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Major J. G. Lee, Sr.

Dedication

TO MAJOR J. G. LEE, Sr., THE FIRST PROFESSOR OF FORESTRY AT LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY, WE RESPECTFULLY DEDICATE THIS, OUR FIRST EDITION OF THE ANNUAL RING.

Foreword

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the cooperation given us in the publication of this annual by the students, faculty and alumni. To an alumnus, Townsend, goes the distinction of suggesting the name of our publication. We are indebted to Kirkpatrick, a senior, for the cover design. To all others goes the credit for making the Annual Ring a reality.

It is our sincere hope that this annual brings to the alumni and students of the Louisiana State University's Department of Forestry the pleasure it has brought us in being allowed the honor of publishing it. If it has done this, and has established a stronger feeling of friendship among the alumni and students, it has accomplished the purpose for which it was published.

—THE STAFF.

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“Development of Forestry Education At Louisiana State University”

RALPH W. HAYES

Professor of Forestry, L. S. U.

The first work offered in Forestry at this institution was given in 1911 when a course listed as “Elements of Forestry” was offered as an elective to students of the University. This same elective course was continued for a number of years. A large number of students elected this work. The interest increased so that in 1920 a summer camp was held on the lands of the Great Southern Lumber Company near Bogalusa.

The State Foresters organization cooperated with the University and provided tent quarters for the students and offered work of a desirable nature for the State Forest Rangers and others who were interested in Forestry. The State Foresters cooperated with Professor J. G. Lee, Sr., of the University, and with their assistants, acted as instructors in this camp. The work created considerable interest and the attendance at the camp was very good.

This interest acted as an incentive to the University authorities and the 1923 catalogue carried the first announcement of a degree course in Forestry offered at L. S. U. In that catalogue, two years of a four-year curriculum were given, leading toward the degree of Bachelor of Science in Forestry. In 1924 the third year was added, and in 1925 the full four-year course was written up for the first time. In 1926 the first Forestry graduate from L. S. U. received his degree.

During all of this time, the summer camp previously mentioned had been continued with other courses being added, and some degree work given at camp, particularly during the years 1924, 1925, and 1926. During the

time previous to 1925 all instruction at the University had been handled by Professor Lee and other members of the general University staff, and the work at summer camp by the men previously mentioned.

In 1925 a technical forester was added to the staff of the University, and another in 1926. This made possible the giving of a full curriculum in Technical Forestry, and the development of a more thorough and complete Forestry course.

The provisions for the summer camp were never entirely satisfactory during this time. The Great Southern Lumber Company had always shown a great deal of interest in the development of a permanent Summer Forestry Camp in connection with this University, so in 1927 they donated a tract of nearly 1,100 acres to the University with the understanding that this area was to be used as a practice forest for the department. This included the area on which the original camp was set up, but after a careful examination it was found that a much better location was possible. The University officials agreed to construct a permanent camp at this location. During the spring of 1927 camp quarters were constructed, and have proven to be entirely adequate for our needs up to the present time. A large building was put up providing sleeping quarters for a maximum of forty (40) students, a small house for the use of the faculty, another small home for the caretaker, and provision was made for electric lights and running water at the camp. The location was near the center of the 1,100 acre tract and provided an excellent opportunity for summer

camp work. This site is still used for the regular camp following the Junior year at the University. The School Forest was re-fenced last year, and electricity is now available from Bogalusa.

Instruction in Forestry continued for several years with two to three foresters on the staff. Some related courses required of Forestry students were given by members of other departments, and a fairly complete course in Forestry was offered. The enrollment was small so that individual attention could be given to students, and many of the Forestry graduates secured and have held excellent Forestry positions. The quarters available for the department at the University during this time were small and inadequate, and, of course, the number of teachers was not large enough to make it possible to give Forestry work in the best manner.

In 1933, when the Society of American Foresters finally undertook the grading and approval of the Forest Schools of the country, the University realized that their department did not meet the Society requirements and came to the conclusion that one of two things must be done—either the department must be improved to meet the Society requirements or the teaching of Forestry be abandoned at the University. The first course was decided upon and a re-organization effected during the years 1933-34. Provision was made to increase gradually the number on the Forestry staff and plans were developed for more adequate quarters for the department. The increase of the staff was started in the fall of 1934, which provided for three full-time technical men, with additional instruction in Dendrology and other related courses being provided by members of the Botany Department faculty. A report was furnished to the Society on the basis of the 1933-34 department, and as was expected, the department was

not approved on the first grading.

Additional full-time technical men were added to the staff, one in 1935, one in 1936. New and adequate quarters were provided for the department in November, 1936, and on the basis of these improvements we again applied for approval to the Society of American Foresters. The Society approval was received in October, 1937, giving us the first Southern institution teaching Forestry to receive the approval of the Society. This makes our graduates eligible to Junior membership in the Society immediately upon graduation provided, of course, application is made and the dues of the Society paid.

Thus, the first objective of the re-organized department was attained. This does not mean that we are going to be satisfied with the present setup. We have requested and have the Dean's recommendation, that the department be provided with an additional \$30,000 worth of equipment for the next session. The only possibility of our not getting the allowance is that the legislature does not provide the money, but we feel that this will not be the case and are looking forward to this added equipment next year. We hope to add other members to the staff in order that we may improve our teaching and be better prepared to give high quality graduate work. We look forward to another application to the Society for an improvement in our grade within three years, and if the required improvements are made, we feel certain that we can very materially improve our standing within the near future.

Our object is to provide the best Forest School in the South at Louisiana State University. We have the location here which justifies this ambition, the University authorities are in accord with this desire, and we fully expect to develop such an organization at Louisiana State University.

SENIORS

BREWER, W. E.
North Charleston, S. C.
Activities:
Society of Foresters



COUCH, Clifton Z.
Magnolia, Arkansas

Activities:
Athletic Manager
Society of Foresters, '38
President, Intramural
Athletic Council
Major, R.O.T.C.
Nunbskull Club

BRYAN, James E., Jr.
Calhoun, Louisiana
Activities:
Vice President, Society
of Foresters, 1936
Secretary-Treasurer, '37
Horticultural Club
Alpha Zeta
Editor of The Annual
Ring
Lieutenant, R.O.T.C.
Librarian, Forestry
Library



DeFELICE, Dave J.
Cutoff, Louisiana

Activities:
Society of Foresters
Sergeant, R.O.T.C.

