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DR. KLOCHKOFF NYFOA PRESIDENT BOARD ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

At the 17th meeting of the NYFOA Board of Directors held in Syracuse on May 22, 1965, the following officers were elected:

Dr. Eugene Klochkoff, a physician of New York City, was elected President; David H. Hanaburgh, consulting forester of Buchanan, Westchester County, 1st Vice President; Harvey E. Smith, a farmer of Auburn, 2nd Vice President; Mrs. Luella B. Palmer, housewife of Syracuse, Treasurer; Floyd E. Carlson, professional forester, Syracuse, Secretary.

The Board of Directors approved Saratoga County as the place for the 3rd Fall Meeting and set the dates for September 24-25, 1965.

Several chairmen of committees were appointed:

John F. Daly, Herkimer, Legislation; Augustus Miller, Utica, New York State Exposition exhibit for NYFOA; David H. Hanaburgh, Buchanan, Harvesting and Marketing; Mrs. Dorothy Wertheimer, Syracuse, Heiberg Memorial; Dr. Gerald R. Stairs, Syracuse, Program.

Other committee chairmanships appointed will be announced pending acceptance by appointees.

HOORAY! AT LAST!

It's true! On April 15, 1965, the Internal Revenue Service informed us that the New York Forest Owners Association, Inc. is tax exempt, under provisions of the

Internal Revenue Code Section 501 (c)(5). As we understand it, this means your membership dues, expenses of travel, registration fees and gifts to NYFOA, now or in the future are tax deductible! F.E.C.

WHAT'S BEEN ACCOMPLISHED - Part I

(Report by Floyd E. Carlson, Secretary, New York Forest Owners Association, Inc. at 3rd Annual Meeting, April 24, 1965, at State University College of Forestry, Syracuse, New York)

Since April 1, 1964, to March 31, 1965, many changes have occurred in the New York Forest Owners Association.

First, with reference to your officers, there was the death of our First Vice President, Harold J. Evans 11 months ago on May 28, 1964. Then for reasons of health our President, Theodore T. Buckley, resigned February 16, 1965. From our dynamic Program Committee, death took Prof. Svend O. Heiberg on February 5 of this year. Prof. Heiberg is rightly credited with being the founder of our Association. Taken together these have been heavy blows for our Association. Their loss to us has been keenly felt because of their outstanding experience, enthusiasm for the Association's objectives in advancing the cause of forestry and for the wealth of friendships which they brought to our united efforts.

Looking at this change in personnel from

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the positive side - perhaps we should say that we have been fortunate indeed to have had the services of "Ted" and "Red" and Svend, with their keen interest in forestry and their realization that the benefits of forestry and the products of forestry are indeed indispensable to our modern day civilization.

Looking back on the past 12 months we can reflect with considerable satisfaction on the attendance of 164 at our 2nd Annual Meeting here at the College of Forestry on April 25, 1964, when you will recall the theme of the meeting was "Getting Acquainted with our Conservation Agencies". At the afternoon feature of the meeting the "Conservation Cafeteria" our members had an unusual opportunity, in one place and in one afternoon, to get acquainted with the major conservation and forestry services and agencies of New York State.

Represented in the "Conservation Cafeteria" were the Cornell Extension Service, The Northern Loggers Association, Soil Conservation Service, Fish and Wildlife Management Act of the Conservation Dept., New York State Tree Farm Committee, consulting foresters, the Forest Practice Act of the Conservation Dept., Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Services of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Division of Conservation Education of the Conservation Dept., and from the College of Forestry, Department of Extension and the Marketing Bulletin.

Then you will recall the challenge that Nature sent us on the occasion of our 2nd Annual Fall Meeting in Cayuga County on October 9-10, 1964, when the chilling wind, the dark clouds, the threatening sky, the snow, the rain, the wet walk through the alfalfa field that took us to that marvelous woods of Ralph Webster's and later in the afternoon our visit to these great hardwood specimens in the woods of Lawrence W. Hoyt. You will recall also the Department of Silviculture personnel's able participation in both fall and annual meetings.

