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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : The Files

DATE: Dec 10, 1968

FROM : Chief Ranger

SUBJECT: Monthly Narrative for November 1968 (Div. of Res. Mgmt. & Vis. Prot.)

Attached are subject reports from Glades, Gulf Coast and Mangrove

Districts.

Chief Ranger and secretary spent a great deal of time writing and re-writing drafts of Memorandum of Understanding for concession management of campgrounds. Negotiations still not finalized at end of month.

Great deal of time also spent on checking of prices for Thanksgiving

menu proposed by EPCo.

Robert L. Peterson

fire training school and the high lire danger season.

PERSONNEL All of the Seasonal Fire Control Aids arrived and went on duty on or around the 18th.

James A. Denslow

Park Ranger





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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

: Chief Rangers Office

DATE: November 30, 1968

M : Mangrove District

ECT: Summary of Monthly Activities, Mangrove District

VISITORS:

Mr. Hector Rodreguez, Colombia Mr. Alston Jenkins, Philidelphia, Pa. Miss. Pat Caulfield, Miami Mayor Hall, Dade County

PROTECTION:

I Motorcycle Accident Investigation
Theft of District Portable Rabio investigated by F.B.I.
Citation Issued for Possession of Firearms
Vandalism of Comfort Station in Campground investigated
LP Gas training session held for fire brigade crews
Food Handling School held for N.P.S. and E.P.C.

1607 Miles of Boating Patrols
7 Boat Search and Rescues
12 Illegal Set lines removed from East Cape Canal - lead on suspect
Citation issued for oversize outboard motor in Bear Lake
Fire Investigation of 22' boat which burned at Marker 64 in Whitevater
Commercial Fishing Training school held for district personnel
Plane wreck off Shark Point marked permanently
Small Craft warnings put into effect three times

CONCESSION:

Food Handling Inspection by Public Health Service and N.P.S. Concession participation in Food Handling School Boat hoist rebuilt

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

Wilderness Society Trip from Flamingo to Everglades City via inland water route - Five boats taken on trip
District wives on orientation trip to Cape Sable
Bear Lake Canoe trail dedicated by Miami Boy Scouts and Yayor Mall
Contacts made with all commercial fish houses between Key Largo and
Conch Keys.

THOMAS L. HARTMAN





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Memorandum

Superintendent

DATE: December 2, 1968

OM : Chief Park Naturalist

BJECT: Monthly Narrative Report - October, 1968

GENERAL

<u>Visitors</u> - Visitors included Lt. Commander Johnson of the U.S. Coast Guard; Superintendent Borin of the National Audubon Society, Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary; Mr. and Mrs. Manny Morris, WASO; Walter J. Kenner, Naturalist, Florida Board of Parks and Park Ranger McHenry, from Collier Seminole State Park.

Mr. Harold Strang of Brazil was escorted through the Park by Mr. McKenzie and Mr. Tillman.

Mrs. Susan Sherman from the Detroit TV news were in the Gulf Coast District filming scenes in the 10,000 islands but were forced to postpone filming due to Hurricane Gladys.

<u>Personnel</u> - Seasonal Ranger-Naturalist Sam Mendlen, who had been on Intermittent Status for several months was reassigned as a full time seasonal on the 5th.

District Naturalist Truesdell returned to duty October 5 after a trip to California. On October 17 Mr. Truesdell and District Ranger Johnson and Park Ranger Dale were involved in an auto accident.

District Naturalist McKenzie attended a course in Writing Communications held at Mather Training Center in Harpers Ferry, October 7 - 18.

On October 3 all Interpretation Division personnel attended a training session conducted by Assistant Chief Naturalist Tillman on National Park Service Environmental Education programs. In the afternoon all personnel went to the Royal Palm area to explore the proposed Royal Palm Environmental Study Area.

INTERPRETATION, CONSERVATION AND USE

Glades District - Total rainfall in the Glades District amounted to 9.57 inches.

Visitors to the Parachute Key Visitor Center totaled 8,343 for the month, which was an increase of 1,825 over September. At Royal Palm 11,603 individuals visited the area as compared to 12,439 during September. The guided walk on the Anhinga Trail was presented 50 times for 805 vi itor. The walk was rained out ten times during the month.





Four off-site talks were given during the month. On the 8th District Naturalist Mazzer gave a talk to 28 members of the XYZ Club of Homestead. In the afternoon he gave a talk to the National Association of Retired Civil Employees of Homestead with 26 in attendance. On the 10th, he gave a talk to 150 students at Miami Edison Junior High School, and on the 25th Seasonal Naturalist Phil Givens gave a talk to 160 Girl Scouts in the Homestead area.

The dredging of Taylor Slough adjacent to the Anhinga Trail boardwalk is beginning to pay dividends. Observing aquatic life is much easier now that the thick cover of water lilies has been taken out.

On the 4th, the previously dismantled portion of the Anhinga Trail was replaced and the trail loop is again open to the public.

On the 9th, three audio phones were installed on the railing in front of the mural in the Parachute Key Visitor Center. The purpose of these is to interpret the mural.

Mangrove District - An estimated 7,278 visitors, 122 of whom were personally contacted entered the Flamingo Visitor Center. A total of 39 visitors participated in four Bayshore Walks conducted during October.

On October 24 Mr. McKenzie narrated an all day boat trip for a group of 35 representatives of the Natural Resources Council of America and several National Park Service personnel including former Superintendent Roger Allin, who were meeting in Flamingo.

A total of 380 visitors attended seven evening programs offered in October.

On October 14 Park Naturalist Imman went to Key Largo by boat to obtain information for the Place Names File for that sub-district.

Gulf Coast District - Visitation for the month was 10,788 compared to 7,328 for October, 1967. Visitors to the Ranger Station at Everglades totaled 3,150. The Shark Valley Loop Road remained closed due to high water. The concessioner took 60 boat trips with 448 passengers.

On the 14th Mr. Truesdell visited the Miami Weather Bureau Hurricane Center to pick up exhibits on hurricanes.

During the month a considerable amount of time was spent on the text to accompany strip maps of the Wilderness Waterway.

Pat H. Miller



Memorandum

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DATE: Nov 7, 1968

FROM : Chief Ranger

SUBJECT:

Monthly Narrative Report - Resource Management & Visitor Protection

Division for month of OCTOBER 1968

Enclosed are monthly narrative reports from Glades, Gulf Coast and

Mangrove Districts.

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in Atlanta, Georgia, the second week in October.

Chief Ranger Peterson, Asst Chief Ranger Stokes, Superintendent Raftery, and the 3 Park trainees (Coleman, Fleming, Reed) attended the meeting on the Biscayne National Monument in Miami on October 30.

While the new fire engine at Flamingo was being repaired the greer 300 wheel pumper was loaned to the Mangrove District.

Forest Fire Protection:

No fires needed to be extinguished. All personnel in Royal Palm Subdistrict are having a complete operational review of all fire fighting equipment on a weekly basis.

Personnel:

Both Trainee Coleman and Reed are now assigned to the subdistrict. Ranger George Neusaenger is attending the Law Enforcement Workshop from October21 to November 8.

Miscellaneous:

A 3 nozzle spray bar for laying a "wet line" of DAP fire retardent was in stalled on Bombadier #3. The USGS has been assisted and provided transport of men and supplies while building their new facility on Squawk Creek.

James A. Denslow

Respectfully submitted

Park Ranger



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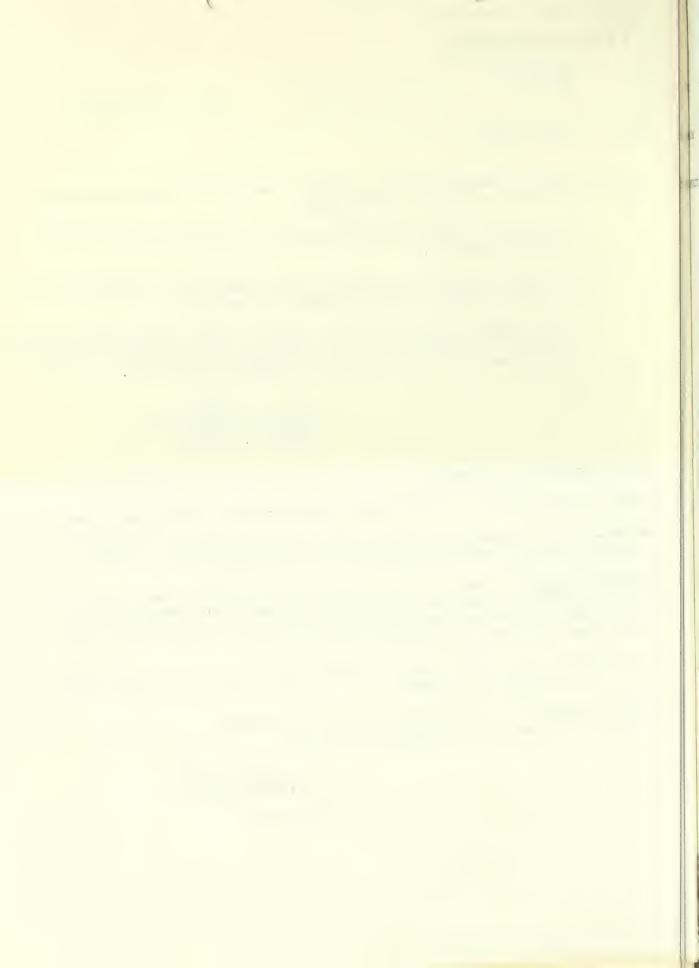
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on the Biscayne National Monument in Miami on October 30.



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DATE: Nov. 1, 1968

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DISTRICT MONTHLY REPORT, OCTOBER 1968

Weather:	Max temp	Mean max	Min temp	Mean min	Precipitation
Tamiami Royal Palm		87 85.1	55 55	67 68.7	9.57 in.

Protection:

There were 73 vehicle stops and 76 visitor assists this month. There were 12 night patrols resulting in several checks of interesting parties in the Hole-in-the-Donut and on the Main Park Road with spot lights, hound dogs. airboats, and such. Tamiami gave numerous verbal and two written warmings. Royal Falm used 108 hours of contributed time for night patrol & hurricane.

Building Fire Protection:

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Park Ranger

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Memorandum

ro : Chief Ranger

DATE: Nov. 3, 1968

FROM : District Ranger, Gulf Coast

WBJECT: Monthly narrative, OCTOB R, 1968

ather: A total of 9.03 inches of rain recorded with the greatest 2.46 inches on the 24th. Extremes in temp r ture were 90 degrees high and 53 degrees low. Hurricane "Gladys" skirted Gulf Coast on the 15th - 17th of the month.

avel: An increase in comparison to Oct. 1967. Total this year for Oct. - 10,788, Total for Oct. 1967 - 7,328.

sitor: Lt. Commander Johnson, USCG on the 2nd.
Surerintendent Borin, National Audubcn Soc, Corkscrew Sanctuary, 1...
"r. and Irs. ... Morris, NPS, Oct. 27 and 28th.

rsonnel Thre Gulf Coast Pistrict members in volved in auto accident of 17th.

search: A good bird show during the last week of the month. With largest concentrations recorded in Turner's River and Chatham River. Wood Storks, itis, egrets and spoonbills.

otection Frotection coverage was limited due to inclement weather and accident.

Fatrols were made from West Pass to headwaters of Lostman's Five. written warning was issued for improper boat handling. Fatrol mileage: 201 gals gas for outboards, miles to gal. miles covered.

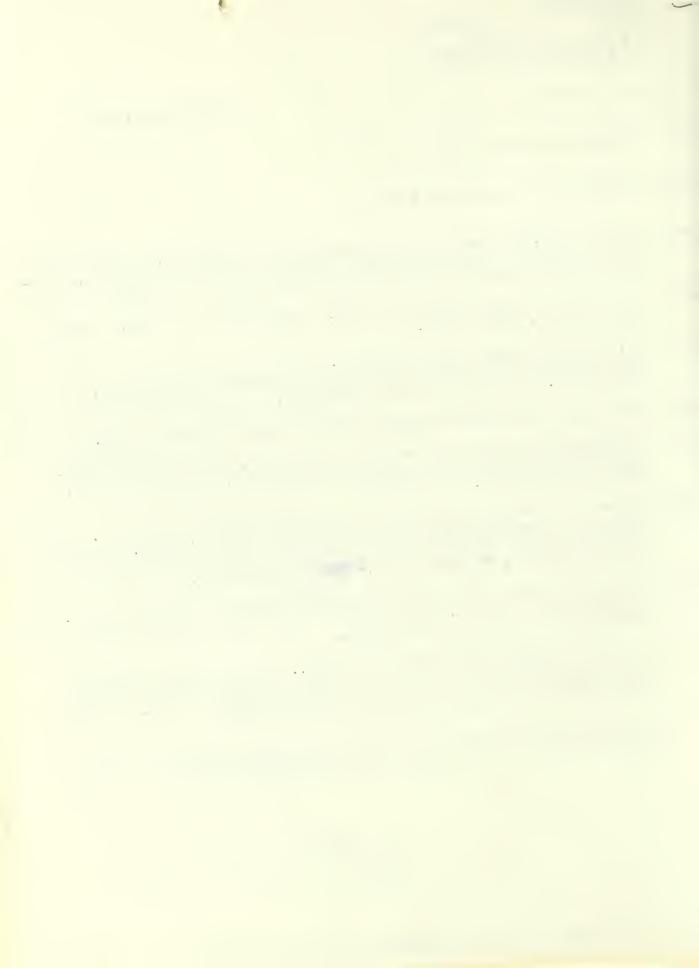
intena: The spare 65 Johnson was installed on Mitchell and is now ready for 10 hr. inspection made by dealer. New hurricand shutters were in use for first time and went up without any difficulty.

is now in operation, having passed USCG inspections and is making the Langroy ve wilderness trip in place of previously used pontoon boats. One captain was released and a new captain is being trained.

on dredged and filled and clearing of land is now taking place.







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DATE: November 4, 1968

OM : District Ranger, Mangrove District

BJECT: Summery of monthly activities, Mangrove District.

Visitors:

Natural Resources Council

Mr. Harold Strang, Rio, Brazil

Mr. Uzi Paz, Israel

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Sherman, U.S. State Department

Miss D.E. Collins, London, England

Dr. and I'rs. Kokko, U.S. Public Health Service

Mr. Peter H. Jones, England

Mr. R. Todd, Big Bend National Park, Texas

Protection:

5 accident investigations:
deer kill near Pa-Hay-Okee
overturned truck on the road construction project near West Lake
D.W.I., bridge accident, driver taken to hospital
government truck struck black vulture, windshield replaced
hyperventilation patient taken to hospital

450 miles of boat patrol which included: 2 boat searches (we'er still only getting apprx. 30% of the boaters filing float plans). channel marking of Lake Ingram, Murrey, Man o War, and Cluett Keys. the remainder of last years crab traps were pulled, along with several illegal bait traps.

One theft of fishing rods from boats, rods still missing.

Flamingo was evacuated upon going into red alert during hurricane Gladys, the operation went smoothly, although we found several aspects of the hurricane plan which need revision, which is now in progress.

Concessions:

One kitchen inspection, six demerits
three spot inspections disclosed little effort being taken to correct
discrepencies.

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Memorandum

Superintendent

DATE: October 28, 1968

M : Chief Park Naturalist

JECT: Monthly Narrative Report, September 1968

General

<u>Visitors</u> - Mr. Peter Hope Jones, Warden Naturalist, North Wales, visited main Headquarters on the 26th, Flamingo on the 27th and the Everglades City area on the 28th and 29th. He presented very informative talks to the headquarters and Flamingo staffs on National Parks of North Wales.

Mr. Albert Manucy, Regional Historian, visited the Park during the month to discuss the flank howitzer carriage and Coehorn mortar base that are being reproduced in Miami and that will be placed on display at Fort Jefferson.

On the first day of September District Naturalist McKenzie escorted Mr. Walman Sinaga, Department of Forestry, Indonesia, and seven representatives of the Inter-American Forestry Group, Costa Rica, to West Lake and Mahogany Hammock.

On September 12 Park Naturalist Imman took Mr. Tanaka, photographer from Tokyo out in the boat to take bird pictures.

<u>Personnel</u> - Museum Aid Cynthia McHugh resigned effective September 12 to attend Colorado State University.

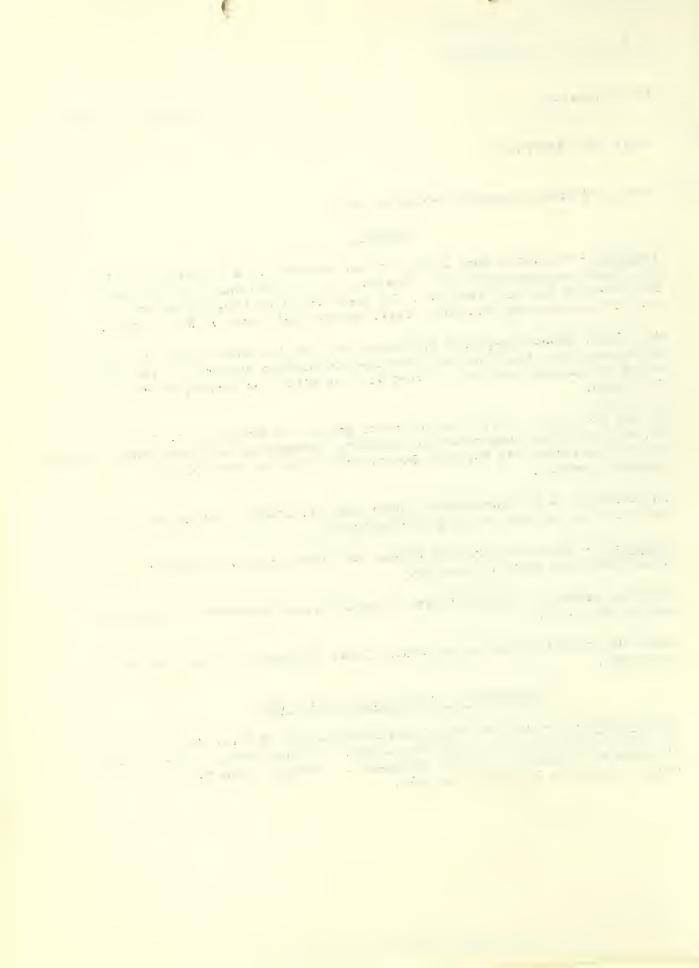
District Naturalist Truesdell was on annual leave September 3rd thru the end of the month.

Chief Naturalist Miller was on annual leave September 16 thru the end of the month.

Conservation, Interpretation and Use

Glades District - Visitor use of the Parachute Key Visitor Center amounted to 6,518 as compared to 14,507 for August. At Royal Palm, 12,439 visited the area as compared to 41,759 for August. Average attendance of guided walks dropped to 16 people per walk.





Numerous artifacts were found during the last phase of the dredging operation. These consisted of spear and arrow points made of bone, punctured fish vertebratae, potsherds, and barbs from the tail of sting rays. The dredge operation at Taylor Slough is completed. We are now waiting for the dredge to be pulled from the Slough.

The Wednesday evening program held at the Parachute Key Visitor Center continues to be well attended. 150 people attended the four programs given during the month.

The Pinelands Primitive Auto Trail remains closed due to high water.

Mangrove District - An estimated 9,782 visitors entered the Flamingo Visitor Center during the month and approximately 100 were personnally contacted.

A total of 21 visitors participated in 5 bayshore walks conducted during the month.

A total of 139 visitors attended 8 eveing programs held in the Everglades Park Company's auditorium.

District Naturalist McKenzie gave an off-site evening program on September 24 to 23 members of the Palmetto Garden Club, Perrine - a small group but very enthusiastic, and kept him another hour answering questions.

District Naturalist McKenzie spent a total of 17 days at Headquarters as Acting Assistant Chief Naturalist.

Gulf Coast District - A total of 2,000 visitors stopped at the Gulf Coast Ranger Station during the month, with 3,750 other visitors entering the Park by boat. Due to the District Naturalist being on leave part of the month, an estimated 150 visitors were contacted. The Concessioner took 64 trips with a total of 398 people.

Training - Chief Naturalist Miller and Assistant Chief Naturalist Tillman attended a three day NEED Workshop at Land-Between-the-Lakes, Kentucky, on September 4 thru 6.

Assistant Chief Naturalist Tillman attended the Interpretive Management: Goals Course at Harpers Ferry from September 9 thru 13.

The final draft of the Interpretive Prospectus for Everglades National Park was submitted to the Regional Office September 20.

Pat H. Miller

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DATE: Oct 3, 1968

FROM : Chief Ranger

Monthly Narrative Report - Div. of Resource Mgmt & Visitor Protection

for SEPTEMBER 1968

Subject reports from Glades, Gulf Coast and Mangrove Districts contain highlights of activities engaged in by Ranger personnel during September 1968.

Asst Chief Ranger Stokes attended a conference on alligators sponsored by the Audubon Society in Orlando, Fla.

Park plane was damaged (right float) while taxiing on airstrip (earlier in day experienced hydraulic leak). Ranger-Pilot Miele took park plane to the factory in Maine for general overhaul.

Ranger Division continues to be bogged down in paperwork.

Robert L. Peterson



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: Chief Ranger

DATE: 10/2/68

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OM : Gulf Coast District Ramer

BJECT: Monthly narrative for Sept., 1968

Weather: Total rainfall for the month was 14.59 with the greatest amount on the sixth. Extremes in temperature were 93 and 67 degrees. Small craft warnings were up on the 26th and down on the 27th.

Travel: A total of 6,398 visitors during the month. The concessionaire ran 64 trips with 398 persons. Travel was slightly down in comp rison to Sept., 1967.

Visitor: I'r. Teter Hope Jones, Warden naturalist, England, on the 28th-29th.

Research dead manatee found in two I Bay on the third, cause of death undetermined. A report of a lone Flamingo sighting on coast at end of month. Pair of wood it is seen north end of district on the 29th. "ullet schooling in most areas of park waters.

Protection-District was covered from West Pass to Broad River during wonth. There was some vandalism of inland route channel markings but otherwise no serious violations were determined. Snook fishing on the decline but Redfishing is improving. Commercial fishing activities up with Pompano and mullet being the main catches.

Concession-Boat tours were above last years visitation. A new 38 passen er vessel is near completion and is now in water, this craft will take the place of the pontoon boats that were running the Mangroove wilderness trir.

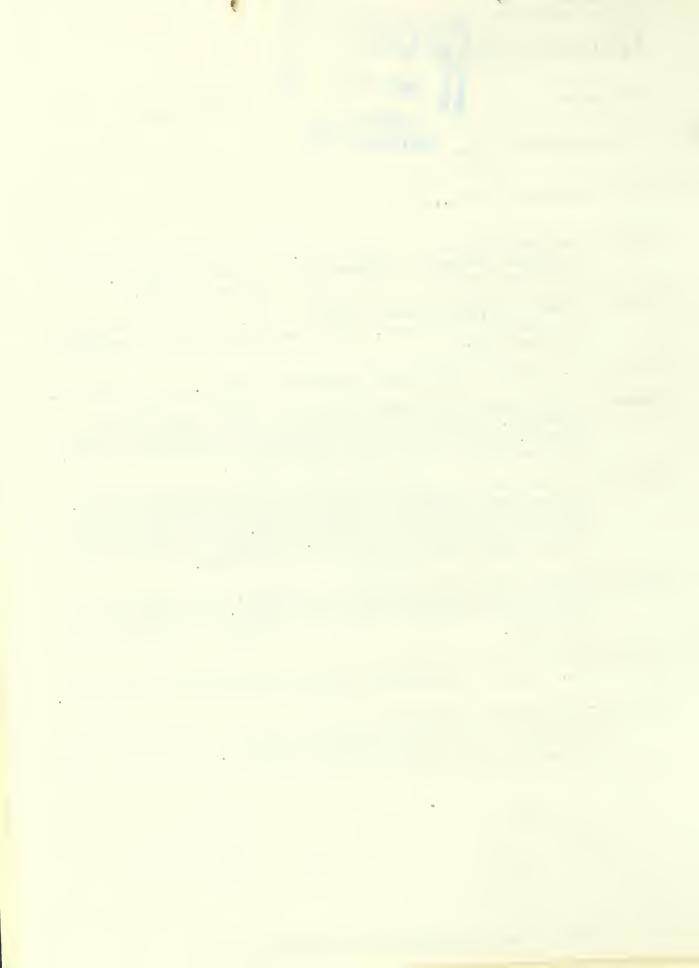
ersonnel-Johnson to the civil Service school in Atlanta from the 22nd to the 27th. Dale has been appointed to Law enforcement school in Octor r.

Maintenance-The hurricane shutters for the District office were completed and are ready to install and hopefully they will not have to be us d. Several signs were renovated by Dale and Galvin. . Sost campsites were routinelly cleaned, there was very little use duri a this contr.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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DATE: September 30, 1968

: Superintendent

ROM : Acting Chief Naturalist

BJECT: Monthly Narrative Report - August, 1968

General

<u>Visitors</u>: On August 14 and 15 District Naturalist Truesdell and Park Ranger Dale escorted newsmen Jim Ryan and Leo Hurshfield of the St. Petersburg Times through the District, down the waterway to Lostman's for the night and return along the Gulf. A feature article will be written on the park in the near future.

