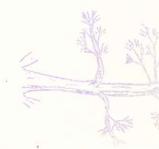
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Autumn leaves in the Hills are bright and so is the land acquisition picture.

Dishman Hills Natural Area now consists of 204 acres, after completion of negotiations by Spokane County for slightly over 118 acres and receipt of a gift of 5.68 acres from Redeemer Lutheran Church. The new acquisitions include Camp Caro, long a hiking and camping area for children's groups, the church's playground and picnic area, and rugged, beautiful land to the east and along the east border of the Hishman Hills, connecting with the original eighty acre Nature Preserve of The Nature Conservancy.

The land purchases by Spokane County were made possible by the very generous gift of \$30,000 from Mrs. Ina H. Johnston, for whom the area has been named. State and federal matching funds added the 390,000 reads of the purchases. Our gentitude goes also to the county commissioners and the county farks and Recreation Department for their persistent efforts and also to Redeemer Lutheran Church for the important contribution.

Before we go further, let us stress that, contrary to the balief of many people, the pichman Hills project is far from complete. Something like 440 acres of wild, rugged land, much used by children and adults of the neighborhood, remain to be acquired. We are continuing to work with the county to save this lent. Elsewhere in this issue is a map showing areas already saved and those which will include an expanded parking area, an interpretive center which will tell visitors about the Hills and their plants and annuals, a small water-fall dropping into a pool, and a nature trail. Parsons whishing to gonetrate farther into the Hills and take trails extending southward. Bay- and overright-camping will continue at camp camp will be called and the camp. Wany thanks to all that these men have done for the poromant ty's children and for the Hills and the to the county the baliding and other in-

Now that our sighty sore nature preserve has been paid for, our concern is to protect it in as nearly natural condition as possible compatible with careful use as a nature observation area. He expect that surveying of the boundaries of the area will be completed in November. A committee consisting of local members of The Nature Conservancy is studying the area to determine which trails must be relocated to prevent further crossion and to make an interesting nature trail. Nork on the trails is expected to start in the spring.

Members to Help Salve Land
The Natura Conservancy, our "big brother"
organization, without which Dishman Hills
Natural Area would have been an empty dream,
1 is actively seeking new members to make possible the saving of more choice natural areas
in the Inland Empire and elsewhere. Inland
Empire Chapter with headquarters at Pullman,
lists 267 members, of which 134 are in that
city, 37 in Spokane and the remainder scattered over eastern Mashington and northern
Ideho. To date the Dishman Hills 80-scre
project is the biggest one owned by the Nature
Conservancy in the Inland Empire, yet we have
a mere 37 members in all of Spokane: He urge
you, implore you, to find a five dollar bill

George E. Hodson, Chairman, Inland Empire Chapter, Route 1, Box 75, Pullman, Wa. 99163 Chairman, Inland Empire it direct

magazine of the save beautiful meetings and you will receive the quarterly the organization plus informsprojects scientifically valuable you are helping our Inland

horn Rest In this area The Nature Conservancy obesides Dishman Hills Nature Preserve, Preserve, Pullman. of Moxee Bog, Pond, 1.5 acres, Natural Area, 33 33 acres, Moscow, Idaho; Yakima, and Rose Creek Let's Ellensburg; get. in and help Idler's Engel-

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ization. These rules apply only to the 80 acres belonging to The Nature Conservancy. Rules for recently acquired land in the Hills are in the process of formulation. subject to approval by the national rules for Dishman Hills Empire Chapter of The Nature

of present and future generations. It wi help us to accomplish this purpose if you will abide by the following rules: 8011 possible for "The purpose of the and rocks in as natural a to preserve the plants, animals, the enjoyment and Dishman Hills Natural instruction State as It will

removal of any plants, animals, rocks or other natural objects abide by the following rules:
All types of collecting are detrimenta
the natural condition of the area. The stones,

Dogs, horses or other pets are not

allowed on the area

without motors, are excluded. Vehicles of any kind, whether with or

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Visitors are requested carry

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7. Feeding of In order to maintain ion it is necessary to t o the restric natura ct visitors

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9. The general policy is will be left to lie where management committee will maintain a clean area but the management committee. disturb down wood. We are snugs which present All clearing picnicking, allowed." trails will a hazard. We are camping that fallen tree a natural one. they not trying Please do trees and done by not The

this summer in the Dishman Hills. Identi-fication was made by Dr. Marion Ownbey of Washington State University. Unfortunatel the pond in which it was found has been mentioned as a possible site for a sewage association still The first record for a scarce water lagoon for houses which may be built in the Spokane County plant was obtained Dishman Hills. Id acquire the land