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Changes in Status

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

Gus Hornay is being transferred from Susanville to Berkeley about June 1. The Pacific Southwest Forest & Range Experiment Station plans to assign another man to Susanville.

In a recent memorandum from Mr. Woolfolk, he states that until this new man is assigned he will personally represent research in the operation and administration of the Harvey Valley set up. Therefore, until the new research man is assigned, please deal directly with Mr. Woolfolk on routine Harvey Valley matters which concern our cooperative relations with research.

✓ cc: E. J. Woolfolk

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Susanville
May 8, 1960

Dear Ken:

I know what a spot this letter writing is putting you on but I'm desperate and struggling for survival. By this time you no doubt have received word from the Director on his and Joe's favor for me. I objected to it strenuously to both Ken and Joe but again to no avail. In effect now, as far as Harry Valley and West Indian groups are concerned I am left to carry on a few dudes, headquartered 300 miles from the scene of the work. Joe told me that my budget for the coming year would be \$1000. This amount would just about cover travel, materials and supplies and would not provide for any field help.

This is a long cry from the hedges and desires I expressed to Les Harper when he was out to Harry Valley a couple of years ago. In the short time that remained for me in the service I

Now am I being given an opportunity to carry out the second part of my job for administration. One of the principal ways I realized I would get people from national front administration other agencies, branches and others acquainted and informed on what would be to get them out on Harvey Valley and tell them the story these principles and results. Harvey Valley is the only place this story can be told effectively because I know the areas as no one else can and I know what has happened there almost spot by spot.

Joe has made it clear to me
That he and his staff - Mort Reed,
The new Center Leader and Technical
assistants will take care of any
requests by people from national
Forest administration or elsewhere
to see Harney Valley and be informed
on re-rotation going there. Any
requests that come to me must be
referred to Joe. To date Joe has
prevented me from participating in
any such meetings at Harney Valley
except in cases where the people
insisted that I be present.

To make a long story short
Joe decided he wanted to take
over the Harney Valley program

.02. 2003. 2003. 2003. 2003. he told me without any sign of emotion he wanted in on "the act" and that my place was in Berkeley behind a desk because I was getting any younger. So he is doing everything possible to prevent me from even putting foot on Harvey Valley again.

This is an incredible story isn't it - a man's life work, his career and accomplishments taken away from him like this. But it is a fact. You can imagine how I feel.

Joe of course has the Murders approved. I pleaded my case with the Murders but to no avail.

I also wrote Ken Parker and Les Harper and they too uphold the Director's decision maybe to maintain organizational responsibility. In any event now, I have no place in The Experiment Station I have been pushed aside and am in the way. I can see now that all of this was settled long before I went to Washington this spring.

My only hope now, to carry on with rest-rotation grazing, as an national forest administrative work. Can a full time job be set up for me there? A job in which I would propose to inform people on the principles and results of rest-

I'd
Told Les like to get a couple of full
time field assistants to see the Harney
Valley program through as originally
planned and be relieved of some of
the administrative chores at the Center.
He was highly sympathetic and indicated
it could probably be worked out.

Since I wrote you last I learned
that decisions on Harney Valley and
my case had be made on this end
before I went to Washington. The Center
Leader job had already been ^{promised} given or
to some one else and my program taken
over by Joe. All without a word to me.
It's hard to believe that this sort of
thing could take place in the Forest
Service and at this stage of a man's
career.

Things have now developed almost
beyond the point of no return. I
write this note primarily to let you
know I do not agree with the
Director and Joe on the program they
have outlined for me.

I hope this is the last time I have
to burden you with my personal problems.
Also when I see you next time I hope
I'm still in Susanville. However
things turn out I want you to know
I appreciate no end your thoughtfulness
and understanding.

The very best of luck to you and
yours.

Gus

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1. You got my letter concerning J. Woodwell and the Director plans for ^{my reassignment} ~~me~~
2. Is it inevitable, as you see ^{to discontinue work} ~~it~~ that that course of action will be followed through?
Is there any recourse to this action?

Does Les Harner know of this case?

I'm to transfer Headquarters this coming Monday, and I'm to have even this my career work to someone else

This is certainly killing my career and ruining my health at the same time.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

*Memorandum*TO : Director, Pacific Southwest Forest & Range
Exp. Station2200
DATE: May 17, 1960

FROM : Fred H. Kennedy, Regional Forester, By

SUBJECT: Range (Training)

We are interested in bringing the seven Arizona forest supervisors and their grazing staffmen along with three members of the Regional Office Division of Range Management to go over the Harvey Valley Experimental Range at Susanville. Many times we have used this experimental range as an example of the type of management that we wish to obtain on many of our ranges in this region.

We have tried to pick a date for this trip which would not conflict with our general and functional inspections and would like to make this visit during the period September 6 - 10. If possible we would, of course, like to have Mr. Hormay show us the area and explain the work he has done there. If this trip is possible we will plan on driving over in 3 station wagons.

Before planning any further we will greatly appreciate hearing from you as to whether the visit and time will be agreeable with your people.

xc: Exp. Station
cc: Ariz. Forest Supervisors
cc: Training Officer

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Washington, 16, D.C.
May 28, 60

Dear Gus:

I am sorry we did not get you out to the house. We were pretty well swamped about that time and I could not even get down for your speech. I am sure it was good and the gang did not miss me.

Enclosed is a duplicate of the slide on the Modoc at the bitterbrush plot.* I had this for you before you left but did not get to the office to give it to you.

Kindest regards

Sincerely

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See p 3 of descriptions, attached