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CHAIRMAN'S VIEW

Several weeks ago I sent letters to 113 members who were arrears in their annual dues up until that time. Shortly after that they would have received their final notice of payment from the national office. This represents almost 14% of our dues paying membership.

I am sure that some of these men had simply forgotten to return their dues notices, and did remit their payments soon thereafter. On the other hand, I know that the recent dues increase to \$30.00 is the cause of several men discontinuing their SAF membership.

One of the most common remarks I have heard in the past few years is, "What do I get from the Society for my dues payment?" Probably the most valuable benefits that those who don't ask the question derive is the association with other professionals and the fellowship of being able to meet with old friends at our meetings and conventions. However, let me list a few of the more tangible benefits the Society provides us with: The Journal; SAF Group Life Insurance; Employment Referral Service; a rapidly expanding public relations effort; and an organization to represent foresters and forestry interests in our Congress and with other conservation orientated groups. For those who want to become involved and see some tangible results for their personal efforts, the opportunity is readily available. Contact your chapter officers or write a note to one of your section officers and an assignment will be forthcoming shortly.

If the profession is to move ahead and take its rightful place in society today, we cannot afford a decrease in membership. On the contrary we must have an active membership program. The profession needs the financial and vocal support of all of those it benefits.

Those who complain that salaries and professional benefits are low in this field must realize that it will take some effort above and beyond doing a technically competent job in the field on the part of all foresters to make the public aware of the importance of forests and foresters in today's world.

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GREENBRIER MEETING

A total of 212 persons registered for the winter meeting at the Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs, W.Va., on February 21-23, and 185 persons attended the banquet. Papers given at the meeting are being published in a proceedings, as is a summary of the group-discussion reports. A copy of the proceedings will be mailed to each member who registered for the Greenbrier meeting. Other members who want a copy of the proceedings can receive one by sending a request to the secretary, Dr. Peter R. Mount, Division of Forestry, West Virginia University, Morgantown, W. Va. 26505.

At the business meeting two resolutions were considered. One resolving that the Section should ask other northern Sections from the Upper Mississippi through New England to co-sponsor a Northern Regional Technical Conference (with concurrent meetings in various forestry specialties) was passed. A second from the Fire Control Committee, resolving that the Section request its forestry schools to strengthen their programs in fire protection was returned to the Fire Control Committee for further justification and clarification.

Checks for over \$1,000 were presented to Vice President, Ben Meadows for the Foresters' Fund during the banquet. At the recommendation of the Maryland Chapter, the Section gave \$405.78, the surplus from the summer meeting, to the Fund. The New Jersey Chapter presented a check for \$600 that it had raised for the Fund.

TECHNICAL SESSION OF THE WINTER MEETING

The key note speaker for Tuesday's technical session was Marion Clawson, formerly of the Bureau of Land Management and currently Director of Land Use and Management Programs, Resources for the Future, Inc. Clawson's topic was Conflicting Pressures on Forest-Resource Managers and the Role of the Public in Management Decisions. He noted that today's resource manager operates in a climate of increased pressures, demands, challenges, and criticisms. Clawson observed that conditions and the times have changed faster than our definition of good resource management. The result is that many managers find themselves playing the reaction game and too much at the mercy of push and pull demands. He challenged resource managers to exercise greater capacity to lead. In a hard-facts reference to the Pinchot-T. Roosevelt era, Clawson advised that today's resource manager would do well to analyze the vision, innovation, and leadership of that period.

With reference to current demands, Clawson pinpointed specific factors that signal the direction of change. Among those factors listed were:

1. Increasing effectiveness and influence of ardent conservationists.
2. The outdoor recreation boom.
3. New life styles. Materialism vs less tangible values.
4. Resource fads vs resource realities. Transience vs permanence.
5. Public demand for excellence vs willingness to pay for excellence.

In defining recent aspects of public pressure, Clawson added dimension to a point fast advancing on today's resource management scene. The name of the game is public involvement.

The afternoon phase of the technical session was directed at the topic, What Managers can do in Meeting Future Pressures on Forest Resources and on Management Decisions. Discussion groups then gave specific in-depth attention to the fields of:

1. Protection
2. Recreation
3. Water
4. Wildlife
5. Timber Production
6. Forest Aesthetics
7. Economic Research

MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING

The annual business meeting of the Allegheny Section, Society of American Foresters was called to order by Chairman Si Little at 8:35 A.M. in the theater of the Greenbrier Hotel at White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia.

1. The first order of business was an announcement concerning the Southern Technical Committee meeting in Jacksonville, Florida this April.
2. The secretary's report was read and a motion was made to accept it, seconded, and approved by voice vote.
3. The treasurer's report was read. A move was made to accept it. It was seconded and approved by voice vote.
4. The Auditing Committee report was read.
5. The Tellers' Committee report was given with an explanation of the procedures used to overcome a minor irregularity in relationship to the conduct of the election as it relates to the By-Laws.
6. Chairman Little announced the changes in Chapter formations during the previous year with the recognition of a student chapter at Rutgers University, recognition of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Chapter, and recognition of the Keystone Chapter having been broken down into two chapters hereinafter known as the Keystone Chapter and the Rothrock Chapter.
7. Committee reports were given at this time. The following committees gave reports:

Fire Control, Membership, Section History, Tree Improvement, Winter Meeting, Natural Areas.

