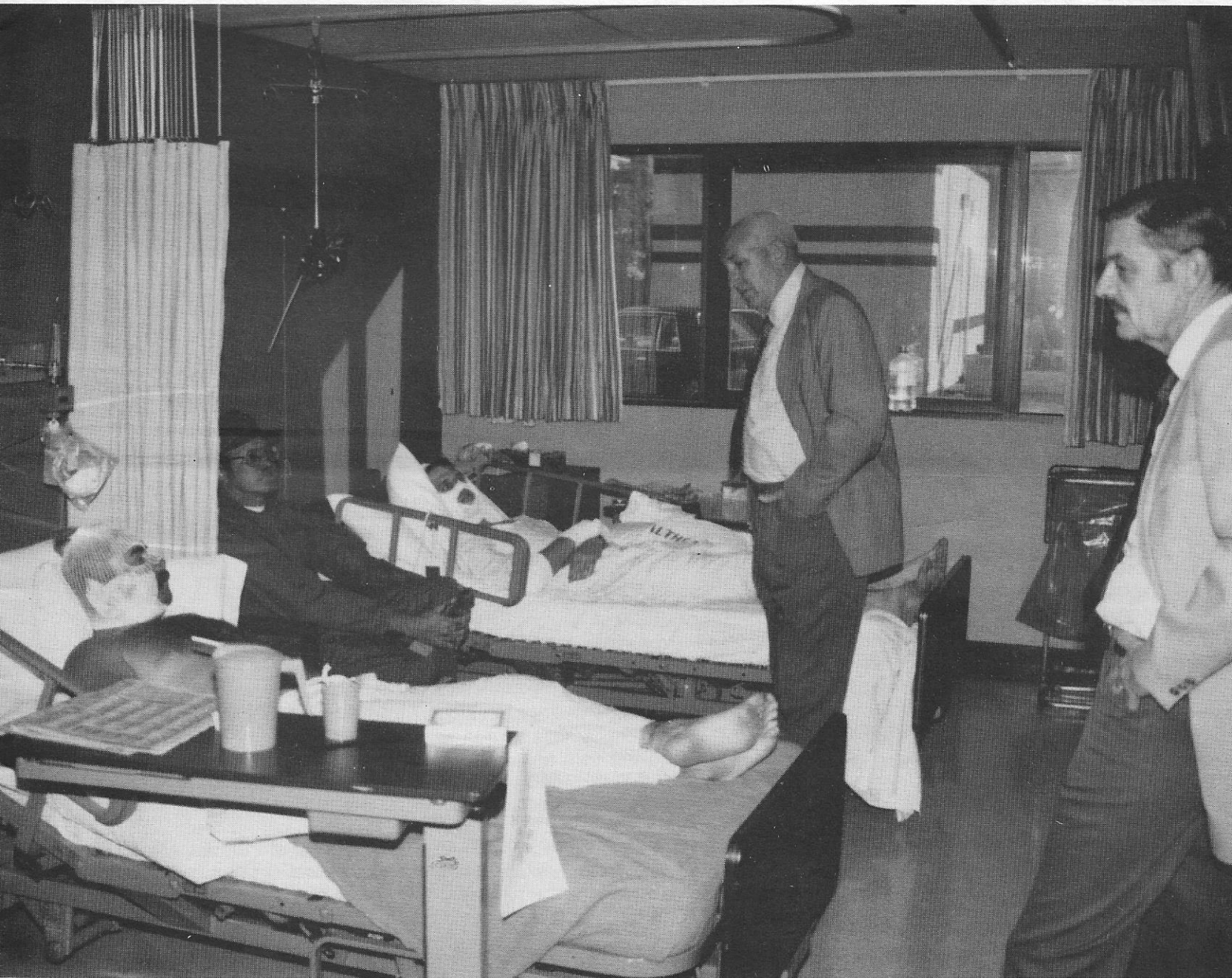


# COMMUNIQUÉ

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY



NOVEMBER 1985



From left to right: CDF Fire Apparatus Engineer Vern Simmons, Fire Captain Ken Gilbert (sitting), CCC Resource Protection Technician Darren Loft, CDF Director Jerry Partain and CDF Assistant Chief Jim Dykes visit at the Sherman Oaks Burn Center. (Story on page 2)

(Cover story)

# Suprise visit

On Wednesday, October 16, 1985, Director Partain flew down to Southern California to take a look at the fire situation. As of Saturday, October 14, a series of wildland fires had started up in Los Angeles and Ventura counties.

One of these, the Peach Hill Fire in Ventura County, sent two firefighters, CDF Fire Apparatus Engineer Vern Simmons, and California Conservation Corps Resource Protection Technician Darren Loft to the Sherman Oaks Burn Center with first and second degree burns on their hands and faces.

Director Partain surprised the two by stopping by to see them while in Southern California. Luckily their injuries were not serious and by the time you read this they will both be out of the hospital.

## About the fires

Southern California experienced another series of fires in October, burning more acreage, destroying more homes and other structures, and causing several injuries. Rugged terrain and the Santa Ana winds made fighting these fires even more difficult.

The worst was the Ferndale Fire in Ventura County, northwest of Santa Paula. The fire started October 14 and as of this writing (October 12) is 100 percent contained. Over 45,000 acres were burned.

