

FOREST OWNER

W YORK FOREST OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

SPECIAL EDITION June 1969

Nancy Gridley, our editor, was injured while horseback riding, but is convalescing satisfactorily at her home, 1504 Craig St., Rome, N.Y. 13440, where I am sure she would welcome your good wishes for a speedy recovery.

We were distressed to learn of Nancy's misfortune, but we are assured that she will be back and mended in time for the July Forest Owner.

It could be that this issue of the <u>Forest Owner</u> will become a collector's item! But no more broken bones, please Nancy!

A big Saturday Woods Walk takes place June 7 at Edmund Northrup Moot's Pinewald. A member of the NYFOA Executive Committee will be present to represent the Board of Directors.

- Former Editor - Floyd E. Carlson

WOODS WALK JUNE 28 AT ALEX FORSTER'S

The second Woods Walk of 1969 will take place at Alex Forster's place in Cooperstown on Saturday, June 28. This Walk promises to be another event of considerable interest as Alex is a man who takes great pride in his woods, and his woods, in turn, show the fine results that his attitude and approach have achieved.

Although the Forster forest holdings amount to over 315 acres in all, (about 210 in various plantations and the rest in mixed hardwoods) the Walk will concentrate on the 130-acre piece nearest the house. Here there are about 100 acres of plantations, from nine to thirty years old. As Alex has owned this area since 1936 he has been able to carefully manage every step of its development, and has already enjoyed several of the beneficial results. In addition to having a beautiful and productive forest, he has, through the years, sold many Christmas trees.

If time permits, the Woods Walkers will also have a chance to see a nearby area consisting of about 125 acres, with 90 acres of Norway spruce, planted in the 1920's, that are, according to Alex, "One of the best in the county." (Otsego County, that is.) The rest of the area is hardwood, and boasts a fine pond.

Plan now to attend this Woods Walk. Alex has put it plainly: "I welcome you all."

He has put a lot of work into his woods (a long-time Forest Practice Act Cooperator, Alex has done all the improvement work himself) and will have plenty to show and discuss with Woods Walkers on June 28. The Walk will start at 10:00 a.m., rain or shine. Don't forget your lunch!

Please send your reservations to: H. W. van Loon, Woods Walk Chairman, 120 Campus Road, Clinton, New York 13323. They must be received by Friday June 21. Directions for reaching the Forster home will be sent you with confirmation of your reservation. See you there!

WOODS WALKS AHEAD

Definite

Date	Time	Host	Town/County
June 28 July 19 July 26 Sept. 6 Aug. 2	10 a.m.	Alex Forster	Cooperstown - Otsego
	10 a.m.	David Cook	Stephentown Center - Rensellaer
	10 a.m.	Lawrence Hoyt	Auburn - Cayuga
	10 a.m.	John Hamel	Jamesville - Onondaga
	10 a.m.	Thomas Peebles	Spencer - Tioga

To be confirmed as to date

Aug. 23	10 a.m.	Lewis DuMond	Cobleskill - Schoharie
Sept. 12	10 a.m.	Daniel Smiley	Mohonk Lake - Ulster
Oct. ?		David Hanaburgh	Dover Furnace - Dutchess
		for: New York	
		Mission Society	

Send reservations to H. W. van Loon, 120 Campus Road, Clinton, N.Y. 13323, to be received not later than Saturday preceding Woods Walk.

Watch the Forest Owner for additional information.

SEVENTH FALL MEETING TO BE AT HAMILTON COLLEGE OCTOBER 3, 4

The New York Forest Owners Association's Seventh Fall Meeting will be held on October 3 and 4, 1969 at Hamilton College in Clinton.

Plans for the event are coming along well according to Hendrik van Loon, Forester at Hamilton and Program Chairman for the meeting. Highlights will include a tour through several 60-year old mixed plantations containing white and Norway pine, white and Norway spruce, red oak, black locust, white ash and black walnut in various combinations. Representatives of State and Federal agencies that offer land-owner assistance will be on hand to discuss what has happend in these unmanaged plantations, and what might have happened if things had been done differently.

Other activities will include the traditional banquet, complete with speaker, and a fine chance to see one of the country's most beautiful college campuses, complete with over fifty different species of trees, some of which are quite rare in New York State while others are especially fine specimens of their kind. Also planned is a tour through Root Glen, a 10-acre wooded garden adjacent to the campus that shelters a wide variety of trees, shrubs and flowers.

Mark your calendar now - October 3 and 4 - NYFOA Fall Meeting at Hamilton College, Clinton - the center of Central New York - easily reached by everyone!