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FROM THE SECTION CHAIRMAN

Dr. David E. White

Within the next month or two you will receive a bill for 1975 S.A.F. dues which will reflect the increase approved recently by Council. The increase will amount to \$4 for Members of 1-3 years, \$8 for Members of 4-6 years, \$10 for Members of more than 6 years, \$3 for Technician Members and \$2 for Student, Retired and Corresponding Members. This "Program Dues Adjustment," as it is called, is expected to bring in about \$116,000, and will be used to support new programs which are described elsewhere in these pages.

Another dues adjustment plan, dated to go into effect in 1976, is the "Annual Dues Cost Adjustment" plan. This plan ties the dues schedule to changes in the consumer price index. It is my understanding that Council wishes to discuss this plan further with the House of Section Delegates before implementing it.

(For more information about both of these dues changes see the President's Message in Journal of Forestry, April, 1974.)

Article IV of the S.A.F. Constitution prescribes that "Rates and Schedules for membership dues and fees shall be established by the Council after consultation with the House of Section Delegates." Whether or not the intent, or even the letter, of this Article was followed in the adoption of this last dues increase is questionable. Council members met with the HSD in Portland last September, apprised the Delegates of the Society's financial situation, and hinted strongly that a dues increase was forthcoming. At its meeting in the spring of 1974, after receipt of recommendations from its Committee on Short and Long-Term Financial Management, Council voted unanimously to approve, subject to consultation with the HSD, the Committee's recommendation. Your Chairman, and all other Section Chairmen, then received a letter from the President, dated April 4, describing the two dues adjustment plans. At the end of the letter was a reference to Article IV of the Constitution, quoted above, and a request that the Section Chairmen "examine the enclosures and give me your comments on this subject by May 15." One might have thought that this request, together with the problem statement presented to the HSD at Portland, represented fulfillment of the terms of Article IV. However, attached to the President's April 4 letter was a reprint of the Journal article mentioned above which reports on Council action in favor of the dues adjustment. At best, it seems, Section Chairmen could comment on the "Program Dues Adjustment" plan only after the fact of its adoption.

The point of all this is not to criticize the action of Council in adjusting the dues, nor even to raise a question as to whether Council should have the right to raise the dues. What is troublesome to me is that Article IV seems to imply that HSD and Section

Chairmen have an implied responsibility to carry the "grass roots" feelings of the membership to Council on matters of dues adjustments and that Council will weigh these opinions before taking action. Section Chairmen cannot perform such a function unless they and the members have the detailed proposal in their hands prior to Council action. Furthermore, it is difficult to see how Council can hope to have the benefit of membership opinions when the specifics of a proposal are not released until after Council action is taken.

Be sure to reserve the dates of February 5-7 for the Section meeting, to be held at the Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge in Monroeville, Pennsylvania. Originally, the theme of the meeting was to be preparation and evaluation of environmental impact statements, but a change has been made in order to take advantage of a comprehensive study on clearcutting which has just been completed by an outstanding group of foresters and other scientists in Pennsylvania. The study team, which was chaired by Ben Roach, will constitute the nucleus of the program. Program Chairman is Jim Nelson.

We have a letter from R. N. Staley, Chairman of the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Institute of Forestry to be held in Niagara Falls, Ontario, October 6-10, 1974. Mr. Staley extends a warm welcome to all Allegheny Section members to attend the CIF meeting.

SECTION AWARDS

It is time to honor the blood, sweat and tears of those who have labored for our profession.

Pete Bond, Chairman, Section Awards Committee is accepting nominations for the "Outstanding Service of Forestry" and "Forester of the Year" awards. The first award honors achievement over a long period of time; whereas, the second is given for specific accomplishments during the past year.

Nominations must reach Pete Bond by November 31, 1974.

Each Chapter Chairman or his appointee is responsible for soliciting nominations from his Chapter. If you have a nomination, send it to your Chapter Chairman with as much supportive information you can gather concerning the nominee.

1974 OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chairman: David E. White  
Vice Chairman: James C. Nelson  
Secretary-Treasurer: Ronald J. Sheay  
  
Executive Committee: Sam Dyke  
Harry Mahoney  
Dave Marquis  
Doug Mead

SAF WORKING GROUP REPRESENTATIVES

Most of us have been involved in one or more of the National SAF Working Groups. The Section now has representatives to most of the working groups. These groups accomplishments can be measured equally with our participation.

