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MEMORANDUM for the Director.

Following is the report of activities for Yellowstone National Park during the month of May 1949.

Weather Conditions. Average temperatures and below normal precipitation was recorded at Mammoth during the month. Precipitation totaled 1.39 inches as compared to the previous five year average of 2.16 inches. The maximum temperature of 77° was recorded on May 26 and 27 compared to the five year average of 76.8°. The minimum temperature of 25° was recorded on May 6 and is slightly higher than the five year average of 19.4°.

Special Activities. Superintendent Rogers returned on May 1 from a trip started April 28 which included visits in Billings, Cody, Casper and Custer Battlefield National Monument. On May 2 he attended with Messrs. Johnston, Condon, and Jack Haynes, the dinner program of the District Meeting of Rotary International held in Livingston. Trips were made on May 5, 11, 19 and 27 to Bozeman to visit the library to obtain additional information in connection with legislative history study. On May 23 Superintendent Rogers with Messrs Johnston, Joffe and Condon, attended Rotary in Livingston and presented the program for the occasion. Congressman Wesley A. D'Ewart of Montana was also present.

The Local Civil Service Board held examinations on May 11 for Clerk CAF-1-4 and on May 20 for Clerk-Stenographer. Chief Clerk Anderson conducted the examination on the 11th and Messrs. Proper and Joffe on the 20th. Three persons participated in each of the examinations.

A meeting of the Yellowstone Parent-Teachers Association was held on May 10 and new officers were elected for the ensuing year. William Proper was elected President, Howard S. Kocher, Vice President, and Mrs. Charles Schmid, Secretary-Treasurer. The Yellowstone Community Sunday School held a meeting on the same evening to elect officers. Mr. J. Stanley Fillmore was elected Superintendent for the 1949-50 year, Dwight Richards, Assistant Superintendent, and Mrs. Virginia Hursh, Secretary-Treasurer.

The J. E. Haynes residence in Bozeman, Montana caught fire at 4:00 a.m. May 11 and considerable damage was done to the house by fire, smoke and water. Lida Haynes and one of the Haynes employees were sleeping in the residence at the time but both escaped without any serious injuries. Mr. Haynes was in the park when the fire occurred and Mrs. Haynes was in St. Paul, Minnesota, engaging employees for the 1949 season.

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SUMMARY for the director.

Following is the report of operations for Yellowstone National Park during the month of July 1940.

Weather conditions. Overall temperatures for the Park during the month were recorded at Lake Ranger Station. Precipitation totaled [illegible] as compared to the year before when it was recorded at 2.15 inches. The average temperature of 57° was recorded during the month and 57° was recorded in the previous year. The highest temperature of 84.5°. The highest temperature of 87° was recorded in the previous year. The average of 4.2°. The highest temperature of 87° was recorded in the [illegible] in elevation 7 miles than the five year average of [illegible].

Special activities. Interpretative program reduced to [illegible] [illegible] Lake Ranger Station [illegible] Lake, Yellowstone, Canyon, and Old Faithful Inns. [illegible] Yellowstone Lake [illegible] to visit the library to check [illegible] [illegible] with lighting [illegible]. [illegible] Lake Ranger Station [illegible] the program for the season. [illegible] also present.

The Boy Scout Service Camp held [illegible] July [illegible] Cut-in-Bay on May [illegible] the [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] persons participated in each of the [illegible].

A meeting of the Yellowstone Park-Teton Chamber of Commerce was held on July 11 and the [illegible] for the month [illegible]. [illegible] were elected President, [illegible] Vice President, [illegible] Secretary, and [illegible] Treasurer. [illegible] Superintendent, and Mr. [illegible] Superintendent.

The [illegible] Yellowstone residents in Jackson, [illegible] Park [illegible] May 11 are considerable damage was done to the house by fire, [illegible] and [illegible] Lila Jones and one of the second employees were alighting in the [illegible] at the time but both escaped without any serious injuries. Mr. [illegible] was in the park when the fire occurred and [illegible] employed in the [illegible] employees for the 1940 season.

The Construction and Maintenance wage rates for 1949 were approved by the Director on May 11 and went into effect on May 15. The new meal rates for the park were approved on May 25 and became effective May 29. The new rates were $1.00 for single meals and $2.15 per day.

