CHEMIN-A-HAUT STATE PARK

LOCATION: Chemin-A-Haut State Park is located on Monroean Parish on State Highway 214 less than one-half mile north of the intersection of State Highway 204 and 151. The ten miles of road from Bumpus to this intersection is paved, making the area accessible over hard surface roads from all sections of the State. Monroe is thirty-five miles south of the park.

DESCRIPTION: The park contains 522 acres of well-watered lands lying at the intersection of Bumpus Chemin-A-Haut and Boudinou. The Cussins Timber and Development Company donated to the State 465 acres, the remaining 117 were purchased by the Monroean Parish Police Jury and transferred to the State Parks Commission.

A lodge, for vacation cabins, small game court, amphitheater, shelter house, picnic areas and swimming facilities have been constructed on the park. Thus we have at Chemin-A-Haut an area preserved in its natural state where comfortable accommodations are provided for everyone. It is readily accessible to nearby towns and cities by good hard-surface roads, and on the scenes printed in this publication indicate, facilities have been provided for park users whether they spend as long as they want or as little as a week or more at the park.

VACATION OR OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS: For the vacationist or overnight guest the vacation cabin and lodge are completely furnished and equipped. Comfortable beds, kitchen, stoves, hot water and electricity, cooking utensils and linens are provided. Each cabin is also furnished with an outdoor screen and facilities for preparing meals. The weather permits, the lodge is equipped with hot water, heat, screened rooms and all other necessary equipment for preparing and serving meals in the comfort of the cabins and by using the lodge for preparing and serving meals, organized groups from 50 to 100 may be accommodated for special entertainments.

DAY-USE FACILITIES: In the purest sense picnic areas and tables, a barbecue pit and a picnic shelter are available.

Over and above the fishing in Bopus Boudinou and the biking trails, it is noted that additional recreational facilities are available. The small game area near the lodge contains blackbird, bowerbirds, woodcock and wild turkey. The lodge provides dancing, small games, ping pong, and an educational wildlife exhibit of Louisiana birds and animals. The play field provides for soft ball, croquet, and similar activities.

Of special interest to the cabin visitors and the local schools, clubs, groups or organizations is a new small outdoor amphitheater with stage available for meetings, band concerts, plays, camp programs and the like.

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION: This is a public park maintained and operated by the State Parks Commission of Louisiana for the purpose of providing adequate aesthetic recreational facilities for its people and the tourists of its State.

Cabin reservations should be made well in advance and addressed to the Park Superintendent, Chemin-A-Haut State Park, Bumpus, Louisiana.

Reservations for the cabins and lodge for special organized group camps should be made early in the spring. The charge for this use is based upon the use and duration of the occupancy. For information write to the Park Superintendent.

The lodge may be rented for exclusive use in which case it is closed at twelve midnight. The kitchen facilities, only, at the lodge may also be rented. Arrangements should be made by telephoning the Park Superintendent at Bumpus 900-J or by writing to the park.

INTERIOR OF VACATION CABIN SHOWING SLEEPING ARRANGEMENT.