



## Park Service, Interior employees honored

By Dan Hughes

Hundreds of Interior Department employees and friends gathered Dec. 7 to honor their own at the 44th annual Honor Awards Convocation in Washington, D.C. The Department presented a total of 69 awards in the categories of Distinguished Service, Valor and Conservation Service. In addition, two Public Service Awards and three annual Safety Program Awards were handed out.

### Spirit and Comradeship

Interior Secretary Thomas S. Kleppe delivered brief remarks prior to the presentation of awards. "It's always nice to reward our peers of outstanding accomplishment," Secretary Kleppe said. Remarking that he'd probably be out of work early next year, Secretary Kleppe said: "I have liked being Secretary of the interior—it's an important job with important work. I've enjoyed the spirit and comradeship in the Department of Interior and it has been a rewarding experience."

He then proceeded to pass out the awards for Distinguished Service—the highest award of the Department. Seven NPS employees were among the 40 recipients.

They included Glen T. Bean, deputy director of the Rocky Mountain Region, for "orchestrating the establishment of the new Region" and chairing a subtask force to "reevaluate the controversial ranger versus technician classification series." Imogene B. La Covey, retired assistant director, Concessions, also received a Distinguished Service Award. She was cited for "her demonstrated mana-



Imogene B. LaCovey, retired assistant director, Concessions, receives her Distinguished Service Award from Interior Secretary Thomas S. Kleppe at the Dec. 7 ceremonies in Washington, D.C.



Former Congresswoman Julia Butler Hansen, a recipient of a Conservation Service Award had a chat with former Assistant Secretary (for minerals) Hollis Dole at the Park Service reception following the formal awards ceremony.

gerial leadership, extensive knowledge of concessions...and discharging her duties in an outstanding manner." Also honored in the same category was Granville B. Liles, retired superintendent of Blue Ridge Parkway, N.C.-Va.-Ga.

"Granny" was cited for his more than 3 years of notable service to the NPS, "exhibiting a genuine concern for the benefit of the park visitor."

Dr. William B. Robertson, Jr., senior scientist at Everglades National Park, received a DSA, in absentia, for his outstanding contributions to the

Service in the field of ecology and natural sciences.

William J. Murtagh, Keeper of the National Register, was cited for "superior leadership and expertise in the field of historic preservation," while the National Register grew from 1,000 to more than 12,000 properties under his stewardship.

Joseph C. Rumburg, Jr., Southwest Region director, received his DSA for "excellence in effectively handling the many delicate and often crucial public relations matters arising within his jurisdiction," and his superior management skill over his long career which began in 1950.

Finally, Albert H. Schroeder, Chief of the Division of Interpretation in the Southwest Region, got kudos for "his notable achievements in the fields of archeology and interpretation."

### Valor Awards

NPS garnered two Valor Awards out of the seven presented. James E. McOwien, a maintenance supervisor at Golden Gate National Recreation Area, Calif., was honored for "courageous action involving a high degree of personal risk, which resulted in saving a life." On April 29 of this year a young woman attempted suicide by jumping from the Golden Gate Bridge. McOwien jumped into the frigid Bay waters and worked a rope around the young woman, and then directed assistants on the seawall in proper procedures for removing the victim from the water and into a waiting ambulance.

Approximately 29 employees of Rocky Mountain National Park, Colo., received a unit ci-

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## E&AA board sets meeting in Denver

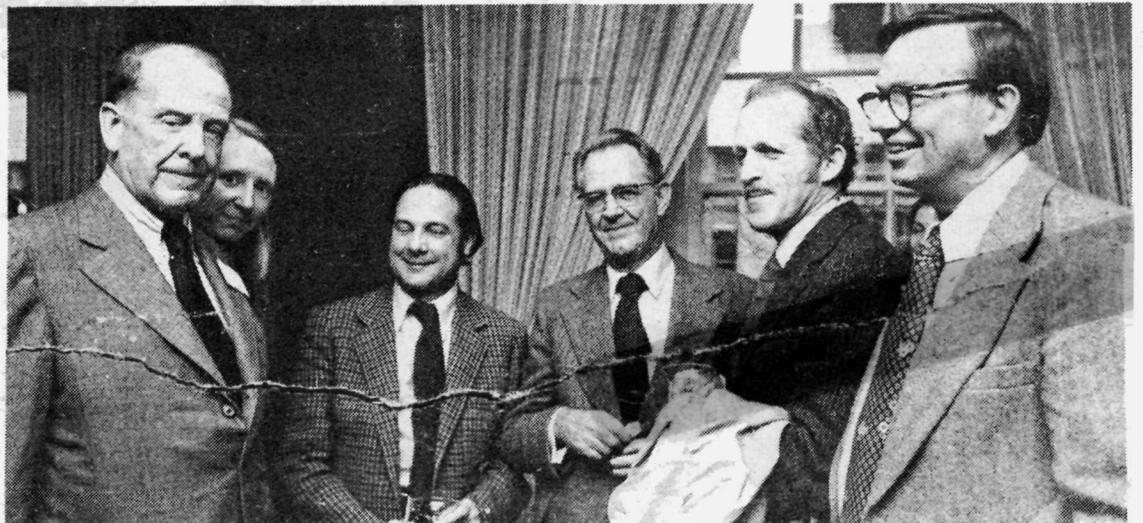
Members of the Board of the Employees and Alumni Association will convene for their annual meeting Feb. 15-17 in Denver, Colo., at the Ramada Inn, nearby the Denver Service Center and the Rocky Mountain Regional Office.

Topics of discussion on the Board's agenda include election of a new Board Chairman—Monte Fitch has announced his retirement, effective Feb. 26. Board members will also discuss the newly designated "co-operating association" status for the E&AA, fix the 1977

budget, sort out any problems with the Educational Trust Fund and other E&AA matters, including a new retiree directory.

Wayne Bryant and Mary Benson, E&AA reps in the Denver area are handling all arrangements and will be contacting individual board members shortly.

E&AA members who have specific items they want taken up by the Board, should contact their E&AA representative soon.



At the awards reception NPS architects congratulate Charles Petersen, left, on receiving his Conservation Service Award. From left of Petersen are Hugh Miller, Henry Judd, Perry Vouchers of Ohio State University, and Lee Nelson.

citation for Valor for "exceptional skill, stamina, and courage demonstrated during rescue and assistance operations during the Big Thompson Flood July 31-August 1." NPS personnel were involved in directing air operations, ground searches, medical assistance, body recoveries and security operations.

