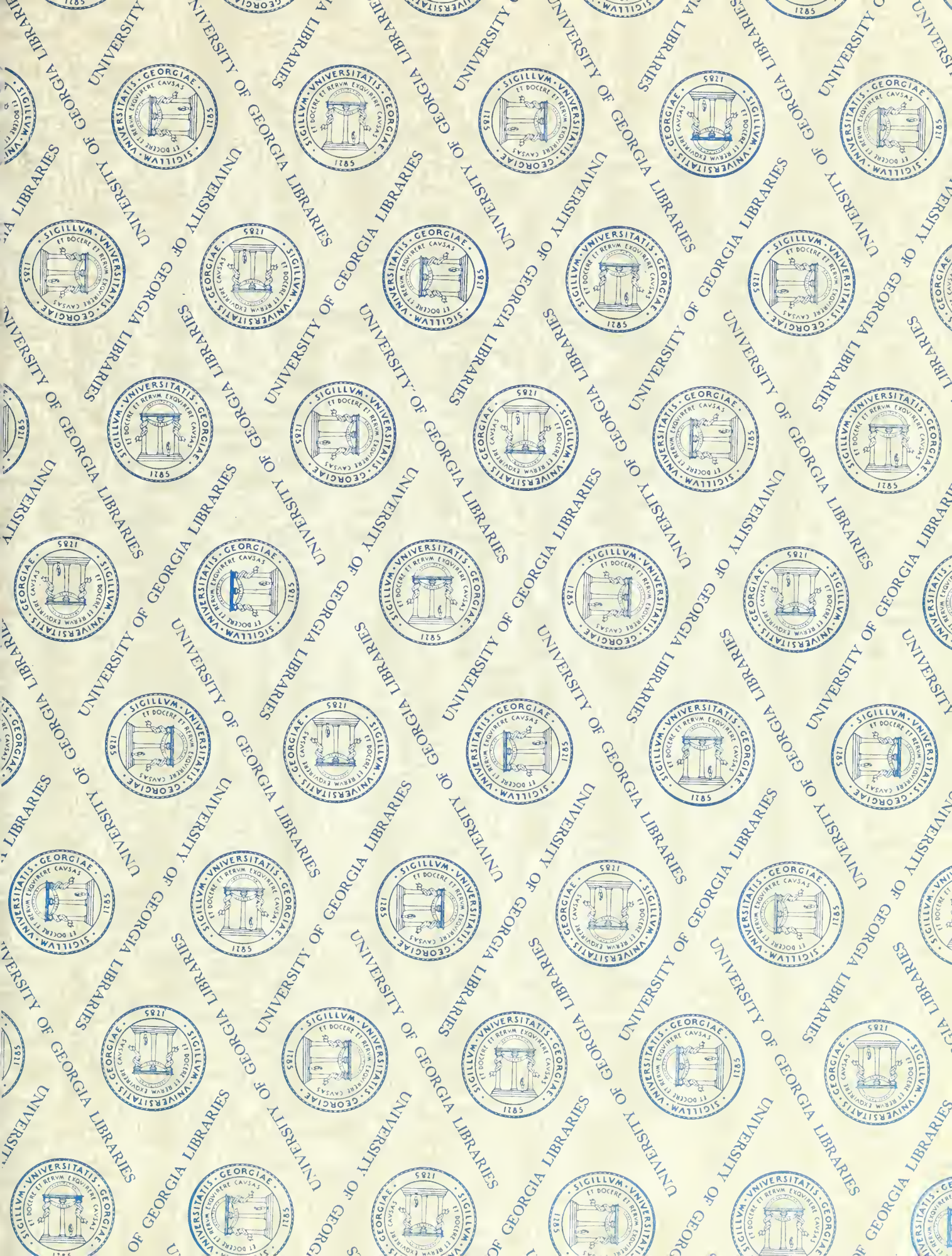


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J. AUSTIN SMITH

State Conference Features Prominent Figures

J. Austin Smith, an internationally renowned speaker and public relations consultant from Ohio, will be the principal speaker at the Georgia Recreation and Park Society's Annual Conference Banquet at Callaway Gardens, on October 11. A distinguished delegate to the recent Canadian Recreation Symposium and the Third World Recreation Congress in London, he is also a member of the Board of Trustees of the National Recreation and Park Association.

The self styled recreation and conservation enthusiast will share the "platform" during the three-day conference with other notable personalities in the recreation and park field. Among these are: Dr. Betty Van der Smitten of Penn State University; Ralph Wilson, Vice President of the American Park and Recreation Society; Dr. Martin W. Meyer of the University of Indiana; Temple R. Jarrell of the National Recreation and Park Association, and Reverend Robert T. Baggott of Newnan, Georgia.

Governor Lester Maddox has accepted an invitation to deliver the keynote address on the evening of October 9. A reception in his honor is to follow.

James A. Colley, Conference Chairman, reports that the Program Committee is planning sessions of interest to all facets of the recreation and park profession.

\$2.8 Million Approved For Recreation

Within the last two and one-half years Georgia's cities and counties have successfully promoted bond referendums for recreation development in excess of 2.8 million dollars. In the past five months alone voters in political subdivisions have approved one and one-half million dollars for recreation expansion. These figures reveal only those reported to the Georgia Recreation Commission therefore the total might be slightly higher.

LAFAYETTE A LEADER

One of the most prominent examples that "a community can have as good a recreation system as it wants" is found in the City of LaFayette. With a population of approximately 7,000, the citizenry approved a recreation bond program for \$500,000 on May 16. This distinguishes LaFayette for outstanding progress in this phase of municipal service since their full-time recreation department was established less than three years ago. Harry Harrington is their Director of Recreation and Parks.

Others who recently conducted successful bond issues are Museegee County for \$600,000 and Columbus for \$300,000. These two governmental units have separate and distinct recreation departments.

During the two and one-half year period Cobb County approved \$900,000, Carrollton \$325,000, and Cartersville \$65,000.

On Saturday, July 8, a \$50,000 bond program was approved in the City of Riverdale (population approximately 2,000), of which \$30,000 was designated for recreation development. The voters of Richmond County joined the list of successful bond referendums for recreation and parks by approving a \$100,000 bond issue for land acquisition for parks in Richmond County.

These are consistent with the public's general awareness that recreation is of vital importance to community life. It furthermore substantiates the fact that people not only desire quality recreation service but they demand it and are willing to pay for it.

Promotional materials on recreation bond programs may be obtained from the Georgia Recreation Commission.

**MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND
RECREATION AND PARK CONFERENCE
October 9-11 — Callaway Gardens**

FEATURE

Georgia Southern College Provides Recreation Leaders

by

DR. DOUGLAS H. LEAVITT



RECREATION EDUCATORS—Dr. Douglas H. Leavitt (left), Head of the Recreation Curriculum at Georgia Southern, confers with fellow teacher, Charles M. Exley, Jr.

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The Recreation Curriculum at Georgia Southern College is designed to provide trained recreators for the citizens of Georgia. The curriculum is concerned with the more practical aspects of recreation leadership, and has provided top-flight personnel for many of the departments of the State. Several graduates hold positions of responsibility in out-of-state departments as well. While the 1967 graduating class will be the largest in history, only a few individuals will be available for employment because of military obligations.

Originally headed by Dr. George Stopp, the 1960 enrollment numbered 12 students. Since 1962, the curriculum has been administered and taught by Dr. H. Douglas Leavitt, and enrollment now exceeds 100. Charles M. Exley, Jr., was a welcomed addition to the faculty in the fall of 1965. Last year changes and additions were made to the curriculum in the form of areas of emphasis. Concentrations in Public Recreation, on Camping and Outdoor Recreation and Recreation for the Ill and Handicapped are now available.

A Graduate Curriculum leading to a Masters Degree in Recreation Administration is being submitted to the University System Board of Regents with the hope of making the curriculum available for the fall term of 1968-69. The degree which will be administered by a third faculty member at the doctorate level, can be secured in three quarters—fall through spring—provided all academic requirements are met upon admission.

CUTHBERT CORPORATION DEDICATES NEW POOL

On July 4th the Henderson Recreation Corporation, a negro citizens group in Cuthbert, dedicated a new swimming pool at Henderson Park. Funds were derived from private sources and the City of Cuthbert.

John H. Davis, Executive Director of the Georgia Recreation Commission, delivered the dedicatory address while Mrs. Nannie L. Jenkins served as Chairman for the occasion.

Approximately 150 area residents, including Mayor John Farris, attended the ceremonies. A barbecue followed the dedication service.

The pool is approximately 75 feet by 40 feet and includes a diving well and a wading pool.

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LAFAYETTE

The voters of the City of LaFayette recently voted approval of a \$500,000 bond issue for Recreation and Parks.

DECATUR

The Decatur Recreation Department has expanded its fine program by adding Creative Dramatics. The Program Instructor is Rand Hopkins, formerly affiliated with the Boys' Clubs of America. Bill Searce is Director of Recreation for the City of Decatur.

COLUMBUS

The voters of Columbus have approved a recreation bond issue for \$300,000. The bonds will be used to construct two new Community Centers.

MUSCOGEE COUNTY

A \$600,000 bond issue for Muscogee County has been approved for recreation and park purposes.

ATLANTA

The City of Atlanta Recreation and Parks Department has been approved for a \$600,000 grant to assist in the vast summer recreation and parks program.

DALTON

The Dalton City Council has approved a \$156,000 budget for the Recreation Department. \$115,000 of this is to be appropriated from the general fund. The Council also agreed to a recommendation from their Recreation Commission to submit an application to the Land and Water Conservation Fund for the acquisition of two additional park sites, 20 and 40 acres.

DEKALB COUNTY

DeKalb County Recreation Department recently completed 16 championship type tennis courts in the Briarcliff community. The total cost of the tennis facility was \$250,000. The tennis complex has seating for 3,000 spectators and parking space for 300 vehicles. John Carson is Recreation Administrator for the DeKalb Department.

GAINESVILLE

The Recreation and Park Board requested a budget from the Mayor and Council of \$98,000 for the next fiscal year. The Mayor and Council established their budget at \$104,000. The total budget, including revenues, is \$137,000.



NEWMAN DEVELOPS RECREATION SITE—The City of Newnan has designated a 17-acre tract as a recreation area in memory of the late C. Jay Smith, a noted banker and civic worker. Shown above at the entrance marker are, left to right: Mr. Earl Joiner, City Manager; Councilman Joe Norman; Mayor Howard Royal; Mrs. C. Jay Smith; Councilman Dan Boone, and Mr. Edgar Hollis, Chairman of the Water and Light Commission. The area will provide a variety of recreation opportunities and will be under the auspices of their newly established Recreation Department.

PREZIOSO REPLACES LA GASSE AT HELM OF NRPA

Dr. Sal J. Prezioso has been named Executive Vice President of the National Recreation and Park Association. The announcement was made Thursday (June 22) in New York by Endicott P. Davidson, New York attorney and NRPA President, and in Washington by Conrad L. Wirth, Chairman of the NRPA Administrative Board and former Director of the National Park Service. He replaces Alfred B. La Gasse.

Dr. Prezioso is leaving Westchester County (N. Y.) government service where he was Executive Officer to the County Executive. He has also been Superintendent of Recreation for Scarsdale, N. Y., and Director of Recreation and Employee Relations for Rockefeller Center, Inc., in New York. Laurance S. Rockefeller is immediate past president of NRPA.

The National Recreation and Park Association is the largest non-profit service organization in the park and recreation field. It is dedicated to the wise use of leisure time, the conservation of natural resources and beautification of the total American environment.

Dr. Prezioso, a well known recreation leader and seasoned administrator, received his bachelor of science and masters degrees from New York University and his doctorate in education administration from Columbia University.

The National Recreation and Park Association is headquartered in Washington, D. C., and maintains eight district offices throughout the country. It serves 20,000 professional and lay members as well as public and private agencies in the park and recreation field.

Recreation Buildings



EAST POINT — Financed by a bond issue, this facility was completed in 1965 at a cost of \$207,000. The structure contains 17,300 square feet and includes a full size gymnasium, crafts facilities, kitchen, offices, meeting rooms, weight lifting area, snack bar and numerous other assets. Richard Lane is Director of Recreation and Parks.



DECATUR — One of the largest centers in the State is located in Decatur. It embraces 23,517 square feet and cost approximately \$322,000 when constructed in 1955. It offers a variety of opportunities for all ages. William Searce is the Director of Recreation.



LAGRANGE — The Callaway Educational Building began operation July 19, 1965. The building contains 36,000 square feet. In addition to the building, the Educational Center includes an auditorium, pool, stadium, library, tennis courts, picnic areas and physical education facilities. Mr. A. C. Kirby, Jr., Vice President, Callaway Education Association, is in charge of the facility.

Since the advent of the Outdoor Recreation Resources Review Commission Report in 1962, there has been a decided emphasis on recreation facility development. There is apparently more interest today in the construction of recreation centers than has ever been experienced. Although this interest is worthwhile, in many instances it proves a bane instead of a blessing. This is due to the fact that numerous recreation buildings are constructed with little concern for their functional design, utility, safety, attractiveness, supervision, or community needs. The results have been less than satisfactory.

It is essential that such buildings be properly planned and functionally designed to make possible a varied program of activities for all ages and both sexes.



MANCHESTER — The Manchester Educational Center is owned and operated by the Callaway Educational Association. The building is a part of a large recreation complex which cost approximately \$600,000. Used as a "family facility," the over-all complex also includes a swimming pool, lighted tennis courts, and athletic facilities for softball and baseball. W. K. Wilson, Jr., is the Director.



WARNER ROBINS — The City Recreation and Parks Department at a cost of \$157,000. Total equipment cost was \$31,000. The building includes a large game room for table tennis and pool, ceramics, a library. Claude M. Lewis, Director of Recreation, reports that

A Bane or Blessing!

Recreation buildings should provide a healthful, safe, and attractive atmosphere in which every person in the community or neighborhood has the opportunity to enjoy his leisure by participating in activities of a creative, physical, cultural, and social nature.

(The Georgia Recreation Commission is available, upon request, to confer with groups in regard to the construction and planning of such facilities.)

On a positive note, many communities in Georgia have built excellent indoor facilities. Examples of such can be seen on this page. Leadership in these communities has not only considered the utility of such facilities, but their maintenance and operation and — JUST AS IMPORTANT — the exterior aesthetics which is so important in gaining and maintaining public support.



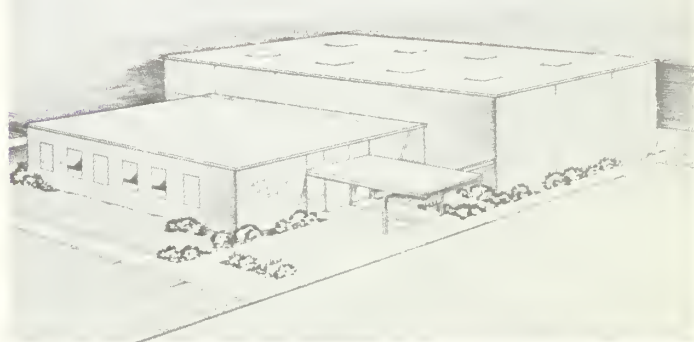
SUMMERVILLE — In 1957 the voters of Summerville approved bonds for \$200,000 for the construction of a Community Center and swimming pool complex. The facility was completed in 1959 and contains 15,267 square feet. In addition to the building and pool, the recreation complex includes two tennis courts, lighted youth baseball facilities. Clyde Davis is Director of Recreation and Parks.



CARTERSVILLE — The Civic Center was completed in December, 1966, at a cost of \$86,400. A bond issue provided the funds and it contains 7,800 square feet. It basically has a large social hall, teen-age lounge, kitchen, meeting room and offices. Plans permit the future additions of a gymnasium and arts and crafts facilities. Proper landscaping adds immeasurably to the building and renders it a source of pride in the community. Fred W. Caswell is Director of Recreation.



COLUMBUS — The City of Columbus recently expanded its Recreation facilities by the construction of two new Community Center buildings. The two facilities contain 6,600 square feet each and were constructed at a cost of \$150,000. Source of revenue for the construction of the two centers came from the city's Capital Outlay Program. P. B. Austin is Director of Recreation.



DALTON — The Dalton Recreation Commission recently completed their second modern Community Center Building. The building contains 6,820 square feet and was constructed at a cost of \$115,000. Funds were derived from the following sources: \$72,000 from contributions, \$22,000 from the City of Dalton, and the Recreation Commission appropriated \$21,000. Charles C. Clegg is administrator of the Dalton Recreation Department.

by virtue of a bond issue, completed this structure in 1964 at square feet provides opportunities to all age groups and in-
th room, gymnasium-social hall, offices, conference rooms and
building is open seven days and six nights each week.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Ed McKinney is the new Recreation Director for the Claxton-Evans County Recreation Department.

Tony Spinnel has joined the staff of the Brunswick Recreation Department as Program Director.

Lamar Bagwell is the new full-time Director of Recreation for the City of Hartwell Recreation Department.

Ronald Cadora, formerly of College Park, has joined the Forest Park Recreation Department as Assistant Director. Cadora joined the Staff July 10, 1967.

RECREATION PROJECTS FOR FUN AND PROFIT

Georgia farmers are thinking in terms of recreational enterprises to raise the values of their farms and increase their incomes. It appears that RECREATION is fast becoming a "farm crop." We are told that America's spring exodus from the city into the countryside is proof that farm people have what most city people want—the open air, woods to camp in, fields to hike and ride in, ponds to fish in — well, why not get set to sell them these things?

Some farmers are already doing it, and they are finding that one of the best crops they can cultivate is city people. Of course, not everyone is going to make a killing in outdoor recreation. You must have the right location, the capital, the time and the disposition of an innkeeper. For those who can muster these things, the current recreation boom represents the biggest new money making opportunity in farming today.

The Soil Conservation Services are available in all rural counties to provide general guidance on recreational developments, as well as technical aid in soil, water, plant and wildlife problems, and in cooperation with the Soil Conservation Service, the Farmers Home Administration has geared themselves to help farmers get into this business furnishing financial assistance.

Recreational enterprises that may be financed through the Farmers Home Administration include camp grounds, horseback riding stables, swimming facilities, tennis courts, shooting preserves, vacation cottages, nature trails, hunting facilities, lakes and ponds for boating and fishing. A recreation facility developed with a Farmers Home Administration loan cannot be for the exclusive use of the farmer-borrower.

STATE GETS WATERSHED PROJECT AID

The Soil Conservation Service has just received authorization to give technical and financial assistance on four large watershed projects in Georgia, according to an announcement made recently by Cecil W. Chapman, state conservationist for the SCS.

Estimated total cost of the projects is \$16.2 million, of which \$9.4 million will be federal and the remainder will be provided by other sources. Once the projects are completely installed, it is estimated that benefits will amount to \$878,170 annually.

The projects are the 76,600-acre Sallacoa Area Creek and the 83,900-acre Pine Log Tributary Watersheds in Gordon, Bartow, Cherokee and Pickens counties; the 108,919-acre Euharlee Watershed in Bartow, Floyd, Haralson, Paulding and Polk counties; and the 158,506-acre Bridge Creek-Ochlocknee River Watershed in Colquitt and Worth counties.

Congressional approval of the work plans for each of the projects was made by the House and Senate Public Works Committees.

Local sponsors of each of the projects had earlier developed work plans outlining their proposals for the solutions to their respective soil and water resource problems. After formal local approval of these plans, they were approved by the State of Georgia and eventually by Congress.

SGS watershed planning parties from Athens assisted local sponsors of the projects in the preparation of the work plans.

Three projects—the Pine Log, Sallacoa Creek and Euharlee Creek—are primarily designed to solve severe flooding and erosion problems in northwest Georgia.

Georgians Attend Mental Health Conference

Thad Studstill, Jimmy Rainwater and Bruce Prosser of Central State Hospital attended the recent North Carolina Mental Health Conference at Chapel Hill, N. C. Miss Robin Jackson of the State Parks Department appeared on the program.

