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School of Forestry and Wildlife Management
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
With the retirement of Bryant A. Bateman in the summer of 1971, the School of Forestry and Wildlife Management accepted applications of highly qualified professionals with forestry experience. When Bart A. Thielges, Ph.D., accepted the position of Associate Professor of Forestry, little did he know he would become such an intimate part of our forestry family. In laboratory, Dr. Thielges' expertise in forest genetics and in tree physiology enables him to offer the students well organized and practical exercises. Lectures as well reflect a professional atmosphere which keeps the students grasping for new technology and management practices.

In 1963, Dr. Thielges received his B.S. degree in Forestry from Southern Illinois University. In 1964, he received his M.F. degree in Forestry from Yale School of Forestry, and from Yale's Graduate School a Ph.D. in 1968. At Yale, Dr. Thielges was research assistant in forest genetics from 1963-1967. He also was a teaching assistant of forest genetics from 1964-1966. From 1967-1971, Dr. Thielges was Assistant Professor of Forestry at Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center. His research experience includes physiological and cytological effects of ionizing radiation on forest trees, biochemical genetics and systematics of PINUS species, various tree improvement programs of selection and breeding, and genetic and physiological bases for resistance to disease and insect attack in PICEA, PINUS, and POPULUS species.

A formal welcoming dedication here is long overdue, for the Annual Ring staff feels that Dr. Thielges received it some months earlier. We the staff of the Annual Ring are proud to extend the warmth we feel for Dr. Thielges - once again, WELCOME!
"One is constantly reminded of the infinite lavishness and fertility of Nature — inexhaustable abundance . . . And when we look into any one of her operations that lie within reach of our minds; we learn that no particle of her material is wasted or worn out. It is eternally flowing from use to use, beauty to yet higher beauty."

— John Muir
Finding intimacy in nature is like loving a cold rain because of what it does for the plants . . .
... and knowing that a river's often better listened to than splashed in, and than you can watch the sun break through, and fully appreciate its warmth.
Who so walks in soltitude
And inhabiteth the wood,
Choosing light, wave, rock and bird,
Before the money-loving herd —
Into that forester shall pass,
From these companions, power and grace.

— Ralph Waldo Emerson
This is the eighteenth "message" which I have been asked to write for the ANNUAL RING. Each time I compose a message, I am never sure exactly who the readers will be, although I assume they will be mainly students in the School, the School faculty, and many alumni of the School. There are so many things about the School that I'd like to write about and so little space allotted, that I'm always uncertain each year what I should write that will interest each ANNUAL RING reader.

One of my student friends jokingly suggested that I repeat my 1955 (first) message, but I don't believe that would be ethical. Besides, it would hardly be appropriate, since in it I described "the progress of the new School of Forestry building!"

Seriously, I would like to write briefly about my work as a counselor to students in the School. I do a fair amount of this, and I consider it an exceedingly important duty. When a student comes into my office to see me, almost always it's a case where he has an academic problem or is seeking information. Almost never is it a disciplinary situation; our students rarely get into this kind of trouble. The most frequent situation is that the student has a problem or a question about one of the courses in his curriculum or a conflict in his class schedule. Infrequently, the student needs money.

In each case, I realize that the student has a need that he thinks I can meet. Therefore, I quickly set to work to do my best to meet that need. I put aside whatever I'm doing at the moment, and concentrate on the student. First, I try to put him at ease. Some students are rather tense and keyed-up when they come in; their problem may seem to them almost overwhelming. Next, I try to find out exactly what the problem or question is. Often, this takes quite a while, because I may have to translate his problem or question into official administrative academic lingo, in order to solve it. The next step is for me to suggest one or more solutions to the problem. These solutions have to be ethically sound and consistent with LSU rules, which are not only complicated but frequently changing. If more than one solution is feasible, I try to get the student to choose the one he prefers. Then, I proceed to do whatever I can to resolve the difficulty, keeping in mind the student's possible need for immediate action. Often, because of extensive personal campus contacts, I am able to solve the student's problem on the spot. In many situations, the close cooperation I receive from the School faculty is a great asset in solving student academic problems that concern only School policy. When a student needs money, the contributions of our alumni to the Hayes Loan fund have proved to be invaluable.

Essentially, my 1972 message is that with me, student needs are tops on my job priority list.
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Instructor, Artificial Regeneration, Forest Products

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Meeting at 7:30 PM
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Discussion: Homecoming; Planning; New members please come!

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LEFT TO RIGHT
Toni Clason, Beverly Ross, Mrs. Burns, Linda Oliver, Jean McDonald, Phylis Tileston, Cherry Pancake, Elena Hatherue, Marge Kassinger.
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Ahh, more money
Field Day

Hold him still
Foresters Are Jocks
Summer Camp
Cut or Leave?
Before

After

One baracade coming up
The still is right here
Alumni

Class of '49 for the second consecutive year captures top attendance on homecoming day

C. P. Isaacs, Don Adams, Bobby Misso and Robert F. Westbrook attend Texas Industrial Wood Seminar

Peter C. Gaskin (right) "A squirrel in the hand is worth two in the bush"
ROBERT R. RHODES
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I would like to say thanks to all those who helped make this year's book possible. In many respects, we have tried to change and improve the book. We invite any comments or criticisms on these changes. I would like to thank all members of the staff for the great job they have done and the alumni whose contributions helped finance this year's Annual Ring. A special thanks to Dr. Thomas Keister for his help and advice.

JOHN A. RUSSO JR.
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