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ICE MOVES 7.625" LAST NIGHT -- UPSTREAM!

According to latest reports issued at 4:43 this morning from the penthouse atop the new Beaver-board Hotel, the ice in the St. John River moved upstream 7.625 ins. during the night.
This is printed as a warning to up stream residents - listen to CFBC and CHSJ if you don't want further bulletins.
(Barney sez those figures are significant).

Some chatter from Hoot

THE FACULTY OF FORESTRY

A great many of our present student body may not be familiar with the history of our School, so it may be of interest if I outline briefly some of the developments that have taken place since the course in Forestry was started in 1903.

The first students transferred into Forestry from other Departments and the first Forestry graduates received their degrees in 1910. One of these, Senator G. P. Burchill, is still closely associated with the forest industry and had a son graduate in Forestry in 1941.

The first professor, Mr. R. B. Miller, was a Yale graduate and had a very busy time handling all courses in Forestry. The space allotted is now used by the Bursar, and consisted of three rooms on the first floor of the Arts Building in the southwest corner. Student numbers were small with the largest freshman class of that period numbering 13 in the fall of 1913.

During the First World War almost all of the students enlisted and the numbers in forestry did not again increase to any extent until 1920, when between ex-service men and new students another peak in enrollment took place. Up until this time most employment had been by Government services, but during the 1920's with the expansion of the pulp and paper industry and their interest in forest inventory work an opportunity for employment for both graduates and students with this industry commenced.

The staff was increased to two in the early twenties, but with a recession in student numbers it was later reduced to one member, being increased again to two in 1923. With this increasing student body and the efforts of Professor H. P. Webb, plans were made for additional space that resulted in the building of the Forestry & Geology Building to house the Department of Forestry.

Student numbers increased, but subsided again with the depression of the thirties. Increasing enrollment took place however, in the late 1930's that continued through the first two years of the war. During this period while enrollment was heavy, enlistments were also heavy among foresters so that the number continuing towards their degree was greatly reduced.

Opportunities for employment were at a very low ebb during the depression of the 30's but as the effect of this receded, many more opportunities presented themselves, particularly with the pulp and paper industry, and it was really during the period of the depression that many of our graduates obtained employment in operations with industry.

Up till this time the greatest proportion of our students were from the Maritime Provinces with usually in each class a few from Quebec and Ontario and one or more from the British Isles. Following World War II, there was a very great influx of students into Forestry, and many have come here from all parts of Canada. At the present time less than 50 per cent of our students are from the Maritimes. It is also something new in our history to have such a high percentage of our students married, many with families, a condition that brings about greater responsibilities but also I feel urges the students to make greater efforts.

Employment opportunities both for graduates and students have been available to a greater degree than in many periods in the past, and many students have become acquainted with respective employers leading to permanent employment on graduation.

Students in Forestry have always taken an active part in athletics and university teams in football, hockey, and basketball have always had foresters on their lineups. The same thing is now noticeable in all sports and teams of foresters have shown up well in all intramural athletics.

Socially the foresters have had one distinctive event annually called the Hammerfest. From time to time it has ranged from the very informal to the very formal, with the informal gatherings having the widest approval.

Taking part in social and athletic activities has helped forestry students to become acquainted with all phases of academic life and many of them have taken an active part in student government.

With the increasing number of students the Faculty has increased to 10 members and they are endeavouring to maintain former standards and to give all students the benefit of their experience to the utmost degree.

Graduates of this School may be found all over Canada and hold responsible positions with both Government and Industry.

Courses have been dropped and new ones introduced from time to time to try and keep a balanced curriculum abreast with current needs. With this thought in view the course has been extended to five years with more opportunity for the student to do work in the field in which he is most keenly interested. Our present students and Faculty have shared the difficulties of crowded conditions and makeshift classrooms, but we hope that when you go out from here, that in the years to come you will remember your stay here with pleasure.

A Dubious Perspective On Perspective

There are two Orders of Foresters: One is known as Independent and is fraternal; the other is dependent and prints a journal.

It is with the dependent order that we are concerned. Individuals may be quite easily recognized by:

(a) Their ereptions which seem to accompany over indulgence of "Phaseolus Vulgaris".

(b) Nocturnal growling.

(c) Scant concern with "so little time" both ahead and behind.

The order is transplanted to this "site." The oldest members were not quick to adapt. Moreover they often exert a throttling effect on those of the second and third (present) generation. It may be said that the order is still not well adapted to the habitat (new).

A symbiotic connection exists between this small order and two other large and powerful orders viz. Industry and Government. This is explained the term "dependent." On rare occasions a "sport" appears. Such an individual due to internal or external pressures, pre-empt a small area to himself—sometimes with disastrous consequences.

The life cycle of the average (?) individual is interesting.

Up to Adolescence development is of the common kind. Usually at this time he undergoes a four or five year hot house bearing interspersed with periodic shock treatments. These last are fatal in some few cases. The individual then joins (so far with some freedom of choice) in unholy deadlock with one or the other of the above mentioned symbiots. After a brief transition period he takes on many new attributes and later resembles in no way the juvenile form. The remainder of the life cycle is somewhat obscure—in life rather like the eel—in death like the elephant (no bone yard).

