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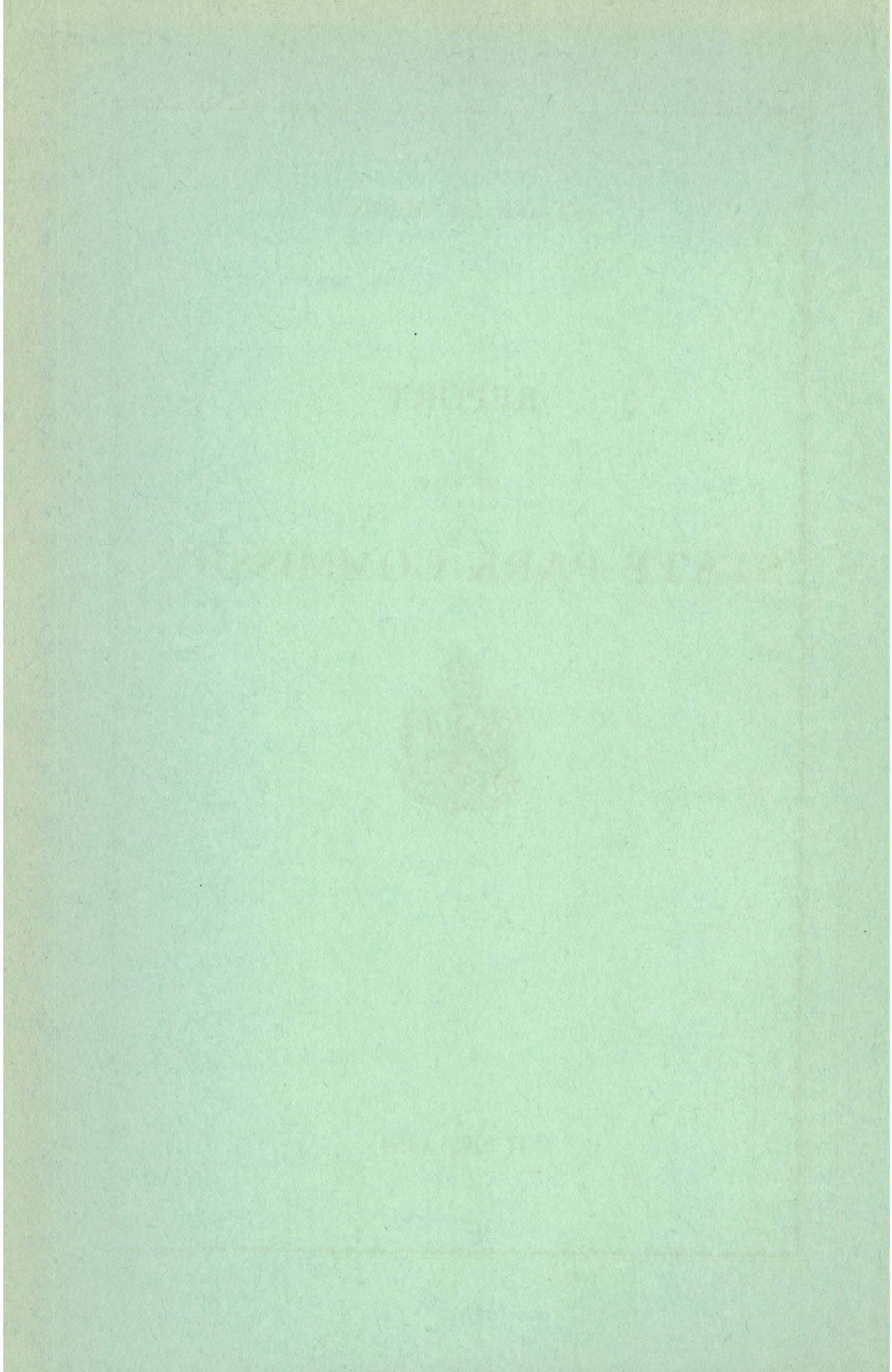
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STATE PARK COMMISSION



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*To His Excellency, the Governor,
and the Honorable Council:*

The State Park Commission submits herewith in accordance with Paragraph 2, Section 23, of Chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes of 1944 a report covering the activities of this department prior to the appointment of a Director effective June 12, 1950.