Listed below are our Section representatives. Contact these fellows and find out how you can be involved. Try it and you may just like it!!!

Inventory	Harry V. Wiant	West Virginia University Division of Forestry Morgantown, WV 26506
Remote Sensing & Photogram.	Robert Douglass	Penn State University Monte Alto Campus Monte Alto, PA 17237
Biometrics	Benjamin B. Stout	Rutgers University Dept. of Forestry New Brunswick, NJ 08903
Fire	Eugene McNamara	1103 Charles Street Mechanicsburg, PA 17055
Entomology	James O. Nichols	RD 2 Mechanicsburg, PA 17055
Pathology	William Gillespie	W. Va. Dept. of Agr. Charleston, WV
Forest Ecology	Russell J. Hutnik	1658 Princeton State College, PA 16801
Soils	John L. Gorman	387 Laurel Street Morgantown, WV 26506
Wildlife & Fish Ecol.	Samuel P. Shaw	RD 2, Peck Rd. Downing, PA 19335
Tree Genet. & Improve.	Henry D. Gerhold	816 S. Sparks St. State College, PA 16801
Silvicul.	Silas Little, Jr.	Creek Road, RFD Moorestown, NJ 08057
Land Use Plan. & Design	Peter W. Fletcher	1385 Penfield Rd. State College, PA 16801
Recreation	Elwood R. Shafer	NE. For. Exp. Sta. Forest Service Upper Darby, PA
Urban For.	William Corlett	51 Fort Street Lemoyne, PA 17043
Forest History	Harry Mahoney	U.S. Forest Ser. Elkins, WV 26241
Forest Engineer.	Harold E. Matics	Rt. 2, Box 160 Covington, VA 24426
Utiliz. & Wood Scienc.	Donald Cuppett	Rt. 1, Box 281 Princeton, WV 24740
Marketing	Bruce A. Schick	West Virginia University Division of Forestry Morgantown, WV 26506

TREASURER'S REPORT

December 1, 1973 to May 31, 1974

Balance on hand December 1, 1973:

Checking Account	96.85	
Savings Certificate 6%	2,691.16	
Savings Account	<u>943.80</u>	
Total Assets	\$3,731.81	\$3,731.81

Income:

Dues	3,522.50	
Winter Meeting	581.85	
Allegheny News (Adv.)	15.30	
Special (Voided Check)	52.00	
Interest	<u>28.86</u>	
Total Income	\$4,200.51	\$4,200.51
		\$7,932.32

Expenses:

Winter Meeting	1,010.30	
Chapter Reimbursement	508.00	
Travel, phone, etc.	145.67	
Postage and Supplies	320.00	
Allegheny News	<u>235.71</u>	
Total Expenses	\$2,219.68	- \$2,219.68
		\$5,712.64

Balance on hand May 31, 1974:

Checking Account	2,048.82	
Savings Certificate 6%	2,704.39	
Savings Account	<u>959.43</u>	
	\$5,712.64	<u>\$5,712.64</u>

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS A REALITY

Congratulations are certainly in store for our Section members who were determined to see a new SAF Headquarters building in D. C. The highlights of the May 8 & 10, 1974 Special Council meeting reveal the Grosvenor estate will be remodeled for SAF occupancy.

It was also resolved to dedicate the mansion and garage-apartment as the Gifford Pinchot Forestry Building and permanent headquarters of the SAF.

### NEW PROGRAMS PROPOSED

Dave White's comments referred to new programs proposed by the National SAF. \$116,000 was the price tag. Correspondence from Washington, D. C. gives the following details.

#### DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE PROGRAMS

Purpose of proposed department is to accomplish SAF's objectives in forest science.

Directed by a professional with appropriate supporting services. Responsibilities include:

- (a) Under the direction of the Executive Vice President, support the Forest Sciences Board-Working Group programs, including quality review and necessary adjustments. Furnish information and other support as needed to the Board and Working Groups. Coordinate with other departments for effective dissemination of results.
- (b) Develop research proposals, obtain funding for them and administer funded projects.

The professional staff assistance needed for this program is not now being provided. The clerical service is being contributed from other activities which creates an overload that can no longer be absorbed. The volume and nature of this program has reached the point where it can no longer be satisfactorily administered without the recommended additional staff.

