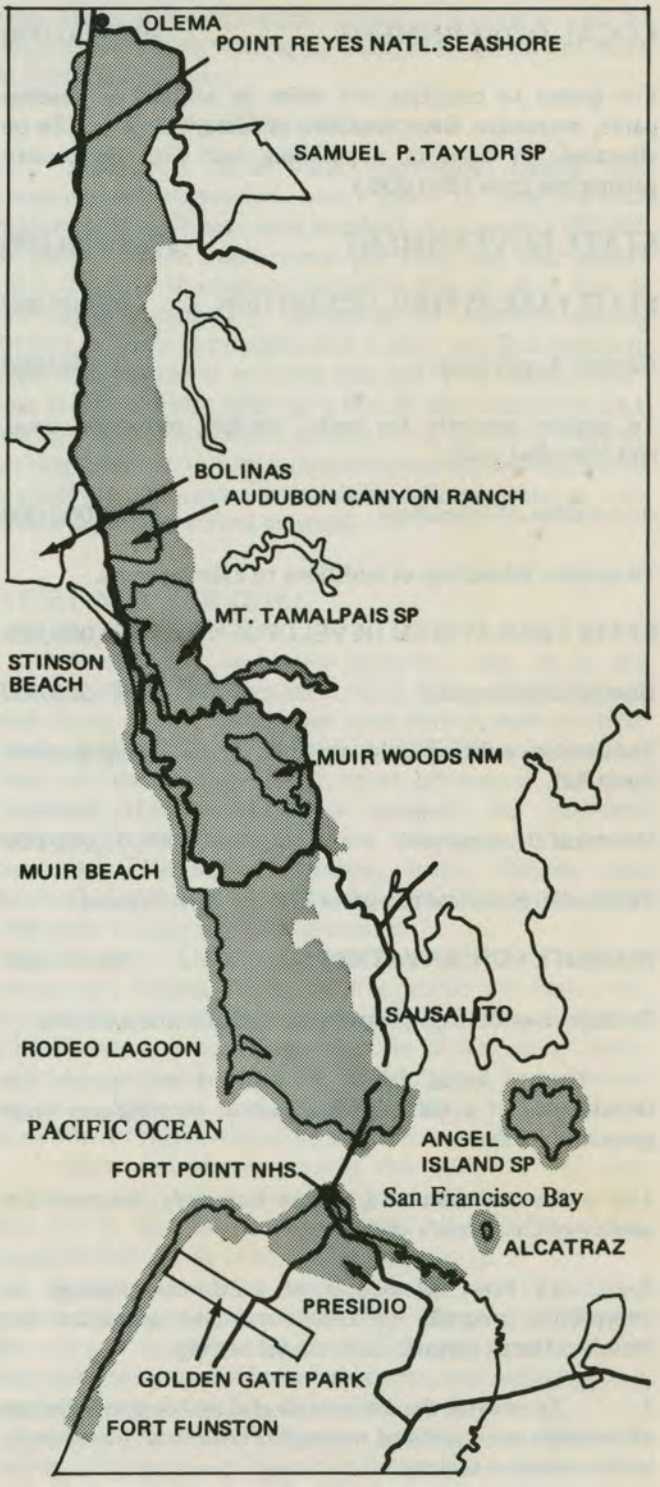
The pamphlet notes that the Maritime SHP and the San Francisco Maritime Museum together provide an opportunity to tell the story of the maritime history of San Francisco Bay and the Pacific Coast. Fort Point National Historic Site and Muir Woods National Monument will be administered as separate entities of the National Park System and managed to complement the interpretive themes and recreational opportuinites of the total recreation area.

The numerous coastal fortifications throughout the recreation area offer an opportunity to relate the history of coastal defense from 1776 when the Presidio was established to the present defensive missile installations. Fort Point will provide the focal point for this interpretation.

Alcatraz island's chief uses will feature its historic role and unique location as a viewing platform from which to observe activities in San Francisco Bay.

A preliminary Master Plan and revised draft Environmental Impact Statement are in preparation by the NPS.

Since much of the land is in private ownership or is presently being used for essential military operations, the pamphlet notes, the transition to recreational uses will be relatively slow.



What's Happening

THE PARK BOND ISSUE

The State Beach, Park, Recreational, and Historical Facilities Bond Act of 1974 will be submitted to the voters of California as Proposition 1 on the primary election ballot June 4, 1974. The Act authorizes the State to issue general obligation bonds for $250,000,000 to be used as follows:

LOCAL GOVERNMENT $90,000,000

For grants to counties and cities to acquire or develop parks, recreation areas, beaches, or historical units. (To be allocated on basis of population, but with no county getting less than $200,000.)

STATE GOVERNMENT $160,000,000

STATE PARK SYSTEM ACQUISITION . . .90,000,000

General Acquisition 75,000,000

To acquire property for parks, beaches, recreation areas, and historical units.

Acquisition of Inholdings 15,000,000

To acquire inholdings or additions to existing units.

STATE PARK SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT . .60,000,000

General Development 45,000,000

To develop existing units or units to be acquired under Bond Act.

Historical Development 15,000,000

To develop historical resources in State Park System.

WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD . . .10,000,000

To acquire or develop property for wildlife management.

Use of bond funds as outlined will assure the Department of a balanced program in meeting our three general objectives:

1. To maintain and, where necessary, improve the quality of California's environment.

2. To help the people of California, through an interpretive program, to understand and appreciate the State's cultural, historic, and natural heritage.

3. To provide for the meaningful and constructive use of people's uncommitted recreation time in an increasingly leisure-oriented society.

The Department plans to develop, by January 1974, a brochure identifying our priorities of expenditure for both the acquisition and development programs. This brochure will be distributed statewide prior to June 1974 to inform the public of the importance of this bond issue and tell what the money will provide for public use and enjoyment.

A series of public hearings will be held during the coming year, as part of the process for establishing a list of priorities for acquisition and development projects of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

A well-informed public will be essential to ensure approval of the bond issue. The best sales people for the 1974 Bond Act are informed *Department Employees*. To keep you informed, we will publish information on the Bond Act in each issue of News and Views through 1973. For any additional information, contact *Richard May*, Chief, Bond Program Coordination, Department of Parks and Recreation, P.O. Box 2390, Sacramento, California 95811; phone (916) 445-9210.

THE SYSTEM DOES COMPUTE

[The editors of Grist, a cooperative publication of the National Park Service, the National Conference on State Parks, and the National Recreation and Park Association asked *Director Mott* if he would write an article for them on the computerized reservation system for the California State Park System. This is the article.]

Computerized campsite reservations, like trips to the moon, aren't fantasy anymore; they're real.

The Department first tried it back in 1970, and has had a full scale program going since January 1971. We feel it's an outstanding success.

Over 225,000 reservations for approximately 650,000 nights of camping have been sold by Ticketron since the program began. Some 7,000 campsites in 70 units of our State Park System are in the program, which covers virtually all our units which have any appreciable camping use.

It's all handled in the Ticketron Reservation System, a nationwide organization which has approximately 160 outlets handling campsite reservations in California. It is an "on-line, real-time sharing" computer system shared with sporting events, airlines, theaters, and a variety of other special events. It also handles tours of our Hearst San Simeon SHM.

Ticket terminals are located in retail stores, shopping centers, and other types of consumer or service facilities in the major metropolitan areas of the State. A terminal for campsite and Hearst tour reservations only is also located at Department headquarters in Sacramento, primarily to handle mail requests from outlying areas which don't have Ticketron terminals.

A reservation for a developed campsite costs $3 per night, plus a $1.50 fee for each period reserved. Under their contract Ticketron received 7% of the first $400,000 collected at its terminals, 6% of the next $500,000, and 5% thereafter. Ticketron also gets 1½% of sales from the

Clerk-Typist Tobie Happersberger makes a reservation on the Ticketron computer.

Department headquarters terminal and $1 of the $1.50 reservation fee.

A just-completed audit of campsite revenues for the period from January 1971 through August 1972 shows gross sales of $1,974,350 from Ticketron terminals and $191,228 from the Department terminal, for a total of $2,165,578. Earnings for Ticketron were $335,652. Net to the Department was $1,697,493.

Public Acceptance

Public acceptance is demonstrated by the substantial increase in reservations made through Ticketron in 1972. Total sales were up 27.9%, during a period when total Park System attendance was actually below the previous year. Part of the increase was a shift away from mail orders to the Department, but most was a straight increase in use of the reservation system. Nearly one-third of our camping is now by reservation.

People are finding that reservations are a good way to make sure that a campsite is waiting for them at the end of a long trip. We don't have the long lines outside park entrances that we used to have when all camping was on a first-come, first-served basis.

People are also catching on to how easy it is to make a reservation. Just go to the terminal in your downtown shopping center, tell the girl what park you want to camp in, and for what dates; she punches a couple of buttons, and out pops your ticket. It's almost that simple.

Choice

You can't reserve a specific site ("the one by the river under the big Sycamore tree"), but you can reserve a spot at a particular unit, in a park that has several campgrounds. And you can get one for a tent, if you're a tent camper, or even for your particular length of trailer if you've got one of the outsized kind.

Reservations are accepted up to 90 days in advance. Even so, popular parks fill up, sometimes within minutes, after certain dates become available. This is true particularly for major holiday weekends and at the southern California beaches.

Cut-off date for reservations is Monday of each week. A computer print-out is mailed from Ticketron's computer center near San Diego to each park on Tuesday morning. By Thursday, every park knows what reservations have been sold for its campsites for the period from 2 p.m. Friday to the following Friday. Any unsold campsites are available on a first-come, first-served basis, but can't be reserved after the Monday cut-off.

We're often asked why we don't hold some sites off the reservation list, to take care of the poor guy who can't plan his vacation 90 days in advance. We sympathize with the problem, but this approach just doesn't work. If you hold off very many, you can't take care of the people who want reservations. If you only hold off a few, you can't take care of many first-come, first-servers anyway, and the long line of people waiting for campsites is back out there in front of your park.

You Can't Win 'em All

You just can't keep everybody happy, and computerized reservations aren't going to solve all your problems. We still have large numbers of turnaways (80,000 at Doheny State Beach alone last year) and this doesn't solve the basic shortage of campsites that all of us face. It does offer a method of spreading the available camping around as fairly as possible, and it gives people a chance to avoid the frustration of facing that old "Full Campground" sign at the end of a long day's trip. It also relieves the park manager of any impossible clerical and accounting chore by making available to him a computerized system that would probably be beyond the capability of any state or even federal agency to afford by itself.

WE'RE NUMBER ONE!

Almost any way you want to look at it, the California State Park System is No. 1. Comparing our parks with those of other states, our State Park System has more total acreage (802,000 owned plus 85,000 leased), more miles of lake frontage (462), more permanent, full-time personnel (1200), and more seasonal and part-time personnel (1600) than the other five far western states combined (Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Nevada and Arizona). California also pays the highest entry salary for park rangers (trainees, $728 per month).

However, California is not content with its superior status quo. During 1972, the area within the State Park System was increased by a net total of 51,500 acres (title to 23,500 acres and lease agreements for 28,000 acres). Major additions were acquired in the coastal, inland, and redwood regions. Additional land and water surface at lakes of the State Water Project totaled 35,800 acres.

Work was started, during the year, on 321 new camping units: 170 at Carpinteria SB, 98 at Sonoma SB, and 53 at San Simeon Creek SP. All are either now completed or will be in service by next spring.

Large construction projects started in 1972 included a visitor center at Lake Oroville SRA. The Sawpit Canyon day use area at Silverwood Lake SRA, new sewer lines for state park units in the Lake Tahoe area, and additional day use facilities at Sugar Pine Point SP.

Major State Park System construction completed during 1972 included Phase I of campground construction

at Carpinteria SB, campground renovation at Doheny SB, extensive day use facilities at Lake Oroville SRA, repair of a pier at San Buenaventura SB, sewer installation at Donner Memorial SP, and dismantling and salvage at Old Sacramento SHP.

The State Park System has grown, over the years, to keep pace not only with our population growth but also with a continuing increase in outdoor recreation by the average California family. During the past 6 years, nearly 70,000 acres of land have been acquired for the park system (an increase of nearly 10%), and more than 2500 new camping units have been added (an increase of more than 40%).

The Ranger

In comparing the California State Park System with those of other states, we should not forget, of course, that most important category, the quality of the park ranger: his ability to serve the visitors to the State Park units and to preserve the park system values for the visitors of many tomorrows. We could not find statistics to measure a ranger's attributes, but for one ranger's view of one of the most important of the rangers' responsibilities, see "The Ranger and the Law" in *Yield From the Field.*

IT'S A GOOD IDEA

Director Mott has suggested something that the editers of News and Views think is a good idea. Let's see what you think. His idea: a monthly column in News and Views called *It's a Good Idea.*

Let's say a park unit tries something different, and it works out pretty well. Now the idea is, let other park units in on this good idea. Some of these developments may make quite an impact on park operation. Others, though each is a small item, may add up to a significant improvement in total operation. Whenever the use of a new idea enables a unit to serve the public more effectively or to save time or money while maintaining equal or better public service, other park units or the headquarters staff may be able to profitably use the same idea or a similar one.

Send in your good ideas and let others read about them in News and Views. Or if you think such a column is not a good idea, tell us so, and why.

AUDUBON INSTITUTE

The third annual *Audubon Institute of Desert Ecology* will be held next spring and summer at the Tanque Verde Ranch in the Rincon Mountain foothills east of Tuscon. Dates are May 4-6 and 11-13 (two weekends) for the Spring Institute and August 4-12 for the Summer Institute.

All phases of Sonoran Desert life will be covered: geology, soil, plants, insects, reptiles, animals and birds. Sponsors are the Tuscon Audubon Society and the University of Arizona.

A brochure and additional information are available from Audubon Institute of Desert Ecology, 2504 E. Lee, Tucson, Arizona 85716.

HOW TO WIN $100

Director Mott waved a hundred dollar bill in front of Department employees recently and told them how they could win it.

He described the project at a December meeting of headquarters employees. The project is finding a better way to preserve the safety of visitors and protect park property at the unmanned Toscano Hotel, a part of Sonoma SHP.

Dick Menefee, Sonoma Area Manager, said the hotel now has a wire cage to contain people while they view the interior of the hotel. The "cage" is very disruptive of the historical integrity of the scene. *Dick* doesn't think glass would be the answer for two reasons: heavy visitation would necessitate the glass being cleaned several times a day, and the direction of the sun, coming in from behind the viewing area, would cause a serious glare.

He admits the present system isn't good, but it is necessary until a better one comes along. A similar situation exists at the Petaluma Adobe, he said, where there have been cases of people cutting the screen and reaching into the inside to snag, and steal, artifacts. At the hotel, the screen also prevents people from gaining access to the second floor, something that a railing would not do.

The problem is to keep people from getting into unauthorized, and possibly unsafe, places and protect the artifacts.

Anyone who can come up with a good solution to this problem will win $100. *Director Mott* said the money will be put up by the State Parks Foundation. The contest is open to all Department employees.

View of interior of Toscano Hotel as seen from inside room.

LAND FOR BUGGIES AND BIKES

Director Mott announced in December that the Department, with the full cooperation of the California Recreational Trails Committee, is giving top priority to the acquisition of lands for use of off-highway recreation vehicles and the creation of vehicular recreation areas.

The department and committee are looking into the possibilities of acquiring more land for the use of off-highway vehicles adjacent to Anza-Borrego Desert SP and at Red Rock Canyon, a park unit not yet classified, in Kern County. They are also studying the assignment, for off-highway vehicle use, of lands being acquired at Pismo SB.

The Director said: "Although a comprehensive state-wide plan for use of off-highway vehicles is scheduled for completion by the end of 1973, action is required now to acquire new lands and assign existing lands for use of recreational motor vehicles."

The Chappie-Z'Berg Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Act of 1971, which became effective July 1, 1972, requires that a motor vehicle used on public lands, if not licensed for highway use, must be registered with the Department of Motor Vehicles as an off-highway vehicle and carry a registration sticker. A $15 registration fee is charged for each 2-year period ending on June 30 of an even-numbered year.

Two-thirds of the registration fee is used by state, city, and county governments and special districts for planning, acquisition, development, maintenance, administration, and conservation of trails and areas for the safe use of off-highway vehicles and for controlling their operation. One-third of the fee is administered by the Department of Motor Vehicles for issuing or renewing identification of off-highway motor vehicles.

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VOX POP

SAIL HO!

The *Board of Supervisors of Santa Clara County*, at their meeting November 8, adopted a resolution welcoming the *Alma*, last of the San Francisco Bay scow schooners. The *Alma* once sailed commercially between the Port of Alviso, Santa Clara County and ports in northern San Francisco Bay. She sailed again to Alviso on Friday, November 10, "this time hauling 'history' to the citizens of the County of Santa Clara." At this homecoming, the *Alma* was made an honorary member of the South Bay Yacht Club. The *Alma* will sail regularly on her "history run" beginning next summer.

The Board commended the State of California and the Department "for their initiative in restoration of vessels such as the *Alma* so that the maritime history of this area is preserved." (See Yield – Golden Gate Area)

Ranger *Steven Moore* of the **Four Rivers Area** accidentally short-changed, by 50 cents, a pair of visitors to San Luis Reservoir, *Mr.* and *Mrs. Schott*, of Tarzana. *Moore* returned the 50 cents, along with a letter of apology. The *Schotts* wrote a letter of thanks to Ranger Moore, and they wrote to headquarters to commend him for his courtesy and honesty. They added that they "have always found the rangers courteous, helpful, and men of integrity."

Ranger*Chet Getty* of the **Anza-Borrego Area** received a note from *Joe* and *Arline Szabo* saying they were looking forward to another trip to the park and adding, "Congratulations on your talk Saturday, October 14th. It was the best campfire program we have attended."

Ranger *Jimmie Phillips* of **Samuel P. Taylor SP** received the following letter. (Names have been omitted.)

Dear Ranger Phillips:

I enclose my check in the amount of $35.00 as per your recent letter for my son's portion of the damage to park facilities. My son earned the entire $35.00 at "hard labor", i.e., gardening, car polishing, window washing, etc., and has learned a substantial life lesson. In addition I know he is truly remorseful and now understands the danger involved in his conduct. Although he did not light or place the firecracker he was willing to join in the venture. He knows that he should have discouraged his buddies and that what they were doing was prohibited.

I take this opportunity of expressing my wife's and my thanks for the courtesy and understanding you and all the park rangers have shown to our son and to us in a matter that I am sure has caused you all a great deal of inconvenience.

Please extend our thanks to the other fine rangers at the park.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

Many of the November Area Manager's reports mentioned the heavy rains, with comments ranging from "good for the vegetation" to "bad for roads, bridges, and other man-made things that got in the way of the flood waters."

A lot of people came to the parks, however, bringing both problems and satisfactions, as told in the monthly reports.

Anza-Borrego Area, *Bud Getty* – Two 6th graders, *Brian Dooley* and *Terry Jones*, from Borrego Springs Elementary School, began work on an archeology program supervised by Archeologist *Bill Seidel.* Their first project is to make a relief map of an archeological site. . . Ranger *Jim Hart* and I were subpoenaed to Ramona Justice Court in connection with four motorcycle riders who were cited for driving their vehicles cross-country. The feeling of the court was that the defendants were "technically guilty," but that they had travelled some distance at their own expense, so justice had been served. Judge Stalnaker declared them not guilty. . . A Department of Corrections crew from the La Cima Camp started work in the Borrego Palm Canyon area. Their first project is to replace a barbed wire fence with a smooth wire fence.

Benicia Area, *Auburn Rose* – Our Groundsman, *Douglas Carrier,* has been taking horticulture classes at Solano College, and the instructor asked him to take the class on a tour of the Fischer Garden. Carrier conducted 25 students on a 2½-hour tour November 9.

Big Sur Area, *Jack Stowe* – November began and ended with cleaning up from mud flows, as reported in the December News and Views, and preparing for future mud flows. Maintenance projects have taken a back seat. . . The Telephone company installed three extension lines from our switchboard to Supervisors' residences to give 24-hour emergency coverage after business hours. Working out quite well. . . On November 21, Ranger *Ray Jenkins* and I got a distress call from CHP Officer *Ken Wright*, who was investigating shots up the Coast Ridge Road. We found Officer *Wright* wounded by a 30:30 rifle, but he wounded the suspected culprit and handcuffed him. We assisted with first aid and radio contacts and photographed the scene.

Bothe-Napa Area, *Donald Dresler* – November brought a lot of rain, but a lot of campers too. The rain also brought an emergency involving the Schramsberg winery. A truck overturned on their entrance road, and they had to use the park road that runs by their property to get their employees and guests out.

Calaveras Area, *Bob Stewart* – Educational groups were the only significant groups using the area facilities. A new Teacher's Guide helped a lot . . . Two ecology crews of 14 men each started working November 27.

Channel Coast Area, *H.C. Terry* – High tides and moderate surf on November 20, 21, and 22 caused minor havoc to all beaches in the Area. At Carpinteria SB, the entire beach was inundated. Emma Wood SB was closed 2 days because waves were breaking over the seawall at the entrance. Ventura SB inundated. At McGrath SB, the sand bar at the mouth of the Lagoon was removed by surf action.

Clear Lake Area, *E.A. Griggs* – Attendance dropped to half of normal the first half of November, because of the weather, but Thanksgiving weekend use was the heaviest ever.

Delta Area, *Allan Hibsch* – Maintenance Man *Bill Clary* presented a realistic first aid demonstration for 25 Girl Scouts in Rio Vista. Injuries were simulated by use of mortician's putty and cosmetics. He also contributed uncut California diamonds for their Art Badge projects. . . Two chapters of the Good Sam Camping Club committed themselves to developing a Recreation Vehicle Rally Site with our assistance. An environmental Impact Statement has been drafted, and the Sacramento County Sanitation Department has been contacted regarding waste water disposal requirements. . . We have provided a location for the Stanford Research Institute to park a van with equipment to analyze fog. The equipment is sensitive enough to record the dropout from an airplane's exhaust.

Dyerville Area, *Gerald Fialho* – A severe earthquake, 5+ on the Richter scale, was felt in the Area office and vicinity on November 13.

Folsom Lake SRA, *Ron McCullough* – In addition to the very popular Canada geese tours (see article), we presented two school tours of the Folsom Powerhouse and two programs on the State Park System and Folsom Lake at Folsom High School during November.

Fort Humboldt Area, *Neil Hyta* – Harry Falk III, grandson of Noah Falk, who founded the logging town of Falk, near Eureka, brought in a variety of photos of historic areas of the old town. The photos are on loan and the Interpretive Section has made copies.

Four Rivers Area, *Clyde Strickler* – On November 12, Ranger *Tom McKnight*, assisted by Ranger *Steven Moore*, performed a "fish-hookectomy" on a red-tail hawk that Moore saw floundering in a bush. The hawk had a fish hook in its tongue with a heavy lead sinker attached. The operation was a success, and the patient flew away.

Golden Gate Area, *Bill Allison* – The scow "Alma" was again a guest of honor at "Alviso Days" on November 11. Alviso was once a port of call for the Alma. On the 11th, she was visited by 874 persons and 5 dogs; on the 12th, by 1705 persons and 12 dogs. Park Historian *Glenn Burch* and Clerk *Juanita Burns* were host and hostess, *Juanita* in her period dress. *Mrs. Alma Sooman,* age 82, was the guest of honor. Her father, the owner of the scow, named it after her when she was 2 years old. (See Vox Pop.)

Hiouchi Area, *R.A. Folmer* – An Ecology Corps crew, supervised and financed by Fish and Game, began stream clearance at Mill Creek, Del Norte Redwoods SP.

Lake Oroville Area, *Don Royer* – Water Resources has transferred the Thermalito Diversion Pool water surface (284 acres) and adjacent land area (427 acres) to Parks and Recreation. The Department has also acquired adjoining land from PG&E to complete a 6-mile riding and hiking trail. . . Water Resources has recommended that, because of the expense and hazards of moving it, the Mother Orange Tree be left in its present location.

La Purisima Mission Area, *Bob Hanks* – On a recent tour of the Mission with 45 4th-graders and 9 room mothers and teachers, I was explaining to the youngsters that the niches in the chapel walls once held containers of Holy water, put there by the padres for use by the Indians as they entered the church for worship services. As the group was leaving, a room mother asked me if I knew how the church gets its Holy water. She grinned as she awaited my reply of "No, I'm afraid I don't." Authoritatively, she said, "They take ordinary tap water and boil the hell out of it."

Malakoff-Diggins Area, *Eric Leffingwell* – On the last weekend of the deer hunting season, Maintenance Man *Reese Underhill* brought in a human skull he had picked up just east of the park. Sheriff's deputies have not yet identified it.

Mendocino Area, *Joe Hood* – The self-guided nature trail in Big Hendy Grove is completed. . . High seas again put salt water into Lake Cleone and the MacKerricher water system.

Millerton Lake Area, *William Reinhardt* – I attended several meetings with snowmobile clubs in the Fresno area and noted great interest in off-road vehicles.

Montane Area, *Glen Jones* – The state-wide Fuel Management and Hazard Reduction Committee made a tour to look at brush reduction efforts on U.S. Forest lands and other lands. They expressed special interest in the shaded protection strip here and elsewhere in the State.

Monterey-Pt. Lobos Area, *C.W. Ray* – Maintenance Man *Frank Hayford* sighted four gray whales off Pt. Lobos on November 15 – the first official sighting of the year.

Mt. Diablo Area, *Ed Earl* – The California State Park and Recreation Commission, at its November 10 meeting, adopted a resolution commending Ranger *John Werminski* "for his very fine work in producing 'A Guide to the Common Trees of Mount Diablo State Park." The book can be purchased for $.50 at Mount Diablo SP headquarters.

Mt. San Jacinto Area, *Bill Stahlberg* – Palm Springs Aerial Tramway had 12,223 paid fares during Thanksgiving weekend, and camping was heavy at Idyllwild and Stone Creek.

Orange Coast Area *Jewel Caughell* – Lots of surfers were out to take advantage of high surf Thanksgiving weekend. . . Nude bathing is beginning to invade San Onofre SB. The sans suits bathers first use the Marine property to the south and then move to the State Beach when the Marine patrols come along.

Pajaro Coast Area, *Anton Trigeiro* – The ill-fated Shamrock VI finally pulled free from the boardwalk November 3 and made it out of the bay past Twin Peaks, but sank before reaching San Francisco. . . The "largest Monterey pine" in California has been located in Downing Forest, off Freedom Road near Aptos. The tree is 22 feet around and 129 feet high.

Picacho Area, *R.B. Frenzel* – Uncommon wildlife sightings in November include a steller blue jay, a badger ambling down the river road, and a green heron that stayed under the ramp at the boat dock all month.

Russian River Area, *Robert Crawford* – Two skin divers were caught in a heavy surf off South Cove in Salt Point SP November 11 and had to be rescued by helicopters from the Coast Guard and the Sonoma County Sheriff's office.

Sacramento Area, *Kirby Morgan* – The Fremont poplars at Sutter's Fort SHP was a check point for a "bike for life" rally sponsored by the People's Lobby. More than 500 bike riders checked in, and they left the area completely clean.

Salton Sea Area, *James Davis* – The off-road vehicles are out in force again, but citations seem to be gradually getting the message across to "stay on the established roads."

San Diego Coast Area, *Jack Welch* – A ranger trainee was threatened and pushed around November 1 by two youths who objected to the "dogs prohibited" regulation. The boys threatend to sic their 125-lb. St. Bernard on the ranger trainee.

San Mateo Coast Area, *Anthony Ulm* – Rains and wave action, both unusually heavy, swept away 10 feet of sand in some spots, permitting wave action to erode the bluffs protecting park residences. One residence was in iminent danger.

San Simeon Area, *Wes Cater* – Supervisor of Guides *Irene Hanks* did a taped interview for a Fort Worth, Texas radio station. They say they have an audience of 40 million through 550 stations. . . Another zebra foaled November 27.

Santa Cruz Mountain Area, *Curtis Mitchell* – "Project Transition," a federal program to help military personnel adjust to civilian work, is doing well at Big Basin Redwoods SP. Chief Bennett (Gil) Gilbertson arrived December 4 from Moffatt Naval Air Station for a 2-month stay. After that, Gil plans to continue school and then work

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for Minnesota Parks. . . Wild dogs have killed several deer in the area. . . A 6-man Ecology Corps crew started work on facility Maintenance at Big Basin.

Silverwood Lake Area, *Ray Westberg* – One cool (48° high), rainy (1.29 inches), windy (gusts to 65 mph) day, a visitor came to pay his $1 day-use fee with a bag of pennies. He said he had robbed his piggy bank to get the money to go fishing. Ranger *Chuck May* didn't have the heart to tell him there was only 99 cents in the bag.

Trinidad Area, *Dave Redding* – Beautiful weather and two weddings brought Thanksgiving weekend crowds to Patrick's Point SP. Weddings at the park totaled 12 in 1972.

THE RANGER AND THE LAW

Kenneth J. Huddleston, Chief Ranger in the Golden Gate Area, in a presentation to fellow rangers of the Area, said:

"Almost every discussion involving enforcement within California State Parks by park rangers seems to end with someone saying, 'What level of enforcement does the Department want?' I believe that this question really means, *'Am I to enforce the law as it is contained in the statutes with no exceptions, or should I look the other way when certain kinds of infractions of laws, rules, and regulations are committed in my presence?'* In other words, *'Do I use some judgment in my enforcement activities, or am I required to take enforcement action anytime I see an infraction occur?'*

"If serious consideration is given to the number of infractions that are observed daily, it will be obvious that taking legal enforcement action in each case would result in a work load that would preclude any other activities for ranger personnel. Since other important tasks must also be accomplished, rangers must use judgment as to which infractions may occur without any contact with the violators, which violators must be informed verbally of their violations, when to issue a written warning of violation, when to cite into court, and when to make a direct arrest. Because so many variables affect each case, no hard and fast rules can be laid down as to what action to take or whether to take action or not.

"The key word is 'judgment.' The Qualifications Appraisal Panel selects a person to be a ranger because he shows a potential for good judgment. His training is programmed to improve his judgment, and he is either a success or failure by the judgment he uses on the job.

Basic Principle

"In spite of the variable nature of each enforcement contact, I believe that a constant basic principle underlies each contact and puts a floor under judgment. This basic principle deals with the objectives of the Department of Parks and Recreation as they relate to state park visitors.

"The first objective of the entire State Parks organization is to assure preservation of the resource for future generations. The best available knowledge we have at our disposal must be applied to this function, and the set of rules designed to accomplish the desired result must be enforced.

"However, judgment must be applied to this principle. We might think that if 3000 square miles of resource were fenced off and no people were allowed inside to manage or use the resource, we would accomplish the desired result. This is not quite true, because man, as well as the other species of animals, affects the total ecology of the larger area of which the 3000 square miles is a part. In addition, man is the only animal who can consciously take affirmative action to assure that the mini-chunks of the world that are parks will be preserved for hundreds of years. After decisions are made to establish conditions that will assure preservation of the resource, rangers must assure that these decisions are carried out. They must be aware that they are just as responsible to the park visitors of 2072 as to those who use our parks today.

"The other main objective of the Department of Parks and Recreation is to provide service to the present park visitor. Except for discouragement of activities that adversely affect the preservation of our state parks, the only control or enforcement should be that necessary to prevent one visitor from violating or limiting the personal freedom of another state park visitor.

"To summarize, I believe that the proper level of enforcement within the State Park System is:

1. Enough enforcement of regulations to prevent damage to the ecology.

2. Enough enforcement to prevent one visitor from abridging the rights, freedom, and liberty of another visitor.

The trick is to provide just this level of enforcement, no more and no less."

OF BREAD AND BRICKS AND CANDLESTICKS

Students learning to recognize how environment has affected man's development: That's the goal of the new program recently launched by District 2 at Petaluma Adobe SHP. The park, on the outskirts of Petaluma in Sonoma County, was the ranch site of General Vallejo from about 1834 to 1850.

The State Park System, in cooperation with the National Park Service, Sonoma County Department of Education, and the Old Adobe Association of Petaluma, has inaugurated a National Environmental Study Area (NESA) Program at the site of General Vallejo's ranch.

The program brings 4th and 5th graders to the Park, where they experience the crafts used to maintain life in the early Adobe. Chief among these are candle making, bread making, grist mill operation, carding and weaving wool, and making adobe bricks.

With the park as an extension of the classroom, the program revolves around a group of "constants" that run through the total environment. These constants, which are

called "strands," are variety and similarity, analyzing likenesses and differences, patterns found in nature and society, interaction and interdependence of living and nonliving things, continuity and change, and evolution and adaptation to a changing environment.

What is the children's reaction to the program? Great, so far as on-the-scene observation could determine. The greater the involvement in the craft demonstrations, the more the children enjoyed them; and our volunteer craftsmen tried for total involvement of the children. The fact that the children could see themselves on TV, Channel 50, might have spurred them into more active participation in making adobe bricks. We feel that the program here at the Adobe is a success, and, as the tired, muddy kids, clutching their own hand-dipped candles and self-ground cornmeal, boarded their buses to return to their schools, everyone seemed full of excitement and eagerness to learn.

By Jimmie Phillips, Ranger I
Petaluma Adobe State Historic Park

Photo from Petaluma Adobe Association

DISTRICT 3 LEADS IN CLIPS

District 3 led the field in November by clipping 50 news articles and forwarding them to the Information Section in Sacramento. District 6 was second with 42; District 2 had 39; District 4, 37; District 5, 35; and District 1, 4. Headquarters supplied 26, and Allen's Press Clipping Bureau sent in 44.

It was the first time District 3 led the field. Their high of 83 sent in during August was outclipped with 94 from District 6.

News clippings of activities and events in park units are placed in folders and routed throughout headquarters to help keep employees informed of what is going on in the field.

Clippings supplied during November totaled 277, exactly the same as the previous month.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

SNOW IN THE VALLEY

The first snow in 30 years fell on Sacramento Tuesday, December 12, leaving up to an inch of the fluffy stuff in places. Above, Seasonal Park Aid *Millie Pasquale* wipes snow off the welcome sign at Sutter's Fort SHP. Her uniform is the standard green slacks and white sweater. About a half inch of snow was measured at the Fort. *Penny O'Halloran,* Steno II for the Sacramento Area, reports the Fort had three or four visitors December 12 and the State Indian Museum grossed $1.50.

HUCKLEBERRY HOUNDS

Big Basin Redwoods SP will not continue a noble experiment at Huckleberry Campground.

The park was selected for a pilot project last summer to determine the desirability of concentrating campsites for campers with dogs in one area of a park and leaving other areas nearly dog-free. Of the nine campground areas in the park, toatlling 235 campsites, the 75-unit Huckleberry Campground was selected as the "dog camp."

Campers with dogs were assigned to Huckleberry Campground whenever possible, but some had to be assigned to other campgrounds either because Huckleberry was already full or because the campers had equipment that could not be accommodated there. A number of dog-owning campers who had been assigned there but preferred some other campground expressed considerable resentment when they found that some campers with dogs were staying in other areas of the park.

Results of the pilot program at Big Basin Redwoods SP indicated that a dog segregation program at state parks would be unsatisfactory if any exceptions were permitted, and it was not possible to run the program without exceptions.

WHERE THE WILD GOOSE GOES

It started out to be a series of unassuming Sunday morning tours. It turned into a 6-day-a-week best seller.

On November 16, the Department announced that the rangers at Folsom Lake SRA would conduct guided tours to observe Canada geese in the feeding areas at Folsom Lake the last two Sundays in November and the first Sunday in December. A spotting scope was set up at Granite Bay, and interested people were invited to begin the first tour at 11 a.m. Sunday, November 19.

Schools and other groups and individuals made so many requests for special tours that the Folsom Lake crew had to schedule the event for every day of the week except Saturday, and they extended the time through Friday, December 15. In less than a month, nearly a thousand people took advantage of the geese tours. One group had the rare opportunity of viewing a bald eagle, one of an estimated 5000 left in the entire country.

The weather did not cooperate with the tour plans, but the Canada geese and the public did. And the rangers enjoyed the unexpected late fall activity, especially Ranger *Glenn Walfoort,* who conducted most of the tours.

Getting a close-up view of the Canada geese.

Fifth and sixth graders from Sutterville School braved wind, rain, and sleet on Wednesday, December 6 for a view of Canada geese at Folsom Lake and an interpretive talk by Ranger Glenn Walfoort.

Photos by Gene Russel

HISTORY COVER-UP

A project started more than 1½ years ago to both preserve and make history was completed by mid-December at Bidwell Mansion SHP. North Valley Area Manager *Lorin Forsyth* reports that thousands of $1 contributions from visitors to the mansion helped to pay for the carpeting of five bedrooms, a sewing room, a hallway, and a stair tread in the style of the lifetimes of the original owners, *General* and *Mrs. John Bidwell.*

More than three-fourths of the $3650 cost of the carpeting was paid for by the $1 each contributed by visitors who wished to write their names and messages to posterity on 9-inch-square floor tiles that are a permanent part of the mansion. Then the tiles were covered with the carpeting. Many families contributed as a group, each member writing his or her name and a message on a tile and giving a dollar.

The small contributions did not quite cover the total cost of the carpeting project. To meet this development, the *Bidwell Mansion Restoration Association,* a group of Chico residents, and *Las Senoras,* official hostesses for the city of Chico, are making a final contribution of $400.

The program was started in April 1971 through the efforts of *Director Mott,* the *Bidwell Mansion Restoration Association, Las Senoras,* the *Chico Women's Club,* the *Butte County Historical Society,* and others. The first restored rooms were opened for public viewing in September 1971. The entire first and second floors are now open to the public.