STATE PARK COMMISSION

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INTRODUCTION

Maine State Parks since 1938 have grown from one State Park of 100 acres, located at Presque Isle in Aroostook County, to a system comprising ten State Parks aggregating 17,702 acres and thirteen State Memorials consisting of 345 acres. During this period legislative appropriations have increased 659 percent, public use is up 675 percent and earnings have increased 1147 percent. Some idea of the opportunity existing here in Maine for the expansion and development of a State Park System is shown by the fact that our State Park use is 25 percent of our population. This compares to a national average of 86 and a New England average of 96. Believing Maine to be "Vacationland," this indicates a growth in public use of 61 percent to attain the present national level and 71 percent to attain the present New England level.

All the ten State Parks, except the Salmon Falls area, have been partially developed for day and overnight use. Of the thirteen State Memorials, six are now open for public use. Facilities have increased from one each: ski trail, ski tow, toboggan chute and building to the following: 12,300 feet of beach, 12 miles of road, 38 miles of trail, 3 ski tows, 4 ski trails, 250 fireplaces, 600 picnic tables, 41 water outlets, 150 toilet units, 170 campsites and 172 structures.

This growth, however, has not kept pace with the rapidly increasing demands for recreational facilities and no one area is yet adequately equipped with facilities to meet the present needs. For example, the campground at Sebago Lake in one day in 1949 had 743 registered campers in an area designed for 300 campers with only one latrine consisting of eight water closets and two urinals. The requirements of the State Health and Welfare Department call for 50 units as against the ten units available. Another eight unit toilet was installed in 1949 and an additional unit is to be built in 1950. The development and repair projects on all areas for the 1949 season were practically all in the form of utilities necessary to correct as much as possible the present substandard conditions. It is hoped that funds may be made available in the near future to bring these and other necessary facilities up to the minimum standards.

ACQUISITIONS

This past year has seen the addition of four new areas to the state park system and an offer to increase the size of Reid State Park.

VAUGHAN WOODS, a gift of 250 acres in South Berwick, on the shore of the Salmon Falls River, and \$35,000 for its care have been bequeathed to the State Park Commission under the will of Mrs. Elizabeth Vaughan.

FORT ST. GEORGE AND BATTERY GOSSELIN at Castine have been bequeathed to the State Park Commission under the will of Miss Amy Witherle.

LAMOINE STATE PARK, a tract of waterfront property comprising about 55 acres and located at Lamoine, was transferred to the State Park Commission in August, 1949, together with \$27,000 for its development, maintenance and operation.

REID STATE PARK—The additional gifts of about 430 acres by Walter E. Reid of Georgetown will make this State Park, when completed, one of the finest seashore parks in the country.

ADMINISTRATION

The office has been under the direction of Charles P. Bradford, whose duties have been to maintain general supervision over the personnel of the Commission engaged in planning, development, field and office work; to be responsible for records, inventory, purchases and plans; and to supervise construction and maintenance projects.

The growth of the Park system has made necessary an addition to its staff and the position of Director of State Parks was created this past spring. Harold J. Dyer, former Supervisor of Baxter State Park, was employed to fill this position.

The organization now comprises the following: (*new positions)

State Park Commission

Chairman	William H. Raye
Secretary	Faust Couture
	Ivan A. Trueworthy
Ex officio	A. D. Nutting
Ex officio	George J. Stobie

Office

*Director of State Parks	Harold J. Dyer
Principal Clerk	Arthur J. Grondin
Clerk Stenographer	Virginia R. Austin
*Junior Clerk Stenographer	J. Adrienne Mann

Operations Division

Superintendent of State Parks	Charles P. Bradford
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Planning Division

Park Planner	Clyde N. Manwell
Engineering Assistant	Robert C. Haraden
*Engineering Aid	Robert H. Dyer

This increase in staff will enable the Commission to complete a long recognized need of Master Plans. These will indicate the facilities needed for maximum use and the most efficient means for operating and maintaining each area.

