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COMMUNIQUE'



Director's corner

I want to commend all CDF employees for their cooperation in our affirmative action efforts. Once again you have shown your ability and willingness to pull together when a team effort was needed.

We have made substantial gains toward reaching our affirmative action goals with significant progress in the classes of LT FAE; Firefighter (seasonal); Firefighter (CDF); and

OA II (typist).

In the classes of LT FAE and Firefighter (seasonal) overall hiring goals have been met. We are also showing progress in our hiring of disabled persons.

Our statistics, as well as our attitudes, demonstrate that our affirmative action program is working and you are to be congratulated.

SEASONAL FIREFIGHTER RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN IN PROGRESS

by Manuel Román
Affirmative Action Officer

The 1982 Seasonal Firefighter Recruitment Campaign is officially underway. The recruitment period is February 1 thru March 15, except for Region V, which recruits on a year-round basis.

A major recruitment tool is the use of radio and television public service announcements (PSAs). This year's PSAs are unique. For the first time, all characters are CDFers! There were no "professional" actors used and the PSAs reflect the professionalism and pride of CDF firefighters. The cast could certainly not be called "amateurs!"

Filed in Region VI under the skillful guidance of Ranger Ernie Balmforth, this year's "cast" included Ranger Manuel Limon, FAE Richard Najera (Region IV), Captain Kenneth Miller and several seasonal firefighters.

All CDFers should be on the lookout for this year's radio and television PSAs. Who knows, maybe we are among next year's television and radio stars!

On the cover

This month's cover photo, submitted by Gary Bowman of the Laytonville Helltack Base, shows Tanker 79 loading up on the second day of the Cow Mountain Fire in Mendocino and Lake Counties which burned 25,000 acres in 1981.

If you have a photo depicting the people and mission of CDF that you would like to see on the cover of *Communique*, please send your black and white glossy print or negative with a description to *Communique*, California Department of Forestry, 1416 Ninth Street, Room 1516, Sacramento 95814. All photographs will, of course, receive proper credit.

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A letter to Director Pesonen

Commendation for Richard Harris, Camp La Cima

I have been inspecting local jails, camps, and similar facilities state-wide for approximately ten years and in this span of time have written perhaps five letters of commendation on the staff I have known. I do so when I see people who are bright, enthusiastic over a long period of time, have great pride in what they do, and elicit a spirit of cooperation from those around them. Such a person is Richard Harris, your superintendent at Camp La Cima in San Diego County.

Over the past five years I have inspected La Cima twice and each time I have come over the hill, I am

awed by the manicured look of the camp. It is not the location, because it's not a particularly beautiful setting. The second thing I note is the way county and CDF staff work so closely together and how proud they are of each other. The third thing I am impressed with is the *esprit de corps* of the inmates. They were obviously doing a good job because they were proud rather than forced.

My compliments to you and to Mr. Harris.

EDGAR A. SMITH
Assistant Executive Officer
State of California
Board of Corrections

L. A. STUDIES FIREFIGHTER CANCER

According to the Los Angeles Times, the Los Angeles City Council has appropriated \$50,000 to study firefighter job-related deaths and disabilities due to cancer. The action calls for selection of an epidemiological expert to conduct the research.

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Councilman Zev Yaroslavsky proposed the study last October after the widow of Fire Capt. William Walker was awarded a pension for her husband's death from cancer. The Board of Pension Commissioners held that the death was due to service-connected conditions.

Yaroslavsky said then that the

study was urgently needed because firefighters' increasing exposure to carcinogenic materials and other hazardous substances was "very serious," and countermeasures had to be taken.

The study will include a review of death certificates of Los Angeles firefighters who have died in the last 40 years, review of the records of active firemen or those on disability pensions known to have cancer or suspected cancer, a determination as to how many of them have been treated for cancer and an ongoing study of firefighter deaths during the next five years.

Data would be compared with that of nonfirefighters in the same age, health and hazardous job categories.

1982-83 budget proposal outlined

Governor Brown has recommended to the Legislature a \$178.1 million budget for the Department of Forestry for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1982. This proposal includes reductions in General Fund funding of \$2.1 million and increases of special purpose funding by over \$9.0 million. This apparent anomaly occurs for two reasons. The General Fund reduction is the Department's share of a state-wide budget cutting effort by the administration to match expenditures with reduced revenues. On the other hand existing legislation provides for several special purpose funds which the Department qualifies for, particularly within the resource management area.

The budget bill will be analyzed by the legislative budget committees during the spring before being voted

on and submitted to the Governor for concurrence in June.

Budget highlights are as follows:

- Budget reductions totalling \$2.1 million derived from: the reduction of 5 two-engine stations to one-engine (\$374,000); the staffing of five one-engine stations during severe fire weather periods (\$324,000); the elimination of 8 forest practice inspectors (\$384,000); the application of a fee assessment schedule for the review of timber harvest plans (\$750,000); reducing non-fire automotive equipment replacement (\$158,000); reduce funding for the fire prevention-mass media campaign (\$75,000); and, a reduction in the training academy courses (\$35,000).

