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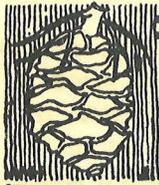


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## MCKEE AND GRATER AWARDED YALE FELLOWSHIPS

Yale University's Graduate Division in General Studies has announced that Park Naturalist Edwin D. McKee of Grand Canyon National Park and Junior Park Naturalist Russell K. Grater of Boulder Dam Recreational Area have been awarded the two fellowships granted to worthy National Park Service employees for the next academic year. Each fellowship carries a stipend of \$1,200, from which \$315 is deducted for tuition.

Mr. McKee entered the Service in 1929 as Assistant Park Naturalist and served in that capacity until 1937 when he was promoted to the position of Park Naturalist. He has an A.B.

degree from Cornell University, has done graduate work at the Universities of Arizona and California, and has served as Research Associate for both the California Institute of Technology and the Carnegie Institution of Washington. He is Executive Secretary of the Grand Canyon Natural History Association, and recently was elected a Fellow of the Paleontological Society of America. A number of his scientific papers and treatises relating to the Grand Canyon region have been published.

Junior Park Naturalist Grater is a graduate of the Yosemite School of Field Natural History, class of 1931,

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and has an A. B. degree from Wabash College. He entered the Service during the summer of 1932 as a Temporary Park Naturalist at Glacier, and has subsequently served in a similar capacity at Yosemite and Grand Canyon National Parks. From March 1935 to March 1938 he worked as a Wildlife Technician in the Southwest, and in April 1938 took up his present duties as Junior Park Naturalist at Boulder Dam Recreational Area. He has compiled a check-list of Birds of the Grand Canyon National Park.

Service employees who have received these fellowships in the past are: Park Naturalist Frank C. Brockman of Mount Rainier (1935); Park Naturalist Dale King, Jr., of Southwestern Monuments (1936); Malcolm Gardner, in charge of work in connection with the Natchez Trace Parkway, and H. W. Lix, Acting Park Naturalist at Hot Springs Park (1937); and Assistant Park Naturalist William E. Kearns of Yellowstone National Park and Custodian Merrill J. Mattes of Scotts Bluff National Monument (1938).



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Their Royal Highnesses Crown Prince Frederik and Crown Princess Ingrid of Denmark photographed in the famous Wawona Tunnel Tree in the Mariposa Grove of Big Trees in Yosemite. During their recent Western tour the couple also visited Grand Canyon National Park and the Boulder Dam Recreational Area.

SPECIAL EASTER SERVICES HELD IN  
PARKS AND MONUMENTS

The tradition that Christ carried on his ministry to a large extent out-of-doors, that his greatest messages were delivered by the sea or atop high mountains and that the final events of his life took place in the Garden of Gethsemane makes it peculiarly fitting that Easter should be observed among the beauties of nature. On Sunday, April 9, "congregations" gathered on the rim of the Grand Canyon, the shore of beautiful Mirror Lake in Yosemite, the great white sand dunes of Death Valley, at Mammoth Hot Springs Terraces in Yellowstone, in the depths of Carlsbad Caverns, in the Great Kiva at Aztec Ruins National Monument, on the summit of Hot Springs Mountain, among the vividly colored sandstone cliffs at Zion, and on Bromide Hill in Platt National Park to participate in impressive services. Fort Marion, Casa Grande, Dinosaur and Scotts Bluff National Monuments, Boulder Dam Recreational Area, Kings Mountain and Vicksburg National Military Parks, and Morristown National Historical Park were other areas holding special ceremonies on that day.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE URGES GREATER SUPPORT  
OF FOREST FIRE PREVENTION

President Roosevelt in a letter published in the April issue of American Forests (a special fire prevention number) states:

"The necessity of concerted action to prevent forest fires and by that means preserve one of our most valuable national assets should be urged at all times and cannot be overemphasized. The magnitude of the problem

is indicated in figures furnished me by the Department of Agriculture which show that in 1937 alone there were more than one hundred seventy-five thousand fires on state and privately owned forest lands and farm woodlands....

Lightning started some of these fires but many more were caused by the carelessness of man. This is a serious situation. It is evident that much greater care with fire is needed. So is wider application of more adequate forest fire control... With public understanding and support I am convinced this phase of our forest problem can be solved in such a way that forest lands will increase the wealth of the nation and bring greater stability, security and prosperity to dependent families and communities."

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ADMINISTRATION OF SERVICE'S MILITARY  
AREAS COMMENDED

"It is a fine thing that these military and historic areas have been turned over to you" Colonel A. Gibson, U. S. A. told Coordinating Superintendent Branch Spalding when they chanced to meet recently on the Crater field in Petersburg National Military Park.

Colonel Gibson, on leave from his station at Governor's Island, was making a tour of the Atlantic Coast visiting a number of these areas enroute, and he was veritably charged with enthusiasm for the manner in which they were being administered. "The National Park Service" he commented "is the only agency which could do this thing in this manner."

SERVICE OFFICIAL HAS STOOD ON "TOP"  
AND "BOTTOM" OF NORTH AMERICA

Superintendent Harry J. Liek is the first man to stand at the highest and lowest point of the North American continent. Here he is at the "bottom"



of the continent in Death Valley National Monument, which he visited March 15. He was at the "top" of the continent, the summit of Mount McKinley, (height 20,300 feet). May 7, 1932.

On April 1, Superintendent Liek was transferred from Mount McKinley National Park to Wind Cave National Park as Superintendent. Frank T. Been, Associate

Park Naturalist of Sequoia National Park, has been appointed to succeed Mr. Liek as Superintendent at Mount McKinley.

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CANADIAN NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM  
HAS NINETEEN UNITS

According to a recent list published by the National Parks Bureau, Lands, Parks and Forest Branch, Department of Mines and Resources, Ottawa, Canada, our neighboring country to the north has 19 national parks, with a total area of 12,403 square miles.

Alberta leads the Provinces with six -- Banff, Buffalo, Elk Island, Jasper, Nemiskam, and Waterton Lakes; British Columbia is next with four-- Glacier, Kootenay, Mount Revelstoke, and Yoho; three are located in Ontario -- Georgian Bay Islands, Point Pelee, and St. Lawrence Islands; two in Nova Scotia -- Cape Breton Highlands and Fort Anne; and one each in New Brunswick (Fort Beausejour), Saskatchewan (Prince Albert); Manitoba (Riding Mountain) and Prince Edward Island.

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AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHERS HAVE GALA DAY  
IN CARLSBAD CAVERNS

At the invitation of Superintendent Boles more than a hundred amateur photographers toured through Carlsbad Caverns on March 26 taking "shots" at the various formations to their heart's content. Special lights were set up for their benefit and of the more than 3,000 photographs obtained, 200 were selected by the El Paso Gateway Club and sent to newspapers and magazines for publication.