LEADERS FOR LEISURE

Here's a dynamic film that stresses the importance and need for professionally trained leaders to insure the success of a community program. It's a story that every citizen should hear and see. **Description:** 16mm, color and sound. Running time: 21 minutes.



PAUL CLARKSON

A Florida State University graduate in Recreation has joined Gainesville's Park and Recreation Department, Bill White, Superintendent, has announced.

He is Paul Clarkson, 22, Ocala, Florida, who will be the new Program Director.

White said Clarkson's job will include promoting, establishing and supervising all recreation programs for all age groups all during the year. He will work with the swimming pools and take on such jobs as tennis instruction.

He was a member of the National Junior College Tennis Champions in Ocala, and his high school tennis team was the conference champions.

Clarkson received his B.S. Degree in Recreation April 20. He is interning with the Georgia Lockheed Employees' Recreation Club at Marietta.

He worked with the Florida State Park Service, LaFayette Community Center, the University Union, and City of Ocala Recreation Department prior to his joining the Gainesville staff.

RESULTS G. R. P. S. STATE TRACK MEET

District Scores:

First: 135½
Fourth: 156
Seventh: 42
Eighth: 208½

Department Scores:

Glynn: 82
Jesup: 78
Newnan: 70
Carrollton: 67
Statesboro: 63½
Brunswick: 48½
Vidalia: 44
Dalton: 39
College Park: 19
Brooklet: 16
Waynesboro: 12
Rome: 9



STATESBORO JAYCEE STADIUM

— The Statesboro Jaycees, in cooperation with the City Recreation Department, has completed an ultra modern lighted youth baseball stadium. The civic organization, through various fund raising projects, provided the finances while Ralph Turner (far right), Superintendent of Recreation for the city, served as the overall coordinator. Also pictured above are, left to right: Rodney Harville, the Jaycee Project Chairman; and Chick Radcliffe, Jaycee President.

SOCCER ANYONE!!!

Frank Brown, Director of Recreation for the City of Roswell, desires competition for his soccer team. Departments interested should contact Mr. Brown in Roswell.

Recreation Improvements Cited in Gainesville

Bill White, Recreation Executive for the City of Gainesville, reports that a number of significant improvements are being made in the Gainesville facilities. These are:

- (1) The construction of two laykold tennis courts in cooperation with the school board.
- (2) The lighting of two tennis courts at City Park.
- (3) The department is remodeling a section of the present Civic Center for teenage activities at a cost of \$21,000.
- (4) Allocation of \$32,000 in additional facilities in the southwest part of Gainesville.
- (5) New equipment purchases at a cost of \$8,806.62.

JOB MART

Individuals desiring to apply for positions listed in the Job Mart should apply directly to the Agency which has the opening. The Georgia Recreation Commission maintains a Personnel Service file for reference to prospective employers. The Commission will be happy to keep your credentials on file upon request.

Recreation Therapist

With the Atlanta Adult Activity. (A center for adult mental retardates.)

Salary: \$5,500 with 5% yearly increments.

Education: Must be a graduate of a recognized College or University in Recreation or related field with an emphasis in Arts and Crafts.

Experience: No work experience necessary.

Benefits: 5½ hours of work daily, 5 weeks vacation, sick leave, group insurance.

Available: Position is available around September 1st.

Contact: G. Thomas Graf, Executive Director, Atlanta Association for Retarded Children, 833 Springdale Road, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia.

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Recreation Center Supervisor I or Recreation Center Supervisor II

College Degree — DeKalb County Recreation Center.

Salary: \$4,800 to \$6,060 — Recreation Supervisor I — \$5,592 to \$7,020 — Recreation Center Supervisor II.

Benefits: Vacation time: accrued at the rate of ½ day for each 2 week pay period, cannot be used until employee is permanent. Sick leave: accrued at the rate of ½ day for each 2 week pay period.

Duties: (A) Plan and supervise the activities at a recreation center.

Contact: John Carson, Recreation Administrator, DeKalb County Recreation Department, 430 N. McDonough St., Decatur, Ga. 30030. Phone: 404-284-2288.

CAREERS IN RECREATION

A film that shows the tremendous need for recreation today and the rapidly increasing demand for trained recreators. Takes you out in the field to show what a young recreator's life is like—his duties, responsibilities, activities. Excellent for career day programs. **Description:** 16mm, color and sound. Running time: 27 minutes.



JIMMY RAINWATER has assumed his duties as Recreation Director for the new Southwestern State Hospital in Thomasville, Georgia. Jimmy is a graduate of Georgia Military College and Georgia Southern College. He received his B.S. Degree in Recreation and has held the position of Recreation Therapist for the Central State Hospital for two years. Jimmy is a native of Tifton, Georgia.

NEWS BRIEFS

(Continued)

STATESBORO

The City Recreation Department has six Water Safety Instructors on their summer staff.

GRIFFIN

The Griffin Recreation Department has received considerable editorial support from its daily newspaper. Recently, an editorial of the paper listed the overwhelming response from the local citizens. Case in particular was the fact that over 1,000 people responded to the softball and baseball program.

DUBLIN

The operating budget for the Dublin Recreation Department has increased from \$23,000 to nearly \$50,000 for the new fiscal year.

COMMISSION ACTIVITIES

The Georgia Recreation Commission is conducting "Recreation Appraisals for Winder-Barrow County, Gwinnett County, Madison and Cornelia. The appraisals are done only upon request of local government officials and at no cost to the requesting officials.



TOMMY HARRIS, graduate of Taylorsville High School and a December graduate of Berry College, has joined the Cartersville Recreation Department as Program Director.



ROY A. HAMMOND is Director of Recreation and Parks for the City of Dublin.

FEDERAL AID

Camilla has received an urban renewal grant of \$694,908 for the 47-acre "West End" urban renewal project.

Savannah has received approval of a \$244,586 grant reservation to assist in financing its proposed West Broad Street YMCA Neighborhood Service Center.

Calhoun's grant of \$9,985 to assist in the purchase of 34.5 acres of naturally wooded areas for park and recreation purposes.

Bleckly — The Bleckly Recreation Association has been approved for a loan of \$160,000 by the Farmers Home Administration. The funds will be used to develop a 104-acre outdoor Recreation Center for the citizens of Bleckly. The project will include a swimming pool and a golf course.

Towns County Advances

Towns County's newly created Recreation Commission is busy coordinating and promoting county-wide activities. The largest undertaking by the group thus far is the construction of a lighted multi-purpose athletic field. Chairman Luke Rushton reports that the facility is now under construction and all funds are being acquired through contributions.

HELTON TO TAKE NEW YMCA POST

Henry H. Helton, Jr., who has served for the past two years as executive secretary of the western branch YMCA in Mobile, Ala., will assume the position of executive secretary for the central community branch "Y" in downtown Atlanta.

Mr. Helton, a graduate of Florida State University with a major in recreation, will head the YMCA branch devoted to serving inner city youth.

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RECREATION SECTION

One of the major goals of municipal recreation is to grow and expand with the other services of municipal government. Municipal recreation is now on the threshold of taking another aggressive step forward. This progress is due to the newly organized Recreation Section of the Georgia Municipal Association. The Recreation Section now has a complete Constitution and By-Laws and plans are being activated to encourage all of our municipal directors to become active members in this professional section of municipal government. In addition to municipal directors, the Recreation Section will also include in its membership, associate members who represent other fields of recreation.

The purpose of the Recreation Section will be to cooperate and participate in coordinated programs which will improve and advance the cause of the profession of public recreation. To promote better ways and means of extending recreation programs and facilities to the citizens of the State of Georgia in order to increase their recreation opportunities.

I would like to urge each of our municipal directors as well as our professional people in federal, hospital, private and other recreation agencies to join with us in the continued growth and development of the recreation field in the State of Georgia.

Sincerely,

Roy A. Hammond

Roy A. Hammond, President
Recreation Section
Georgia Municipal Association

ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER SWIMMING POOLS

An Advisory Committee on Swimming Pool Standards has been appointed by the Georgia Department of Public Health to revise and bring up-to-date existing standards for design, operation and maintenance of public swimming pools in Georgia.

Although there are no state laws at the present time governing the construction, operation and maintenance of public pools, the State Health Department encourages all cities and counties, or whoever operates public pools, to obtain a copy of these recommended standards and adhere to them.

The revised standards will be made available upon their completion.

W. Tom Martin, Jr., represents the Georgia Recreation Commission on this Committee.



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GOVERNOR MADDOX TO KEYNOTE CONFERENCE—Governor Lester Maddox has accepted an invitation to deliver the keynote address on the evening of October 9. The Chief Executive is shown above discussing plans for the Conference with some principal figures of the Georgia Recreation and Park Society. They are (left to right) Charles C. Clegg of Dalton, President; Richard G. Lane, Director of Recreation in East Point and a member of the Georgia House of Representatives; the Governor, and James A. Colley, a member of the Georgia Recreation Commission's staff and Conference Program Chairman.



The United States Army Infantry Center Band, Fort Benning, Georgia will perform at the 23rd Annual Georgia Recreation and Park Society Conference at Callaway Gardens.

State Recreation and Park Conference, October 9-11

Recreation and Park leaders from throughout the state will converge on Callaway Gardens for the Annual Meeting of the Georgia Recreation and Park Society, October 9-11, 1967. Over 400 lay and professional delegates representing a variety of agencies and institutions are expected to be present on the evening of October 9 when Governor Lester G. Maddox delivers the keynote address.

Representatives from public and private agencies, state, federal, hospital, armed forces, churches and educational institutions will study and discuss a multiplicity of recreation and park related problems and developments during the two and one half day meeting. James A. Colley, Program Chairman, states that "We have tried to harness some of the nation's foremost authorities as well as quality leadership from our own state as program participants and I believe that the Conference has something of value to offer to everyone in our field."

SPECIAL APPEAL

Since the opening session will be a meal function, the Program Committee finds it necessary to ascertain the number of those planning to attend. Therefore, it is extremely important that delegates pre-register prior to October 5. Instructions and information regarding registration can be found on the back page.

"In view of the increasing interest in recreation and parks and the over-all leisure movement, it is our hope that all city and county officials and other agencies will make a concerted effort to have someone represent them at this most important conference," states Charles C. Clegg, President of the Georgia Recreation and Park Society.

CONFERENCE EDITION



MR. COLLEY, Assistant Director of the Georgia Recreation Commission.

FEATURE

Our Profession Needs You— If You're A Professional!

by

JAMES A. COLLEY, President-elect
Conference Program Chairman

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The 23rd Annual Georgia Recreation and Park Society Conference is quickly approaching the target dates—October 9-11. This state-wide conference for lay and professional personnel provides an excellent opportunity for an in-service training program of high caliber.

Originally, our district organizations within the Society framework provided an opportunity for professional personnel to meet, exchange ideas and discuss new programs, but more recently the district level organization has been devoted almost exclusively to the discussion and promotion of athletics. Therefore, very little professional training is provided through our district organizations. Our profession, in many respects, has less opportunities for sound in-service training programs than any known profession. True, we have our regional and national conferences which are excellent, but up to this particular time, Georgia's participation and attendance has been less than satisfactory. Therefore, every lay and professional person in our profession should make it their ultimate goal to have every department, agency and institution represented at the conference. It is reasonable to assume that this 23rd Annual Conference will be the most important function of the professional society this year. This is as it should be.

The Conference Program Committee has endeavored to formulate a program which will be of interest and helpful to all of the many interests represented in our organization—lay as well as professional. The Committee has secured speakers from Georgia and throughout the nation who are well qualified to speak in their respective areas of interest. It should be the intent of every delegate to attend group discussions, each meeting and all sessions, returning to their respective positions better prepared to do a more effective job for those they serve.

In addition to the splendid speakers and conference sessions, the membership of the Georgia Recreation and Park Society will have an opportunity to voice their opinions and vote upon several issues which are of upmost importance to the growth and development of the organization. Among these are: (1) the approval or rejection of an Athletic Association—its constitution and by-laws, (2) the consideration of a newly devised scholarship-loan program for deserving students, (3) a proposed program of licensing for all publicly employed recreation and park personnel in the State of Georgia, and (4) the always important task of electing new officers to lead the organization during the coming year.

Hardly anyone would disagree with the fact that we face numerous complex problems in our field. By the same token, approaches and techniques in recreation as in other fields are radically changing. It is difficult to keep abreast and to be well informed to the extent that our services hold quality and meaning for our constituents. How then, if this be the case, can we ignore an opportunity of such magnitude—an opportunity to render ourselves better qualified to meet the ever increasing challenge of our profession . . . THE CHALLENGE OF LEISURE!! The Conference Committee believes that it is important that every community in Georgia be represented at the conference. CAN YOU REALLY AFFORD TO MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY?

Commission Corner



VERNE J. PICKREN is a member of the Georgia Recreation Commission representing the Eighth Congressional District. The Folkston resident is shown above with his two attractive daughters as they enjoy an air boat ride in the nearby Okefenokee. Cecil Carter (standing), Manager of King's Landing, a private fishing and wildlife preserve embracing 20,000 acres, conducted the excursion into the primitive refuge. Members of the Commission staff were also on hand for the trip which took place while surveying the recreation resources of the area in conjunction with a recreation appraisal being done for the City of Folkston and Charlton County.



Mrs. Howard Leveritt, Mayor Protem, examines the flower arrangements at the Decatur Flower Show.

DECATUR FLOWER SHOW A BIG SUCCESS

The Decatur Recreation Department's Community Center was recently turned into a sea of flowers as over 1,190 entries were entered in the flower show sponsored by the Decatur Flower Show Association. The Decatur Flower Show Association is composed of ten garden clubs with an average membership of 25.

The Association Show was a one day event with over 800 people attending.



THE RECREATION DIRECTOR... THE OLD AND NEW IMAGE "The Old Image"

Scraped the diamond
Mowed the grass
Sold the pop,
Picked up the glass.

Ran the dance
And led the band.
Stopped a fight
With a strong left hand.

He taught and coached and drove the bus
Handled all with little fuss.
Baseball, basketball and mumble-peg
Volleyball, tennis and a broken leg.
Senior, adults and teenage boys,
Action cameras and lots of noise.
Swimming, ballet and tournaments run,
This was not work, you see, 'twas fun.
Reports and budgets and letters wrote
With problems gripping him by the throat.
Criticized, and with friends few,
Because he offered nothing new.
As hard as he did work and strive,
He probably died at thirty-five.

"The New Image"

Now the director sits at his desk,
And tells others to do their best.
At ten he arrives upon the scene,
And then at two he's on the green.
Appoints committees and watches them work,
While he smokes his pipe in his TV shirt.
Organizes his crew and staff.
Tells them his jokes, they have to laugh.
Occasionally he may take a ride,
To watch his program grow and thrive.
He travels over state and nation,
As befits a man of station.
He joins the clubs and hunts and fishes.
And does pretty much just what he wishes.
He feels an administrator is most effective,
When he can issue a directive,
And let others fuss and run,
While he soaks up the summer sun.

Now what is it I really mean?
I mean that this is just a dream.

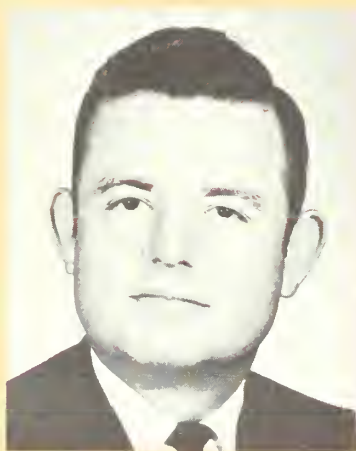
—WALTER GILLET

"Professional Housekeeping and the Professional Growth of the Administrator" at the Great Lakes District Recreation Conference, Chicago, Illinois, April 1-4, 1962



RALPH C. WILSON

Ralph C. Wilson is Vice-President of the American Park and Recreation Society. He is a graduate of Colorado College and currently serves as Recreation Specialist with the Soil Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. His diverse experience in the recreation field includes service as an athletic supervisor and playground director in Colorado; Municipal and County recreation and park administrator in California and Virginia; and hospital recreation director at the National Leprosarium in Louisiana. Mr. Wilson will be principal speaker at one general session and will also speak to hospital and student concurrent meetings.



ROBERT T. BAGGOTT, JR.

Reverend Robert T. Baggott, Jr. is Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Newnan, Georgia. This native of Augusta has served as a member of the Georgia Recreation Commission since its inception in 1963 and is a vitally interested layman in the area of leisure pursuits. As an active member of the Board of Directors of the Newnan-Coweta County YMCA and President of the Community Council, he has been instrumental in the organization of a municipal recreation department in Newnan. Recognized as a "strong voice for recreation" he has spoken to such groups as the Southern Recreation and Park Conference, the Georgia Recreation and Park Society, the South Carolina Recreation Society, the South Carolina Senior Citizens Annual Conference and the Georgia Youth Workshop. He will serve as principal speaker at the Lay Awards Dinner on Tuesday.

State College On Recreation Oct. 9-11 Callaway

CONFERENCE HIGH

Monday, October 9

- 9:00- 1:00 P.M. Golf ... Fishi ...
- 1:00- 5:30 P.M. Conference Registration
- 2:00- 4:00 P.M. GRPS Board of Directors
- 7:30 P.M. Opening Session of the Conference
Speaker: Honorable Governor ...
- 9:30 P.M. Reception for Governors

Tuesday, October 10

- 7:45- 9:30 A.M. Dutch Breakfast Session
"New Innovations in Recreation"
Park Field House
Speaker: J. Austin Smith
- 10:00-11:00 A.M. "Let's Combat Recreation Problems"
Speaker: Dr. Betty ...
- 1:30- 2:30 P.M. "Recreation and the Future"
Speaker: Dr. ...
- 7:30 P.M. Lay Awards Dinner
Speaker: Rev. ...

Wednesday, October 11

- 10:00-11:00 A.M. "A Golden Period for Recreation"
Speaker: Ralph C. Wilson
- 11:15 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. Annual GRPS Business Meeting
- 2:00- 4:00 P.M. Three Part Conference
Subjects: "New Concepts in Recreation", "Benefits of Recreation", "State of the Art"
Speakers: Tenney R. ...
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Cliff ...
- 7:30 P.M. Annual Conference Dinner
"The Dynamic Power of Recreation"
Speaker: J. Austin Smith



J. AUSTIN SMITH is President of the American Association of State and Park Commissioners and an envoy of the Georgia Recreation and Park Society. He will be the principal speaker at the conference. Only this year has he been the subject of a fire in the town of Lookoutville. He is the third in a line of about slow burners.

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HIGHLIGHTS

October 9

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SMITH is a member of the National Recreation Association Board of Trustees. A self styled recreation lecturer, this Ohioan was special to Governor James A. Rhodes to the Third on Recreation in Brighton, England, and a recent Recreation Symposium in Canada. He led a concerted effort to prevent the concrete house on the site of a park in his hometown. Mr. Smith reports in effect that "this in three years to desecrate our park—talk men!"



BETTY VAN DER SMISSEN

Dr. Betty van der Smissen, Associate Professor of Recreation at Pennsylvania State University in charge of the Graduate Program and Research for Recreation and Parks, is a featured general session speaker and will also appear before a student group. She is a graduate of the University of Kansas where she received a degree in law and holds a doctoral degree in recreation from the University of Indiana. From 1956-64 Dr. van der Smissen taught at the University of Iowa and also served as Director of Research for the National Recreation Association from 1964-65. As a former member of the American Camping Association Board, she is still active in outdoor education.