The District was also visted by Mr. Oglesby, Geologist with the State Conservation Department and Mr. Bryan of the U.S. Weather Bureau, Miami.

Personnel: Naturalist Gale Zimmer resigned from the Park Service effective August 11. District Naturalist McKenzie took a total of 24 hours annual leave during the month. Assistant Chief Naturalist Tillman took annual leave also during the month.

Glades District: A total of 5.76 inches of rain fell during the month in the Glades District. The water gauge at Royal Palm measured 2.93 inches on the 1st and dropped to 2.55 inches by the end of the month.

Visits to the Parachute Key Visitor Center totaled 14,507, which was a decrease of 2,604 as compared to last month's figures. A total count of 41,759 visitors to Royal Palm was an increase of 16,948 over the July figure. Conducted walks on the Anhinga Trail were given 62 times and were attended by 1,914 individuals. Four special walks and talks were given along the Anhinga Trail with a total of 236 people in attendance.

Intake Trainee Larry Reed spent the early part of the month in a training capacity with the Interpretive Division.

The dredging operation continues. Numerous items of interest are being found at the exhaust end of the dredge. The items consist of fragments of turtle shells, alligator bones, and some boney back plates, arrowheads, spearheads, and several potsherds were found.

Considerable time was spent compiling information for the new minifolder for Fort Jefferson.

Wednesday night evening programs continue to be well attended.





The Royal Palm Visitor Center was broken into during the night of the 10th. No money or equipment were taken, although both coke machines and the candy machine were heavily damaged. Both coke machines had to be replaced.

Mangrove District: An estimated 11,144 visitors entered the Flamingo Visitor Center during August. Since the Visitor Center was unmanned much of the time only 151 people were personnaly contacted.

The opening hour of the Flamingo Museum was moved from 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

Park Naturalist Inman made some improvements to the two area maps printed in July and mimeographed the maps again for distribution to the public.

On August 3 Park Naturalist Inman located all archeological sites in the Park on three area maps.

A total of 75 visitors participated in 9 Bayshore Walks conducted during August. A total of 1,134 visitors attended the 19 evening programs held in the Everglades Park Company's auditorium.

Park Naturalist Inman presented a luncheon talk on park wildlife to 30 members of the Miami Kiwanis Club August 8.

Park Trainee Larry Reed presented the evening program at Flamingo August 8.

During the last three weeks in August District Naturalist McKenzie spent ten days at Headquarters as Acting Assistant Chief Naturalist.

<u>Gulf Coast District</u>: Visitation was steady with good crowds of people up till the last week of the month when a noticeable dropoff began. A total of 4,340 visitors stopped at the station. The concessioner had 136 boat trips carrying 1,457 people.

During the month the District Naturalist finished the draft of the Interpretive Prospectus for the Everglades City Sub-district and assisted in a rewrite of the Tamiami Sub-district prospectus.

The Gulf Coast Rangers were assisted by District Naturalist Truesdell in marking the Water Wilderness Boat Trail from Everglades City to the Harney River. 80 markers were placed along the waterway. After completion of the waterway marking, District Naturalist Truesdell drew strip maps of the entire waterway and is writing a text to accompany the maps in a handbook of the Mangrove Wilderness.

On the 20th Messers Raftery, Miller, Truesdell and Fleming met with the Collier County Board of Commissioners in regard to the Cooperative operation of the Welcome Station at the junction of the Tamiami Trail and Route 29.

Chief Naturalist Miller met with Mrs. Harriet Ehrhard, Supervisor of Science at Lindsey Hopkins Building, Miami, to discuss the NEED Program on August 16. He also attended a meeting August 27 at Hialeah Junior High School and while



he was there he had the opportunity to speak to individual teachers who were interested in the NEED Program.

Larry J. Tillman



OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : The Files

DATE: Sep 10, 1968

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FROM : C hief Ranger

SUBJECT: Monthly Narrative Report - Resource Managment & Visitor Protection Div. for AUGUST 1968

Enclosed are subject reports from the Glades, Gulf Coast and Mangrove Districts.

Richard A. Stokes assumed his duties as Asst. Chief Ranger at Headquarters during the month.

The Chief Ranger assisted the Conservation Officers in a gator poaching case. Chief Ranger attended a meeting with Robinson and Stokes to discuss with Aaron HigMer, USGS, installation of a cabin at Squawk Creek.

Robert L. Peterson



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Memorandum

: Chief Ranger

DATE: September 6, 1968

M : Glades District Ranger

ECT: Monthly report, August 1968

Weather	Laximum	Minimum	Mean Max.	Meen Min.	Precipitation
Tamiami Royal Fal	Lm 94	70	88.8	73.0	inches 5.76 inches

Protection

There were 67 Vehicle Stops and 73 Visitor Assists. One accident at the En* trance Station on the 10th was investigated by Ranger Denslow.

Forest Fire Protection

No fires needed to be extinguished. One fire was scouted by District Ranger Robinson from the park plane on the 13th.

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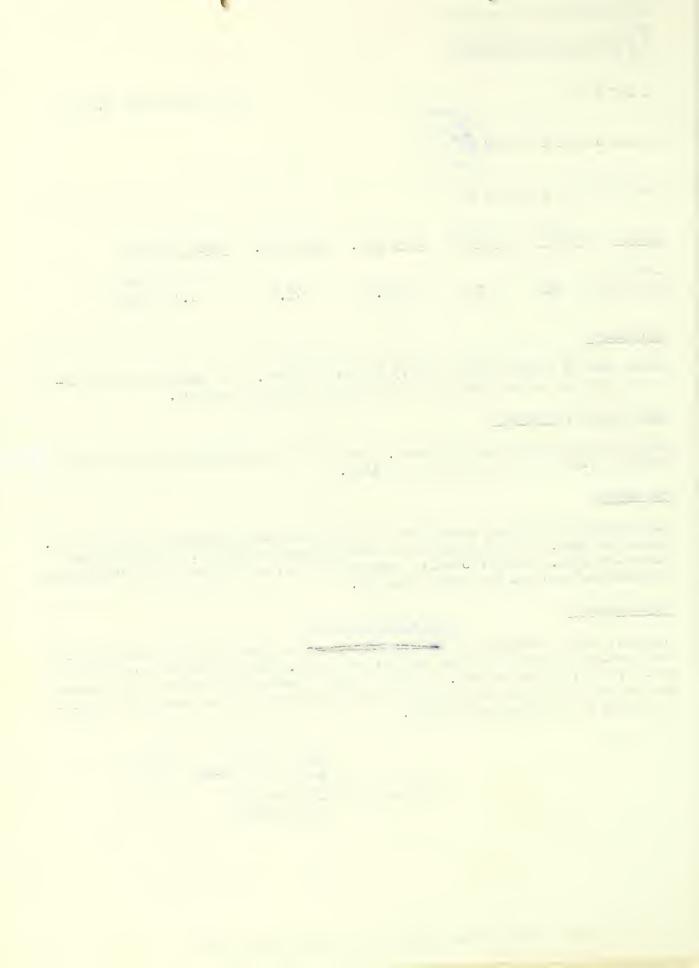
New Subdistrict Ranger, David Lane got moved into new quarters and began duty. Ranger Trainee, Stewert Coleman has been assigned to Royal Palm Subaistrict since the 18th. Ranger Denslow was assigned to the Taylor Slough "Biological Maintenance" project for three Tuesdays.

Miscellaneous

the Chief Range

District Ranger Robinson and Janger Benger assisted Florida Game Officers and provided a road block the night of the 13th. Ranger Denslow took the USGS to P 37 and P 38 on the 9th. A water supply line was put across to te east end of the Fire Cache building and electric service outlets were put in needed locations by the equipment stells.

Prepared by Jim Denslow Park Ranger



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

ro : Thief Rarrer

DATE: September 2, 190

FROM : Acting District Ranger, Dulf Coast

SUBJECT: Yonthly Narrative Report for August, 1968

eather: rleasant weather prevailed throughout the month - warm days with afternoon howers. Rainfall amounted to 7.34" for the month. High temperature was 94 decress and the low temperature was 70 degrees. Winds were variable from the so thwest.

ravel: Total visitation to the district was 16,257 people. The concessioner ran 36 tours carrying 1,457 people.

isitors: August - r. Bryan, J.S. Weather Bureau, ia i

August 14-15- Tr. Jim Ryan, Reporter, St. Tetersburg Times

Tr. Leo Firshfield, Illustrator, St. Petersture Times

urust 26 29 - Mr. Oglesby, Geologist, State Conservation Dept.

ver banks at low tide. A report was heard of several hundred roosting at St p ys, but day and evening patrols to the area did not bear this out. ligators sightings are still very rare in the district.

e bird rookeries are still very active. any of the young are nearly adult ze row, especially pelicans.

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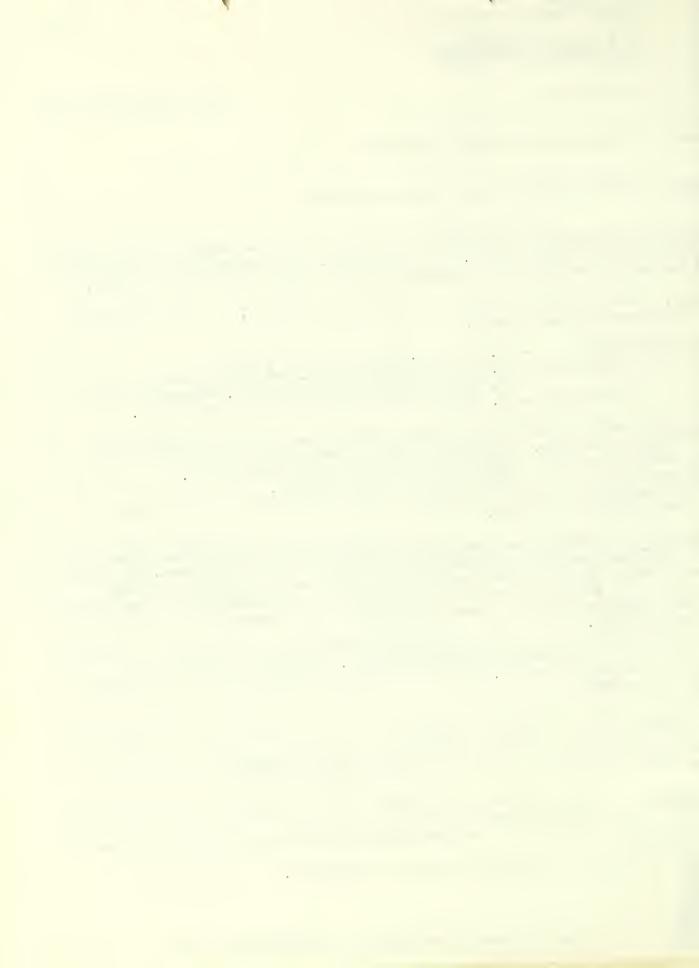
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Superintendent

DAIL: August 21, 1968

OM : Chief Park Naturalist

BJECT: Monthly Narrative Report, July 1968

General

<u>Visitors</u>: On July 21 I&RM Chief Ed Rothfuss of the Virgin Islands National Park visited Flamingo.

National Wildlife Federation Field Representative "Pete" Farrar visited Flamingo July 29.

On July 24, a French photographer was shown around the Glades District for the purpose of photographing wildlife. Mrs. Yvonne Vacca acted as interpreter.

On July 25, District Naturalist Truesdell took photographer Bill Anderson and party on a special boat tour to film activity in the Chokoloskee bird rookery.

Personnel: On July 24, Park Naturalist Zimmer returned from Maine where she was taking a course on "Maine Coast Ecology."

The majority of the Naturalist staff attended a meeting held on July 1, 1968, dealing with the NEED and ESA programs. It was conducted by Mr. Raymond Nelson, Supervisor of the Mather Training Center at Harpers Ferry.

District Naturalist McKenzie took annual leave July 22.

During the month of July Chief Park Naturalist Miller, Assistant Chief Park Naturalist Tillman, and Park Naturalists Mazzer, Truesdell, McKenzie and Imman began writing the Interpretive Prospectus for Everglades National Park.

Interpretive Activities

Glades District: Water levels throughout the Glades District took a sharp drop during the month. The water gauge at Royal Palm registered 4.82 feet on the 1st of July and then dropped to 2.93 by the 31st. Rainfall during the month totaled 7.71 inches in the District.

Visitors to the Parachute Key Visitor Center totaled 17,111 for the month which was an increase of 3,615 as compared to June's total figure. Royal Palm visitors totaled 24,811 for the month as compared to 12,684 for last month. The Anhinga Guided walk was presented 67 times and was attended by 2,036 visitors.





Park Naturalists gave ten walks on the Anhinga Trail for special groups totaling 428 individuals.

The presence of a dredge and the closing of a portion of the Anhinga Trail was of intense interest to the visitors. Lift boxes were installed explaining the presence of the dredge and the importance of removing silt from Taylor Slough.

New Glades District Naturalist Ed Mazzer spent a large portion of the month on training and familiarization assignments in the District.

During the month intake Trainees Stuart Coleman and Larry Reed were assigned to the Naturalist Division.

The presentation of evening programs at the Parachute Key Visitor Center continues to be very popular. Attendance is increased by the weekly press release announcing the name of the program to be given.

The Pinelands Primitive Auto Trails remained closed throughout the month because of high water.

On July 17 District Naturalist Mazzer attended the Underwater Festival at the University of Miami. Of prime interest in the program was the subject "Underwater Interpretation", which was presented by Chief of I&RM Ed Rothfuss of Virgin Islands National Park.

Mangrove District: An estimated 11,322 visitors, 223 of whom were personally contacted, entered the Flamingo Visitor Center during July.

Park Naturalist Imman traced and mimeographed two area maps for public distribution. One is a detailed layout of Flamingo, showing all facilities, while the second, a small scale map, shows the surrounding area, including Bear Lake, Coot Bay and part of West Lake.

A total of 92 visitors participated in eight Bayshore Walks offered during July. A Thursday evening program was added to the schedule July 1 to bring the total number of weekly programs at Flamingo to four. Park Naturalist Inman made several posters to publicize these talks as well as the Wednesday evening program given at the Parachute Key Visitor Center. A total of 785 visitors attended the 17 evening programs presented in July.

<u>Gulf Coast District</u>: Total visitation was 17,288 people. The boat concessioner had 153 trips with 1,528 people. Overnight camping on the keys increased considerably from the previous month probably because of reduced numbers of mosquitoes and sandflies.

The District Naturalist spent most of the first two weeks of the month assisting in the Glades District Operation. Several days were spent in orientation of the new Glades District Naturalist.



On July 16 District Naturalist Truesdell assisted the Rangers in the transferring of boat equipment from Flamingo to the Gulf Coast District and became involved in the apprehension of a gator poacher on Highland Beach.

During the latter part of the month District Naturalist Truesdell assisted the Ranger staff in placing channel markers for the Mangrove Water Wilderness Trail from Everglades City to Flamingo.

Pat H. Miller



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assignment at Flamingo.

TO: The Files DATE: Aug 6, 1968

FROM : Chief Ranger

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DATE: Aurust 4, 1968

ROM : Acting Pistrict Ranger, Gulf Coast

UBJECT: Monthly Narrative Report for July, 1968

Fairly pleasant throughout the month. Sporadic rainfalls amounted to 5.45" for the month. High temperature was 96 degrees and the low temperature was 70 degrees. Winds were variable. Thunder and lightning

accompanied every rainstorm.

Total visitors was 17,288 people. The concessioner had 153 trips with 1528 people. Overnight camping increased considerably from the previous month, probably due to a lessening in numbers of mosquitos and sandflies.

isitors: Mr. Bill Anderson, motion picture photographer, visited one day taking

pictures of the bird rookery in Chokoloskee Bay.

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Temporary repair made of Kingston Key dock.

Trass was cut and the grounds cleaned at all primitive campsites and Lostman's River R. S. area.

Marking of the Wilderness Waterway route was began or the 19th. The route was marked as far as Rig Lostman's Bay by months end. Twenty additional white wooden flags and to be built as the original number recieved was not enough.

Routine boat repair and maintenance done.

Two days was spent ac uiring supplies from Park Headquarters.

oncessioner: The concessioner's new tour boat now being built at Chokoloskee Island was inspected by the Coast Guard and passed all tests to date.

Laurel W. Dale

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Memorandum

: Chief Ranger



DATE: August 3, 1968

OM : Glades District Ranger

JECT: Monthly Report, July 1968

Weather	Maximum	Mininum	Mean Max.	Mean Min.	Precipitation
Tamiami Royal Palm	101	71 71	90	74 72.8	6.66 inches 7.71 "

Protection

The Interpretive Trail Safety Inspection showed some improvement there. There were 86 Visitor Assists and 77 Vehicle Stops.

Forest Fire Protection

No fires required extinguishing. The equipment is mothballed except for three units held in readiness.

Fersonnel

District Ranger, Robinson has been acting Assistant Chief Ranger. Supervisory Fire Control Aid, Jim Owens returned to duty the 14th. Subdistrict Ranger, Carlson left for Grand Canyon the same week and Park Ranger, Denslow has been Acting Subdistrict Ranger. Park Ranger, Neusaanger has been on annual leave since the 21st. Ranger Trainee, Carl M. Fleming will be in Royal Palm Subdistrict for RM& VP Experience from 7/28 to 8/10.

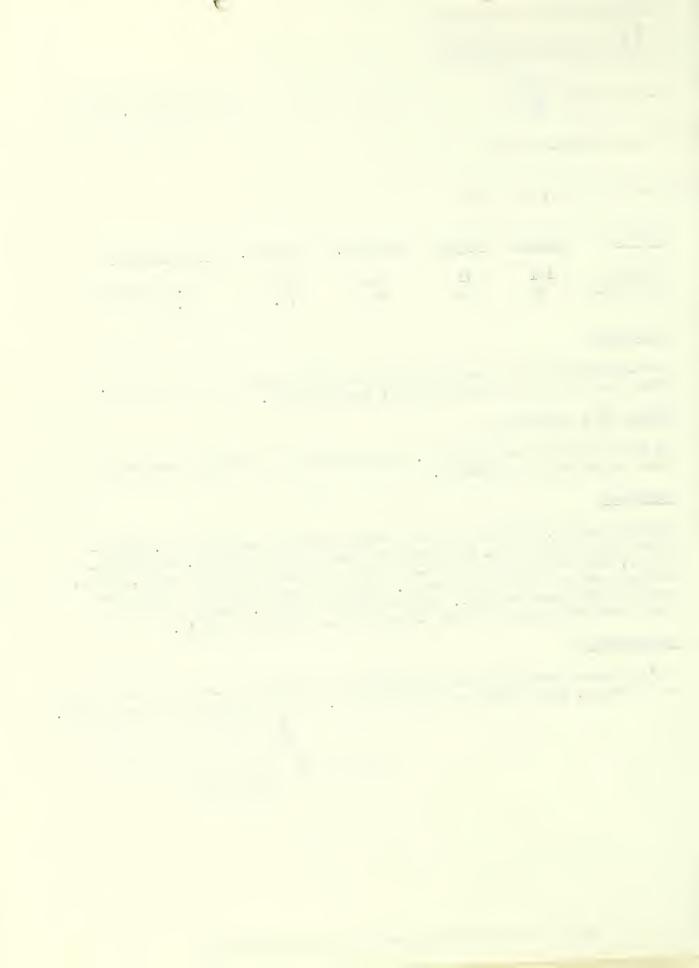
Miscellaneous

A 4º Alligator was moved from a residence near Homestead to Farecoute Key pond by Jim Owens, Ralph Miele, and Carl Fleming. Six airbout permits were issued.

Prepared by

Jim Denslow





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JECT: Activities, l'angrove District, July 69

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Chief Naturalist, Everglades

DATE: July 29, 1968

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FROM Acting Regional Chief, Div. of Interpretation & Visitor Services, SER

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Shark Valley Loop Road closed to public travel effective June 18, due to temporary high water. Ralph E. Miele, Acting Chief Ranger

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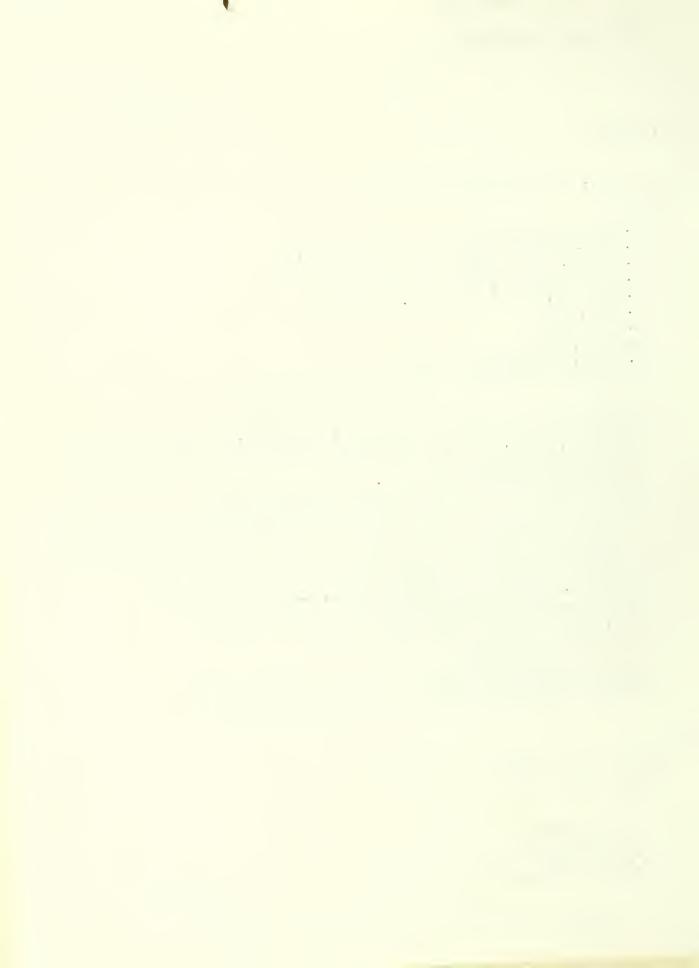
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DATE: July 19, 1968

FROM

Chief Ranger

SUBJECT: Monthly Narrative - Res. Mgmt. & Visitor Protection Div. for JUNE 1968

Enclosed are subject reports from Glades, Gulf Coast and Mangrove Districts.

Park went on Yellow Alert for Hurricane Abby, morning of June 3. Returned to normal operations on June 4.

Chief Ranger Robert L. Peterson reported for duty on June 10.

Ranger DeL_ashmutt transferred from Glades District to Mangrove District, Markette from Supv. Park Ranger, Cape Sable Bubdistrict, to same, Fort Jefferson NM; Richar A. Stokes, from District Ranger, Mangrove District, to Asst. Chief Ranger, eff. 7/14/68. Pete Robinson designated Acting Asst Chief Ranger until approx. 7/29/68. George E. Neusaenger from Naturalist, Gulf Coast District, to Park Ranger, Glades District. Ralph D. Maxwell, Asst. Chief Ranger, transferred to Colonial NHP as Chief Ranger.

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DATE: Jely 2, 19(8

: District Rarger, Gulf Coast FROM

SUBJECT: Monthly narrative, June, 1968

Lots of rain! A total of 16.12 during the month, with 3.91 reatest eather daily on the 3rd. Temperature extremes 94 and 69 degrees. Gale warnings up for three days while "AbbY" skirted the Gulf Coast. Two water spouts were observed in the district on the 10th and 28th of the month.

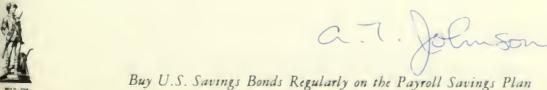
Total visitors - 13,971 - an increase over June 1967. ravel

The bird rookeries at Rat Terde and Chokoloskee are still building, in esearch : spite of harrassment from local poachers and careless boaters. The rookery in Chokoloskee Bay is quite spectacular with several thousand white ibis gathering in the evenings. Nesting activity is about at the reak with young getting ready to leave nests. Turtle crawls were observed on all sandy beaches, but molestation from coons and poachers w s heavy. The arnual Audubon bird count was assisted by service personnel on the Oth of the month. Gators are coming down into rivers and creeks of the district from the open glades, several signings were made in Turner, Halfway creek and Ferguson areas.

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DATE: 3 July 61

DM : Lan rove District

BJECT: Month's activities , June 6

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search and rescue operations

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Theft, EPCo T.V., cleared(T. V. returned)

Visitor boat sunk at dock - accident

uto accident- minor

Hurricane preparation and restoration

Safety and health

6 first aid cases

2 first aid cases to hospital

Building fire

All hydrants checked for operation

1 fire drill (poor attendence and weather)

Truck cleaned and operation checked

Concession

2 kitchen inspections

4 swir pool inspections (closed one afternoon for low chlorine count)

1 Totel inspection





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DATE: 3 July 5

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BJECT: Cape Sable Subdistrict boating, June 62

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Boating decrease due to lack of manpower,2 on leave, 1 toving.





