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FEATURED OPINION

Please print this response to Jeff Jones article that was presented in December 1974 Reporter.

Jeff Jones' article entitled "Let's Encourage Environmentally Responsible Recreation" a featured opinion in CSPRA Reporter, presents the alternatives of relatively "nonconsumptive and non-polluting types of recreation", such as: hiking, biking, backpacking, canoeing versus "totally consumptive and polluting recreation activities" such as: dune buggying, dirt biking, power boating, and snow mobiling. However, within the article, there are some misrepresentations and misunderstandings which should be cleared up.

STUDY SHOWS MISCONCEPTION

First, all forms of recreation equire some energy. Most hikers, backpackers, canoers, and bicyclists use automobiles or trucks to transport themselves to the nearest trailhead, lake or bike trail. Many times, this is hundreds of miles away, using a great deal of fuel. This is also true of the person who hauls his offroad vehicle miles into the desert. In addition, many of the totally consumptive activities which Jeff mentioned in his article in actuality consume a very small percentage of the gasoline required in California. Many of these such as motorcycles get extremely good gas mileage and are used in conjunction with other forms of recreation, such as camping, hunting and fishing. A preliminary study of gas consumption by all types of off-road vehicles shows that only .4 of 1% of the total gas consumption of California is related to this type of use. All consumers of energy and resources must initiate conservation measures. However, by eliminating off-road vehicle activity, only a small reduction would occur and this reduction would be at the expense of depriving a large portion of our population of their recreational pursuits.

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37 YEARS OF SERVICE

CLYDE L. NEWLIN RETIRES

The evening of March 22, 1975 over three hundred friends of Clyde L. Newlin gathered to wish Clyde and his wife Dorothy a happy retirement.

Life long friend and working associate Mel Whittaker headed the list of distinguished guests. Others included Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Kishbaugh, Mr. & Mrs. Alan Short, Dr. & Mrs. Teale, Mr. & Mrs. Ed Dolder, Mr. & Mrs. William Penn Mott Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Bob Meyer, Mr. & Mrs. Ray Hunter, Mr. & Mrs. Hansen, Mr. John Knight, and Mr. & Mrs. Darrel Knoefler. Also on hand to honor Clyde were Gene Velzy, Lou Donaldson, Tony Trigero, Art Parvin, Pat Colbourn, Petty Weaver, and Ron Miller.

Clyde retired from Superintendent of District III, a position he held since 1952. He planned and developed the District from only a few parks to over 30 units.

Clyde Newlin's career began as a seasonal employee at Big Basin Redwoods in 1936. In 1940 he was appointed as a Park Supervisor in Morro Bay. Three years later he returned

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Question?

WILL CSPRA HIRE A LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATE?

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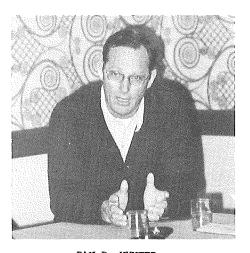
CAN WE AFFORD ONE?

THE ANSWERS MAY BE UP TO YOU!

These were but a few of the questions before your Board of Directors the day after GEC.

Former Chief Deputy Director of DPR and Director of Conservation Ray B. Hunter addressed the Sunday Board of Directors meeting and proposed he be retained by CSPRA as Executive Secretary and as Legislative Advocate. Mr. Hunter stated: "Traditionally, this association has handled your lobbing and communication needs as they arose, and frequently on a volunteer basis. But

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RAY B. HUNTER

"I'm here today as someone who knows the system and can handle the issues from your point of view."

california state park rangers association

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President's Message

IN MEMORY - RANGER DONALD W. MOWREY'

On Sunday, January 30, 1975, Ranger Donald W. Mowrey of the Piercy Area passed away.

Our most heart felt sympathy is extended to Don's wife Betty and her family. Don was a respected fellow Ranger and a close friend of all who knew him.

Don had devoted 22 years of dedicated service to the State of California. He served 8 years with the Department of Fish and Game and the last 14 years with the Department of Parks and Recreation.

As a person he was one of those rare people that you liked the first time you met. Always positive and cheerful. He never exhibited the ups and downs that most of us show from time to time.