Administrative Assistant Joffe returned to the park on May 13 from attendance at the Interior Department Personnel Management Conference held in Washington, D. C. during the week April 25 - 29. Mr. Joffe reported a most successful meeting with an opportunity to become acquainted with many of the field officers of the various bureaus connected with personnel work as well as Mrs. Maulding and a number of officials in her office. While in the East Mr. Joffe spent a week in New York City on annual leave.

The Absaroka Conservation Committee held its spring meeting in the park at Mammoth on May 15. It was not possible for Congressman Wesley A. D'Ewart, President of the organization, to be present. Dr. R. A. Hamilton, Vice President of the organization, presided. Mr. James E. Cole, Biologist, Region Two, represented the Region at the meeting.

The Yellowstone Park School at Mammoth closed on May 20.

Resident Landscape Architect Mattson left on May 30 for Glacier National Park where he was to spend a week on matters affecting that area.

The fishing season officially opened in the park on May 30. Several radical changes became effective in the fishing regulations, the most important of which was the reduction of the limit of catch from ten fish to five fish per day per person fishing. There were restrictions placed on night fishing and the Cascades of the Yellowstone River between Lake and Canyon were closed to fishing for a distance of 500 yards.

The Moran-South Entrance Road was open to travel on May 15 and the following day the roads were open to travel from Norris to Canyon, Lake and West Thumb. The plows started opening the Red Lodge-Cooke Highway on May 16 and it is expected that this road will be open to travel between June 10 and 15. The East Entrance Road was open to travel on May 22, the South Entrance and Continental Divide Roads on May 27 and the Dunraven Pass Road on the 28th.

Inspections. David Canfield, Superintendent, R. W. Montgomery, Engineer, George A. Swift, Road Foreman, and Wilbur W. Checkas, Equipment Operator, Rocky Mountain National Park, and A. C. Thuring, Assistant Park Engineer, and George Beaton, Mixed Gang Foreman, Glacier National Park, visited the area on May 3 in connection with a snow removal demonstration using a bulldozer in the high drifts. Mr. Checkas performed the demonstration on May 4.

Weldon B. Robinson, Biologist, Fish & Wildlife Service, Denver, and his assistant Maynard Cummings in May 14 to continue coyote tagging studies.

Mr. James E. Cole, Biologist, Region Two, in May 14 with Mrs. Cole to attend Absaroka Conservation Committee Meeting.

Walter F. Sanders, National Representative, American Federation of Government Employees, Tacoma, Washington, in May 15; held meetings with Government employees May 15 and 16.

J. H. Smith, Highway Engineer, Public Roads Administration, in charge of the Canyon construction job in May 20 with small crew.

Franklin Neubauer, Landscape Architect, Region Two, in May 25 to assist Resident Landscape Architect Mattson.

In-Service Training. A total of 60 man-hours were devoted to intensive training, both class and actual practice, by permanent protection division personnel in the use of firearms. The general Safety Outline prepared by the protection division personnel was widely distributed to all division heads for use of their personnel. Tentative plans have been prepared for a two-day In-Service Training Program for all newly appointed seasonal rangers and seasonal ranger naturalists on June 14 and 15 in order to acquaint them with the park and their general duties. Each district park ranger will carry out detailed training sessions for the men under their direct supervision. It is planned to hold In-Service Training programs for all park concession employees and a special program for the bus drivers, after they all report for duty.

The News Letter was published weekly by members of the naturalist division.

Publicity. A press release on the opening of the fishing season and the new fishing and boating regulations was sent out to the park's publicity mailing list on May 20.

As was the case last year, the park concessioners will not engage a publicity director for the 1949 season. The publicity work will be handled by Administrative Assistant Joffe.

A total of 31,100 broadsides for 1947 remained on hand at the end of the month.

Plans, Maps, and Surveys. Field surveys of the Old Faithful Campground were under way during the month and construction stakes were set for the widening of the South Entrance Road at the park boundary.

Landscape Architect Neubauer, Region Two, arrived in the park May 25 and will remain until about June 13 to assist Resident Landscape Architect Mattson in the preparation of plans.

Maintenance. Spring snowplowing operations made very good progress during the month due to rather mild weather. On May 27 snowplowing operations were completed within the park and on the 28th the roads in the park were all open to public travel. Progress of the plowing operations on the Red Lodge-Cooke section is ahead of schedule and it is expected to have at least one lane cut through early in June. The highway should be open to travel between June 10 and 15.