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: Chief Ranger

DATE: July 12, 1968

M : Glades District Ranger

JECT: Monthly Report, June 1968

Weather	Maximum	Minimum	Mean Max.	Mean Min,	Precipitation
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Royal Palm	940	68°	87.7°	72.6°	16.78 in.

Protection

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Forest Fire Protection

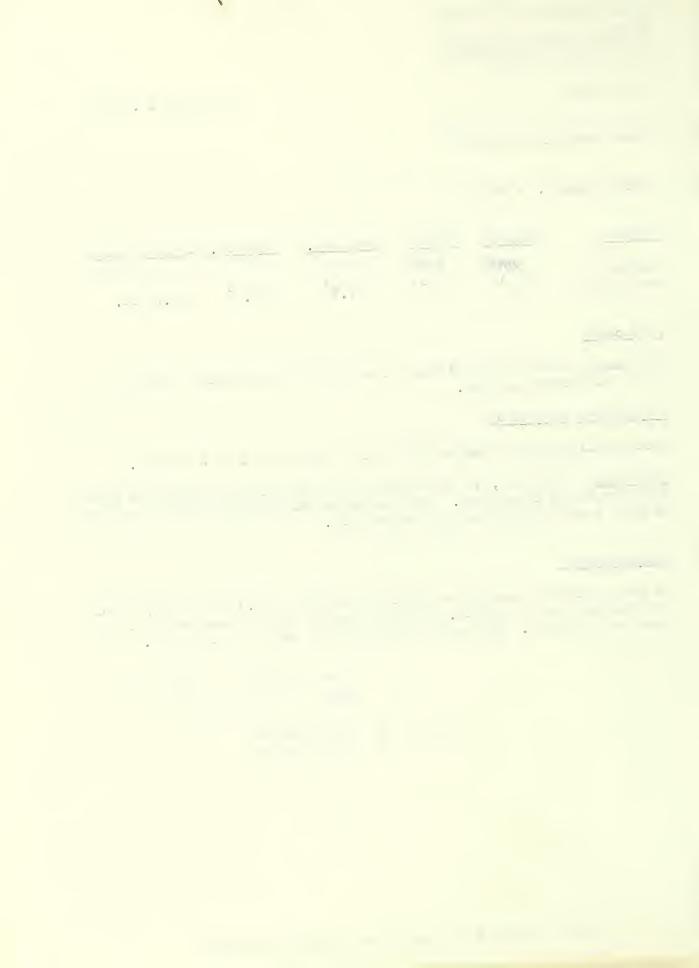
Three small lightning strike fires each burned less than two acres.

Personnel Larry Reed, one of three trainees at ENP was assigned to Royal Palm for Ranger experience. George Neusaenger was moved from Naturalist at Gulf Coast District to Park Ranger here.

Miscellaneous

An Everglades Park Company employee was stopped at 1:00 am on 6/3/68 for unauthorized use of a truck. The lighting for the new room at the Fire Cache was finished. The Taylor Slough airboat trail was reopened.

Prepared by Jim Denslow Park Ranger



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Memorandum

: Superintendent

DATE: July 18, 1968

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Chief Park Naturalist

Monthly Narrative Report, June 1968

General

<u>Visitors</u>: On June 8 Park Naturalist Mary Inman drove Miss Pat Caulfield, Sierra Club photographer, down the Bear Lake Road in an attempt to photograph swallow-tailed kites.

District Naturalist McKenzie took Mr. Arnold Newman, a professional photographer from New York and his family, on boat trips June 24 and 25.

Park Naturalists McKenzie and Inman escorted Mr. Raymond Nelson, Supervisor Mather Training Center, Harpers Ferry, West Virginia, on a boat trip to the mouth of the Little Shark River on June 30.

Messers. Ray Nelson, Arthur Graham, Superintendent DeSoto National Memorial, Walter Harriman and Jim Sleznick from Virgin Islands National Park, were in the Park to discuss the NEED Program with Headquarters personnel.

<u>Personnel</u>: Park Naturalist Zimmer went on leave during the month to take a course in 'Maine Coast Ecology' offered in Maine.

During the month Glades District Naturalist Truesdell was transferred to the Gulf Coast District and Edomo P. Mazzer, Supervisory Naturalist Fort Jefferson, was transferred to the Glades District Naturalist position.

Museum Aid Cynthia McHugh was at Fort Jefferson National Monument from June 10 to June 22. During the first week she helped supervise the Ranger Aids in their work on cannon cleaning. From June 16 to 22 she assisted the Park Biologists with their bird banding program. Park Naturalist Mary Inman supervised the Ranger Aids at the Fort and returned June 16.

District Naturalist McKenzie returned to duty from annual leave June 10.

During the month two Park Ranger Trainees were assigned to the Glades District as Naturalists. Carl M. Fleming was assigned from June 9 - 28. He was given a week of on-the-job training during which time he audited most of the guided walks at the Royal Palm station and contacted visitors at the Parachute Key Visitor Center and by roving contacts along the trails.





Stuart Coleman was assigned June 23 until July 20. During his first week most of his time was spent in auditing walks and preparing his own programs, with some on-the-job training at the Visitor Center.

Seasonal Park Naturalist Sam Mendlen was scheduled several days during the month to devote study to the developing of programs for the Environmental Study area at Royal Palm.

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Pat H. Miller



Superintendent

July 18, 1968

Chief Park Naturalist

Monthly Narrative Report, June 1968

General

<u>Visitors</u>: On June 8 Park Naturalist Mary Inman drove Miss Pat Caulfield, Sierra Club photographer, down the Bear Lake Road in an attempt to photograph swallow-tailed kites.

District Naturalist McKenzie took Mr. Arnold Newman, a professional photographer from New York and his family, on boat trips June 24 and 25.

Park Naturalists McKenzie and Imman escorted Mr. Raymond Nelson, Supervisor Mather Training Center, Harpers Ferry, West Virginia, on a boat trip to the mouth of the Little Shark River on June 30.

Messers. Ray Nelson, Arthur Graham, Superintendent DeSoto National Memorial, Walter Harriman and Jim Sleznick from Virgin Islands National Park, were in the Park to discuss the NEED Program with Headquarters personnel.

Personnel: Park Naturalist Zimmer went on leave during the month to take a course in 'Maine Coast Ecology" offered in Maine.

During the month Glades District Naturalist Truesdell was transferred to the Gulf Coast District and Edomo P. Mazzer, Supervisory Naturalist Fort Jefferson, was transferred to the Glades District Naturalist position.

Museum Aid Cynthia McHugh was at Fort Jefferson National Monument from June 10 to June 22. During the first week she helped supervise the Ranger Aids in their work on cannon cleaning. From June 16 to 22 she assisted the Park Biologists with their bird banding program. Park Naturalist Mary Inman supervised the Ranger Aids at the Fort and returned June 16.

District Naturalist McKenzie returned to duty from annual leave June 10.

During the month two Park Ranger Trainees were assigned to the Glades District as Naturalists. Carl M. Fleming was assigned from June 9 - 28. He was given a week of on-the-job training during which time he audited most of the guided walks at the Royal Palm station and contacted visitors at the Parachute Key Visitor Center and by roving contacts along the trails.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

: Superintendent

DATE: July 9, 1968

M : Foreman IV (Maintenance)

JECT: Safety Meeting - Maintenance Division, Pine Island

Mr. Wysong opened the meeting by asking for any comments before the regular meeting would start.

Mr. Stewart was called to talk.

Mr. Stewart pointed out that the Safety Program is not based only by spotting hazards and that this was only a part of the Safety Program. How a man feels, his attitude and his interest in his job are also part of the Safety Program.

Mr. Stewart then read an article covering factors contributing to accidents. Remarks were made as to the employer and employee relationship creating or destroying attitudes which would provide a good Safety Program. It was pointed out that the employee even though he is doing the work it is still Management's responsibility to provide a safe atmosphere for the employee. Management cannot completely run the Safety Program, it is up to the employee to spot hazards, to work safer and think more about his job which brings up another point.

We are interested in developing a safety attitude which means that every employee must have a feeling that his job is more than a job, it is his career, his life, and that he is doing it to the best of his ability.

Mr. Breazeale discussed briefly the change in the operating procedures and how they may effect the attitude of each man. He discussed the possibility of providing additional supervision for each job, this would then provide a safer atmosphere for each man to work in a job.

Mr. Elliton reported slippery walks at the Headquarters Visitor Center.

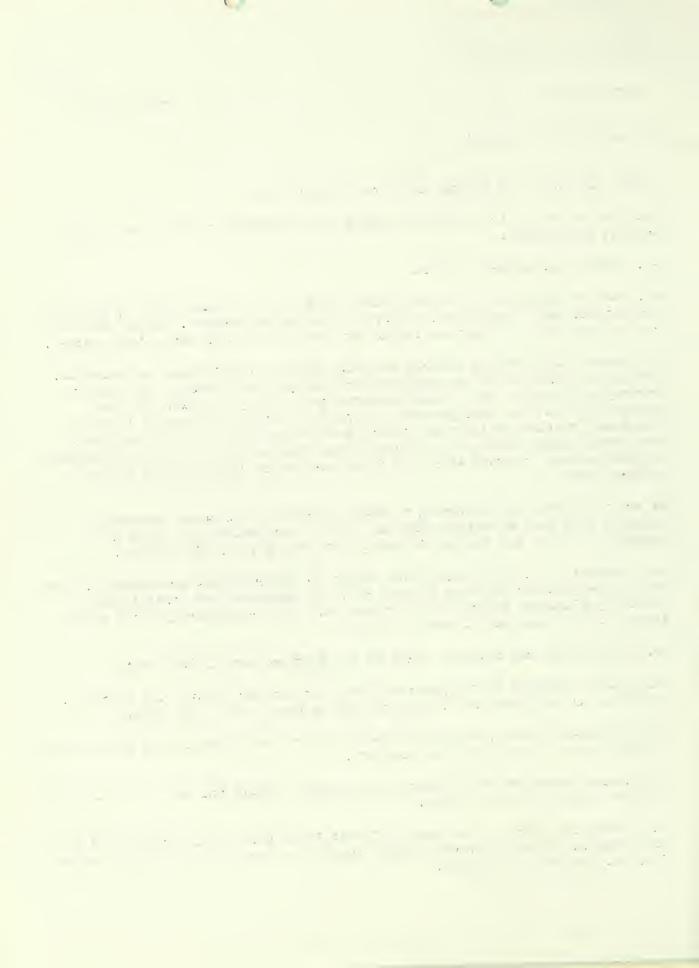
Mr. Daniels reported an alligator at Long Pine Key was getting too friendly. Everytime the alligator hears someone walk he comes out on the bank.

It was mentioned that visitors had been feeding this alligator and he has become friendly and he just might bite somebody.

Mr. Stewart stated he would report to the proper people and see if the alligator could be moved to a safer place.

Mr. Stewart discussed the proposed walks at Royal Palm and how this would serve two purposes. It would provide better facilities for the visitor and a safer place for the visitor to walk.





Mr. Breazeale stated that trucks are being driven on the trail at Royal Palm which he said was necessary sometimes but if we can we should carry all items and try to keep the trucks off these walks.

Mr. Stewart asked for a report on the new safety glasses recently issued.

Personnel using the safety glasses reported they were satisfactory.

Mr. Elliton reported road going to the dump is in terrible shape and needs grading.

Mr. Wysong then mentioned that this road needs new fill and it was down to the base and it would be repaired as soon as his equipment was repaired.

Mr. Stewart asked for opinions for the need for having the incinerator at Pine Island repaired.

Mr. Claude Adside reported the incinerator is not large enough to take care of all the garbage and it required one man to tend it. The incinerator would not burn wet garbage and the garbage has to be separated after it is picked up.

Mr. Synagogue pointed out the danger of bottles and cans exploding in the incinerator.

It was then agreed to continue to use the present dump because it was felt that this was safer and less time consuming than trying to burn garbage.

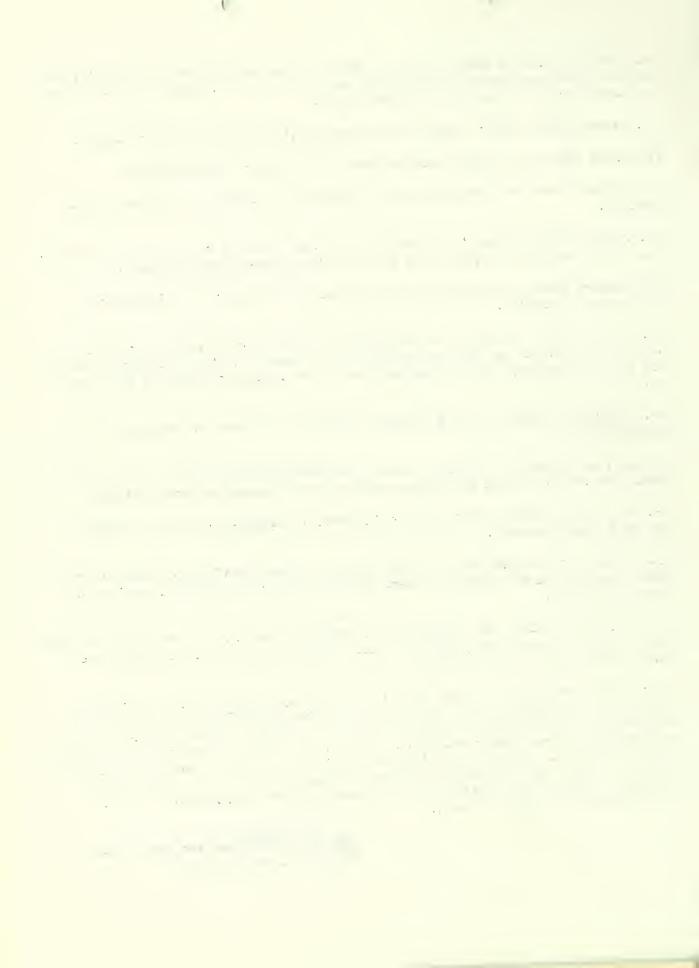
Mr. Key reported pop bottles ware being left in vehicles which when broken can be a safety hazard.

Mr. Stewart agreed this can be a safety hazard that bottles and cans can roll under your feet and probably prevent hitting the brake or from stepping on your gas peddle.

It was then discussed the importance of keeping records. It was mentioned that part of the job, all our jobs is to keep records and until we complete the paper work the job isn't finished.

It was like many other things that we do, driving a vehicle into the Shop, park and not filling out the record of where the vehicle has been or what account the vehicle was used and who used the vehicle. Same applies to our gas records and our other equipment records. It is a part of your job to complete all records prior to leaving your vehicle. In a way this is something that would make the supervisor much happier and I am sure if he is happier he could provide this attidue we are speaking about to make this place a better and safer place to work.

Robert M. Breazeale





UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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Memorandum

To:

Director

From:

Acting Assistant Regional Director, Operations

Southeast Region

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Subject: Copies of Everglades Superintendent's Monthly Reports

We have received a request from Everglades National Park requesting copies of certain past Superintendent's Monthly Reports, as listed below. They are binding these reports for their library as a permanent historical record, but need the missing copies to make their collection complete.

Reports held in this office have been destroyed, and we would like to know if your office or the record center has copies from which you could run machine copies for the Park library. Any assistance you can give us would be appreciated.

Superintendent's Monthly Reports, Everglades National Park

December, 1953 April, 1957 August, 1957 September, 1958 December, 1958 March, 1959 November, 1960

Fred H. Arnold

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Supt., Everglades



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

Superintendent

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DATE: June 12, 1968

Chief Park Naturalist

Monthly Narrative Report, May 1968

General

<u>Visitors</u>: On May 12 District Naturalist McKenzie escorted Lumar Quintero, Office of Biological Research in Special Areas, Magdalena Valley Corp., Colombia, to Pa-hay-okee, Mahogany Hammock, West Lake and made several other stops on the Park road. Robert Kearney went along as interpreter.

On May 24 Sloane Wilson, author of "Man in a Gray Flannel Suit", and family stopped at Flamingo to gather information for a tour guide for the Keys and Southern Florida that he is writing.

Personnel: May 13 - May 17, Chief Park Naturalist Miller attended the NEED program at Land-Between-the-Lakes, Kentucky. May 11 - May 19, Assistant Chief Park Naturalist Tillman attended New Area Studies and Master Planning Course, at Mather Training Center. District Park Naturalist McKenzie attended Communications: Visual Aids Course at Mather Training Center May 20 - May 24, 1968.

After attending the Visual Aids Course, District Naturalist McKenzie took two weeks annual leave.

Park Naturalist Imman returned to work from annual leave on May 15.

Park Guide Maude Harriott spent 2 weeks on annual leave at Fort Jefferson National Monument.

During May Seasonal Naturalist Samuel Mendlen returned to duty on a parttime basis. He is being assigned part time to the Environmental Education Program.

Interpretive Activities

Glades District: Rain fell on May 6 and continued through the month bringing about 23 inches to the Royal Palm area. Water levels rose from below the surface to 4.0 feet by the end of the month.





Visitation to the Glades District facilities showed a normal seasonal drop off plus a drop off due to the rainy weather. 15,963 persons visited Royal Palm during May as compared to 40,547 visitors in April. However, May 1968 showed an increase over May 1967 when only 14,525 visitors stopped at Royal Palm. The Parachute Key Visitor Center also showed an increase over last year with 9,529 visitors as compared with 6,084 in May 1967.

During May District personnel spent considerable time talking to and giving walks to school groups at Royal Palm. Orientation talks were given to seven special groups with a total of 350 in attendance, and orientation talks with a guided walk were given to twenty groups or a total of 1,420 visitors.

On May 16, 17 and 25 Seasonal Naturalist Philip Givens gave off-site programs to students of the 3rd, 4th and 1st grades of Neva King Cooper Elementary School with 265 students attending.

On May 9 District Naturalist Truesdell gave an off-site program to the Southside Garden Club in Coral Gables with 24 members in attendance.

Mangrove District: The week of May 5 - 11 saw the end of the drought. Rainfall for the month was 13.4 inches putting the total for the year, 18.4 inches, well above the average of 11.62 inches. The record for the month was 2.17 inches on May 24.

Fogging began on May 25 at the Flamingo area except around the Visitor Center because it was not clear what areas were out of bounds for the kitchen.

The eight bayshore walks offered during the month were attended by 80 visitors. An estimated 14,153 people visited the Flamingo Visitor Center during May with a total of 78 visitors being contacted by uniform personnel.

A total of 383 visitors attended eight evening programs offered. The programs were moved to the Everglades Park Company auditorium on May 22 because of rain and mosquitoes.

On May 16 Park Naturalist Inman presented an off-site program with slides on "Conservation" to a University of Miami Alumni Group, Epsilon Tau Lambda at Coral Gables with 30 in attendance.

Ranger-Trainee Woody finished his last 2 weeks' assignment with the Naturalist Division on May 18, leading 2 Bayshore Walks and presenting 2 evening programs.



From May 13 to 15 District Naturalist McKenzie was at Headquarters as Acting Chief Park Naturalist. District Naturalist Truesdell was Acting Chief Park Naturalist May 16 and 17.

District Naturalist McKenzie presented an orientation program to about 30 concessioner employees on May 14.

District Naturalist McKenzie was appointed Chairman of the Christian Ministry Committee on May 8.

Pat H. Miller



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : The Files

DATE: June 11, 1968

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IROM : Chief Ranger

SUBJECT: Monthly Narrative - Resource Management & Visitor Protection Division for the month of May 1968

Attached are the monthly reports for the Glades, Gulf Coast and Mangrove Districts.

On May 15, Acting Chief Ranger Maxwell, District Ranger Stokes, Supt. Allin and Asst. Supt Raftery attended the commercial fishermen meeting at Everglades City to discuss our proposed fishing regulations.

Robert L. Peterson

Safety and health

Accident at swim pool - 1 given first aid Accident at motel park lot - 2 given first aid 3 First aid cases treated at office

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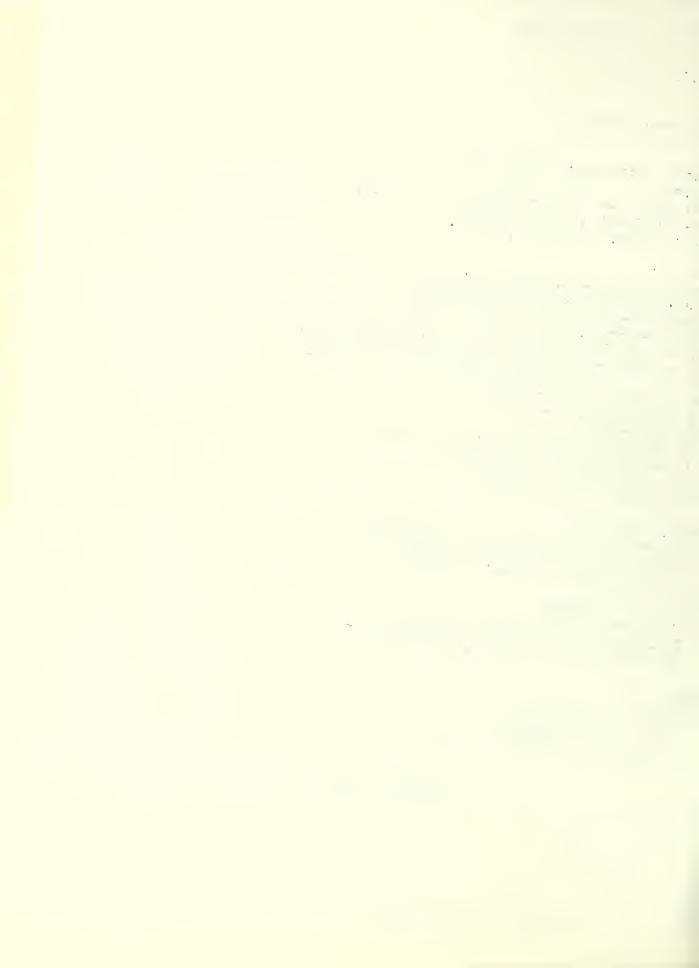
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

: Chief Ranger

DATE: June 10, 1968

: Glades District Ranger

CT: Monthly Report, May 1968

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Protection

District Ranger Robinson was at Federal District Court, Miami two days.

Forest Fire Protection

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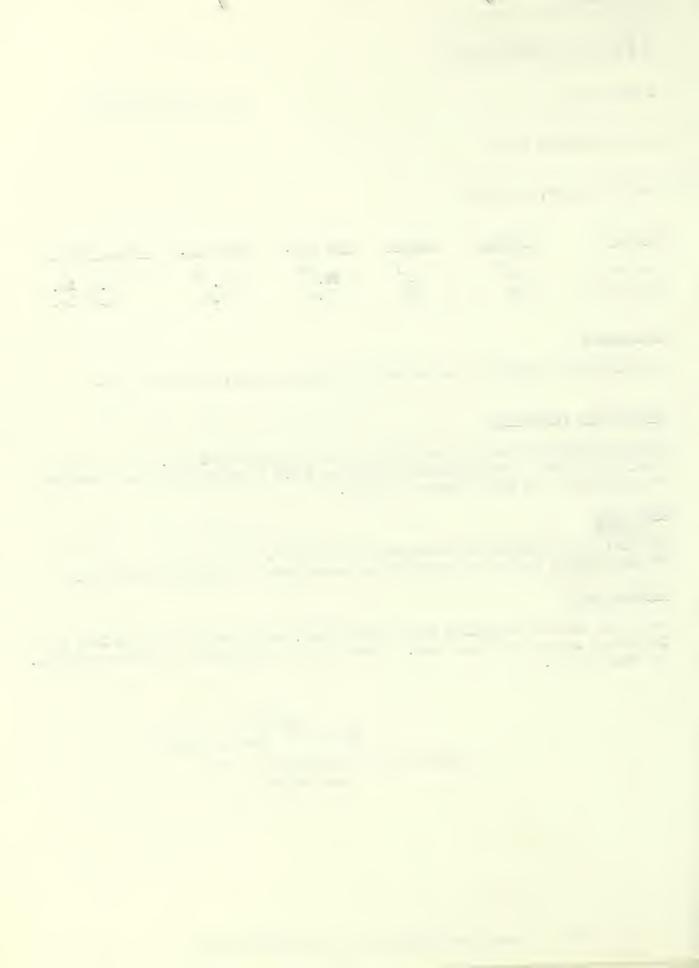
Personnel

All FCA's were terminated by the end of the month. Trainee Richard Foster was assigned permanent duty in Tamiami Subdistrict.

Miscellaneous

Two minor cases of vandalism were investigated, and a vehicle fire at Long Pine Campground caused its total loss. Part of the West Boundry of Tamiami Subdist. has been posted.