At the present time the order is growing rapidly, and the younger individuals are prolific—threatening the while to become epidemic. The condition is "thrifty." It can be said that the transplanting of this order so far has not permanently damaged the "site" nor has it progressed in far the direction of independence.

Enough for the moment of this woods of words. Although the profession is less than 50 years young in Canada (40 in the Universities) there has been a most dramatic development. The story has been lived by Foresters—at first by few, very few—now by many. The oldest of these almost remember the beginning.

Unfortunately the story has not been well recorded nor can it be recounted in full to young people.

It follows therefore that now-a-days a young fellow taking up the work does so too often without the vista down the years—the (n.w.) look into the past.

If he could but delve into the human SYLVICS, the growth and yield, the third dimension and volume, etc., etc. of the profession, a better understanding would come. If he could integrate along with himself and all his hopes and fears and experiences the history of Business and of Government the Economic ups and downs, the frictions of the people and the Ideals of the Profession he might develop in more directions "than somewhat" — he might even become a "character".

This is the perspective of long lookum without which the present situation is invariably over simplified.

This is the view without which the very "idea" of a future cannot be entertained.

With Tears In Our Eyes

With the coming of May and Emancipation the Campus bids adieu to one of the finest collections of Foresters ever assembled at this University. A class which may have fluctuated in population through its years at UNB but never in spirit.

Perhaps we should introduce ourselves to the un-initiated. We are the Foresters of '48, a group to respect, honour and admire. The future of Canada's forests and the spruce sawfly is being placed in our hands.

Now a few facts and figures will help you realize the value of our existence and give you a greater insight into our worth.

Our class total of 33 is made up of 28 A-men, and 7 Entomologists. Further sub-division of the aggregate reveals interesting facts such as: 27% married, 12% engaged and the remaining 61% undecided, indifferent or unasked.

And, unless the figures lie, 3.03% of us are women!

63% of us are Veterans, 27% of us are from Quebec, we were 100% behind the famed Red 'n' Black Revue, open bars in New Brunswick and over-proof alcohol.

Class members have won top honours in all the sports listed in the Athletic Program including football, hockey, swimming, skiing, basketball and Birmingham Bingo. Speaking of hockey, this past season we supported the Senior Foresters' own team in the Intramural League. All five games were shut-outs. Unfor-

tunately this lack of goals and biased rules made us ineligible for the play-offs.

We have supported the Arts such as exist, displaying our talents in the Glee Club, Dramatic Society and all available Hammerfests. We regret you cannot share our memories of the Barbours of '48, the return from Saint John via SMT and the more recent banquet which was held in our honour. Each was an event of high calibre reeking with culture and other more distinguishable odors.

To those whom we leave to follow in our footsteps we bequeath: Our esteemed sylvan pedagogues Hoot and Barney. Pray use them well, we may have been rough on them but they were good to us.

The Hacienda of the Hammerfest that Stately Maiden of the Virgin Timberland: the Queen of the Forest. Tread gently on her beer-washed floors steeped in tradition and stale liquor. Speak softly in that Hallowed Hall where happy Foresters of bygone days have gathered to worship their idol with joyous cries of "More Beer!"

The Forestry Building. We personally supervised all additions in order to leave you the most impressive and desirable edifice on the campus. Finally our notes, fudged and unfudged in the wrong places. The instruments we bent out of shape and recognition. AND the ever-present, most unpleasant, greasy-stained engineers.

Forestry Bulletin Board

Andy Fraser has been elected to the position of Forestry Association President for next year. Although confined to hospital as the result of an appendectomy, his record of hard work as Vice-President this year carried him through with a large majority. The new slate of officers elected at the final meeting Tuesday night consists of the following:

President Andy Fraser, Forestry '49
Vice-President Terry Rankin, Forestry '50
Secy. Treasurer Don Biggs, Forestry '52

Fergus MacLaren, Forestry '49, is to head the Forestry Brunswick staff next year. He was elected Editor-in-Chief by acclamation at the final meeting of the Forestry Association on Tuesday night. This action was found necessary at this time due to the decision to publish the Forestry Brunswick during Forestry Week next Fall. Ferg is expecting it to be a big job. He stated Tuesday night, "Usually our paper is published in the Spring and, consequently, we have nearly a whole college year from which to draw material, whereas, next Fall, we shall have to go to press one month after college opens. I'll be counting on everyone's help, to make our issue a success."

Ferg has worked hard as the Managing-Editor of this issue and should have the necessary experience to put out a fine paper in the Fall.

During the week of October 20th, next Fall, the brisk autumn air over College Field will echo to the ring of axe and saw while the very trees with their gaudy foliage will be rivalled by a riot of gay colour from scores of plaid shirts dotting the landscape. The Forestry Association is going to promote a Forestry Week.