He was a deceptively productive worker. In his quiet, steady way he always got the job done. He was always the first one there when anyone needed a hand. He played as hard as he worked - ready to go hunting or fishing at the drop of a hat. He enjoyed sharing good times with his family and friends.

EXCEPTIONAL MAN

As a Ranger, Don was a true professional, a complete Ranger. Tough when the situation called for it, but serving people was his first call of duty. He could chastise an offender when they needed it, lead a campfire program or put a band-aid on a childs knee all with the same quiet dignity of a concerned friend that made him that rare, exceptional man.

Don will leave a void at Standish Hickey State Recreation Area



where he served the last several years. He will be missed by those who worked with him and by those that he so faithfully served.

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In February I had the opportunity to sit in on a Meet and Confer session between Director Mott and representatives of CSEA. The main topic of concern was in regard to Peace Officer protective equipment and Department policy on enforcement issues.

I am in complete sympathy with the Director's concern about the State Park Ranger's image becoming too "police" or "enforcement" oriented. However, it is CSPRA's concern that its members are properly trained and equiped to allow them to perform their duties with adequate personal safety, and further, that their responsibilities are clearly stated by the Department in regard to these enforcement duties.

I have the utmost faith in our State Park Peace Officers that they have the ability and desire to perform all of their responsibilities with the goal of the best public service possible uppermost in mind. I do not believe, that as a whole, our Rangers would prefer to work at an enforcement dominated job.

We cannot neglect, however, that times are changing. The nature of our society is changing, people are changing, and so is the job of

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the State Park Ranger. To completely fulfill the obligations of our responsibilities to protect the natural resources and preserve the peace within units of the State Park System will require better training, better equipment and more dedication on the part of our personnel.

I further believe that the emphasis of the Ranger's job and the attitude toward the job can be directed and controlled with adequate training and proper supervision. If the Department provides the training and 'proper supervision then the desired end result will be obtained.

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Photo Contest Total Success

For the CSPRA members who were unable to attend the GEC at San Diego, a recap of the first of, hopefully many, photography contests may be of interest.

There were a total of 175 slides entered in the competition by approximately 38 contestants. Three cash value prizes and five honorable mention certificates were awarded.

JIM PHILLIPS TOPS WINNERS

The prize winners were first, Jim Phillips, with a photograph of an old wood cart taken at Petaluma Adobe; second, Carl Chavez, submitting a portrait of four family members in a window of the Bodie Jail, and third, Harry Oyler, with a sensitive composition of a fallen leaf among dried weeds. Honorable mentions were awarded to Bob Culbertson, Bernie Donahue, Dan Friend, Kent Hartwell and Roger Titus.

Subject matter for this year's contest included wildlife, people, historic and contemporary structures, pure nature scenes and a variety of miscellaneous areas.

After the volume of slides was narrowed to the final twenty each was verbally critiqued on tape by the judges. This tape was then played at a GEC workshop so that members could learn how judges work and what features were significant in deciding prize winners.

Except for the fact that two of the three scheduled judges had to be replaced within four days of the judging, the contest went off quite smoothly. Contestants are to be congratulated for making this first annual event a total success!

/s/Paul R. Johnson Anza Borrego

29 SOCIAL UP

1975 RESOLUTIONS



RESULTS

RESOLUTION 75-1

RESOLVED, that the California State Park Rangers' Association direct its President to send letters to the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation and to the State Parks and Recreation Commission recommending that no units or parts of units of the State Park System be designated as suitable for off-road vehicle use or for any other environmentally irresponsible types of recreation.

Voting - In favor of rejecting - 32 For O Resolution Rejected.

RESOLUTION 75-2

RESOLVED, that we add to Article II (Constitution) Objectives, the following:

It shall also be the objectives of this Association to seek and to provide the most effective means that insure and promote (1) the fair treatment, (2) the economic stability, and (3) the health and safety of its members.

Voting - In favor - 20 Against - 12 Resolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-3

RESOLVED, that when we next purchase our Association stationery, that we purchase stationery made of 100% recycled paper; and furthermore, have a statement printed on each piece which says "made of 100% recycled paper", and that all future purchases of stationery be of 100% recycled paper.