- Dutch Elm Disease (\$1,500,000 & no person years). In November 1981, the administration of the Dutch Elm Disease Project was transferred to the CDF from the Department of Food and Agriculture. \$1,500,000 - \$1,250,000 from the Energy and Resources Fund and \$250,000 in General Fund transferred from the Department of Food and Agriculture, will fund state participation in a multi-year effort to eliminate epidemics of Dutch Elm Disease within California communities and to minimize its spread.
- Reforestation Grants (\$2,000,000). \$1.0 million from the Renewable Resources Investment Fund and \$1.0 million from the Energy

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Frank and Owen get new assignments



Fred Frank

Director Pesonen announced the appointment of Fred Frank as ranger-in-charge of the San Luis Obispo Ranger Unit effective February 15, 1982. Frank, a State Forest Ranger IV, is transferring from a similar responsibility in the Tuolumne-Calaveras Ranger Unit where he has been ranger-in-charge since April 1980.

Frank is no stranger to the San Luis Obispo area. He is a native of Atascadero and attended local schools. He began his forestry career in 1955 as a seasonal firefighter in the San Luis Obispo Ranger Unit.

He worked for CDF in the summers, attended college in the winters, and received his degree in Forest Management from Humboldt State University in 1962. From 1965 to 1972, he worked as Regional range and watershed specialist in CDF's Central Coast Regional Headquarters in Monterey, providing functional and regionwide support in range improvement, emergency revegetation and environmental protection.

Following an assignment in Sacramento, he transferred to the San Andreas Headquarters of the Tuolumne-Calaveras Ranger Unit in 1977, where he served as administrative officer and then as operations officer before promoting to ranger-in-charge.

Frank is a Registered Professional Forester and a member of the Society of American Foresters. Frank and his wife Pat have two children.

Also in Sacramento, the Director announced the appointment of James E. Owen as Ranger-in-Charge of the Tuolumne-Calaveras Ranger Unit, effective April 1, 1982.

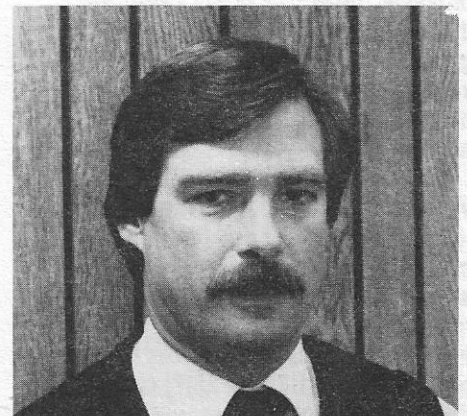
Owen began his forestry career as a Forest Graduate Trainee in 1966 after receiving his Bachelor of Science in Forestry from the Univer-

sity of California, Berkeley.

He served in the U.S. Army for three years and then returned to forestry where his entire career has been spent in northern California.

In 1978, he was assigned to CDF headquarters as a wildland fire protection analyst where he was responsible for analysis, evaluation and planning of the department's Fire Protection System. His most recent assignment was as Acting Assistant Chief for Fire Protection Planning and Research.

Owen is a Licensed Professional Forester and a member of the Society of American Foresters.



James E. Owen

Medal of Valor presented to Dan Angel



Dan Angel is congratulated by Director Pesonen

Dan Angel, Department of Forestry heavy fire equipment operator, has received the State's highest award for heroism — the Medal of Valor — for rescuing three Caltrans employees who were stranded in a vehicle by flood waters on the Puerta La Cruz Creek in Southern California. The presentation was made on Thursday, February 4, 1982, in Riverside.

"Mr. Angel's prompt action and the risk of his own life in the rescue

of these three people are in the highest tradition of public service and humanity," Forestry Director David E. Pesonen said in presenting the medal.

Joining in the presentation was Rex Griggs, chief of the California Department of Forestry's southern region.

On February 21, 1980, Angel and State Forest Ranger II Moses Estrada, responded to a request to assist three Caltrans employees who

were stranded in flood waters on the Puerta La Cruz Creek. Upon arrival they found a Caltrans truck stalled in four-foot-deep and fast moving flood waters. Angel immediately tied the end of a 150 foot rope around his waist, secured it to the forestry sedan, and proceeded into the swift current. Estrada drove the sedan partially into the raging creek so that the rope would reach. Upon safely reaching the stranded employees, Angel tied the rope to the truck and instructed the occupants to make their way to safety along the life line. As they made their way to safety, the roadbed began disintegrating leaving a deep chasm very close to where the vehicle was stalled.

Angel, was cited for "an extraordinary act of heroism at great risk to his own safety and life, in saving the lives of others."

Of importance to retirees

Those employees who retired in the period October 1, 1978 through June 30, 1979 are entitled to an adjustment in their retirement allowance because SB91 of 1979 ("back pay" legislation) provided for a supplemental payment of 7% of compensation received for that particular nine-month period.

Employees who retired July 1, 1980 or later who received their SB91 "back pay" after they retired are also eligible for a PERS adjustment if one has not already been made. Retired employees who retired after their SB91 "back pay" was received have already received credit for the SB91 pay in their retirement allowance.

All CDF employees who retired during the period October 1, 1978 through June 30, 1979 or later and who have not yet received an adjustment to their retirement allowance because of the 7% back pay should identify the fact that they are entitled to it by promptly sending a letter to this effect to: Bob Ford, 3317 Elite Drive, Sacramento, CA 95823. A Social Security Number and current address should be included.

There's always a better way

For many years now, state employees have made suggestions through the State's Merit Award Program. These employee ideas are a vast resource for beneficial improvements in organizational effectiveness and productivity.

The Merit Award Program provides cash awards for ideas which result in cost savings, additional income, improved procedures, or safety benefits. Since January 1980, fourteen CDF employees have taken advantage of this program and have collected from 30 to 1560 dollars for their ideas. These suggestions range

from form revisions to improving equipment.