One family bought space on 25 tiles at Bidwell Mansion and put their names on a giant 45-inch square.

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Photo by George Strauch, Division of Highways.

The work of rerouting State Highway 1 around Fort Ross SHP produced a synthesis of roadbuilding and archeology, as students from California State College at Sonoma delved into the freshly uncovered past.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

SNOW DANGER

[Arnold Allen, Snow Safety Specialist at Squaw Valley SRA, addresses the following note to all skiers – beginner to expert.]

The unfortunate deaths of two teenage skiers at Mt. Rose on January 29, 1972 makes me wonder why such an incident occurred and what is necessary to prevent future accidents such as this.

The group of skiers were in a closed area that was well "signed off" with the proper network of signs. I've caught many skiers going beyond such signs in my eight years of being responsible for skiers' safety. The usual excuse is that they did not see the signs or that it isn't snowing so how could the slopes avalanche now.

Unfortunately the deaths of these skiers is a grim reminder to others that signs are placed where they are and areas are closed with a definite purpose in mind. Let the avalanche experts determine when a slope is safe to ski. These deaths may remind other skiers that the *"Closed Area – Avalanche Danger"* or *"Closed Area"* signs mean business. It's a shame that two young skiers had to give their lives to make others realize that avalanches and other potential disasters are a real, ever-present threat here in the Sierras. An avalanche can occur many days after a storm and in the most unpredictable places. Even without a storm, winds can blow large amounts of snow into select areas and create an avalanche hazard.

Several simple rules of thumb for "powder hounds" to learn and respect are:

(1) Don't ski in unfamiliar areas alone.
(2) Don't ski out of the designated ski area.
(3) Obey all signs such as *"Closed Area"* or *"Avalanche Danger – Closed Area"*.
(4) Just because you have skied a certain powder slope in the past without trouble doesn't mean it can't slide.
(5) Leave avalanche control and avalanche hazard forecasting work to the experts.

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People

The last four months of 1972 saw a lot of going and coming among Director's Office personnel.

First, it was Chief Deputy Director *Ray Hunter*, who left the Department in September to become Director of the Department of Conservation. Then *Bob Baker*, Assistant Deputy Director in Los Angeles, left state service in October to become Regional Director of the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation of the U.S. Department of the Interior. In November, Deputy Director *Bob Meyer* was promoted to Chief Deputy Director, and *William S. "Bill" Briner* was named Deputy Director. In December, Ranger *Dick Felty* was appointed Assistant Deputy Director in Los Angeles.

Also in December, Linda Basich, Senior Stenographer in the Director's Office left the Department to accept the position of Secretary to *Dr. William E. Mayer*, Director of the Department of Mental Hygiene.

Deputy Director William S. Briner is welcomed by Chief Deputy Director Meyer and Director Mott.

NEW DEPUTY DIRECTOR

William S. "Bill" Briner, our new Deputy Director, loves his mountain home, and he will maintain his residence there and commute to work in Sacramento.

As residents of Tahoe City for 26 years, the hearts, hobbies, and life style of the Briner family are deeply imbedded in the town, the lake, and the surrounding Sierra. The family includes his wife, *Farida* and sons *Mark*, 16 and *Drew*, 13.

Briner divides his adult life into three phases: military service, school, and private business.

His military service, started during World War II, was unexpectedly resumed in Korea. At college, he had joined an R.O.T.C. unit, and 10 days after the outbreak of the Korean War, he found himself in the U.S. Air Force.

He attended the University of Nevada, Reno, where he majored in Business Administration and graduated with a BA degree in Economic Science.

For 10 years, *Briner* owned and operated a small drug store at Squaw Valley, selling the business in 1960. Since then, he has operated a lake resort business. He is particularly interested in the scenic values and recreational opportunities of the Sierra region,

Diverse Interests

The private business phase of his life includes 12 rewarding years as a member of the Placer County Board of Supervisors, 4 as chairman. During those years, he became engrossed with the diverse nature of Placer County,

beginning in the valley at Roseville and Rocklin, moving into the mid-elevation agricultural country, then into the gold mining and timber country, and ending at Lake Tahoe.

Briner visited all parts of the State as a member of the County Supervisors Association of California; and, since joining the Department December 4, he already has visited state park units in the San Diego area and north along the coast to Doheny.

In years past, he has worked closely with park units in the Tahoe area, and he participated in the State's acquisition of Sugar Pine Point SP.

The Future

Briner will be working in the operations and planning areas of the Department and is looking forward to getting into the field and working with District Superintendents and Area Managers. He is interested in helping the State Park Service to maintain a good public image and in helping to provide a State Park System we can all take pride in and which will benefit the State and the park users.

Briner's hobbies are hunting, fishing, and boating. Everyone in his family enjoys sports, and they spend much of their spare time skiing and sailing together. His son *Mark* was an all-league skier in his high school freshman year and is now skiing in the Class A circuit.

Briner, 45, was a member of the State Transportation Board and served several years on the bistate Tahoe Regional Planning Agency.

A full-time public service career as Deputy Director of this Department is the fourth distinct phase of Briner's life, and he is looking forward to it eagerly. He feels his past experience has prepared him for this kind of challenge, and he welcomes the opportunity to serve Californians through the State Park System.

NEW DEPUTY DIRECTOR SOUTH

Ranger *Dick Felty* has been appointed as the Department's Assistant Deputy Director in the Southern California Office effective January 1, 1973. He replaces *Bob Baker,* who recently accepted the position of Regional Director of the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation in Atlanta.

Felty will coordinate activities of Districts 5 and 6 and will represent our department in dealing with the people and organizations of the greater Los Angeles area, working to expand the solid community relations programs established by *Baker* and to further strengthen the cooperative relationships among the various local, state, and federal agencies concerned with recreation and conservation.

Felty's most recent position was with the Concessions Division in Sacramento, on a training assignment. He went to work as a Ranger at Lake Elsinore in February 1960, after teaching Social Studies at a Junior High School in Long Beach. He has served at Hendy Woods, Hearst Castle, Point Lobos, District 4 HQ, San Luis Obispo Coast, and Salton Sea and in various planning and administrative jobs in Sacramento.

He received a BA degree in Liberal Arts from Washington State University, and he did graduate work at the University of Washington with emphasis on education and history. He and his family plan to move to the Los Angeles area soon.

Richard Felty, Assistant Deputy Director, Los Angeles Office.

Linda Basich — transferred and promoted.

THE LANDSCAPE CREW

If you want to find out the latest developments on a park project, where do you go? If you need an environmental impact statement written, who does it? If you want to talk to the project manager in charge of, say, Del Valle Reservoir or San Onofre, who do you talk to? Or if you're just looking for a friendly cribbage game at coffee time, who can you find? The answer to all these questions, and more, is *Landscape Architects.*

From the time a new project begins, the *LAs* watch, add to, coordinate, design, and occasionally cuss at the project until it is finished. A project manager is designated from the Planning Section to design the project and serve as coordinator between divisions of the department and with other departments. At the same time, a team leader is chosen from the Engineering Section to coordinate the construction phases of the project. Thanks to planning teams, construction teams, and other coordinating groups, the project will be increased, decreased, revised, and nursed through the 5 years it takes to finish a park project.

The 5-year span will include inputs from the Resource Management and Protection Division on the environmental impact the project will have on its area. The Director's Office will clarify the use of the area, and his office and the Park Commission will classify it. Operations will handle the interpretation of the area, and Concessions, Administrative Services, Information, and Design and Construction will work on costs, outside funding, concession stands (will there be any?), legislative analyst setbacks, and other assorted items. Through it all, the Landscape Architects will try to stand firm on whatever they decided to put into the project from the beginning and, in spite of arguments, threats, and "the facts", will (sometimes) get their way.

Of course there is the occasional project that goes smoothly from beginning to end. It is the project that everyone wants, that will offend no-one, does not cost an arm and a leg to design and build, and does not meet with roadblocks from legislators. Projects like that are the pets of the department, and the *LA* who gets one is lucky indeed! Then there are projects like Point Mugu that stir up everybody before the final plan is finally OKd. But whichever type of project they have to do, eventually they will get it done, no matter how loud they yell!

Landscape Architect John Haynes getting down to work.

Supervising Landscape Architect Lee Warren (left) discusses a project with Art Hartwell, Associate Landscape Architect in the Engineering Section of the Design and Construction Division.

40 YEARS

Ron Miller, who retired April 30, 1970 from his position as Chief of the Administrative Services Division, was presented with a 40-year pin and service certificate by *Director Mott* at a departmental meeting November 30. *Miller,* who had some previous service as long ago as 1923, started his permanent career in state government in the Controller's Office in 1935. He moved to the Division of Beaches and Parks as Supervising Account Clerk in 1946. He was appointed Chief of Administrative Services in 1968.

40-year man Ron Miller.

25 YEARS

At the November 30 departmental meeting, *Director Mott* presented a 25-year pin and service certificate to *Dick Brock*, Park Ranger V in Visitor Services.

At the same meeting, the Director mentioned that seven other department members had recently completed their 25th year in state service:

Bill Allison, Park Ranger V in charge of the Golden Gate Area (District 2).

Adolph Garrelts, Park Ranger II in the Sierra Area (District 3).

Carl Anderson, Park Ranger V in charge of the Sierra Area (District 3).

Clyde Strickler, Park Ranger IV in charge of the Four Rivers Area (District 3).

Tom McKnight, Park Ranger II in the Four Rivers Area (District 3).

Bob Carlson, Park Ranger II in the Mount Diablo Area (District 4).

George Lynn, Park Ranger III in the Channel Coast Area (District 5).

Chief Ranger Bob Carlson of Mount Diablo Area received his 25-year pin and certificate November 14. Left to right are Ranger V Chuck Mehlert, District 4 Headquarters; Carlson; Milt Frincke, District 4 Superintendent; Clyde Ray, Monterey Area Manager; and Art Lloyd, District 4 Maintenance Specialist. Carlson entered state service as one of the 190 employees of Beaches and Parks in 1947.

Ranger George Lynn received his 25-year pin and certificate December 6. George began his park service career at Calaveras Big Trees and has worked in the Redwoods, at Mount Diablo, at Carpinteria, and in the Channel Coast Area.

25-year man Dick Brock.

GOOD NIGHT IRENE

After three years, *Irene Vyeniello* is still finding retirement enjoyable. Not many park people believed *Irene* would really retire. A number of them were betting *Irene* would pick up a job just to keep busy. Well . . . she has no intention of going back to work; she is enjoying retirement too much.

Irene is one of the many retired Department personnel who deserve to enjoy many happy retirement years. After all, she dedicated 30 years to parks. She started park work in 1938 at the Division Office in San Francisco. At that time there was no Sacramento headquarters. A number of distinguished park people have worked in the same offices and District with *Irene*, including Chief *James Snook*, Chief *A.E. Henning*, Superintendent *Lee Blaisdell*, *Everett Powell*, *Jack Knight*, *Jim Tryner*, and *Lloyd Lively*.

Her many park friends remember how helpful she was in getting paper work rolling, especially many personnel documents. They also remember how many times she had to correct their boo-boos. She permitted only so many boo-boos; then she would inform you that you were fired. Many were fired more than once; she always gave them another chance.

Irene was raised in San Francisco and, when the San Francisco office was closed in 1959 and the District staff moved to Goleta, it took some persuading to get Irene to go. She left San Francisco expecting to have an office painted her favorite yellow; she did get her yellow office – two months before she retired in 1969. Her San Francisco apartment kitchen has yellow tile board and an attractive yellow-decorated wallpaper to make up for the years with no yellow office.

Irene proudly displays the retirement gifts and memory book presented to her at her retirement dinner.

Now she keeps busy visiting and going places. Many of her park friends stop by. When her park family is not around, she has time to spend with her family of 24 nieces and nephews in the San Francisco Bay area. She and her close friend and cousin *Winnie* jump on a bus and go to Las Vegas, Reno, or Tahoe. They have done their part for the economy of the State of Nevada. *Irene* and Winnie are now planning a trip to Mexico; perhaps they heard that Mexico's economy needs a boost.

When any of you park people get to San Francisco, give *Irene* a call. she is always happy to say "Hi" to her many friends. If you happen to visit the San Francisco ships, you will be in her neighborhood. In fact, you may see *Irene* down at Ghirardelli Square, or at the ships, as she often walks down to enjoy the neighborhood.

If your trips to San Francisco are infrequent, send *Irene* a picture postcard – to 3006 Gough Street, Apt. 202, San Francisco 94123.

Jack Vilbrant expressed Irene's attitude toward retirement in this drawing done for her retirement dinner.

Irene Vyeniello today.

"I'm getting out of this chicken outfit!" – Hank Hjersman, retiring Senior Park and Recreation Specialist.

RETIRED

Henry (Hank) Hjersman, Senior Park and Recreation Specialist, retired officially December 31, 1972, but he actually said goodbye to his job December 14 and took a vacation the rest of the year. *Hank* had 32 years in state service: 19 in Fish and Game, 4 in Water Resources, and 9 in Parks and Recreation. He is starting his retirement by trailer-traveling with his wife.

Frances Furlong, Clerk-Typist II in the Santa Cruz Mountain Area, retired at the end of the year after 14 years of service with the Department and its predecessor, the Division of Beaches and Parks. *Frances* started working at Big Basin Redwoods SP in October 1958 and moved to the Santa Cruz Mountain Area in 1969. She has no special plans for retirement but expects to keep busy with volunteer work and a little unscheduled traveling.

Marion Hanshew, Ranger I in the Lake Oroville Area, retired December 20 after 16 years of State Park service. He began in November 1956 as a Park Attendant at Mt. Diablo SP. He became a Park Ranger at Sugar Loaf SP in October 1965. He served at Pfeiffer Big Sur SP and then moved to Lake Oroville in July 1968. *Hanshew* and his wife *Blanche* intend to move to a home they own in Lincoln. Their son *Ron Hanshew* is carrying on the family tradition as an Assistant Park and Recreation Specialist in the Grants and Statewide Studies Branch.

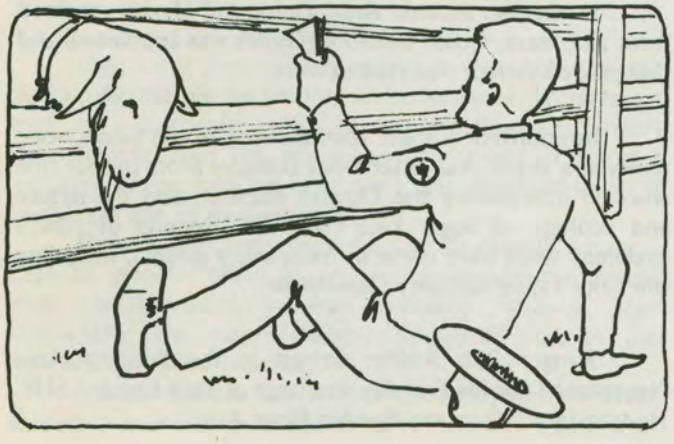
HAVING A LIVELY TIME

Lloyd Lively, Superintendent of District 5 until his retirement August 1, 1972, says "Retirement is great! Just got home from a 5000-mile trailer jaunt through western Canada and Vancouver Island." You'll get your copies of News and Views, Lloyd – No charge.

ASSAULTING A PEACE OFFICER

When Sonoma Area Ranger *Bob Culwell* was assaulted by a park habitue, his first impulse was to reach for his citation book. His upper lip already swelling and the taste of blood on his tongue, Ranger *Culwell* could feel the adrenalin pouring into his system. Without provocation, the individual on the other side of the split-rail fence had reached over and bashed him one right in the mouth, thereby causing Ranger *Culwell* considerable pain and anguish.

But, as the pain began to subside, Culwell's native good sense began to reassert itself. After all, chances were that the suspect would only eat the citation if he issued one. So he withdrew, muttering about his assailant's bad breath and deplorable personality and leaving the assailant – an ugly but affectionate goat named Fayo – unconcernedly chewing a cigarette butt.



Henry W. Lang.

THANK YOU

[The Landscape Architects received this note from Mrs. Henry Lang. Henry died on September 20 after a brief illness (see article in December issue).]

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for the beautiful and inspirational card which you all signed. It was so good to see your names and to remember happy times with so many of you. I particularly think of the many field trips Hank went out on with you, and the kindnesses to him when he was ill in Sacramento.

Thank you, too, for the contributions in his memory to the Heart Association.

This all happened quite suddenly in that he was only in the hospital 10 days and until the day before he passed seemed to be responding to treatment. I was thankful to be alone with him at the hospital the last evening so I could tell him how much I loved him and how I appreciated all the wonderful things he did for me.

I shall stay in Santa Rosa. There is no other place I want to live particularly. I'd be happy to see any of you up this way who could stop in.

Yours,
Kay Lang

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE CHANGE

Secretary of the Interior *Rogers C.B. Morton* announced December 13 the appointment of *Ronald H. Walker,* Special Assistant to the President, as the New

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Director of the National Park Service. *Walker* succeeds *George B. Hartzog, Jr.*, who had been Director since January 6, 1964.

Morton said *Walker* "will be a strong successor to *Mr. Hartzog*, who served well during the 9 years of his directorship.

RECREATIONAL TRAILS APPOINTMENT

Gerard E. Zimmerman of Modesto was appointed December 1 by *Governor Reagan* to the California Recreational Trails Committee. A devotee of snow skiing, backpacking, tennis, swimming, and sailing, he fills the vacancy created by the resignation of *Oscar Holdenried* of Lakeport.

FROM THE NOVEMBER FIELD REPORTS

Permanent Intermittent Ranger *Arthur Morley* transferred to Anza-Borrego Desert SP from the Montane Area.

Ranger I *Fred Schmidt* moved from the Golden Gate Area to take the position vacated by *Roy Benedict* in the Benicia Area.

Two of the permanent personnel in the Big Sur Area moved to other areas in November: Ranger *Dick Edwards* to La Purisima Mission and Maintenance Man *Luther Cannon* to the High Desert Area, with a promotion to Maintenance Man II.

Ranger *Ernest Bradley* transferred December 1 from the Sonoma Area to the Bothe-Napa Area, where he replaced Ranger *Earl Wilder*, who went to Big Basin Redwoods in October.

Calaveras Area Manager *Bob Stewart* and Maintenance Supervisor *George Cochran* attended the District Managers meeting at Nevada City, and *Cochran* came home to tell the rest of the staff that the Managers meetings were really businesslike.

Distinguished visitors to the Columbia Area in November included Park Commissioner *Clarice Gilchrist* and Director *Mott*.

Dyerville Area saw a lot of going and coming in November.

Going were Ranger Trainees *John Knott* to the Trinidad Area and *Stoughton Richmond* to the Anza-Borrego Area; and Park Maintenance Assistant *Hugh Metcalf* promoted to II at Lake Oroville.

Coming were five Ranger Trainees: *Bill Grummer, Joe Hardcastle, Bill Monahan, Dan Tuttle*, and *Ed Griggs*. The Area's first female Ranger Trainee *Joanne Karlton*, arrived December 2.

Maintenance Supervisor *Richard Carpenter*, of the Monterey Area, was accepted for the vacant Park Ranger III position in Dyerville Area.

Transferred from Folsom Lake SRA to the Sierra Area were Ranger *Craig Engle* and Ranger Trainee *John Kolb*.

Hiouchi Area Manager *Ray Westberg* became Silverwood Lake Area Manager in November.

Park Ranger III *Tom Miller* of the Lake Oroville Area was promoted to IV as Manager of Mendocino Area.

Mendocino Area Manager *Paul Griffith* transferred to the Operations Division, Safety Section, in Sacramento.

In the Millerton Lake Area, Rangers *Andy Van Rillaer* and *Dick Johnson* are attending the Enforcement Course in Fresno. Others authorized to carry public protection equipment are Area Manager *William Reinhardt* and Rangers *George Zwingman, Arthur Richter*, and *J.E. Post*.

Ranger *Paul Johnson* left the Montane Area for a training assignment with the Off-Highway Vehicle Program in Sacramento.

New Maintenance Assistant *Mike Bennett* went to work in the Monterey Area. He formerly worked for the Monterey County Fair.

Lee Banks, Maintenance Man for the past 3 years in the Mt. San Jacinto Area, moved to the San Simeon Area.

James Neal, Ranger III in the Dyerville Area, became Manager of the Piercy Area November 1.

Two of *Jack Mitchell's* daughters visited the Providence Moutains Area during November. They reminisced with Area Manager *Alan Scheible* about the days when *Jack* was there.

In the San Simeon Area, Guide *Bill Martin* returned from sick leave, Guide *Gerald Reynolds* was appointed, and Ranger *Bob Jensen* reported to work.

Intermittent Ranger *Joan Benner*, of the Sierra Area, received a thank-you letter from *Director Mott* for her fine work in interpreting the Ehrman Museum and the nature and ecology of Sugar Pine Point SP. Reports of Joan's excellent work have come in from many people, including the Lake Tahoe Advisory Committee.

Ranger *Bob Walker* arrived in the Sonoma Area November 1 for his first day in charge of Jack London SHP. He transferred from the Russian River Area.

PERSONNEL TRANSACTIONS
AS REPORTED TO THE PERSONNEL SECTION BY 12-15-72

APPOINTMENTS

Angier, Ronald	SPR Trainee	Folsom Lake Area	12/11/72
Benjamin, Dorothy L.	Jr. Staff Analyst	Budget Section	12/1/72
Bennett, Michael	Park Maint Assistant	Monterey Area	11/1/72
Biddle, Doris	Steno II	District 2 HQ	11/20/72
Blethen, John W.	SPR Trainee	Santa Cruz Mtns Area	12/4/72
Briner, William S.	Deputy Director	Director's Office	12/4/72
Cline, Vera E.	Clerk Typist I	Dist 4 HQ	11/10/72
D'Arcy, Charles	Guide I, SHM	Sacramento	11/23/72
Engel, Linda S.	SPR Trainee	Santa Cruz Mtns Area	12/4/72
Gregg, Robert	Park Maint Man I	Channel Coast	11/13/72
Grummer, William T.	SPR Trainee	Dyerville Area	12/4/72
Hallett, Harold, Jr.	SPR Trainee	Golden Gate Area	12/4/72
Hardcastle, Joseph M.	SPR Trainee	Dyerville Area	12/4/72
Horn, John	SPR Trainee	Folsom Lake Area	12/4/72
Johnson, Paul R.	SPR Trainee to Park & Rec Spec Trainee	Montane Area to Grants & Statewide Stds	11/13/72
Karlton, Joanne G.	SPR Trainee	Dyerville Area	12/4/72
Kirkpatrick, Anita	SPR Trainee	Golden Gate Area	12/4/72
Koenig, William T.	Park Maint Assistant	Montane Area	11/3/72
Ramirez, David A.	Assoc Personnel Analyst	Div. Chief's Off	12/1/72
Renna, Maureen	Clerk Typist I	Off & Res Services	11/20/72
Skinner, William	SPR Trainee	San Luis Obispo Cst Area	12/4/72
Snellings, Rebecca J.	Clerk I	Accounting Section	12/13/72
Stafford, John H.	SPR Trainee	San Diego Coast Area	12/4/72
VanCoops, Peter	SPR Trainee	San Luis Obispo Cst Area	12/4/72
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Willard, Charles	SPR Trainee	Folsom Lake Area	12/4/72
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Wittorff, Robert E.	SPR (Int)	Montane Area	11/11/72
Wohl, Robert S.	SPR Trainee	Santa Cruz Mtns Area	12/4/72
Yeager, Frederick K.	Park & Rec. Spec, Trainee	Project Coordination	11/27/72
Yonamine, JoAnne I.	Clerk Typist	Central Records	11/20/72

PROMOTIONS

Fahey, William L., Jr.	Bus Service Officer II to Regional Adm Officer II	Dist I HQ	10/1/72
Felty, Richard E.	SPR V to Asst Deputy Director	Director's Office	12/13/72
Gomes, Daniel	Bus Service Officer II to Regional Adm Officer II	Dist 3 HQ	10/1/72
Johnson, Martin	Bus Service Officer II to Regional Adm Officer II	Dist 4 HQ	11/1/72
May, Robert E.	Clerk I to Clerk II	Admin Svcs	12/8/72
Metcalf, Hugh W.	Park Maint Asst to Park Maint Man II	Dyerville Area to Lake Oroville Area	12/1/72
Meyer, Robert	Deputy Director to Chief Deputy Director	Director's Office	11/27/72
Miller, Thomas S.	SPR III to SPR IV	Lake Oroville Area to Mendocino Area	11/15/72
Moran, George	Bus Service Officer II to Regional Adm Resources Officer II	Dist 6 HQ	10/1/72
Smith, Clyde C.	Park Maint Man I to Park Maint Man II	Sierra Area to Orange Coast Area	11/20/72
Tanner, Garth	Bus Service Officer II to Regional Adm Officer II	District 2 HQ	10/1/72
Townsend, Homer J.	SPR Trainee to SPR I	San Luis Obispo Cst Area	10/4/72

Vilbrandt, Jack R.	Bus Service Officer II to Regional Adm Officer II	District 5 HQ	11/1/72
Westberg, Raymond E.	SPR III to SPR IV	Hiouchi Area to Silverwood SRA	11/7/72

NAME CHANGE

Nelson, Carol A. (formerly Steward)	Clerk I	Golden Gate Area	12/1/72

UNIT CHANGES

Bradley, Ernest	SPR I	Sonoma Area to Bothe-Napa Area	12/1/72
Culbertson, Robert B.	SPR Trainee	San Diego Coast Area to Orange Coast Area	12/15/72
Engel, Craig A.	SPR I	Folsom Lake Area to Sierra Area	11/21/72
Loomis, Gerig	SPR I	Golden Gate Area to Sonoma Area	12/1/72
Jennings, John H.	SPR Trainee	San Diego Coast Area to Anza-Borrego Area	12/15/72
Jensen, Robert W.	SPR I	Russian River Area to San Simeon Area	11/15/72
Knott, John L.	SPR Trainee	Dyerville Area to Trinidad Area	12/1/72
Kolb, John	SPR Trainee	Folsom Lake Area to Sierra Area	11/25/72
McAdams, Robert T.	SPR Trainee	Monterey Area to Dyerville Area	12/4/72
McKenzie, John	State Park Historian I	La Purisima Area to Russian River Area	11/15/72
Morse, Harry S.	SPR Trainee	Folsom Lake Area to Lake Oroville Area	12/6/72
Peterson, Paula J.	SPR Trainee	Santa Cruz Mtn Area to Mt. Diablo Area	12/1/72
Schmidt, Frederick C.	SPR I	Golden Gate Area to Benicia Area	12/1/72
Walling, William	SPR (Int)	Hearst SS SHM to San Luis Obispo Cst Area	12/4/72
White, James	Assoc Civil Engineer	Project Coord to Engineering Sect	11/1/72

CLASS TITLE CHANGES

Cates, Robert D.	St Fin Ex III to Accntg Off III	Budget Sect to Accounting Sect	11/13/72
Ellis, Harley C.	Park Maint Man II to Park Maint Man I	Golden Gate Area to Russian River	12/1/72

TIME BASE CHANGES

Reynolds, Gerald	Guide I, SHM (Int) to Guide I, SHM (Full-time)	Hearst SS SHM	11/22/72
Rice, Lelia B.	Guilde I, SHM (Full-time to Guilde I, SHM (Int)	Hearst SS SHM	11/2/72

TRAINING ASSIGNMENT

Mills, Richard	Bus Service Asst.	Business Management Sec to Golden Gate Area	11/13/72

RETIREMENTS

Furlong, Frances M.	Clerk Typist II	Santa Cruz Mtn	12/31/72
Hanshew, Marion	SPR I	Lake Oroville Area	12/31/72
Hjersman, Henry	Sr Park & Rec Spec	Reports and Contract Services	12/31/72

SEPARATIONS

Basich, Linda	Sr Steno	Director's Office	12/15/72
Bennett, Terry L.	Janitor	Hearst SS SHM	11/11/72
Flores, Stella L.	Sr Steno	Director's Office	12/13/72
Harrison, Doris T.	Steno II	Dist 2 HQ	11/30/72
Steward, Gayle	Personnel Asst I	Personnel Sect	12/8/72N

Another prize-winning photo by Golden Gate Area Ranger Homer Rail, taken in Keil Cove.

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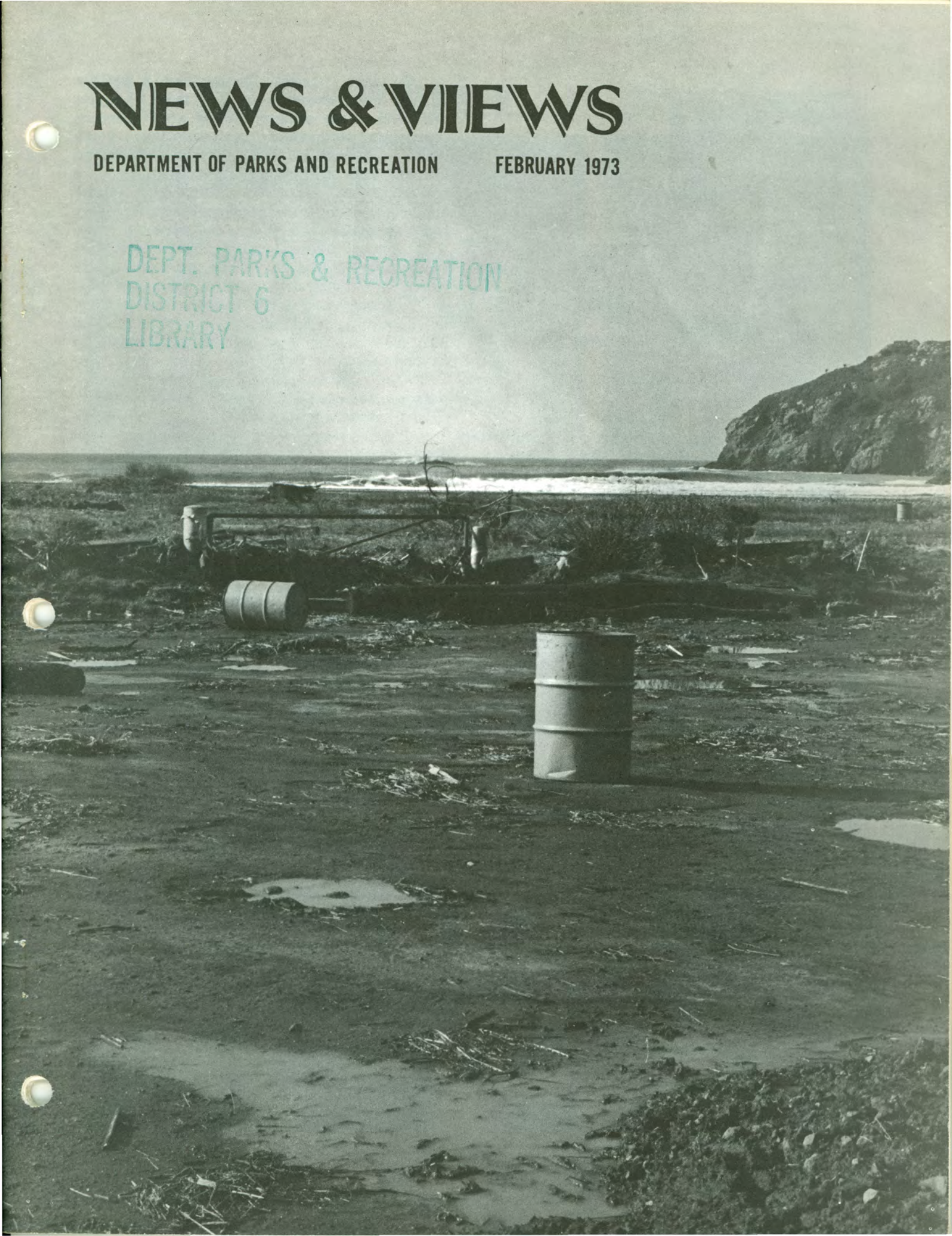

THE DIRECTOR

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.

POSITIVE PEOPLE

Positive people recognize great opportunities disguised as insolvable problems. Thomas Edison, when asked if he didn't become discouraged because so many attempts resulted in failure, replied, "No, I am not discouraged, because every wrong attempt discarded is another step forward."

Most people who get things done consider problems as opportunities. The more difficult and complex the problem, the greater the challenge and the more determined the positive person is to find a solution.

It takes, however, more than a positive attitude to accomplish objectives. It takes perseverance to achieve success when everyone urges you to get out and you want to quit, but you refuse to despair. Every great achievement, whether it be an invention or the preservation of a natural resource, has been accomplished because individuals or groups of people are persistent; they had staying power; they were positive people who were prepared to conquer every hazard to achieve the impossible; and they were prepared to stay with it until they had achieved success.

Positive people act. A recent letter came over my desk from a man and his wife who received help from an employee of this Department far beyond the normal call of duty. They wrote:

"I have not lost faith in all of my fellow human beings thanks to the State Park Ranger who practiced what a lot of us may preach."

Positive people are the doers. And that's what I like about the personnel of the California State Department of Parks and Recreation. They have staying power! They are the doers! They work not for themselves but for their fellow man.

The power of positive people is wonderful to behold, and when this power is combined with persistence, things happen. Work gets done and people react favorably.

These are the attributes of the California State Department of Parks and Recreation.

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Cover: *A combination of high tide, strong wind, and heavy rains flooded Muir Beach, part of Mt. Tamalpais SP, in mid-January, shifting garbage cans, parking logs, and chemical toilets, and destroying a newly built footbridge that crossed Green Gulch. Students at Mt. Tamalpais High School worked all fall building the bridge, and the weather wiped it out before anyone had a chance to cross it. Photo by John Kaestner.*

Olmsted Anniversary

Photo by Tom Myers

FREDERICK LAW OLMSTED

1822-1903 and 1870-1957

The year 1972 marked the 150th anniversary of the birth of *Frederick Law Olmsted,* the first great American park planner, and founder of the profession of landscape architecture as it is recognized today. His achievements have been noted in articles appearing during recent months in several magazines, including "Smithsonian" and "Life".

There were two park pioneers, father and son, of the same name, the younger man having been intimately associated with the origin and character of the California State Park System.

Under such circumstances, it would not be surprising to find some confusion between the two men in the minds of those not closely familiar with park history. Such confusion is encouraged by the fact that the younger man almost never appended the term "Junior" to his own name, perhaps because his professional career was subsequent to that of his father rather than overlapping it. Obviously the father, who was in his 49th year and widely known when his son was born, never felt it necessary to use "Senior" in his professional work. Because of the age difference between the two men, their professional careers together spanned a full 100 years (1857-1957) of American park history.

Although some biographical references give a different pronunciation, the *Olmsted* family pronounced their name with the long "O" sound, thus rhyming with "homestead".

Senior In East

Frederic Law Olmsted, Senior, worked principally in the eastern half of the U.S. His pioneer work in designing and supervising the

construction of Central Park in New York attracted wide attention. Thereafter, he worked on major parks in many other cities, on the National Capitol grounds in Washington, on the preservation of Niagara Falls, on the site of the Columbian Exposition held at Chicago in 1893, on several state capitol grounds, and on numerous large private estates.

He came to California in 1863 as Superintendent of the Mariposa Mining Estates; and the following year was appointed by Governor *Frederick F. Low* of California to be one of the Commissioners for Yosemite Valley and the Mariposa Grove, which in that year (1864) had been ceded to California by act of Congress. While in California, he undertook the planning of a large cemetery (Mountain View) in Oakland, served on a committee for the California State Fair, undertook the layout of a campus for the then College of California in Berkeley, and was selected to develop a plan for a park for San Francisco.

Returning in late 1865 to his continuing projects in the east, he nevertheless retained his connection with several of the California projects. He visited California again in both 1886 and 1887, chiefly in connection with site selection and design for the memorial university being established at Palo Alto by Governor *Leland Stanford.*

Son Takes Over

The younger *Olmsted* took over his father's business in 1895, becoming a partner of his older step-brother in the firm which, until recently, bore the name "*Olmsted Brothers*" (now *Olmsted Associates, Inc.*). Many of the projects in progress went forward with little or no interruption. (As late as 1946, Mr. *Olmsted* personally designed a new section of Mountain View Cemetery in Oakland.)

With the reputation and notable successes attendant upon the *Olmsted* name in the field of park planning, it was not surprising that *Frederic Law Olmsted, Junior,* was called upon by officials of the Interior Department when expert consultation on a national park system was needed. He wrote significant portions of the legislation which was enacted by Congress in 1916 to establish the National Park Service, including the often-quoted passage which defines the purpose of the national parks; and he was a frequent consultant to the Service on numerous planning problems throughout the remainder of his life.

Neither was it surprising that the first Calfiornia State Park Commission, upon their appointment in 1927, should seek the guidance of this man in pursuing their legislative mandate to make a survey for the establishment of a state park system for California. He was again employed in 1946 (at 75 years of age but still fully active!) to guide the expansion of the System when funds for acquisition were augmented.

It is instructive, if not rather astonishing, to note how closely the growth of the California State Park System has followed the Olmsted recommendations. Even today, 45 years after the first *Olmsted* report on California, we are still acquiring some projects recommended in that report; and several more such areas are still desirable in addition to the many already acquired.

Below are listed present-day units of the State Park System which were recommended in the several studies made by the younger *Frederick Law Olmsted* for the State Park Commission. Complete correspondence is seldom possible, both because the names in current usage are often different from the original designations, and especially because the limits of acquisition recommended by him are in many instances different from the areas subsequently acquired. Present units which are parts of a much larger recommended area are listed in parentheses. The geographical breakdown is adapted from that used in the Olmsted reports.