#### DISSEMINATION OF FORESTRY INFORMATION

One of the greatest needs in accomplishing SAF's constitutional objectives is increased dissemination of forestry information. Additional funds are needed to do this.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Serve under the direct supervision of the Executive Vice President.

The following are some of the activities which he will be responsible:

##### Administrative

- Develop organization proposals, plans, charts, etc.
- Supervise preparation of work plans
- Supervise preparation of job descriptions
- Develop personnel management policies, consult with department directors on personnel problems, and prepare recommendations for decision of Executive Vice President where needed.
- Plan, supervise and/or perform administrative service activities (supply, equipment, space) other than specific items handled by departments.
- Organize and supervise national elections and referendums.
- Handle correspondence not relating to the functions of a Society department.
- Guide internal operations of the national office as needed on a day-to-day basis.
- Service Council meetings.

#### Member Services

- Employment Referral Service
- Group Insurance Programs
- Develop, maintain and improve services to assist SAF units and members.
- Guide National Convention arrangements.
- Arrange or provide support for other meetings as requested.
- Handle special requests and complaints from members and units.
- Keep abreast of SAF unit affairs and assist in reporting same to membership.
- Survey needs and desires of members.
- Supervise membership activities, including member recruitment programs, and prepare statistics and information as needed.
- Develop and perform other appropriate member services as feasible.

#### PUBLIC AFFAIRS WRITER

Assigned to the supervision of the Director of Public Affairs.

Activity responsibility as follows:

- magazine and newspaper articles for the Society officers, Council members, other Society leaders, and the Staff.
- Speeches and reports on behalf of the Society for officers, Council members, other Society leaders and the Staff.
- News releases on significant new happenings in forestry, the profession and the Society.
- Scripts for radio and TV public service spot announcements.
- Scripts for slide shows explaining Society programs, forestry and the profession of forestry.
- Drafts of statements explaining Society positions on forestry issues for presentation to legislative bodies.
- Drafts of letters and telegrams to executives of government agencies, other societies and organizations, companies and individuals.
- Promotional materials for Society programs such as fund-raising campaigns, member recruitment, SAF Employment Referral Service, national conventions and symposia, group insurance programs, and sales of Society publications.
- Texts for brochures, pamphlets and leaflets explaining forestry and the forestry profession to the public.
- Texts for posters promoting Society policies and programs.
- Memoranda and bulletins to Section chairmen, public affairs officers, newsletter editors and others in SAF units advising them of important Society happenings.

Gentlemen, if you have opinions on these proposals, you had better express them now.

BE IT RESOLVED

The following two resolutions below were passed at our Annual Business Meeting in McAfee, New Jersey. Since then, they were submitted to all voting members by letter ballot and adopted as follows:

	<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>
Timber Management Practices	449	34
Forest Technician School Accreditation	459	24

**RESOLUTION: Timber Management Practices**

WHEREAS, there has been much public controversy concerning clearcutting on the Monongahela National Forest and elsewhere; and

WHEREAS, the proper management of all forests is of vital importance to the citizens of the United States and West Virginia; and

WHEREAS, clearcutting is a scientific, research-proven, beneficial method of harvest for regenerating a new forest crop of specific tree species;

THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Allegheny Section of the Society of American Foresters reaffirms its professional belief that even-aged management with clearcutting is entirely within the bounds of responsible management techniques when applied in full recognition and understanding of other forest values and under concepts of multiple use forestry.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, copies of this resolution be sent to Chairman, West Virginia Forest Management Review Commission; Chairman, West Virginia Forest Practices Standards Committee; The West Virginia Forest Products Association; each member of West Virginia Congressional Delegation in Washington, D. C.; and Forest Supervisor, Monongahela National Forest.