8. The Entomology and Pathology Committee headed by Jim Beam presented their report in the form of a skit which identified the main insects and diseases active within the Allegheny Section and suggested means to control them. This was a novel approach to presentation of a committee report and was well received. Congratulations to Jim Beam for handling his report in this manner.
9. The Resolutions Committee headed by Dick Obyc Presented two resolutions to the membership. One concerned an offer by the Allegheny Section to co-sponsor a Northern Regional Technical Conference. This was approved by voice vote of the Section. A second resolution concerning the strengthening of wildfire teaching programs at the forestry schools in the section was returned to the fire control committee after much discussion. This was a vote of those in attendance by showing of hands with 51 for returning it to the committee and 24 against returning it to the committee. This should be brought up as old business in the next year.
10. Mr. Ben Meadows, Vice-Chairman of the National SAF made several comments concerning the foresters fund, tapes for public relations work, referral service, insurance program, membership in the national SAF, journal format and make-up, and student participation in the Society.
11. Mr. Al McClure, the Public Relations Officer of the National SAF headquarters commented on a new employee of the national office, Dr. Paul Ellison who will assume his duties April 1. He further commented on the availability of a new multi-lingual forest terminology which will be sold and distributed by the SAF. He commented on the hearings to be held by Senator Church in the National Congress during the first week of April as they pertain to clearcuttings. He also commented on Senator Jackson's bill to recognize natural areas and felt that SAF had made a valuable contribution to this piece of legislation. Mr. McClure further discussed the possible building of a national headquarters of SAF and the stipulations covering an anonymous donation to the society. It was announced by Mr. McClure that the Council Meeting of the Society would be held in March in Knowville and if anyone had an item which they wished to be included on the agenda of this meeting they should make it known in the near future. The next point Mr. McClure made was that the SAF and the American Meteorological Society would hold a joint meeting in Atlanta, Georgia during May. The last point he made was to reemphasize that the next national convention will be held in Cleveland, Ohio in September, 1971.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 A.M.

WINTER MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



A QUARTER CENTURY OF PROGRESS

A twenty-fifth anniversary plaque goes to the West Virginia Chapter and is accepted by Chairman, Bob Forney, left. Eugene Field, Chairman of the New Jersey Chapter makes the presentation.



OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO FORESTRY

Professor, Allen W. Goodspeed of West Virginia University receives the Outstanding Service to Forestry Award from Si Little. Professor Goodspeed's teaching career covers a 40 year span and he has been Professor of Forest Management at Morgantown since 1947.



FORESTER OF THE YEAR

The Allegheny Section 1970 Forester of the Year Award is presented to Sam Cobb of the Pennsylvania Bureau of Forestry by Chairman, Si Little.

AROUND THE SECTION

PROFESSOR GOODSPEED RETIRES

After more than 40 years of teaching, Professor Allen W. Goodspeed is retiring from the Division of Forestry. Al has been Professor of Forest Management at West Virginia University since 1947. Prior to that he also held teaching assignments at the University of Maine and at Iowa State. Professor Goodspeed was honored by students, faculty, and alumni at the annual forestry banquet on May. Al and Florence will continue to reside in Morgantown.

SAFETY SEMINARS OFFERED

During May, Dr. Ken Carvell and William Kidd presented a series of seminars throughout West Virginia covering safety and the uses of herbicides in forest management work. Meetings were held in Beckley, Elkins, Petersburg, Parkersburg, and Morgantown.

MAYNARD H. HENCH RETIRES

Maynard H. Hench, Chief, Division of State Forest Management since 1955 retired on March 24, 1971. Maynard began his career with the Pennsylvania Department of Forests and Waters in 1929 as a Forest Inspector in Perry County. He was a Forester in CCC Camps in Perry, Mifflin and Huntingdon Counties and served as District Forester at Bloomsburg and at Coudersport.

As Chief of the Division of State Forest Management, Maynard was responsible for all activities related to the 1.9 million acres of State Forest land in Pennsylvania. Maynard and his wife, Frances, were honored at a retirement party on March 23, 1971 at which 270 of his fellow employees and other friends joined to wish him a happy retirement. He plans to retain his home at 1045 Swarthmore Road, New Cumberland.

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY OPENS SELF-LEARNING CENTER

The Division of Forestry has opened a Natural Resources Self-Learning Center which includes a collection of more than 100 slide-tape programs covering a wide range of subjects. Tape lectures of guest speakers and some movies are also available. Anthony Tomkowski recently joined the Division of Forestry staff and will be in charge of the Self-Learning Center. Tomkowski is a West Virginia University graduate with a Masters in Wildlife Management and has specific interest in the audio-visual field. To obtain further information on the program, contact Anthony Tomkowski, Director of Self-Learning Center, West Virginia University, Division of Forestry, Morgantown, West Virginia.