MARTIN W. MEYER

Dr. Martin W. Meyer, a graduate of New York University, is the Director, Division of Planning and Evaluation, Indiana Department of Mental Health and also serves as Executive Director, Indiana Mental Health Planning Commission. He has distinguished himself in Indiana as Chairman of the Governor's Advisory Committee on Recreation in 1959-60 and as Chairman, Governor's Conference on Recreation in 1957-58. He was recognized by the Indiana Parks and Recreation Association in 1964 as "Man of the Year" and received a special citation from the ARS, Hospital Section, in recognition of exceptional service to his fellow men through the medium of recreation. This noted author, teacher, lecturer, consultant and recreation therapist will speak to a general session and also to the Hospital Section.

Summer Time Is Fun Time At Day Camp

The Statesboro Recreation Department has added a new and interesting facet to its program this summer that is gaining a great deal of support in that the new program is meeting the need of two age groups that have heretofore been excluded from the planned programs of the department. Day Camping began at the beginning of summer and thus far has been highly successful with two week sessions planned for boys and girls who will enter the first four grades this fall.

Under the leadership of Lonice Barrett, Program Director, the activities of the Day Camp, Camp Cherokee, have included arts and crafts, nature and wildlife study, physical fitness, riflery, archery, group games, group singing and a special treat each day, story time.

The last two sessions will be conducted for youngsters entering the second grade and this fall's first graders. Mr. Barrett stated that of particular interest will be the latter session in that it will give these pre-schoolers a group lesson experience that might lessen an oftentimes frightening experience of starting school.

Lasting from 9:00 A.M. until 12:00 Noon each morning, Camp Cherokee is proving to be a most exciting program for boys and girls enrolled in the four two week graded sessions.

Anyone desiring additional information on Statesboro's Day Camping program should write for further information. The expenses are very small for so large a dividend!!

Big Hugh Now In Recreation

These headlines in a recent issue of the Atlanta Constitution attracted the attention of many of the Recreation and Park Professionals in the state. Charlie Roberts, in his article, was writing of Hugh Frank Radcliff, Director of Recreation for the City of Cordale and Crisp County. Roberts cited the outstanding record of Hugh's accomplishments in baseball. Listed among the accomplishments were: Struck out 28 Lanier batters in a nine inning game, averaged 2.5 strikeouts per inning for two seasons, and signed with the Philadelphia Phillies on June 5, 1948 for a bonus of \$40,000. Hugh was Georgia's first big baseball bonus boy.

Temple R. Jarrell Honored

Temple R. Jarrell, NRPA's Southern District Representative, has been elected to the Washington Metropolitan Softball Hall of Fame. During his career as a pitcher from 1939 to 1960 he won 258 games while losing 23. In 1944 Jarrell pitched a perfect game in which every batter struck out.



Statesboro Recreation Department's Day Camp Program includes among its many activities, the proper courtesy to our American Flag. Shown folding the flag at the conclusion of the day's activities are: (left to right) Brownie Childs, Jimmy Hill, Brian Sikes and Dancy Dodd. Shown in the background is Bob Hook, Day Camp Counselor.



The United States Infantry Center Color Guard, Fort Benning, Georgia will participate in the Opening Session and Annual Conference Banquet of the Georgia Recreation and Park Society.

EMERGENCY "77"

This 14 minute film presents several emergency situations faced by individuals, their families, and their doctor in a typical community. The film points up the importance of knowing what to do quickly in an emergency requiring medical attention. It is a teaching tool suitable for use by a wide variety of community organizations. The film is produced by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company and may be secured without charge by writing: Health and Welfare Division, Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., One Madison Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10010.

JOB MART

Individuals desiring to apply for positions listed in the Job Mart should apply directly to the Agency which has the opening. The Georgia Recreation Commission maintains a Personnel Service file for reference to prospective employers. The Commission will be happy to keep your credentials on file upon request.

Recreation Therapist

Recreation Therapist—Central State Hospital.

MS-12 Entrance \$5,244, Maximum \$7,032, Periodic \$240.

MS-13 Entrance \$5,784, Maximum \$7,752, Periodic \$260.

Benefits: Vacation and sick leave, eleven paid holidays, automatic salary increases, retirement plan, low cost life insurance, health insurance and others.

Male preferred, but will accept female.

Duties: Conducting a physical education program for the emotionally disturbed children.

For information contact: Bruce R. Prosser, Recreation Therapy Director, P.O. Box 325, Milledgeville, Georgia.

Conference Registration

Deadline . . .

October 5, 1967

FACT BOOK AVAILABLE!

The Georgia Fact Book on Aging, compiled by the Georgia Gerontology Society and funded by a Title III grant, is now in print and available for distribution. Under the original contract, a number of copies were distributed by the Gerontology Society and by the Council on Gerontology of the University of Georgia. Initial distribution has been made and reports have reached us that the data in the *Fact Book* are extremely useful to planning groups. In addition to descriptive content, concerning the services available to the aging in Georgia, a section dealing with statistical information for each county in the State is included. If your organization has not received copies of the *Fact Book*, one or more may be obtained by writing to:

STATE COMMISSION ON AGING
Suite 224, 881 Peachtree Street, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30309



HUNTER MEMORIAL PARK DEDICATED IN DOUGLAS COUNTY

The usual July 4th activities in Douglas County took on a note of seriousness this year as dedication ceremonies were held in memory of all service men from Douglas County who have lost their lives for their country. A special tribute was made to Lt. Robert Gerald Hunter, who was shot down in combat over Vietnam last year, by naming the park in memory of him. A. A. Fowler, Jr., Public Service Commissioner and personal friend of the Hunter family, who introduced Lt. Hunter to airplanes by giving him his first ride at an early age, made the dedicatory remarks. Others who participated in the ceremonies were: J. M. Haddle, Mayor of Douglasville; R. L. Smith, Chairman of the Douglas County Commissioners; Charlie Overman, President of the Douglas County Chamber of Commerce; Richard Waggoner, Pastor of the Douglasville Church of Christ; and Sam Roberts, President of the Douglas County Jaycees, who served as master of ceremonies. The parents of Lt. Hunter and his widow are pictured just left of the memorial marker.

Mr. Waggoner, who erected the monument, pointed out that it was constructed of native stone to represent the homeland Lt. Hunter loved so much, and aluminum, the same metal as that used in the construction of Mr. Hunter's plane. Other July 4th activities included a parade in which hundreds participated and thousands watched. The parade, along with the majority of the local people, migrated to the Hunter Memorial Park for the dedication ceremonies, an all-day barbeque, ball games, swimming, boat rides, games and a Little Miss Fourth of July Contest. The Fourth of July activities are sponsored jointly by the Douglasville-Douglas County Park Commission and the Douglas County Jaycees.

CLAYTON COUNTY

Many children of Clayton County enjoyed their first supervised recreation activities as a result of program and funds provided by the Economic Opportunity Authority. The program was directed by Doug Cobb and included 15 professional supervisors, 34 aides and 4 lifeguards.

DOUGLAS

The newly appointed City Commission has approved the Douglas Recreation and Park Department's budget for the new fiscal year. The 1967-68 budget was set at \$58,000.

RICHMOND COUNTY

The Richmond County Commissioners have purchased 16.5 acres of land for park purposes at a cost of \$63,330. This is a continuation of the County's program to provide adequate recreation and park facilities for the citizens of Richmond County.

ATLANTANS PARTICIPATE IN YOUTH GAMES

The City of Atlanta was one of eleven cities in the United States invited by Mayor John Lindsey to attend and participate in the first United States Youth Games held in New York City. The Atlanta Recreation Department was requested by Mayor Ivan Allen to develop a team which eventually numbered 82 youths and 8 adult coaches.

According to Miss Virginia Carmichael, Atlanta Recreation Director, "The event was wonderful. It surely went a long way toward accomplishing its objectives, which were to bring together boys and girls of different cities in competition and friendship and to foster better understanding among the youth of today."

The entire event, with exception of travel and uniforms, was sponsored by the American Machine and Foundry Company and Old London Foods. Travel consultants for the trip were American and Eastern Airlines.

Competition was divided into three major categories: bowling, basketball, and track and field. The Atlanta team of 82 was composed of 12 bowlers, 10 basketball players and 60 track and field participants. The Atlantans placed 4th in the track and field events and finished in 6th place in the overall competition. New York City took first place honors.

With the hope that the event can become an annual affair, St. Louis will host the 1968 Youth Games and Washington, D.C. in 1969.

Recreation And Park Conference Special Events

WIVES PROGRAM

Tuesday — 10:00 A.M. . . .

Trip to LaGrange Hat Shop and Mill Store

Wednesday — 9:00 A.M. . . .

Coffee and Pastry Party for Wives

Wednesday — 10:00 A.M. . . .

Complimentary Tour of Callaway Gardens

COMMISSION TO PURSUE FEDERAL FUNDS

The Georgia Recreation Commission, at its July meeting in Moultrie, agreed to make application to the U.S. Public Health Service for matching funds to initiate a pilot program in the area of recreation for the mentally retarded.

The program, if approved, will make possible the addition of two professional recreation therapists to the Commission staff for a period of three to five years. Their task will be to stimulate, through the provision of advisory services, the various agencies concerned with the mentally retarded and the recreation agencies into providing more recreation services for the mentally retarded living in the home and community. Some of the agencies involved will be city and county recreation departments, Y.M.C.A.'s and Y.W.C.A.'s, Boys' Clubs, Girls' Clubs, Day Care Centers, and special education classes.

A project of this nature would be a first for a state recreation agency such as the Georgia Recreation Commission. Working in close cooperation with the Commission on the presentation of their application are: Atlanta Association for Retarded Children, Georgia Association for Retarded Children and the Georgia Department of Public Health.

The application is due to be submitted in the Fall.

PEOPLE ON THE GO

SCOTT FRIZZELL, formerly with the Atlanta Recreation Department, has accepted the position of Director of Recreation and Physical Education with the Christ the King Catholic Church and School, Atlanta.

HENRY ANDERSON, Community Center Director for the Dalton Recreation Department, has been granted a leave of absence to continue his education at the University of North Carolina.

CHARLES C. CLEGG, Director of Recreation and Parks for the City of Dalton, has resigned to accept a position with the University of Georgia. Mr. Clegg will be Assistant Professor of Recreation and will work with the Institute for Community and Area Development.



COBB COUNTY APPROVED FOR FEDERAL GRANT. (left to right) Lawson Yow, Chairman of the Cobb County Recreation and Park Commission, views with John L. Gordon, State Parks Department, and Jim Oates, Recreation Director, the check for the Federal grant.

COBB PARKS GETS FEDERAL GRANT

Another Federal grant, this one for \$127,464, has been approved for use in development of the Cobb County Park System.

Jim Oates, Cobb County Recreation Director, said the Federal and local funds will be used to acquire six parcels of land to be developed as part of the county recreation system. Local funds will come from the \$900,000 county parks bond issue approved by the voters in 1965.

Total size of the six parks is 209 acres. Oates said the county has options on all six tracts and will purchase them as soon as the Federal money becomes available after July 1.

The county already owns seven park sites with a total area of 265 acres. The above purchases will bring the county total to 14 park sites with 509 acres.

The project was reviewed and submitted for Federal Approval by John L. Gordon, Coordinator, Land and Water Conservation Fund, and Horace G. Caldwell, Liaison Officers, the Director of the Department of State Parks.

(Clip and Mail Today!)

REGISTRATION FORM FOR STATE RECREATION AND PARK CONFERENCE

CALLAWAY GARDENS, OCTOBER 9-11, 1967 — PINE MOUNTAIN, GEORGIA

SPONSORED BY: GEORGIA RECREATION AND PARK SOCIETY, INC.

NAME _____ TITLE _____

AGENCY _____ MAILING ADDRESS _____

Registration Deadline: Motel Reservations—September 25, 1967 . . . Conference—October 5, 1967

Indicate Registration Desired: Make checks and money orders payable to the Georgia Recreation and Park Society, 801 Mony Building, 1655 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30309.

Full Executive Registration (includes three meal functions) . . .	\$25.00	()
Full Staff Registration (includes three meal functions) . . .	\$18.50	()
Student Registration (no meal functions) . . .	\$ 3.00	()
Wives Registration (no meal functions) . . .	Free	()

Daily Registration

Executive Registration (includes one meal function) . . .	\$ 8.50	()
Staff Registration (includes one meal function) . . .	\$ 6.25	()

Extra Meal Tickets Desired

Governors Night—Opening Session of Conference . . .	\$ 6.00	()
Lay Awards Night . . .	\$ 6.00	()
Annual Conference Banquet . . .	\$ 6.00	()

Indicate type of payment: Bill our Agency () Check () Money Order ()

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GEORGIA RECREATION AND PARK SOCIETY OFFICERS INSTALLED — Newly installed officers of the Georgia Recreation and Park Society are, seated from left right: Miss Betty Yarbrough, Treasurer—Atlanta Recreation Department; James A. Colley, President—Georgia Recreation Commission; Bruce R. Prosser, President-Elect—Central State Hospital, and Tom Williams, First Vice-President—Douglas Recreation Department. Standing, left to right, are: Jimmy Rainwater, Representative of the Hospital Section—Southwestern State Hospital; Dr. Douglas Leavitt, Board of Directors—Georgia Southern College; R. G. Jones, Secretary—Columbus Recreation Department; George McElveen, Board of Directors—Richmond County Recreation Department; and Kermit Perry, Second Vice-President—Newnan Y.M.C.A. Their terms will expire at the Annual Conference in November of 1968.



HONORED AT AWARDS NIGHT—In November at the Annual Conference of the Georgia Recreation and Park Society, those pictured above received awards and citations during special ceremonies. Left to right: Herman D. Coffey, Lay Award—Warner Robins; Matt Gutierrez, Lay Award—Warner Robins; Rodney Harville, Lay Award—Statesboro; Mrs. W. A. Bowen, Special Citation to the City of Statesboro for Outstanding Contributions to the Field; W. P. Hill, accepted Lay Award for Mr. James Bland of Statesboro; Mrs. Agnes M. Hatcher, Lay Award—Macon; R. S. Mann, Lay Award—Newnan; R. A. Duke, Lay Award and Special Citation to the City of LaFayette for Outstanding Contribution to the Field, and Bruce R. Prosser, Section Award—Central State Hospital. Dr. James B. Craig of the Central State Hospital and Mr. William N. Banks, Jr., of Newnan received Lay Awards but were not present for the ceremony.

Demand For Leadership Boosts Salaries

According to the latest Salary Study for Directors of Recreation in Public Departments in Georgia, salaries for department heads are definitely on the increase. The study is conducted every year by the Georgia Recreation Commission and copies are available, upon request, from the Commission Office.

Since the initial study in 1963, the average salary throughout all city and county departments has grown from \$6,700 to almost \$8,100. This includes a range from a low of \$5,400 to a high of \$16,000.

It is interesting to note that the average income in the smaller communities is not far removed from that of the larger cities and counties (over 50,000 population). While the average in the larger population group is \$9,334.00, the 25,000-49,999 group averages \$8,505. The 15,000-24,999 group averages over \$8,000. This is a good indication that the importance of quality leadership in these critical positions is being recognized at all levels of government.

All dials point to a continued increase in recreation salaries. This is due in the main to the fact that the demand for such services exceeds the supply by far. Many communities, in Georgia and elsewhere, are seeking leadership

but are finding it very difficult to locate. Unfortunately, the future doesn't hold much promise as far as the availability of qualified leadership is concerned.

This is not difficult to understand when confronted with such facts as:

There are 3,000 vacancies reported yearly by the National Recreation and Park Association. Our colleges and universities graduate only 500.

A recent study revealed that in the next five years:

- ... Federal positions will increase 57%
- ... State positions will increase . 46%
- ... Universities 26%

These are some of the reasons why local governments in Georgia are raising the standard of recreation remuneration. In order to acquire and maintain qualified leadership, it is essential that the salaries paid are commensurate with the duties and responsibilities of the job and training required for it.

As many public officials will attest, it is sound economics to pay well for quality service — after all, the success or failure of a program hinges on this one important aspect — **LEADERSHIP**.

COMING EVENTS

January 22

Annual Moyors Day
Georgia Municipal Association
Atlanta, Georgia

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March 4-6

Southern District Recreation and Park Conference
Dinkler-Andrew Jackson Hotel
Nashville, Tennessee

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June 16-18

Georgia Municipal Association Convention
Savannah, Georgia

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FEATURE



Representative **RICHARD G. LANE** is Director of Recreation for the City of East Point.

LEGISLATURE TO CONSIDER CERTIFICATION PLAN

The Georgia General Assembly will consider legislation during their next session which, if enacted, would be a significant step in upgrading professional recreation leadership in the State. Representative Richard G. Lane, Director of Recreation in East Point and author of the bill, will present the legislation.

This Act calls for the establishment of a Board of Recreation Examiners whose main duty would be to administer a plan of permissive certification and registration for Recreation Administrators (any Executive Head or Assistant to the Executive Head administering a major recreation program for the State, county, municipality, or any agency thereof, or any public institution); Recreation Supervisors (a person responsible for the planning, organizing and supervising of a part of a program administered by a Recreation Administrator); and Recreation Leaders (a person responsible for implementing recreation activities under the supervision of an administrator or supervisor).

COMPOSITION OF BOARD

Under the provisions of the Act, the Board of Examiners would consist of five members to be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Recreation and Park Society. The legislation specifies the Board of Recreation Examiners as a division of the Georgia Recreation Commission. This simply means that the Georgia Recreation Commission would serve as a "housekeeping" agency for the Board and would assist in the coordination and administration of the program — making arrangements for meetings, keeping minutes and maintaining records.

The Board is charged with the responsibility for making such rules and regulations as may be necessary for the enforcement of the plan; establish and modify qualifications and hold examinations for certification; keep, or cause to be kept, an accurate record of all its proceedings, including a register of all applicants for certification and of all individuals to whom certificates are issued; conduct, or assist in conducting, research and studies of problems relating to professional standards among those engaged in recreation work and recommended changes and improvements therein; formulate proper application forms, certificates, and other materials pertinent to the plan; and make annually to the Governor a full and true report of all its activities with recommendations.

GRANDFATHER CLAUSE

Like most other legislation governing licensing, a "grandfather clause" is included to protect those who are presently in the positions mentioned in this Act.

The intent of this Act is to assure a higher quality of recreation leadership in a rapidly growing phase of American life.



THAD STUDSTILL
Assistant Director

Mr. William R. Tiller, Chairman of the Georgia Recreation Commission, announces the appointment of Thad Studstill as Assistant Director of the Commission. Mr. Studstill assumed his duties on October 1st.

His background includes experience in municipal and therapeutic recreation. Summer experience includes work at the State 4-H Center in Eatonton, the Youth Development Center in Milledgeville, the Atlanta Recreation and Parks Department and the Statesboro Recreation Department. He received his B.S. Degree in Recreation Administration from Georgia Southern College in 1961.

Mr. Studstill has served as Assistant Director of the Dalton Recreation Department and for the past three years, has worked as Athletic Director and Recreation Therapist at the Central State Hospital in Milledgeville.

He is a native of Lakeland, Georgia.

GMA SECTION REPORT

Chairman Roy Hammond of Dublin reports that memberships are now being solicited for the Recreation Section of the Georgia Municipal Association. Dues are \$10.00 for Municipal Directors and \$5.00 for Associate Membership and should be sent to Claude M. Lewis of the Warner Robins Recreation Department.

The purpose of the Section is to upgrade standards in municipal recreation service and leadership. The Section will meet during the Association's Annual Convention this summer in Savannah.

GMA PUBLICATION FEATURES RECREATION IN TOTAL PROGRAM

The Georgia Municipal Association only recently prepared a publication which was printed by the Georgia Power Company entitled "A Manual for Total Municipal Development." The manual is produced to assist local officials and employees in evaluating the municipal government process within their respective communities. It deals with all of the component parts of municipal government.

