

OUTFITTERS AND GUIDES BOARD

McCall, Idaho

December 15-16, 1971

The meeting convened at 7 p.m., at Shore Lodge, with members present: Chairman Lanham, James F. Baughman, Lon Jarvis, and Jim Renshaw. Investigators Mike Wilkins and Cecil Sanford were also present. The secretary was unable to be present due to illness.

The purpose of the meeting was to review matters to be discussed with individual outfitters on the following day. The meeting recessed at 11 p.m. until 8 a.m. on December 16, when it reconvened with the same members present.

Harry Vaughn was asked to appear because of a complaint that some of his guides were actually independent outfitters. The board explained that this practice cannot be approved.

Jack Nygaard appeared to discuss the operation of Dallas Wyatt whose guide license had been denied by the board. His excuse was that he didn't know the license was denied, although a copy of the notice of denial had been sent to him.

He also asked for a part of the area formerly used by Norman Thomas. Mr. Thomas had used area licensed to Nygaard, Gilman and Renshaw, and since the area which did not overlap on others was very small, it was decided to divide the area among the three adjoining outfitters.

Gertrude Maxwell appeared to see about selling or leasing her operation to one of her licensed guides, Ted Rux. She was told that if he qualifies as an outfitter and guide, he should submit an application for license.

Dave Giles appeared to discuss complaints concerning two of his guides harassing independent hunters at one of his camps and not allowing them to water their horses. He stated it was not a critical matter that they get water at his camp--there was a public campground a short distance away. He was told that he is responsible for the conduct of his guides and that this attitude toward the public is largely responsible for the unfavorable image of the commercial outfitter today.

The area overlap with Ken Smith was discussed. He says he uses the area and could not give it up. He also asked to have the Scoble area added to his license. He was told that Randy Capps had also applied for the area and they should both attend the January meeting of the board.

The meeting recessed for lunch until 1 p.m.

H. H. Hepburn appeared to discuss splitting his area with the Kuyden-dalls who have been operating with him. They would take the east side of the Lochsa and he would take the west side as he wishes to cut down on his outfitting activities.

Lester West appeared to discuss running the Crofoot Ranch outfitting operation after Homer Rhett's lease expires in April.

At 3 p.m. the board met with Forest Service personnel to discuss mutual problems. Representing the Forest Service were: John Emerson, Salmon, Jim Moorhead, Challis, Jack Shumate, Ogden, Earl Dodds, McCall, Dick Estes, Middle Fork Ranger

✓ The moratorium on the Middle Fork was discussed and the Forest Service feels it imperative that it be continued.

The Forest Service would like to eliminate unethical operators and pledged their support and cooperation.

The meeting adjourned at 5 p.m.

The board members remained in McCall for the meetings of the Idaho Outfitters and Guides Association, Inc. on December 17-18, to confer informally with outfitters and guides as needed.

James J. Banghman
Vice Chairman

Earl Dodds, Sec.