MAZAMAS PLAN OLYMPIC OUTING

The Mazama Club of Portland, Oregon, an organization of hiking enthusiasts, is making plans for an 8-day trip this summer through the Olympic National Park, visiting Hoh Lake, Bogachiel Peak, the Seven Lakes Basin, and Sol-duck Park. To Club members the cost of the trip from Portland and return will be \$27.50. Non-members will be charged \$2.50 additional.

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HIGH SIERRA COUNTRY TO BE VISITED BY TRAIL RIDERS

The American Forestry Association announces the following pack trips for its "Trail Riders of The Wilderness":

A 12-day tour of the picturesque Kings River Wilderness in the High Sierra, August 20 to September 1; a tour of the Gila Wilderness in New Mexico, which includes a visit to the Gila Cliff Dwellings National Monument; a tour of the Sawtooth Wilderness, Idaho, July 18 to 31; and trips through the Flathead-Sun River country, Montana, July 3 to 15 and the Maroon-Snowmass Wilderness, Colorado, August 3 to 16.

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STATE PARK CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN ITASCA STATE PARK

The nineteenth Conference on State Parks will be held June 5, 6 and 7 in Minnesota's Itasca State Park.

Minnesota, which this year is commemorating fifty years of State Park work, was one of the first States to

set aside such areas for public benefit. Itasca State Park, with an area of 31,816 acres, is one of the largest areas of its kind. It was set aside in 1891 as a State Forest Park. Preservation of historic areas in the State began two years previously when the Legislature set aside the battle ground of Birch Coulee as a memorial of the 1862 Sioux Uprising.

Subjects being considered for discussion at the Conference are: Planning a State-Wide Park and Recreation Program; the value of Naturalists in State Parks; Regional Units as a Part of State Plans, including Long Term Planning for Relation of State Parks to Regional and County Plans; Interstate Agreements; Low Cost Vacations in Organized Group Camps; Federal Aid to the State; Proper Classification of State Park Areas; Week-day Use of State Parks; Fees and Charges; The Importance of Civil Service; and The Importance of Uniform Records.

Harold W. Lathrop, Director of State Parks for Minnesota, is local chairman of the Conference.

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In a museum at Wargla, a French outpost in the Sahara, has been assembled a remarkable collection of native art, implements and jewelry; also documents, maps, reports, and personal relics dealing with the conquest of the African desert. The museum was designed and constructed by the Engineering Corps of the French army.

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FIRE FIGHTING HEROES HONORED

For their outstanding valor during a tragic fire which occurred on the Shoshone National Forest in August 1937, Forest Ranger Urban J. Post of the Bighorn National Forest, Bert A. Sullivan of Cody, Wyo., a Bureau of Public Roads employee, and Paul E. Tyrrell of Oakland, Calif., who as forestry foreman of a CCC camp at Tensleep, Wyo., lost his life in the disaster, have been honored with the award of the American Forest Fire Medal of Heroism, by the American Forest Fire Foundation. The heroic acts of these men saved the lives of forty CCC fire fighters.

Ranger Post was awarded his medal at the American Forestry Association's national forest fire prevention dinner held in Washington, D. C. March 22 and at the same occasion Representative Albert E. Carter of California accepted the medal for Mr. Tyrrell's family. Mr. Sullivan will receive his award in Wyoming at a later date.

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WELLESLEY GIRLS TO STUDY  
IN GLACIER

Wellesley College has arranged field work for its geology students and other students who have had a year's work in general geology among the rich geologic formations at Glacier National Park this summer. This park offers exceptional opportunity for the study of the results of glaciation, varied rock structures, and the well known fault, the Lewis overthrust.

The girls will live in the camps, chalets, and hotels and will travel by horseback through the northern part of the park.

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EXPOSITION VISITORS ENTITLED TO KNOW  
LOCATION OF GENERAL SHERMAN TREE

Park Operator Howard H. Hays, during a recent visit to the San Francisco Golden Gate International Exposition, was pleased when he saw a replica of a cross section of the General Sherman Tree on display in front of the United States Government Building. He was not so pleased, however, when he read the label on the cross section display -- "General Sherman Tree, Largest Tree in the World" -- with no mention that this giant of the forest is located in Sequoia National Park. The omission has been brought to the attention of Exposition officials.

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APPOMATTOX AND FREDERICKSBURG  
LAND ACQUIRED

Approximately 964 acres of land situated within the area of the proposed Appomattox National Historical Monument have been transferred to the Department of the Interior from the Department of Agriculture through a recent executive order. The property had been acquired by the Farm Security Administration as a part of the Surrender Grounds Forest Project. It adjoins the one-acre Appomattox National Battlefield Site created in 1930.

A group of Philadelphia men have given two gifts of land totaling 152

acres to Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park. The land is situated north of the Confederate trenches in the famed Bloody Angle, so called because the fierce hand-to-hand fighting of the War Between the States took place there.

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#### TROUT FISHING ENJOYED AT CATOCTIN

On April 1st the trout fishing season opened on the Catoctin Recreational Demonstration Area near Frederick, Maryland. Little Hunting Creek, which flows through the area, has long been noted as a beautiful and prolific trout stream. A host of anglers were on hand for the first day's sport, among them Lawrence Richey, former Secretary to Herbert Hoover, who has a camp adjoining the area. Many creels were satisfactorily full at the end of the day.

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#### CHOPAWAMSIK AREA USED AS DISCUSSION CENTER BY PARK OFFICIALS

National Park Service personnel engaged in the preparation of National Report Number One of the Park, Parkway, and Recreational Area Study encamped at the Chopawamsic Recreational Demonstration Area during the week of April 3 to work out the many subjects covered by the report. Chairmen in charge of the preparation of various chapters read their preliminary manuscripts which were subjected to the critical appraisal of the group. It was evident before the discussion had gone far that the subjects were so interrelated that only by such common consideration could any continuity be expected from

the report. Each committee carried away valuable suggestions for their portion of the report and many matters were clarified.

Excellent arrangements for the accommodation of the group were made by Project Manager William Hall and his staff.

Conrad L. Wirth, Supervisor of Recreation and Land Planning, presided, and in his absence Matt C. Huppuch, Senior Recreation Planner, took the chair. Others from the Washington Office either in constant or occasional attendance were George Olcott, J. B. Williams, Wendell Little, James Kieley, Louis Croft, Ian Forbes, Sidney Kennedy, Edward Ballard, Ronald Lee, and Julian Saloman. Service personnel from the field included Herbert Evison, A. P. Bursley, R. C. Robinson, Allen Edmunds, Raymond Schenck, H. K. Roberts, and Samuel Smart from the first region; Harry E. Curtis, George F. Ingalls, Richard E. Bishop, and Garrett G. Eppley from the second region; Milo Christiansen from the third region; and Raymond E. Hoyt from the fourth region.

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#### ARE HIKERS "HICKS"?