Experience indicated that the Commission should expand its planning division, not only to take care of present needs, but to make advance long range plans for future needs. In addition to being desirable it is a money saver for the state, as supervision of construction has cost only 7.25% of the cost against the accepted 10%.

STATE PARKS

Aroostook State Park — Linwood Delano, Custodian

Located six miles south of Presque Isle it contains 430 acres featuring the Quoggy Joe Mountains and shore frontage on Echo Lake. Donated by the Merchants Association of Presque Isle, it has been improved by the State with capital expenditures of \$28,823. Public use is now at the level of 10,148 with present facilities consisting of three toilets of six units, 27 picnic tables with only 11 fireplaces, 2 overnight camping sites and a ski tow. It is difficult to correlate the high level of public use in view of the meager amount of facilities available for recreation.

The immediate need is to provide for suitable day-use picnic space. Lack of storage space is critical. It is essential that proper storage be provided for automotive equipment, forest fire tools and other materials. The present development fund of \$650 made available by the 94th Legislature is not adequate to cope with the problem.

Recent improvements include: The ski tow was extended to 700 feet with mechanical housing and slope grading, a concession was constructed and a water system was installed to serve headquarters and the picnic area. A small building is being altered to serve as a bathhouse and work has started on the development of a small camping area. The headquarters building has been stained on the outside, and the interior has been stained, waxed and refinished throughout. The grounds around the headquarters were graded and seeded. As a safety measure the children's bathing area has been limited by the installation of floats.

Bradbury Mt. State Park — Henry B. Darkis, Custodian

Situated one-half mile north of Pownal Center it contains 172 acres featuring Bradbury Mountain. Leased from the United States Department of Agriculture with an initial development by that agency of \$8,408, this area has been further improved by the State with capital expenditures of \$631. Present public use is now at a level of 6,980 with present facilities consisting of two toilets of 2 units each, 29 picnic tables with 18 fireplaces, and 9 overnight camping sites. This area needs a large campground area to provide suitable sites for tent camps

and space for trailers to release the present camping area for its proper use as additional picnic sites. To accomplish this it will be necessary to acquire about five acres of land adjacent to the present picnic sites. This is essential to maintain one control point for both day use and camping and to utilize existing water system. Present land areas are unsuitable for campsites.

A ski tow was constructed in 1946 and a ski slope graded. The engine room, concession and warming room have been combined into one structure. Recent improvements include the installation of a new drinking fountain in the picnic area, 6 fireplaces and picnic tables, and two 20-power binoculars taken from a Japanese battleship were mounted on the summit. The headquarters has been improved and work is in progress to set up a workshop in the barn to facilitate construction of signs, display cabinets, tables, temporary toilets and do other necessary woodworking for other areas of the park system. Some work of this nature has already been accomplished, as—for the office: a magazine rack, a file box for blueprints, a carrying box for projection screen and a key case and folder cabinet; for Reid State Park: 4 temporary toilets, a large entrance sign and many smaller signs.

Camden Hills State Park — Ralph J. Swift, Custodian

Located in Camden and Lincolnville on the Atlantic coast it contains 4,962 acres featuring the Camden Hills and shore frontage on Penobscot Bay. It was acquired and developed by the National Park Service as a Recreational Demonstration Area with an initial development by that agency of \$300,000. This area was further improved by the state with a capital expenditure of \$2700. Present public use is now at a level of 23,460 with present facilities consisting of 32 toilet units, 62 picnic tables with 44 fireplaces and 13 overnight campsites. A new foundation was placed under the water system pump in Camp Tangelwood Area and the other water system servicing the picnic and campground area was improved. The latter work consisted of enlarging the pump house, installing iron removal and neutralizing filters with appurtenances to correct the iron condition of the water, and installing automatic controls in the reservoir and cushion tank.