Present units of the California State Park System recommended in the Olmsted report of 1928:

Coastal Units

Border Park Project
(Doheny SB)
(Dry Lagoon SP)
(Emma Wood SB)
Gaviota SP
(Leo Carrillo SB)
(Malibu Lagoon SB)
McGrath SB
Morro Bay SP
Other San Diego County beaches
Pescadero SB
(Pismo SB)
Point Lobos SR
Point Mugu SP (coastal portion)
Russian Gulch SP
(San Clemente SB)
Santa Cruz County beaches
Silver Strand SB
Sonoma Coast SB
(Zmudowski SB)

Coast Redwood Units

Big Basin Redwoods SP expansion
Del Norte Coast Redwoods SP
(Grizzly Creek Redwoods SP)

Hendy Woods SP
Henry Cowell Redwoods SP
Humboldt Redwoods SP
Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP
Montgomery Woods SP
Pfeiffer Big Sur SP
Prairie Creek Redwoods SP

Other Forest and Mountain Units:

Calaveras Big Trees SP
Castle Crags SP
(Clear Lake SP)
D.L. Bliss SP
Donner Memorial SP
Fremont Peak SP
Grover Hot Springs SP
Mount Diablo SP
Mount San Jacinto Wilderness SP
Robert Louis Stevenson Memorial SP
Tahoe SRA

Historical and Archeological Units:

Columbia SHP
Fort Ross SHP enlargement
Fort Tejon SHP
(La Purisima Mission SHP)
Marshall Gold Discovery SHP
(expansion of monument)
Painted Cave, Santa Barbara County
(acquired by C.S.P. Foundation)
Shasta SHP
Vallejo Home (Sonoma SHP)

Desert Units:

Anza-Borrego Desert SP (specified portions)
Red Rock Canyon Project

Present units of the California State Park System discussed in reports by Olmsted between 1945 and 1950:

Columbia Report

Columbia SHP

Sacramento River Parkways Report

[American River Parkway acquired by Sacramento County]
(Brannan Island SRA)

San Joaquin River Parkways Report

(Fremont Ford SRA)
(George J. Hatfield SRA)
(Kern River SRA)
(McConnell SRA)

General Report of 1950 and its subsidiary reports

Angel Island SP
Big Basin Redwoods SP additions
(Butano SP)
Calaveras Big Trees SP - South Grove
Clear Lake SP
Curry-Bidwell Bar SHP (inundated by Oroville Reservoir)
Hendy Woods SP
Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP additions
(Lake Elsinore SRA)
Montgomery Woods SP
Mount San Jacinto Wilderness SP additions
Placerita Canyon SP
(Portola SP)
Prairie Creek Redwoods SP additions

The accompanying photograph of Mr. and Mrs. *Olmsted* was taken on July 24, 1953, his 83rd birthday, on the occasion of the dedication of the *Frederick Law Olmsted* Grove in Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park.

Those readers whose files of News & Views go back 15 years or more, and who are further interested, may wish to look up my obituary article on Frederick Law Olmsted, Junior, which appeared in the issue of January 1958.

Frederick A. Meyer, Supervisor
Environmental Resources Section

Photo by Tom Myers

What's Happening

NEW LAWS, RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Seventeen bills affecting Park operations were enacted into law by the 1972 Legislature and signed by Governor Reagan. One bill, which would have added $50,000,000 to the Bagley Conservation Fund, was passed by the Legislature but vetoed by the Governor.

Following is a resume of the new legislation.

Assembly Bill 151, Chappie – Provides there shall be no gas tax refunds on fuel used in various off-highway vehicles, commencing January 1, 1973. Provides for the money that would have accrued to be transfered from the Motor Vehicle Fuel Account to the Off-Highway Vehicle Fund.

AB 376, Quimby – Provides that the Subdivision Map Act authorizing dedication of land for park or recreational purposes, or payment of fee in lieu thereof, be a condition of approval of final subdivision map under certain conditions.

AB 562 Miller –Requires the Department to acquire the historic townsite of Allensworth for inclusion in the State Park System, and to develop such lands.

AB 1068, Monagan – Authorizes the Director of General Services, subject to approval of State Public Works Board, to enter into agreements for the state to acquire all interest in its concessionaire at Squaw Valley in exchange for about 400-acre portion of Stockton State Hospital Farm.

AB 1363, Quimby – Provides that certain provisions relating to the dedication of land or payment of fees or both for park or recreational purposes as a condition of subdivision map approval, do not apply to specified condominium projects.

AB 1505, Lanterman – Authorizes Department of General Services, with approval of the State Public Works Board, to dispose of specified parcels of state-owned property, including exchanges of land at Santa Monica Mountains, Anza-Borrego Desert SP, and Indian Creek SR.

AB 1973, Priolo – Creates the Park and Recreation Revolving Account in the General Fund. Requires all federal grants which result from the expenditure of state funds for Department acquisition and development projects to be deposited in the account.

AB 2350, Dent – Authorizes the Department to condemn property or interests in property to replace recreational trails acquired through eminent domain by another public entity, provided that the property to be acquired is in the immediate vicinity of the property being replaced.

AB 2392, Hayden – Includes regional park districts among those entities to which counties may loan money.

Senate Bill 125, Gregorio – Provides that there shall be no gas tax refunds on fuel used in various off-highway vehicles, commencing January 1, 1973, and provides for a transfer of the revenue attributable to the tax on such fuel from the Motor Vehicle Fuel Account to the Off-Highway Vehicle Fund, continuously appropriated, to provide facilities for the operation of such vehicles. Entitles consulate offices to the refund under certain conditions.

SB 191, Collier – Requires the Department to undertake a study and prepare a plan for Inglenook Fen by June 15, 1973. A $30,000 appropriation for this study was reduced to $10,000 by Governor Reagan on the grounds it would be sufficient to complete the study.

SB 229, Behr – Requires the Director of General Services, in consultation with specified governmental agencies, to prepare a report on possible public uses of state lands at San Quentin, by June 30, 1974. Prohibits sale, lease, exchange, or transfer of property until submission to and approval by the legislature.

SB 357, Mills – Establishes procedures for cities and counties, for a minimum period of 20 years, to create historic zones and to contract with the owners of qualified historic property within such zones to restrict the use of the property to uses consistent with its characteristics as property of historical significance.

SB 914, Harmer – Authorizes the Secretary for Resources to submit a plan or proposed legislation for preservation and salvage of state archaeological and paleontological and historical resources by December 31, 1973, instead of December 31, 1972.

SB 1115, Lagomarsino – Appropriates $40,000 to the Department from the Bagley Conservation Fund for development of Rincon Point.

SB 1187, Grunsky – Appropriates $2,500,000 from the Bagley Conservation Fund to the Department for land acquisition in the Santa Cruz Mountains Area (Hoover Ranch).

SB 1450, Bradley – Includes animal and all types of vehicular riding within term "riding" as used in specified statutes relating to the liability of owners of real property to others using the land, and relating to the liability of public entities, and grantors of easements to public entities, to others using delineated unpaved roads and trails.

SB 1462, Wedworth – Vetoed by Governor Reagan. Would have transferred an additional $50

million to the Bagley Conservation Fund. The Governor's veto message stated that the $35 million originally provided in the Bagley Conservation Fund, two-thirds of which is unspent, and the 1974 Bond Act, if passed, would take care of immediate park acquisition needs, and that Proposition 20, establishing coastal commissions, should have a chance to work so that the commissions have an opportunity to clarify the status of public and private use of the coastline.

Resolutions

There were 15 resolutions on park matters, most of them directing the Department to take some sort of action, passed by the two Legislative houses during '72. Following is a resume of them.

Assembly Concurrent Resolution 9, Chappie – Designates as Ken Legg Peak (named after Ranger Ken Legg), the 9,195 foot high peak in El Dorado County a mile northwest of Eagle Falls Campground and a half mile south of Rubicon Lake.

ACR 23, Barnes – Requests the California Highway Commission, if the maintenance station is moved from Taylor Street in San Diego to Kearney Mesa, to make the three-parcel site available to the Department, through purchase , for improved access to Old Town San Diego SHP. Requests the Department to develop a master plan for the park.

ACR 68, Belotti – Directs our Department and Fish and Game to submit a plan for removal or modification of Benbow Dam by the fifth calendar day of the 1973 Legislative session.

ACR 71, Ray E. Johnson – Requests our Department, Water Resources, and Fish and Game to develop a recreation plan that will enhance the recreation and scenic values between the City of Oroville and the site of the former Western Canal Dam, and report by the fifth calendar day of the 1973 session.

ACR 74, Ray E. Johnson – Directs the Department to report on the feasibility of acquiring the developing lands adjacent to Napa State Hospital for inclusion, with state-owned lands in the vicinity, in the State Park System, by the fifth day of the 1974 session.

Assembly Joint Resolution 33, MacDonald – Memorializes the President and Congress to declare surplus and transfer to the Department, under the Legacy of Parks program, federal lands adjacent to and northwesterly of Point Mugu SP which are not needed for military and defense purposes.

AJR 36, Lewis – Requests the U.S. Forest Service and the Department to proceed immediately with planning for additional camping facilities in the San Bernardino Mountains.

House Resolution 82, Duffy – Requests the Department to conduct a study of the cost of restoring the Taoist Temple in Hanford and report findings by the fifth day of the 1973 session.

HR 84, Chappie – Directs the Historical Landmarks Advisory Committee to cooperate with historical advisory committees in Nevada, Placer, and Yuba counties and suitably designate those portions of the Emigrant Trail associated with the Donner Party.

HR 101, Burke – Declares that certain Pacific Coast Highway right-of-way property in the Huntington Beach area should be used to relieve the acute parking problem at state-owned beaches and requests the Department of Public Works to take immediate steps to develop this property for parking use until it is needed for freeway construction.

HR 135, Moretti – Requests the Department to study and develop a plan for acquisition and preservation of a portion of Manzanar Internment Camp as an historical unit.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 29, Collier – Requests the Department to acquire from the Bureau of Land Management specific parcels of land totaling 280 acres in the Ten Mile River area of Mendocino County.

SCR 36, Collier – Directs the Department to solicit assistance from appropriate scientific, educational, and conservation agencies to undertake studies directed at an understanding of the scientific significance of the ecological communities existing in the Ten Mile Beach, dunes, and estuary area, and particularly in the Inglenook Fen, sufficient to serve as a basis for those land acquisition, development and protection measures required to maintain in perpetuity the biologic integrity of such sites.

SCR 65, Rodda – Asks the Resources Agency to give attention to and make recommendations to implement the following: acquisition and recreational development of the delta's non-leveed channel islands; the necessary regulations and the designation of the appropriate governmental jurisdiction to control boating traffic, speeds, and wakes in the delta's channels; the policies, criteria, and methods necessary for all affected governmental agencies to implement a delta recreational waterway use plan with particular attention to recreational waterway use in relation to existing and future shoreside development; and development of an auto and aquatic parkway system as originally recommended in the Delta Master Recreation Plan report.

Senate Resolution 28, Short – Requests the Senate Committee on Rules to assign a study of salary ranges for State Park Rangers to an

appropriate committee for hearing. The committee should include a report by the Legislative Analyst and State Personnel Board in its study and shall complete the study in time to influence the budget for fiscal 1972-73.

WHAT HAPPENED TO '64 BOND FUNDS?

In the coming year, as we coordinate our efforts toward explaining the need for and the proposed uses of 1974 Bond Act funds, it would be well to reflect upon what happened to 1964 Bond Act money. This is an often asked question, and one that can be answered with honest pride.

The following resume of how 1964 Bond funds were spent will help you answer that question.

The 1964 Bond Act established a $150,000,000 program for the acquisition and development of parks and recreation areas. The State Park System was allocated $105,000,000, the Wildlife Conservation Board $5,000,000, and local agencies $40,000,000.

Of the $105,000,000 allocated to the Department, $85,000,000 was to be used for acquisition and $20,000,000 for development. Of the $85,000,000 for acquisition, there were 40 authorized projects which added a total of 32,625 acres to the State Park System. This included 183,789 lineal feet of new ocean frontage, 61,451 of new river frontage and 7,700 lineal feet of Lake Tahoe frontage (Sugar Pine Point State Park). This added 12 new units to the State Park System of which three are State Historic Parks. Altogether this added acreage to 24 projects which front on the ocean.

The development portion of the bond had 11 authorized projects providing 1,126 campsites, 115 picnic sites, group camping for 250 persons, parking for 2,500 cars, and restoration or stabilization on three State Historic Parks.

Of the $40,000,000 allocated to local government, applications were received representing all 58 counties. The Bond Act required that all applications be accompanied by a countywide area or regional master or general plan in order to qualify for the grant The local grant funds were used for both acquisition and development and the following table summarizes the number and different types of State grant projects.

by Dick May
Coordinator, 1974 Bond Act

Director Mott listens intently while Dick May, coordinator of the '74 Bond Act program, explains the program at a recent meeting of Sacramento headquarters personnel.

New State Park Units

Project Name	Acreage	Acquisition	Development
Coyote River Parkway	373.00	X	
Delta Meadows	710.00	X	
Drum Barracks	0.55	X	X
Old River Islands	980.00	X	
Old Sacramento SHP	9.00	X	X
Pfeiffer Big Sur SP (Molera)	2,153.98	X	
Point Mugu SP	6,584.00	X	X
Salt Point SP	3,185.00	X	
San Diego Old Town SHP	14.91	X	X
San Onofre SB	182.50	leased	X
Santa Monica Mountains	2,130.00	X	
Sugar Pine Point SP	1,957.00	X	X

Local Projects

Type	No.	Percent of Projects	Percent of Dollars	Grants
Desert	7	3.0	2.4	$ 913,796.00
Historic	9	3.9	1.9	721,850.00
Lagoon, Bay, Estuary	11	4.8	8.2	3,141,360.00
Lakes, Reservoir	44	19.5	17.0	6,505,010.00
Redwood	3	1.3	.1	56,506.00
Rivers and Canals	56	24.2	18.9	7,243,438.00
Sea Coast	10	4.3	2.8	1,063,887.00
Mountain, Hills	52	22.5	36.9	14,118,479.00
Valley, Plains	39	16.5	11.8	4,517,217.00
Totals	**231**	**100.0**	**100.0**	**$38,281,543.00**

Summary 1964 Bond Act
Additions to Existing State Park Units

Project Name	Acreage	Acquisition	Development
Annadel Farms			X
Año Nuevo State Reserve	342.87	X	
Bolsa Chica SB	36.00	X	X
Calaveras Big Trees SP	981.00	X	
Cardiff SB	13.00	X	
Carpinteria SB	7.50	X	
Doheny SB	4.00	X	
El Presidio de Santa Barbara SHP	1.50	X	
Emma Wood SB	33.00	X	X
Gaviota SB	2,764.66	X	
Refugio SB	54.23		X
Jetty Beach	54.58	X	
MacKerricher SP	1.00	X	
Malibu Lagoon SB	13.44	X	
Manchester SB	improvements	X	
Marin Headlands SP	320.00	X	
Mitchell Caverns SR	716.00	X	
Montana de Oro SP	1,836.71	X	
Montgomery Woods SP	299.00	X	
Mount Tamalpais SP	2,495.00	X	
North Coast Redwoods	1,246.00	X	
Pepperwood Grove	1,397.00	X	
Picacho SRA	241.20	X	
Pismo SB	1,023.84	X	
Sugarloaf Ridge SP	400.00	X	
Topanga Canyon	31.00	X	
Torrey Pines SR	202.00	X	
Twin Lakes SB	6.00	X	

What's Happening

COASTAL ZONE CONSERVATION ACT

The Coastal Zone Conservation Act, Proposition 20, approved by the voters last November, established a Coastal Zone Conservation Commission and six Regional Commissions that function under it.

The major features of the Act were outlined by Director Mott and supplied to headquarters staff. Following is the Director's synopsis of the Act.

1. The Commission shall prepare the California Coastal Zone Conservation Plan, adopt it by December 1, 1975, and submit it to the Legislature for adoption and implementation.

2. Division 18 of the Public Resources Code, which sets up the Coastal Zone Conservation Commission, shall remain in effect until the 91st day after the final adjournment of the 1976 Regular Session of the Legislature, and as of that date is repealed.

3. It appropriates $5,000,000 from the Bagley Conservation Fund to fund the program.

4. Establishes the Coastal Zone Permit Area (extending from 1,000 feet inland of mean high tide to the seaward limit of state jurisdiction, with some specified exceptions).

5. Requires that on or after February 1, 1973, any person wishing to perform any development within the permit area shall obtain a permit authorizing such development from the Regional Commission, and if required by law, from any city, county, state, regional or local agency.

6. "Development" means on land, in or under water, the placement or erection of any solid material or structure; discharge or disposal of any dredged material or of any gaseous, liquid, solid or thermal waste; grading, removing, dredging, mining or extraction of any materials; change in the density or intensity of land use, including but not limited to, subdivision of land pursuant to the Subdivision Map Act and any other division of land, including lot splits; change in the intensity of use of water, ecology related thereto, or of access thereto; construction, reconstruction, demolition or alteration of the size of any structure, including any facility of any private, public or municipal utility, and the removal or logging of major vegetation. As used in this section, structure includes but is not limited to any building, road, pipe, flume, conduit, siphon aqueduct, telephone line and electrical power transmission and distribution line.

7. Time limits set for review and approval of permit applications indicate it will take up to six months to obtain a permit if no complications develop. Practically speaking, it looks like it could take up to a year to obtain a permit if backlogs develop.

8. The Commission shall provide, by regulation, for the issuance of permits by the Executive Directors without compliance with the procedure specified in this chapter in cases of emergency or for repairs or improvements to existing structures not in excess of $25,000 and other developments not in excess of $10,000.

NEW WILDERNESS STUDY

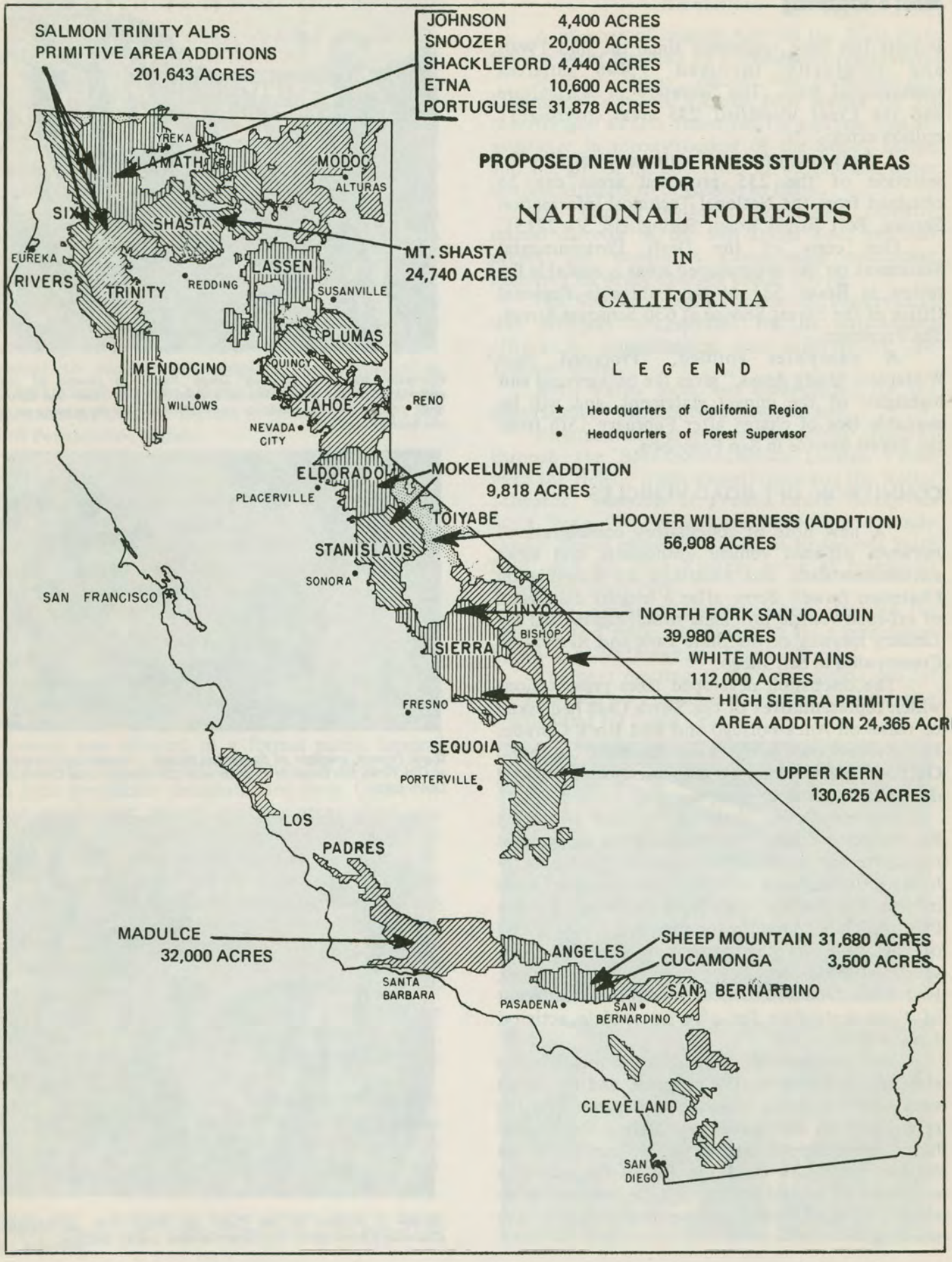
Sixteen new Wilderness Study Areas in California have been proposed by the Chief of the U.S. Forest Service, according to *Doug R. Leisz*, Regional Forester for California's National Forests. They are located in 12 National Forests and encompass almost 1.5 million acres.

The 16 are part of a nationwide list of 235 new undeveloped, unroaded areas selected for study of their potential for possible inclusion in the National Wilderness Preservation System. Studies will not begin until 1974.

Leisz noted that the Forest Service had held public meetings in Pasedena, Fresno, Oakland, Sacramento, Redding and Eureka during the late spring of 1972 to solicit public comment on 120 areas that were inventoried. He said, "the 900 oral statements and more than 4,000 written comments from the public on the roadless area review were considered in recommending to the Chief of the Forest Service in Washington, D.C., what areas should be selected for study."

He noted the 16 areas tentatively selected in California and the remaining undeveloped-roadless areas that were not selected for study can still be commented on by the public. Interested persons should write to the Chief of the Forest Service within 90 days.

The Forest Service's national survey of undeveloped-unroaded areas in the National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Forests has been underway since the mid 1960s and originally involved 1,448 different undeveloped areas. The Secretary of Agriculture and the Chief identified 235 areas covering 11 million acres.

A draft environmental statement covering the selection of the 235 proposed areas can be obtained from the National Technical Information Service, Port Royal Road, Springfield, Va 22151.

One copy of the Draft Environmental Statement on the undeveloped areas is available for review in Room 531 of the California Regional Office of the Forest Service at 630 Sansome Street, San Francisco.

A pamphlet entitled, "Proposed New Wilderness Study Areas," gives the background and highlights of the impact statement, and will be available free of charge after February 15th from the Forest Service in San Francisco.

COMMISSION: OFF-ROAD VEHICLES

"A new note of conciliatory consideration" between off-road vehicle enthusiasts and strict environmentalists was remarked by Commission Chairman *Lowell Berry* after a lengthy discussion of off-road vehicle problems which highlighted the January meeting of the State Park and Recreation Commission in San Diego.

The discussion developed from presentations which representatives of the Sierra Club had asked to make on Anza-Borrego and Red Rock Canyon. But speakers were heard as well from the California Outdoor Recreation League, various four-wheel drive clubs and other groups.

George Dean, chairman of the California Recreational Trails Committee, made a progress report on the hearings his committee is currently holding throughout the State to develop basic information for the California Off-Road Vehicle Plan, which is scheduled for completion by the end of this year. At the request of Director *Mott*, special attention was being given to Anza-Borrego, Red Rock, and Pismo Beach from the standpoint of their suitability for off-road vehicle activity, *Dean* stated.

He emphasized that the scope of the statewide off-road vehicle program, and the speed with which it could be realized, depended on the revenues from the special registration fees, which have been disappointing so far. He contrasted the 50,000 who have paid the fee so far with the estimates of several million vehicle users cited by several off-road vehicle spokesmen earlier in the meeting.

Professor Moriarity of San Diego State, in charge of the archeological dig at the Machado Adobe in Old Town San Diego SHP, chats with Commissioner Ian McMillan. The dig is going on in the background.

Diane Powers, manager of Bazaar del Mundo, a concession complex at Old Town San Diego SHP, chats with Commission Vice Chairman Loren Lutz.

Ranger J. Bennett of Old Town San Diego SHP, Commission Chairman Lowell Berry, and Commissioner Clarice Gilchrist.

Torrey Pines

The Commission also devoted considerable attention to Torrey Pines State Reserve, including a Thursday afternoon field trip to inspect the burned area, a proposed second access to the beach at the south end of the park, and proposed additions. Mrs. *Howard Allen* of the advisory committee made a presentation at the Friday business meeting, stressing the urgency of completing the remaining acquisitions and insuring the preservation of the pines and the Penasquitos marsh. The Director said he had told the committee that if $70,000 were raised locally, it could be matched from the U.S. Land and Water Conservation Fund to acquire the seven acres most critically needed. However, there would remain 1 parcel to acquire to complete the purchase as programmed. He also agreed to call a meeting of all agencies involved to discuss development plans for Los Penasquitos Marsh.

A major acquisition proposal – to acquire the 20,000 acre Rancho Guejito in northern San Diego County for an estimated $9.5 million – was presented by Californians for the Guejito, a local group attempting to preserve what may be the last intact Mexican Land Grant rancho. The Director noted this was the kind of project that could be considered under the 1974 Bond Act.

New Dog Rule

A change in the approach to controlling dogs on state beaches, including lands adjacent to any body of water in any unit of the State Park System, was adopted in a formal public hearing procedure. The new wording prohibits dogs except in areas specifically designated for them. Under the new regulations, we will post the areas where you *can* take a dog; under the old rules, we posted the areas where you *couldn't* take a dog.

An incentive program to encourage public participation in litter and vandalism control was proposed by the Director, in response to an earlier request from the Commission. He said it would involve such things as a slide show, posters and leaflets, and patches similar to the ones currently being given out in a number of units. It would be financed from private donations already promised, he said. Its theme will be "If you bring it in, you should take it out."

The Commission also asked the Director to look into what might be done to better carry out the responsibility for statewide coordination in the meeting of recreational needs, and how this might be staffed within the Department.

Resolutions

A number of contributors to the State Park System were honored by Commission resolutions.

Roscoe "Pappy" Hazard was presented the Commission's special Golden Bear Award for his contribution to Old Town San Diego, including his assistance in reconstruction of the Seeley Stable and the gift of his collection of wagons and other historic artifacts to be displayed there.

Dr. *Charles Robbins Schroeder,* recently retired director of the San Diego Zoo, was also present to receive a Commission resolution honoring his many years of public service.

The Sonoma League for Historic Preservation was officially commended for its outstanding efforts in rehabilitating and refurnishing the Toscano Hotel.

Wells Fargo Bank was commended for the restoration of two Concord stagecoaches.

Five memorial groves were gratefully accepted through the Save-the-Redwoods League. These were the Helene Irwin Fagan Grove and the Walter Schroeder addition at Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park; the Frank Lusk Babbott and Emily Dinnin Smith groves at Big Basin Redwoods State Park; and the Jane Kirstein grove at Humboldt Redwoods State Park.

Two groups of ranger trainees attended the meeting and were introduced to the Commission by Ranger *Glen Jones* and *Frank Fairchild.*

The next meeting of the Commission was set for Riverside on February 9. The March 9 meeting is scheduled for Santa Cruz.

Above right: Commissioner Starkey presents award to Roscoe "Pappy" Hazard. Right: Commissioners Gilchrist and Starkey with Dr. Schroeder.

SAFETY PROGRAM CONTINUED

The State's "work carefully" program has been extended for three more years and is now known as the Governor's Safety and Rehabilitation Program. This new name reflects the addition of post-injury management to the original accident prevention program.

Coordinators have been assigned to help solve problems in the safety and return-to-work areas. *Ed Wilson*, Personnel Officer, is the Safety Coordinator for the Department, while *Paul Griffith*, working with *Jack Smyre*, is the Coordinator for the Operations Division. They are tracking the progress of our Department regarding the program. The Safety and Enforcement Specialist in each District has an active role in the new program.

Priority: Prevent Accidents

The original Governor's Program to Reduce Occupational Injuries was implemented to make accident prevention a priority item within the statewide work environment. It started in January of 1970 after an executive decision that job-related accidents to state employees were resulting in a needless waste of human resources, and causing economic hardship for injured state employees and their families.

This program established goals for each department with a three-year overall objective to reduce the number of disabling injuries in state service by 30%. This goal was achieved because of the increased awareness of the problems regarding on-the-job injuries and a determination by all levels of state government to solve them.

However, this new awareness also surfaced the fact that there were no provisions in the original program to assist those who were injured in returning to work.

Rehabilitation Added

Subsequently, a post-injury management element was added to the Governor's Program early in 1972 which stressed rehabilitation and early return to work. New goals were created with the intent of reducing the number of days lost as a result of work injuries in state service by 10% per year.

The Department of Rehabilitation, State Personnel Board, Public Employees' Retirement System, Division of Industrial Accidents and the State Compensation Insurance Fund were all assigned specific responsibilities to help individual departments achieve their new return-to-work goals. All state departments were encouraged to create light-work programs as well as a system of close supervisory follow-up with injured employees.

"GIANT" OF A BOOK DUE SOON

"The Enduring Giants," a book on the natural history of the giant Sequoia and the human history of Calaveras Big Trees SP, is due off the presses in late March.

The University of California Extension is publishing the work which is a joint effort of the Extension, the Calaveras Grove Association, the Save-the-Redwoods League, and the Department. Author is *Joe Engbeck*, Research Writer for the Department's Information Section.

The book will contain many full-color photographs of the plants and animals of the forest community and numerous photographs relating to the human history of the Calaveras SP. It will sell for $3 plus tax and will be available from the Department, the Extension and suitable park units. Other retail outlets are being arranged.

The Extension has advertised the book in its pamphlet, "Lifelong Learning," which is mailed to some 40,000 people interested in the Extension's courses of study.

When published, the normal distribution will be made to the various divisions, branches, and field offices.

NEW OUTDOOR PUBLICATION

The Hayward Daily Review will begin publishing a monthly outdoor magazine as a supplement to the newspaper, with the first issue scheduled for May. Editor of the new supplement is *Ken Castle* who says it will be a 40 to 60 page color tabloid. It doesn't have a name yet.

It will be devoted to all types of outdoor activities, primarily in northern California. Park units with information and stories for this publication can send them to *Castle*, c/o Daily Review, P.O. Box 5228, San Leandro 94577.

4/40 STYMIED

Resources Secretary *Norman B. Livermore, Jr.*, has rejected the Department's proposal for a four day, 40-hour week, according to *George Pantell*, chairman of the ad hoc committee working on this project.

Livermore said the benefits cited were intangible. The Department claimed savings would

result from eliminating two coffee breaks a week and would save an average of one hour per person per week in start and stop time in the 4/40 over the present 5/40.

Pantell said the Committee has reexamined the benefits and come up with additional savings and Director *Mott* will personally take this proposal to Secretary *Livermore*.

CASTAIC RESERVOIRS NAMED

The California Water Commission has officially named two reservoirs in the Castaic dam area. The 180-acre pool below the dam, created by excavation for the dam, has been designated Castaic Lagoon. The forebay below Castaic powerplant has been named Elderberry Forebay.

TWO COMMISSIONERS NAMED

Governor *Ronald Reagan* has reappointed *John P. Starkey,* of San Diego, and appointed Mrs. *Robert L. Altick* of Menlo Park to the State Park and Recreation Commission. Mrs. *Altick* replaces *Ian I. McMillan, Sr.,* of Shandon, whose term expired.

Starkey, 44, a native San Diegan, has been a member of the Commission since February 1972. He is a 1950 graduate of San Diego State College and is married to the former *Doris Helleis.* The family resides in San Diego where *Starkey* is president of the Southern Mortgage Company.

Mrs. *Altick* earned her AB degree in education at Stanford University in 1951. A resident of Menlo Park for the past 18 years, she is active in numerous civic and service organizations. Her husband is senior vice preseident of Wells Fargo Bank in San Jose. They are the parents of two sons.

Both *Starkey* and Mrs. *Altick* are Republicans.

Commission members serve four year terms and receive necessary expenses.

NEWS CLIPS TOTAL 217

There were 217 news clippings of park activities circulated through the Department during December.

District 6 led the field with 59 clippings, followed by District 4, 47; District 2, 22; District 3, 21; District 1, 16; and District 5, 4. Headquarters supplied 26 and Allen's Press Clipping Bureau 22.

4,800 CITATIONS

There were 4,800 citations and some 6,000 warnings issued in park units in 1972, according to *Jack Smyre,* who heads the Safety and Enforcement Branch.

Most of the citations were for illegal parking and about 40% of these were absentee citations. This means a car was ticketed in the absence of the driver.

5,411,202 CAMPERS

There were 5,411,202 overnight campers in park units during fiscal 1971-72, according to *Jane Puffer,* who rides herd on the statistics. They paid $3,103,259 in fees.

The reservation system covers 82 campgrounds in 67 parks with about 7,000 campsites.

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YIELD FROM THE FIELD

TOSCANO HOTEL – A SUCCESS STORY

Three years of effort culminated in November of last year with the complete furnishing of the two-story Toscano Hotel at Sonoma SHP.

Although the various owners of the hotel, the exact date of construction, and how all the rooms were used are only sketchily known, this didn't stop a group of Sonoma residents and Park employees from authentically furnishing the whole building in Victorian style.

The hotel is thought to have been built by General *Vallejo* in 1857 and originally was a general merchandising store. Literature in 1867 refers to it as a "new and elegant hotel," and a hotel it remained until 1957 when the state purchased the Toscano.

The downstairs portion of the hotel was furnished and opened to the public after the building was restored in 1964-65, but the upstairs portion continued to be used to store a miscellaneous collection of items. Then in 1969, a

group of local residents got together with park personnel and decided to do something about it.

Calling itself the Sonoma League for Historic Preservation, the group resolved not only to furnish the upstairs, but to replace several substandard furnishings in the downstairs rooms.

Things progressed rather slowly until May of 1971 when Director *Mott*, visiting Sonoma as part of a Park and Recreation Commission meeting, met with the League and urged the members to go ahead with the project. The League met privately to talk it over, voted to move ahead full speed, and went to work.

How To Interpret?

The first job was to determine how to interpret the various rooms. Using what little historical record was available, the upstairs was divided into four bedrooms, a sewing room, wash room and outdoor gallery. Two stairways lead to the upstairs. The downstairs was made into a ladies' parlor, small dining room, bar, and lobby.

The moving force behind the project was Mrs. *Margaret Eliassen,* who served as president in 1971. Advisor to the group was Ranger *Jim Alexander.* Through Registrar of Collections *Tony Knapp,* many furnishings were obtained from State warehouses. These were supplemented by many items already available at Sonoma SHP, and a large number of valuable items were donated by and through League members.

An almost unbelievable number and variety of furniture and artifacts were collected to completely furnish the hotel. All are authentically Victorian, a style which was popular in this country from the 1850s until after the turn of the century, except for things such as floor coverings, curtains, and similar items, which are copies.

The furniture includes floor coverings (carpets, rugs, and throw rugs), curtains (hand made by the women of the League), beds, mattresses, sheets, blankets, patchwork quilts, embroidered pillow cases, bed spreads, throws, chairs, sofas, desks, dressers and dresser sets, lamps, hand mirrors, wall mirrors, vases, doilies, antimacassars, Chinese irons, pictures, paintings, clothing (doll, baby, and adult), a sewing machine, piano, organ, cribs and buggies, tables, trunks, basins, pitchers, chamber pots, dishes, silverware, glasses, tablecloths, etc.

The Right Atmosphere

Director *Mott* is highly enthusiastic about the League's work. He believes it typifies the kind of thing that can happen when park people create the right atmosphere for a community to use its initiative and talent in a public cause. The efforts of the League were commended by the Park and Recreation Commission at its January meeting.

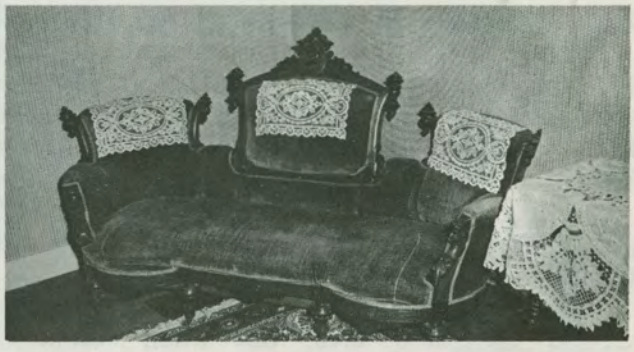
The restoration and furnishing started under Area Manager *Gerald Fialho* and continued under new Area Manager *Dick Menefee*. Many park personnel have been involved in the project since the hotel came to the State in 1957.

A group of local teenagers volunteered to do the cleanup work upstairs, to get the floor in shape. The original, rough timbers were cleaned up and kept in their unfinished state.

The League

Paul Jess, League president in 1972, modestly declaims any credit for the furnishing job. He said the women of the League did all the work and deserve all the credit.

Charter members of the League include Mrs. *Eliassen,* Mr. and Mrs. *Gail Fehrensen,* Mr. and Mrs.



