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Des Moines, Washington 23040 Marine Drive November 24th. 1951

Mr. Click Relander, City Editor The Yakima Republic Yakima, Washington

Dear Mr. Relander:

Thank you for the clippings and your interesting letter, I am very much interested in any editorials dealing with the Indian angle, if you write any of these up please see that I get copy. I believe any editorials on the importance of the fort and the Indian history should be mailed to all Commission members, particularily Mr. Arthur Morgan of Walla Walla and Mr. Jack Blume of Seattle. These two Commissioners have not agreed entirely with the majority of the Commission on Ft. Simcoe, Dean Guie will tell you about it. John McClelland is really on friend on preserving history in our State and so is Mr. Miller of Wenatchee. Dr. Warren is also very sympathetic and this is due largely by Mr. Joel Ferris interest in our program. (I tell you this in confidence). That is the reason we did not have this agreement adopted before coming to Yakima. After the Advisory Board endorsed Ft. Simcoe as one of the number one historical sites in the State and reccommended that the Commission work any way possible to preserve and restore it, the Commission endorsed their reccommendations. Mr. Morgan was not on the Commission at that time and is the first of the Commission members to come out against Ft. Simcoe.

When I went to Washington I went on my own with the hope that we could influence the National Park S rvice to make it a Historical Monument, it was then that we worked it out at the top level as you know. I returned and presented the plan to the Historical Advisory Board first, it was enthusastically adopted in spite of Mr. Morgans scathing attact in open meeting, in Colville. Mr. Purdin can tell you about this. The reccommendations came then to the Commission and there again Mr. Morgan opend up both barrels. John McClelland was very upset and Mr. Ferris had called Dr. Warren and told him the story as he was in the meeting where Mr. Morgan talked against the National Park Service, the Ft and etc. Dr. Warren then appointed a committee to try and work out something to bring to the commission that had the endorsement of the Indians. Mr. Morgan objected to this and it was brought to a vote and there was but two against this Mr. Blume and Mr. Morgan, Mr. Olsen did not vote - thus the committee appointed to go with the Director was Mr. Miller, Mr. Morgan ( he is the commissioner of the district) and myself.

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The day of the meeting Mr. Morgan said he would go along, or at least that is the way I understood Mr. Martin after the meeting, Mr. Purdin had told Mr. Martin of Mr. Morgans outburst at Colville. Mr. Vanderzicht tells me that Mr. Morgan insists that all the Commission come to see Ft. Simcoe and see the "lemon the National Parks Service is cramming down our necks". I will not know until this week whether our next meeting will be in Yakima or not, if it is nt then it will lag along until spring and the Indians grow weary and skeptical. I have written Dean Guie to go with the Commission when we come as I have asked Mr. Vanderzicht to ask him. I want someone that knows the history and can talk to the Commissioners about it. I will stay in the back ground.

I do not want one word in the papers about this Yakima meeting before the meeting, after the meeting you can give it a write up. I am telling you this only because there must be editorials on the importance of this site, there also must be editorials on the wonderful work done by the Historical Advisory Board, these articles should all be sent to each Commissioner. I dont know how else to work this Mr. Relander I have worried so over it. The Chamber of Commerce there is not too cooperative as a pressure group, the press is a powerful means of influence. This must be handled smooth and effectively and you good people there at the paper are the only ones that I can appeal to.

I dislike having this pass the Commission 3 to 4, and I doubt if the legislature would ratify the expenditure if any Commissioner went to the Park Committee during the session and talk against it.

As Mr. Morgan is a big wheel Republican in the 4th Congressional district I have wondered how that angle could be worked, but as I stay entirely out of politics I cannot work e ffectively that way.

Perhaps I am doing wrong in writing you this way and I am mailing it to your home, give it some thought and let me know what you think of it all. Please keep it all confidential except to discuss it with Dean Guie, he has been wonderful in working not only for our historical preservation but also our Park program.

Sincerely,

Enclosing my Gingko article, in as much as this is near Yakima I thought you might be interested in re-publishing it. This major tourist attraction of our State has been pitifully neglected.

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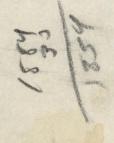
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Des Moines, Washington 23040 Marine Drive December 11th. 1951

Mr. C. Relander Route 3, Fox 149 Yakima, Washington

Dear Mr. Relander:

Thanks for your letter of December 6th. I am very glad I have made a friend in one that is interested in preserving historical sites in the State of Washington. Your idea on Wallula is very fine and Isuggest that anything you write go to members of the Commission. Mr. Morgan replaced Mr. Loney, when the latter was elected to the House in 1950. Address him Division Street, Wallawalla, Washington, his first name is Arthur. Mr. Loney was also prejudiced against Simcoe although not as agressive worker as Morgan.

I advised Mr. Guie of the meeting in March, he will help us I know and perhaps will be the one that can help me close the gap. Dr. Warren is having a good deal of pressure from Joel Ferris and Dr. Deutsch, W. S. C. Mr. Ferris you know is chairman of the Eastern Washington Historical Board, he carries a great deal of weight.

In the last Commission meeting it was voted that the entire Commission go to Simcoe in March and go over the Ft. I suggested Mr. Guie to act as guide and give the total history of the area to the Commission, it was accepted. I am glad that the meeting will not take place until spring and it will be better to have the snow at least off the ground. The editorials will have to come out between now and then and the issue cant be doubtful as to our taking this on as a project, but rather that Mr. Vanderzicht had asked for a committee of the tribe to work out the agreement of participation with the Bureau of Indian Affair, National Park Service and the Commission. This is all a record on the Commission minutes.

Mr. Morgan said in the last meeting "just you wait until you see this old run down Ft. you will see what you are taking on boys". Dr. Warren, my sincere friend, said "Mrs. Peeler gentdemen, went to the legislature and got the funds for us to work with in our Park Commission, in fact we would'nt have much to do anything had it not been for her work, I dont even think it necessary for us to go and investigate it if her Board has reccommended it".

I said very little in the meeting and will have my say if the project is turned down. In fact I have a feeling we will have enough outside interest before that time that they dare not turn it down. Mr. Miller is very much for it and our good friend John McClelland, Editor of the Longview News.

I will continue to mail to you any and all historical data that I have of interest. You need return any of the enclosed material, at least it is interesting reading.

I have the life of Ranald MacDonald and will bring it down for you to read when I come to Yakima, it is wonderful. The son of the great Husdok Bay factor and the Indian Princess Raven, only child and great explorer of Japan, in fact it was he that was a fore runner of Adm. Perry into Japan.

I was pleased with Carl Downings comment in this weeks Olympia News letter, it is the first time we have ever been recogonized in any of his writings.

Anything you print on Ginkgo please see that I get a copy. I am leaving for Washington D. C. for the month of January, I have been asked to speak to the George Washington University Archeology class on Ginkgo, also the University of New York. Am enclosing a letter the University of New York Archeologist wrote the Governor about the Supt. there. He is a student of Dr. Becks, a purple heart veteran and lastly my son. The Professor at N. Y. did not have any idea this was the case, Bill has been at Ginkgo now for two years and likes the work very much, he had two years at the University of Washington Forestry, school before going to war, he spent 5 years in the air-corp.

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# State Parks and Recreation Commission

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Dear Members and Friends of the Advisory Board on Historic Sites, Consultant to the State Parks and Recreation Commission:

We are drawing to the close of this biennium and the Commission is in the process of preparing the budget that will be submitted to the 1953 Legislature. In 1949, you will remember, \$50,000 was ear-marked in our budget for the acquisition and preservation of historical sites. This was the first program of its kind to be undertaken by any State agency in the State of Washington.

In 1951, \$30,000 was set aside to continue this work. We are again asking the Legislature for that amount.

We all realize that our work is a long range program which will take many years to complete. We trust all future Commissions will carry on with the Advisory Board's work.

First, I want to thank you in behalf of the Commission which is most appreciative of the fine work the Board members have done. You have been untiring in your efforts, cooperative in each undertaking, and certainly the State of Washington should be very proud of your work. To those of you who are friends of the Advisory Board and may not know exactly how our Board functions or why it was set up, I am giving you this brief resume.

In the study of parks and parkways by the Washington State Planning Council submitted to the Legislature in 1941, there was this recommendation: "Through negligent and careless handling many historical sites and archeo-logical treasures have been lost to the state for all time. No organized effort has ever been made by the state to inventory its archeological objects and historical sites or to study their relative worth for preservation. As a result of vandalism or decay the remaining sites are becoming increasingly invaluable. It is recommended that a program be formulated by a state agency for the proper study and care of historical sites and objects of historical or scientific interest."

The Commission, consisting of seven lay members, did not feel we should assume the responsibility of doing this all important work alone. Thus the Advisory Board on Historic Sites was set up. The Board is composed of fifteen members whose names had been recommended by the presidents of our Universities and colleges, by representatives of the Pioneer and D.A.R.

No. 8. STEPTOE BATTLEFIELD. Near Rosalia, on a beautiful landscaped

No. 9. JACKSON HOUSE. On Highway 99 that part of the old Jackson Court

No. 10. GINKGO PETRIFIED FOREST MUSEUM, Vantage. One of the geological wonders of the state is being fully developed by the Commission on the recommendation of the Historical Board. One of the rarest petrified wood collections in existence has been purchased and is being housed in the newly completed wing of the museum on the bluff overlooking the Columbia River.

stands. The existing building has been completely restored and the grounds improved. This was in possession of the State Parks and Recreation Com-

hill, where the battle of Captain Steptoe took place and which was the deciding factor in our territorial treaties with the Indians, stands a very imposing monument which was erected by the D.A.R. several years ago. This has been deeded to the State Parks & Recreation Commission by the D.A.R. Under our program a fence has been erected around the monument, grass seeded, water piped to the site for the trees, and a public parking area created. The road to the monument has been repaired and two markers are in the process

of being installed, one at each entrance to the town of Rosalia.

mission, a gift from the Donahue family in 1919.

House where the first territorial court proceedings were held, still

Members of Advisory Board on Historic Sites:-

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Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Rith E. Peeler, Vice-Chairman State Parks and Recreation Commission Chairman, Historical Sub-Committee

The next meeting of the Advisory Board on Historic Sites will be on October 31, 1952, at 9:30 A. M. in the Marcus Whitman Hotel, Walla Walla, Washington.

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Vantage, Washington may 4. 1953.

Mr. Click Lelander, Yakima Herald, Yakima, Washington.

Dear Mr. Lelander:

In writing up any articles on the dedication I thought you might be interested in running some of these as cuts in your paper. I would be very pleased if you would mail me anything that is published in regard to the dedication as well as Fort Simcoe. I also want to be advised of the next Fort Simcoe Restoration Society meeting.

We are working on a plan now to get out some type of booklet for information on all historical sites similar to the enclosed booklet on Ginkgo.

Thanking you, I remain,

Mrs Fruth E. Peeler, Curator Ginkgo State Park Museum

P.S. The Post Cards were put out by Smith Views
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July 16, 1953

Mr. Click Relander Route 3, Box 146 Yakima, Washington

Dear Click:

I am indeed happy to learn that your domestic difficulties have been solved with the repair of your car. I realize that inadequate transportation can indeed be very disturbing on occasion. I also appreciated the material which you enclosed. I shall try to look at this material in the immediate future. Thanks so much for the write up. You did yourself proud.