The Camden Hills State Park has two phases of recreation not present on any other area in Maine. (1) The Camden Hills Theatre

group live and rehearse on the area. At the suggestion of this department this group in 1949 presented Shakespeare's "Macbeth" at Fort Knox State Park. The performance was exceptionally well received and is to be repeated this year. (2) In the Ducktrap area the Bangor YWCA sponsors a camp for about 100 girls utilizing the park's organized camp facilities.

The present temporary CCC barracks on this park have reached a condition where it is necessary to remove these structures. This is desirable rather than attempt major repairs since the location is unsightly and the space is needed for trailer camping and further tent-camp space. The barracks are being used at the present time as summer quarters for the Camden Hills Theatre group.

Included in this state park are ski area developments consisting of ski trails, warming hut, parking areas, and approach roads (not completed). It is believed that this winter sports development should not remain idle. The area should be improved and made available to the public. The approach road should be completed and a ski slope and ski tow constructed. Suitable buildings should be erected to provide dormitory type quarters for winter sport enthusiasts which would also be suitable as summer quarters for the Camden Hills Theatre group. This would not only provide a source of income from winter recreation, but income from summer use as well and at the same time relieve the unsightly congestion which exists at the present time on the approach to the existing campground in the main Park area.

Fort Knox State Park — Elijah L. Morse, Custodian

Situated one-quarter mile above the prize winning Waldo-Hancock Bridge over the Penobscot River it contains 124 acres, featuring Fort Knox built in 1846. Purchased by the State from the Federal Government as a Memorial at a cost of \$2,121, it has been improved by the State with capital expenditures of \$17,658. Public use is now at a level of 31,474, with occasional use levels of 1,000 visitors a day. The popularity of this area has caused it to be classified as a State Park. The Camden Hills Theatre group presented Shakespeare's "Macbeth" in this fort in 1949. The performance was exceptionally well received and is to be repeated in 1950.

Present facilities consist of five toilet units and 24 picnic tables with 11 fireplaces. From the public use standpoint, Fort Knox ranks second

to Sebago Lake State Park. Even though the fort was constructed over 100 years ago it is in excellent repair except for movement resulting from the entrance of water. This is being remedied at the present time. Extensive waterproofing and pointing work is being carried on to correct and prevent further serious damage to the fort by water and frost action. A new storm shelter and concession is in the planning stage. Electric power was installed in the shop, and during the slack periods of off-season months seven 14-foot rowboats and 22 lawn chairs were built and distributed to other parks.

The tremendous increase in public use has overtaxed the existing space for parking and picnicking. It is planned in the immediate future to correct this situation by the construction of a suitable parking area, relocating the entrance and the checking station and utilizing the present parking area for additional picnic sites.

Lake St. George State Park — Egbert Whitcomb, Custodian

Located in Liberty and Montville this area contains 5,311 acres featuring shore frontage on Lake St. George. Leased from the United States Department of Agriculture with an initial development by that agency of \$105,071, it is to be further improved by the State with capital expenditures of \$7,500. Public use is now at a level of 11,786, with existing facilities consisting of 10 toilet units, 51 picnic tables with 25 fireplaces and 25 campsites. A ski tow was built in 1947 and a ski slope was graded. Preliminary plans have been prepared for the expansion of parking on the picnic area and expanding the camping area. This development should relieve the present lack of space for parking, picnicking and camping which should take care of the most critical needs of this area.

At the garage of this park an automotive repair shop has been established. Park trucks and tractors are taken here during the off-season months for major repair jobs, as are other gasoline operated machines such as the weasel which has been put into operating condition to be utilized on Reid State Park to move equipment over the sand dunes. Disposition of equipment and materials for the entire park system is accomplished by personnel of this area using the heavier rack and dump trucks for that purpose. Sixty-six picnic tables were built here for other areas, namely: Fort Edgecomb Memorial, 6; Reid State Park, 50; and Mt. Blue State Park, 10.

Lamoine State Park — Henry Young, Custodian

Located at Lamoine, it consists of 55 acres, featuring shore property on Frenchman's Bay. It was transferred from the University of Maine with a development fund of \$27,000.