On May 4 road maintenancemen from Rocky Mountain and Glacier National Parks demonstrated the use of the bulldozer in snow removal operations at Dunraven Pass. The operation was very successful even though the snow was unusually soft. It was planned to use the dozer on the Red Lodge-Cooke section but this was not done because of the soft condition of the snow this season.

Small road crews were located at the end of the month at Mammoth, Gallatin, Thumb, Lake, East Entrance, Canyon, South Forest and Beartooth. Most of the operations to date have consisted of opening of culverts, surface patching, rock cleanup, and removal of snow fences and markers.

Roads in general are in somewhat better condition than a year ago, the Canyon area presenting the most serious problem at present. The new road under contract to Strong Company in the Canyon area has been very soft and spongy and snow-water runoff caused severe damage at Canyon Junction. It was necessary to do considerable repair work at this location to make the road passable for traffic. A large slide occurred about 200 yards below the Canyon Hotel on the newly constructed road but at present traffic is not using this section.

Ice going out of Yellowstone Lake on May 16 caused a serious jam against Fishing Bridge, but by heavy blasting of the large ice floes it was possible to prevent any appreciable damage to the bridge.

Several minor slides were cleaned up by the use of the truck shovels and new front-end loaders.

The new wage schedule which went into effect on May 15 resulted in a revision of operations again. The labor situation is very much better this season allowing a better choice of employees.

New Construction. There was no work on major road construction during the month.

Mr. J. H. Smith, the P.R.A. Engineer in charge of the Canyon project under contract with Strong Company, arrived in the park on May 20 with a small crew. The contractor expects to arrive on the job about the middle of June to begin work.

Under Account 470, Campground Extensions, Fishing Bridge and Old Faithful, 70-odd fireplaces were prefabricated and 100 table and bench combinations were also prefabricated.

No work was done during the month on Account 471, Utilities, Tables, Fireplaces and Comfort Stations, but some plumbing material was ordered. A survey is being run in the field under Account 500, Campground Roads, Old Faithful.

Construction stakes were being set under Account 513, Minor Road Construction, Widening South Entrance Road to Checking Station.

Concessioners. Mrs. Anna K. Pryor arrived in the park on May 2. Accommodations were available in the C. A. Hamilton Store at Old Faithful beginning May 3. Mr. W. M. Nichols arrived at the park on May 11, returning to Helena on the 14th.

The rates for 1949 for Haynes, Inc. were approved on May 12.

Huntley Child, Jr., moved his offices for the Yellowstone Park Company from Gardiner to Mammoth on May 14, on which date the Yellowstone Park Company opened its tourist cabins, cafeteria and garage at Old Faithful.

The first supply of the Yellowstone Park Company's "A" and "B" folders was received in the park on May 14.

John Q. Nichols, Assistant to the President of the Yellowstone Park Company, arrived in the park on May 14 and opened his office at the Mammoth Hotel.

Dr. Edward E. Bertagnolli, newly appointed Resident Physician at Old Faithful, arrived in the park on May 15 and entered on duty at Old Faithful. Dr. Bertagnolli is a resident of Red Lodge, Montana, and was formerly employed by the Yellowstone Park Company in the park.

The telegraph and telephone offices in the Mammoth Hotel were opened on May 17.

Mr. C. A. Hamilton arrived in the park on May 20.

The Fishing Bridge tourist cabins, cafeteria and garage were opened to the public on May 25. The Haynes Old Faithful shop was opened on the 26th. The Canyon and Thumb tourist cabins and cafeterias, the Canyon garage, Mrs. Pryor's Coffee Shop at Mammoth, and the Old Faithful Dispensary were opened on the 28th. The Haynes Fishing Bridge Shop was opened on the 30th.

Mr. H. B. Brown, Superintendent of Hotels, arrived in the park on May 27.

Interpretive Services. On May 13 Mr. Condon presented a talk on the park to the American Society of Civil Engineers at the Bozeman Hotel in Bozeman with about 110 persons present. On the 14th he presented pictures for a talk to members of the Absaroka Conservation Committee who were meeting in the park. About 25 persons attended. On the evening of the 20th he presented a talk to the assembled convention of the Montana State Federation of Federal Employees in Helena with some 60 persons present.

