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Your President Reports:

Florida is a wonderful place for a vacation! See you all April 25 in Syracuse!

"CONSERVATION CAFETERIA" at Second Annual Meeting NYFOA.

Yes! We couldn't think of a better name so we're calling it a "Conservation Cafeteria". We are talking about the final feature of the Saturday afternoon program of the New York Forest Owners Association at the College of Forestry on April 25, 1964. You won't want to miss it!

The feature of this "Cafeteria" is not food but an unusual opportunity for you as a forest owner to satisfy your appetite for forestry information and service from a dozen or more agencies distributed at as many tables around the Student Lounge in the basement of Marshall Hall.

In the February Forest Owner we mentioned that among the representatives of the various forest agencies ready to serve you would be Dyer Phillips of the Tree Farm Committee, Fred Winch on Maple Products, Frank Reed from the Northern Logger and Dr. E. L. Cheatam from the Fish and Wildlife Management Act.

Among others ready to assist you at the Second Annual Meeting will be Conservation Department members Charlie Baar, Superintendent, Forest Management and Nurseries, and Ed Huber, Coordinator, on hand to tell you personally of the free forestry services available through the Forest Practice Act. Should you want to know about the Rural Area Development program in New York State Cliff Harrington, Assistant Director, Extension Service, Cornell, will be happy to provide you with the latest information on what services are available through RAD.

If right now your trees are being troubled with an insect or disease that you haven't identified, bring specimens with you to the table labeled "Tree Pest Information Services". Here you will find Dr. Howard Miller and his associate ready to identify your problem and make recommendations for control.

At another table you will find Wallace Anderson, the newly appointed State Conservationist for the Soil Conservation Service. "Wally" can tell you where and what the SCS is doing and how it may help you to improve the forestry program on your forest land.

At still another table, meet Robert F. Westfall, from Ellicottville, N.Y., the newly elected President of the New York State Christmas Tree Growers Association. A grower of Christmas Trees, Mr. Westfall can tell you about the Christmas Tree Growers Association, its publications and its services to members.

Let's move to another table. Here is Russ Deckert, the Editor of the Marketing Bulletin. He'll have the latest issue on tape to show you just what kind of service is available through the Marketing Bulletin. If you have timber for sale, if you want to buy a sawmill or logging equipment, Russ Deckert will list it in the Marketing Bulletin where it will go

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to more than 1700 Marketing Bulletin readers all over New York State! This service is free!

There's more? Yes, there is! More for you as a forest owner. We'll tell you about them in the April Forest Owner. Meanwhile - get your neighbor lined up to come to Syracuse on April 25! Second Annual Meeting NYFOA you know. Tell him about the "Conservation Cafeteria"!

THE NORTHERN LOGGER VISITS NYFOA MEMBERS.

With the approval of the Board of Directors of your Association and the cooperation of Frank A. Reed, Senior Editor, Old Forge, N.Y., The Northern Logger is now "visiting" our members during a six month trial period. Many of us will no doubt be surprised to discover that there is a publication like "The Northern Logger".

Beginning as a news sheet to meet the interests of news-hungry woods workers, Frank Reed has piloted this publication into this many page magazine that has been a stimulant to the entire forestry operation in the northern United States. It has served to put the spotlight on the woods worker and wood user. Now, beginning with the editorial "The Small Woodlot" in the February 1964 issue of The Northern Logger it adds a third spotlight - on the timber grower. And note the optimistic spirit in the last paragraph of the editorial, "The Northern Logger staff is glad to launch this small woodlot program with the hope that it may make a real contribution to the plans of the small woodlot owner and the practice of forestry on the small woodlot".

Our modest Forest Owner salutes Senior Editor Frank Reed of The Northern Logger for thus "lending a hand" to the work of our Association!

PRIZES FOR BEST KODACHROME SLIDES OF PACK FOREST MEETING.

All NYFOA members who took color slides at the 1963 Pack Forest Meeting are invited to enter a slide color contest with winners to be announced at the Second Annual Meeting April 25 at College of Forestry. The first prize: three years subscription to Conservationist magazine; the second prize: one year subscription to the Conservationist magazine. The third prize: duplicates of the first and second prize winning slides. Prizes will be presented in person by Al Bromley, Director, Conservation Education, Conservation Dept. during the luncheon. A feature of the luncheon will be an illustrated talk on the Pack Forest meeting, using the best available colored slides. It will be an exciting review of this unusually successful event.

Deadline for entering the slide contest is April 10. Please send your slides for entry in contest to Floyd Carlson, Secretary, NYFOA, College of Forestry, Syracuse, N.Y., 13210.

BUILDING YOUR CONSERVATION LIBRARY?