A custodian has been employed, and the area is being made suitable for limited public use for the 1950 season. The grounds have been cleared and extensive repairs to the headquarters building are being made. Fireplaces and picnic tables are being provided, and water outlets and toilet facilities are to be installed. All this will make the area more suitable for picnicking and bathing this summer, while more detailed planning for development is in progress. The steel pier, a part of the U. S. Naval Coaling Station of World War I, is to be salvaged.

Mt. Blue State Park — Robert H. Dyer, Custodian

Situated in Weld and Avon, this area consists of 4,921 acres featuring Mt. Blue and shore frontage on Webb Lake. Leased from the United States Department of Agriculture with an initial development by that agency of \$124,625, it has been further improved by the State with capital expenditures of \$6,957. Public use is now at the level of 7,754 with the following facilities: 15 toilet units, 60 picnic tables with 38 fireplaces and 14 campsites.

Recent development work includes, — at Webb Beach: drinking water for the day use and camping areas and the construction of a telephone line. At headquarters on Center Hill: a new service building has been completed, the water system rehabilitated for human consumption and the electrical system altered to meter separately the State's and custodian's power.

The campground at Webb Lake is inadequate and should be redesigned, relocated and enlarged. Because Mt. Blue State Park is not handy to population centers it should feature overnight camping. This is impossible with 14 campsites.

Another section of the park near the base of Mt. Blue has only an access road with no facilities available for public use. The area is highly rated for its scenic value, and is potentially one of the finest ski areas of the state. In order that this park be used in the fullest possible manner it is essential that future planning be directed towards accomplishing this end, namely, year-around public use of the Mt. Blue District.

Salmon Falls State Park

Located in Hollis on the east bank of the Saco River it consists of 80 acres, given to the State by the Appalachian Mountain Club in 1946. The public use area and the spectacular gorge of the Saco River have been flooded for hydro-electric power. This area is now undeveloped and is under part-time maintenance by John McNierney.

Sebago Lake State Park — Rodney Welch, Custodian

Situated in Naples and Casco on both sides of the mouth of the Songo River it consists of 1,296 acres. Leased from the United States Department of Agriculture with an initial development by that agency of \$224,309, it has further been improved by the State with capital expenditures of \$78,671. A sum of \$36,747 is available for further improvement as provided by the Development Fund for State Park Facilities.

Public use on this area is now at the annual level of 95,693. Weekend use of the picnic area often surpasses 5,000 daily and overnight use occasionally reaches 700. Present facilities consist of 56 toilet units, 189 picnic tables with 88 fireplaces and 67 campsites.

The toilet systems at Sebago with the exception of one have been converted from chemical to waterbourne systems. Further developments along this line include a new latrine and laundry unit on the Naples campground, with 25 campsites including picnic tables and fireplaces and a parking area for 25 cars.

Other work accomplished includes electrical service to the ranger and checking stations, $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles of treated road surface and the construction of 75 picnic tables. Plans and specifications have been prepared for the construction of another latrine unit in the campground with an additional 50 campsites, improved roads and approaches to same. A Ranger station was built at the Naples Beach Campground and a utility building was also constructed in that area to handle wood, ice and vehicles. Preliminary plans have been prepared to revise the parking space on the day use area to accommodate 1050 cars.

The tremendous overload on the existing facilities at Sebago Lake State Park makes corrective measures an urgent necessity. The day use of Songo Beach is rapidly approaching the limits of maximum use; however the overnight camping area at Naples Beach is well suited to considerable further development, particularly the Witch's Cove Beach section. Future planning will be directed toward these ends.

Reid State Park — Ray B. Cate, Custodian (Seasonal)

Situated in Georgetown on the Atlantic Coast, it consists of 355 acres of seashore, featuring Mile Beach and Half-mile Beach, donated to the state by Walter E. Reid. The present capital expenditures by the state total \$47,435 and \$53,407 is available to continue the program.