Twenty-two awards for Conservation Service were presented to private citizens or groups during the ceremony. Of these, 20 went to those associated with the NPS. Awardees were: Independence Hall Association, L.W. Lane, Jr., John I. Nicol, Sen. Alan Bible, Rep. Julia Butler Hansen, Ada Louise Huxtable, W. Robert Williams, Garlisle H. Humelsine, Thomas

Lawson McCall, James Marston Fitch, Charles E. Peterson, Harley J. McKee, Carl Feiss, Frederick Johnson, John O. Brew and Emil W. Haury. Receiving awards in absentia were Piero Gazzola, Harold James Plenderleith, Ronald F. Lee (posthumous) and Michio Oi.

Immediately after the Convocation, a reception was held in the Buffet Room of the Interior Cafeteria to honor NPS recipients. Wine flowed freely, and light snacks were served, as everybody from Director Everhardt down congratulated the awardees.

Imogene LaCovey said of her award: "It's just wonderful, a fitting climax to my NPS career."

Other recipients responded in kind: "I'm extremely pleased," said Joe Rumburg, "it's one of the nicest things that's happened to me." said Granny Liles: "It made me cry." Granny is teaching park management at Blacksburg State College.

Valor Awardee James McOwien, who saved the Golden Gate leaper, said "it is the proudest moment of my life." James and his wife, who accompanied him to receive the award, have raised 13 children—eight of their own and five foster kids.

Director Everhardt personally congratulated all of the awardees.



Photo by Fred Bell

Director Gary Everhardt, right, attended the honor awards reception Dec. 7, to congratulate award recipients and wish season's greetings to NPS employees and friends. Shaking hands with the director is Ron Greenberg of the National Register; center is C.P. Montgomery, E&AA treasurer.

## Edison's old cronies get together in New Jersey

At Edison National Historic Site, N.J. almost 200 connoisseurs of vintage Edison recordings from 11 States and two Canadian provinces gathered together recently, joined by a group of Edison recording artists of the same era, for an evening of nostalgic reminiscing.

Every seat in the auditorium was occupied, with an overflow crowd milling about the entrance to Thomas Edison's historic 1887 Laboratory.

### Virtuosos

The program for the evening included not only released and unreleased Edison recordings in the collection at Edison NHS, but also live performances by the famous singers and instrumental virtuosos who made those recordings 50 years ago.

Unit Manager Lynn R. Wightman made the introductions to the festivities, with Raymond R. Wile of Queens College sharing the emcee spotlight with Milford H. Fargo of the Eastman School of Music, University of Rochester.

Highlights were talks and performances by the veteran artists, who, although in their 70's and 80's, retained to a remarka-

### String Wizard

ble degree their technical and vocal skills.

Roy Smeck, known as "The Wizard of the Strings" on guitar, banjo, and ukelele, brought the atmosphere to a fever heat with his incredible scampering over the scale in "Twelfth Street Rag" on the uke, which he incidentally waxed in 1928 on an Edison Diamond Disc.

Edna White, trumpeter, who made her first recording in 1903, spoke briefly about her lengthy musical career spanning two continents.

Rosalynd Davis and Hazel Dann, both of the Dann Trio, who made Tone Tests for the Edison Company in the early 1920's, received tremendous ovations for their part in the program.

Also on hand was Ernest L. Stevens, pianist and personal arranger for the great inventor, and leader of the Stevens Trio and Stevens Dance Orchestra. He spoke for a few moments on recording days at the Columbia Street Studio and at the New York Recording Studio, giving Edison's views on Rachmaninoff, then masterfully entertained the entire crowd with two piano solos.



Hazel Dann, violinist with the Dann Trio, performs at Edison NHS, N.J.



At the keyboard is Ernest L. Stevens, Edison's personal pianist and arranger.



Coloratura Soprano Gladys Rice and Baritone Douglas Stanbury sang "April in Paris" for the audience.

### 'The Kiss'

Coloratura Soprano Gladys Rice, daughter of John Rice of the first Edison motion picture, "The Kiss," and Broadway Baritone Douglas Stanbury delighted their listeners with "Vilja" and "April in Paris."

Singer, composer, and music Publisher Joe Davis, also known as "The Melody Man," was on hand to recall his experiences in promoting the music of the pre-Depression Era.

One of the most poignant moments of the evening occurred when 83-year-old Eva Taylor, known in her heyday as "Queen of the Blues" or "Queen of the Moaners," was introduced. Widow of famed cleft-pianist Clarence Williams, she sang her husband's own composition, "Baby, Won't You Please Come Home?"

For future reference, the program was taped by Merritt Sound Recording, with copies being sent to the Library of Congress, along with other Audio Archives. *Variety*, *Hobbies*, *Antique Phonograph Monthly*, *Newark Star Ledger*, and *High Fidelity* all carried articles with emphasis on the content and uniqueness of this presentation relating to the pioneer days of sound recording.



Rosalynd Davis, another violinist with the famous Dann Trio.



New Jersey News Photos

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## Dominguez-Escalante expedition— the big Bicentennial event in West



NPS Alumnus "Pete" Suazo was master of ceremonies at the Sept. 15 program at Dinosaur National Monument that welcomed the Dominguez-Escalante Bicentennial Expedition to the Monument and to their first stop in Utah. Platform guests (left to right) were: Utah Governor Calvin Rampton, DEBE Administrator and Trail Boss Bill Daley, Pete Suazo, Rocky Mountain Regional Director Lynn Thompson, Dinosaur Superintendent Cecil Lewis, and Utah Senator Frank Moss.

To most people, the "true" Bicentennial events of note meant the activities around Boston, New York, and Philadelphia.

But to the surprise of many, the West featured a Bicentennial event that commemorated one of the most significant epics in the history of the Nation—the 1776 Dominguez-Escalante Expedition.

Funded by ARBA, the four corner States of New Mexico, Colorado, Utah, and Arizona, and private donations, the commemorative expedition left Santa Fe, N. Mex., on July 29, 200 years to the day that the original expedition began its long journey.

### Overland Route

The purpose of the original horse-mounted expedition was to find an overland route connecting Santa Fe (Spain's northern most territorial capital) with the Franciscan Missions along the California Coast. The party was directed by Franciscan

Fathers Atanacio Dominguez and Silvestre Escalante.

The 1976 commemorative Dominguez-Escalante Bicentennial Expedition (DEBE) was neither a re-enactment nor a pageant, but an authentic expedition using modern equipment. The 14 riders attempted to follow the original trail as closely as possible and call attention to the significance of the 1776 event and the heritage that is ours because of Spain's influence in the Southwest.

