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STATE PARKS ASSOCIATION

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PARKS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

TO DIRECTORS, MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

SEPTEMBER 1965

Yes, it's getting close to the time when the Washington State Parks Association will hold it's 18th annual convention at the Chinook Hotel in Yakima October 9th (Saturday) 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. The Association Executive Board will meet in the Garden Room of the Chinook Friday evening at 7:30 Oct. 8th. You do not have to be a delegate or member to attend.

Our regular business session Saturday in the Garden Room of the Chinook will not be a long-drawn out affair but should move along at a rapid pace as there is a great deal of work to be accomplished in a short time.

9:00 - Registration

9:30 - Regular business meeting begins.

11:30 - Lunch break. I hope the delegates will eat together in the Chinook and we will be ready to resume our afternoon session promptly. At last year's convention in Tacoma the entire group had their lunch together and it was a great advantage.

1:00 - Meeting resumes. Guest speaker. You will have the opportunity to hear Mr. Byron Haley, Parks and Recreation Consultant of the Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission, Olympia. Mr. Haley is an excellent authority on Parks and Recreation on both State and County level. I know he will have much of interest to tell us about the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (set up by Initiative 215, the Marine Fuel Tax); the Neighborhood Youth Corps Program; the progress of our state parks in the past year (land acquisition and development, etc.); how the Federal Land and Water Conservation Act will aid the State of Washington's outdoor recreation plans.

RESOLUTIONS

As the time is growing short before convention time please send your resolutions by Oct. 5 (no later) to the Association Secretary Mrs. S.P. Carey, 109-B Oak St., Bremerton, Wn. 98312. If you plan to bring your resolutions with you to Yakima, please be prepared to submit at least four copies, preferably six. Last minute resolutions cause problems so don't wait to submit them from the floor at the regular business session. Resolutions may be submitted by Association directors, member organizations, and individuals having Association membership. The Association has a broad scope pertaining to parks, outdoor recreation & conservation so your resolutions may be of varied nature such as (1) Preservation of scenic areas, (2) historical sites & historical markers (3) public access to saltwater, rivers, & lakes, (4) acquisition of public outdoor recreation areas on state, county or national level, (5) conservation of vanishing species of wild life & vegetation, (6) hiway beautification & roadside rest areas, (7) legislation on county, state & federal level for the betterment of public parks & outdoor recreation. If you wish to place any of your ideas, suggestions or problems on the Assoc. agenda for the convention please send them at once.

ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

The Washington State Parks Association is a very worthwhile organization which has functioned for 18 years. One of its prime interests is to assist the Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission, and also is very much concerned with other matters and issues pertaining to outdoor recreation. You can help this cause by (1) taking out a member—ship (individual or organization) and (2) giving your moral support to assist in the Association's aims. You may learn more about the Assoc. by reading the green leaflet which is attached.

There are a number of organization and individuals who have not paid their 1965 Association dues. I would be happy to hear from you. When sending dues for an organization be sure to make note of which officer is to receive receipt, correspondence and newsletters. It is most important for those receiving the Assoc. newsletter to send your correct address and <u>zip code</u> to the Secretary, as 2nd class mail does not get post office directory service and will not be forwarded. In case you no longer represent your organization, please make sure your organization receives the Association newsletter.

FACTS - The year from July 1964 to June 1965 was a record breaker for Washington State Parks attendance. There were 11,989,336 who visited our State Parks during the year. Also 50,175 boats used the moorages. Of the total there were 663,237 tent campers and 377,601 trailer campers. A sample of attendance at some of our State Parks:

Sun Lakes	884.025	Ocean City	289,683
Deception Pass	884,025 855,408 641,589 499,648	Yakima	226,363
Saltwater	641,589	Sequim Bay	186,467
Lake Sammamish	499,648	Sacajawea	131,329
Peace Arch	409,720	Moses Lake	112,956
Belfair	303,302	Beacon Rock	104,462
Riverside	270,680	THE REST OF THE PERSON STATES	the state of the state of

Travel trailers and pick-up campers are on the increase each year. In 1964 over 75,000 recreational travel trailers and 250,000 pick-up campers were manufactured in the US. Because of this boom in use of travel trailers and campers our State Parks can't keep up with the growing demand for facilities. To help solve this problem private interests are coming forth with development of many travel trailer recreational facilities in the northwest ities in the northwest.

DON'T FORGET to place an X on your calendar for October 9th at Yakima. Bring the family or your friends along, as you will enjoy this early fall trip and visit the Yakima country at a wonderful time of year. I assure you the Parks Association session will not be a long drawn-out ordeal. We will get right down to facts while you sip your coffee. Please inform your local press of the Association meeting date; also give them a news article after you return home from Yakima. Rain or shine--I'll see you at the Chinook in Yakima October 9th.