The Tapo Fire in the Simi Valley started October 14 and burned 16,000 acres before it was controlled October 17.

The Peach Hill Fire, that sent Simmons and Loft to the Sherman Oaks Burn Center, began October 14 and burned 4,500 acres and was controlled October 16.

## RED

by SFR I Fred Benton

In memory of friends, Fire Captain Ed Marty and tanker pilot Bill Sears

I

Red is our color-  
Unfurling from the spectrum  
A primal excitement:  
Sometimes a banner of joy,  
Sometimes a flag of fear.  
Red lives with us  
And troubles our dreams.  
Red evokes the hellish glare  
of a wildfire at night,  
The sudden slash of retardant  
Plunging into timber,  
The gleam of our first engine,  
The crimson circles traced  
Through smoke and summer sky  
By an S-2's propeller tips.

II

Red is energy, motion, firestorm,  
Catastrophe - and renewal.  
It is the dark rose of death  
Shining on a wreckage - strewn roadway,  
To be washed away  
But not forgotten.  
It is the phoenix-blush  
Of life reawakened  
In a stricken child,  
A child rescued, revived,  
Cradled by a firefighter  
Who will never live  
A finer moment.

III

On a hot August night  
It is an ominous shower of sparks  
Falling from a fir snag, high  
On some nameless midnight mountain  
Where lightning has walked.  
It is the landmark  
Fire leaves on flesh.  
Some among us wear the mark  
And we honor them.  
Some, overwhelmed, will never return  
To quarters, or fly home  
Though the gathering dusk.  
And yet they are here:  
Smiling, strong-whole.

IV

They know our color best,  
These silent ones  
Whose stories and whose voices  
Have become grass, sky and stone.  
In the land's quiet places,  
In the glow of sunset,  
In each red dawn  
They stand close again-

# The \$\$\$ of success



This photo of Firefighter Ed Jones was taken by Firefighter Pat Hinds after an advancing fire had been successfully stopped with hoselay and handline in the Hi Mountain area of the Las Pilitas Fire. Cost: a pair of melted goggles and a lot of sweat.

## The LEWIS A. MORAN Award

The State Training Committee wants to remind everyone that nominations for the Lewis A. Moran Award are due by December 15, 1985. They are to be sent to Jim McFadden at the Fire Academy in Lone.

The annual award is presented to the CDF employee contributing the most to the department. All permanent employees are eligible and any employee may nominate someone for the award.

The first award was presented to State Forest Ranger III Dick Winterrowd (now retired) and the second award to State Forest Ranger III Jim McFadden, administrator of Fire Academy.

McFadden hopes that this year there will be more nominees and that there will be more nominations made by employees of their supervisors rather than all nominations being made by supervisors.

Refer to the Manual of Instructions, Section 2154.5.3 and 2154.5.4 for more information about the award. Nominations may be forwarded directly to Jim McFadden, c/o Fire Academy, 4501 State Highway 104, Lone, CA 95640.

### *The Fund*

Remember that contributions may be made to support the L. A. Moran Superior Accomplishment Award.

Funds are used for the purchase of the savings bond presented each year to the recipient of the award. Contributions may be mailed to Assistant Chief Brian Barrette at 1416 Ninth Street, Rm. 1516-35, Sacramento, CA 95814.

## Firefighter Appreciation Night

Thanks from all of us  
in C.D.F..!

The Oakland A's dedicated their Tuesday night, September 24, 1985 game with the Cleveland Indians as Firefighter Appreciation Night.

Between two and three thousand firefighters and their families from fire agencies throughout California watched the A's beat Cleveland. The crowd also saw Smokey the Bear and Sparky fly into the Oakland Coliseum in a CDF helicopter.

CDF thanks the A's for this special recognition of firefighters for their valiant efforts during the disasterous fire series in June and July.

### COMMUNIQUÉ

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### DEADLINES

**FOR ARTICLES:** The 5th of each month for the following month, i.e., October 5 for November issue.

**FOR PHOTOS:** The 10th of each month for the following month. Don't forget captions for your photos. Please don't put tape on any photos you send in.

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# Our mistakes

There were three big boo boo's in last month's *Communiqué* that we would like to apologize for and correct.

The first two are on page three in the "Billionth board foot" article. The caption should read Forest Manager Forest Tilley, not Tiley, and in the article it should read Senator Barry Keene's, not Keen's.

The third mistake is on page seven in the "Chuck Yeager, for CDF" article.



The caption under the first photo should read, Chuck Yeager, his co-star Smokey and CDF Pilot Buzz Blaylock, not Buzz Whitlock. Sorry, to both Buzzes.

## THANKS

To my friends,

"Thank you for the good wishes and cards sent to me these past months after my back surgery. I am getting better and hope to return soon."

Mike Hamilton  
Business Services Officer III  
Sacramento

## SAVE THIS DATE

A retirement luncheon to honor Ivan Phillips will be held Friday, December 6, 1985 at the Sierra Inn, located at the corner of Fulton and Auburn Boulevards in Sacramento.

Details are forth coming in a flyer or contact Betty Hunter in the Conservation Camp Services Office for more information. Telephone: (916) 445-4048.