Gregory Jones, Mrs. *Walter Heller,* Mrs. *Lee Titus,* Mrs. *Ann Scrimager,* Mrs. *Edmund Heine*, and Ranger *Alexander.* Guide *William Getchy* was responsible for historical evidence to guide the league in its work.

Ranger *Alexander* also credits retired Historian *Cliff Bisbee* and two members of the Office of Architecture and Construction, *Gene Durrett* and *Wade Patterson,* all on hand during the building restoration for guiding the restoration.

Of particular interest is the fact that not a single piece of furniture or artifact has been loaned to the State. All have been outright gifts.

Now the park staff and the League are busy setting up a docent program to conduct tours of the upstairs, which has not yet been opened to the public. This program, it is hoped, will get underway this summer.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

Typical of the attitude of the members of the League is the final paragraph of a tour outline, prepared by Alexander and approved by the League. It reads:

"In carrying out such an ambitious project, the members of the Sonoma League realize that their commitment to the complete and proper restoration of the Toscano Hotel has no terminating date, and that every effort will continue toward perfecting the interpretation of this historic Sonoma landmark."

IT'S A GOOD IDEA

The old snow blower at Calaveras Big Trees SP just wasn't working right. The pickup truck was too light to make it work, and the one ton International truck also couldn't cut it. Not to downgrade the merits of either vehicle, they just weren't heavy enough to do the job.

So Equipment Operator *Clayton Howser* and Maintenance Man *Leonard Nelson* decided to try the International TD-6 tractor. Viola! It worked.

To make it work, the two men built a platform for the snow blower that fit into the scoop at the front of the tractor. The rig was able to move slow enough to do the job, and it was heavy enough to be stable during operations.

The snow blower is pushed into a snow bank, an arm sweeps the snow into a blower, and is shot through a pipe to an out-of-the way place.

So far, the snow blower has been used only around the shop area, but when conditions warrant, it can be used along roads, parking lots, or other areas where snow needs to be removed.

A "LIVE IT UP" EXPERIMENT

Four rangers and 30 young people and adults spent a night aboard the C.A. Thayer, at S.F. Maritime SHP, as an experiment in living interpretation.

Golden Gate Area Manager *William Allison* said he and Rangers *Glenn Burch, Laurie Robeson* and *Clark Dooley* participated in the "shakedown" cruise.

First step was a visit to Fort Point where the group was introduced to interpretive methods used by the National Park Service. At 3 p.m. they all boarded the Thayer to spend the night in the foc'sle. The park furnished canvas bags which were filled with straw and used for sleeping pads. Cooking assignments were made and stew, bread

A group of 30 young people and adults joined four Park Rangers for a night aboard the C. A. Thayer to relive the days when "rock and roll" meant something else.

pudding, and coffee were prepared in the galley. Chief topic of conversation was the life and times of a doghole sailor.

Everyone slept in bunks, two to three tiers high. It was a quiet night but the gentle rocking of the ship, and ship noises, had everyone asleep by midnight. The "watch" woke up the "crew" at 6 a.m. for cleanup and breakfast.

The entire group agreed the experience was worthwhile and no problem was too large to solve. All were enthusiastic at the opportunity to "live" a piece of history, even if it was only in the thoughts that were generated by the ship's environment and interchange of ideas by the "crew."

The group ranged through all ages but most of the participants were students or educators.

Allison said the Area staff is eager to get an environmental living program going as part of the operation.

OHV'S A HEADACHE? TRY THIS

"Do you get that tired, irritating feeling that no matter what you do, four wheel drive vehicles and dune buggies are still ruining your area by driving off the roads? If so, maybe tracking vehicles will help cut down your aspirin bill."

So says *Gar Salzgeber,* Ranger in District 6, writing in the November-December 1972 issue of

the California State Park Rangers Association "Reporter."

"Tracking," says *Salzgeber*, "has tremendous psychological value. After a vehicle that laid illegal tracks across the desert is found (even up to 8 or 12 hours after the offense) we let the owner or responsible party know where we found the tracks and then tell them why we are trying to keep vehicles on our maintained roads or trails.

"We also copy down an identifying number from the vehicle and explain that it is our insurance that we won't find the same vehicle tracks traveling across country again.

"Each time we write down the identifying number, we check to see if that number has been logged before. So far, we've never found a match. But the offender knows that he is on record and shouldn't do it again."

If you're interested in the techniques of tracking and keeping records on the tracks, look up this article.

WEATHER HIGHLIGHTS FIELD REPORTS

The weather was much on the minds of all field people in December as record low temperatures, snow, and rain hit many parts of the state. Most parks suffered through frozen water pipes and toilets, power failures, and many a burst fitting and fixture.

Anza-Borrego, *Maurice Getty* – The Department's Off-Highway Vehicle Study Team of *Ron Rawlings, Bruce Kennedy, John Meisenbach* and *Paul Johnson* spent two days looking for OHV recreation sites adjacent to the park. . . Ranger *Gar Salzgeber* checked out a wreck in the Sweeney Pass area, found a 4-wheel drive vehicle had gone over the cliff. The occupants, a young couple, were thrown out and killed. The roll bars were not badly damaged, leading to the speculation that use of the seat belts might have saved their lives . . . Ranger *Burt Frizzell* and I hiked an hour up Couger Canyon to view the latest in artistic vandalism. Someone used seven colors of acrylic paint to put a 4' x 8' eye on a large rock at the palm grove. Propane torches will have to be used to get it off . . . Miss *Kathy Hobson,* a 20-year-old taxidermist from San Clemente, presented us with a mounted road runner and great horned owl. She plans next to deliver a ringtail cat which was found dead on a park road . . . Ranger *Salzgeber* has signed up Boy Scout Troop 295 to take over perpetual maintenance of the trail from Bow Willow to the southwest palm grove at Mountain Palm Springs . . . High winds blew off part of the shop roof, tore 13 tents, ripped a door off a camper, and turned over several portable restrooms.

Benicia, *Charles Cain* – Temperatures plummeted to 18° and frost burned many of the plants in the Fischer garden and at the SRA.

Big Sur, *Jack Stowe* – Cool temperatures, snow on the peaks, and several inches of rain luckily didn't add new mud slides . . . Our former Deputy Director, now Director of Conservation, *Ray Hunter* and Deputy Forester *Emery Sloat* dropped in to look over Big Sur and discuss the Ecology Corps Camp program . . . A coyote was sighted in the day use area and many racoon showed up at the residences begging for food. With the campground closed, the racoons' supermarket also is closed.

Bothe-Napa, *Franklyn Brown* – We had a week of the coldest weather I've seen here, 20° to 25°. Snow stayed on the ground for three days, another first. After the thaw, it was repair, repair, repair, for bibbs and pipes.

Calaveras, *Robert Stewart* – North Grove and Squaw Hollow campgrounds were cleaned up by personnel from the Vallecitos Ecology Center . . . Studies were started on location of trails for cross-country skiing and snowshoe hikes. They will become part of the winter interpretive program this year and tobogganing and saucering will be phased out . . . Snow fell early in the month, then three inches of warm rain melted the snow. A few snow bunnies were disappointed but most visitors took hikes through the North Grove and didn't seem to miss the snowhill activity . . . The Big Trees parking lot filled Christmas and New Years weekends with overnighters.

Castle Crags, *W.C. Kaiser* – Minus 3° temperatures froze the plumbing but nothing broke . . . Conservation crews worked on fire road maintenance until snow closed down the job.

Channel Coast, *H.C. Terry* – We sent letters to all elementary schools in the Carpenteria, Ventura and Oxnard area telling them Rangers are available for interpretive programs at the schools or in the units . . . Local opposition is developing to proposed developments at Carpenteria and Ventura SB's.

Clear Lake, *E.A. Griggs* – Some say the temperatures of plus 3° to minus 1° were the coldest ever recorded here. Most of the water systems were drained and winterized.

Columbia, *Neil Power* – Temperatures as low as 4° necessitated repairs to frozen pipes and valves.

Dyerville, *G.A. Fiahlo* – We had trouble with Christmas tree hunters and several Douglasfirs were

cut at Grizzly Creek . . . Snow and freezing temperatures caused many problems, frozen pipes and several broken water lines . . . The maintenance crew came up with a new job after the annual Christmas dinner. Some ate so much the chairs began to sag in the middle, requiring repairs.

Folsom Lake, *Ron McCullough* – It was a wet, cold month, with snow blanketing the lake three times . . . The geese observation tours were a smashing success, and coverage by news media was excellent.

Fort Humboldt, *Neil Hyta* – The 3½ inches of snow which fell December 7 stayed for two days.

Four Rivers, *Clyde Strickler* – The new Interpretation Center at Romero Overlook was opened December 16. As yet, it contains few interpretive displays . . . Heavy rain caused closing of the Basalt access road for 20 days . . . Turlock Lake SRA reported several golden and bald eagles, apparently attracted by thousands of mud hens . . . The new salmon viewing platforms at Turlock Lake had little use because of the poorest Tuolumne River Run in the past five years.

Frontera, *Maurice Morgan* – The new restrooms at Old Town San Diego SHP were accepted.

Golden Gate, *William Allison* – Area Historian *Glen Burch* has completed a proposal for a docent program at S.F. Maritime . . . Salmon spawning runs on Lagunitas Creek at S.P. Taylor

Getting a breath of fresh air at a recent meeting of District 4 Area Managers are the following: From left to right, back row: Unidentified guest who demonstrated first aid equipment; Warren Douglas, Safety and Enforcement Specialist; Curt Mitchell, Santa Cruz Mts.; Ron McCall, Pajaro Coast; and Milt Frincke, Superintendent. Front row, Al Ulm, San Mateo Coast; Chuck Mehlert, Ranger 5; Clyde Ray, Monterey; Martin Johnson, Business Service Officer; Tony Trigeiro, Pajaro Coast; Don Rich, Monterey; Jack Stowe, Big Sur; Harry Batlin, Interpretive Specialist; and Art Lloyd, Maintenance Specialist. Photo by Ed Earl.

are providing the most exotic show in Marin County . . . Temperature dropped to below 20° at Mt. Tamalpais and Taylor. Snow on Mt. Tamalpais brought the usual crowds, jams, minor accidents, and I got stuck, and worse wet and cold.

High Desert, *Roy Gholson* – Rains have brought out the native grasses and it is no longer necessary to supplement the elks' diet . . . Two resident rangers have been assigned to Red Rock and are spending considerable time controlling illegal off-road vehicle activity. Some 115 parties, mostly families, left the park to camp elsewhere rather than remain and obey our off-road vehicle regs . . . Indian paintings on the roof of an overhanging rock cave at Red Rock Canyon were pointed out to the rangers by an Oglala Sioux chief. Small beads, a bedrock mortar, bone and arrowhead chips, and indications of ancient campfires were found nearby.

Hiouchi, *Robert Folmar* – Four inches of snow December 7 and temperatures fell to 18° at Jed Smith and 14° at Del Norte. Many pipes frozen, some breaks.

Lake Elsinore, *E.H. Brown* – Taking advantage of bad weather (1.86 inches of rain during December), we've renovated and painted the office, sanded and painted the patrol boats, and performed other necessary boat maintenance.

Lake Oroville, *Don Royer* – The cold wave caused some $1,000 worth of damage. Most was at Loafer Creek, which wasn't designed for freezing weather . . . The freeze caused cancellation of a kite and para-sail demonstration. It will be held this spring so we can observe this activity and decide if it is compatible with other recreation area uses.

Malakoff Diggins, *Eric Leffingwell* – District 3 Forester *Gene Thomas* investigated tree crowding in front of two of the residences at North Bloomfield. As a result, eight trees were removed and the wood cut into lengths for bumper logs.

Marshall Gold Discovery, *Harold Sederquist* – District 3 Carpenter *Gil Hale* is restoring the Catholic Church. All funds to date have been raised by the local church committee . . . A handwritten 49'er diary was presented by Mr. and Mrs. *Negley*, decendants of early pioneers and gold seekers . . . Temperature dipped to 11° and many water pipes and valves froze and cracked.

McArthur-Burney, *M.P. Oller* – First storm dropped 22 inches of snow and temperatures hit to minus 25°. Lots of visitors viewed the beautiful display of icicles and snow.

Mendocino, *Tom Miller* – Snow on the north coast, 3 inches at Hendy Woods. Little damage.

Millerton Lake, *William Reinhardt* – Some 2,000 geese rested on the lake, the first sighting of these birds in several years.

Montane, *Glen Jones* – Started out with an inch of rain, then got a foot of snow. Fish and Game tried to plant trout in Doane Pond but it was frozen, fish left still in the tanker . . . Some 8,000 visitors turned out to enjoy the snow . . . Vandals broke into an exhibit case and stole a head dress from the Indian Museum.

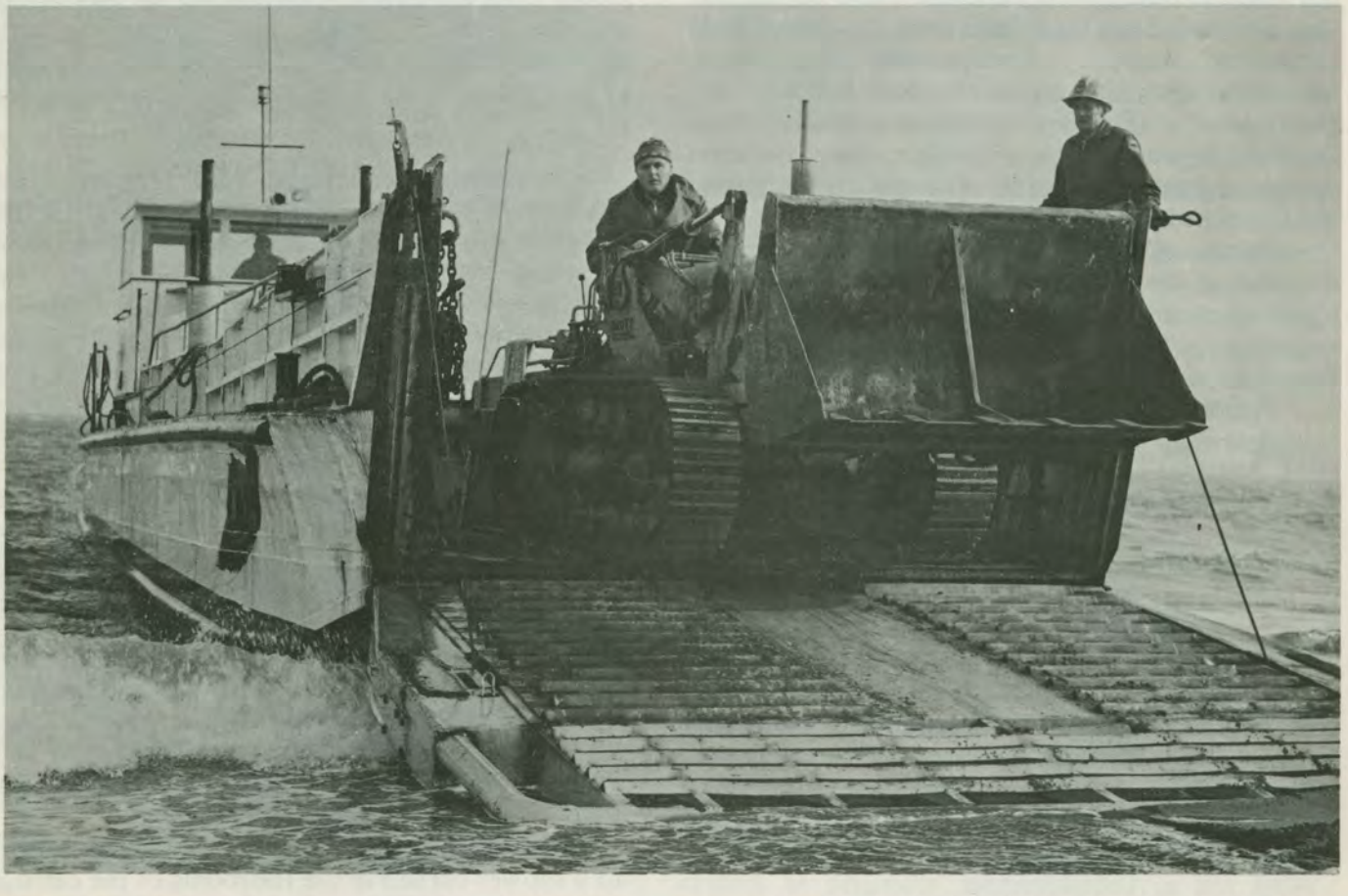
Monterey, *C.W. Ray* – Fremont Peak reported a low of 12°, high of 20°.

Mt. Diablo, *Robert Carlson* – Three storms in sequence dropped snow down to 500 foot elevation. Lots of plumbing broken . . . Diablo Valley College ecology class began an erosion control project.

Mt. San Jacinto, *W. Stahlberg* – We investigated a report of a nude on the walkway to the Tramway Mt. Station. Seems the woman had on a full-length coat and when no one was coming, she would open the coat, revealing her body au naturale. The photographer would take the picture and she would close the coat. As luck would have it, both were gone when our patrol arrived . . . From 18" to 2' of snow caused heavy camping use. A guided snowshoe hike out of Long Valley Ranger Station was attended by only five persons, but many others wanted to go but had no equipment.

North Valley, *Lorin Forsyth* – The California Heritage Section of the Chico Women's Club donated a large Christmas tree to the mansion. The girls of the "S" Club from Pleasant Valley High School made decorations and trimmed the tree a la the late 1800s . . . More of the Bidwells' personal letters were presented to the Mansion by *Vonnie Easham*, Chairman of Biographical Research Section of the club . . . Two to four inches of snow stayed on the ground for a week . . . A small vase was received in the mail with a note, "I ripped this off in 1970, just came across it – Sorry." There was no signature.

Orange Coast, *J.N. Caughill* – A lobster fisherman's empty dory was discovered circling outside the surf off Huntington SB. Lifeguard Supervisor *Bill Kramer* was the first to board and



Although not World War III, it is lend-lease of a sort. Matt Hodge, Golden Gate Area Equipment Operator, unloads the area tractor-loader for use by the Division Highways in filling a washout that threatened to undermine a piling on the Presidio approach to the Golden Gate Bridge. Also shown are Bing Bragg, maintenance man acting as deckhand, and Boat Operator Graeme Gowin, operating the Angel Island Landing Craft. Division of Highways rented the tractor and operator under a new Interagency Equipment Rental program. The job took 2½ days.

Photo courtesy Division of Highways

Mrs. Gus Till, like every good area manager's wife, has some project of her own. She worked with local citizens to restore Coloma's original Catholic Church, which was rededicated during the 125th anniversary at Marshall Gold Discovery SHP. Some 40,000 people attended the two day celebration in January.

A small male canvasback duck likes the 105° water in the mineral pool at Grover Hot Springs SP so much that up to 20 swimmers in the pool have left him completely unruffled. But can you blame him, with temperatures ranging from minus 15° to plus 20°? Sierra Area staff theorizes he is convalescing from buck shot wounds.

bring the craft under control. The occupants, a man and his three year old daughter, were missing. The bodies later were found in the water near the pier. The girl's throat was cut and the man had drowned. Huntington Beach police later theorized the girl had been murdered and the man had committed suicide . . . Strong Santa Ana winds tore tile from the roofs of most buildings at Huntington . . . The south boundary gate at San Onofre SB was hit by a vehicle, the gate was completely torn off and four center divider posts were knocked down.

Pajaro Coast, *Anton Trigeiro* – Snow recorded in the local hills with a trace on the Santa Cruz beaches. Local exotic flora are suffering . . . Sunset SB filled 86 campsites over the New Year weekend.

Picacho, *Michael Bolton* – A mission group of explorers caused several hours of searching by park staff, Imperial County River Patrol, military, and sheriff's office. They later turned up at Picacho, safe and sound. They had abandoned their improvised raft, but neglected to leave a note on it . . . Cleanup and trail work performed by Boy Scouts, Troop 370 of La Mesa, Troop 229 from San Diego, and Troop 207 of San Diego . . . A group camping at Norton's Landing on the Arizona side of the Colorado River reported a shooting accident. *Ted Kesler* shot himself in the lower leg with a .45 pistol. A year ago at the same campground, *Kesler's* brother shot himself in the leg with a .22 while practicing quickdraw.

Piercy, *James Neal* – Snow for several days froze pipes and padlocks, temperatures hit 17° . . . Day use area at Benbow Lake SRA closed and portable buildings moved to higher ground in case of flooding.

Plumas-Eureka, *Carl Lonnecker* – The weather made most of the news as practically all record lows were broken. Beckworth hit 30° below and the park 10° below. Last summer the park recorded a high of 101° . . . Ski area ran nine days as rain made skiing marginal. Six inches of powder the 27th helped.

Providence Mountains, *Alan Scheibli* – Dr. *Richard F. Logan*, Geography Professor at UCLA, supplied, on request, a copy of his 1956 report entitled "The Physical Geography of the Providence Mountains Area, Eastern Mojave Desert, California." It's 240 pages long . . . Assistance was given two young men who demolished their car by turning it over several times. They received only minor abrasions.

Russian River, *Robert Crawford* – One bus and six car loads of students and parents from San Rafael High School conducted a marine biology study at Bodega Head . . . Photographers, with permits, from Sunset Magazine bypassed the locked gate at the Fort Ross parking lot to get a carryall and 28 ft. house trailer to the beach after being advised to keep them in the parking lot . . . Snow fell on the hills above Sonoma Coast SB and the temperature at the Fort dipped to 30°, a record low . . . An original Russian hinge was found in a shed of the Call buildings.

Sacramento, *Kirby Morgan* – Vandals set fire to a shower curtain in the restrooms of the carriage house at the Governor's Mansion. Luckily the wood did not catch fire. *Joe Munizich's* manuscript on the history of the Mansion is ready for

publication. Copies will be sold at the Mansion . . . *Rick Schwarts* of Boy Scout Troop 1 constructed a board duck walk on the east side of east island at Sutter's Fort . . . The Indian concession opened at the museum but stock is minimal.

Salton Sea, *James Davis* – A record cold temperature of 29° was recorded.

San Diego Coast, *Jack Welch* – No wind, no current, and almost no surf made diving conditions best of the year. Visibility was 25 to 40 feet . . . Four professional photographers at Torrey Pines were told to leave or get a permit.

San Mateo Coast, *Anthony Ulm* – We were advised by the District Attorney that a court order was needed to remove trespassing cattle from Pomponio SB . . . Some 60-70 Boy Scouts planted 250 to 300 two year old pines at Half Moon Bay SB. The trees were grown and donated by the leader, *Frank Horton.* Trees were planted and staked securely, despite cold, windy and wet weather.

San Simeon, *Wes Cater* – Another zebra colt was born, fourth this year.

Santa Cruz Mountains, *Curtis Mitchell* – Snow and cold weather froze winter lines, causing damage . . . Wild dogs chasing and killing deer continues to be a problem at Cowell, Big Basin and Butano. A local rancher near Butano killed one and wounded two or three dogs.

Sierra, *A.F. Garrelts* – Three feet of snow fell the first half of the month and temperatures of minus 20° were recorded at Donner and around Lake Tahoe. Weather was warmer with rain the last half of December . . . An L.A. Times writer and photographer visited Bodie to do a feature article about the park and the ranger on duty Christmas day. The story appeared on Christmas day and has created an unbelievable amount of correspondence.

Sonoma, R.L. Menefee – A Santa Rosa JC forestry class worked to eliminate the Upper Falls Trail at Sugarloaf Ridge SP . . . Old Adobe Days at Petaluma saw 109 fourth and fifth graders dip candles, make adobe bricks, grind grain, bake bread, and loom textiles . . . Temperatures dipped to 11° at Sugarloaf Ridge and created many interesting ice formations . . . Reservoir at the Vallejo Home has an inch thick coat of ice . . . Snow and freezing temperatures recorded at Annadel and Jack London.

Trinidad, *Dave Redding* – The James Irvine Trail to Fern Canyon was closed because of a hazardous bridge and several down trees . . . Temperatures low, dipping to 17° at Prairie Creek. Snow stayed on the ground for 10 days. Many pipes frozen and broken.

Will Rogers *Carl Wilson* – Ford Motor Co. filmed a commercial on the polo field.

The unusually low temperatures caused trouble at many parks, but these kids at Fremont Peak SP are enjoying the novelty of a light snowfall. Photo by Bill Hill.

Wayne Redhorse, a California Cherokee Indian, works on a piece of turquoise for a ring at the new Indian concession at the State Indian Museum. The concession will offer authentic Indian-made goods from tribes throughout the State. The concession is not yet completely stocked, but is open for business during museum hours. Photo by Gene Russell.

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JR. RANGER PROGRAM NETS CHECK

District 5 Interpretive Specialist *Mike Merkel* is $50 richer and $50 happier after winning a second place in the Park Practice Program of GRIST.

The idea that won the prize was the Junior Ranger Program. Under the program, Jr. Ranger patches and bear badges are awarded to children who pick up litter in a park.

Merkel submitted a story on the program which was published in the May/June 1971 issue of GRIST.

Merkel said after the shock of winning the prize wore off, he thought of those people who did so much, with their ideas and enthusiasm, to get the program started. He singled out *Renie Laret,* now Maintenance Specialist in District 6, and Ranger III *Al Ulm,* now at San Mateo Coast Area, for starting the program at Pismo SB and Morro Bay SP.

"I sincerely appreciate their initiative and help," he said.

From left, District 5 Superintendent Ted Wilson, Safety and Enforcement Specialist Gerald Morrison, Merkel, Business Service Officer Jack Vilbrandt, and Aquatic Specialist Jack Steinman. Wilson presented a check for $50 to Merkel. Photo courtesy District 5.

HANK NICOL AUTHORS ARTICLE

Hank (Don) Nicol, Assistant Park and Recreation Specialist in the Design and Construction Division, recounts some of his history and tells about the quirks of fate that landed him in the Department in a story entitled, "With That Hat, How Could Anybody Believe Me?"

The story appears in the October 1972 issue of "Transition," a magazine for former Action volunteers.

Hank, who has been in his present job since last September, has a wife and daughter. He almost served at Brannan Island SRA but wound up instead at Benicia Capitol SHM. He spent two years in the Peace Corps, in Thailand, and his travels have taken him to several foreign countries and 14 states.

DECEMBER WAS PARTY TIME

December was a month of Christmas parties, and no doubt the anti-freeze flowed freely, as most areas in the state reported the lowest temperatures in memory.

As usual, there was considerable movement of personnel, a lot of training, some retired, and some had babies. Here's news of Parks and Recreation people as contained in the Area Manager's Monthly Reports for December.

Anza-Borrego filled the two vacant Ranger I positions with trainees. *Stoughton Richmond* from the Dyerville Area has been assigned to the Fish Creek area and *John Jennings* from the San Diego Coast Area has been assigned the Borrego Palm Canyon area. The park gave up Permanent Intermittent Ranger *Ken Cater* who became a trainee at San Diego Coast.

Retiring Ranger *Herman Griffin* of Anza Borrego was ill and unable to attend his retirement party, but 40 hardy souls braved high winds and rain to do him honor. Herman's flu worsened and his optic nerves were attacked by a virus which has left him totally and permanently blind. He is his usual cheerful self but would appreciate hearing from his friends.

P&R Commissioner *Leonard Thomson* spent two days exploring new areas of Anza-Borrego. As a reward for helping a distressed motorist and helping set up a portable restroom which had blown over, he was shown some bighorn sheep.

Ranger Trainee *Glen McGowan* and his wife, *Connie,* were welcomed back to the Big Sur Area after a stint at Big Basin. *Glen* had worked as a Park Aide at Big Sur for several summers.

Ranger *Ernest Bradley* reported to Bothe-Napa Area to replace Ranger *Wilder* who transferred to Big Basin . . . Area Manager *Franklyn Brown* returned from a vacation in the Orient.

P&R Commissioner *Tom Bonnicksen* toured the Calaveras South Grove with Plant Ecologist *Jim Barry* and Ranger *Al Oliver*. Snow and inclement weather didn't slow them down a bit . . . Chief Ranger *Gene Schaal* received word that he would be transferred to Folsom Lake Area after 10 years at Calaveras . . . Rangers *Paul Schuessler* and *Bob*

Stewart are attending a course in Supervision given by Columbia JC.

Clerk Typist Mrs.*Faith Roberts*, out with the flu, was carefully exempted from responsibilty for the typing on the December monthly report for the Calaveras Area.

Ranger Trainees *Karlton, Hardcastle, Grummer,* and *McAdams* reported for work at the Dyerville Area, and Trainees *Tuttle, Griggs,* and *Monahan* left for training at Asilomar . . . *Rick Carpenter* new Chief Ranger, and *Don Battin,* new Maintenance Assistant, assumed their duties.

Ranger Trainee *Harry Morse* of Folsom Lake was transferred to Lake Oroville.

Park Aide *Rick Johnson* arrived for work at Fort Humboldt and was faced with a bursted water line. District Superintendent *Tiny Philbrook* did most of the repair work in the process of showing Rick how to fix the pipes.

Flu has swept through the Four Rivers Area with Turlock Lake the hardest hit.

Soon-to-be Hiouchi Area Manager *Dana Long* of Folsom Lake gave his new area a look see.

At Lake Oroville, Ranger *Marion Hanshew* and Steno *Maggie Sousa* were honored with a retirement luncheon. Reporting in were Ranger Trainee *Harry Morse* from Folsom and Maintenance Man II *Hugh Metcalf* from Humboldt.

Mendocino Area's Christmas pot luck served as a welcome for new Area Manager *Tom Miller* and family and new Maintenance Man II *John Jones* and family.

Chief Ranger *Dick Johnson* and Ranger *Andy Van Rillaer* of Millerton Lake SRA graduated from Basic Enforcement Academy in Fresno after 240 long, hard hours. *Johnson* tied for 3rd place scholastic honors.

At Monterey, Maintenance Supervisor *Richard Carpenter* received word that his transfer to the Dyerville Area had been approved.

Ranger *Bob Culbertson* reported to the Orange Coast Area from the San Diego Beaches. He will work at the Huntington/Bolsa Chica units.

Piercy Area Maintenance Supervisor *Glen LaVine* was surprised with a singing telegram (via telephone) on his birthday. The singers were *Herman Schlerf, William Fahey,* and the office girls in District 1.

A spaghetti feed was whipped up by *Bill Thompson* of the Governor's Mansion to honor the departure of Chief Ranger *Joe McCall,* who will be a Ranger III at Folsom Lake. He received a desk set.

Miss *April Milliken,* Byword manager at Sutter's Fort, returned from a short vacation as Mrs. *April Schaub.*

A welcome present arrived at Salton Sea area two days after Christmas when Ranger *Ed Polder* reported after an educational leave of absence. He has been through Asilomar and Riverside and has worked at Folsom, Coloma, and Sierra. The spot had been vacant for six months.

San Diego Coast Area added four new Ranger Trainees: *John Morton, John Stafford, Ken Cater,* and their first female ranger, *Doranne Von Ende.*

Trainee *George Gray* from the San Luis Obispo Coast Area has been assigned to Red Rock Canyon.

A potluck dessert honored Clerk Typist II *Frances Furlong* of Santa Cruz Mts. Area, retiring after 15 years there.

Ranger *John Bollinger* transferred to the Sierra Area from Morro Bay and moved into the residence at D.L. Bliss SP.

Trainee *Gerig Loomis* transferred from the Golden Gate Area and assumed the duties of Chief Ranger at Sugarloaf Ridge SP . . . Intermittent Ranger *Martin Stoye* joined the Sonoma Area crew. He has worked three summers with the National Park Service at Yosemite and Devils Postpile.

Park Attendant *John Cutler's* wife, *Linda,* closed out 1972 with a bang (*John* with a pop?) by giving birth to daughter *Robin* December 31.

Maintenance Supervisor Derrick Andrews of the Russian River Area, center, received his 25 year service award recently at a District 2 Area Managers' meeting at Brooktrail's Lodge. Operations Chief Jack Knight made the presentation. At right, Mrs. Andrews is pondering what to do with a Maintenance Supervisor on his next day off. Photo by Jim Neider.

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STAFF CHANGES

Reported to the Personnel Section as of January 19, 1973

APPOINTMENTS

Battlin, Donald P.	Park Maint Asst	Dyerville Area	1-2-73
Baynes, Melissa L.	Clerk Typist II (Int)	Sierra Area	1-2-73
Bosmans, Walter	Park Maint Asst	Four Rivers Area	1-2-73
Courtney, Leslie M.	Groundsman	Channel Coast Area	12-12-72
Dong, George W.	Asst Landscape Arch	Project Development	12-18-72
Gazzano, Steven	SPR (Int)	Golden Gate Area	12-21-72
Hall, Sandara A.	Clerk Typ II (Int)	Personnel Section	12-18-72
Lindberg, Thomas R.	SPR	Golden Gate Area	12-18-72
Mason, Howard G.	Park Maint Asst	Frontera Area	1-8-73
Molina, Mary R.	Clerk Typ II	Russian River Area	12-26-72
Ruddley, John	SPR Tr	Pajaro Coast Area	1-8-73
Stoye, Martin P.	SPR (Int)	Sonoma Area	12-1-72

REINSTATEMENTS:

Clark, Blyde	Park Maint Man I	San Luis Obispo Cst Area	11-15-72
Cook, George	SPR I	Millerton Lake Area	12-19-72
Ruschmeyer, Clifford	Park Maint Man I	Sierra Area	11-27-72

UNIT CHANGES:

Bollinger, John F.	SPR I	San Luis Obispo Coast Area to Sierra Area	12-1-72
Carpenter, Richard D.	Park Maint Sup II	Dist 4 Hq to Dyerville Area	1-1-73
Culbertson, Robert B.	SPR Tr	San Diego Area to Orange Coast Area	12-15-72
Edwards, Richard	SPR I	Big Sur Area to La Purisima Mission	11-16-72
Engel, Craig	SPR I	Folsom Lake Area to Sierra Area	11-21-72
Hanks, Robert	SPR I	San Simeon Area to La Purisima Mission	11-15-72
Henretty, Lorraine	Sr Steno	Business Mgmt to Dir Off	12-11-72
Hines, Robert W.	Assoc Landscape Arch	Proj Coordination to Proj Dev	11-1-72
Jennings, John H.	SPR Tr	San Diego Area to Anza-Borrego Area	12-15-72
Jones, Kenneth	SPR I	Mendocino Area to Training Section	12-1-72
Kolb, John A.	SPR Tr	Folsom Lake Area to Sierra Area	11-25-72
Lanford, Joyce	Steno II	Directors Off to Santa Cruz Mtns Area	1-1-73
Long, Dana	SPR III	Folsom Lake to Hiouchi Area	1-1-73
McAdams, Robert T.	SP Attendent	Orange Coast Area to Dyerville Area	12-4-72
McGee, Calvin	Assoc Personnel Analyst	Div Chief Section to Affirm Act Sect	1-1-73
Mitchell, Fred D.	SPR II	Folsom Lake Area to Sacramento Area	1-1-73
Morse, Harry	SPR Tr	Folsom Lake Area to Lake Oroville Area	12-6-72
O'Halloran, Penelope J.	Steno II	Sacramento Area to Business Management	1-8-73
Ramirez, David	Assoc Personnel Analyst	Div Chief Section to Affirm Act Sect	1-1-73
Richmond, Stoughton	SPR Tr	Dyerville Area to Anza-Borrego Area	12-1-72
Schaal, Eugene W.	SPR II	Calaveras to Folsom Lake Area	1-1-73
Sugarman, Matthew	SPR Tr	Golden Gate Area to Montane Area	12-11-72

RETIREMENT:

Elliott, James	Pk Maint Man I	Channel Coast Area	12-28-72

MILITARY LEAVES

Kauffman, Gregory L.	SPR (Int)	Golden Gate Area	12-4-72

SEPARATIONS

Guyette, Louis J.	Watchman	Orange Coast Area	1-1-73
Foster, Max W.	SPR (Int)	San Mateo Area	1-1-73
Miller, Jean H.	Clerk Typist II (Int)	Sierra Area	12-31-72
Wilhelm, Albert D.	Guide I, SHM	Hearst Area	1-8-73

PROMOTIONS:

Ameral, Donald	Pk Maint Man II	Golden Gate Area	12-1-72
Banks, Melvin	Pk Maint Man II	Hearst San Simeon	12-1-72
Fujii, Allen J.	Sup Account CI	Accounting Sect	12-12-72
Hart, Lorain	Sup Clerk I	Dist/Repro	12-13-72
McCall, Joseph R.	SPR III	Folsom Lake Area	1-1-73
Mizutani, Suguru	Jr. Staff Analyst	Prog Management	12-1-72
Nicholson, Cynthia G.	Prog I, EDP	Systems Development	11-1-72
Sly, Walter R.	Pk Maint Man II	San Luis Obispo Coast Area	1-15-73

CLASS TITLE CHANGES:

Elufson, Shirley M.	Sr. Acct Clerk to Accounting Tech	Accounting Section	12-18-72

CHANGE IN TIME BASE:

Bechthold, Bernard	Guide I, SHM (full-time)	Hearst SHM	12-11-72

TRAINING ASSIGNMENTS:

Bowdoin, Jean	Sup Account Clk I	Accounting to Operations	12-1-72
Guyer, John Paul	Asst Mech Eng, Hydr Str	Water Resources to Project Coordination	12-18-72

C.S.P.R.A. TO MEET IN MORRO BAY

The California State Park Rangers Association will hold their 1973 General Executive Council at the Golden Tee in Morro Bay, March 16, 17, and 18.

Highlights of the program will include a program presented by Dr. Gaskin, professor of ornamental horticulture at Cal Poly, on "The Safe Use of Pesticides and Herbicides or Their Alternatives," and one on equipment and techniques of nature photography presented by Dr. Woody Lehman, photographer and lecturer in the nature and conservation field. Director Mott will speak and field questions from the group. Something new this year – a Fishing Derby from Verg's Landing in Morro Bay with trophies in every conceivable classification.

