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JUMPER. WRITE IT DOWN AND SEND TO:

SMOKEJUMPERS  
BOISE NATIONAL FOREST  
3905 VISTA  
BOISE, IDAHO 83705



1949:	11 Jumpers 6 New Men (NEDS)	143 Jumps 52 Fires Boise R-4
	First Fire: July 6	13.0 fire jumps per man
	Last Fire: October 1	Aircraft: Noorduyn-Norseman Travelaire (part-time)
	50 Pin: John Wilcock	

The season was exceptionally dry and was the most active smokejumping year on the Boise. The eleven jumpers averaged 13 fire jumps on 51 fires in 37 days. Swede Nelson brought in Johnson's Travelaire from McCall to give us a little help. Hartnett reported his aircraft made 239 flights, dropped 317 cargo chutes and carried 613 passengers. Its cargo totalled 56,795 pounds for the period. Willard Stevenson made the first one-man fire jump on the Boise. Harry McCarty set the record for the most fire jumps on the Boise National Forest for one season at 17.

1950:	17 Jumpers (11 at one time) 7 NEDS	71 Jumps 26 Fires Boise R-4 4 Jumps 1 Fire Sawtooth R-4
	First Fire: July 5	75 Jumps 27 Fires TOTAL
	Last Fire: August 22	4.4 fire jumps per man
	Pilot: Clare Hartnett	Aircraft: Noorduyn-Norseman

The 1950 fire season was short and wet. Six McCall jumpers traded off with our Unit to give the Idaho City boys a vacation in McCall. James Crockett, Robert Betts, George Schrieber, and Harry McCarty made the first off-forest jump for the Unit when they jumped on the Sawtooth on August 15.

1951:	11 Jumpers 7 NEDS	81 Jumps 32 Fires Boise R-4 4 Jumps 1 Fire Payette R-4
	First Fire: July 13	85 Jumps 33 Fires TOTAL
	Last Fire: August 31	7.7 fire jumps per man
	50 Pins: Robert Caldwell James Stover	Aircraft: Noorduyn-Norseman

All of us experienced another short busy fire season. We tried the "candy striped", FS-2 parachute this year. David Schas made the first out of region jump for our unit when he jumped a fire out of Demming, New Mexico R-3. Stover, Taylor Cottle, James Coleman, and Grant Gaith became the first jumpers to jump on the Payette from the Idaho City Unit. Hartnett was helped out this year by Ray Luke as our pilots.

1952:	12 Jumpers	71 Jumps	28 Fires	Boise R-4
	7 New Men(NEDS)	4 Jumps	1 Fire	Sawtooth R-4
	First Fire: July 2	75 Jumps	29 Fires	TOTAL
	Last Fire: October 10	6.3 fire jumps per man		
		Aircraft: Noorduyn-Norseman		

This season our unit was again dominated by new men. Seven of our twelve man unit were "Neds". The season was slow but extended through a hot September and October. Hartnett again flew the Noorduyn for us.

1953:	15 Jumpers	101 Jumps	33 Fires	Boise R-4
	6 NEDS	12 Jumps	3 Fires	Challis R-4
	First Fire: July 5	8 Jumps	1 Fire	Payette R-4
		4 Jumps	1 Fire	Salmon R-4
		2 Jumps	1 Fire	Sawtooth R-4
	Last Fire: October 12	127 Jumps	39 Fires	TOTAL
	Aircraft: Noorduyn-Norseman	7.8 fire jumps per man		
	Travelaire(part-time)			

This was a long, hot fire season for Region 4. The Idaho City Unit expanded to 15 jumpers this year. We made our first visit to the Challis and the Salmon Forest. Caldwell, John Coburn, Robert Clifford, and Eugene Lewton were the first to hit the ground on the Challis. Caldwell received special praise from the Challis for his leadership on the Simplot Ranch Fire. Caldwell, Roger Taynton, Robert Evans, and Cottle made the Salmon jump. Hartnett was again our pilot with Higby and Ikelberger from Bradley Flying Service checked out to drop smoke-jumpers from their Travelaire. Taynton, Coburn, Caldwell, and Cottle made news with their rescue jump for a man stricken with appendicitis on the Challis.