In addition, the Merit Award Board issues commendations for special acts, heroic acts, or services in the public interest. Employees making exceptional contributions to the efficiency, economy, or improved operations of state government may also earn special awards.

If you know of a better way, look for the new Merit Award form holder on your bulletin board. You can't miss it - it's printed in multi-color with a light bulb and the slogan - "There's Always a Better Way!" Cash in on those ideas today.

Felipe Guevara receives Silver Award



Fire Captain Felipe (Phil) Guevara, Dalila Guévera, and Director David Pesonen

Santa Clara Ranger Unit Fire Captain Felipe (Phil) Guevara was presented the state's superior accomplishment "Silver Award" by Director David Pesonen at an impressive ceremony on December 15, 1981. The presentation was made at a dinner attended by the department's

top managers who were gathered for a meeting. Fire Captain Guevara's wife, Dalila, was also present and included in the award ceremony.

This most prestigious award was presented to Fire Captain Guevara in recognition of his development of the "Guevara Burn Pack." Pesonen

noted in his remarks that the purpose of the burn pack is to provide first aid care for burn victims during the critical period of transport to burn treatment facilities. Phil designed the burn pack from ordinary materials that are readily available around the station. It is very inexpensive compared with commercially available burn packs and burn center physicians advise the department that it is just as effective.

The primary functions of the "Guevara Burn Pack" are to prevent loss of body fluids, prevention of shock and reduction of pain while the burn victim is being transported to burn treatment facilities. It is intended for use in providing first aid care for both CDF employees and the public who might become involved in a burn emergency. Because of its effectiveness and relatively low cost, it has been adopted by CDF for carrying on all engines, crew carrying vehicles and Ranger I pickups.

The burn pack was used in the San Luis Obispo Ranger Unit to provide first aid care for Fire Fighter Scott Cox who was severely burned in the Spanish Ranch fire in August 1979. The burn pack contributed greatly to his survival until he reached the burn center at Thousand Oaks. Unfortunately, he later died from the cumulative effects of the burns he received.

Director Pesonen praised Guevara for his efforts in developing the burn pack which was an outgrowth of his genuine concern for the safety of his fellow employees and the public we serve. He said that this was a significant contribution to the department's safety program and that he and the department deeply appreciated Guevara's initiative in developing this lifesaving equipment.

Corralitos really appreciated

Mr. Bob Voss
Ranger-in-Charge
P. O. Drawer F-2
Felton, CA 95018

Dear Bob:

I am writing to express to you my high regard for your staff at the Corralitos Division. I cannot say enough about their concern, ability, and courteous manner that was reflected in all the work that they accomplished during the recent disaster, from helping me to understand the areas most severely hit, to reaching each of the people isolated in Buzzard Lagoon, Trout Gulch and Eureka Canyon areas. Your staff at Corralitos acted in a most professional and efficient manner.

As you may know, I was able to survey the damage on Eureka Canyon Road with your staff, and their knowledge of the area was thorough

and extremely helpful. I also want to extend my thanks for their successful effort in obtaining helicopters to rescue the woman with medical problems from Upper Highlands, the three people from Buzzard Lagoon, and the seven residents of the Trout Gulch/Fern Flat area. Without their willingness to hike into those areas and contact the people, we would have not been able to remove those people who wished to be transported to a safer area. I appreciated the help of the captains of the departments who stayed in constant contact with my aide and me during this recent disaster, and the important information they conveyed to us several times each day.

It has been a pleasure to work with the members of CDF at Corralitos.

Robert Levy, supervisor
County of Santa Cruz

ONE MORE TIME

The deadline for *Communique'* articles is the 5th of the preceding month!

"I wonder what ever happened to....?"

Retirees are, always have been, and always will be, a very important part of CDF. Witness the support and participation of the 25-year Club and the response of the 450 or so retirees who annually request to be kept on the *Communiqué* mailing list.

This publication receives many letters and contributions from retirees and they are all welcome. Here are just a few:

Dear Editor:

As the year 1982 begins, I thought that perhaps you might be interested in an article about what Forestry retirees are doing. . . like six years after retirement?

Every Tuesday and Friday mornings several of us meet at the "Shack" in Redding for coffee and talk about the past, present, and future of we people who spent our careers in forestry in California. . . there seems to be no end to what subjects we can talk about. . .

One of the topics this morning was the use of young people in the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) and prison camps who have done so very much for forestry and our natural resources. We believe there is a great need for the revival of these camp programs because of the crime and severe unemployment

problems. I have written an article, "It succeeded before!!!. . . Let's do it again!" which is getting some national circulation by we people who are in the National Association of CCC Alumni.

Griggs, Bromwell, Raymond Burr (Old Ironsides) and others were charter members of the Sacramento Chapter.

I spent 43 years in USFS and CDF forestry, so of course by experience well know how very important these camp programs have been. For 14 years I worked in the Engineering Department of Region II on the camp programs. It is with great satisfaction that I now see such successful camp programs as that at Deadwood Camp (which I started "from scratch" in engineering). Incidentally, I also was the original Ranger who started the Fire Academy at Sutter Hill Station, which later

moved to Lone. I have worked on six national forests.