There are several things, Click, that I would like to take up with you. Is there anyone that could expedite the acquiring of a handyman to do some of the repair work at Fort Simcoe? I understand that something like \$6,000 has been apportioned Ifor such work within the next three months and my understanding is that the historical societies are to assist in acquiring a person for such work. If you have the time could you look into this issue as I am desirous of getting this work started? Also, if you can suggest to the right parties that some pressure be brought to bear upon the county commissioners to improve the road to Fort Simcoe, I would greatly appreciate it. I believe local action in both cases will bring the desired results.

This weekend we are going to Fort Columbia and we are hurrying to make plans for the improvement of the building to be used as a museum.

In haste,

Culverwell, Historian

ac/eb cc/Bucklin

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August 3, 1953

Mr. Click Relander Yakima Republic Yakima, Washington

Dear Mr. Relander:

Please accept my apologies for not writing sooner to thank you for the materials which you sent me. I did appreciate the newspaper clippings of historical events and the numerous references to material pertinent to the Fort Columbia area.

I also wish to comment on your work. Your interest in historical matters has come to the attention of many historians of the area. Rarely does a newspaper reporter take the time to document his article. Your biographical note at the end of each of your historical articles reveals your interest in research. Your coverage of historical events in the Yakima area has given considerable recognition to the many groups of the valley interested in its history. In particular, I believe the Indians of the Yakima Reservation owe you much for your labor in their interest.

You and your paper are to be complimented for the efforts which have been made to bring to the average reader historical things and I am sure the preservation of many of the historic sites of the area is due to your recognition of their value and your making the people conscious of their worth. Speaking for the State Parks Commission, it is, of course, our hope that your work will continue and be given even greater recognition.

Please accept again my thanks for your assistance to me in my work.

Very truly yours,

Albert Culverwell, Historian

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100 DEXTER AVENUE, SEATTLE 9, WASHINGTON

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December 1, 1953

Mr. Click Relander Yakima Republic Yakima, Washington

Dear Click:

I am enclosing the photograph which Mr. Turner referred to in his letter, a copy of which I sent you yesterday. If this photograph is not satisfactory you might refer to some of the books which Mr. Turner mentions in the enclosed letter. It is very difficult to find any picture of the Chinook group.

I have a book entitled, "The Columbia" by Samuel Lancaster. On pages 136 and 139 there are pictures of Chinook Indians. You might see if you can procure that book in Yakima or, if you wish, I will be happy to send you my copy.

Sincerely,

Albert Culverwell, Historian

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[Enclosure, 1 Dec 53] buck of the top November 30, 1953 Mr. Frank Turner Ilwaco, Washington Dear Mr. Turner: Thank you for your recent letters. I appreciate very much the trouble that you have gone to in gaining a picture of Chief George Charley. I am sure Mr. Click Relander will be able to make his bust of Comcomly with this photograph as reference. Mr. C. V. Bucklin, our assistant director, and I will be in your area December 7 and 8. I suppose you have a speaker for your Kiwanis Club program, but if it is still open, Vann and I will be very happy to appear and give something on the historic sites throughout the state as well as the latest information on our work at Fort Columbia. The purpose of our visit is to negotiate with Mr. Hughes and possibly Mr. Jasperson to have the carpenter work done in the immediate future at Fort Columbia. Also, we are very much interested in Mr. Petit's comments regarding the heating plant at Fort Columbia. Mr. Bucklin wants to follow through on this project. If you want us to appear before the Kiwanis group, please let me know at your earliest convenience. Sincerely. Albert Culverwell, Historian ac/eb cc/Relander



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February 23, 1954

Mr. Click Relander Yakima Republic Yakima, Washington

Dear Click:

I was in Yakima last Thursday but could not find time to call you. Mr. Warren Caldwell, acting curator of the Washington State Museum, was with me and we went immediately to Fort Simcoe and dug a portion of the soil under the chapel room in the commandant's quarters.

We went to a depth of 3 feet and found a hard clay substance which indicated that it haver had been disturbed. We came to the conclusion that there was no body to be found in this area. Actually, it would appear that this area was formerly a latrine and the floor joists which had been moved gave free access to the soil below. You will remember that the chapel was made into a bathroom during the agency period.

There is evidence in the ceiling that a partition was erected at one time around this area (approximately 7 feet by 5 feet.)

This marks an end of what might have turned into a good story. On the other hand, maybe you still have a good story; you can be judge of that. I knew you wanted to have the results of our dig.

Sincerely,

Albert Culverwell, Historian

ac/eb



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April 19, 1954

Mr. Click Relander 1212 North 32nd Yakima, Washington

Dear Click:

Thank you for your letter of April 17. I am sorry I did not have time to talk with you further at my last visit to Yakima. I had thought we might chat on the way to the airport, but Mr. Hitchcock took me out and I did not have this opportunity. I talked with Mr. Martin Wednesday morning about the situation to which I referred to at the luncheon meeting. My summation at the meeting necessitated considerable background to make it understandable to anyone not aware of my talk with Mr. Martin. I thought perhaps George might do this after I left.

Click, I have never at any time thought that you were not willing to cooperate with me on the Fort Simcoe project and I have been more than appreciative of the many clippings and research material which you have forwarded to me. In bringing up points of criticism at the meeting, I was merely trying to talk frankly within a limited period of time. I have been bewildered by the comments of Mrs. Bartholet as to the attitude of members of the Society with reference to my work. It appears that Mrs. Bartholet's campaign was to confuse and perhaps achieve her aims as a result. It appeared from her correspondence that she was gaining advice from Dean Guie and yourself that she was submitting as being contrary to the research which I was trying to bring to her attention as important in the restoration of Fort Simcoe. I had told her on several occasions that there was little social activity at the fort and that it was a rather plain and sometimes brutal frontier life experienced by those that lived at the site. She wasn't convinced and in her letter of March 24, she made the following comment.

"As I remember Marianna Garnett's letter, it was sweet and gay and happy, the kind of letter a happy girl would write her mother of her first home. It did not sound at all like a girl who was seeing Indians dangling from trees in her front yard. Where did you get that stuff, Son? Click Relander, who has more dope on the building and life at Fort Simcoe than anyone I know, says that is a

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> mistake. Says there were some Indians hanged in the East Grove, but I bet Bob Garnett didn't let his lovely Marianna know anything about it."

I hope this has not caused you any difficulty, as I did not in any way mean to consure you for offering advice to Mrs. Bartholet. It was merely the fact that Dean, yourself and numerous others were making comments to her which she was choosing to misinterpret in order to maintain her contention that the commandant's house should be furnished as an "elegant home." I have since understood the situation and know that the members of the Society have supported me, although they have not deemed it advisable to restrain Mrs. Bartholet. However, at the time, it was confusing, to say the least. The last straw was the forwarding of my letter to Della Urqhardt and her intercession on behalf of Mrs. Bartholet with John Vanderzicht and others. As I stated at the meeting, I don't know why we need to bring politics into this restoration program. I have never believed that we need to be in complete agreement in order to achieve our ends and I have felt that we could talk frankly about the work and come to some compromise which would not require the intercession of politicians.

I will take up the abstract with Mr. McClelland sometime this week as I will be at Fort Columbia and can talk with him on my return trip to Seattle. Thank you again for your letter and please be assured that I have never at any time felt that you were not cooperating with me and assisting me in every way possible. I am sorry, and I do apologize if I spoke on this subject in any way to bring you concern. I agree that this argument over furnishings has been blown out of its perspective as far as the restoration of the fort is concerned.

I especially wish to express my appreciation of your letter to Mr. McClelland of April 7. Your comments on my work did much to boost my morale at a time when it was definitely needed. I will plan to see you on my next trip to Yakima to chat with you further on the subject.

Sincerely,

Albert Culverwell, Historian

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Enclosure. 19 Apr 54 HOOK HYG MINIMARKINA April 19, 1954 Mr. Lancaster Pollard Oregon Historical Society 235 S. W. Market Street Portland, Oregon Dear Mr. Pollard: I appreciated visiting with you last Tuesday and reviewing the work at Fort Columbia. In order to somewhat confirm our conversation, I am listing the following materials which we would like to place in our Fort Columbia museum. In our exhibit on the pioneer home we would like three or four items such as candle molds and other utensils commonly found in the home. I am sure you have many of these items. With reference to our exhibits on Robert Gray and Lewis and Clark, we are quite anxious to pick up a relic or two that might give life to our displays. For instance, a piece or two of china might well do the job for the Gray displays. On Lewis and Clark, if there is an item or two you might be willing to loan, we would greatly appreciate it. We would like, of course, to have the Scarborough log and any material on Concomly which you might be able to find. Incidentally, Mr. Click Relander of the Yakima Republic would be interested in a photograph of Mr. McKay, Concomuly's grandson. I believe that we looked at the picture from your files. He believes there may be some family likeness from which he could profit in the creation of his bust of Concomly. The above materials are the items we are most desirous of having to finish our display work in the Fort Columbia museum. If you have any additional suggestions as to materials that might be included in this display we should be very happy to have them. Again, thanks for your willingness to assist us. Sincerely, Albert Culverwell, Historian ac/eb cc/Relander

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November 15, 1954

Mr. Click Relander 1212 North 32nd Avenue Yakima, Washington

Dear Click:

Last Saturday the Advisory Board on Historic Sites met in Seattle and I brought to their attention your comment on the Priest Rapids petroglyphs. I read your paragraph on the permit granting a proviso for the protection of the graves and historic artifacts of the Wanapum Indians. The Board authorized me to investigate further the historic artifacts in this area and recommend certain activity for the preservation of these materials. Dr. Gunther and Dr. Osborne were both present at this meeting.

If it is possible sometime in the future, possibly in the spring since weather conditions may make difficult such activity in the immediate future, I would appreciate your going with me to observe the Indian materials and situation involved.

With regard to The Dalles situation, the last letter I had from Mr. W. S. Nelson, manager of The Dalles Chamber of Commerce, was that removal of these materials was still very much on the docket. Mr. Nelson was to contact the railroad company as soon as they come in with their heavy equipment to remove the tracks through the area. I will write Mr. Nelson for the latest information on this proposal. The Corps of Engineers did attempt to remove some of the Indian petroglyphs, but were unsuccessful. I received a letter from a member of that organization in Portland. They maintained, however, that it was possible to remove them if care was taken in removal. It may be that recently the Corps has again attempted removal of some of these artifacts, but I have not had any report to this effect.

I have several pictures which I took of these Indian materials but, unfortunately, they are 35 mm. Kodachormes. It is my understanding that Bob and Ira Spring, 1931-10th West, Seattle, have taken some excellent photographs of these artifacts and it may be that you can find what you want from them.

I am leaving today for Longview, as I am to speak tonight on the Fort Columbia museum. I have not heard from Joel Ferris about the history conference, but I understand there are some tentative plans for a meeting in May. I will

Mr. Relander November 15, 1954 Page 2 I will write to Mr. Ferris. Last Friday I went to lunch with Dr. Gates and he wanted to know when a Fort Simcoe article would be available for publication. As I remember, you or Dean Guie were to do this chore. I will be very happy from my research to write an article if you find that time is at a premium for such work. I would, however, rather see the article written by someone in the Yakima community if a competent person can be found. I will await any suggestions you may have on this matter. Sincerely, Albert Culverwell, Historian ac/eb



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Dear Mr. Relander:

Al Culverwell, our parks historian, has asked me to keep you informed about matters relating to State Parks.