Yours truly,

S.P. "Pat" Carey, President
Washington State Parks Association

A BRIEF REPORT OF WASHINGTON STATE PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEET-INGS. This is by no means a complete account of these meetings. The Washington State Parks & Recreation Commissioners are:

Chairman, Ted R. McTighe James Hovis

Howard Martin Joe Hamel
Eleanor Berger
James Whittaker Commission gave tentative approval subject certain specifications.

Director is Charles H. Odegaard

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AUGUST 16 COMMISSIONER'S MEETING AT PORT ANGELES

Lake Wenatchee State Park (Chelan County) - Senator Jerry Hanna and Mr. Boddy met with Commission to discuss Chelan County PUD's proposed hydro -electric project. Commission instructed the Parks staff to work with the PUD and give the Commission a report on the matter.

Turtle Rock - Mr. Boddy said the PUD would be willing to give the State Parks & Recreation Commission a deed to Turtle Rock if the State would be willing to take it over as a park. The Commission said they would give the area consideration by having a site investigation.

Concession at Twin Harbors State Park - Mr. Ward Coley in July requested a concession in the park. The parks staff reported to the Commission that there are already three food sources available in the Park. Commission turned down Mr. Coley's request.

Bayview State Park (Skagit County, 25 mi. S.W. of Bellingham)
Commission authorized Director to request vacation of an unused portion of county road.

Wash. State Parks & Rec. Commission authorized return to US Corps of Engineers of about 677 acres of property within the McNary Reservoir area which has become unsuitable for park use because of silting action.

Blake Island (Kitsap County - Puget Sound) William Hewitt of Tillicum Enterprises Inc. on Blake Island stated to the Commissioners that a jetty is needed to protect the boats at the dock. Commission feels they are not obligated to Mr. Hewitt in constructing a jetty.

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Squillchuck State Park (7 mi. S.W. of Wenatchee) - Commission authorized Director to grant an easement to US Forest Service for road.

Banks Lake (Grand Coulee) - Commission approved the general plan regarding the park and recreation facilities on Banks Lake as discussed by Mr. Dawson of Grant County Port District #7.

Director Odegaard reported that the month of July saw a record attendance in the State Parks of over three million, Deception Pass having 257,210, Lake Sammamish 217,528, and Sun Lakes 200,093.

Also, at the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation meeting

he and Parks Commissioner Howard Martin made a request for \$164,750 to purchase Fort Ebey and Fort Worden. (Explanation: These are Federal Government surplus lands which can be acquired at half price for public recreation use.) ,000 regrestional tra

JULY 19, 1965 COMMISSION MEETING AT BELLINGHAM.

Ginkgo State Park - The Commission entered into a concession agreement with Tower Optical Company for three years for the operation of two coin operated binocular machines.

Deception Pass State Park (Island County)-Commission authorized Director to enter into an agreement with US Navy which wishes to use two small parcels of land.

<u>Potholes Reservoir</u> (Moses Lake area) - There have been requests from private groups to develop commercial recreation facilities on the reservoir on a lease basis. Commission authorized Director to proceed to obtain development proposals.

Fort Okanogan (North of Bridgeport) - About 2.8 acres of land at Fort Okanogan will be flooded by the back waters of Wells Dam. Douglas County wishes to purchase this land. Motion passed to authorize sale of this property.

Washington State Parks Youth Development & Conservation Corps at Beacon Rock State Park (35 mi. east of Vancouver). Commission requested Director to check details and cost of installing electricity in the camp, and report at next meeting.

Ted McTighe, Chairman of Commission Stated the Commission received a request from Washington Water Power to construct a microwave system. Commission gave tentative approval subjecting Washington Water Power to certain specifications.

Dedication of Chinook Point (Fort Columbia State Park, Pacific County) Commissioner Howard Martin stated there was a fine turnout of people for the dedication. (Explanatory note: Chinook Point is the first registered National Historic Landmark in Washington. Robert Gray, discoverer of the Columbia River landed in this are in 1792 at the village of the Chinook Indians. Lewis & Clark camped here in Nov. 1805.

Concession at Twin Harbors State Park (Grays Harbor County) Mr. Ward Coley requested permission to have a concession in the park. Commission asked the staff to investigate the need for Mr. Coley's concession.

<u>Director</u>, <u>Charles H. Odegaard's report</u> (in brief)-In the Month of July he met with numerous groups and organizations such as Spokane's Chamber of Commerce, State Historical Society, Northwest Square Dance convention at Seattle, Meeting with Assoc. Editor of Better Homes and Gardens; Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation. Toured sixteen State Parks.