Museum Activities and Exhibits. Work was continued throughout the month on museum accessioned materials, revising cards and bringing the material up to date. The Mammoth Museum was opened to the public on May 23 and the museum thoroughly cleaned on the 26th. There were intermittent visitors throughout the month with a record attendance of 672 persons. The Old Faithful Museum was opened on May 23 and attendance for the balance of the month totaled 4,320 people. Two talks were given at the Old Faithful Museum to 85 people.

A new flag pole was erected at the Norris Museum by maintenance crews and walks around the museum and in the Norris Basin were repaired. All wayside exhibits were made available to visitors shortly after the first of the month.

Research and Observation. On May 5 one of the maintenance crews cleaned the culvert under the highway from the Terrace Spring near Madison Junction. An old elk carcass and other debris were found plugging the culvert and preventing the normal flow of water out on the terraces in the Terrace Spring area. With the removal of this debris and the normal flow of water out on these terraces there has been an interesting development of algal coloring which is now adding materially to the beauty of the terraces.

On May 6 the Chief Park Naturalist and Park Naturalist Alcorn visited the Fishing Bridge Museum for the purpose of rechecking the world record bison head which is on exhibit there. Measurements were made of this skull and the information secured sent to Mr. Frank Dufresne, Chief of Information for the Fish and Wildlife Service. At this time, also, pictures were taken of the skull and an enlargement sent along with the information concerning it. The snow at this time was still very deep around the museum and along the roadway to it.

The first elk calf observed by members of the Naturalist Division was seen on May 24 on the alluvial fan across the Gardiner River between Gardiner and Mammoth.

One item of unusual interest has been the male Richardson's grouse which stationed himself near the Stevens Creek ranger station. This grouse challenged each and every individual which entered along this road and whenever a car stopped and the occupants would get out the grouse immediately approached them and became pugnacious. It would chase individuals who would run away from him and if they remained stationary he would walk around and around them making peculiar noises and at times would charge against their legs, either pecking or beating at them with his wings. It was possible to pick the bird up and while it was held in the hand made no particular effort to get away and continued to make peculiar noises characteristic of his actions. When placed down on the ground again he would immediately charge and strike with his wings. At times he would grasp a pant leg with his bill and tug as if he were a bull dog. A number of local residents secured pictures of this bird and it is feared that someone may have run over him for he has not been observed during the past two weeks.

One collecting permit was prepared during the month for Assistant Chief Ranger Evans to collect a family of black bears for use as an exhibit group in the Los Angeles County Museum.

Natural History Association. All publications which it is anticipated that the Natural History Association will sell during the coming summer have been received excepting one entitled "The Story of Man in Yellowstone Park" by Dr. M. D. Beal. It is expected that this publication will be received in late June. Seven hundred and fifty copies of the book "Along Yellowstone and Grand Teton Trails" by Joseph Muench were received on May 31. These are paper bound copies and the cloth bound ones are expected soon.

It was necessary during the month to change the mailing prices on publications sold by this Association due to the increase in handling costs, postage and wrapping materials.

The Association's multilith was used in the preparation of new forms for use by the Naturalist Division and a great deal of work was done on the machine for the Chief Clerk's office and the Chief Ranger's office, especially in the preparation of copies of the new boating regulations and fishing regulations, as well as boat permits.

Publications were sold during the month at Custer Battlefield National Monument, at the Old Faithful museum and the Mammoth museum. It is expected to start publication sales at the Fishing Bridge museum June 1.

On June 16 the Association made a special acquisition for the Yellowstone Park Library when they secured from the National Parks Association photostatic copies of all of the National Parks Association Bulletins which we did not have in the local library. With the acquisition of these photostatic copies the Yellowstone Park Library will now have complete volumes of the publications of the National Parks Association.

The Association's printing press and type were used in the preparation of a number of signs which will be used by the Protection Division with respect to fishing regulations.

Increase or Decrease in Travel. A total of 34,607 persons entered the park in 10,929 vehicles this month as compared with 32,865 persons who entered the park during the same month last year in 10,119 vehicles or a gain of 5.3% in park visitors. For the travel year a gain of 15.7% was shown at the end of the month. The road from Gardiner to West Yellowstone was open for travel on April 30, the East Entrance on the 22nd and the South Entrance on the 27th compared with the opening dates of 21st for East and 28th for South entrances last year.

Visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Haas of Omaha in May 3, out 4. Mr. Haas represented the President of Rotary International at the District Rotary Convention in Livingston.