HARPER JOINS ALLEGANY COMMUNITY COLLEGE STAFF

Rex Harper has joined the teaching staff of Allegany Community College at Cumberland, Maryland. Harper is a 1948 graduate of the University of Georgia and will have teaching duties in Introduction to Forestry, Forest Management, and Utilization.

GLATFELTER COMPANY CONTINUES PLANTING PROGRAM

Now in its 21st year, the Glatfelter Pulp Wood Co. tree seedling program for 13 south central Pennsylvania counties reports approximately 750,000 seedlings planted in the 1971 season. Since its inception in 1951, more than fourteen million seedlings have been provided free to private landowners for reforestation purposes. Seedlings are purchased from Bureau of Forestry nurseries.

HENRY CHISMAN RETIRES

Henry H. Chisman has announced his plans to retire as Director of the Mont Alto Campus of the Pennsylvania State University in September. Chisman, Director of the Mont Alto Campus since 1963, received his Bachelor of Science degree in Forestry at Penn State in 1932, and his Master of Forestry from Duke University in 1939. He has been a member of the Penn State faculty since 1935 and will retire with the rank of Professor of Forest Ecology. He is the author of numerous papers dealing with the ecology of the hardwood forests of Pennsylvania.

Dr. John W. Oswald, President of the University has appointed a special advisory committee to assist in the selection of a new director.

AMERICAN PULPWOOD ASSOCIATION FORESTERS TOUR MICHAX FOREST

The spring 1970 meeting of the Appalachian Technical Division, American Pulpwood Association, was held at Gettysburg, Pa. on April 22 and 23. The meeting theme was "Environmental Aspects of Appalachian Logging." Highlight of the meeting was an all day tour of the Michaux State Forest under the direction of District Forester Kenneth Swartz. More than 60 APA procurement foresters, representing ten Appalachian pulp mills, observed multiple uses of the Michaux Forest, including timber production, recreation, watersheds, and game management.

KEMP PLANS BRANCH OFFICE IN WARREN, PA.

George R. Kemp, President of George R. Kemp and Associates, Inc., a consulting firm with headquarters in Monroeville, Pennsylvania, announces that a new branch office will be opened shortly at 12 Central Avenue, Warren, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Kemp, a graduate forester and registered civil engineer for the past five years, has headed up an organization involved in recreation and park development, engineering studies, appraisal and sale of timber, management plans and public relations. Current projects in northwestern Pennsylvania and western New York include the Allegheny River State Park, Meadville Area Recreation Complex and Camp Mission Meadows on Lake Chautauqua.

According to Mr. Kemp, a new member of the firm Robert J. LaBar of Warren will head up the new office. LaBar holds a Bachelor of Forestry Degree from the Pennsylvania State University and a Masters Degree in Forest Economics from Yale University. Before joining the firm LaBar has served with the U. S. Forest Service in Oregon, Idaho, Colorado, and Pennsylvania, as well as the Pennsylvania Bureau of Forestry.

PENNSYLVANIA BUREAU OF FORESTRY PERSONNEL CHANGES

Lamer F. Hawn has been appointed Chief of the Division of State Forest Management. He previously served as District Forester at Williamsport and Mifflinburg and Timber Sales Branch Chief. Since July 1970, Lamer has been Assistant Division Chief.

Richard R. Thorpe, the new Assistant Division Chief, moves up from Timber Sales Branch Chief. Dick started as a management forester at Huntingdon in 1952, before becoming District Forester at Clarion and Fayetteville.

O. Lynn Frank, Assistant District Forester at Clearfield, has been appointed Branch Chief, Timber Sales Section. Lynn began his career with the Department at Clearfield in 1955 and served as Assistant District Forester there since 1960.

Maurice E. Hobaugh becomes the Assistant District Forester at Clearfield. Duke had been Staff Forester, Timber Sales Branch from 1967 to 1971, and Management Forester at Coudersport from 1961 to 1967.

Edward A. Wertz is transferring to Harrisburg as Staff Forester, Timber Sales Branch, from Mifflinburg where he has been a Management Forester since 1963.

NEW KEYSTONE CHAPTER

The old Keystone Chapter of the Allegheny Section has been split into two new chapters, a new Keystone Chapter and the Rothrock Chapter. The by-laws for the new Keystone Chapter were approved by the membership at their first meeting, held February 9 at the Holiday Inn Town in Harrisburg. Officers were also elected at the meeting. They are: Ralph Hellig, Chairman; Dennis Meiser, Vice-chairman; Ted Dungen, Secretary-Treasurer; Bill Vanidestine and Stan Walton, Executive Committee members at large. Vic Funk was appointed Public Relations Representative of the Chapter.