I have been intricately involved in the federal Area Agency on Aging, under the California Department of Aging, and with Seniors for over two years, and was Chairman of the Shasta County Commission on Aging. I am a Senior Senator of the California Senior Legislature and chairman of the Finance, By-laws, and Focal Point-Nutrition Sites Committees. These programs are very vital to people over 60 years of age and we need help from any interested forestry retirees.

Buel B. Hunt
2058 Sonoma Street
Redding, CA 90001

Hole-In-One

"I hit the ball and thought it went over the green," said retired SFR I Bill Ensbury who was surprised to find out that the golf ball ended up in the cup. "As I walked up behind the green and started looking for it, Jim Keullmer (who was a member of the foursome) said, "Hey Bill, the ball is in the hole."

It all took place at the Oak Creek Golf Course in Red Bluff. After 16 years of playing golf, on about 200 courses from Hawaii to Newfoundland, Ensbury, 67, scored his first hole-in-one on the 147-yard No. 3. He knocked in the ace using a four-week-old- 7-wood that he built himself from a kit.

"A hole-in-one is something that just happens to a person," he said.

That was some experiment



Retiree John J. Carabelline of Fortuna sent this photo of former Ranger I Curt Harvard standing by an Army B 13 which was used in the 50's in an experiment to seed thunderheads and create rain. The plane was flown by Gene Rothlin who was also pilot for the Humboldt County Contract Patrol plane. Harvard was the observer.

In the experiment, silver oxide was used to dissipate the clouds. The hole in the side of the ship is not an accident. That's where the fumes of the chemicals ignited by Harvard on a burner to create a smoke effect were released to "seed" the clouds.

Dear Editor:

Through the *Communiqué* I would like to thank the Forestry personnel, active and retired, for their cards, letters, telephone calls and prayers during my convalescence in the hospital after major surgery.

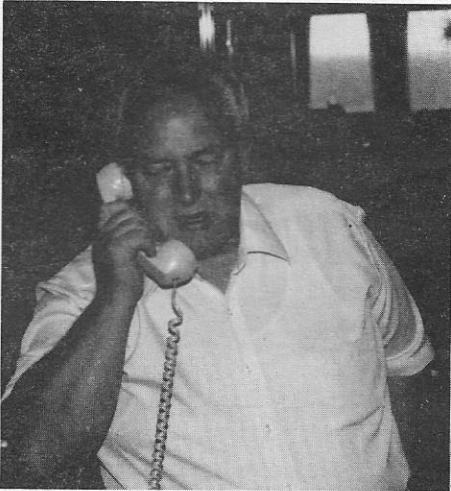
I am at home now, and hopefully on the road to complete recovery.

Sincerely,

Howard Bromwell - Retired
State Forest Ranger IV

CDF bids farewell to "top cop"

by Ethel White



Dick Diltz

Over 150 people recently gathered in Sacramento to say "Aloha" to CDF's "top cop," SFR III Richard Diltz. From July 1972 until his retirement last September, Diltz was the department's chief law enforcement officer.

Ernie Balmforth calls Diltz, "One of the last of the great dinosaurs" and this author, for one, thinks Balmforth is right. It would take a book to write about this man's accomplishments, and the career he built since he first went out to face the world on his own at age 14. Space dictates that we only hit the highlights.

Diltz began his forestry career in 1943 as a forest firefighter in Perris, when John Tomblin was Riverside County's acting state forest ranger. Diltz was 16 years old. From 1945 to 1946 he served in the U.S. Navy then returned to CDF in Riverside County. He went on to serve in San Diego, Calaveras, Fresno, Lassen and Monterey Counties. It was at Region V headquarters in 1958 that he really became involved in fire prevention and law enforcement.

In 1966 he moved to Sacramento headquarters as Fire Prevention Officer IV. His major responsibilities were fire prevention and law en-

forcement training. Diltz said this training "used to be a travelling road show, giving training all across the state," before the first classes were held at the "new" Fire Academy in 1967.

It was through his efforts that the statewide Basic Peace Officer Training (BPOT) program gained accreditation by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training retroactive to the initiation of statewide BPOT in 1964. Students in the class are now eligible for 12 units of college credit through the San Joaquin Delta College. Diltz himself went back to school to receive his A.A. in Police Science at Sacramento City College in 1970.

In August 1972, Richard Diltz became Chief Law Enforcement Officer for CDF. As a nationally recognized law enforcement officer he is a past president of the California Conference of Arson Investigators and is a member of the International Association of Arson Investigators.

Do You Know These Men?



This photo, submitted by retired Deputy State Forester Don Knowlton, was taken in front of the CDF headquarters at Willets in 1939. A few months later, the office was closed and moved to Howard Forest.

Pictured from left to right are Assistant State Forest Ranger William Jameson; Don Knowlton, forestry field clerk and dispatcher; and Curtis Lindley, assistant state forest ranger.

Richard "Dick" Hannum

Richard "Dick" Hannum, State Forest Ranger III, who retired January 9, 1982 passed away January 15, 1982. Funeral services were held at the Garden of Prayer Mortuary with interment at Riverside National Cemetery. Reverend Jim Hardy of the Region Office conducted the ceremonies, with Region Chief Rex Griggs delivering the eulogy.

Ranger Hannum entered CDF in 1947 as a seasonal forest firefighter assigned to the Monterey unit. He moved to San Benito two seasons later to become a permanent forest fire truck driver and promoted to Forestry Foreman I in 1951. In July of 1951, Dick transferred to Santa Cruz for three days, then to Uncle Sam's Air Force for four years. Dick returned to Santa Cruz in 1955 and remained for two years before promoting to Assistant State Forest Ranger in San Bernardino.