Prepared by Jim Denslow Park Ranger



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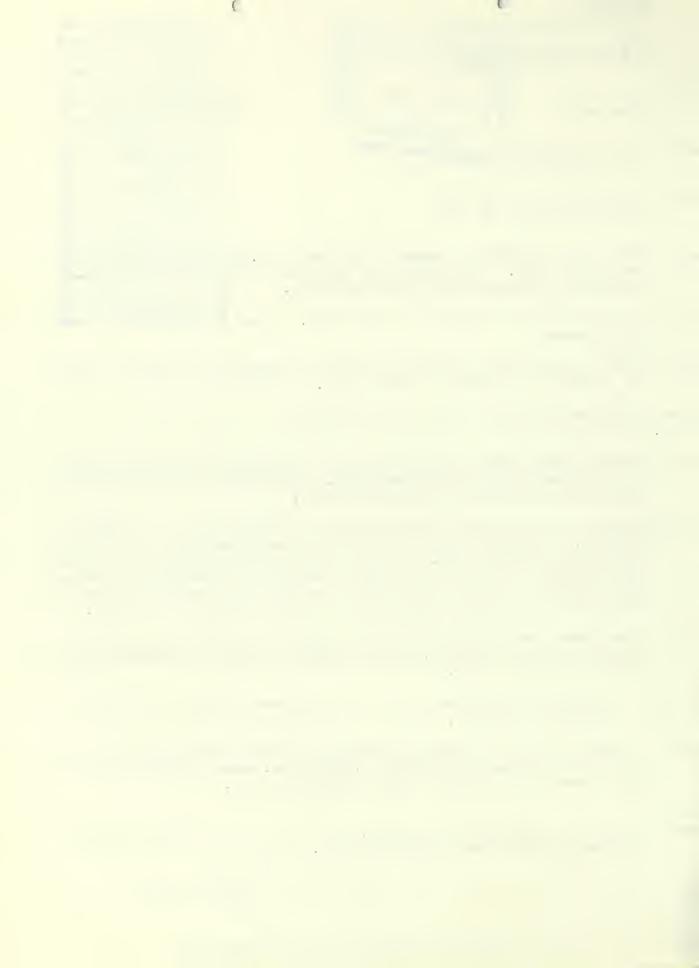
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June 6, 1968

VISITORS TO FORT IN JUNE

June 10-16 - Ranger Aides Rec. Room

June 15-26 - Bird Banders Crews Quarters

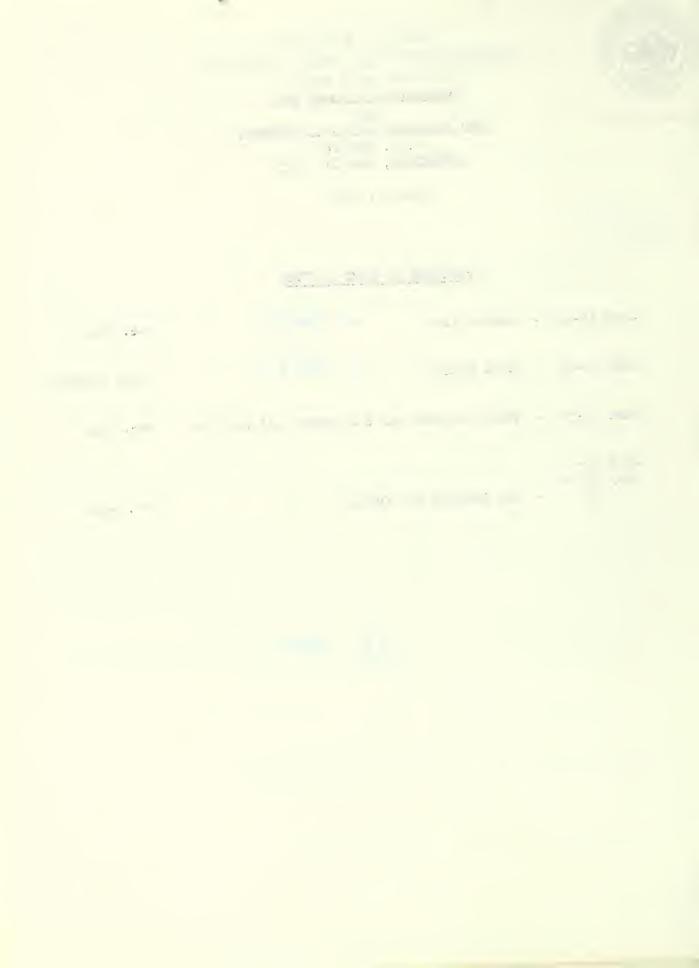
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Civil Engineer, Verglades

Weekly Report of Activities, May 12-18, 1968

- 5-13: Jeneral office. Worked on revisions to Lverglades Park Jase Map.

 Thiked with Mr. Nutt, S.RO, in regards to trip to Ft. Pulaski to check on drainage problems there. Printed plans for revision to sewage pump station #6 Flamingo, for submission to contractors for bids.
- ;-lh: In route to Ft. Pulaski, Savannah, Ga. in A.M. On duty at Ft. Pulaski, met with Acting Supt. Thomlinson and discussed drainage problems.
- i-15: let with Acting Supt. Thomlinson and Maint. Foreman Good. Made field inspection of drainage ditches and discussed drainage and general maintenance problems. Researched old plans and drawings on drainage works around the fort.
- Met with Acting Supt. Thomlinson to discuss proposed work on drainage ditch stabilization. With Mr. Thomlinson, visited Ft. Jackson State Park and useum. Discussed restoration and stabilization work with State of Jeorgia park personnel. They have used both Hydrozo and Silicone compounds, and report that the Hydrozo is far superior. Returned to Homestead, Fla., in P.M.
- 17: General Office work. Talked with Mrs. Yarrington in Suro, in re ards to travel expense. Met with Asst. Supt. Raftery, Chief of Maintenance and other division chiefs to discuss proposed ecological water maintenace projects. Met with Supt. Allin to discuss personnel for s 10-180,181,etc. Ran prints of Ft. Pulaski drainage drawings sent from there.

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Superintendent

May 15, 1968

Acting Chief Park Naturalist

Monthly Narrative Report - April, 1968

General

Personnel: Park Guide Maude Harriott attended the Park Guide Training Course at Harpers Ferry between April 1 and 14.

Seasonal Park Naturalist Robert Furlong terminated COB April 13 and was reemployed by the Archeological Study Team digging at Bear Lake.

Seasonal Park Naturalist Elaine Hounsell was transferred from a Naturalist to a Teller at the Entrance Station April 13, 1968.

Seasonal Park Naturalist Kelly Motherspaugh terminated COB April 15.

Seasonal Park Naturalist George Stevenson terminated COB April 12.

Park Naturalist Mary Inman was on annual leave from April 17 through the end of the month.

Ranger Trainee Richard Foster continued his interpretive training during the first two weeks in April. During this period he conducted three Bayshore Walks, two Christian Point nature walks, and one Bear Lake nature walk; presented four evening programs; and audited several activities.

Park Naturalist Gale Zimmer was on annual leave for two weeks in April.

Mr. Pat Miller was at Fort Jefferson from May 8 - 12.

Cynthia McHugh received a seasonal appointment as Museum Aid GS-2 and started work in this capacity during the month.

Visitors: On April 12 the Park was visited by Assistant U.S. Attorney
Aaron Poosner and family and were shown the snail and butterfly collections.

On April 12 Park Naturalist Stevenson escorted Representative Yates of Illinois on a tour of the Flamingo area, including Bear Lake and Snake Bight.

On April 20 Messers. Livingston, Garden Editor of the Tampa Tribune, and York of WLVA-TV in Tampa were shown the slide collection by District Naturalist Truesdell. Earlier in the day District Naturalist McKenzie and

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Ranger Stokes had escorted them down the Bear Lake Road to photograph a number of native plants, particularly manchineel, for a planned local television feature on the plants of South Florida.

On April 23 District Naturalist McKenzie escorted Mr. Sternwise, a New York artist who has been commissioned by the National Park Service to do a painting of Everglades, on a boat trip through the mangrove country.

On April 30 Florida's Governor Kirk toured the Park looking at the drought conditions.

Interpretive Activities

Glades District: The winter program ended on April 13, 1968. On April 14 began daily walks at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. at Royal Palm. April also brought many school groups to the Park for visits.

Special walks were given to 626 visitors at Royal Palm during the month. During the month 40,547 visitors stopped at Royal Palm. This figure represents a 40% increase over last year's visitation during April. The whole Park has only had a 16% increase. 19,169 visitors stopped at the Parachute Key Visitor Center during April.

Due to the pumping of water in the Royal Palm area during the whole month the water level remained about .80 feet, and no fish kills occurred in that area. Many other areas were not so fortunate as water levels dropped to about 4 or 5 inches below the surface by the end of the month.

District Naturalist Truesdell gave a special off-site talk to 280 7th grade students at Redland Jr. High on April 22.

Mangrove District: An estimated 14,328 people visited the Flamingo Visitor Center during April. A total of 339 visitors were personally contacted at this facility.

The museum was repainted early in the month. The dreary walls, one of which was a dark blue-green received a coat of light blue paint, brightening the exhibit room considerably.

Park Naturalist Inman cleaned several exhibit panels in the museum April 6. Two new maps, an FCD water control map and an attractive pictorial map of Florida produced by the Florida Power and Light Company, and a spring schedule of naturalist activities were placed under glass on the small table in the Visitor Center lobby.

Attendance figures for conducted trips are as follows: Bayshore Walks - 12 walks, 229 visitors; Nature Walks - 13 walks, 156 visitors; and Cape Sable Cruises - 5 trips, 159 visitors.

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A total of 2,218 visitors attended 19 campfire programs offered during the month. Nightly programs were presented until the winter interpretive program ended April 13, but were scheduled only irregularly during the latter half of the month.

Special Activities: The National Wildlife Federation's Eastern Safari to Everglades arrived at Flamingo on the evening of April 16 and remained until the morning of the 20th. On April 17 District Naturalist McKenzie narrated their bus tour of the Park road, led a walk at Mahogany Hammock and made brief presentations at Nine Mile Pond and Pa-hay-okee. Superintendent Allin addressed the group at the Parachute Key Visitor Center and District Naturalist Truesdell conducted them on a tour of the Anhinga Trail. Two days later McKenzie accompanied them on a trip to Cape Sable for a short nature walk. District Naturalist Neusaenger accompanied the group around Shark Valley Loop Road and Everglades (City) where they took a concessioner-operated Ten Thousand Islands boat trip.

Leonard W. McKenzie

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Chief of Maintenance, SERO

May 14, 1968

Civil Engineer, Everglades

Weekly Report

5-6 Worked on Lighting Plan for Main Park Entrance Sign. Sent report on Anhinga Trail construction as requested from Michigan State Department of Conservation. Met with Asst. Supt. and Chief of Maintenance to discuss arrangment of office space in Maintenance Division.

5-7 Met with Mr. Ted Anderson of Florida Power and Light Co. Went to Flamingo with Mr. Anderson to check on completion of power line construction project. Worked on Lighting Plan for Main Park Entrance Sign. Talked with Electrical Engineer, Mr. Fred Collies, Miami, Fla., Re: 3-phase electrical convertors and high HP 1 pmotors for use on water pumps at Royal Palm. Talked with Mr. Coryell, PSC, D&C, Re: Specifications for Revision to Flamingo Sewage Pump Station.

5-8 Worked on Lighting Plan Main Park Entrance Sign. Talked with Mr. Storch of Flood Control District, Re: Boundary Survey on East Park Boundary.

5-9 Completed Lighting Plan for Main Park Entrance Sign. Completed specifications for revision to Sewage Pump Station #6, Flamingo. Worked on plan for revision to Sewage Pump Station No. 6, Flamingo.

5-10 4 hours Sick Leave. Went to Miami to pick up supplies for blue machine to print plans for revision to Sewage Pump Station No. 6, Flamingo.

William Alexander

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Paul Heaton Frank Nix
Ralph Maxwell Dick Klukas Jim Stewart

May 14, 1968

Acting Superintendent

Proposed Morning Report

Please review the attached proposed, new Morning Report and submit your comments and suggestions. If no suggestions are submitted it will be initiated as outlined in the attachment.

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MORNING REPORT, MAY 9, 1968

Superintendent's Office

Mr. Allin will be in Tallahassee today and all day tomorrow conferring with Governor Kirk on matters relating to improved water supplies.

Mr. DeWeese will be on annual leave for the remainder of the week.

Mr. Raftery will be attending the Conference on County Parks in Miami this afternoon.

Mr. Heaton will be Action Superintendent this afternoon.

Administration

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Interpretation

Beginning tomorrow the new hours for Parachute Key V. C. will be 7.30 AM to 10:00 PM

Gale Zimmer is attending a two week school in Harpers Ferry starting tomorrow.

Assistant Director Everhart is in the Park today to inspect the new Flamingo Visitor Center.

Protection

Mangrove District Rangers are searching for a lost boat with six persons on board. It was reported missing yesterday in the Hells Bay area.

The aircraft will go to Fort Jefferson tomorrow to take the electrician over to fix the generator.

Fire conditions are extreme. . .

Maintenance

Mr. Stewart is going to Everglades City at 10:00 AM to inspect the work on the new roof on the Ranger Station.

•Pine Island power will be off for about 2 hours tomorrow between 8:00 and 10:00 AM.

There will be a Sithy Comm. Mest they athenum at 3:30 in the Conference Room.



MORNING REPORT

Each morning the reporting divisions should telephone or submit pertinent data to the Superintendent's secretary for inclusion in the day's morning report. Submissions should be made by 9:00 AM so that the report can be typed and distributed by at least 10:00 AM, to the divisions.

Reporting Divisions should be:

Superintendent's Office

Administration

Protection

Interpretation

Maintenance RESORGE

Natural Resources Research

Fort Jefferson

Pertinent data from the ranger's present morning report should be submitted.

Outlying districts should report into the dispatcher information to be included in the morning report in a single report that should include data from all disiplines within the district, e.g. protection, interpretation, maintenance, etc.

To be useful, distribution must be as early and as prompt as possible. Divisions must be responsible for getting data in on time even if it is a negative report. Information that effects early morning (pre-report time) operations

Let's try it and if it does not work -- forget it.

Some items that could be included in a morning report arc:

should be in the preceeding morning's report, if possible.

Key personnel activities for the day or week

Special events and activities

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Search and rescues

Campground status

Construction status

Road conditions

Changes in Park conditions (biological, water levels, bird concentrations, etc.)

VIP's in the Park

Alterations in routine schedules (boat trips, VC hours, etc.)

Fire conditions

Power or telephone service disruptions when predictable

Aircraft schedules

Ft. Jefferson boat schedules

Personnel actions

Official announcements (meetings, etc. - include time, location, etc.)



MAINTENANCE DIVISION

MEETING - PINE ISLAND

May 13, 1968

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Personnel assigned to the Pine Island Area, Mr. James Stewart, and Mr. Robert Breazeale were present.

Mr. Breazeale opened the meeting by stating the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the work schedules and the policy of starting on time and quitting on time. Mr. Breazeale stated Mr. Stewart would explain the policy so no one would have a misunderstanding of the policy in regard to work schedule. Mr. Breazeale pointed out that it was the policy of the Park Service that you traveled one way on your time and one way on Government time but here we have been accustomed to coming and going on Government time.

Mr. Stewart stated the same policy would be continued as long as everybody was out of the yard by 8:00 A.M. and did not return to Pine Island until 4:30 P.M. We will not hold you to the Park Service Regulation of personnel traveling on own time unless we have too. Get everybody out by 8:00 A.M. and return at 4:30. I have been here at 4:00 P.M., and before 4:00 P.M. and there are people standing around. I don't know who they were and I didn't bother to find out, but it looked bad.

Mr. Stewart asked if there were any questions.

Mr. Prescott asked if people working in the field could have coffee breaks.

Mr. Stewart stated people in the field can stop working and have a coffee break in the field if they bring their coffee with them, and have it where they are, and coffee breaks are 15 minutes long but don't abuse it.

The question of returning to Pine Island for lunch while working at Royal Palm was discussed.

Mr. Stewart stated that when he is in the Park he eats lunch where he is. If you have any reason to come back to the office at Pine Island on official business at lunch time then eat your lunch here. If you are driving on the road you can stop and have lunch or if you happen to be in the office at lunch time then have lunch. If you want to have a break for coffee then take your coffee with you and have a coffee break.

Charlie Adside stated that a lack of schedule holds us up in the morning, we don't know immediately where we are going or what we are going to do that day, and that hampers us a little getting out in the mornings.

Mr. Stewart stated that Mr. Breazeale is working on a program and each man will have a particular job and will be responsible for that job. You will know what funds you will be allowed for operations. Routine every day items will be programmed by a routine work order. Then we will have special items that will be programmed. These will be brought to the Foreman and he will bring them up to me. We will end up with a R&T Crew and a B&U Crew. These people will be responsible for special items. I am going to try to get more seasonal personnel, either laborers or caretakers to help us out. We can spend a lot of money on people and not have enough money for supplies. I have looked at some of the trails, maybe we can come up with better ideas.



Some jobs have been let go too long and these items have become a rehabilitation job instead of a maintenance job. Trails and buildings are falling apart. It is now going to cost a lot of money to rehabilitate these items. It is hard to maintain an item that is already broken down. We want to come up with a reasonable program. We can justify extra money for seasonal people if we can show where our money is going. Then I came here I heard we had a lot or problems. I am not interested in changing people, just changing the policy. You have been getting orders from the Rangers and Naturalists, you don't have to worry about that. I will worry about that. When we send an order down it is going to be done that way. When anyone else wants something done let us know and we will straighten it out. If you have any gripe, let us know, let Mr. Breazeale know and we will have a gripe session. We are here to help you and to work together.

Mr. Jackson questioned the mileage allowable, 30 or 40 miles from the district.

Mr. Stewart gave an example that if we have somebody going over to Everglades to do a job and if he can't get the job done and return to Pine Island by 4:30 then overtime will be authorized to finish the job; or if the job takes two or three days to finish then we will arrange for him to stay at Everglades and travel will be authorized.

Mr. Daniels asked if they were working at Mahogany Trail, are we supposed to keep working on the trail until 4:30 P.M.?

Mr. Stewart replied that they would stop working on the trail in order to arrive at Pine Island at 4:30 P.M.

The question was brought up of who was responsible for a vehicle if it was operated during non-duty hours.

Mr. Stewart pointed out that if a person is driving on his own time returning from a job and he has trouble he is covered by the Government, but if he is driving a Government vehicle from an area which is not on regular route and has trouble then he is responsible.

Mr. Claude Adside reported that the cards the account numbers were on were too large to be carried in pocket. It was agreed that these account numbers would be broken down on 3×5 cards.

Mr. Stewart pointed out that maintenance of Park facilities was our responsitions in the Park are operating will not change this responsibility. If another division wants something done then we will look at it and program the work, but you men don't have to worry about it.

Mr. Breazeale discussed the wearing of hard hats while working in the field.

Mr. Stewart pointed out that the policy of some parks was that everybody in the field will wear a hard hat. Anytime you have a condition of possibly getting hit on the head then wear a hard hat. It is your responsibility to wear a hard when there is a possibility of receiving a head injury.

Mr. Stewart reported on incident of a man wearing a hard hat was saved from a possible fatal injury when a wrench fell on his head.



The wearing of safety goggles was discussed. An effort will be made to obtain satisfactory safey goggles for this area through GSA.

Mr. Stewart closed the meeting by stating that if you have any complaints or any gripes let us know about them, and we will assist you in anyway possible to correct them. We have a big job here and we all want to work together to get it done utilizing your ideas.

Meeting adjourned

Approved:

James T. Stewart, Chief of Maintenance



Memorandum

TO : The Files

DATE: May 13, 1968

FROM : Chief Ranger

SUBJECT: Monthly Narrative - Resource Mgmt & Vis. Protection Div - for April 1968

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Weather Bureau

Special

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DATE: 1 lay 68

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BIECT: Month's activities, April 68

Visitors

Mr. John Griffin, Archedlogist, Mr. and Mrs. Lambert , principle Florida City Schools Judge Batista Mr. Foosner, federal attorney Fred Truslow

Protection Activities Citations 1 Written warnings 4 Verbal warnings reported 26

> Theft investigation (Houseboat anchors) employee incident * fired but wouldn8t leave assisted on a wreck at LPK fight at % Rec. hall accident at hoist - no injuries, boat damaged fingerprinting EPC empolyees (23) EPC employee investigated

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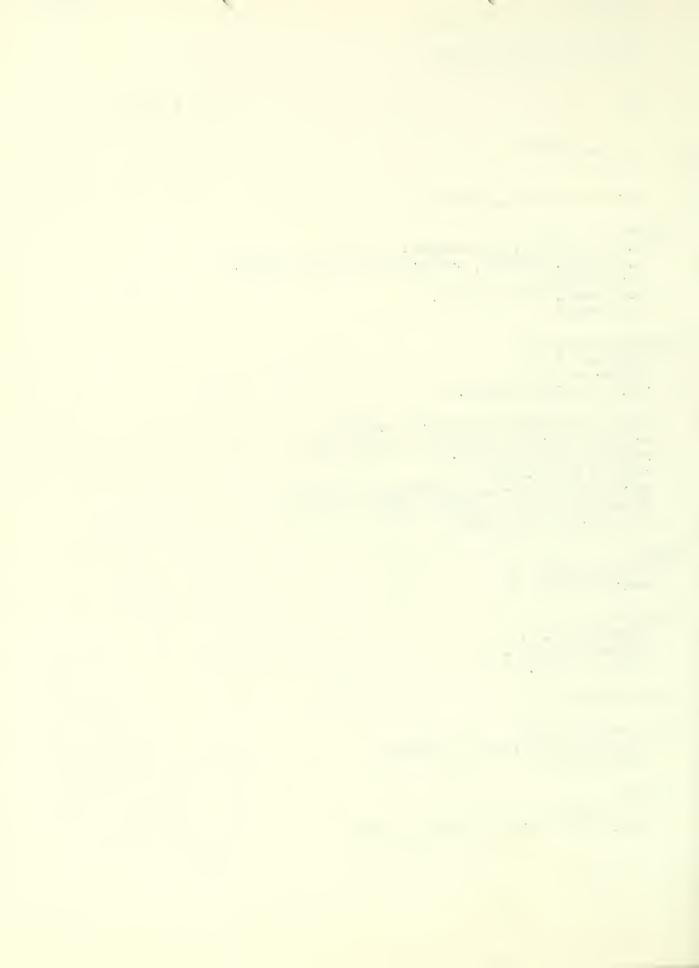
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EVERGLADES

Johnson, Gulf Coast District ROM

Monthly narrative, April, 1968 UBJECT:

Weather: A high of 84 and a low of 49 degrees, there was only .04 of rain for the entire month. Fog was heavy on three mornings but there were no SCW flying.

Jisitors: Mr. Bill Anderson, photographer, Mr. Lawrence, NBC news, and Mr. Jim Russo,

BOR.

Personnel: The new 10-180s were sent in to headquarters.

Cravel: Up in comparison to April 1967.

Protection: The District was completely covered during the month from Fakahatchie to points south of Broad River, there were no major infractions of NPS rules observed. Two night patrols to the newly formed Chokoloskee Bay rookery were made with no contacts made. There were three disabled boats assisted to safe harbor. Two no wake sighs were put out in front of basin entrance, and a no net sign for Golpher Creek area was reinstalled.

special: Two boat-a-cades with three boats and 16 persons.

fildlife: There were 5 trap days for raccoon control with no results; tracks of the animals are still in evidence, however.

onstruction: A crew was cutting Broad River Creek and completed the job with the exception of marking with channel markers. The work barge had to be returned to Flamingo.

oncession: The Quarterly rate inspection was made during the onth.







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Memorandum

ro : Chief Ranger

DATE: May 11, 1968

FROM : District Ranger, Glades

SUBJECT: Monthly Narrative Report - April, 1968

Weather:	Maximum	Minimum	Mean Max.	Mean Min.	Precipitation
Tamiami	95	50	88	61	.55"
Royal Palm	93	53	86.3	61.1	.06"

Protection:

Court Cases - 32, Fines - \$430.00

Forest Fire Protection:

Inside Park - 1 - 13 Acres 1 - .5 Acre

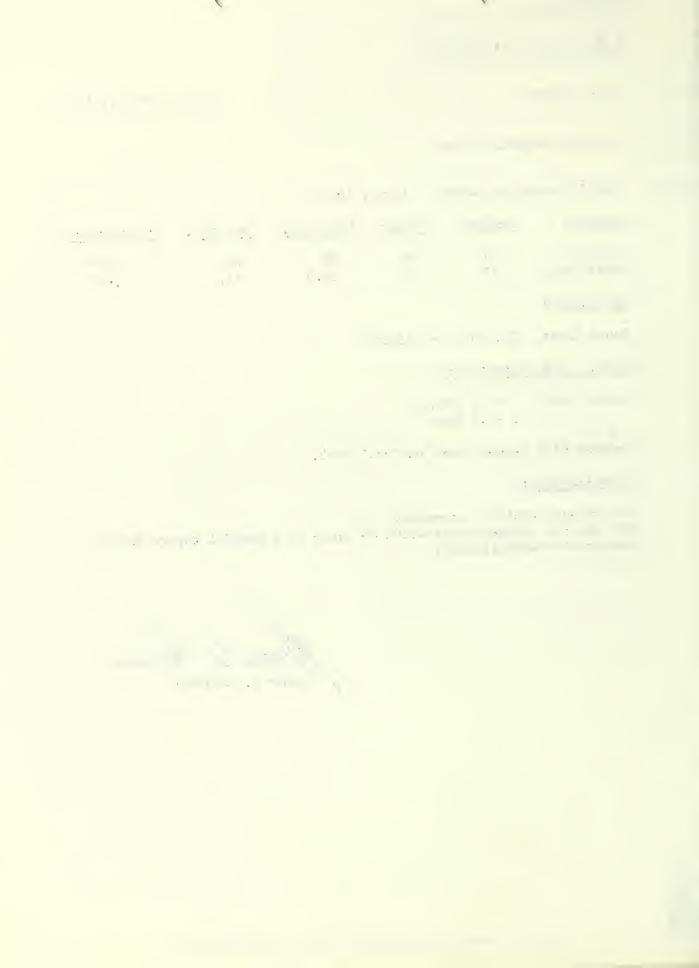
Exteeme Fire Danger began on April 10th.