Although publicity of this kind is rather "spotty", I did think you might like a copy of our Annual Report which has just been distributed to our legislature.

We hope this will prove helpful to you.

Sincerely,

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### State of Washington

# FOURTEENTH REPORT

of the

State Parks and Recreation Commission

OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON



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THE HONORABLE ARTHUR B. LANGLIE Olympia, Washington

Dear Governor Langlie:

This fourteenth report of the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission covers the period, April 1, 1953—September 30, 1954. Information on development, maintenance, and operation of Washington State Parks and the progress made by the department during that period is included in fulfillment of the requirements specified in the statute establishing the Commission and defining its powers and duties (*Laws*, 1947, Ch. 271).

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## State Parks Operations

The Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission now has 59,226.75 acres of state parks properties under its jurisdiction. The 110 tracts include both developed and undeveloped recreation areas, historic sites, boat moorages, group camps, natural forest, tide, and geological exhibit areas. Located in 35 of the 39 counties in the state, parks are convenient to the use of all citizens as well as visitors to the state. The largest tract is on Mt. Spokane, 24,240 acres. Although most of the land is owned by the state, some of the tracts are under long-term lease from agencies of the federal government.

Fifty-four areas are sufficiently developed so that attendance figures are kept, with a record attendance of 3,788,188 established in the 1954 park season. There are 42 state parks with full-time superintendents; nine more have part-time superintendents or caretakers.

#### Capacity Use

Increasing popularity of state parks continues to tax facilities to the maximum, with operations and maintenance finding it almost impossible to keep up with popular demand. Especially is this true of the overnight camping areas which were filled to capacity nearly every week-end during the summer of 1954.

As the boating public has learned about the public boat moorages maintained by State Parks on Puget Sound, these have received increasing use and popularity. Likewise, the developing historic sites program has been attracting more and more persons and is helping to encourage visitors to spend a longer time in the state.

Twelve state parks maintained supervised swimming areas during the summer months. Seven group camp areas were used by organized groups for camping during the same period. Two of the areas operated for 12 weeks each, one for 11 weeks, with a different group occupying the camp every week or two.

The Recreation Division continued its work with local communities and state, local, and national groups. Work included field visits, research, surveys, information, and assistance in planning facilities and programs for municipalities and for other public and private organizations and agencies.

#### **New Parks In Operation**

Several of the most recently developed state parks have enjoyed their first full year of activity during the biennium. These include Lake Sammanish in King County, Moses Lake in Grant County, Seaquest near Castle Rock, and Alta Lake and Lake Osoyoos in north central Washington. Belfair achieved immediate popularity, indicating that this second waterfront park on Hood Canal had been urgently needed. Fort Simcoe, now in process of restoration, also had a larger number of visitors than had been anticipated.

#### State Parks Shop

Central manufacture of camp stoves, picnic tables, guard posts, bumper guards, and park signs has not only proved to be most economical, but has kept the state parks shop busy on a year-round basis during the period, April 1, 1953—September 30, 1954.

The shop reports a total of 1650 tables, 726 stoves, and 3069 guard blocks constructed during the period. Numerous signs and other necessary equipment have also been built.

# Capital Outlays and Major Repairs

During the biennium, the State Parks and Recreation Commission let 422 contracts ranging from \$100.00 to \$38,080.00, for a total expenditure to September 30, 1954, of \$1,053,051.46.

#### **Major Projects**

Included in the major improvement projects were:

Construction of grounds improvements, roadways, and parking areas at Alta Lake, Belfair, Camano Island, Lake Osoyoos, Lake Sammamish, Lake

Sylvia, Lewis and Clark, Millersylvania, Moran, Moses Lake, Mt. Spokane, Penrose Point, Rainbow Falls, Riverside, Sacajawea, Saltwater, Seaquest, and Wenberg state parks.

New boat moorages were established at Cornet Bay in Deception Pass State Park, Illahee, Sequim Bay, and Gerald's Cove. Swimming facilities at Millersylvania Park were completely rebuilt and increased in size. Swimming float and bathhouse installed at Alta Lake and Wenberg, and at Sacajewea, a small boat dock and bathhouse was built. Swimming floats were also installed at Moran, Lake Sammamish, Lake Wenatchee, Lake Osoyoos, Moses Lake, Sun Lakes, and Twanoh.

Expansion and construction of new trailer facilities at Sequim Bay, Sun Lakes, and Twin Harbors state parks.

Expansion and improvement of water, electric, and sewer systems at Alta Lake, Beacon Rock, Belfair, Bridle Trails, Camano Island, Conconully, Deception Pass, Fort Simcoe, Lake Chelan, Lake Osoyoos, Lake Sammamish, Moran, Rainbow Falls, Sacajawea, Sequim Bay, Squillchuck Creek, Sun Lakes, Twin Harbors, Wenberg, and Yakima state parks.

Construction of additional facility buildings at Alta Lake, Beacon Rock, Belfair, Bogachiel, Bush Pacific Pioneer, Camano Island, Deception Pass, Fields' Spring, Fort Simcoe, Hidden Valley, Kamiak Butte, Lake Sammamish, Lake Wenatchee, Millersylvania, Moses Lake, Mount Spokane, Peace Arch, Pend Oreille, Riverside, Sacajawea, Schafer, Sequim Bay, Squillchuck Creek, Sun Lakes, Twin Harbors, Wenberg, and Yakima state parks.

Historical restorations and displays at Conconnully, Fort Columbia, Fort Simcoe, Ginkgo, Old Man House, and Fort Spokane (Spokane House) areas.

# Land Acquisitions

Three tracts, Birch Bay in Whatcom County, Gerald's Cove in Thurston County, and a tract of 20 acres near English Camp on San Juan Island, were purchased with Parks and Parkways funds during the biennium, a total of 96 acres. Cost of these three properties was \$28,800. Seventy acres of additions to park properties were purchased at an additional cost of \$50,379.75.

Three new properties, totaling 690 acres, came under the jurisdiction of the Commission through negotiation. Fort Simcoe (140 acres) in Yakima County was added through long-term agreement with the Yakima Indian Council. Old Fort Townsend (300 acres) in Jefferson County was acquired on long-term lease from the U. S. Bureau of Land Management; and the Equalizing Reservoir (250 acres) in Grant County by a similar agreement with the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation.

#### Land Exchange

Passed by the 1953 legislature was an act (*Laws*, 1953, Ch. 96), known as the Land Exchange Law. For purpose of securing and preserving certain lands for state park purposes, the act provided that the commissioner of public lands should, with approval of the board of state land commissioners, ex-

change state lands of equal value for any lands within certain tracts specified in the act, which can be selected and requested by the Commission for state park purposes. When such exchanges have been effected according to outlined procedure, they are to be reserved by the commissioner of public lands for state park purposes.

An amendment to *Laws*, 1947, Ch. 261, was passed in 1953 (*Laws*, 1953, Ch. 64) which extended the right of the State Parks Commission to exchange lands for other lands more suitable for park purposes.

TABLE I

LAND ACQUISITIONS AND GIFTS—1953-1954

Acquisitions

PARK	(1) 12 (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1)	Size	Amount	County
. Beacon Rock	Park Addition	13 acres	\$19,000	Skamania
. Birch Bay		31	15,000	Whatcom
. Conconully	Park Addition	39	5,300	Okanogan
. English Camp	New Property	20	7,500	San Juan
. Gerald's Cove		45	6,300	Thurston
. Mukilteo		1	750	Snohomish
. Penrose Point		16	429.75	Pierce
. Twanoh	Park Addition	1	14,900	Mason
Totals		166 acres	\$69,179.75	
And the second s	Gifts			
. Crown Point	Gifts Park Addition	32 acres	From Douglas	County
. Crown Point	1 . V. D.		From Douglas	County
	Land Through Ne		From Douglas  Yakima Indian	
. Fort Simcoe	Land Through Ne	gotiation	Yakima Indian Jefferson—U. S	Council . Bureau of
. Fort Simcoe	Land Through Ne	gotiation 140 acres	Yakima Indian	Council . Bureau of
. Crown Point	Land Through Ne  New Property  New Property	gotiation 140 acres	Yakima Indian Jefferson—U. S	Council . Bureau of gement

#### Revenue

Principal sources of revenue of the Parks and Parkways Fund have been provided by legislative act. The Automobile Driver's License Law (*Laws*, 1949, Ch. 52) allocates 40 per cent of each \$3.00 driver's license fee to the Parks and Parkways Fund. Approximately 25 per cent of the money received from the State Highway Code Laws (*Laws*, 1937, Chs. 53, 187, 188, and 189) are also allocated to the fund.

#### Small Revenue from Charges

In addition to these revenue sources, a small amount is received through charges made for services within various state parks. For example, a charge of 75 cents per car per night is made for overnight camping. This gives the camper the privilege of using an individual camp site equipped with table, stove, fuel, and other park facilities. For house trailer camping, the charge is \$1.00 per night in parks where individual electric, water, and sewer installations are provided. In parks where fishing is possible, row boats are available at a charge of 50 cents per hour for each boat. Sun Lakes, the only park with such facilities, has 30 furnished cottages, with rentals varying from \$3.00 to \$7.00 per night depending on facilities.

In some parks a yearly concession rental is charged to private enterprises operated therein. A limited income also comes from rental of park lands, lookout points and beacon sites.

#### **Total Yearly Receipts**

Approximate total yearly receipts from all above noted sources during the period covered in the present biennium is as follows:

State Highway Code Laws	\$260,000.00
Driver's License Laws	850,000.00
Park Services, etc	82,000.00

\$1,192,000.00

TABLE II

APPROPRIATIONS—EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES—
APRIL 1, 1953-SEPTEMBER 30, 1954

Appro- oriation Number	DESIGNATION	Amount Appropriated	Expended September 30 1954	Balance
-0.1	Salaries and Wages	\$879,079 00	\$655,578 20	\$223,500
52-1	Salaries and Wages	467,600 00	326,908 53	140,691
52-2	Operations	400 00	290 00	110
52-3	Capital Outlays and Major Repairs	937,790 00	667,470 88	270,319
52-4	Capital Outlays and Major Repairs—	201,100 00	001,110 00	210,010
52-5	Sacajawea	75,000 00	73,453 97	1,546
52-6	Capital Outlays—New Park Property;	10,000 00	10,100 01	2,010
02-0	Historical; Boat Moorages, Etc	305,000 00	249,177 88	55,822
52-7	Capital Outlays—Re-appropriation	200,000 00	***************************************	
32-1	Bridgeport	9,069 00		9,069
52-8	Capital Outlays—Re-appropriation	0,000		
02-0	Makilteo	35,013 68	34,260 71	752
52-9	Capital Outlays—Re-appropriation Boat			
0~ 0	Moorage and Old Man House	4.840 19	4,369 29	470
52-10	Capital Outlays-Re-appropriation Lake			
0. 10	Sammamish	5,503 68	5,500 00	3
52-11	Capital Outlays-Re-appropriation			
0. 11	Gerald's Cove	4,000 00	3,991 25	8
52-12	Capital Outlays-Re-appropriation			
	Wallula	7,200 69	7,200 52	
52-13	Capital Outlays—Re-appropriation Boat			
	Landings at Deception Pass and			
	Sequim Bay	7,627 45	7,626 96	
90-39	Capital Outlays-Crown Point; allocated			
	by Governor	4,000 00		4,000
		40 000 400 40	40 005 000 10	4200 005
	Totals	\$2,742,123 69	\$2,035,828 19	\$706,295

# State Parks Registrations

The upward climb in state parks attendance was again noted between the first and second years of the biennium. Particularly noteworthy was the marked increase in overnight camping between 1953 and 1954, although the trend has been upward for a number of years.