**RESOLUTION: Accreditation of Forest Technicians Schools**

WHEREAS, the members of the Allegheny Section of the Society of American Foresters are concerned with the quality of forestry education in the United States, and

WHEREAS, we recognize the necessity for a well structured continuum of forestry education from the aid level to the doctoral level, and

WHEREAS, we have long realized the intrinsic value of accreditation procedures for schools offering baccalaureate degree programs, and

WHEREAS, we are concerned with the total lack of any similar accreditation procedure at schools offering training at the technical level, and

WHEREAS, there has been a rapid proliferation of schools of all kinds: junior colleges, community colleges, vocational technical schools, and universities, offering vastly different programs of considerably varying quality, and

WHEREAS, we feel that employers of forest technicians should be able to somewhat evaluate the quality of graduate technicians without trial and error on the job, and

WHEREAS, technicians graduating from well developed and well taught programs should not have to face unfair competition from poorly qualified individuals with similar sounding degrees, and

WHEREAS, it is now recognized we of the forestry profession have an ever increasing demand being placed upon us to provide the maximum of goods and services from the land under our care and management, and

WHEREAS, since this management must be ever more efficient, it must be done with well qualified personnel.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Allegheny Section request that the Council of the Society of American Foresters investigate the feasibility of developing and implementing an accreditation system for those schools offering degrees in Forest Technology.

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## ARE YOU WORKING??

If you aren't in a Working Group; you should certainly be familiar with the concept. This idea has not been around very long but the accomplishments are beginning to show.

Silas Little, Project Leader (Northeastern Forest Experiment Station) has sent along some very interesting information on the Section's Silviculture Committee.

Members of the Committee present at the Section meeting met and decided that a slide series for each important type in each portion of the Section would be valuable and be the objective of the Committee. This series should follow a natural-history or ecosystem approach: slides and the accompanying short description should provide information not only on the trees, but also on important shrubs, herbs, and animals (including songbirds) associated with each stage of vegetation. Each series would include real open conditions, as found on recently abandoned fields. The accompanying descriptions should use simple language, but be factually correct. Descriptions should include a reference, if possible, for each statement--in case any member of an audience wanted to know the basis for the statement. Possible audiences include students in almost all levels of school (from the lower grades to college classes in ecology), botanical clubs, bird clubs and the like.

This year the Committee is splitting into small groups to work on one or more locally important types--the groups being formed mostly of members within a state. Hopefully from this effort we can come up with a format that is the most effective and at the same time complete the series for certain types. I do not know how much has so far been accomplished, but Dave Marquis told me he had drafted one script for Allegheny hardwoods.

Members of the Committee by states are:

West Virginia--K. L. Carvell, B. J. Warder, and G. W. Wendel  
Pennsylvania--J. E. Ibberson, J. C. Nelson, David Marquis, and R. D. Shipman  
Delaware-Maryland--Tunis Lyon and Walter Gabel  
New Jersey--G. T. Bamford, A. N. Lentz, B. B. Stout, and S. Little (Committee Chairman)

Most of the National Working Groups will be meeting in conjunction with the Convention in New York. Plan now to participate in your group. H. R. Glasscock, Jr. notes that the number of participants from 1973 to 1974 has increased by 19%. More than 8,500 members have now registered in an average of 2.4 Working Groups as shown in the Working Group Table.

### WORKING GROUPS

Title	1973	1974	Inc.(%)
Forest Resources Measurements	1,451	1,742	20
Forest Resources Protection	1,132	1,374	21
Forest Ecology and Biology	2,955	3,441	16
Silviculture	2,318	2,755	19
Managerial & Social Sciences	7,929	9,394	19
Forest Products & Utilization	1,674	2,065	23
Total Selections	17,459	20,771	19

E. F. McNamara, Chief of Division of Forest Fire Protection (Pennsylvania), has sent along the Forest Fire Working Group agenda for National Convention in New York City on September 26th.

### THEME - FUEL MANAGEMENT

Chairman Matthews - Introduction

"Utilization of Forest Residues".  
H. E. Wahlgren, Forest Products Lab.  
Madison, Wisconsin

"Manipulation of Vegetative Types."  
Hal Anderson, Intermountain Forest Exp. Station  
Missoula, Montana.

"Industry's Approach to Close Utilization of Forest Residues".  
James P. Johnston, Crown Zellerbach Corporation,  
Portland, Oregon.

"Hardwood Fuelbreaks for Northeastern U.S."  
Von J. Johnson, North Central Forest Exp. Station,  
East Lansing, Michigan.

"Prescribed Burning", Robert W. Cooper,  
Southeastern Forest Exp. Station, Macon, Georgia.

"Reduction of Hazards through Fuel Management",  
Ronald J. Zeleny, Colorado Forest Service,  
Fort Collins, Colorado.