The DEBE route took them north by northwest from Santa Fe to Durango, Montrose and Dinosaur, Colorado, and then west to the Green River in Utah. It was there on Sept. 15 the party forded the river Fr. Escalante named *Rio de San Buenaventura*. The crossing site lies within the boundaries of Dinosaur National Monument—a scant 2 miles from the greatest concentration of fossilized dinosaur bones found anywhere in the world.

In the afternoon ceremonies under a warm sun, the party

was met by Park Superintendent Cecil Lewis (who rode across the river with the party), Rocky Mountain Regional Director Lynn Thompson, Utah Governor Calvin Rampton and Senator Frank Moss. Seasonal Ranger Gloria Santiago presented a short summary of the expedition, its goals, and accomplishments. Master of ceremonies was NPS Alumnus Pete Suazo who addressed the crowd in both Spanish and English.

From Dinosaur, the DEBE party continued retracing the original path and proceeded west to the Salt Lake valley and then south to a point near Milford, Utah. It was at this location 200 years ago that Dominguez, Escalante, and their party of 10, faced with severe winter storms and lack of food, decided to abandon their plans to reach California and return instead to Santa Fe. They arrived there on Jan. 2, 1777.

The 1976 commemorative party completed the same task on Nov. 27—36 days quicker than the original expedition.

Other national park areas that hosted the DEBE party were Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, Utah-Ariz., and El Morro National Monument in west-central New Mexico—both sites are along the original route.

Although Frs. Dominguez and Escalante did not accomplish their primary goals, their route covered more than 2,000 miles of previously unmapped territory. The accounts of the travels and their accurate maps formed the basis for Spain's claim to the land. Without a doubt, the achievements of the Dominguez-Escalante expedition of 1776 rank among the greatest in the history of this Nation and was certainly the Bicentennial event of the West.

## Park Briefs

**FORT SUMTER NATIONAL MONUMENT, S.C.**—NPS has completed a 110-page study detailing alternative designs for a Fort Sumter-Fort Moultrie visitor embarkation facility on the Charleston shoreline fronting the Ashley River. Five major alternatives are proposed and Superintendent Ping Crawford is seeking public feedback.

**SEQUOIA-KINGS CANYON NATIONAL PARK, CALIF.**—Rangers have been setting fires for 8 straight years in an effort to reduce fire hazards and to restore more natural environmental conditions to the area. This year, Acting Superintendent Gene Daugherty said 260 acres of dangerous forest fuels were successfully removed in the fires. In time, rangers hope to extend the program to 5,000 acres of giant sequoias in Redwood Mountain grove.

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK, COLO.**—Two historic sites in the park have been accepted by the National Register of Historic Places. The Grand River Ditch, located on the park's west side along the east slope of the Never Summer Mountains, received this distinction recently, along with the Moraine Park Visitor Center (formerly the Moraine Park Lodge). Three years ago, the William Allen White Cottages were added to the Register. Three other sites have been nominated.

**ALLEGHENY PORTAGE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE, PA.**—NPS has awarded a \$40,000 contract to Berkiblie Bros., Inc. of Johnstown, Pa., to begin initial restoration of the historic Lemon House, which served as an inn and tavern along the railroad in the 19th century and earlier in this century. Restoration work will replace first floor structural supports with steel; replace the dirt floor in the basement with concrete; insulate the attic and replace current asphalt shingles with historic wood shingles, among other things. Lemon House is approximately 140 years old.

**CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO NATIONAL HISTORIC PARK, MD.**—December interpretive activities along the upper part of this historic waterway included winter walks, a whitewater slide show, canal boat tours with movies, a look at the uses of mules and muskets, a winter campfire and jogging exercises, for beginners. Later in the month a star-gazing session was held; along with a discussion on how to enjoy winter park activities safely and a showing of the TV film "When the Past Dries Up," which describes through pictures and interviews what the historic canal was and what it is today.

**YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK**—Two adult male buffalo were shot to death by a mystery poacher Dec. 2, in the Northeast section of the park. When park rangers came upon the grisly scene, they found little evidence—coyotes and other park animals had partially devoured the buffalo and the mystery poacher(s) had removed the head of one animal and the horn from the other. An investigation is still going on with the cooperation of the Fish and Wildlife Service and local game and fish departments. If apprehended, the culprits could face a possible \$1,000 fine and a year in jail or both.

**DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL MONUMENT, CALIF.**—With the accompaniment of a spectacular desert sunset, a final concert in a series was held Dec. 18, sponsored by NPS and the Draco Foundation. Featured was the premiere of Halsey Steven's work, "Songs from Paiute," composed for the event. The Santa Monica College Community Chorus performed under the direction of James E. Smith. The concert also included "The Small Hour," poems by Evelyn Eaton set to music by Joseph Wood, and the "Seven Joys of Christmas," by Kirke Mechem.

**MARTIN VAN BUREN NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE, N.Y.**—Martin Van Who? Well, he was the 8th president of the U.S., and NPS is planning to restore Lindenwald (Marty's Mount Vernon) to its 19th-century appearance. The trouble is, says Superintendent Bruce Steward, "Unfortunately, the historic figure that makes the house famous is the man who botched it architecturally. 'Built in the Federal style in 1797, Van Buren made numerous changes in mixture of styles popular in his era—including an Italian tower and Victorian portico. Later occupants added a 'Gone With the Wind' front porch."

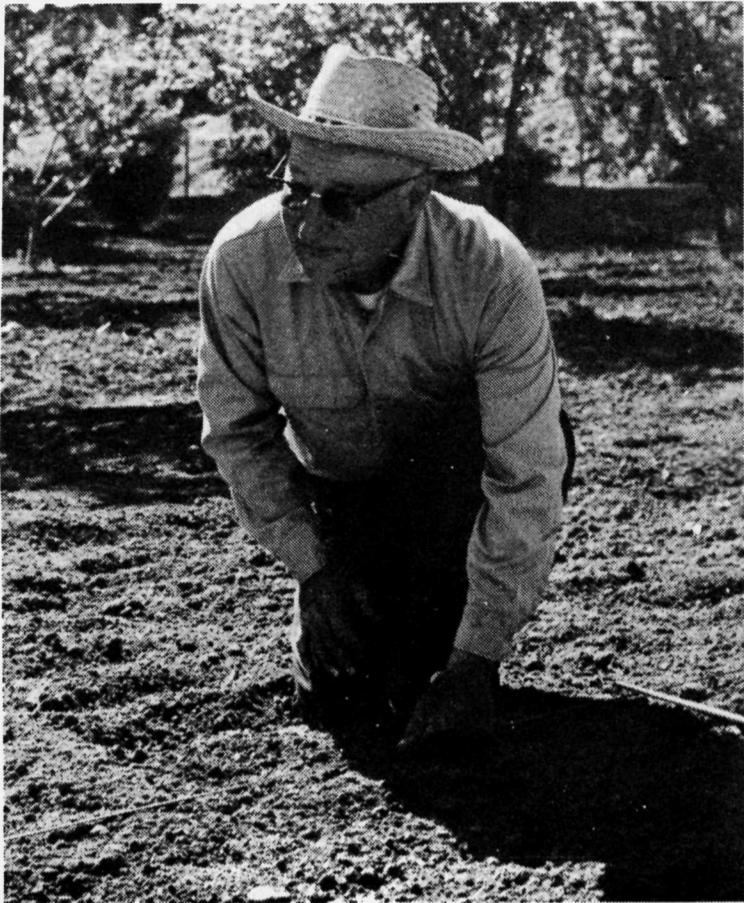
**FORT POINT NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE, CALIF.**—The 2nd annual Mexican-American Christmas Fiesta and Posada, honoring San Francisco's first Christmas, was held Dec. 11. Visitors shared the color and excitement of pinatas, fiesta food, mariachi bands and the local Ballet Folklorico Mexicano. A formal military retreat was also held, with the Presidio Bicentennial Marching Unit garbed in 1870 army uniforms. Guests were encouraged to wear traditional Mexican dress.