Madame Gabriall Gerard, Brussels, Belgium in May 14. Madame Gerard was gathering material for a book on international affairs.

Clifton J. Hunt, Public Lands Committee, reported in May 23 with Mrs. Hunt.

Ranger Service. Foster R. Freeman entered on duty as permanent park ranger May 9. Seasonal Rangers C. Robert Morey and Howard H. Chapman entered on duty May 2 and Seasonal Ranger Donald L. Richards entered on duty May 23. Assistant Chief Rangers Leon Evans and Breynton Finch attended the Federal Bureau of Investigation Firearms Training School which was held in Butte, Montana on the 26th. Park Rangers Harry V. Reynolds and Robert S. Luntey attended the Ranger Conference and Mountain Climbing School held in Glacier National Park May 2-6.

The majority of the permanent Protection Division Personnel moved to their summer locations during the month after the roads were ploughed open, and property and records were transferred. Field work at all field stations was started as soon as the snow recession permitted. Considerable trail work was accomplished, especially in the Mammoth District. Other Protection Division activities consisted of fish planting, highway patrol, operation of checking stations and related tasks necessary to place the organization in operation for the summer season. The project of tearing down the Old Antelope Creek pasture fence was carried on through the greater part of the month as man-power was available. The majority of the wire fence was taken down and rolled and it is planned on removing the posts when the ground becomes dry enough to permit use of equipment. A crew was employed for Mammoth grounds maintenance and the winter protective fence was taken down and work started on putting the lawns and shrubbery in good condition.

Wildlife and Fish Cultural Activities. BEARS. A mature grizzly bear was responsible for two incidents involving damage to property. The animal entered the Fish and Wildlife Service garage and storage building at Lake on two occasions but has not appeared since the second incident was reported.

Bears began to appear along the park roads before mid-May or somewhat earlier than usual. They were commonly seen by the end of the month and were particularly numerous in the vicinity of Tower Falls.

RODENT CONTROL. Control of ground squirrels was resumed at Mammoth, Tower Falls and Lamar where 386 of these rodents were destroyed during the month. Control operations were limited to developed areas and particular attention was given to removal of those animals found in the vicinity of human habitation.

FISH CULTURE AND FISH PLANTING. Most of the park waters opened to fishing on May 30 and attracted unusually large numbers of visitors from nearby states. Anglers concentrated at Yellowstone Lake and other lakes which afforded excellent fishing and generally were successful in taking the new and reduced limit of five fish for each person fishing. Streams were high and roily but the Madison and Firehole Rivers yielded limit catches to the more experienced fishermen.

The Fish and Wildlife Service hatchery at Ennis, Montana, furnished 36,200 #7 rainbow trout fingerlings for the Madison River and 3,200 of the same size and species for the Firehole River. The hatchery at Bozeman, Montana, delivered 34,000 #1½ loch leven trout for the Madison River and 20,000 of the same size and species for the Gibbon River.

Spawn-taking operations at Trout Lake, near Soda Butte commenced May 11 and the operation was completed on May 23. Spawn-taking operations at Yellowstone Lake commenced on May 26 in the following streams: Clear, Cub, Chipmunk, Grouse and Pelican. The total number of rainbow eggs taken at Trout Lake is not available at this time but will be reported later.

Forest Fire Protection. A Class B lightning fire in the West Yellowstone District on May 13, was reported and attacked on May 14 and was declared out on the 16th. This fire burned a total of 8.5 acres of brush and timber.

Toward the end of the month rains eased the dry situation which existed and no doubt ended the spring fire season.

The "Annual Report of Forest Protection and Building Fire Equipment" was prepared and transmitted to the Director's Office and Regional Office.

Training charts and other training aids were prepared for use in fire control aid and blister rust personnel training.

Fuel for Public Campgrounds. Two laborers and a truck driver were employed for a week hauling wood for camper use in the Fishing Bridge, Tower Falls, Old Faithful and Mammoth campgrounds. A small balance in this account will be used to provide wood in the Madison Junction and Canyon camps before the end of the fiscal year.

Wood Cutting. Two timber permits were issued during May totaling 260 trees. These trees were to be removed along road rights-of-way where removal would prevent their falling on the highway at a future date.