In a letter recently received at Yosemite an inquirer wished to have "some information on the seven day hicks the ranger naturalists conduct through the High Sierra every summer."

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"Thirty million youths go to school each day and learn why Hannibal crossed the Alps, but there isn't a comprehensive textbook on conservation available for the public schools in the United States." --"Ding" Darling

HOTEL AT MOUNT ELBRUZ

The Soviet Government is building a hotel at an elevation of 15,000 feet on the rugged slopes of Mount Elbruz in the Caucasus. The structure is to be streamlined so as to reduce pressure of strong winds which prevail at such a great height.

Construction of the hotel one mile above the snow line represents a considerable undertaking since ten miles of road had to be built before work on it could be started. Mount Elbruz towers to a height of 18,465 feet and is the highest mountain in Europe.

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INSTITUTE ON LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT  
HELD AT SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

Thirty-two men engaged in park and recreational work attended an Institute on Landscape Management sponsored by the National Conference on State Parks and conducted by the Department of Landscape and Recreational Management of New York State College of Forestry from February 13 to March 11, at Syracuse University. The work consisted of field trips, laboratory work, and lectures on recreational theory, planning, and program; park administration and management; forestry; and wildlife management and allied subjects.

In addition to instruction by eighteen members of the College and University the following men gave special lectures: H. S. Wagner, Akron Metropolitan Park System; Robert Marshall, U.S. Forest Service; Conrad L. Wirth, National Park Service; A. D. Taylor, President, American Society of Landscape Architects; Col. Richard

Lieber, President, National Conference of State Parks; Robert Mann, member of the special committee promoting the Institute; James Evans, Director of New York State Parks; Robert Simon, Landscape Architect, Vermont State Forest Service; and Herman Boettjer, General Superintendent of the Long Island State Parks Commission. Robert A. Thorsen, Landscape Foreman of Rocky Mountain National Park, attended the course.

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PRESS ASSOCIATION MEMBERS  
VISIT CARLSBAD

Forty members of the California Press Association, including its President, Friend W. Richardson, ex-Governor of California, visited Carlsbad Caverns on the first of April as part of a trip which took them to Central America and Guatemala. The excursion was in celebration of the Press Association's fiftieth anniversary.

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WALT DISNEY'S LITTLE PEOPLE  
PUBLICIZING OUR PARKS AND MONUMENTS

As part of its advertising program the Standard Oil Company of California is publishing the Travel Tykes Weekly, a comic newsheet featuring visits of Walt Disney's famous characters to national parks, monuments and other points of outstanding interest. The initial issue of this weekly showed Dopey, Sleepy, Sneezy and the rest of the famous dwarfs jaunting through Death Valley, and in a subsequent issue Donald Duck et al explored Carlsbad Caverns.

The Travel Tykes Weekly has a circulation of more than a million copies.

MOVE TO MAKE CONSERVATION PERMANENT  
STUDY AT UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Professor H. W. Shepard, Associate Professor of Landscape Design of the University of California, is chairman of a committee arranging for the inclusion of a course in Conservation as part of the summer sessions of that University. Prof. Emanuel Fritz, Forestry Division, College of Agriculture; C. L. Hill, California Forest and Range Experiment Station; Dr. Howard L. Mason, Botany Department; Dr. S. F. Light, Zoology Department; and Prof. C. F. Shaw, Soil Technology, are also members of the committee. The movement, initiated by Miss Pearl Chase of Santa Barbara in connection with California Conservation Week, is in line with educational conservation institutes established in New York, Texas, and other States.

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MOSCOW BOTANICAL PARK

One of the most unusual botanical parks in the world is being built by the Academy of Sciences of the U.S.S.R. on the Lenin Hills on the outskirts of Moscow. From the lowest section of gardens along the Moscow River the park will follow graduated slopes to a 200-foot eminence. Pathways and funicular railways will link conservatories, outdoor museums, and special plots. Plans call for a Crystal Palace in the center of the park for displays of tropical and subtropical plants. Flanking this will be outdoor museums built in Greek amphitheatre pattern, with experimental laboratories, hot houses, a botanical institute, and horticultural school adjacent. Park

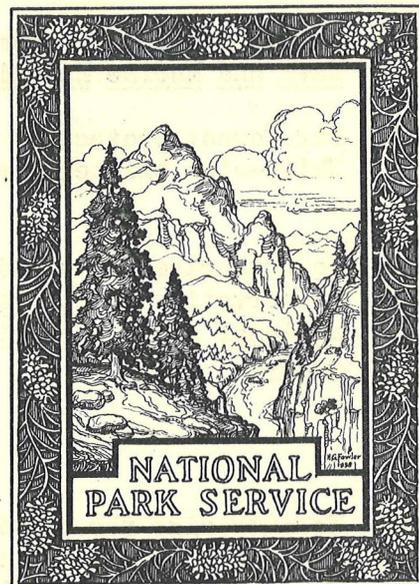
exhibits will include all varieties of plant life to be found within the Soviet Union as well as exotic species.

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BOOKPLATE DESIGN CONTEST WON BY  
RESIDENT LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT FOWLER

Readers of the Park Service Bulletin have voted the design submitted by Resident Landscape Architect Harold G. Fowler of Sequoia National Park as their choice for adoption by the Service for use in its library books.

Second choice in the contest was the design submitted by Landscape Architect Max E. Walliser of the San Francisco Regional Office (it was No. 1 of the designs published in the November-December issue of the Bulletin), and third choice was sketch No. 5 submitted by Walter S. Harwood of the Service's Drafting Division, Washington Office.



-- Design Chosen For Bookplate --

# LEGISLATION

Following is a list compiled by R. Paul Weesner of the Chief Counsel's Office showing action taken on bills of interest to the National Park Service introduced in the 76th Congress, and new bills introduced, during the period from March 25 to April 25.

## ACTION ON PENDING LEGISLATION

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|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| H.R. 939               | To provide for the paving of the Government road, known as the Glass Mill Road, commencing in the city of Chickamauga, Georgia, and extending to Stotts Mill, constituting an <u>approach road to Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park.</u> | Introduced by Mr. Tarver, Jan. 3. Reported upon adversely by Department to House Committee on Roads, March 30.                                                                               |
| H.R. 2990<br>(S. 1110) | To amend the Act entitled "An Act to establish a <u>Civilian Conservation Corps, and for other purposes</u> ", approved June 28, 1937, as amended.                                                                                                        | H.R. 2990 Reported from Committee on Labor, April 20.<br>S. 1110 Reported upon favorably, if amended, to Senate Committee on Education and Labor, April 14.                                  |
| H.R. 3234              | To provide for the completion of the <u>Navy and Marine Memorial.</u>                                                                                                                                                                                     | Passed House April 17. Passed Senat April 20. 17.                                                                                                                                            |
| H.R. 3406              | For forest protection against the White-pine blister rust.                                                                                                                                                                                                | Passed House, April 17.                                                                                                                                                                      |
| H.R. 3648<br>(S. 1188) | To authorize the setting apart and preservation of <u>wilderness areas in national parks and national monuments.</u>                                                                                                                                      | H.R. 3648 Reported upon favorably by Department to House Committee on Public Lands, April 7.<br>S. 1188 Reported upon favorably by Department to Senate Committee on Public Lands, April 19. |
| H.R. 3705<br>(S. 2005) | To authorize the acquisition, rehabilitation, and operation of the <u>facilities for the public in the Mount Rainier National Park, in the State of Washington.</u>                                                                                       | H.R. 3705 Reported upon adversely, upon recommendation of the Bureau of the Budget, April 22.<br>S. 2005 Introduced by Mr. Bone, April 3.                                                    |