1954:	15 Jumpers	78 Jumps	30 Fires	Boise R-4
	8 NEDS	8 Jumps	2 Fires	Challis R-4
	First Fire: July 14	8 Jumps	2 Fires	Sawtooth R-4
		6 Jumps	2 Fires	Payette R-4
	Last Fire; September 13	100 Jumps	36 Fires	TOTAL
	Aircraft: Noorduyn-Norseman	6.7 fire jumps per man		
	Travelaire(part-time)			

The Idaho City Unit became semi-independent as the administration and supervision became the responsibility of the Boise Forest Supervisor. Squad Leader, James B. Stover officially became our first jumper foreman. The Noorduyn was back this year but with a new pilot, Karl Bryning. Ikelberger flew Bradley's Travelaire during the busy days. We needed

and received help this year from both the McCall and Missoula Bases.  
 Drift streamers replaced drift chutes this year.

1955:	20 Jumpers	66 Jumps	24 Fires	Boise R-4
	9 New Men (NEDS)	8 Jumps	2 Fires	Payette R-4
		8 Jumps	1 Fire	Salmon R-4
First Fire:	July 10	2 Jumps	1 Fire	Sawtooth R-4
		84 Jumps	28 Fires	TOTAL
Last Fire:	September 7	Aircraft: Twin Beech (C-45)		
50 Pin:	Clyde Hawley	Travelaire (part-time)		
		Ford Tri-Motor (Salmon Fire)		
	4.2 fire jumps per man			

This was a slow but eventful year on the Boise. Our Noorduyn was replaced by a new Twin Beechcraft with Bryning as pilot. Higby and Bob Valance were used on the Travelaire. Glenn Smith became the first Idaho City jumper to go on the Region 3 Detail (New Mexico). Hawley, Teichert, Hensel, and Payne were complimented by the doctor and Forest Supervisor for their work on the McDonald Creek airplane crash. Hawley, Payne, Barron, and Kenn Smith made another rescue jump. Robie Creek was the largest fire, but eight Idaho City jumpers joined 100 other jumpers on the Lost Packer Lake Fire on the Salmon. Two young "Neds", Kenn Smith and Clarence Teichert, began their careers as Smokejumpers as we expanded our unit to 20 jumpers.

1956	21 Jumpers	74 Jumps	25 Fires	Boise R-4
	6 NEDS	10 Jumps	3 Fires	Sawtooth R-4
		8 Jumps	3 Fires	Challis R-4
First Fire:	July 8	6 Jumps	3 Fires	Payette R-4
		4 Jumps	1 Fire	Salmon R-4
Last Fire:	September 16 (Payette)	102 Jumps	35 Fires	TOTAL
	September 14 (Boise)	Aircraft: Twin Beech (C-45)		
	4.9 fire jumps per man	Fairchild		
		Cunningham-Hall (Larkin's)		
100 Pin:	Robert Caldwell	Travelaire (part-time)		
		Ford Tri-Motor (One fire)		

This was a year with lots of small fires and lots of different jump planes. Karl Bryning again flew the Twin Beech. Jim Larkin flew the Fairchild, Twin Beech, and his own Cunningham-Hall. Higby flew a Ford and a Travelaire. Kenn Smith took the New Mexico detail and got 15 jumps there. Both Eugene Marker and Richard Hanks suffered broken ankles this season. Only 66 acres of Boise National Forest land burned this year.

1957: 20 Jumpers	106 Jumps	45 Fires	Boise R-4
8 New Men (NEDS)	26 Jumps	7 Fires	Challis R-4
	8 Jumps	3 Fires	Sawtooth R-4
First Fire: July 1	4 Jumps	1 Fire	NezPerce R-1
	144 Jumps	56 Fires	TOTAL
Last Fire: September 5	7.2 fire jumps per man		
50 Pins: Pat Daly	Aircraft: Twin Beech (E-18)		
LaMonte Christensen	Cunningham-Hall		
Kenneth Smith			

We had a good fire season with many small fires and traveled to nearby forests. Hawley, Hanks, Smith, and Daly made the first fire jumps on the Nex Perce in Region 1. Kenn Smith had 13 fire jumps in New Mexico. For three days we dropped jumpers on the Lincoln Lake Fire on the Challis. The experimental mechanical mule was tried with unfavorable results as a packer. Hawley, Hanks, and Yost all jumped one-man fires. Teichert broke his ankle. Bryning, Larkin, and David Schas all flew the Beechcraft.