Voting - In favor - 33 Against - 0 Resolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-4

RESOLVED, that we once again help those who have helped us; and contribute \$50 (fifty dollars) to

the Sequoia Audubon Society, to help them repay a \$50,000 loan from the National Audubon Society's George C. Whittel Estate Revolving Fund, which helped make up the \$100,000 gift to the Department of Parks and Recreation for the acquisition of lands to preserve Pescadero Marsh.

Send contribution to: Sequoia Audubon Society P.O. Box 5273 San Mateo, California 94402

Voting - In favor - 26 Against - 4 Resolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-5

RESOLVED, that C.S.P.R.A. support CSEA Resolution 774 by sending a letter of support to (1) CSEA, and (2) the Governor.

CSEA Resolution 774 reads in part, "Now therefore be it RESOLVED, that a cost of living index as provided by Congress and already a functioning part of the Federal employees retirement at six-month intervals be immediately established and put into effect for retired State Employees."

Voting - In favor - 35 Against - 0 Resolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-6

Withdrawn for re-write.

RESOLUTION 75-6A

That CSPRA discover how seasonal funds can better be brought in line to accommodate coverage and permanent staff be increased to more closely follow Operation Plans and a copy of this study be sent to the Director.

Voting - In favor - 23 Against - 4 Resolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-7

RESOLVED, that C.S.P.R.A. urge the Department of Parks and Recreation to seek transfer and/or jurisdiction from the State Lands Commission of all off-shore property adjacent to units of the State Park System to such a boundary as may be determined to be operationally and naturally adequate to permit utilization of State Park Rules and Regulations to provide for protection of natural resources and of the visiting public.

Voting - In favor - 32 Against - 0 Resolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-8

RESOLVED, that the Constitution and Bylaws be amended so that;

1) All resolutions must be properly presented no later than January 10 (so they can be printed in the REPORTER), and

- 2) Resolutions may be rewritten with only minor alterations that do not change their original intent, and resubmitted from the floor, and
- B3) In the case of new resolutions, to be introduced from the floor, these resolutions must be presented in writing to the Board at the opening session of the G.E.C.

Voting - In favor - 26 Against - 7 Resolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-9

RESOLVED, that the C.S.P.R.A. uniform representative recommend through the proper channels that a green 60/40 type parkabe authorized as an optional rain wear item for use with the field uniform.

Withdrawn (referred to Uniform Committee)

RESOLUTION 75-10

RESOLVED, that CSPRA encourage the development of a program which would increase the number of steps in the Ranger I and Ranger II grades.

Voting - In favor - 28 Against - 4 Resolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-11

RESOLVED, that CSPRA reaffirm its position as favoring POST certification of State Park Peace Officers by having the president of CSPRA contact the Director and so inform him of that position.

Voting - In favor - 31 Against - 0 Resolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-12

RESOLVED, that the president of CSPRA urge the department to issue the complete enforcement kit to all State Park Peace Officers.

Withdrawn with condition that it be reviewed and considered by the committee set up in Resolution 75-18.

RESOLUTION 75-13

RESOLVED, that the president of CSPRA urge the department to authorize the use of privately owned revolvers as replacements for the state issued weapons. To qualify as a replacement weapon the revolver must conform to the current specifications as outlined in the D.O.M. (Colt or Smith and Wesson, blued steel 4 inch barrel, cal. \$8 special revolver with black or brown grips). Maintenance of a privately owned weapon will be the responsibility of the individual ranger.

Withdrawn with condition that it be reviewed and considered by the committee set up in Resolution 75-18.

RESOLUTION 75-14

RESOLVED, that the president of C.S.P.R.A. urge the department to authorize the optional use of a cordovan, hi ride, thumb break holster to be worn on the uniform belt, in such circumstances where a low profile appearance is desirable.

Withdrawn with condition that it be reviewed and considered by the committee set up in Resolution 75-18.

