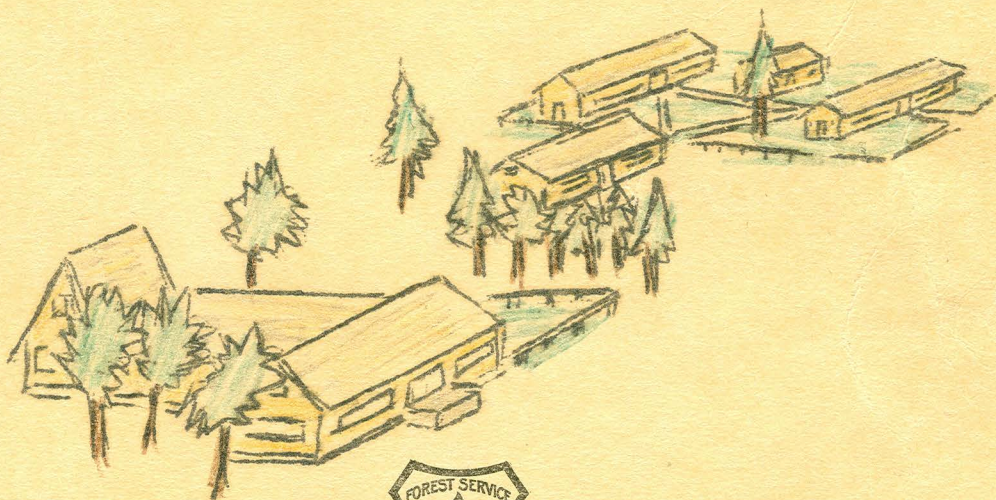


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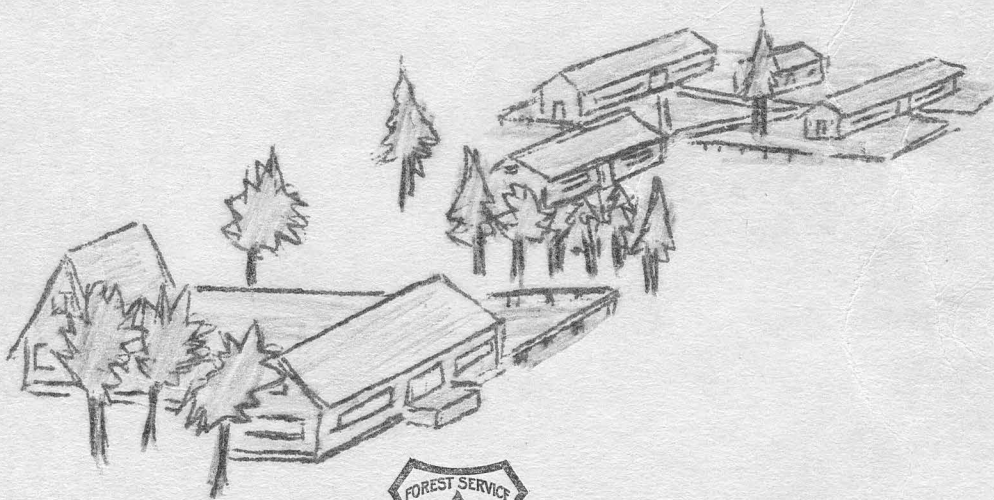
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The following is an outline history of the Siskiyou Smokejumper project from its beginning in 1943 thru the summer of 1958. It contains a year by year account of Smokejumper activities and a summary of each seasons fires. Due to lack of accurate information on the earlier years of the project, a few mistakes may have been made, but we hope they are few and that you will find this booklet interesting.

1943

Region 6 sent one squad (11 men) to Seely Lake, Montana to be trained and to operate out of Cave Junction. They were 4-F draftees (conscientious objectors) from Civilian Public Service Camps who wished to serve non-combat work. They were under the direction of Jack Heintzelman. They jumped to six fires during the season. This was the first season for the Derry slotted parachutes. The crew was available to jump on fires in R-6 and the Klamath, Trinity and Shasta National Forests in R-5.

Two men besides Heintzelman were trained as parachute riggers. Frank Derry was the instructor. The chutes used were 30 ft. Eagle and 28 ft. Irwins. Both kinds were static line operated. The chest packs consisted of 27 ft. Eagles and 24 ft. Irwins.

The planes used were Ford Tri-motors, Travelaires and Fairchilds. The 7 passenger Fairchild was on standby duty in Dallesport, Wash. It took the plane 3 hours to fly to Cave Junction.

During the season the loft at Redwood Ranger Station was built

Crew Roster

Heintzelman
Laughlin
Rozeboom
Graeler
Stucky
Buller
Diller
Hilty
Hudson
Janzen
Yoder

1944

C.P.S. men continued to be the source of manpower for the unit. 2 men were added to the size of the crew. Smokejumpers were used in Region 5 for the first time. They jumped to a fire on the Happy Camp District of the Klamath N. F. A total of 27 jumps on 7 fires were made from the Cave Junction base. Jack Heintzelman was still foreman.

Nylon chutes were used for the first time. The chest packs were 28 ft. slotted chutes and were interchangeable with the back packs.

A Fairchild airplane was again contracted as the jump plane but it crashed and burned near the field. A 6 passenger Travellair from Johnson Flying Service was then contracted and stationed at Cave Jct. The crew then built a hanger of fir poles and shakes. A R4D (DC-3) Marine airplane was available for emergency use at Corvallis.

Following is a short history of the fire jumps.

Laughlin and Painter jumped on the first fire of the season on Poker Flats in the Siskiyou N.F. on July 27.

The next day Buller and Neufeld were sent to the Tannen Mt. fire also in the Siskiyou, and a few hours later Hudson, Rozeboom and Laughlin jumped on the Last Camp Prairie fire in the Umpqua N.F.

Graeler and Janzen jumped on Crazy Peak in the Siskiyou July 29 and the next day it was Hilty and Dillen on Little Grayback on the same forest.

August 27 brought a request for 6 men on the Eckett fire. Yoder, Penner, Hilty, Buller, Neufeld and Painter did the jumping.

Rozeboom, Dillen, Hilty, Heintzelman, Painter, Graeler, Penner, Buller, Neufeld and Yoder jumped on September 8 to the Iyall fire to wind up the season.

Crew Roster

Heintzelman
Janzen
Rozeboom
Penner
Hilty
Dillen
Hudson
Yoder
Buller
Neufeld
Laughlin
Painter
Graeler

1945

This was the last season for the C.P.S. program because of the availability of returning veterans. The training was conducted in R-1 at Nine Mile Camp outside of Missoula. The Cave Junction crew was increased to 15 men. The jumpers from the three regions jumped on 265 fires with a total savings of \$347,000 for the seasons operation. The Army loaned R-6 two UC-64 Noordyn Norseman airplanes. Members of the 555th Battalion of negro paratroopers made a total of 20 jumps on 3 fires in the Umpqua N.F. 31 jumps on 11 fires were made by the Cave Junction crew.

The first fire of the season came on July 11th in the Klamath N.F. It was the Red Hill Creek fire. Yoder, Gray, and Eash did the jumping.

August 5th six men jumped in the Siskiyou N.F.; Holyman on the Limestone Creek fire, Krabill and Hostetler on Holcomb Peak and Frantz, Kauffman, and Mast were dispatched to the Squaw Peak fire.

Later the same day Gillin, Harnish, and Leazenby jumped on the Lake Peak fire on the Rogue River N.F.

The next day, 5 jumpers: Gray, Yoder, Miller, Pauls, and Eash, jumped on Horse Mtn. in the Siskiyou.

August 15th 5 jumpers traveled north to Washington to jump on three different fires. Krabill jumped on Tamarach Cr. in the Chelan N.F., Hostetler and Harnish on the Russian Lakes fire in Baker N.F., and Mast and Gillin covered the Amber Creek fire in Wenatchee N.F.

Kauffman, Frantz, and Leazenby jumped on the next fire, on August 30, in the Rogue River N.F. and it was called the Fruit Mtn. fire.

Holyman and Miller also jumped on the Rogue the same day on the Elk Meadow fire.

September 17 closed the season with Gray, Holyman, Gillin, and Yoder jumping on the Siskiyou N.F. near Powers.