BYRD, Edwin L., Jr.
Clint, Texas
Activities:
Athletic Manager
Society of Foresters, '36



FERGUSON, Edwin R.
Mandeville, Louisiana

Activities:
Vice President, Society
of Foresters, 1937
Gymnast team
Alpha Zeta

BANGO, Henry L.
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Activities:
Athletic Manager
Society of Foresters, '37



FOIL J. Harold
Franklinton, Louisiana

Activities:
Society of Foresters
Business Manager, The
Annual Ring
Baptist Student Council
Alpha Zeta

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FRANCIS, Julian B.
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Activities:

Society of Foresters
Scabbard and Blade
Reserve Officer



HOPKINS, Jack G.
Waterproof, Louisiana

Activities:

Society of Foresters
DKE
Numbskull Club

HENDERSON, Wilbur H.
Zachary, Louisiana

Activities:

Society of Foresters
Numbskull Club
Student Manager,
Forestry Nursery
Alpha Zeta



JONES, M. Samuel
Gibbsland, Louisiana

Activities:

Society of Foresters
AGR

HOLMES, Woodrow W.
Winnfield, Louisiana

Activities:

Secretary, Society of
Foresters, 1936
President, Society of
Foresters, 1937
Y. M. C. A.
Scribe, Alpha Zeta



KIRKPATRICK, John C.
New Orleans, Louisiana

Activities:

Society of Foresters

HONNOLD, Clark D.
Tuttle, Oklahoma

Activities:

Society of Foresters



LALLANDE, John B.
New Iberia, Louisiana

Activities:

Society of Foresters
Charter Member of
Numbskull Club

SENIORS

LOE, Esby F.
Arcadia, Louisiana

Activities:
Society of Foresters
Numbskull Club



RUSSO, Andrew J.
Fredonia, New York

Activities:
Society of Foresters
Band '35 '36 '37 '38



McKILLIPS, Robert L.
Harrisonburg, Louisiana

Activities:
Society of Foresters
Lieutenant, R.O.T.C.



SPROTT, C. Harvey
New Orleans, Louisiana

Activities:
Society of Foresters



MILLSAPS, Paul G.
Crystal Springs, Mississippi

Activities:
Society of Foresters
Lieutenant, R.O.T.C.
KA
Alpha Zeta
Varsity Track, '36 '37 '38
"L" Club



WALKER, E. Scovell
Plain Dealing, Louisiana

Activities:
Society of Foresters
Numbskull Club
KE



MOORE, J. Scott
Pensacola, Florida

Activities:
Society of Foresters
Numbskull Club



WARMBROD, James W.
Beluidere, Tennessee

Activities:
Society of Foresters
Varsity Football '36 '37 '38
Varsity Baseball '36 '37 '38
"L" Club
Lieutenant, R.O.T.C.
Scabbard and Blade



Light Burning

W. E. BREWER — J. S. MOORE

DE FELICE—*Trapper*—A web-footed fugitive from a muskrat marsh. Has a memory like an elephant. Just mention a page number in any forestry text and he can quote word for word, not omitting periods, commas, etc., the exact contents of said page. One great failing is talking too loud in swamps, especially when calling Profs. uncomplimentary names. If he could run a Forest as he can a poker game, he would be a cinch for All-American Forester. Once he asked somebody on a Game Management field trip, "What kind of bird of Spray is that flying over?" Later turned out to be the mail plane. Chief fear now is that his memory will muddle on the "Yay F" and he will put down 40 year cutting cycles for Ambrosia beetles. In Two Years—For muskrats produced on sustained yield basis, apply to Trapper Dave.

BREWER—*Boogy*—(Better known as Dan'l Boone's brother, Bab). Smallest man in the senior class, and also the loudest. Silviculture is his pet course, because "like" attracts "like", with "bald heads" substituted for "like". He is one of the "back row" boys, but can usually hold his own, even with the "big" boys. Regal is his weakness. Another weakness is always reading a document before he signs it. In Two Years—If the pulp and paper industry doesn't get him, the manufacture of fertilizer will.

SPROTT—*Deacon, Jr.*—Never been in the field yet and brought back all the equipment he started out with. If he hadn't tried to exterminate Kirk with a chair, but had watched for Prof instead, he would not have received the lecture intended for others. Thinks New Orleans is the best place for any human to live and would

rather walk than ride through the dump in Moore's rattle trap, especially as Rosie insisted on leaving his shirt off. In Two Years—Will live in a wide spot in the road where no one will want to hear about the Crescent City.

HOPKINS—*Red* — Has never been known to stay in one place longer than it took to move somewhere else. Will probably finish the Yay F. in record time and then rush off to get married. Loves nature to the extent of chasing whip-poor-wills all over the school forest at night and shining lights in unsuspecting frog's eyes. If all the deer killed by this Nimrod were placed in one pile, no one would believe it then, either. In Two Years—He will start bringing salt along with his stories.

FRANCIS—*Saga*—Such tales have never been heard before. This dom hard working exponent of easy chair forestry is noted for his industry and enthusiasm for such mundane things as rest and more rest. If he has ever done any work he keeps it a deep dark secret, and the nearest approach to the idea he has ever made was to suggest that the best way to determine root development was to pull the seedling up every week, measure it and then plant it again. In Two Years—He'll still be on that dime.

BANGO—*Insect*—Trapper's stooge and life long enemy. The Insect is a fire fighter from way back and can get excited over small grass fires to the extent of turning out a CCC crew and 22 future foresters who, with him driving, came close to ending in the wrong hot spot before they finally arrived at the conflagration. In Two Years—He'll either be no good, or good for nothing.

HOLMES—*Woody*—Hates “last nights” and all accompanying noise, confusion, and hell-raising. Is a molder of Forestry Clubs, only weakness being he will never be able to collect dues as easily as beer money is collected. Will probably never get over the strain of racing “Bernice” to sleep, and ever since will have profound respect for any man who can make so much noise while sleeping. In Two Years—He will be the first one to hit for town on those last nights.

RUSO—*Yank*—A misplaced specimen. When he measures d. b. h. he has to use a correction factor as it is really diameter waist high. Is an authority on Logging RR’s as he once had an uncle working on the Buffalo Interurban. When he writes in the Camp Log he uses a style featuring, “Hyar ah is”, and other phrases which he claims are of the South. However, he can’t hide origin because when he opens his cavity he sounds like one of the boys from *Dead End*. In Two Years—Will have added height growth but still sappy.

McKILLIPS—*Squarehead*—Straight from the sticks came this wonderboy, for the special purpose of showing Prof Hayes how to really play cinch poker. Squarehead never bets unless he has a royal flush, and once he even checked one of those. After one such trick he went to sleep with a hunting knife clasped in his hands. He’ll try to deny this, but pictures don’t lie. Squarehead is an authority on the CCC and knows all the Commanding Officers. Once he even promised to get all the Forestry boys into the three C dance. The dance surely was good from what we could see of it through the window. In Two Years—Author of *Occasional Paper* 13 on ways and means of crashing CCC dances.

COUCH—*Easy*—The blushing bridegroom whose only regret is that he may never be able to properly get

back at Prof. Folweiler for all his ribbing. Can sleep more than any other two Foresters together, providing he has something to scratch. Worried all of three weeks at camp because he had no canteen, finally procured one, and promptly lost it. To everybodys surprise, he proved on paper that two can live cheaper than one. In Two Years—Will be a shadow of his former self if he doesn’t think of a comeback to Prof.

FOIL—*Deacon*—Give him a pair of shorts, a last year’s Easter straw hat, five minutes to estimate, and he is ready. Is the only man in class who can run a cruise without compass, calipers, or tape. Will estimate any time he is turned loose. Only time ever wrong was at summer camp when he estimated he would not get Davila for a partner. Spent the rest of camp trying to get Jose to work. Also famous for carrying whole pine trees back to camp in order to take measurements on just the tap root. In Two Years—Still estimating, only this time on how much preaching will put how much money in the plate.