Total overnight camping, including group camping, in-

creased from 236,624 in 1953 to 326,921 in 1954, an increase of 38 per cent.

Total state park registrations, including both day-time and overnight, increased from 3,578,972 to 3,788,188 or 5 per cent.

Table III shows the breakdown of 1954 attendance by parks.

TABLE III
VISITOR ATTENDANCE BY STATE PARKS—1954 PARK SEASON

Total	al Attendance	22, 970 25, 823 18, 413 19, 435 64, 646 67, 173 20, 256 23, 626 12, 229	46,569 50,692 3,659 4,884 45,062 47,964 88,064 89,073 88,657 89,838 8,657 8,838 8,657 17,998 8,657 17,850 11,127 2,507 14,127 2,507 24,359 24,359 26,501 205,501
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DAY VISITORS	i Other Day	10,232 64,645 20,255 12,229	46,569 3,659 45,068 45,064 88,064 8,657 48,389 117,850
	Picnic and Bathing	12,738	8.6 44.6
RS	* Total Overnight		4,123 2,905 2,909 1,009 7,916 19,001 1,433
AMP VISITO	Organized Camping	130 98	376 208 222 8,522
OVERNIGHT CAMP VISITORS	Trailer	130	376 208 78 22
AO OA	Tent and Shelter	2,723 2,528 3,371 2,802	3,747 725 2,694 1,009 7,838 10,457 1,453 970
VIII	STATE PARK	Alta Lake Bay View Beron Rock Belair Bogachiel	Broke Memorial Broke Memorial Bush Pacific Camano Island Concountly Deception Pass—Bowman's Bay Deception Pass—Cranberry Lake Donovan Fay-Bainbridge Federation Forest Fields Spring Fort Columbia Fort Sincoe

4,479 107,360 14,030	29,593 127,907 23,211 77,055	63,754 82,461 61,318 121,585	41,424 174,210 40,458 147,507	75,875 8,410 2,488	11,289	13,808 21,505 124,886	252,852 28,110 28,110 3,411	22,369 179,715 390,650	146,114 97,597 58,776 211,718	3,788,188
105,864	29,278 89,745 20,833 77,055	59,912 60,890 51,869	38,325 155,930 22,670 147,507	75,754 8,410	11,289 59,440	11,404 20,470 114,661	250,406 24,882 1,963	21,411 167,752 344,075	5,226 127,314 63,675 53,770 204,272	3,461,267
101,147	29,278 66,956 13,139	52,110 60,890 51,869	38,325 121,820 14,398	75,754	11,289 59,440	11,404 20,470 114,661	158,152 250,406 24,882 1,063	21,411 167,752 330,766	88,830 63,675 41,803 204,272	3,238,069
4,717	22,789 7,694	7,802	34,110 8,272 83 680					13,309	38,484	253,198
4,479	315 38,162 2,378	3,842 21,571 9,449	3,099 18,340 17,788	121	6,400	2,404 1,035 10,225	360 2,446 3,228	11,963 11,963 46,575	18,800 33,922 5,006	326,921
4,479			4,780 7,080	007	6,400			786		28,346
	7,671	260 429 27 27	1,293 8 1,651 141			48 71 6	92	1,276 3,458	1,082 3,518 141 572	22,717
1,496	30,491 2,336	3,582 21,142 9,422	5,291 3,091 11,909 10,567	121		2,356 964 10,219	304 2,446 3,228	1,393 958 10,687 42,120	17,718 30,304 4,865 6,874	275,758
Hidden Valley	Kamiak Butte Kitsap Memorial Lake Osoyoos	Lake Sammamish. Lake Sylvia. Lake Wenatchee. Larabee	Lewis and Clark Lewis and Clark Trail Lewis and Clark Trail Millersylvania Moran	Moses Lake Mount Spokane Old Fort Townsend	Pacific Beach	Feace Atch. Pend Oreille. Rinbow Falls.	Sacagawea Saltwater Schafer	Seal Rock Seaguest Sequin Bay	Squillehuek Twanoh Twanoh Twill Harbors Yenberg	Totals—All Parks

\* Camping statistics indicated by camper days.

# Marine Parks and Boat Moorages

In 1949, the legislature gave the State Parks and Recreation Commission authority to establish small boat moorages and other facilities in the waters of Puget Sound (*Laws*, 1949, Ch. 154). Funds were first appropriated for this purpose during the 1951-52 biennium, and in 1953-54, \$25,000 was so allocated. With these funds the Commission continued its long-range program of acquiring sites, developing fixed and floating docks and shore facilities, and making improvements on existing landing facilities at already established state parks.

#### **New Installations**

A boat dock and floats were installed at Gerald's Cove on Harstine Island. Overnight camping facilities, including trails and pit toilets, have been built for the boat traveler. At Sequim Bay a mooring float with walk-way ashore has been constructed near the state park camp area. At Cornet Bay in Deception Pass State Park, 100 additional feet of mooring floats have been installed. At Illahee, 110 feet of floats have been built and repairs and changes made in the dock.

Routine repairs and maintenance work has been continued at Reid and Prevost Harbors on Stuart Island, and at Fossil Bay on Sucia.

#### **Additional Planning**

Installation of boat facilities at the newly-acquired Old Fort Townsend site are being considered. Plans have been made for moorage installation at Pleasant Harbor on Hood Canal when negotiations for its acquisition have been completed.

#### Concrete Pontoons Used

The latest boat moorage installations have used the concrete pontoon floats developed as a result of research completed during the 1951-53 biennium. These permanent type floats need a minimum amount of care. They are also being utilized in some of the state parks swimming areas; namely, at Moran, Wenberg, Millersylvania, and Lake Sammamish.

#### Historical Work

Since 1949, the Commission has had responsibility for acquiring, preserving, marking, and maintaining state historical areas. The work covers phases of history, geology, anthropology, and archeology. In July, 1953, the Commission employed full-time a professional historian to implement the program, supervising historical work and serving as liaison between the Commission and the Advisory Board on Historic Sites. A brief summary follows of historical area improvements made during the last biennium.

American Camp. Includes earthworks erected by American troops on San Juan Island during 1859 dispute with British. Sign telling story erected.

**Dry Falls.** Geological site in Sun Lakes State Park. Interpretive work completed. Recordings played intermittently during day telling story, and noting interest points visible from the vista point.

Fort Columbia. Military post established during Spanish-American War near mouth of Columbia River. A museum, opened June, 1954, interprets exploration by sea and land, fur trading, settlement, and political activity.

Fort Okanogan. Archeological work is implementing study of two early trading posts near confluence of Okanogan and Columbia Rivers. Vista point on Chief Joseph Dam highway, with interpretive sign, is being developed.

Fort Simcoe. Buildings are only remaining Army installations in the state reminiscent of the Indian Wars period. The site, west of Toppenish, was also a famous Yakima Indian meeting ground. Building restoration is in progress.

Fort Spokane. (Spokane House.) Site of 1812 trading post, Spokane House, confluence of Spokane and Little Spokane Rivers. Archeological and interpretive work done.

Ginkgo Petrified Forest Museum. Modern museum in Ginkgo Petrified Forest near Vantage completed in 1952. Houses more than 25,000 petrified specimens. Drawings and type material telling story installed in 1953.

Old Man House. Home of Chief Seattle, near Suquamish. Archeological research revealed this as largest Indian dwelling on Puget Sound. Interpretive display under a cover designed in old building style shows artist's concept of original dwelling and explains archeological work. Interpretive sign erected; general landscaping done.

**Historical Markers.** A system of markers is part of historical program. In 1953, first area marker of its kind erected on Bainbridge Island, showing seven historical sites on outline map of island. Individual sites also marked by signs.

Signs provided by the State Parks Commission and erected by the State Highway Commission include: Steptoe Battlefield, Fort Walla Walla, Ainsworth, Fort Columbia, British Camp, Kamiak Butte, Earthquake Point, Point Roberts boundary, grave of Chief Seattle, and Indian Painted Rocks near Spokane and Yakima.

Sacajawea Museum. In Sacajawea State Park, museum houses one of largest Pacific Northwest Indian arrowheads collections. Interpretation of these Indian materials is planned.

St. Paul's Mission. Old Jesuit mission near Kettle Falls has been restored and interpretive sign erected.

In cooperation with Indians of the area, plans are underway to erect Potlatch house in state park at Mukilteo.

Archeological work in conjunction with University of Washington Anthropology Department has been completed within Deception Pass State Park. Interpretive work will show students and tourists at first hand the work of the archeologist.

#### Recreation

The Recreation Division, established by the legislature in 1947 (*Laws*, 1947, Ch. 271, Sec. 4), is a service agency whose major duty is to assist communities and public and private organizations help themselves solve their recreation problems. Some states perform the same kinds of services through separate recreation commissions.

#### Trends

The biennium has seen considerable growth in the community park and recreation movement. Almost every community is engaged in improving recreational opportunities of its citizens, with almost \$4,500,000 of local public funds spent for parks and recreation in 1953. Private groups, such as churches, youth-serving agencies, and others, have expanded services in leisure-time activities as well.

Schools have continued, in general, to maintain a prominent role in providing leisure-time facilities and activities, particularly in planning for total community use in new school construction. An upward trend in recreation has been noted in state institutions, with emphasis on programs and leadership. Family recreation, programs for the aged, and industrial recreation have also gained momentum.

#### Services

- 1. Staff members made 152 field visits on request of communities and organizations, including appraisals of programs and facilities made in Vancouver and Longview. They assisted 21 communities in planning facilities, and 11 communities in finding qualified leaders. Community inventories made of Tacoma, Olympia, Puyallup, and Pierce County for McChord Air Force Base and City of Tacoma.
- 2. Assisted Bureau of Governmental Research and Services, University of Washington, in obtaining background material for compilation of laws pertaining to parks and recreation in the state, including attorney general's opinions and judicial decisions. Issued as Bureau Report No. 127, and distributed to municipalities. Also assisted in preparation of sample parks and recreation board ordinances, issued as Association of Washington Cities, Information Bulletin No. 165.
- 3. Cooperated with the Bureau of Governmental Research and Services on the recreation sections for the annual Institute of Government, and with the Association of Washington Cities on recreation sections at their annual conferences.
- 4. Cooperated with various state departments on various projects, such as (a) a survey of recreation at state institutions at the request of the Superintendent of Public Institutions; (b) work on the Governor's Council for Aging Population; (c) Governor's Safety Council on consideration of recreation safety; (d) meetings with Women's Advisory Committee on State Civil Defense in making recommendations regarding civil defense youth activities.
- 5. Projects involving research on recreation problems of communities and organizations. Conducted surveys on (a) camping areas and needs in the Greater Columbia Basin; (b) status of community recreation in 200 cities and towns; (c) programs for the aged; (d) off-post recreation for military personnel; (e) family recreation; (f) swimming pools; (g) personnel salaries; (h) financing.
  - 6. Interviewed 63 applicants for 16 lifeguard positions in 12 state parks.
- 7. Assisted public and private agencies on conferences, institutes, and inservice training and advisory services to Washington State Recreation Society and other professional organizations.