## More help from Oregon

You will recall reading about the Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) in last month's *Communiqué* when they helped out Humboldt-Del Norte Ranger Unit. Well, Siskiyou Ranger Unit also got some assistance from Oregon during the rash of fires in June and July.

During the siege of major fires and extreme dry weather in mid-July, Siskiyou Ranger Unit found itself short on engine companies to man their stations. The call went out for assistance to the Oregon Department of Forestry.

They responded with three engines, and covered Hornbrook, Fort Jones and Weed stations for two days. During this time they responded to a structure fire, two vegetation fires and a vehicle fire.

CDF thanks ODF for their help.

## An added note

The Siskiyou Ranger Unit staff helped matters some by converting the headquarters service unit into a quick attack pumper....



.... and the dump truck at Fort Jones into another water tanker.



# HEALTH AND SAFETY COLUMN

## Firefighters conduct surveys to reduce risks during fires

by **Gordon Johnson**  
The Californian and The Valley Press

Everytime a firefighter is called on duty, lives and property are at stake.

While risks are an inescapable fact of the firefighter's life, the reduction of risks is paramount.

One way the Temecula Fire Station is cutting risks is through a new pre-fire plan program.

The program is a comprehensive assessment of structures in the area to provide critical information to firefighters in the event of the fire.

"This is not the same as a routine inspection for fire hazards," said CDF Capt. Bill Britton of Temecula Station 12. "This program seeks to glean from blueprints and building

plans, information about the building which we could put to use when fighting a fire in the building."

Britton said the pre-fire assessment includes notes about construction types, building materials used, and storage of hazardous materials.

For instance, knowing where the fire walls are in a building is crucial for knowing how long a fire can be kept from spreading to the next building. Large buildings are required to have strategically placed fire walls that will keep a fire contained for a minimum of four hours. Smaller buildings will often have fire walls constructed of 5/8-inch gypsum board, designed to contain a fire for at least one hour.

"Knowing where firewalls are located greatly helps the firefighter in making decisions about how to go about fighting a fire," Britton said.

It is also important to know where utility shutoffs are located so power and gas service can be quickly stopped, Britton said. Even more important, the pre-fire plan gives firefighters an ideal about how many people are in a building at a given time, and where those people are most likely to be.

The pre-fire plan in general provides the firefighters with information so snap decisions can be made to save lives and property when time is of the essence, Britton said.

## Physical Fitness Program: Up and running

by **Manual Roman Jr.,**  
Health and Safety Officer

### LOCATION:

The validation testing phase of the Physical Ability Test Validation Project is in high gear. The National Guard Armory at the 20th District Fairgrounds in Auburn is being used for orientation, physical ability administration, and eight of the twelve work sample trials. The Castle Rock Fuel Break, located east of Auburn, is being used for the remaining four work sample trials.

### PARTICIPANT SELECTION:

A sample group of 183 employees was randomly selected to participate in the validation testing. They represent a cross section of CDF firefighters by age, gender, ethnicity, and region. The number of participants selected from each region are as follows:

REGION	NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS
I	16
II	17
IV	57
V	38
VI	55
TOTAL:	183

### TESTING SESSIONS:

Participants have been scheduled into one of seven three-day testing sessions between October 15 and November 8, 1985. Three more sessions may be scheduled between November 18 and 27 for makeup testing. A typical daily schedule is as follows:

#### DAY 1:

- A. Check in at Armory at 1200 hours.
- B. Orientation at 1230 hours.
- C. Treadmill test from 1400 to 2000 hours.
- D. Check into room at Auburn Inn between 1400 and 2100 hours.

#### DAY 2:

- A. Morning - Physical ability tests (these are simple tests of strength, endurance, and power) at the Armory.
- B. Afternoon - Work sample tests

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(these are simulations of actual critical job tasks) at the Auburn Fairgrounds.

**TEAM EFFORT:**

Director Partain has asked for all participants to put forth their best efforts to ensure success of the Physi-

cal Ability Test Validation Project. The following letter was included in the *Participant's Handbook* issued to each participant.

From Department of Forestry

Subject: 2100 PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT  
2120 Physical Fitness and Health Standards  
Physical Ability Testing Program  
Validation Testing

DAY 3:

- A. Morning - Check out of room.
- B. Morning - Complete work sample tests at Castle Rock Fuel Break.
- C. Afternoon - Makeups on work samples.  
- Scenarios (selected work samples linked together).
- D. Afternoon - Return to work station or home at approximately 1800 hours.

The Health and Safety Office, assisted by selected field staff, is developing validated physical ability tests and standards for our fire fighters. The objective is to ensure that entry level persons are capable of performing the arduous tasks of fire fighting.

You have been selected to participate in the Validation Testing portion of the Physical Fitness Program. This handbook is intended to provide you with basic information regarding your participation in the Validation Testing. Please familiarize yourself with its contents and contact your supervisor if you need assistance.

As we begin the Validation Testing, it is my desire that you exhibit your best effort to support and promote the Physical Fitness Program to ensure that we have a fit work force, capable of performing some of the most arduous tasks of any profession. Through our combined efforts we should soon realize fewer injuries and illnesses which will prolong your productive and active career.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

*Jerry Partain*  
JERRY PARTAIN  
Director

**REWARD**

A reward of \$5,000 will be paid by the Department of Forestry for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person who willfully and maliciously attempts to set or sets fire to any property within any area for which the state is primarily responsible for fire protection.