1958: 19 Jumpers	117 Jumps	41 Fires	Boise R-4
5 NEDS	14 Jumps	4 Fires	Challis R-4
	3 Jumps	1 Fire	Teton R-4
First Fire: July 7	2 Jumps	1 Fire	Sawtooth R-4
	136 Jumps	47 Fires	TOTAL
Last Fire: September 10	7.2 fire jumps per man		
100 Pins: James Stover	Aircraft: Twin Beech (E-18)		
Kenneth Smith			

The Teton Forest was visited for the first time this year by our jumpers: Hanks, Graham, and Reay. The Basin Butte Fire on the Challis, Milk Ranch Gulch, Badger Creek, and Cherry Gulch Fires on the Boise were all saved from becoming large fires by the speed of first attack and vigorous ground action by our Smokejumpers. Smith and Christensen went on the New Mexico detail.

1959: 20 Jumpers	72 Jumps	27 Fires	Boise R-4
7 NEDS	10 Jumps	5 Fires	Sawtooth R-4
	2 Jumps	1 Fire	Challis R-4
First Fire: July 16 (Sawtooth)	84 Jumps	33 Fires	TOTAL
July 22 (Boise)	4.2 fire jumps per man		
Last Fire: August 28	Aircraft: Twin Beech (E-18)		
50 Pin: Clarence Teichert	Noorduyn-Norseman		

Almost all the fires manned by the Smokejumper Unit this year were small lightning caused and in hard to get at places. On the 31st of July concentration of fires around Garden Valley and Deadwood Reservoir, the Smokejumper Unit made 28 jumps to 13 fires in two days. The FS-2 parachute replaced the last group of FS-1's. The fire season ended earlier than in recent years on September 12.

1960:	21 Jumpers	94 Jumps	36 Fires	Boise
	2 New Men (NEDS)	19 Jumps	6 Fires	Challis
		2 Jumps	1 Fire	Sawtooth
		<u>115 Jumps</u>	<u>43 Fires</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>

First Fire: July 5 (Challis)  
               July 6 (B.N.F.)

Last Fire: September 25

50 Pin: Terry Lewton

5.5 fire jumps per man  
 Aircraft: Twin Beeches (2)

While Thorn Creek and other large fires were burning on the Idaho City and Cottonwood Districts, our Smokejumper Unit filled in for depleted district forces. We were set up as a pumper crew to protect private dwellings and a school house. Borate was used for fire suppression and showed excellent results. LaMonte Christensen and Fred Rensmeyer were on the Region 3 detail. We made a few helispot construction jumps this year.

1961:	20 Jumpers	131 Jumps	45 Fires	Boise
	5 NEDS	6 Jumps	2 Fires	Challis
		4 Jumps	1 Fire	Sawtooth
		<u>141 Jumps</u>	<u>48 Fires</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>

First Fire: July 6

Last Fire: September 12

50 Pins: Harry Clark  
           Fred Rensmeyer  
           Earl Pederson  
           Richard 'Dick' Graham

6.6 fire jumps per man

Aircraft: Twin Beeches (2)

The nylon suit was used to replace old canvas jump suits. FS-5 and FS-5A parachutes continue to replace over-age FS-2's. August was very busy with fire activity. Of the 48 fires we jumped this year, 38 were class A. The largest fire was the Blue Bunch Fire which burned from the Boise onto the Challis National Forest. Fred Rensmeyer and Harry Clark got the Region 3 detail.

1962:	20 Jumpers	112 Jumps	39 Fires	Boise
	7 NEDS	19 Jumps	2 Fires	Challis
		4 Jumps	1 Fire	Sawtooth
		4 Jumps	1 Fire	Bridger
		4 Jumps	1 Fire	Teton
		<u>143 Jumps</u>	<u>44 Fires</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>

First Fire: June 30

Last Fire: September 26

50 Pin: Harvey Harden

Aircraft: Twin Beeches (2) C-45

7.2 fire jumps per man

The severity of the fire season did not reach that of the past four or five seasons. We jumped and built 9 heli-spots in compliance with the heli-spot network throughout the forest. Stover filmed a Deployment Bag Study for the Missoula Development Center. Graham, Montoya, Hobbs, and G. Smith made an unsuccessful rescue jump on a plane crash on the Middle Fork. Clark again went to Region 3.