### GYPSY MOTH - PA. STYLE

James O. Nichols, Chief of Forest Pest Management, reports that 104,258 acres were treated by the Dept. of Environmental Resources in cooperation with the federal government and 12 counties. Other treatments by USDA, county, township, private contracts and experimental plots by DER, USFS, and PSU raised the sprayed acreage to over 150,000 acres. Sprays used were Dylox, Sevin, Thuricide 16B and Dipel, and Orthene. Disparlure sex-attractant and virus material was also used in conjunction with chemical sprays.

Aerial surveillance flights show 1974 defoliation totaled 479,590 acres. This represented a pleasant 44% reduction from 1973 instead of an anticipated increase.

### FORESTRY SCHOOL EXECUTIVES

The Allegheny National Forest Staff hosted the 1974 Field Seminar for Eastern Region Forestry School Executives on August 6, 7, and 8. Broad coverage was given to all facets of Forest Land Resources Management pertinent to the Allegheny.

Faculty members attending from Forestry Schools in the Allegheny Section Area were Professor Rex E. Melton from Penn State and Dr. Gary Zinn from W. Va. U.

# CHAPTER NEWS

## NEW JERSEY CHAPTER

The New Jersey Chapter has been one of our more active chapters in the Allegheny Section. Chapter officers for 1974 are as follows:

Chairman: Richard F. West  
Vice Chairman: John D. Kegg  
Secretary-Treasurer: James Apffel, Jr.  
Executive Committee: Albert J. Huber  
Pierce Chamberlain, Jr.

## The Arbor Day Foundation's NATIONAL AWARDS



The New Jersey Chapter won a coveted Arbor Day Foundation award. Richard West noted this was a unique and gratifying recognition for his relatively small chapter. Les Alpaugh traveled to Nebraska to accept the award. His account follows:

"The New Jersey Chapter SAF won one of eight National Arbor Day awards given by the National Arbor Day Foundation.

Only one chapter is selected nationwide. We won for planting 22,000 two-to-four-year old Douglas fir, white pine, Austrian pine, blue spruce, and Norway spruce in cooperation with the Somerset Soil Conservation District in 1973.

Among other winners were Mrs. Lyndon Baines Johnson, Weyerhaeuser Company, American Forestry Association, Izaak Walton League, et al.

The annual ceremonies took place near the 65-acre estate of J. Sterling Morton, newspaper editor and Nebraska and U. S. Secretary of Agriculture, who founded Arbor Day in 1872.

Rex Resler, Associate Chief of the U. S. Forest Service, Washington, D.C. joined Mrs. Morrison (ex-Governor's wife) and Gordon MacRae in the award presentation. The awards banquet was black tie with Governor & Mrs. Exon, senators, and other Nebraska dignitaries in attendance.

Nebraska City, the home of Arbor Day, is right in the middle of farm country. Corn, grain, Milo and beef cattle are the main products. The farming operations seem to be much like those in New Jersey, but the absence of trees is startling. Even though New Jersey is the most densely populated State in the U. S., we are lucky to work and live in an area where trees grow profusely."



In the above photo, Dick West, Chapter Chairman (center) and Paul Berezny, Finance Committee (right) accept National Arbor Day Foundation Award from Les Alpaugh. Les traveled to Nebraska and accepted the award on behalf of the New Jersey Chapter. Paul Berezny was responsible for the seedling sale--a major reason for our being selected to receive the award.

It creeps and crawls and slides across the floor. And it isn't the "blob" from a science fiction movie. It's the seemingly unstoppable gypsy moth. However, 67 municipalities in 10 New Jersey counties have requested participation in the 1974 cooperative gypsy moth control program. The total acreage to be aeriually treated this spring is about 66,033. Of this figure, 56,505 acres will be treated in the municipal program, 6,793 acres of State-owned forests and parks, and 2,735 acres along the Garden State Parkway in Monmouth and Ocean counties. Last year a total of 47,500 acres was treated.

Aerial treatments are expected to begin in early May with initial applications being made in Burlington and Middlesex counties. The exact date of application will depend upon foliage development and when the gypsy moth caterpillar hatch is completed in these areas.

The recently completed forest survey of New Jersey emphasizes the importance of urban forestry approach in our Section. New Jersey's real estate is still 54% forest cover, but only 38% is commercial forest land. Average annual growth for all specied combined exceeded timber removals; however, softwood removals exceeded growth by 22%.