Crew Roster

Jack Hientzelman
Roger Frantz
Al Gray
Emerson Miller
John Harnish
E. Eash
Mast
Dale Yoder
Krabill
Gillin
Kauffman
Leazenby
Hostetler, Lewis

1946

The crew again trained in Missoula and consisted of 25 men. R-6 paid the bill for 1 foreman, 1 squad leader, and 14 jumpers. R-5 participated financially for the first time, paying the wages of 9 jumpers and one squad leader. Lundrigan was the foreman with Cliff Marshall and Bill Green as squadleaders.

A C-64 was stationed at Cave Junction as a jump plane & another was available in R-5. A L-5 observation plane was also at Cave Junction.

Twenty-six fire jumps were made by the local unit, with units from all regions making 1,111 jumps to 320 fires during the season.

1947

The size of the unit remained the same with Marshall starting out as foreman. Green, from R-5, and Cummings were the crewleaders. After training in Missoula the crew returned to make 10 jumps on 4 fires. Experiments were conducted in R-5 to consider the use of helicopters retrieving men from fires.

Henry and Barnes started the season jumping on the Tim Peak fire in Klamath N.F. August 28th.

Later on the same day Green and Beaird jumped on the Kemper No. 1 fire also in the Klamath.

Three days later, on the 31st Green jumped again with Danny On, Fieldhouse, and Bob Nolan on the Prospect Peak fire in the Trinity N.F.

The 4th and last fire of the season was in the Klamath N.F. and was called the Upper Ruffy Lake fire. Rosin and Adams were the jumpers.

Crew Roster

Clifton Marshall
Herbert Krissie
Edward Adams
Marqarita Avila
Neil Shier
Dick Courson
Danny On
Andrew Henry
Millard P. Green
Walter McNally
Leroy Barnes
Bob Nolan
Charles Foster
Albert Devoe
Terry Fieldhouse
Lyle Hoffman
William Beaird
Alfred Rosin
Harold Lahr

1948.

The unit was increased in size to 3 squads with a total of 28 men. Marshall was foreman. R-5 financed 1 squad leader (Green) and 3 jumpers. The other squadleaders were Bob Nolan and Dick Courson. Helicopters were used for the first time to retrieve jumpers from fires. It was at the Cedar Camp fire on the Klamath N. F. on July 30. Later in the season jumpers from 2 more fires in R-5 were returned the same way. 28 jumps were made on 6 fires and 1 rescue. The crew trained in the training area behind the Redwood Ranger Station in Cave Junction. Work was started at the airport 5 miles south of town on the new location of the unit. All major repairs on parachutes were still done in Missoula, Mont. Single point, quick release harnesses were used.

Fire Jumps

The rescue jump was made by Marshall and Nolan in the Siskiyou N. F. in June to the aid of a woman who had been thrown from a horse and suffered a broken leg. They carried her on a stretcher for many miles to the road.

Green, H. Krissie and L. Hoffman jumped to the first fire of the season on Red Cap Ridge in the Six Rivers N. F. on July 1.

On the 4th of July, C. Foster and Courson jumped on the Little Grayback fire in Siskiyou N. F.

The next call came on July 29 from the Klamath N. F. It was called the Cedar Camp fire and T. Fieldhouse, R. Cole, and R. Sweet were the jumpers.

August 19th, Nolan, Block and Barrett were dispatched to the Little Shoeinhorse fire in the Shasta N.F. They returned on the 21st and hours later there came another request for the same fire. Foster, Cummings, Jenkins, Fieldhouse, Speaker and Kaarhus answered this call to aid the ground crew.

A week later on August 29 a fire broke out at Secret Lake in the Klamath N.F.. Courson, Riza and Clemenson covered this one.

The Pony Peak fire on the Trinity N.F. on the 3rd of September was the last fire jumped in the 1948 season. Krissie, Padden and Meyers did the jumping.

Crew Roster

Cliff Marshall	Paul Koavaleff
Bob Nolan	A. O. Riza
Lyle Hoffman	Bob Sweet
Herbert Krissie	Bob Cummings
Dick Courson	Paul Block
Charles Foster	Bill Padden
Millard Green	Starr Jenkins
Terry Fieldhouse	Joe Kaarhus
Dick Cole	Roger Wolfertz
Ward Speaker	Arthur Honey
Bob Snyder	Bob Richardson
Böb Moffett	Jack Barrett
John Myers	Charles Clemenson
K. J. Westphall	

After training, the unit (28 men) moved to their new quarters at the airport consisting of 1 barracks, wash house, and cook house. The last two were old CCC buildings from Grayback Forest Camp. Cliff Marshall was foreman with Nolan, Green, and Courson as squadleaders. R-5 financed 8 men to serve the needs of 5 Northern California forests. All jumper units combined made a savings which exceeded \$900,000. Ed Scholz was pilot here after piloting the jumper plane in New Mexico early in the season. 12 new men were trained. Detachable handle shovels were adopted.

Fire Jumps

July 7, the Blue Creek fire broke out by the state line. Every man in the unit including the cooks and flunkies worked on the fire off and on until the 10th.

On the 16th while the Blue Creek fire was still being mopped up, the Rough and Ready Mill's burner set a fire which headed northeast endangering numerous homes. 11 jumpers pitched in and put a total of 138 man hours on the fire line while the others volunteered their time to evacuate many families from their homes.

The first jump fire came 2 days later on the 18th of July in Pointers Gulch on the Klamath N. F.. Green, Kovaloff, and R. Moffett jumped and were retrieved by helicopter.

Next day 6 jumpers, Nolan, B. Faulk, R. Snyder, Padden, Block, and A. Boucher jumped on the Clear Creek fire in the Shasta N. F. and were also returned by helicopter.

July 31st started with a bang. Marshall jumped with 2 men, Wolfertz and Sweet, on the Kimball Hill fire in the Siskiyou. Shortly afterwards 8 men jumped on a 60 acre fire in the Shasta N. F. on Chatterdown Creek to assist a ground crew. Cummings, Wallace, Jaquish, Scalf, Foster, Looper, Michelotti, and Riza were the jumpers.

Marshall called for more men on the Kimball Hill fire, and Boucher, Falk and Bonnett jumped in to help.

August 12th Block, Looper and Cole were dispatched to jump on a fire in the Klamath N.F. called the Gibson Creek fire.

Foreman Marshall jumped again on August 18 with Clemenson and Scofield on the Six Rivers N.F. on the Christie Gulch fire.

September 1, Courson, Krissie and Bethel jumped on the Deer Creek fire in the Trinity N.F..

September 8th was another busy day when three fires were covered by the unit. Sweet and Bonnett jumped on the Dasher Creek fire, Snyder, Wolfertz and Nolan on the Salmon Creek, and Moffett and Kovaleff on the Burnt Timber fire. All of these were in the Siskiyou N.F.

The next day Michelotti and Wallace covered the Salmon Mt. fire in the Trinity and returned 22 miles on horseback.

On the 10th there were 3 fires, 2 in the Siskiyou. Nolan and Cummings jumped on the Green Knob fire, Block and Looper on the Klondike fire.

The Linton Ridge fire in the Shasta, jumped by Green, Krissie and Boucher was the third one.

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The next day there were two fires, the Youngs Valley fire on the Siskiyou covered by Scofield and Scalf and the Twin Valley fire on the Klamath by Bethel and Kovaleff.

September 12th saw Nolan, Moffitt, Synder and Bonnett jump on the Rogue N.F. on Whiskey Peak.

September 18th, a Ford Tri-Motor picked up 9 jumpers and took them to Porterville, California, where the next morning they jumped the Osa fire in the Sequoia N.F.. Nolan, Looper, Boucher, Block, Scalf, Scofield, Kovaleff, Snyder and Moffitt were the crew members. The same day Marshall and Cummings jumped on the Grider Creek fire in the Klamath.

Early on the 26th Cummings and Krissie jumped in the Shasta N.F. on the Squaw Creek Cap fire and were reinforced one hour later by Green, Scofield and Scalf. Later that day the Grider Valley fire in the Klamath was covered by Kovaleff, Block and Snyder.

The next morning Looper and Boucher were on the Shasta N.F. jumping to the Devils Lake fire.

On the 30th of the month the Granite Lake fire, also on the Shasta, was jumped by Green, Cummings and Scofield. Before they returned the last fire of the season was jumped by Kovaleff and Scalf. It was the West Fork fire on the Klamath N.F..