MANN & PARKER ANNOUNCE EXPANSION

The Mann and Parker Lumber Company, formerly of Baltimore, Maryland and now located in Cockeysville, Maryland, has started construction of its new Distribution and Dry Kiln Center at New Freedom, Penna. Initial construction will involve site work on approximately ten acres of land and will include warehouses, millwork facilities and general offices. When completed, the facilities will also include modern lumber handling equipment and dry kilns. The entire Distribution Center and Dry Kiln complex is expected to be completed by 1974. Mann and Parker's twenty-seven acre site is located one mile west of Interstate 83 approximately fifteen miles south of York and thirty-five miles north of Baltimore. It is served by the Penn Central Railroad. Operations at the New Freedom site are expected to begin in early summer of this year.

The Mann and Parker Lumber Company maintains inventories and distributes over fifty species of domestic and foreign hardwood and softwood lumber. A diversified inventory of plywood and miscellaneous forest products is also handled. Mann and Parker is one of the larger importers of tropical lumber and forest products. The selection of the New Freedom site was based on its proximity to the port of Baltimore for importing and exporting forest products. The New Freedom location also provides Mann and Parker with adequate storage space, and with excellent highway and railroad facilities.

SOUTHWEST PA. CHAPTER ORGANIZED

The vast area of no-mans-land between the Keystone Chapter and our fellow chapters in Maryland and West Virginia finally has been organized as the newest chapter in the Allegheny section.

The Southwestern Pennsylvania Chapter's newly elected officers are Donald Oaks, Chairman; George Armstrong, Vice Chairman; and McKay Carson, Secretary-Treasurer. The additional executive committee posts are held by Eugene W. Beatty and Ray Grove.

The chapter will celebrate its origin by hosting the Allegheny Section 1971 summer meeting, to be held August 2 and 3 at the Seven Springs Mountain Resort

Thirty-two foresters attended the chapter meeting on Thursday, June 3, at the Holiday Inn at Ligonier. Dr. Wilbur Ward, Jack Elcomb and Max Cluff presented a panel discussion on Professional Employment Opportunities for Foresters.

FOREST TECHNICIAN PROGRAM OVERSUBSCRIBED - AGAIN

The Pennsylvania State University Forest Technician Program has received 250 applications, four female, for the 1971-72 academic year. The school sent out 148 offers and has received back 127 acceptances to date. The Forest Technician Program, located at Mont Alto, is historically the first program within the entire Penn State system to annually fill its quota of students.

OAK SYMPOSIUM - SCHEDULED

A Symposium on Oaks will be held August 16-20, 1971 at West Virginia University, Morgantown, W. Va. Purpose of the symposium is to present and discuss current information on the five major upland oak species: northern red, scarlet, black, white, and chestnut. Discussions will cover ecology, silviculture, protection, economics, management and products of the upland oaks.

The Symposium is being sponsored by West Virginia University, West Virginia Department of Natural Resources, Appalachian Hardwood Manufacturers, and U. S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service. Dave White, Director, Division of Forestry, West Virginia University and Ben Roach, USDA, Forest Service are co-chairman for the Symposium.

Papers will cover such varied subjects as the Historical Significance of Oak, Oak Management, Growth and Yield of Oak, Tree Improvement Research in Oak, Manufacture of Oak Furniture, Cabinets and Panels, and Utilization of Oak Residues.

FOREST RECREATION SYMPOSIUM October 12-14

A Symposium on Forest Recreation will be held in Syracuse, New York at the Randolph House October 12-14, 1971. Purpose of this symposium is to summarize progress in recreation research and management and to present the results to recreation managers in the northeast so as to be of maximum benefit to them. A secondary purpose is to discuss those aspects of recreation management and planning problems that require further research.

The symposium is being sponsored by the State University of New York, College of Forestry; U. S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service with possible co-sponsorship by the New York Department of Environmental Conservation.

Papers will cover a variety of subjects on Planning and Developing the Recreation Resource; Managing the Recreation Resource; Characterizing the Recreation User and A Look at the Research Task Ahead.

NORTHEASTERN FORESTER RETIRES

Frank J. Paradise, Assistant Director of the U. S. Forest Service, Northeastern Area, State and Private Forestry, has announced his retirement, effective May 26, following a career with the Forest Service which began in 1930 on the Flathead National Forest in Montana. A native of Port Chester, New York, Mr. Paradise is a graduate of the College of Forestry, State University of New York at Syracuse. His early assignments included National Forest timber management in Wisconsin and purchase of lands near Chariton, Iowa which now form outstanding State Forests. Following the 1938 hurricane which devastated New England forests, he supervised 25 sawmills which salvaged a million board feet of lumber in a week from the trees which had blown down and which created an enormous fire hazard.

Curtailment of rubber imports during World War II found Mr. Paradise assigned to supervise the attempt to produce rubber from the guayule plants in Southern California, and later transferred to work on stimulating the production of lumber for the war effort in New England.

From 1948 to 1956 he served as a District Forest Ranger on the National Forests of Arizona and New Mexico.

Since that time he has been in charge of cooperative watershed management programs in the 20 state Northeastern Area, and last year he received special recognition for a sustained level of outstanding leadership and accomplishment.

Mr. and Mrs. Paradise will continue to reside at Green Hill in Lower Merion, Pennsylvania.