Miscellaneous:

One two-car accident occurred. The District Ranger spent about 40 hours on a special report for the Assistant Superintendent.







Superintendent

April 18, 1968

Chief Park Naturalist

Monthly Narrative Report - March, 1968

General

Personnel: Park Guide Maude C. Harriott was selected for the Park Guide Training Course at Harpers Ferry and left on the 31st. Park Naturalist Mary Inman went to Mather Center, Harpers Ferry March 3 to March 16 for an interpretive writing course.

Ranger-Trainee Richard Poster was assigned to the Flamingo Naturalist Division effective 3/25. On March 20 Ranger-Trainee Bob Woody received orientation in Naturalist administrative and operational duties.

Interpretive Activities

Glades District: Visitor use was heavy during March but showed a noticeable decline toward the end of the month. Attendance at the evening programs fell considerably. The Parachute Key Visitor Center was visited by 21,031 people and Royal Palm by 42,626 people. This figure represents a decrease of 4.4% compared with March, 1967.

10 special walks were given during the month at Royal Palm. These include the Soil Conservation Service, Tropical Audubon Society, Southern Mission College ornithology class, Tennessee, and Western Greyhoud tour group. The rest of the tours were given to local school classes. A total of 493 people were taken on special walks and 8 special talks were given with 585 visitors contacted.

On March 16 a special exhibit on Everglades National Park was set up at Camp Owaissa Bauer for the annual Florida Campers Association Exhibition. The Ranger Aids attended the one day fair on the 17th answering questions about the Park and giving out literature.

Two off-site programs were given by District personnel, one to the North Andrews Garden Elementary School PTA meeting in Fort Lauderdale and another at the Hialeah Methodist Church.

Two primitive auto trails in the Long Pine Key area were constructed from existing fire roads. These roads are a five mile loop starting at the Long Pine Key Campground and ending on the main Park road near the Pinelands Trail, and a 3.5 mile loop starting at the Pine Glade Lake Road and ending at the same site as the other road.

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Mangrove District: Seasonal Naturalist Stevenson completed two area maps for display at the information desk in the lobby.

Attendance figures for conducted trips are

Bayshore Walk 18 trips, 367 visitors
Nature Walks 30 trips, 606 visitors
Cape Sable Cruise 11 trips, 301 visitors

A total of 5,395 visitors attended the 31 campfire circle programs during the month.

Dr. John Griffin, Chief S.E. Archeological Center and Mr. Zorro Bradley, Assistant Archeologist, WASO, were at Flamingo to make preliminary plans for the Bear Lake Mounds excavation. They were accompanied by District Naturalist McKenzie on March 4 for an on-site survey. Dr. Griffin returned March 31 to begin excavation on the Mound the following day.

Gulf Coast District: A total of 8,073 visitors entered the District Office building during the month. A total of 3,051 persons were contacted by the uniformed staff during the month. 545 visitors were contacted at Shark Valley and this brings the total visitor contacts in the District to 3,596. This month was by far the heaviest visitor use month of the current season. These figures represent an increase of 10% over February of this year.

The Naturalist conducted Kingstone Key walk was accomplished a total of 11 times with a total of 205 visitors participating.

Evening programs were presented 13 times to a total of 263 visitors.

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Memorandum

TO : The Files DATE: April 8, 1968

IROM : Chief Ranger

SUBJECT: Monthly Narrative - Division of Resource Management and Visitor

Protection for month of MARCH 1968

Enclosed is subject report from the Mangrove, Gulf Coast and Glades Districts.

Chief Ranger Robert I. Kerr departed for new assignment in Washington, DC the end of the month.

Park experiencing drought conditions.

Ralph D. Maxwell Acting Chief Ranger

Homer A. Robinson

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Miscellaneous:

One off-site movie was shown to 17 persons of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Twenty (20) Boy Scouts were taught fire fighting with specialized equipment.





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Memorandum

Chief Ranger DATE: April 20, 1968

M : District Ranger, Glades

Monthly Narrative Report - March, 1968

Weather:	Maximum	Minimum	Mean Max.	Mean Min.	Precipitation
Tamiami	87	37	79	52	1.59"
Royal Palm	84	31	77	53	

Protection:

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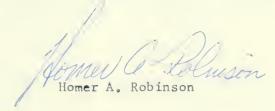
Court Cases - 46, Fines - \$460.00

Forest Fire Protection:

Outside	Park	-	1	-	70	acres	Inside	Park	_	1-20	acres
			1	_	1	acre				1-40	acres

Miscellaneous:

One off-site movie was shown to 17 persons of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Twenty (20) Boy Scouts were taught fire fighting with specialized equipment.







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Memorandum

CO : Chief Ranger

EMRGLADES NATIONAL PARK DATE: April 1, 1968

FROM : District Ranger, Gulf Coast

SUBJECT: Monthly Narrative, March 1968

Small craft warnings were flown on 7 days; rain - 1.14 for month and 5.73 weather:

for year to date. A high of 83 and a low of 33 degrees.

Visitors Photographers Pat Caulfield and Bill Anderson. Mr. Mazeland and Stokes.

Fravel: Up 4,211 persons in comparison to March, 1967.

Personnel Ingrade for Larry Dale on the 10th.

Protection One overnight patrol to Lostmans wiht no contact made, anso no rumors of any poaching in District. One individual offense report made out for a stolen portable TV from area parking lot. A cooperative patrol was made with the Florida Salt Water Conservation officers in and around Chokoloskee Island. There were 5 search and resue operations for the month.

Three Boat-a-cades with 15 boats and 56 persons attending. Rangers Dale special: and Johnson attending Everglades Chamber of Commerce Bar-b-Q on the evening of the 29th. The house trailer was anchored in at LRS ! Ranger personnel showed movie for evening program in naturalist's absence.

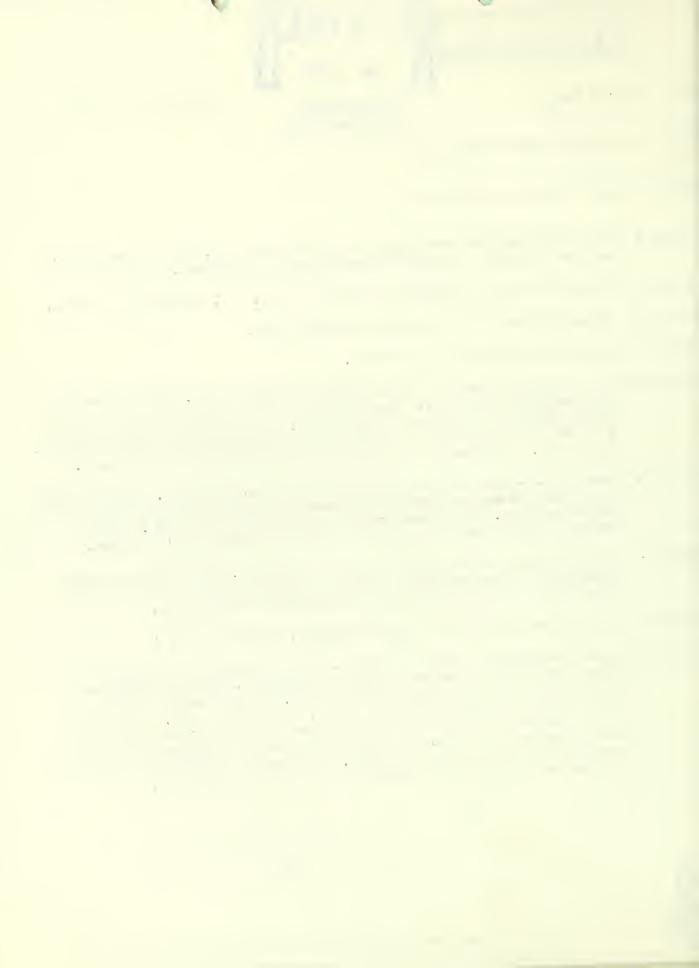
Mildlife: A flamingo was seen in Oyster Bay and Turkey Key. The raccoon control program had 7 trap days with 7 animals captured, making a total of 16 coons taken off Kingston Key and transported to other keys.

'oncession Hamilton had 17 trips with 2,657 visitors. 1,796 in 1967 !

aintenance work accomplished during the month - the 65 Johnson was taken in to Naples Bay Marina , the head gasket was replaced. Radio maintenance was ferried to LRS for repairs on KIE 778. A wind sock was put on tower at the air strip by NPS personnel, supplied by city. The monument posts around Chokoloskee were painted with reflective paint and boundary signs installed. The county work crew black-topped the crossover at the Ranger Station entrance. The dock at Kingston Key was extended several feet due to wash out of sand on Island end.



a.T. Johnson



Memorandum

: CRO

DATE: 3 April 68

OM : Mangrove District

BJECI: Monthly Report, March 1968

Visitors - Tom Herr, WASO

Charles Feirich, newspaper publisher

Flood District Representatives

Dr. Keshishiam

Fred Truslow

Mr. Skaggs, Maryland Board of Conservation Chairman

Water Resources Committee

Mr. Birdsong, Florida Power & Light

Protection Activities

1 boat accident

1 auto theft (EPC jeep)

1 break in (EPC drink machines)

vandalism (EFC houseboats)

1 auto accident (Mr. Ringel)

1 fire(T.V. at motel)

18 illegal traps removed

2 citations (speeding and careless operation)

3 written warnings

49 verbal warnings reported

2 overnight poacher patrols

4 days small craft warnings up

2 inspections of West Lake Boardwalk

Safety & Health

11 fisrt aid cases (2 to hospital)

Building Fire Protection

All fire extinguishers inspected

Fire hydrants checked twice

Concessions

3 chlorine checks of the swimming pool

1 rate inspection

met with personnel mgr.

Search & Rescue

5 trips

Other agencies

U.S. Weather Bureau

Special

New back country campsites



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Wisitor Protection for month of FERMARY 1968

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Raigh D. Marwell Acting Chief Ranger

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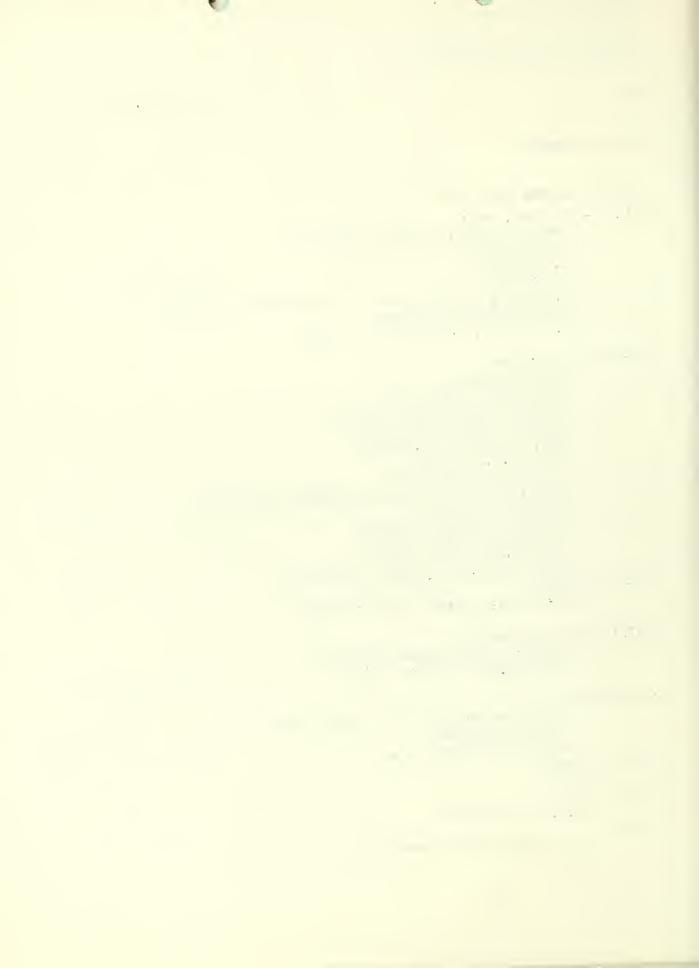
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Fine search and rescue operations initiated - 8 in Whitewater Day and 1 in Florida Bay.

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Special activities included VIF trips for officials in US and Ganastan parks. Rangers marked a cause trail to Hells Bay and possible campsite locations in Roberts, Forth and Watson Rivers. Small craft warnings in effect for 6 days.





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DATE:

March 8, 1968

IROM · Chief Ranger

SUBJECT:

Monthly Narrative report - Division of Resource Management and

Visitor Protection for month of FEBRUARY 1968

Enclosed is subject report.

Raiph D. Maxwell

Acting Chief Ranger



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Chief Ranger

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District Ranger-Mangrove

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Monthly Narrative for February 1968

Visitors to the Mangrove District included Mr. Coddington (USPHS), Mr. Masland, Colonel Stokes (Director, Monroe Civil Defense), Mr. Ramseur, Mr. George Tate (personal fried of G. B. Hartzog), Mr & Mrs Scaggs, Harold Comstock, Tom Truslow, Mr. Tilden, and Otis Imboden (National Geographic).

There was one major automobile accident in February which involved a visitor and the Florida Power & Light construction area. There were 13 citations issued in February for such offenses as speeding, reckless boating operation, possession of fire arms, capturing porpoise inside the Park, theft of stone crab traps, improper boat registration, camping in undesignated sites and public drunkenness. Two thefts were investigated. 102 creeks were checked and 27 boats inspected for safety requirements. There were 1,297 boat patrol miles and 7,786 vehicle patrol miles. Mangrove Rangers assisted the Glades District personnel with fire south of the Park entrance.

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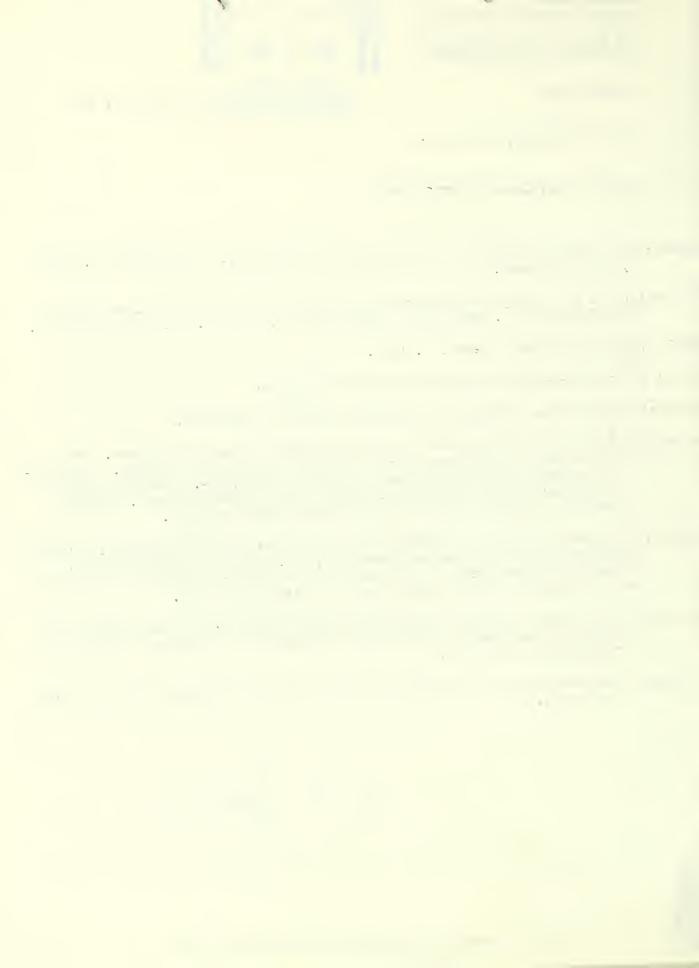
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Memorandum

Chief Ranger DATE: March 6, 1968

OM : Glades District Ranger

BJECT:

Monthly Report, February, 1968

Weather	Maximum	Minimum	Mean Max.	Mean Min.	Precipitation
Tamiami	86°	40°	77.4°	51°	1.76 ²
Royal Palm	83	35	76.8	48.5	2.02"

Visitor Assists: Tamiami - 8; Royal Palm - 132

Traffic violation stops: Tamiami - 3; Royal Palm - 92

Forest Fire Protection: Two fires this month inside the Park;

"Heartburn" - 29 acres
"Headache" - 150 acres

Cooperation with Other Agencies: Florida Power & Light, U.S. Navy, Homestead Chamber of Commerce, U.S. Army, National Geographic Society

Interpretive Activities: Off-site movie shown to 340 people by Carlson. (Cub Scout group in Homestead)

Misc. VIP transport cost 17 menhours in addition to transport (2 menhours) provided for Freeman Tilden.





Memorandum

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EVERGLADES
NATIONAL PARK

DATE: March 18, 1968

.OM : Chief Park Naturalist

Superintendent

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BJECT:

Monthly Narrative Report, February 1968

General

<u>Visitors</u> - Dr. James G. Nuckolls, M.D., Communicable Disease Center, Atlanta, Georgia, was in the Park February 22 - 25, 1968, to collect blood samples from employees. Approximately 46 employees from Park Headquarters participated.

Mr. Freeman Tilden, National Park Service consultant left Flamingo February 16.

<u>Personnel</u> - Park Ranger Richard Foster, assigned to the Everglades as a Trainee, worked in the Glades District on interpretive training, February 11 - 24, 1968.

Ranger Trainee Robert Woody completed his first two-week tour of duty in the Naturalist Division February 3. During this period he was oriented to the basic aspects of interpretation in Everglades National Park and conducted several activities including an evening program on February 1, the Bayshore Walk February 2 and the Christian Point Walk February 3.

Mr. Sam Mendlen was on sick leave for the month of February.

Interpretive Activities

Glades District - During the month 24,351 visitors entered the Parachute Key Visitor Center. This figure tops December 1967 by 2,727 visitors making February the heaviest month of visitors at the Visitor Center this season.

On February 10 the Ranger Aids came to the Park for a day of special training. District personnel took them on several tours throughout the Park.

During the month 8 special walks were given to a total of 282 visitors at the Royal Palm Station. Also 7 special talks were given to a total of 428 visitors.





Mangrove District - An estimated 16,896 visitors, 949 of whom were personally contacted, entered the Flamingo Visitor Center during February. Attendance figures for conducted walks are: Bayshore Walk, 16 trips with 360 visitors; Nature Walk, 28 trips with 780 visitors; and Cape Sable Cruise, 11 trips with 330 visitors. Visitor participation has increased in 1968. February 1967, the average walk attendance was 12.3. February 1968, the attendance was 26.7, an increase of 117%. The Cape Sable Cruise was cancelled twice due to adverse weather and on three other occasions rough seas would not permit the boat to dock at Cape Sable.

On February 17 members of the South Dade and Tropical Audubon Societies and the Native Plant Workshop of Homestead went on the Cape Sable Cruise.

District Naturalist McKenzie accompanied a boat trip on February 21 for National Park Service officials, including Assistant Secretary Cain, and officials of the Canada Park Service, to Cape Sable. The second annual meeting of the Joint Committee on National Parks was held at Flamingo during the month of February.

A total of 5,955 visitors attended the 27 campfire programs and two programs were cancelled due to rain.

Ranger Naturalist Stevenson presented a special talk to 54 members of the Tavernier-Key Largo Boy Scout Troop 388, February 23.

<u>Gulf Coast District</u> - A total of 7,323 visitors entered the District Office during the month with a total of 2,933 contacted by uniformed personnel. A total of 332 persons were contacted by the District Naturalist.

Evening programs were presented 12 times during the month with a total of 212 visitors.

The District Naturalist accompanied the Collier County Juvenile Officer on the 8th and 9th of the month to present programs to the Junior Deputy Clubs throughout the county. Seven programs were presented with a total of 321 boys attending the programs.

The conducted walk on Kingston Key was led eleven times with a total of 344 visitors participating.

Research

The Public Health Service came into the Park during the sonth and set up mosquito and small animal traps in various areas such as Paradise Key and Mahogany Hammock.

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Superintendent

February 21, 1968

Chief Park Naturalist

Monthly Narrative Report - January 1968

General

Visitors: Senator and Mrs. Spessard Holland were in the Park during the month. Mr. Freeman Tilden, NPS Consultant, arrived at Flamingo January 20 for a visit of several weeks. Commander and Mrs. Pemberton were in the Flamingo area and Park Naturalist Inman accompanied them on a tour of the area. The Interpretive Planning Team, consisting of Messrs. Carl Degan, Marc Sagan, Al Swift, and Don Robinson, were in the Park and Fort Jefferson for several days. Assistant Director Everhart joined the team at Flamingo on January 26. Mr. and Mrs. Patterson, former warden at the old Royal Palm State Park visited the Royal Palm area and were escorted by Park Guide Maude Harriott.

Personnel: On January 5, 1968, Robert F. Furlong, III entered on duty as Seasonal Park Naturalist to fill in for Sam Mendlen who has been on extended sick leave.

Interpretive Activities

Parachute Key Visitor Center-Royal Palm: During the month 16,911 visitors stopped at the Parachute Key Visitor Center. This was an increase of 14.4% over January 1967. Visitors to Royal Palm decreased 11% from January 1967. In January 1967, 37,222 people stopped at Royal Palm whereas in January 1968, only 32,977 people visited the area.

During the month 7 special walks for 181 people were given from the Royal Palm area. Three were Night Prowls which has continued as being most popular to the Park visitor. A special walk was given to 48 cub scouts from Miami Springs.

Flamingo: Attendance on conducted walks was as follows: Bayshore walk, 18 trips, 270 visitors; nature walk, 31 trips, 545 visitors and Cape Sable walk, 10 trips, 284 visitors. An estimated 17,953 visitors entered the Flamingo Visitor Center during the month and 599 were personally contacted. A total of 6,006 visitors attended the 31 campfire programs given during the month.

A new bird exhibit was installed at Coot Bay Pond January 19. The vandalized lift box on the Mangrove Trail was repaired and replaced.

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Ranger Trainee Woody was assigned to the Division for two weeks beginning January 24. He audited activities January 24 and 27, then led the Bear Lake Walk January 28 and the Bayshore Walk and the Bear Lake Walk January 31.

The amplification system was installed at the amphitheater and flood lights were installed on a post placed at the rear of the amphitheater.

New slides were placed in the rookery exhibit projection cabinet.

Everglades (City): A total of 3,955 persons visited the District Office and of that number 1,611 persons were contacted by uniformed personnel.

The conducted walk on Kingston Key was accomplished eleven times and a total of 132 persons took the tour and walk. Evening programs were presented thirteen times to a total of 312 persons. The film "The Bald Eagle" was presented once during the month.

The concessioner had a total of 117 boat trips during the month carrying 1358 persons.

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DATE: Feb. 7, 1968

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IROM : Chief Ranger

SUBJECT:

Monthly Narrative - Resource Management & Visitor Protection - JAN. 1968

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Memorandum

: Chief Ranger

DATE: Feb 7, 1968

: District Ranger-Mangrove

ECT: Monthly Narrative for January 1968

Visitors to the Mangrove Districtduring January included Commander Pemberton from the Governor's office, Senator Holland, Mr & Mrs Buckhiester of Audubon Society, Mr & Mrs Kerr, Frank Masland, Fred Truslow, Dr Craighead and Mr Veres, Freeman Tilden, and Mr & Mrs Dan Beard.

During the month, 7678 vehicular patrol miles and 1510 boat patrol miles were covered. 66 boats were safety inspected and there were creel checks on 54 boats. There were 3 overnight poaching patrols made in the Lostman's River-Tarpon Bay areas. 4 auto accident investigations were conducted involving 2 EPCo. employees and 2 visitors. 3 convictions were received on disorderly conduct by EPCo employees, 1 conviction of feeding wildlife by EPCo employee, and 1 conviction for reckless driving by EPCo employee.

Avian Cholera was contracted by the bird population at West Lake and much time was spent picking up and incinerating dead birds from this area. A major water-line was broken in Flamingo and precautions were taken to prevent overrun of sanitary facilities. Rangers made 2 trips to hospital with victims of bleeding ulcers and a possible coronary.

One kitchen inspection and several spot inspections were made. A Food Handling school was held for EPCo employees.

Building fire inspection received extra attention during the month. The fire truck was inspected, all equipment checked out, cleaned and polished, to be sure it is in top notch condition. Fire hydrants were inspected and flushed. Fire extinguisher inspections were conducted in the entire Flamingo area.

8 search and rescue operations were initiated. Rangers cooperated with USF&WS, USGS and represented NPS at Lew Watson's funeral.