Crew Roster

Cliff Marshall	Dell Mar Jauquish
Bob Nolan	O.A. Riza
Orville Looper	Terry Fieldhouse
Dick Courson	Dick Cole
Bill Padden	Bob Moffitt
Bob Scofield	Dick Bethel
Al Boucher	Herb Krissie
Bill Green	Paul Block
Fred Michelotti	Lucky Scalf
Don Wallace	Charles Clemenson
Bud Falk	Larry Looper
Bert Foster	
Bob Snyder	
Bob Cummings	
Bob Sweet	
Hobbie Bonnett	

1950

The unit continued at 28 men with Marshall as foreman and Nolan, Green and Courson as squadleaders. Looper became squadleader later when Nolan quit to become a logger. Fieldhouse was observer and Scholz was pilot. The new loft was started and work was being done to landscape the area. 51 jumps were made to 21 fires during the season. Only 7 fires were in Region 6. The Noordyn Norseman was still the jump plane and the L-5 was the observation plane.

Fire Jumps

June 1st a fire started on the coast at Humbug Mt. in the Siskiyou N.F.. Five jumpers traveled by truck and stayed 3 days to help control the blaze.

It was on the same forest that Snyder, Scalf, Padden and Michelotti jumped to take care of the Rattlesnake Gulch fire on July 2nd.

The Specimen Creek fire, high in the Trinity Alps, was jumped to by Looper, Boucher and Lovejoy on July 27th.

Later in the day Scofield and Brunette went to Sequoia N.F. and covered the Sheep Creek fire.

The next morning Cole and Butler jumped to the Clover Meadow fire, also in the Sequoia N.F.

August 9th, the Rogue River N.F. requested 3 men for the Goose Nest fire. Courson, Harns, and Hinkle were the jumpers.

August 10th, 8 of the crew worked on the Elk Valley fire, a large fire just over the California state line. They traveled by truck.

The next day, the 11th, 4 men jumped on the Megram fire in the Trinity N.F.. They were Michelotti, Robertson, Gardner and Olsen.

Late the next afternoon Green, Padden, Procter and Boucher jumped on the Red Hills fire in the Klamath N.F.

On the evening of August 15th, 15 jumpers drove back to the Elk Valley fire when it broke out again. They stayed all night and returned the next day. 13 crew members returned and stayed the next night.

The Lucinger Creek fire, another ground fire near the state line, was fought by 6 jumpers all night the 17th of August.

The unit was back to smokejumping on September 5th when they jumped to 3 fires. One was in Grouse Meadow on the Sequoia N.F. with Wallace and Florip doing the jumping. Another was in the Sierra N.F. called the Silver Spur fire, handled by Snyder and Lovejoy. The third was in the Sequoia on Wren Peak and Looper jumped this one alone.

The 10th of September the unit jumped to two fires in the Shasta. Procter and Unsoeld on the Bald Mt. fire and Courson and Robertson on the Ahdina fire.

The next day Michelotti and Lovejoy jumped on Rattlesnake Ridge in the Umpqua N.F. and two days later Hinkle and Brunette jumped to the Devils Lake fire in the Shasta.

The 15th saw Scofield and Gardner in the Shasta N.F. on the China Mt. fire.

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The Siskiyou had two fires on the 17th of September. One was the Hansen Gulch fire jumped by Unsoeld and the other was the Rum Creek fire jumped by Boucher, Robertson, Lovejoy and Brunette.

On the 21st Siskiyou had another. It was the Clear Creek fire handled by Scofield and Hinkle.

The Mule Creek fire the next day, also on the Siskiyou, wound up the fire season. Looper, Brunette and both Lovejoy brothers jumped to this one.

The Korean War caused some jumpers to end their season earlier than planned.

Crew Roster

Cliff Marshall
Orville Looper
Bob Nolan
Dick Courson
Bill Padden
Al Boucher
Bob Scofield
John Lovejoy
Bill Lovejoy
Fred Michelotti
Don Wallace
Andre Brunette
John Harnes
Maurice Robertson

Joe Gardner
Buz Florip
Bud Procter
Bill Green
Ed Hinkle
Bob Butler
Laverne Olsen
Bob Snyder
Lucky Scalf
Dick Cole
Terry Fieldhouse
Paul Block
Hallie Norton
Bill Unsoeld

1951 was a busy season. The unit made a total of 213 fire jumps on 48 fires and 173 training jumps. Missoula and Chelan units both sent assistance during the season. Men from the Cave Junction unit traveled to the Wallowa-Whitman N.F. for the first time and made 6 jumps on three fires.

Looper, Snyder, and Hinkle were squadleaders and Marshall was foreman. Scholz was pilot and Schluter the observer. Tails on parachutes were used for the first time and adopted as standard on all mains. The unit had now completely moved to the airport. It consisted of a loft, messhall, wash-house, barracks, toolshed, hanger, and one residence.

The Noorduyn Norseman continued as the jump plane with the L-5 still as the observation plane. A Fokker and a Fairchild were both leased as extra jump planes and used during fire busts.

FIRE JUMPS

= Missoula Jumpers

* = Chelan Jumpers

6/22	Preachers Meadow	Trinity	Hinkle, Harter, Newton
6/23	Bailey Cabin	Siskiyou	Padden, Banta, Ledbetter, Florip, Looper, Snyder, & Newton. First year men in training walked into this one.
7/24	Dumont Creek	Umpqua	Hinkle, Goblirish, Miller, Ledbetter, Banta, Hansen, Bryce, Florip, Johnson, Rowley, Padden, & Sheppard.
8/1	Copper Butte	Mendacino	Snyder, Newton, Coody, & Dominick.
8/2	Clover Lake	Rogue River	Harter, & Gregory.
8/3	Picuyane	Shasta	Ledbetter, Goblirish, Belli, Lecompte, Hinkle, Miller, Banta, Bryce, Hansen, Shallenberger, & Allewett.
8/3	Goat Mtn.	Wallowa	Newberry & Downer.
8/3	No Name	Wallowa	Padden & Johnson.
8/4	No Name	Klamath	Cross & Clarke.
8/4	Elk Creek	Whitman	Florip & Dominick.
8/5	Flower Gulch	Klamath	Bowley & Sheppard.
8/5	Twin Creek	Klamath	Newton, Coody & Gregory.
8/5	Kidder Creek	Klamath	Harter, Lecompte & Snyder.
8/5	Middle Fork	Klamath	Ledbetter & Goblirish.
8/6	Keys Abbott Ridge	Klamath	Banta & Belli.
8/6	Uncles Creek	Klamath	Gregory & Hansen
8/6	Atkins	Klamath	Looper, Shallenberger & Hansen.
8/7	Goose Nest	Shasta	

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8/19	Portuguese Cr.	Klamath	Snyder, Jaquish, Padden, & Rowley.
8/19	Grider Valley	Klamath	Newton & Bryce.
8/19	Thompkins Creek	Klamath	Florip & Hansen.
8/19	Shackelford Cr.	Klamath	Gregory & Clarke.
8/19	Cliff Valley	Klamath	Newberry & Allewett.
8/20	Hancock Creek	Klamath	Cross, Johnson, & Hinkle.
8/20	Tom Mtn.	Rogue River	Snider*, Kruckeberg*.
8/20	Cinnamen Peak	Rogue River	Ledgeter, Shallenberger, Belli, Lecompte, Downer, Dominick, Goblirish, Coody, Kile*, & Campbell*.
8/20	Buck Creek	Trinity	Banta, Singletory#, Brad- ford#.
8/20	Bohemotash	Shasta	Harter, Priville*, Wells*, & Ball*.
8/21	No Name	Rogue	Feeny#, & Flohr#.
8/21	Tamarack Lake	Shasta	Newton, Beckman*.
8/21	Clear Creek	Shasta	Chambers#, & Demmons#.
8/21	North Fork Taylor	Shasta	Florip, & Ostrom#.
8/21	Lazy Man	Trinity	Gregory, Clarke, Anywash#, & Potter#.
8/22	Potter Mtn.	Umpqua	Jaquish, Bryce, Cutler#, & Dennison#.
8/23	Pony Peak	Klamath	Newberry, Cross, Allewett, Rowley.
8/24	Pony Peak (reinf.)		Looper, Padden, Lecompte, Belli, Ledgeter, Shallen- berger, Johnston#, Ballard#, Gutowski#, & Saltsman#.
8/24	Grizzley Creek	Trinity	Florip & Downer.
8/24	Stud Hill	Shasta	Newton, Dominick, Palerso#, & Evans#.
8/26	Pony Peak (reinf.)	Klamath	Snyder, Jaquish, Newberry, Clarke, Goblirish, Hansen, Coody, Privette*, Kile*, Campbell*, Knuckerberg*, Snider*, Swift#, Pennington#, Dennison#, Cutler#, Ostrom#, Heckman#, Howard#, & Ray- mond#.
8/26	Methodist Creek	Klamath	Harter, Bryce, Gregory, Hinkle, Denyer#, Black#, Singletory#, & Dennison#.
8/26	Holland Mine	Shasta	Cross, Ball#, Wells#.
8/28	Paragon & Harriet Lakes	Rogue River	Rowley, Demmons#, Chambers#, & Anywash#.
8/30	Pony Peak (reinf.)	Klamath	Looper, Jaquish, Padden, Clarke, Coody, Lecompt, Downer, Harter, Shallenberger, Newberry, Cross, Gregory, Goblirish, & Hansen.
9/1	Tamarack Ridge	Shasta	Hinkle, Newton, Johnston, Belli.