For 24 years, Ranger Hannum held numerous positions in Southern California, including Administrative and Operations Officer in the San Bernardino Ranger Unit and a short term at the Oak Glen Job Corps Center. In 1979, Dick promoted to State Forest Ranger III in the Orange Ranger Unit and subsequently moved to the Region VI Headquarters as the Fire Prevention Program Development Officer in 1981.

Ranger Hannum had a reputation as an excellent staff man with an eye for details. In 1967, Dick wrote the Operations Plan for Civil Disturbances, which was instituted throughout Region VI. Governor Brown, Sr., issued a commendation to Dick for his Merit Award Suggestion, recommending a standardized phonetic alphabet for CDF radio use.

All of Region VI, along with the rest of CDF, will miss Dick Hannum.

CFIP success is overwhelming

Due in part to its overwhelming success, the California Forest Improvement Program (CFIP) has run out of money for this fiscal year. The deep recession in housing starts, triggered by high interest rates, is also a contributing factor.

The program which is administered by the Resources Management Section was established in 1979 to encourage nonindustrial owners of California timberland to improve the management and growth potential of the state's timber resources. The state pays from 80 to 90 percent of the cost of reforestation, timber stand improvement and land conservation measures on eligible forest lands, of which there are over one million acres in California.

According to Audley Davidson, assistant chief for CFIP, participation in the program has been overwhelming and as of mid-January this year all available revenues have been com-

mitted. The program is funded by receipts from timber sales on the State Demonstration Forests. Such revenues were projected at \$5.7 million for the 81-82 fiscal year, but the slump in the economy has reduced this by \$700,000.

Director Pesonen said, "CDF is still approving management plans for qualified applicants and receiving contracts to be funded starting July 1, 1982. The Governor's budget proposes to augment the program with \$2 million from other sources, beginning July 1, 1982."

Pesonen noted that the Forest Improvement Program has created employment opportunities in heavily timbered areas of the state, and has helped to offset the depression in the timber industry, which may be why the applications for grants have exceeded the department's expectations.

Since 1980 the program has pro-

vided grants for 8,873 acres of reforestation, 4,978 acres of timber stand improvement, 53 projects to improve fish and wildlife habitat, and 65 land conservation projects for protection of soil and water resources. In connection with these projects 85,797 acres of forest land have been placed under long-term comprehensive management plans.

Santa Rosa High Gets Tour

For the fifth straight year, Santa Rosa High School forestry classes were given a tour of Region I headquarters. This year 30 students, led by Malcolm Hillan, were given the opportunity to see CDF at work.

Professional foresters explained forest management, forest practice, range improvement and service forestry, and the students were given presentations on fire suppression and fire prevention programs.

Region Chief Richard Ernest said that former student visitors have been employed by CDF in seasonal jobs and one student participated in a work study program for one semester. CDF personnel say the visits have been very successful and feel strongly that this is one way to enhance public awareness of forestry disciplines and programs.

Atlas Peak CDF helps nature heal itself

by Ed Karman

A recent survey by the California Department of Forestry of the Atlas Peak Fire emergency reseeding has revealed that the project has been very successful. On June 22, 1981, the Atlas Peak Fire burned 23,000 acres on the eastern slopes of the Napa Valley. Observation has shown that the reseeding has done very well and that there is a good grass crop throughout the burn area. Some of this has been natural reseeding and some was done by aerial application. CDF sowed approximately 72,000 pounds of rye grass on the watersheds above Rector and Milliken Reservoirs at \$4.00 per acre on 9,000 acres. This rye grass is now about 5-6 inches high. In the lower elevations of the aerial application area, the rye grass is mixed with a natural crop of filaree. The lower elevations of the burn which were not reseeded also show an excellent recovery of native grasses and forbs that have formed an effective ground cover and water barrier.

North Coast Chief Richard Ernest noted that the timing of the emergency reseeding application and ear-

ly season gentle rainfall, coupled with periods of unseasonably warm weather, resulted in this exceptionally uniform and luxurious grass crop. Even though the grass is very visible, the most outstanding result of the grass' presence is the very clear water flowing from the burn area. Observations were made of Soda Creek, Milliken Creek below the dam, and various intermittent streams in the burn. Water in Soda Creek was very clear only three days following the January 3-4 storm. Intermittent streams also were very clear. Milliken Creek overflow below the dam was only slightly turbid. Milliken Reservoir itself was muddy brown in color but was not any darker than adjacent Hennessey Lake which was not affected by the burn area. Soil movement on Soda Canyon and Atlas Peak Roads is very minor with only very slight slippage onto the road surfaces. No major earth movements were observed.

In general it appears that nature with a little help from CDF is healing itself in the Atlas Peak Fire Area.

CORRECTION

The article concerning fire-fighter training on page 5 of the February *Communiqué* was submitted for publication with an error.

The second paragraph states that the Mandatory Safety Training (the old "16-hour" training) can be taught in two hours.