Contact the Golden Tee (19 Country Club Road, Morro Bay 93442; phone 805-772-7313) before *March 1* to make your reservation; to participate in the Fishing Derby you must have your $10 registration fee to Cliff Wade, who just became a Ranger II in the Golden Gate Area (congratulations, Cliff!), San Francisco Maritime SHP, 2905 Hyde Street, San Francisco 94107, by *March 5*. He can also answer any questions.

So get your reservations in, and let's see you there!

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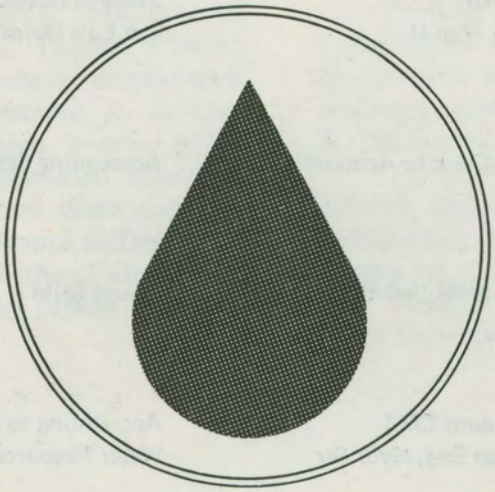

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CAMPING

Today in the California State Park System there are 8,731 campsites, of which 6,886 are on the reservation system. Last year we turned away 237,880 vehicles desiring camping sites within the system. Although the federal government, through the National Park Service, the Forest Service, the Bureau of Land Management, and the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, provides approximately 20,000 additional campsites, it is clear that the insatiable demand for camping in California cannot be met without the private sector increasing its efforts to provide more camping opportunities in California, particularly *enroute* camping.

Three years ago we installed a campsite reservation system not only to provide campers with an assured campsite, but also to provide the Department with accurate statistical information to aid us in planning campgrounds. For instance, we know that 40 percent of the people who camp in the State Park System use tents; 28 percent have trailers; and 20 percent have camper cars or motor homes. Some 34 percent stay in the parks an average of 3.2 nights; 24 percent of the people camping are in parties of four; 20 percent are in parties of eight; 16 percent are in parties of five; and only 12 percent are in parties of two.

Last year we collected $3,200,228 in camping fees and, since we charge 50 cents per dog-night of camping, included in this figure is $92,000 collected from campers with pets. We estimate that a Californian spends an average of $2.75 per day for supplies when camping in units of the State Park System and that an out-of-stater spends $3.60 per day.

Recently I attended a conference made up primarily of private entrepreneurs who have developed campgrounds throughout the United States and manufacturers and businessmen who furnish camping equipment of all kinds, including trailers and camper buses. One of the most interesting talks was given by a lady who is with the NBC Television Company. She indicated that, although camping with tents would probably increase at the rate of 1 to 2 percent per year, vehicle camping would increase at the rate of 15 percent per year. She stated that the increase in camping during the next 15 years would be caused by women taking the initiative to get out of the city and into the country. She stated that women would insist that campgrounds and toilet facilities be clean, that the campgrounds be safe, that camping be convenient, and that good design and the use of color make the campgrounds attractive.

The Department will be sending a questionnaire to all the employees within the Resources Building to find out what people think about camping, whether it be in a state park or some other campsite, and what the deficiencies are in campgrounds. Our surveys of campers at our campgrounds indicate that they want more interpretive activity and we are staffing up to meet this demand.

Planning campgrounds is not a simple procedure because there are conflicting voices. For example, there are those who would exclude vehicle camping from the state parks, making the campgrounds exclusive for the tenter or backpacker, while others argue that vehicle camps should not be relegated to secondary sites or locations. There are those who feel that dogs should be excluded and there are others who feel just as strongly that they should be permitted to camp with their pets. There are those who feel that camping should be an environmental experience and that campgrounds should reflect this concept in their design and facilities. On the other hand, we have just as strong opinions stating that camping is a social experience and should reflect this point of view in the design and operation of a campground.

It is the policy of the Department to provide for a balanced camping program within the California State Park System, catering in some parks to the wilderness camping experience. In other units we might feature group camping, while still other units might support family camping. The common denominators in our planning and operation of our campgrounds for whatever type of experience a person desires is security, cleanliness, and good design coupled with an attitude on the part of our personnel that will make people feel comfortable and wanted while camping in a unit of the California State Park System.

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On the Cover: Red Rock Canyon. Photo by Larry Paynter.

Red Rock Canyon

Red Rock Canyon, located a hundred and twenty-five miles north of Los Angeles and twenty-five miles north of Mojave, is a spectacular gash at the western extremity of the El Paso Range where it joins the higher Sierra Nevada. Travelers along U.S. 6 have often described the area as a sort of California Bryce.

Red Rock became known to history little more than a century ago. The accidental discovery of gold at Sutter's Mill in 1848 set off a tide of emigration from the East that was soon to alter completely the course of California history.

In January, 1850, a number of these footsore travelers camped in Red Rock on their way south to safety. They were the Bennett and Arcane families plus a division of the Illinois Jayhawkers. The former had recently been rescued from Death Valley by Lewis Manly and John Rogers who had returned from Southern California with food barely in time to save their lives. Neither they nor the Jayhawkers were apparently impressed by the wonders of the canyon through whose depths they passed. In later years, if they thought of it at all, it was most likely to recall how hungry, cold, and weary they had been at this time. Four decades later Lewis Manly in his famous book, Death Valley in '49, was content to state simply that the pass was now known as Red Canyon. His descriptions of other points on their route are often vivid and detailed, and his failure to enlarge on what he undoubtedly saw here is inexplicable.

Because of its geographical location, Red Rock was not seen by great numbers of early western travelers. Those heading north from Southern California en route to the San Joaquin Valley and the distant Mother Lode usually turned off at Oak Creek and other passes through the Tehachapis. Others, trekking southward from Owens Valley, invariably swung west at Walker's Pass and made their way into the San Joaquin via the Kern River area. Had it lain a few miles either north or south, Red Rock would undoubtedly have been hailed as an outstanding landmark in the annals of pioneer desert wayfaring.

GEOLOGY

The formations of Red Rock date back to late Tertiary times. Judged to be at least 2,500 feet thick, they are composed mainly of bedded volcanic tuffs, sandy and shaly beds, and two lava flows. Their strikingly tilted facades have been eroded and weathered into fantastic and weird forms.

An imaginative observer has described a two-story bastion of red rock carved in relief from the gray hillside as the "citadel." Another outstanding sight is the "white house cliffs," composed of numerous towers and domes. Sand-laden winds and the rains of centuries have carved out myriads of strange shapes along the lava-capped parapets that flank the main highway and line the adjacent gulches branching off to the east and west. As in looking at cumulus clouds, one can see anything he chooses — a

camel's head, praying nuns, organ pipes, toadstools, even ferocious-appearing gargoyles. For those with an archeological bent, there is a particularly splendid "buried city."

During the Pliocene period, perhaps two million years ago before the uplift of the present Sierra Nevada Mountains, the appearance of this area was decidedly different. A study of fossil plant material indicates a less arid climate than at present, and considerably more herbage. Among the animal fossils found in the canyon's Ricardo strata were several species of horses, camels, antelope, a ruminant hog, mastodons, and two kinds of rhinoceroses. With them were the bones of flesh eaters, represented by dogs, wolves, and cats, including a primitive saber-tooth. Coeval human remains, however, have not yet been detected.

At least five species of trees have been discovered in the fossil beds. The locust is the most abundant tree, and with it are found fragmented sections of oak, pine, and cedar.

GOLD!

It is generally agreed that 1893 was the year that placer gold activity at Red Rock began on an extensive scale. However, even then there were rumors that some prospecting had been conducted here during the 1860's. In 1894, a W. J. Langdon is reported to have found a location notice posted by a Hiram Johnson bearing the date of 1853. On a nearby rock Langdon observed a pair of rusty gold scales, and not far distant, by the remains of an old fireplace, he found a black whiskey bottle containing about six dollars worth of gold dust.

During the 1890's hundreds of miners sifted the sands for gold among the basal conglomerates and tuffs that lined the beds of the various gulches. That their efforts were richly rewarded is evidenced by the report that around sixteen million dollars in gold was taken from the canyons within a few years. The largest nugget known to have been found here was unearthed by Dave Bowman in Santa Monica Canyon. Having no scale large enough to determine its weight, Bowman, with the help of Clinton Todhunter, another miner, estimated its worth by balancing the nugget against a four-pound single jack and four cans of condensed milk. They were not far off its actual value which approximated $2,000.

Another fortunate prospector was Rudolf Hagen, who has been credited as the rediscoverer of Red Rock Canyon gold in the 1890's. Coming here in the spring of 1893, he and his associates are said to have washed more than two and a half million dollars worth from surface workings. They are then reported to have spent a considerable amount of this in litigation to protect their claims. One of his partners was Charles Canfield, a well-known pioneer producer in Kern County's Midway oil field. Hagen subsequently acquired quite a few thousand acres in the Red Rock area, and a considerable part of this property is now held by his heirs.

INDIANS

Although white miners have been chiefly responsible for our current knowledge of Red Rock and its neighboring terrain, the presence of their ancient and immediate predecessors should not be overlooked. Throughout the numerous gulches, and over the ridges and hillsides of this volcanic territory, there exist considerable reminders that man was here long ago. Primitive rock shelters and once-occupied caves abound, particularly several miles east of Red Rock at Black Mountain, tallest peak in the El Pasos. Hundreds of rock circles and many pictographs are scattered over a wide area. Meager information received from old miners, who likely secured their "facts" at second or third hand, points to the likelihood that Black Mountain was long ago a sacred place and the site of annual religious ceremonies. The position of some of the stone rings, especially those perched on the very top of the boulder "pyramid" at the western end of the highest ridge, are strongly suggestive of ceremonial usage.

Investigators have referred to these unknown builders as the "Old People" and have made educated estimates that portions of their handiwork may date back 15,000 to 20,000 years. Possibly they were the same artists, or their relatives, who carved the older petroglyphs that appear in such proliferation in the canyons on the eastern rim of Indian Wells Valley north of China Lake. Within a few years the mystery of these ancient folk may be resolved. An archeological group from Southern California is presently engaged in a long-range survey that should eventually clarify many details respecting origin and daily life that are now obscure.

The more recent Indians are better known. Anthropologists term them the Shoshone-Comanche, but to nearly everyone else they are popularly known as Mojave Indians because of their residence in the Mojave Desert. The word "Mojave" is supposed to be a corruption of Chemehuevi. Obviously, name-calling here is no simple matter. To add to the confusion there were also numerous tribal groups, each with its individual name.

These desert Indians were nomadic through necessity, and permanent year-round campsites were the exception. Mesquite beans formed their staple food, but in season they ate many kinds of seeds, berries, and roots. In the desert their diet included lizards, snakes, grubs, and insects, as well as any small mammals they could catch.

For houses they prepared circular wickiups of brush and willow. Their basketry was excellent and their tightly-woven water bottles were highly prized by other Indian nations in California. Many of these are found in basket collections hundreds of miles from the spot where they were fashioned.

TRAILS

The early trail through Red Rock was always difficult due to the sandy soil. It was subject to frequent washouts by torrential cloudbursts which even now rage through the gulches during winter months. Freighters and stageline drivers, however, for many years cursed their way through the gorge over this unimproved road on the passage between Los Angeles and Owens Valley. Their alternative was the detour around the east end of the El Pasos which was difficult and too long to be practicable.

Ricardo, a canyon stopover, was established during the 1890's by the early miner Rudolf Hagen, and named by him in memory of his son, Richard. The original building fell victim to a flood some years ago and was rebuilt a short

distance to the west. This later structure is now abandoned and near obliteration.

During the 1920's the road through the canyon was first black-topped with oilsand. Then in 1931 a modern paved highway section was dedicated, which in 1958 was succeeded by today's four-lane expressway. A short distance within the southern entrance, where the concrete bridge spans the main streambed, the present roadway passes almost over the original site of Ricardo. Early accounts mention the nearby location of Sullivan's Spring where miners and travelers secured drinking water. This spring still exists a few hundred yards northeast of the road, protected by weathered timbers placed here long ago. Two miners, named Sullivan and Black, ran a placer claim in the vicinity in 1899; the spring is presumably named for the former.

In 1908 the City of Los Angeles contracted with the Southern Pacific Company to construct a nine-mile branch rail line from Cantil Siding up Red Rock Canyon. This standard-gauge line was completed in January, 1909, and operated almost continuously for twenty-two months. It was then dismantled and its material sold to the railroad and the U.S. Reclamation Service.

Once a cloudburst ripped out a section below the canyon's south entrance, and a number of the twisted rails lie rusting in the wash, not far off the present highway. Nearby stand the remains of a stone and earthen dam built by Hagen; most of this was also carried off by a canyon flood.

The entire aqueduct was completed in October, 1913, and since that date has transported water over 225 miles of desert and mountains to the expanding metropolis in the Los Angeles Basin. The principal section through the Sierra, west of Red Rock, required the drilling of a two-mile tunnel through a soft sandstone formation, an operation that was completed in seven months. The tunnel was then completely lined with concrete during the next eight months. During the month of August, 1909, this job saw the establishment of a new world's mark for rock drilling when crews of the Jawbone Division cut a record 1,000 feet, eclipsing all former standards.

RED ROCK CANYON TODAY

Red Rock has been a popular mecca for "rockhounds" since the hobby's birth several decades ago. Although the area has yielded considerable material, diligent searching can still find a variety of excellent specimens. Among these are agate, quartz crystals, and small opals. Chalcedony in various mixtures and colors is also present, as well as brown, green, and red moss jasper. As has already been mentioned, petrified wood is still available, but the once noted "petrified forest" in Last Chance Canyon no longer exists. The fossil remains, formerly so plentiful on the surface, have been entirely carried off by voracious collectors.

Gone, also, are the bighorn sheep that ranged the high ridges surrounding Red Rock in former days. Nor are there any survivors of the great herds of prong-horn antelope that grazed in the gulches and over the broad expanse of Fremont Valley. Their final extermination occurred well within the memory span of persons yet living.

However, man and his guns have not succeeded in divesting Red Rock of all wildlife. Small mammals and birds are well represented though understandably wary. Desert jack rabbits and cottontails can be glimpsed scooting from bush to bush, and lucky observers may spot an occasional coyote or kit fox trotting down one of the sandy washes. There are also gophers, as well as rats and mice of various species.

During summer months a host of lizards constantly darts over the rocks and blistering sand. Rattlesnakes are also present in moderate numbers. A surprising variety of birds passes through the canyon. They include finches, warblers, wrens, linnets, and thrashers. Hawks, mourning doves, and mocking birds are also fairly common. Ravens, buzzards, owls, and the fast-moving road runner apparently make this their home on a year-round basis. With patience, bird watchers could undoubtedly run up an impressive list of feathered visitors.

Most of the plants common to the Mojave Desert abound in Red Rock. Some of the more familiar are the Joshua tree, mesquite, creosote bush, and desert holly. Wet winters usually bring out brilliant patches of wildflowers the following spring, which invariably entice thousands of sightseers to the area. Other attractions during this season are the impressive Easter sunrise services held annually in the canyon. These observances, which began in 1928, have continued to the present with few interruptions.

The desert seems to have a strange fascination for unusual individuals, and the El Pasos certainly never had a stranger resident than William Henry Schmidt. This man, better known as "Burro" Schmidt, spent thirty-eight years alone, digging and blasting a half-mile tunnel completely through a granite mountain. So far as can be determined he carried out his prodigious task, using the simplest of tools, merely for his own satisfaction; only a fraction of the rock removed contained ore of any value. At the tunnel's completion in 1938, Schmidt became a celebrity when Bob Ripley featured him in one of his "Believe It or Not" cartoons. Schmidt died in 1954 at the age of 82; and his tunnel, located on an upper ridge of Last Chance Canyon, is still regularly visited by the curious. Charley Koehn, who homesteaded Kane Springs between present day Cantil and

Saltdale in 1892, was another early personality. Often referred to as the "Bismarck of the Desert" and the "Wild Dutchman," Koehn built up a small settlement near his spring. During the boom of the local placers he became their chief supplier of garden vegetables and hard liquor.

Koehn was around for quite a spell, and during his last years he was the fellow movie companies contacted when they required wagons and mules for their filmmaking in Red Rock. Even prior to the 1920's, before the talkies, the canyon was a favorite Hollywood locale for outdoor scenes. More recently its cliffs have formed the background of numerous sound extravaganzas. Its terrain has also become familiar to television viewers since western episodes are frequently filmed here.

Quite a few "oldtimers" spent their last years in Goler Wash on the southern flank of the El Pasos, but their modest shacks are now possessed by late arrivals. The possibility of earthquakes is evidently of small concern to them for their dwellings in this shallow trench stand directly atop the Garlock Fault.

--Richard C. Bailey
Kern County Museum

(*Mr. Bailey is past president of the Conference of California Historical Societies ana the Western Section of the American Association of Museums, and is chairman of the Restoration Committee of Fort Tejon.*)

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What's Happening

VANDALISM COSTS

In 1972, the cost of vandalism and theft in California's 17 National Forests amounted to $500,000. The areas hardest hit are campgrounds, picnic areas, roadside vista points, beaches, nature trails and boat launching ramps. Restrooms, doors, shingles, and siding have been torn down or shot-up, concrete stoves broken up, fences and gates torn down, campground ticket boxes destroyed, and paint sprayed on rocks and buildings. The tax dollars used to repair these facilities would have built three new 50-unit campgrounds.

NATIONAL PARK ECOLOGY SEMINARS

Nationally known experts in ecology and geology will conduct seven seminars during the coming summer at Rocky Mountain National Park in Colorado, 60 miles north of Denver. Classes range from six days to two weeks in length and are held in the National Park or its vicinity. The park provides an outdoor laboratory in a natural environment both for the study of geological process and products and for animals, plants and their ecosystems.

Since 1961, the Rocky Mountain seminars have attracted people interested in the environment from across the nation. Participants range from students to housewives, with an educational equivalent of high school senior the only seminar prerequisite. The seminars are organized through the efforts of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior; the Rocky Mountain Nature Association, Inc.; Thorne Ecological Institute, Boulder, Colo.; the Colorado State Department of Education; University of Colorado; and the Estes Park Chamber of Commerce.

The seminar schedule: Rocky Mountain ecosystems, June 18–23; mountain geology, June 25–30; innovative ecological studies, July 2–14; mountain ecology, July 2–7; plant identification, July 9–14; bird ecology, July 16-21; and alpine ecology, July 23–28. Fees begin at $45 for a single course with special rates for those who wish to enroll in more than one seminar.

Seminar brochures are available from the Executive Secretary, Rocky Mountain Nature Association, Inc., Rocky Mountain National Park, Estes Park, Colo., 80517. Information is available by phoning area code (303) 586-3259.

BLM STATION TO AID DESERT TRAVELERS

A Way Station to provide communications and services for first aid and rescue, as well as environmental educational exhibits, offices, and public information facilities will be built in Barstow. The station, first in a chain of BLM desert visitor centers, will be located just off Interstate 15. Construction of the $400,000 facility is scheduled to begin in July.

6 DOES IT AGAIN!

District 6, All-Time Clipping Champion, has *again* walked off with the honors for the Most Press Clippings Clipped in January. Their 87 clippings were way ahead of the runner-up, District 3 with 40 clippings.

Also-rans were District 4, 27 clippings; District 2, 26; District 5, 18; and District 1, 14. Headquarters personnel contributed 30, and Allen's Press Clippery, 38.

The clippings, routed around Headquarters offices, let us in Sacramento in on what's happening in the field.

THE PARK BOND ISSUE – 1974

In the January issue of News and Views we reported that the Department will prepare a brochure by January 1974 identifying our priorities of expenditures for both the acquisition and development programs. This brochure will be distributed statewide prior to June 1974 to inform the

public of the importance of this Bond Issue and tell what the money will provide for public use and enjoyment.

It is important to point out that the Department has already established a precedent of reporting its intended use of funds prior to an election. The best example of this occurred in 1970 under Proposition 20 when the Department advised the public of specific development projects for the expenditure of $60 million. The funds were specifically earmarked to provide recreational facilities and fish and wildlife enhancement at units of the State Water Project as follows:

	Recreation Man Days	Cost
Northern California		
Bethany Reservoir (Alameda County)	70,000	$ 800,000
Lake Del Valle (Alameda County)	1,633,000	3,200,000
Lake Oroville (Butte County)	855,000	3,015,000
Upper Feather River Basin, (Plumas County)	200,000	1,000,000
Central California		
San Luis Reservoir (Merced County)	2,000,000	$ 3,370,000
Ingram Creek (Stanislaus County)	273,000	1,260,000
Southern California		
Castaic Lake (Los Angeles County)	2,500,000	$ 3,000,000
Peace Valley (Los Angeles County)	410,000	1,800,000
Ritter Canyon (Los Angeles County)	219,000	1,100,000
Pyramid Lake (Los Angeles County)	70,000	1,000,000
Lake Perris (Riverside County)	5,346,000	17,280,000
Oro Grande Wash (San Bernardino County)	259,000	1,400,000
Silverwood Lake (San Bernardino County)	2,250,000	6,825,000
Recreational Facilities Along the California Aqueduct		2,950,000
Fish and Wildlife Enhancement		6,000,000
Planning		2,500,000
Contingencies		3,500,000
TOTALS	16,085,000	$60,000,000

Since the bond was approved, we have followed the funding allotment to the letter and have not allowed any funds to be transferred from one project to another. Spending the funds as approved gives the Department an excellent record with the voters.

Accordingly, with passage of the 1974 Bond Act, the Department would comply with the program presented to the public prior to the election.

Richard May, Chief
Bond Program Coordination

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CAMPING OUT – ON ARTIFICIAL TURF

From the Fresno Bee. Reprinted by permission.

Ah, to get away from it all and sit around the old campground – snug in a 20-story building in the middle of a big city.

It is no dream. A company has announced plans to construct the high-rise project in the heart of that fascinating chunk of outdoors known as downtown New Orleans.

Eight lower floors would be for ordinary parking. Twelve upper stories would accommodate 240 individual sites equipped with utility hookups for campers.

Campsites would be carpeted with artificial turf and there would be a rooftop pool.

The promoters say it is designed for today's different brand of camping. Folks no longer want the woodsy bit, they say, but prefer to rough it in comfort.

The idea opens up bright new vistas for the leisure age.

What's Happening

There is, you must admit, nothing like bestirring to the sounds of an awakening city, to hear the cacophony of the early morning commute, the rumble of busses and the sweet clatter of trucks.

What can compare with the smell of cooking bacon blended into the carbon monoxide and smog which come at no extra charge? Who would dare ask for a better view than that of thousands of workers surging onward to their jobs in the caves and canyons below?

Just think of the challenge of exploring the concrete wilderness and all the romantic adventures liable to befall you along the trail. It certainly beats the dark quiet of the forest, the rush of water in a cold mountain stream, the joy of pulling in a big one from a lake high in the hills.

Sorry about that, Mother Nature.

OOPS!

Last month, in the article on the Coastal Zone Conservation Act, we said that the Coastal Zone Permit Area extends from 1,000 feet inland of mean high tide to the seaward limit of state jurisdiction. It doesn't. It extends from 1,000 *yards* inland of mean high tide.

Makes a difference!

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YIELD FROM THE FIELD

THE LONE RANGER

The Lone Ranger is not dead – he lives on at Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. Ranger *Ken Cater* was in charge of patrolling the Fish Creek district of the park, 97,000 acres of the driest desert that God was able to bake in California – flat sandy desert, rough dry washes for roads, narrow rocky chasms, steep cliffs, anticlinal folds, faults and fractures, and a lifeless expanse of mud hills known as the Carrizo Badlands.

Part of this area was used as a bombing range and impact area during World War II. Only about one out of ten of the bombs actually exploded, so the many live bombs spice patrolling this area. Cater worked daily in conjunction with outpost Ranger *Gar Salzgeber*, a vehicle tracker renowned in these parts. Like the old Canadian Mounties, Gar will track a man for miles, and he just about always gets his man. His patrol district is nearly 120,000 acres.

These men, as well as other outpost rangers at Anza-Borrego State Park, will often put over a hundred miles on a vehicle in one day without ever touching a paved road. Funny as it seems, it's the dry loneliness, the 200-degree summer surface temperatures, the gut-busting dry washes, sidewinders, scorpions, sandstorms, and who knows, maybe even the extra thrill of the bombs, that attract the men to the desert to work and live in rugged and often harsh outpost assignments.

Ken Cater is an example of a ranger with "horse sense", a man who can think on his feet. Sixty-two miles from headquarters, with forty miles of rough, sun-baked, tortuous dry wash terrain between him and the nearest paved road, and twelve more miles to the nearest hand crank phone, he found himself facing two U-bolts broken from metal fatigue, rear axle against the IH Scout frame, and a leaf spring lying in the sand. Undaunted, Ken grabbed up a park boundary post, jacked up the vehicle and jammed the post in. He drove the full sixty miles back to headquarters, leaving a trail of splinters to mark his path. Ken's report to the mechanic was that the boundary post took all the shimmy out of the front end of the Scout – would he consider replacing the other three springs with boundary posts?

The tales of men and experiences in this park, some very tragic, could go on and on. People have died within spitting distance of the Fish Creek Ranger Station and have not been found for weeks. Rangers have driven vehicles with barrel cactus wedged for a spring, or tied together with rope and bailing wire until they could get to headquarters. And not too many years ago they didn't even have radios. Even today rangers will occasionally walk fifteen miles or more to get help when a vehicle radio is not working and the vehicle itself is broken down. . . as I did only the day before this article was written!

Robert Service said it all when he wrote, "There's a land where the mountains are nameless and the rivers run God knows where. There are lives that are erring and aimless and deaths that hang by a hair. Hardships that nobody reckoned, valleys unpeopled and still. There's a land and it beckons and beckons and I want to go back and I will."

Those of you younger rangers who do not believe in the Lone Ranger or those of you older rangers with big elbows, we welcome you at Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, the park that still has a lot of sky and a patent pending on good, mild winter weather.

Jim Hart
Anza-Borrego Desert SP

FLOWER POWER *It's a Good Idea*

One of the earliest flower blooms in seven years has occurred at Anza-Borrego Desert SP. Many of the patrol rangers, although not botanists, were really happy to talk to the public about flowers this year. The reason is simple: Last summer two men took time to put together six photo album flower books of the common Anza-Borrego Desert SP flowers. The two men are *Barry Jones*, now in Sacramento, and Naturalist *Ernie Brown*, now of Lake Elsinore Area fame. Park visitors for years to come will reap the benefit of their simple, relatively inexpensive idea.

No longer does the park ranger guess, based on visitor's description, which flower the visitor saw. Instead, he pulls out his flower album and lets the visitor thumb to its picture, which is labeled and described as to uses or adaptive features. As most rangers know, no store-bought book has all the flowers found in a park, and if you do find the flower you want, it is generally poorly illustrated or the description is in botanic jargon.

The flower album also proves an excellent attention getter for talks to various schools and children's groups, and provides a good lead-in when talking to the average camper about desert plant adaptation.

The patrol rangers at Anza-Borrego Desert SP are pleased with this book and feel that the naturalists and Visitor Services in Sacramento did a great service to the field ranger in putting it together.

Jim Hart, Patrol Ranger
Anza-Borrego Desert SP

Jim Hart shows the Flower Book to visitor.

THE PACKER CAPER OR THE STENCH CONNECTION

It was a quiet Monday morning at Point Lobos SR. Only a dozen cars had passed through the gates on that gray, rainy day, and most of the people had something unpleasant to say, probably due to the weather or perhaps it was just another "blue Monday" to them. About the only guy who seemed really happy was the garbage man, Olcese Tillie, who honked his horn a couple a times, gunned his engine, and headed on down the road to Rat Hill to pick up his garbage.

Ranger *Jim Fife* and Park Aid *Francis Grate* were in the kiosk restocking supplies when from down the road they heard the customary roaring of the low geared engine signifying the return of the 10-ton packer. They were expecting Olcese's usual friendly speech on how to solve a few more of the world's problems when they noticed dense smoke pouring out of the giant white and green truck.

Leaning out the window as he brought the smoking giant to a stop, Olcese yelled for a fire truck and then ran for the nearest hose. Jim ran for another hose while Francis called the fire department. Both men, standing on top of the truck, sent streams of water into the smoking mass, which seemed to do little to alleviate the problem. Several times Jim and Olcese felt the truck roll slightly as explosions sounded from deep within.

Maintenance Man II *Frank Hayford* arrived on the scene to aid in directing traffic and clearing the road of cars for the arriving fire trucks. The Highlands Fire Department rolled in with two pumpers and several smaller vehicles, followed by the usual crowd of onlookers who managed to jam the entrance area to the Reserve.

The fire fighters had worked with the smoking mass (or maybe mess . .have you ever smelled hot burning garbage?) for about twenty minutes when they realized that they could not put it out. Olcese, realizing that his truck's metal walls would soon start to buckle from the intense heat, started yelling that it must be dumped. There seemed to be no choice but to dump it right where it was – near the entrance kiosk to the Reserve.

Frank Hayford, assisted by Maintenance Man *Bob Elliston* and Maintenance Aid *Robin Bassett*, cleared away people and vehicles too close to the area. Then the rear doors on the burning truck were thrown open and seven tons of garbage began to fall onto the road. Four hoses, plus several shovels and axes, cut into the flaming mass until the smoke abated and the fire was put out.

The fire crews cleaned up their gear and began pulling out of the Reserve. The tourists either went on into the Reserve or proceeded on their own separate ways with Frank and Bob directing traffic to get those vehicles out of the congested entrance safely.

Left behind was a small garbage man and a huge, wet pile of soggy garbage right in the middle of the road. Looking at the mountain of garbage piled higher than the kiosk roof, that gentleman grabbed the biggest shovel he could find and began the monumental task of shoveling seven tons of waste back from whence it had come.

We couldn't leave poor Olcese out there in the rain by himself. The park staff all joined in cleaning up the mess

and by early afternoon, after hundreds of shovelfuls of garbage had been dumped into hoppers and then lifted into the truck, the problem had driven off down the road.

However, don't ever say to Olcese, as Jim did, anything about having the cleanest garbage truck in town or you, too, may end up wearing a banana peel on your Stetson.

NEW DOCENT PROGRAM AT SONOMA

The Sonoma League of Historic Preservation is cooperating with Sonoma SHP to provide guide services at the Toscano Hotel (see article in February issue) starting April 1. The "crash" program is being instituted to coincide with the celebration of the 150th anniversary of the founding of Mission San Francisco Solano on July 4, 1823.

The League will be responsible for providing docents to keep the hotel open three days a week – Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., for the benefit of school groups, and Saturdays and Sundays from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m.

The docents, many of whom are retired persons, college students, or housewives, will dress in the "every-day" styles worn in General Vallejo's day. Each of the 32 docents will work two 4-hour shifts per month. Before starting duty, they will participate in three training sessions of three hours each covering the history of the Toscano Hotel, how to give tours and make presentations, park philosophy, public relations, and standards of conduct.

This trial docent program is scheduled to terminate on September 30, but Area Manager *Dick Menefee* hopes not only to continue it at Sonoma, but to inaugurate similar programs at Petaluma and Jack London SHPs.

EVERYBODY'S TALKING ABOUT IT –

The weather, that is. It was a soggy January at most park units, and many had to grapple with problems caused by unusual cold and flooding.

In addition to heavy rainstorms, the effects of high winds and tides were felt at many beaches. There was minor flooding at all units of the **Channel Coast Area**, along with erosion and debris on the beaches. At **Silver Strand SB**, the parking lots and tunnels were flooded, and **Gaviota SP** was closed by flooding that washed out the beach and adjacent parking areas. The **Monterey Area** crew removed the sand bar across the mouth of the Carmel River barely in time to prevent flooding due to a storm, and three picnic tables and five cement fire rings disappeared from **San Onofre SB.** Chorro Creek overflowed, and flooded **Morro Bay SP** and its entrance road. At **Atascadero**, six campsites and a 500-square-foot parking area were lost to slides, and raw sewage in the creek forced closure of **Pismo SB** for a time. But the ducks and waterfowl had a field day. Four or five feet of bluff washed away at **Half Moon Bay SB**, and Area Manager *Al Ulm* expects to lose the front room of Residence No. 6 in the next storm. And at the **San Diego Coast** beaches, a hailstorm combined with everything else to damage the access stairways at South Carlsbad and threaten the lifeguard towers, parking areas, chemical toilets and shower areas. A wall of water broke all check dams but one at the **Torrey Pines SR** extension, and silt clogged the opening of the Los Penasquitos Lagoon for a time.

Roads at **Sugarloaf Ridge** and **Robert Louis Stevenson SPs** were closed by slides and fallen trees, and fallen redwoods caused problems at units in the **Dyerville** and **Santa Cruz Mountain Areas.**

Heavy frosts damaged trees and shrubs at **Benicia SRA** where Area Manager *Auburn Rose* estimates 30 percent of the shrubs and 25 percent of the trees were killed, and at **Clear Lake SP**, which was closed for five days due to downed tree limbs blocking the roads.

Tom Miller, new **Mendocino Area** manager, describes January there as "rather damp" – 31.26" of you-know-what as of January 31. Many of the area's septic tanks are acting in reverse, collecting water instead of leaching it into the soil, and the septic tank serving the day use area at Hendy Woods was swept away completely by the flooding Navarro River.

At the **Montane Area**, precipitation caused a different type of problem. With eight inches of snow on the ground, nearly four thousand vehicles visited the parks, leaving mud, cardboard boxes, and pieces of plastic in their wake. Accidents were numerous – in addition to vehicles sliding and people falling, one visitor suffered first and second degree burns in the conflagration that resulted when he tried to encourage his campfire with an application of gasoline.

However, 30 degree temperatures didn't faze **Four Rivers Area** visitors, according to Ranger *George Weldon*. At 9 a.m. on January 1, swimmers began arriving with their ski equipment. Not snow . . .*water*skiing!

Looking on the bright side of his frozen water line, **Providence Mountains Area** Manager *Alan Scheibli* comments, "The weather might have caused temporary inconveniences, but we expect to have an outstanding wildflower display this spring."

SIERRA DRAWS HOLIDAY CROWDS

Many Californians celebrated the three-day Washington's Birthday holiday in the snow-capped Sierra Nevada. At Donner Memorial SP, over 300 people remembered the tragedy of the Donner Pass by visiting the Emigrant Trail Museum, while their children enjoyed building snowmen and sliding down the banks of the path to the museum.

At Sugar Pine Point, 30 campsites were filled with enthusiastic winter campers. Snowshoe and cross-country skiing instruction was offered by Rangers *Landon Waggoner* and *Carl Anderson*, and young and old alike slid down the snow banks at the Ehrman Mansion on all sorts of devices, including the seats of their pants.

And at Grover Hot Springs, 38 snowshoe and cross-country ski enthusiasts enjoyed a moonlight snow hike followed by a swim in the Hot Springs pool.

HANDICAPPED CHILDREN ENJOY TOUR

A group of orthopedically handicapped children from Hanford visited Hearst Castle on February 1, 1973. The group's bus was especially equipped with an electric elevator for loading and unloading. The Naval Air Base at Lemoore furnished two men to aid in moving the children about. Two volunteer high school girls were also excused from classes to help. Guides *Helen Connor* and *Bill Lanier* took the group on a special tour route where only a few steps were encountered. All enjoyed the tour and missed nothing that is seen by the regular tour visitor.

Ronald Elkins, Ranger II
Hearst San Simeon SHM

MOUNT DIABLO WILL BE STUDIED

This spring, University of California Extension students will have a chance to study Mount Diablo's plant and animal prehistory, its geology, and the human history associated with it.

The mountain is the northern or southern limit of many plants, and illustrates east-west transition from the hot dry interior to the cooler, wetter coast. Important fossil beds are found there that contain the most complete record of Bay Area geology to be found in one place.

The field-study program is scheduled April 6–8; the faculty will include Mary L. Bowerman, author of "The Flowering Plants and Ferns of Mount Diablo", and Ranger *John Werminski*, author of "Trees of Mount Diablo." Participants in the program meet April 6 from 7 to 10 p.m. on the UC-Berkeley campus for introductory lectures and then take up field studies April 7 and 8 at Mount Diablo.

MOBILE HOME MOUSE AT SALTON SEA

A few years ago, the operators of the trash truck at Salton Sea SRA began noticing that goodies left in the glove compartment – cookies, cigarette paper, etc. – would disappear. And one day, when Maintenance Man *Jerry Laymance* opened the cab door to work on some wiring, out popped Mr. Mouse.

He knew his way around the truck, and there was no catching him. It was evident that, despite the hazards of compacting mechanism, heat, and tons of trash being dumped into his living room periodically, this smart mouse had decided that the truck beat the desert habitat all hollow – after all, during the day the truck provided him with a Smorgasbörd of the best food around, and at night he could rest in complete safety from cats and coyotes.

What better life could a nomadic mouse ask for?

George Morris
Maintenance Assistant

HOW DO YOU "UNBUILD" A TRAIL?

How do you "unbuild" something? Our knowledge of how to build things (and in the process ruin natural areas) far exceeds our ability to return a developed or used area back to its natural condition.

Such was the problem faced at Sugarloaf Ridge SP on two cold and snowy December days. The poorly located Upper Falls Trail had become dangerous.