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9/10	Adams Creek	Shasta	Harter, Newberry, Cross, Jaquish.
9/15	Three Devils	Klamath	Snyder, Ledbetter, Florip, Gregory.
9/16	Mislatnah	Siskiyou	Looper, Newton, Harter, Ledbetter, Shallenberger, Snyder, Florip & Gregory.
9/17	Bluff Creek	Six Rivers	Allen* Floyd* Beals*.
9/17	Pilot Ridge	Six Rivers	Neufeld* & Stevens*.
9/25	Irving Creek	Klamath	Looper, Shallenberger, Floyd*, & Beals*.

Crew Roster

Clif Marshall
Bob Snyder
Ed Hinkle
Orville Looper
Roger Newton
George Wilson
Louis Banta
Charles Harter
Eddie Ledbetter
Bill Wright
Bill Padden
Buz Florip
John Shallenberger
Paul Bryce
Don Hansen
Dick Gregory

Darwin Miller
Roy Belli
Cap Rowley
David Goblirish
Glen Sheppard
Gordon Cross
Bobby Johnston
Richard Allewett
Phil Clarke
Paul Dominick
Steve Downer
Del Mar Jaquish
Gilbert Coody
Bob Newberry
Lamar Lecompte

1952

The fire season was much slower than 1951, with only 109 jumps on 42 fires. Okanogan made 4 fire jumps and Missoula made 3 in assisting the Cave Junction crew. Cliff Marshall was foreman with Newton, Padden, and Looper as squad leaders.

The Noorduyn Norseman remained as the jump plane. The unit stayed open until October 21st due to clear weather.

	* Chelan man	Fire Jumps	
	# Missoula man		
7/11	Hat Mtn.	Shasta	Newberry, Kester
7/11	Clayborn	Shasta	Bryce, Meili
7/12	Giant Crater	Shasta	Marshall, Padden (Rescue, man dead
7/13	Fools Gulch	Shasta	Boucher, Brazie
7/13	Bagley Mtn.	Shasta	Clarke, Rowley, Lund
7/14	Bagley Flat	Shasta	On, Merrill
7/15	Deep Crater	Shasta	Cross, Clarke
7/18	Methodist Creek	Klamath	Banta, Crippen, Smith
7/29	Taylor Creek	Klamath	Newberry, Elwood, Cook
7/30	Deadmans Peak	Klamath	Boucher, Bryce, Lukens
7/30	Burney	Klamath	Clarke, Johnson
7/30	Tamarack Peak	Shasta	Cross, Lindlan, Kester
7/31	No Name	Umpqua	Banta, Charke, Dutton#, Simmons#
7/30	Aspen Butte	Rogue River	On, Brazie
7/30	Poison Lake	Klamath	Newton, Lund, Ramsey
7/31	Rocky Ridge	Umpqua	Padden, Onishuk#
8/1	Unnamed	Trinity	Rowley, Meili
8/2	Lazyman Butte	Trinity	Smith, Merrill
8/2	Pawell Ridge	Trinity	Newberry, Crippen
8/3	Yellow Jacket	Mendocino	Looper, Cook, On, Bryce
8/2	Lone Woman	Umpqua	Brazie, Lund
8/3	Prong Creek	Umpqua	Boucher, Ramsey
8/3	Mary Blaine	Trinity	Charke, Lukens
8/4	So. Buckhead	Umpqua	Clarke, Johnson
8/4	Boulder Creek	Umpqua	Cross, Kester
8/4	Whiskey Creek	Siskiyou	Newton, Basey, Banta, Lindlan
8/5	Steelhead	Umpqua	Newberry, Crippen
9/5	Coyote Peak	Umpqua	Rowley, Dollard
9/5	Bolan Creek	Siskiyou	Smith, Meili
9/5	Chimney Creek	Klamath	Boucher, Lindlan
9/5	Wooley Creek	Klamath	Newton, Brazie
9/5	Tompkins Creek	Klamath	On, Charke
9/5	Lake Peak	Rogue River	Cross, Elwood
9/7	Lick Ridge	Rogue River	Padden, Newberry, Kester, Merrill, Mays*, Sutherland*
9/8	Medicine Mtn.	Klamath	Bryce, Cook, Clarke, Rowley, Elwood.
9/17	Koontz & Davis	Siskiyou	Looper, Boucher, Cross, Merrill
9/19	Rattlesnake Lake	Trinity	Newberry, Kester, Bryce
9/24	Jackass Gulch	Klamath	Cross, Bryce, Merrill

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9/24 Devils Canyon	Klamath	Looper, Clarke, Newberry
9/26 French Gulch	Siskiyou	Boucher, Newton, On, Betty*
10/1 Mule Creek	Siskiyou	Looper, Clarke, Allen*

Crew Roster

Clif Marshall - foreman	Jay Brazie
Orville Looper	Phil Smith
Roger Newton	Bill Charke
Bill Padden	Zeke Lund
Al Boucher	Harold Meili
Phil Clarke	Danny On
Bob Newberry	Dick Merrill
Louie Banta	Tom Elwood
Cap Rowley	Axel Johnson
Paul Bryce	Paul Lukens
Gordon Cross	John Lindlan
Gordon Cook	Don Basey
Leroy Crippen	Bob Ramsey
Bill Kester	Jim Dollard

1953

Cliff Marshall transferred in July and James Allen, a squadleader from Chelan, became foreman. Padden, Looper, Newton, and On were the squadleaders. 166 Jumps were made on 59 fires. Jumpers from the units at McCall, Idaho; Missoula, Montana; and Winthrop, Washington came to the assistance of the Cave Junction unit during fire busts. Total savings of \$ 128,000 resulted from the use of Smokejumpers from this base.

During the summer the runway was paved so the unit operated out of Medford. A standby crew stayed in Medford with the jump plane (Noorduyn Nurseman) and they were reinforced during fire busts.

#	= Missoula Jumpers	Fire Jumps	() Region 4
*	= Chelan Jumpers		
8/1	White Gulch Fire	Klamath	Scofield, Newberry, Arrington.
8/3	Toad Lake	Umpqua	Dollard, Roosa, Wood.
8/3	Dads Pocket Ridge	Klamath	Hinkle, Oleson, Wright, Kester.
8/3	French Creek	Umpqua	Lindlan, Crippen.
8/3	Cherry Creek	Rogue River	Brunette, Harris.
8/4	Prong Creek	Umpqua	Clarke, Buck.
8/6	East Fork	Klamath	Rowley, Palmquist.
8/7	Deerlick	Klamath	Scofield, Greenup.
8/13	Morrison Gulch	Trinity	Boucher, Crick.
8/13	Thurston Gulch	Trinity	Newberry, Austin.
8/13	Thompson Creek	Trinity	On, Arrington, Chapman, Showers.
8/13	Deadman Peak	Klamath	Hinkle, Wright, Oleson, Jackobs.
8/13	Scott River	Klamath	Brunette, Harris, Palmquist, Buck.
8/13	Yellowjacket	Trinity	Greenup, Mays*.
8/13	Mavis Lake	Klamath	Scofield, Snider*, Gregory*.
8/13	Lone Pine Ridge	Six Rivers	Kester, Lindlan, Roosa.
8/14	Yellowjacket	Mendocino	Newton, Rowley, Dollard, Weinman
8/14	8 Mile Ridge	Six Rivers	(Catlin, Abate, Thorton, Floyd)
8/14	Southfork	Six Rivers	(Shaver, Newbrough)
8/14	Rocky Ridge	Umpqua	Crippen, Hough*
8/14	Foster Creek	Rogue River	Wood, Putman*
8/14	Clear Lake	Klamath	Clarke, (Rosselli, Beasley)
8/14	Hancock #2	Klamath	Padden, Snider*, Gregory*
8/15	Lone Woman Creek	Umpqua	Wood, Putman*
8/15	Mt. Pitt #2	Rogue River	Newberry, Austin.
8/15	Rocky Ridge	Umpqua	Greenup, Putman*
8/15	Pelican #3	Rogue River	On, Arrington.
8/16	Jackson Creek		Brunette, Crick, Palmquist
8/17	Cedar Creek	Umpqua	Scofield, Harris, Buck, Showers.
8/17	Kock Mtn.	Willamette	Newberry, Chapman.
8/18	Salcon Creek	Shaste	Clarke, Lindlan, Wood, Austin.
9/6	Squaw Flat	Umpqua	Newton, Crick.
9/6	Quartz Mtn.	Umpqua	Roosa, Oleson.
9/6	Lather Mtn.	Rogue River	Rowley, Kester, Chapman, Padden
9/6	Falcon Creek	Umpqua	Dollard, Brunette.
9/11	Bearface Butte	Rogue River	On, Greenup.