A chapter on recreation deals with its organizational structure, leadership and management, policy and procedure, land acquisition and program planning. Copies are available at the office of the Georgia Municipal Association, 506 Fulton Federal Building, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

Winder-Barrow County Study Recreation Appraisal

The Recreation Commission recently submitted a Recreation Appraisal to the County Commissioners of Barrow County outlining the needs for a county-wide recreation and parks program and the steps that could be taken to accomplish this. The Commission, headed by Chairman J. B. Lay, is presently trying to come up with a first-year budget of \$25,000.00.

Dalton's Henry Anderson Seeks M.A. Degree From North Carolina University

Henry Anderson of the Dalton Recreation Department has been given a one-year leave of absence to attend graduate school at the University of North Carolina. Mr. Anderson, a native of Edgefield, South Carolina, and a graduate of Allen University in Columbia, has served as Director of the Community Center Recreation Complex for the past eight years. He is employed by the Dalton Recreation Commission, an integral part of city government.

Under Title I of the Higher Education Act, Mr. Anderson was awarded a graduate scholarship and his primary emphasis will deal with leisure opportunities for older people.

Dr. John Looper, Dalton Recreation Commission Chairman, states, "Mr. Anderson is a definite asset to our department and our community. We are proud indeed that this opportunity has come his way and we wish him the best and anticipate his return for future service with our department."

NEWS BRIEFS

WAYCROSS

The Department's Little Theatre presented one of its most superb presentations, the musical production, "Kismet." The Little Theatre group works with the City Recreation Director, Mickey Katkaveck.

Another outstanding accomplishment of the Department was its recent Dolphin Club Water Show, "Spotlight on the News." The program was given in memory of the late Bertha Katkaveck, wife of the Director. Jim Pinson, Associate Editor of the Waycross Herald, said, "Spotlight on the News is in a true sense a tribute to a woman who dedicated her life to the development of young people who would reflect honor and pride on their community."

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BRUNSWICK

"Volunteer Building" was dedicated recently by the Brunswick Recreation Department to honor the outstanding contribution of the many volunteers of the Recreation Department. The \$10,000 facility includes a well-lighted softball facility and press facilities.

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CARROLLTON

The Kiwanis Club of Carrollton recently presented a \$700 check to Recreation Director Tom Drummond to be used for furnishing the TV room in the new Community Center and for sponsorship of a midget football team. Kiwanians have now donated more than \$3,000 to the Carrollton Teen Center.

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WARNER ROBINS

The 1967 Optimist Bowl concluded the most successful midget football program ever for the department. The 1967 program included: 24 teams, 675 boys ranging in ages from 7-13. In addition to the boys, the program included 210 girls, 110 volunteer coaches and 75 volunteer mothers.

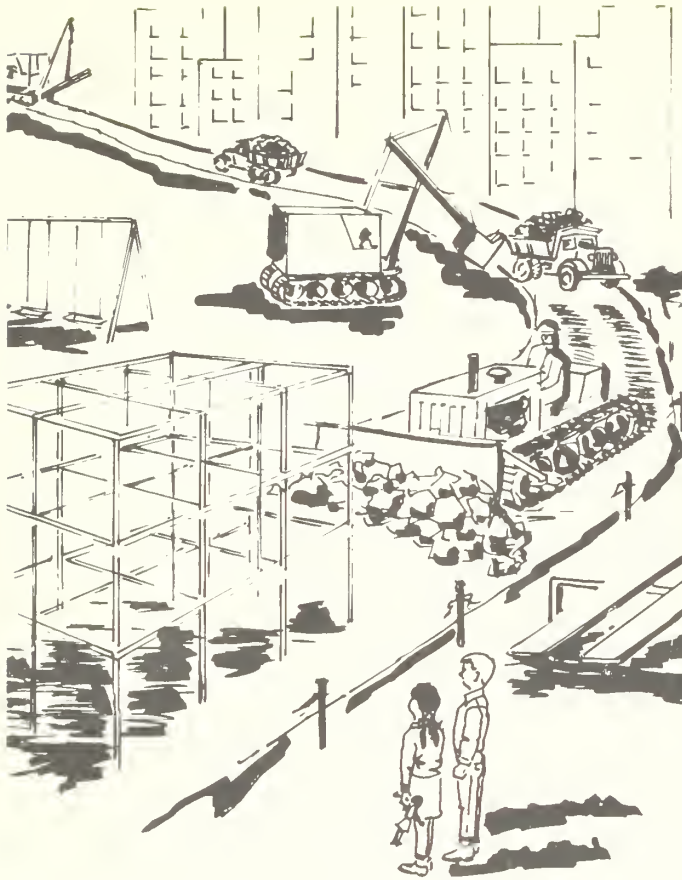
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CEDARTOWN

The City Commission of Cedartown voted to employ a full-time Recreation Director to direct a full-time recreation program. The Director is to begin work no later than February, 1968.

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IT CAN HAPPEN IN GEORGIA!



Where Are We Going to Play Now, Billy?

THE NEED:

The fight to improve and expand America's recreation facilities is a constant battle that can only be won if *enough* people show *enough* interest to do something about it. And more Americans than ever before are recognizing this fact.

ON A TYPICAL DAY

Somewhere in the United States:

- A highway department bulldozer ripped a swath through a residential area's only playground.
- An 8-year-old boy was arrested for breaking school windows because, "I didn't have anything to do."
- Four elderly widows in different parts of a major city spent the day wishing they had someone to talk to.
- A manufacturer dumped industrial waste in a stream, and thousands of fish are now dead.

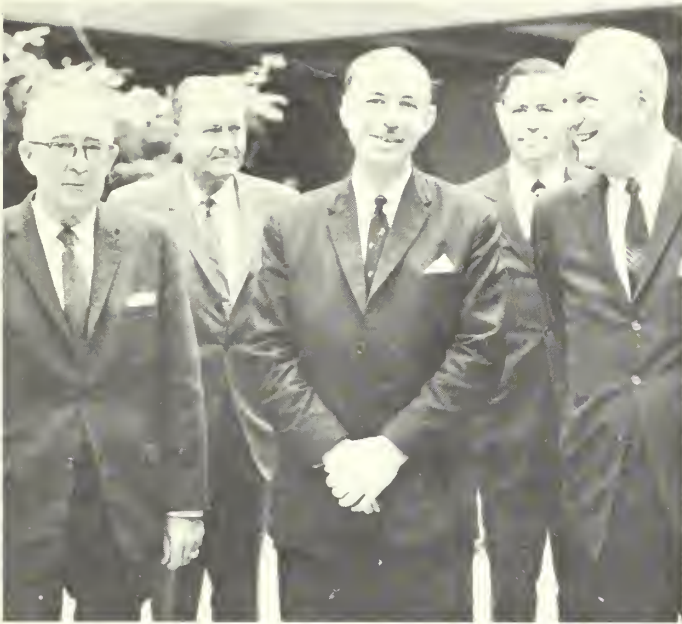
But Elsewhere:

- A 5-mile section of shoreline along both sides of a major river was dedicated as a state park.
- An Army installation opened an automotive crafts shop for military personnel.
- Plans for a new zoological park were approved by a city council.
- A high school student decided to study Recreation as a career at a large university.

- Is ENCROACHMENT taking away your recreation areas?
- Does your city or county have a land acquisition program for recreation?
- Does your community have a long-range master plan for recreation?
- Do local developers provide any space for recreation purposes?

By KENNETH L. MORGAN

Director of the Institute of Parks and Recreation
of Great Britain



ENGLISH OFFICIAL IN GEORGIA — Mr. K. L. Morgan (center), Director of the Institute of Park and Recreation Administration of Great Britain, is pictured above with Georgia Power Company officials who held a luncheon in his honor during his November visit to Atlanta. They are, left to right: General F. M. Albrecht, Mr. Robert Hannah, Mr. D. N. MacLemore and Mr. Frank Hood.

His Georgia visit took him on a tour of the Atlanta Park and Recreation facilities, Stone Mountain, Callaway Gardens and the Cyclorama. He also enjoyed brief visits with Governor Lester Maddox and Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.

This three-day stay in Georgia climaxed a six-week trip to several major cities throughout the United States and terminated in Miami Beach where he attended the National Congress for Recreation and Parks.



GRPS CHAT — England's top ranking Recreation and Park Chief exchanges views with Georgians at Marriott dinner held in his honor. Shown with Mr. Morgan (center) are Dr. Harold Meyer, a native Augustan who now resides in North Carolina; Charles M. Graves, John H. Davis and James A. Colley.

After six weeks in America visiting some fifteen cities, large and small, just where does one begin?

First of all, your recreation programs are much in advance of the United Kingdom and, in many ways, quite different.

Parks and Recreation Departments with us are primarily responsible for the provision of games and sports facilities — football and hockey in winter; tennis, cricket, bowls and miniature golf in summer.

Most departments operate a sports stadium, some simple in design, others with full spectator facilities. These areas provide a cinder running track within the area with the track used for all field events.

In one of the Greater London Council sports fields, there are over 100 football pitches which are used to capacity by local clubs and different leagues at the week-end.

Many of us play football and other games until well into the mid-forties and which I think may be a little later on in life than in America. A few departments offer a simple recreation program for children between the ages of seven and fourteen, with play or recreation leaders in charge.

These programs include organized game activities. For example, each park will have its junior football team and competition is arranged between parks. Sometimes this is taken a step farther and teams from various streets in a low-income area will have matches.

Younger children are also introduced to simple ball games and then left to themselves so that they will improve and use their imagination without being "led" in the strictest terms.

Facilities for tiny tots include sand play and the use of crayons and paints for coloring and drawing.

In the Greater London Council, the Parks Department has recently inaugurated the "One O'Clock Clubs" where mothers who are working can leave their children to be entertained and amused.

You will appreciate from the above that we do not have the highly developed community center or neighborhood centers that you have and which provide gymnastics, meeting rooms, arts and crafts and sometimes swimming facilities.

We do have community centers but these are not operated by Parks and Recreation Departments but by the Youth Service or Welfare Departments. They will not normally have gymnastics or arts and crafts. Arts and crafts can be obtained at night schools or other education establishments and are in the province of the Education Department.

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REPRESENTATIVE W. JONES LANE of Statesboro received a special award of recognition at the recent Conference of the Georgia Recreation and Park Society for his continuous support of recreation legislation and contributions to the recreation movement. Governor Lester Maddox made the presentation, the Society's Distinguished Service Award.

REVENUE SERVICES MANAGEMENT SCHOOL

The Revenue Sources Management School is a three-year progressive education program for Park and Recreation Executives. Its purpose is to develop a better understanding of the philosophy and management principles behind public revenue activities, and to provide a practical working knowledge of revenue producing facilities.

The school is conducted by the National Recreation and Park Association in cooperation with North Carolina State University. The 1968 school is scheduled for March 10-14 at Oglebay Park, Wheeling, West Virginia. Tuition for the course is \$60.00.

Recreation and Park personnel interested in attending should contact N.R.P.A. Headquarters, 1700 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

J. W. (Bud) Stone has accepted the position of Director of Public Works for the City of Barow, Florida. Mr. Stone's responsibilities will include: parks, parkways, streets, recreation, sanitation and sewers. Mr. Stone was formerly with E.O.A. of Atlanta.

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Charles Murphy Vandiver has joined the staff of Central State Hospital at Milledgeville as a Recreation Therapist. Mr. Vandiver was formerly Director of Recreation for Childersburg, Alabama.

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Rohland Kerhoff has resigned as Director of the Sylvania Recreation Department to accept the position of Director of Recreation, Taunton, Massachusetts.

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Jimmy Allen has joined the Jesup-Wayne County Recreation Department as Assistant Recreation Director.

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Chester Lamar Bagwell has accepted a position with the DeKalb County Recreation Department. Mr. Bagwell was formerly Director of Recreation for Hartwell, Georgia.

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Larry Cooper is the new Athletic Director for the Jesup-Wayne County Recreation Department.

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William J. Taylor is the new Director of Recreation and Parks for the City of Sylvania.

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Jimmy Orr has accepted the position of Recreation Director with the Claxton Methodist Church. Mr. Orr was formerly with the Dalton Recreation Department as Program Director.

DID YOU KNOW THAT . . .

- Recreation is a \$47 billion enterprise.
- The year 2000 will see a work week of 30 hours, 4 weeks paid vacation.
- By 1980 — 50% unemployable due to technical excellence. Population will require mass re-training.
- By 1980 — 50% of American population will be under 26 years of age. Recreation services will **double**. Outdoor recreation will increase eight times. County recreation (metro) will triple. Recreation acreage will increase 50%.

INDUSTRY DONATES \$10,000 FOR DALTON FACILITY

E & B Carpets, Inc., has donated \$10,000 to the Dalton Recreation Commission to further improve the local recreation program, it was recently revealed in a joint announcement by Dalton City Administrator Albert Rollins, and Charles Bramlett, Vice-President and General Manager of E & B Carpets.

This donation will be used to complete a lighted baseball-softball field.

The facility will be named "E & B Field" in keeping with the established policy of the Recreation Commission which has previously named fields for other local firms after each made a contribution of at least \$10,000. Total cost of the new field will be approximately \$15,000 with the City of Dalton bearing the additional cost.

Chairman of the Recreation Commission, Dr. John Looper, states that "this community can work together in achieving quality recreation opportunities for all citizens. Contributions of this type to the department during the last five years are in excess of \$220,000. As a result, the Recreation Commission has been able to add many new facilities including one building addition which embraces a gymnasium, offices, meeting, crafts, and exercise facilities; a brand new recreation center in another part of the city, a miniature golf course, a senior citizen area, and two lighted ball fields.

Institute on Private Recreation

An institute dealing with the development of farm lands for recreation was sponsored in Macon, November 9th by the Middle Georgia Planning and Development Commission and the Cooperative Extension Service of the University of Georgia.

Approximately 60 persons were in attendance as experts explored the various ramifications of private development such as: site evaluation, financing, liability, legal aspects, etc.

Other institutes of this nature are being held in other parts of the State as requests demand them. However, should someone desire assistance, they can contact the Georgia Recreation Commission.



LOOKING OVER THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT of a 24-acre park site in Morrow, Georgia, are: Rudolph Johnson, Chairman of the Mayor's Recreation Study Committee; Bob Elliott, Mayor; Ernest Duffy, member of Study Committee and designer of layout, and Bill Lee, Clayton County, Georgia, Representative.

CITY OF MORROW TO DEVELOP 24-ACRE PUBLIC PARK

The City Council of Morrow, Georgia, a municipality of approximately 2,500 people in Clayton County, will put the question of acquiring and developing a 24-acre tract of land for recreation purposes squarely on the shoulders of the people who will use it.

A Recreation Study Committee, appointed by the City Council in the spring of 1967, recently reported to the Mayor and Council and a group of interested citizens that the projected growth of Morrow and the surrounding area warrants the need for a public recreation complex. At the present time, there exists no public recreation areas or programs in the Morrow area which are either city or county supported. The City of Forest Park has had a successful municipal recreation program for several years.

In pointing out the needs for recreation, the Study Committee recommended the purchase of a 24-acre area located just east of the city which would be developed to include a Community Center building, swimming pool, tennis courts, ball fields, picnic areas, day camping and nature study areas, etc.

The Study Committee pointed out that matching funds on a 50-50 basis for acquisition of the land could possibly be obtained through the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund Act. Additional matching funds could be obtained at a later date for development. The cost of the land was set at approximately \$50,000. It was indicated that this was a good price and that the longer the purchase was delayed, the higher the cost would be.

The City Council accepted the Study Committee's report during a breakfast meeting on Saturday morning, November 4th, which was attended by several city and county leaders. Mayor Bob Elliott indicated that the Council was indebted to Rudolph Johnson and the Recreation Study Committee for their long hours of hard work. He further indicated that the City Council would probably give the project their formal approval at the next regular meeting of the Council in November.

Mayor Elliott further stated that a bond referendum would probably be presented to the city voters sometime in December for approximately \$195,000. Part of this, \$25,000, would be the city's half of the acquisition costs. The remaining \$170,000 would then be used to attract a like amount of Federal funds for the purpose of developing a portion of the area. Early development projects would probably include grading and clearing, picnic and nature developments, and several athletic areas.

It was estimated that this bond issue would raise city taxes by only approximately one and one-half (1½) mills.

JOB MART

Individuals desiring to apply for positions listed in the Job Mart should apply directly to the Agency which has the opening. The Georgia Recreation Commission maintains a Personnel Service file for reference to prospective employers. The Commission will be happy to keep your credentials on file upon request.

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Recreation Leader II

(Salary range \$4,752 to \$6,372.)

Female, minimum two years of college with course work leading to physical education degree or experience in physical education programs. Position under State Merit System. Very liberal fringe benefits. Contact: Mrs. Bettye P. Buchanan, Personnel Services, Georgia Rehabilitation Center, Warm Springs, Georgia.

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Recreation Therapy Director

(Salary Range \$712-\$953)

Master's Degree in Recreation and two years of supervisory or administrative experience in Recreation Therapy. Position under State Merit System. Very liberal fringe benefits. Contact: Examination and Recruitment Division, State Merit System, 244 Washington Street, S.W., Room 572, Atlanta, Georgia 30334.

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Director of Recreation and Parks

(Salary: \$6,500.)

Responsible to: Hartwell-Hart County Recreation Commission. Qualifications—Education: preferably, though not absolutely necessary, college degree in recreation, physical education or related areas. Experience: Several years actual experience desirable. Duties: Administer and direct a comprehensive recreation and park program. Apply by sending resume and recent photograph to: Mr. J. C. David, Chairman Hartwell-Hart County Recreation Department, City Hall, Hartwell, Georgia 30643.

Recreation Per Capita in Georgia

The 1967 Public Recreation Study recently completed by the Georgia Recreation Commission reveals that the 1967 per capita expenditure for recreation and parks in Georgia is \$3.53.



WARNER ROBINS DEVELOPS NEW PARK — Claude Lewis, Recreation Director, and Sam Gillespie examine a new 7-acre park. Three months ago, the park area was swampland and completely under water. The park, upon its completion, will include picnic areas, playground and multi-purpose play area.

THINKING ALOUD . . .

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In a number of towns, particularly in low income areas, adventure playgrounds have been developed. Here the thirteen to sixteen-year-olds are catered to.

The play leader encourages information and imagination and the youngsters build houses, towers, rope walks, aerial rope ways, use swinging and climbing ropes made from rough materials obtained from construction sites. The whole operation is an adventure and some of the sites look like a scrap heap. In fact, in some areas, the term "junk playground" is used!

I think that there is room in our recreation activities to follow your pattern in many ways so far as recreation and parks is concerned and that the development of parks and recreation grounds adjacent to new schools is sound common sense.

You will appreciate my considerable interest in matters international and a two-way exchange of ideas such as I have enjoyed during my visit to your country has been of inestimable value to myself and I hope, also, to those I have met.

May I therefore be permitted to draw your attention to the Second European Congress in Park and Recreation Administration to be held in Barcelona, Spain, in May, 1969, and which is being organized by the International Federation. I would be nice to meet up with you there.

Finally, the hospitality received and the courtesies extended to me during my extended visit to the United States of America have been of the highest order and greatly appreciated.

COMMISSION RELEASES NEW PUBLICATION

The Commission recently completed its 10th major publication, this one dealing with the operation and maintenance of swimming pools.

The new booklet, "So You Are Interested in a Pool," has not been designed to answer all questions relating to the construction and operation of pools. Its purpose is to emphasize the important aspects such as length, width, depth, orientation from the construction viewpoint. Then to point out the necessity of a top notch staff to operate it once it has been completed. Qualifications, duties and responsibilities of lifeguards is an important point of the 22-page book.

Several communities have already found it helpful in avoiding costly mistakes that other communities before them have made.

This publication is available by contacting the Georgia Recreation Commission.

DID YOU KNOW?

