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FFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

May 13, 126.

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To:

Director

From:

Acting Superintendent, Yeliowstone Mational Para

Subject: Monthly Narrative Report Lor April 1960

General

Weather. The first part of April was your our during the latter part of the month a considerable amount of very heavy, wet snow fell. The storm on the 23rd and 24th blanketed the ontire Park with snow. The crews were busy during the month opening the roads to the South, 2011 and West entrances. The maximum temperature at headquarters was to degrees, the minimum 6 degrees, and prodipination was 1.99 inches.

Increase or Becrease in Travel. Visitors to the Park during April totaled 1,342 in 389 vehicles, as against 1,201 visitors in 352 vehicles for april 1959. Travel was up 11.7 per cent from april 19 .

The West Entrance road was opened to visitor travel on April 17 but snow closed the road from the 24th through the 27th. The South and Bast entrances are to be opened May 1. Bearwooth highway will be opened on May 29.

About 25 cars per day visited old Faithful Iron the 18th through the 23rd, and from the 26th through the 36th.

Visitors. Mr. Howard Laicester, Regional Director, Department of Public Works, Canada, visited the Park on April 17.

Inspections. Mr. Ray Mottison, historian from the Region Two Office was in the Perk from pril 15 through the 23rd, checking records on preserving old buildings and structures at Norris Ranger Station, Chittenden Bridge, and Cottage Motel. Mr. Francis R. Roberson, Regional Architect, Region Two, was in the rk April 21 through 27th working with Mr. Mattison.

Mr. Frank Brown, Construction Representative, from the Western Office, Division of Design and Construction, arrived in the Park on April 17 for an indefinite stay.

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Dr. S. W. Nila, Collaborator, U.S. Cast and teodetic Survey was on the 16th gathering earthquake information.

Mr. John C. Gynn, Forester, U. S. Forest Service, Missoula, met the Forestry Aid (Timber Management) Reeves in the Park on the 19th 20th.

Messrs. E. C. M. Weber, Leroy W. Pickett, and E. W. Watkins, all auditors from the Washington Office, arrived in the Park on April 22 for about a six week stay. They are conducting an audit of the concessioners.

Superintendent Garrison returned to the Purk on April 20, having be away since March 1. Most of the time he was confined to a hospital bed in Oakland, California.

Assistant Superintendent Gastellum thended luncheon in Cheyenne, Wyoming, on the 19th and was the recipient of a copy of a film mad by the Humble Oil Company. The film, Turn the Wheel West", was presented to the Park in appreciation for help given during the filming. This is a very colorful and informative film about the forther ern National Parks, including Yellowston and Grand Taton, as the Rocky Mountain, Glacier, Olympic, Mt. Rainier, and Grater Lake.

Messrs. Gastellum, Bean, Murdock and Burns attended the annual meeting of the Southern Montana Travel Association hald in Livingston, Montana, April 11.

The annual Ranger Activities Conference was held from April 25 through 28th.

On April 14, South District Ranger H rry V. Leynolds, South District Manager Thomas B. Hyde and Administrative Officer E. R. Anderson traveled to Grand Teton National Park to di cuss the combined entrare fee program and other cooperative endeavor.

South District Manager Thomas B. Hyde spoke at the Izaak Walton Lamburin Sheridan, Wyoming, on April 1, 2 and 3.

Lake Sub-District Ranger W.J.Byrne Packard, attended the Water State Seminar held at Everglades National Park from April 10 through 15th

One examination for the Federal Service Litrance Examination for three contestants, and one Clerk Typi t examination for two contestants, were given this month.

Three National Park mess houses are in open tion: West Thumb Mess opened March 30; Lake Mess opened April 4, and Trail Cree Mess, Knowles Falls, opened April 15.

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The Tenth U.S. Civil Service Region Board Advisor Harold Johnson met with Board of Examiner members and agency personnel on April 21 and 22 in an inspection of Board Operations.

Staff meetings were held April 7 and 21.