FERGUSON—*Judge*—A fine upstanding upstart. Easy meat for any catch joke; just speak to any one else and the Judge is sure to bite. Thinks that any conversation not directed at him is just no good. Judge lost his robes and fell off the bench the first few days at camp, and has never regained his original composure. Every time the Judge sees a logging RR his hair stands on end. Claims that when he is in power all tracks will be laid on solid flooring, as his underslung chassis was not made for flea hopping along the cross ties. In Two Years—The Judge will render all decisions regarding courses which should have prerequisites.

MILLSAPS—*Fearless*—The pride of Crystal Springs, Miss., and that burg’s chief publicity agent. Fearless main-

tains that pretty girls are angels and were put on this earth for him to ponder over. His greeting, "Have no fear men," can be heard ten miles on a clear night. Only time he has failed to give said greeting was when Prof. Vaux jumped from behind a tree and hollered boo at him. Fearless claims that had anyone else committed such an act he would have torn him limb from limb. The truth is, Fearless was almost straddling the Mississippi state line before he realized that it was not a bear, but just Pof. having fun. In Two Years—Will be married, just to prove something to himself.

WALKER—*Whiskey*—Personally keeps at least three liquor firms in business. After the distilled products, his vote goes to rest periods. Eats faster and stays at the table longer than is good for either him or the poor boys with a short reach. Has a system all his own for getting extra desserts from unsuspecting cooks. After the first semester marks were posted he was ready to bet three quarts to three fingers that he will be a graduated Forester after June. In Two Years—Married to a rich girl with a yen for seeing the world from under a table.

JONES—*Sad Sammy*—After semesters of sleeping in class and wandering through the hills and glades with circles under his eyes, Sammy felt the maternal instinct stirring. Cypress and Ash seedlings were the cause. Every time Sammy looked at his nursery bed he figured that the poor little seedlings would enjoy water as much as he enjoyed it the morning after. Result: the beds were dangerously close to being washed away by Sammy's heroic actions. Since then Sammy has changed. He still wishes every night was the seventh one, but now he realizes that shovels were not made to lean on. In Two Years—Still a Forester.

KIRKPATRICK—*Cutie*—The belle of

summer camp. All the "goils" just live to see his lanky frame try to beat out a bunt. This curly headed beacon loves to go out after dark and observe how his light shines. Given a plane table and some contours, he can cause rivers to run uphill. Loves to run boundaries of fields because fields mean crops, and to his horsey appetite crops mean food. Carried a special knife for watermelons but wore it out plugging to find a ripe one. In Two Years—His light will probably boin out and then maybe he can check in.

MOORE—*Rosie*—Is a collector of rare plant and animal life. At camp he had the best and most extensive menagerie of redbugs and ticks ever seen on one forester. Also, to show the boys how much Dendrology he knew and how soft those nice green leaves were, he sat plumb in the middle of a bed of the most beautiful mess of poison ivy ever grown in Pearl River Swamp. It took him two days to figure out why he felt funny every time he sat down. Possesses also a pile of tin and spark plugs which, when it is in good running order, he uses; and which, when it begins to sputter and protest, he lets his girl have to get fixed. Beer at ten cents the bottle is Rosie's idea of the tops in liquid refreshment, but once he indulged in excess and is still trying to convince people that he drank 25 bottles of champagne, this in spite of a pocket full of beer caps. In Two Years, if he doesn't taper off, he will need a girdling.

BRYAN—*Jimmy*—If there were no Yankees in this be-nighted world Jimmy would be happy. It was all right for the boys to tease him about a Yankee courting his girl, but they didn't have to go by her home one afternoon when the Yank was there and give big cheers for said Yank. The morning after the last night Jimmy disrupted the whole quiz sec-

tion every five minutes by trying to wear a path from the front room to the front porch. After the fifth trip the odds were even that he would not make it the next time and 3 to 1 that he would moan more than five times on the way. In Two Years—The Yank still first in line.

LALLANDE—*Bernice*—Charter member of the Numbskull Club, gaining this dubious distinction by a deadly assault with an axe on several yellow poplar saplings. Bernice thought up the emblem, the password, and made Prof. the Faculty Advisor of said club. This mental effort so drained his energy that for ever after he snored loud and long. The only method applicable for anyone else, if they wished to get to sleep, was to awaken Bernice and then race him to sleep. In Two Years—If he cuts another Y. P., he won't be around.

WARMBROD—*Three Ball*—The dream boy of all football and baseball coaches. His one great failure was to let a country boy hit a home run off him. Three Ball stopped feudin' in Belvidere, Tenn., to come to school and learn forestry, and now he is just a "hello" boy who, Rosie claims, doesn't know how to properly greet a girl. In Two Years—If he doesn't trip on that sword and break his neck, he will be growing flint rocks on a farm in Tennessee.

HONNOLD—*Married Man*—This staid young fellow finally broke down and showed the stuff of which heroes are made when he wouldn't go to bed until the last soldier was dead, dead, dead. If Prof hadn't appeared on the scene Married Man would still be holding down the fortress of cases. He also joined the group of gamblers in that inexplicable game in which he was the only one who would admit he won. Married Man said it was beginners luck, but he was the best beginner those suckers saw dur-

ing the summer. In Two Years—Will be cleaned by some other beginner.

LOE—*Tipsy*—Nope, he ALWAYS walks that way. Has nightmares whenever he thinks of matching his feeble strides with Prof. Vaux. Topsy is an authority on ducks and their calls but knows nothing about crows. He is also a fountain of energy, and once even played baseball; but when he hit a home run and found that he had to run all around those long bases, decided he would rather play cards instead. In Two Years—Will be portraying Father Time around New Years to keep off the W. P. A.

HENDERSON — *Henfruit* — A tough egg, and takes backtalk from no one. Hen got the reds at an innocent increment borer and his language caused fire scars on all trees in the vicinity. Hen is a seedling nurse, and the mention of cut worms gives him indigestion. At camp Hen was a member of the Feeble Three, and every morning would decorate his broad shoulders with all sorts of assorted equipment and make a brave start for the woods, while the other two trailed along carrying the pencil and paper between them. In Two Years—The worm will turn and Hen will be put in jail by the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Cut-worms, for sticking pins in the poor darlings.

EYRD—*Sleepy*—If hunting in the vicinity of Baton Rouge, don't shoot until it moves. It may be Sleepy. He inhabits the back rows of classrooms so he can mutter cuss words at everything in general and at Profs who make such "dom fooled" questions in particular. Is a right noisy fellow and was once known to speak four words at one time, this stupendous achievement removing him from the roll of the Silence is Golden Club. In Two Years—Rip Van Winkle made a come-back, so why can't Sleepy?

THE FACULTY



Brown

McKean

Hayes

Folweiler

Vaux

RALPH W. HAYES, Professor of Forestry:

After completing his undergraduate work at Iowa State College in 1914, Professor Hayes spent ten years working for the United States Indian Forest Service and as a forester in private industry. He returned to Iowa State in 1924, where he completed his graduate work and received a M. F. degree.