PA. BUREAU OF FORESTRY DISTRIBUTES TWELVE MILLION SEEDLINGS

For spring 1971, the state forest tree nurseries distributed a total of twelve and one-quarter million tree seedlings to Pennsylvania landowners. These trees consisted of the following species: white pine, red pine, norway spruce, japanese larch, austrian pine, virginia pine, white spruce, black locust, european alder, and tulip poplar. Nearly one-half of these seedlings were planted on areas affected by open-pit coal mining. The total of this year is approximately one million less than for 1970.

Under direction of Barry Towers, forest pathologist, a statewide survey of forest tree plantations is currently under development. Since the seed source and soil type is known for many plantations, the information gained will enable an evaluation of the field performance of various seed sources and species in Pennsylvania. Also, it will permit an evaluation of insect and disease occurrence and their relationship to soil type, seed sources, and a variety of other characteristics.

Ronald Gale, wood utilization advisor, served as chairman and panel moderator presiding over the industry session at the National Forest Products Utilization Work Conference at the Forest Products Laboratory in Madison, Wisconsin, May 10-14, 1971.

James Nelson reports that the Forest Resource Plans for state forest lands are nearing completion in many of the Forest Districts. The Resource Plans coordinate the use and development of the timber, water, mineral and recreational resources of the state forests. The timber inventory has been completed and the inventory of the other resources is well under way. Following the inventory a detailed operating plan is developed, which coordinates the future management of the resources.

GODDARD NAMED ACTING HEAD OF
PA. DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES

The Pennsylvania Department of Forests and Waters ceased to exist on January 19, 1971. Act 275 created a Department of Environmental Resources which includes most of the functions of both the former Department of Forests and Waters and the former Department of Mines and Mineral Industries. The air and water pollution control agencies were transferred from the Department of Health to the Department of Environmental Resources.

Governor Shapp appointed Maurice K. Goddard, former Secretary of Forests and Waters, as Acting Secretary of the new Department. Although the organizational structure of the new Department has not been completed as yet, there will be a Deputy Secretary for Resources Management. This section of the Department will include the Bureau of Forestry and the Bureau of State Parks as well as the Soil and Water Conservation functions which were transferred from the Department of Agriculture.

Commenting on the new Department at a meeting of the Pennsylvania Recreation and Parks Society, Acting Secretary Goddard said, "In addition to the more or less traditional environmental areas of air and water quality, we are now able to identify the immediate component-land. We believe that this is unique among state environmental organizations. It is also a fundamental issue because land use is a critical aspect of the determination of the environmental quality and relates to all other environmental questions.

"Therefore, in identifying land protection, we are taking the first steps in developing a most needed area of responsibility. We are also bringing together for the first time the responsibilities relating to occupational health and safety, both in the mines and in the factories. We believe that an important new productive relationship will come from this development. We will continue to manage in one unit the community concerns with the environment. We believe that for many major environmental matters, we will have a "one stop" agency.

"Pennsylvania has a long tradition of concern for its environment--and with good reason. We certainly have our problems. I believe that our citizens are ready to embrace more fully a new environmental ethic. In the past few weeks, we have received hundreds of letters from citizens from every region of the Commonwealth. These letters convey a sense of frustration in some instances. In others, an expression of demand. And in a few, we even got a commendation. We hope that given the necessary resources, we will be able to rise to their demands and expectations and to merit their commendations.", Goddard said.

The Department of Environmental Resources will have a Citizens Advisory Council and an Environmental Quality Board. The Board has the overall responsibility for establishing policy and regulations and standards for the environment in Pennsylvania. It is also charged with developing an environmental plan for the Commonwealth, which is a major undertaking.

In a recent meeting with legislators, Acting Secretary Goddard outlined a stepped-up program for protection of Pennsylvania's environment. The expanded program placed enforcement of anti-pollution laws and general protection of the environment at the head of the priority list.

IN MEMORIAM

ASHBEL F. HOUGH
1898-1970

Ashbel F. Hough, formerly of the U. S. Forest Service, died at the age of 72 on November 28 in Upper Darby, Pennsylvania. A pioneer in the study of the ecology, silviculture, and management of the hardwood-hemlock forests of Pennsylvania and New York, Mr. Hough was a recognized authority on the forests of the Allegheny Plateau and published some 73 technical articles and research papers, eight in collaboration with other authors, during the course of his career. Mr. Hough was research forester in the timber management division of the Forest Service's Northeastern Forest Experiment Station with 41 years government service at the time of his retirement in 1963.

Born in Washington, D. C., Mr. Hough graduated from the New York State University College of Forestry at Syracuse University in 1923. He received a Master of Forestry degree from Yale University in 1927 and continued graduate studies at the University of Pennsylvania. In 1927, he joined the research staff of the Allegheny Forest Experiment Station in Philadelphia which merged with the old Northeastern Station to become the present office in 1941. Mr. Hough supervised the Kane Experimental Forest (Elk County, Pennsylvania) from its inception in 1929, directing its development as the leading center for timber-management research on the Allegheny Plateau. It was at the Kane facility that Mr. Hough carried out the majority of his studies in some 35 field seasons.