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9/13	Grouse Ridge	Shasta	Clarke, Harris.
9/14	Thompson Gulch	Shasta	Boucher, Crick.
9/14	Six Mile	Klamath	Padden, Rowley, Kester, Lindlan
9/14	Fish Lake	Rogue River	Scotfield, Wood
9/15	East Fork	Shasta	On, Stohr#, Holter#.
9/15	Stacey Creek	Shasta	Harris, Tracey#.
9/15	Stoddard Meadow	Shasta	Clarke, Samsel#.
9/15	Shear Creek	Shasta	Brunette, Ferguson#, Kelley#.
9/15	Ranger Prairie	Umpqua	Anderson#, Peterson#.
9/16	Stacey Creek	Shasta	(Hayes, H., Hayes, L., Stickney, Henry, Demmons)
9/16	Scorpion Creek	Shasta	Kester, Rowley.
9/16	Milk Ranch	Shasta	Padden, Sigler#, Nicol#.
9/17	Stacey Creek	Shasta	Boucher, (Roberts, Stohr, Holter Gutowski).
9/17	Blodget Creek	Shasta	On, Brunette, Crick.
9/17	Sugar Pine Ridge	Shasta	Ferguson#, Kelly#.
9/18	Billy Peak Lookout	Shasta	Looper, Rowley.
9/19	Bull Peak	Shasta	Boucher, Wood.
9/21	Ramsey Mine	Siskiyou	Scotfield, Kester.
9/21	Domingo	Six Rivers	Harris, Anderson#, Tracey#.
9/21	Fenny Gulch	Shasta	Clarke, Samsel#.
9/21	Tangle Blue Creek	Shasta	Brunette, Hayes#.
9/21	S. Fork Wooley Creek	Klamath	Rowley, Henry#.
9/23	Rush Creek	Klamath	On, Crick, Roosa, Peterson#, Roberts#.
9/23	Shotgun	Klamath	Scotfield, Boucher, Kester.
9/23	Lazyman Butte	Trinity	Clarke, Wood.
9/24	Devils Canyon	Trinity	Padden, Brunette.

Crew Roster

Cliff Marshall - Jim Allen = Foremen	Dick Harris
Bill Padden	Jim Oleson
Roger Newton	Stuart Roosa
Orville Looper	Bob Wood
Al Boucher	Jim Wright
Phil Clarke	Calvin Austin
Bob Scotfield	Don Chapman
Danny On	Mel Greenup
Jim Dollard	Mel Palmquist
Bob Newberry	Leroy Crippen
Ed Hinkle	Bob Crick
Bill Kester	Art Jacobs
John Lindlan	Cap Rowley
Bill Arrington	Ernie Showers
Bill Buck	

1954

A total of 62 fire jumps were made on 22 fires. Fourteen of these fires were in the Shasta N.F. R-1 sent reinforcements but made only 3 fire jumps.

Jim Allen was foreman with Looper, Rod Newton and Scofield as squad leaders. The new messhall was constructed and the foundations for the wash house and barracks were laid. This work was done with smokejumper labor.

Fire Jumps

The first fire jump of the season came on July first when Looper, Boucher, Wood, and Dollard jumped on the Little Gabley fire in the Shasta N.F.

The next one didn't come till the new jumpers were trained. LeCompte Botkin, and Lewis covered the fire, which was in the Trinity N.F. & called the Mule Ridge fire. Later in the day (July 25th), Scofield, Oleson, Heiden, & Greenup reinforced them.

It wasn't until August 13 that another call came. Rod Newton took six jumpers to the Wallowa-Whitman N.F.; dropping Newberry and Tincoff on the Puderbough Ridge fire; Lindlar and Moore on the Dry Creek fire; and Rowley and Stinson on the Downey Saddle fire.

On the 14th Dollard and Hodge jumped to the Grizzly fire in the Klamath N.F.

The next day there were six jumper fires, all in the Shasta N.F. The Van Sicklin Butte fire was covered by Boucher and Jim Wright; & in the same plane load was Buck & Elwood who jumped to the Charter-down fire. Looper & Spalinger were dispatched to the Prospect Ridge one; Harter, Botkin, and Webb to Horse Creek; Oleson, Lewis, & LeCompte to Buck Ridge; and Cross & Lance (from Missoula) on the Middlesalt fire.

The fire bust continued with Greenup, Heider, and Crick covering the Cat Butte fire, aided by Peterson (from R-1). On the 16th Hermes, (also from R-1) jumped with Dollard & Hodge to the Poison Lake fire on the Klamath.

The 17th Elwood & Spalinger reinforced our men on Cat Butte in the Shasta.

Six jumpers; Scofield, Cross, Buck, Oleson, LeCompte, & Lewis were all dispatched to the Shasta N.F. to cover the Oak Mtn. fire and 2 more jumpers, Webb and Ferrell, jumped on the same forest to the Bear Basin fire.

There was only one more fire in August. It was on the 31st, when Newton, Wood, Moore and Lindlan jumped in the Rogue River N.F. on the Red Butte fire.

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September 17th, the Prospect Creek fire called Scofield, Rowley & Stinson to the Shasta N.F.

The last fire of the season came on September 29th, also in the Shasta. Buck and Botkin handled it and it was called the Lady Gulch fire.

Crew Roster

Jim Allen - foreman
Rod Newton
Bob Scofield
Orv Looper
Al Boucher
Dollard
R. Wood
Newberry
Jack Harter
LeCompte
Lindlan
Oleson
Greenup
Rowley
Botkin
Ferrell
Heiden
Hodge
Lewis

Moore
Spalinger
Stinson
Tincoff
Webb
R.A. Wood
Pesonen
Elwood
Cross
Crick
Buck
Wright
Scholz - Pilot
C. Looper - Clerk
Kaufman - cook

1955

The season was slower than expected with 145 fire jumps being made. R-1 made 27 of these, and the Okanogan unit made 19. 191 training refresher and experimental jumps were made for an over-all total of 336. Eight different forests were jumped during the season.

Jim Allen was still foreman with Looper, Newton, Scofield, and Harter as squadleaders. Four additional men were added to the unit bringing it to a strength of 32 jumpers.

The jumps were made out of the usual variety of planes including the R-6 Noorduyn, R-6 Twin- Beech, R-5 Lodestar, R-1 DC-3, and a contract Fairchild 71. These were flown by pilots Scholz, Myler, and Towers from R-6; Benesh and Jori from R-5; Clark and Kelley from R-1; and contract pilots Buck and Wilmarth.

Project work consisted mostly of beautifying the project area. A new tool shed was constructed and assistance was given the local ranger district. The usual loft work, telephone maintenance, etc. were also accomplished.