Professor Hayes has had more teaching experience than any other faculty member of the department of forestry. For fourteen years he has taught forestry at Colorado Agricultural College, North Carolina State College, and Louisiana State University, where, since 1934, he has been Head of the Department of Forestry.

In addition to heading the largest

Department in the College of Agriculture, Professor Hayes teaches Forest Management, Freshman Forestry, Forest Finance, and Forest Economics.

BRYANT A. BATEMAN, Associate Professor of Forestry:

Professor Bateman, the only member of the faculty who is a native of Louisiana, has the distinction of being the first person to receive a B. S. F. degree from Louisiana State University, that occurring in 1926.

For six years after receiving his B. S. F., Mr. Bateman worked as forester for a private concern in the South. Then he returned to the University to teach forestry. After teaching for two years, he attended Iowa State College, where, in 1934, he was awarded his M. F. degree. Since

then he has been teaching Forest Management, Game Management, and Game in the Forest.

This year Professor Bateman obtained a leave of absence to work toward his doctorate at Michigan University.

A. D. FOLWEILER, Associate Professor of Forestry:

Hailing from the state of New Jersey, Professor Folweiler first attended Penn State where, in 1925, he completed his undergraduate work in forestry. His graduate work he completed at Yale University in 1931.

Professor Folweiler's experience consists of work with the U. S. Forest Service at both the Southwestern and Appalachian Forest Experiment Stations; the New Jersey Forest Service as Assistant Forester and Division Fire warden; the North Carolina Forest Service as District Forester; and the Florida Forest Service as Assistant State Forester and Forestry Director of C. C. C. camps.

In 1934 Professor Folweiler came to this University where he teaches Silviculture, Fire Protection, and Seeding and Planting. Recently he published a book, *The Theory and Practice of Forest Fire Protection in the United States*, which is being used in several forestry schools as a text.

HERBERT B. McKEAN, Assistant Professor of Forestry:

The youngest professor in the Department of Forestry, Professor McKean began teaching in 1935, after having completed both his undergraduate and graduate work at New York State College of Forestry. His experience consisted of one year's work as Tie Inspector and Log Buyer for J. Moss Tie Company.

For about four months he had the distinction of being our only single professor, but upon returning from Pennsylvania after the Christmas holidays, he surprised the whole department with a Mrs. McKean.

Professor McKean teaches Preserva-

tion, Farm Forestry, and Products.

CLAIR A. BROWN, Associate Professor of Botany:

Dr. Brown, who came to this campus in 1926, received his basic degree in Botany at the New York State College of Forestry in 1925. While attending that institution, he worked during three summers as an assistant Botanist in the New York State Botanical Department. He then received an appointment as research assistant at the University of Michigan where he obtained his M. S. degree in 1926. Work toward his doctorate was carried on at the same institution, he being awarded his Ph.D. in 1934.

During his twelve years as a faculty member of this University, Dr. Brown has taught Dendrology, Wood Technology, Systematic Botany, Pathology, and various botany courses not connected with forestry. In 1930, he had charge of the Ilse Royale Flowering Plant Survey, and during the summer of 1934 he worked as photographer for the Soil Conservation Service.

CLELAND H. VAUX, Assistant Professor of Forestry:

Fourteen years in the brush is Professor Vaux's claim to experience. He completed his undergraduate work at Colorado State in 1921, spent two years in government service, and the remaining twelve years he worked in private industry in the Great Northwest.

The only bachelor in the department, Professor Vaux came to this University in 1936 upon obtaining his masters degree at the University of Washington.

With his vast store of experience, Professor Vaux is capable of giving the practical as well as the theoretical side of the courses he teaches, namely, Mensuration, Logging, Improvements, Lumbering, and Kiln Drying.

The Louisiana State University Society of Foresters

W. W. HOLMES

The L. S. U. Society of Foresters is twofold in its purpose. It attempts to provide for professional interest as well as social activity during the school year. In the line of professional interest, speakers who have achieved success in their particular field of endeavor are brought to the campus to address the group in regular meeting. As for social activity, the Society attempts to provide a well rounded calendar of events including such things as Annual Field Day, weiner roasts, hikes, participation in intramural sports, provision of sporting equipment at summer camp, etc., all of which tend to bring the students in closer fellowship with each other and help to create a friendly, congenial comradeship among student foresters at Louisiana State University.

Since this is the first issue of the *Annual Ring*, and consequently the first time such space has been devoted to this organization, it might be well to review the history of the club in so far as records will permit. For the sake of brevity, and as an escape from strict formality, the Society of Foresters here will be referred to simply as the Forestry Club.

According to the recollections of several of those brave and adventurous pioneers, who were among the first to enroll in the Forestry Department, the Forestry Club was organized during the year 1924-25. The first president was Bryant A. "Chubby" Bateman, who still hangs around here with the title of Associate Professor. However, this year he is putting in time at Michigan University in Ann Arbor, getting set for his Ph. D. Mr. Bateman reports that one of

the high lights of that first year was an oyster supper given the club by Major J. G. Lee, Sr. For this occasion, prexy Bateman boasts the only 100% attendance at a Forestry Club meeting. Incidentally, this boast still remains unchallenged. Another interesting feature sponsored by the club that year was an hour program given before the entire student body, during National Forestry Week. The chief speakers for this occasion were Colonel T. D. Boyd, President of the University at that time, and Mr. J. K. Johnson, then forester for the Great Southern Lumber Company.

With this splendid start for the club, Sam Morgan, president during 1925-26, had to strike a rapid pace in order to keep up with the precedent established by the first president. No records are available on the activities of the club during this term except that word comes from Morgan stating that regular meetings were held throughout the year, and forms of entertainment were provided during summer camp at Bogalusa.

With the exception of the fact that Norman Stevens was president of the club during the year 1926-27, no information in regard to the officers or activities is available from this time up to the 1935-36 session. At this time, J. H. Kitchens, Jr., was elected president and the other officers were as follows: Duncan Blake, vice-president; E. J. Russell, secretary-treasurer; and J. W. Hardin, reporter. According to the minutes during this year there was discussion from time to time on the possibilities of securing a club room on the campus, talk of publishing an annual, and also attempts to get students to

purchase standard colored shirts with a forestry emblem. From the records available, and also visible evidence, none of these items materialized during this year, but no doubt they initiated an interest in such things, especially the annual idea, and the results of these discussions are finding expression now in more tangible forms. Other highlights of this year included a lecture on "Termites and Termite Control", by Dr. T. E. Snyder of the Southern Forest Experiment Station, and a talk by Mr. A. E. Wackerman, then forester for the Southern Pine Association, on the "Distribution of Southern Pine Resources." Also under Kitchens' regime, the foresters dominated the annual Agricultural Fair. Not only did Forestry put its queen over in the election, but it also captured first place in the exhibit, the construction of which was so ably supervised by James "Bunyan" Steven.

For the first semester 1936-37, J. B. "Saga" Francis was elected president of the club with James E. Bryan as vice-president and W. W. Holmes, secretary-treasurer. The first regular meeting of the year featured a program on which all the Forestry "Profs" appeared, and sent us off to a good start. One of the main events of the first semester was the weiner roast held on Nov. 4th. at the Forestry Nursery. The best attendance record was registered on this night with well over a hundred boys turning out for the fun and food . . . and cigars. And at the end of the first semester the reigns of the Forestry Club were turned over to W. W. Holmes whose able assistants were Santiago Porcella III, in the capacity of vice-president, and James E. Bryan, Jr., taking care of the minutes and money.