Administration

Personnel. Ruby D. Ehresmann, Secretary (stenography), GS-5, Career-Conditional Appointment, effective April 11.

Park Ranger Robert N. Perkins, Jr., transferred to Sequoid-Kings Canvon National Park, effective May 1.

Sara F. Hoffman, Clerk Stenographer, 68-4, transferred to Death Valley National Monument, effective April 17.

Jack C. Everhart, Conversion to Career status, GS-7, Personnel Assistant, effective March 14.

Joseph C. Ely, Accounting Clerk, GS-5, conversion to career-conditional appointment, effective Harch 18.

In-Service Training. As an extension to the Management Seminar, four afternoons were devoted to educational films. Titles: Case No. 5118;
A Manner of Speaking: The Eve of the Beholder; Incentive Awards.

Messrs. Howard Kocher, Lester Abbie, Lester Cillett and Donald Herne attended a Fleet Maintenance Conference in Bozeman, April 4, sponsored by the National Automotive Parts Association. The purpose of the conference was better fleet maintenance procedures.

Phase I, Medical Benefits Training was discussed at a general meeting in the Canteen on April 15.

Miscellaneous. The Mammoth Library Board sponsored an Interior Decorating & Workshop every Wednesday evening during April. The first meeting was attended by approximately 40 employees. Fifty employees attended the second session, and a film strip "Color Ideas" was shown. At the third meeting many kinds of materials, floor coverings, curtains, accessories, plans, notebooks and scrapbooks were displayed and discussed. At the last meeting Mrs. Carrison gave an informative talk on decoration and packing for moving.

The Yellowstone Women's Guild elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Merion Chapman; Vice President, Vivian Burns; Secretary, Jane Hughes; Treasurer, Helen Minish.

Park Ranger Arthur J. Hayes Completed a correspondence course in Jail Management, U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Prisons.

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The National Federation of Federal Maployees held their monthly meeting on April 4. A film "Trans-Antarctic Crossing" showing Dr. Fuch's and Mr. Hillery's trip across the entarctic continent.

The regular monthly meeting of the American Federation of Government Employees was held April 11.

A farewell party in the form of a potluck supper was held April 22 for the Bob Perkins family who transferred to Sequois, and a welcome to the Oscar T. Dick family, and Ruby Ehresmann and Judy Kumpf.

The annual Spring Tee was held at the home of Mrs. Garrison on April 27. This is an annual affair and the ladies look forward to it with a great deal of pleasure.

Marriages. Januita Cooper and Clifford Ludwig, both of Gardiner, Montana, were married April 2 in the Gardiner Community Church. Mr. Ludwig is a Storekeeping Clerk for National Park Service.

The Reverend M. Allen Line and Miss Jean Wicoff were married in the First Presbyterian Church in Plainsbore, New Jersey, April 30 at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Births. A son, Karry, was born April 4 to Berty and Lawerance J. Hovig, in the Memorial Hospital, Livingston, Montana. Mr. Hovig is Supervisory Storekeeping Clerk for the National Park Service.

Deaths. Mrs. Clarence Johnson, passed away April 12 in Barrington, Illinois. Mrs. Johnson was the mother of Mrs. Joan Graf.

Mr. Maxey, Eather of Ranger Clyde Maxey, died April 8, in Lakewood, Colorado.

Cooperative Activities

Publicity. On each Thursday, the Yellowstone Weekly News was issued to keep employees, concessioners and others currently informed of Park happenings.

There were two press releases issued during April. April 4: Opening dates for the Park; April 6: Park Publicity (Travel).

Religious and Chapel Use. The Chapel was used every Sunday for the regular Sunday School and Protestant church services. A special Easter service was held Easter Sunday, April 17 at 6:00 a.m.

Museum Activities and Exhibits. Interpretive panels were installed at Lamar area, "Petrified Forests"; at Roaring Mountain, "Earth Forces and Fumaroles"; on Swan Lake Flat, "Gallatin Range".