When the first Forest Survey of the State's timber resources was made in 1955, Hudson County was classified as an urban county. Since then the trend toward urbanization in northern New Jersey has continued. In the 1972 inventory, Bergen, Essex, Union, and eastern Passaic Counties were included with Hudson in the urban category. The reclassification of forest land from these counties accounted for 1/4 of the total decrease of 263,000 acres of forestland. Even outside these counties, urbanization such as new road construction, land clearing for housing, etc., was the major cause of forest land area change.

Dr. Benjamin B. Stout, professor of forestry at Cook College, has been elected Chairman of New Brunswick Federated Department of Biological Sciences at Rutgers University. Dr. Stout will coordinate biological research and teaching on the New Brunswick area campuses and will be responsible for planning future academic development. He also will coordinate faculty recruiting in the biological sciences.

Ben, a long time chapter member has been quite active in Chapter and Section affairs. He has held many offices, including service as Section secretary-treasurer and Section Chairman.

Two more members of the New Jersey Chapter deserve recognition for serving on Section committees. They are Sydney J. Walker and Otto W. Kunkel who are serving on the Natural Areas and Forest Policy Committees, respectively.

A highlight of the Chapter meeting in June was the presentation of a plaque and \$50 prize to the outstanding Rutgers University Forestry student. In the photo below, Elwood B. Moore (left) displays the plaque with Dick West. The plaque is presented annually in Mr. Moore's honor by the New Jersey Chapter.



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## PLATEAU CHAPTER

The spring meeting of the Plateau Chapter of the Allegheny Section was held in Tiona, Pa. on April 18, 1974. A good turnout of over 40 members and guests were present.

Chairman Paul Higby chaired the meeting which included resolutions concerning SAF Technicians and the continued endorsement of even-aged management for timbered areas. Discussion followed concerning the Wilderness issue and the chapter will prepare a statement establishing its position on the subject for consideration of the membership.

Following the business meeting, Jim Speice, Public Relations Representative for Hammermill Paper Company spoke on Professionalism.

The Plateau Chapter area experienced severe timber blowdown this spring. High winds flattened many fine timber stands from mid-April to July 29th. Damage estimates have been difficult to determine, but a public meeting was held in Warren, Pa. the last week in July where landowners gave their estimates that totaled 15 MMBF of sawlogs and 30,000 cords of pulpwood on the ground.



Landowners, both public and private, are involved with salvage operations which will need to be conducted on almost 1500 acres of complete blowdown and about 2500 acres of partial blowdown. The Allegheny National Forest suffered damage in all six storms. The total area involved presents a big job for all those concerned with the removal and manufacture of the timber resources in North-western Pennsylvania.

About 25 Educators in the field of Forestry met in Warren, Pa. early in August for a three-day seminar sponsored by the U. S. Forest Service. The group took advantage of the nearby Allegheny National Forest and Forest Service personnel headquartered there to accumulate first-hand knowledge of managerial attitudes and philosophies related to public forest land ownership. Major topics discussed were Land Use Planning, Recreation Management, Timber Management and Forest Research.

The Plateau Chapter is planning a tour of several timber using industries late in the month of October. Tentative plans include visiting the new Kane Hardwoods Sawmill near Kane; The Otter Creek Chipper near Kane; and the Northern Hardwood Rounds Sawmill near Mt. Jewett, Pa.

Those SAF members outside the Plateau Chapter that are interested in participating in this tour should contact Mr. Paul Higby of Kane Hardwoods, Kane, Pa. to make arrangements and learn particulars.

## ROTHROCK CHAPTER

The Rothrock Chapter toured an expanding pocket of Gypsy Moth infestation in Central Pennsylvania, July 23 with 42 in attendance. The "pocket" now covers 95 thousand acres of varying degrees of defoliation. Several spray projects were conducted here in 1974 as well as experimental use of biological controls and sex attractants.

Hosts for the tour were Bureau of Forestry personnel especially District Forester Don Summer and Les Johnson of the same Bald Eagle District who also happens to be Chapter secretary-treasurer.

A buffet type lunch and short business meeting were held in Mifflingburg and the tour then moved to the heart of one defoliated area (see photo).



Photo Caption: Not "June in January" but "January in July." Courtesy of Centre Daily Times.

