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INTERIOR EMPLOYEES NAMED TO RECEIVE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AND VALOR AWARDS

Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall announced today that the Department's Distinguished Service Award will be presented June 4 to 42 outstanding employees and former employees and Valor Awards to 9 others for acts of bravery in which they risked their own lives in successful rescues. Award ceremonies will be in the Interior Building Auditorium, Washington, D. C., at 2 p.m.

Six of the Valor Awards will go to seasonal employees of the National Park Service, who formed a team that plucked Lorraine Hough, 21 years old, Sandwich, Ill., and Gaylord K. Campbell, 26, Mahopac, N. Y., from a narrow ledge on the sheer north wall of the Grand Teton, Grand Teton National Park, Wyoming, last August.

Campbell suffered a broken leg and bruises when rock showered down from the peak as he and Miss Hough were within 600 feet of reaching the 13,766 foot summit. Miss Hough was not injured.

Those comprising the rescue team, which worked August 22 to 24, to bring the pair to safety, were: Hans M. Ermarth, 5419 University Ave., Chicago Ill.; Ralph H. Tingey, 789 8th Ave., Salt Lake City, Utah; Richard L. Reese, 2390 E. Ashbury, Denver, Colo.; Robert W. Irvine, 2002 E. 21st South, Salt Lake City, Utah; Leon R. Sinclair, University of Washington English Department, Seattle; and Ted L. Wilson, 2537 South 18th East, also Salt Lake City.

The Interior rescue group was aided by Leigh Ortenburger of Palo Alto, Calif., who was vacationing in the park.

A citation for the Interior employees noted that the rescue of Campbell "required an unprecedented stretcher evacuation down the precipitous North Face of the mountain, one of the longest, most difficult and dangerous mountaineering routes in the United States."

Richard J. Francis, principal teacher of the Bureau of Indian Affairs' Elim Day School at Elim, Alaska, was named for a Valor Award for rescuing a fourth-grade pupil, Linda Nylin, from the frigid waters of Norton Bay of the Bering Sea after her small boat capsized last October 9.

Another Valor Award goes to Therman "Pat" Ingram, a BIA employee at Juneau, Alaska, for rescuing Susan Patterson, 13 years old, and her brother, Stewart, 3, from their burning home in Juneau on April 20, 1967. The fire took the lives of their mother and two other Patterson children.

James B. Garner, a Bureau of Land Management official, 2020 Sandy Lane, Bakersfield, Calif., will receive a Valor Award for risking his life in rescuing a small girl, April 16, 1967, from the heavy surf of the Pacific Ocean near Morro Rock, San Luis Obispo County, California. The girl vanished after the rescue and her identity was not determined.

Those who will receive Distinguished Service Awards are:

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AREA

Washington, D. C.

Eugene D. Eaton, Associate Director, Office of Water Resources Research, 4514 Davenport St., N. W.

Sidney D. Larson, Office of the Secretary, 3001 Beazey Terrace, N. W. (posthumous).

Mary A. McColligan, Office of the Solicitor, 1301 15th St., N. W.

Clarence F. Pautzke, Commissioner, Fish and Wildlife Service, and Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, 2121 P St., N. W.

Robert A. Vaughan, Office of the Assistant Secretary-Public Land Management, 3311 Rittenhouse St., N. W.

Arlington, Va.

Ralph C. Baker, Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, 3027 N. John Marshall Dr.
John A. Carver, Jr., Vice Chairman, Federal Power Commission, who served
Interior as Assistant Secretary-Public Land Management and as Under
Secretary, 4421 25th St., N.
Charles E. Remington, Bureau of Land Management, 2005 Columbia Pike.
Harold G. Smith, National Park Service, 5629 34th St., N.

Falls Church, Va.

George F. Baggley, National Park Service, 6129 Leesburg Pike.

McLean, Va.

Gilbert G. Stamm, Bureau of Reclamation, 1049 Balls Hill Rd.

Oakton, Va.

John Ricca, Deputy Director, Office of Oil and Gas, 11342 Vale Rd.

Springfield, Va.