## Group Camps

Facilities at state-owned group camps are being continually improved and usage made of them is generally excellent. At Moran Group Camp, a new power line has been built and partitions put in the barracks. At Deception Pass, the kitchen-dining hall has been completed, a cabin built for kitchen help, and five squad huts added. At Millersylvania, three squad huts were added, making a total of eight, a new lavatory and washroom built, and new siding placed on the kitchen. At Sun Lakes, a dining hall was added to the kitchen, and a new well dug. At Hidden Valley (Camp Wooten) two squad huts have been added to the six already there. At Sequim Bay, a balcony was added to the lodge and interior walls sealed.

The group camp at Twin Harbors was used during 1953, but judged unsatisfactory for further use and subsequently torn down. An abandoned navy camp at Pacific Beach was renovated sufficiently for those groups formerly using Twin Harbors.

Development of a youth camp at Fields' Spring State Park is anticipated. Improvement of facilities at Satus Pass recreation area will undoubtedly receive considerable use.

#### Part-time Staff Member

In June, 1953, a part-time staff member was employed with specific responsibilities to group camps. This involves checking maintenance and upkeep, handling scheduling reports, financial reports, periodic visits to camps, meeting with local association representatives, aiding in long-range facilities planning, and other assigned duties.

#### Change in Policy

A major group camp development has been change in the Commission's basic policy pertaining to group camps. A rental fee for camp use has been established and local associations have more responsibility for minor maintenance and repair. Also in effect is an agreement between camp users and State Parks, setting forth responsibilities and obligations of both parties.

TABLE IV
GROUP CAMP USAGE—SEASONS OF 1953 AND 1954

	WEEK	S USED	TOTAL CAMPER DAYS	
GROUP CAMP	1953	1954	1953	1954
Deception Pass	11 12 6 2 10 10	12 12 8 4 11	7,409 6,455 3,876 920 4,620 4,120	8,522 7,080 4,780 997 4,479
Totals	,		27,400	28,346

More primitive youth camps are located at Twanoh, Sequim Bay, and Saltwater State Parks. Usage is mostly in form of day or short-term camps.

# State Parks Properties AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 1954 RECREATION AREAS DEVELOPED

NAME		Location—County	Size Acres	Date Established	Supervised
1	Alta Lake	Okanogan	160	1952	Yes-part
2	Bay View	Skagit	19	1925	Yes
3	Beacon Rock	Skamania	3,026	1935	Yes
4	Bogachiel	Clallam	123	1931	Yes-part
5	Brooks Memorial	Klickitat	156	1944	Yes
6	Bush Pacific Pioneer	Pacific	42	1959	Yes-part
7	Camano Island	Island	53	1947	Yes
8	Conconully	Okanogan	12	1945	Yes
9	Deception Pass	Skagit-Island	1,746	1925	Yes
10	Donovan	Skag.t	3	1923	Yes-part
11	Fay-Bainbridge	Kitsap	16	1944	Yes
12	Fields' Spring	Asotin	360	1930	Yes
13	Fort Columbia	Pacific	485	1950	Yes
14	Fort Simcoe	Yakima	140	1952	Yes
15	Illahee	Kitsap	70	1934	Yes
16	Kamiak Butte	Whitman	280	1937	Yes-part
17	Kitsap Memorial	Kitsap	45	1949	Yes-part
18	Lake Chelan	Chelan	140	1949	Yes Yes
19	Lake Osoyoos	Okanogan	20	1952	
20	Lake Sammamish	King	253	1950	Yes
21	Lake Sylvia	Grays Harbor	234	1936	Yes
22	Lake Wenatchee	Chelan	358		Yes
23	Larrabee	Whatcom		1929	Yes
24	Lewis and Clark	Lewis	1,362 530	1915	Yes
25	Lewis and Clark Trail	Columbia		1922	Yes
26	Millersylvania	Thurston	35 833	1933	Yes
27	Moran	San Juan		1921	Yes
28	Moses Lake	Grant	4,804	1920	Yes
29	Mount Spokane	Spokane	15	1945	Yes
30	Palouse Falls	Franklin	24,240	1925	Yes
31	Peace Arch	Whatsom	95	1945	Yes-part
32	Pend Oreille	Whatcom	24	1931	Yes
33	Rainbow Falls	Pend Oreille	393	1927	Yes-part
34	Riverside	Lewis	116	1933	Yes
35	Sacajawea	Spokane	5,380	1935	Yes
36	Saltwater	Franklin	19	1931	Yes
37	Schafer	King	90	1939	Yes
38	Seal Rock.	Mason	53	1924	Yes
39	Spagnest	Jefferson	50	1950	Yes-part
10	Seaquest	Cowlitz	154	1945	Yes
11	Sequim Bay	Clallam	73	1924	Yes
12	Squillchuck Creek	Chelan	290	1952	Yes
13	Steptoe Butte	Whitman	136	1945	Yes-part
14	Sun Lakes	Grant	2,400	1945	Yes
	Twanoh	Mason	210	1923	Yes
5	Twin Harbors	Grays Harbor	87	1937	Yes
16	Wenberg	Snohomish	32	1947	Yes
17	Yakima	Yakima	213	1946	Yes

#### RECREATION AREAS UNDEVELOPED

	NAME	Location—County	Size Acres	Date Established	Supervised
1	Birch Bay	Whatcom	32	1954	No
2	Bridle Trails	King	368	1932	No
3	Clearwater	Jefferson	10	1922	No
4	Des Moines	King	1/2	1936	No
5	Edmonds	Snohomish	1/2	1929	No
6	Ilwaco	Pacific	65	1938	No
7	Mahler	King		1923	No
8	Mukilteo	Snohomish	13	1952	No
9	Penrose Point	Pierce	. 53	1953	No
0	Port Williams	Clallam	1	1944	No
1	Rigney	Pierce	4	1916	No
2	Rock Island	Douglas	79	1924	No
3	Salmon Creek	Thurston	3	1922	No
4	Sammamish	King	4	1922	No
5	Steamboat Rock	Grant	250	1953	No
6	Twin Falls	King	160	1951	No
7.	Vashon	King	5	1922	No
8	Wallula Junction	Walla Walla	789	1952	No
9	Zillah	Yakima	87	1922	No

#### BOAT MOORAGES

NAME	Location—County	Size Acres	Date Established	Supervised
Cornet Bay	Mason	45 45	1952 1953	Yes—part Yes—part
Prevost Harbor Reid Harbor Sequim	San Juan (Stuart Island) San Juan (Stuart Island)	40 40	1952 1952	Yes—part Yes—part

#### HISTORICAL SITE AREAS

NAME		NAME Location—County		Date Established	Supervised	
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17	American Camp. Chief Seattle's Grave. Crown Point. Fort Columbia. Fort Okanogan. Fort Simcoe. Goldendale Blockhouse. Indian Painted Rocks (Yakima). Indian Painted Rocks (Little Spokane) Jackson House ③. Matilda N. Jackson ④. Monticello Convention Site. Ranald MacDonald's Grave. Old Man House Old Spokane House ③. Point Roberts. Spokane Battlefield.	San Juan. Kitsap@. Douglas Pacific Okanogan Yakima. Klickitat①. Yakima. Spokane Lewis. Lewis. Cowlitz. Ferry@. Kitsap Spokane①. Whatcom.	15 485 20 140  142  142  142  144  144  142	1951 1951 1950 1950 1951 1952 1951 1950 1950 1915 1917 1951 1951 1950	No Yes—part No Yes No No No Yes No No No Yes—part Yes—part No No No No No No No No	
18	St. Michael's Mission St. Paul's Mission	Spokane	1 4	1952 1952	No No	
20 21	Steptoe Battlefield	Whitman		1950 1951	No No	

① Inside boundaries of other state parks. ② Acquired prior to initiation of historical sites program. ③ Grave site.

#### GEOLOGICAL EXHIBIT AREAS

NAME		NAME Location—County		Date Established	Supervised
2	Crawford	Kittitas	5,980	1921 1935 1943	No Yes No

#### GROUP CAMP AREAS

	NAME	Location—County	Size Acres	Date Established	Supervised	
1 2	Camp Wooten	Columbia Grays Harbor	40 5	1949 1954	Yes Yes—part	

#### NATURAL FOREST RECREATION AREAS

	NAME	Location—County	Size Acres	Date Established	Supervised
1 2 3 4 5 6	Barnes Federation Forest. Raymond Rockport Salmon River. Wormald	King Pacific Skagit Grays Harbor	149 447	1932 1941 1933 1935 1931 1927	Yes—part Yes—part No No No No

#### TIDE RECREATION AREAS

NAME		Location—County Size Acres		Date Established	Supervised	
1 2 3 4 5 6	Dungeness Lake Colville Lopez	ClallamAdamsSan Juan		1933 1939 1921 1935 1922 1947	No No Yes—Count No No No	



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# STATE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

POST OFFICE BOX 335, OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON

9331-Ext. 240

March 2, 1955

Mr. Click Relander 1212 North 32nd Avenue Yakima, Washington

Dear Click:

I am very appreciative of the time which you gave me on my last visit to Yakima. I have revised the Simcoe article which I now understand they want for the April issue of the PNWQ.

As per your request I am sending under separate cover some of the photos which were taken by Arne Salonen.

Sincerely,

Abert Culverwell, Historian

ac/eb

July 11, 1955 The Rev. Hubert C. Vincent, Pastor The Methodist Church Rockford, Washington Dear Mr. Vincent: Your letter to Mr. Relander has been forwarded to me. It is my understanding that you wish to place a plaque in the Commandant's Quarters at Fort Simcoe honoring Father Wilbur. We have received other requests to place plaques honoring individuals. We have formulated a policy that no permanent fixture shall be placed in any of the restored buildings at Fort Simcoe. It is our purpose to restore this site as of the Fort period (1856-1859). We have agreed, however, to give recognition to the Agency period in one of our other buildings and in the museum at the site. It may mean that a suitable plaque honoring Father Wilbur should be located with other items of the Agency period in either the museum or another house. We are trying to duplicate in exact detail the Commandant's Quarters as it was during the Fort period. I would suggest that your plaque be something which can be suspended or easily attached to the wall. We desire that recognition of this nature not be in the form of a permanently installed fixture so it may not in the future hamper any wall decoration. I am sure you understand our concern here. I hope this will answer questions as posed in your letter of June 9. We assure you of our cooperation in this matter. Sincerely, Albert Culverwell, Historian ac/eb cc/Relander

mus item 33424. July 14, 1955 Mr. George Martin 902 Larsen Building Yakima, Washington Dear George: It will be possible for us to have a showing of the sound movie, "Restoration of Colonial Williamsburg," in conjunction with the meeting of the Advisory Board on Historic Sites in Yakima, July 30. It is our suggestion that this movie of about 45 minutes not only would be an attractive presentation of the work of restoring old buildings but also would be exceedingly informative. We thought that Friday evening, July 29, would be a good time for the showing and Advisory Board members who have already arrived in Yakima, members of the Fort Simcoe Restoration Society, and any other interested people would be welcome to view this production. Would it be possible for you to arrange for the showing? If there is a small auditorium that might be made available to us, I am sure this would be the most appropriate way of presenting the film. It might be possible to have a dinner and show the film afterwards; however, this may bring up the many difficulties of reservations, etc. If you can arrange for a place of showing we can bring our sound projector. Please let me know at your earliest convenience your reaction to this part of the program. It has been brought to my attention in connection with the meeting at the Fort Simcoe site on Saturday that there should be a table or two and chairs in the Commandant's Quarters for the meeting which is, incidentally, open to the public. There are 15 members on the Board and some extras should be placed for those interested persons who may come. I imagine folding chairs would be most appropriate. Sincerely. Albert Culverwell, Historian ac/eb cc/Guie Relander Shellor

To: Members of the Advisory Board on Historic Sites July 22, 1955

From: Albert Culverwell, Historian, and a more on this

State Parks and Recreation Commission

Re: Development of Historical Areas Washington and work on Long House deving

### 1. Historical State Parks

### Fort Columbia a interpretive signs was finished this spring to complete work

All fortifications and buildings have been identified, making it possible for visitors to understand military activity at the Fort.

