

### National Parks And Forests Expect Record Influx Of Americans In '49

By JANE EADS  
WASHINGTON — Record millions of Americans will hie themselves on vacation jaunts to their national parks and forests this year.

The National Park System estimates that more than 30,000,000 visits will be paid to its 174 areas, which cover 20,817,000 acres throughout the country. The Forest Service estimates that the recreational areas and facilities in the 151 national forests will receive more than 27,000,000 visits.

If one of the more widely known national parks is your destination, the National Park Service suggests you would be smart to make reservations for lodging well in advance or you may have to sleep in your car.

Rates for accommodations in the national parks compare favorably with those charged at other resorts or in the vicinity. This year the National Park Service says motor transportation, saddle horse and lodging rates will not be much more than last year, with the main cost increase in meals.

In addition, free public camp grounds are operated by most parks. Visitors may bring their own equipment and camp there. Each camp ground has fireplace, table and benches on individual campsites.

However, if you are unconditioned to roughing it, hotel rooms are as low as \$5.50 a day. American plan or as high as \$14.

As for the national forests, it has been a tradition to provide public recreation free, but this year small charges will be made for use of about 100 camp and picnic grounds carefully selected from the 4,500 total.

For camping, charges of 50 cents per day per car party of not more than six persons, or \$3 a week, will be made. For parties of more than six an additional 10 cents per day per person will be made for all above six.

Picnicking charges are 25 cents to 50 cents per car party of not more than six persons per day. Five to ten cents extra will be asked for each extra person, but no charge will be made for children under 12.

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### Most Of Lost Uranium Turns Up In Bottle

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Laboratory's special radio-active "burial ground."

The uranium apparently had been spilled from the bottle, after which the container was discarded. It was all due to "carelessness and negligence," McMahon said.

Cost Question Raised  
Besides pressing its inquiry into the matter of the still missing eighth-ounce of U-235, he said, the Joint Committee is branching out in its investigation of the Commission to find out why construction of a secret atomic installation is costing three times the original \$7,000,000 estimate.

The installation, located at Hanford, Wash., is being built by the General Electric Corp.

The Congressional Committee, at the instigation of Hickenlooper, its former chairman, is conducting a broadscale probe of the Atomic Commission's management under Lillenthal. Hickenlooper has demanded Lillenthal's firing.

Hickenlooper told reporters after the meeting that the Hanford, Wash., secret facility may come up for further scrutiny during the public hearings. He labeled it as "conservative."

McMahon said no claim of "fraud or malfeasance" has been made concerning the Hanford facility.

Harry Dorman Named Oregon Budget Director  
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The oldest, Ted, was killed while serving as commander of a bombing squadron in the Mediterranean. Another son, Robert, was a lieutenant of Army Engineers in the war, and the third son, George, is a West Point graduate serving as a B-50 Air Force Pilot at Tucson, Ariz.

Dorman is a past commander of Portland Post No. 1 of the American Legion, and has served on many civic committees and fundraising drives. He coached football at the Multnomah Athletic Club for two years, and was a football official in the Pacific Coast Conference for eight years.

His football career also included playing at the University of Washington under Gil Dobie, and at Everett High School under Enoch Bagshaw.

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### RAMBLINGS . . . BY PAUL JENKINS



JUDGE A. F. STEARNS is occupied at his desk in the Stearns & Chenoweth hardware store in Oakland, an establishment which was founded by pioneer founders of the E. G. Young & Company bank of the same place.

Mr. Stearns was born in Scottsburg in 1854, not long after his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Stearns, arrived there by boat from San Francisco. His father soon bought a store in Jacksonville and operated a packtrain between there and Tidewater at Scottsburg. Pack trains those days carried everything from powder kegs to billiard balls.

For a few years as a young man, the Judge ran cattle in the Stearns Mountains of Eastern Oregon. Returning to Western Oregon, he soon purchased the old Reason Reed donation land claim, upon part of which the town of Oakland now stands. He still has extensive property interests in and near Oakland and is busily engaged in selling lots from one piece of land lying in Sutherland.