A bridge was constructed to provide access to the Griffith's Head area, combined with a dam to maintain a fifteen-inch tide range for a warm water bathing pool. Work is in progress on one-quarter mile of road, parking areas for 200 cars and the warm water bathing pool. Sites are being cleared for fireplaces and picnic tables. The four temporary toilets, 50 picnic tables, and various signs were made at Bradbury Mt. State Park and were moved to Reid State Park and assembled as work progressed. Surveys are in progress for a water and sewage system for the Griffith's Head area.

Upon the completion of the present work projects, it will be necessary to begin construction of the following units: checking station, bathhouse, sanitary facilities, concessions, and the administrative area with necessary quarters, storage and service buildings. Electric power and telephone communications will have to be provided. It will also be necessary to develop an overnight campground if present demands are any indication. Day-use expansion will be necessary in the Todd's Point area to provide for the proper full use of the beach areas.



STATE MEMORIALS

Battery Gosselin Memorial

Located in Castine, it was bequeathed to the State Park Commission in 1950 under the will of Miss Amy Witherle. The area is undeveloped.

Fort Baldwin Memorial

Located at Sabino Hill, Popham Beach, Phippsburg, it consists of 45 acres purchased from the Federal Government for \$5,000 in 1924. This area is undeveloped.

Fort Edgecomb Memorial — Walker Boardway, Ranger

Located on Fort Point, Davis Island, North Edgecomb and containing 3.15 acres, it was purchased from the Federal Government for \$501 in 1923 and features an octagonal wooden blockhouse fortified during the War of 1812, open to the public. Public use is at an annual level of 7,512 and facilities consist of 2 toilet units, 16 picnic tables and 10 fireplaces.

Ten picnic tables constructed at Lake St. George State Park have been added to this area and it will be necessary to expand the parking area to cope with increased public use. It is essential in the near future that work be directed towards preserving the old powder magazines which are an integral part of this Memorial.

Fort George Memorial

Located in Castine on a hill overlooking the harbor it was bequeathed to the State Park Commission in 1950 under the will of Miss Amy Witherle. The area has considerable historical significance having been under the flag of four nations, and it is the burial site of British officers and seamen.

Arrangements are now being made with the Town of Castine to take care of this property under a revocable license.

Fort Machias Memorial

Located at Machiasport it consists of 2 acres purchased from the Federal Government for \$100 in 1923. The area is undeveloped.

Fort McClary Memorial — Oscar Clark, Ranger

Situated on Kittery Point it contains 27.5 acres purchased from the Federal Government for \$3,100 in 1924 and features fortifications with a hexagonal blockhouse built in 1840. Public use is at a level of 3,500 and facilities consist of 2 toilets, 8 picnic tables, with 2 fireplaces. Part of the cost of maintaining this area is borne by the town of Kittery, particularly the picnic area and the bathing pool. The blockhouse has been repaired and repainted and 10 picnic tables are to be added to the area. Some grading is necessary to improve the parking space at the Fort and an entrance gate should be erected. Appropriate signs need to be provided.

Fort Popham Memorial — John Clark, Ranger

Located at Popham Beach, Phippsburg, it contains 6.6 acres purchased from the Federal Government for \$6,600 in 1924 and features a Fort erected in 1861 but never completed. Staffed for the first time this year the Ranger's quarters were renovated. Two old buildings were removed and the entire area cleaned up. Ten picnic tables and fireplaces have been built. Considerable fill and grading will be necessary to improve approach road, the parking areas, and an entrance gate should be erected.

Fort St. George's Memorial

Located in St. George, it contains 2.6 acres purchased from the Federal Government in 1923 for \$22.50. This area is undeveloped.

Fort William Henry Memorial — John Partridge, Ranger

Located at Pemaquid Beach, Bristol, it contains 1 acre and is a gift of the Pemaquid Memorial Association in 1900, featuring a replica of Fort William Henry which stood from 1692-1696. Public use is now at a level of 8,116. Plans are in progress to classify the museum collection and to provide suitable display cases. The roof was rebuilt and the interior refinished in 1946.