The Museum has been developed since last year. Displays in the Local History Room have been increased, attention given to fishing, the Indians, and the history of the Fort. In the Regional History Room several of the exhibit cases have been given greater depth, permitting more adequate lighting. In recognition of the sesquicentennial year of the Lewis and Clark expedition, a diorama has been added to depict a trading scene, portraying Lewis and Clark, Sacajawea, and Concomly. A completely new display on shipwrecks utilizes the two small rooms adjacent to the Local History Room and the covered area in the rear of the Museum building.

Comments on the Museum have been gratifying and newspapers in Oregon and Washington have given recognition through feature articles and pictures.

#### Old Fort Townsend

Research has been done to fill in the story of this early Fort (1856), the site of which is now a State Park. The National Archives have furnished much material which will be valuable in interpreting the site. Development plans have been changed to incorporate this information.

### Fort Simcoe Mr. O'Malley has printed the Day Falls telk as a gift for visitors.

Work has continued in the restoration of the Fort with emphasis on the Commandant's House. Careful research has been done to assure accuracy in the restoration. A complete development plan has been made for the Park. University student-archeologists are now at work determining the location of the original buildings. An interpretive program has been developed to inform visitors of the work. and parking areas are placed for this size

NOTE: Other State Parks need interpretive displays and attention which will assist visitors to understand the significance of the area. These Parks are: Kamiak Butte, Steptoe Butte, Beacon Rock, Sun Lakes, and Palouse Falls.

#### 2. Historical Areas

American Camp arkers have been greeted with the exception of the Chief Scattle A new sign was constructed in the State Parks shop and erected at the site. The new design utilizes granite on the island in its construction.

The aluminum sign was erected using the same design and materials as used at American Camp. NOTE: Both markers were erected by the State Parks and Recreation Commission, as the Highway Commission will erect markers only adjacent to State Highways.

Old Man House

The site has been landscaped and prepared for the construction of the interpretive display. Mr. Dudley Carter is now at work on this.

Point Elliott Treaty Site (Mukilteo)

Indians plan to have the centennial celebration and work on Long House during the last part of August. Development of the Park area was done during the spring months. A marker is planned for the site.

Spokane House

The last of the interpretive signs was finished this spring to complete work at this site. The area was improved in time for the meeting of the Pacific Northwest History Conference in Spokane. Visitors appeared to be much impressed with the method of interpretation.

St. Michael's Mission

The building has been inspected for evidence of deterioration and there is much evidence of dry rot and termite infection in the foundation. This mission will be restored through the cooperation of Father Sauer at Mount St. Michaels, with the State Parks furnishing the funds. The project will include certain changes in the mission as it now stands and improvement of the grounds.

Fort Okanogan Overlook

Mrs. Gebbers has agreed to give title to the area. It is now held up over easement for water line. Interpretation of Pacific Fur Company post will be at site. It will be a log marking similar to the Spokane House job. This will be easily seen from the Overlook.

#### 3. Geological Areas

Dry Falls

The display in the Vista House has been improved with the display case redesigned. Mr. O'Malley has printed the Dry Falls talk as a gift for visitors, and the reprint gives greater recognition to the historical program of the State Parks.

Ginkgo Petrified Forest

New displays are planned for the Museum.

NOTE: A new approach and parking areas are planned for this site.

#### 4. Markers

Monticello Convention Site

The sign recognizing this event has been completely refinished and painted by State Parks personnel.

All aluminum markers have been erected with the exception of the Chief Seattle sign. Negotiations are now being made with the Kitsap County road officials to prepare an area along the road in front of the cemetery at Suquamish. The marker will be erected by the State Parks.

A Lewis and Clark marker is being constructed in the State Parks shop for erection at the camp site of the expedition at the mouth of the Columbia. An area of ground at the site was given for a roadside park, and the marker will be erected in this park.

The area around Bainbridge Island Area Marker has been landscaped with native plantings. Water was piped from a well adjoining the property and the road which divided the area has been removed.

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# STATE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

POST OFFICE BOX 335, OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON

9331-Ext. 240

January 26, 1956

Mr. Click Relander 1212 North 32nd Avenue Yakima, Washington

Dear Click:

I am finding it rather difficult to answer directly your letter of January 23 in which you request information about park buildings constructed for our personnel. We no longer employ an architect and in checking with several of our construction people, I have the following information to report.

Stone structures are out. We have found that estimates on their construction are so far from the money which we have set aside for the job that it becomes prohibitive, even though they are most attractive and sturdy dwellings. I believe the last estimate we had was somewhere in the neighborhood of \$25 to \$30 per square foot. Of course, you will recognize that any estimates that I give you will vary in different parts of the state. For instance, the cost of constructing a dwelling in the Yakima area would be different than constructing the same dwelling in the Colville area. I understand that Pearl Wanamaker has given out the figure of \$12.30 per square foot as the cost of constructing school buildings, and will not allow matching funds for anything above this figure. I would say that \$12.30 would likewise be a fair estimate of the cost of building a superintendent's quarters in one of our parks. I know we built a building of Pan-Abode (frame) material of 1,000 square feet for approximately \$13,000. The use of Pan-Abode material should lower the cost of any structure and a rather fair estimate, using this material, would be around \$10 a square foot.

As to plumbing, you have the same problem. They tell me that the average two or three bedroom home can be plumbed for approximately \$1,000. This would include fixtures and the material and labor required to tie up with the septic tank. This price would not include the septic tank nor the preparation of the drainage area. Such work would possibly cost another \$500. I would assume that these figures could be bettered in town, or a community where competitive prices would result. For some reason or other, we seem to find that most contractors are rather high in their estimates of the projects sponsored by any state agency. I am sure a private builder

Mr. Relander January 26, 1956 Page 2 could gain better estimates and cut the cost of construction as a result. The best that I can find around here is the superintendent's residence at Peace Arch State Park. I am enclosing some blueprints of this structure and several pictures. I am told that it cost us in 1951 \$18,351.64. It undoubtedly would cost more today, and I am sure you are aware that any estimate given at this time might be considerably higher six months from now. I am told that building costs are going up considerably. I hope these plans will give you some idea of our use of wood and stone in constructing a superintendent's residence. These are the only photographs we have of any of our residential projects. We do have blueprints of some of our other structures. I hope this rather meager information will be of some value. I quite agreed with you on the 9th Infantry material, and I will try to get Larrabee on the job or do it myself. I have a check of \$100 for Larrabee for such work, but he hasn't contacted me since before Christmas and I have no idea what he is doing now. So it goes. Best regards, Whert Culverwell, Historian ac/eb enc/2

### State Parks and Recreation Commission

JOHN R. VANDERZICHT, Director

To Click Relander, Yakima	Date Febru	uary 2, 1956
From Albert Culverwell, Historian Ac	dress	
Subject		

I am enclosing first draft showing text for a proposed sign at Fort Simcoe. Of course you realize we cannot tell the whole story on a routed wood sign, but I hope that what I have enclosed may be sufficient. I will invite your criticism.

In talking with some Yakima people I have been told that the Simcoe site was a favorite camping spot of Skloom, the younger brother of Kamiaken. In my research I can find no evidence of this, although the site was a favorite camping place long before the military. I would appreciate any comments on this subject that you might have to make, as I feel more attention should be given to the Indian background in our publication.

enc/1



February 29, 1956 The Rev. William Bischoff, S. J. Gonzaga University Spokane, Washington Dear Father Bischoff: There are two items which have recently come to my attention and will be of interest to you. I believe they should be placed on the agenda for the next meeting of the Advisory Board on Historic Sites, and I am sending them along for this purpose. I know you are familiar with Richard Daugherty's archeological research in the Lind Coulee area not far from Warden, Washington. Dr. Daugherty tells me that he has found evidence of human life as far back as 9,000 years ago, making this a significant area in the state of Washington and even throughout the Pacific Northwest. He has written several reports on his findings and is now attempting to secure additional support to continue the work in the area. In my opinion, this site would be an excellent one to add to those which we have determined as historically significant and have so recognized in the state. There is another site which has been passed along to me by Click Relander in Yakima. In his letter of February 27 he tells me of a place near Washtucna where there is to be found the foundations of an old stage way station, and this particular site is on the route of the old Mullan military road. I remember Mrs. Reed's concern about better recognition of this road and its importance in the area. This site may have importance for this purpose. There is a Mr. Bruce Wilson, publisher of the Ritzville Journal-Times, who has information on this site. I thought you would be interested in the above areas, and I know I would appreciate any additional information which you can pass along to me as to the practicability of recognizing the areas. In the meantime, I will try to do what I can from this end to gain additional information. Inclement weather has certainly played havoc with much of our travel this year, and it may be a while before I can get into the area. Sincerely. Albert Culverwell, Historian ac/eb

ARTHUR copy WOODWARD MEMBER THE COMPANY OF MILITARY COLLECTORS & HISTORIANS 1680 East Loma Alta Drive Altadena, California March 21, 1956 Mr. Albert Culverwell, Historian State Parks and Recreation Commission P. O. Box 335 Olympia, Washington Dear Mr. Culverwell: The print and your letter arrived a few days ago and I have been studying the layout. Frankly, I think the place, if furnished as indicated, would be over furnished for an army quarters of the 1850s. First off, the entry--in this I feel there should be a hat rack and umbrella stand or simply a list of pegs along one side, no side chairs, no sofas. Perhaps a trophy head, deer or other animal, or simply the antlers. These could also act as hat rack, saber hanger, or whatever one chose to hang on the rack. I agree with you, the type furniture indicated is too elaborate for a frontier post, even a colonel's quarters. It must be remembered that Uncle Sam allowed very little transportation money for furniture or household furnishings in those days. Household silver, china and glassware was held to a minimum. Only the barest necessities were carried. In most cases the furniture used was often made on the spot. The officers and men in the Northwest were perhaps more fortunate than in other areas since there was an abundance of lumber and saw mills already established. Otherwise, they saved even the wooden cartridge boxes, packing cases and barrels obtained from the Q.M. and soldier carpenters made the furnitures from such materials. For decorations most army men used Indian trophies. Sometimes the privates and non-commissioned officers as a pastime collected insects, reptiles, birds, etc. and preserved the former in alchhol begged from the medical supplies (if they didn't drink it first) and presented the pickled specimens to the wives of the officers. These were often kept in rows on shelves either in the parlor or bedroom. Indian baskets were used when available as sewing baskets or wall decorations, waste baskets, etc. Hawk and eagle tail feathers were saved and made into fan shaped ornaments with perhaps a stuffed hawk or eagle head in the center I note that the decorator states that various types of carpets were in vogue in the 1840s. So they were, but on the frontier deer skins, bear skins or buffalo hides were used as acatter rugs and in bedrooms the softer pelts of wild cats, wolves, foxes, etc. were placed beside the beds. Sometimes these dressed pelts were also hung on the walls. Rag rugs were also made by the women and used.