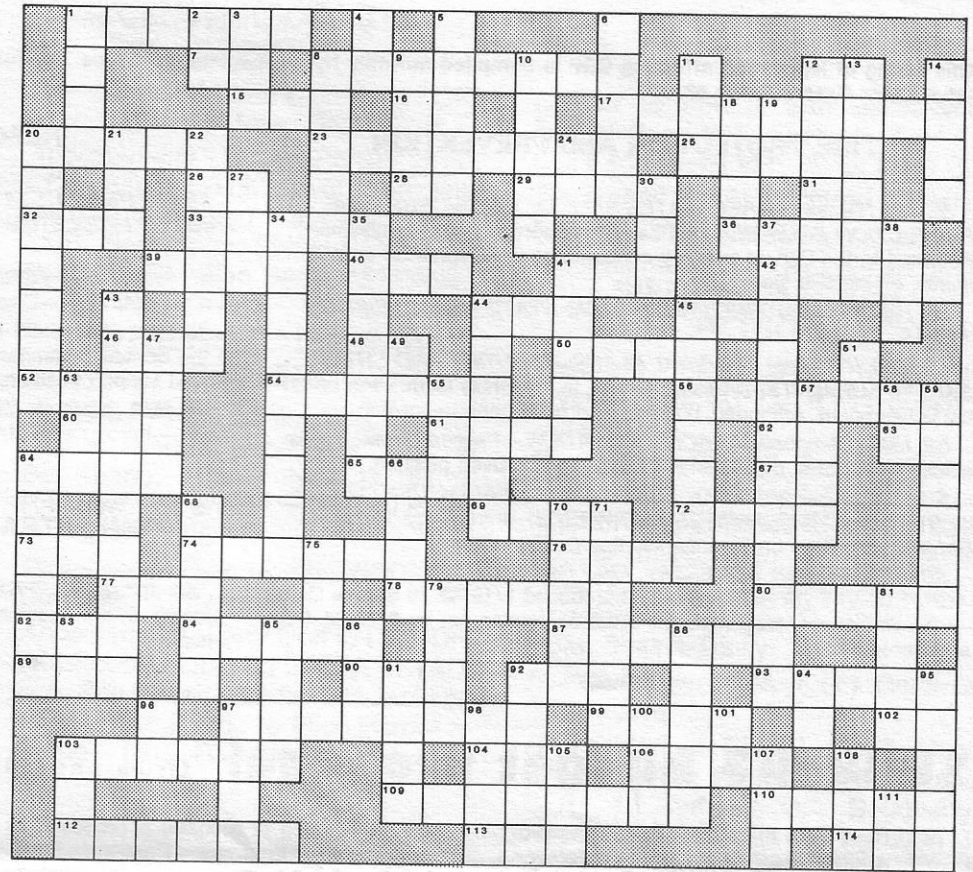
This Mandatory Safety Training will actually take about *twenty-four hours* to teach and test.

Ranger's riddle

by Brian Weatherford
San Benito-Monterey R.U.

ACROSS

1. Hot, fast fuels
7. Forest FMO Headquarters
8. Engine manufacturer
12. Everybody's radio
15. Thinning operation
16. Federal initials
17. What truckies do
20. Hose shutoff device
23. Flammable liquid
25. What the tech did
26. What _____?
28. Naval abbreviation
29. Muscle condition after P.T.
31. State lawyer
32. Diablo Canyon licenser
33. Dangerous wind direction
36. When vacation should end
39. Land measure
40. Dispatcher's workshop
41. Retardant formula
42. Photocopier brand
44. Noncash compensation
45. Flame temperature
46. Experience card
48. Firetruck chassis maker
50. Minimum RH
52. Mexican bull
54. Fireline chow
56. Light at end of tunnel
60. Old time truck
61. Time frame
62. Respond
63. I
64. Mop-up technique
65. FF rest area
67. Hazardous material I.D. source
69. Fiscal period
72. Blythe climate
73. Slang for truck
74. Ranger's goal
76. FF's _____ on each other
77. Alternative pension
78. F.C.S. handtool
80. B-17 size class
82. Primary radiator
84. Forest fuel
87. Water stream tool
89. Bottom of hill
90. Disaster agency
92. Helicopter licenser
93. Structure's remains
97. Hardline holder
99. FAE faux pax
102. F.B.O. calculator
103. Gasoline state
104. Service Center vehicle
106. Fire camp perishable
109. Weather factors
110. Aflame
112. S-2F function
113. See 105 down
114. Radio code format



DOWN

1. Heat & oxygen partner
2. Ship's initials
3. Summer temperature
4. Contract county
5. Frequent felony
6. Transfer case handle
8. Fire emission
9. Firecracker tail
10. Static
11. Explosive initials
12. Chop the meat
13. Burrowing animal
14. Special employment program
18. Cornering action
19. Social crowd
20. Electrical pipe
21. Powerline trick
22. Classic attack for FF's and earwigs
24. Region's response
27. Ranger with degree
30. Linda Sanford's field
34. Pink sedan paint
35. Autorotating crew
37. Firefighting cannister
38. Surveying staff
41. Tracked firefighter
43. Pumper truck (2 wds.)
44. Crown fire location
45. Water conduit
47. Needs sharpening
49. Greeting
51. A.I.U. function
53. Gold mine product
55. Electrical unit
57. Bail document
58. Form of 'to be'
59. Pesky insect
64. Smokey's home
66. Cutting tools
68. Collar insignia
70. Sports facility
71. A.A.B. mission
75. Firescope product
79. Water conduit
81. Open a structure
83. PNW Forestry school
85. Hazardous material
86. U-bolt is one kind
88. USFS regions
91. Great Lake
92. Extinguishment objective
94. Federal initials
95. Electronic noisemaker
96. Smarts measure
97. Critical fuel moisture
98. Not odd
100. Medic
101. Vehicle wreck, to a cop
103. Residential site
105. Recent
107. Sun-drenched skin
108. Axes have two
111. Concerning

(see next month)

LEGISLATIVE ROUNDUP

This listing of legislation affecting CDF is compiled monthly by the Legislative Office. For further information, (916) 445-6441, (ATSS) 485-6441, or Green Phone 62.