VOCATIONAL LOGGING AND WOODS WORK TRAINING COURSE

A sixteen week vocational training course for occupational entry level jobs in the logging industry is being offered by the Blue Jay Satellite Campus of the Venango County Area Vocational-Technical School at Marienville, Pa. The four month course is scheduled to begin September 1, and will run through December 31. A total of 560 hours of instruction will be offered under the headings of Woodsmanship (70 hours), Log Felling (175 hours), Log Skidding (175 hours), Loading and Off the Road Hauling (105 hours), and Wood Industry Observation (35 hours).

Trainees for the course are being sought from this year's high school graduates and promising individuals already employed in the forest industry. Students will be housed and fed at a nominal cost in the modern facilities of the Blue Jay Campus. Contact Archie Matha, Director, Blue Jay Satellite Campus, Venango County Area Vocational-Technical School, Marienville, Pa. 16239, telephone 814-927-6656, for a copy of the descriptive brochure and more detailed information on the program.

ROTHROCK CHAPTER HOLDS MEETING

The newly organized Rothrock Chapter, which is the northern portion of the former Keystone Chapter, held its first meeting May 21 at Milesburg, Pa.

State Representative Russell Letterman spoke on new legislative bills relating to forestry. A stimulating discussion resulted. This is a good way to inform your local legislators on forestry matters, be it clearcutting, deer management or snowmobiles.

The present officers of the Chapter are: Robert Radomsky, president; Orvel Schmidt, vice president; Thomas Brown, secretary-treasurer; and Edward Heary, program chairman.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE FORESTS LAUNCH SECOND 15-YEAR MANAGEMENT PERIOD

The first fifteen year State Forest management period for the 2 million acres of State Forest land was completed on December 31, 1969.

A total of 1,268 timber sale contracts and 12,747 forest product permits were issued during the period, with a total volume of 433,449,000 board feet of sawlogs and 465,744 standard rough cords involving over 208,000 acres. These timber sales returned over \$10,500,000.00 to the General Fund. The return from the sale of sawlogs represented about \$10,000,000.00 with cordwood and other miscellaneous forest products, totaling about one-half million.

The first year of the new State Forest Management period (1970-1984) was very successful. A total of 88 contract sales were issued during 1970, and a volume of 30,863 board feet and 44,934 standard rough cords were removed from 11,886 acres of State Forest lands. The area treated under the even-age system was 7,767 acres by intermediate treatment and 4,119 acres by both the clear-cut and shelterwood methods. The return to the General Fund from the sale of stumpage from this treated acreage totaled \$740,546.55.

The result of silvicultural treatment of our forest acreage in the form of control of specie composition, improvement of timber quality and the attainment of maximum growth give many benefits. Not only do the forest industries profit, but also wildlife habitat is improved and water production is increased.

SPRING BURNING BAN PROCLAIMED IN PENNSYLVANIA

On Friday, April 16, 1971, Governor Milton J. Shapp signed a ban on all open fires and smoking within 250 feet of all woodlands in the Commonwealth. This marks the fourth time in nine years that a Governor's ban has been placed in effect. The major factor contributing to this years ban was the lack of precipitation and some of the lowest relative humidities ever recorded. One of the Forest Districts had a relative humidity of 9% which is almost unheard of in this area of the country. The ban was lifted on Monday, May 3, 1971. Again, the ban was found to be an excellent tool in making the general public aware of the critical condition that the Commonwealth's woodlands were in.

As of this writing, there have been 1,081 wildfires burning 12,259 acres in Pennsylvania. Of this total, 948 were forest fires which burned 11,658 acres.

The Division of Forest Protection Fire Fighting Air Force this spring was made up of five Bell Helicopters, two S-55 Sikorskies, three Bi-Winged Steamers, one 300 gallon Twin Beechcraft, and one 875 gallon DC-3.

The Division this spring had the great pleasure of hosting the National CFFP (Cooperative Forest Fire Prevention) Committee, otherwise known as the Smokey Bear Committee on a two day field trip of Pennsylvania. This was made in conjunction with their 1972 preview meeting in Washington, D. C. While in Pennsylvania the group visited air operations at Hazleton and Big Pocono. During this visit, the heliport at Big Pocono was formally dedicated as the Horace R. Rowland Heliport, in honor of Pennsylvania's second Chief Forest Fire Warden. It was under Mr. Rowland's guidance that Pennsylvania pioneered the use of aircraft for fighting forest fires here in the east. Those attending from the CFFP Committee and guests were: Mal Hardy, Director, Smokey Program USFS; Pat Sheehan, Assistant Director, Smokey Program; Henry DeBruin, Director, Division of I&E, USFS; Merle Loudon, Director of Fire Control, USFS; Rudy Wedelen, Illustrator, Smokey Program, New Mexico (he found Smokey in El Capitan Fire in 1950, his family nursed the Smokey back to health); Samuel S. Cobb, State Forester of Pennsylvania; Robert MacDonald, USFS, San Francisco; Larry Hensen, USFS, Atlanta, Georgia; James Moore, USFS, Atlanta; Ralph Abele, Executive Secretary, Joint Air and Water Pollution Control and Conservation Committee, Pennsylvania; Pete Duncan of the same Committee. Traveling with the group from the Division of Forest Protection were: E. F. McNamara, Chief of the Division and Arthur N. Creelman, Fire Prevention Specialist.