Most army men subscribed to illustrated periodicals and pictures were cut out of these and tacked or pinned on the walls. Occasionally, of course, there were the God awful chromos or the softer hand tinted steel engravings from magazines which were framed and hung in the parlor or dining room.

Occasionally, of course, some new bride would bring with her one or two choice pieces of furniture but when her husband was transferred, such furnishings were sold to the incoming officers.

In all of the accounts I have encountered, written by army wives down into the 1870s and 1880s, the usual complaints were of the paucity of furniture or the make-shift stuff they had to use. Barrel chairs trimmed with calico or chintz were popular. Bedroom stools for use in front of the dressing stands were also made of boxes and padded and covered with gay colored calicos...then they were available.

A writing desk in either the living room or parlor or bedroom was almost a necessity. However, these desks were not large nor elaborate. As a matter of fact, the small traveling field desk was carried about from place to place. It could be used either in regular quarters or packed on a mule or in a wagon into the tented quarters of the field. I have indicated such a desk on one of the sketches enclosed. I have seen several such traveling desks and they are inevitable plain and badly worn.

Don't make the mistake of formalizing the rooms. I note the interior decorator has done so. As you say, this would be the decor for a town house in the east—but not a military post on the frontier in the 1850s.

The army wives of those days were often thrown upon their own resources and when equipped with a pair of scissors, a few yards of colored calico, chintz or other materials could do wonders in brightening up a place. Simple curtains seem to have been the craving of most of the army wives and they always felt they were settled when they had curtains at the windows, the floors scrubbed and their clothes hung up.

Even the factors at fur trading posts often had more luxuries than the itinerant families of army officers. Now and then some small portable melodeon or organ might be carried providing there was space in the army wagon allotted to the officer or he had the money to pay for private transportation. However, the heavy pianos of the day were reserved for the prosperous settled merchant or business man of the town and even then, they weren't plentiful.

Bedstaeds should be of the simplest. Sometimes the light brass French style beds were used with the arching canopy of muslin overhead, but often the beds were knocked together of deal lumber and laced with rope upon which mattresses or bed pads stuffed with straw were used. Featherbeds were also considered a luxury at the time.

In the living room or parlor where the fireplaces were used, the mantels carried all sorts of odds and ends, the leg and claws of a large eagle, the boiled and cleaned skull of a beaver, antelope horns or perhaps a few daguerreotypes of the officer and his family or close friends.

copy Page 3 Candle sticks furnished with tallow candles set on the tables or simple wall sconces were the source of light. I also believe the Argand student lamps were also in vogue at that time. I forgot to add that when flooring was laid in some of the quarters, the boards sometimes warped and left cracks, so large pieces of condemned tarpaulin were obtained from the Q.M. department and painted; these were then tacked down over a padding of newspapers and kept out the wind and cold. Most army officers varied the monotony of garrison life by hunting and fishing and they usually kept a variety of privately owned shot guns and rifles on hand along with fishing rods, creels etc. These were generally hung carelessly wherever a peg or antler protruded from the wall, along with military map cases, binoculars, pistols, caps, etc. Quirts and riding gear might also be seen. Often odds and ends of souvenirs from other wars, the Mexican war, for example, enlivened such places. Mexican sarapes, lances cut off to show the head and pennant, captured flint locks or swords hung side by side with Indian quivers, bows, moccasins, leggings and head gear or necklaces. In other words, the interiors of the quarters of army men on the frontier were far from being the precise, orderly rooms of city houses of the same period. So, I'd forget the formalized treatment and go in for the catch as catch can arrangement -- and what I have described will serve equally well for the quarters of a first lieutenant to a general. Don't let the good ladies who are furnishing the place go overboard with fancy fixin's. No doubt the gals who lived in the quarters originally would havebeen tickled to death to have all the frills and fine furniture used by civilized folk of the day--but in general, they just didn't have 'em. I know it will be a job to hold the ladies down, but to give a good effect, it'll have to be done. They'll be horrified about the stuffed owls and rabbits but tell em why. Sorry I can't be up there to see the place in person. I'm recovering nicely and am getting back on my feet, but the process is slower than I expected. Sincerely, /s/ Arthur Woodward



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## STATE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

POST OFFICE BOX 335, OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON

2-5611-Ext. 8394

September 17, 1956

Mr. Click Relander 1212 North 32nd Avenue Yakima, Washington

Dear Click:

When I returned to Seattle I checked Fort Spokane, U.S. Military Post, situated 3/4 mile from the junction of the Spokane and Columbia Rivers. I found, as I intimated to you, that Fort Spokane was established by General Order No. 2, February 11, 1882. Fort Spokane remained an active post until April 17, 1898, when the troops were withdrawn and the post formally abandoned in May, 1899.

A report of the Secretary of War in 1894, according to Mr. J. S. Whiting, from which I took this material, states:

"Inconveniently situated, difficult to reach in certain seasons of the year, expensive to maintain, and that it served no practical purpose."

This was, no doubt, the reason for its abandonment in 1899.

When I was last in Yakima I forgot to mention to you my desire to have copies of the excellent photographs which you took of the commandant's house. I refer to the interior shots which J. S. Rayner took and which were included in the Sunday, August 12, paper. If possible, I would like to have 8 x 10 prints, two of each, of the five printed on the Woman's Page of the Sunday Herald. Let me know the cost and I will forward my check for the amount.

I appreciate so much the favors which you have done for me.

Sincerely,

Albert Culverwell, Historian 100 Dexter Avenue, Seattle 9

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POST OFFICE BOX 335, OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON

2-5611-Ext. 8394

October 22, 1957

Mr. Click Relander 1212 North 32nd Avenue Yakima, Washington

Dear Click:

I believe I sent you the materials which you requested. We have not procured copies of the Story of the Petrified Forest, but I assume you will not necessarily have to have this publication in order to gain the information which you desire.

I have figures which have been forwarded to me today that will give you some indication of the cost of the pamphlets on Fort Columbia and Fort Simcoe. Our Fiscal Officer gave the following figures:

Fort Columbia 5,000 copies \$1,701.76 Fort Simcoe 5,000 copies \$1,300.00

This would mean that the Fort Simcoe publication cost us 26 cents each for 22 pages of printing not counting the cover. Fort Columbia cost us 34 cents each for 32 pages of printing not counting the cover. Printing costs seem to run somewhat the same within any area of the state, and I believe the figures on these two publications will be pretty well standard for the type of thing that we have been doing. I do not have a cost per thousand, but I believe that you can arrive at some estimate by taking the unit figure and multiplying it out.

I hope this information will be of some value to you. I plan to be in Yakima on Wednesday for the Commission meeting.

Sincerely,

Albert Culverwell, Historian 100 Dexter Avenue, Seattle 9

ac/eb



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October 6, 1959

Click Relander Yakima Republic Yakima, Washington

Dear Click:

I received a news clipping today of your very interesting article on the archeology being done at Fort Simcoe. I do appreciate the excellent coverage you gave to this project.

I am going to California this week end to speak at the Western Museums Conference and will see Charles DeTurk in Sacramento. You may remember Mr. DeTurk as being our Park Planner. He was with me on serval occasions, in Yakima, while I was working on the Simcoe project. You no doubt know he is now the Chief of the California Division of Beaches and Parks.

As soon as the work quiets down a bit, I will try to complete the museum project at Fort Simcoe and then get ready to plan displays for the Fort Okanogan Museum. They have started construction the building there. I just learned that I may have a man assisting me in museum work and this makes me more enthusiastic about getting into the Okanogan project.

Again, thanks so much for the excellent article on Fort Simcoe.

Sincerely yours,

ALBERT H. CULVERWELL

Historian

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January 8, 1960

Mr. Click Relander City Editor Yakima Herald Yakima, Washington

Dear Click:

Thank you for the very fine writing on our Ginkgo Petrified Forest Museum. The petroglyphs have been installed at the base of the museum wall shown in your picture and will be completed with certain interpretation this spring.

With regard to your request for information on the Ginkgo tree, I have this to report. I believe you could find some information about the trees from Professor Frank Brockman of the College of Forestry at the University of Washington. I am enclosing his pamphlet to you with my compliments. If you desire additional material I would write directly to him at the University.

I do not know a great deal about the Ginkgo tree in China or Japan. I have heard that it is found in gardens with religious significance, such as shrines, etc. On the other hand, I do not agree with the somewhat common belief that the Ginkgo tree was a "sacred" tree. If it at any time had sacred significance it was because it was found as an ornamental tree within a garden shrine.

I believe it is true that the tree is only found today in the Orient in its native state. Of course, it is rather easy to procure the Ginkgo tree here in America, as most large nurseries carry the tree, and it is used extensively in garden developments. We have used this tree a number of times in the development of certain of our parks.

Oddly enough, there are only a very few at the Ginkgo Museum. I am told that in certain of the midwestern towns in the United States the Ginkgo tree has been used in the city center, or park areas, and that these trees have grown to

Mr. Click Relander, Page 2 January 8, 1960 considerable size--in many cases a trunk of nine to ten inches in diameter -- and in some cases a foot in diameter. I would consider such trees to be rather large for the Ginkgo, as they appear to grow rather slowly. I have one in my back yard, and in six years it hasn't grown over a foot or foot and a half. There are several in Seattle six to eight inches in diameter. This would appear to be a rather large sized Ginkgo for our area. The above is about the extent of my knowledge of the Gingko tree, but I am sure landscape people or the College of Forestry at the University can give you additional material. On Fort Simcoe, we are planning to complete the museum this spring and will then give you a complete run-down on our activities at this site. I am very much interested in the picture which you have found. Incidentally, I am in the process of moving my office to Seattle and you can reach me at any time in the future at our old address, 100 Dexter Avenue, Seattle. I am trying to establish an exhibit laboratory, as we have so much museum work to do that I am employing a man to handle this phase of the work with me. Thanks again for your excellent write-up on the Ginkgo project. Sincerely yours, ALBERT H. CULVERWELL Historian AHC:ms Enclosure

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September 9, 1964

Mr. Click Rielander City Editor Yakima Republic Yakima, Washington

Dear Mr. Rielander:

Enclosed is a memo regarding a forthcoming Ft. Simcoe film. I would greatly appreciate any thought you can give the project. Mr. Parker and I will write story and audio when we arrive in Yakima and would like to talk to you previous to starting if you could spare us the time.

Very truly yours

LLOYD R. BELL,

INTERPRETIVE SERVICES

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Enc.

### MEMORANDUM

September 9, 1964

TO:

John A. Clark, Supervisor Planning and Development

FROM:

Lloyd R. Bell Interpretive Services

SUBJECT:

OBJECTIVES AND STORY LINE FOR FORT SIMCOE FILM

A. OBJECTIVES OF FORT SIMCOE FILM:

The film should portray Fort Simcoe as:

- 1. A historically significant site.
- 2. An educational tool which allows history to come to the visitor.
- 3. A by-product should be that Fort Simcoe be shown as a beautiful area.
- B. THE STORY LINE SHOULD BE BROKEN INTO ABOUT SIX SECTIONS AND SHOULD BE PRESENTED IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:
  - 1. The Moo-Moo Spring and nearby springs and the importance of water to an occupancy site for Indians. The use of the area by Indians should be explained.
- 2. The impact of the Whites; the Indian wars of the 1850's; and the strategic importance of the Yakima Valley. Maps could be used to show Indian-White military relations.
  - 3. The building of Fort Simcoe, the expeditions and forays and the pacification of the Indians.
  - 4. The abandonment of Fort Simcoe and the reasons; explanation of the changed military situation after the short period of Fort Simcoe operation.
  - 5. The Agency Period.