RESOLUTION 75-15

RESOLVED, that CSPRA consider also sponsoring a scholarship to Desert Audubon in addition to the two scholarships it now sponsors to Audubon West, and be it further

RESOLVED, that CSPRA contact the Department and request them to check if scholarships sponsored by outside groups can be made available for use at Desert Audubon.

Voting - In favor - 30 Against - 0 Resolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-16

RESOLVED, that CSPRA urges the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation to effect paid overtime for state park employees at the rate of time-and-one-half, and be it further

RESOLVED, that funds for overtime salaries be budgeted over and above the existing salary budget.

Voting - In favor - 7 Against - 27 Resolution Defeated.

RESOLUTION 75-17

RESOLVED, that CSPRA strongly urges the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation to authorize use of enforcement equipment including weapons for rangers in all areas of the state park system.

Withdrawn.

RESOLUTION 75-18

RESOLVED, that the President of CSPRA appoint and convene a committee on enforcement for the purpose of receiving and evaluating enforcement issues and proposals, and be it further

RESOLVED, that said committee issue a report of sound, coordinated enforcement policy for ratification by the Board of Directors of CSPRA and for consideration by the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Voting - In favor - 34 Against - 0 Resolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-19

RESOLVED, that the CSPRA President send correspondence to encourage the Galifornia State Park Commission, the State Legislature and the Governor to <u>Purchase</u>, <u>Protect</u>, and <u>Develop a "Wild River"</u> or "Wild River System" for the People of this State.

Voting - In favor - 26 Against - 8 Resolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-20

RESOLVED, that C.S.P.R.A. shall urge the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation to ban the selling of redwood burls in all future concession contracts.

Voting - In favor - 18 Against - 17 Resolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-21

RESOLVED, that C.S.P.R.A. shall write letters to the necessary person or persons urging that people competing for positions in the maintenance classes be allowed to compete on a state wide promotional list if they should wish to do so.

Voting - In favor - 28 Against - 6 Resolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-22

RESOLVED, that CSPRA urges the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation to effect a total prohibition of dogs in units of the State Park System.

Voting - In favor - 13 Against - 22 Resolution Defeated.

RESOLUTION 75-23

RESOLVED, that C.S.P.R.A. recommend to the State Park Commission that a regulation be adopted to limit the use of gas powered electric generators to the daylight hours of 8:00 A.M. to one half hour past sunset.

Voting - In favor - 20 Against - 15 Resolution Carried.

PRINTED ON RECYCLED PAPER

In a surprise visit Director Mott addressed the membership during a Saturday Luncheon.

In this last address to the membership as Director, Mott emphasized the enormous individual burden Rangers face with the decision to provide protective equipment for all those qualified.

He also spoke of his 33 point Interpretive Program challenge and stressed we must seize upon every opportunity to relate to our visitors the finiteness of our resources.

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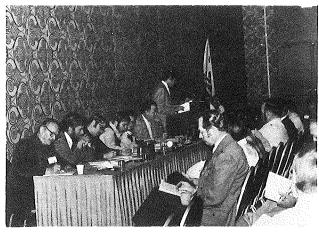
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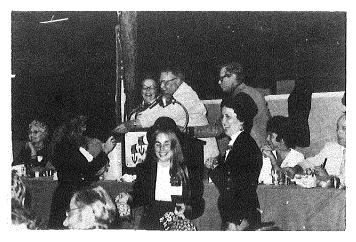
Unflappable GEC Chairwoman Marty Kania was invited to the podium by President Schlerf for due acknowledgement of her efforts. Herman asked her if she would like to say a few words—and the rest is history!!

MORE GEC PHOTO COVERAGE ON PAGE 5.



CSEA Ag. & Conservation Council Representative Peter McClory addressed Friday's GEC meeting on the subjects of CSEA legislation, safety retirement, rental rates and salaries. On the subject of salaries, McClory emphatically stated that the mechanics of the SPB's salary reviews made for arbitrary, uninformed decisions regarding small occupational groups such as Rangers.

Throughout the General Executive Council upward of 100 members attended. Resolution consideration presented the most lively interchange. Resolution results may be found elsewhere in this issue.