During the second semester, special emphasis was placed upon planned programs for regular meetings. We were fortunate in being able to secure

such men as P. M. Garrison, then Forester for Great Southern Lumber Co.; Mr. J. C. Jackson, Landscape Architect from the Kisatchie National Forest; A. S. McKean, Extension Forester, Louisiana State University; and our own Professor C. H. Vaux, who gave us inside dope on some of his unpublished experiences as a timber cruiser. Also during this semester, the first Forester's Field Day was held, and it was received with such unusual success that it was agreed by all the members to make this event an annual affair.

The annual Agricultural Fair proved to be a source of interest and keen competition among the several departments in the College of Agriculture. When the election smoke for the Queen cleared away, we found the Dairy Department out on top with their candidate, followed closely by Agronomy, and Forestry trailing Agronomy by not more than the price of a good white oak cross tie. Also, as a result of the capable work of "Chief Justice" Ferguson and his assistants, we were able to win second place prize for the exhibit.

At the close of this term officers were chosen for the first semester, 1937-38. W. W. Holmes was re-elected president; E. R. Ferguson, vice-president; J. E. Bryan, Jr., secretary-treasurer; C. "Easy" Couch, athletic manager; and George Wright, sergeant-at-arms. The first meeting of this semester was an outdoor get-together designed to make known the newcomers (Freshmen as well as transfers), and also designated as "experience night" inasmuch as each person present was permitted to tell in a couple of minutes, the nature of his summer employment. The hamburgers, coca colas, and cigars blended nicely to insure an unforgettable night at the Forestry Nursery.

Among the guest speakers obtained for the regular meetings were: Mr. A. S. McKean, Extension For-

ester, L. S. U., who talked on "Farm Forestry"; Mr. Guy Fletcher, State Coordinator, Soil Conservation Service, who spoke on "The Place of Forestry in Soil Conservation Work"; Dr. J. H. Roberts, L. S. U. Department of Zoology, who told us about the "Use of the Movie Camera in the Study of Birds"; and Mr. H. B. McKean, from our own Forestry Department, who spoke on "Naval Stores." Our annual Field Day event was changed to the fall semester for several good reasons, and everything worked out perfectly to make this one of the most outstanding events of the year for us Foresters.

Jerome Summers, who is at the helm guiding the destiny of the For-

estry Club for the current semester, is doing a splendid job. At the present time the Foresters are out in front in Intercollege sports and we are looking forward to capturing the title at the close of the season. The Agricultural Fair will soon be in full swing, and already the Foresters have asserted their claim for dominance in this season's fracas.

With such able assistants as Ike Martin and J. D. Zachariah to aid Summers in his task as skipper, there are no doubts in our minds, but that the Forestry Club will continue on the upward trend and make a bigger and better name for itself among the organizations on this campus.

The Forest Camp at Bogaloose
Is cold and wet and drear—
The boys go out surveying things,
They do this every year.

A Forest Camp the place is called,
But nudist t'will become—
The boys wear scarcely any clothes,
And those they wear are bum.

When evening falls, the poker chips
Are heard on every hand,
And angry voices loudly rise,
"Pay up!" is their demand.

They're supposed to learn of this and
that,
And how to climb a tree—
And all about these Forest things
For a nice B. S. F. degree.

Much midnight oil, the poor boys
burn,
And very long their days—
They try so very very hard
To please Prof Vaux and Hayes.

—A visiting Professor's Wife.



SNAPSHOTS OF SUMMER CAMP

1937 Summer Camp

C. H. SPROTT

The forestry bus kicked up a cloud of dust as Johnnie brought it to a sudden stop under the *Quercus rubra* in front of the lodge at the L. S. U. forestry camp. The 1937 summer camp was starting upon its six weeks run. As most of the fellows arrived in the bus there was a mad scramble for bunks. Some wanted uppers and got uppers, while others wanted uppers and got lowers. Deacon Foil had his choice of the bunks as he was the first to arrive.

Everyone was full of vim and vigor, and trying to out-talk and out-laugh everyone else, but Prof Hayes managed to talk louder so he informed us there would have to be a little board collecting if we intended to eat. As we all had that intention, we filed into his office, one and one, and paid off.

The first afternoon was free for doing anything we wanted, so we started a soft ball game. It lasted on through the afternoon until Beulah rang the dinner gong. As has been said before, everybody was full of pep, so there was another mad scramble. Now don't get the idea we weren't gentlemen at the table, because we were that is, all except Brewer. He was too noisy. This first meal was much more than we had expected, and they were all of the same quality. At first we thought it was Beulah's cooking, but they continued being good even after Beulah left because of a broken rib which she received early one morning as she was preparing breakfast.

As our main purpose in attending camp was to learn new things and to apply already acquired knowledge, we were compelled to start somewhere. Dendrology was first on the list. It was taught by Dr. Brown and

Prof. McKean. Now Dendrology is a mighty nice subject to say you have taken, and a better one to know, but learning it is another story. The first day out was confined entirely to collecting leaf samples, and "Shorty" Brown was rather easy, as he did not make us collect ALL the trees and shrubs in the forest. He skipped one or two. Just because Prof can't see over a six-foot wall is no sign he can't walk fast and spot rare specimens on the run. We were making our way through the swamp south of camp the first day when he spied one of those rare specimens across a creek we had been following. He crossed on an old log and started examining it. We soon heard him call, "Collect," so we started crossing on the log, one by one—that is, all except "Judge" Ferguson. He had to try something new. He grabbed a young sapling, bent it across to the other bank, and was in the act of crossing with much difficulty when Prof. asked if we were going to let him make it. That was all that was needed to give the Judge a dip in the creek. When we returned to camp, tired and wet from a long tramp, there was a decided lack of softball spirit. Most of us amused ourselves by a more conservative game, such as cards, horseshoes or just talking. The only exception was Hillbilly Warmbrod, our only varsity football and baseball man. He had to get out in his overalls and knock the ball around a bit.

Supper didn't come too soon that night; and when it did come we all night, and, when it did come we all made a rush for the table with Rosie Moore leading the rush. It seemed as though he was always the first in and the last out, but the only reason

Walker beat him was because he could eat more than one row of corn at a time, Rosie being snagged-toothed.

They were so consistently last at the table that one night Prof. Hayes kidded them about it. Their reply was that they did most of the work, so why shouldn't they eat the most.

Friday and Saturday nights were town nights—at least they were set for town nights. We usually went in everytime Prof. Hayes would let us have the bus, and he was quite lenient. This first night in town we just looked around. It was slow for most of us, but not for "Tip". He met "Tot", and from then on no one else had a chance.

Sunday was a day of rest and religious activities in the morning, and usually a baseball game with the C. C. camp in the afternoon. The bus went into town at least once in the morning and everyone had a chance to attend church. It left early enough to allow the Catholics to make Mass, and stayed long enough so that the Protestants could attend their church.