Available to you is a Publication List from the New York State Conservation Dept. with some 300 items. Major categories are: trees and forests; flowers, shrubs, water plants; mammals; birds; fishes; marine; insects; reptiles and amphibians; county maps; lakes; camping and recreation; streams and water table; soil; miscellaneous subjects and Conservation Dept. publications for sale.

Many of these free information leaflets are reprinted from the New York State Conservationist magazine. PUBLICATION LIST is available by writing Division of Conservation Education, New York State Conservation Department, State Campus, Albany, N.Y.

WARREN COUNTY MEMBERSHIP DRIVE ON THE MOVE!

Here is a portion of a letter received from MILES J. STEPAN, Landon Hill Road, Chestertown, N.Y. It speaks for itself:

"Dear Mr. Carlson:

"First of all I am enclosing an application and check from Robert C. Delaney. He was transacting some business with Mrs. Najer when I called on Mr. Najer last week and we talked him into joining the Association. Mr. Najer and I were discussing a membership campaign. I have secured a list of FPA Cooperators from Stan Farmer of the Conservation Department, also a list from Dick Kline of the Extension Service.

"I have composed a letter which we plan to have printed and mail along with an application blank to a hundred or more names from the above lists. I am enclosing a copy for your approval and any suggestions you wish to make. If you approve of this plan of action I will need quite a few more of the brochures. (The letter was excellent! F.E.C.)

"Dick Kline has devoted three-quarters of a page in the Warren County Extension Service News - including a copy of the application blank - to the Association and we should get some results from this.

"Mr. Najer is arranging for me to speak to the Rotary Club in Chestertown on March 24th on behalf of the Association and we will try to arrange similar talks in North Creek, Warrensburg and other places."

Sincerely,
(SIGNED) Miles J. Stepan
NYFOA
Chairman Membership Committee
for Warren County

PRESIDENT JOHNSON EMPHASIZES IMPORTANCE OF FORESTRY.

In a written message to Congress delivered January 31, 1964, President Lyndon B. Johnson explained that "Better use of our timber, wildlife, scenic, and other renewable resources of forest land presents a related and major challenge. Economically distressed areas often exist where there are heavy concentrations of forest land. Yet there is a great backlog of work to be done in these forests that can both provide employment, and strengthen our economy. I am directing the Department of Agriculture to speed contemplation of a comprehensive review and appraisal of our timber resources, and to accelerate forest research to find new methods of wood utilization, better timber management techniques, improved fire protection, and more effective use of forest ranges".

KEEP NEW YORK GREEN WEEK, APRIL 5-11, 1964.

Floyd Carlson is cooperating with Robert J. Hampson, Forest National Lead Co., Tahawas, Essex County, N.Y., and Chairman of Keep New York Green Committee sponsored by Empire State Forest Products Association. The College of Forestry's Tree Time program, one of 13 weekly broadcasts of the Empire State FM School of the Air has been produced by Floyd for the past 17 years and is broadcast directly into scores of grade school classrooms in New York State on an FM network of 15 stations. On Monday April 6 at 10:00 a.m. in recognition of Keep New York Green Week, Tree Time will present a special half hour program called Keep New York Green - and Forests Growing.

On the broadcast Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller will bring a message to the boys and girls emphasizing the value of forests. Conservation Commissioner Harold G. Wilm will describe the rich recreational resources of New York State and how important it is to safe-

guard them from fire when hiking, camping, hunting and fishing. Fred W. Oettinger, the Conservation Department's Superintendent of Forest Fire Control, will conclude the radio broadcast, explaining to the grade school youngsters the extensive damage to trees and wildlife done by the flames of the forest fire and grass fire. Pre Program Bulletins sent to participants of the Empire State FM School of the Air calling attention to the half hour radio program will go to 12,500 school superintendents, principals and teachers. The New York State Education, published by the New York State Teachers Association will call attention to the special half hour program. The College of Forestry is making a thousand full color Smokey Bear posters available, one to a classroom, and a fire prevention kit to each boy and girl in the class where the teachers write in for them.

EXTRACTS FROM "APPLICATIONS OF SOILS INFORMATION IN FORESTRY". Talk given by Dr. Paul F. Graves, College of Forestry, at Joint Winter Meeting New York Section Society of American Foresters and Empire State Chapter Soil Conservation Society January 23, 1964, Syracuse, N.Y., No. 2.

Briefly, most of this land, (woodland) even that which seems unused or unproductive, is owned by individuals, and these people are paying their taxes. Why are they doing so, and why are more and more non-farm people buying such rural land? We are now much closer to answers to these and numerous other related questions. Only 31% of New York State's woodland owners now are farmers; 31% are white collar workers and professionals, and 38% are other non-farmers. While there is a significant portion of owners who are interested in managing their woodlands constructively, production of timber products is one of the least important reasons for ownership by farmers and non-farm owners alike. Most think of such production as being very incidental to other ownership aims; only a fourth feel it is important that their woodland "earn its own way" by producing tangible income.