**Reward awarded**

Marjorie Newhall of Leesville, California was recently presented a \$5,000 check by Region I Fire Prevention Program Manager Loren Poore for information she gave fire investigators that led to the arrest and conviction of an arsonist.

During the 1984 fire season a number of wildland and structural arson fires were experienced by CDF in the Leesville area. There were no suspects until October 20, 1984 when Majorie Newhall observed David Charles Brown entering an old wood barn. She observed Brown running out of the barn, and getting into his car and driving to his home 3/4 of a mile from the barn. Mrs. Newhall saw Brown looking toward the

barn with a pair of binoculars and called Colusa County Deputy Sheriff Ced Langford. Sheriff Langford found a timed delay arson device in the barn.

The next day the Colusa County Sheriff's Office and CDF investigators arrested Brown for arson after a search of Brown's residence.

Brown admitted to starting seven wildland fires and two structural fires' solving all the arson fire cases in the area.

On April 9, 1985, Brown was sentenced to one year in the Colusa County Jail.

Without Mrs. Newhall's help many other fires could have occurred with the possibility of loss of life and personal property along with a great expense to the state in fire suppression costs.

**FIREBUG NETTED**

by: FPO I Walt Nutting

On May 9, 1985 the first in a series of seven wildland fires was willfully and maliciously started on Deer Valley road in the Rescue area of El Dorado County.

At this fire's point of origin a rather complicated incendiary device was found consisting of approximately eight to 10 matchbooks taped together with clear scotch tape, with what appeared to be four to five cigarettes coming from the matchbooks.

This device had been placed on a piece of board and put in the dry grass. It appeared that dry grass had also been placed on top of the matchbook.

## (FIREBUG)

This incendiary device was taken as evidence by CDF investigators and subsequently taken to the Department of Justice Laboratory in Sacramento for further testing for finger prints. Since May 9 another five wildland fires occurred and at the point of origin of all these fires the same or very similar incendiary devices were found.

On June 7 an operational plan was put together to try to apprehend the person responsible for starting these fires.

An undercover surveillance operation using unmarked cars and aircraft, and consisting of officers from CDF was commenced. Based on information supplied by El Dorado-Diamond Springs Fire Chief Don Denalt and Rescue Fire Chief Fran Carpenter, Michael Morgan, a volunteer fireman for the Diamond Springs-El Dorado Fire Department was identified as a possible suspect. Morgan had been the first fireman to arrive at the scene on all these wildland fires.

Based on this information, suspect Morgan was placed under surveillance by the California Department of Forestry.

On June 14, 1985 Morgan, at 1:30 p.m. was observed by surveillance aircraft to park his late model pickup with a small motorbike in back, in a turnout on Lotus Road just north of Weber Creek.

Investigators observed Morgan bent over in the driver's seat as if he were making something.

At 1:45 p.m. Morgan was observed by the aircraft on his motorbike, on a gravel road proceeding eastbound into an old quarry site. The aircraft observed Morgan drive past the quarry into the dry brush and grass in a small canyon.

At 1:53 p.m. the aircraft reported that Morgan was still parked underneath some trees in that area.

At 2:02 p.m. Morgan was observed by the surveillance aircraft coming back out of the quarry area, putting his motorbike into the back of his pickup and driving southbound on Lotus Road.

At 2:09 p.m. Morgan, in his pickup was observed by the aircraft pulling into his residence, getting out of his pickup and going into his residence. The aircraft further reported that

while Morgan was in the wildland area in back of the Lotus Quarry, no other vehicle or person was seen in or near that area.

At approximately 2:29 p.m. the surveillance aircraft which was back over the area where Morgan had been parked on his motorbike observed a fire starting. Surveillance cars rushed to the area of origin, as directed by the aircraft, to investigate for cause and protect the area of origin from incoming fire units. At the point of origin of this fire, an incendiary device consisting of numerous matchbooks taped together on a board, with three to four cigarettes leading out from the matchbook and held in place with toothpicks, was found. This device was almost identical to the six other incendiary devices found in the preceding month.

At approximately 2:45 p.m., Morgan, who once again was one of the first firemen to arrive at the scene, was placed under arrest by Fire Captains Chris Parker and John McClelland, and Fire Prevention Officer Walt Nutting. Morgan was transported to the El Dorado County Jail in Placerville where he was booked on a charge of wildland arson, Section 451(C) of the California Penal Code.

In interview room #9 at the El Dorado County Jail, Morgan confessed to starting five of the other fires where the same type of device was found.

At approximately 6:00 p.m. the CDF investigating team departed to Morgan's residence and received written permission to search his rooms. Approximately 30 items were seized and taken as evidence.

On June 18, 1985 in a phone call to Fire Captain Chris Parker, Morgan stated he would like to talk to Captain Parker at the El Dorado County Jail. Captain Parker responded to that location and, after once again advising Morgan of his rights and Morgan waiving those rights, suspect Michael R. Morgan stated that in addition to being responsible for the seven wildland arson fires, he had also started three barn fires.

