

American Tree Farm System Now Active in 40 States as Illinois, Utah Enroll

Utah has joined the American Tree Farm System.

The Western Pine Assn. announced it has certified the 2,960-acre woodland of Sid Pace, a Utah rancher whose land lies near the Colorado state line. For the present, the Pace ranch is the only certified Tree Farm in the state.

Mr. Pace lives at 1310 Houston Ave., Grand Junction, Col. His forest area is used to graze some 400 head of cattle during the winter range period, with timber a byproduct.

With the recent entry of Utah and Illinois, the American Tree Farm System is now active in 40 states.

With certification of the Pace land, Utah completes the roll of western states represented in the American Tree Farm System. The state has but 8.6 per cent of its commercial forest area under private ownership. The rest is owned by state, federal and local agencies.

The Pace Tree Farm lands have been in the Pace family for more than half a century. Its first timber sale was in 1890 when some timber was cut for mining props.

INDUSTRY TOURS DRAW CROWDS DURING LOUISIANA FESTIVAL

Public tours of Louisiana forest industries were a major attraction of the state's 1955 Forest Festival, held Oct. 13 and 14, during which industries throughout the state threw open their doors to visitors, according to H. P. Greer, tour chairman.

At Winnfield, site of the festival, a three-hour tour drew hundreds of visitors to Olin Mathieson Chemical Co., Tremont Lumber Co., L. L. Brewton Pulpwood Co., L. L. Brewton Lumber Co., and American Creosote Works, Inc.

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Six highway signs urging "Keep Tennessee Green--Don't Burn the Woods" are being erected in Smith County, Tenn., by the Smith County Bank.

Nearly half of the Tree Farms in the Western Pine Region are 160 acres in size or smaller.



Harry Carriker



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Lt. Gov. John Chapman of Illinois hailed the American Tree Farm System of private woodland management as a new source of state income at ceremonies near Oregon, Ill., which marked the state's formal entry into the program.

In a dedication at Smississippi Forest, the lieutenant governor awarded Tree Farm certificates to 17 "charter members" of the Tree Farm System in Illinois and predicted it would grow as more and more landowners realize the value of growing timber as a crop.

A. C. Foley of T. A. Foley Lumber Co., Paris, Ill., chairman of the Illinois Forest Industries Committee, said forest studies indicate that under the best forest management plan, growth of Illinois timber could be increased from two to two and a half times the present yield.

Recipients of Tree Farm awards from Lt. Gov. Chapman were:

Mrs. C. Phillip Miller, Ogle County, 2,256 acres.

A. C. Foley, Edgar County, 100 acres.

Cecil Van Etten, Woodford County, 38 acres.

Paul L. and Inez M. Olson, Henry County, 57 acres.

Howard W. Fox, Ogle County, 62 acres.

Michael J. Drumsta, Franklin County, 1,500 acres.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bretscher, Sangamon County, 38 acres.

William J. Ziegler, DeWitt County, 40 acres.

Roy Fearn, Wayne County, 10 acres.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hart, Cass County, 440 acres.

Harry Carriker, Montgomery County, 64 acres.

Artus and Lenita Dillow, Union County, 47 acres.

Mrs. Clara Scherer, Richland County, 22 acres.

Donald Scherer, Richland County, 85 acres.

Bruce Worthy, Calhoun County, 100 acres.

John C. and Katherin O. Roe, Ogle County, 100 acres.

Joseph P. Doll, Richland County, 20 acres.