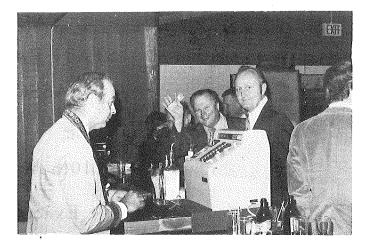


One of the most enjoyable parts of any GEC banquet is the raffle. This year was no exception with head Bunnyman, Clyde Strickler, and his Bunnies, Donna, Becky, and Carolyn, selling more tickets than ever before. Here your Editor is about to receive a prize collection of hand painted pigs won on the very first ticket out of the box! The host of raffle items were again topped by the generous gift certificates provided by Paul Wallace and Bob Ferguson of Alvord and Ferguson.

Executive Secretary Bryce says that Strickler and his Bunnies were so successful that the raffle paid for the Mariachus Band and Dance Orchestra.



During Banquet ceremonies Installation Officer Jim Whitehead swears in new Regional Directors (L. to R.) John Knott, Reg. I; Ross Henry, Reg. VII; Larry Helm, Reg. V; and Jeff Price, Reg. III.



Someone forgot to tell our Executive Secretary Doug Bryce that it was a "No Host Cocktail Party" as he waves good-bye to another ten dollar bill.

"PARK PROTECTION

CSPRA BOARD PONDERS LEGISLATIVE AD-VOCATE PROPOSAL.

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from your own recognition of an ever increasing park attendance and the work which this generates throughout your department, I think we can both agree its no longer adequate or appropriate to handle issues affecting your careers on a catch—as—catch—can basis. Your Association has reached the point where it needs and deserves professional representation."

Mr. Hunter further stated that, "the roles of Executive Secretary and Legislative Advocate are really very different. While the duties of Executive Secretary are fairly constant, the bulk of a Legislative Advocate's work is "as directed." He tells you what's happening legislatively, and the "as directed," is what you tell him to do about it. Whether you need a little or a lot done is your decision, and the cost is proportionate to what's requested.

One hurdle that's hard for any growing organization to hop is reconciling their needs for professional representation with a fear that they can't afford a "Pro."

The Board of Directors has taken Mr. Hunters proposal under advisement where it will receive close scrutiny as to its total ramifications, including cost to the membership.



IS OUR PROFESSION"



Without a doubt people are what GEC activities are all about. Here our able camerman Charlie Willard captured Gene Schaal lecturing his wife, Evonne, on the finer points of handling Ranger Trainees.

Mailbox

"COME BACK SOON"

The rain came to San Diego in March and so did G.E.C. It was an exciting and rewarding experience from my vantage point, friends. You will never know how much I appreciate your attendance, your support, and your expressions of approval.

There is also no way to impart adequate praise to those who worked so hard for so long - Jim and Cathy Hart enticing so many gifted people to contribute to the quality program; Ron Secovitch cajoling the Old Town merchants out of the whimsical raffle prizes; Paul Johnson conceiving the idea for, and carrying through so brilliantly, the photography contest; Lynn Parson and Helen Welch honchoing the parade of hospitality people who manned the registration desk and furnished transportation: and of course my mentor, ole J. P. Welch, who picked me up, and dusted me off every time I fell on my face

Please let them all know you recognize their contribution. The "atta boys" are what make it all worthwhile!

It's a fantastic privilege to be associated with you clowns. I didn't get to hug every one of you personally-but you've got to admit, I tried! Come back soon.

/s/Marty Kania Has-Been

RESOLUTION 75-24

RESOLVED, that C.S.P.R.A. recommend to the State Park Commission that a regulation be adopted requiring that all recreation vehicles collect their waste water in a sealed container and that the container's contents be deposited in the individual park's sewer or waste disposal system.

Voting - In favor - 30 Against - 0 Resolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-25

RESOLVED, that CSPRA recommend to the Department that a physical fitness program be established to bring our ranger staff up to a standard to insure visitor safety and the health of the employee.

Voting - In favor - 28 Against - 6 Resolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-26

RESOLVED, that the California State Park Rangers Association express its appreciation to Robert yer for his efforts on behalf of ne Department to help meet the park and recreation needs of California's citizens; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution along with an appropriate plaque be forwarded to him in recognition of this appreciation.