Walter Mayer left for Grand Canyon Training Center. Larry Reed (Seas.) and Jim Riley (perm.) reported to work in the District.

Small craft warnings were up for 5 days. Construction for underground power lines was begun. Much work was done at the primitive campsites, they were cleaned up, inspected and necessary equipment supplied.

Trainee Robert Woody spent time with the Maintenance and Naturalist Divisions during the month.

s/Richard A. Stokes





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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

ro : Chief Ranger

DATE: February 6, 1968

FROM : Glades District Ranger

SUBJECT: Monthly Report, January, 1968

Weather	Maximum	Minimum	Mean Max.	Mean Min.	Precipitation
Tamiami	88°	78	39	56.7	1.22"
Royal Palm	84	76.9	34	53.2	

Visitor Assista - Tamiami - 10; Royal Palm - 101

Traffic violation stops - Tamiami - 35; Royal Palm - 71

Building Fire Protection - All District Fire Extinguishers were inspected.

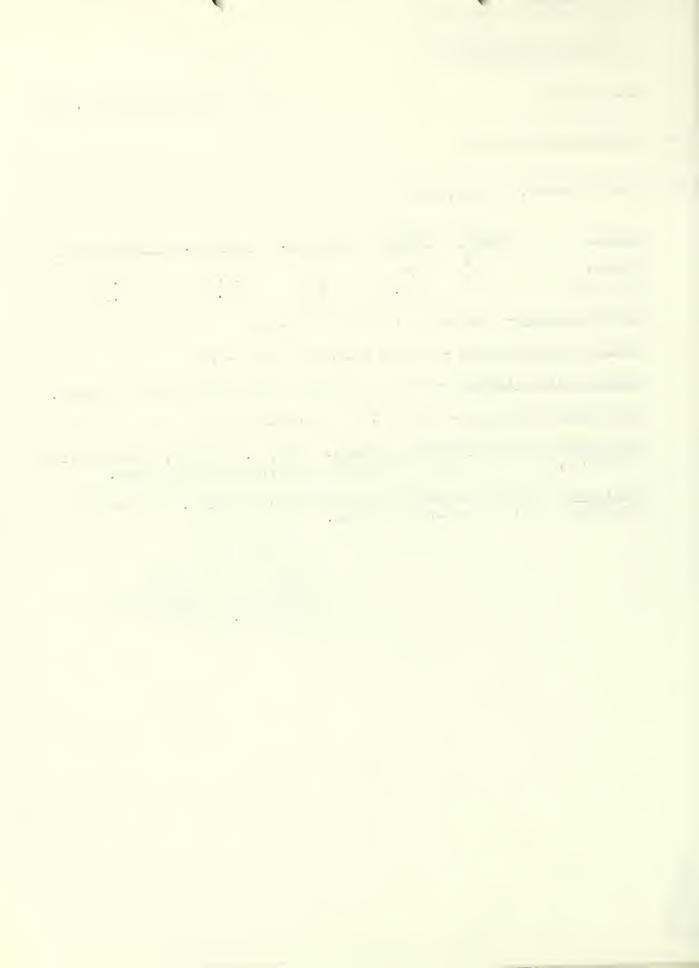
Forest Fire Protection - one (1) Class A roadside fire

Cooperation with the following agencies: USGS, U. of Miami, Limited Warfare Laboratory, US Weather Bureau (installed tower), US Army & US Navy.

Personnel: Jim Riley transferred to Flamingo on the 15th. Jim Denslow transferred in from Gulf Coast District.







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Memorandum

TO

DATE: Jan 31, 1968

FROM : District Ranger, Gulf Coast

SUBJECT:

Monthly narrative for Jan. 1968

Weather - a high of 84 and low of 33 recorded with 1.65 inches of rain and four days with small craft warnings flying.

Travel -

Visitor - Mr. and Mrs. Don Robinson, SERO

Special - Two boat-a-cades with 12 boats and 45 persons.

Personnel-Ranger Denslow was transferred to Glades District for further training. Ranger Dale arrived on pay roll on the 14th from Glacier N.P.

Protection-a total of 4 night patrols, two to midnight and two overnite at Lostmans. Eight verbal warnings were issued, with the majority being no permitees. The district was covered from Fakahatchie to Wood River Creek.

Wildlife- No avian cholera has been observed in district, yet! Egrets and herons are domning breeding plumage.

Concession-As of today, two pontoon boats in water with Manatee getting most of the travel with Bus tours starting during the month. A new boat captain is being trained for the new pontoon boat and Sandfly Island trip.

Maintenance-Four days and Five men cutting out Wood River Creek with not much visible progress. A new sign put up on Kingston. The new 65 Johnson broken in and both new rigs running very well. The Mikinopi was trailered to Flamingo for repairs.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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Superintendent

DATE: January 23, 1968

OM : Chief Park Naturalist

BJECT: Monthly Report - December, 1967

Administration

<u>Personnel</u> - Seasonal Park Naturalists Motherspaugh, Hounsell, and Sam Mendlen entered on duty on December 10, 1967. Seasonal Naturalist Mendlen went on sick leave on December 20, 1967, and remained on leave for the remainder of the month. George Stevenson, seasonal naturalist, entered on duty at Flamingo December 18.

On December 11, 12 and 13 all naturalist personnel, seasonal and permanent, attended the Interpretive Training Course which was offered at Park Headquarters.

Glades District personnel attended the Administrative Training Session on December 1, 1967, and on December 7 for a special talk by Director Hartzog.

General

<u>Visitors</u> - The Park was visited by Congressman and Mrs. Claude Pepper and Senator and Mrs. Spessard Hollard.

A total of 21,624 people stopped at the Parachute Key Visitor Center during December with over 2,000 people being contacted at the Visitor Center on the 27th alone. 24,937 people stopped at the Royal Palm Station.

A total of 3,517 visitors entered the Gulf Coast District building and of that total 1,623 were personally contacted.

The Flamingo Visitor Center received an estimated 12,864 visitors and a total of 721 visitors were personally contacted.

Conservation, Interpretation and Use

Interpretive Activities:

Parachute Key Visitor Center - Royal Palm Station - On December 2 a special walk was given to 55 students from Palmetto Junior High on the





Anhinga Trail and Gumbo Limbo Trail. A special walk was also given to Palmetto Junior High students on December 9 and again on December 16.

A special walk was provided a group of visiting Japanese Meterologists. Personnel from WASO were in the Park for the 20th Anniversary Celebration and they toured the Visitor Center and Royal Palm area.

On December 17 the Winter Interpretive Program went into effect. A copy of the winter program is attached.

Flamingo - On December 7 District Naturalist McKenzie narrated the Whitewater Bay Cruise for WASO personnel who were in Flamingo for the 20th Anniversary Celebration.

A total of 5,277 visitors attended the 23 campfire programs given during the month.

Everglades (City) - A total of ten conducted Ten Thousand Islands trips were made, a total of 184 visitors were taken. This number of trips exceeded the scheduled number. Six evening programs were given with a total of 105 visitors attending.

The Shark Valley Loop Road Exhibit Plan and Booklet remained the primary interest. The exhibit plan and text have been finalized, while the booklet text is still being revised.

The concessioner had 92 trips and carried a total of 1,170 visitors

Pat H. Miller

Enclosure

Javy J. Tellman



WINTER (December 17, 1967 -- April 13, 1968)

PROGRAM of ACTIVITIES

verglades National Park

Roger W. Allin, Superintendent



CAPL SABLE BOAT TRIP AND NATURE WA Boat leaves 9:30 a.m. and returns to Flami at 2:30 p.m. Naturalist will accompany consioner's Cape Sable Cruise and canduct rid walk along primitive East Cape beach. Critickets available at Flamingo gift shap.

Fri. SNAKE BIGHT. Meet at 8:00 a.m. in front Flamingo Visitor Center with transportation. De tian about 3 hours. Length 4 miles thro hurricane devastated mongrove forest.

> BAYSHORE. Meet at 9:00 a.m. at Flamingo \tor Center. Leisure walks about 1 hour in ler along the share of Florida Bay.

Sat. CHRISTIAN POINT. Meet at 8:00 a.m. in fi of Flamingo Visitor Center with transportat Duration about 3 hours. Length 4 miles. W ing birds may often be seen feeding out on r flats.

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FLAMINGO VISITOR CENTER: Open 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p daily Exhibits on wading birds, Cape Sable and Florida I

Everglades (City)

GULF COAST RANGER STATION Illustrated Evening Talks 7:30 p.m.

Birds of the Everglades

Thurs. Through the Seasons Man and the Everglades (on alternate weeks)

Tues. Manarove Wilderness

Thurs. River of Grass

Wildlife of the Everglades Fri.

TEN THOUSAND ISLANDS BOAT TRIP AND NATURE WALK

Tues., Boot leaves at 3:30 p.m. and returns to lighters. glades (City) at 6:00 p.m. Naturalist will ac **& Sun.** pany concessioner's Ten Thausand Islands trip and conduct nature walk on Kingston Walk along beach and through the interior small island. Cruise tickets for all tours avail at Gulf Coast Ranger Station concession aff

GULF COAST RANGER STATION: Open 8:00 a.m. to p.m. daily. Information and evening programs.

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January 22, 1968

Memorandum

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To: Supervisory Naturalist, Fort Jefferson MM

From: Acting Superintendent, Everglades National Park

ubject: Public Use tati tic

Enclosed is memorandum concerning the above subject for your review and any necessary correction.

We are inclined to agree with Mr. Mullaly that something is wrong in the method of reporting V iter Use statistics inasmuch as 1966 showed a total of 70,879 visitors days as compared to 24,612 in 1967.

Also enclosed is a copy of the memorandum of July 2), 1965.

Your attention to this subject will be appreciated.

Roger W. Allin Superintendent

By: Robert I. Kerr

Acting Superintendent

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

ro : The Files

DATE: Jan 11, 1968

FROM :

Chief Ranger

SUBJECT:

Monthly Narrative Report from Mangrove, Glades and Gulf Coast Districts

for month of December 1967.

Attached subject reports for the month of December 1967.

Robert I. Kerr



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum/

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Chief Range ACK 1 3/60

DATE: 12/31/67

FROM : Gulf Coast District Ranger

SUBJECT: Monthly narrative, December 1967

Weather - small craft warnings flew on 7 days during the month. A low of 38 degrees recorded on one night. Rain - 1.46 inches.

Visitors - Mr. Bernie Campbell, Hot Springs and Mr. Saul Schiffman, National Capitol Parks.

Boat Travel - sport fishing off due to several days of inclement weather, commercial fishing permit inspections approximately 1/3 complete as of this date.

Interpretive services - evening talks began this month with 105 visitors in attendance.

Research and observations - Oyster catchers observed in district. White pelicans and Black Skimmers have returned to their winter grounds. One boat-a-cade with one boat, 4 people, another cade cancelled because of small craft warnings.

Protection - The David Dukes case held over to the Federal courts.

Concessioner - the quarterly rate inspection was completed during the month.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

co : Chief Ranger

DATE: Jan 7, 1968

FROM : District Ranger-Mangrove

SUBJECT: Monthly Narrative Report for December 1967

This month, four calls were made to the EPCo. Recreation hall; 3 calls were made for disorderly conduct and one of those was taken to ajail. There were several minor accidents and one citation issued. Kirkland attended the Shoulderman hearing.

Car patrol - 5,440 miles Boat patrol - 782 miles.

Rangers administered 13 first aid cases which included hooks under the skin, poisonwood, abrasions, catfish punctures.

6 kitchen inspections were made along with 2 cottage inspections. Inspections also included the site of the new EPCo. buildings, five houseboats, and a rate inspection. A meeting with Mr. Knight in reference to concession operations and management was held.

Eight search and rescue operations were initiated. One turned out to be a false report and an investigation was initiated on it.

We cooperated with the US Weather Bureau, Dade County Sheriff Dept., and the US Fish and Wildlife Service during the month.

Numerous complaints were received over the holidays on the EPCo. service.

Special activities included a VIP trip for Fred Truslow and group, plus other special activities for VIP's that attended the 20th Anniversary Celebration held at Flamingo.

Seasonals Douglas Riley and David Dion arrived at the Mangrove District. Small craft warnings were hoisted for a total of 5 days. Boat sign "Safety Ahoy" finished and installed in registration shelter at boat ramp.

The rookery/feeding areas were closed.

Two boat-a-cades were led; 3 boat patrols into Hells Bay country. Campground survey was begun.

Campground Survey was begun.

Worked on channel and entrance markers.

Visitors: Bob Morris, District Ranger from Smokies; Charles Ferrich, Ill. Publisher; Mr Kruger, Asst. Director, NPS; Mr Bender of GS; Saul Shiffman; Mr. Sauger of Smithsonian; Mr & Mrs Landau of the Secretary's office; Bernie Campbell, Supt of Hot Springs NP; and many officials that were present for the 20th Anniversary Celebration at Flamingo.







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Memorandum

Jenuary 9, 1969

Chief Ranger

From:

Glades District Ranger

Subject: Monthly Report, December, 1967

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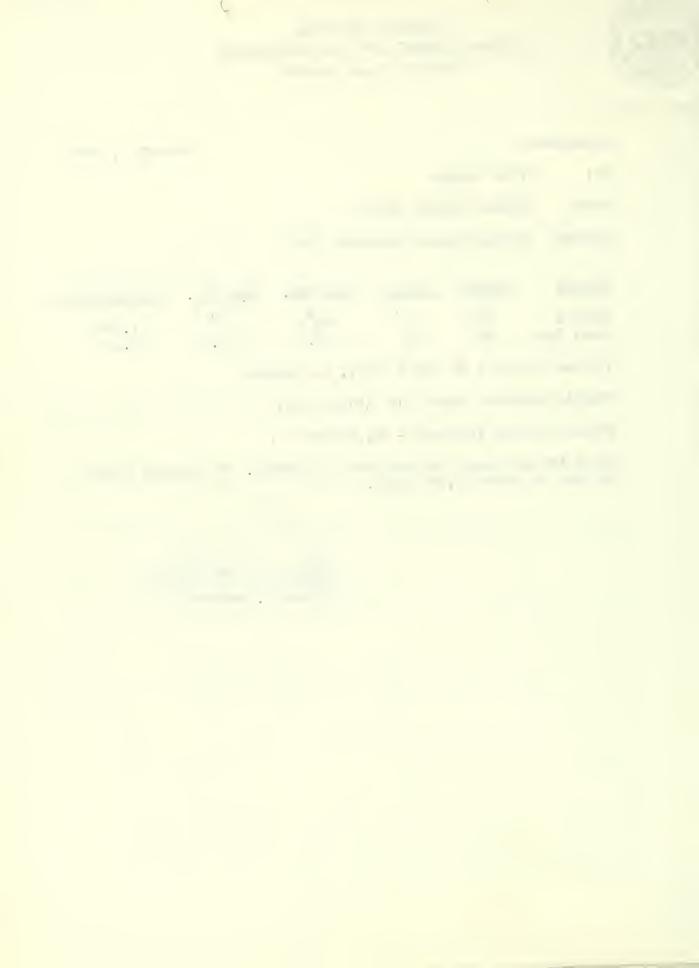
Visitor Assista - 35 (Royal Palm), 2 - Tamiami

Traffic violation stops - 15 (Royal Palm)

Verbal warnings (Tamiami) - 30, written - 7

Block "B" was burned the mid part of December. It required 5 days to burn the entire 1,500 acres.

Homer A. Robinson



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- (5) Manwell and Miele will patrol tent area and man entrance to tent from 1800-2200.
- (6) DeLashmutt and Foster will provide road patrol on main road from Pine Island to Flamingo. DeLashmutt scheduled from 1600-2400, Foster scheduled from 2000-2400. Patrol area should be divided so that one man patrols approximately half the total distance. The NPS wrecker will be stationed at Flamingo on standby and should be utilized if needed for guests at enling Anniversary.
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- (8) Naseth will man dispatcher desk from 1200-2000.
- (9) Mayer will assist Kerr at Flamingo from 1400-2200 on special situations and general assignments.

C. <u>December</u> 7, 1967

- (1) Maxwell and Miele (Stokes, if plane is needed) will ride busses from Flamingo (leave 0900) to Pennekamp State Park answering questions, etc. Hougham will meet them at Pennekamp and bring back to Pine Island.
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Memorandum

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DATE: December 22, 1967

: Superintendent, Everglade Sok 12/27

ROM : Chief Park Naturalist

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JBJECT: Monthly Report - November, 1967

Administration

Personnel - Park Guide Ruth Mendlen returned to duty November 19 after about 2 months absence while caring for her husband. On November 20 Park Naturalist Gale Zimmer was called for two weeks jury duty. On the 5th the Girl Scout Ranger Aids returned to work at Royal Palm for the beginning of their yearly service to the Park.

General

Visitors - Visitation during November showed a steady increase up to the 4-day Thanksgiving weekend which brought us the heaviest travel so far this season. Total visitors entering the Parachute Key Visitor Center was 10,202. The number of visitors stopping at Royal Palm during November was 19,375. Overall Park visitation was up 21%. An estimated 8,250 visitors entered the Flamingo Visitor Center and of this number 356 were personnally contacted.

Conservation, Interpretation and Use

Interpretive Activities:

Parachute Key Visitor Center - During the month Park Naturalist Zimmer went to Miami on November 15 where she recorded several taped messages for WIOD radio station. These messages were short vignettes on the Park's flora and fauna and will be played on the air at irregular intervals throughout the day.

During the month 5 scheduled special walks were given at Royal Palm for 165 visitors. An additional 6 non-scheduled walks were also given.

Flamingo - A large NPS emblem was installed in the Visitor Center lobby November 12. Rehabilitation of the fixtures in the Visitor Center lobby was extended during the month and the project is now near completion.





A total of 214 visitors participated in 10 Bayshore Walks. This reflects a 104% increase over the October figure and a 39% jump over last November. Two additional walks were conducted on Thanksgiving weekend.

The new seasonal resident minister, Mr. John Wesley, has been assigned as the Wilderness Tram Train driver and on November 14 District Naturalist McKenzie accompanied him on the regularly scheduled tour to audit his presentation and assist him in the narration.

Attendance at 13 evening campfire programs during the month totaled 1565 visitors. The time of evening programs was advanced from 8:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. November 8. The evening programs were moved from the concessioner's auditorium to the outdoor amphitheater November 24. District Naturalist McKenzie presented an illustrated talk to 20 members of the Homestead Kiwanis Club at the Holiday Inn in Homestead, November 15.

The PCP narrative for the proposed Guy Bradley Trail was edited and revised during the month.

Everglades (City) - The total visitation to the District building for the month was 1325. Of this total 550 visitor contacts were made.

One special group trip was made on the concessioner boat with the Fort Myers Audubon Society.

The concessioner had 45 boat trips and carried a total of 993 persons.

The Shark Valley Exhibit Plan was re-written again and the final draft is to be submitted to the Chief Naturalist for comments. The short nature trail on Kingston Key (concessioner Ten Thousand Islands Trip) was finished. The proposed loop in the Sandfly Island trail has been delayed for the present time.

Pat H. Miller



N2615

Division of Natural Sciences, WASO

December 7, 1967

Assistant Research Biologist, Everglades

M nthly Report for November, 1967

Attached is monthly report for November, 1967, Everglades-Fort Jefferson MM.

John C. Ogden

cc: Supt. Allin W. B. Robertson

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : The Files

DATE: Dec. 6, 1967

TROM : Chief Ranger

SUBJECT: Monthly Narrative reports from Division of Resource Management

and Visitor Protection - November 1967

Attached are three reports for the month of November 1967 from the

Mangrove, Glades, and Gulf Coast Districts.

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Robert I. Kerr



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

10 : Chief Range

DATE: December 5, 1967

ROM : Glades District Ranger

JBJECT: Monthly Report, MXXXXXX November, 1967

Weather	Meximum	Minimum	Mean Max	Mean Min.	Precipitation
Tamiami	90°	55 ⁰	82°	62°	2.16"
Royal Palm	85	55	81.7	61.5	

Special Activities (V.I.P.'s, USGS, etc.) - 39 hours, 173 airbost miles

Visitor Assista - 25

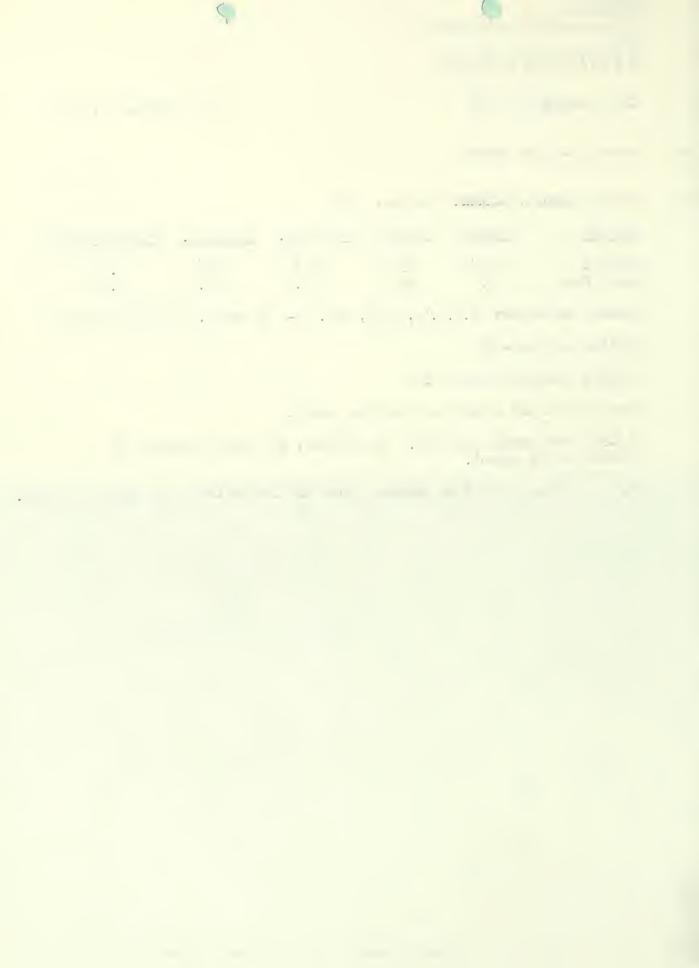
Traffic violation stops - 30

Fire Control Aid entered on duty this month.

A 3-day Fire School was held. In addition, all hands attended the Administrative School.

FCA Art Sedlack taught an Advanced First Aid Course to all district personnel,





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Memorandum

TO : Chief Ranger BK12/6

DATE: Dec. 6, 1967

FROM : District Ranger-Mangrove

SUBJECT: Monthly Narrative - November 1967 (Mangrove District)

Visitors included Mr. Farmer of the U.S. Public Health Service, Jim Downing and Lester Trotter of the FBI, Ranger Dave Lane from the Virgin Islands, Mr. Halleck of a private filming company, Mr. Musson of the Tampa Tribune, and Mr. Akers, Audubon Society member from Naples.

We had two accidents with injuries in the district. A boat rammed a tree which injured both passengers and did \$1500 damage to the boat. An auto and a three-wheel motor scooter collided. The scooter turned over and the driver was injured. Damage to both vehicles estimated at \$250. Protection activities incincluded a minor accident at Nine Mile Pond, three calls for drunk employees, and closer checking of fresh water fishermen. Verbal warnings were given for speeding, running stop signs, being in closed areas, tampering with government property, improper parking, collecting, littering, and one written warning for driving in a closed area. We did 5,348 miles of auto patrol and 1,216 miles of boat patrol.

Fire hydrants were checked and flushed and positions checked relative to fire truck accessibility.

A food sanitation school was held by USPHS. Chlorine checks (both too low) and l butane gas tank inspection was conducted.

There were 6 boat search and rescue actions, one with help of the Park plane. We assisted the US W_e ather Bureau, USFWS and Florida Keys Recreation and Conservation Conference.

This month, a lot of work was done at the campground.

Small craft warnings were up for seven consecutive days with extreme low tides.

An unusual incident occurred when one Ranger was attacked by dogs in the campground but no injuries resulted.

Four trips were made to the hospital - one heart case, one kidney stone attack, one boat accident victim, and one auto accident victim. Two trips were made to the cottages to administer first aid and five first aid cases were handled in the office.

s/Richard A. Stokes





UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

A2615

DATE: November 14, 1967

Superintendent, Everglades

Chief Park Naturalist

BJECT: Naturalist Monthly Report, October, 1967

Administration

Personnel: District Park Naturalist Truesdell attended the Communications Writing Course at Harpers Ferry from October 2 to October 14, 1967. Gale K. Zimmer received a step increase and Park Guide Ruth Mendlen was on leave all month caring for her husband. District Naturalist Leonard McKenzie received minor injuries in a boating accident October 27 in Florida Bay. During the month all District personnel have attended weekly Interpretive Planning meetings in preparation for the Interpretive Planning Team coming to the Park this winter.

General

<u>Visitors</u>: Mr. Douglass Hubbard, from WASO, was in the Park early in the month. He visited Everglades City and Fort Jefferson during his week here.

District Naturalist McKenzie escorted Mr. Swat Nicharat, Chief of the National Parks Section of the Thailand Forest Service, around the Flamingo area on the afternoon of October 12.