1963: 22 Jumpers 85 Jumps 36 Fires Boise  
7 New Men (NEDS) 3.9 fire jumps per man  
First Fire: July 8 Aircraft: Twin Beech (2)  
Last Fire: September 10

This was an exceptionally light season for the Idaho City Unit.

All fire activity was limited to the Boise National Forest. August 6, was the busiest day of the season with 14 men dropped on 7 fires. The Shaffer Fire, jumped by Harvey Harden and Ben McBride, got away and went to a class E fire.

1964: 21 Jumpers 100 Jumps 39 Fires Boise  
7 NEDS No off-forest fire jumps  
First Fire: July 7 4.8 fire jumps per man  
Last Fire: October 22 Aircraft: Twin Beech (C-45)  
50 Pin: Benny Ortiz Cessna 206  
100 Pin: Clarence Teichert

For the first time we used only contract aircraft. A C-45 (Twin Beech) and a Cessna 206 were based here. The fire season was about normal with the temperatures a little lower and lightning storm activity in July did not materialize. All fires were either A or B class. We made no heli-spot construction jumps this year. Steve Carlson and Bobby Montoya got the Silver City detail. There were no fire jumps in September, but 12 were made in October.

1965: 19 Jumpers 41 Jumps 17 Fires Boise  
3 NEDS 2 Jumps 1 Fire Payette  
43 Jumps 18 Fires TOTAL  
First Fire: July 9 2.3 fire jumps per man  
Last Fire: August 28 Aircraft: Twin Beech (C-45)  
50 Pin: Robert Montoya Cessna 206  
100 Pin: Harry Clark

The fire season was very slow. This year we had the fewest number of fire jumps per man recorded for this Unit. McCall's Twin Beech crashed on July 9 and took the life of squad leader Ken Salyer and the pilot. Clarence Teichert, Marion Horton, Wayne Sugg, and Dick Graham jumped this tragedy but there was nothing they could do. Harry Clark and Robert Montoya had the Region 3 detail. The fire season ended on August 28.

1966: 20 Jumpers  
7 New Men (NEDS)

First Fire: July 6

Last Fire: October 3

50 Pin: Gene Hobbs  
Jim Lafferty

150 Pin: Kenneth Smith

124 Jumps	35 Fires	Boise
16 Jumps	4 Fires	Payette
6 Jumps	3 Fires	Challis
8 Jumps	3 Fires	Salmon
<u>154 Jumps</u>	<u>45 Fires</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>

8.2 fire jumps per man

Aircraft: Twin Beech (2) E-18

The severity of the 1966 fire season was high. High temperatures and low humidity caused the 2 to 4 man smokejumper fires to become 4 to 8 man fires. On the Boise National Forest 10,330 acres burnt this year, second only to 1960 when 12,647 acres went up in smoke. On August 4 with only Bill Rember, Jim Weaver, and John Cramer left in camp, they jumped a small fire on Charters Mountain near Garden Valley which roared through heavy timber for several weeks. Kenn Smith became the first Idaho City jumper to get 150 jumps.

1967: 20 Jumpers  
4 NEDS

First Fire: July 4

Last Fire: September 10

125 Jumps	39 Fires	Boise
14 Jumps	4 Fires	Payette
2 Jumps	1 Fire	Challis
<u>141 Jumps</u>	<u>44 Fires</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>

6.0 fire jumps per man

Aircraft: Twin Beech (E-18)  
Turbo-Porter  
(Fairchild Hiller)

Tempertures set new all-time highs in August with low humidity, but our forest did not have much lightning this year as 119 fires burnt only 121 acres of forest land. We changed this year to a standard fire pack for two jumpers in one pack. We also adopted a timber line paracargo system for smokejumper cargo. Julio Bilbao suffered our only accident when he fell from a tree after a parachute jump and landed on his head (which averted a more serious injury).

