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KELLY HERTZ/P&D South Dakota Game, Fish & Parks Department Secretary Jeffrey Vonk, left, makes a comment to GFP commissioner Barry Jensen during the GFP meeting held Thursday at the Lewis and Clark Resort in Yankton.

GFP Proceeds With Cuts To Deer Season

BY BOB MERCER State Capitol Bureau

The state Game, Fish and Parks Commission took steps Thursday to sharply reduce the deer harvest this fall.

At their meeting Thursday in Yankton, the commissioners followed recommendations from biologists for the state Wildlife Division.

The largest changes eliminate thousands of tags, mostly for antlerless deer.

The goal is rebuild deer populations in many areas, especially the tiers of counties along South Dakota's eastern and western borders.

Affected by varying degrees are the East River, West River, muzzleloader, archery, youth and refuge seasons.

By cutting antlerless tags, hunters won't be able to easily take as many deer.

But hunters will still be able to take more than one deer apiece. The commission lets hunters draw licenses for more than one rifle season and they still can buy archery and muzzleloader licenses as well.

Many hunters harvest more than one deer per year and most can take up to eight deer, at least in theory, if their luck is good and they put in the time and work.

They essentially can hunt non-stop for four months:

- Archery hunting runs Sept. 15, 2014, through Jan. 15, 2015;

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INVASION

EDITOR'S NOTE: This was the Press & Dakotan editorial on the invasion of Normandy, published in the June 7, 1944, edition.

The long-awaited invasion of Hitler's European fortress from the west became a reality yesterday when General "Ike" Eisenhower gave the signal which sent a mighty force of Allied fighters swarming across the English channel. By boat and by plane they went, carrying out the greatest military operation ever to be attempted by man, and the most difficult, since it involved the gaining of a foothold on a coast fortified to the nth degree and held by a watchful, determined and highly efficient enemy force.

The invasion is as yet barely in its initial stage and it is far too soon to talk of victory. Bitter and bloody fighting lies ahead with a foe who will contest every foot of the long road to Germany and who has yet to exert his full force in counterattack. Yet the fact that the Allies were able to wrest a substantial beach-head from the enemy within a matter of hours is an accomplishment that augurs well for the success of the whole campaign and provides a valid basis for the confidence expressed by Allied leaders at the close of the first day of the assault.

Fully two years of planning and preparation had gone into this campaign against Hitler's West Wall. It was a case for the Allies of starting virtually from scratch. Two years ago they had neither the armies nor the equipment capable of meeting the Germans on even terms in a land engagement, let alone of besting them in a highly hazardous and complicated amphibious operation on this kind.

While reports were still meagre [sic.] at this writing, it appeared that the Allied landings were made Tuesday along the Normandy coast between Cherbourg and Le Havre, the intention apparently being to pinch off the peninsula on which Cherbourg is situated and gain its port and airfield facilities as a base from which to operate.

This is undoubtedly, however, only one small phase of the planned invasion operations across the continent, and developments are likely to come thick and fast in the next few days.

D-Day Plus 70 Years

MMC Professor: World Would Be Much Different Today Without D-Day

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first of a two-part series focusing on local residents' connections to the World War II invasion at Normandy, marking its 70th anniversary June 6.)

BY RANDY DOCKENDORF randy.dockendorf@yankton.net

As a history professor, Rich Lofthus has taught students about the Normandy invasion. But when leading two Mount Marty College tours, Lofthus was stunned when he visited the French beach. Before him, he witnessed thousands of white crosses marking the fallen soldiers.

"There are nearly 10,000 Americans buried, so there's quite a sight to see," he said. "It gives you a sense not just for D-Day, for the battle of Normandy, but for the fighting that went on for several months until Paris was liberated. There were 16,000 Americans killed (in that liberation

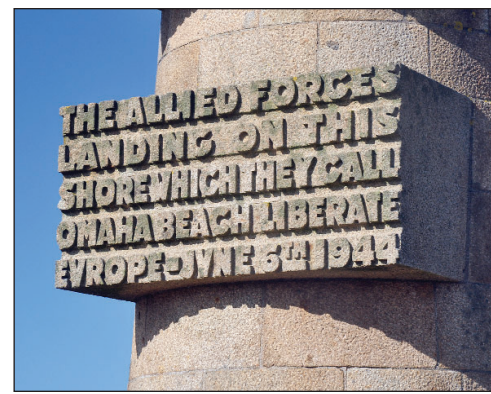


PHOTO: RICH LOFTHUS

ABOVE: Mount Marty College professor Rich Lofthus has visited the Normandy invasion site twice. He took this photo of one of the monuments at the site. TOP: The front page of the Yankton Press & Dakotan on the afternoon of June 6, 1944.

campaign), so some of them are buried at that location, as well."

The Normandy crosses provide a telling reminder of the huge loss of life in a few hours and days.

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End Of A Generation

Longtime Parole Agent Reflects On 33 Years With State

BY DEREK BARTOS derek.bartos@yankton.net

After 36 years, Mark Katterhagen has earned a life without parole.

The parole agent for the South Dakota Department of Corrections Yankton office retired this week after 33 years serving the state. He also worked as a corrections officer for three years in Minnesota and Nebraska prior to moving to South Dakota.

"It's been a long run, but it's been very good to me," Katterhagen said.

Having joined the state Department of Corrections in 1981, Katterhagen is the longest tenured parole agent in South Dakota. He is also the last member of what is referred to as the "second generation" of parole officers.

"Contrary to what most people would think, parole was not an administrative decision by the Legislature. It was actually a request of the inmates after a riot," Katterhagen said. "So that's how parole got its start in 1956. That first generation of parole agents is long gone. I'm the tail end of the second generation."

During his career, Katterhagen was honored numerous times for his service. He was the Yankton Jaycees Outstanding Young Law Enforcement Officer in 1994, which was followed by his selection as Outstanding South Dakota Young Law Enforcement Officer by the South Dakota State Jaycees that same year. In October 2004, he was named the first

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KELLY HERTZ/P&D Gov. Dennis Daugaard recently proclaimed Sunday "Mark Katterhagen Day" in recognition of Katterhagen's (right) 33 years as a parole agent for the state. Shown is SD Sen. Jean Hunhoff presenting Katterhagen with his honor.

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