. . . that 3% of the population of any community is retarded? With proper services, recreation being one of these, 95% of this number may remain in the community.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT CONFERENCE SET FOR MARCH

The third Annual Southern Recreation and Park Conference will be held in Nashville, Tennessee, March 4-6, 1968. Headquarters for the Conference will be located at the Dinkler-Andrew Jackson Hotel and delegates should make reservations there. Mr. Temple R. Jarrell, Southern District Field Representative, reports that a record attendance is expected from the ten-state area.

Conference highlights include workshop sessions for park management and maintenance, Ill and Handicapped, Armed Forces, lay leaders, administration and staff.

NEWS BRIEFS . . .

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GRIFFIN

The Griffin Recreation Department celebrated a safe Halloween thanks to the ingenuity of its Director and the First National Bank. The Department gave out "trick or treat bags" with bright orange labels reading, "PLAY IT SAFE." Griffin Recreation Department, courtesy of the Griffin First National Bank.

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JESUP-WAYNE COUNTY

Jesup-Wayne County's Recreation Department's operational budget formerly \$31,000, is now at \$59,000, reports Leroy Dukes, Director.

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GWINNETT COUNTY

The Georgia Recreation Commission has presented a "Recreation Appraisal" of Gwinnett County to the County Commissioners on their request. The county officials are studying the possibility of establishing a year-round recreation and park program.

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PERRY

The Recreation Commission and the Institute of Community and Area Development of the University of Georgia are putting the finishing touches on a study for the Houston County Recreation Committee, Inc., which is headquartered in Perry.

The study is dealing with the organization and administration of a 29-acre area which this private group recently purchased in Perry.

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Recreation Commission Activities

The Georgia Recreation Commission has been requested to conduct "Recreation Appraisals" in the following cities and counties of Georgia: Ft. Oglethorpe, Madison-Morgan, Warrenton-Warren, Folkston, Hartwell - Hart, Statesboro, Glenville, Pearson, Swainsboro, Savannah, Claxton, Sylvester and Worth County. This service by the Commission is available upon request and at no charge to the requesting agency.



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SENATOR JACK L. STEPHENS (L) AND REPRESENTATIVE RICHARD LANE were responsible for steering the Certification Bill through the General Assembly. Lane, Dr. William Cox, Tom Dillon and Walt Davis co-authored the legislative measure.



GOVERNOR LESTER MADDUX SIGNS LAW — Present on this occasion were (L-R) Thad Studstill, Jack Delius, James A. Colley, Virginia Carmichael, Charles M. Graves, John H. Davis, Rebecca Hollingsworth, Al Bishop and Dick Lane.

Certification Law Passed by Legislature

House Bill 849 creating a State Board of Recreation Examiners was signed into law by Governor Lester Maddox on March 8, 1968, the day after the House of Representatives had given approval to several Senate modifications. Representative Dick Lane, East Point Recreation Director and principal author of the bill, states that, "This is the most important piece of legislation affecting recreation since the establishment of the Georgia Recreation Commission in 1963."

The Act basically calls for the appointment of a five-member Board of Recreation Examiners which shall administer a plan of permissive certification and registration for recreation administrators, supervisors and leaders. Specific qualifications are stated in the law for those persons taking the examination, however, the "grandfather" clause as outlined in the law permits those already holding such a position to become certified without an examination. Their only requirement is that they file an application and pay a fee of \$5.00 by or not later than January 1, 1970.

Nothing is mandatory about the law. It is purely permissive in that no person is forced to register nor will public agencies such as cities and counties be compelled to employ certified individuals. As was stated by Mr. Lane at the outset, "This bill is meant in no way to work a hardship on any person or any agency. Our only intent is to upgrade the standards of the Recreation and Park field. For years we have called ourselves professionals, but not until now have we had this type of status recognition from state government."

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April 28-30

Association of County Commissioners
Annual Meeting
Town House Motor Inn
Augusta, Georgia

July 29-August 2

Georgia Youth Workshop
Berry College
Rome, Georgia

August 11-13

GMA Annual Convention
DeSoto Hilton Hotel
Savannah, Georgia

October 13-17

National Recreation and Park Conference
Olympic Hotel
Seattle, Washington

November 17-19

State Recreation and Park Conference
Town House Motor Inn
Augusta, Georgia

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The State and Recreation

Modern Concept of Recreation

Recreation is defined as a pursuit engaged in during leisure for its own sake and for a person's own satisfaction. While organized recreation has generally emphasized such major activities as sports and games, dramatics, music, arts and crafts, camping and outdoor activities, dancing, social affairs, and special events, there is no limit to the forms and outlets which recreation takes to express itself. These are determined largely by the motive and incentive of the individual seeking it. Recreation is as necessary to life as food, clothing and shelter. It is as essential as work, education, religion, health and welfare. Recreation can be wholesome, uplifting, productive and preventive. It can also be damaging and devastating, leading to individual and social pathology.

Recreation can be participated in by individuals or groups, organized or unorganized. Sponsorship can be public, private, and commercial, or recreation can be unsponsored. Properly planned and provided, it can be and is a means to building and sustaining mental and physical health, teaching people of all ages the ways of democratic living, building citizenship and character, thus mitigating the extremes of delinquency and crime, making communities more attractive to home owners, families and business investors, conserving human resources and raising the standard of living.

Today, recreation is not the sole possession of the wealthy or educated man. It is not confined to the boundaries of a country club or the urban center. It knows no limitations of age, sex or creed. It is so much a part of every person's living that society's responsibility and concern for it cannot be avoided. For society's help and investment in fostering and nurturing it, the many dividends are precious and lasting. The place of recreation has become more important and far reaching with the passing of each decade. As the nation has shifted from a domestic to a technological economy, recreation has bloomed and flourished. In a large sense, it has become a strong pillar in the progressing bridge between the material and cultural lag. It will be cast in an even larger role, as the atomic era unfolds and the "space age" is a reality.

Government

Government is the social process through which man functions in orderly fashion and the state is the institution created by people for people which, if administered wisely, makes it possible for them to do collectively what they would be unable to accomplish individually. Government, in the broadest light, should be looked upon as a device for helping people do what they need to have done and want to have done but which they cannot do for themselves in the absence of a common authority. Moreover, as the role and function of government is weighed in relation to social concerns, it should be constantly in mind that the quality and effectiveness of government cannot be measured by its geographical distance from the governed.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Wayne Lamar Gay has assumed his new duties with the Sylvania Recreation Department as Assistant Director. Wayne is a recent graduate of Georgia Southern College with a B.S. in Recreation.

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William C. Searce has resigned as Director of Recreation for the City of Decatur to head the Department of Recreation and Parks for Joplin, Missouri.

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Louis E. Blue has been employed as Athletic Director for the Dublin Recreation and Parks Department. Louis is majoring in Recreation at Middle Georgia College.

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Mary Elizabeth Norris, a student intern from Georgia Southern College, is completing her recreation internship with the Dublin Recreation and Parks Department.

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Donald NeSmith has joined the staff of Statesboro Recreation Department as Sports Director. Donald is a 1966 graduate of Georgia Southern College with a B.S. in Recreation.

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Billy Yawn, a 1966 Georgia Southern College graduate, is the new Program Director for the Statesboro Recreation Department. Billy assumed his new duties on February 15th after completing a tour of duty with the Georgia National Guard.

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Jan Landry has assumed duties as Educational Director of the Recreation Therapy Department at Central State Hospital. Jan is a graduate of Florida State University with a M.S. degree in Special Education.

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Jack Roth has been named the Director of Recreation and Parks for the Alma-Bacon County Recreation Department.

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Jimmy Miller has accepted the position of Program Director with the Cobb County Parks and Recreation Department. Jimmy assumed his new duties on April 15th.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH...

"Government is a trust, and the officers of government are trustees; and both the trust and the trustees are created for the benefit of the people."

—Henry Clay, 1829



ROBERT G. GIBBS assumed duties as Decatur's Director of Recreation in February. He is a native of Forsyth and a graduate of Georgia Southern College. Formerly a Program Supervisor in the same city, he replaces William Searce who accepted a similar post in Joplin, Missouri.



RUN FOR YOUR LIFE — William Banks of Newnan is shown participating in the Newnan-Coweta YMCA's Running Club where he has registered more than 25 miles. He is among more than 100 citizens, adults and children, participating in a program in which more than 400 miles have been logged.

Similar programs are sponsored by recreation agencies all over the state. Incidentally, Mr. Banks is a recent recipient of the Georgia Recreation and Park Society's Lay Award which acknowledges his numerous contributions to the over-all recreation program in that community.

POTPOURRI...

The Bureau of Census recognized officially that the United States is a nation of 200 million people. Two out of three Americans now live in metropolitan areas — in 1947, the American people spent about \$9.2 billion on recreation and in 1966, they spent \$28.7 billion.

NEWS BRIEFS

CARTERSVILLE

The old Cherokee gymnasium, a frame building, utilized for school and recreation purposes, burned to the ground in February. Director Fred Caswell reports that insurance covered only \$25,000 of the loss.

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WARNER ROBINS

The City Council's latest annual recreation report reveals that the recreation program attracted a total of 274,943 users last year.

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FAYETTE COUNTY

Fayette County officials have appointed a legal recreation commission. Mr. Ray Massey serves as Chairman of the Commission.

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COBB COUNTY

Cobb County has received approval from the Department of Housing and Urban Development that their grant of \$146,000 has been approved. These funds will be used to purchase five park areas totalling 215 acres.

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FT. OGLETHORPE

Upon the completion of a Community Recreational Appraisal by the Georgia Recreation Commission in this north Georgia city, there is a strong indication that a legal recreation board will be appointed by Mayor Leonard Fant and the City Council to initiate at least a summer program in 1968.

City Councilman John Norris was appointed by Mayor Fant to work with the Georgia Recreation Commission to develop the plan of action.

Clubs and organizations are already combining forces to meet some of the needs as pointed out in the report. A large, attractive hard surface area was recently constructed adjacent to the elementary school providing courts for basketball, volleyball and badminton.

Per Capita for Recreation

The 1967 per capita expenditure for public Recreation and Parks in Georgia averaged \$3.52. It is noteworthy to point out that seven Georgia Departments exceed the recommended national average of \$6.00 per capita.

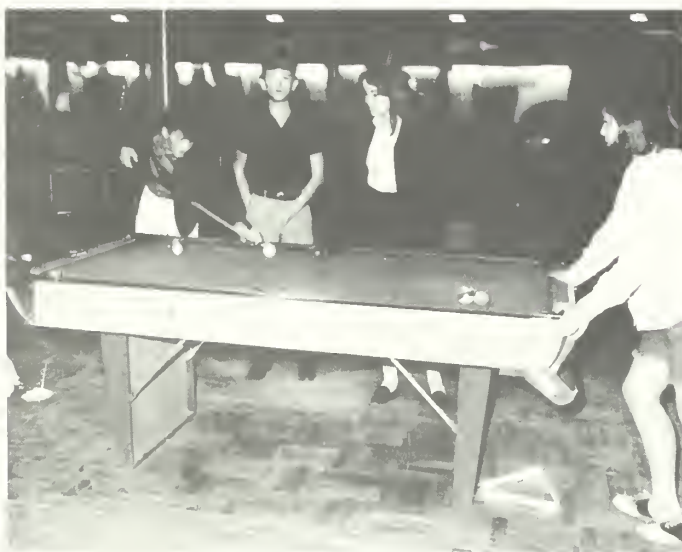
GAINESVILLE RENOVATES BASEMENT — PRODUCES UNIQUE TEEN CENTER



Bill White, Director of Recreation and Parks, observes the teen participation at the snack bar.



The colorful interior decorations make the unique center a topic of conversation for all the teens in the city.



Teenage boys and girls participate in many wholesome and constructive leisure activities at the new Gainesville Teen Center.

The new Teen Center just completed by the Gainesville Park and Recreation Department is in the basement of the Civic Center and is one of the most progressive steps taken in Georgia to meet the growing demands for teen-age social recreation. The total renovation cost was \$25,000.

This project was begun twelve months ago, when the Park and Recreation Board members decided that a facility such as this was definitely needed for teen-age boys and girls. After many meetings, and planning sessions with architects, the remodeling project was approved.

The room is approximately 60 feet by 75 feet, or 4,500 square feet, and contains twenty tons of air-conditioning. There is a large snack bar, booths, and tables around the wall to seat at least 180 people, a nice stage which is centered around a false fireplace, a large colorful mural which extends around three walls and is lighted by fluorescent tubes located over the mural and booths. The ceiling of the room is painted a soft greenish-black color with a starlight blinking system installed in the ceiling to give the effect of a clear night sky filled with twinkling stars. There is also an eloquent sound system which includes six twelve-inch bass speakers, a new record player and unusual paging system. The room will have a raised parquet wood dance floor and will accommodate 250 to 300 teen-agers at any one time.

The purpose of this facility is to offer the opportunity of participation in a broad recreation program; to assist its members in a practical application of wholesome fellowship; to contribute to the total development of its teen-age membership; and to create greater interest in the worthy use of leisure time.

Regular membership shall be for any boy or girl residing in the Gainesville city limits who is attending one of the Gainesville public schools. Junior membership shall include seventh and eighth graders; regular membership shall include grades nine through twelve.

A membership card fee of one dollar (\$1.00) per year shall be charged to attend the center. All eligible members must have a valid membership card to attend the center function.

A Junior and Senior High School Youth Council, composed of at least one boy and one girl from each grade, will be elected upon completion of the center. This council will be responsible for the operation of the center, program planning, special community projects, membership drives, decorations, publicity, band auditions, and many other projects.

The council will also act as the governing body which will control any person who is misbehaving or unruly. The council will be composed of co-presidents, one boy and one girl, a vice-president, secretary, and treasurer. There will be several committees such as membership, finance, program, decoration, publicity, chaperon, and others. Each committee will have a specific function depending upon the activity.

Provisions will be made for out-of-town guests to attend the center when accompanied by a card-carrying member.

After the council has been elected, they will select a group of adults who will serve as an Audit Advisory Board for the center and its activities.

The membership will decide upon a permanent name for the center.

A full-time director will be hired by the Park and Recreation Department to oversee and help the youth plan the many programs.

There will be at least two paid adults and other Recreation Department staff members present when the center is open.



HARTWELL-HART COUNTY RECEIVES COMMISSION REPORT; EMPLOYS SELLERS

Mr. J. C. David, Chairman of the Hartwell-Hart County Recreation Board, announces the employment of John W. Sellers as Director of Parks and Recreation effective March 15, 1968. The appointment came after careful study by a special personnel committee chaired by Mr. Rutherford O'Kelley, local insurance executive.

A graduate of North Carolina State University in Raleigh with a degree in Recreation and Park Administration, Mr. Sellers was previously employed by the Raleigh, N. C., Recreation and Park Department as Program Director. The native North Carolinian is 24 years of age and a former basketball player at State College.

"The appointment of Mr. Sellers," states Mr. David, "is the best indication I know that we are determined that our community is going to have an outstanding program and offer our people the best service possible. That is why we have insisted on a well trained person to head up our department and we are indeed fortunate to have acquired the services of a man with Mr. Sellers' professional background."

The joint Recreation Board representing the city and county determined their course of action upon the basis of a recent recreation study by the Georgia Recreation Commission. State commission staff members held a lengthy but constructive meeting with the Recreation Board and Mayor during the month of February for the purpose of submitting their findings and to assist the Hartwell group in the evaluation of their major needs and problems relating to recreation. Their major concern centered around leadership, finance, organization, and programs.



FOUR OF GEORGIA'S NEWEST RECREATION AND PARK Directors exchange ideas at recent Recreation Executives Development Institute held in Atlanta. L-R, Tom Drummond, Carrollton; James G. Brock, Cedartown; Lonice Barrett, Statesboro, and Alec Caswell of Bainbridge. All are graduates of Georgia Southern College, Statesboro.

SOCIAL RECREATION WORKSHOP SCHEDULED

The Georgia Recreation Commission in cooperation with the 6th District of Georgia Recreation and Park Society will sponsor a Social Recreation Workshop at Robins Air Force Base on Wednesday, April 17. The workshop will be held at Club 50 on the base.

The one-day workshop will be geared toward program content rather than philosophy. Persons attending will actively participate in the activities during each work session.

Social activities from five areas will be presented during the workshop. These include activities for (1) Children, (3) Adults, (4) Senior Citizens, and (5) Mentally Retarded.

Outstanding leaders in their respective areas have been selected to conduct each activity session. These include, Sandra Trimble, Recreation Therapist, Central State Hospital, Milledgeville; Mr. Cecil Johnson, Director, Rock Eagle 4-H Center, Eatonton; Mr. Bob Ayers, Recreation and Youth Director, Mulberry Methodist Church, Macon; Miss June Houk, Social Director, Robins Air Force Base; Mrs. Lois Elder, Senior Citizens Program Supervisor, Warner Robins Recreation Department, and Miss Jan Landry, Recreation Therapist, Central State Hospital, Milledgeville.

The program is designed to include activities which might be used by leaders of youth organizations, schools, churches, volunteers, municipal recreation departments, 4-H leaders, institutions, and other groups who are called upon to plan and conduct programs for social functions.

An invitation is extended to any interested individual or organization in the middle Georgia area to attend. Workshops of a similar nature are to be conducted in the northern and southern portions of the state at a later date.

Registration fee, including lunch, has been set at \$3.00 per person. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Georgia Recreation Commission, 1655 Peachtree St., N.E., Atlanta, Georgia.

DID YOU KNOW? ...

That 26 City and/or county Recreation Departments have been organized on a full-time basis since 1960. Today, Georgia has a total of 62 departments.

BAINBRIDGE INCREASES RECREATION BUDGET

The Bainbridge - Decatur County Recreation Department received a \$16,187.00 increase in their 1968 Recreation Department budget. The new budget of \$42,959.00 includes the employment of a Recreation Supervisor, maintenance personnel, lighting a little league baseball field, construction of a tennis court, resurfacing of three tennis courts and other improvements.

The Bainbridge Department is under the capable leadership of Alec Caswell.

Conservation and Recreation

Every rural dweller should be concerned with the conservation of natural resources. Upon wise use depends our very existence as a nation. Although the production of food and fiber must have priority in any plan of land use, an adequate concept of conservation must also include the uses related to recreation.

Great masses of people using our land resources create serious problems of misuse, vandalism, and litter—all evidence of lack of respect for natural resources.

There is no answer to these problems more effective than the development of an understanding and appreciation of the natural environment on the part of the users of recreation lands. Whether approached from a conservation, economic or social point of view, the understanding of life principles is basic to conservation practices.

With increased understanding, participation in those types of outdoor recreation that will place least strain upon our resources can be expected.

Remember—Only you can

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GMA Annual Convention Set for August 11-13

Plans have been made and now it's official. The Georgia Municipal Association's Annual Convention will be held in the port city of Savannah, Georgia, on August 11, 12 and 13. The headquarters for the convention will be at the new, luxurious DeSoto Hilton Hotel.

Recreators will want to mark their calendars for this event and plan to attend.



CEDARTOWN ORGANIZES FULL-TIME RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT; BROCK EMPLOYED AS DIRECTOR

Cedartown now has an organized Recreation and Parks program. The City Commission at its regular meeting on November 7, 1967, voted unanimously to establish a five-man Recreation Board and to employ a full-time Director of Recreation. This action follows two years of planning and promotion during which time the Georgia Recreation Commission conducted a Recreation Appraisal recommending the implementation of a municipal department.

Commission Chairman Albert Moore announced the appointment of the following members to the legally constituted Recreation Board: Don Smith, Chairman, Bob Uhen, Beth Hunt, Dr. B. S. Anderson and Bud O'Neal. It will be their responsibility to administer the recreation program.

In early January, City Manager Robert Veal employed a Director of Recreation and Parks, Mr. James G. Brock. Mr. Brock, a Statesboro native, is a graduate of Georgia Southern College and calls his employment by the City of Cedartown "the fulfillment of a dream that began during my six years of work in Statesboro's organized program."

