FROM THE EDITOR'S MEMO BOOK

Operating with integrity at all times, the editors of this literary classic introduce you to the first BIG four-page edition. Last Wednesday was supposed to be the debut of the KNOTHOLE "Idiot Issue," containing oh so many hilarious anecdotes involving Tree School subjects. But, we decided that what we had to offer wasn't funny. (of course, you must realize that we are here to inform and to educate.) So again we call upon the cultured members of the student body. If your brains are bursting with little-known facts about completely uninteresting subjects, don't chuckle to yourselves; let it all come out. Drop your gems of wisdom in the KNOTHOLE box. Who knows; we may have a budding Harry Hershfield, Al Capp, or Dick Reed in our midst.

MOLLET CLUB SOCIAL

Students and their dates, friends, professors, and anyone caught wandering on the third floor Marshall, Sunday night were treated to another Mollet Club function. Slides and movies of the recent landscape trips were shown highlighted by many interesting comments by Eric Cronkite. Refreshments were served afterwards in the squirrel cage.

PAUL BUNYAN CLUB

The next meeting of the Paul Bunyan Club will be held tomorrow night, Thursday, December 8. A program on materials handling has been planned, and films of straddle truck and lift truck operations will be shown. A guest speaker representing the Clark Equipment Company (manufacturers of lift trucks and carriers) is expected to be present. Also, the group photograph of the club, for the EMPIRE FORESTER will be taken at 7:15 p.m. in the Rotunda, second floor of Bray Hall. Wear shirt, tie and jacket and please be on time. The meeting will follow. Refreshments!!!

Bob MacLea

PAUL BUNYAN CLUB

It was stated in a recent lecture by the "patriarch of profound statements" that for every 1000 bd. ft. there is a 2 degree rise in temperature.

THE GEORGE ARENAS LIBRARY AWARD

This award is being offered by Mr. George Arenas, University Trustee and distinguished book collector. It is an annual Award for the best collection of books made by a senior student in Syracuse University, and consists of a medal and a cash prize of $100.00. The Award is administered by the Senate Library Committee, who appoint the judges. The final date for submission of list is
April 17, 1956, at 108 H.L. You should inform any one of the three judges as soon as possible of your intention to compete for the Award: Professor Erik Hemmingsen (Mathematics), Professor William P. Hotchkiss (History), Professor Sanford B. Meech (English), Chairman.

Further details will be furnished by Miss Van Bree, Registrar’s Office, 111 Bray.

LETTER TO THE EDITORS

As one of the "old-timers" who has seen several thousand students (?) come and go to join an ever increasing body of active and distinguished alumni, I last year raised a perhaps raucous voice to deplore the widespread grinding of coffin nail butts into the varnished floors of our classrooms. I once counted 63 butts in 300 Bray after one class (not mine). At the beginning of the fall semester, both students and faculty decided to do something about this egregiously careless and damaging practice. Have you noticed how relatively clean and inviting our college has become? Now we can show our buildings with pride to the scores of foreign visitors who come to see the largest and we hope the best forestry college in the world. Let's keep it up!

CULTURE CORNER

While leafing through the November 19 SATURDAY EVENING POST, our transcontinental correspondent spotted a refreshing statement on page 42... a definition for your edification.

"DENDROLOGY: a study of trees - and outdoor cooking."

Editor’s note: We knew it all along.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

See your tree surgeon twice a year and prevent cavities!!!!!

YOUR CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Editors' note: This school abounds with clubs and organizations. They cover a multitude of interests from bugs to ruffed grouse to silviculturally speaking, trees. Yet many students are unaware that some even exist. Under the guise of free publicity, the KNOTHOLE is willing to waste a little space for your benefit. Answer the question: What the heck is a Mollet? Something you hit a croquet ball with? Is Orbiss Silva and Vox Silvae limited to students who speak Latin? Is the faculty advisor of the Paul Bunyan Club, Babe the Blue Ox? We've heard from Saengerbund, and now its Alpha Xi Sigma's turn.

ALPHA XI SIGMA

The College of Forestry pays tribute to the outstanding men in each senior class by extending to them membership in Alpha Xi Sigma, the upper class honor fraternity.

Membership is earned not only by scholastic achievement, but on the basis of character, leadership ability and participation in extra-curricular activities as well. In the spring, newly elected members can be seen around the campus, proudly displaying the "TISMAUXUM" - their identification as neophytes.

Service to the College is the primary function of the organization. Each fall, it provides an orientating program to explain the "facts of college life" to incoming freshmen.
In the spring, at the Forestry Banquet, Alpha Xi Sigma honors the student in each class with the highest cumulative average. Also, the senior having the highest four year cumulative average has his name inscribed on the scholarship plaque in the rotunda of Bray Hall.

Lastly, but far from least, this KNOTHOLE is the product of the imagination and perseverance of some industrious members of the society.

Norm Long

EXPOSE! OF COURSES - CHAPTER NO. I
F. ECO. 102

T'was something new that set its foot in third floor Bray
And since has baffled the eleve with its array
Of graphs and charts and formulas galore
This course fills our notebooks with much more
Than the other seven courses with their gore

A new dog is this economics in which our time
Is not spent at all machining line by line
Facts and figures from an old textbook
Tis dreadful thinking that is involved, and we just look
At fridays quizzes and often get caught on Duerr's book

He keeps us worried with class average low
Many are saved by the curve though it goes to show
That thoughts now and always will be
Even in Forest Eco very hard to see
But we'll surely know when to cut a tree

Joe Stumpie

NEW SCABS...JUNIOR SIZE

At the annual Robin Hood Initiation Banquet, the following junior members were tapped into the junior honorary society: Doug Andrews, Al Cronk, Bill Haigis, Tom Johnson, Jerry Klein, Marty Knappe, Bob Manning, Walt Megahan, Karl Newton, Marcel Reeves, Bill Smith, and Dick Thomas. The new officers are: Robin Hood-Jeff Freeman, Little John-Dick Davenport, Will Scarlet-Norm Richards Alan A'Dale- Al Stringham, and Friar Tuck-Prof. Brad Sears. After a feed of fried chicken and an enlightening talk by Prof. Richard Lalor on the subject "The values of Prose Fiction", it was announced that the new members will receive their membership certificates at a future convocation.

NEW SCABS...SENIOR SIZE

At a recent business meeting of Alpha XI Sigma, the following seniors were admitted into the society: John Churchill, Clyde Conti, Don Ferlow, Jim LaCasce, Warren Mayer, and Bill Occutt.

THE STRAIGHT SCOOP

It has come to our notice that several weeks ago, Leo Harford was rudely interrupted while dancing with a girl at "Louies".
The same night, "Charlie Brown" Mowatt fell off a 5" curb flat on his face.
A little later it was found out that a senior (initials R. Murphy) was looking for a tux for a formal dance.