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John Hanna gets ready to plant new vines

## John Muir NHS replants his vineyard

John Muir, wilderness wanderer that he was, also had a domestic side. On the large orchard he managed with his father-in-law, he grew many varieties of fruit, including zinfandel, muscat and tokay grapes. John Muir NHS, Calif., has less than 1 percent of Muir's former acreage, and representative plantings are maintained.

The story of the recent replanting of the vineyard of John Muir is a story of cooperation among many. Vines that were planted by the Park Service in 1969 succumbed to oak root fungus (*Armillaria mellea*) in 1974. The disease was identified by a private lab, in cooperation with the county extension service and local vintners. The dead and dying vines were removed by students participating in the site's Environmental Living Program, after which the ground was fumigated. The Environmental Living Program participants at John Muir are elementary school children who

role-play the life of Muir's orchard workers for 24 hours.

Park Superintendent Doris Omundson, not wanting a repeat of the previous experience, consulted with professors at the University of California, Davis, to find a disease-resistant root stock. The grafting and preparation of vines for planting was done by a private nursery.

John Hanna, Napa Valley vineyard owner, offered to plant the new vines. Since Hanna is John Muir's grandson and a successful vineyardist, no one could have been more appropriate. He was assisted by Curtis Knoll, grandson-in-law of John Swett. Swett was a well-known early California educator and one of Muir's closest friends. The vines were planted in June 1976 and five months later are showing fine growth.

Perhaps future Environmental Living Program participants will be able to harvest a crop of grapes, take them back to school, and who knows?

## 'Man in Glacier' wins director's award

The Glacier Natural History Association publication, *Man in Glacier*, by Curtis W. Buchholtz, has won the Director's Award in the 1976 Cooperating Associations publications competition.

Executive Secretary Edwin L. Rothfuss announced that *Man in Glacier* was selected as the best of 93 entries representing publications produced by cooperating associations across the country. The award was presented at the biennial conference of Cooperating Associations in Albuquerque, N. Mex., Nov. 11.

Presenting the award to Glacier Natural History Association was Bill Mauldin, politi-

cal cartoonist with the *Chicago Sun Times*, and Director Gary Everhardt. Dr. Michael Britton, Kalispell, and member of the Board of Directors, and Rothfuss represented the Glacier Natural History Association at the conference.

Rothfuss, who also serves as Glacier's chief park naturalist, said the 88-page, two-color book deals with the history of the park, and contains 136 illustrations. Author Buchholtz has been a seasonal employee at Glacier since 1963. Layout and design were by Christina Herokawa, Denver; and Francis Elmore, Clacier's former chief naturalist was editor. The book was printed by Artcraft Printers in Bozeman, Mont.

# Three national parks get biosphere reserve status

Three national parks and three national forest areas are the first areas in the country to be officially recognized as Biosphere Reserves.

The Biosphere Reserve project is an effort of the international Man and the Biosphere program to protect representative segments of the world's natural regions as major centers for plant and animal preservation, environmental research and education.

Official certificates of recognition of the six areas were presented to John R. McGuire, Chief of the Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and to William J. Briggles, NPS Deputy Director, in ceremonies Nov. 11 at the State Department. The presentation was made by Dr. Donald R. King, chairman of the U.S. Man and the Biosphere Committee, State Department, on

behalf of Amadou-Mahtar M'Bow, Director-General of UNESCO (United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization.)

The six designated areas are Coweeta Experimental Forest, N.C.; Great Smoky Mountains National Park, Tenn.-N.C.; Hubbard Brook Experimental Forest, N.H.; Everglades National Park, Fla.; Virgin Islands National Park, V.I.; and Luquillo Experimental Forest, Puerto Rico.

The Biosphere Reserve project was established in 1973 under UNESCO's auspices. Its purpose is to establish an international network of protected areas, representing the major natural regions of the world, which can be used for ecological research, monitoring, training and education. Biosphere Reserves include two categories: natural eco-systems where

human influence is slight, and man-modified eco-systems. The Biosphere Reserve project differs from other conservation or preservation projects in that the projects also provide opportunity for the testing and demonstration of various resource management practices.

Over 40 nations throughout the world are participating in the Biosphere Reserve project, and to date have proposed more than 200 areas for designation as Biosphere Reserves. In addition to the six areas in the U.S., which have been officially recognized by UNESCO, another 22 areas of lands administered by the Departments of the Interior and Agriculture, have been approved for Biosphere Reserve designation.

Coordination for the Biosphere Reserve project in the United States is under the co-leadership of the Park Service and the Forest Service.

## \$100 Richer at Richmond



Superintendent Sylvester Putman, far right, recently presented Special Achievement Awards of \$100 each to several staff members at Richmond National Battlefield Park, Va. Receiving awards are (left to right) Jim Bell, Wayne Fussell, Dick Barch, Nan Kesler, Hyman Schwartzberg and Gina McMillan. Not present for the ceremony was Kirby Vining.

## Whiskeytown women add \$500 to education fund

The Whiskeytown Women's Organization recently increased the E&AA Educational Aid Fund by \$500. Earnings were netted from a lottery held recently in which the women raffled off an Indian quilt they worked on all summer.