Voting - In favor - unanimously Pesolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-27

RESOLVED, that the California State Park Rangers Association express its appreciation to Jim Warren for his dedicated service to the Department of Parks and Recreation and to the citizens of California; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution along with a appropriate plaque be forwarded to him in recognition of this appreciation.

Voting - In favor - unanimously Resolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-28

RESOLVED, that the President of the California State Park Rangers sociation write letters protesting these increases to the: (1) Director, Department of Parks and Recreation

(2) State Board of Control

(3) Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr. and asking that unreasonable and inflationary guidelines adapted by the Board of Control be re-condidered and that the Board of Control establish an equitable adjustment for services provided and inconveniences sustained by employees living in state residences. Be it further

RESOLVED, that a representative of CSPRA appear before the Board of Control to represent the interests of those employees living in State Park housing.

Voting - In favor - 31 Against - 'O Resolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-29

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the California State Park Rangers' Association demand the California Department of Parks and Recreation provide peace officers protective equipment to all California State Park Peace Officers as designated in Section 5008 of the California Public Resources Code and authorized in Section 830.3 of the California Penal Code, and be it further

RESOLVED, that if affirmative action is denied by the Department of Parks and Recreation, the aforementioned Board of Directors is directed to initiate legal proceedings through the courts to mandate the Department of Parks and Recreation to furnish the necessary peace officer's protective equipment as described in Section 19460 of the Government Code and in conformance with Sections 6400-6404 of the California Labor Code, and be it further

RESOLVED, that if the Department of Parks and Recreation has not acted within thirty (30) days of approval of this resolution immediate legal action be initiated.

Withdrawn with condition that it be reviewed and considered by the committee set up in Resolution 75-18.

RESOLUTION 75-30

Since the Manager IV examination was cancelled CSPRA request an explanation of the modifications.

In favor of hearing the resolution - 22 Against - 5 Resolution will be heard.

Voting - In favor - 31

Against - 1 Resolution carried.

RESOLUTION 75-31

CSPRA recommend the Department improve first aid training both in content and frequency.

In favor of hearing the resolution—
Majority vote.
Resolution will be heard.
Voting - In favor - 35

Against - 0 Resolution Carried.

RESOLUTION 75-32

CSPRA recommend to the Director that all Departmental paper products be made of 100% recycled paper.

In favor of hearing the resolution—

- 6 Against - 29 Defeated for hearing.

RESOLUTION 75-33

CSPRA SUPPORT AB 230, Golden Bear Pass for citizens over 62, by writing to the Senate and the Governor.

In favor of hearing the resolution-Majority vote.

Voting - In favor - 35 Against - 0 Resolution carried.





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THE NOT SO OLD RANGER

FISH STORY BY TINY PHILBROOK

Many people may not believe this fish story, but I do, because I heard it from Percy French, first Superintendent of the Redwood State Parks.

E. P. (Percy) French was an old time woodsman and timber cruiser renowned for his integrity. His signature on a timber cruise was good for a loan at any bank in the country. Nobody ever caught Percy in a lie. Here is a story he told me.

One summer, shortly after the turn of the century, Percy and his family (he was one of seven brothers) were cruising timber up on the Blue Creek drainage, north of the Klamath River. Heavy rains, early in the fall, made them decide to quit before they were trapped in for the winter.

In order to make the trip out as fast as possible, the French crew traded their pack stock to the Indians for a couple of canoes. Percy and one of his kid brothers loaded all the gear into the canoes and made the run down Blue Creek, while the rest came out on their saddle stock. The crew were to meet at the community of Klamath, near the mouth of the river.

Percy and his brother started down Blue Creek with no trouble. After the first mile or so they noticed that when they reached the lower end of each pool, they had to paddle to get the cances out of the pool and started down the next riffle. After this happened a couple of times, Percy was enough of an Indian that he had to investigate. He beached his cance and walked down beside the next pool while the kid brother brought the other cance down.