You will recall too our Association's first banquet at the Auburn Country Club, Gordon C. DeAngelo's outstanding talk on Indian history, the visit to Ben Swayze's sugar bush and the sugar house, the outstanding luncheon that followed at the famed Aurora Inn where Harvey Smith ably served as toastmaster and then finally our flying feathered friends at the Montezuma National

Wildlife Refuge.

Here were two great programs carefully developed by a hard working Program Committee headed by Emiel Palmer and a whole of a lot of detailed work taken care of by the Arrangements Committee chaired by Harvey Smith of Auburn and at the 2nd Annual Meeting at the College by Dorothy Wertheimer of Syracuse.

Looking at other accomplishments in the past year, the Board of Directors have met on April 25, May 16, June 20, August 8, October 8, November 6, January 9 and March 13, - a total of eight meetings. The meetings are not a perfunctory affair. They usually start at around 10 o'clock on Saturday morning and finish around 3:30 or 4:00 in the afternoon. A great deal of hard thinking, careful planning goes into them.

All the meetings have been held in Syracuse except the one on June 20 when the Board of Directors drove to Ellicottville to meet with representatives of the Resource Development Project Advisory Committee working in the three counties of Allegany, Cattaraugus and Chautauqua. We had hoped to work out a southwestern New York Forest Land Use Conference but this did not materialize.

Now, regarding more detailed accomplishments, we got out 10,000 copies of the new revised Association brochure; there was our first exhibit at the New York State Exposition. We printed a membership directory which we now need again; we developed a set of 30 Kodachrome slides with a lecture outline on the Pack Forest First Fall Meeting.

Through the efforts of President Buckley and First Vice President Evans the NYFOA became a member of the Joint Conference on Conservation held in New York State.

There has been a significant improvement in our membership records, thanks to Luella B. Palmer, our Membership Secretary - Treasurer, closely assisted by Mrs. Golda Brenner, my secretary in the Extension Dept. of the College of Forestry. Questionnaires have been sent to our membership to discover their preferences regarding price and place for fall meetings as well as our annual meetings.

On the publicity side we have had not less than three statewide releases to some 700 press, radio and TV outlets of the state. There have been several two column stories in the Northern Logger regarding our Association activities. Alex Dickson has assisted in getting NYFOA releases to county extension papers. Past President Buckley,

Stan Hamilton, Harvey Smith and your secretary have given talks before service clubs and other groups. Gus Miller appeared on Station KWK-TV in Utica where he made reference to our Association. Three times during the year there have been reference to our Association over Station WGY and especially on the program featuring publicity on the New York State 1964 White House Christmas Tree from Chestertown, N.Y. in which Director Hamilton and President Buckley participated. We have a standing invitation to go on a three station FM net work as soon as we can work out material for this opportunity. Harvey Smith, in connection with our fall program, appeared on an Auburn radio station.

YOUR ZIP CODE NEEDED!

On July 1st the post office has announced that all bulk mail will be required to have a zip code, to reach its destination promptly.

With this Forest Owner we are enclosing a reply post card to make it easy for you to supply us with this required information.

DON'T YOU PLEASE FILL IT OUT AT ONCE!

We think that members of the NYFOA are rather special people - that you folks will return every last card and in that way you will be sure to get your Forest Owner. In fact we are so confident that we will get a 100% mailing of these post cards with your zip code number that we are going to have printed up for July issue of the Forest Owner enough copies to supply every member.

Bulk mail you say? Yes! Since we are now a tax exempt organization the post office has granted us bulk mailing privileges. But there are regulations we must follow to get this reduced rate. And having a zip code for everyone - is one of them.

Oh yes! Since we use addressograph plates in mailing - we must put your zip code number on your addressograph plate. So, as soon as we get your post card we can start mailing this. May we have your cooperation? It will really help!