John Paul Jones Memorial

Located on the east bank of the Piscataqua River where the U. S. Highway No. 1 enters Maine at Kittery, it contains 1.7 acres. This area is maintained by the State Park Commission with the cooperation of the Town of Kittery.

Mere Point Memorial

Located at Mere Point, Brunswick, it contains $\frac{1}{4}$ acre. No facilities are available; however, the area is under part-time maintenance by Winfield Smith.

Vaughan Woods Memorial

Located in South Berwick and containing about 250 acres it was bequeathed to the State Park Commission under the will of Mrs. Elizabeth Vaughan in 1950 with \$35,000 for its care. It is the present plan of the State Park Commission to maintain the area as a Memorial Woods in its natural wild state. The simplest form of day use, with the existing paths and trails kept free from underbrush and rank growth, is desirable rather than attempt its development for intensive recreational use. Arrangements are being made for maintenance by a Ranger.

North and South Sugar Loaf Islands Memorial

Located off Hunniwell Point, Phippsburg, and containing 2 acres, they were purchased from the Federal Government for \$25.00 in 1923. These areas are undeveloped.

SUMMARY

The rapid growth of State Parks and Memorials in Maine and the tremendous increases in the use of their facilities by the public have resulted in serious overloads on existing recreational areas. To cope with this problem steps have been taken to enlarge the State Park organization and to improve the existing recreational areas. Planning also has been directed towards utilizing to the fullest degree the recreational opportunities which are in an undeveloped state at the present time on existing State Parks and Memorials. Efforts are likewise being made to acquire additional distinctive areas suitable for State Parks and Memorials to provide a well balanced system of outdoor recreational areas for the benefit of the people of Maine.

APPENDIX I

OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES STATE PARK COMMISSION

1. It shall be the purpose of the State Park Commission to acquire, develop, maintain, and operate land and water areas suitable for recreation. These areas may be of great scenic beauty; of scientific, educational, and historical interest, or for physical pleasure only, but they must be sufficiently distinctive and notable to interest people from comparatively distant parts of the State.
2. It shall be the purpose of the State Park Commission to study and ascertain as nearly as possible and report to the Governor and Council from time to time:
 - A. The state's actual and potential outdoor recreational resources and facilities.
 - B. The needs of the people of this state and out-of-state visitors for such resources and facilities.
 - C. The extent to which such recreational needs are being currently met whether by publicly owned or privately owned facilities.
3. It shall be the purpose of the State Park Commission to provide the following units defined in the State Park System:

State Parks—Areas of considerable extent in which are combined either superlative scenic characteristics and a fairly varied opportunity for active recreation or distinctive scenic character and exceptional opportunity for active recreation.

State Recreation Areas—Areas which, lacking scenic distinction, supply such opportunity for active recreation as entitles them to be considered a part of the State's responsibility.

State Memorials and/or Monuments—Holdings established for public use wholly or dominantly because of their historic, archeological, or scientific interest on which even the simplest type of active recreation, if permitted at all, are subordinated to the primary purpose for which such memorials and/or monuments are established.

GENERAL POLICIES

General policies as to the development and operation of state areas are established by the Commission. However, the responsibility for enforcement and interpretation of those policies in the light of special requirements of any individual area rests on the man in charge of it.

1. Systemic agreements

- A. It shall be the policy of the Commission to cooperate with Federal Agencies in the planning, development, maintenance, and use of recreational areas. It will also be the policy of the Commission, upon their request, to assist other state agencies, county and municipal agencies in the study and planning of their recreational areas.
- B. Acceptance of gifts or loans by private donors to the System on individual areas which are clearly significant to the area or areas will be encouraged. Acceptance of objects not appropriate to the areas will be forbidden.

2. Area development

- A. A master plan envisioning as fully as possible the ultimate development of each area as far as can be done by use of map, graph, chart, picture, and descriptive text shall be prepared for each area of the State Park System. Master plans shall be kept up to date periodically.
- B. Roads shall be established only where necessary and as a means of access to major areas of use.
- C. When either government or privately owned structures are so located as to obstruct developments necessary to the public interest, their removal, either by purchase or by replacement shall be considered as part the expense of construction.