-2-September 9, 1964 John A. Clark 6. Fort Simcoe is a Washington State Historical Park. Restoration. a. b. Archaeological Search. c. Cinematographic trip through the park. d. Picnic facilities. e. Flag Day, 1964. 7. Recapitulation and Conclusion. NOTE: Mr. Phil Parker and I have arranged to meet with Mr. Marvin Foster of Marvin Foster Productions, 309 B Street, Yakima, before Noon on September 30. A copy of this memo will be sent to Mr. Marvin Foster immediately for comment. I am also asking Mr. Click Rielander and Mr. Dean Guie, both of whom are historical writers, to aid us in our preliminary work. cc: Marvin Foster Dean Guie Click Rielander Phil Parker Frank Grimm John Parton

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September 10, 1964

Mr. Click Relander 3701 Commonwealth Road Yakima, Washington

Dear Mr. Relander:

We have received a copy of your letter of July 30, 1964, to the Department of Commerce and Economic Development, as well as a copy of Mr. Knightlinger's letter to you.

We would concur that the idea has some merit as far as tourist promotion is concerned, but needs to be worked out very carefully as far as responsibilities and commitments would be concerned. Since there is no possibility of getting into this this summer, we will take it under consideration this fall and apprise you as to any decision we might reach.

Sincerely,

Charles H. Odegaard

Director

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cc: Mr. Ted Knightlinger Mr. Philip Parker Enrollment Applications 1-50

Application No. 3

Isabella Wesley (Indian Name none) age 25; sex P; Date of birth 8/23/23.

Degree of Yakims blood 5/8 Yak-Klik. 1/8 Canadian; 1/8 Sioux 1/8 white. o.k. 7/20/48 Philip Ohney, Kintus Jim, Eagle Seelatsee.

Application No. 3

Josephine Wesley Age 12 Sex. M (correct as copied) Date of birth 3/29/36.

Degree of Yakima blood 5/8 Yak-Klick. 1/8 Can/ 1/8 Sioux/ 1/8 White

Application No. 4

Robert E. Ward (Indian Name none) 38 Male, born August 27,1909.

Father -- Hames Ward, degree of Indian blood, none.

Mother -- Annie French Ward, degree of Indian blood 1/2

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English name Robert E. Ward. Indian Name. None. Age 38 M. 8/27/09

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approved 7/20/38. Philip Olney, Kiutus Jim, Ragle Seelatsee.

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Delia Sainter LaGlaire, 62, F 5/17/86

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- (9) place of residence- Yakima, "ashington 206 E QSt.
- (10) Are you married? yes Give date and whether by ceremony or Indian custom 6/19/20 Cer.

11-"hat is the name of your husband or wife. Edward La lair.

13-What is yo r degree of Yakima Indian blood and of which of the 14 akima tribes do you belong 1/4 California. Adopted.

16-Place of birth--Cascades.

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Mother-Annie Moore 1/2 al ifornia.

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Application No. 103-Delia Bainter Ballair, 62 F 5/17/86

Yakima, none 1/4 Modoc ind. 3/4 white

Approved

8/31/48 Philip Olney, Kiutus Jim, Pagle Seelatsee.

Application 85

Floyd L. Archaette 44 M Sept. 3, 1903.

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Pg III

Father-Martin D. Archiquette 3/4 Onieda

Mother -Flora M. Archiquette 1/4 Potowatomie

Question 18

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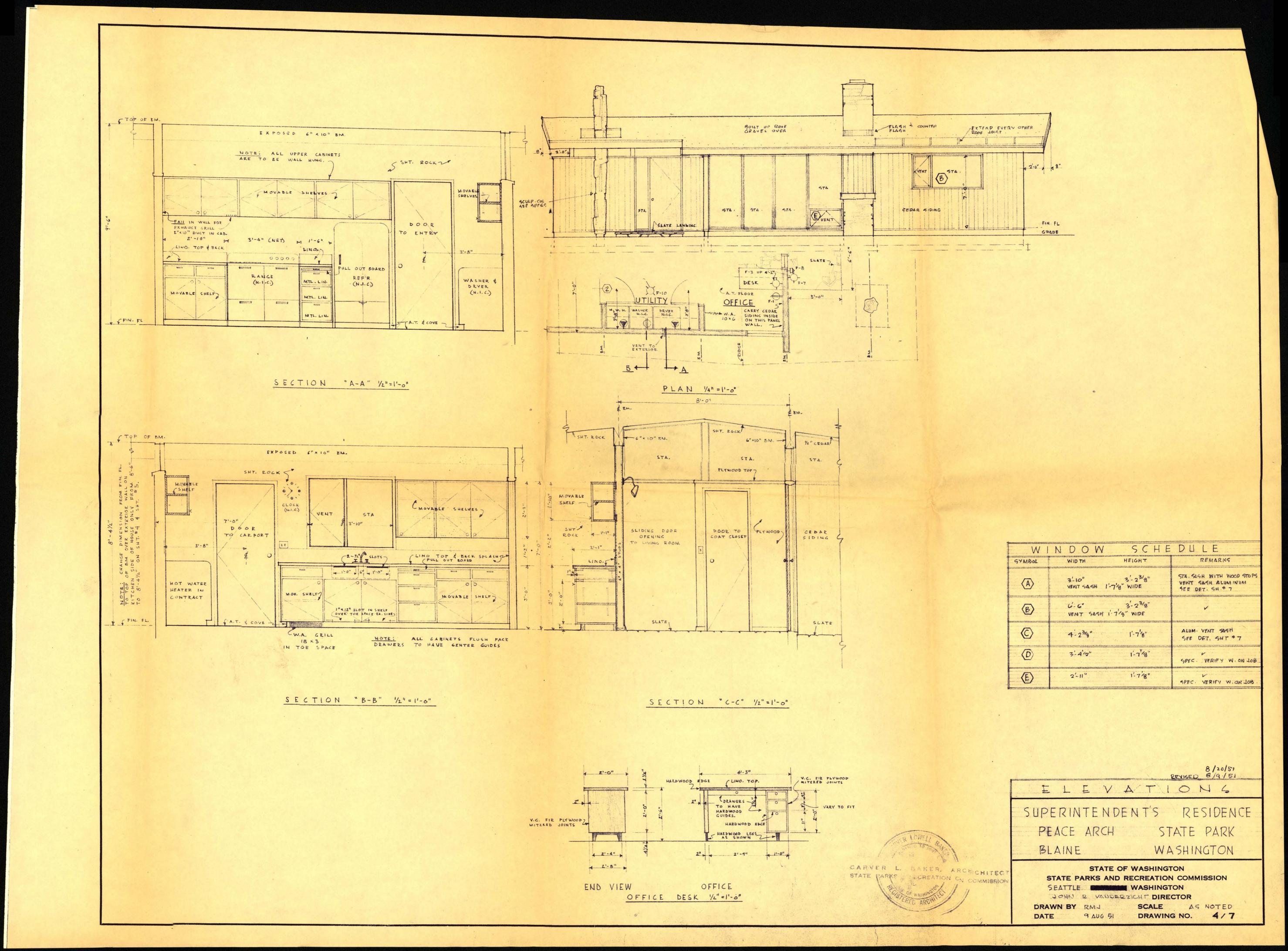
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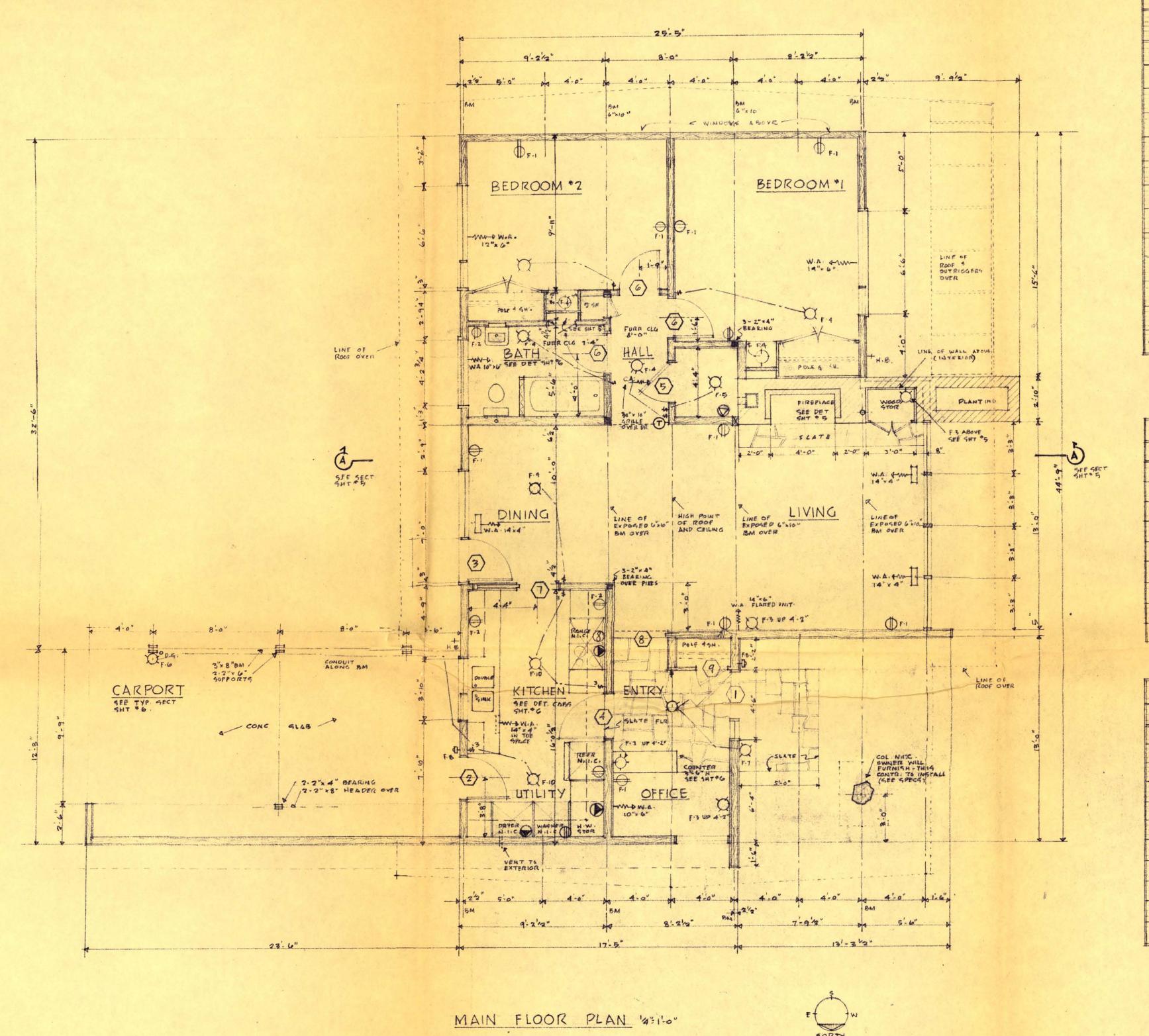
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