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HARVEY SMITH - CERTIFIED TREE FARMER

At the recent Third Annual Meeting of the New York Forest Owners Association, Harvey Smith, our genial Second Vice President,

announced with a great big smile that he was now a **Certified Tree Farmer!**

There is a lot of satisfaction in doing a job right and this applies equally well to management of your forest lands. And when the job is done right, you are then in a position to apply for certification of your forest property to Association member H. Dyer Phillips, Woodlands Manager, St. Regis Paper Co., Deferiet, N.Y., who is Chairman of the New York Tree Farm Committee. We sincerely hope as time goes on that Dyer will have hundreds of Tree Farms to be certified. How about writing Dyer to know how you can qualify?
F.E.C.

PRESIDENT JOHNSON'S MESSAGE ON NATURAL BEAUTY PART III

(Editor's note: We continue with this history making message. F.E.C.)

"Thomas Jefferson wrote that communities 'should be planned with an eye to the effect made upon the human spirit by being continually surrounded with a maximum of beauty.'

"We have often sadly neglected this advice in the modern American city. Yet this is where most of our people live. It is where the character of our young is formed. It is where American civilization will be increasingly concentrated in years to come.

"Such a challenge will not be met with a few more parks or playgrounds. It requires attention to the architecture of building, the structure of our roads, preservation of historical buildings and monuments, careful planning of new suburbs. A concern for the enhancement of beauty must infuse every aspect of the growth and development of metropolitan areas. It must be a principal responsibility of local government, supported by active and concerned citizens.

"Federal assistance can be a valuable stimulus and help to such local efforts.

"I have recommended a community extension program which will bring the resources of the university to focus on problems of the community just as they have long been concerned with our rural areas. Among other things, this program will help provide training and technical assistance to aid in making our communities more attractive and vital. In addition, under the Housing Act of 1964, grants will be made to State for training of

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local governmental employees needed for community development. I am recommending a 1965 supplemental appropriation to implement this program.

"We now have two programs which can be of special help in creating areas of recreation and beauty for our metropolitan area population: the Open Space Land Program, and the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

"I have already proposed full funding of the Land and Water Conservation Fund, and directed the Secretary of the Interior to give priority attention to serving the needs of our growing urban population.

"The primary purpose of the Open Space Program has been to help acquire and assure open spaces in urban areas. I propose a series of new matching grants for improving the natural beauty of urban open space.

"The Open Space Program should be adequately financed, and broadened by permitting grants to be made to help city governments acquire and clear areas to create small parks, squares, pedestrian malls and playgrounds.

"In addition I will request authority in this program for a matching program to cities for landscaping, installation of outdoor lights and benches, creating attractive cityscapes along roads and in business areas, and for other beautification purposes.

"Our city parks have not, in many cases, realized their full potential as sources of pleasure and play. I recommend on a matching basis a series of federal demonstration projects in city parks to use the best thought and action to show how the appearance of these parks can better serve the people of our towns and metropolitan areas.

"All of these programs should be operated on the same matching formula to avoid unnecessary competition among programs and increase the possibility of cooperative effort. I will propose such a standard formula.

"In a future message on the cities I will recommend other changes in our housing programs designed to strengthen the sense of community of which natural beauty is an important component.

"In almost every part of the country citizens are rallying to save landmarks of beauty and history. The government must also do its share to assist these local efforts which have an important national

purpose. We will encourage and support the National Trust for Historic Preservation in the United States, chartered by Congress in 1949. I shall propose legislation to authorize supplementary grants to help local authorities acquire, develop and manage private properties for such purposes.

"The Registry of National Historic Landmarks is a fine federal program with virtually no federal cost. I commend its work and the new wave of interest it has evoked in historical preservation."

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Dean Betts and I examined the financial ledger of the New York Forest Owners Association, Inc. and certify that it is in order. We are of the opinion that the members of the Association owe Mrs. Palmer a vote of thanks for conscientious service as our treasurer.

April 24, 1965 (signed) Dr. Herbert B. Tepper
Chairman
Committee on Auditing