Newell B. Terry, Director of Personnel for Interior, 7411 Grace St.

Bethesda, Md.

Douglas R. Woodward, Geological Survey, 4603 Woodfield Rd.
Ernest F. Hom, Office of the Solicitor, 6711 Loring Court.
Robert C. Horne, National Park Service, 9432 Rose Hill Dr.
A. Bruce Wright, Office of the Solicitor, 6216 Wedgewood Rd.

Silver Spring, Md.

Ray C. Erickson, Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, 13009 Collingwood
Terrace.

Rogersville, Ala.

R. Ethelyn Miller, Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Juneau, Alaska

Urban C. Nelson, Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife.

Phoenix, Ariz.

William W. Head, Area Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1342 E. Georgia Ave.
Frederick J. Weiler, Bureau of Land Management, 724 E. Haywood.

DeQueen, Ark.

Norma C. Runyan, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 922 W. Vandervort Ave.

Los Altos, Calif.

Warren W. Hastings, Regional Hydrologist, Geological Survey, 551 Hawthorne Ave.

Fresno, Calif.

John M. Davis, National Park Service, 5052-B N. Wishon.

Sacramento, Calif.

J. Russell Penny, State Director, Bureau of Land Management, 3249 Clairidge Way.
Joseph F. Poland, Geological Survey, 1357 40th St.

Golden, Colo.

Harold G. Arthur, Bureau of Reclamation, 1730 Zinnia Court.

Lakewood, Colo.

Graydon E. Burnett, Chief Research Scientist, Bureau of Reclamation,
22537 W. 26th Pl.

Largo, Fla.

Charles Butler, Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, 107 Oakwood Dr., Harbor Bluffs.

Watertown, Mass.

Edward P. Furber, former Chief Justice, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

Ann Arbor, Mich.

James W. Moffett, Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, 1204 Brooklyn (posthumous).

Stillwater, Minn.

Robert A. Uppgren, Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, Rt. 2, Boom Rd.
(posthumous).

Winona, Minn.

Donald V. Gray, Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, 67 E. Howard St.

Omaha, Neb.

Nelson Murdock, former Chief, U. S. Park Police.

Morristown, N. J.

Francis S. Ronalds, National Park Service, 2 Hamilton Rd.

Bartlesville, Okla.

Richard W. Hurn, Bureau of Mines, 802 Winding Way.

Portland, Ore.

Wade M. Ramsey, Bonneville Power Administration, 8414 N. E. Brazee.

Pittsburgh, Pa.

Joseph H. Field, Bureau of Mines, 3177 Shady Ave.

Brigham City, Utah

Dorothy Hanlon, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 76 N. Fourth West.

Leetown, W. Va.

Stanislas F. Snieszko, Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife.

Laramie, Wyo.

Gerald U. Dinneen, Bureau of Mines, 2040 Holliday Dr.

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CITATION
FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE
R. ETHELYN MILLER

in recognition of exceptional service in the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Miss Miller entered the Bureau in 1940, as a classroom teacher at the Dennehotso Community School on the Navajo Reservation. Except for a short period in the Women's Army Corps, she devoted her entire career to the improvement of educational opportunities for Indian children and the overall development of the Indian people. Because of her professional and personal skills, friendly manner, and sincere interest in the Indian people, she was employed by the Bureau early in her service to pioneer in such efforts as the community day school program on the Navajo Reservation, the Special Navajo Program for overage students, and the movement from Bureau to public school operation given impetus by Federal aid to education legislation. Following assignments as supervisor of Indian education, education specialist, principal, and school superintendent, she transferred to the Washington Office in 1955, where she continued to assume increased responsibility, progressing to the position of Chief of In-Service Education and Program Review. She contributed significantly in organizing and conducting workshops for school administrators and other personnel; and in editing *Indian Education*, a publication prepared for Bureau school personnel but in wide use by other educators, schools, and libraries in this and other countries. In recognition of her contributions to the educational welfare of the Indian people, the Department of the Interior grants to Miss Miller its highest honor, the Distinguished Service Award.