1968: 29 Jumpers  
12 NEDS

First Fire: July 3

Last Fire: September 28

50 Pins: Stephen Carlson  
Francis Mohr

119 Jumps	40 Fires	Boise
6 Jumps	6 Fires	Challis
8 Jumps	5 Fires	Payette
1 Jump	1 Fire	Umatilla R-6
1 Jump	1 Fire	Willowa-Whitman R6
<u>135 Jumps</u>	<u>50 Fires</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>

6.1 fire jumps per man

Aircraft: Twin Beech  
Turbo-Porter

July had more jump activity than usual and August continued hot and dry, but the rains around August 10th reduced the fire danger to low and there was only 8 jumps to 4 fires after August 13. A Twin

Beechcraft (E-18) and a Turbo-Porter were stationed at Idaho City. Francis Mohr became the first jumper in Region 6 when he jumped the Umatilla on July 22; he was closely followed by Julio Bilbao who made the first jump on the Willowa-Whitman the next day. Our unit also made non-jumper visits to Utah, Nevada, California, Oregon, and Alaska. John Cramer was promoted to Squad Leader as our unit expanded in number.

1969:	29 Jumpers	91 Jumps	22 Fires	Boise
	10 New Men (NEDS)	10 Jumps	1 Fire	Challis
		10 Jumps	1 Fire	Payette
	First Fire: June 5 (Deschutes R-6)	1 Jump	1 Fire	Deschutes R-6
	June 20 (Boise N.F.)	3 Jumps	2 Fires	Malheur R-6
		1 Jump	1 Fire	Ochoco R-6
	Last Fire: September 28	19 Jumps	3 Fires	Six Rivers R-6
		6 Jumps	3 Fires	Region 3
	50 Pin: George Hawes	141 Jumps	34 Fires	TOTAL
	Aircraft: Turbo-Porter	6.1 fire jumps per man		
	F.S. DC-3			
	Twin Otter			

Fifty off-forest jumps made a good season on a year in which there was very little jump activity in July and August on our forest. First jumps were made on the Deschutes (Weaver), Malheur (Cramer and Nelson), and Ochoco (Weaver) in Region 6. Engels, Slavick, and Weaver got the first Region 5 jumps on the Six Rivers Forest followed closely by 16 other Idaho City Jumpers the same day on other fires. Eleven of these jumps were on the Grizzly Fire and helicopter crash. On the Boise we had a near tragedy when Kenn Smith, Steve Carlson, and Bryant Cox were in a helicopter crash while being retrieved from a fire Southwest of Trinity Lookout on Smith Creek.

1970:	26 Jumpers	141 Jumps	46 Fires	Boise
	6 NEDS	9 Jumps	2 Fires	Salmon
		4 Jumps	3 Fires	Payette
	First Fire: May 29 (Alaska)	19 Jumps	3 Fires	Challis
	July 4 (Boise)	21 Jumps	6 Fires	Okanagan R-6
		13 Jumps	9 Fires	Deschutes R-6
	Last Fire: October 4	12 Jumps	5 Fires	Willamette R-6
		1 Jump	1 Fire	Ochoco R-6
	50 Pin: Guy Hurlbutt	1 Jump	1 Fire	Umpqua R-6
	Herb Corn	4 Jumps	1 Fire	Mt. Baker R-6
	Wayne Sugg	1 Jump	1 Fire	We natchee R-6
		4 Jumps	1 Fire	Winema R-3
	150 Pin: Clarence Teichert	4 Jumps	3 Fires	Gila R-3
		2 Jumps	1 Fire	Natl. Park Service
	Aircraft: Twin Otter	5 Jumps	2 Fires	BLM Alaska
	F.S. DC-3	236 Jumps	85 Fires	TOTAL

8.7 fire jumps per man

Two things made this a very special year. First was our move from Idaho City to Boise, and second, it was the most active jumper year

since 1949. Neighboring regions had severe fire problems this year and this resulted in the Boise based Smokejumpers being used on out-of-region fires more than ever before. Bobby Montoya made the first Alaska jump. We also jumped the Umpqua, Okanagan, Mt. Baker, Willamette, Wenatchee, and Winema National Forest, all in Region 6, for the first time.