- H.R. 3794 To establish the John Muir-Kings Canyon National Park, California, to transfer thereto the lands now included in the General Grant National Park. Reported upon favorably by Department to House Committee on Public Lands, April 6.
- H.R. 3827 To extend the mining laws of the United States to the Joshua Tree National Monument in California. Reported upon adversely by Department to House Committee on Public Lands, April 7.
- H.R. 3841 To provide for the construction of a highway within the Yellowstone National Park to provide an entrance to such park from the State of Idaho. Reported upon adversely by Department to House Committee on Public Lands, April 13.
- H.R. 3959 To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to dispose of recreational demonstration projects. Reported upon favorably, if amended, by Department to House Committee on Public Lands, March 30.
- H.R. 4097 (S. 29) To authorize the use of certain facilities of national parks and national monuments for elementary school purposes. H.R. 4097 Reported upon favorably, if amended, by Department to House Committee on Public Lands, April 13. S. 29 Reported upon favorably, if amended, to Senate Committee on Public Lands, April 13.
- H.R. 4635 To transfer certain lands from the Sierra National Forest to the Yosemite National Park, in the State of California. Reported upon favorably, if amended, by Department to House Committee on Public Lands, April 22.
- H.R. 4742 To provide for the establishment of the Chalmette National Historical Park in the State of Louisiana. Reported upon favorably, if amended, by Department to House Committee on Public Lands, April 6.
- H.R. 4852 Making appropriations for the Department of the Interior for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1940. Passed House March 20. Passed Senate, amended, April 17. Sent to Conference, April 19.
- H.R. 4868 To amend the act authorizing the President of the United States to locate, construct, and operate railroads in the Territory of Alaska. (Authorizes the President to provide public facilities and accommodations in Mount McKinley National Park). Reported upon favorably by Department to House Committee on Territories, April 7.

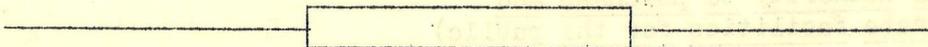
- H.R. 5412 To encourage travel in the United States and for other purposes. Introduced by Mr. Lea, March 28. Reported from Committee, with an amendment, April 10.
- S. 6 To return a portion of the Grand Canyon National Monument to the Public Domain. Reported upon favorably, if amended, by Department to Senate Committee on Public Lands, March 25.
- S. 631 To add certain lands to the Sequoia National Park, California. Reported upon adversely by Department to Senate Committee on Public Lands, April 3.
- S. 892 To change the designation of the Petrified Forest National Monument. Reported upon adversely by Department to Senate Committee on Public Lands, March 25.
- S. 1399 To amend the Act entitled "An Act for the preservation of American antiquities", approved June 8, 1906. (Not Department sponsored) Reported upon adversely by Department to Senate Committee on Public Lands, April 17.
- S. 1756 To provide for the establishment of the Samuel Dale National Park in Lauderdale County, Mississippi. Reported upon adversely by Department to Senate Committee on Public Lands, March 29.
- S. 1780 To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire property for the Antietam Battlefield Site in the State of Maryland. Reported upon favorably by Department to Senate Committee on Public Lands, April 6.

#### NEW BILLS INTRODUCED

- H.J.Res. 260 Authorizing the removal of the statue of John Marshall from its present site on the Capital Grounds to a new site in proximity to the Supreme Court Building. Introduced by Mr. Brewster, April 6.
- H.J.Res. 271 Authorizing the survey and marking of the Custer Trail, and appropriating money therefor. Introduced by Mr. Burdick, April 20.
- H.R. 5411 To create employment and provide for the completion of the Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial National Monument. Introduced by Mr. Hunter, March 28.

- H.R. 5446 To authorize the acquisition, rehabilitation, and operation of the facilities for the public in the Olympic National Park. Introduced by Mr. Smith of Washington, March 30.
- H.R. 5473 To authorize the erection of a memorial to commemorate the services of the American forces of the War with Spain. (Proposed to be erected in the District of Columbia.) Introduced by Mr. Cannon of Florida, March 31.
- H.R. 5502 Authorizes Secretary of the Interior to provide public facilities and accommodations in national parks, national monuments, national parkways and other areas under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior. Introduced by Mr. Voorhis, April 2.
- H.R. 5522 To provide for the acquisition by (S.1919) the United States of the estate of Patrick Henry in Charlotte County, Virginia, known as Red Hill. H.R. 5522 Introduced by Mr. Burch, April 4.  
S. 1919 Introduced by Mr. Glass, March 23.
- H.R. 5573 To change the designations of (S.2046) Abraham Lincoln National Park, in the State of Kentucky, and the Fort McHenry National Park, in the State of Maryland. H.R. 5573 Introduced by Mr. Creal, April 5.  
S. 2046 Introduced by Mr. Radcliffe, April 3.
- H.R. 5581 To amend the Act entitled "An Act to establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes", approved August 25, 1916. (Would give authority to purchase and operate facilities for the public) Introduced by Mr. O'Connor, April 5.
- H.R. 5631 To provide for the commemoration of the 400th anniversary of Hernando de Soto's expedition; commemoration of the 204th anniversary of the Battle of Ackia; and the redesignation of the Ackia Battleground National Monument. Introduced by Mr. Rankin, April 6.

- H.R. 5688 To provide for the operation of the Chopawamsic recreational demonstration project, near Dumfries, Virginia by the Secretary of the Interior through the National Park Service. Introduced by Mr. Smith of Virginia April 11.
- H.R. 5960 To provide for the creation of the Franklin National Historical Park in the State of Tennessee. Introduced by Mr. Taylor of Tennessee, April 24.
- S. 1969 To provide for the acquisition of land on South Bass Island, Ohio, for addition to the Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial National Monument. Introduced by Mr. Donahey, March 28.
- S. 1978 Authorizing a National Mississippi River Parkway and matters relating thereto. Introduced by Mr. Gillette and others March 28.
- S. 2097 To authorize a survey for a national parkway from the Southern terminus of the Natchez Trace Parkway at Natchez, Mississippi, to, or in the vicinity of, Laredo, Texas; and from the northern terminus at Nashville, Tennessee, to the vicinity of Louisville, Kentucky. Introduced by Mr. Overton, April 6.
- S. 2161 To provide for aiding the State of Montana in the removal of surplus game from overcrowded areas. Introduced by Mr. Wheeler, April 13.



