

Kentucky, 37th Tree Farm State, Faces Bright Future From Woodlots

The Blue Grass State bowed into the American Tree Farm System May 4 when 19 units totaling nearly 3,400 acres were dedicated at Campbellsville in a public ceremony.

The event was tabbed "an important date in Kentucky's agricultural history" by C. D. Dosker, retiring chairman of the Kentucky Forest Industries Committee, state Tree Farm sponsor.

"The Tree Farmers assembled here today are going to be the beacon that will guide hundreds of other Kentucky farmers along the road to greater income and better land values through the proper management of their woodlots," he predicted.

Leonard G. Carpenter, Minneapolis, president of American Forest Products Industries, was the principal speaker. He said:

"We hope the new Tree Farms will provide inspiration and incentive for every one of Kentucky's 189,346 woodland owners."

He added that the state would become more beautiful and richer with added jobs and payrolls growing with the Tree Farm program.

Farmers, a missionary, a college professor, a physician and an indus-



Principals in Kentucky Tree Farm dedication, left to right: G. L. Rhinehart, Kentucky's No. 1 tree farmer; C. D. Dosker, chairman of the Kentucky Forest Industries Committee; Leonard G. Carpenter, Minneapolis, president of American Forest Products Industries, Inc., and principal speaker; George Walters, The Mead Corp., chairman of the Kentucky Tree Farm Committee.

trial landowner in 17 counties received recognition as Tree Farm Committee chairman, George Walters, The Mead Corp., briefly

summarized their records. Four of them operate sawmills.

The state's No. 1 Tree Farmer, G. L. Rhinehart, whose farm was the dedication site, was host on a tour of his 18-acre woodland that for 35 years has produced 353 board feet per acre per year and has an annual growth of 393 board feet per acre.

The largest unit is 700 acres owned by a physician-farmer-sawmill operator, Dr. E. F. Horine, Brooks. Thirteen acres, owned by Attis Rexroat, Fonthill beef producer, is the smallest.

GEORGIA FORESTRY GROUP ELECTS R. H. RUSH PRESIDENT

Robert H. Rush, of the Rush Lumber Company, McRae, was named president of the Georgia Forestry Assn. at its annual meeting in Augusta May 13.

New directors are Wallace Adams, Glenwood; Charles F. Evans, Atlanta; E. T. Newsom, Jr., Macon Kraft Co., Macon; Lee S. Settel, Appalachian Oak Flooring and Harwood Corp., Ellijay; and Ben Turner, Cordele Sash, Door & Lumber Co., Cordele.



Watching a demonstration during the Tree Farm dedication at Campbellsville, Ky.