Fire Jumps

* Chelan man
Missoula man

6/10	Jacob's Ladder	Klamath	Newton, Wood
6/10	Angel's Meadow	Shasta-Tr.	Hodge, Harter
6/10	Lick Crk.	Klamath	Webb, Elwood, Oleson
6/11	Bear Basin	6 Rivers	White*, Bartlett*
6/11	East Fk.	Shasta-Tr.	Hough*, Flemming*
6/11	Brush Cr.	Shasta Tr.	White*, Brennan*
6/11	Vann Cr.	Klamath	Gambrell#, Laney#, Berg#
6/11	Salmon River	Klamath	Schmidt#, Powell#
6/11	Owen's Cr.	Shasta-Tr.	Polutnik#, Schubert#
6/11	Swillup Cr.	Klamath	Cromer#, Dunford#
6/11	Eagle Cr.	Siskiyou	Looper, Spence#, Harter
6/12	Jackass Head	Klamath	Thoman#, Sweet#
6/12	Pk. #8	6 Rivers	Wood, Tuininga#
6/12	Hewitt Cr.	Siskiyou	Post#, Bartlett*
6/13	Somes Fks.	Klamath	Dunford#, Cromer#, Laney#
6/17	Linton Gulch	Shasta-Tr.	Hodge, Elwood
7/11	Matlock Ranch	Siskiyou	Looper, Webb, Wood, Oleson
7/27	Squaw Cr.	Umpqua	Greenup, Maxwell
8/8	Dewey Mine	Shasta-Tr.	Scofield, Buckner, Moore
8/9	Ditch Cr.	Klamath	Werner, Long, Ferrel
8/12	Mendenhall	Mendocino	Harter, Berry, Hodge, Kesterson
8/22	Trinity	Shasta-Tr.	Elwood, Stinson, Ferry, Newton
8/23	Jacob's Ladder	Klamath	Looper, Oleson, Long, Webb, Yandell
9/3	Sturgis Creek	Rogue River	Kester, Wood
9/3	Pitt River Dist.	Shasta-Tr.	Scofield, Calverley, Wright, Crick
			Harter, Newton, Koester, Maxwell
			Newton, Werner, Buckner, Dail

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9/4	Mill Creek	Klamath	Scofield, Greenup, Ferrell, Hodge
9/4	Taylor Creek	Klamath	Berry, Elwood, Ferry, Hayes
9/5	Dry Creek	Rogue River	Wright, Dail, Calverley
9/5	Island Lake	Rogue River	Stinson, Oleson
9/5	Land Lake	Rogue River	Clarke, Moore
9/5	I Am Up Ridge	Klamath	Werner, Buckner, Yandell
9/5	Imagination Pk#2	Rogue River	Wood, Kester
9/5	Kerby Trail	Rogue River	Newton, Hendrickson*, Johnson*, Bowman*, Imes*, Honey*
9/5	Bessie Crk Area	Rogue River	Crick, Beals*
9/5	Mudjekeewis	Rogue River	Dennison#, Wolfrum#, Gallup#, Neufielder#, Morrissey#, Wilson#
9/5	Gardner Peak	Rogue River	D.Wilson#, Dunford#, Kittell#, Olso
9/7	Smokejumper	Willamette	Harter, Newton, Maxwell, Koester
9/8	Head of Dry Ck#3	Rogue River	Looper, Greenup, Clarke, Crick
9/8	Mule Peak	Umpqua	Hendrickson*, Imes*
9/9	Happy Prairie	Willamette	Scofield, Wood, Stinson, Hodge, Ferrell, Kester, Dail, Calverley
9/10	Castle Creek	Umpqua	Yandell, Buckner
9/10	Tish Tang	Six Rivers	Newton, Ferry, Elwood, Johnson* Bowman*, Honey*, Beals*
9/30	Hall's Gulch	Shasta-Tr.	Newton, Harter, Ferrell, Clarke

Crew Roster

Jim Allen - foreman
Orville Looper
Rod Newton
Bob Scofield
Jack Harter
Bob Berry
Chuck Buckner
Bob Calverley
Phil Clarke
Bob Crick
Jim Dail
Tom Elwood
Jim Ferrell
Milan Ferry
Mel Greenup
Dan Hayes
Phil Hodge
Bob Kester

Jim Kesterson
John Koester
Jack Long
Bill Long
Leonard Macatee
Harold Maxwell
Jim Moore
Gid Newton
Jim Oleson
Doug Stinson
Warren Webb
Harold Werner
Bob Wood
Jim Wright
Jim Yandell
Charlotte Looper - clerk
Ed Scholz - pilot
Alviene Kaufman - cook
Irma Wolff - cook

1956

This was the busiest season ever for the local unit. There were 243 fire jumps made to 77 fires. R-1 sent jumpers down to help during the latter part of August but only made 26 fire jumps. There was better than a 12 jump average per man including all fire and training jumps for the Siskiyou unit. There were 12 different spotters used during the season. A third of the fires were in the Shasta-Trinity forest in R-5. Twelve different national forests were jumped in both regions.

The project work was confined mostly to the base because of so many fires and maintaining chutes and fire equipment. The area was landscaped and the buildings were painted though.

Thirty-seven men besides Allen, the foreman, completed jump training, with Looper, Newton, Harter, Webb, Crick, Ferry and Hodge as squad-leaders. Clarke was trained as dispatcher.

Jumps were made from six different planes this season. They included the following Twin-Beeches: R-5, the R-6 swing ship, a contract one from Sonora, California, and our own. The Lodestar and the Okanogan Noorduyn were the only ships jumped this season besides the Twin-Beeches. The pilots for these planes were: Monte Pierce and "Red" Myler, from Portland; Turner, Ferris, Benesh, and Ayers, from San Francisco; Roberts, from Sonora; Towers, from Okanogan, and Ed Scholz, our regular pilot, who alone dropped a total of 327 jumpers.

Fire, Rescue, & Trail Jumps

6/11	Rescue Jump	Siskiyou-Agness	Looper, Newton. (Administered Demerol and first aid to Two Boy Scouts injured in) (fall off cliff)
6/15	Hazel Meadow	Shasta-Trinity	Webb, Bryce.
6/29	Hoover	Klamath	R. Newton, Berry, G. Newton, Hodge
6/29	Medicine Mtn.	Klamath	Crick, Bryce, Webb, Buckner.
7/2	Salt Crk. Mt.#1	Shasta-Trinity	Clarke, Kester.
7/2	Salt Crk. Mt.#2	Shasta-Trinity	Ferry, Koester
7/2	Star City Crk.	Shasta-Trinity	Macatee, G. Newton
7/2	Wild Cow Mtn.	Shasta-Trinity	Harter, Berry
7/2	S. Clairborne	Shasta-Trinity	R. Newton, Yandell, Hodge, Buckner
7/11	Ramshorn	Shasta-Trinity	Webb, Bryce
7/12	Blossum Cabin #1	Shasta-Trinity	Macatee, Koester
7/12	Blossum Cabin #2	Shasta-Trinity	Harter, G. Newton
7/13	Norton Mine	Siskiyou	Ferry, Wright, Price
7/14	Snag Hill	Shasta-Trinity	Newton, Kester, Wicks, Sutherland, Koehler.
7/14	Malone Crk.	Klamath	Bryce, Emory.
7/16	Cherry Crk.	Rogue River	Berry, Rogers
7/18	Trail Jump	Siskiyou-Agness	R. Newton, Emory, Koehler
7/18	McDonald	Klamath	Clarke, Buckner, Yandell, Morrill
7/19	Grizzly	Klamath	Hardisty, Webb
7/20	Last Chance	Shasta-Trinity	G. Newton, Wessell
7/20	Morrison Gulch	Shasta-Trinity	Board, Macatee
7/20	Lucky Butte	Willamette	Harter, Reed, Edison, Koester