The workshop conducted by the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife continued through October 6 at Flamingo. Mr. McKenzie recorded the sessions on tape on the 2nd and 3rd and took the group's picture on their last day. The tapes and pictures have since been forwarded to the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife for their records.

833 persons were recorded to have entered the District building at Everglades City of which 666 were personally contacted. An estimated 7,290 visitors of whom 201 were personally contacted, entered the Flamingo Visitor Center. 6,507 visitors stopped at the Parachute Key Visitor Center and 17,835 visited the Royal Palm area. This figure represents an increase over October, 1966, of about 19.8%.

Conservation, Interpretation and Use

Interpretive Activities:

Parachute Key Visitor Center - The Information Desk at Parachute Key





was moved back out to the main lobby after the contractor completed the installation of the air conditioning. A slide program and a short movie are now being shown.

Royal Palm Station - The museum was closed most of the month due to painting, but was reopened last week. The Information Desk remained unmanned the whole month, with the one naturalist at the Station giving the two guided walks, making roving contacts, and handling the concession. Three school groups were given special talks and walks at Royal Palm with a total of 68 students contacted. During the month Management Biologist Richard Klukas and a crew began cutting and clearing operations in the Taylor Slough.

Flamingo - Rehabilitation of the weather-beaten Information Desk and orientation map based in the Visitor Center lobby was begun late in the month. The announcement board for naturalist activities was renovated and moved to a more conspicuous location. The two renovated exhibit panels "Hurricanes - What They Do" and "Romance of the Cape" were reinstalled in the Visitor Center. Renovation of the Birdwatcher's Bulletin Board was begun during the month.

A total of 63 visitors participated in six Bayshore Walks. This represents a 160% increase over the September figure and a 70% rise over last year. A total of 402 visitors attended 12 evening programs in the EPC auditorium. An increase of 20% over September and 37% above that recorded last year.

Pat H. Miller



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November 9, 1967

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Memorandum

To:

Division of Natural Sciences

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From:

tssistent Research Biologist, Everglades

Subject: Monthly report for October, 1967.

Enclosed is the October monthly report.

John C. Ogden

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DATE: November 4, 1967

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COM : Glades District Ranger

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JBJECT: Monthly Report, October, 1967

Weather:	Maximum	Minimum	Mean Max.	Mean Min.	Precipitation
Tamiami	91	61	87	67	7.69"
Royal Palm	90	64	87	68	8.45"

Special Activities (V.I.P.'s, USGS, etc.) - 53 hours

Visitor Assista - 9

Traffic violation stops - 37

Court Cases - 6 (9 persons involved)

4 speeding cases; fines were \$50 suspended, \$25, \$5, and \$15.

2 disorderly conduct (barred from Park)

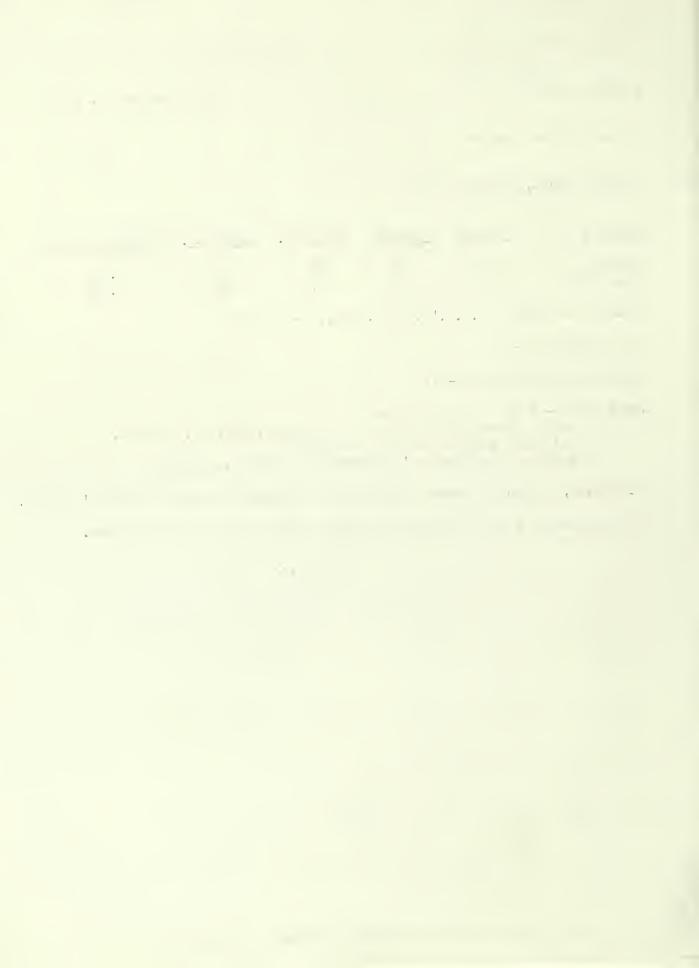
1 forcible entry (driver's license suspended for 30 days)

FBI School, Carlson attended a 2 week Law Enforcement School at Harper's Ferry.

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Trainee Richard Foster received 123 hours of training in 11 categories.





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UNITED STATES COVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Chief Ranger SK 11/1

DATE: Oct. 31, 1967

FROM : Gulf Coast District Ranger

SUBJECT: Monthly nazrative

Weather typical for the month, small craft warnings up one day, 2.97 inches rain. Mr. Howard Baker in area on the 2nd., with Mr. Burroughs. No serious poaching was reported, three verbal and one written warning to minor vialators. Consession tours 59 trips with 436 visitors. Three night patrols made with no contacts of violators. Fifty hours of training for new ranger in different aspects of district operations. Contractor Sherman back at work on the sewage field. One boating accident involving "Red" Lopez. Mackeral fishing quite good near end of month, red fishing good on the right tides, Snook off, with one report of good catches up Turner River. John Galvin has applied for civil service exams with hopes of getting on maintenance registrar, also, extended for two months temporary. Brown brothers. Angler's Motel contacted by NPS about survey - Bad news!

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Memorandum

TO : Chief Ranger

DATE: Nov. 7, 1967

FROM

Mangrove District Ranger

SUBJECT:

Monthly Ranger Activities - October 1967

<u>Visitors</u>: Dr. S. Cain, Asst Sec of Interio; Mr. Laso, Ecuador; Mr. Swat, Thailand; Mr. J. Johnson, Supt of Coral Reef Park; Ernest Diderman, Wilderness Society (Key Largo).

Protection Activities

31 boats were inspected; 4 verbal warnings given.

Vehicle patrol mileage - 4,367 Boat patrol mileage - 1,898

One auto fire extinguished in EPCo area. Car belonged to Ray Guinn. \$100 damage sustained.

1 arrest for reckless boat operation, defendant convicted and fined \$50 - fine suspended.

Assisted the Glades District in search for a drunk who ran into the swamp.

Ranger personnel attended the FBI school at Hq.

A line of illegal stone crab traps was removed by Rangers when owner could not be found. (27 traps)

Small craft warnings displayed 1 day during the month.

Safety-Health: EPCo. employee had a heart attached and was taken to his doctor. EPCo employee Harry L. Hanson had a stroke in the kitchen and taken to Homesteachospital, diagnosed as possible heart condition and taken to Jackson Memorial by private ambulance.

Building fire protection: Fire call at museum, smelled of smoke but could not find source.

Fire Control Plan for district brought up to date.

Fire hydrants were painted and reflectorized.

Fire training school for the district was held durin g the month.

Sanitation inspection: 3 kitchen inspections were conducted.

Concession: the motel pool was checked for chlorine content 3 times, it was too low during one inspection.

The rental skiffs were inspected.

A meeting was held with the concessioner.

Search & Rescue: One boat/and rescue was conducted off Cape Sable and in Fla. Bay - boat found by USCG.

A boat search in Fla Bay was conducted at night, boat towed in by vessel it was looking for. Two other boat rescues conducted during the month.





Memorandum

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Superintendent

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JBJECT:

DATE: October 9, 1967

ROM : Chief Park Naturalist

Naturalist Monthly Report, September, 1967

Administration

Personnel: Pat H. Miller, Chief Park Naturalist was at Harpers Ferry, West Virginia for one week attending Interpretative Goals Training Course. Mangrove District Naturalist Leonard W. McKenzie, Jr. arrived at Everglades September 22. George E. Neusaenger, Gulf Coast District Naturalist, went on Everglades payroll September 17 and will be at Everglades City. Mrs. Ruth Mendlen was on annual leave in order to take care of Sam Mendlen who is home recovering from a mild coronary. Assistant Chief Naturalist Tillman spent the day of September 9 at Flamingo taking in the Bayshore Walk, Whitewater Bay Cruise and the evening program.

General

<u>Visitors</u>: On September 30, the Prime Minister and Prince of Pakistan arrived in the Park with a State Department escort.

Visitation for the month was generally slow with heavier activity on weekends. Labor Day weekend was light on Saturday and Sunday but on Monday there were many visitors in the area.

Conservation, Interpretation, and Use

<u>Interpretive Services</u>: A special walk and talk was given to 24 retarded children at Royal Palm on September 9. The Royal Palm Station continued to be operated as a roving contact station. Number of visitor contacts made by roving naturalists was 1,933. This is about 16% of the people visiting the Royal Palm area.

On September 26, a group of Refuge Managers of the Fish and Wildlife Service visited the Royal Palm area. They were given a special guided walk on the Anhinga Trail. They are having a two week workshop at Flamingo.

The railing for the Parachute Key Visitor Center was set up during the middle of September.

The Everglades Natural History Association has added several new books to its sales roster: a campground guide, four additional Golden Guides, and a marsh life book of the McGraw-Hill series.





Work continued on the air conditioning at the Parachute Key Visitor Center with the auditorium still in use as an information lobby.

Attendance at evening programs at Flamingo dropped 72% from August but was up 22% over last September. Bayshore walks attendance showed a 60% increase over August.

Visitors entering the Parachute Key Visitor Center numbered 7,418 and 12,038 visitors entered the Royal Palm area. This represents an incrase of 31% over September, 1966, when 9,188 people entered the Royal Palm area.

Walks into Paradise Key revealed several new migrating birds. The first returning Pied billed Grebe and Florida Gallinule were recorded.

Pat H. Miller



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: Chief Ranger &K 10/4

DATE: October 3, 1967

ROM : District Ranger, Glades

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IBJECT: Monthly Report, September, 1967

Weather:	Max. Temp.	Min. Temp.	Rainfall
Tamiami	95°	68°	8. 3 4"
Royal Palm	95	68	9.74"

Law Enforcement: 2 court cases for speeding

13 warnings for speeding

1 case of disorderly conduct (persons barred from Park)

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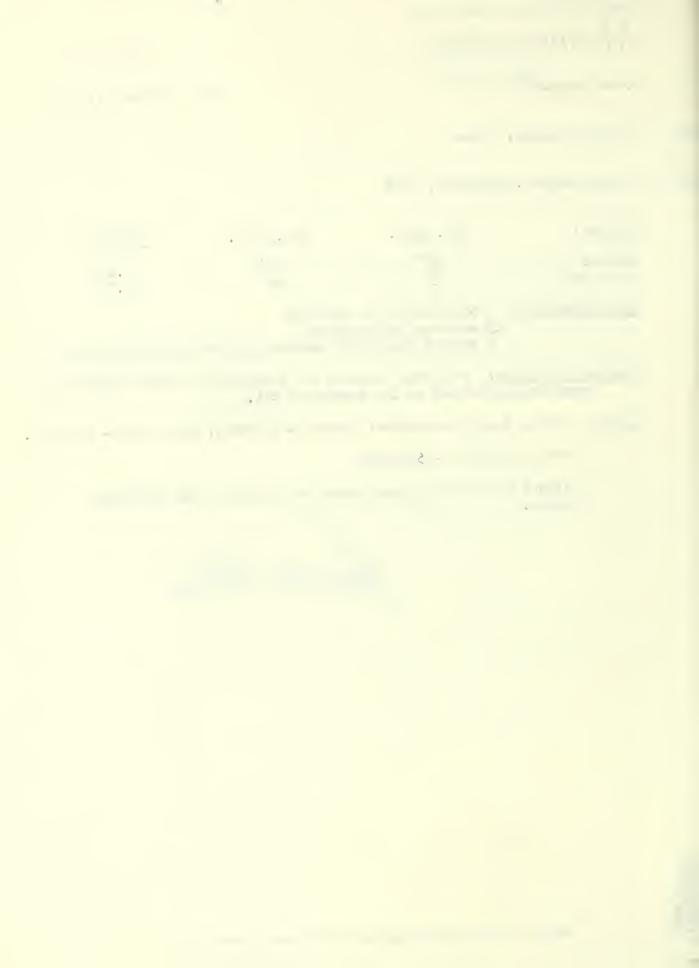
Visitor Protection: 9 visitor assists; all interpretive trails inspected; remaining poisonwood at LPK campground cut.

Other: Special Ranger Activities; Tamiami - 34 hours, Royal Palm - 11 hours.

Boundary Posting - 62 miles

Airboat trail from Taylor Slough to Nine Mile Pond completely marked.





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Memorandum

Chief Ranger/BK10/4

DATE: October 4, 1967

)M : District Ranger-Mangrove

Monthly Narrative Report for September 1967

The following protection items occupied most of our time during the month:

- 1. Three men arrested for larceny trial held, defendants sentenced to 60 days, suspended, barred from the Park.
- 2. One man arrested for disorderly conduct barred from the Park.
- 3. One citation issued for lobster traps in the Park.
- 4. One citation issued for failure to have boat registration.

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HECT:

: Chief Ranger

DATE: Oct.2,1967

FROM : Gulf Coast

SUBJECT: Monthly Narrative

Rain was sufficent for month with over 9 inches recorded. Visitors - Mr. Dale, Fish and Wildlife managers group of 40. An increase over 1967's Sept. District Nat. Neusaenger EOD on 28th, Park Ranger Walton EOD on 29th. Rate inspection during the month. Protection mileage 1133, one report of illegal net activity on Turkey Key. Interpretive program given to Clewiston Audubon Society by Ranger Denslow - 33 persons attended. Headwaters of Turner reached and patrolled with 10 ft. skiff and 9.5 outboard. Mikonopi new exhaust elbow installed. Mitchell running good.





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TO : Chiếf Ranger BK/0/4

DATE: Oct.2,1967

FROM : Gulf Coast

SUBJECT: Monthly Narrative

Rain was sufficent for month with over 9 inches recorded. Visitors - Mr. Dale, Fish and Wildlife managers group of 40. An increase over 1967's Sept. District Nat. Neusaenger EOD on 28th, Park Ranger Walton EOD on 29th. Rate inspection during the month. Protection mileage 1133, one report of illegal net activity on Turkey Key. Interpretive program given to Clewiston Audubon Society by Ranger Denslow - 33 persons attended. Headwaters of Turner reached and patrolled with 10 ft. skiff and 9.5 outboard. Mikonopi new exhaust elbow installed. Mitchell running good.



GSA GEN. REG. NO. 27 UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

Chief Ranger/BK10/4

DATE: October 4, 1967

District Ranger-Mangrove

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JECT: Monthly Narrative Report for September 1967

The following protection items occupied most of our time during the month:

- 1. Three men arrested for larceny trial held, defendants sentenced to 60 days, suspended, barred from the Park.
- 2. One man arrested for disorderly conduct barred from the Park.
- 3. One citation issued for lobster traps in the Park.
- 4. One citation issued for failure to have boat registration.
- 5. One investigation of minor theft at Park Co. residence.
- 6. One investigation of minor auto accident.
- 7. One written warning issued for boating safety.
- 8. A group of 18 Hell's Angel motorcycle riders escorted out of the district.
- 9. Further investigation of TV thefts with the FBI.

The campground and boardwalk were inspected for safety and other needs.

Auto mileage patro1 - 3,759.

Boat mileage patrol - 778.

Checked 104 private boats and 6 commercial boats and gave 22 verbal warnings.

Three search and rescue actions were conducted.

One night trip to the hospital with a concession employee.

The fire truck was checked and is operating well.





The concession operation is still doing well. Of course, improvements are still needed. The following checks were made.

- 1. Four tests at the swimming pool for adequate chlorine content.
- 2. Motel and cottage inspection made.
- 3. E. Cape sightseeing dock and area checked.
- 4. Inspection of sightseeing boat "Playmate" was made with US Coast Guard. Boat needs several improvements.

Met with concessioner on publicity for company.

Worked with several other Federal agencies, including Fish and wildlife, Weather Bureau, USGS boat trip, and USCG boarding team.

Only two VIP trips were made during the month.

Much time was devoted to the Fish and Wildlife Service program during the last week of September. It was confined to district ranger. Attached is copy of Workshop Guidelines.

Ranger Mayer did an excellent job of rehabilitating, painting and cleaning up boat ramp bulletin board and check out sheet desk.

Richard A. Stokes

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Memorandum

To: All employees

From: Acting Chief Park Naturalist

Subject: Report of biological/hydrological conditions

Nesting of White Ibis in the northern headwaters of Rookery Branch began in late winter (February and March) when several thousand began nesting. A peak was reached in April and May when near equal numbers of Snowy Egrets joined the Ibis. During the first half of May there were an estimated 5,000 active nests.

Heavy rains in June flooded feeding areas being used by these waders, and resulted in rapid break up of the colony. By June 16 fewer than 180 birds remained in the nesting area.

The lack of success in the colony is probably related to several factors. Poor abundance of food, which may be attributed to low quantity of food available in the entire Everglades system, a system not yet recovered from the years of drought which existed most years since 1962, resulting in late initiation of nesting. This in turn extended the nesting season into the rainey months and increased the danger of food concentration becoming lowered due to rains. This occurred with heavy rains coming in June, and the rookery broke up.

Rainfall has been below normal every month this year with the exception of June. During July and August, normally among the wettest months, rainfall was only about 2/3's of the average. Very little rainfall has been recorded thus far in September. In areas of the Park and south Dade County water levels are at their lowest for this time of year since as far back as the late 194's. If this pattern continues the stage will be set for extremely low water levels during the coming winter months.

Larry J. Tillman



September 8, 1967

Superintendent

Acting Chief Park Naturalist

Naturalist Monthly Report, August, 1967

General

Visitors: Miss Ann F. Bellenger, assistant to Dr. P. B. Tomlinson, Fairchild Tropical Garden, Mismi, Florida, was in the office August 22, to renew her permit for collecting vascular plants for continuation of vegetation analysis project. Mr. Corrick and Mr. Ross were here to audit the Everglades Natural History Association books.

Administration

Personnel: Mike Storey, Park Naturalist at Flamingo went off of Everglades Park's payroll effective August 26, 1967, in order to resume his graduate studies. Mr. Pat Miller, Chief Park Naturalist was at Fort Jefferson August 28 - 31. Mr. William Truesdell was upgraded to GS-9. Mr. Sam Mendelen entered the hospital after having a mild coronary. Latest health reports say that he is now home and is recovering. Mr. Larry Tillman was on annual leave for two weeks. Mr. Sam Mendelen was furloughed COB August 14, 1967, after being on annual leave since the 7th.

Conservation, Interpretation, and Use

Interpretive Facilities: Mr. Houston Branch, Editor of the Sportsmans Handbook was granted permission by the Everglades Natural History Association to use certain footage from Highlights of the Everglades for his proposed film titled Flamingo in Everglades National Park.

Park Naturalist Gale Zimmer presented a program on the Park to the Junior Womans Club of Boca Raton on the 1st. A policy was established to limit traveling distance for off-site programs. The limit established is 50 miles.

Installation work for Parachute Key Visitor Center air conditioning was started.

A purchase order has been written for railing for the Parachute Key Visitor Center. The contract was awarded to Anvil Metals with termination date of September 15.

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Interpretive Services: Visitation for the month was steady with some heavy weekend travel. By the last week of August visitation had begun to taper off a little bit. 11,612 visitors stopped at the Parachute Key Visitor Center and 21,868 entered the Royal Palm area. This is an increase from August, 1966, of 12.2% when 15,750 people visited the Royal Palm area.

Attendence at Flamingo evening programs showed a 10% increase over July. The evening programs were preceded by Naturalist's talks and the public expressed appreciation and enjoyment for the program.

General: During the month 142 new and duplicated slides were added to the slide library.

A new lift box for the Gumbo Limbo Trail was completed during the month. This box, containing bones of wild animals, will be placed beside one of the solution holes on the trail.

During the month the lift box exhibits from the Anhings Trail were renewed and repaired as needed and put back on the trail.

The Royal Palm Station was converted from an information station to a reving contact station on the 14th of the month. Scheduled walks still were given twice daily on the Anhinga Trail and the Naturalist at the station was given more time to contact visitors on the trails rather than only at the information desk. Sales of books, slides and film were discontinued at Royal Palm.

Naturalist Imman has worked on the shell collection adding to it those shells she found both at East Cape and in a box in the closet. The number of specimens identified, labeled, and arranged now number 80.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

: Chief Ranger BF-9 M

DATE: September 1, 1967

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JECT: Monthly Narrative report for August 1967

Ranger activities were many and varied for the month. Much emphasis was placed on water activities and boating checks. Boat patrols were 1,002 miles at Key Largo and 1,515 at Flamingo for a total of 2,517 miles. 75 boats were checked from Flamingo and 66 from Key Largo for a total of 141. Three arrests, three written warnings and 9 verbal warnings were given on these patrols.

Thefts of TV sets from the motel and cottages occupied much ranger time in investigating these incidents (also much contributed overtime). At least eight all-night patrols were made. Approximately 30 sets were stolen from the motel and cottage units. All rangers gave freely of their off time and did a superb job in trying to apprehend the guilty parties.

Safety was stressed during the month with all first aid boxes being cleaned and refilled as well as snake bite kits being checked and placed in all vehicles. The Safety Committee met in Flamingo and discussed safety hazards. Five first aid cases were handled by rangers during the month.

The fire truck was cleaned and polished and checked each week. One drill was held. One minor grass fire suppressed near the powerhouse and one false fire report checked.

Two kitchen inspections were made. Much progress is being shown in cleaning the kitchen. The swimming pool was checked three times and was good.

Five boat search and rescues were conducted; 3 VIP trips made; one complaint on poor dining service received; a rate check was made of concession prices.

Four arrests and trials were held; besides boating violations. Sixteen verbal warnings were issued.

West Lake canoe trail was completed. Two days were spent cutting on the inter waterway with 4 men and one day spent installing 6 markers on waterway.

Rangers had a very busy month during August as this record shows. 18,546 visitors to the area were handled by rangers during the month with no serious difficulties.

s/Richard A. Stokes



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO Paul N. Heaton

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Memorandum

ro : Chief Ranger

DATE: September 2, 1967

FROM : District Ranger, Glades

SUBJECT: Incidents for August, 1967

Patrol Mileage:

Vehicles 8,428

Airboat 407 Glades Buggy 20

Law Enforcement:

3 motor vehicle accidents: \$150.00 damage

l case of vandalism

Court Cases: 2 for speeding; fined \$1.00 per mile over limit

l careless driving

1 driving w/no license, fined \$10.00

1 driving in closed area; fined \$50.00 (suspended)

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Thirteen (13) warnings for traffic violations

Visitor Protection: 20 visitor assists

All interpretive trails inspected.





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DATE: August 4, 1967

FROM : Chief Ranger

SUBJECT: Monthly Narrative for July 1967 - Resource Management & Visitor Protection

General

Weather Conditions: July was very warm and rather dry.

Weather Summary:

Station	Mean Max	Max Temp	Min Temp	Mean Min	Rainfall
Royal Palm	94	90.9	68	72.1	3.04
Tamiami	96	90.0	69	72.1	5.86
Flamingo	90	88.08	69	74.05	4.83
Key Largo	89	88.4	70	78.6	•47
Everglades	99	90.06	65	73.06	8.63

Increase or Decrease in Travel: A total of 80,812 visitors entered the Park as compared to 69,212 last July; an increase of 16.7%. There were 2,565 campers as compared to 2,036 last year, or a 26.0% increase.