He was a stockholder and twice president of the Yoncalla Bank, associated with Jesse Lasswell whose son, Avery, recently sold to the United States National of Portland. He owned a feed store in Yoncalla which he operated for many years. Fifty-one years ago he served as County Judge of Douglas County.

A year or so ago he retired from active interest in the hardware store and now devotes his time to his other property holdings; but finds occasion daily to use his old desk at the store office.

Married to Nancy Chenoweth (now deceased), the Judge has three children, Harry and Edwin Stearns of Oakland and Esther Hakanson of McMinnville.

The Judge is 94 years old but you'd never suspect it. "I've developed a game leg lately which bothers me some," he told me, "but what's the difference — I drive everywhere I wish to go anyhow." He does that very thing, too.

Decontrolled Rents in Spotty Situation  
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asking the return of ceilings. The real estate man on the board made the motion.

Several state legislatures have taken up decontrol bills. Such a bill passed in Florida but the governor vetoed it last night. Texas legislators are battling on the issue. Four states have turned down decontrol bills—Iowa, Tennessee, North Carolina and Oklahoma.

Northwest Data  
Few figures are available on "home rule" decontrol, but these nationwide tendencies were noted:  
Decontrol movements tend to center in the South and Southwest. They occur most frequently in smaller communities. Industrial New England and the fast-growing Pacific Northwest show little inclination to drop ceilings.

Reports from other states include:  
Washington — Seattle landlords are discussing a plan to offer leases until August, 1950, with rent boosts of 10 percent or \$5 a month. Local housing expediter says rents were up 48 percent on properties decontrolled under 1948 rent act. One "minor" local reconrol move is underway.

Oregon — Several cities in "preliminary talk" stage but no decontrol yet.  
Idaho — Boise was decontrolled by the federal expediter, Caldwell has voted decontrol, but the governor has not acted.

Henry Wallace Sends Corn To Czechoslovakia  
PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, June 3. —(AP)—Henry Wallace has sent 10 pounds of hybrid corn to the Czechoslovak government as a symbolic gift.

The corn, developed by the American Progressive party leader, was handed over yesterday to the Minister of Agriculture, Duris.

Bomb in Church Proves To Be Of Stink Variety  
EUGENE, June 3. —(P)—That was a bomb that was planted in a Crucifix church last month, all right, but it wasn't an explosive.

It was a stink bomb.  
State police said analysis of the "mysterious" substance found in a coffee can beneath a fized-out candle proved to be mostly sulphur.

The find was made by the Rev. Ward Wood, pastor of the Assembly of God Church, less than 24 hours after a new house, owned by Marion Devault, was destroyed by an explosion.

Police are continuing investigation of both cases.

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### Strike Continues But Markets Operating

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comprise the Roseburg Independent Meat Dealers Association. Carlson said he "charged the union" with an "unfair labor practice in trying to 'break down the employers' group' by approaching individual market operators in an effort to persuade them to meet the union's terms.

Carlson said the employers are united and "up and until last night" none had signed a contract with the AFL Meatcutters Union.

At issue in the contract dispute between the union and market operators are wages and hours. The meatcutters seek \$75 for a 40-hour work week, while the employers have offered \$72.50 for a 48-hour week. The employers' offer was rejected by the union yesterday.

Carlson Bidden To Appear  
S. W. Barker, representing the AFL Meatcutters Union, stated today that Carlson had been cited to appear before the Roseburg Central Labor Council to explain the employers' side in the current meatcutters' strike. This is a customary practice, he said.

The request that he appear had been sent by registered mail with a return receipt. When he failed to heed the request, it was presumed he no longer represented the Roseburg Independent Meat Dealers Association and efforts were made to sign individual market operators to the union contract, said Barker.