The celebrations to come are the results of a proposition made to the Pre-Easter meeting of the Association by John Boynton, Jun'or Forester and SRC keeper-of-the-purse. Drawing his inspiration from certain American colleges, Boynton proposed that a Forestry Week be held in order to acquaint the less colorful faculties with the many pursuits of the Profession and to provide fun and entertainment for everyone. Planning of the events is to be in the hands of a Committee consisting of John Boynton, Pat Doyle and Howard Fraser.

As possible events, the Committee have suggested log-sawing (Swede and crosscut saws), and log-chopping contests, chain-throwing, and a half-mile low-hurdle race (with hob-nailed boots!). A large Forestry Brunswick is to be published, a large Hammerfest will be enjoyed and the week is to wind up with a large Forestry Dance for everybody. A large time should be had by all.

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Consequently, at least three of our Foresters have contracted appendicitis in the last three weeks. And, despite advances in modern medicine, not one of these lucky dogs will be out, with the rest of us this spring, cutting wood to heat the Residence pool next winter. The three who will stop at nothing are, in order of "seizure":

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Bob Turnbull, Forestry '49
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Jim and Bob are out and around now, but will be limping about, moaning softly, until around May 10. On that date they will likely pull a Gil Dodd's act for six blocks to catch the 5:00 p. m. Rocket to the Junction.

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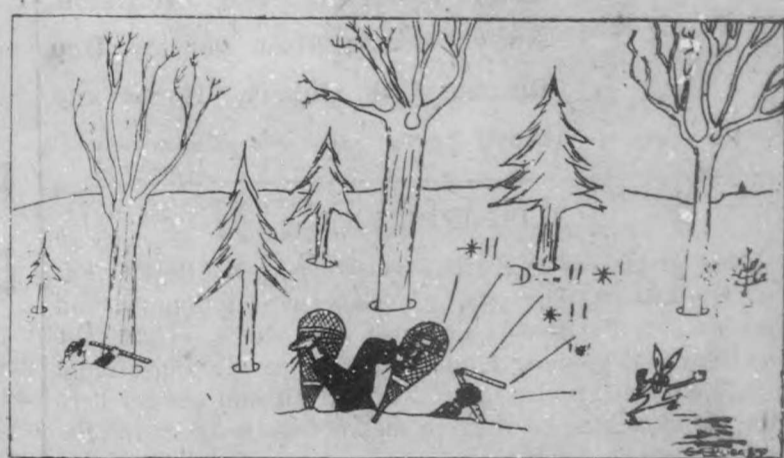
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WANTED: Brass medals for Sophs and Juniors.

Ken's two bits worth

Some six weeks after the appearance of this excellent Forestry Brunswickian, the many Foresters enrolled at UNB will be off to the bush for their summer work. It is in this regard that I wish to write.

You probably read the notice which was posted on the Forestry Bulletin Board concerning students who had accepted employment with one company and then, without notification, agreed to work for another concern. It is quite likely that these men expect fairness from their future employers but deem it unnecessary to show any consideration for those who hire them. A few students by acts such as this can jeopardize chances of employment for a score of others.

It might be well to remember that the present great demand for Foresters is not normal, and that the day may come soon when students of this school will require all the good will possible to enable them to be placed in their chosen profession.

During these summer months, students can, by sincerity and good work, improve their chances for permanent positions, at the same time assuring increased opportunity for those of future years.

Our Forestry School enjoys an excellent reputation throughout North America, let us do nothing that will in anyway lessen the esteem in which our school is held.

On behalf of the Association, I wish to extend our thanks to Dr. Gibson for giving so generously of his time and knowledge in aiding many of the students to obtain suitable employment. Our thanks go also to those men who have contributed to making this Forestry Brunswickian the outstanding issue of many years.

This year's activities will end with the Hammerfest being held one night during the first week of Forestry camp. It will be a very elegant affair. Great quantities of food will be supplied and, because of the hot weather provided for that week a small order has been placed for liquid refreshments.

In closing, I would like to state that I consider it a great honor being President of the Forestry Association; however, I regret that it was impossible for me to give more time to activities of the society.

Best of luck Foresters.

POETRY FOR THE PRESCRIBED

Wassail! All hail the conquering boozers might
The chairs and radio gave up without a fight
The transit rose triumphant—The Legion Lodge
lay low
For none could stand the torture of an angry
Moosehead blow.

O Engineers to you we send sincere congratulations
For your mighty conquest on alcoholic ambulations!
Whereas we took but samples from a
STILL LIVE TREE
You battered up its products that
ne'er again will be! ! ! !
J. F. M. Forestry '49.

DOGS DELIGHT
What is there for us to see
As lovely as a pulpwood tree
A tree that grows beneath our skies
To carry print beneath our eyes.
A tree that's tall and sturdy too

Becomes a comic strip's bright hue.
A tree that woodsmen's axes slash
Disintegrates to paragraphs.
A tree that in the sawyer's hand
Becomes the framework of our land.
L. C. K. Forestry '49.