Morgan pleaded guilty in Superior Court and on August 23, 1985 he was sentenced to six years in state prison.

## COOPERATION: Key to Success

by Steven Anderson and Thomas Betts  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

It's been on the books since 1961; the master plan for Success Lake in Porterville, California. The plan envisioned a riparian nature trail running along part of the Tule River. However, construction of Success Dam changed the original Tule River channel and water only trickles through the area a few months of the year.

Yet this land, located directly below the dam, is teeming with life. Wild grapevines, stinging nettles, black willows, cottonwoods, sycamores, and thorny blackberry bushes all intertwine to form a massive thicket.

Historically the thicket was held in check by the Yokut Indians. Periodically they would set the area on fire to enhance habitat for quail and deer. In addition, they wanted to reduce any vegetation that would compete with the Blue and Valley oaks, a major food source.

Recently, two rangers from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers decided that it was time for the nature trail to become a reality. The go ahead was given by the park manager and a few hours later the thicket was braved and trail flagging hung.

Now trail construction could commence. CDF Fire Captain Don Abbott of the Mountain Home Conservation Camp was presented with the idea. During the following five days Don and his crew transformed a line drawn on paper into a trail cut in the woods.

Trail cutting was only the beginning. A tremendous amount of work had to be accomplished since the trail was envisioned to last at least 20 years without major repairs.

One of the biggest obstacles was the need for construction of three bridges. Spans crossed by these bridges were to be 26, 44, and 140 feet respectively.

FC Abbott felt the best approach to meet these labor needs was to

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split his crew into two sections; one building bridges and the other developing the trail. Those assigned to trail development outlined the entire trail with railroad ties and secured them by drilling holes and driving reinforcement rod through them into the ground. The next step was to fill in the five foot space between ties with decomposed granite. Simply put, hundreds of wheelbarrow loads of the granite were hand delivered and spread by the trail crew.



The bridge crew faced obstacles of their own, not the least of which was hauling galvanized steel I-beams up to 80 feet long into the construction area. Many yards of concrete were mixed for the footings and poured with wheelbarrows and gallon buckets into forms which were set in up to three feet of water. Once the I-beams were in place, holes were drilled for securing the planks and handrails.

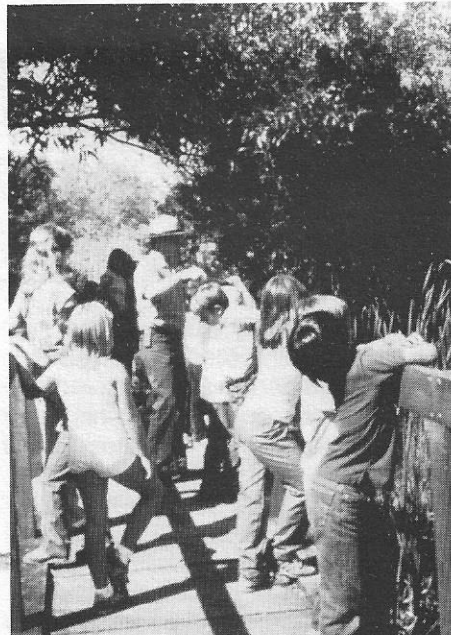
The corps rangers worked closely with FC Abbott to confirm trail design and make needed changes. On weekdays, supplies such as railroad ties, bridge planks and hand rail materials were ordered and delivered from the Corps of Engineers supply yard in Sacramento. On weekends, supplies of decomposed granite would be hauled to the trail area by the Success Lake maintenance crew so that work could proceed uninterrupted when Mountain

Home crews returned. Park rangers often worked with the crew, and on critical assignments, such as pouring cement for bridge abutments, all uniforms got soiled.

Once the trail was nearing completion, amenities such as the establishment of interpretive markers and a "Welcome Sign" became important. Once again CDF responded with outstanding cooperation.

A redwood burl, which had been untouched for several years, was delivered by the Success crew to the Mountain Home Camp. Within two weeks, the burl was routed, banded, transported and mounted to welcome all visitors to the "Big Sycamore Trail," the major costs being only time and group effort.

On September 12, 1985, the first class of 44 students and six adults from Serendipity School, in Porterville, participated in a one hour environmental education walk. Six schools are already signed up for hikes and many individuals walk the trail each day.



Wildlife use the trail to get through the thicket and quail are thriving in the newly created brush piles. The future looks even brighter since the second phase of the trail has already started. When completed visitors will enjoy a leisurely one mile hike crossing five bridges and linking Success Lake with Bartlett Park.

The cooperation of the two agencies truly provided the public with an

enhanced recreation opportunity.

Thanks, CDF.

## Learning the ropes

Fire Research Coordinator and Assistant Fire Services Coordinator: What are they and who are they?

Meet Fire Research Coordinator Dave Day and Assistant Fire Services Coordinator Gary Brittner, both members of the CDF Fire Protection section on the 16th floor of headquarters in Sacramento, and both relatively new to the positions they are now in.