It was a simple explanation. When the cance hit the upper end of the pool, all the big salmon rushed to the lower end. When the cance got to the lower end of the pool, the worried salmon rushed back upstream to the upper end of the pool. The wake from all those big fish swimming upstream stopped the cance floating downstream.

You may not believe this story, but I do. Percy told it to me. Even he had to admit that year was an unusually heavy salmon run. They had to shut down their fishing operations temporarily while the canneries took care of the salmon stacked like cordwood all over the docks and warehouse.

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ATTENTION: All Park Wives, (Rangers and Maintenance).

I am in the process of having published, a Calif. Parks & Recreation Cookbook. All interested wives please send FOUR of your favorite recipes to me, Sharon Jones, Star Route, Russian Gulch State Park, Mendocino, Ca. 95460.

Then please pass the word to all other interested wives in your park or vicinity. Send as soon as you can to address above.

I will have printed later the price of the Cookbook and will take orders at that time.

Also, please give name of park you live in; this is very important, as it will be published along with your name in the cookbook, underneath your recipes.

Send recipes to me with your Name, Address, Four Recipes and if you would like one or more Cookbooks you may make your orders now.

Thanks, Sharon Jones

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remove itself from such activities would neglect a large portion of our population who participate in these activities. Many times people fail to remember that our Department has been set up to provide not only Park related activities, but also recreational activities. A resolution concerning the Department's role in supplying these forms of recreation would be misdirected since the programs have been mandated by the State Legislature. The choice is not whether we will participate in the programs, but how we can best serve the public with these programs.

DANGEROUS GENERALIZATIONS

Currently, with the exception of Pismo Beach State Vehicular Recreation Area, the areas which will be designated as State Vehicular Recreation Areas willibe paid for and developed with money from the State Off-Highway Vehicle Fund, and the 1974 Bond Act. The Off-Highway Vehicle Fund is derived from the users themselves and not from general fund revenues. There are well over 2,000,000 dirt bikes in California alone. The Park and Recreation Infromation System, (PARIS) also shows that in 1970, 71,000 participation days were generated by boaters, and only 31,000 participation days were generated by hikers. When you combine all these "totally consumptive activities" you will find that a large portion of our population is participating in or has participated in these forms of recreation. It is the State's responsibility, as well/ as every public or private agency, to provide recreational opportunities for the people participating in them. We cannot make generalizations that these activites are "totally damaging" to the environment or that the enjoyment of the people derived from these activities is not worth encouraging. In addition, crime and accident statistics at Huntington Beach, or some other areas within the State Park System with large numbers of civilians and close to large population centers, indicate there are also a great deal of crime and accidents associated with "nonconsumptive recreational activities".

> /s/ Barry Jones Region VII



california state park rangers association

WELCOMES NEW DIRECTOR - -

Dear Director Rhodes,

On behalf of the California State Park Rangers Association may I welcome you to the California Department of Parks and Recreation. I look forward to meeting you in the near future.

In this day and age of increasing problems, of crowding and overcrowding people into a world of ever shrinking space and resources you have been appointed to direct an agency that can help people to relate to their world and find relevance and perspective through interpretation and recreation. It is the aim of the California State Park Rangers Association to assist the Department in this most important responsibility.

Article II of the CSPRA Constitution states: "The objectives of this Association shall be to represent, advance and to promote the

interests and standards of the profession of the California State Park Rangers and to promote a medium of exchange of professional thought, and to promote sound judgement, high quality and economy in the planning, development, operation and maintenance of facilities and services offered the public by the Department of Parks and Recreation."

In the near future we will be printing a history of CSPRA and I will be happy to send you a copy to aquaint you with the development and accomplishments of the Association.

In the meantime, I would like to wish you a satisfying and productive tenure as Director of the California Department of Parks and Recreation and pledge our continued assistance and support of the Departments programs.

Sincerely, Herman Schlerf President

AND BIDS, FAREWELL TO A FRIEND.

Dear Mr. Mott,

It is with great difficulty that I send you this CSPRA message of farewell from the California Department of Parks and Recreation.

On behalf of the California State Park Rangers Association I would like to thank you for the many contributions you have made to advance the quality of the Department and the Ranger profession.