1971:	34 Jumpers	88 Jumps	23 Fires	Boise
	7 New Men (NEDS)	7 Jumps	1 Fire	Challis
		2 Jumps	1 Fire	Sawtooth
First Fire:	June 17 (Gila)	2 Jumps	1 Fire	Salmon
	July 16 (Boise)	12 Jumps	1 Fire	BLM Montana
		19 Jumps	10 Fires	BLM Alaska
Last Fire:	October 4 (Boise)	7 Jumps	1 Fire	Lewis & Clark R-1
	October 12 (Challis)	20 Jumps	11 Fires	Gila N.F. R-3
		157 Jumps	49 Fires	TOTAL
50 Pins:	Mark Nelson	4.9 fire jumps per man		
	Don Lillard	Aircraft: Twin Otter		
	Bryant Cox	Caribou		
		DC-3		

Fire activity started early with details to Alaska, New Mexico, and Arizona. A long, slow span followed through July and most of August with another peak the last week in August. Although it was a slow fire year, there were more injuries than ever before. Karl Hartzell, Mark Nelson, John Cramer, Robert Totten, Allan Muench, and Stan Ramsay all suffered injuries this year. We tried some experimental jumps from the Caribou, but the highlight of the year was capturing first place in the annual Boise Jaycees "Keep Idaho Green" raft race.

1972:	27 Jumpers	136 Jumps	50 Fires	Boise
	0 NEDS	8 Jumps	3 Fires	Payette
		8 Jumps	2 Fires	Salmon
First Fire:	June 16 (Alaska)	62 Jumps	25 Fires	BLM Alaska
	July 6 (Boise)	14 Jumps	7 Fires	Willowa-Whitman R6
		1 Jump	1 Fire	Malheur R-6
Last Fire:	September 19 (Boise)	229 Jumps	88 Fires	TOTAL
	October 10 (Payette)	8.5 fire jumps per man		
50 Pins:	Evan Simmons	Aircraft: F.S. DC-3		
	Tony Beltran	100 Pins: Francis Mohr		
	Anell Slavick	John Cramer		
	Pete Fallini			
150 Pin:	Stan Ramsay			

We made two trips to Alaska this year and one to Oregon in Region 6. We were in Alaska the middle part of June and returned July 12 and stayed on until the last of July. For the balance of the season we were kept busy on fires close to home and were not dispatched out of region 4 again. All our smokejumpers were "returnees" and refresher training was conducted in Boise, on our new unit, for the first time.

1973:	30 Jumpers	137 Jumps	35 Fires	Boise
	7 New Men (NEDS)	24 Jumps	4 Fires	Payette
	First Fire: June 23 (Wenatchee)	15 Jumps	2 Fires	Sawtooth
	June 29 (Boise)	2 Jumps	1 Fire	Challis
	Last Fire: September 10	23 Jumps	9 Fires	BLM Alaska
		5 Jumps	3 Fires	Shasta-Trinity R-5
	50 Pins: Julio Bilbao	2 Jumps	2 Fires	Lassen R-5
	Kenneth Bruns	17 Jumps	4 Fires	Plumas R-5
	Earl Fields	1 Jump	1 Fire	Wenatchee R-6
	Edward Kral	226 Jumps	61 Fires	TOTAL
	Rodger Mello			
	John Purlee			
	James Shoemaker			

7.5 fire jumps per man

Aircraft: DC-3  
Twin Otter (3 days)

100 Pin: Herbert Corn

This year started with two "Neds" fracturing their leg on the second practice jump and were unable to continue. This was the year of crew-action jumps and lots of travel. Eight men were sent to the Winthrop Base in June. During July we sent 12 men to Alaska, 21 to Redding, 8 to Cave Junction, and 16 to Reno. September found 8 of our Smokejumpers in Redmond. During these times the home base was busy with fires in our own region. Men were also sent to Redding in early August. James B. Stover, who was the Smokejumper foreman since the Idaho City base started in 1948, retired in July and Robert Montoya became the acting Smokejumper foreman for the remainder of the year.