Mr. Brock expresses hope that he and the community leadership will be able to provide a comprehensive recreation program for all the citizenry; and that Cedartown will soon be highly respected throughout Georgia for its quality recreation program.

FEDERAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR VEST-POCKET PARKS

Information has been received that the Department of Housing and Urban Development wishes to promote a program to disperse funds for Vest-Pocket Parks. There is approximately \$2.5 to \$3 million of funds available in the Open Space program for this purpose. This is 50 per cent matching funds. The funds are available under the Open Space Land and Urban Beautification and Development Program (Title VII). Anyone interested in this program should contact the regional office in Atlanta.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development has indicated they would like to implement this program before July, 1968, and that the funds can be made available for land acquisition and development, rehabilitation, equipment, supplies, and labor. The funds can be expended on publicly and privately owned land, and they are particularly interested in plots one-tenth of an acre to four to ten acres in size. HUD would like some demonstration projects going, and they have indicated a willingness to have the 50 per cent matching money be in labor or other kinds of matching agreements.

SWIMMING POOL WORKSHOP SET FOR MAY 1

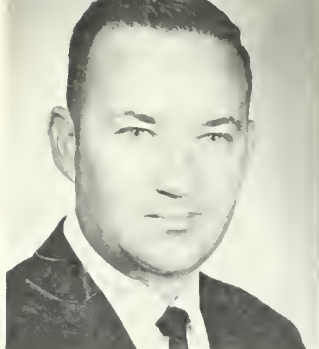
The Georgia Recreation Commission in cooperation with the Atlanta Chapter of the American Red Cross and the Georgia Recreation and Park Society will sponsor a Swimming Pool Workshop at the Forest Park Recreation Center on May 1st.

Representatives interested in pool operation and maintenance from throughout Georgia are extended an invitation to attend.

The one-day workshop will deal with three general areas: (1) Over-all operation and maintenance of pools, (2) Swimming pool management, and (3) Elements of good programming.

A host of pool equipment and suppliers will be on hand to exhibit the latest pool equipment and supplies.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Georgia Recreation Commission, 1655 Peachtree Street, N.E., Room 801, MONY Building, Atlanta, Georgia 30309.



GEORGIAN ELECTED TO NATIONAL BOARD

Mr. James E. Brown, a member of the Georgia Recreation Commission, representing the 7th District, has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Commissioner-Board Member Branch of the National Recreation and Park Association. This board represents several thousand lay people currently serving on recreation and park boards or commissions. Its primary objective is to promote the advancement of the parks, recreation and conservation movement throughout the nation, through the development of strong individual and group citizen involvement and participation. Mr. Brown is the first Georgian to serve in this capacity.

His experience as a lay leader in the field of recreation and parks makes him a valuable asset to the group. He served as the Dalton Recreation Commission's initial chairman for two years and held membership in that body for five years; was co-chairman of a fund drive in 1962 which resulted in contributions of \$90,000 to the Recreation Commission for the construction of an addition to the main recreation center, and was a member of a subsequent committee which raised \$80,000 for the construction of a new community recreation center.

In 1964 he was appointed to the Advisory Council of the Georgia Recreation Commission and in 1965 accepted an appointment to the Georgia Recreation Commission for which he now serves as Finance Chairman.

For his devoted service in this field Mr. Brown has received the Georgia Recreation and Park Society Lay Award, and was named Dalton's Young Man of the Year and also Man of the Year in 1957. He is the father of two girls and two boys, an avid golfer and water skier and is a member of the Dalton Board of Education and the First National Bank Board of Directors.

RED CROSS ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Are you set for the summer swimming season? Are you planning to offer small craft activity as a part of your recreation program? We have something that might be of interest to you — here it is:

Kamp Kiwani Aquatic School	June 3-12, 1968
Middleton, Tennessee	
Blue Star Camp Aquatic School	June 5-15, 1968
Hendersonville, North Carolina	August 22-Sept. 1, 1968
Camp Ocala Aquatic School	June 5-15, 1968
Umatillo, Florida	
Camp Thunderbird Small Craft School	June 4-14, 1968
Clover, South Carolina	

For further information contact: Arnold Winkenhof, American Red Cross, 1955 Monroe Drive, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30324.

WHAT IS RECREATION? . . .

. . . Recreation is activity participated in during leisure of one's free will motivated by the pleasure and enjoyment derived from the activity. The basic value is the enrichment of life. Among the by-products are happiness, physical well-being, emotional stability, character development, safety, beauty, learning, creativeness, and sociability.

JOB MART

Individuals desiring to apply for positions listed in the Job Mart should apply directly to the Agency which has the opening. The Georgia Recreation Commission maintains a Personnel Service file for reference to prospective employers. The Commission will be happy to keep your credentials on file upon request.

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Center Supervisor I

(Salary \$415-\$525 per month)
Recreation experience desired.

(Salary \$485-\$606 per month)
College graduate in recreation or related field.

Firing Range Officer

(Salary \$415-\$525 per month)

Qualifications: high school graduate, prefer some experience in teaching gun safety. For further information on the DeKalb County position contact: John Carson, Recreation Administration, DeKalb County Recreation Department, Room 907, County Courthouse, Decatur, Georgia 30030. Telephone: 371-2557.

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Recreation Therapy Director

(Salary Range \$712-953)

Master's degree in Recreation and two years of supervisory experience or administrative experience in Recreation Therapy. Position under the State Merit System. Very liberal benefits. Contact: Examination and Recruitment Division, State Merit System, 244 Washington Street, S.W., Room 572, Atlanta, Georgia 30334.

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Director of Recreation

(Salary open depending upon qualifications)

Male, degree in Recreation or related field with some experience. Responsible for planning, promoting, and supervising year-round recreation program for all age groups. Apply by sending resume and photograph to Mr. Junior Johnson, Chairman, Monroe Recreation Council, City Hall, Monroe, Georgia.

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CAMP FOR RETARDED

The State Parks Department has developed a camp at Fort Yargo State Park for the ill and handicapped.

VIDALIA RECREATION BOARD SEEKS BUILDING

Members of the City of Vidalia Recreation Board are contemplating the construction of a Community Recreation Center Building. On April 11, the Director of Recreation, Ed Smith, and the Board heard recommendations concerning facility needs from the Georgia Recreation Commission staff.

The state agency recommended that building contain a crafts room, two offices, a gymnasium, social hall, club room, game room, dressing rooms, lounge, lobby, kitchen, and concessions area. The proposal calls for a 14,000-16,000-square-foot structure.

Plans called for the construction to be financed by public tax funds and contributions.

BROOKS ACCEPTS MONROE POSITION

William R. (Dick) Brooks has accepted the position as Director of Recreation for the City of Monroe. The former Douglasville-Douglas County Director will assume his duties in the Walton County community April 22. He replaces Paul Wendt who resigned several weeks ago to enter business.

Formerly a Recreation Supervisor with the Atlanta Parks and Recreation Department, Mr. Brooks has also previously served as Assistant Director in Griffin and had held the Douglas County position for approximately three years.

KITCHENS RESIGNS BAXLEY POST

William Kitchens, Director of Recreation for the City of Baxley, has resigned to accept a position with the United Community Services, Charleston, South Carolina. Mr. Kitchens will assume his new duties on May 1.



Miss Becky Hollingsworth, a member of the Charles M. Graves Organization, and **Bruce R. Prosser**, President-Elect of the Georgia Recreation and Park Society, chat with **Dr. Sal J. Prezioso**, Executive Vice-President of the National Recreation and Park Association. Dr. Prezioso spoke to more than 115 members of the park and recreation profession during his visit to Atlanta for the Recreation and Park Executives Development Institute.

CERTIFICATION LAW

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His other statements emphasized that while this bill will raise personnel standards, it will also expose all Georgians to more imaginative and creative programming brought about by a better quality leadership.

CORDELE-CRISP BUILDS MODEL BASEBALL FIELD

The Cordele-Crisp County Recreation Department, in conjunction with a local youth baseball organization, is presently constructing a youth baseball field under the direct supervision of Hugh Radcliffe, Director of Recreation. Mr. Radcliffe reports that the diamond will house primarily the Senior Little League group (13-15 year boys) and should be one of the most modern and functional facilities of its kind in Georgia.

ACWORTH NAMES WATTS

Charles Watts, an Alabamian by birth and presently a resident of Marietta, has been named Director of Recreation for the City of Acworth. He replaces Jerry Willingham who resigned to enter business.

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Recreation Therapist (Salary \$6,000-\$8,000)

Prefer male, B.S. degree in Recreation with specialization in therapeutic area; 0-2 years experience. Fringe benefits: sick and annual leave, excellent health and life insurance program, expenses paid to professional conferences, retirement program. Contact: Dr. Leonard T. Maholick, 2000 Sixteenth Avenue, Columbus, Georgia 31901.

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Director of Girls' and Women's Activities

(Salary open depending upon experience)

Female, degree in Recreation or related field, 1-2 years experience. Fringe benefits include sick and annual leave, health and life insurance, retirement program. Contact: Walter Attaway, Superintendent, Rome Recreation and Parks Department, 211 West Third Street, Rome, Georgia. Telephone: 404-232-1576.

BOYS' CLUBS INCREASE

A greater demand is being heard for more private agencies such as Boys Clubs, Girls Clubs and YMCA's. For example, in Boys Club work alone, there has been nearly a 50% increase in number of clubs since 1960. Presently, there exist a total of 24 clubs in the state.

'Public Recreation in Georgia' Off the Press

The Commission is happy to announce the release of the third annual publication of **Public Recreation in Georgia**.

The purpose of the publication is:

1. To point out the needs of municipal recreation in Georgia.
2. To provide a basis upon which municipal recreation departments may evaluate their recreation programs.
3. To provide information which serve as a guide to those municipalities interested in organizing a recreation program.

This publication was made possible by the assistance and cooperation of the Public Recreation Departments in Georgia. The Commission gratefully acknowledges the contributions of time and effort by these departments.

Copies of the publication may be obtained by contacting the Georgia Recreation Commission.



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RECREATION EXAMINERS TAKE OATH — Governor Lester Maddox administers the oath to charter members of the recently created State Board of Recreation Examiners. They are, left to right: Robert K. Brown, East Point; Rod Blaylock, Albany; Dr. Douglas Leavitt, Georgia Southern College; Bruce Prosser, Central State Hospital; James Champlin of the University of Georgia.

Board of Recreation Examiners Meet

The recently appointed Board of Recreation Examiners held their initial meeting in Atlanta on May 4. The first item of business was the election of officers. Dr. Douglas Leavitt, Head of the Recreation Curriculum at Georgia Southern College, was elected Chairman and Rod Blaylock, veteran recreation leader from Albany, was elected Vice-Chairman. James R. Champlin, Associate Professor of Recreation and Park Administration at the University of Georgia, was elected to serve as Recorder.

Under the provisions of the state law the Board will certify recreation and park professionals and will serve in other ways to upgrade standards in recreation leadership. The program is not a mandatory one, however, numerous agencies have already indicated their intentions to adopt it as their criteria for personnel.

It was quickly pointed out by the Board that recreators in the state should not be concerned about making application now. In response to numerous inquiries as to what steps one must presently take to become certified, the Chairman reports that all recreators will be informed through publications at a later date concerning this. He states that the procedures must be developed before the plan can be implemented.

Central State Hospital is the site of the next meeting which is scheduled for June 26.

Quality Leadership The Key to Success

The membership of the Georgia Recreation and Park Society can take great pride in its heritage and should view, in retrospect, its valuable contributions to the entire field with self-satisfaction. This fact was made possible because of the dynamic leadership of its membership; and its elected leaders have epitomized this general leadership as they have served with know-how and dignity, reflecting unity of purpose and professional alertness.

This dedication to purpose has resulted in unparalleled recreation growth in the state; particularly in recent years. The efforts of this leadership and the quality thereof has contributed immeasurably to the emergence of the Georgia Recreation Commission, the 1946 State Recreation Enabling Law and subsequent modifications, a strong personnel standards program within the framework of the Society, many new local recreation systems in city and county government, recreation curricula at two state institutions of higher learning, and the enactment of the state certification program.

All of these accomplishments indicate just how effective sound leadership can be. We maintain that without the work of those who have persevered none of these things could have become a reality. This is to say then—that LEADERSHIP is the key in any recreation undertaking; whether it be city, county, state, private agency, church, industry or whatever.

It is with satisfaction that the Georgia Recreation Commission dedicates this special publication to the many industrious and dedicated recreation and park leaders in Georgia.

Special Edition: Leadership

University of Georgia

EDUCATION . . . SERVICE . . . RESEARCH

The University of Georgia has a three-fold function in helping to meet the recreational needs of the citizens of Georgia. The responsibilities of the University are carried out in this manner:

1) EDUCATION:

- a. Undergraduate curriculum in Recreation and Park Administration
- b. Master's Degree (5th Year) Program in Recreation and Park Administration
- c. Supervisor's Certificate (6th Year) Program in Recreation.
- d. Doctoral Degree (D.Ed.) Program in Recreation

The educational program utilizes the resources of the School of Forestry and Department of Landscape Architecture in providing a quality curriculum geared toward recreation leadership, administration and planning. Seventy undergraduate students and eight graduate students are majoring in Recreation.

2) SERVICE: The Department of Recreation and Park Administration provides field service through the University's Institute of Community and Area Development. The program provides consultation and advisory services to local communities, area planning commissions, and state agencies.

3) RESEARCH: In addition to the many applied research studies conducted through the Institute, basic research



UNIVERSITY RECREATION AND PARK EDUCATORS—Left to right: Associate Professor James R. Champ-
lin, Assistant Professors Edith Klein and Charles Clegg re-
view plans for the Recreation and Park Department at the
University of Georgia.

projects are undertaken as the need arises and the re-
sources become available.

The University faculty directly involved in the teaching of the Recreation and Park curriculum includes: James R. Champlin (Coordinator), Mr. Charles C. Clegg, Miss Edie Klein, Dr. B. W. Gabrielsen, Dr. William T. Moss (Forestry), and Mr. William Beery (Landscape Architecture).

Georgia's Colleges and Universities with Professional Recreational and Park Curriculums

Georgia Southern College

The Recreation Curriculum at Georgia Southern College is designed to provide trained recreators for the citizens of Georgia. The curriculum is concerned with the more practical aspects of recreation leadership, and has provided top-flight personnel for many of the departments of the state. Several graduates hold positions of responsibility in out-of-state departments as well. While the 1968 graduating class will be the largest in history, only a few individuals will be available for employment because of military obligations.

Originally headed by Dr. George Stopp, the 1960 enrollment numbered 12 students. Since 1962, the curriculum has been administered and taught by Dr. H. Douglas Leavitt, and enrollment now exceeds 100. Charles M. Exley, Jr., was a welcomed addition to the faculty in the fall of 1965. Last year changes and additions were made to the curriculum in the form of areas of emphasis. Concentrations in Public Recreation, on Camping and Outdoor Recreation and Recreation for the Ill and Handicapped are now available.

A Graduate Curriculum leading to a Masters Degree in Recreation Administration is being submitted to the University System Board of Regents with the hope of making the curriculum available for the fall term of 1968-69. The degree which will be administered by a third faculty member at the doctorate level, can be secured in three quarters—fall through spring—provided all academic requirements are met upon admission.



RECREATION EDUCATORS—Dr.
H. Douglas Leavitt (left), Head of the
Recreation Curriculum and Depart-
ment of Physical Education at Georgia
Southern College, confers with fellow
teacher, Charles M. Exley, Jr.



Profile of the Student Recreator

By EDITH KLEIN

Assistant Professor of Recreation, University of Georgia

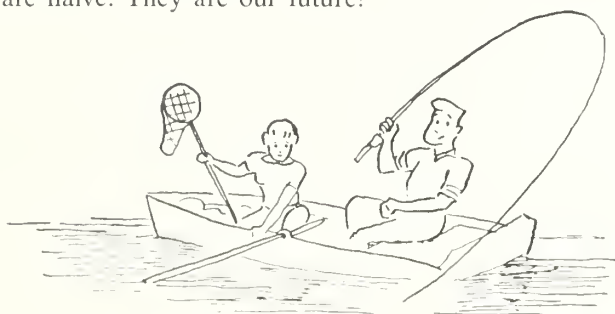
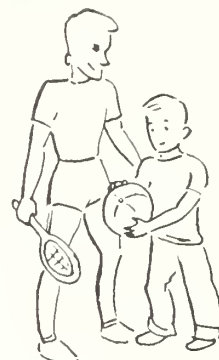
What is the Student Recreator? Who is he? Why is he? Today's Student Recreator has high goals and ambitions to be the "best there is." Realizing that the field of Recreation is expanding daily, some students have set their goals for the top positions and many will be able to reach their objectives.

Recreation majors come in various sizes and shapes. They range in size from under 5 feet to 6 feet 6 inches, and they have an average age of 20.4 years of age. They are an activity-centered group with water sports (swimming, skiing, boating) being mentioned more often than other sports, closely followed by hunting and fishing. Many sketch and paint; some play the piano and guitar; others have hobbies like coin collecting and model building.

Favorite classes fall within the recreation theory group, followed by physical skill classes, and sociology, mathematics, history and industrial arts. Many major students are in the field because they like people and activities and have no desire to teach school. Some students talk about the challenge of recreation and the opportunities in the field. Others indicate that future happiness is tied in with professional work in Recreation. Some have already tried their hands in the field either as life-guards, playground personnel, camp counselors, or as part-time coaches. Others have had other work experiences such as textile workers, secretaries, carpenters or store clerks. Nearly all major students have had previous work experiences outside the field of recreation as well as in the field.

A large number of students are earning something toward their education either through summer or part-time jobs. Very few students want to attend graduate school immediately after leaving the undergraduate program and many want to go into municipal recreation, while some are still undecided about their future. Uncle Sam will, of course, have the attention of many of the young men for the next few years. Graduate school, after a period of work, appeals to most male students. Salary is one consideration that students discuss most often, and the expectations range from \$5,000 to \$7,000 upon college graduation.

Today's recreation students are serious about their profession, concerned for their future, and also concerned for the need to expand programs, work with volunteers, and upgrade the profession as a whole. They are idealistic and realistic. They are eager and apprehensive. They are full of confidence and they are frightened. They are the products of newly formed curricula, and yet they are better prepared for this profession than others that have come before them. They are more worldly and yet they are naive. They are our future!





P. B. (POP) AUSTIN, Director of Recreation and Parks for the City of Columbus, retires September 1st, having served in this position since 1948. Pop is a graduate of Clemson University.

Musings of A Future Recreational Professional

Jimmy Anderson is a young man, not new to recreation as he worked with the Cairo Recreation Department during his high school and college days at Georgia Southern. He received the WSB Radio Recreation Scholarship which with his recreation exposure gave him a push (so to speak) into the profession.

Jimmy Anderson says, as he stands at the threshold of his professional life as an instructor in Recreation Education at Macon Junior College, "If I had it to do over again, my choice of a profession, **more than ever**, would be RECREATION." Then Jimmy did some musing—

About his reasons for entering the recreation profession:

- ... wants to see people of all ages accomplish
- ... desires to become an efficient and daring public recreation administrator as this is the area of greatest need in the field.

About the challenge existing for the recreation profession:

- ... to educate the general public to the need for and the importance of recreation
- ... to impress educators to accept the full value of recreation and to recognize its meaning to the citizens of our state and nation

Three cheers for Jimmy Anderson—a young man with enthusiasm for a young profession—and to all those who shall aid him in bringing about the progressive changes needed if recreation is to serve tomorrow.

Three cheers for the youth of today who shall be unashamed to profit from the leaders of the past in the recreation profession to become the leaders of tomorrow!

REFLECTIONS OF LEADERSHIP

By **S. REBECCA HOLLINGSWORTH**
Recreation Planner-Consultant
The Graves Organization

"I'd do it again". . . . these words are those of Paul B. "Pop" Austin, retiring Superintendent of Recreation for the City of Columbus. "Pop" has served in this capacity since 1948 and was assistant seven years prior to that time. Yes, "Pop" said if he had it to go over again, he would still choose recreation as his life's work. And with these words "Pop" began reflecting back over the years and in so doing offers some very interesting and challenging thoughts concerning the field of recreation and those in it.