During March, more than 40 District Forest Fire Warden banquets were conducted throughout the Commonwealth. This annual event is held for the 3800 Pennsylvania Forest Fire Wardens and their assistants within the 20 State Forest Districts. Division of Forest Protection personnel were in attendance at the invitation of the District Foresters.

SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FORESTERS - ALLEGHENY SECTION
SUMMER MEETING - AUGUST 2-3, 1971

The Society of American Foresters - Allegheny Section - will hold its annual summer meeting August 2 and 3 at Seven Springs Mountain Resort, Champion, Pa. Theme for this year's meeting will be "Foresters In The Electric Power Industry". Registration for the meeting will begin Monday, August 2 at 1:00 P.M. in the lobby of the Main Lodge.

The meeting will begin officially with a banquet Monday, August 2 at 7:00 P.M. in the dining room of the Main Lodge. Master of ceremonies for the banquet will be Mr. Donald Oaks, Bureau of Forestry, Pennsylvania Department of Environment Resources. Co-speakers at the banquet will be Dr. William C. Bramble, Head of the Department of Forestry and Conservation at Purdue University and Dr. W. R. Byrnes, Professor of Forestry at Purdue. Their topic will be entitled, "Effect of herbicides on wildlife food and cover on a powerline right-of-way".

A field trip will highlight the second day of the meeting, Tuesday, August 3. It will include three sections. Section I: A line clearance equipment demonstration by Michael C. McNamara, Forester for Pennsylvania Electric Company; and equipment and chemical herbicides demonstrations by Amchem Co., Asplundh Tree Expert Co., Dow Chemical Co., Penn Line Service, Inc., and Utilities Forestry Service Inc. Section II: Vegetational study for the Keystone-Homer City-Conemaugh power station complex - John B. Middleton, System Manager-Forestry, Pennsylvania Electric Company; Dr. Francis A. Wood, Professor of Plant Pathology, The Pennsylvania State University; and Dr. Russell J. Hutnik, Professor of Forest Ecology, the Pennsylvania State University. Following Section II, a lunch will be served at the Keystone Overlook. Section III: Keystone Power Station - David H. Fyock, System Director of Research, Pennsylvania Electric Company.

The basic conference will require a prepaid registration of \$6.25 to cover the banquet and \$5.25 for the field trip and box lunch. Fellow foresters, bring your wives. A women's tour of the local glass and pottery industry is being planned and will be paid for at the conference at a nominal fee which will cover the bus rental, if used, and a luncheon. Bring the kids, too, if you like; there's a daily program furnished at Seven Springs for children over 6 and evening babysitting by pre-arrangement. Complete the pre-registration form and return at once with your check. Deadline by July 16. Important: make your room reservations directly with Seven Springs by returning the enclosed postage paid card. Room rates are \$11.00 per person double occupancy and \$15.00 per person single occupancy (meals not included).

In addition to the basic program, the Southwestern Chapter is considering sponsoring as part of the get-together, a pre/post conference summer recreation package for the "early arrivers" and the "late leavers".

This Newsletter also includes a separate Expression of Interest Questionnaire for the pre/post conference events. They will not be set up unless there is sufficient interest shown by this questionnaire. Therefore, if this appeals to you and you are planning to attend the meeting, return the interest form as soon as possible, with or without the pre-registration form. The committee will take it from there and keep you posted.

SUMMER MEETING AGENDA
August 2-3, 1971

Location : Seven Springs Mountain Resort
Champion, Pennsylvania

Meeting Theme : Foresters in the Electric Power Industry

Registration : Beginning at 1:00 P.M., Monday, August 2,
1971, in the lobby of the main lodge

Banquet : 7:00 P.M., Monday, August 2, 1971
Dining room of main lodge

Master of Ceremonies:

Mr. Donald Oaks
Bureau of Forestry
Pennsylvania Dept. of Environmental
Resources

Welcome to Seven Springs:

Mr. Herman Dupre

Co-Speakers:

Dr. William C. Bramble, Head Dept.
of Forestry and Conservation
Purdue University

Dr. W. R. Byrnes, Professor of
Forestry
Department of Forestry and
Conservation
Purdue University

Topic:

Effect of Herbicides on Wildlife
Food and Cover on a Power Line
Right of Way

FIELD TRIP
Tuesday, August 3, 1971

COMING EVENTS

I. Line Clearance Equipment Demonstration

Michael C. McNamara
Forester
Pennsylvania Electric Company

Equipment and Chemical Herbicide Demonstrators

Anchem Company
Asplundh Tree Expert Company
Dow Chemical Company
Penn Line Service, Inc.
Utilities Forestry Service, Inc.