If T may borrow one of your own favorite phrases, your creative and innovative approaches to the Depart-

ment's aims and goals coupled with your untiring energy have captured the admiration of many people.

I know that whatever the future holds for you, you will continue to be a leader and contributing force in the field of parks and recreation.

On behalf of the members of CSPRA I would like to wish you the best and I hope our paths will cross often in the years to come.

Sincerely, Herman E. Schlerf President

EDITOR'S NOTE:

President Herman Schlerf has appointed Vice President Ron McCall as Chairman of the committee required by the passage of Resolution 75-18. This committee shall be known as the peace officer standards and programs committee.

President's Message -Continued

Director Mott issued a letter on February 26th to all State Park Peace Officers announcing a change in the Department's policy. He is now authorizing the use of Peace Officer protective equipment in all Areas of the State Park System. I applaud Director Mott for recognizing the need for this policy change and for having the courage to make this most difficult decision.

Operations Division Chief Jack Knight has also been directed by the above letter to update the Department Operations Manual on the use of pro-

tective equipment.

In this regard I have appointed Ron McCall as Committee Chairman in response to Resolution 75-18 to receive and evaluate Peace Officer responsibility issues and proposals. Ron has been directed to review proposed policy changes and prepare CSPRA recommendations for Board of Director review and submission to Chief Knight. It is our goal to assist the Department in arriving at the most comprehensive, equitable and clearly defined policy regarding Peace Officer duties and responsibilities as possible.

If you have any input to help formulate recommendations to the Department please forward them to Ron McCall. Chief Knight's staff is working on the new policy and manual changes now! Time is of the essence. If you desire to provide input - DO

IT NOW!!!

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The Tenth Annual CSPRA GEC is now history. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the officers, committee members and members at large who have contributed to make this past year a successful and productive one. I would also like to challenge everyone to do more in the coming year.

This coming year will see more changes than ever before. The needs of the park visitor, the Department and CSPRA members will be greater than ever. The challenge to meet these needs will require the combined efforts of each and every member of this Association. I look forward to working with all of you this next year to make it an even more successful and productive year than 1974.

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Past President Dick Brock presents retiring District III Supt. Clyde Newlin a CSPRA plaque inscribed, "For a Lifetime of Dedicated Service."



The Better Ranger, Earl Hansen, joins Master of Ceremonies Mel Whittaker in an exchange of humor with honored guests, Clyne and Dorothy Newlin.

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It was surely great to meet and talk with all the old timers and new timers at my retirement dinner in Stockton, March 22, 1975! It is the same old park outfit. We may have a lot of new names and running on technology and 202's and the PMS, but I still believe it is those living, breathing, park people out where the wheels hit the road, that keep this outfit going.

Thank you each and everyone. Sincerely, Clyde L. Newlin

Special Note

During the CSPRA GEC in San Diego last month Honorary Member Tony Look furnished a display of Con servation Patches in a 3'x4' panel. Sometime during Friday night

Sometime during Friday night when our convention facilities were moved to another room for the Saturday meetings Tony's panel disappeared.

This collection of patches is Tony's personal property and many of them have collection value as well as sentimental value.

Anyone having information of the where-abouts of this display panel please contact President Schlerf immediately. THIRTY-SEVEN YEARS OF SERVICE,

to Big Basin Redwoods State Park as Assistant Supervisor.

He became Supervisor of Portola State Park in 1945, then was promoted to Assistant District Supt., District 4, San Francisco, in 1947, before moving to Stockton in 1952.

Clyde received rememberances of many sorts-limited in kind only by the imagination of his friends. One such piece of handy work by Fred Spicer was an authentic replica of an Indian Grinding Rock Ceremonial Roundhouse facing appropriately to

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the East.

Other gifts ranged from a leaf compactor/mulcher, to an SX-70 Poloroid to a bottle of Cylde's favorite Lodi Bourbon.

Clyde and Dorothy say they will now enjoy traveling, rock collecting, and visiting long time friends.

Again, Clyde and Dorothy, thank you for thirty-seven years of devoted service.

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