3. Area operation

- A. A program of use will be encouraged which will result in the maximum benefits possible to the largest number of people to an extent which will not result in impairment of the area's resources.

- B. Interpretative programs shall be developed and maintained to aid visitors in a better understanding and for greater enjoyment of the area and its features. Interpretative services shall be provided by means of conducted field trips, illustrated talks, exhibits and displays, nature trails, markers, libraries, and literature, visual aids and photographs, study collections and fact files, and by other interpretative devices and media.
- C. In general the operation of facilities on an individual area for the accommodation of the public will be the direct responsibility of the park staff. Certain facilities such as restaurants, saddle horses, etc., may be let out to concessionaires for operation upon written contract signed by the Commission with the consent and approval of the Governor and Council.

All fixed facilities such as buildings, and their permanent contents, with water supply and sewage disposal systems, etc., whether or not park staff operated or concessionaire operated, must be publicly owned.
- D. It will be a generally accepted practice to make a charge for services involving the protection of personal property, the consumption of material goods, or the exclusive use of certain equipment.
- E. Souvenirs and curios offered for sale should be the quality desired both as a sale product and in keeping with the ideas and principles of the Commission. Selected American handi-craft or that representative of the locality in which an area is located, books, photographs, and other items that facilitate the public use and enjoyment of the area should be given consideration.
- F. Protection
 - 1. Every effort shall be made to protect visitors to state park areas and to safeguard their health. Public property in state areas shall be safeguarded against fire and other hazards.
 - 2. It shall be the policy of the Commission to preserve certain portions of its areas in an essentially unmodified, natural condition, and, at historical areas, to preserve a scene as nearly as possible as it appeared on a certain date.

3. (a) Every species of wildlife native to the area will be given protection. When it becomes necessary to control a species because of undue damage to plant life, or other animal life, or personal and public property, it shall be accomplished by removing offending individuals, not by reducing the general population of the species.

(b) Hunting in state park areas is not compatible with the purpose for which they are established and will not be permitted.

APPENDIX II

AGREEMENTS---June, 1950

AROOSTOOK STATE PARK

1. U. S. Civil Aeronautics Administration
 - a. Airplane blinker—\$1.00
 - b. Pole line to above blinker—\$1.00
2. G. Laffin, Boat concession—10% of gross receipts
3. Mrs. Linwood Delano, Concession—5% of gross receipts
4. Presque Isle Community Association, Day Camping program—\$25.00

BRADBURY MT. STATE PARK

1. Mrs. Henry Darkis, Concession—5% of gross receipts

CAMDEN HILLS STATE PARK

1. Rental of CCC Barracks, Camden Hills Theatre—\$500.
2. Rental of Camp Tanglewood, Bangor-Brewer YWCA—\$1200

FORT KNOX STATE PARK

1. Elton E. Crosby, Concession—5% of gross receipts

LAKE ST. GEORGE STATE PARK

1. Mrs. Egbert Whitcomb, Concession, winter—5% of gross receipts
2. Mildred Tyler, Concession, summer—5% of gross receipts
3. Maine Forest Service, Site for fire tower—no fee

MT. BLUE STATE PARK

1. Maine Forest Service, Site for fire tower—no fee

SEBAGO LAKE STATE PARK

1. Central Maine Power Company—Right-of-way
 - a. Extension to Cub Point and Bear Island—\$1.00
 - b. Extension to Fish and Game Department cabin—\$1.00
2. Site for Fish and Game Department's warden camp—no fee
3. Site for Maine Forest Service storehouse—no fee
4. Wallace Welch, Concession, Songo District—15% of gross receipts
5. Israel Goldstein, Concession, Naples District—5% of gross receipts

FORT EDGECOMB MEMORIAL

1. Walker Boardway, Concession—5% of gross receipts

FORT POPHAM MEMORIAL

1. U. S. Coast Guard, light and fog signal—no fee

FORT WILLIAM HENRY MEMORIAL

1. Towers Optical Company, Coin-operated binoculars— $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ of gross receipts