FIRE PROTECTION AND PREVENTION

SB 999 (Campbell) REGULATES SALE OF FIREWORKS, FIRE PROTECTION EQUIPMENT.—Passed the Senate and the Assembly. Returned to the Senate pending concurrence with Assembly amendments, on inactive file.

SB 1162 (Craven) FIRE PROTECTION: STATE RESPONSIBILITY AREAS.—Dead.

SB 1209 (O'Keefe) GENERAL PLANS: COUNTIES AND CITIES: SAFETY ELEMENTS.—Passed Senate, in Assembly Committee on Local Government. Amended 1/21/82. Approved oppose position.

SB 1268 (Campbell) ARSON: PROBATION.—Passed Senate. In Assembly Committee on Criminal Justice. No approved position.

SB 1300 (Presley) URBAN FORESTRY PROGRAM: USE OF CONSERVATION CAMP INMATES AND WARDS.—Introduced 1/5/82. In Senate Committee on Finance. No approved position.

SB 1363 (Presley) FORESTRY: FIRE PROTECTION: COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS (SCHEDULE A).—Introduced 1/19/82. In Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Wildlife. Hearing set for 2/23/82. CDF sponsored bill.

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

AB 476 (Bosco) STATE FOREST: SALE OF BOGGS MOUNTAIN LAND TO MIDDLETOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT.—Signed by the Governor 2/8/82.

AB 1600 (Sher) FOREST PRACTICE ACT: TIMBER OPERATIONS AND PENALTIES.—Dead. New legislation pending.

AB 2261 (Campbell) DUTCH ELM DISEASE.—Passed the Assembly. In the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Water Resources. Approved support position.

AB 2552 (Waters) TIMBERLAND PRESERVES ZONES: PUBLIC NOTICE.—Introduced 2/4/82. May be heard in Committee on 3/7/82.

ADMINISTRATION AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

SB 307 (Dills) PERS: TWO YEARS SERVICE CREDIT.—Passed the Senate. In the Assembly Committee on Public Employees and Retirement.

1982-83 Budget proposal (from page 3)

and Resources Fund are proposed to provide additional grants for the reforestation and improvement of understocked forest lands under the terms of the California Forest Improvement Program.

- Urban Forestry (\$535,000). The Department presently has only limited funding for a small number of worthwhile community projects for the establishment of the planting programs. This additional funding will provide for an additional 35 community project grants.
- Vegetation Management (\$725,000 & 5 p.y.). 1981-82 is the first year of a program which expands vegetative management efforts to reduce the threat of wild fire and enhance wildland resources. For 1982-83 the budget includes an additional \$725,000, most of which will be used to provide an additional military excess helicopter for vegetation management and fire control activities in southern California. \$304,000 comes from the Energy and Resources Fund. The remaining \$421,000 will be provided by redirecting existing operating funds.
- Soil Erosion and Watershed Mapping (\$700,000 & 8.5 p.y.). Two efforts are being funded in consideration of the affects of soil erosion from timber harvesting activities. The first is funded by \$200,000 from the Environmental License Plate Fund and continues the Department's efforts in identifying the causes and prevention of soil erosion associated with timber harvesting activities. The second effort is a five-year project to map 6.2 million acres of erodible and landslide prone areas in sensitive watershed areas. The maps that are produced will assist in minimizing the impact of man-caused disturbances in water-

sheds. Funding of \$500,000 is proposed to come from the Energy and Resources Fund.

- Biomass Harvesting Systems (\$500,000). The Department of Forestry conducts research concerning the feasibility of utilizing wood for energy production. In 1982-83 the budget proposes to provide \$500,000 from the Energy and Resources Fund to accelerate the development of a new technology - biomass harvesting. This money will be used as the state's share of the cost for constructing a biomass harvester, the development of residue harvesting techniques and for research and development of two harvesting systems - one for chaparral and one for timber lands.
- Energy Conservation Projects (\$500,000 & 4 p.y.). Funding from the Energy and Resources Fund will be used to improve energy conservation in Forestry facilities by installing wood heaters, insulation, weather stripping and other conservation measures.
- Conservation Camp Expansions. Due to population increases in inmates and wards, the Department is anticipating the continued expansion of a the number and size of conservation camps operated in conjunction with the Departments of Corrections and Youth Authority. Nearly \$950,000, reimbursed from the CDC and CYA, will be used by Forestry in 1982-83 to establish and operate at a higher population level.
- A General Fund augmentation of \$369,000 was provided for increases in Workers' Compensation costs, particularly due to substantial rate increases for medical services.
- Local government fire protection, Schedule

A, is a large part of the Department's spending proposal consisting of a total, spread over 37 contracts, of \$32.5 million and 902 personnel years.

- Salary and fringe benefits changes have yet to be negotiated through the collective bargaining process and are therefore not included in the Department's budget proposal.

Ranger Unit Commended

Bill Harrington
California Department
of Forestry
118 Fortuna Blvd.
Fortuna, CA 95540
Dear Bill:

On behalf of the Board of Supervisors, I would like to take this opportunity to commend you for your action during the recent storm in Humboldt County.