## NORTHERN HARDWOODS CHAPTER

After more than six years on the staff of the Forestry Department of the Williamsport Area Community College, Assistant Professor R. F. "Dutch" Haussman has retired from his teaching position. Haussman has been at Williamsport, Pa. since the start of the Community College Forest Technician Program. This has become one of the more popular fields of study at that Pennsylvania institution.

To accept his teaching position Dutch retired from the U. S. Forest Service at Upper Darby, Pa. During his 34 years in government service he had a varied career in National Forest Administration and in State and Private Forestry Programs, including a two year assignment in the American Virgin Islands.

In the future, Dutch intends to devote most of his time to the management of his Pennsylvania Tree Farms.

### Faculty Changes - Penn State School of Forest Resources

Dr. C. H. Strauss was promoted to Asst. Prof. of Forest Economics. Dr. B. J. Turner was promoted to Assoc. Prof. of Forest Management and Dr. D. R. DeWalle to Assoc. Prof. Forest Hydrology.

Orvel A. Schmidt, Assoc. Prof. of Logging and Lumbering and Administrative Assistant to the Director, W. W. Ward, retired at the end of May after 25 years of service to Penn State.

Rex E. Melton, Assoc. Prof., will assume the duties of Administrative Assistant in addition to those of Director of the Stone Valley Experimental Forest.

Kim Steiner, candidate for the Ph.D. in Forest Genetics at Michigan State, joins the staff as Asst. Prof. to assist in teaching and research in dendrology, silviculture and genetics.

Gene Wood, Asst. Prof. of Wildlife Ecology, resigned to accept a position at the Belle Baruch Institute in S. C. and has been replaced by Dr. Fred Samson, a graduate of Utah State University and former employee of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

S. S. Stutz, Asst. Prof. in charge of the Wildlife Technology program (2 yr.) at DuBois campus has gone on leave to pursue doctoral study at the University of Natal at Pietermaritzburg, South Africa. His administrative duties will be assumed by A. Lee Tibbs, a member of the Wildlife Technology faculty and his teaching duties will be handled by Joseph Hummer, candidate for the Ph.D. in Forest Resources at Penn State. John Skeen, candidate for the Ph.D. at VPI has joined the DuBois unit as Instructor in Wildlife Technology.

T. R. Dungjen and D. A. Mead, Asst. Profs. resigned from the Forest Technology (2 yr.) unit at Mont Alto. James Hale, formerly with the Stone Container Corp. at Coshocton, Ohio, has joined the Mont Alto unit.

Richard F. Masse, who was a member of the Executive Committee of the Rothrock Chapter, accepted a position in Recreation Planning in Nevada.

Dr. Peter W. Fletcher and William E. Sharpe recently described plans for a study of single residence sewage treatment in rural Pennsylvania. The 3-year cooperative project will investigate alternatives to conventional on-site disposal methods.

The main purpose of the project is to define the magnitude of the on-lot sewage disposal problem in Pennsylvania, Dr. Fletcher pointed out. The study will determine the feasibility of starting a comprehensive long-range research program to identify, develop, and evaluate solutions to single residence sewage disposal in rural areas.

## SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

The Chapter's guest speaker at their last meeting was Eugene Eisenbiere, Director of the Pennsylvania Bureau of Planning and Research. His speech entitled, "Goals of the Environmental Master Plan for Pennsylvania" emphasized agricultural and forest land is being removed from production at a rapid rate for commercial, industrial and housing purposes. The chief concerns of the Master Plan are the (1) protection of natural life support systems (food, water, fiber and shelter) and to (2) maintain or improve air, water, plant and animal quality recognizing that economic development, transportation and energy are important and should be factors incorporated into a land use plan for Pennsylvania.

## WEST VIRGINIA CHAPTER

Al Troutt, former supervisor of the Monongahela National Forest has accepted a new assignment with State and Private Forestry in Upper Darby, Pa. Ralph Mumme will be the new supervisor.

Ray Sarles and Tom Church of the USFS Forest Products Marketing Laboratory recently attended the 20th Northeastern Loggers' Congress in Catskill, New York. Tom is a member of the Loggers' Association Board of Directors. Ray Sarles presented a paper entitled, "The Use and Values of Wood Bark in the Northeast" at the technical session on 'more complete utilization'.

