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MARRIAGES:	Perk Ranger and L. Swearin en and 'iss J ar T. Rodeck, February 17.	4
MISCELLANEOUS:	Farevell for lobert of Grace tobinson's retirement held Pab. 17, attended by George 1a, 12, Region Two, Ur. 11. Otto drown, rath 1; Joseph and Ava ly boored at farevell, 13; Yellowstone Park offers 10th Annual 11 et, Feb. 26.	4
ACCIDENTS AND PUBLIC SAFETY:	Chairman of Park That y committee was a still Feb. 6; cars and type off Gallatin one on to icy conditions.	4
PUBLICITY:	Yellowstone Techty and published count Three ay; three press releases to sued.	ć.
RELIGIOUS AND CHAPEL USE:	Regular Sunday Color and Trotestant Inches	X.
RESEARCH AND OBSERVATION:	Park Ranger McLelie reported applied by a erupting to 15. feet at 15 minute intervals.	ii.
INTERPRETIVE SERVICES:	Chief Park Haturalise writes short the on Shoshone Lake for consider manual.	ů.
MUSEUM ACTIVITIES:	Nowitzer and miscalla your items recommon or Big Hole.	5
GEOLOGICAL SURVEYS:	Rangers and U.S. Contopical Survey personnel read Hadison River typer gage.	
SOIL CONSERVATION:	All Snew Courses ruse and reports all to Weather Bureau in Las er.	5
YELLOWSTONE PACK BOUNDARY:	Preliminary study of worthwest boundary started for possible boundary adjustment.	3.
CONCESSIONERS:	Annual Financial report for Yellowstone or Medical Service pre-mudited and summary or - pared.	

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BUILDING & UTILITY
MAINTENANCE:

Final inspection of sprinkler system to Supply Center, Hammoth, west,

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RANGER ACTIVITIES:

Employees make ski patrol in Miller re: area

Feb. 22-26; ranger force on elk reduction activi
ties; District langur dynolds and r. Irai was

conduct ski patrol to Thoshone Lake, Feb. 11-1/;

Park Ranger Februard and Grand Teton dator als

ski patrol to Theart Lake; Rangers France de Colder

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WILDLIFE AND FISH GULTURAL ACTIVITIES:

Bighorn seen on slopes of Druid Peal, three man, four ewes observed across Lamar River; to late a les grazing in vicinity of Soda Butte; two late a les seen near Junction Jutte, two observed on Bardiner River, first mature bald Bagle in two years acen near Specimen Greek, Peb. 6; Two cows and calf moose near last intrance Station; I'll rejection ceased March 10, with total reduction filmre at 1,131.

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March 15, 1961

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To:

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Sworintendent, Yellowstone Mational Park

Subject: Nonthly Narrative Report for February 1961

General

Weather. The weather conditions were mild during the first half of the month. Precipitation and snowfall was light during the remainder of the month. Meximum temperature at headquarters and 43 degrees on the 22nd; minimum 0 degrees on the 15th. Total precipitation 1.25 inches.

Increase or Decrease in Travel. February travel was an 73.9 per cent from the same wouth last year: Sal visitors for February 1981, as against 564 in 1960. Visitors entering through the North Ditronce totaled 91 cars and 336 visitors. Visitors entering through the Visit Entrance totaled 145.

There were 16 snowmobile trips from est Entrance to Ol Faithful, carrying 131 visitors. Visitors represented the states of New York, Minnesota, Chio, North Dakota, Colorado, Nevada, Tisona, ashington, Idaho, Montena and Utah.

Five snowplenes visited the Park via South Intrance during February.

Visitors. Mr. Russ Kinne, free-lance writer and the to make r visited on February 6-22. Superintendent and Mrs. Otto Brown, Trauer Lake, February 16.

Inspections. Ernest K. Field, Region Two, Chief of ark For at and Wildlife Protection, and Coleman C. Neuman, Biologist, by the Washington Office were here Webrusry 6-10 to review the northern elk herd reduction program and review the Gallatin herd situation.

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Mr. Earl Welton, Robert Gordon and Charles Joy, U. J. Porest Service exployees from Bozeman and Gardiner, visited the lar: on February 7 to review our radio problems.

George Baggley, Regional Chief of Operations, was in the Part February 15, 16 and 17.

Special Activities. Biologist Robert L. Howe returned on the 5th from the Armual Neeting of the American Society for Langement in Salt Lake City.

Assistant Superintendent Gastellum and Biologist Nowe attended the Annual Bonneville County Sportsman's Jamobree in Idaho Falls, February 23-25.

Fire Control Specialist Genzel attended an area agency seeting in Great Falls on the 28th to discuss lontene Indian fire fighters.

On February 1, Mesers. Darwin Williams, Franklin Elliott and Ellis E. Gabbert consulted with Field Solicitor Desmul in Billiams relative to the Land-Air contract. supplement agreement was drawn up and a copy sent to Electronics Engineer McFadden (LODG) for review. The approved supplemental agreement was sent to Land-Air for signature.