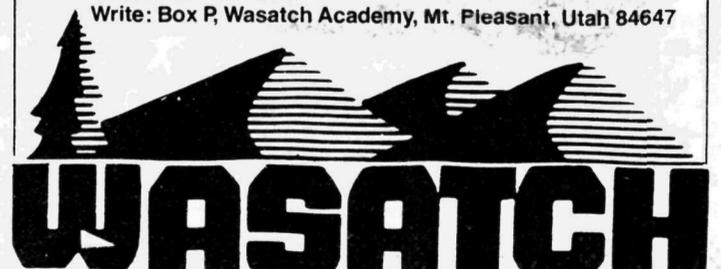
The winner of the lottery is Cindy Chapman, daughter of Western Regional Director Howard Chapman. The recipient can now cover her bed with an 81" X 104" hand-sewn spread of beige percale with bright Indian floral prints. The center block of the quilt depicts an Indian teepee, set in a Southwest desert scene, de-

signed by Rich Hayes, Whiskeytown seasonal naturalist.

The Whiskeytown women

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# A college degree through the mails

By James F. Kieley  
NPS Retiree

One of the most important stated purposes of E&AA is to "assist those (employees) with high career potential to train for greater Service responsibilities." This is more than a worthy objective. It is a challenge to every individual to seek the highest level to which he is willing to aspire. For those who possess this determination higher education can certainly provide a major assist.

## Degree Program

In recent years much attention has been given to innovative, nontraditional degree programs at colleges and universities throughout the United States. These programs are designed to meet the needs of persons who, for a variety of reasons, are unable to undertake or complete the standard curriculum requirements in an institution of higher learning.

Since 1961, for example, the

University of Oklahoma has offered nontraditional degree programs arranged particularly for adult students. An opportunity to earn a college degree is offered to individuals who because of job, family, or other circumstances cannot attend regular classes on campus. The Bachelor of Liberal Studies degree has been widely accepted in the business and industrial world and in the academic community. BLS students have represented numerous professional and occupational groups and have come from all parts of the United States and several foreign countries. Many have continued their formal education at the graduate level.

## Fully-Accredited

The University's College of Liberal Studies on campus at Norman, Oklahoma currently offers not only the BLS but also the Master of Liberal Studies (MLS) degrees. Both are fully approved and accredited by the University of Oklahoma and are

accepted as valid by other institutions of higher education nationwide. The degrees are earned through a unique combination of independent study, close but occasional seminar involvement, and carefully devised faculty/student tutorial relationships designed for the adult seeking a college education. The bulk of the work is accomplished at the student's own pace and in his own home environment. Ordinarily the BLS program can be completed in 4 years and the MLS in 2 years.

Recently the College made the BLS more attractive by adding three specialty options, one in *Management*, one in *Education*, and one in *Paralegal Studies*. There is also a *Junior College Option* which allows a person with 60 or more hours of completed college work to finish a degree.

Students enrolled in the MLS degree program, experience a close relationship with their faculty advisers, which often allows them to pursue studies and write a thesis closely related to their work interests. In the pursuit of quality education, senior faculty members from any departments of the University are employed on both the undergraduate and graduate levels.

How am I so familiar with all this? You guessed it. I earned my BLS degree at OU, and believe me this, and my life memberships in the University of Oklahoma Alumni Association and E&AA are among my most prized possessions. Moreover, I wouldn't have missed that re-

warding experience for anything.

For anyone wanting further information the address is: College of Liberal Studies, University of Oklahoma, 1700 Asp Avenue, Norman, Oklahoma 73037.

# Smart leaders keep their people informed

When Alben Barkley was Vice President he often complained, as most Vice Presidents do, that the President was not keeping him informed of what was going on as far as legislative strategy was concerned. One day when the President (Truman) unexpectedly proposed some changes in the tax laws, Barkley blew up. "I feel like a catcher in a night ball game. . . . They not only fail to give me signals from the bench, they turn off the lights just as the pitcher throws the ball."

Most people react the same way when they feel they aren't being let in on what's going on. That's why a good leader keeps people informed. The leader who doesn't is losing valuable goodwill and cooperation. Morale and teamwork suffer, not to mention the work itself.

Nobody likes to feel that he isn't important enough to be informed or consulted about the

things going on around him. Employees like to know about things which affect them, their department, or their company. They work better when they do. . . . One of the most helpful things a leader can do is to talk frankly with people. Talk about the job, the company, problems to be solved, ideas to be tested—anything that doesn't have to be kept secret.

It isn't true that what people don't know won't hurt them. Information freely given can make them more satisfied, more understanding and more cooperative. Think of any group or department you know that has done a truly outstanding job. In most cases you'll find the people in that group very well informed. They know what's going on, what the problems are, and how they fit into the picture. And they have this information because some smart leader made a point of seeing that they got it.



Confederate participants in Band Battle

# 'Battle of the bands' refought at Stones River

On a still and cold December evening 114 years ago, two armies sat poised for battle near Stones River, Tenn. Nervously awaiting the morrow's battle, Union and Confederate soldiers raised their voices in song—each side attempting to drown out the traditional songs of the other. The next day, New Year's Eve 1863, following that "Battle of the Bands," the two armies fought a bloody battle, recording 23,000 casualties.

## Original Instruments

This famous musical scene was recreated this fall at Stones River National Battlefield. The First Brigade Band of Milwaukee, Wisc., was on hand to help re-create the historic "Battle of the Bands." Dressed in Union and Confederate band uniforms, the brigade played Civil War tunes on instruments of the period. Their instruments comprise the largest single collection of over-the-shoulder horns in the world and all were played on the battlefields during the War Between the States.

"The program was conducted in a setting and manner that is as historically accurate as possible," said Superintendent James A. Sanders. For lighting, only torches, campfires and moonlight were used. Visitors were asked to leave their flashlights at home. Some 500 turned out for the festivities.

The bands were set up around two campfires within walking distance of each other so that visitors could sit in, and sing along, with both Union and Confederate sides.

## Marching Band

The brigade also held an afternoon concert, featuring Civil War music played by the uniformed Union Band. Later the Wisconsin group stepped out to demonstrate marching formations, while playing marching music of the period. Then they marched to Lincoln Square in the historic Stones River National Cemetery and conducted a formal lowering of the U.S. flag while playing "Hail Columbia."