State Forest Ranger III Dave Day



took over the fire research coordinator position on June 1, 1985, following the retirement of SFR III Bob Weaver. According to Dave his job keeps him busy monitoring for technological changes that may benefit CDF in the fire protection area. When a product, tool, piece of equipment, etc., seems to have the potential for making CDF's firefighting job easier and safer Dave helps organize the research that will prove that to be right or wrong.

As an example Dave cited the Aerial Fire Retardant study underway currently, (see your September *Communiqué* for the complete story). This study, in conjunction with the U.S. Forest Service, analyzes the effectiveness and application of aerial retardant on wildfires. Dave said that often CDF works with other agencies that will also benefit from the research of a particular product. Often the other agency will have research facilities that CDF does not



# Flying low

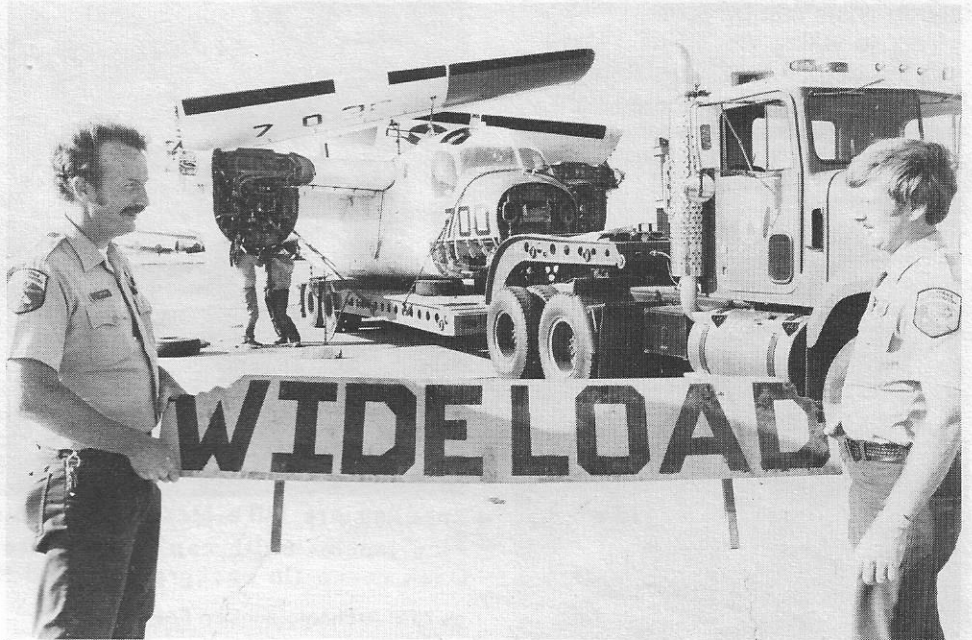
Have you ever left home on a trip and arrived at your destination in record time only to have friends say, "boy you must have been flying low." Such was almost the case on September 11, 1985, in the Butte Ranger Unit. No land speed records were set, but "flying low" is the appropriate term.

The scrapped hulk of an S-2 Airtanker used for design and fit of retardant tanks was moved from the Chico Air Attack Base to the Butte College Live Fire Training Center.

The 18 foot high, 4,000 pound aircraft was moved by a CDF transport, assisted by four pilot cars. Except for a minor traffic jam in Chico the move went smoothly and the plane made it to its new permanent home.

The S-2 will be used to simulate "downed aircraft" situations for the training of local fire crews from all Butte County fire agencies.

(Photo courtesy of Bill Short, Oroville Mercury)



**Fire captains' Jim Davis and Paul Kenneweg prepare to place a wide load sign on the S-2.**

The move was coordinated by Air Attack Officer Don O'Connell and included efforts by the city of Chico,

Butte County roads, Cal-Trans, Pacific Gas and Electric, and Pacific Bell Telephone.

# CDF AIR ATTACK: Today and tomorrow

Quick attack of wildland fire from the air is an essential part of CDF's overall fire suppression effort and is often misunderstood by the media and the public.

To shed some light on the subject CDF conducted a tour of the Hemet/Ryan Air Attack Base and the Hemet Valley Flying Service facility in Riverside County on Thursday, October 10.

CDF aerial fire fighting experts explained and demonstrated the current status of the airtanker program as well as what the future holds for aerial fire fighting in California.

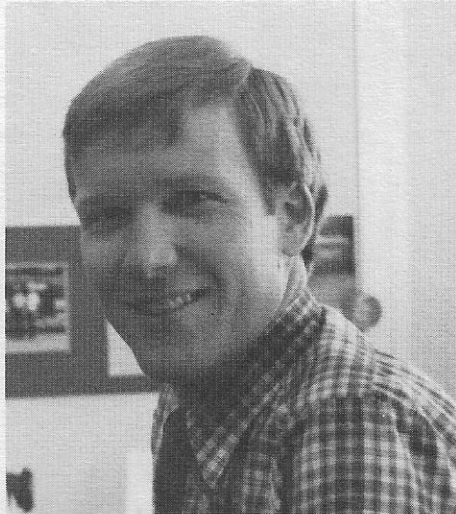
This event provided an excellent opportunity for the media and members of the legislature to get the facts and some excellent photographs of CDF aircraft on the ground, and in the air when a demonstration retardant drop (shown) took place.



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have and vice-a-versa, and the research costs can be split.