We had six days of Dendrology, the last day being a quiz covering the entire work. "Woody" Holmes saw to it that the camp log was kept up to date, so from a part of the log by Clark Hunnold, we can see just what happened on the last day of Dendrology.

"Today was the last day of Dendrology, Thank G——. Soon after breakfast we started on our quizzing expedition. Prof. Brown seemed to go in circles through those swamps, for we waded mud puddle after mud puddle. He gave us only twenty quizzes, though, which we appreciated. Back to camp just barely before dinner time. Boy! does that food taste good. Had a written quiz at one o'clock. Prof. can pick the worst questions. He must have been awful

dumb, himself, once upon a time. We got the rest of the afternoon off. Had a swell baseball game. Brewer fanned "Home run King" Bill Warmbrod". Most of the boys went to town to see the show or those "society gals." Jimmy Bryan got stood up. Some society! A car full of girls came out to see (?) but wouldn't come in. Just looking over the prospects, I guess. Dendrology is over but those scientific names are still going round and round. Moore-aceae, passiflora the beans, Breweriana wants them. Oh! hell, goodnight."

—C. D. Honnold.

From bits of the log you can see that Jimmy Bryan was one of the society boys of camp, but he was not by himself. Everybody who was in camp will recall Paul Green Millsaps, who went to a society dance with mustache blacking on his "would-be" mustache. He was mighty embarrassed when one of the society dames asked him what that "black stuff" was running down his chin. Yankee Russo and "Cutie" Kirkpatrick were also among the society boys who broke into the Bogalusa "400". It seems as though "Red" Hopkins and "Little Man" Couch would have liked to get around a little themselves, but they were both under strict orders. One false move by the "Little Man" and his wife would have known all about it.

Dendrology completed, the activities of the camp were turned to Silviculture under Prof. Folweiler, and Mensuration, under Prof. Vaux. We were divided into two parties, eleven taking Silviculture for two weeks with the remaining eleven taking Mensuration. At the end of this period the two parties switched, giving everybody two weeks of each subject. It was during this time, when Prof. Folweiler had his crew in the "south pasture" hunting for several lost plots, that Johnnie became charter member

of the "Numbskull Club", just because a nice thrifty yellow poplar happened to be in his way and he cut it down.

At night, there was usually work to be done, but there was always time for a poker game. Although Zach had given "Sad" Sam instructions not to gamble while at camp, he always seemed to hold a hand in every game. One night, during the heat of a game, "Trapper" Dave caught "Squarehead" playing cinch poker, and he couldn't resist taking a hefty swing across the table at him. The next morning everything was forgotten, but "Square" stayed clear of cinch poker from then on.

There were plenty of wasp nests in the woods, and it was impossible to miss them all. "Pussie Cat" probably got the record for allowing more wasps to sting him than anyone else, but "Cutie" ran him a close second. One day while he and Warm-brod were cruising in the Pearl River bottoms, he happened to stick his head into a big nest as he was crossing a slough on an old log. During the excitement he lost his balance and slipped into the water. His lunch, which was tied to his belt, was soaked, and he had a time trying to fight off the wasps and get himself out of the water.

The last subject was engineering, which was taught by Prof. Hayes and Prof. Vaux. We had all taken some engineering courses at school, but few of us had much practical experience. Prof. Vaux, who once had a good bit of railroad construction work, showed us many short cuts in laying out curves and handling a transit. For this course the camp was divided into three-man crews, each crew working on a different problem at a different time. We were allowed a certain number of days to complete it, and if it was not completed in that time our Saturday afternoons

and Sundays were utilized in its completion. Although the Big Six, composed of Henderson, Honnold and "Squarehead," bragged about being so good, they put in plenty of extra time.

The last few days slipped by quickly, and it was the afternoon before camp was to close before we knew it. Although we were going to have a final test the next morning in engineering, several of the fellows had dates and were going "in" to see a little of the Bogalusa night life for the last time before leaving. Most of us were going to ride into town, say good-bye quietly, and return to camp for a good night's sleep. We went to town, were back at camp before 10:30, and most of us were in bed when someone suggested we should go back to town. Before anyone really knew it, we were in the bus and heading back to town with "Red" at the wheel. The next time we arrived at camp the sun was beginning to break in the East. There was a nice quiet gathering in the front room, when all of a sudden nearly everyone disappeared and you could hear loud snores coming from the sleeping quarters. The "Captain" had arrived and with him came the dawn. It "dawned" on the two of us who weren't in bed that we should have been, so as soon as the heat was turned off we promptly mounted our beds, and the makebelieve snores soon turned into real ones. After about an hour's sleep it was time to get up and take our test.

We brought the 1937 summer camp to a close with an extra good lunch, followed by hand shakes and good-byes as we started straggling off to our homes in all sections of the state and country.

We all enjoyed the camp to the fullest extent, and would like to thank all the faculty members for their splendid guidance.



Waterer, Stark, Josefus, Molloy, Belniak, Grigby, Lathrop, Titus, Linn, Wilson, Summers, Reynaud, Flash, Davila, Lambert, Martin, Barnett, Moore, Kohara, Staten, Lewis, Nicholson, Rivera, Armstrong.

JUNIORS

According to the class of '38, in one year most of us will be wondering why we ever chose Forestry as a profession. Already a few of us have brushed up against the hardships of the "outer world", some in C. C. C. work, and others in private industry, and have found that forestry work is not the bed of roses we imagined it to be.

This year we are all just one big happy family, each one having made a name for himself in the forestry department, favorable or otherwise. In our midst are the officers of the Louisiana State University Society of Foresters, two of the highest ranking juniors in the R. O. T. C., and a potential vice-president of the College of Agriculture.

During the past semester we fought it out with Silviculture, Wood Tech, Mensuration, and Preservation, most of us emerging as victors. After a brief struggle with Pathology, Entomology, Seeding and Planting, and Forest Economics during the present semester, we expect to attend that "much talked about" summer camp at Bogalusa.

Although the class of '38 has done well at the helm, we hope to more than fill their shoes during the coming year.



FIELD DAY SNAPSHOTS

Annual Foresters Field Day - 1937

E. R. FERGUSON

On April 16th, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven, the Foresters Field Day was officially inaugurated at Louisiana State University. For the occasion a Forestry Department holiday was granted by Dean J. G. Lee of the College of Agriculture, and was approved by President James M. Smith. The first of its kind in any of the departments or colleges in the university, the Field Day was sponsored by the Louisiana State University Society of Foresters with Woodrow W. Holmes as president.

The Field Day was held at the Istrouma Boy Scout Camp, located about 17 miles from the campus, and proved to be such a success that it was unanimously voted by the members of the Society and the Faculty that it be made an annual event. At the time of the above discussion it was agreed that in the future, because of complications caused by conflicts with the senior exams, the Field Day be held in the fall instead of the spring.