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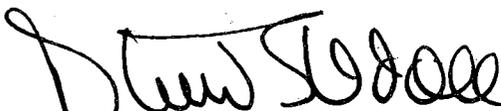


CITATION
FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

WILLIAM W. HEAD

in recognition of an outstanding record in administration and exceptional contributions to the general welfare of Indian and non-Indian people.

In 1932, Mr. Head entered Government service with the Bureau of Insular Affairs as a teacher in the Philippine Islands. Showing administrative capabilities, he was promoted to positions of greater responsibilities finally becoming the principal of the largest agricultural school in the Philippines. Joining the Bureau of Indian Affairs in 1937, he served as a principal of Indian schools in Arizona and Oklahoma. Becoming Superintendent of the Papago Reservation, Mr. Head was on the job less than six months when he was called to Poston, Arizona, to direct the organization and development of a relocation center for twenty thousand Japanese-Americans being evacuated from the West Coast by the Army. After the War Relocation Authority assumed supervision of the Camp at the end of 1942, he served as Superintendent of Indian reservations in Arizona, Oregon and Oklahoma. Since 1949, he has served successively as Area Director in the Anadarko, Gallup and Phoenix Areas. Throughout his career, Mr. Head has been continually lauded by tribal organizations, civic groups and Congressmen for the efficiency and good will created by his administrations, for his eminent career as an administrator, and for the increased stature that his accomplishments have given the Government service. In December 1967, after the worst snowstorm remembered in history, had deposited from ten inches to seven feet of snow over the Hopi and Navajo Reservations, Mr. Head directed and coordinated the haylift programs of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. In recognition of his superior administration and his contributions to the Indian people and the general public, the Department of the Interior grants Mr. Head its highest honor, the Distinguished Service Award.


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FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

NORMA C. RUNYAN

in recognition of exceptional service in the field of Indian education.

Miss Runyan entered the Bureau of Indian Affairs in 1937, after eleven years as a teacher in the public schools of Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Texas. She began her career in the Bureau, teaching at the Tuba City Boarding School on the Navajo Reservation, where she recognized the special needs of Indian children and developed a more meaningful instructional program for them. This sensitivity to the needs of the Indian people characterized her work throughout the years; it enabled her to exert a beneficial influence upon the lives of the students, and to assist many teachers in understanding and overcoming the difficulties they encountered in working with students with a different cultural and language background. Miss Runyan served as a supervisor of Indian education on the Navajo Reservation for nine years and as director of the Special Navajo Program for overage Navajo youth in nine boarding schools for five years. In 1954, she was requested to join the Washington staff to give direction to curriculum development for elementary grades. The present basic goals, which she developed in concert with educational staff at all levels, serve as a guide for Bureau schools and are used by other education agencies in the United States and in foreign countries. In recognition of her valuable contributions to Indian education and the overall development of the Indian people, the Department of the Interior grants to Miss Runyan its highest honor, the Distinguished Service Award.

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CITATION
FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE
DOROTHY HANLON

in recognition of outstanding service with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior.

Miss Hanlon entered the Bureau of Indian Affairs in 1930, as a teacher at the Genoa School in Nebraska. She taught Indian children in Bureau schools at that location and in Oklahoma and Mississippi. Later she taught at Sherman Institute, where a nongraded program for adolescent non-English-speaking Navajos had been introduced the previous year. Her effective performance in that position led to her appointment the following year as head teacher of the special program at the Albuquerque Indian School, and two years later as education specialist at the newly established Intermountain School for two thousand Navajo youth. She continued to advance as she demonstrated tact and skill in working with teachers and diverse groups of administrators, and good judgment and exceptional ability in identifying problems and assisting staff in resolving difficulties. In 1962, she was selected as coordinator of activities of a team of education specialists comprising the Field Technical Unit of the Washington Office, remaining in that position until her retirement. During her career with the Bureau, Miss Hanlon handled numerous special assignments, receiving special recognition for a reading survey she planned and conducted at eleven boarding schools. For her contributions and untiring service to the cause of Indian education, the Department of the Interior grants Miss Hanlon its highest honor, the Distinguished Service Award.

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