Prior to taking this position Dave was the department's assistant Fire Services Coordinator located right next door to his current office. That position is now held by SFR II Gary Brittner.



Gary moved up a floor from Vegetation Management on the 15th to Fire Protection on the 16th on September 1, 1985. His position is a Training and Development (T&D) assignment and he says that the material is "90% new" to him.

Gary's new position covers a lot of areas so he will have the chance to learn all about CDF's Fire Protection Programs. He will be assisting with the management of CDF's Cooperative Fire Protection Program which includes local government, contract county, and federal contractual fire protection as well as mutual aid, emergency medical services, hazardous materials response, and disaster preparedness.

He will be reviewing and amending agreements for cooperative fire protection services, developing policies for CDF's role in disasters and analyzing legislation relating to these issues.

(P.S. Gary not only has a new position but he also became a daddy recently with the birth of his son Eric.)

Both of these positions are important to the operations of CDF's Fire Protection Programs and hopefully this brief introduction to these two employees has helped you understand why.

# Archeological training



Kneeling are Mike McKay and Jim Purcell, standing l to r, Phil Cowell, Rich Jenkins (with cap), Dan Foster, Scott McDonald (also with a cap), Dean Lucke (in background), and Steve Sayers.

by CDF Archeologist Dan Foster

CDF archeologists Dan Foster and Rich Jenkins recently conducted two archeological training sessions in Region I. The purpose of the classes was to educate CDF foresters about archeology and to improve their ability to recognize sites and sensitive areas when reviewing timber harvesting plans (THP's).

The classes were a huge success. Nearly all of the 60 foresters in Region I attended as well as assistant chiefs, Ray Jackman and Dean Lucke, geologists, Trinda Bedrossian and Oscar Huber, and fisheries biologist John Hummel.

The first class was given at the Humboldt State University Marin Biology Station in Trinidad. Lectures, discussion, and THP workshops were given as well as a field expedition to an archeological site. The site is located at Patricks Point State Park and holds the remains of a large prehistoric Yurok village. Many pieces of chert (a rock resembling flint) tools, burned sea lion bones,

cooking stones and marine shells were discovered here. Geologist Oscar Huber found a large triangular arrowhead made of green Franciscan chert (you must return that to me Oscar).

The next course was held at Howard Forest. This field expedition included a visit to four archeological sites on Jackson State Forest. A large biface (knife blade or scraping tool) was found at the baseball field at Camp 20, which was once a major village in prehistoric times. All that is left there now is a deposit of stone tools - the area has been leveled.

A 10,000 year-old point was found at the next site, and at the final site, a village on 3-Chop Ridge with 36 large housepits clearly visible on a bench covered with Madrone and Tan oaks, a small, complete projectile point was found.

Many exciting archeological discoveries are likely to occur now that our foresters have been trained to recognize archeological sites.

by Forester II Dave Adams

## Perfect ride

The Third Annual "CDF RIDE AROUND LAKE TAHOE" came off in perfect weather on September 30. Eight riders - Steve Sayers, Bill Spink, Ed Martin, Dave Adams, Ron Hale, Keith Brownell, "Biker" Bill Krelle, and Walt Decker all started and finished in under seven hours. Ruth Martin prepared a terrific do-it-yourself lunch spread at Tahoe City. Diane Hale and Gail and Laura Decker helped make this into the family affair it should be. We need women riders for this annual event - maybe next year...? We hope to see you next year Carol Dulitz; bring Dave with you.

# Personnel Transactions

## NORTH COAST REGION

*Transfers* - Carp. Superv. Walter R. Aldrich to Hqs; FEM I Michael L. Morgan to Sonoma; HEM Gerrie W. Wiese to Konocti CC; and FC (A) Anthony Morton to Lake-Napa.

*Appointments* - William R. Baechtel to FEM I, and Delwynn B. Hoisington to HFEO, both to Mendocino; Eric P. Schramm to For. Aid, Jackson Demo. St. For.

*Separation* - For. Aid's James T. Wright, Boggs Mtn. St. For., and Joe T. Chavez and George L. McCaskill, both from Jackson Demo. St. For.

*Retirement* - FC (A) Alan L. Trood, Lake-Napa.

## SIERRA CASCADE REGION

*Transfer* - FC (B) Bill Kellar to Antelope CC.

*Promotions* - Bill Morrison to For. I, Magalia Nursery, and Robert H. Becker to SFR I, Tehama-Glenn.

*Appointments* - Kathleen Schori to For. I, Shasta-Trinity, and Carol Jolley to For. I, Latour St. For.

## SOUTH SIERRA REGION

*Transfers* - SFR II Glenn Michael to Madera-Mariposa, SFR II Jim Anders to Mt. Bullion CC; and FEM I Henry Craghead to Amador-El Dorado.

*Promotions* - James Barron to SFR I, Tuolumne-Calaveras; Gary Karie to FC (A), Tulare; Howard Larry Riggs, Bruce McGillivray, David Claussen, Kenneth Hughes and Richard Moore, all to FC (A), Fresno-Kings; and Dan Francis to SFR II, Fresno-Kings.