7/21	Morrison Gulch	Shasta-Trinity	Kester, Wright, Sutherland, Price, Ferry, Koehler, Wicks, Bryce, Emory, Brunt, Brophy, Yandell.
7/22	Logan	Lassen	Macatee, Board, Hardistry, Arnold, Berry, Morrill, R.Newton, Rogers, Price, Wright
7/23	Little Grayback	Siskiyou	Webb, G.Newton, Wessell, Buckner
7/25	Chipmonk Meadow	Shasta-Trinity	Ferry, Bryce, Kester, Sutherland
7/26	Blind Horse	Klamath	Koehler, Emory, Wicks, Harter, Brophy, Edison, Brunt
7/26	King's Crk.	Klamath	Yandell, Koester
7/26	Poker Crk.	Klamath	Berry, Reed, Rogers, Morrill, Hardisty, Arnold.
7/26	Barron Crk.	Shasta-Trinity	Macatee, Board
7/26	Brown Mt.	Rogue River	Wright, Eggers.
7/27	Little Grayback#2	Siskiyou	Buckner, Price, Swift, Newton
7/30	Grouse Ridge	Shasta-Trinity	Harter, Board, Macatee, Eggers.
7/31	Colliers Bar (Built Airstrip)	Siskiyou-Agness	Koester, Koehler, Sutherland
8/5	Ripple Crk.	Shasta-Trinity	Emory, Brophy, Wicks, Brunt
8/5	Fall Crk.	Shasta-Trinity	Edison, Rogers, Arnold, Morrill
8/6	Brush Crk.	Shasta-Trinity	Harter, G.Newton, Wessell, Bryce
8/12	Nettie Crk.	Willamette	Arnold, R.Newton, Morrill, Maxwell
8/13	Trail Jump	Siskiyou-Brookings	Yandell, Kester
8/15	Rainbow Crk.	Wenatchee	Berry, Eggers
8/16	S. Hungry Crk.	Okanogan	Macatee, Wright
8/16	Hungry Ridge	Okanogan	Macatee, Wright
8/16	Leap Crk.	Okanogan	Macatee, Wright
8/16	Milk Crk.	Mt. Baken	Looper
8/17	Vina Crk.	Wenatchee	Berry, Eggers
8/18	Cottonwood Rdg.	Rogue River	Emory, Price
8/19	Porcupine Butte	Shasta-Trinity	Ferry, Buckner, Swift, Board
8/20	E. Powder Hill	Shasta-Trinity	Brunt, Brophy
8/20	W. Snag Hill	Shasta-Trinity	Koester, Sutherland
8/20	Dog Fork	Rogue River	Edison, Koehler, Wicks
8/20	Tincup	Rogue River	Maxwell, Arnold, Morrill
8/20	Dog Fork #2	Klamath	Bryce, Wessell, G.Newton
8/21	Salmon Mtn.	Six-Rivers	R.Newton, Emory, Thompson#
8/21	Brooks Mine	Shasta-Trinity	Oleson, Price
8/21	Tyler	Klamath	Casieri#, Pilkey#, Pera#
8/21	Strictland Butte	Rogue River	Ferry, Webster#, Jukkala#
8/21	Lake Mtn.	Siskiyou	Hale#, Board
8/21	Cowboy Mine	Siskiyou	Buckner, Connerton#
8/21	Windy Gap	Siskiyou	Swift, Mathis#
8/21	Panther Mtn.	Siskiyou	Bryce, Maready#
8/21	Hobson Horn	Siskiyou	G.Newton, Wessell, Kittell#, Wilson#
8/21	Horse Sign Butte	Siskiyou	Olson#, Wolfrum#
8/21	Happy Valley	Umpqua	Webb, Senterfit#
8/21	Fruit Mtn.	Rogue River	Brunt, Brophy, Koester, Sutherland
8/21	Lost Valley	Siskiyou	Maxwell, Arnold
8/22	S. Fk. Clear Crk	Klamath	Price, Oleson, Buckner, Harter
8/22	Kimball Hill	Siskiyou	Edison, Wicks
8/22	Horse Sign Butte	Siskiyou	Connerton#, Webster#, Jukkala#

8/22	Black Mtn.	Klamath	Ferry, Koehler
8/22	Fruit Mth.	Rogue River	Roberts#, Pera#, Kester, Berry
8/22	Taylor Crk.	Siskiyou	Eggers, Pilkey#
8/22	Snail Crk.	Siskiyou	Casieri#, Yandell, Page#, Wright
8/23	Serpentine	Klamath	Board, Morrill
8/23	Little Craggy	Rogue River	Hale#, Senterfit#, Webb, Bryce
8/24	Copper Crk.	Klamath	R.Newton, Emory, Buckner, Price
8/25	Silver Crk.#2	Siskiyou	Wright, Oleson
8/25	Bohemotash	Shasta-Trinity	Ferry, Berry, Koester, Koehler
8/26	McCash Crk.	Klamath	Harter, Swift, Kester, Brunt
8/28	Squaw Crk.	Umpqua	Eggers, Sutherland
9/4	Colliers Bar (Built Airstrip)	Siskiyou	Harter, Sutherland, Oleson, Price
9/15	Swede Basin	Siskiyou	G.Newton, Webb Maxwell, Koester
9/19	Cat Butte	Shasta-Trinity	Yandell, Buckner
9/20	Stockton Rdg.	Mendocino	Kester, Maxwell
9/30	Steep Hollow	Shasta-Trinity	Harter, Oleson, Maxwell, Koester
10/7	Sumpter Crk.	Rogue River	Bryce, Webb

CREW ROSTER

Jim Allen - foreman	George Koehler
Orv Looper	John Koester
Rod Newton	Leonard Macatee
Jack Harter	Harold Maxwell
Warren Webb	Keith Morrill
Milan Ferry	Gid Newton
Phil Hodge	Jim Oleson
Bob Crick	Ron Price
Phil Clarke	Linwood Reed
Bob Scofield	Floyd Rogers
Dave Arnold	Douglass Sutherland
Bob Berry	Eldo Swift
Dick Board	Dick Wessell
Bill Brophy	Kenneth Wicks
Murray Brunt	Larry Wright
Paul Bryce	Jim Yandell
Chuck Buckner	Karl Falleson
Jim Edison	Charlotte Looper - clerk
Joe Emory	Ed Scholz - pilot
Jim Hardisty	Alviene Kaufman - cook
Bob Kester	Irma Wolff - cook

1957

This was the slowest year since 1948 with only 50 fire jumps on 10 fires. The summer was cool with only a few thunder storms. A total of 23 trail jumps and 225 training jumps were made.

Jim Allen was foreman with Al Boucher, Rod Newton, and Jack Harter as squadleaders. A new smokejumper base was started in Redding, California in the spring. Their crew trained in Cave Junction with the local unit. Orville Looper transferred to Redding as the assistant foreman.

The twin beach remained the principal jump plane. The Lockheed Lodestar and the DC-3 belonging to R-5 came to Cave Junction during the season for some practice jumps.

The new foremans residence was finished in May. The crew started to landscape it during the season.

Fire Jumps

The first fire of the season was June 10th at Mud Springs in the Siskiyou National Forest. Price, Banta, Berry, Webb, Arnold, and Wessell jumped on it to find a sick prospector had set the blaze to attract attention.

Harter, Arnold, Edison and Gid Newton jumped on fire #2 in the Shasta N.F. on Porcupine Butte on June 12th.

On July 7th four men; Harter, Ferry, Edison and Wright were dispatched to a fire in Briggs Valley in the Siskiyou. This fire was also man caused.

Ferry, Berry, Schrunk and Nelson jumped in the Siskiyou on the Diamond Creek fire July 21st. Another man caused fire.

The next lightning caused fire request came from the Umpqua N.F. on August 30th. Wessell, Gid Newton, Rosenberg, and McDaniels were dispatched.

The same morning Arnold and Pawlowski jumped in the Rogue River N.F. on the Cook & Green Creek fire.

September 2 another of Siskiyou's man caused blazes started up near Days Gulch. Twelve jumpers; Ferry, Nicholson, Thomas, Wright, Edison, Berry, H. Allen, Emory, Rosenberg, Gid Newton, Cherry, and Byrne were jumped to it and another crew went in by truck after dark to help control it.

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Ten jumpers went to Redding, California to standby on the weekend of September 7 and jumped on the Chambers Creek fire in the Lassen.

Emory and Pawlowski jumped at Hmalin Mine in the Siskiyou on Sept. 14 to control a blaze started by a bull dozer.

The Waterhole fire in the Shasta N.F. completed the fire season. Gid Newton, Schrunk, Wright & Rosenberg did the honors.

Crew Roster

Jim Allen - foreman	Gid Newton
Al Boucher	Rod Newton
Harvey Allen	Ernie Nicholson
Dave Arnold	Norm Pawlowski
Bob Berry	Ron Price
Ralph Bryant	Ken Rosenberg
Mike Byrne	Wayne Schrunk
Ron Cherry	Don Thomas
Jim Edison	Bob Tyson
Joe Emory	Jack Vines
Milan Ferry	Richard Wessell
Bob Harrison	Larry Wright
Jack Harter	Carroll Zachary
Ray Hull	Alviene Kaufman - cook
Gordon Kellogg	Irma Wolff - cook
John McDaniel	Charlotte Looper- clerk
Ron Nelson	

1956

The season was slow getting started but turned out to be a busy year. All of the fire jumps were made during July and August with the exception of one in the middle of June. This was the first season for the unit without a fire jump in September. There was a total of 174 fire jumps made to 60 fires. 155 practice and 13 trail jumps brought the total jumps to 342. The local unit twice sent assistance to the Okanogan unit and then Okanogan, Missoula and Redding came to the aid of Siskiyou during August to make a total of 36 fire jumps.

The crew consisted of 29 men with Jim Allen as foreman, Al Boucher as assistant foreman, Rod Newton, Jack Harter, Ron Price and Milan Ferry as squadleaders.