About changes which have come about during his time:

- ... progress is being made in the state — elected officials are becoming recreation-conscious.
- ... city administration has become aware of the vast need for recreation.
- ... recreation staff now has a forty-hour week instead of the seventy-two or more hours which the "ole-timers" regularly had to put in.
- ... attitude of the general public has changed to one of enthusiasm and desire for recreation.
- ... big business has become interested in promoting recreation and park services as fringe benefits to its employees.
- ... for the future of recreation — nothing but progress ahead!

About failures to be corrected in your time:

- ... have not reached "all" the people as we should and like we wanted to do.
- ... have failed to provide suitable and adequate programs for women and girls in our community recreation planning.
- ... have not been able to get business to supplement recreation budgets as they can and will.
- ... have provided too many segmented programs — greatest development is that of Community Centers where the recreation activities bring the family together as a unit where all may participate. "Family that plays together, stays together," is "Pop's" belief.

"Words of Wisdom" to the newcomer or beginner in the field:

- ... get all the **practical** experience possible along with formal education.
- ... recognize that the four years of academic training are **only** the beginning.
- ... acknowledge **NOW** that background experience is important.
- ... determine what you want to do and work **hard** at it!
- ... be willing to go the second and third mile if you would be a successful recreator.
- ... be so enthusiastic (sincerely) about your profession and so desirous of its achieving good for all people that the public sees and recognizes these attributes in you!

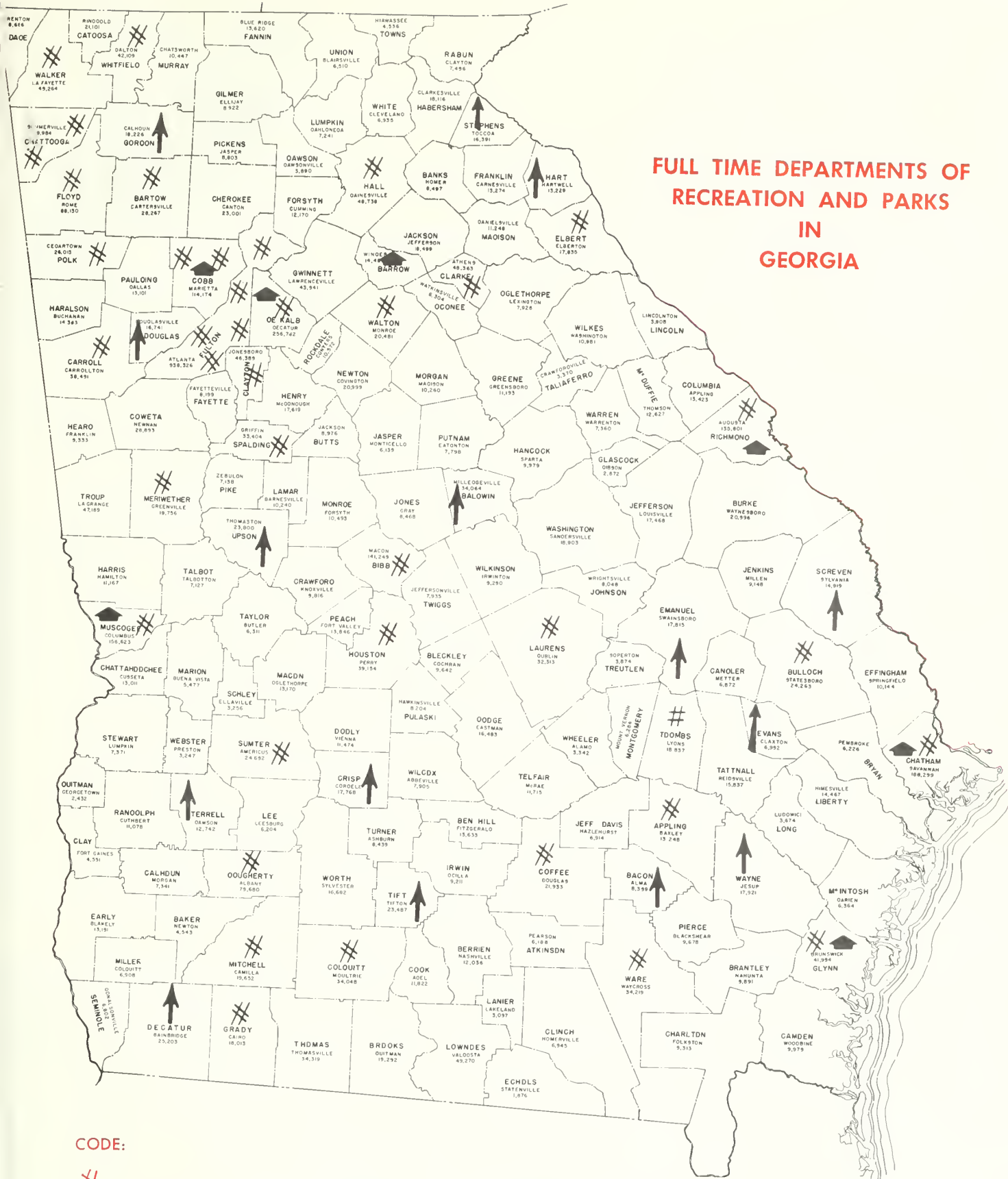
Hats off to "Pop" Austin—charter member of GRS, past president of GRS, recreator, community leader—and others like him who have brought about the progressive changes and who can, through thoughtful reflections back over their own experience, pave the way for the leaders of tomorrow!

Hats off to those who profit from the retrospective reflections of men like "Pop" and continue the progress of the past through today and into tomorrow!

THE CHALLENGE IS TO EFFECTIVE AND DEDICATED LEADERSHIP!



JIMMY ANDERSON, a native of Cairo, Georgia, is a Recreation Graduate from Georgia Southern College and is completing the requirements for the Master's Degree at the University of Georgia.



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N. R. P. A. Releases Manpower Research

By W. TOM MARTIN, JR.

Assistant Director, Georgia Recreation Commission

In a recent 23-page research workbook the Research Department of the National Recreation and Park Association, under the direction of Dr. Donald E. Hawkins, has attempted to identify the status of the manpower supply in the recreation and park field today and to project the demand for the future. This is the first of a series of manpower research studies to be undertaken by N.R.P.A.

According to the study, "... the DEMAND component centered primarily on local public park and recreation agencies, with secondary emphasis on state and federal personnel, and on the private non-profit and commercial recreation sectors. The SUPPLY component focused on institutions of higher learning currently offering preparation programs for park and recreation careers."

The data collection process was a thorough one and is a tribute to N.R.P.A.'s research staff. Questionnaires were mailed to 797 known public, county and special districts with park and recreation programs. There was a 100 percent return. Questionnaires were also mailed to all 2,041 accredited institutions of higher learning with a follow-up questionnaire to the 183 institutions which indicated that they currently offered a major park and recreation curricula. Again there was a 100 percent return.

Tentative conclusions which have been reached at this point include:

1) Expenditures for all phases of parks and recreation—public, private and commercial—all show steady growth trends. The public sector will almost quadruple by 1980.

2) There will be serious deficits of park and recreation majors with two years or more of college training by 1980. The supply is anticipated at approximately 241,000 as compared with personnel needs ranging from 280,000 to 770,000.

3) The colleges and universities will be hard-pressed to meet the personnel needs in spite of the fact that the present 183 park and recreation curricula are expected to reach 343 by 1980.

4) One of the most pressing priorities is to "Train the Trainers" who prepare the professional and pre-pro-

fessional personnel.

Focusing attention on the college faculty situation, the report made the following statement: "In 1967 there were 482 full-time and 387 part-time faculty members teaching in recreation and park curricula. By 1970, it has been estimated that colleges and universities will double their number of graduates, thus necessitating twice as many faculty."

In summing up this first of a series of manpower research studies, the following recommendations are made:

Recommendation I

To increase and improve the supply of trained personnel by:

A. Alleviating manpower deficits. Replace part-time jobs, whenever possible, with full-time jobs to reduce the number of persons needing training. Increase individual productivity. Alter job descriptions to allow technician and aide level personnel to undertake functions currently performed by professional and pre-professional persons. Increase skills of existing manpower at all levels. Utilize existing training resources of related disciplines; focus upon manpower deficits in areas where no training resources exist other than those provided by park and recreation curricula.

B. Improving the quality of existing programs. Increase the quality of curricula offered by instituting accreditation standards and increase the number of institutions offering training resources. Increase and improve the student/faculty ratio to 14:1.

C. Expanding training. Enabling persons at post-doctoral, doctoral, masters, undergraduate, and associate levels to continue to improve their education by providing funds to assist in the research undertaken to complete dissertation, theses, and post-doctoral study programs. Provide allowances for dependents and general living expenditures.

Recommendation II

To develop ideal levels of performance and training required for particular types of recreation service opportunities.



TOM MARTIN, JR., who has been a member of the staff of the Georgia Recreation Commission for the past four years, has accepted a position with the Recreation Curriculum at Georgia Southern College. He will join the college staff in September.

Recommendation III

To initiate and carry through an intensified **Information Campaign** to educate the public concerning the needs, importance and significance of the recreation and park field. Wide publicity in local as well as national publications which appeal to all sectors of the population would aid in alerting influential persons to the need for their assistance. An effort to upgrade and heighten the prestige of the recreation profession is essential.

Recommendation IV

To initiate and carry through an intensified **Recruitment Campaign** by reaching the high schools and colleges and by encouraging part-time personnel to enter the field as full-time employees. An increase in the number of scholarships and internships would offer additional incentives.

Recommendation V

To expand the **Legislative Program** to increase the participation of influential members of government and to inform them of the information necessary to make wise legislative decisions. An effort should be made to insure that the application of legislation includes ample provision for training sufficient number of personnel for pre-professional and service occupations in the field.

For a closer look at this piece of research, contact:

Dr. Donald E. Hawkins
Director of Research
National Recreation and Park
Association
1700 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Recreation Internship Program

By **CHARLES M. EXLEY** Georgia Southern College

It has been long felt that the internship period for recreation majors is the most significant single course offering or combination of courses. This is obvious since the internship is that period toward which all courses point and through which all courses cumulate or combine. All courses, taken together or singly, hint toward that practical period which is so persuasive by its importance.

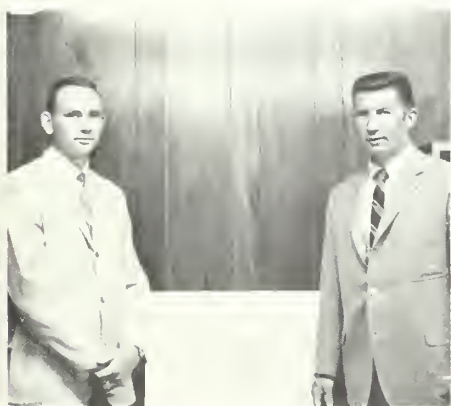
From that marvelous moment when the student realizes that he or she wants to make their service to people—recreation, and through the challenging enthusiastic period of course work and campus activity, each realizes that the internship will make, presupposing the course-work, the greatest combination toward readiness. It will be that brief period that makes the test real.

For the student this is the time for branching out, for seeing new faces, for discovering new methods—new approaches. It is the period of leaving the security of the campus with its ready access to their instructor and an answer to a problem or question, to the hard, but real, world of reality. This is really the chance, the opportunity! Here they can demonstrate their full potential!

For the practitioner here is the extra pair of hands long needed and sought. Here is the opportunity to show what the addition of one person to the staff can mean in terms of program quality. But here is also that answer to the deep feeling that dwells deep inside each of them that they can contribute something to a leader of the future, that they can help them to avoid some of the pitfalls that present themselves along the passage to leadership. Also with the intern came the new ideas of the profession and subsequently greater breadth of understanding for all.

To the educator the challenge is particularly felt, for his is the responsibility of assuring the student of an exciting, interesting, well-rounded, and well-balanced program in which to intern. Also it is his responsibility to the professional in the field to present a student who has the basic fundamentals of leadership, programming, maintenance, supervision, public relations, and especially the teaching of skills. Also to this professional must the educator send a student whose personal habits are above reproach. And if this isn't enough there are the "little" things which are so important; the writing of the newspaper article, the reporting of program progress to the public, the cultivation of the "telephone voice," the most important ability of meeting the public.

To all of these people the end result is the same. To help make the recreation leader of the future. To each the method is different but deep down each is cognizant that he or she is contributing to the progress of the profession. The reward is the same for all, it is seeing that student doing those things for which he was prepared—the service of man through Recreation.



EDWIN MCKINNEY, a recreation major from Georgia Southern College, is doing his internship with the Dalton Recreation Department where Director **Ralph Turner** exposes him to the many aspects of the department.

RECREATION interns Penny Terry and Charles Milam of the University of Georgia discuss plans for the coming week with their temporary "boss," **Grady McCalmon**, Director of Recreation, Griffin.





ROY A. HAMMOND, Director of Recreation for the City of Dublin, received the Professional Award from The Georgia Recreation and Park Society last year. The Society recognizes outstanding professional and lay leadership through its awards program.



BARROW COUNTY INITIATE PROGRAM— The newly appointed Barrow County Recreation Commission is shown in its first official meeting last month. They are, left to right: Mrs. Dave Ginn, Dorsey Hutchins, Jake Zodrow (Chairman), Mrs. Glen Segars and Wayne Ridgeway. They exemplify a bountiful supply of lay leadership which addresses itself to recreation needs throughout Georgia.



EXECUTIVE DEVELOPMENT institutes provide up-to-date information to keep Georgia's recreators abreast of current practices and techniques in programming, administration, legislation, etc.

**LEADERSHIP
AND
TRAINING
OPPORTUNITIES**



A LARGE NUMBER of public and private agency representatives attend this workshop related to the mentally retarded and recreation. The G.R.P.S. and the Georgia Recreation Commission, separately and combined, sponsor numerous training opportunities of this type.



ANNUAL CONFERENCE of the Georgia Recreation and Park Society attracts hundreds of lay and professional leaders. Interesting panel discussions and speakers of national prominence highlight the meeting. Luncheons and banquets, such as shown above, offer opportunity for the exchange of ideas.



ROBIN AIR FORCE BASE was the site of this training program on social recreation. This particular session was designed primarily for Middle Georgia. Subsequent ones are being planned for other sections of the state. Delegates represent public and private agencies, armed forces, churches, and hospitals.

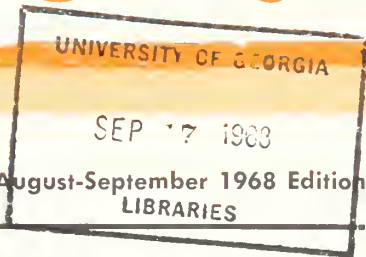


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LUKE L. RUSHTON

RUSHTON NEW CHAIRMAN OF STATE COMMISSION

Luke L. Rushton is the new Chairman of the Georgia Recreation Commission. Elected unanimously at the most recent meeting of the Commission, held in conjunction with the Georgia Municipal Association in Savannah, the outstanding Young Harris Junior College Basketball Coach assumed office immediately. He succeeds William R. Tiller of Evans who served in that capacity for three years.

Brown Vice Chairman

The Commission also elected James E. Brown of Dalton as Vice Chairman. Mr. Brown, a prominent businessman and outstanding figure in Dalton's recreation program also serves as a Director of the Commission-Board Member Branch of the National Recreation and Park Association.

Young Harris Mayor

A native of Augusta, Georgia, Mr. Rushton is a graduate of Richmond Academy, Young Harris College, Presbyterian College, and holds an M.A. degree from the University of Alabama.

He has served as President of the Georgia Junior College Athletic Association since 1954, and as Regional Director of Region 17 of the National Junior College Athletic Association. He is serving his first term as Mayor of Young Harris and is Chairman of of the Towns County Recreation Commission.

Appointed to the Commission by Governor Carl Sanders in 1963, Mr. Rushton is a charter member of the Commission. He was recently re-appointed for another term by Governor Lester Maddox.



W. TOM MARTIN, JR.



JAMES R. CHAMPLIN

RECREATION CURRICULUMS INCREASE AND PROMOTE

Georgia's two Institutions of Higher Learning which offer professional Recreation Degrees are increasing the size of their staffs this fall. **ELIZABETH D. MURPHY** has joined the staff of the University of Georgia. She holds an M.S. Degree from the University of Tennessee and Rec. Director Degree from Indiana University. **SUSAN K. WHEATON** comes to Georgia Southern College from Indiana University where she received her M.S. Degree in Recreation. **W. TOM MARTIN, JR.**, will join the Recreation curriculum at Georgia Southern following four years with the Georgia Recreation Commission as Assistant Director. Mr. Martin holds an M.S. Degree from the University of North Carolina. **JAMES R. CHAMPLIN** has been promoted to Associate Professor at the University of Georgia. Mr. Champlin holds an M.S. Degree and Director of Recreation Degree from Indiana University. He has been with the University since 1964.

COMING EVENTS

October 13-17

National Recreation and Park Conference
Olympic Hotel
Seattle, Washington

November 17-19

State Recreation and Park Conference
Town House Motor Inn
Augusta, Georgia

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FEATURE



**JIM PREVATTE, Coordinator,
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LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND INCREASED

A shot in the arm has been given to the Land and Water Conservation Fund in the form of a new bill originating in the United States Senate. This bill is known as S1401, and will guarantee that a minimum of \$200 million yearly will be apportioned to the Land and Water Fund. This new Senate bill has been passed by the House and Senate and signed by the President. It will mean an approximate increase of \$1.5 million annually into our state fund, bringing a total of approximately \$2.5 million yearly that will be used to promote recreation throughout the state. You can readily see that on a 50-50 matching basis this will mean an increase of \$5 million a year devoted to local projects. This of course will be distributed throughout the State and handled on our usual priority basis. We can see the tremendous strides that will be made in future years in recreation and I am delighted that my department will be instrumental in helping local governments achieve their goals. We are looking forward to a tremendous upsurge in our development of recreation throughout the State because of this new bill and our office will be only too glad to give aid to local groups upon request.



STATE RECREATION AND PARK CONFERENCE SET

Interesting and informative sessions with some of the country's leading recreation and park authorities will highlight the 1968 State Recreation and Park Conference. The Conference is slated for Augusta, Georgia November 17-19 with headquarters at the Augusta Town House Motor Inn.

General Sessions will occupy a portion of the calendar with the first coming on Sunday night, November 17, and featuring Dr. Sal J. Prezioso, Executive Vice President, National Recreation and Park Association. Dr. Prezioso's remarks will center around this year's Conference theme: "The Changing American Society—Our Professional Responsibilities."

Other General Session speakers will include Honorable Arthur K. Bolton, Attorney General of Georgia; Dr. Janet McLean, Professor of Recreation, Indiana University; Fred Humphreys, Recreation Professor, Pennsylvania State University; Dr. Harold D. Meyer, Recreation Professor Emeritus, University of North Carolina.

In addition to the educational sessions, the Conference will honor outstanding laymen in the area of recreation and parks. A special day has been designated for this purpose.

Hotel reservation form and additional conference information may be secured by writing or calling: Bruce R. Prosser, Recreation Therapy Director, Central State Hospital, Milledgeville, Georgia.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Joe Larry Glover was promoted recently to Program Director with the Glynn County Department.

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Miss Diane Schuster, a recreation intern from Florida State University, is doing her intern work with the Southwestern State Hospital at Thomasville, Georgia.

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Edwin McKinney, a recent graduate of the recreation curriculum at Georgia Southern College, has accepted the position of Activities Director for the Dalton Recreation Department.

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Milton Moore is the new Director of Recreation for the Milledgeville-Baldwin County Recreation Department.