The efforts of persons such as yourself who devote time and energy during emergency operations is greatly appreciated.

Again, thank you for your contribution.

Sincerely,
ERIC W. HEDLUND
Chairman, Board of
Supervisors
County of Humboldt

PERSONNEL TRANSACTIONS

SACRAMENTO HEADQUARTERS

Appointments - Gustavo Vina, Pat Polsen, and Elizabeth Hahn to Sr. Acct. Clk.

Separation - Steno. (B) Barbara Nixon.

SOUTH SIERRA REGION

Promotions - Olis R. Ferrell to Assoc. Civ. Eng., Hq; Richard Schell to For. II, Tuolumne-Calaveras; Carl A. Bjork to SFR I, Preston YTS; Richard K. Green to FCS, Green Valley CC; and Lloyd W. Parks to FCS, Mountain Home CC.

Appointments - Harry M. Blecha to HEM and Curtis Erskine to FCS, Green Valley CC; Gregory Campos, Douglas Elliott, and Bradford Stratton, all to LT FF, CDF, Fresno-Kings.

25-Year Awards - FC Paul J. Essick, FCS William E. Hudson, and SFR II Stephen C. Stein.

CENTRAL COAST REGION

Promotions - Ambria Ridenow to Ofc. Tech. (T), San Mateo-Santa Cruz.

Appointments - Gilbert Portillo to FF, CDF, Santa Clara; David Gonzales, Michael Utley, and Frank Diaz to FF, CDF, San Mateo-Santa Cruz; Mark Lang to HEM, San Benito-Monterey.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION

Transfers - FCS Daniel Rios to YTS; OA II DiAnne Broussard to San Bernardino; FCS Richard Hayes to Rainbow CC; and FCS Raoul Ortega to Oak Glen CC.

Promotions - Delores Spradlin to Ofc. Serv. Supv., Riverside.

Appointments - Larry Goff to FF, CDF; and Robert Robeson to SFR II, T&D, both San Diego; Wendell Lee Jackson to Acct. Clk. II, Hq.; Jo Ellen Harper to Steno. (B), Riverside; William E.

Schultz to For. II, San Bernardino; Robert Reed to FCS, Puerta La Cruz CC; Earle Lyons to FCS, La Cima CC.

Separation - FAE Winfred Breland, San Bernardino.

SIERRA CASCADE REGION

Transfers - FCS Gary M. Ninman to Crystal Creek CC; OA II (T) Susan I. Lamb to Hq.

Promotions - Ellen C. Zanzi to Steno., Tehama-Glenn; Peter J. Finnie to For. II, and Frank E. Bates to SFR II, both Shasta-Trinity; Juan A. Raigoza to FAE, Nevada-Yuba-Placer.

Appointment - Jack D. Childers to HEM, Shasta-Trinity.

Reinstatement - OA II (T) Carol G. Graville, Hq.

Retirements - FEM I Lloyd Marx, Shasta Trinity; FC Paul L. Burks and SFR I James G. Dougherty, Nevada-Yuba-Placer; SFR II Ivan J. Cotter, Tehama-Glenn; For. Cook II Ernest M. Reeves, Tehama Fire Ctr.; and Sr. Steno. Mildred L. Grass, Hq.

NORTH COAST REGION

Transfer - FCS Edward M. Applegate to Konocti CC.

Promotions - FCS Scott R. McDonald to For. II, Lake-Napa; Wayne G. Mitchell to For. II, and Peter Gonzales to LT FF, CDF, Sonoma

EXAMINATION CALENDAR

UPCOMING EXAMINATIONS

Title	Filing Date	Exam Date
Executive Sec. I & II	March 4	July/August
Admin. Assist. I & II	March 4	July/August
Staff Serv. Mgr. I	March 11	July/August

Examinations in Progress

Title	Status
Business Serv. Off. Series	Interviews anticipated in June
Management Serv. Tech.	Interviews in April
Personnel Asst. II	Interviews in May/June
State Forest Ranger I	Interviews in March/April

Do **Not** submit applications for examinations until the bulletin has been released. Use Form 678 (1-77) printed in **Green** ink.

Sustained Accomplishment Award Program

The Sustained Superior Accomplishment Award Program is one in which CDF has not participated in to date. It recognizes employees whose work has significantly exceeded in quality and quantity that usually expected of an employee in a particular civil service class.

Nominations for this award are being accepted during the month of March. For further information, refer to the recently issued Manual of Instructions, Section 2154.5.4.

SAVE THESE DATES

Saturday, March 13, 1982 - Retirement dinner for Mike Schori at the Beverly Garland Pointe West Motor Lodge in Sacramento. Deadline for reservations is March 5, 1982. Contact Sharon Main at (916) 445-9886.

Saturday and Sunday, April 17 and 18, 1982. The annual general meeting of the 25-year club will be held at the Woodlake Inn in Sacramento. If you have not made your reservations, immediately contact Secretary-Treasurer Orv Ingram at 714 East 24th Street, Marysville, CA 95801 or call (916) 743-2386.

Thursday and Friday, April 15 and 16, 1982. The CDF Golf tournament to be held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the 25-year club will be held at the Dry Creek Golf Course in Galt. Tournament headquarters will be at Sacramento's Woodlake Inn. For further information contact Frank Cotter, 5631 Churn Creek Road, Enterprise, CA 96001.

Were you there?



1981 golf tournament

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