List of visitors:

Messrs. J. C. Apple & Charles Mitchell, Fish & Wildlife Service, Washington Mr. William A. Curlette, USPHS, Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. Jack McCoy, herpetologist, Carnegie Museum

Messrs. Joe Carroll and Bill Reid, Bureau of Sport Fish and Wildlife

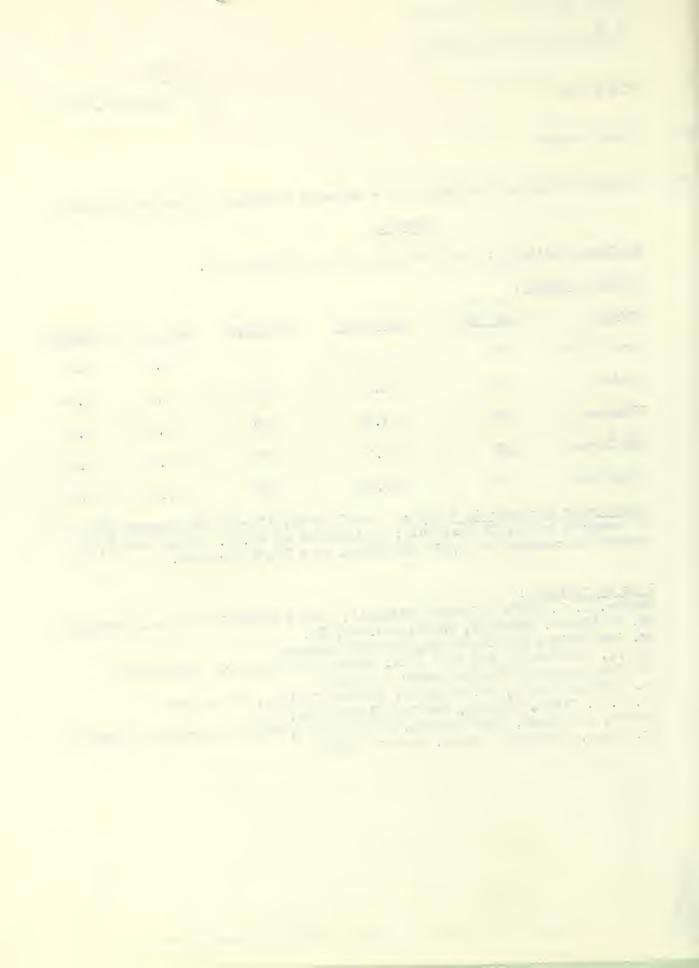
Mr. Buck Burnett, Florida Bureau of Parks

Dr. Lawrence Mills, Archeologist, Central College, Pella, Iowa

Dr. W. D. Glenn, retired, New York University, NY

Messrs, Don Shedd, "Red" Heiren, Jeff Chitlon, Bureau of Outdoor Recreation Mr. Wince, Washington Admin. Service Office





<u>Special Activities</u>: Ranger Stokes met with the local residents of Chokoloskee Island regarding the boundary survey.

Ranger personnel spent 63 hours on VIP trips and cooperating agencies.

Miscellaneous: Following hours were contributed by Ranger personnel:

Mangrove District - 91 hours Gulf Coast 51 " Glades District 63 hours

Entrance Station receipts for the month totalled \$6,303.50.

While half the picnic area at Long Pine Key had been burned (control burning project), eight picnic sites were occupied in the burned area while only one site was chosen in the unburned portion.

Administration

Personnel: Zack Kirkland was assigned to Fort Jefferson for 6 weeks' duty.
Ranger DeLashmutt entered on duty at Royal Palm Subdistrict on July 2.
Don Pumphrey entered on duty July 13 at Tamiami; he is commuting between
Tamiami and Everglades until the District Ranger arrives at Everglades on Aug 6.
Max Holden left for Mt. Rainer NP on July 13.

Safety and Health: Mahogany Hammock Trail remained closed to visttors until the trail can be detoured around the leaning mahogany tree.

Ranger personnel investigated 2 cases of suspected food poisoning at the Flamingo dining room.

Ranger personnel at Flamingo investigated a serious auto accident. The two victims were rushed to the hospital. The driver attempted to shift down at the curve near the campground and car rolled over several times. (66 Triumph convertible).

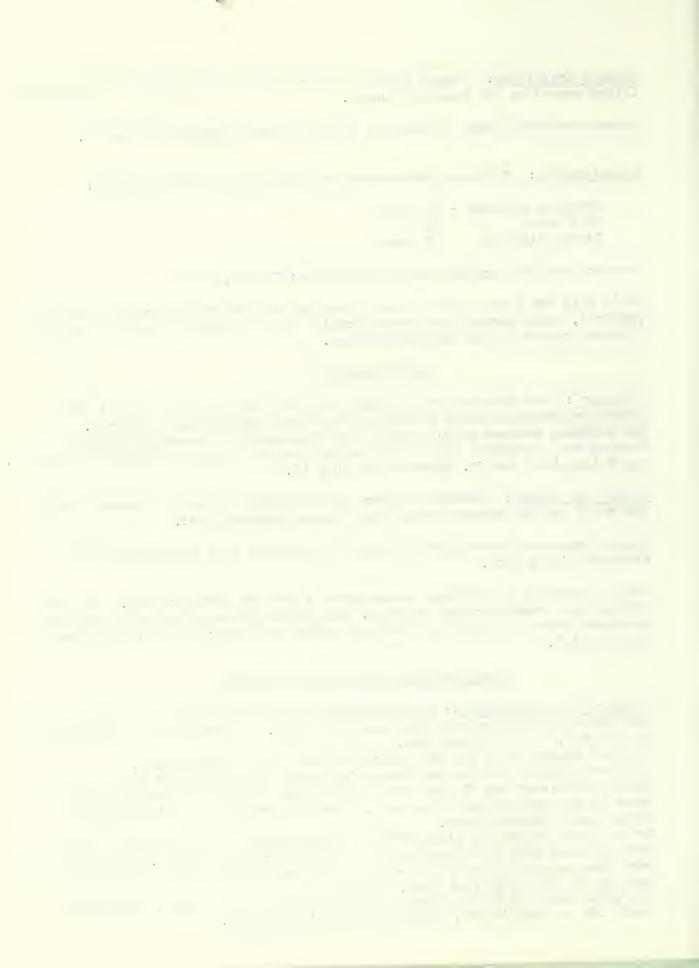
Conservation, Interpretation and Use

Research and Observations: Ranger Hougham spent 1/2 day with Dr. Robertson and John Ogden at Tern Key counting spoonbill nests. One adult Eagle was observed on Lake Key, one at Pelican Key.

The bird rookeries in the Gulf Coast district are all doing fine. Alligators were returning to observation tower site at Shark Valley and the barrow pits along the SV Loop Road because lack of rain has dropped surface water in the surrounding glade land. They had scattered to flooded glades during heavy rains of June.

Drying glade conditions along SVLR were considerably relieved during latter part of month when gate openings at S12C were increased by FCD. The flashboards were also reinstalled at the 4 culverts in the old trail canal causing water to back up and flow onto Park land.

The water level in Taylor Slough dropped two feet during July. The gauge read 2.34 at month's end, compared to 4.48 last July.



Protection: Ranger personnel conducted 9 boat search and rescue operations. Theft of TV sets from motel rooms at Flamingo were investigated; also theft of property from private boats and trailers parked in campground and Flamingo area.

39 verbal warnings were given for: boating violations, water skiing, littering, and speeding on the main Park road.

120 non-commercial boats and 14 commercial boats were checked on the water. One visitor fined \$10 by US Commissioner for speeding on Park road.

Patrol	mileage:	Vehicle	11,605
		Boat	3,010
		Glades vehicle	21
		Airboat	284
		Park plane	5,600

area

Forest Fire Protection: Control burning at the Long Pine Key campground-picnic/ cleared 30.3 acres; and 34.4 acres around the Pine Island residential area. This project was set up on an experimental basis to find out if burning in wetter months has less impact on the recovery rate of valuable plant species. The bruning was highly successful and took a minimum of man hours to accomplish.

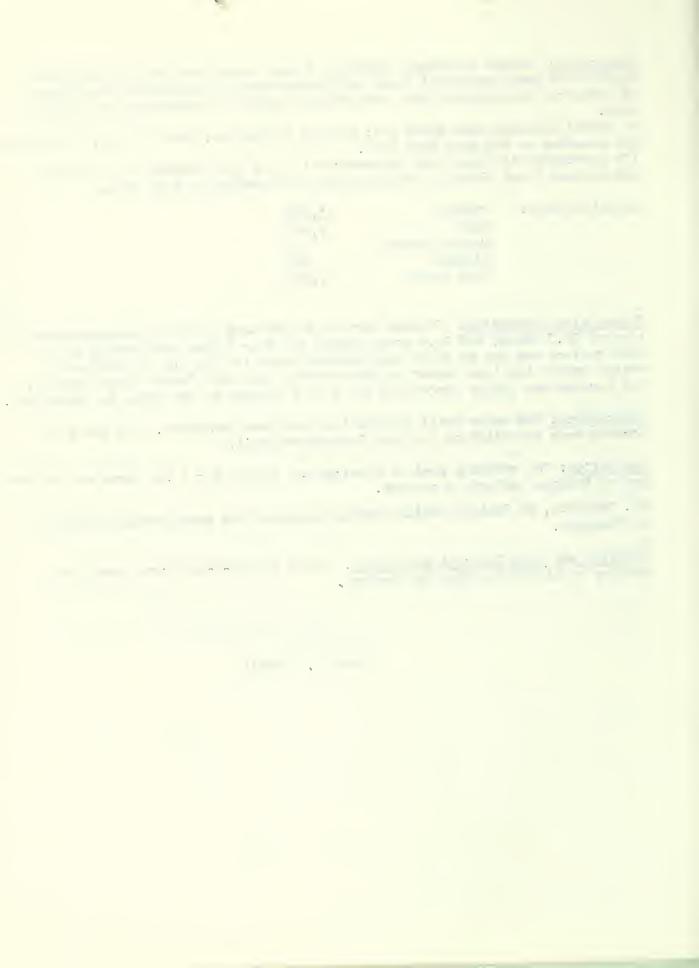
Maintenance: The canoe trail to Bear Lake has been completed. Ten out of 16 markers were installed on the West Lake Canoe trail.

Sanitation: The swimming pool at Flamingo was closed for a few hours on the 18th due to improper chlorin e content.

Mr. Curlette, US Public Health Service inspected the food service facilities at Flamingo.

Wildlife and Fish Cultural Activities: 40 to 50 Man-o-War birds have been staying at Little Pavilion Key rookery.

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August 8, 1967

Memorandum

To: Superintendent

From: Chief Park Naturalist

Subject: Naturalist Monthly Report, July, 1967

General

Visitors: Dr. C. J. McCoy, Assistant Curator, Herpetology, Carnegie Museum was in the Park from July 14 to August 2. Dr. Fritz Went, Desert Plant Laboratory, Reno, Nevada, was in the office on the 19th. Former Chief Park Naturalist Ernest Christensen was in the Park on July 12. Mr. Herman W. Gabriel, an Ecuadorian forester was in the office on the 5th.

Administration

Personnel: Supervisory Naturalist Vincent Mrazek went off of Everglades Park's payroll effective July 2 and was picked up by Cape Hatteras on that date. Leonard W. McKenzie, Jr., Fark Naturalist, Kassen Volcanic National Park, accepted the vacant supervisory position, Mangrove District, and will EOD on about September 10. Miss Freida Grazz, FAA, entered on duty as the Division Secretary on July 30. Maude C. Harriot returned from annual leave on July 16. Park Naturalist Truesdell was on annual leave from the first through the 3rd of the month.

Conservation, Interpretation and Use

Interpretive Facilities: A PCP for the Royal Palm Station was rewritten during the month and submitted to the Southeast Regional Offices on the 19th.

Several of the Shark Valley Loop Road signs were taken down during the month. Some have been replaced and others are still down waiting refurbishment.

Park Naturalist Zimmer was on special assignment to various school libraries in the State compiling a list of theses and other scientific and other historic documents that might be added to the Park's library in the future.

The Flamingo Interpretive Programs were moved into the Everglades Park Company auditorium during the first week of the month. This facility has been an improvement reducing the heat and insect problem.

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Interpretive Services: Assistant Chief Park Naturalist Tillman talked to 25 members of the Kirk Keys Organization on July 12.

Regularly scheduled activities for July saw conducted trips up 4.2% in attendence, talks in Flamingo were up 31.5% over 1966, the visitor center and orientation station visits were down 18.6¢ over 1966, and attendence on the nature trails was down 29.9% from 1966.

General: There was an Interpretive Staff meeting on July 19, primarily to discuss interpretation at the Royal Palm Station.

Some work was done on revisions of the Shark Valley Loop Road booklet and exhibit plan.

Cynthia McHugh did some museum curatorial work, mostly the preparation of mammals and herpetological specimens.

Phillip Givens entered on duty on July 16 as a seasonal Park Naturalist (W.A.E.).

On July 17 Mary Jane Inman was transferred to Flamingo where she will be permanently assigned.

The Chief Park Naturalist visited Fort Jefferson on July 25 to 27 on a general inspection and orientation tour. He was accompanied by Doctor McCoy, Carnegie Museum.

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Richard Klukas, Management Biologist - Everglades

Since entering on duty in this position in late March '67, much of my time has been devoted to contacts with cooperating agencies and individuals and in cursory examination of some of the Park's management problems (eradication of water hyacinth and Australian fine and siltation of the slough along the Anhinga Trail). More particular attention has been directed to study of potential pollution problems (oil wells, fertilizers, and pesticides) that might arise from activities in areas adjacent to the Park.

Raccoon trapping operations are also being conducted in the Cape Sable Sea Turtle Rookery. The 1967 nesting season began on April 29 - 10 days earlier than last year. This fact coupled with a late start in trapping is believed to be responsible for the higher percentage (78%) of nest destruction to date this year. In addition, a 2 day period of adverse weather, in the form of extremely high tides and heavy westerly winds, resulted in almost total destruction of all intact nests deposited before May 23rd. Losses from this storm may result in a 5 to 10 percent reduction of this season's total hatch.

It does not appear at present then, that this year's afforts to increase the productivity of the rookery will be as successful as last year's. However, the second quarter of the nesting season is just beginning and it is possible for the picture to brighten - the dominant factors being increased trapping success and favorable weather conditions during June, July, and August.

Richard W. Klukas Management Biologist Everglades National Fark Company of the Compan

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Activities in June centered primarily on the study of pesticide use on private lands within and adjacent to the Fark and on the Cape Sable Raccoon Reduction Program.

Information on utilization of pesticides in this area was obtained primarily from local county agricultural agents. Some observations relating to pesticide use were also conducted on farm field conditions and agricultural practices in this area.

Trapping at the Cape Sable Loggerhead Rookery was terminated at the end of this month with the total catch for the 1967 season amounting to 86 raccoons. Loggerhead nesting activity increased during the month while nest destruction decreased from 78 to 40 percent in the areas intensively trapped. In untrapped portions of the rookery nest losses continued at a high 75 to 80 percent level.

Nesting activities are also being monitored at Highland Beach, an area along the Gulf Coast some 16 miles north of Cape Sable. It is hoped that nesting activities on all beaches within the Park can eventually (within the next 2 to 3 years) be studied. Such observations would allow for a fairly accurate determination of this Park's overall importance to the survival and continuation of the loggerhead sea turtle.

Richard W. Klukes

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Major activities during May, 1967 are as follows:

May 2, 3, & 4: I spent 3 days at fort Jefferson everseeing the activities of a Canadian Broadcasting Corporation filming team collecting material for a documentary TV program on the life of John James Auduben. I few hours were also available each day for banding Brown Moddy Terns, tagging Moddy nests for future studies of individual pairs of these birds, and for observations of bird migration on Garden and Bush Keys.

Nay 10, 18, a 31: Drying of fresh water pools in important wading bird feeding areas in the Shark Valley and between the headwaters of the Shark and Lostman's Rivers continued during april and May. irplane flights on these 3 days were for the purpose of locating new feeding areas as the former areas dried, particularly the areas in use by Joed Ibis from the Park rockeries. It was learned from the over-rark flights that Wood and White Ibis were utilizing the drying edges of a large pool in the upper Shark Valley, and shallow water areas upstream from the Park in levee-bordered Conservation Area 34. Flocks of locd Ibis flying from rockeries to feeding grounds were followed in the airplane, from East River to 34 on May 18, and from Madeira Rockery to 3. on May 31, straight line flights of 36 and 44 miles one-way respectively.

May 16: I spent a day as one member of a team from the lark evaluating the Reed Wilderness Seashore Sanctuary in Martin County, Florida, for consideration in the Estional Registry of Natural Landmarks. The sanctuary was primarily mangrove covered, with one nice hammock of sub-tropical trees located on an Indian shell-mound.

May 26 & 29: Bill Robertson and I ran one roadside count in Broward County, Florida, for the 1967 Geoperative Breeding Bird Survey, organized by the Migratory Bird Populations Station of the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife. — second roadside count in Collier County was short-lived due to moter trouble with our truck, and was rescheduled in June.

May 30: I spent a day on C pe Dable beaches with lichard Klukas, Lanagement Biologist at Everglades. We staked off a section of beach on Middle Cape being used by Least Terms as a nesting area, and checked on the progress of nesting by Leaguerhead Turtles on the beaches.

dditional time during the month was spent in writing sections of my Short-tailed Hawk study, preparing a water-conditions map of the rark, and with a variety of correspondence.

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John C. Ogden, Seasonal Biologist, WASO (Everglades NP & Fort Jefferson NM)

The first days of June were devoted to preparations for the Sooty Tern banding trip to Fort Jefferson, Dry Tortugas. Bill Robertson and I carried food and equipment to Key West on 2 June, for the 19 member banding party, and the following day was fairly well used up by the 6½ hour boat trip to the Fort. Nine full days (4-12 June) were spent at the Fort with tern banding and related studies going on daily. All of the 13th of June was consumed by the return boat trip to Key West, and driving from that city to the Park.

Heavy rain during the first half of June (13) inches inside the east Park entrance by 15 June) had dramatically changed the appearance of the Park by the time we returned from the Fort. Continuous sheets of surface water to depths of 6 to 10 inches were widespread over all the 'glades, where there had been no surface water in late May. Water levels in Taylor Slough at Anhinga Trail had risen from zero during the first week of June to 4½ foot depths by the 22nd. I checked Wood Ibis nesting rockeries by airplane on 16 June, to see what affect the flooded feeding grounds had on the tail—end of nesting. Apparently no mortality occurred in the colonies and, in fact, all colonies appeared healthy, with large numbers of young already successfully fledged. Large young still in the colonies looked healthy, and on the verge of leaving.

Rockery Branch was near empty of White Ibis and Snowy Egrets, leaving a big question mark as to the number of young produced by these two species before the heavy rains occurred. Bill and I went into Rockery Branch by airboat on 27 June, for a close look. Several thousand nests were located in the mangrove-lined headwater creeks, some of these nests containing as yet unexplained dead adult or near adult egrets. Indications were that the earlier nesting White Ibis succeeded in bringing off young, but large scale success by Snewy Egrets was unlikely.

All or portions of 4 days of June (19, 22, 25, 27 June) were devoted to cooperative roadside counts of breeding birds along 25 mile routes in south Florida for the Migratory Bird Populations Station of the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service. Bill and I conducted 3 of these counts together, and I did nne alone.

The little time remaining during June was spent in continued writing on the results of my Short-tailed Hawk study, and the usual correspondence, etc.

John C. Ogden Seasonal Biologist Everglades National Park

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Hot and rainless days during July, 1967, were in sharp contrast to the rainy days of the previous menth. By the second half of July, there had been greater than a 50 percent reduction of surface water since the end of June in interior portions of the Park. I kept close watch on a mixed Cattle Egret and Little Blue Heron nesting colony located in a flooded willow island in the 'glades. The formation of this nesting aggregation of approximately 200 pairs occurred during June, probably triggered by the heavy rains of that menth which created favorable over-water nesting sites in the willow island. Fast dropping water levels a menth later caught these same waters short of completion of their nesting. In fact, most pairs were only in the late stages of incubation as surface water disappeared from around this tree island.

Work on long term projects continued in July as follows: On the 14th, Rill Robertson and I looked at 36 Bald Eagle nesting sites in the Park, by airplane, to determine mest conditions prior to the burricane season, and to locate adult eagles close to nests. I spent 4 days with the langer-Filot conducting an aerial census of Great White Herons, Great Blue Herons, and Raddish Egrets in Florida Bay and the upper Keys. Inclusion of Beddish Egrets in this annual Great White-Great Blue census represented the initiation of a new effort towards understanding the seasonal movements and population biology of this species, our least common wader. During these flights photographs were taken of last winter's Wood Ibis nesting sites for counting the empty nests. On 17 July, Bill and I made a nest count by feet of last winter's Roseate Speenbill nests on Term Key. The purpose of this count was to check the accuracy of aerial photographs taken when this colony was active.

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Memorandum

To:

The Director

From:

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Subject:

Monthly Narrative Report - Castillo de San Marcos M

for June 1967

There follows a report of the more important events at Castillo de San Marcos during June 1967.

General.

Weather Conditions: The extreme drought experienced during the past six conths was finally broken by frequent rains totaling 4.42 inches during June, though that was still 1.30 inches less than normal for the month. Temperatures were higher than normal. A high of 930 was recorded on June 25, and a low of 670 on June 20.

Decrease in Travel: A total of 60,617 visits was recorded for the month, which represents a decrease of 2.5% below June 1966. For the year to date visitation is about 4% less than for the same period last year. That section of Interstate Route 95 which bypasses St. Augustine five miles to the west was completed and opened June 1. It is expected that this will cause a decrease in Park visitation.

Closin hours at the Castillo were extended from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., effective June 18. Visitors recorded during the extended hours of operation numbered 3,284 for the period June 18-30.

Admission fees for the month totaled \$17,760 compared to \$18,684 for last June. 19 Golden Passports were sold.

Visitors: Visitors for the month included:

Mr. Mark E. Fretwell, amateur historian from West Point, Ga., who was instrumental in locating the site of Spanish Fort Apalachicola near Holy Trinity, Ala.

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Visitors (contd)

June	9	Mr. Robert A. Schoonover, Information Specialist, Florida State Board of Health.		
		Mrs. Vicky Ginorio, Information Officer, Dade		
		County Health Department.		
June	17	Albert Manucy, Interpretive Specialist, SERO.		
June	19	Historian F. R. Holland, Jr., Branch of History,		
		WASO.		
June	21	Harold Peterson, Chief of Museum Development, WASO,		
		and family.		
June	22	Mr. J. Gordon Vaeth, Author, Washington, D. C.		
June	23	Superintendent Roger Allin, Everglades NP and		
	-	family.		
June	26	Historian Ramon Delgado, Independence MIP and		
		family.		
June	27	C. Allen Harpine, Land Acquisition Coordinator, WASO		
		and Russell Kassin, Landscape Architect, WSC		
June	30	Set. Allen, U. S. Park Police.		

Special Activities: Superintendent Roger W. Allin of Everglades, who is also State Coordinator, spent June 23-24 reviewing operations and acquainting himself with the three parks administered by this office.

On June 22, the Superintendent accompanied Deputy Director Harthon Bill, Assistant to the Regional Director Neal Butterfield, and Superintendent Roger Allin of Everglades on a briefing of Florida Governor Kirk's staff and others on National Park Service programs and proposals in Florida. The Governor did not attend the meeting.

Administration

Personnel: One seasonal Park Ranger (Historian), one seasonal Park Ranger (General), and two Park Guides entered on duty during the wonth. They were given orientation and training prior to assignment.

The Superintendent presented quality increase awards to Chief Park Historian Luis R. Arana and Clerk-Stenographer Hilda Pellicer at a staff meeting on June 9. In presenting the awards, he complimented the recipients and expressed his appreciation for their fine work.

Safety and Health: The Safety Committee for the three parks administered by this office met on June 1 for a review of operations and objectives.

Conservation, Interpretation and Use

Interpretive Facilities: On June 17, Interpretive Specialist Albert Manucy, SERO, Inspected museum exhibits at the Castillo.

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Interpretive Facilities (contd)

On June 22 Chief Curator Harold Peterson, WASO, inspected the museum cases at the Castillo and also determined that the barrel of the 4-pdr. La Sibila is in excellent condition to keep up the cannon firing demonstrations. Upon departure, Mr. Peterson took with him the objects recovered from the 1715 Spanish wreck site, which were recently acquired by purchase from the Real Eight Company, for preservative treatment.

Interpretive Services: 224 tours were conducted for 11,399 visitors during June. 4,150 visitors witnessed 16 cannon firing demonstrations.

Research and Observation: Historian F. R. Holland, Jr., Branch of History Studies, WASO, was in the Park June 19-23 to assist in revising the draft of the historical research management plan for Castillo de San Marcos and Fort Matanzas.

Protection: A visitor's auto in the Fort parking area was entered on June 7, and a lady's billfold containing \$40 was taken.

Public Affairs

Public Relations: Information was furnished to Mr. J. Gordon Vaeth, Washington, D. C., on James Oglethorpe's attack on St. Augustine in 1740. Mr. Vaeth is writing a children's book on Oglethorpe.

Captions were furnished to the Exchange Bank of St. Augustine for two photos of the City Gate; one before improvements by the National Park Service, and the other after improvements.

Information on the City Gate was furnished to the Boy Scouts Council in Jacksonville, for use in construction of a replica at the Scouts summer camp site.

An aerial photo of the Castillo was furnished to Encyclopaedia Britannica.

Publicity: The Bell Tel News of June, distributed to telephone customers in Florida, carried a brief story entitled "Forts Tell Much of Florida's Past" covering Forts Caroline, Matanzas, Jefferson and Castillo with photographs of each. The edition for distribution in Jacksonville also carried the story but showed the photo of Fort Caroline only.

The TV-Guide for the week of June 24 carried an advertisement for Alcoa Aluminum, illustrated by a composite color photo of the south front of Castillo.

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Resource Planning

Cooperation with State Agency: Historian Arana assisted Archeologist Robert Steinbach, of the St. Augustin Historical Mestoration and Preservation Commission with the description of the spothecary shop contained in the 1821 Spanish inventory of public buildings.

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