# '10-42' for Mr. 716, Crane Flat Lookout

By Charles G. Carter  
Helitack Foreman  
Yosemite NP

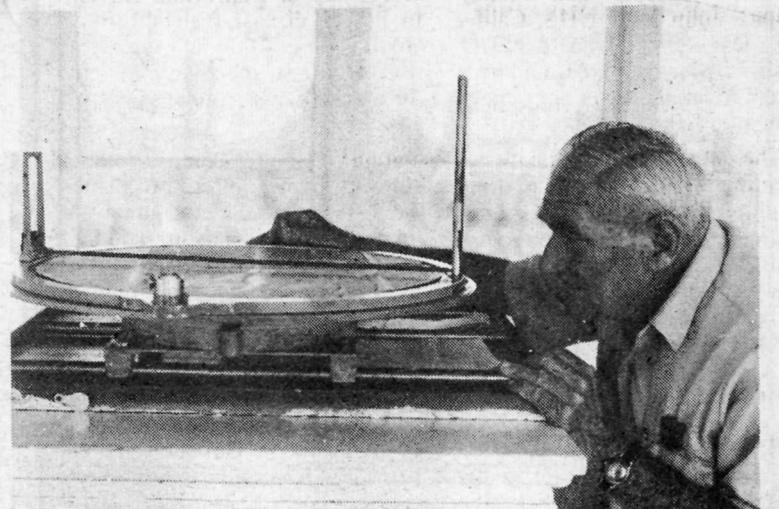
At the end of fire season 1976, it was heard over the Mt. Hoffman radio transmitter: "Yosemite National Park—Mr. 716 Crane Flat Lookout is 10-42." Alfred A. Heyne, age 85, retired from the Park Service after more than 30 years of service. Al is as much a part of Yosemite as Half Dome or Yosemite Falls, and next season the park will be one monument less.

Al was born in 1891 in Leipzig which is now located in East Germany. His father was a German of Irish descent, his mother was from Vienna and a sister of the famous "Waltz King" Johann Strauss. Al's talent with the piano shows this heritage. He has entertained many people, among them Charlie Chaplin and the Rockefeller family.

In 1909, Al came to New



Al Heyne



York and then went south to Pensacola, Fla. For 2 years he worked as a cowboy driving cattle between Miami and Alabama. In 1911, he left Florida and went north to Canada settling near Calgary on a 160-acre homestead. During the winter Al worked for the Canadian Park System guiding German, English, and French officers on grizzly bear hunts. During the summer months he worked for the Dominion Oil Company.

When the War broke out in 1914, the Canadian homestead was sold; and Al moved to Prescott, Mich., where he again worked as a cowboy. At the 1917 Calgary Stampede, Al won the bareback riding event and received the Chambray Chaps. In Michigan Al met his late wife, Edna, and they were married in 1918.

The two then moved to southern California and began their 19 years with the Rockefeller family. The first 3 years were at the Cleveland estate and then at the Pasadena estate. Al was in charge of maintaining

the estates' grounds and handling the family's mail. Al recalls an experience with Nelson Rockefeller as a lad—on a disciplinary action, Al extracted young Nelson from a newly planted flower bed by the ears! Al and Edna's six children were born in Pasadena, Calif., and the Rockefeller family picked up the bill.

In 1940 Al came to Mariposa on a visit; and taking a liking to the area and a ranch that was for sale, he bought the place and stayed. In 1941 his career with NPS in Yosemite began, and most of the 30+ years has been with Fire Management; the last 19 years as a fire observer at Crane Flat Fire Lookout.

Retirement from the Park Service does not mean that Al has finished working—he has a full-time job keeping in contact with an accumulation of friends and family and the care of his Mariposa ranch. Al says he is 85, but those at the Crane Flat Lookout believe he is a 21-year-old in disguise.



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## Mudcat Wessman's folly eases river crossings



Mudcat Wessman's folly works with nature at Mammoth Cave

By  
**George E. Davidson**  
 SER Public Information Specialist

When Southeast Regional Office Civil Engineer Keith V. "Mudcat" Wessman was advised by Associate Regional Director Jim Bainbridge that he "was going to become an admiral," he remained calm. He knew Mammoth Cave National Park, Ky. needed a new ferryboat.

The Service had operated a ferry at the Green River crossing for many years. The ferry was sometimes a problem because of the powerful Spring flood currents.

River crossing main suspension cables for the tethered ferry were often badly strained. Once the tether lines had to be cut and the ferry set loose to drift downstream to beach at random. Not a pleasant experience for the ferryman—or the visitor.

Keith sought a way to work

with nature as much as possible in design of a new boat. A design was needed to decrease the powerful effect of swollen river waters against the side of a vessel moving at right angles from bank to bank.

Keith's "solution"? Put the shaped bow of the ferry on the side of the boat facing the current. The concept certainly looked odd on the blueprint and mumblings of "Wessman's Folly" or "whoever heard of a bow on the side" were heard. Someone suggested that something other than Keith's bow was out of place.

Keith was sure his bow was in the right place, at least for a Green River ferryboat design. He reasoned that instead of pushing and twisting the vessel as it moved through the mid-stream, fastest rush of water, some of the river's force would rush by, and under, the bows. He was sure that the vessel would tend to keep its bow upstream—and, most importantly, its direction of movement

across the river at the same time.

Keith also planned for the installation of electric winches on the tether cables to control the torque effect of the current on the vessel as it entered (or left) the faster running mid-stream waters.

The rest of the ferry design was not unusual and utilized a downstream side-paddle wheel linked to a hydromatic-drive tractor engine.

Launched recently in the swollen Green River, the \$84,000 ferry has not proven to be "Wessman's folly" after all but a vast improvement in ferry technology. It works and no one will need to cut tether cables with axes anymore.

Southeast Regional Chief of Maintenance Bill Smith now repeats, on request, the new motto of his office, "When a better Green River ferry is built, Wessman will design it." Something like that, anyway.

Crewmen might still be confused by a command to "cast off the bowline."

## Team effort makes for beautiful trails

By Bart D'Alfonso  
 Park Technician, Mount Rainier NP, Wash.

### "These Trails Are Beautiful!"

Without a doubt this is the most frequent compliment the Trails Section of the Roads and Trails Department receives each day from Mount Rainier National Park, Wash., visitors. They repeatedly express the feeling that it is not only one of the largest and most beautiful of the national parks they have visited, but that it is also enhanced with a well-maintained and complete trail system as well.

To achieve this high degree of efficiency a seasonal crew of 22 trail and backcountry laborers is employed.

Perhaps no other section is more aware of and responsive to the fact that team effort, however demanding, is heavily

dependent upon the organizing of the crew—by Supervisor Dick Skevington and Foreman Lynn O'Donnell—and the subsequent ability of each trail laborer to complete the assigned work as quickly, efficiently, and safely as possible. Cooperation and coordination are important and one man cannot afford to hold up the others.