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JUNE 1965 WASHINGTON STATE PARKS COMMISSION MEETING AT YAKIMA.

Marine Facilities Rule - second adoption - the following was adopted once as an emergency rule and once as a regular rule: No person or persons shall moor, dock or berth a boat or other object overnight in a Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission owned and/or operated park or marine area except in designated areas. Use of these facilities by commercial craft is prohibited. In order to afford the general public the greatest possible use of such marine facilities, continuous occupancy by the same person or persons of facilities in any area is limited to thirty-six hours. Shorter or longer limitation for occupancy may be established by the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission at any individual facility or area. For the purpose of this rule "Commercial craft" shall mean craft used for any commercial purpose but shall not include a commercial craft operated within the terms of a concession lease with the Commission.

Ginkgo State Park (Kittitas County) Mr. Odegaard stated a request was received from Tower Optical Co.Inc. to continue operating two coin operated binocular machines. Request tabled until next meeting.

Sun Lakes State Park - The diminishing White Fallow Deer. Director of Parks reported there are only sixteen White Fallow Deer and only one buck left in Sun Lakes State Park. The buck is valued at about \$1,000 and was donated by Mrs. Ray L. Wallace of Toledo, Wash. In past years these deer had no protection under Washington State game laws and were hunted as game animals. The Commission passed a motion to petition the State Game Commission for a special regulation concerning White Fallow Deer at Sun Lakes State Park which will offer these animals protection from hunters. (Explanatory note from Pat Carey: The Fallow Deer (Dama-dama) denizen of Europe's forests has broad flat antlers that end in the shape of a hand with small outspread fingers. These elaborately ornamented antlers are found only on the male. Typical animal is fawn dappled with whitish spots in summer and uniformly gray -ish in winter, but at times the animal is entirely blackish brown. A large buck stands about three feet at the shoulder, weighing 200 pounds. The Fallow Deer originated in the Mediterranean countries and was introduced in Europe and ancient Egypt. It is said to have been brought to Britain by the Romans.)

English Camp State Park - site of the Pig War (San Juan County). San Juan County requested right-of-way to widen present road through park. Commission approved request for the easement.

Riverside State Park (Spokane County) - Commission approved McClellan Brothers, Inc. grazing lease in park.

Fort Simcoe State Park - Pertaining to planning and development, the Commission requested Parks staff to prepare a plan for future development of Fort Simcoe State Park.

Nine Mile Falls School District - the District indicated it was interested in 9.7 acres of land owned by the State Parks & Recreation Commission which would become surplus to the parks needs. The Director of Parks was requested to give the matter immediate attention.

O'Sullivan Dam (Grant County - Moses Lake area) Mr. Sparks and Mr. Gates, owners of Kampgrounds of America request a lease on a certain portion of property adjacent to the Dam. The land is operated jointly by the State Parks and State Game Departments. Mr. Gates was asked to write a letter to the Parks Commission stating his intent.

Mr. Odegaard's Report in brief: The Director was associated with numerous activities in June; Coupeville Lion's Club, Whidbey Island; Ceremony at Chinook Point, Pacific County; Dedication of Crescent Bar, Grant County; Peace Arch celebration; Assoc. of County Commissioners; Assoc. of Washington Cities; and Washington State Arts Commission.

MAY 17, 1965 COMMISSION MEETING AT SUN LAKES STATE PARK.

Riverside State Park - (Spokane) Commission rejected a land exchange with Mr. Plese whose property is adjacent to the park. Mr. Plese would not consider an exchange for other lands owned by the commission.

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Mt. Spokane State Park - The Commission authorized the concessionaire (Mt. Spokane Chair Lifts Inc.) to construct a second day-use building, the location and design to be approved by the State Parks staff.

San Juan Island - English Camp (San Juan County) Commissioner Joe Hamel stated he attended a hearing April 17, conducted by Federal Govt. on proposal to establish a National Monument at English Camp.

Steam Boat Rock State Park (Grant County) Commission accepted Mrs. Murback's bid for concession at park.

Beacon Rock State Park (Clark County) Mr. L.H. Pierce requested easement for his water system (pipeline) across park property (300 ft.) Commission approved request.

Moran State Park (San Juan County) Orcas Island. San Juan County requested 60 foot road easement at park; in doing so it would cause removal of thirteen old growth Douglas Fir trees which are about 400 years old, also there would be a higher speed factor involved within the park. Commission rejected request.

<u>Lake Osoyoos State Park</u> (Okanogan County) - Commission approved the compensation of \$50. and the right of way deed (.02 of an acre) for buried siphon pipeline which was requested by Bureau of Reclamation.