*Appointments* - Dave Schummer to HEM, and Julius Vatalaro to FAE, Amador-El Dorado; Rebecca Robertson to For. I, Hqs.; Dennis Townsend, Michael Noonan, Debra Zimmerman, Patrick Easley, and Nadine Gist, all to FAE, Tulare; Billie Talamantes to M&S I, Tuolumne-Calaveras.

*Retirements* - HFEO David Watson, Tuolumne-Calaveras; FC Robert Brower, Amador-El Dorado; and FAE Edward Hinds, Tulare.

*Separation* - Fire Control Aid Richard Springer, Amador-El Dorado.

*25-Year Award* - FC Russell G. Koerner.

## CENTRAL COAST REGION

*Promotions* - Bryan Weber to FC (B), Ben Lomond CC; Dannie Turner to SFR II, San Mateo-Santa Cruz; William Begun, Dale Kinyon, Richard Garcia, and Carroll Allen, all to FAE, San Benito-Monterey; Linton Ronk to Warehse. Mgr. I, Hqs.

*Appointments* - Gary Phillips to HFEO, San Benito-Monterey, and David Crocker to HEM, Dutch Elm Disease Prog.

*Retirement* - FC (A) Paul R. McFadden, Santa Clara.

*25-Year Award* - HFEO Donald V. Ashton.

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION

*Transfers* - FF II Javier Gonzales, FAE Kahill J. Muthleb to San Bernardino; FC (A) Dennis Tannahill to Riverside; FF II Calvin McVay to San Diego.

*Promotions* - Craig S. Williams to FAE; Derek Smethurst to FC (A) both San Bernardino; Daniel G. Huff, Steven Herzog, Jerry Loya, David S. Ferguson, Sylvia J. Griffith, James A. Nolan, and Angela J. Phanton, all to FAE, Riverside, William P. Cullen to FAE, San Diego.

*Reinstatement* - FF II James G. Diehl, San Diego.

*Retirement* - FAE Roy L. McLure, Riverside.

*25-Year Award* - FC William H. Jones.

## SACRAMENTO HEADQUARTERS

*Promotions* - Jon Rolland to SFR III; Judy Rapp to Staff Servs. Anal. (G).

*Appointments* - Valerie Stephens to Sr. Acct. Clk.; Dianna Ryan to PA; Linda Raigoza to Stock Clk.; Alexis Guzman to OA II (T); Elizabeth Minami and Kathleen Doberneck to Acct. Clk. II; Edna Dong to OA II (G); Sherri Ann Steinmetz to Acctnt. I Superv.; Fred Lambert to Land Surveyer; Lisa Boyd to LT Staff Servs. Anal. (G).

*Separations* - Acctg. Ofcr. Lieu Nguyen; Acct. Clk. II Kathleen Silva; Machine Oper. I Alan Zinsky; Assoc. Budgt. Anal. Dawn Casteel; and Acctnt. I Superv. Luis Hermosillo.

## EXAMINATION CALENDAR

### Upcoming Examinations

Title	Exam Base	Final Filing Date
Forestry Pilot (Helicopter)	Open	November 14
Associate Budget Analyst	Dept. Prom.	November 21
Forestry Equipment Manager I	Open/Non Prom.	December 5
Associate Governmental Program Analyst	Dept. Prom.	December 5

### Examinations in Progress

Title	Status
Account Clerk II	Written test date November 16
Business Service Assistant	Written test date November 23
Business Services Officer Series	Written test date November 23
Machine Operator II (General)	Interviews anticipated in December
Machine Operator II	Interviews anticipated in December
Associate Administrative Analyst (Accounting Systems)	Interviews anticipated in December/January
Associate Data Processing Series	Interviews anticipated in December/January
Forestry Construction and Maintenance Supervisor	Interviews anticipated in December/January
Staff Services Manager I	Interviews anticipated in December/January
Assistant Administrative Analyst (Accounting Systems)	Interviews anticipated in January
Senior Data Processing Analyst	Interviews anticipated in January
Senior Programmer Analyst	Interviews anticipated in January
Staff Programmer Analyst	Interviews anticipated in January

Final filing dates are tentative. Do **Not** submit applications for examinations until the Bulletin has been released.

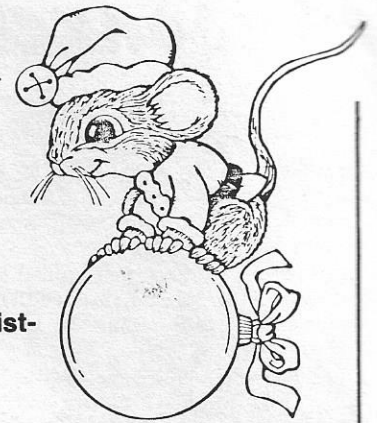
# Christmas Party '85

The Annual CDF Christmas Party will be held Saturday, December 21, 1985 at the Arden Hills Swim and Tennis Club in Sacramento, from 7:30 p.m. - midnight.

The cost is \$6 a person and those of you who have attended Christmas parties past know that it's worth the money.

For more information contact Rosalie Turbeville at (916) 445-5571.

For more information about either sale contact Karen Harper at (916) 445-5620.



A book sale will be held November 5 and a bake sale November 22 to raise funds for the party. Both sales will be held at CDF's Sacramento headquarters.



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