But it takes more than manpower alone to provide scenic trails and esthetic backcountry campsites. Without the constant use of varied (and relatively dangerous) tools and equipment, the effort could be handicapped. This can be understood better when one takes into account that over 300 miles of trails, 34 backcountry campsites, many trail viewpoints and vistas, and numerous foot bridges must be properly maintained each summer.

The equipment needed to

accomplish the 4 month-long task consists of different sized double-bit axes, various chainsaws, hoe-dads, pulaskis, mauls, sledge-hammers, metal wedges, shovels, manual and power winches, explosives, brush clips, Swedish hooks, wire rakes, pry bars, draw knives, and several pack mules and horses as well.

The section supervisor and foremen conduct regular inspections of trail laborer assignments, making written reports to the park superintendent, assuring compliance with NPS and Interior Department trail standards.

It is the goal of all trail laborers, not only to ensure that Mount Rainier trails and backcountry campsites for park visitors are well maintained, esthetic, and safe as possible, but to remain the organized and friendly team that the public recognizes repeatedly.

# NPS alumni notes

By Dan Beard

## New golf stroke costs Miller money



George Miller

George W. Miller retired in 1965 as assistant regional director (now associate) from SWRO after 42 years with the Service. His early experiences at Yellowstone have already been written up in the *Courier*, but we would like his many old friends and associates to know how he is getting along in retirement.

George and Mary still live in the attractive house they purchased when they first came to Santa Fe. George is still playing golf at least once a week with Carl Walker, Stan Joseph, Volney Westley and John Aubuchon. They finally persuaded him to develop a more orthodox stance when driving and he says he has not won a nickel since. When George is not playing golf he is either working in the gardens or doing maintenance work that has improved the house also.

The Millers seem always on the go around town or all over the United States and on to Alaska, Hawaii, and the Caribbean. They visit many old friends on their junkets, but seldom visit parks. George has been the president of the local chapter of NARFE, regularly attends Rotary, and is an active Shriner.

Miller has spent his lifetime in the Rocky Mountain region from the Canadian boundary to Mexico. He was born 72 years ago in Colorado and grew up in Utah. At Yellowstone he met a pretty redhead from Colorado named Mary Markham, whose name was changed to Miller in 1931. They have one son who is an electronics engineer in California.

## Phil Van Cleave ends 35-year career

Philip F. Van Cleave, an employee of Carlsbad Caverns National park, N. Mex., for the past 12 years, retired Dec. 18.

During that time, he has held the positions of chief park naturalist, chief of Interpretation and Resources Management, chief of Technical Services, and staff interpretive and environmental specialist.

Before coming to Carlsbad, Van Cleave, a 35-year NPS veteran, served as chief park naturalist at Petrified Forest Nation-

al park, Ariz., (1956 to 1964), as archeologist at Mesa Verde National Park, Colo., (1947 to 1956), park ranger at Lake Mead National Recreation Area, Ariz.-Nev. (1946 - 1947), and as war-time Custodian of Wupatki National Monument, Ariz., (1941 to 1946).

While at Wupatki, he supervised a Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) Camp in the excavation and stabilization of the monument's prehistoric pueblo Indian ruins.

Prior to joining the Park Service, Van Cleave attended the University of Illinois, University of New Hampshire, and University of Arizona. While at The University of Arizona, he also served as assistant to the curator of the Arizona State Museum.

Following his retirement, Van Cleave, his wife Winifred, who is a nurse in the Carlsbad school system, and his daughter, Lorna, will continue to reside in Carlsbad at 1505 Westridge. The Van Cleave's also have a son, Kent, who is a student at Arizona State University in Tempe, and another daughter, Katherine, who lives in Fort Worth Tex.

## Ranger Evergreen wowed 'em at Teton

We believe it was 1957 when the superintendent's conference was held at Grand Teton. For those who were there, they might like this little bit of nostalgia. Connie Wirth had asked us to work up something that would give a light side to the meeting. We invented a character named Ranger Onelick Rotation Evergreen. He was to represent the field viewpoint.

Karl Gilbert made the uniform—a tremendous broad-brimmed hat and other foolishness. The late John Lewis acted the part, stomping out on the speakers platform at Teton Lodge and throwing his saddle at the feet of a startled Laurence Rockefeller. He'd just come out of the mountains and wanted to know who had put that big hay barn (Teton Lodge) in the middle of his elk range, etc. All in all it was a howling success. Ray Vinten wrote a song about it and put it to music. It went like this:

"He's a ranger of the rangers and he's not afraid of strangers. He hides up in the mountains and comes out once a year. His whiskers red and curly. His muscles big and burly. He's poison to the ladies, but loved by grizzly bears. Oh he's a friend of all the wilderness, he lives on nuts and berries. He's the roughest coot you've ever seen, and his name is Onelick Evergreen. He's a civil service wonder, who got thru on a blunder, a GS-3 for 37 years. He's never fresh or flirty, his hat is wide and dirty. He'd rather walk than ride, and he smells on the gamey side."

We wonder where that famous uniform went when John passed away.

## Roger Allin sails around Puget Sound



Roger Allin

Roger Allin, 55, retired on Jan. 1. He was superintendent of Olympic National Park. This is Roger's story as well as we know it.

He was born in Minneapolis and went to the U. of Minnesota where both his father and grandfather had been professors. Allin was a flyer in World War II and became a bush pilot for the Fish and Wildlife Service in Alaska, often a rather hairy experience, especially in bad weather when one had to follow the rivers, downstream on the right side and upstream on the other side because you could not see an approaching plane. At any rate he made it.

We do not know much about the Alaska plan that is slowly and painfully unfolding in Washington and elsewhere, but we are told that Roger pioneered many of the land planning ideas that are now being considered or already approved. He worked with George Collins in PNS and the next we heard of him he was with BOR in San Francisco. Plucked from BOR, he took over cooperative activities for NPS in SWRO. Then, to Everglades as superintendent. Following that we think he was beckoned to WASO, then to Lake Mead, and finally Olympic.

In our opinion, Roger Allin is both an idealist and something of an iconoclast. He speaks out when he writes, and he does it very well, indeed, he says what he believes in. Sample: "We represent an idea whose time has come; we have become effective, and the ethic we represent has come of age. . . In short, it means that by informing the public there has been created a political force founded on a public awareness of the social failures inherent in the expropriative attitudes long considered acceptable by the industrial barons, the chambers-of-commerce, the deploers of our former birth-rights. . . which have brought us to the brink of ecological and social disaster. . ."

Allin notes that his reports and writings have not always been accepted because they lacked in tact and might bring criticism on the Service. So, they were filed away. Well, Roger and the rest of you who follow his mould of thinking, do not be discouraged. This writer

wrote a report in 1937 which WASO brass thought too bold. It was discovered and hit the light of day this year. You just gotta be patient!