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Leroy Dukes has resigned as Director of Recreation for the Jesup-Wayne County Recreation Department to enter fulltime coaching at Appling County High School.

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George Chambliss has been employed as the first fulltime Recreation and Parks Director for the Winder-Barrow County Department.

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Willie Long is the new Athletic Director for the Glynn County Department.

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Frank Lankewicz assumed his duties as Director of Recreation for the City of Palmetto on July 15. He is a recent graduate of the curriculum at the University of Georgia. Palmetto is the newest municipal department in the state.

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John Barron has been employed by the Marietta Recreation Department as Program Director. John holds a Masters Degree from the University of Southern Mississippi. He assumes his new duties on August 15.

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Mary Dear has joined the Richmond County Recreation Department as a Park Supervisor. She was formerly with the Augusta Department.

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Miss Brenda Mills has joined the Glynn County Recreation Department as Secretary.



TOMMY DRUMMOND
Assistant Director

Mr. Luke L. Rushton, Chairman of the Georgia Recreation Commission, announces the appointment of Tommy Drummond as Assistant Director of the Commission. Mr. Drummond will assume his new duties on October 1st.

His background includes experience with the Dalton Recreation Department as Program Director and with the Carrollton Department as Director. He received his B.S. Degree in Recreation Administration from Georgia Southern College.



THE STATESBORO RECREATION DEPARTMENT was presented an electric pitching machine by the local Coca-Cola Company and its owner **Jim Brock** (center). Accepting the machine on behalf of the department are: Program Director **Billy Yawn** (left), and **Lonice Barrett**, Recreation Director (right).

DID YOU KNOW...?

America discovered in 1700's until 1870 population doubled.
1870-1900—redoubled again.
1900-1950—redoubled again.
1950-2000—redoubled again to over 300,000 million people.
1790—95% of population were farmers.
1970—25% will live on farms.

NEWS BRIEFS

ROSWELL

The Roswell Recreation Department has contracted with the Charles M. Graves Organization to do a Recreation Study for the city. When completed it will include recommendations for a recreation center, site plans and any additional recreation facilities needed to meet the growing demands of the rapidly increasing population in the greater Roswell area.

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CLAXTON

The elected officials of Claxton and Evans County have joined forces in an effort to meet the recreation needs of their citizens. During a recent meeting of the two governing bodies, they voted to create a fulltime recreation department. The program will be financed jointly. A professional director will be employed in the near future.

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MACON

The City of Macon has recently undertaken steps to reorganize their Recreation Department. The initial steps were the naming of a fifteen member Recreation Advisory Board and an operating budget increase from \$190,000 to \$275,000. Financial assistance from Bibb County has also been secured.

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FOLKSTON

Folkston and Charlton County officials have received recommendations for initiating a fulltime recreation program. A steering committee has been named to study ways and means of implementing these recommendations. The Georgia Recreation Commission assisted the local governmental units in the study.

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ATHENS

The Athens Recreation Department was the host for the State Swim Meet sponsored by the Georgia Recreation and Park Society. Competitive swimmers throughout Georgia participated in the event.

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GRIFFIN

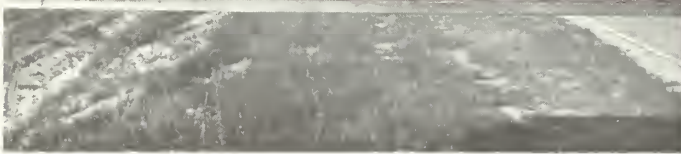
The Griffin Recreation Department reports that 1,500 boys, girls, men and women are participating in the department's softball and baseball programs. 120 volunteer coaches are assisting the department in this program.

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GLYNN COUNTY

The Glynn County Recreation and Parks Department staff now consists of 31 fulltime employees with a budget of \$164,743.

YOUR PATIENCE — PLEASE — *This is* MUSCOGEE COUNTY RECREATION IN PROGRESS



THE BRITT DAVID RECREATION COMPLEX, consisting of 30 acres, required 650,000 yards of fill dirt to make the area usable for recreation and park purposes. The unique sign placed at the roadway informed the citizens of Muscogee County that ACTION was taking place in the Department. The complex will include a community center, athletic fields, playground area and soap box derby track. The Department has completed many of the facilities for this area.



CITY AND COUNTY RECREATION OFFICIALS PLAN TOGETHER. (Left to right) Charles Bollinger, Superintendent of Recreation, Muscogee County; Jeff Moon, Director of Parks and Recreation for Muscogee County, exchange views with City Recreation Officials, P. B. Austin, Director, and R. G. Jones, Assistant Director.

A DEPARTMENT ON THE MOVE

The Muscogee County Parks and Recreation Department is on the move to meet the growing demands for wholesome recreation and park facilities. The Department is making giant strides in the acquisition and development of facilities. The Department is young, having been officially organized in 1958 and consisting of some 40 fulltime employees. The County's participation in park and recreation facilities began, however, several years before the department was established. In 1952 the County acquired and developed Flat Rock Creek Park and Carver Park. Flat Rock Creek Park is 210 acres of beautiful and serene country area. Its development includes picnic areas, a lake for boating and fishing, hiking, group meetings, concession area, playgrounds and beautiful water falls. Carver Park, the 85 acre counterpart of Flat Rock Creek Park, is developed along the same pattern. Both parks have proved very popular with the residents of Muscogee County.

Watershed Program

For several years, the County of Muscogee has been involved in the Bull Creek Watershed Project with the Soil Conservation Service of the Department of Agriculture. The project was begun in 1958 and was initiated by John Rigdon, one of the Muscogee County Commissioners. Upon its completion, the total project will include 11 lakes and some 1,550 acres for recreation and park purposes. Although the basic watershed project requirement is for flood prevention, the areas in the project may be fully utilized for recreation and park activities.

Other Facilities

The Department is making advances in other areas of its development program. In 1967 the citizens of Muscogee County voted a \$650,000 bond issue for capital improvements. These funds will be utilized in further development of its facilities.

The Department operates one very unique facility—a soap box derby track. In 1967 this unique track was constructed in cooperation with the Muscogee County Jaycees. The Jaycees sponsor each year the soap box derby and assist in maintaining the track. The Department operates 10 playgrounds under the direction of Charles Bollinger, Superintendent of Recreation. The program offered to the citizens of the county is well rounded and appeals to all age groups. The long range plans call for the addition of 45 acres of playground space.

Future Plans

Jeff Moon, Director of Parks and Recreation for the County, believes that the greatest advance for the department is in the near future. Mr. Moon is working with the County Commissioners and his Advisory Board to develop an additional 707 acres of land. He pointed out the recent completion of Heath Park, a beautiful 70 acres of park development in a residential area. This facility contains a 22 acre lake, rest room facilities and parking area.

Mr. Moon invites interested park and recreation personnel throughout the state to make Muscogee County Parks and Recreation Department a must STOP on their next trip to this area. Needless to say, it is an exciting experience to view the tremendous recreation and park developments being made in MUSCOGEE COUNTY, GEORGIA.



FUNCTIONAL AND BEAUTIFUL picnic areas as shown here are being provided by the park system. Additional facilities will include welcome station, first aid, comfort stations, park areas, nature and hiking, and athletic fields. When completed the facilities will represent a totally developed park system.



THE BULL CREEK WATERSHED PROJECT was begun in 1958 by the Muscogee County Commissioners. Upon its completion it will make available 1,550 acres for recreation and park purposes. In addition, the park system will provide 188 acres of fishing and 10 major playgrounds.

FLAT ROCK CREEK PARK is the oldest park in the Muscogee County Park System. It consists of 210 acres and was developed in 1952. The beauty of this park captivates the imagination of its visitors. Included in its facilities are: boating, fishing, large meeting areas, picnic facilities, walking and hiking, playground areas and other fine outdoor facilities.



THE MUSCOGEE COUNTY PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT areas are policed on an hourly basis by four uniformed park policemen. In 1967, the park policemen traveled 120,000 miles inspecting the various parks.



NEW SALARY STUDY COMPLETED

The average salary of public recreation and park directors in Georgia has increased 27% over the past four years. This information is reflected in the most recent salary study conducted by the Georgia Recreation Commission. The 1968 study reveals the average director's salary is \$8,600 compared to \$6,800 when the initial study was conducted in 1964. This includes a range, encompassing 54 reporting departments, of \$5,400 to \$17,628.

Broken down into population groups the study produced the following results: population of 50,000 or over, average salary, \$9,850; 25,000 to 50,000, average salary, \$9,200; 15,000 to 25,000, average salary, \$8,750; 5,000 to 15,000, \$7,655 average; and the smaller population group of 5,000 or less showed an average of \$6,928.

All indications point to the fact that these salaries will continue to show an annual increase. The major reason behind the continual upgrading of salaries is simply that the demand for qualified recreation leadership far exceeds the supply. In addition governing officials have realized that the success or failure of a program hinges primarily on this one important factor — **LEADERSHIP** — and to keep secure their recreation leadership they must continue to upgrade salaries.

The Commission expresses gratitude to those individuals and agencies who assisted in the compilation of the 1968 Recreation Executives' Salary Study. Copies will be made available to all agencies within a short time.

MACON RECREATION DEPARTMENT HAS NEW HEADQUARTERS

The Macon Recreation Department has moved its office to the Train Recreation Center located on the corner of First Street and Oglethorpe. The building was donated to the City of Macon by the Robert Train family of the Bibb Manufacturing Company.

The department is in the process of remodeling and equipping of the center for the purpose of general administration of the department and for use as a Community Center.

LAYTON RESIGNS POST

Freddie Layton has resigned his position as Recreation Director for Mill-Edgeville to accept a coaching position with the Georgia Military College. His new duties with the college will include coaching the college baseball team, high school basketball team and as a member of the football staff.



DONALD NESMITH, a native of Statesboro, where he received his B.S. Degree in Recreation Administration, has been appointed Director of Recreation for the City of Baxley, Georgia.

THINGS TO KNOW...

PRESIDENT ISSUES CONSERVATION MESSAGE

President Johnson's recent Congressional Message on the environment — "To Renew a Nation" — contained many items relating to park, recreation and conservation interests. Included were plans for stronger programs to combat air, water, and noise pollution; protecting the landscape from waste products and oil spills; new national parks, trails, riverways and wilderness areas; funding for highway beautification programs; added revenues for the Land and Water Conservation Fund; and a "Volunteers for Conservation" project. Limited copies of the message are available from NRPA upon request.

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OUTDOOR RECREATION SPENDING TO DOUBLE

Americans spend \$20 billion annually for outdoor recreation. This figure will climb to \$47 billion by 1980 according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture publication, "Communities of Tomorrow," which outlines USDA policy in the recreation and natural beauty area. USDA estimates that 200,000 new fulltime jobs in such areas as ski resorts, shooting preserves, golf courses and support services will be created by 1980.

RUSTY GUY ACCEPTS JESUP POSITION

Rusty Guy, Recreation Director for the Youth, Inc., of Jenkins County, has accepted the position of Recreation Director for the Jesup Recreation Department. Mr. Guy headed the Jenkins program for 20 months. He is a recent graduate of Georgia Southern College in Statesboro.

JOB MART

Individuals desiring to apply for positions listed in the Job Mart should apply directly to the Agency which has the opening. The Georgia Recreation Commission maintains a Personnel Service file for reference to prospective employers. The Commission will be happy to keep your credentials on file upon request.

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Tenn Center Director

(Salary: Open)

Qualifications: B.S. Degree in recreation or closely allied field. Duties: Plan and direct teen center activities in modern facility. Assist with some phases of adult recreation program. Good fringe benefits. Contact: Bill White, Director of Recreation, City of Gainesville, 830 Green Street, Gainesville, Georgia, Telephone 532-6122.

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Recreation Therapist

(Salary: GS-6, \$6,361-\$8,206)

Qualifications: Male, B.S. Degree in Recreation, 6 months experience. Excellent fringe benefits. Contact: Pat Miller, Atlanta VA Hospital, 1670 Clairmont Road, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia, Telephone 634-5171, Ext. 385.

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Assistant Physical Director

(Salary: \$6,000)

Qualifications: B.S. Degree in Recreation or Physical Education. Good fringe benefits. Contact: Bill Jones, Decatur-DeKalb YMCA, 1100 Clairmont Avenue, Decatur, Georgia, Telephone 378-7581.

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Athletic Director

(Salary: \$5,610 Annually)

Qualifications: B.S. Degree in Recreation or Physical Education. Duties: Plan, promote and direct athletic program for all age groups. Good fringe benefits. Contact: Grady McCalmon, Director of Recreation, City of Griffin, P.O. Box 95, Griffin, Georgia, Telephone 228-8405.

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Program Director

(Salary: Open, Depending Upon Qualifications)

Qualifications: B.S. Degree in Recreation or closely allied field. Prefer 1-2 years experience. Good fringe benefits. Contact: Robert Gibbs, Director of Recreation, City of Decatur, 231 Sycamore Street, Decatur, Georgia, Telephone 377-1704.



THE FIRST SIGHT that welcomes campers and visitors to Camp Harmony is the beautiful sign giving the name of the camp and its motto, "Where God and Goodtimes Are Friends."



BEEFY EAVES, Director of Recreation, and **JOE FENDLEY**, Chairman of the Camp Harmony Board of Directors, examines the flag pole and monument given to the camp by the local American Legion Post.



A SIX-ACRE LAKE with sandy beach adds many thrills to the campers visiting Camp Harmony. Boating and swimming is a favorite with all campers.

A Dream Becomes A Reality

A dream for many of the citizens of Elberton and Elbert County has become a reality. Camp Harmony is the result of this dream.

It began several years ago when a group of interested citizens of the County realized that a need existed for a camp—a special kind of camp that would bring the camper and the out of doors together. A camp was needed where youngsters of all ages and economic levels could learn special crafts and skills that each needed to know.

Today, due to the dedication and interest of 168 charter members, Camp Harmony is in full operation. The camp consists of 50 acres purchased by the Board of Directors, and plans call for development over a 20 year period of time. Present developments, due to the enthusiasm of the citizens of the area, is at the fourth year level. Some \$55,000 has been given to the project since its initiation in October 1967. In addition, the local Jaycees, Lions and Rotary Clubs have constructed sleeping cabins for the camp. One citizen donated a cabin in honor of his father. The American Legion Post donated a flag pole and monument to the camp.

Organization

Camp Harmony is a private incorporated camp being developed over a twenty year period of time from membership fees and contributions from the general public. It is operated by a 15 member Board of Directors elected on staggered terms each year. It is their responsibility to see that the development plans and purposes of the camp are carried out. Members of the Board serve without pay.

Future Plans

As pointed out previously, Camp Harmony is to be developed over a 20 year period. Included in the development plans are: 15 sleeping cabins, individual cabins for crafts, woodwork, hobbies, ceramics, and home training. Other developments include six athletic fields, gymnasium, swimming pool, comfort stations, chapel, dining room, director's cabin, and dispensary station. The Board of Directors announced recently that the director's cabin will be built in honor of the late Bill Clark, a long time and devoted employee of the Elberton Recreation Department. When totally developed, Camp Harmony will represent one of the finest camps in Georgia.

First Year Operation

Camp Harmony began operation on a limited basis in June of this year. The Directors have seen a heavy camping load for the young camp including: A Girl Scout Camp (78 girls), eight ladies' cookouts, six men's cookouts, Recreation Department Camping Program, seven weekends (48-80 boys) and the Kiwanis Club's Salvation Army Youth Camp. Another group of local clubs will be using the camp this fall.

Community Spirit

Beefy Eaves, Director of Recreation for the Elberton Recreation Department, sums up Camp Harmony as a "total community project where the civic, business and industrial leaders joined hands to build the camp." When completed it will be a monument to the hard work of the citizens of Elbert County, young and old.

RECREATION EXPLOSION

Two new full time Recreation and Parks programs, administered by professional directors, have been added to Georgia's recreation explosion.

Barrow County

Mr. Jake Zodrow, Chairman of the recently created Barrow County Recreation Commission, has announced the employment of George "Butch" Chambliss as Director of Recreation and Parks effective August 20th.

A graduate of Georgia Southern College with a degree in Recreation Administration, Mr. Chambliss was previously employed by the Marietta Recreation Department as Assistant Director.

Mr. Zodrow stated, "We are fortunate to have acquired the services of a man with Mr. Chambliss' background to head up our new program. We are determined to offer the citizens of Barrow County an outstanding recreation and parks program."

City of Palmetto

The City of Palmetto, assisted by the South Fulton Jaycees, has established a fulltime Recreation and Parks Department for their community of 2,000 located in Fulton County.

Frank H. Lankerwicz has been named Director of the new program and assumed his duties on July 15. Mr. Lankerwicz is a graduate of the University of Georgia, where he received his B.S. degree in Recreation and Parks Administration.

South Fulton Jaycees' President, Virgil Veal, commented on the program saying, "The program was created when the City of Palmetto, together with our organization, recognized the need for a full time recreation program for the citizens of the community. We feel confident the program will be highly successful under the direction of Mr. Lankerwicz."

The new Director will work closely with an Advisory Committee which includes: Harold Northcutt, Chairman, Barry Lee, Raymond Burrell, Ed Brock, Steve Dean, Ray Milam and Roy Farr.

Operating funds for the infant department were secured on a matching basis from the City of Palmetto and Fulton County.

The Georgia Recreation Commission has worked closely with elected officials and interested individuals in the implementation of these new programs.

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NEW PUBLICATION

The Bureau of Outdoor Recreation publishes a newsletter titled, "Shorts." You may be placed upon the mailing list by sending your request to:

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Southeast Region
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DID YOU KNOW...?

From 1960 to 1965, the number of combined park and recreation agencies jumped from less than 500 to more than 1,300, with a corresponding decline in the number of separate park agencies, separate recreation departments, and school districts reporting park and recreation services.

—from the NRPA Recreation
and Park Yearbook

WARNER ROBINS BUILDS NEW FACILITY

The Warner Robins Recreation Department has added a new facility to its department operation. The department has recently completed construction of a new baseball facility at a total cost of \$13,350. The money for the facility came from a special appropriation from the City Council and did not come from the department's operating budget.

JOB MART — Continued

Recreation Therapist

(3 Positions: 1 Female, 2 Male)
(Salary: \$6,072 Annually)

Qualifications: B.S. Degree in Recreation or closely related field. Duties: Plan and direct recreation therapy services for a major unit of the hospital. Excellent fringe benefits. Contact: Bruce R. Prosser, Recreation Therapy Director, Central State Hospital, Milledgeville, Georgia.

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Recreation Leader III

(Salary: \$482 Upgraded to \$506
October First)

Qualifications: Male, B.S. Degree in Recreation or Physical Education. Must be certified Water Safety Instructor, and have experience in pool operation. Position is under the State Merit System. Contact: Bill Williamson, Youth Development Center, P.O. Box 788, Milledgeville, Georgia.

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Director of Girls Activities

(Salary: \$6,000)

Qualifications: B.S. Degree in Recreation or related field. Good fringe benefits. Contact: Al Bishop, Director of Recreation, P.O. Box 305, Marietta, Georgia.

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Recreation Therapist

(Salary: \$5,800 With 5% Yearly
Increments)

Qualifications: Male, B.S. Degree in Recreation or closely related field. Good fringe benefits. Contact: G. Thomas Graf, Atlanta Association for Retarded Children, 833 Springdale Road, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia.



GEORGIA YOUTH WORKSHOP COMPLETES 23RD SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM

Some 150 teenagers from cities throughout Georgia convened at Berry College on July 29th for the 23rd Annual Georgia Youth Workshop Program sponsored by the Georgia Recreation and Park Society, Inc.

The week long workshop was created in 1946 by a group of Recreation Professionals and interested individuals for the purpose of offering teenagers of Georgia an opportunity to learn how to plan, organize and maintain a Teen Club.