Students from an applied forestry class at Santa Rosa Junior College, led by Instructor Dave Turner, went to work to obliterate the trail so that people could not see where it had been. Such a natural effect was accomplished by filling in the tread, planting native plants, and spreading tree litter on the disturbed earth.

The students did such a good job that on their way back a group of them became lost for a short time.

This project is another good example of cooperative efforts applied by other organizations, under our guidance, helping to make units of the State Park System safe and enjoyable places to recreate.

G. K. Loomis
State Park Ranger Trainee

The Sugarloaf trail "unbuilders" take a break.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

COLOMA IS CAPITAL-FOR-A-DAY

A quick-draw contest, a fire parade, gold panning demonstrations, operation of Sutter's Mill, an old-fashioned melodrama, a whiskerino contest, and a Miner's Dance entertained the visitors who came to Coloma to help celebrate the 125th anniversary of the discovery of California gold in January 1848. Governor Reagan, who appeared in the parade riding an Appaloosa named Amador, designated the village "State Capital" for one day, and former U.S. Senator William Knowland was parade marshal.

Due to frantic last-minute efforts by the park staff, the contractors responsible for undergrounding Coloma's electric utilities, the Green Thumb volunteers, the Growlersburg Conservation Camp crew, and members of the Coloma advisory committee, all was ready to welcome the 35,000 visitors who descended on the park the weekend of January 27-28. A highlight was the reopening and rededication of Saint John's Catholic Church, where Father O'Brien, pastor of the Catholic Church in Placerville, held Latin services. Area Manager *Gus Till* has been under special pressure to complete the restoration – his daughter Dolly plans to be married in the church next summer.

These belles enlivened the "mellerdramer."

Practicing for the quick-draw contest.

LIFEGUARDS GET UNANIMOUS ACCLAIM

While on a combination camping/motorcycle trip in the desert, Lifeguard Supervisors *Bill Kramer* and *Mel Tubbs* from the Orange Coast Area were notified that an old miner with a broken leg was stranded on an icy path up one of the canyons. He had been there for five hours while the locals stood around not knowing quite what to do, other than supply him with cigarettes and a little wine to keep him warm.

Using their first-aid knowledge and supplies, Kramer and Tubbs splinted the old man's leg, and hauled him out of the canyon so the local rescue team could transport him to the hospital in Ridgecrest.

The lifeguards were hailed as heroes by the entire population of Ballaret, California – ALL SIX OF THEM!!!!!

SOLUTIONS

The "wire cage" problem might be improved at the Toscano Hotel at Sonoma SHP in a number of ways.

From the photograph it appears the wire mesh is of a light color (galvanized, white or light gray). Painting the wire a flat black would make it less noticeable looking through. This technique is used by aviary cage builders and the *pleasant viewing improvement* is dramatic when looking through *any* wire mesh. Use a paint roller to apply.

The problems of using glass instead of wire could be minimized as follows:

Dirty glass, presumably from young children, could be minimized by installing a strategically located rail or decorative facade to make it difficult to lean against the glass and peer between hands (the typical children's method of viewing through glass).

Glare on the glass could be minimized by tinting the glass installed, or the glass where the light source is, or by using polaroid shades or tinting spray which should be suitable.

If cutting the wire is a current problem, then breakage of glass might pose a similar problem unless shatter-resistant type is used. A variety of homemade alarms (audible to scare offender off, or silent wired to a park office, if one is nearby) are available. If alarms are suitable, contact Ranger *Homer Rail* at the Golden Gate Area as he has done a skilled job at nominal cost on previous occasions.

A. F. Crum
Safety & Enforcement Specialist
District 3

WE NEED ALL THE HELP WE CAN GET . . .

. . .and we got quite a bit in January. For instance:

At **Big Basin** and **Castle Rock SPs**, the Sempervirens Fund held tree planting projects; some of the trees planted were 5-gallon-size redwoods.

A group of about 40 from the Jewish Community Center of La Jolla held its third annual celebration of Tu-Bishevat, a traditional Arbor-Day-type affair emphasizing the idea of replenishing the earth, at **Torrey Pines SR.** Supervised by Ranger Trainees *John Stafford* and *Doranne Von Ende*, the children planted three Torrey pines; then the group enjoyed refreshments and a talk by Ranger *Ron Secovitch* on how the seedlings would in time become trees. One tree was serenaded with guitar and chorus, then christened "Stuart Little" after a literary character. In addition, eight members of the Native Daughters of the Golden West planted poppys on the banks surrounding the Reserve's beach parking lot.

Boy Scout Troop 405 of the Grizzly Bear District helped out at **Indian Grinding Rock SHP,** doing some tree thinning work laid out by District 3 Forester *Gene Thomas* and Sacramento Area Manager *Kirby Morgan*. **Sacramento Area** is also about to receive the assistance of eight docents; the first of eight training sessions for the docents was held January 29.

Green Thumb, a group of volunteer retired men, has been helping out in many locations. At **Marshall Gold Discovery SHP,** the men worked hard to get the Catholic Church ready for its reopening, and members also filled in a six-foot-deep pit at **Indian Grinding Rock.** General cleanup and removal of all sorts of debris at **Camillus Nelson SHF** was also performed by the group.

North Valley Area Manager *Lorin Forsyth* reports the return of one of the Bidwell's chairs to the Mansion. Mrs. Paul McComish of Calistoga received it 35 years ago from Annie E. K. Anderson of Rancho Santa Fe, grand-niece of Mrs. Bidwell.

Many ecology groups are willing and eager to assist **Mount Diablo SP** staff in controlling erosion and in other resource protection problems, according to Area Manager *Ed Earl.* Roy Hutslar, a student at Diablo Valley College, is doing an exceptionally good job in halting steep hillside erosion at Juniper Campground.

Millerton Lake has benefitted from volunteer labor of several groups and many individuals. During 1972 the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, U.S. Coast Guard Reserves and Auxiliary, Fresno J.C., Fresno Boat Club, Fresno Boat and Ski Club, Central Cal Boaters, Air National Guard, and individuals contributed over six thousand hours of help, mainly in litter pickup, tree planting, and maintenance projects. Area Manager *Bill Reinhardt* comments that the driftwood collection would probably never be completed by park staff, and believes that much damage to boats has been prevented.

Members of the Good Sam Recreation Vehicle Club donated time and talent to prepare a site for rec-vee rallys at **Brannan Island SRA.** Donated materials and money or pledges provided more than enough for the water supply. The park staff is providing technical assistance; Maintenance Man *Bill Clary* has been rearranging his days off to work with the group.

And on January 27, Boy Scout Troop 186 of Lancaster, directed by Ranger *Roger Titus,* worked hard at general cleanup and planting of California poppy seeds at **McGrath SB.**

IN THE AREAS

Big Sur Area, *Jack Stowe* – A plastic garbage can filled with wood ashes and lime or fertilizer was found buried at Julia Pfeiffer Burns SP – rangers are keeping an eye on it to find out whether its owner plans to fertilize a marijuana crop.

Calaveras Area, *Bob Stewart* – The cross-country skiing and snowshoe hikes seem to have captured visitors' imaginations – 20 to 50 hikers participate each weekend that weather permits. One of the trails, which gives skiers a view of the North Grove and the crest of the Central Sierra, has proven popular. A recently developed brochure aids visitors that take snow tours on their own . . .Although many visitors had to be turned away on the weekend of January 27-28, others commented that this was much better than previous occasions when day use visitors were packed in "like sardines."

Channel Coast Area, *Hal Terry* – Ranger *Dennis McMullin* led a nature hike for 20 mentally gifted children at McGrath SB, covering coastal marsh and marine ecology . . .Park Landscape Techinician *Ed Robertson* hosted the Sespe Group of the Sierra Club on a successful whale-watching cruise out of Channel Islands Harbor in Oxnard – 25 whales were sighted.

Delta Area, *Al Hibsch* – A new game warden is cracking down on illegal hunters at Franks Tract, citing three for hunting after sundown recently. Seems that 50 percent of the hunters contacted in the area had previous criminal records . . .Junior high students from Concord and Walnut Creek, using Franks Tract as a study area, found a beaver lodge on one of their field trips.

Folsom Lake Area, *Ron McCullough* – Though rainy weather put a crimp in the "Wild Goose Tour" program, since the geese moved on to richer feeding grounds, the program was nevertheless very successful, with an excellent response from school groups probably partly due to the newspaper and TV coverage.

Four Rivers Area, *Clyde Strickler* – When Ranger *Les McKnight* noticed a cottontail that was having trouble making any forward progress, he captured the animal and found that it had run its head through one of the holes in a plastic 6-pack carrier and couldn't free itself. McKnight cut it loose, and the rabbit just sat there for a few minutes, allowing itself to be petted. No telling how many more animals have been trapped this way, but haven't been so lucky . . . There were 15 countries and 42 states represented in the 14,498 visitors to the Romero Overlook and San Luis Pump-Generating plant during January.

Frontera Area, *Floyd Lemley* – The plaque designating La Casa de Estudillo as a registered National Historic Landmark, mounted on a large boulder, was installed. Cost of the labor was donated by Jeff Mogilner of the Golden Bull Tobacco Shop.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

Gaviota Area, *Pat Dougherty* — The maintenance crew tried out a new trailer-mounted garbage collection device, "The Cruncher," but after a few days of the racket, it made both visitors and staff glad to see it leave. Not only was it noisy, but it required double handling of the garbage and thus actually slowed down collection.

Mendocino Area, *Tom Miller* — Ranger *Wendell Rickon* came across an avid golfer practicing his sand-trap technique in the 10-Mile Dunes area — perhaps attacking a dune with a deadly weapon will soon be against park regs.

Millerton Lake Area, *Bill Reinhardt* — New land acquisition through BLM lease will permit tying into BLM trail project so the trail can end at Temperance Flat camps rather than just petering out . . .Bald and Golden eagles and Canadian geese are being spotted frequently . . .A striking color photo of the restored Millerton Courthouse is featured in the 1973 calendar published by the Fresno Community Hospital.

Orange Coast Area, *Bud Caughill* — Ranger *Dave Donahue* spent two days at San Clemente High School talking to several groups of students about the Department, environment, and career development.

Picacho Area, *Bob Frenzel* — Park Aid *Roy Guest* saw a meteor at around 7 p.m. on January 7; later he heard on the radio that it had also been seen in Taos, New Mexico and Salt Lake City.

Piercy Area, *James Neal* — The Department of Fish and Game is taking adult steelhead from the Benbow Fish Station into tank trucks at Benbow Lake SRA. . . . A visitor thought she had lost one of her contact lenses down the drain while washing her face, and appealed to Ranger *Jim Caldwell* for help. Fortunately, it had fallen on the floor, so a sink-disassembly job was averted . . . Piercy Area nonsmokers united and voted to ban smoking in the area office.

Providence Mountains Area, *Al Scheibli* — A movie producer decided that Mitchell Caverns would be perfect for his new horror film.

Russian River Area, *Bob Crawford* — Bird and animal sightings at various units include a pair of sparrow hawks, a pair of gum-boot chitons found dead on the beach, mating sea lions, black turnstones, black oystercatchers, short-eared owls, and whales on their annual migration . . . Mr. John Stefanuk of San Francisco visited Fort Ross; his great-great grandfather was a Ukranian prisoner at the Fort under its last Russian Commander, Rotchev. Escaping into Mexican territory, the prisoner worked his way back to Europe only to learn that he faced more imprisonment if caught or recognized, so he returned to San Francisco and finally settled down with his Mexican wife near Sebastopol. Fort Ross Historian *John MacKenzie* found Mr. Stefanuk a gold mine of anecdotes about Russian life at Fort Ross.

Sacramento Area, *Kirby Morgan* — About half of the Area staff took advantage of an invitation to the world premiere of "The Donner Party" being presented by the Eaglet Theater and enjoyed themselves very much . . .A two-year-old boy was so frightened of the Indians he was positive were lurking in the Indian Museum that he would not stay in the building, so Park Aid *Margret Jones* found herself helping him feed the ducks while his mother enjoyed the museum.

Salton Sea Area, *James G. Davis* — Five American egrets and 14 snowy egrets were observed in the Varner Harbor area.

San Diego Coast Area, *Jack Welch* — It was a "whale of a month" for whale sightings along the coast during the gray whale migration, with several whales sighted breaching two-thirds out of the water . . .San Diego Recreation Planner P. Cuthbert was so impressed with the design of San Elijo's lifeguard control tower that he plans to "borrow" it for the County's construction . . .The 3-year Littoral Environment Observation program, cooperation between the State and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to "establish a reservoir of repetitive systematic observations of the meterological and oceanographic forces which affect the shoreline and the response of the shoreline to these forces," terminated — just as Area Manager Welch learned to pronounce "littoral" . . .While on patrol in Torrey Pines SR, Ranger *Kent Hartwell* was surprised to see a group of well-dressed people standing under the trees enjoying the organ music. Organ music??? Organ music. Off the main trail a wedding was in progress, complete with portable organ and altar. After the ceremony, Ranger Hartwell explained the proper procedures for arranging to use the park, but hopes that this couple will not be needing it again.

San Luis Obispo Coast Area, *Bill Marshall* — When notified of a small oil spill at Atascadero, Standard Oil cleaned up the mess in a jiffy . . .Rangers *Jim Myers, Ken Leigh,* and *Stephen Hill* confirmed reports of 42 sea otters sighted off Montana de Oro . . .While on a tour of Los Osos Oaks with Ranger *Carl Chavez* and fellow Trainee *Stephen Michaels,* Ranger Trainee Hill found an arrow point in a midden exposed by recent rains.

San Simeon Area, *Wes Cater* — Considering the bad weather, the 22,111 visitors that the Castle received during January is remarkable.

Santa Cruz Mountain Area, *Curt Mitchell* — Animal sightings in January included three gray foxes, bobcats, and a group of at least six water ouzels.

Sonoma Area, *Joe Fazio* — The world premiere of Jack London's play "Gold," written with Herbert Heron in 1913, will be presented by the drama department of Jackson High School in the spring. This play was recently published by the Holmes Book Company in Oakland . . .Mrs. Xavier Martinez, daughter of a lifelong friend of London's, visited the park and had great praise for the exhibits in the House of Happy Walls . . .The Holman

Collection of Jack London's books and letters, received recently, will provide a valuable aid in future interpretive efforts . . .Petaluma Adobe Ranger *Jim Phillips,* appearing as a witness in a nude-on-the-beach case, saw the defendant challenge the first judge on the grounds that the judge had made a statement on the social impact of nudity on a public beach. But he should have let well enough alone – while the judge that was to have tried his case had recently meted out a 30-day suspended sentence in a similar case, the judge that actually did try it handed out a $50 fine, 90-day suspended jail sentence, and nine months' probation after he spotted his own daughter among the onlookers that Ranger Phillips had photographed . . .After a group of elementary school students from Froebel School heard Maintenance Man *Ed Duckworth's* explanation and demonstration of how the equipment at the U.S. Weather Recording Station located at the Sonoma Area Maintenance Shop worked, and what was done with the results, they went back to Glen Ellen determined to construct their own school weather station.

Will Rogers Area, *Carl Wilson* – Comco Productions did a TV feature film on the life of Will Rogers at his ranch, to be shown sometime this spring.

Sacramento HQ – A Little Old Lady with breathing problems called our Department by mistake and connected with *Daphne Bauer,* instead of reaching her daughter. While Daphne kept her on the phone long enough to find out where she was, *Marie Bunn* called the State Police and they were able to get to the LOL's home in time to pump some oxygen into her and save her.

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People

THITHER AND YON

In Sacramento Area personnel changes, *Fred Mitchell* arrived from Folsom Lake to take over as Chief Ranger on January 1, Steno *Penny O'Halloran* returned to the Resources Building to work for *Harry Beddig* in the Business Management Section,and Maintenance Man *Harold Hanna* traded jobs with *Jack Wilson* of the San Luis Obispo Coast Area.

After 14 years, *Lyle Keith* has left the Trinidad Area to become Chief Ranger at Calaveras; former Chief Ranger *Gene Schaal* has gone to Folsom Lake. Another new Calaveras Area employee is Park Aid *Norma Kennaw,* who left a far, far better-paid position in Los Angeles to come live in the redwoods.

Former Four Rivers Ranger *Al Galli* is now assigned to the Mendocino Area; *Richard D. Carpenter* has left the Monterey Area to become Dyerville's Chief Ranger. *Walter Sly* has been promoted to Maintenance Man II and has moved from Fort Humboldt to the San Luis Obispo Coast Area; he has been replaced at Fort Humboldt by *Wayne Gildesgard.* Big Sur Intermittent Ranger *Edward Tavares* has made the big time – he's now a Ranger Trainee in the Santa Cruz Mountain Area.

In Sacramento, *Norman Wilson* has been transferred to the Division of Design and Construction to do interpretive planning for capital outlay projects. *Robin Holmes,* Exhibit Coordinator, is in charge of the Exhibit Shop.

And the future changes: Personnel Officer *Ed Wilson* takes over at Folsom Lake on March 1, on a two-year training assignment, while Folsom Area Manager *Ron McCullough* goes to the Personnel Section in Sacramento on a training assignment. He replaces *Dale Buschke,* who is slated to become Regional Resource Officer in District 2;

Ed Wilson's wife Roberta and daughter Nancy joined Department employees at a farewell cookies-and-coffee party.

Garth Tanner will take over at Pajaro Coast as a Ranger V. *Tony Trigeiro* is scheduled to retire at the end of March.

Bob Hewitt, Maintenance Specialist at District 2, will take over the SPR-V spot at District 3 vacated by *Charles Cline,* who is on a two-year training tour with Concessions Division in Sacramento. *Jerry Johnson,* who is also on a Sacramento training assignment in the Management Analysis Section, has been promoted to SPR-III.

Al Ulm, now manager of the San Mateo Coast Area, is being promoted to SPR-IV and will take over at Los Lagos Area; Santa Cruz Mountain Chief Ranger *Roger Werts* will be the new manager at San Mateo Coast. And *Lloyd Geisinger* will become Chief Ranger at Lake Oroville, replacing *Tom Miller* who is now Mendocino Area Manager.

BROWNS ARE "ORIENTED"

We recently returned from a month-long vacation where we were "oriented" during visits to Japan, Taiwan, Singapore, Bangkok, Hong Kong and Manila.

In Japan we enjoyed visits to the famed National Shrine of Nikko, as well as those in Kyoto. In the National Shrine City of ancient Nara, tame deer are allowed to roam throughout the extensive grounds, with the public sold proper food to give them (both of us fed the deer, and have pictures to prove it).... a good tip for our concessionaires to act upon, so that the deer in Portola, Big Basin, Big Sur and other parks would be better fed.

Next stop was our favorite country, Taiwan (Formosa), where we were awed by the highway carved out of solid marble in sheer cliffs at the Taroko Gorge area, intrigued by the Smokey Bear-type "Keep Taiwan Green" sign, and impressed by the beautiful shrines and temples constructed at the mountainous Sun Moon Lake area.

Singapore proved a good shopping area, especially for cameras and equipment. Northern Thailand was full of gorgeous temples and shrines, as was the Bangkok area. Homes made of beautiful teakwood sold for U.S. $1,000!

In Hong Kong we found that instead of camping at the State Park level, the 40,000 or so "campers" live in junks along the waterfront – what a mess! Noticeably absent from view were the usual big trailers and campers we see daily at our own parks.

Last stop (other than a relaxing few days in Hawaii) was at Manila. We took a side trip by hydrofoil to Corregidor, where we were greatly moved by mementos of World War II that are still very much in evidence.

Now, back home in beautiful Napa Valley, we are happily contemplating Frank's retirement date of August 1st, and getting ready for next fall's vacation in the South Pacific!

Ione (Mrs. Franklyn) Brown
Bothe-Napa Area

STUDENT INTERN STUDIES OROVILLE

Since September 25, 1972, *Sandy Rabinowitch* has been working with the Project Development Section as a student intern. Sandy is a senior at the University of California, Davis, and his studies in environmental planning and management pertain to his work on a resource inventory for Lake Oroville SRA.

Recently, Sandy spent several days at the Forestry Remote Sensing Lab at the University of California in Berkeley. There, he learned to interpret infrared imagery from "high flights" (60 to 70 thousand feet) to determine the types and amounts of vegetation in the 2800-acre recreation area. In addition, he has worked to gather information on other aspects of the recreation area from other government agencies, private citizens, and special-interest groups.

Sandy will continue working on the project through March and, if his classes in the spring quarter permit, until his graduation in June.

Ken Mitchell
Landscape Architect

ON THE SICK LIST

Hearst Guide Supervisor *Irene Hanks* is off work until the end of March following surgery. At Frontera, both Area Manager *Maurice Morgan* and Ranger *Lyman Sutton* are back to work and feeling fine after their respective operations, and our spies tell us that Hiouchi Area Maintenance Man *Hugh Lundy's* recovery from the loss of four fingertips is nothing short of phenomenal. He can sign 202s and paychecks with no difficulty, and his fork action at a recent park potluck was unabated.

FLIGHT OF THE STORK

Salton Sea Intermittent Ranger *James R. Davis* was presented with a baby boy at the Palm Springs Hospital on January 12 – Jacob Barron Davis, 8 pounds 8 ounces. The father has finally admitted that the baby is only an "exceptional child." All are doing fine.

MARION HANSHEW RETIRED

Dear Editor:

I would like to thank all the park staff and their families for the kindness to Blanche and I during my illness. The blood donations were a life saver and I shall forever be grateful to those who gave blood as well as those that helped in making it happen.

Now that I am retired and settled in our new location, I sincerely hope that you will all visit us occasionally. Our new address is 156 H Street, Lincoln, California 95648. Phone 916-645-8457.

Sincerely,
Marion Hanshew

In a welcome diversion from the classroom, Group F Trainees enjoy a fast game of volleyball.

GROUP F LEAVES ASILOMAR

Another group of State Park Ranger Trainees successfully completed their 168 hours of formal training at the Department's Training Center on February 15th. Hired in September 1972, Group F Trainees have yet to attend the 240-hour Basic Peace Officer Training scheduled to begin April 23rd at Modesto. Once that is completed, the Trainees will be ready for transfer to their first permanent assignment.

Included in this group are: Ed Griggs, Bill Monahan, Dan Tuttle, Wes Chapin, Tom Harrison, Pat Wiese, Al Beilharz, Gary Fregien, Ray Lingel, Dave Richter, Bill Beat, Ray Patton, Steve Singer, Dick Troy, Mike Bartoo, Bob Blanford, Rob Hobkirk, John Melvin, Dan Preece, and Dave Van Cleve.

A total of 111 State Park Rangers have now completed the requirements of the formal training program, and an additional 63 Ranger Trainees are currently in various stages of training.

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STAFF CHANGES
AS REPORTED TO THE PERSONNEL SECTION BY 2-26-73

APPOINTMENTS

Ackerman, Larry D.	SPR (Int) to SPR Trainee	Point Mugu to San Luis Obispo Coast	1/31/73
Anderson, Robert E.	SPR (Int) to SPR Trainee	Trinidad to Golden Gate	1/8/73
Brown, William E.	Auditor I	Audit Section	1/22/73
Canby, Robert Jr.	SPR Trainee	Dyerville	1/8/73
Chapman, Betty	Pers Asst III	Personnel Section	1/31/73
Clark, Lee R.	SPR Trainee	San Diego	1/31/73
Clark, Richard E.	SPR Trainee	Folsom Lake	1/31/73
Cobb, Patricia K.	Clerk Typist II	Frontera	1/11/73
Craigen, David J.	SPR Trainee	Folsom Lake	1/8/73
Dupuy, Ronald J.	SPR Trainee	Lake Oroville	1/31/73
Friend, Daniel C.	SPR Trainee	Folsom Lake	1/31/73
Gildesgard, Wayne F.	Maint Man I	Fort Humboldt	1/15/73
Griffin, Alfred	Admin Trainee	Folsom Lake	2/8/73
Hill, Stephen C.	SPR Trainee	San Luis Obispo Coast	1/8/73
Joslyn, Heidi	Clerk Typist II	Personnel Section	2/21/73
Lee, Ronald L.	SPR Trainee	San Luis Obispo Coast	1/31/73
Lindsey, Thomas E.	SPR Trainee	San Diego	1/31/73
MacLaurin, Kenneth L.	Maint Man I	Big Sur	2/5/73

Mathias, John P.	Heavy Equip Mech	San Luis Obispo Coast	1/31/73
Meroney, Patrick C.	Jr. Staff Analyst	Audit Section	1/31/73
Michel, Stephen E.	SPR (Int) to SPR Trainee	San Luis Obispo Coast	1/8/73
Nash, Albert D.	SPR Trainee	San Diego	1/31/73
Scott, Dennis N.	Jr Archit Designer	Project Design & Constr	2/5/73
Tavares, Edward D.	SPR Trainee	Santa Cruz Mtns	1/31/73
Tjaden, Albert	Asst Landscape Archit	Project Dev Section	1/31/73
Treanor, Steven B.	SPR Trainee	Santa Cruz Mtns	1/31/73
Ueltzen, Robert G.	Park & Rec Spec Trainee	Resource Mgmt & Prot – Div Chief's Off	1/29/73
Verner, Kathryn	SPR Trainee	Folsom Lake	1/8/73
Wagers, William E.	SPR Trainee	Lake Oroville	1/31/73
Wong, Robert L.	SPR Trainee	San Diego	1/31/73

REINSTATEMENT

Flores, Stella	Senior Steno	Director's Office (Los Angeles)	1/25/73

PROMOTIONS

Burnett, Wayne E.	Guide II, HM	Monterey	2/15/73
Cannon, Luther B. Jr.	Maint Man II	Big Sur to High Desert	11/20/72
Engel, Craig A.	SPR II	Sierra to San Luis Obispo Coast	2/15/73
Hanna, Harold W.	Pk Maint Man II	Sacramento to San Luis Obispo Coast	1/15/73
Muetz, Michael G.	SPR I	Folsom Lake	12/21/72
Quincy, Ralph H.	Maint Man I	San Luis Obispo Cst to Hearst San Simeon SHM	1/1/73
Ray, Clyde W., Jr.	SPR IV	District 4 Headquarters	12/6/72
Ray, Mary	Sr Clerk Typist	Business Mgmt	1/5/73
Shideler, Charles A.	Maint Man II	Northern Mines to Golden Gate	1/31/73
Wade, Clifford S.	SPR II	Big Sur to Golden Gate	2/15/73

UNIT CHANGES

Dunn, James R.	Property Clerk I	District 1 Hdqtrs to Dyerville	1/8/73
Elliston, Robert E.	Maint Man I	Point Lobos to Monterey	1/1/73
Fife, James M.	SPR I	Point Lobos to Monterey	1/1/73
Galli, Alfred	SPR I	Four Rivers to Mendocino	1/31/73
Greenlee, Russell	Auditor I	Audit Sect to Accounting Sect	1/1/73
Hart, Eva R.	Clerk Typist II	Office & Res to Lake Oroville	1/1/73
Hayford, Frank R.	Maint Man II	Point Lobos to Monterey	1/1/73
Keith, Lyle B.	SPR II	Trinidad to Calaveras	1/31/73
Noriego, Armondo	SPR (Int)	North Valley to Lake Oroville	1/8/73
Rich, Donald	SPR III	Point Lobos to Monterey	1/1/73
Sargent, Ruth	Account Clerk II	Systems & Control to Accounting Sect	2/13/73
White, Joseph H.	SPR I	Point Lobos to Monterey	1/1/73
Wilson, Jack P.	Maint Man I	San Luis Obispo Cst to Sacramento	1/15/73

NAME CHANGE

Gardner, Dorothy (formerly Blamey)	Clerk Typist II	Personnel Sect	11/22/73

SEPARATIONS

Cater, Kenneth E.	SPR Trainee	San Diego Coast	1/30/73

Ford, Jack T.	SPR (Int)	Sierra Area	1/29/73
Gaines, Linda	Account Clerk II	Accounting	1/30/73
Hancock, Charles W.	SPR (Int)	Sierra Area	1/22/73
Knight, Mary L.	SPR (Int)	Sierra Area	1/24/73
Lane, Rodney A.	SPR (Int)	Sierra Area	1/23/73
Mettler, George H.	SPR (Int)	Plumas-Eureka Area	2/15/73
Padilla, Daniel L.	SPR (Int)	Frontera Area	1/30/73
Peyton, Thomas R.	SPR (Int)	Millerton Lake Area	1/24/73
Walery, Norbert C.	Archit Asst	Proj Design & Constr	2/19/73

IN MEMORIAM – CHARLES GAUS

We are saddened to report the death of our Honorary Ranger at Malakoff Diggins SHP. With his 95th birthday only a week away, Charles C. Gaus died in a convalescent hospital in Nevada City on February 25.

Gaus, who was born in North Bloomfield in 1878 and worked in the Malakoff Mine as a young man, donated over a hundred personal items to the park's museum. His other valuable contributions included "reminiscences" of North Bloomfield when the mine was operating, and he served as a unique tour guide, giving visiting school children a firsthand account of the miner's life.

Gaus' many friends have set up a Charlie Gaus Memorial Fund at the Mother Lode Bank, 735 Zion Street, Nevada City 95995. Money collected will be used, according to District 3 Superintendent Clyde Newlin, "to contribute some useful facility to North Bloomfield for continued public use. This is what Mr. Gaus was always working toward."

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION APRIL 1973

THE DIRECTOR

WILLIAM PENN MOTT, JR.

THE CALIFORNIA POPPY

Not so many years ago at this time of year, people in the San Francisco Bay area took a picnic lunch and drove to the Napa Valley to see the glorious display of California wildflowers. Fields of California poppy and lupine painted the landscape with great splashes of yellow and blue. Now, neatly organized rows of wine grapes, trained on wires, march in precise order, breaking up the landscape into geometric forms and presenting a new picture that may be no less attractive. But the wildflowers are gone!

Coming down the old grapevine grade into Bakersfield from Los Angeles in April, a driver was treated to a marvelous display of California wildflowers spread out before him for miles and miles. Great masses of golden California poppies presented a dazzling display of color intermingled with splotches of lupine blue, owl's-clover pink, and the white and yellow of tidytips. Gone are those exhilarating displays of spring wildflowers that thrilled countless thousands who drove this route. In their place, progress has provided uninteresting, drab, lookalike strip development. But the wildflowers are gone! the California poppy, our state flower, is gone!

Sir Francis Drake, Sebastian Vizcaino, and other explorers wrote in their diaries about the golden poppy bloom on the hills surrounding San Francisco Bay, San Diego Harbor, and Santa Barbara, a display of color so brilliant that it could be seen from miles out to sea. In his book "Two Years Before the Mast," Henry Dana tells about the colorful display of poppies. Houses now cover the hillsides, and their soft yellow lights against the dark of night may for some match the beauty of the bright yellow California poppies that once covered the hills. But the poppies are gone!

The California State Parks Foundation is concentrating its efforts on raising the money necessary to acquire one of the few remaining naturally reproducing poppy fields in California – the Antelope Buttes in the north end of Antelope Valley in southern California. This project is designed to save at least 700 acres of our state flower – the California poppy, *eschscholtzia californica*. School children throughout the state are collecting their pennies for poppies. The garden clubs have made this their project. It is hoped that all Californians will respond and preserve for posterity our state flower blooming naturally – blooming wild – giving the spring landscape a vibrant mantle of yellow as warm and stimulating as sunshine itself.

In an effort to save the California poppy for future generations, personnel of the Department of Parks and Recreation in Sacramento have come up with a number of ideas to raise money for this cause. I hope that others will follow. It is a worthwhile endeavor. What would California be without her state flower. Make a contribution now to preserve a wild natural landscape of California poppies. You'll feel good!

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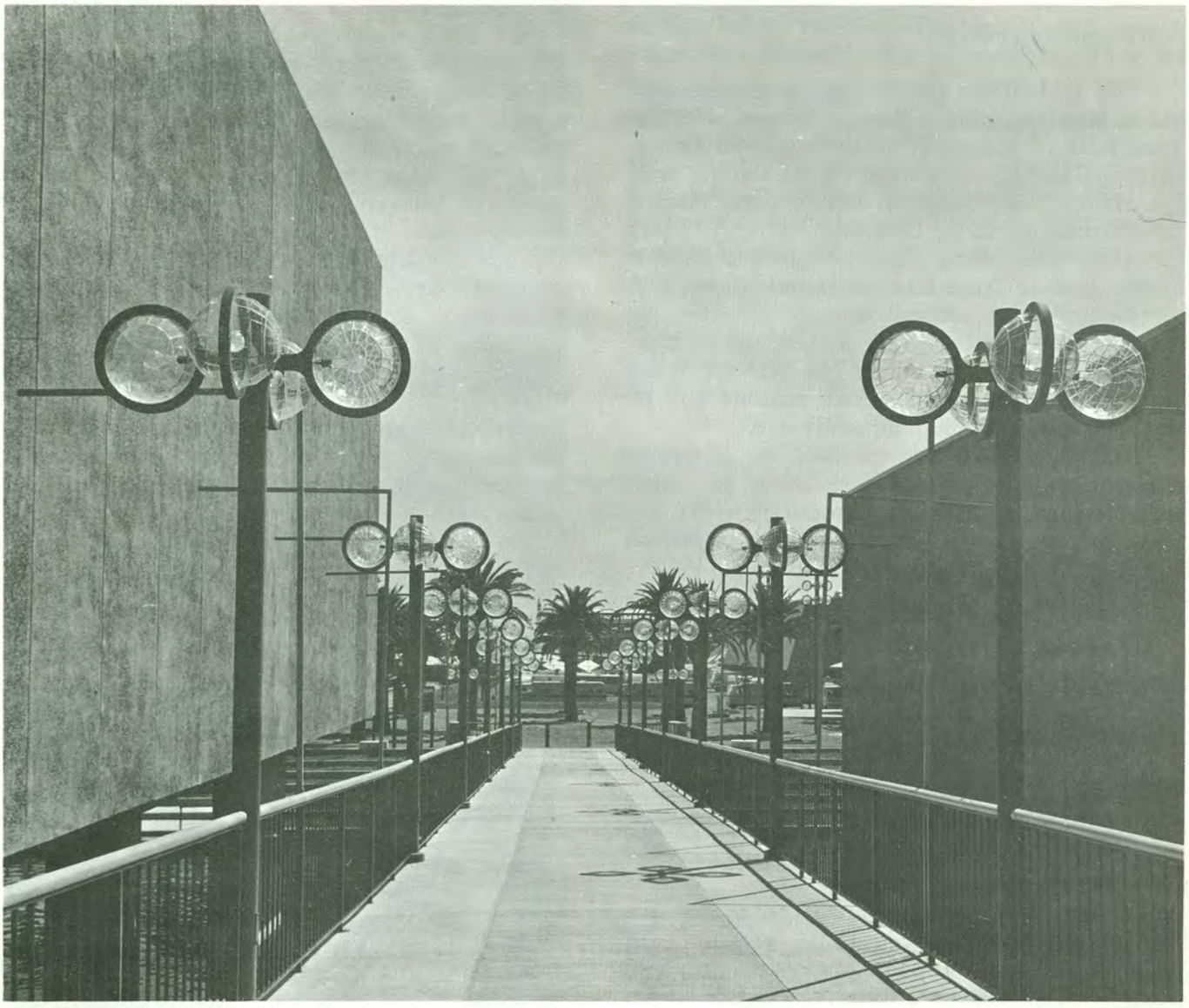
On the Cover: California Golden Poppies. Photo By John Kaestner.



CAL EXPO

It was not the Ides of March but the end of March when the administration of Cal Expo was turned over to Director *Mott* by unanimous vote of the Cal Expo Executive Committee. The Director's official title in relation to Cal Expo is "Executive Officer." By resolution of the Committee, he fills the position *ex officio*. The present Executive Committee is still responsible for governing Cal Expo.

Governor *Reagan* had recommended 2 weeks earlier that Cal Expo become a part of the State Park System. However, that will require legislation. Meanwhile, *Mott* will direct Cal Expo activities under authority delegated by the Committee.

The Committee delegated to Director *Mott* authority within certain limits, to execute service agreements, leases, permits, licenses, contracts, personnel documents, budgetary and fiscal documents, and expense vouchers.

The Committee also voted to have their Organizational Structure Committee work with *Mott* to help to integrate Cal Expo with the State Park System.

The Director stated emphatically that the annual State Fair would continue to be a major part of Cal Expo. He also announced that the public relations firm of *Peter Higgins* and *Associates* would be engaged for one year to conduct public information and public relations activities. The announcement was endorsed by the Executive Committee.

Deputy Director *William S. Briner* has been designated by the Director to act in his behalf in cooperating with the Cal Expo Executive Committee and staff.

What's Happening

COMMISSION STORY

The State Park and Recreation Commission held its March meeting in Borrego Springs, with Dr. Loren Lutz of Pasadena taking over from Lowell Berry of Oakland as chairman for the coming year. Mrs. Leah F. McConnell of Redding was elected vice chairman, replacing Dr. Lutz.

After a day-long inspection of the Carrizo Impact Area in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, the Commission authorized the Director to negotiate with the U.S. Navy on clean-up of their World War II bombing range. The Director noted that guided tours would be one possible way of using the area with minimum safety risk.

The Commission also discussed use of washes within the park by off-highway vehicles, and asked its Recreation and Park Use Committee to develop a recommendation. Attention was also called to local flood control proposals for Borrego Valley, which the Director said he would look into.

The Commission commended the recent action of Riverside County in removing the Coyote Canyon road from its master plan, and expressed the hope that San Diego County could be persuaded to follow suit.

The Anza-Borrego Natural History Association was praised for its work in interpreting and encouraging protection of the desert, and its plan to raise funds for a desert museum and interpretive center was endorsed.