# C. C. C. NOTES

A combined museum, steel airplane beacon, and observation platform, which will permit visitors to see 35 of California's 58 counties, is being constructed with the help of Civilian Conservation Corps veteran enrollees on the summit of Mt. Diablo in Mt. Diablo State Park.

Although not the highest in its range, the isolated Diablo peak offers a commanding view, sweeping as far north as Mt. Shasta, eastward to the Sierra Nevada, southward to Mt. Hamilton and westward to the Pacific Ocean. Included in this vast panorama are the cities of San Francisco, Sacramento, Oakland, Berkeley, San Jose, and, on exceptionally clear days, Santa Barbara and the outskirts of Los Angeles. The mountains rises from sea level, terminating in a double peak, one of which is 260 feet lower than the other, giving the false appearance of a volcano.

This new structure, for which enrollees are quarrying rock, and on which they will perform all unskilled labor jobs, will be completed by the Spring of 1940.

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Enrollees have started widening the entrance gateway to the National Cemetery at Gettysburg National Military Park. The former gateposts, on which are inscribed the names of States having burial lots in the cemetery, will be restored and a new set of gates permitting two-way traffic from the Baltimore pike will be set up.

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The sixth anniversary of the Civilian Conservation Corps was celebrated in the various camps located in Service areas throughout the country with dinners, dances and other festive occasions. In Washington a banquet and dance was held April 11 at the Mayflower Hotel attended by 500 persons. Honor guests included Robert Fechner, Director of the Civilian Conservation Corps, Members of Congress, and officials of the Army, CCC, and National Park Service.

Charles H. Taylor, Assistant Director of the Civilian Conservation Corps, and chairman of the committee on arrangements, presided. Reverend William R. Arnold, Chief of Chaplains of the Army of the United States, gave the invocation, and Rev. Howard E. Snyder, Past President, Chaplains Association of the Army of the United States, pronounced the benediction. Director Fechner, Senator Elbert D. Thomas of Utah, and Representatives Clifton A. Woodrum of Virginia and Mary T. Norton of New Jersey were the main speakers on the program, and many of the other honor guests contributed extemporaneously.

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At the visitor accommodation development in Bandelier National Monument, enrollees have completed the lobby and salesroom, the operator's residence, cabin groups and fuel oil distribution and storage system. The carpenter crew completed 57 pieces of furniture during the month.

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A four-man Navajo CCC unit working at Aztec Ruins National Monument is carrying on wall repair work in the ruins. A ladder, resembling the ladder made by the prehistoric people, has been constructed and placed in the hatchway of the roofed kiva. Also the unsightly tar paper roof over the room containing petroglyphs has been remodeled, and the walls have been stabilized and capped. Custodian Miller reports "if we can keep these Navajo boys three years longer, we will have this ruin in fair stability."

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At Chiricahua National Monument, Arizona, enrollees have completed construction of a new warehouse.

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With the erection of two more primary towers by the Civilian Conservation Corps, making three in all, the Service's fire detection system in Mammoth Cave National Park is practically complete.

These steel towers, equipped with modern fire finders, permit quicker discovery of a blaze and thereby speedier suppression before it gains dangerous proportions.

A spring fire school was held in the park during March and the 600 CCC enrollees allocated to the area's three camps were thoroughly instructed in fire prevention and fire fighting methods.

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A large amount of maintenance work in preparation for the travel season has been accomplished by enrollees in Zion National Park, including the opening of campgrounds and trails that were idle during the winter.

A beetle control CCC side camp is to be established in Bryce Canyon National Park.

### T H E C O V E R

Mary Alice Hamilton hooking a big one out of the Big Thompson River in Rocky Mountain National Park. Miss Hamilton recently transferred from the park to the Service's Regional Office at Omaha.

Rinehart Photo

# NATIONAL CAPITAL PARKS NOTES

More than 300,000 persons enjoyed the beauty of the Japanese Cherry Tree display during the Blossom season, which began on March 31 and continued well into the month of April. The U. S. Park Police counters clicked off 153,340 visitors on Sunday, April 2, a new all-time record number for a single day.

A one-day cherry blossom pageant which began with a concert by the United States Marine Band and dancing beneath the cherry trees and included a mid-day equestrian exhibition, a sunset ceremony featuring the crowning of Peggy Townsend, Washington debutante as "Queen Cherry Blossom III", and a fireworks display in the evening, contributed to the interest in this year's cherry blossom show.

The Women's Division of the National Capital Parks Schola Cantorum participated in the celebration by broadcasting a 15-minute program of vocal numbers over Radio Station WJSV. A feature of this program was the first rendition of the new composition, "Cherry Blossom Time", by Mary Howe, Washington composer. Maestro Arturo Papalardo conducted and accompanied the singers.

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Fourteen truckloads of egg shells and assorted debris were gathered and hauled away from the White House grounds after the Easter Monday egg rolling which was attended by 52,000 children and their parents.

Easter egg-rolling on the White House lawn has been an established custom for more than half a century. The

Capitol grounds originally provided a setting for the annual sport, but the sober solons found the shouts and laughter of the children disturbing to their grave deliberations, and shooed them off the lawn on Easter Monday, 1878. The evicted children proceeded en masse to the White House grounds, where President Rutherford B. Hayes threw open the gates, received them with open arms, and bade them welcome to the use of the South lawn. Each succeeding Chief Executive has continued to offer this hospitality to the Washington youngsters.

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More than 27,000 persons visited the Executive Mansion on Tuesday, April 11, setting an all-time record for a single day. White House Police and attendants were taxed to the limit in directing this extraordinarily large number through those rooms on the first floor that are open to the public.

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According to a recent ruling, all Government employees and others desiring to fish in the Maryland portion of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal must secure a Maryland State fishing license.

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Mayor Bernard F. Dickmann of St. Louis, Missouri, led a delegation of prominent St. Louis officials on an inspection of the site of the Thomas Jefferson Memorial in West Potomac Park, on Saturday, April 15. The delegation, which previously had visited Jefferson's home, Monticello, the University of Vir-

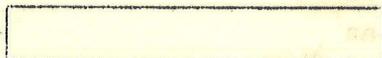
ginia at Charlottesville, and other places associated with the life of the third President, marked the occasion of the visit to the Memorial site by laying a wreath on the spot where ground was broken by President Franklin D. Roosevelt on December 15.

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When 125 persons are willing to follow a Park Naturalist around for four hours standing in mud puddles and pouring rain just to hear him tell the story of the rocks, one feels certain that these people are really interested in their subject. This was the exper-

ience that Park Naturalist McHenry of National Capital Parks had on Sunday afternoon, April 16. The occasion was the annual geological tour of the District of Columbia. More miserable weather could hardly be imagined.