There were 7 different jump planes used. The Twin-Beeches included; N161 (Okanogan), N164 (Siskiyou), 60D (R-6 swing ship), N57197 (Sonora Flying Service) and 74R (Redding Flying Service). The Siskiyou jumpers also used a DC-3 and a Lodestar from R-5. The Forest Service pilots were Scholz, Myler, Feigion and Cavanaugh from R-6 and Benesh, Ferris and Ruth from R-5. The contract pilot was Burt Train from Redding, California. There was a helicopter stationed at Cave Junction during the fire season and 2 additional ones were contracted during the fire bust in August.

Project work included trail jumps, lookout maintenance, sign building, slash burning and wood cutting.

Fire and Trail Jumps

* Okanogan jumper
Missoula jumper
+ Redding jumper

6/18 Lone Woman	Umpqua	Wessell, Yandell
7/4 Myers Cr.	Okanogan	Thomas, G. Newton, Paul Roberts
7/4 Artic Cr.	Mt. Baker	Ferry, M. Byrne, Pawlowski
7/5 Cow Cr.	Okanogan	Harter, Vines
7/7 Whiskey Ridge	Rogue River	R. Newton, Yandell, Bryant
7/16 Nome Cr.	Siskiyou	Rosenberg, Cramer
7/16 Burned Timber	Siskiyou	Wessell, Murchison, W. Byrne
7/16 Minnow Cr.	Siskiyou	G. Newton, Cherry
7/16 3 Mile Cr.	Rogue River	Harter, Lehman, Light, Thomas
7/16 Elkhorn	Siskiyou	Pawlowski, Murray
7/17 Horse Mt.	Siskiyou	M. Byrne, Roberts
7/17 Limpy	Siskiyou	R. Newton, Cook
7/17 Lost Valley	Siskiyou	Yandell, Reid
7/18 Mt. Elijah	Siskiyou	Ferry, Vines, McKeen
7/19 Sourgrass	Siskiyou	Price, Bryant, Harvey
7/19 Snailback	Siskiyou	McDaniels, Murchinson
7/20 Olbenberg Lake	Deschutes	R. Newton, Wessell, Cramer, Lehman
7/21 Burn Butte	Deschutes	Rosenberg, W. Byrne, Light, G. Newton
7/24 Drop-Off Cr.	Shasta-Trinity	Price, Murray
7/26 North Eagle	Shasta-Trinity	Ferry, Thomas, Pawlowski, Roberts
7/27		
7/28		

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7/29 Trail Jump	Siskiyou	Ferry, W. Byrne, Murray
8/2 Barker	Shasta-Trinity	M. Byrne, Cook
8/2 Collings Mt.	Rogue River	Vines, McKeen
8/5 Trail Jump	Siskiyou	Price, Thomas, Pawlowski, Roberts
8/7 Fawn Lake	Deschutes	Harter, Tyson, Harvey, McDaniels
8/11 Trail Jump	Siskiyou	R. Newton, Bryce, Cook, McDaniels, Vines, McKeen
8/20 Hell Hole	Siskiyou	Bryant, Reid
8/20 Bolan Cr.	Siskiyou	Price, Yandell, Murchinson
8/20 Dillon Cr.	Klamath	Wessell, Rosenberg, Cramer
8/20 Little Grayback	Siskiyou	G. Newton, Lehman
8/20 Charmain	Klamath	Pawlowski, W. Byrne
8/20 Kelly Lake #1	Klamath	Ferry, Thomas, Murray, Light
8/20 Humpy Mt.	Rogue River	M. Byrne, Roberts
8/22 No Name Cr.	Umpqua	Vines, Cook
8/22 Irish Mt.	Deschutes	Tyson, McKeen
8/23 Billy Mt.	State	Harter, McDaniels, Harvey, Reid, Wessell, Bryant
8/23 King Spruce	Rogue River	Rosenberg, Cramer
8/23 Pipe Fork	Rogue River	Thomas, W. Byrne
8/24 Silver Peak	Siskiyou	Light, Price, Yandell, Lehman, M. Byrne, Murray, Murchinson, G. Newton
8/24 Dutch Henry	Siskiyou	Ferry, Roberts, Cook, Vines
8/24 Ajax	Siskiyou	McDaniels, Reid
8/24 Bunker	Siskiyou	Harter, Bryant, Banta +
8/24 Elkhorn	Siskiyou	Wessell, Pawlowski
8/24 Panther Cr.	Siskiyou	Swift +, Bowles +
8/24 Crazy Peak	Siskiyou	Brophy +, Kelly +, Brady +
8/24 Black Butte	Siskiyou	Tyson, McKeen
8/24 Flat Top	Siskiyou	Schegel +, Koepp +
8/24 Old Glory	Siskiyou	Bryce, Gossett +, Dickie +, Kloepfer +, Brennen +
8/24 Bobbie Lake	Willamette	Rhodes *, Gibford *
8/25 Byers Peak	Willamette	W. Byrne, Reid, Schaub*, Percival *
8/25 Twin Lakes	Willamette	Moore +, Clifton +
8/25 Goose Egg	Rogue River	Ferry, Wessell, Pawlowski, G. Newton, Bryce, Kelly +, Brophy +, Brady +
8/25 E. Breitenbush	Willamette	Banta +, McKay +
8/25 Turpentine Pk.	Willamette	Harter, Bryant
8/25 W. Humbug	Willamette	McCabe *, Pino *, Cramer, Rosenberg
8/25 Fox Cr.	Willamette	Bowman *, McDaniels
8/26 Quartzville Cr.	Willamette	Stoleson #, Eisenman #, McNiel #, Baylor #
8/26 Upperlost	Willamette	Clarke +, Murchinson +, Rhodes *, Gibford *

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8/26 Bingham Basin	Willamette	Yandell, Murchinson, Oswald #, Sundstrin #
8/26 Grizzley Ridge	Willamette	Vines, Roberts
8/27 Saddle Mt.	Willamette	Price, Murray
8/27 Maxwell Butte	Willamette	M. Byrne, Cook
8/27 N. Bachelor	Willamette	Lehman, Light
8/29 Fly Lake	Rogue River	Pawlowski, McKeen

Crew Roster

Jim Allen	Cliff McKeen	Ed Scholz, pilot
Al Boucher	Bob Tyson	A..Kaufman, cook
Roger Newton	Ralph Bryant	E. Wolff, cook
Jack Harter	Ron Cherry	S. Wessell, clerk
Ron Price	John McDaniels	
Milan Ferry	Don Thomas	
Ken Rosenberg	Jim Yandell	
Dick Wessell	Paul Bryce	
Norm Pawlowski	Ted Cook	
Jack Vines	Jim Cramer	
Mike Byrne	Phil Harvey	
William Byrne	John Murchinson	
Dick Light	John Murray	
Gid Newton	Jerry Reid	
Mike Lehman	Bill Roberts	
	Bill Rusin	

SISKIYOU AERIAL PROJECT - Fire Seasons 1947 thru 1958 (12 seasons)

Season	No. Jumpers	Training Jumps	Fires	Fire Jumps
1947	16	187	4	10
1948	28	173	7	28
1949	28	131	24	82
1950	28	130	21	51
1951	28	173	48	213
1952	28	141	42	109
1953	28	130	59	166
1954	28	134	22	62
1955	32	191	43	145
1956	36	210	77	243
1957	29	248	10	52
1958	29	168	60	174
Totals	338	2016	417	1335

Total No. of Jumps 3351

Average No. of Jumps per man 9.9

Average No. of Fires per season 34.8

Average No. of Fire Jumps per season 111.3

Average No. of Jumpers per fire 3.2

Fire jumps made by other Units 216

Fire jumps made by Siskiyou jumpers 1119

R-6

Forest	Fires	Fire Jumps	Average
Siskiyou	68	209	3.1
Rogue River	46	152	3.3
Umpqua	31	82	2.6
Willamette	19	60	3.2
Wallowa-Whitman	6	12	2.0
Okanogan	5	10	2.0
Deschutes	4	14	3.5
Mt. Baker	2	4	2.0
Wenatchee	2	4	2.0
State Land	1	6	6.0
Totals	184	553	3.0

R-5

Forest	Fires	Fire Jumps	Average
Shasta-Trinity	118	379	3.2
Klamath	91	312	3.5
Six Rivers	12	37	3.1
Mendocino	5	18	3.6
Sequoia	5	16	3.2
Lassen	2	18	9.0
Sierra	1	2	2.0
Totals	234	782	3.3