Upon our return to school in September, one of the first things President Holmes did was to appoint a committee consisting of Bryan, Belnaik, Zachariah, Lathrop, and Ferguson to work on plans for the Field Day. After the more complex details concerning the date, granting of the holiday by Dean Lee, and obtaining the faculty approval had been worked out, H. G. "Military Joe" Lambert was selected to act as Master of Ceremonies, and the various classes selected representatives to take charge of the athletic competition and to act as class captains for the day. Those elected were "Easy" Couch, seniors; Hal "Arkansas" Moore, juniors; "Bing" Cool, sophomores; and Joe

Beville, freshmen. The Field Day was advertised by "Yours Truly", and the finances and transportation ably taken care of by "Deacon" Foil and Frank Lathrop respectively, all of the above named being helped or hindered as the case might be, by some of the more ambitious members of the Society.

At last the day . . . and what a day, for on this second of October it seemed as though the elements were against us, with a temperature drop to 40 degrees and dark threatening clouds scudding hither and yon in the sky, propelled by the wind. At 7:30, the Forestry Bus, a University-owned stake-bodied truck without a top, numerous cars, and other vehicles to which the term "cars" is not applicable, began to accumulate at the rear of the Forestry Building. The cars and the Forestry Bus were soon filled, and even the stake body, after much persuasion and encouragement, was also loaded. Promptly at 8 o'clock the Big Blue Forestry Bus driven by the stellar gas pusher, J. "Bernice" Lallande, shoved off, being followed by the stake body, with its load bravely shouting defiance at the cold wind. Most of the other cars had already left.

Upon arrival at the camp, after a 17-mile drive, we were welcomed by "Uncle Rafe" Westbrook, the caretaker, and were asked to sign the visitors' book. After thawing out the cargo of the stake body truck, the boys filtered back to the site of the about-to-be field day. There we found J. D. "Dirty" Zachariah surrounded by a few worthy cohorts trying to nurse some dew-soaked red oak into flame. After some help and considerable hinderance in the form of suggestion and criticism from the inter-

ested by-standers, some industrious wood tech student ferreted out some fat pine, and the fire was started. About this time those two kindred spirits—Master of Ceremonies Lambert and Field House Cookie Willie McKay—arrived and “started the ball to rolling”, the former in the field of athletics, and the latter over the barbecue pit, where the red oak was rapidly turning into glowing coals.

The various captains met with “M. C.” Lambert and as a result the seniors were pitted against the sophomores on the softball field, while the juniors vied with the freshmen on the volley ball courts. Keeping up with their stellar performance which had netted them the trophy the previous year, the class of ’38 started off with a bang by trouncing the class of ’40 in the softball event. The class of ’39 also showed their fighting spirit when they took the class of ’41 in a close, fast game of volley ball. Then the teams exchanged courts, remaining paired as they were in the previous contests. The victors of these conflicts were the same as before, namely, the seniors and juniors. In the meantime, Lambert was busy running around trying to get competition started among the less lively souls who were pitching horseshoes.

After the juniors had recuperated from their strenuous battle with the frosh, the seniors proceeded to “give them the works”, and with the mighty “Sleepy” Byrd pitching, walked away with the softball championship. About this time a general influx was noticed toward the direction of the barbecue pit, presumably to watch the proceedings, but probably to get some of the fragrant coffee that Zach had brewing. As a result, “M. C.” Lambert, to divert our attention, announced that the high spot of the day was about to take place. Of course at this time “Delaware” Kety had to rush over to the chow table, as he thought the “high spot” of the

day, as always, was eating. However, it was explained (but not to his complete satisfaction) that by “high spot” Lambert meant the tree climbing contest. The aspirants to the honor of number one Monkey Man, including the Monkey Man of the preceding year, “plain ole Sam” Jones, lined up one by one, to be timed by that illustrious member of the faculty, Herbie McKean. After sundry performances, which succeeded in separating the men from the monkeys, Jack Mann, the freshman dark horse from Arkansas, showed his superior ability, or perhaps I should say agility, by turning in the good time of 19.5 seconds, to beat the highly touted defending champion, Sam Jones, by .5 second. Gross, a Kentucky hillbilly, gave the sophs third place, being handicapped by the takeoff from level ground. The crowd then moseyed on over to a felled tree which was to be the site of the log-sawing contest. Here the senior class representatives whipped the saw through the log in the record time of 22.6 seconds for their second consecutive championship. The victors, “Hen” Henderson, and “Deacon” Foil, proved themselves to be fine “Flathead” material. The soph representatives, Taylor and Hinton, although pulling a mighty fine saw, were beaten by 2.4 seconds.

The same area was the scene of the next contest, namely, the log-chopping contest. The champion of the previous year, “Hen” Henderson, proved his mettle by nosing out “Cas” Belniak of the Juniors in an axe-swinging contest which kept the entire crowd on their toes. The highlight of that event was the chopping by “Mac” McKillips and Joe Josefus, who both clearly demonstrated that they hadn’t eaten since breakfast. Incidentally, this seemed to have reminded most of the audience that they had not eaten either, and that

Zach should have that barbecue pretty nearly done.

Sure enough, that glorified K. P. was ready with the barbecue, which was absolutely done to perfection, and all the trimmings, which consisted of potato salad, buns, gravy, and plenty of SOFT drinks. After eating, or perhaps I should say stowing away, for some of those boys couldn't have eaten it in the short time it took them to get back in the second line, we listened to a few extemporaneous speeches from the several professors present. Next, Dr. "Shorty" Brown grouped us for pictures, and as soon as this was over the seniors played the juniors volley ball to determine the champions of that sport. In the interim, the horse shoe pitching had progressed to the finals, with "Yankee Cas" Belniak and "Tennessee" Molloy emerging victorious for the credit of the junior class.

Candidates were then called for the 50-yard dash. Clifton "Married Man" Couch was a favorite to repeat his victory of the previous year, but

was taken in by Paul Green "Have-no-fear" Millsaps in a photographic finish. (Flash—can it be that married life is slowing him down!) Titus, a junior, was a close third in this event.

As the evening was rapidly drawing to a close, the remainder of the events were run off in short order. "Woody" Holmes won the 300-foot pacing for the seniors. The tug-of-war was won by the sophs after long, hard pulls which resulted in breaking the rope three times in succession. And finally, the seniors showed their heels to the rest in the shuttle relay. When the points were tabulated, it was found that the seniors had accumulated the grand total of 63 points to win the trophy. The juniors were trailing with 36, and the sophs and frosh tallied 31 and 10 points respectively.

So with the evening sun sinking behind the pines, we clambered into the waiting vehicles, dog-tired, but contented in the memories of a day well spent.

Jimmy Warmbrod, our most outstanding athlete, won the 1938 Mike Chambers Award, given each year to the trainer's "ideal athlete."



Green, Summers, L. Ramke, T. Ramke, Cool, Gross, Mertel, Anderson, Girlinghouse, Olmstead, McMillan, Elfer, Glass, Duplantis, Beauchamp, Smith, White, King, Long, Behrens, Trichel, Shirer, Philips, Taylor, Hinton, Young, Moore, Staten, Robrtson, Blouin, Head, Ewing, Gaharan.

SOPHOMORES

The Class of 1940, upon receiving their diplomas from the Lower Division, came raring into their sophomore year with the intentions of teaching the professors at this institution a thing or two. About the end of the first six weeks, they suddenly awoke to the fact that there was one Dr. C. A. Brown, professor of Dendrology, who would not believe that they knew everything there was to know. The result was a twenty-five percent drop in the roll by the end of the first semester.