Charles Wolf, also from the Forest Products Lab presented a technical paper on labor productivity at Yale University's 39th Industrial Forestry Seminar in May. Chuck provided an analysis of "Quit Rate in the Wood Products Industries".

Dr. Donald Fogus, Executive Director, West Virginia Forests, Inc., was recently elected as Secretary of the National Council of Forestry Association Executives.

Westvaco has been the biggest industrial employer in West Virginia for several years. H. E. Matics, Wood Department Manager at Covington, Va. has recently added 6 members to his staff. They are: James Woodell, Curt Keese, Tom Rickman, Tom Wildman, Gary Youngblood and Don McElwee.

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Kenny Funderburke has also announced expansion of Westvaco's Gauley Woodlands. Eugene Hundley from Tennessee has been hired as a forester. Paul Miller graduated from Allegheny Community College in Cumberland, Maryland and has been hired as a forest technician. Dennis Dunham has been transferred to Elkins to open a new office for Westvaco. Gauley Woodlands also hired six "forestry student interns" to work under the supervision of professional foresters for the past summer.

The Mountain State Forest Festival at Elkins should be bigger and better. Scheduled for October 2-7, the festival will incorporate numerous displays and exhibits with a theme of "Fun and The Forest". Parades, a queen contest and dances are highlights. Arden Cogar, the world champion axe chopper, tops a number of events in forestry strength and skill.

Two log road and skid trail workshops were held in early summer and a third is planned for mid-September. The 2-day sessions emphasize environmental aspects of log road and skid trail layouts. Particular attention is given to reduce stream sedimentation.

Bill Kidd and Carter Hall have been the primary coordinators for the workshops. SAF members who were instructors in the sessions are as follows:

James Patric - Water Relationships  
John Gorman - Soil Limitations  
Harry Mahoney - Critical Components  
Milford Jones of road systems  
Donald Fogus - Public Regulation  
K. P. Funderburke of harvesting  
Bob Keiling - Preplanning techniques  
Melvin Mance  
Bill Grafton  
Cleve Biller - Alternative Harvest  
Harry Gibson Systems

Hosts for field trips were Charles Bryant (Mower Lumber Co.) and Paul Caifero (J. P. Hamer Lumber Co.)

#### ROBERT JONES - AFI VICE PRESIDENT

The election of Robert E. Jones as vice president, Forest Resources Division of American Forest Institute, has been announced by George C. Cheek. Jones administers the national Tree Farm Program which currently has enrolled 33,000 owners of 76 million acres of privately managed forests.

A 1953 graduate of Penn State, Jones started his professional career as a senior forester with the Pennsylvania DER, a position that he held from 1953 to 1955. He then worked 10 years with Georgia-Pacific Corp. before joining AFI in 1965.

#### THE MANN AND PARKER LUMBER CO.

The company's annual spring meeting was held at Brooks Robinson's Gorsuch House Restaurant for all key personnel from Purchasing, Production, and Sales departments. Robert Bushman, President, noted during the meeting that the company is installing a fifth dry kiln which will put drying capacity in excess of 7 MMBF annually.

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#### KEYSTONE KILN DRYING ASSOCIATION

The Annual Spring meeting of the Keystone Kiln Drying Association was held at Bloomsburg, Pa. with 90 members and guests attending. The business meeting was conducted by Robert R. Bushman, president of The Mann and Parker Lumber Company. Technical session speakers were William Gittler, president of Catawissa Lumber and Specialty Company and C. "Marv" Wolfe, Product Manager, Dry Kiln Div. of Irvington-Moore in Jacksonville, Fla. Gittler's talk was titled, "Use and Performance of a New Wood Burning Boiler". Marv Wolfe presented a checklist for "Saving Energy in Kiln Drying".

SAF National Convention Schedule

- 1974 - Sept. 22-26, Hilton Hotel, New York
- 1975 - Sept. 28-Oct. 2, Statler-Hilton Hotel,  
Washington, D. C.
- 1976 - Oct. 3-7, Braniff Place, New Orleans, La.
- 1977 - West-Southwest Region, U.S.A.
- 1978 - Joint Meeting with Canadian Institute of  
Forestry, Central Lake States Region, U.S.A.
- 1979 - Northeast Region, U.S.A.
- 1980 - West-Northwest Region, U.S.A.
- 1981 - South-Southeast Region, U.S.A.

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