So many persons have expressed disappointment over being unable to attend on account of the weather that Naturalist McHenry is planning to repeat this popular trip in the autumn. An interesting aftermath of this recent geological excursion is the deluge of phone calls which Naturalist McHenry has received from persons who took the tour, requesting additional geological information.



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Big Bend National Park Project, Texas. Multilithed booklet issued by the National Park Service giving information on the location of the Big Bend National Park Project and the physical features, climate, history, geology, flora and fauna of the area, as well as proposed future development. Contains numerous illustrations, a number of which are aerial views. 34 pages.

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NATIONAL PARKS OF THE NORTHWEST, by Martel Trager. Published by Dodd, Mead and Company, New York. 216 pages illustrated. Price \$2.50.

In her book Mrs. Trager, wife of Earl A. Trager, Chief of the Service's Naturalist Division, takes her readers on a tour through Yellowstone, Grand

Teton, Glacier, Olympic, Mount Rainier, Crater Lake, and Rocky Mountain National Parks, giving them the benefit of experiences gained on several summer jaunts through these areas.

Attractive sketches by Ace Powell, a Park Saddle Horse Company guide at Glacier National Park, appear as head pieces for the book's seven chapters, and a number of the scenic illustrations appearing throughout were taken by Mr. Trager, who is a camera enthusiast. There are also maps of the various parks.

At the end of the book is a section titled "Information for Travelers" where the reader is given pertinent information regarding entrance fees, park seasons, accommodations, and what to wear.

SOUTHERN CHARACTER SKETCHES, by Betsy Hamilton (Idora McClellan Moore). Assembled in book form by Julia Moore Smith. The Dietz Press, Richmond, Virginia, 1937. 126 pages. \$2.00.

A charming collection of folk tales of Southern hill people and plantation negroes in ante-bellum days and the years closely following the War Between the States. Of it Dr. H. J. Eckenrode, State Historian of Virginia, says: "Every collector of Southern literature should, by all means, include this delightful volume in his library."

IN MEMORY OF MARTIN LUTHER JACKSON\*

On Saturday, March 11, 1939, Martin Luther Jackson, father of Custodian Earl Jackson, died at Las Vegas, Nevada. Thus another Park Service man leaves us and goes over the Great Divide.....

I have known Jack so long and so well that I cannot remember our first meeting. He and the family were living a mile or so south of the Castle in those days, and I suggested that he take a nominal salary and become its technical custodian.

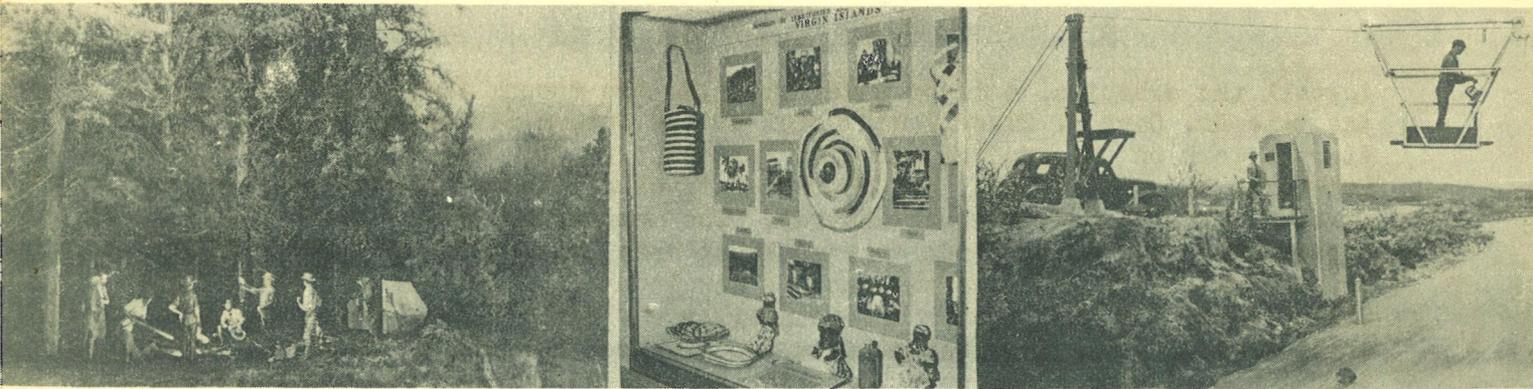
Thus began our 20 years of friendship, during which I cannot remember a single quarrel nor a serious major difference of opinion. We were always 'Jack' and 'Pink' to each other. I can remember how the Park Service spirit grew in Jack like a living flame. I was about the only Service official he met in those early days and we used to sit by the hour at night and talk over the policies and personnel of the Service and how we would develop the Montezuma Castle if and when we got the men and money.

In those days Jack was a painter by trade, making seven or eight dollars per day while the family lived at the ranch developing the place with the money his work brought in. Our top wages on stabilization work on the ruins were never over half what Jack could make at his trade, yet I could not keep him from quitting his job at the smelter and coming on with us each summer; he always claimed that he was just as good a workman as I was; that he could put just as much mud in a wall per day as I could, and the fun of doing it was well worth the four dollars a day it cost him to work for me.

When in the course of time we got what we in those days called a full-time salary for Montezuma Castle, Jack and the family moved up on the ground and took over the job. He was so enthusiastic about his ruin that he practically never sent away an unsatisfied visitor. He had examined every square foot of its walls, had developed all the angles of all possible deductions and could make the old building live again with its red skinned people in its various rooms.

And now he is gone; with others of his type a period of the development of the Southwestern Monuments is passing. His work, however, will remain and for many years those of us who knew him and appreciate the good work he did will think of him and speak of him.....

\* Portion of Superintendent Pinkley's tribute which appeared in the Southwestern Monuments Report for March.



## THE INTERIOR DEPARTMENT MUSEUM

By

J. Paul Hudson,\*  
Museum Curator, National Park Service

In March of this year the Interior Department Museum, located on the first floor of the new Interior Department Building, was a year old. Since its doors were first opened, more than 130,000 people from all sections of the United States and many foreign lands have viewed its up-to-date exhibits. A large percentage of these visitors were young folks --- school children, Campfire Girls, Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts. The reaction from such groups has been most favorable. Most of these young visitors have indicated that if schools had museums it would be much easier and far more interesting to master lessons in history, geography, the sciences, and many other subjects.

Why was the museum planned in the first place? Like the sixty-seven National Park Service museums, the Interior Museum was planned in order to answer questions. People who visited the old Interior Building asked scores of questions daily. Even the employees themselves knew little about the Department. The big question was: "What kind of work does the Interior Department do?" Most people had a vague idea that the Department had something to do with conservation, but few of them knew the nature of such work. The average citizen probably knew about the work of the Geological Survey, but in most cases his knowledge ended at such a point. What did the National Park Service do? The Bureau of Mines? And other services of the Department --- the General Land Office, the Office of Indian Affairs, the Bureau of Reclamation, the Office of Education, etc? The museum was planned in order to answer these very questions and many others dealing with Departmental activities.