The Commission concurred in the Department's land acquisition program for 1973-74. Approval was given to proposed expenditure of $185,000 from the 1964 Bond Act funds for Old Sacramento and $500,000 for relocation expenses at various projects as authorized under a new state law. The Director noted that all funds from the 1964 Bond Act have now been committed.

The State Park System's $1,030,200 share of the U.S. Land and Water Conservation Fund would be allotted to acquisitions at Annadel Farms and Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, and to match gifts from the Save-the-Redwoods League.

Some $4,155,000 is being requested from the Bagley Conservation Fund for acquisitions at Point Mugu State Park, Bodega Head, Mendocino Headlands, Montara State Beach, Old Town San Diego SHP, and Red Rock Canyon, plus $290,000 for opportunity purchases and another $290,000 for inholdings at the Castle Rock, Clear Lake, Columbia, Malakoff Diggins, Marshall Gold Discovery, McGrath and Bothe-Napa units of the State Park System.

The Director presented a proposal from the Bazaar del Mundo to expand their concession at Old Town San Diego by developing an "American style" restaurant in the building now being used as a park headquarters and interpretive center. These activities would be moved to the Bandini Building, with the Bazaar paying the $60,000 cost for the move and renovation of the building, plus $50,000 for restoration of another building to be chosen by the Department when present archaeological investigations are completed. This would mean that two more historic buildings would become available to the public, the Director noted.

The Department's assistance in the Youth Conservation Corps program was praised by Kenton Clark, Supervisor of the Angeles National Forest, who presented certificates of appreciation to Mervyn Filipponi of the Grants Section and to Director Mott.

Supervisor Kenton Clark of the Cleveland National Forest presents certificates of appreciation for the Department's help on the Youth Conservation Corps program to Director Mott and to Commission Chairman Lutz, who accepted for Mervyn Filliponi, local assistance specialist for the Grants Section.

New Commission chairman Loren Lutz is congratulated by the outgoing chairman, Lowell Berry. Mrs. Lutz and Mrs. Berry watch the gavel change hands.

Newest Commissioner Sally Altick examines a stone artifact at an archaeological site in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park.

Commissioner Starkey and Ranger Gar Salzgeber examine an unexploded bomb on the Carrizo Impact Area.

NOW THEY'RE DOING IT TOO

The National Park Service this year is starting to do what the California Department of Parks and Recreation started doing 3 years ago. They are beginning a computerized campsite reservation system.

National Park Director *Ronald H. Walker* told Senate Interior Committee members last February that their reservation system will be tested this year at six national parks: Yosemite, Yellowstone, Grand Teton, Everglades, Grand Canyon, and Acadia.

The system is patterned after the California system. A reservation company, under contract, will make reservations for a service fee, probably $1.50.

National parks traditionally have served the public on a first-come, first-served basis, as the State Park System used to do.

KEEP IT CLEAN . . .

. . . and get paid for it, if you enter Keep America Beautiful, Inc's awards program. To recognize programs that contribute substantially to a cleaner environment, this organization offers awards to state, county, community, business, or youth groups for their education and activity programs to eliminate litter.

This year's program also features a photo contest co-sponsored by Eastman Kodak. Prizes will be given for the best "before," "during," and "after" photos of a clean-up project in both black-and-white and color categories.

Deadline for entries to both the awards program and the photo contest is August 31; additional information and entry forms are available from the regional office of Keep America Beautiful, Inc., 235 Montgomery, San Francisco.

NEWS CLIPS UP

The shortest month yielded a bumper crop of DPR news clippings: 335. That's a 20 percent jump from each of the previous 3 months.

District 6 was Number One again with 91. District 3 sent in 55; District 2, 47; District 5, 29; District 4, 26; and District 1, 16. Headquarters personnel contributed 40, and Allen's Clipping Service, 31.

. . . THEY DID!

Ranger *Chet Getty* is leading a sort of dance club at Anza-Borrego Desert State Park – or at least that's what the uninformed observer might

think. Actually, Getty spearheaded the park's anti-can movement (first you lift your left foot, stomp a can, then you stomp another, get with it, man!) by crushing and disposing of some of the cans scattered in the park.

Soon other employees – even District 6 Superintendent *Jim Whitehead* – were out in the shop yard on breaks, lunch hours, and other odd moments, crushing and sorting. The results of their efforts to date, over two tons of aluminum, has been recycled and the money used for a memorial garden at Anza-Borrego in honor of Jack Calvert, first ranger to serve there, as well as for park equipment.

PENNIES FOR POPPIES

Students of Crocker Elementary School in Sacramento did their part to help establish a poppy reserve through a "Pennies for Poppies" drive, which netted 3,297 pennies. Deputy Director *Bill Briner* accepted the contribution for the Department.

The statewide drive for poppy reserve funds is sponsored by the State Parks Foundation, the California Garden Clubs, and the California Federation of Women's Clubs.

Crocker Elementary School "Pennies for Poppies" coordinators (left to right) Holly Garrett, Marty Hirsch, and Linda O'Brien. Behind are DPR Deputy Director Bill Briner (left) and School Principal Bob Frazer. The poster is made of pennies.

1974 PARK BOND NEWS

[The following letter was sent to all local public officials and members of the Legislature. The purpose of the letter was to inform local governments of the State's plans during the coming year and to open the door to local government to establish priorities of expenditure or such other information that they desire in order to advise the public of how the proceeds of the 1974 Bond Act will be expended. Also attached is a table of the county allocation of the funds.]

TO ALL LOCAL PUBLIC OFFICIALS

On August 15, 1972, *Governor Reagan* signed into law AB 392, Chapter 912, Statutes of 1972, the State Beach, Park, Recreational and Historical Facilities Bond Act of 1974. This Act, which requires a majority vote of the people, authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of $250 million to provide funds to acquire and establish beaches, parks, recreational facilities and historical resources. It will be submitted to the voters as Proposition One in June of 1974.

Of the $250 million, $90 million will be available for grants to cities, counties and districts for the acquisition and development of recreation, park and historical areas and facilities. Preliminary estimates indicate that the $90 million will be distributed to the 58 counties as shown on the attached list.

The Bond Act calls for each county to consult with all cities and districts within the county which are authorized to provide park and recreation services. The purpose of such meetings is to develop a "priority plan for expenditure" of the county's allocation of the 1974 bond funds. The priority plan which must be submitted to the State by June 30, 1975 must be approved by at least 50% of the cities and districts representing 50% of the population of the cities and districts within the county and by the County Board of Supervisors. Applications appearing on the priority plan may be submitted directly to the State by the individual jurisdictions.

Although the election is more than one year away, I feel that it is timely for all of us to begin to consider how the bond funds should be expended. Section 5096.73(d) of the Bond Act specifies that "...it is desirable for the people of this state to have prior notice of the proposed disposition and allocation of the proceeds of this bond issue". In accordance with this section, I intend to prepare in 1973 a program of high priority projects indicating how the State Department of Parks and Recreation would plan to spend its share of the bond funds, and I would like to encourage each county to begin

evaluating and listing its high priority needs. I would appreciate receiving a listing of your high priority needs or such other information as you believe best reflects the proposed expenditures in your county. I believe it is very important that both state and local government agencies develop this information by January 1974 in order to advise the public of the potential benefits of the 1974 Bond Act and what it can mean to them in terms of public services.

I am certain that many of you have questions concerning the Bond Act. Members of my staff are prepared to respond to your questions and are available for meetings on this subject. I have appointed *Richard May* of my Department as the Chief of Bond Program Coordination. Counties, cities, or districts wishing to submit suggestions for State Park System acquisition and development projects within or near their jurisdictions are invited to contact *Mr. May* directly. Questions related to the distribution of local grant funds and the administration of the grant program may be directed to *Mr. Russell W. Porter,* Chief, Grants and Statewide Studies Division, at this address.

Sincerely,

William Penn Mott, Jr.
Director

ALLOCATION TO COUNTIES OF "STATE GRANT MONIES" AUTHORIZED BY THE STATE BEACH, PARK, RECREATIONAL AND HISTORICAL FACILITIES BOND ACT OF 1974

COUNTIES	POPULATION ESTIMATE July 1, 1980	ALLOCATION BY COUNTY	COUNTIES	POPULATION ESTIMATE July 1, 1980	ALLOCATION BY COUNTY
Alameda	1,217,700	4,316,866	Orange	1,939,700	6,876,426
Alpine	600	200,000	Placer	95,000	336,784
Amador	14,300	200,000	Plumas	12,600	200,000
Butte	111,200	394,215	Riverside	572,500	2,029,569
Calaveras	17,100	200,000	Sacramento	740,500	2,625,145
Colusa	12,700	200,000	San Benito	22,000	200,000
Contra Costa	689,100	2,442,927	San Bernardino	851,200	3,017,587
Del Norte	15,000	200,000	San Diego	1,790,800	6,348,561
El Dorado	54,500	200,000	San Francisco	721,600	2,558,143
Fresno	454,100	1,609,829	San Joaquin	340,100	1,205,688
Glenn	17,700	200,000	San Luis Obispo	133,100	471,853
Humboldt	108,000	382,871	San Mateo	613,100	2,173,500
Imperial	83,500	296,016	Santa Barbara	321,200	1,138,685
Inyo	19,800	200,000	Santa Clara	1,386,600	4,915,633
Kern	366,800	1,300,342	Santa Cruz	161,100	571,115
Kings	69,400	246,030	Shasta	91,500	324,376
Lake	26,000	200,000	Sierra	2,600	200,000
Lassen	18,400	200,000	Siskiyou	34,400	200,000
Los Angeles	7,680,500	27,228,124	Solano	214,300	759,714
Madera	42,200	200,000	Sonoma	275,100	975,256
Marin	261,900	928,461	Stanislaus	240,500	852,596
Mariposa	7,700	200,000	Sutter	49,100	200,000
Mendocino	59,400	210,579	Tehama	31,900	200,000
Merced	117,000	414,776	Trinity	8,200	200,000
Modoc	7,800	200,000	Tulare	211,500	749,788
Mono	6,200	200,000	Tuolumne	29,300	200,000
Monterey	303,500	1,075,937	Ventura	574,700	2,037,368
Napa	102,500	363,373	Yolo	119,000	421,867
Nevada	31,700	200,000	Yuba	49,100	200,000
				23,548,600	86,400,000

Department of Parks and Recreation calculation using Department of Finance population estimates, "Provisional Projections of California Counties to 2000".

These projections are to be revised in January 1974. The revised projections will be used as the official basis for the allocation of funds for the 1974 Bond Issue.

Director Mott and Robert R. Garvey, Executive Secretary, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, discuss plans for preservation of historic places throughout the United States.

HISTORIC PRESERVATIONISTS MEET IN WASHINGTON

Director *Mott* attended the 1973 Annual Meeting for State Liaison Officers and Federal Representatives for Historic Preservation last February in Washington D.C. The group reviewed accomplishments and planned continuing efforts to preserve historic places of our nation and the states.

The annual meeting is sponsored by the National Park Service.

WHERE CREDIT IS DUE

Some cases of mistaken identity crept into two photo information items in the February News & Views.

The next to last paragraph on page 5 said that the photo of *Mr.* and *Mrs. Olmsted* on page 3 was taken on *Mr. Olmsted's* 83rd birthday, July 24, 1953, in Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park. Actually, it was taken in 1949 in Olympic National Park in Washington State by *Mrs. Doris Leonard* of Conservation Associates. The picture was one of the *Olmsted's* favorites.

The caption for the first picture on page 12 states that *Professor Moriarity* of *San Diego State* was in charge of the archeological dig at the *Machado Adobe* in Old Town San Diego SHP. Actually, it is *Professor Moriarty* (no second "i") of the *University of San Diego* who is in charge of the dig at the *Casa de Juan Rodriguez. Dr. Brandes* sent us a photo of the students in action.

Two other digs were also in progress at the same time in Old Town San Diego SHP. *Dr. William Wallace,* Professor Emeritus at California State University at Long Beach and *Mrs. Wallace* were in charge of the archeology at the Machada de Silvas Adobe, and *Dr. Paul Ezell* of California State University at San Diego conducted the archeology at the Seely Stables.

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VOX POP

Ranger *O. B. Graham* of Red Rock Canyon received a hearty commendation from *M. D. Laity*, second vice president of Occidental Life of California, for his help and resourcefulness on Highway 395 last February. The *Laity* car was stalled with an electrical system problem, but they were able to coast about 2 miles downhill to the ranger station. There, Ranger *Graham* improvised a set of substitute points, and the *Laitys* were on their way home.

Archeologist *Bill Seidel* of Anza-Borrego Desert SP gets a big "well-done" from astronomer *Willard Cronyn* of Borrego Springs for his archeological work and his fireside talks and expeditions for park visitors; and Director *Mott* gets a strong commendation for providing Seidel's services at Anza.

A group of Y-Indian Guides had an outstanding spring campout at Anza-Borrego Desert SP and nothing but praise and thanks to the park staff, particularly Chief Ranger *Frank Davies* and Ranger *Burt Frizzell*, who gave a fireside talk

to the little braves and their fathers and pointed out the footprints of "Mr. Mountain Lion."

Mrs. *Lillian Rohr*, Girl Scout troop senior advisor, thanked the staff of Leo Carrillo SB for taking such good care of the girls on Saturday, March 17. The girls especially liked Ranger *Laurant Clark's* talk.

A note from Brownie Troop Leader *Charlene Johnson* of Cameron Park, Sacramento, says that Permanent Intermittent Guide *Chuck D'Arcy* of the Sacramento Area enthralled the girls of Troop 595 when he conducted them on a tour of the Governor's Mansion.

Ranger Trainee *Dan Tuttle* of the Dyerville Area gets an extra note of appreciation from the personnel of East High School in Fortuna. *John Kassis*, writing for the school, noted that Tuttle was a volunteer teacher aide there during the 1971-72 season. "His contact with the students was an effective stimulus which helped motivate many non-learners in positive directions. *Dan* helped organize and set up a new photography program, complete with darkroom. He also tutored many slow readers and this year, even though he is employed with the California State Parks, he developed a map-reading course for inclusion in our social science curriculum."

Mr. and Mrs. *Paul J. Flemming* of Arcata are happy they live on the north boundary of Azalea SR. They wrote to the Fort Humboldt Area office to say they jog through the park about five mornings a week, and they particularly appreciate the way the trails are kept up and the blackberry brambles cut back. They like the park's good neighbor policy.

The following letter, quoted verbatim, was answered by Trainee *Monahan* of the Dyerville Area, who fixed up a packet including a "peace" of a redwood tree, seeds, seed pods, and literature:

"Dear Redwoods state park

I would like to have a little peace of the redwood tree please. It would make me happy. I am tring to collate tree-And would you please give me the parks, Picnic Areas pleas. And the trails of the trees. And the picher of the little and the to biges trees. That is all.

Thank you very much.

Bobby Carter"

PRAISE FOR TEACHER'S GUIDE

The recently published "Teacher's Guide to the Calaveras Big Trees" has earned praise from many people. Among the applauders were *Norman Messinger*, Naturalist at Yosemite National Park, and *Paul Howard*, Western Regional Representative for the National Audubon Society.

Messinger wrote, "I can tell you now that the guide will be an important training document for our seasonal interpreters in environmental education."

Howard commented, "It looks excellent, and from the preliminary reports I understand it is being used with a great degree of success."

The guide was prepared by Seasonal Intern *Laura Luedtke*. Most of the material came from *Joseph H. Engbeck's* book, "The Enduring Giants," which will be off the presses this month. *Engbeck* is the Research Writer for the Department's Information Section.

Bill Dillinger, Chief of the Information Division, coordinated work on the Guide and supervised its preparation by *Miss Luedtke*.

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YIELD FROM THE FIELD

THE BENNER PARTY

An even dozen in a series of winter hikes in the Sierra Area reached a climax Saturday and Sunday, March 17 and 18, with an overnight hike that started in a snowstorm and ended in a blaze of winter sunshine.

Ranger Joan Benner, her fingers crossed against a spell of bad weather, made careful preparations for the cross-country ski and snowshoe hike that began Saturday morning when a select group of 16 experienced backpackers started the climb up General Creek. The Benner party trekked 3 miles, with the snowpack increasing at every step. They took plenty of time to stop and view the scenery and take pictures as well as they could between the snowflakes.

Although the snow was falling faster as they reached their campsite, they prepared for their overnight stay without a hitch. They pitched their tents immediately to shelter their supplies. Then they built a platform of green fir boughs atop the snow and built a fire on it. The fir boughs form an insulating layer between the fire and the snow.

After campfire dinners ranging from freeze-dried food to deliciously aged steaks and, of

course, the inevitable coffee, they traded conversation while the falling snow thinned out and the clouds broke up. Then they crawled into their sleeping bags, which awaited them under their tents and atop their foam pads. The Benner party climbed the hill for fun – not for hardship.

By 9 o'clock, the clouds had disappeared, revealing the billions of stars and a full moon to reflect against the freshly fallen snow. To lull weekend visitors to a sound winter's nap, a couple of coyotes led a nature serenade.

The hikers awoke Sunday morning to a deep blue sky and slivers of sunshine slanting in between the trees. The fresh snow sparkled, and 16 appetites were eager to break fast.

Ranger Lanny Waggoner, who went along to protect Ranger Benner from the forest wildlife, was up at quarter to six to rebuild the fire.

After breakfast and another round of scenery viewing and picture taking, the hardy 16 lifted their equipment and supplies to their backs and headed down to the General Creek campground.

The winter snow hikes were so popular that Ranger Benner scheduled a snow hike to start the spring hike series – a 6-mile walk with a climb of 1500 feet, from Hope Valley to Crater Lake, on Sunday April 15. But she left the hike leadership to Ranger John Hillerman, while she took off on vacation to, of all places, Florida.

SOFT SELL PREFERRED

["Soft sell" law enforcement pays off, says Ranger *Clyde Ray,* Manager of the Monterey Area. Here are excerpts from a memo by *Ray* to illustrate his point.]

Several weeks ago, Supervising Ranger *Jim Beck* [at Point Lobos SR] came upon a car which had been driven about 150 feet into a meadow. Since the ground was very wet and soft, the vehicle became hopelessly mired, so it was necessary to call a tow truck to pull it out. [Soon after,] one of our [young] staff rangers appeared on the scene – a dedicated and idealistic employee. His reaction was to cite the young man who had driven the car into the meadow.

[However,] Ranger *Beck*, in talking with the young man and his wife, determined that they had been raised in a large city in an almost ghetto type of atmosphere. They had never encountered, nor were they even aware, of such things as natural parks or reserves. He also admittedly had not read the reserve regulations which had been given him at the entrance.

Ranger *Beck* took the time to explain what Point Lobos is, how valuable and fragile the area is, and the immediate and future impact of vehicles leaving the road.

The young man and his wife indicated that, in their narrow experience in life, they didn't even realize that such values existed. *Beck* felt at this point he had accomplished his mission and that citing this young couple would tend to destroy the effectiveness of what had been accomplished.

The young couple demanded that they be allowed to attempt to repair the damage. The staff furnished the tools, and the man and woman labored at their task for over an hour.

Another part of the incident is worth noting. The tow truck driver asked *Beck* if he was going to cite the driver of the car. When *Beck* replied in the negative, the tow truck driver said he was going to charge double his usual fee.

Seasonal Lifeguard Supervisor John Tanney holds the Department's Certificate of Appreciation presented by District 3 Aquatic Specialist Jim Tucker (that's his hand), while Millerton Lake Area Manager William Reinhardt, center, and District Superintendent Clyde Newlin, look on. Tanney was commended for rescuing four victims, by paddleboard, when their boat exploded in the lake last November 8. Although many boats went to the area, no one helped the victims until he showed up. He also towed the burning boat to shore where the fire was put out by the Division of Forestry.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

What Fall Creek is Today

Today, all that remain of this once prosperous enterprise is the ghost-town like ruins of buildings and the surprisingly well-preserved kilns. Much of the firebrick and metal hardware of the kilns is gone, and an 18-inch diameter douglasfir is now growing up through the floors and out the top. Remarkably, the granite block outer walls are still standing in their original shape.

Other structures, such as the cookhouse, cooper's shop, bunkhouses, and the barrel mill on the North Fork have long since succumbed to constant attack by wind, rain, and inquisitive visitors. Known for years to Felton's residents as "Ghost Town", the area has long been used as a playground and collecting area for kids of all ages. Bottle collectors and antique hunters were frequent visitors. Most of the wooden structures are now remembered only by a pile of jagged, weather-beaten timbers. Nevertheless, their sites are still plainly marked.

Present plans call for the protection of what still remains by physical barriers, fences or other means. Future plans will be based on taking advantage of the tremendous opportunity this park offers for interpretation of the lime-producing industry in Californa.

Currently, there is no interpretation of the lime-making process going on anywhere in the State. The Fall Creek property once contained within its boundary the total raw resources, the total manufacturing facilities, and the total work force needed to take a block of limestone from the hillside, convert it to lime, barrel it, and then take it to Felton for distribution and sale throughout the State. As such, the present-day ruins offer a unique opportunity for the interpretation of the lime business and the men who toiled in this endeavor.

(This article was prepared and submitted by State Park Ranger Trainees Steve Singer, Ray Patton, Bill Beat and Dick Troy.)

IT'S A GOOD IDEA

This month's good idea won a certificate of commendation from the Merit Award Board of the State of California. The winner is Maintenance Man *Jerry Beauchamp*, of the Piercy Area.

Jerry suggested that, on 4-wheel-drive vehicles, the warren hub and the outer ring of each front wheel be painted red on half its circumference. When the red segments match, the operator can tell at a glance when the wheels are locked for off-highway use.

Evaluators at Operations headquarters in Sacramento report that some districts have adopted the idea and they say it works well, but personnel of other districts believe that, in the terrain in which they operate, the paint would soon erode from the hub and the system would quickly become useless. Therefore, the idea may be adopted at the discretion of each district superintendent.

BIKE RITE FOR EARTH WEEK

About 175 high school and college youths held a bicycle rally for Earth Week on March 18 at Millerton Lake SRA. It turned out so well, they're planning another bike rally in May. The rally is tersely described by Area Manager *Bill Reinhardt*:

"Weather clear, reasonably warm, cyclists, mostly high school and college youths, proceeded in a disorderly pattern, in groups from the Grange Grove Picnic Area towards McKenzie Point, a distance of 2½ miles each way. Rest stops (refreshments) were provided at two way points. Main access roads (Park) were closed to vehicular traffic during the rally. All participants made it without no incidents or accidents. After the ride, the group listened to music provided by their group leader."

Everybody ready?

They're off!

HISTORIC POWER

Three gentlemen from Iran visited the historic Folsom Powerhouse on the last day of February, and Ranger *Glenn Walfoort* snapped their picture.

The Powerhouse was the world's first powerplant to transmit high-voltage power over a "long distance." From 1895 to 1952, it generated 11,000 volts from water power and transmitted it 22 miles to Sacramento. The Pacific Gas and Electric Co. gave the plant to DPR in 1956.

Left to right: Ranger Mike Muetz, tour guide; Mr. T MacLennen and Mr. C. Korhonen, Development and Resources Corp.; and Mr. Hassanvali, Mr. Chaveleh, and Mr. Kaveh, electrical engineers from Iran.

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FEBRUARY FIELD REPORTS

Big Sur Area, *Jack Stowe* – Rain was registered on 15 days during February and the month's total was 17.27 inches. On the weekend of the 10th and 11th, 5.20 inches fell, and another 4.69 fell February 27-28. On the 27th, .60 inch fell in 20 minutes, turning Pfeiffer Redwood Creek into a raging torrent. Flooding broke two sewer lines from the Lodge, severed telephone and radio communications . . . Engineer *Walt Smith* estimated over $100,000 will be needed to return Pfeiffer Big Sur SP to normal . . . The Sierra Club spent two days planting over 500 trees around Captain Cooper School . . . On February 11, Highway 1 at Lafler Canyon, five miles south of Pfeiffer, slid out causing the untimely death of Highway Maintenance Man *Bob Huss*. He was operating a loader when the road gave way.

Benicia Area, *Auburn Rose* – Attendance for February was 2,984 at Benicia Capitol, more than June, July, or August of last year. An article in Sunset Magazine was credited with the increase.

Bothe-Napa Area, *Franklyn Brown* – *Mr. Henek* and his 4-H group have pruned all the fire damaged walnut trees on the front of the Freeman property, making the park look 100% better.

Calaveras Area, *Robert Stewart* – The one-hour guided snowshoe walks on weekends at Calaveras Big Trees SP were well received and will be resumed next winter . . . The two three-day weekends brought out record crowds and 400 cars were turned away each weekend . . . Visitors are being informed that the snow hill operation will end this year and most agree it is a needed conservation measure, but some lament the loss of a cheap snow play area.

Castle Crags Area, *W. C. Kaiser* – Precipitation for February was 18.69 inches bringing the season total to 68.28 inches.

Channel Coast Area, *H. C. Terry* – Heavy rains pushed the Ventura and Santa Clara rivers to near flood stage and caused heavy debris deposits on Ventura and McGrath beaches . . . Ranger *Miller* and Clerk Typist *Sue Miles* represented the Department at Career Day activities at Carpinteria High School. *Sue* commented there was high interest among the girls in career opportunities with the Department . . . Ranger *Titus* received dog bites on both legs from a 100-pound German shepard off leash at McGrath SB campground. It happened after the owner had been told to put the dog on a leash. *Titus* received medical attention at Ventura County Hospital, the dog was placed in quarantine, and the owner was cited and a crime report filled out.

Clear Lake Area, *E. A. Griggs* – An extremely wet February brought the lake to maximum capacity and near flood stage. Parts of Cole Creek campground were under water.

Delta Area, *Allan Hibsch* – After a history of exotic tree failures, we've decided to quit trying to fool mother nature. This winter our goal is to plant 200 cottonwoods, sycamores, live-oaks, and weeping willows, and we're half-way there. Also, the back porch of Residence No. 1 is the "hot house" for 244 Toyons. A Rio Vista Girl Scout troop will transplant them into larger containers when they reach the proper size . . . A CYA crew from De-Witt Nelson worked long and hard with Ranger *Morris* to clear an 8-foot-wide trail around Little Franks Island. It will be used for interpretation and levee inspection.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

Dyerville Area, *G. A. Fialho* – We may not have the tallest tree in the world but we do have the world's tallest ranger in 6' 8" Trainee *Ted Hastings* . . . The Sixth Annual Sierra Club tree plant brought 100 volunteers from all over northern California over Washington's birthday. Planted were 5,000 douglasfirs, 140 redwoods in 5-gallon containers and 860 in one-gallon containers, 50 maples, 187 alders, 40 scotch broom, 20 Himalayas, 100 willows, and 50 buckeyes . . . The area basketball team lost to the Humboldt Ecology Corps, 78-68, commenting three first stringers were at Asilomar. However, the Area volleyball team got even with the same bunch of corpsmen, 21-2. No casualties, just a lot of aching muscles. "The way to stay young is to be around young people. The way to grow old is to try to keep up with them!"

Folsom Lake Area, *Ron McCullough* – A wet February brought the season rainfall to 26.52, considerably above normal. One downpour on the 28th dropped 1.39 inches in less than an hour. Lake level remained normal despite heavy rain.

Fort Humboldt Area, *C. R. Hyta* – New Maintenance Man *Wayne Gildesgard* and wife, *Audrey* were introduced to the District and park staffs at a short "coffee break."

Four Rivers Area, *Clyde Strickler* – Caswell was closed February 12 to 19, and reopened when the river dropped four feet . . . Part of the campground at Hatfield was closed when water encroached . . . A program of calling various radio stations to give weather predictions and other park information seems to be cutting down the number of phone calls requesting information.

Frontera Area, *Maurice Morgan* – A pack of seven wild dogs crossed into Border Field from Mexico, chasing rabbits. They returned to Mexico before they could be caught . . . Landscaping around the monument at Border Field has been completed. Myporium shrubs were used to match plantings on the Mexico side. Poppy seeds also were planted . . . A portion of the south wall of the Machado de Silvas Adobe collapsed as a result of archeological work . . . The chain link fence was removed from the monument at Border Field by one of the federal agencies. The Border Patrol contacted the Frontera Area, inquiring if park personnel had removed the fence, and advising us that only Congress had the authority to remove it since it created an unauthorized port of entry. When the Area said no, the Border Patrol decided it no doubt had been removed by the International Boundary Commission.

Gaviota Area, *W. P. Dougherty* – The series of heavy February storms have denuded miles of beach and exposed bedrock. Parking lots and the concession building at Refugio were flooded with sea water. El Capitan lost all of its beach and a large concrete lifeguard tower base. Working like mad, the park crew had Gaviota ready for the public February 9, then rain closed it down again. Finally opened February 17, but closed again the 24th. Reopened again on February 28.

Golden Gate Area, *William Allison* – A meeting with the family of the late *Charles Winslow*, one of the most active members of the Angel Island Committee before he passed away, resulted in tentative agreement that a bronze drinking fountain at Ayala Cove would be a fitting memorial to him. The family will provide the funds to have the fountain installed . . . The work experience program began with eight students from Sir Francis Drake High. They will work five hours per week on resource management projects. First task is to construct a fence of salvaged redwood and landscape it with ferns. The fence will keep campers and vehicles out of natural areas . . . Interpretive programs at Tomales Bay have uncovered a strong school interest in the Indian history of the area. At some future time, a small visitor center covering the Indians of the region would be appropriate.

High Desert Area, *Roy Gholson* – Natural brush barriers were put at the entrances to Tarweed Wash to try to prevent motorcycles from entering the wash and destroying the rare Red Rock Canyon tarweed, which is found nowhere else . . . Work on the Red Rock water project ceased February 26 when labor unions stopped the work of Ecology Corps and inmate crews. It is not known when the project will resume.

Hiouchi Area, *Dana Long – Mr. James Ruth* of Crescent City was killed when he drove into a redwood tree on Highway 101 in Del Norte Coast Redwoods SP.

Lake Oroville Area, *Don Royer* – March 1 we took over operation of the Lime Saddle area from Butte County.

Los Lagos Area, *E. H. Brown* – The maintenance crew completed the removal of dead trees in Cottonwood Grove on the south shore of Lake Elsinore. Also, old fencing and other pipe hazards were removed from the lake bottom off the peninsula . . . Heavy business recorded over the three-day Washington's birthday. Over 250 boats were launched Sunday and most private resorts around the lake were full of campers, as was our campground.

Malakoff Diggins Area, *Eric Leffingwell* – A trip to Fresno was very worthwhile as some 1880 school desks were found to be usable in the North Bloomfield School. The Advisory Committee is making plans to buy the desks.

Marshall Gold Discovery Area, *Evon Till* – Eleven groups with 266 people toured the park. Movies were shown 1120, the sawmill demonstrated for 440, and the stampmill run for 285 . . . The February Coloma Advisory Committee meeting, attended by Director *Mott*, covered such projects as reconstruction of a brick sidewalk, extension of the post and rock pillar wall, and moving a log building to the park from Mt. Danaher.

McArthur-Burney Area, *M. P. Oller* – The month was cold, wet and dismal. Low temperature was 18, and high 61. The average low was 27 and the average high 48.

Mendocino Area, Tom Miller – Heavy rain washed out a water line and caused slides in Van Damme canyon. Russian Gulch creek overflowed and washed away the asphalt from the park road. Excessive ground water caused septic tanks at MacKerricher to back up . . . BIG NEWS – The board of supervisors passed the historic zoning ordinance for the City of Mendocino February 7 . . . The Mendocino Community Services District sank test holes on the headlands to prepare for the start of construction of the sewage treatment facility.

Millerton Lake Area, *William Reinhardt* – Sixty new lake buoys were placed at strategic locations to mark hazardous boating areas . . . Winds and rainstorm caused great amounts of erosion and the maintenance crew was barely able to stay ahead of it. Erosion on the shoreline and dirt roads is the greatest the area has experienced.

Montane Area, *Glen Jones* – Rainfall at Cuyamaca Rancho totalled 30 inches through February. As a result, PEP Naturalist *Parker* noted that all the beaver dams along the Sweetwater River had been washed away . . . Considerable erosion has occurred and erosion control work is under way . . . Two young males in a stolen truck drove through campsites and over shrubs, signs, and barriers as Paso Picacho. The truck owner refused to file charges but fired the two on the spot . . . A young lady became very upset when Ranger *Ritter* told her she had to keep her pooch in her camper overnight. Later, the pooch came out a "stinky" second after an encounter with a skunk . . . At Palomar Mountain, Ranger *Robert Macomber* came upon a group of 8-10 young people jumping off Boucher Hill with self-held gliders. They were landing in Pauma Valley. He was unable to pursue them.

Monterey Area, *C. W. Ray* – The log book at Point Lobos for February 4 notes, "several problems at closing time today, including a lost child and several people hiding in the bushes so they could stay in the Reserve after closing." . . . The spring which feeds Fremont Peak recorded a flow of 10 gallons per minute. Usually, flow doesn't exceed 2 gallons per minute . . . At the suggestion of the Advisory Committee, three gentle horses are stabled in the Plaza Stables at San Juan. This has proven very exciting to the youngsters . . . A slide of about 50 cubic yards occurred in the quarry area at Point Lobos. A 5-ton boulder stopped just short of the Zellerback underwater interpretive exhibit . . . On February 18, for the first time, there were more cars turned away (460) at Point Lobos than allowed to enter (333) . . . Park Aid *Ann Swett* received a commendation from District 4 Superintendent *Milt Frincke* for this action: "A young man hid out from Ann's tour and took a shadow box containing antique jewelry. *Ann* caught the man in the kitchen, going through her purse. She challenged him and pinned him to the floor but he got loose and ran out the back door. *Ann* and a passerby chased after him until he dropped the box of jewelry."

Mount Diablo Area, *Robert Carlson* – Rain, rain and more rain caused numerous small slides along 22 miles of public use roads . . . The mountain was the scene of a U.C. Extension natural history program this spring. The class was full at 60. Faculty included biologist *John Olmsted*, author *Mary L. Bowerman*, and Ranger *John Werminski*.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

Mt. San Jacinto Area, *W. Stahlberg* – Heavy snow in the middle of the long holiday weekend raised hob with visitors. Crews were kept busy getting visitors back to the highway, and snowshoe patrols escorted many backpackers out of Round Valley.

North Valley Area, *Lorin Forsyth* – The Bidwell Mansion Cooperating Association was launched with good support by local organizations. Incorporation papers are being processed by the Secretary of State.

Northern Mines Area, *Don Perkins* – After making an initial investigation of property on the east side of District 1, Assistant District Superintendent *Doug Metcalf* made the following report: "*Perkins* gets a big fat zero as a mountain guide. His 15-minute, 1/4-mile hike turned into a four-hour forced march through four feet of snow. I felt like the second Donner party."

Orange Coast Area, *J. N. Caughill* – Heavy rains caused trail erosion at San Onofre SB. A large cave-in occurred in a wash between trails 4 and 5. Many wildflowers in blossom and the vegetation looks healthy.

Pajaro Coast Area, *Anton Trigeiro* – Major slides on the bluffs along Las Olas Drive at Seacliff have brought down trees and left others threatening beach homes below.

Picacho Area, *R. B. Frenzel* – Temperatures were slightly below normal but the increased amount of precipitation has added to the wildflower display. Rainfall through February totaled 3.84 inches this year compared to 1.91 inches for all of last year.

Piercy Area, *James Neal* – A truck and trailer loaded with cast iron pipe from Birmingham, Alabama, stripped 15 square feet of bark from a redwood tree. The driver, blinded by the lights of an oncoming car, sustained minor injuries.

Plumas–Eureka Area, *Carl Lonnecker* – Winter tried to make up for lost time during February, with 64" of snow and 10.29" of precipitation, nearly double normal. Total precipitation is 51.85, about 3-1/2" below normal, but snowfall of 270.5" is 100" above normal.

Point Mugu Area, *J. R. Geary* – Three inches of rain poured enough runoff through the Sycamore Canyon campground to remove both crossings. Quick action by the night crew evacuated all campers before their escape route was washed out.

Providence Mountains Area, *Alan Scheibli* – The gate to the "Cave of the Winding Stair" has been installed so professionally that it is impossible to tell where cement begins and limestone ends . . . Some 700 visitors at Mitchell Caverns over Washington's birthday . . . .The spring at Mitchell is producing a quart of water a minute, a boon to the public and the park.

Russian River Area, *Robert Crawford* – More artifacts are being found at Fort Ross. An old mallet, apparently used to drive fence pickets, was completely intact . . . Division of Forestry delivered the first installment of tables for the new Bodega Head campground . . . Division of Highways yelled "help" when all three of their vehicles became stuck in the mud on the beach north of Wright's Beach.

Sacramento Area, *Kirby Morgan* – After five years, docents are official at the Governor's Mansion . . . Mexican Flag Day ceremonies February 24 at Sutter's Fort were covered by the Bee, Union and Channel 10. The Mexican group was very easy to work with . . . The new Golden Note Booklet on the Governor's Mansion went on sale . . . One of the men of an Asian group dropped his headset over the barrier in the weaving room at Sutter's Fort. He jumped over the barrier to retrieve the set, and set off the alarm. A ranger charged to the scene to find a most embarrassed and self-conscious visitor. The ranger turned off the alarm and all had a good laugh.

Salton Sea Area, *James Davis* – Rain on seven different occasions added .63 inch.

San Clemente Area, *L. Vaught* – Flags were ordered to full mast by President Nixon February 14 in honor of returning prisoners of war . . . Rain has caused erosion of the dirt trail to the beach and filled the walk-through tunnel.