Peace Arch State Park - Because of the highway change in the park there is a lack of parking space. Commission authorized Director of Parks to acquire adjacent land for parking.

Lake Wenatchee State Park (Chelan County) - Commission approved the purchase of additional land (shoreline) owned by Schmitten Lumber Co.

Policy for Naming of Structures -Commission went on record as adopting the basic policy of having the wording on any plaque or marker for any structure of Wash. State Parks & Recreation Commission contain the names of Governor, Commission and Director as well as others seeming appropriate.

Marine Mooring, Docking & Berthing - Commission adopted powers prescribed under RCW 43.51.040(2) and RCW 34.04.010 (2). New Marine Rule.

Sun Lakes State Park - Commission approved Mr. Cherf as Manager of Sun Lakes Park Resort Inc. (concession)

<u>Potlatch State Park</u> (Mason County-Hood Canal) - Commission authorized the Director to negotiate and also enter into an agreement with Tacoma City Light for the use of their easement for developing overnight camping facilities.

Penrose Point State Park -Commission entered into an agreement with Mr. Johnson (adjacent property owner) in order to establish the boundary between both properties.

Jones Beach State Park - Commissioner Mr. Whittaker referred to a letter received from Mr. Simonsen in which he stated for the past 25 years he had hunting rights on what is now Jones Beach State Park. Mr. Simonsen would like to negotiate another lease. Mr. Whittaker requested that the Director of Parks advise Mr. Simonsen about the policy about hunting in State Parks.

APRIL 12, 1965 COMMISSION MEETING AT LONG BEACH.

Lake Chelan State Park - Staff contacted Mr. Watson as to whether he would be willing to sell his property at Lake Chelan State Park. The report is Mr. Watson is not interested in disposing of his property. Commissioner Hamel stated this land is badly needed.

Federal Recreational Property - The Director of Parks stated that there is much concern for the utilization of public lands for parks and recreation. Federal surplus lands may be acquired at 50% of appraised value for public park and recreational use. These lands also may be obtained for historical and educational use without cost. The Commission went on record as favoring these lands being made available for outdoor recreational use on a no cost basis.

Fort Canby State Park (Wahkiakum County) - Commissioners authorized Director to submit an application to the Corps of Army Engineers for a 25 year lease to use about 652 acres of land and water areas which are under Army jurisdiction.

Bridgeport State Park - The Lakewood Golf Club at Bridgeport State Park requested that their greens fees be changed. Commission approved the special fee.

<u>Deception Pass State Park</u> (Whidbey Island, Island County) Commission authorized the Boy Scouts of America Troop #314 to operate a concession at Cranberry Lake for one day of April 25 (opening day of fishing season).

<u>Peace Arch State Park</u> (Blaine) - Commissioner Joe Hamel requested that the State Parks staff make a study of the needs for parking as the new highway is going through the park and has done away with the entrance. Commissioners asked staff to come back with recommendation.

MARCH 15, 1965 COMMISSION MEETING AT OLYMPIA.

Federal Surplus Property -Manchester Fuel Depot (Kitsap County)
Director Mr. Odegaard reported people of the shellfish laboratory at
Purdy which operates under the Public Health Service were interested
in expanding their facilities and want to explore the possibility of
using the Manchester property. Mr. Odegaard asked the GSA for a 90
day extension of the deadline for application for Manchester as a
State Park. Phil Chadbourne, M. Heckle, and B.A. Cole of Port Ordhard
area spoke on the issue. (Explanatory note- Manchester property was in
the process of being transferred from the GSA to the Washington State
Parks system. Because of lack of state funds for land acquisition
the property had been withheld from public sale for the past four
years. The State Parks & Recreation Commission must pay 50% of the
appraised value - the Public Health Service may acquire the Manchester
property without cost.)

Horsethief Lake State Park - As a result of the Goldendale Lions Club inquiry pertaining to a concession Mr. Odegaard stated concession bids were advertised but none were received.

<u>Larrabee State Park</u> (South Bellingham) - Commission approved the two year concession agreement with Mr. Jess Calvery for Larrabee State Park.

Area Investigation - The Oertel Property (Blaine) Mr. John Clark, super. of the State Parks Planning & Development reported the property was about 200 acres, divided by County Rd, 15% slope being subject to erosion. Commission rejected the property for park use.

Newspaper Concession - Commission approved request of the Bellingham Herald to place coin operated news boxes in Larrabee, Deception Pass, Birch Bay and Bayview State Parks subject to certain conditions.

<u>Director's Report to Commission</u> - Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation since Dec. 1963 has been the agency coordinating the open-space and Outdoor Recreation plan. Staff is going throughout state collecting data required by Federal Govt. for the nationwide plan. The study will be finished in Dec. 1965.

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