

Bill to Create National Park In Cascades Being Circulated

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Washington (Special) — A proposed bill to create a 1,308,186-acre national park in the North Cascades mountains that would be the fourth largest park in the country is being circulated among conservationists and Northwest members of Congress.



The draft bill was prepared by leaders of a Seattle-based organization which claims that Secretary of the Interior Stewart Udall suggested they prepare legislation for introduction in Congress.

The bill has not yet been introduced in Congress. The Interior department last week announced that a five-man team has been designated to study the area from Mount Rainier National park to the Canadian border to evaluate its potential for park or other outdoor recreation purposes, as well as its commercial values.

The bill in circulation, marked confidential, would create a North Cascades National Park that would extend roughly from Stevens Pass on the south to Ross dam on the Skagit river to the north, and extending down the west and east slopes of the Cascades, in Washington state. Together with the existing North Cascades Primitive area north of the proposed park, it would in effect set aside for scenic and recreation purposes exclusively all of the Cascades forests north of Stevens Pass, which is due east of Seattle. The straight-mile length of the Cascades from Stevens Pass to the border is some 75 miles.

The park is being promoted by Patrick O. Goldsworthy, Seattle, president of North Cascades Conservation Council, and J. Michael McCloskey, Eugene, Northwest Conservation Representative, Federation of Outdoor Clubs.

A prospectus edited by McCloskey notes that the park would be carved from four national forests—590,214 acres from Mt. Baker, 16,595 acres from Snoqualmie, 643,429 acres from Wenatchee and 57,948 acres from Okanogan national forests. Thus 608,809 acres would be on the west slope of the Cascades and 570,137 acres on the east slope.

This area embraces the existing Glacier Peak Wilderness Area, which itself amounts to 458,505 acres.

The plan involves dividing the park so that 21 per cent of the area, a 269,521 acre strip along the eastern side, would be designated the Chelan National Mountain Recreation Area and remain open to game hunting. No hunting would be allowed elsewhere in the park, but fishing would be permitted throughout the park. Boating would continue on Chelan Lake, whose northern portion would lie within the park.

The Seattle conservationists who are pushing for the park have tried to get a moratorium on logging throughout this vast area. They argue that until the issue of creating the park has been resolved one way or another, the Forest Service should stop selling any timber where cutting might impair scenic values.

More Timber
When the group took the moratorium idea to members of Congress, they got mixed reactions. With the lumber industry campaigning to get more timber from the national forests, the conservation group could get only one congressman, Rep. Thomas M. Pelly (R-Seattle) to support their idea for a ban on timber sales.

Rep. Jack Westland (R-Everett) came out just as strongly against banning logging. Sens. Warren G. Magnuson and Henry M. Jackson avoided direct involvement in this dispute.

Congressman Pelly's request to Agriculture Secretary

Orville Freeman for a moratorium was denied. Westland's antagonism toward the proposal of the park enthusiasts could become a substantial factor if Congress should seriously consider a North Cascades park bill, for much of the park area would be in his congressional district and he is on the House Interior committee which handles such legislation.

This proposed park proposal is not only 50 per cent larger than Olympic National park, which is the largest

park in the Northwest, but it would be larger than all other national parks except Yellowstone, Mt. McKinley and Everglades national parks.

Despite the local enthusiasm, backed by the Sierra club, for North Cascades, it apparently is not included in the National Park Service's priority listings of possible new park areas.

A White House Conference on Conservation held last May concluded with a report called "New Parks for the

Nation." The report mentioned "29 nationally-significant areas (which) represent proposals that have been thoroughly considered by the Park Service and which for various reasons show excellent promise of receiving public support."

The only Pacific Northwest area listed in this report was Oregon Dunes, which Udall visited last Wednesday and hopes to persuade Congress this year to add to the park system as a national seashore.

San Jose Youths Confess Crimes

San Jose, Calif. —(UPI)— A 13-year-old San Jose boy and his brother, 11, readily admitted to police Wednesday that they looted four San Jose schools, filched money from a church poorbox on six occasions, committed thefts in several stores and touched off a \$130,000 fire.

Juvenile officers said the boys claimed they were inspired by a television show which depicted a gang of youthful thieves at work. Police said the youngsters applied a lot of the techniques used by the television gang.

Helzer Tells Local Club of Pessimism Around Country

J. Henry Helzer of J. Henry Helzer and company, investment counsellors, spoke to the Kiwanis club of Medford at its regular noon meeting Wednesday.

"There is a great deal of pessimism floating around the country now," Helzer said. As factors he pointed to the Steel Strike, Cuba, a Securities Exchange Commission report now being prepared on the stock exchange, the car business and unemployment.

"All these factors are true," he pointed out, "but no different than any other winter." It is more important to consider the positive factors, Helzer pointed out, and cited the

current pick up in steel orders, possible record peacetime profits for the first quarter of 1963, expected increase in corporate profits to all-time high, rise in farm output to all-time high, continuing increase in auto sales, consumer purchases of household appliances and the featherbedding decision of the Supreme Court.

Comment on Administration
Commenting on the present administration, Helzer said, "I believe that, if this administration went to election on its present record, they would be badly defeated."

papers, because it is a tender point," he said, "but this administration is young and new. When the time came to evaluate election promises they discovered their failures."

In answer to a question on what makes a stock market, Helzer said, "when you know that every security you buy will make dividends, you'll buy." However, he pointed

Senate Okays Liquor Discount Measure

Salem — (UPI) — The Senate Wednesday passed a bill authorizing a 5 per cent discount on volume purchases of liquor by bars after a battle over liquor and cigarettes tied up proceedings for more than an hour. The vote was 20-9.

Sen. Thomas Mahoney (D-Portland) announced, however, that he may move to recall the measure Thursday. out that the current stock buying trend is speculative by "less than 100 share" holders. Bob Balk, manager of the J. Henry Helzer Medford office introduced the speaker. Kiwanis President Curt Neheim presided.

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Plagiarism Suit Ends Out of Court

Los Angeles —(UPI)— A \$1.5 million plagiarism suit over the theme song for the movie "Around the World in 80 Days," was settled Wednesday out of court for an undisclosed amount.

Leo Martin, a former vaudevillian, charged in the suit against United Artists and the Michael Todd Co. that he had submitted a composition in 1955 entitled "Around the World in 90 Minutes." He claimed this was used in the motion picture without compensation.

The title song in the highly successful movie was composed by the late Victor Young. He won an academy award for scoring the film.

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