1974:	31 Jumpers	76 Jumps	13 Fires	Boise
	4 NEDS	12 Jumps	1 Fire	Payette
	First Fire: June 17 (Wenatchee)	14 Jumps	2 Fires	Challis
	July 13 (Boise)	15 Jumps	2 Fires	Sawtooth
	Last Fire: October 7 (Sawtooth)	12 Jumps	1 Fire	Ashley
	October 1 (Boise)	3 Jumps	1 Fire	State of Utah
	50 Pins: Leo Cromwell	4 Jumps	1 Fire	Bitterroot R-1
	James Scherer	22 Jumps	13 Fires	Gila R-3
	Edward Smith	6 Jumps	2 Fires	Shasta-Trinity R-5
	Robert Steiner	6 Jumps	2 Fires	Rogue River R-6
	100 Pin: Jerry Ogawa	5 Jumps	4 Fires	Malhuer R-6
		5 Jumps	4 Fires	State of Oregon
	150 Pin: Robert Montoya	4 Jumps	2 Fires	Okanogan R-6
		2 Jumps	1 Fire	Wenatchee R-6
	200 Pin: Clarence Teichert	4 Jumps	1 Fire	BLM Alaska
		190 Jumps	50 Fires	TOTAL

6.1 fire jumps per man

Aircraft: DC-3

Although the Boise National Forest had a record low number of fires (76 fires and 55 acres burnt), the Boise Smokejumpers had a busy year. Many of our jumpers jumped in four different states before they made a fire jump in Idaho. We had two severe injuries this year. James Buchanan broke his back in Oregon and Robert Steiner broke his leg on the Boise forest. Clarence Teichert became our first jumper to

get 200 jumps (116 fire). Lowell Hanson, a Missoula Smokejumper for thirteen years, became our new foreman.

1975:	29 Jumpers	144 Jumps	39 Fires	Boise
	1 New Man (Ned)	12 Jumps	1 Fire	Sawtooth
		2 Jumps	1 Fire	Challis
	First Fire: June 24	158 Jumps	41 Fires	TOTAL
	Last Fire: September 24	5.4 fire jumps per man		
	50 Pins: James Buchanan	Aircraft: DC-3		
	Ernest Hunter	ALASKA DETAIL		
	Vince Masi	1. Cramer	5.	J. Buchanan
	William Rember	2. Fields	6.	Beltran
	Gary Benavidez	3. Shoemaker	7.	Rember
	Rick Hudson	4. Hunter		
	John Snedden			
	100 Pin: Tony Beltran	31 Jumps	27 Fires	BLM Alaska
		4.4 fire jumps per man		

Smokejumpers from Boise, McCall, and Redding made up a twenty-five man detail and reported to Fairbanks, Alaska in early June. This was the first in an annual detail which will include seven Boise jumpers each year. Wayne Webb of McCall was the foreman of the crew. The fire season which was very slow in most areas was fairly good and constant for the Boise National Forest. The worst lightning storms of the year came in the middle of September and with the help of twelve McCall Jumpers, we manned twelve fires in four days. Lowell Hanson resigned in August and Herb Corn took over as foreman.

1976:	30 Jumpers	47 Jumps	12 Fires	Boise
	6 Neds	12 Jumps	3 Fires	Payette
		12 Jumps	1 Fire	Challis
	First Fire: July 12	2 Jumps	1 Fire	Sawtooth
		73 Jumps	17 Fires	TOTAL
	Last Fire: October 18	ALASKA DETAIL		
	50 Pin: Robert Talbot	1. Beltran	5.	R. Mello
		2. Benavidez	6.	Mader
	100 Pin: Wayne Fields	3. Hudson	7.	Talbot
		4. Mavros		
	Aircraft: DC-3	28 Jumps	24 Fires	BLM Alaska
	2.4 fire jumps per man	4.0 fire jumps per man		

Seven jumpers went jumping in Alaska to start the season and seven ended the season on the ground in Minnesota. In Idaho, a cool wet season caused the lowest amount of jumper activity since the record setting 1965. Veteran smokejumper, John Snedden, completed the season without a fire jump. Clarence Teichert, who broke a leg his second year, finally did it again. This was his 22nd year.