What part did the National Park Service play in the development of the Museum? After Secretary Ickes had given approval for the project he designated the National Park Service to plan, prepare, and

\* Mr. Hudson served as Curator of the Museum during its first year of existence when it was under the jurisdiction of the National Park Service. It is now a function of the Secretary's Office with Harry L. Raul as Curator.

install the exhibits, a major undertaking in the museum field. At the time Dr. Carl P. Russell was Chief of the Museum Division. He started work on the project immediately, and with the cooperation of Associate Director Demaray and representatives of other Departmental Bureaus established certain standards. The museum was to be "the outstanding one of its kind; an example of what can be done without overlap or encroachment on the museums now located in the District of Columbia, or for that matter the country as a whole." Also, the collection was to be "different from the accepted definition of the term 'museum' with its display of synoptic scientific exhibits and from the usual array of state and county fair displays; it should not be influenced by the classic in its interior decorations not go to the opposite extreme of ultra modern, but should strive for a pleasing harmonious entity along conservative modern lines." Curators and preparators of the Service's Museum Division were appointed to develop the exhibit plans, devise layouts and interior decorative ideas, and prepare certain exhibits for the cases.

The National Park Service gallery of the museum is typical of the others. As one enters it he is attracted to the first exhibit, a miniature group showing the Government party which was sent to explore the Yellowstone region in 1870. The group is seated around a campfire and the speaker, Cornelius Hedges, is suggesting that a national park be established to preserve the wonders of the Yellowstone for the use of the people for all time. This exhibit is entitled "The Birth of the National Park Idea." The next case relates graphically the purpose of the Service --- "Preservation of the Natural Environment." Illustrated labels, paintings, photographs, and specimens are used to bring out the important points of this story. Other exhibits in the gallery describe "Park Development," "Summer Recreation in the National Parks," "Inspiration," "Winter Use of the Parks," "Some Scientific Features," "Interpretations of Park Features," "Representative Periods of American History as Preserved in our Parks and Monuments," "Federal and State Cooperation in Recreation" and a miniature model showing the historic meeting of Lafayette and Washington at Morristown. At one end of the gallery is a large illustrated map showing the location of all National Park Service areas.

More than 1,000 specimens, nearly 500 special photographs, 250 maps and charts, 100 models, 12 large hand-colored and illustrated wall maps, many miniature groups, murals and silhouettes, located in more than 100 modern cases in one wing of the new Interior building, comprise the greater part of the museum exhibits. More than 12,000 square feet of floor space are required to house these collections.

The museum marks the culmination of three year's effort by the Museum Division to assemble a comprehensive picture of departmental activities ranging over 90 years of existence, which brought about present-day policies for prudent preservation of the natural resources, the supplying of outdoor recreation, the maintenance of an intimate association with the educational system of the country, and the work on behalf of the Indians in encouraging them to preserve their entities and traditions.

Pictured at top of Page 23 -- Left: Diorama entitled "Birth of the National Park Idea" Center: Virgin Islands arts and crafts display Right: Diorama of a typical Geological Survey River-Measurement Station.

Acting Superintendent of the National Park Service, Mr. [Name] has been appointed to the position of [Title] in the Department of the Interior. He was also [Title] of the [Organization] and has been [Title] to the [Committee].

Mr. [Name] has returned to his post after an absence of [Duration]. His duties in [Location] and the balance of the year were spent at the [Office].

The [Title] of [Name] has been [Title] by [Name] and [Name]. The [Title] of [Name] has been [Title] by [Name] and [Name]. The [Title] of [Name] has been [Title] by [Name] and [Name].

Acting Director of the National Park Service, Mr. [Name] has been [Title] to the [Position] in the Department of the Interior. He was also [Title] of the [Organization] and has been [Title] to the [Committee].

Colonel John H. White, Acting Director of Operations, addressed the Washington Rotary Club lunch [Date] and [Time]. He [Title] the [Organization] and [Title] the [Organization].

Colonel White's [Title] was [Title] by [Name] and [Name]. He [Title] the [Organization] and [Title] the [Organization].

## ABOUT FOLKS

Director Cammerer has been confined to his residence since late in April suffering from a severe heart ailment and it may be another month or more before he returns to his office. At this writing he is very much improved and we are all hoping for his complete recovery within a short time.

Associate Director Demaray in commenting on Director Cammerer's illness stressed the need for all of us to make sure that he has no reason to worry about the Service. "The staff members of the Washington Office have assured him that the various operations are being carried on as he would have them if he were here" Mr. Demaray stated "and field employees should be even more vigilant in maintaining the aims and ideals of the Service so that our friend and leader will have no occasion for worry that might impede his recovery."

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Colonel John R. White, Acting Chief of Operations, addressed the Washington Rotary Club March 29, and a short time later received this letter from the Club President: "Once more, and a little more formally, I wish to express my personal appreciation and that of each and every member of the Club for the splendid and graphic address you made at our meeting. It certainly must have bestirred in the souls of every one of us a desire to visit our great National Parks --- those of us who have not already had that grand pleasure."

Colonel White's many friends will be interested to know that on April 29 he celebrated his 40th year of Government service.

Acting Regional Director Tolson was the leading guest and speaker at the Gallup, New Mexico Rotary Club on April 3. An interesting account of his talk appeared on the front page of The Gallup Gazette, which is edited and published by Evon Z. Vogt, former Custodian at El Morro National Monument.

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Acting Superintendent Bryant of Grand Canyon has been elected an honorary member of the Flagstaff Rotary Club. He has also been reinstated as a member of the California Academy of Sciences and has been appointed to the Academy's Committee on Wildlife Conservation.

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Park Naturalist Ruhle of Glacier has returned to that Park after an absence of 5 months. For six weeks he was in Washington and the balance of the time was spent at the Service's Western Museum Laboratories at Berkeley.

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Five full-page plates of bird paintings by Walter A. Weber, Chief Scientific Artist for the Service, appeared in the March issue of the National Geographic Magazine to illustrate an article entitled "Sparrows, Towhees, and Longspurs" by T. Gilbert Pearson, President Emeritus, National Association of Audubon Societies. Mr. Weber is now making sketches for a Service publication dealing with rare and endangered species of wildlife, text for which is being prepared by Assistant Wildlife Technician Daniel B. Beard.

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Several hundred Government employees who went on the Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands cruise conducted by the United States Travel Bureau last summer attended a gala Puerto Rico Party and Dance staged by Merel S. Sager and Edward B. Ballard of the Service at the Hotel Washington April 18. A feature of the evening was the premier showing of brilliantly colored movies and stills taken by Mr. Sager and Mr. Ballard during the cruise.