Roger and his pretty wife, Connie, have two children: Dan who is working on his Ph.D. at Louisiana State, and Brad who is majoring in history at Pacific U. The Allins will live in a house purchased at Whidbey Island, for a time at least. It is at 452 East Sunrise Blvd., Oak Harbor, Wash. 98227.

We have a feeling that when Roger gets tired of sailing his boat we'll begin to hear and read more about him.

## Old NPS alumni still a conservationist

In 1954 and 1957 inclusive, Gilbert F. Stucker worked at Dinosaur. Since November of 1957 he has been with the American Museum of Natural History in New York (Department of Vertebrate Paleontology). But his interest in national parks has continued.

He is now chairman of the board of trustees in the National Parks and Conservation Association. He writes in part: "The effort to preserve the Upper River Breaks in Montana has been one of my involvements since 1964. . . This last natural reach of the river should be brought into the Park System as a Lewis and Clark National Wilderness Waterway as originally proposed. . ."

He said that he "resides" with his wife, Alma, at Mt. Vernon, a suburb of New York. They met first at Dinosaur, where she had made it through Ladore Canyon and the Green River in a canoe (which we suggest was some accomplishment). Now she works in New York City across Central Park from her husband. Though they find it necessary to reside at Mt. Vernon, they think they really live near the town of Eagle Bridge in upstate New York along with an apple orchard, chipmunks, red squirrels, and woodchucks.

The Stuckers will retire soon and they can become completely involved in conservation work all over the country from their upstate farm.

## Do they make 'em that way anymore?

The "Independent Review" of Litchfield, Minn., where Grant Pierson was born in 1900 called him "Quite a Man," and that was an understatement.

He is an Alaskan sourdough who pioneered Mt. McKinley National Park and was its long-time superintendent until he retired in 1957. He survived two air crashes up there; and once fell 40 feet into an ice crevice on Muldrow glacier. He climbed both peaks of Mt. McKinley when he was 32 years old and, during his years in the park, mushed a dog team over 20,000 miles; received the Medal of Freedom from the U.S. Army for finding a crashed plane in a remote, rugged unmapped mountain area.

It is said that a man takes on the appearance of his dog. Well, that is probably not so but Grant is big and husky with features which we think look much like the dogs he used to drive, especially when wearing his fur parka hood trimmed

with wolverine fur (we presume).

The end of the story did not come when Grant retired. Not by a long shot. With the help of his daughter, he built a cabin—a log cabin of course—on a 5-acre homestead near the foot of "his" mountain and when the statehood bill was passed he ran for State Representative and won. He held the position for 8 years. His district included 137,000 square miles with a population of 7,800 located mostly on the edge of inland rivers. So, he did most of his politicking by boat. And to top it off he became a State Senator. His constituents, by the way, were 70% Indians.

We do not know much about him today. His wife passed away quite a few years ago. He has appeared in TV shows, such as *Bold Journey*, written a book, "My Life of High Adventure", several pamphlets, etc. We are told that he now spends his winters in Mexico and his summers in his beloved Alaska.

Do they make 'em that way anymore?

## Two alumni live on wintry Cape Cod

Two of our alumni reside at Cape Cod.

One is a winter resident: "Gad I would hate to stay here in the summer. To damned many people." His name is Waring Mikell and he was the regional engineer at Richmond. Mike has salt water in his blood and is a nut on boats, so he stays close to the sea, Falmouth, Mass., in winter and Mateo, N.C., in summer, or something like that. At least we never knew him, with his wife Jeanne (Gin) to cross the Allegheny Mountains but once since we have known him (starting back in 1916!).

Not too far away at yarmouth, near where Cape Cod starts it swing to the north, is the permanent home of an alumnus Downeaster named Arthur P. Lovejoy whose address is 72 Union Street and he is not yet a member of E&AA.

Lovejoy comes from an old New England family and we have determined that one of his direct ancestors was Elbridge Gerry who was a member of the First Continental Congress and a signer of the Declaration of Independence. So, he is well qualified to live on Cape Cod and to have worked at Cape Cod National Seashore although he once went down the coast to Wright Brothers wehre he was an interpreter.

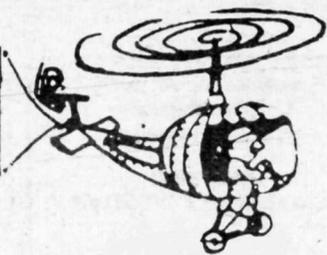
His father died in 1976 and was buried in the family cemetery on the old homestead in Maine that was cleared in the woods by his grandfather and an Indian maid (his great-grandmother) from the Old Town Reservation.

Art was born in 1909 and married in 1942 to another Downeaster. They have two children. He is interested in grounds maintenance and the care of an historical 17th-century home.

## Colonial engineer retired after 36

Turner Robinette, popular park engineer at Colonial National Historical Park retired Dec. 31 after 36 years of service. We welcome him to the alumni.

# People on the move



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## Deaths

### Alvin Rader

Alvin Clark Rader, 63, retired general supply officer, Great Smoky Mountains National Park, N.C.-Tenn., died Sunday Nov. 21 at the Baptist Hospital Knoxville, Tenn.  
 He had over 35 years service at the Great Smokies when he retired in 1968. He rose through the ranks of the administrative division to the position he held when he retired.  
 He was a Veteran of WWII, member of American Legion Post 202, and the Gatlinburg Elks Lodge. He and his wife Louise resided at Windswept, Pigeon Forge. He was survived by Louise, two sons Ron and Dick, and 6 grandchildren. Funeral services were Monday night, Nov. 22, and burial was Tuesday morning Nov. 23, at the Smoky Mountain Memorial Gardens, Pigeon Forge.

### Francis M. Wright

Francis M. Wright, an NPS veteran of 31 years, died Oct. 2 following a lingering illness.  
 Mr. Wright's entire Park Service career was spent in Great Smokies National Park. He began in 1939 as a fire lookout person and later served as radio technician, electrician, radio repairman, electrical foreman and finally, buildings foreman, the position from which he retired.  
 Following his retirement Mr. Wright worked one more year with NPS as a reemployed annuitant.

## Big Quilt for Little Boy



Mark Mohlenrich, 15, son of Mr. & Mrs. John Mohlenrich of the Natchez Trace Parkway won the Southeast Region's Betsey Ross Quilt in a recent drawing benefitting E&AA. The queen-sized quilt in red, white and blue was made by Jane Carter of New Albany, Miss.

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