Trails. Three trail men were employed on May 12 and assigned to work in the Mammoth District. One of these transferred to the Engineering Division on May 16. Two additional men were employed on May 16 and assigned to the Mammoth District. One man was employed on May 23 and sent to Old Faithful. On May 31, one man was transferred from the trails account to the Lamar Unit to replace Henry Reynolds, who quit May 27. Two additional men were employed on May 31 and sent to West Yellowstone. This makes a total of six trail men now employed, two at West Yellowstone, two at Lake, and two in the Tower Falls District.

The trails in the Mammoth and Old Faithful Districts are now open with the exception of a few miles in the Old Faithful District that are still blocked with snow.

Building Fire Protection. Building Fire Hazard Inspections are now being made in Government and concessioner buildings through the park.

The Building Fire Control Plan for the Mammoth area was completely revised and new fire brigade assignments made. The fire engine crew was given approximately three and one-half days of training. Also, the ladder and salvage crews were given one-half day of instruction. One general fire drill was held on May 27.

The fire truck was redesigned so as to carry 200 feet of 1½ inch CJRL hose. 100 feet of this hose is connected to each side of a wye. It is planned to use this hose in buildings. The 2½ inch hose is used from the hydrant to the wye, which is placed near the fire. During a drill, the fire engine crew had water from the two 1½ inch lines in 32 seconds after the hydrant man left the truck at the hydrant. The location of the wye connection was 75 yards from the hydrant.

Accidents. Ten motor vehicle accidents were reported during the month, of which eight were Class "B" and two "A". Considerable damage was done to the vehicles in some of the accidents but injuries of a minor nature occurred in only one of the accidents. Drunken driving caused three of the accidents and in these cases the drivers were fined $100, $200, and bound over to the District Court in Cheyenne, respectively.

Law Enforcement. Four law enforcement cases were presented before the U. S. Commissioner during the month consisting of two drunken driving violations, one excess fish case and one apprehension of the driver of a stolen automobile who was bound over to the District Court in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Personnel. Edwin M. Schultz, Storekeeper (General) CAF-3, Robert C. Morey, Park Ranger, CAF-4, and Howard H. Chapman, Park Ranger, CAF-4, entered on duty on May 2. Park Naturalist George D. Marler entered on duty May 23 and Park Rangers Albert B. Cochrell and Charles M. Anderson entered on duty May 31. Boyd M. Stewart, Messenger, CPC-1, entered on duty May 23.

Evelyn K. Miller, Secretary (Stenography), CAF-4, was promoted to Secretary (Stenography), CAF-5, effective May 6.

Foster R. Freeman entered on duty as Park Ranger, CAF-5, May 9.

The promotion of Lawrence W. Vickrey, Fiscal Accounting Clerk, CAF-4, to the position of Fiscal Accounting Clerk (Cashier), CAF-5, vice Alice D. Hirst, was approved by the Director on May 27. The promotion will become effective on the resignation of Mrs. Hirst which will take place at the close of June 10.

Births. A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Condie in the Park Hospital on May 9. The new arrival was named Maureen Susan. Mr. Condie is employed as Packer Foreman.

Deaths. Charles P. Motts, Highway Engineer, Region Two, died in Omaha on May 13. Mr. Motts visited the Yellowstone on a number of occasions and made many friends here. Shortly after World War I he was engaged in engineer work in Livingston, Montana, and worked on the Carter Bridge four miles south of Livingston.

Miscellaneous. The regular monthly meeting of the National Federation of Federal Employees, No. 465, was held in the Canteen on May 2. Messrs. Condon, Nyquist and Kocher left on May 20 for Helena to attend the State Convention of National Federation of Federal Employees held on the 21st. Mr. Condon was reelected First Vice President of the State organization and presented a Yellowstone program on the evening of May 20.

At a meeting on May 16 an American Federation of Government Employees local was organized here, with Walter F. Sanders, National Representative, Tacoma, Washington, attending. On the 23rd another meeting was called for the election of officers: Thomas M. Thompson, President, Roger H. Miller, Vice President, Thomas A. Bowman, Secretary-Treasurer, and Arnold G. Quist, Guard.

Regular Sunday School was held in the Yellowstone Park Chapel each Sunday and Reverend E. A. Syms of Livingston conducted evening services on the 1st, 15th and 29th.

On May 3 a special musical program was presented in the Chapel by artists from the Montana State College at Bozeman.

Edmund B. Rogers,
Superintendent.

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