Chief Park Ranger Nelson Murdock was in the Region Possifice the weak of February 12 for orientation and to discuss a matter of important protection functions in Yellowstone.

Members serving the tri-state essay contest on That Think Larks Mean to Me" were active during the month. Professor J.V.K. Mager of Colorado State University accepted to serve as writtipal judge.

Complimentary Permits for the 1961 season have be present and mailed in the tri-state area. All such permits for joint permits for the 1961 season have be presented and mailed in the tri-state area. All such permits for joint pe

Dr. Vincent J. Schaefer, College of ducation, Albery, -c. ectady, New York, and his party of seven retorologists arrived in the Park February 14 for a 10-day Field lessearch Seminar, Yellowstone Phase NPS/State College of Education, concerning sub-cooled for and clouds and the formation of ice crystals at Old Faithful.

Superintendent Garrison, Park laturalist Elutyre, Landscape Architect Nattson, Park Engineer Low, and Plans and rograms Officer Boam left February 19 for 11. San Francisco, to discuss this season's operating and construction program. Yessers. Garrison and McEntyre conducted a program at the MPS Training Center at Mosemite on the 27th.

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The winterkeeper at Lake reported six earth tremors during Jamery not previously reported. A tremor at lest Yellowstone on February 22 was of three seconds duration. This tremor was also reported by Old Faithful personnel. Two earth tremors at lest Yellowstone were reported on the 15th.

A Superintendent's staff meeting was held February 1.

Administration

Personnel. Mrs. Esther L. Meleod, Clerk-Typist, GR-2, conversion to Career-Conditional Appointment (Subject to Furlough), effective 2/19.

Dorothy C. Taylor, Clerk-Typist, 2-3, conversion to sreer-londitional Appointment. (Subject to Purlough), effective 2/10.

Evelyn A. McCann, Secretary, GS-5, return to duty, affective 2/16.

Mrs. Mary Ann Butcher, Clerk-Typist, GS-3, Temporary appointment, effective 2/15.

Mrs. Joan E. Winters, Clerk-Typist, 74-3, Temporary Appointment, effective 2/13.

Welney Bahr, Foreman II, Maintenance, changed to Fore an I, wintenance, effective 2/1.

Robert R. Robinson, Equipment Supervisor, GS-11, attrement, effective 2/23.

Iris I. Graves, Clerk-Typist, GS-3, resignation, effective 1/10.

James H. Martin, Clerk-Typist, 68-2, resignation, offentive 7/17.

Helen G. Minish, Clerk-Typist, GG-2, termination of the properture and the second seco

Supervisory Park Ranger Lee L. Coleman officially and his obtification of voluntary retirement as of April 16, 1961, with a year service.

Chief Ranger Charles R. Norey, Laguaro Lational Down et, La bour selected for the West District Lange position and will report for duty approximately April 1.

Joint Pees. The February 7 issue of the FEDERAL Color and ran etothe proposed combined fee arrangement for Yellowston and ran eto-National Parks.

In-Service Training. Supervisory torekeeping Cler the range J. Bottspent the month in Accounting.

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Incentive Award. Wayland Feirchild, Project Inspector (1000), was awarded \$150 for suggesting completion of As-Built drawings and completion reports in the field by field men.

Births. A daughter, Relly, was born to Mr. and Mrs. W. Tom Willigan on February 16, in the Hemorial Hespital, Livingston, Montana. Mr. Milligan is a Supervisory Park Ranger (Assistant Fire Unief) at Hammoth.

Marriages. Faul L. Swearingen and Miss Jean M. Rodeck were married February 17, in Livingston, Montane. Hr. Swearingen is a Park Manger at Namoth. Mrs. Swearingen was formerly employed by the Mational Park Service as a curator at the Western Museum Laboratory in San Francisco.

Miscellaneous. A Farewell Party honoring the retirement of Lobert (Bob) Robinson and Grace Robinson was held in the eastern on February 17. There were pictures, skits and presents. The party was sponsored by the NFFE and APGE. George Baggley, Region Two, and Mrs. Otto Brown, Crater Lake, attended.

On February 23 at the Coffee Hour, Joseph and Ava Tly were honored. Mr. Ely accepted a position with the U. S. Forest Service in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

Yellowstone Park Skiers held their 18th Annual Ski Seet, Sunday, February 26.

Accidents and Public Safety. Chairman of the Park Safety Committee William B. Poster, held a Park Safety Committee Heating on February 6.

Several cars and trucks went off the Gallatin Road due to icing conditions. No damage was reported but rangers assisted visitors.

Cooperative Activities

Publicity. On each Thursday, The Yellowstone Weekly Fews was issued to keep employees, concessioners and others, currently informed.

There were three press releases: Yellowstone Lake Canagement Plans, Robert R. Robinson's retirement, and streambanks and lakeshore cleanup.