II. Vegetation Study for the Keystone-Homer City-Coneasaugh Power Station Complex

John B. Middleton
System Manager-Forestry
Pennsylvania Electric Company

Dr. Francis A. Wood
Professor of Plant Pathology
The Pennsylvania State University

Dr. Russell J. Hutnik
Professor of Forest Ecology
The Pennsylvania State University

Lunch - Keystone Overlook

II. The Keystone Power Station

David H. Fyock
System Director of Research
Pennsylvania Electric Company

NEW SLIDE TAPE PROGRAM DEVELOPED

The Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry's slide tape program, "TREES AND THE WAY WE LIVE" (107 slides - 25 minute tape) authored by Sam P. Shaw, Division of Cooperative Forest Management with audio-visual assistance from Dick Obyc, Division of Advisory Management is available at cost to anyone interested. This program fits into the present day thrust of making people more aware of the value of our natural resources.

The package deal will be available until July 31:

1. 107 slides and 45 page illustrated narrative guide can be purchased direct from World In Color Productions, Bx 392, Elmira, New York 14902, for \$12.00.

2. A professionally narrated tape is available from Recorded Publications Laboratories, 1558 Pierce Avenue, Camden, New Jersey 08105, at a cost of \$3.50.

Tape is available in cassettes or 4" reels with or without 1000 cycle tone to activate a slide projector. Be sure to indicate what you want. A real bargain for a 25 minute color slide tape program for a total cost of \$15.50.

OFFER EXPIRES - July 31, 1971.

1971 Summer Section Meeting - August 2-3 at Seven Springs Resort, Champion, Pennsylvania.

Oak Symposium - August 16-20 at West Virginia University, Morgantown, W. Virginia.

1971 SAF National Convention - September 26-30 at Cleveland, Ohio.

Pennsylvania Maple Tour - October 1-2, Holiday Inn, Meadville, Pa. For details contact: Kenneth Bechtel, Chairman Maple Tour Committee, R D #1, Guys Mills, Penna. 16327.

Forest Recreation Symposium - October 12-14, State University of New York, Randolph House, Syracuse, N.Y.

MAPLE TOUR IN PA, OCTOBER 1-2

The 1971 Pennsylvania Maple Tour will take place in Erie and Crawford Counties of northwestern Pennsylvania on October 1 and 2. Plans are being completed by the Northwestern Pennsylvania Maple Syrup Producers Association for an interesting tour.

All maple producers and those interested in maple syrup products are invited to attend. Headquarters will be the Holiday Inn at Meadville.

The tour will visit maple camps in Erie County Friday afternoon with an interesting dinner meeting that evening. Saturday morning the group will visit more maple operations in Crawford County. A stop at Pymatuning Lake Museum will be included. Nearby you can feed the large fish and ducks, and watch them scramble for the food.

More details will soon be available from County Agents' offices in maple syrup producing counties, or from Kenneth Bechtel, R D #1, Guys Mills, Pa. 16327, who is chairman of the tour committee.

AWARDS

Remember - our Section presents awards to members for: OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO FORESTRY and FORESTER OF THE YEAR.

These awards are presented at the annual winter meeting. Nominations may be made by the Chapters or by individuals. The Chapters are being contacted for nominations.

More complete information will be given in the next issue, but if you are an eager beaver, you can send in your nomination to E. H. Tryon, Division of Forestry, West Virginia University, Morgantown, W. Virginia, 26505. A factual biographical sketch should accompany each nomination.

ALLEGHENY SECTION
SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FORESTERS

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1971 Summer Meeting
Seven Springs Mountain Resort/Conference Center
Champion, Pa.
August 2-4, 1971

PRE-REGISTRATION

Foresters:	Monday evening banquet	_____	@ \$6.25 =	\$ _____
		no.		
	Tuesday field trip & box lunch	_____	@ \$5.25 =	\$ _____
		no.		
Wives:	Monday evening banquet	_____	@ \$6.25 =	\$ _____
		no.		
	Tuesday glass/pottery tour	_____	(to be determined)	
		no.		
			TOTAL.....	\$ _____

(check in full amount must accompany this pre-
registration; refundable if notified before July 30)

[Deadline for pre-registration July 16; walk-ins cannot be
guaranteed banquet, room and bus space.]

Remit to: George R. Kemp
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PRE/POST CONFERENCE RECREATION PACKAGE

Expression of Interest Questionnaire

	No. Interested
Monday, Aug. 2	
1:00 P.M.: Golf Tournament (guys & gals)	_____
Tuesday, Aug. 3	
Evening: Summer Stock @ Jennerstown Mountain Playhouse w/after-the-show buffet at Seven Springs	_____
Wednesday, Aug. 4 (One or 'tother)	
White water rafting tour down the Youghiogheny River near Ohiopyle State Park (approx. cost \$10.00)	_____
or	
Tour of Fallingwater, the famous Kaufman estate at Bear Run designed by Frank Lloyd Wright and operated by the Western Pa. Conservancy (cost: nominal)	_____

Indicate the number of persons interested in each activity and return as soon as possible. Specifics will be sent later to those interested.

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