San Diego Coast Area, *Jack Welch* – With fierce winds and rain, February was less than ideal for campers. Tents were blown down and several campers and motorhomes were damaged. The remaining soil on the beach ramp at San Elijo was washed away leaving a sheer drop which vehicles can't negotiate. Surprisingly, only slight runoff

damage was reported to Torrey Pines trails . . . Fifteen baby Torrey Pines were counted in the burn area . . . Thefts are increasing with surfboards and wetsuits the prime targets. Most enforcement contacts continue to be over dogs . . . A loose dog attacked a man jogging down Cardiff SB and when a local resident tried to help, the dog attacked him, too. The dog owner sat on the bluff and laughed through the entire incident . . . A drunk, escorted to his campsite to sleep it off, later was arrested in town for fighting and waving a CO2 BB gun around. When he sobered up, his lost $360 in travelers checks were returned to him . . . Chief Ranger *Fairchild* went fishing at San Elijo on his day off. He made contact with seven people with dogs and two with horses. He also caught two fish . . . Lifeguard *Robert Neal* rescued a husky named Linko that had slipped off the trail and become stranded on the cliff.

San Luis Obispo Coast Area, *Charles Lyden* – A group of 30 to 40 sea otters has moved into Montana de Oro waters . . . Mr. and Mrs. *Vernon Davy*, who have been instrumental in maintaining a vigilant watch over the last remaining pair of Peregrine falcons, have received approval from the Morro Bay Park and the city to begin a 24-hour watch. The couple also has donated funds to the State Parks Foundation for an outdoor exhibit display case . . . Rangers at Montana de Oro have been contacting cyclists using private property next to the sandspit, to point out where Pismo SB property is. The result is fewer citations as prior contact prevents violations . . . Four butterfly walks were conducted . . . Record crowds filled all units over Washington's birthday . . . Ranger *Chavez* located three lost boys at the Morro Bay boat basin. He didn't know if the three boys or the one mother were lost . . . Over Washington's birthday, 63 citations were issued at Pismo Beach for illegal vehicle activity on the beach and in the restricted area . . . *Barrett H. Anderson* of Cal Poly recently completed a plant collection and master thesis entitled "A Contribution to the Flora of Montata de Oro SP." His collection of over 250 species of plants and a copy of his thesis were turned over to the Morro Bay museum for use . . . The Morro Bay Coast Audubon Chapter is offering $200 for signs to be purchased for the heron rookery.

San Mateo Coast Area, *Anthony Ulm* – We've been invited to submit a column for the monthly newsletter of the Bay Area's Sequoia Audubon Chapter . . . The new chairman for the area's Citizen Advisory Committee, *Dr. Tatomer,* asked each member to analyze and express his or her views on why he was on the committee and what he hoped the committee could accomplish. Since this soul searching, members seem to be much more park and public oriented than in the past.

San Simeon Area, *Ronald Erickson* – The San Simeon Chamber of Commerce was invited to tour the Castle to familiarize members with the operation.

Santa Cruz Mountains Area, *Curtis Mitchell* – Another 18 inches of rain at Big Basin brought the season total to 65.6 inches. Saturated soils and heavy winds continue to topple trees. Road conditions are bad with many small slides and slipouts . . . Loose dogs roaming the units and chasing deer continue to be a problem. They are hard to catch and identify . . . A flurry of excitement followed the discovery of four homicide victims in an illegal campsite at Henry Cowell. A suspect has been arrested and charged with these and previous murders.

Sierra Area, *Carl Anderson* – Eighth grade students from the Rideout School, Tahoe City, are compiling a history of the region and will provide the park with a copy. The class attended a lecture on the Donner Party and toured the museum, led by *John Kolb* . . . The February 24 Hot Air Balloon Festival scheduled for Grover was cancelled because no one from the area office was there to provide the air . . . The Snow Drifters, a Reno snowmobile club, took 27 machines and 32 people into Bodie . . . The Bodie Bogies of Bridgeport cancelled a snowmobile safari to Bodie, not because of a lack of snow, which was feared, but because of a blizzard . . . Precipitation at Donner in February totalled 6.76 inches. Temperatures ranged from minus 1 to 50 above.

Sonoma Area, *Richard Menefee* – Boy Scout Troop 125 of Santa Rosa planted 150 Douglasfir seedlings on a scarred slope on Two-Quarry Trail at Annadel . . . The Motherlode and Redwood Chapters of the Sierra Club spent a day hiking around Annadel. The two groups left 15 minutes apart and neither caught sight of the other for the entire day . . . A herd of goats left home to roam the Vallejo Home parking lot. The owners herded them back after being notified . . . Ninety new fire rings for District 2 parks were delivered to the Sonoma Area service yard for storage until they can be delivered around the district. They were built by the Ecology Corps of San Luis Obispo.

YIELD FROM THE FIELD

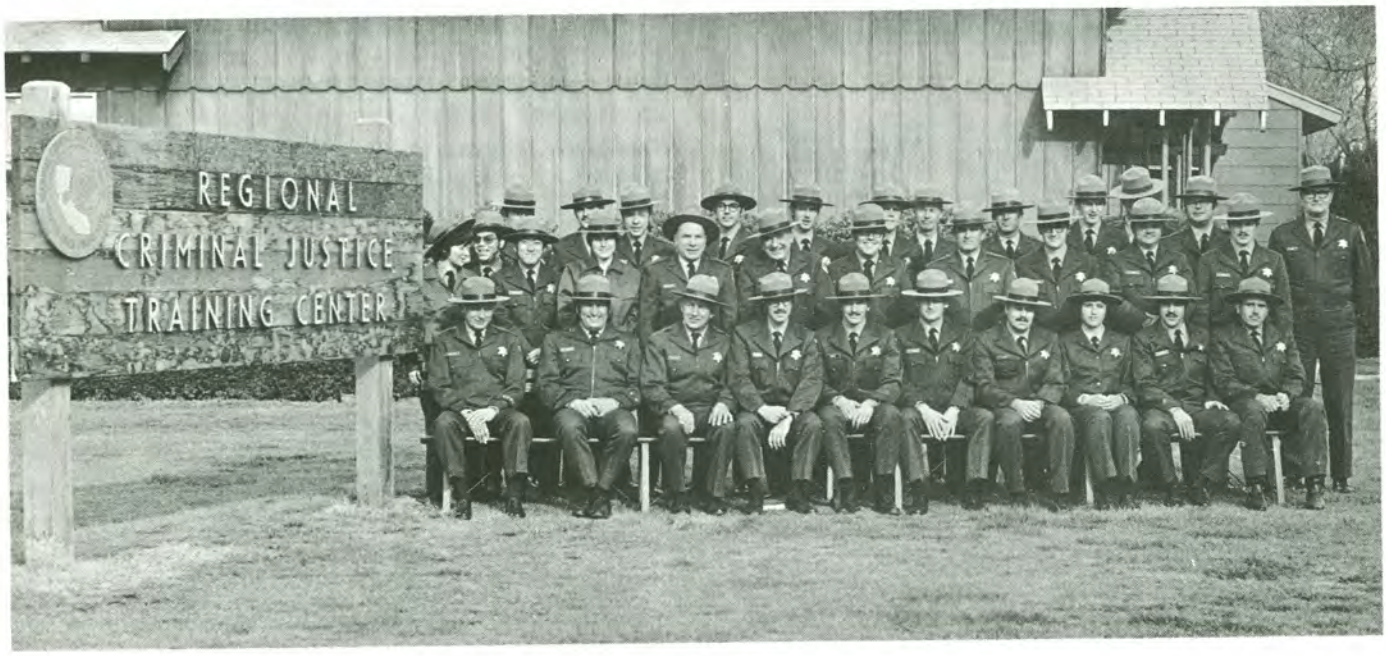
Trinidad Area, *Dave Redding* – The Del Norte Ecology Corps spent 200 hours manicuring meadows and cleaning road edges at Patrick's Point. Oldtimers say they put out twice as much as previous crews. The crew also has reopened the James Irvine Trail at Prairie Creek . . . The extension of the Miner's Ridge Trail to Gold Bluffs Beach and back via the James Irvine Trail makes an excellent loop trail for 10-mile hikers . . . All campsites at Patrick's Point filled and record crowds registered over Washington's birthday.

Will Rogers Area, *M. E. Hayes* – Supervisor *Frank Lopez* at Pio Pico SHP has installed glass doors at the interpretive rooms to control thefts.

50 LAW ENFORCEMENT GRADS IN MARCH

Fifty employees of the State Park System completed the 5-week law enforcement training course in March: 21 on March 16 and 29 on March 23. The course is given at the Regional Criminal Justice Training Center on the West Campus of Modesto College. State Park System employees were first enrolled in the program in the fall of 1971.

The Department's aim is to give the course to all park unit employees who deal directly with the public and who are likely to encounter law enforcement problems during the course of their duty. The course will add one more facet to the professionalism that is the trademark of the California State Park System.



Law enforcement training graduation class of March 16, 1973.

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James R. Dunn, SPR Trainee
Dyerville Area

Robert Canby, Jr., SPR Trainee
Dyerville Area

Armando Noriega, SPR Trainee
Lake Oroville Area

Kenneth Jacobs, SPR Trainee
Lake Oroville Area

Kay Schmidt (Miss), SPR Trainee
Lake Oroville Area

District 2

Garth Tanner, BSO II
District Headquarters

Robert Anderson, SPR Trainee
Golden Gate Area

District 3

David Craigen, SPR Trainee
Folsom Lake Area

Kathryn Verner (Miss), SPR Trainee
Folsom Lake Area

District 4

Daniel Weyand, SPR Trainee
Santa Cruz Mountain Area

Leslie Clark, SPR Trainee
Santa Cruz Mountain Area

D. Scott Datton, SPR Trainee
Pajaro Coast Area

John Ruddley, SPR Trainee
Pajaro Coast Area

Ruth Reffkin (Mrs.), SPR Trainee
Pajaro Coast Area

District 5

Stephen Hill, SPR Trainee
San Luis Obispo Coast Area

Stephen Michel, SPR Trainee
San Luis Obispo Coast Area

District 6

Donald Ito, SPR Trainee
San Diego Coast Area

Sandy Wheeler, SPR Trainee
San Diego Coast Area

Alfred Welcome, SPR Trainee
Montane Area

William Hodges, SPR Trainee
Montane Area

Gary Howard, SPR Trainee
Montane Area

Law enforcement training graduating class of March 23, 1973.

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Terry E. Adams, SPR I
Trinidad Area

Richard D. Carpenter, Park Maintenance Supervisor II
Dyerville Area

Waldeman L. Wiederhoeft, SPR I
Lake Oroville Area

Wendell C. Rickon, SPR I
Mendocino Area

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Kenneth J. Huddleston, SPR III
Golden Gate Area

Michael L. Wolfe, SPR I
Golden Gate Area

Harvey L. Lively, SPR I
Golden Gate Area

Emmet T. Crisp, SPR I
Russian River Area

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Robert D. Breshears, SPR I
Four Rivers Area

Donald H. McCormick, SPR I
Sacramento Area

Allan E. Hibsch, SPR III
Delta Area

Theodore M. Hansen, SPR II
Folsom Lake Area

Adolph F. Garrelts, SPR II
Sierra Area

District 4

Richard K. VanNatta, SPR I
Mount Diablo Area

James A. Taylor, SPR II
Santa Cruz Mountain Area

Nils W. Bergman, SPR I
Santa Cruz Mountain Area

Wesley H. Jones, SPR I
Santa Cruz Mountain Area

Thomas S. Palmquist, SPR I
San Mateo Coast Area

Leonard O. Pearson, SPR I
Pajaro Coast Area

District 5

Wesley E. Cater, SPR V
San Simeon Area

James R. Geary, SPR IV
Point Mugu Area

Malcolm C. Wilson, SPR III
Will Rogers Area

Dick C. Lokey, SPR I
Channel Coast Area

Stanley R. Carson, SPR I
Point Mugu Area

District 6

Maurice H. Getty, SPR IV
Anza-Borrego Area

Kirk M. Wallace, SPR III
Montane Area

Warren E. Beers, SPR II
Orange Coast Area

Louis J. Marquette, Lifeguard
San Diego Coast Area

Headquarters

Robert Tardif, SPR IV
Operations Division

People

OUR MAN IN YOSEMITE

Just as nations exchange ambassadors and students, the California State Park System has begun an exchange program for park rangers. The first trial in the program is an exchange between District 6 and Yosemite National Park. Our first **Man in Yosemite** is Ranger *Rene Avant*, on a one-year assignment. The following is part of his letter to *Jim Whitehead,* Superintendent of District 6, dated January 12, 1973.

Dear Mr. Whitehead:

I hope this letter finds all my friends in District 6 looking forward to the New Year with much enthusiasm. Many things have happened here since our last correspondence. The beauty of the valley is constantly changing with the seasons. The change from summer to fall was gradual, with every day becoming a little cooler and the colors becoming more and more vivid. Winter came on more suddenly. Or, was it just that we were not quite ready for it? When the temperature in the valley dropped to -3°F during the first week of December, we were forced to put away our southern California attire and invest in clothes more suitable to our new environment . . .

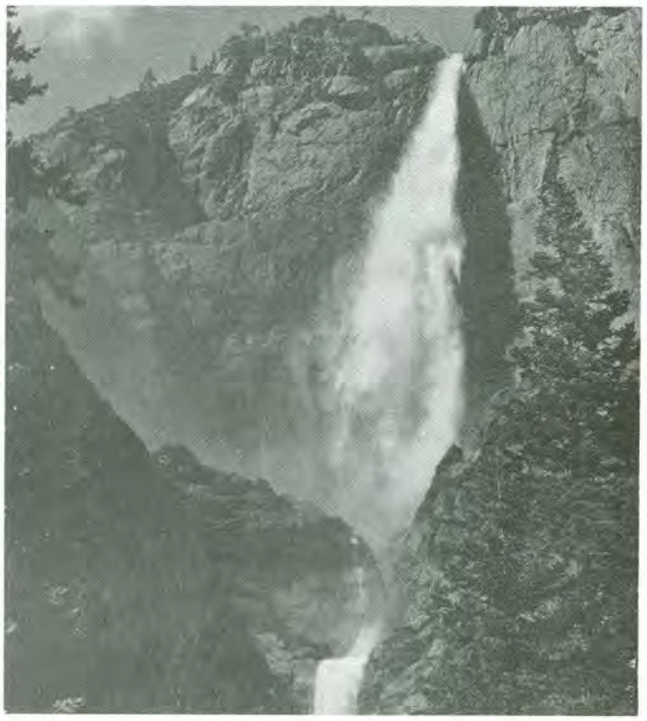
My work here at Yosemite is remaining exciting and full of new experiences. For the most part, I have been working primarily with the Valley District Protection Division. During October and November, the visitor usage dropped somewhat, and people problems were replaced by bear management problems. A good segment of each shift's workload was involved in filling out reports concerning bear damage, trapping bears, eliminating trouble bears, and transporting bears out of the valley and into the back country. Last year at this time I would never have imagined that I would be shooting darts at 400-lb. black bears.

With lesser amounts of people problems during November and October, I have had even greater opportunity for various types of training. Besides the working experience involved in road patrol and bear management activities, I have had training in the use of chemical mace. Along with handcuffs, a mace projector is part of the standard equipment issued to the rangers in the Protection Division. Various types of indiscrete mace projectors are available. The trend here is toward non-visible enforcement. Batons are almost never worn, though they are available in patrol vehicles. Firearms are carried by most of the Protection Division rangers. During the daylight hours, most of the rangers leave them in their brief cases or back packs. At night, guns are usually worn either in shoulder holsters or in some manner coinciding with the non-visible law enforcement policy.

One aspect of the Protection Division's operation that does not seem to slow down with the visitor usage is mountain rescue activities. It seems that whatever the weather, there are always plenty of rugged individuals who find pleasure in exploring the back country. I have taken advantage of opportunities to participate in search and rescue operations. As most of the participants in the rescue operations are experienced mountaineers, my usefulness has been primarily as extra manpower in carrying out victims. With each operation, I am learning new techniques, and becoming a more useful part of the rescue team.

For the month of December, and half of January, I have been working at the Badger Pass Ski Area. I have gained extensive experience in both first aid and cross-country skiing. I have assisted in and personally given first aid to approximately 70 major accident victims. Of these, about 50 included broken or dislocated bones. The majority of the remainder were accidents caused by sharp ski edges. On weekdays, when fewer people are using the ski area, I have been able to do quite a bit of cross-country skiing. This has not only given me a valuable skill for search and rescue operations, but it has introduced me to an enjoyable winter sport for the whole family.

Rene S. Avant
State Park Ranger I



HE WENT BLIND OVERNIGHT

What would it be like if suddenly you became totally blind?

Herman Griffin of Borrego Springs can tell you. Griffin, who retired as an Anza-Borrego Desert State Park ranger Oct. 1, was stricken with flu Nov. 10 and had to miss his belated retirement party.

"On Sunday, Dec. 10, while watching television and recuperating from a high fever," Herman said, "I felt a curtain falling over my eyes. By the next day my sight was all gone. I couldn't tell daylight from darkness."

His Optic Nerve Affected

Specialists say the blindness will probably be permanent. The virus Griffin contracted to cause inflammation of the optic nerve is similar to the one that causes meningitis and may also attack the hearing or the brain.

"I feel really lucky I can hear and communicate," he said remarkably cheerful. "I was hospitalized for a week, then came home." He is not bitter, rather his attitude is one of determination to make the best of a situation that can't be helped medically.

Griffin has found there are many things he can do. Fortunately he had some time to adjust to his new mobile home before his illness.

A typical day finds him doing many different things. "In the mornings, I listen to the news on the Today Show." By noon his wife, Carmen, a secretary with the Borrego Springs Unified School District, is home to prepare their lunch.

Flowers Get Personal Care

"By early afternoon, I do my household chores," he said. "I can wash dishes and mop floors. On nice days, I can walk outside in the sun and then I talk to and caress my flowers. It helps them grow, you know."

He may or may not take a short nap.

The Braille Institute has sent Griffin a number of aids. Excellent local readers provide the latest excerpts from *Time, U.S. News and World Report* and *Time Magazine* not long after they hit newsstands.

"They have sent me a tape deck and I have ordered Spanish tapes. I am also learning Braille, but it's very difficult and will be until my fingertips become sensitive enough. I am too far from an Institute Center to attend classes."

Herman is plugging away on his own, bit by bit, especially since a friend is sending him Braille playing cards. Soon he hopes to resume bridge with friends, a game he has enjoyed for years.

Sometimes in the afternoons Herman polishes and creates table ornaments from bits of redwood driftwood and stones such as agate. He also completed the final finish on a coffee table he had made before his illness from a giant redwood burl.

He visited the Blind Center in El Centro once, but finds much to do here at home to keep busy.

"I am quite resigned that I will always be blind. I made up my mind to that before I left the hospital."

Readers Help Him to See

Herman feels it could have been worse. He is glad he can hear and that communication with others is not denied him. He especially enjoys "reading" his books and magazines.

"The readers are superb. Not only are their voices excellent, but novels requiring a French or Russian accent get exactly that," he said.

Friends call and some read to Herman, others just sit and visit to make that day speed by more quickly.

Last month Herman visited his brother in La Habra for a week and enjoyed a visit from his newly married daughter, Mrs. William Montgomery of Spring Valley.

Another resident gave Herman a Braille machine. Herman hasn't figured out yet quite how he can use it, but expects when he masters Braille, it may prove a useful tool.

Herman had little time to enjoy his retirement but he is discovering the world of the blind cannot always remain a lonely world when good friends care so much.

Determination Not Lost

His resilience to his affliction and his determination to make the best of his Stygian world is miraculous.

His cheerful outlook, to the outsider, is a constant reminder to others to appreciate to the utmost what Herman has lost.

One has the feeling that Herman maybe hasn't lost at all. He's gaining something most people never use . . . resourcefulness and a tremendous urge to overcome.

Lois von Voigtlander

From the Borrego Sun of March 24, 1973; reprinted by permission.

A CLEAN PROFIT

Bothe-Napa Valley State Park Ranger *Earl Wilder* won a clean $25 as a third prize in the Park Practice Program of Grist, the monthly publication of the National Recreation and Park Association.

Wilder's winner was a garbage cleaning rack attached to the rear of a flat-bed truck. Two cans

are attached to the rack, one with detergent water and one with rinse water. After a full garbage can is emptied onto the truck, it is dipped into the wash can, scrubbed clean, and then rinsed with water from the rinse can. The advantage of the method is that the cans can be cleaned on location, saving the time and effort of hauling them to a cleaning area.

Earl's idea was published in the September/October 1971 issue of Grist.

Earl took his idea to Big Basin Redwoods SP last October, with a lateral transfer from Ranger to Maintenance Man.

NEW ZEALAND SNOWBALL

Charles Stewart, a retired Los Angeles policeman and a park aid at Morro Bay SP for the past eight summers, will soon be returning from his second trip to New Zealand with his wife. They go by freighter, 180 days for the round trip. On this trip, he found New Zealand hospitality a little warm for comfort. Here is part of a letter he wrote to Area Manager *Charles Lyden.*

. . . While staying in a campground in Lower Hiett, I told the camp manager that I worked part time for Department of Parks and Rec in California. That I was interested in learning about their park systems and obtaining literature on the parks. He introduced me to his superior as supervisor of California Parks who told the superintendent that I was in charge of several parks in California. This snowballed until it became a tossup whether *Wm. Mott* or I was in charge of the State of California with the edge slightly in my favor. I was given tours of the area parks and furnished with credentials to attend the annual Parks Convention in Christchurch. The 3-day convention was quite an affair. I was seated at the head table with a California sign in front of me. Personally welcomed by the mayor to whom I conveyed the best wishes of *Governor Reagan*. It was impossible to stop the snowballing without embarrassing the persons who introduced me . . .

Stewart will be returning about May 15, ready for that summer job again and filled with more tales from the land down under.

THE BEST LAID PLANS . . .

[*Tony Trigeiro,* Manager of the Pajaro Coast Area, retired March 30 after 32 years with the State Park System. His Department friends from all over the state had planned a big send-off for him at District 4 headquarters, even though he had told his chief ranger he didn't want a retirement party.

You guessed it – the boys had a "surprise" party, and the guest of honor didn't show up. Here is part of the memorandum *Tony* wrote in response.]

I regret that I inconvenienced and "let down" my good friends at the District 4 Headquarters who carried out the party. Their chagrin and disappointment is understandable.

However, in self-defense I never waivered from my request that I bow out quietly and as unheralded as I came in. This was confirmed in writing and reiterated verbally many times. So much for that.

The official record shows that I got started with the Division of Parks right after 1940 after working for the State at the World's Fair on Treasure Island.

Sometimes I like to think it started a lot earlier than that. I also like to kid my associates that maybe I was the one that got this outfit off the ground in the first place.

It was like this: One of the years I was at Stanford I got a job in downtown Palo Alto lighting furnaces instead of "hashing". One place I had to get to at 5:30 a.m. was at a Colonel Charles Wing on Lincoln Avenue. He was a professor emeritus of mechanical engineering and had even designed his coal burning furnace.

My job was to stoke the furnace and bang it and make enough noise to wake him up. He had to catch the "Paly flier" at 7:02 a.m. for San Francisco.

All I know was that he had some state job in San Francisco and it was up to me that he caught the train and got there. Years later I learned that he was the first Chief of the Division of Parks. Little did I realize at the time that my "career" had already started with the State Park System.

Now as I leave, I wish all of you many fruitful and pleasant years "stoking the furnaces" of those responsible in carrying out the destiny of the great California State Park System. I'll be watching your smoke.

Anton J. Trigeiro
State Park Ranger IV

CASEY'S GONE

The Department's Counsel, Casey Buchter, has accepted a position of Executive Director of the Central-Southern Coastline Commission based in Santa Barbara, effective March 19, 1973. That Commission was established under Proposition 20

in the last election and will have jurisdiction of coastal zone development and planning in San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Ventura Counties.

Casey has been with the Department since December 1966, first as Assistant Departmental Counsel and since August of 1967, as Departmental Counsel.

Casey's family – wife Kitty, sons Stephen and Michael, and daughters Trenna and Elizabeth – will be moving to Santa Barbara as soon as school is out.

PEOPLE

Mildred Hilzer of Bidwell Mansion SHP is officially designated a Clerk Typist I, but like many Department employees today, she is a jack-of-all-trades. Mildred, or "Millie", as she is called, takes care of the time sheets, attendance, and cash; does much of the clerking and typing, answers the telephone, acts as receptionist when no one else is around, leads a tour of the Mansion in a pinch, keeps the coffee pot going, and knows where to get free money orders (for the State, not herself). In her spare time, she tries to cope with the 65 DPR forms, the 40 State forms, and a miscellany of unnumbered and undesignated pieces of paper.

To North Valley Area Manager Lorin Forsyth, Chief Ranger Lee Shelton, and the rest of the Bidwell staff, Millie is worth her weight in gold, before devaluation.

Incoming regional directors of the California State Park Rangers Association. Left to right: Al Salzgeber, installing officer; Joe Hood, Director Region I; Lou Wakefield, Director Region V; Caleb Smith, Alternate Director Region III; Dick Brock, Director Region VII.

RANGERS MEET

The General Executive Council of the California State Park Rangers Association had its annual get-together March 16-18 at The Golden Tee in Morrow Bay. Attendance was a record 250.

Some of the group started proceedings Thursday morning, March 16 on the Morro Bay golf course, but the real business got underway Friday, with the Council meeting beginning at 1 p.m. Director *Mott* was the featured speaker Saturday morning, as he talked about "Issues Facing Our Department."

Saturday afternoon, Dr. *Timothy Gaskin* gave a presentation on "The Permissable, Proper and Safe Uses of Pesticides and Herbicides." Then Dr. *Woody Lehman*, a photographer of note, talked about and demonstrated the "Importance of Little Things" in interpretive photography.

A banquet Saturday evening featured guest speaker Dr. *Norman Sanders*, of the University of California, Santa Barbara.

A dance in the Sky Room from 9:30 to 1:30 featured music by "The Gallions."

Those who could spare the time on Sunday took their choice of tours – Hearst Castle, the nuclear power plant at Diablo Canyon, or the Morro Bay Heron Rookery, where naturalist *Lloyd Dunkel* holds forth.

Beth Coppedge of the Resource Management and Protection Division receives a special commendation from Commissioner McConnell for her efforts to raise money for Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. Beth provides coffee, candybars, and donuts for her office – and other 11th floor hangers-on – with donations going to the Desert Gardens program. So far the fund has purchased 7 gardens for $385.

Ranger *George Linden* of the Sacramento Area hurt his knee in an off duty activity and was on crutches for a week.

Ranger *Ken Leigh* and wife, *Jamie*, San Luis Obispo Coast Area, are parents of a Valentine's Day daughter, *Kassandra*, their second girl.

Ranger *Dennis Doberneck* and wife *Kathy* added a son, *Joshua Hilary,* to the family February 24. He has an older brother, *Nathan*, age 3.

A surprise party at the El Dorado Royal Country Club honored Ranger *Harold Sederquist* on his 25th anniversary of service with the State. District Superintendent *Clyde Newlin* presented *Sederquist* with a 25-year pin.

Resources Agency Secretary Norman B. Livermore, Jr., one of the speakers at the Conservation Week Banquet of the California Conservation Council in Sacramento, made special mention of the environmental education programs at Petaluma Adobe SHP, San Francisco Maritime SHP, Calaveras Big Trees SP, and other units. Ray Arnett (right), Director of the Department of Fish and Game, was master of ceremonies. Governor Reagan spoke and also joined State Superintendent of Public Instruction Wilson Riles in presenting awards to California's top ten environmental improvement projects developed by students under the President's Environmental Merit Award Program. More than 400 conservation leaders from throughout the state attended the banquet.

Calaveras Area welcomed new Chief Ranger *Lyle B. Keith* with a pot luck for him and his wife, *Margie*. A less happy occasion was a retirement dinner for Maintenance Supervisor *George Cochran* and wife, *Rose*. On the day he retired, *Cochran* left the following note for Area Manager *Bob Stewart*, "Since you fired me Feb. 13 for being late with the January maintenance section report, there's nothing you can do to me if I don't turn in any report for February. I'm doing it out of the kindness of my heart."

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LIMITS OF GROWTH

"Unless we move resolutely to halt industrial growth in the century and population growth as soon as possible thereafter, mankind will suffer a massive economic collapse and a global epidemic of deaths within two or three generations."

This grim forecast of our future is the vision of 70 prestigious members of the Club of Rome, an international assortment of businessmen, economists, and scientists who commissioned an M.I.T. computer study on the most basic issue of all – survival.

The extremely pessimistic findings have rocked scientific and governmental circles in the brief period that they have been on the market, as they challenge nearly every major economic tenet held, though they generally support what environmentalists have been saying for years.

Using a computer model that could simulate the major ecological forces at work in the world

today, an international team of scientists fed into a computer an array of data of five interrelated major world factors – population, pollution, natural resources, food supply, and industrial output.

The question to be answered was: How long can population and industrialization continue to grow on this planet with its finite resources? The grim answer was that, if society continues its present dedication to growth and "progress," it not only won't continue to grow, it won't continue at all in the not-too-distant future.

Earth's Resources Limited

The basis for the startling study was the assumption that population, pollution, resources consumption, and other major forces are all growing "exponentially" (by 2, 4, 8, 16, and so on) instead of the normally used "linear" growth pattern (2, 4, 6, 8, and so on). The difference means that these global impacts tend to double at regular and increasingly shorter intervals. Since the earth obviously has a limited capacity to sustain growth, the doubling can mean a final and tragic lurch upward.

The book illustrates an example of the devastating speed of exponential growth with an old Persian tale. A clever courtier presenting a beautiful chessboard to his king asks in return for one grain of rice for the first square on the board, double that for the second square, double that for the third, and so on. The king having agreed, the courtier gets eight grains for the fourth square, 512 for the tenth, 16,384 for the fifteenth, over a million for the twenty-first, and far more than the king could ever have for the sixty-fourth.

Linear Index Misleading

As succeeding generations demand ever higher material living standards, natural resources are being depleted exponentially even faster. We are aware of the near death of some resources – 13 years left for mercury, 15 years for tin, etc. But the overuse of the linear index has lulled us to a false comfort on the lifetime of others. For instance, here is how the normally used linear index stacks up against the exponential usage rate on certain known reserves, based on rates of use in 1970:

	Linear Index (Years)	Exponential Index (Years)
Aluminum	100	31
Copper	110	60
Coal	2,300	111
Chromium	420	95
Nickel	150	53
Petroleum	31	20

Assuming exponential growth, the computer then says that as industrialization grows, it voraciously consumes enormous amounts of resources. Resources becoming scarcer, forcing more and more capital to be spent on procuring raw materials, which leaves less and less money for investment in new plants and facilities.

At this point, estimated to be near 2026, the computer's curves begin to converge and cross. Population outstrips food and industrial supplies. Investment in new equipment falls behind the rate of obsolescence, and the industrial base begins to collapse, carrying along with it the service and agricultural activities that have become dependent upon industrial products (such as medical equipment and fertilizers). Because of the lack of health services and food, the world's population is rapidly cut.

"Technology" Offers No Immediate Solution

Two glaring facts remain. The first is that these exponential trends threatening mankind cannot be stopped soon. This is most critical with regard to our population dilemma. Even if United States parents were to immediately reduce their fertility to the replacement level and hold it there, their population would not cease growing for another 70 years. And, secondly, there is no immediate technological solution.

The Western-held economic belief that technology will somehow come to man's rescue doesn't hold up. Every advance in technology consumes additional scarce natural resources, throws off more pollutants, and often has unwanted social side effects, like creating huge unemployment.

But what if pollution were abated, the birthrate halved, and food production doubled? It doesn't look quite so bad, the computer says, but there would still be some pollution from every farm and factory, and cumulatively it would still trigger catastrophe. The computer's conclusion: "All growth projections end in collapse."

So, what to do? Is there a way out, or are we all just waiting for that big apocalyptic day, whether we pollute and grow or not? The one option we do not have is to make no decision at all. No decision, says *Limits to Growth,* is a decision to let accelerating forces go on as they are, increasing the risk of overshoot and collapse.

Balance Essential

The study team offers a number of options to stem man's dilemma and the computer says that it can be done on time. An urgent effort, beginning in 1975, must be made to deliberately move us from growth and equilibrium before natural forces do it tragically. Population has to be stabilized by

equalizing the birth and death rates.

To halt industrial growth, industrial capital has to be stabilized by an investment rate equalling the depreciation rate by 1990, and all investment in new, nonpolluting plants must not exceed the retirement of the old facilities. Pollution and industry's use of resources will be cut to a fourth of present levels by 1975. Society will be forced to go through a fundamental shift in behavior patterns, emphasizing health facilities, education, recreation, and other material economic preferences.

All possible resources must be recycled, including the composting of organic garbage. Products like automobiles and TV sets must be designed to last long and be repaired easily. Capital will be diverted to food production, even at a loss, to help equalize world social conditions. A high priority for agricultural investment will have to be soil enrichment and conservation.

If all this is done, the stable world population would be only slightly larger than it is now. Everybody would have more than twice as much to eat. People would live an average of 70 years. Industrial output would be appreciably higher and services per person would triple.

Average industrial income worldwide (industrial output, food, and services) would be about $1,800, half the present American average, and three times today's average for the world as a whole. Though resources would still be depleted, it would happen so slowly that technology and industry would have time to adjust to change.

New Philosophy of Life Needed

So says the computer. The report has been criticized for being simplistic and crude. Many of the variables used, such as ultimate impact of pollution, are admittedly little more than heroic guesses. None the less, it is the first comprehensive study of its kind using universal interrelated forces. And, rather than being rejected outright, it should certainly be carefully considered and expanded upon in the future.

Some key officials have already looked hard at the report and the issues raised. On March 29, Russell Train, Chairman of the President's Council on Environmental Quality, said that, as a people, "we are ready to ask some of the hard questions." Train called for a national debate on the desirability of growth and said that "citizens are beginning to question whether more is really better."

The demand for a totally new philosophy of civilization is made evident by this report. An example of good reason for pessimism for such a complete change, though, is the effort of the investigative team trying to raise funds for another study to determine how a society still dedicated to upward and onward growth can change its ways. Thus far, it has had little success.

—From the National Wildlife Federation Newsletter

VERNA DUNSHEE DIES

Verna Dunshee, active Marin County conservationist and honorary State Park Ranger, died last month after a long illness. She was 80 years old.

In addition to her work in preserving Samuel P. Taylor, Tomales Bay, Indian Grinding Rock, Butano, Malakoff Digins, Stinson Beach, and Angel Island, and adding them to the State Park System, Mrs. Dunshee and her husband Bertram contributed toward scholarships that sent many State Park Rangers to the annual Audubon School. She was a member of the Tamalpais Conservation Club, California Conservation Council, Shoreline Planning Commission, Save-the-Redwoods League, Sierra Club, National Parks Association, Wilderness Society, Nature Conservancy, National Audubon Society, California Roadside Council, California Historical Society, and the Marin and Nevada County Historical Societies.

In 1965, Mrs. Dunshee became the first woman ever to possess a State Park Ranger's badge, when the California State Park Rangers Association named her an honorary ranger. In addition, the California Legislature commended Mrs. Dunshee for her work in conservation; the resolution cited her as an exponent of the adage, "There is no limit to the good an individual can accomplish so long as he cares not who receives the credit."

She is survived by her husband and a daughter, Mildred E. Dunshee of Ross.

PERSONNEL TRANSACTIONS
AS REPORTED TO THE PERSONNEL SECTION BY 3/15/73

APPOINTMENTS

Hardy, Dorothy B.	Clerk Typist II	Office & Res.	2/17/73
McGowen, Patrice D.	Clerk Typist I(Int)	Central Records	2/26/73
Patchett, William A.	Watchman	Orange Coast	2/13/73
White, Ernest V.	Park Maint Asst	District 5 HQ	2/13/73

PROMOTIONS

Alton, Terry	Account Clerk II	Accounting	2/26/73
Bechthold, Marjorie L.	Clerk Typist I	Hearst San Simeon	1/2/73
Bradshaw, Harold D.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Grants and Statewide Studies	2/9/73
Godwin, Malvin F.	Park Maint Supvr I	Los Lagos	3/5/73
Griffith, Thomas W.	Park Maint Supvr II	Monterey	2/15/73
Hanshew, Ronald L.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Grants and Statewide Studies	2/9/73
Johnson, Gerald	SPR III	Management Analysis	1/31/73
Kranz, Bruce L.	Lifeguard Supvr I	Orange Coast	3/1/73
Love, Evalene	Accounting Tech	Accounting	1/31/73
Martin, Kenneth E.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Grants and Statewide Studies	2/9/73
Miller, Hester M.	Clerk Typist II	Central Records to Sacramento	2/26/73

UNIT CHANGES

Domich, Thomas	Assoc Budget Analyst	Budget Office to Personnel	1/31/73
Hagy, Robert H.	Assoc Park & Rec Spec	Reports & Cont Serv to Res Mgmt & Prot	1/1/73
Hewitt, Robert W.	SPR V	District 2 HQ to District 3 HQ	3/1/73
Turner, William L.	Part Maint Asst	District 5 HQ to San Luis Obispo Coast	2/13/73
Wilson, Norman L.	Supvr of Exhibit Prep	Visitor Services to Archit	1/1/73

TRAINING ASSIGNMENT

Cline,Charles G.	SPR V	District 3 HQ to Concessions	1/31/73

RETIREMENT

Curti, Alfred J.	Groundsman	Hearst San Simeon	2/21/73

SEPARATIONS

Bennett, Michael S.	Park Maint Asst	Monterey	2/20/73
Yriberry, Frances	Steno II	District 2 HQ	3/2/73

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