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 Interpretive Services. Park Naturalist Mewitt and Park Gologis-Fischer provided interpretive services in the Park for Professor Albert Pulling and 12 students from Idaho State College Biology Park Games.

Chief Park Notoralist McIntyre presented a talk on the 1959 Earthquala to the Helena Kiwanis Club on April 18.

The Manmoth Museum was opened to Park visitors seven days a week during the entire month.

Weekly readings were made on the Madison River water gage for the U.S. Geological Survey.

The State of Mantana was denied permission to poison the Madison Miver for a short distance inside of Yellowstone Mational Park boundaries at an effort to rid Nebgen Lake of trash 110h.

Concessioners. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Haynes moves from lozeman to the Park April 15 in preparation for opening their operations.

The Yellowstown Park Company opened their Sardiner Garage and Shops on April 4.

Buildings and Utilities. Considerable the was used in removations of improvements in several buildings, such as cabinets, new linoleum, interior decoration, and shelves in library of the school.

Protection and Ranger Service. Dangerous trees are being marked for removal along the Montana Power Company right-of-way.

Snake River Sub-District Ranger Maxey terminated his cooperative winter assignment with Grand Teton Mational Bark on April 30.

wildlife and fish Cultural Activities. BISGA. The first call on reported on the 17th near Lamar River bridge. I have been seen between Old Faithful and Medison Junction.

BLACK BEAR. The first black bear with two cabs was seen at the Faithful on the 4th. One was observed swimming the 7 dison liver near Mt. Haynes on the 25th.

GRIZZLY BEAR. A mother with two, year-old cubs was observed in the Sode Butte area on the 17th. Many grizzlies have been observed throughout the Park.

ELK. An estimated 2,200 were observed in the Lamar Valley on the 26th. About 1,000 have been seen in the Old Faithful area. They are well distributed throughout the tark.

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MARTEN. A pine marten was observed at Pabble Crack on the 2/th. Ranger Williams saw it dash in front of his car to pounce on a mouse and devour it in the light of the headlamps.

MOOSE. Twelve were often seen feeding scross the river from the Snake River Ranger Station.

WILDFOWL. An abundance of waterfowl have been seen slong the Snake River. Two sandhill cremes were observed near Mud Volcano.

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Design and Construction

Plans, Maps, and Surveys: The following drawings and accompanying design analyses were reviewed during the wonth and recommended for approval or approved:

Master Plan Drawing NP-YEL-3610, Bridge Bay Marine

Master Plan Drawing NP-YEL-3625-A, Fishing Bridge Trailer Village

Preliminary Drawing NP-YEL-3710, Water and Sewer System, Grant Village

Master Plan Drawing NP-YEL-3546, Masmot: Residential Area

Preliminary PS&E, Madison Junction Roads and Gibbon River Bridge

Working Drawing NP-YEL-3716, Campground and Government Area Road Pavements

New Construction: Resume work orders were issued to Reed Nielsen Construction Company for construction of the washbouse and rehabilitation of the warehouse on April 11. The work by Utilities Service Company is still very slow and disorganized and we may soon find it necessary to resort to stern measures to speed up progress.

The bids for the construction of comfort stations at Madison Junction and an apartment house at Mammoth were rejected and the projects are being readvertised for bids to be opened on May 17. Bids were opened for the repair of the cement floor in the equipment repair shap damaged by the earthquake. The contract was awarded to Need Nielsen Construction Company for \$10,895.00.

The project for Grading and Slide Stabilization of the Nort: Entrance Road has gone very slowly. The BPR finally issued a notice and findings of fact preparatory to a hearing on April 26; the contractor went to work on April 26.

WODC Construction Representative Frank Brown returned to the Park on April 4, and Bruce Cassel came in on April 20 as lambingers of the busy season of construction shead.

Gerald A. Rowe Acting Sperintendent

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Attachments

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Joe J. Way, Supervisory Park Ranger

George J. Tracy, Supervisory Fire Control Aid

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