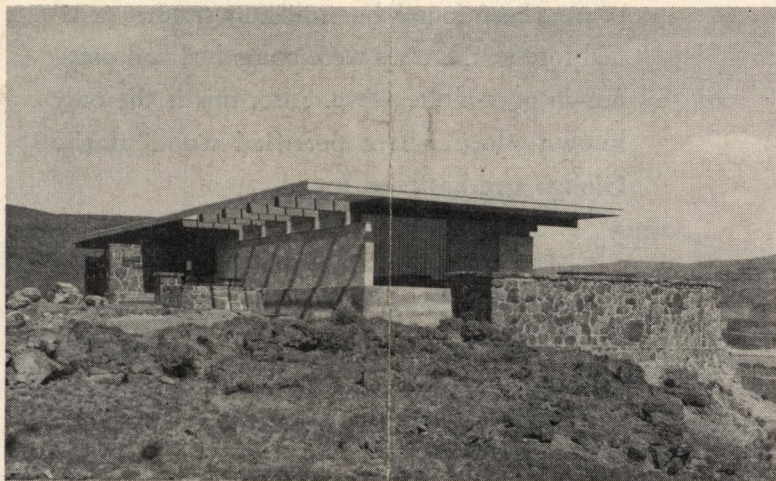


Dedication

of the addition to the
GINKGO PETRIFIED FOREST MUSEUM



MAY 16, 1953

by the

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission

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Ginkgo Petrified Forest and Museum

THE GINKGO PETRIFIED FOREST of Central Washington is the only one of its kind in the world. Not only have more than 200 species of trees been found, but unlike most other petrified forests, the trees were entombed and petrified in once-molten lava. Also, this is the only known place where petrified wood of the Ginkgo tree has been found.

The Museum built at the site, and the new addition now being dedicated, will provide a frame for extensive displays that will interpret for visitors and students the vast wealth of human and natural history of the area.

THE DEDICATION CEREMONY has been arranged by the Ellensburg Chamber of Commerce, with Prof. George F. Beck, serving as chairman of the dedication committee. Prof. Beck is credited with discovery of the Petrified Forest in 1931. An area of 5,980 acres has been a state park since 1935.

Dedication Program

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2:00 P.M.

DR. FRANK F. WARREN, *Master of Ceremonies*
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FLAG RAISING CEREMONY

Presentation of Colors by Governor Arthur B. Langlie
to Members of Yakima Valley Council
of Boy Scouts, Ellensburg.

BAND NUMBER

Ellensburg High School Band
JACK SNODGRASS, *Director*

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

Superior Judge J. A. WHITFIELD, Kittitas County
Representing Pioneers of Kittitas County
C. H. ROBINSON, Spokane
Representing the Washington State Rock Hounds

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