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Beware - Danger in a New School

Did the architect figure the stress incorrectly? Did the contractors use inferior materials? Are the steps inadequately lighted for safe descent? No—it is none of these things. Rather there is a danger in the way the students use the school—an inherent stumbling block that could lead to disaster! But let's start at the beginning.

On June 14, 1966 the Department of Landscape Architecture officially achieved status as the School of Landscape Architecture. The move gives recognition to a profession that has made great strides in the field of land planning and design in the last 50 years. In addition, this move has set a precedent—the separation of the former department from the rest of the College has established the first "School of Landscape Architecture" in the country.

But perhaps this new distinction—this new separation—while not physical as yet, will become a stumbling block to students in the curriculum. In the past, students of landscape architecture have already been a separate group unto themselves. The long hours spent with design work in the 3rd and 4th floor labs of Marshall Hall have fostered an "exclusive group" attitude. It has been hard for students of different departments to break through this barrier and establish friends among landscape architecture students. In reverse, this group attitude has made it increasingly difficult for landscape architecture students to establish friends on the outside. It has been more comfortable to sit back with old friends—with people who agree—rather than go out to be challenged by other students.

The profession of landscape architecture is a service profession, and in providing service, people are the most important aspect of the profession. As students, one should have an understanding of and a working relationship with people. The College of Forestry is an ideal place to start!
Many of the departments in the College are training people for services to people and these services are often closely allied with landscape architecture. Wildlife Management, Land Management and others provide education on the wise use of our valuable forest areas—areas of increasing concern to the general public, as the population expands and demands for recreation increase. Yet has there been a dialogue established among the students of these varied interests? Has any student outside landscape architecture ever attended a Mollet Club meeting or felt welcome to attend? Perhaps the new School will have a tendency to increase this mental separation, and nurture the tendency to look inward at oneself rather than outward at the rest of the world.

The vast resource of information concerning forestry has hardly been tapped by students of this new School in the past; and now a new barrier has possibly been erected that will prevent future interaction among students. The danger of mental stagnation is now an imminent danger!

Michael George

CONVOCATION--1966-67

The weekly Wednesday convocation series is still an integral part of the College of Forestry's curriculum, although juniors and seniors may have forgotten this fact by now. Many interesting programs have been planned and upperclassmen are encouraged to take advantage of the opportunity to hear these speakers.

October 5 - Yuri Suhl, "The Ethnic Influences in American Humor"

October 12 - Leo Smit, pianist, "Masters Write Jazz"

October 19 - Annual College of Forestry Babecue

The first row of seats in the balcony and the chairs at the rear of the auditorium have been reserved for upperclassmen. Study the programs and come early to find your seat.

In addition to these programs, a monthly series of exhibitions is planned for Marshall Hall. The October exhibition will feature oil painting by Professor George Earle.

MOLLET CLUB

The Mollet Club, the student club concerning landscape architecture, held its first meeting on Thursday, September 22. The meeting was concerned strictly with business in preparation for this year's activities; but a number of items were discussed and voted on that will be of interest to all prospective members.

1. Any interested Freshman may become a voting member of the club. This will provide the Freshmen a chance to find out about the profession of landscape architecture.

2. Club dues have been discontinued this year.

3. Attendance at meetings is now the basis on which membership will be determined. To become a member, one must attend 3 meetings. To remain a member, one may not miss 3 meetings in a row.
This year a number of interesting speakers are under consideration. At the next meeting, Thursday, October 27 at 7:30 P.M., Mr. Steve Buechner, Director of Planning and Development for the City of Syracuse, will be our guest speaker. He will speak about current projects undertaken by the Parks Department. Following the meeting in 326 Marshall, we shall proceed to Mr. Buechner's office for further discussion. Refreshments will be served and all interested students and faculty are invited.

LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

The editors welcome any response to articles written in the Knothole. Letters should be brief and to the point. All letters must be signed. We reserve the right to edit any letter before reprinting.

NOTICE TO ALL CLUBS

It has been requested that all clubs putting up posters to announce club meetings use the bulletin boards that are provided for them and NOT to put them on the doors and door windows.

SENIORS

Those who have not had senior portraits taken for the Onondagan and Empire Forester should make a sitting appointment. The same picture will be used for both. Call Tom Flattery (X 2937 or 2938) for an appointment on October 18 (Tuesday) or the Onondagan office X 2131 for one any day up to October 18. Sitting fee is $1.00. It only takes five minutes! You will be omitted (without exception) from both books if you fail to make an appointment!

ALPHA XI SIGMA - ROBIN HOOD MEETING

Wednesday, October 5, 1966 7:00 P.M. 124 Marshall Hall

BARBECUE

The barbecue is coming up in two weeks. The rules and list of events are posted on the bulletin board in Marshall Lounge. Sign up so the committee can organize the events. Last year the present juniors won, and they look hard to beat. It would be a challenge, a lot of fun and good food, too.

Tom Amidon

WOOD ENGINEER'S CLUB

Juniors and Seniors - The time is drawing near when you will have to decide whether or not graduate school is to be a part of your life. At the next meeting of the Wood Engineer's Club, our speaker will be Mr. Leonard Smith who will speak on the topic "Facts About Graduate School." Mr. Smith is an instructor in the
Wood Products Engineering Department and is also a graduate student working toward his Ph. D.

Date: October 5, 1966
Time: 7:15 P.M.
Place: Room 324 Baker

Refreshments will be served.

FOR SALE

Forestry patches, sweatshirts, etc. are being sold now!

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Prices:
- Patches $ .30
- Decals .20
- Book Covers .10
- T-Shirts 1.50
- Sweat Shirts 2.50

Tom Amidon

Are you a well-read student? How many of these books have you read from this week's best-seller list?

1. **Job Security** - the autobiography of a happy spruce tree
2. **The Waste Makers** - P & P
3. **Leaves of Grass** - "I bear watching!"
4. **Unsafe at Any Speed** - the rapid growth of our nation's poplars
5. **Valley of the Dolls** - a ring of prostitution is broken up in Yosemite Park
6. **It Can't Happen Here** - a novel about the attempt of a Black Walnut to integrate a forest of White Pines
7. **Desperate Voyage** - the exciting story of a dendro field trip
8. **Around the World in Eighty Days** - "Hilton Hopping" by George Earle
9. **We Are Not Alone** - the dramatic story of the whooping crane
10. **Bulletin 190** - standard plans for landscaping any home