The sophomores who withstood this awakening have proved themselves worthy of the "to-be-studied-for" title of foresters. Among these men there are several members of the various varsity athletic teams, "the outstanding student of the College of Agriculture", and numerous students worthy of the title, "good fellow".

Many of these men have been active in the Society, and several have been on forestry intramural athletic teams. A few have even demonstrated that they are embryo politicians.

The going will be rough for the next two years, and the odds are against them, but we will place our bets on the entire sophomore class to finish in '40.



TOP ROW: Olmstead, Wall, Nelson, Wallace, Weatherly, Jones, Dimmick, Crouere, Sonderegger, Sullivan, MacMillan, Hunt.
 SECOND ROW: Baird, Moore, Ewald, Helvy, Lewis, Eddy, Mackay, Stallworth, Muller, Binion, Scott, Beville, Gremillion.
 THIRD ROW: McKnight, Troyky, McDaniels, G. Jenkins, Sharp, Spencer, Dixon, Moran, Diedrich, Mann.
 FOURTH ROW: Reed, Rogers, Kohara, Oakmail, Davis, R. Jenkins.

FRESHMEN

This year's "dogs", as freshmen are called on this campus, hail from thirteen of these United States. Twenty-two are from Louisiana; four from both Arkansas and New Jersey; two from Alabama, Connecticut, and New York; and one from each of the following states: Colorado, Illinois, Kansas, Mississippi, Tennessee, West Virginia, and Washington.

Even though these men have been on the campus a relatively short time, some have made names for themselves. Three were on the Freshman football squad, four are now out for Freshman baseball, several are on the Freshman R. O. T. C. rifle team, and one is a promising varsity golfer.

Some are finding it difficult to pass their work, while others are at the top in their classes. As a class these freshman foresters are more than holding their own.

Of the forty-one freshmen who enrolled in 1934, only nine are in line for graduation this year. We are now wondering how many of these present freshmen will finish in forestry in 1941.

The L. S. U. Forestry Nursery

W. H. HENDERSON

The L. S. U. forestry nursery is located east of the main part of the campus, between the Horticulture building and that part of the new lake just north of the Coliseum. It is about seven tenths acres in size; however, only about one half of this is cultivated.

Research and experimentation are the primary purposes of work conducted in the nursery, and at present A. D. Folweiler, professor of Silviculture, is gathering data to be used in a manual on nursery practices. Besides these primary purposes, the nursery is also used as the site for an annual forester's outing, and track meets, wrestling matches, bull sessions, and numerous other activities engaged in by students working there. There is a combination lock on the door of the tool shed, and any member of the crew is welcome to show his girl the nursery, provided he has a girl and can get her that far off the campus.

That part of the nursery cultivated is divided into three blocks with 24 beds each, and one block with 12 beds, the latter being used by students in a seeding and planting course. The beds are 4.5 ft. wide, 12 ft. long and are separated by paths which are 1.5 ft. wide. One block is sown in cover crops while the others are used to produce seedlings.

Due to the fact that work is done by student help, most of the equip-

ment used is very crude. That equipment available consists of an axe, some hoes, rakes, shovels, and a mechanical seeder designed and constructed by this bashful writer. Our watering system is composed of one water hydrant, a garden hose, and one boy to direct and hold said hose.

As for the buildings, we have no fancy superintendent's dwelling, but we do have a substantial tool and storage room (8 ft. by 10 ft.). Besides this we have access to one-half of a temporary barracks building, the other half being occupied by chickens, eggs, and mites belonging to the poultry department.

The crew, as I have mentioned before, is composed of forestry students who are the proud possessors of working scholarships. The crew varies in size from semester to semester, depending upon the number of "C" averages made. This year it is composed of five men, namely, J. H. Summers, M. Johnson, Robinson, Elfer, and W. Henderson.

The annual output of the nursery is between 15000 and 20000 seedlings. The majority of these are planted on the school forest at Bogalusa, and the remainder are available to anyone who cares to come for them. The species planted this year were longleaf, slash, shortleaf, spruce, loblolly, and Ponderosa pine, and green ash, red oak, cypress, black locust, and mahogany.

The Numbskull Club

One day last summer, while clearing a trail through a creek bottom in the school forest, John "Bernice" Lallande cut a healthy, vigorous yellow poplar sapling. This sapling differed little from other potential yellow poplar trees in that vicinity except that it happened to be under the watchful eye of Professor A. D. Folweiler, whose pride and joy seems to be yellow poplar saplings.

When the sapling "bit the dust" it aroused the wrath of said professor to such a point that words could not be withheld. Out of the tempestuous outburst of oratory which ensued, the Numbskull Club emerged.

Rules for eligibility of membership:

1. One must be a member of the 1937 summer camp.
2. He must be guilty of a very stupid act, its importance to be judged by the two charter members.
3. His vile deeds must be recorded in the camp log.

Emblem:

A freshly cut yellow poplar sapling.

Password:

"Did *you* cut it?"

Charter members:

John "Bernice" Lallande and Professor A. D. Folweiler.

Initiates:

Easy Couch, Ipsy Topsy Loe, Whiskey Walker, Prof. Vaux, Hosie Davila, Hopalong Warmbrod, Red Hopkins, Hen-fruit Henderson, and Rosie Moore.

Vile Deeds of Club Members:

Professor Folweiler suggested the club, said stupid act making him charter member number one and faculty adviser.

"*Bernice*" Lallande cut down a yellow poplar sapling, thus the basis for Prof. Folweiler's suggestion for the formation of the

club.

Easy Couch bought a brand new canteen, and the first day out, lost it.

Ipsy-Topsy Loe heard a flock of crows fly over and raved for an hour about the flight of ducks overhead.

Whiskey Walker felled a large oak in the middle of a slash pine plantation, destroying several saplings; and to make matters worse, he left a canteen and a staff in the woods.

Prof. Vaux "thoughtfully" sent his watch to the laundry in his best suit. Because they were not in the habit of excepting gifts, they returned it.

Hosie Davila started off by losing a compass socket. Then he did a beautiful job of losing a soil auger, and finally, himself when sent to look for it. Prof. Folweiler lost a good bit of his religion and time looking for Hosie and the auger.

Hopalong Warmbrod with the able assistance of an "A" (?) student in Dendrology, *Red Hopkins*, energetically bored eleven slash pines, and swore that they were longleaf. From memory, our able Professor Folweiler corrected them.

Hen-fruit Henderson, the strong man of the class, discovered a new method of cleaning an increment borer. His method is to beat it gently, but firmly, against a stout oak. Then pay \$4.00 and keep the borer, for it will be of no further use for boring trees. *Rosie Moore*, another brilliant Dendrologist, allowed his exposed posterior end to come in contact with some poison oak. For about a week it was more comfortable for him to stand than to sit.

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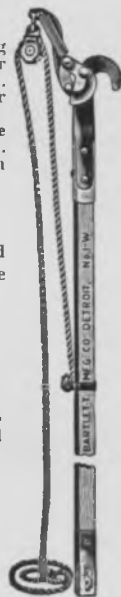
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