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Margaret Moore, 16-year-old daughter of Mrs. Charles H. Moore of the Editor-In-Chief's Office, was one of the winners in a French contest recently held for high school students of the District of Columbia by the American Association of French Teachers.

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Ranger Sam Clark, temporary ranger in Yosemite for a number of years and later permanent ranger in Sequoia National Park for nine years, has been transferred back to Yosemite to succeed Ranger Harold Hildreth who recently resigned to accept a position in San Francisco.

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De France McCormack, employed as a guard at Vicksburg National Military Park since 1933, has been promoted to the position of Park Ranger, Natchez Trace Parkway. His headquarters are at Kosciusko, Miss.

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Charles Carter of Tuacacori National Monument has been transferred to the Omaha Regional Office.



William Francis, six-month-old son of Ranger and Mrs. Carleton Wilder of Saguaro National Monument, shown with his mother in front of the Wilder "residence" located near Tucson, Arizona. The "residence" is a one room adobe house and the nearest water is five miles away. This photograph was presented to Associate Director Demaray by Mrs. Wilder's aunt, Mrs. Mima R. Pollitt of the Department of Justice. Mrs. Pollitt and Felix S. Cohen of the Solicitor's Office, Department of the Interior, are now preparing a book on Indian Laws for the Justice Department.

Representatives of the Region I Office and the Branch of Recreational Planning and State Cooperation, Washington Office, staged a "softball" "battle" on the Chancellorsville section of Fredericksburg National Military Park the afternoon of May 6. In the opening game the Richmond team was the victor, with Associate Regional Director "Screwball" Evison pitching. Then the Washington Office team, with Super-

visor Wirth as pitcher, got its stride and captured the second game 10-9. Regional Director Tillotson, who served as umpire, was armed at the beginning of the setto with a sabre -- one that Mr. Wirth had during his military school days.

In the Washington lineup were Messrs. Wirth, Morrell, Weatherwax, Ventres, Shearer, Baker, Green, Hengstler, Sullivan and Connolly. About 30 players -- too many to list here -- represented the Richmond Office.

"Casualties" reported are a bad blister sustained by Pitcher Wirth and a few stiff muscles acquired by several of the other contestants.

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Dean Tillotson, son of Regional Director and Mrs. Tillotson, has been appointed Manager of the Challenger Inn at Sun Valley, Idaho. Things have been happening rather fast for Dean. It will be remembered that he was married last Christmas Eve, the ceremony being performed prior to the departure of his parents for the East. He has been for some years connected with the Fred Harvey organization where he served in almost every capacity from dishwasher and bellboy to manager.

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Mrs. Helen Kennicott, Voucher Clerk at Carlsbad Caverns National Park, is well on the road to recovery from a recent operation.

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All but two officers and committee members of the newly formed Richmond (Virginia) Chapter of the American Soci-

ety of Landscape Architects are members of the Service's Region I staff. V. Roswell Ludgate is Vice-President of the Chapter, Frederick A. Fay, is Secretary-Treasurer, and Kenneth B. Simmons, Kenneth A. Tapscott, R. A. Wilhelm, W.A. J. Ewald, Melvin Borgeson, and Alfred Edwards are Committee members.

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Tim Hayes of Stanford University, son of Park Operator Howard H. Hayes, was one of two student debaters chosen to tour Hawaii this spring. Tim debated on the advisability of an Anglo-American mutual assistance pact.

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Howard E. Teller, of the Drafting Division, Washington Office, has transferred to the Maritime Commission as Principal Engineering Draftsman.

#### BORN:

A daughter, Elizabeth Anne, to Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson, February 15. Mr. Thompson, formerly in the Washington Office, is Chief of the Mails and Files Division of the Region I Office.

A daughter, Nancy Lee, to Mr. and Mrs. James W. Head, Jr., March 3. Mr. Head is an Associate Engineer in the Region I Office.

A son, Frank Walker, to Ranger and Mrs. Floyd A. McKim of Yosemite, March 16.

A son, Ivan, to Associate Forester and Mrs. I. H. Smalley of Region I, April 12.

A son, to Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell S. Fulcher, April 17. Mr. Fulcher is a member of the Museum Division.

A son, George Wright, to Mr. and Mrs. Ben H. Thompson, April 19. Mr. Thompson is Chief, Land Planning Division, Branch of Recreation, Land Planning and State Cooperation.

MARRIED:

Mrs. Bee Wright, widow of George M. Wright, first Chief of the Service's Wildlife Division, to J. Robert Shuman in Los Angeles, Calif., March 3.

Park Ranger Clifford J. Harryman of the Natchez Trace Parkway Office, to June Elizabeth Taliaferro of Harrisburg, Virginia, March 15.

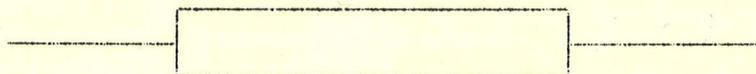
Lester M. Moe, Assistant Statistician (Forestry), to Belle Terry VanVechter at the Little Chapel of St. Mary's, Berkeley, Calif., April 2.

DIED:

Dorsey D. Jones, employee of the National Capital Parks for 18 years, March 11. He was 44 years of age.

Thomas D. Pantoliano, Sub-Foreman at Vicksburg National Military Park, of influenza, March 14.

Father of Associate Forester Charles E. Shevlin, Region II, Omaha, Nebr., at his home in Olmstedville, N. Y.



BALLADE OF OLD BATTLEFIELDS

They sleep, while peaceful seasons flow,  
Those trampled lists of blue and gray;  
They dream, as ploughshares come and go,  
Stirring their old heroic clay.  
The walls where flame-girt Richmond lay,  
A later Troy, are crumbled quite;  
Atlanta's ramparts, where are they?  
Soft grass has hid their scars from sight.

Manassas, where, with meteor glow,  
The Southern Cross flashed forth its ray;  
Proud Lookout, on whose crest the foe,  
Stricken, beheld Old Glory sway;  
Green Shenandoah, where sweet May  
Laughed round the hosts, whose eagle flight  
Marked Stonewall Jackson's dazzling way;  
Soft grass has hid their scars from sight.

Fair slopes that saw the gallant show  
Of Pickett's legions break in spray;  
Torn hills of Vicksburg, furrowed so  
Beneath the plunging shrapnel's play!  
The slow-paced years, the night, the day,  
Touch them and pass; by day, by night  
God's sky bends o'er them, blue and gray;  
His grass has hid their scars from sight.

L'ENVOI

Host of the Lord of Hosts, the bay  
Has crowned you all by equal right;  
Our very fields blot out the fray; -  
Soft grass has hid their scars from sight.

-- Joseph Mills Hanson

(Major Hanson is Assistant Research Technician,  
Region I, National Park Service)