Religious and Chapel Use. The Chapel was used every Junday for the regular Sunday School and Protestant church services.

Research and Observation. Park Langer B. Miley Mc Telland, stationed at Old Faithful, reported on the 10th that Sapphire Geyser was crupting to a height of 150 feet with 15 minute intervals.

Interpretive Services. Chief 'ark laturalist McIntyre wrote a short section on Shoshone Lake for Dr. John Pontagne's Yellowstone cancein manual.

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Museum Activities. Accountmement for the Big Hole world in long with miscellaneous items were received from former and ret issistant Robert L. Burns.

Geological Surveys. Rangers assisted U. S. Geological arm, personnel by reading the Madison liver water gage.

Soil Conservation. Park personnel took readings of all the Jourses in cooperation with the Soil Jonservation Service and reports with the to the Weather Bureau in Casper, youing.

Yellowstone Park Boundary. A profit duary study of the acithwest oundary ary of the Park was started for concideration of a consist boundary adjustment.

Concessioners. The Annual Financial leport for the Jear 1 for the Yellowstone Park Medical Service was pre-sudited and Juruary prepared during the wonth.

Building and Utility Maintens. . The final inspection was ade of the sprinkler system installed in the immoth Supply outer, which was completed and accepted February .

Ranger Activities. Several employers ade a ski mirot in the ill r Creek area February 22-26.

The Ranger force devoted nearly all of their time to all relaction activities.

District Ranger Reynolds accompanie by Pr. John J. Addition, conducted a ski patrol to the Phoshor Lake area via the Inithal, February 11-17.

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Rangers Fraser and Holder attender .irst Aid Instrument to the Vest Yellowstone, February 9-1/.

Forest Insects. Forestry Aid Leves returned Februar, from a seven weeks assignment in Missoul, contant. At assister the U. C. Forest Service advisors in property the Blister to control property for Yellowstone for the coming second.

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BISON. About 100 bison have graze in the vicinity of Soda at during the month. There is on small red calf in the herd. There herds were observed on Specian 21 pe, Slough Gre and Illroaring.

FAGLES. Two Bald Eagles were observed near Junction Butte of February 23. Two were observed on the Gardiner River, rebruary 13, eating on a deer carcase. A mature Bald Cagle was observed were Specimen Greek on the 6th, the first one seen in two pers.

MOOSH. Two cows and a calf moose have been seen near the last Entrance Station.

ELK. Direct reduction operated of a limited basis from laterary through the 14th, due to lack of show cover. Direct reduction will coase march 10.

Live trapping continued full scale. All request for live all from the State of Montana have been filled. We have the equate for live elk from private individuals or groups. Trapping will continue through March if weather conditions permit.

Our total reduction figure, including 25 taken by launters outside the Park is 1,131. This is 75 per cent of this year's reduction goal of 1,500.

Contracts. The final estimate for contract 14-10-243-32 with utilities Service Company for Utilities Extension residental rea, as oth, was paid. Ascent of contract was 51/4, 23.98.

Nance Engineering Contract No. 1/-10-434-394 for Investigation of Dradging Bridge Bay was paid on final estimate. Askent, 15,540.

Shallmaker, Inc. Contract No. 14-1 -243-411 for Dred ing bridge Bay Lagoon was paid on final estimate. Account, \$231,000.11.

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Plans, Maps, and Surveys: The following plans were reviewed and forwarded with comments:

Plan No. NP-YEL-3631 Master Plan - Bridge Bay
Plan No. NP-YEL-2283-A Master Plan - East Entrance
Plan No. NP-YEL-3808 Supplement - Bridge Bay Utilities

New Construction: Three contract construction projects continued through February with progress on each as follows:

Installation of sprinkler system in Warehouse by Grinnell Company of the Pacific. Work completed except for replacement of a broken switch. Final inspection and acceptance complete except for this one item.

Two seasonal apartments at Mammoth by Nelson Brothers. Progress slow. Interior painting complete and exterior work underway. Floor man holding up completion of bathroom plumbing. Insulation completed. There has been no work on the floors and all electrical and heating tests are yet to be completed.

Duplex teacherage and principal's residence by Easton and Hiller. Progress is good. Cabinets abve been set in duplex. Sanding of hardwood floors in duplex started. One half of duplex has electrical fixtures in place. Painting of duplex complete except for minor trim; house has been started. Exterior items to be held until spring.

All other construction jobs are shut down until spring except for the procurement of tables, fireplaces, and latrines by contract, and the assembling of these items by the permanent force for use in day labor campground and picnic area projects this spring.

Conferences and Meetings: Superintendent Garrison, Chief Park Naturalist McIntyre, Mission 66 Coordinator Bean, Chief Park Engineer Rowe, Park Landscape Architect Mattson left the Park February 18 for San Francisco to confer with Western Office, Division of Design and Construction personnel on construction and development matters.

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In triplicate

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