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Jim Crane

BYE GUYS

No more pencils, no more books, but still those Profs' dirty looks for the 50 Junior Class stumpies. Spring Camp began for them Monday at the Pack Demonstration Forest near Warrensburg between the Hudson River and Lake George. For the five weeks they are there, Profs Heiberg, Barrett, Farnsworth, and White and assistants Sinclair, Twombly and Trappe will introduce the young foresters to the mysteries of planting, thinning, logging and the infamous and glorious "Vite Pine".

HONORARY ELECTS

The officers of Alpha Xi Sigma Senior Forestry Honorary, Class of 1955 are: Chief Forester, Jim Goodwin; Associate Forester, Sergi Demchuck; Chief of Records, Bob Bernhardt; Chief of Accounts, Howie Burnett; and Assistant Forester, Paul Foster.

Assistant Forester, Paul Foster will chairman the Frosh Forester Orientation program next fall.

The new editors of the KNOTHOLE will be Gary Burgess, Rob Bright and Ed Stone.

A petitions committee of Lloyd Swift, Bill Fessel, Pete Wingle and Bill Trice are composing a petition for a chapter of Xi Sigma Pi, National Forestry Honorary, here at Syracuse. Any Grad Students or Faculty who are members of Xi Sigma Pi, or who are members of Alpha Xi Sigma and wish to become members of Xi Sigma Pi are requested to contact a member of the committee or Professor Eric Anderson so that their names might be included on the petition.

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"Gee, George! If all the streetcars were going in the same direction, none of them would ever come back. Would they George?"
"Sure Nance!"

A comment while washing a car: "Good thing Elephants don't fly."

Question on Civil Service Exam: What is the distance from the Earth to the Sun?

Future postman taking exam: If you are giving me that route, I don't want the job.

The KNOTHOLE has not been and is not becoming an airing ground for Letters to the Editor. We print the following letter as we received it by special request, without any other comment from our corner save that the author's statements are not necessarily those of the KNOTHOLE.

To the Editor of the Knothole:

Since the first of this year we seniors have had one thought, among others, persistently on our minds. That is, "What am I going to do after graduation?" For some of us Uncle Sam's long arm has answered the question. For some others it has not. For these others the problem of finding a permanent job has assumed great importance.

For some of these men (Division II and P&P) perhaps there has been much helpful assistance from the school in job hunting. The opposite is true in the case of the GF's. Unless he wants to work for the Forest Service, there is no place a GF senior can go in this school for assistance in job hunting. The best he can get is, "Well, you might write to a few companies. If you hear anything favorable, let me know.

The men whose responsibilities this is are also saddled with other jobs that take their full time attention. The placement man should be a person who can give almost his whole attention to placing graduates. The men who now have this job are doing all they can under the circumstances. However, regardless of how capable a man is there is a limit to the amount of work he can get done during the day.

We must remember that a college should be first and foremost an educational institution, and it seems to me that one of the major responsibilities of an educational institution is to help its graduating seniors find jobs in the field for which they are trained. I would like to see much more effort expended in this direction.

This is not a new gripe. I have been associated with this school for five years in one way or another, and for five years now I have listened to graduating seniors air this same complaint among themselves. It's about time someone besides the students hears the students' complaints. I believe this subject is important enough to receive serious attention. Our school, at least the GF Department, is almost unique in not giving its graduating seniors any job-finding assistance.

Sincerely yours,

Jim Crano
Class of '54 - GF

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A couple of weeks ago Dave Caldwell and Jim Harper appeared on "Strike-It-Rich" and won the main prize plus a gift of medical assistance for John Harper who was hurt diving into Cranberry Lake at last years summer camp.

VITAL STATISTICS

Fred Fragoneli	to be married	Charlie Mayhood	engaged
Clyde Angevine	baby	Bill Wirth	engaged