He explained pickets have been placed at all butcher shops and groceries with meat markets in connection that are "unfair." All markets not now being picketed are not "unfair," he said. There are enough available markets and butcher shops in this area to meet all individuals' needs, Barker emphasized.

Unions Hold Conference  
The pickets are being recognized by people of allied crafts within the Roseburg Central Labor Council, Barker pointed out. Among these are the Retail Clerks International Association, the Culinary Workers, and the Teamsters Union.

Barger met this morning with representatives of other unions to discuss issues in the strike. Attending the meeting were Mrs. Helen Bowles of the Culinary Workers, Edward J. Hawes, Revere, and Marvin C. Mayo, Teamsters.

Regarding bakery deliveries, Barker pointed out that the Teamsters have contracted with Patterson's Bakery to handle all products after they leave the plant. To make "side door deliveries," by selling to grocers at the plant, would be depriving teamster drivers of their livelihood, as well as violating provisions of the union contract.

"We are quite willing to sit down with Mr. Carlson at any and all times he wishes to meet us," Barker said.

Second Bomb Explosion Marks Visit Of Franco  
BARCELONA, Spain, June 3. —(AP)—The second bomb in 48 hours exploded here today during Generalissimo Francisco Franco's visit to this Catalonian capital. No one was injured in either explosion.  
The small bomb went off this morning in the St. Pancras Chapel of Barcelona's cathedral. An unidentified man, praying in front of the Alcega chapel, was shaken up. The altar and other fixtures in the chapel were destroyed.

DRAIN GAME BILLED  
Roseburg's Junior American Legion baseball team will meet Drain Saturday at 8 p. m. on Finlay Field. Mayor Al Fiegel announced today. Drain's team will consist of several players from the state B champion team, so should provide plenty of competition for the locals.

### Atomic Plant Workers Vote To Walk Out

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"negotiations have produced no results" and asked that the Committee be empowered to call a strike.

Two Courses Open  
Two methods of government intervention may be used to prevent or delay the strike.

President Truman is empowered under the Taft-Hartley Act to seek an injunction to prohibit a strike during an 80-day arbitration period. Such an injunction was applied in a similar dispute between Carbide and an AFL union here more than a year ago.

Another procedure to settle strike threats in vital AEC operations proposed by a special commission headed by former War Labor Board Chairman William Davis.

Under this plan, a three-man panel appointed by the President would enter an atomic labor dispute only after all other means had failed. The contesting parties would be obligated, once the panel intervened, to maintain the status quo for 30 days.

The CIO employees are production workers at the Gaseous Diffusion Atomic Process Plant, a unit that cost about \$500,000,000 to build in wartime.

BIBLE SCHOOL SLATED  
A two weeks Daily Vacation Bible School, starting Monday, June 6, at the Green Schoolhouse, will be sponsored by the Green Sunday School. Classes will meet daily, except Saturday and Sunday, from 9 a. m. to 12 noon. Children and young people between the ages of four and 16 are cordially invited.

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### Eugene Hixson, Resident Of Brockway, Passes

Eugene Hixson, 78, life-long resident of Brockway, died Thursday after an illness of 10 days. He was born Dec. 28, 1870, in Eugene. He was a member of the Methodist Church.

Surviving are his widow, Emma Jane, Brockway; two daughters, Mrs. Myrtle Walker, Roseburg; Mrs. Lillie Jacob, Camas Valley; four sons, Marion Hixson, Vern and Bud Hixson all of Brockway; Elbert, Eugene; 14 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted by Dr. Morris Roach in the Chapel of the Roses, Roseburg Funeral Home, Saturday, June 4, at 2 p. m. Interment will follow in Civil Bend Cemetery.

### A. P. Giannini, Noted Financier, Passes

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Then he built his holding company and spread its subsidiaries in all directions, and retired again. This time he was pushed out by Wall Street power.

He made a comeback in a spectacular proxy fight. That was in the depression after the 1929 stock market debacle. He worked hard to rehabilitate his structure, without salary, but drawing on funds previously credited to his account.

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