

New Jersey became the 14th tree farm state in the nation and the first Middle Atlantic State to join the nationwide tree growing movement, when the 1000 acre Washington Water Company Tree Farm was certified on October 25. The water company, located at Washington, N.J., cooperates with the state forest fire service in fire prevention and suppression and employs cutting practices recommended by the state division of forestry. Since 1942 the company has planted 28,000 trees on the watershed and present plans call for putting all idle lands to work growing trees at the earliest possible date. In the photograph, Manager Edward Feldman of the water company (right), receives the tree farm certificate from Nelson T. Kessler, chief of reforestation. At the left of the picture is Lawrence C. Smack, ass't chief of reforestation, New Jersey Department of conservation. Jersey's second unit is the Way-Rest Tree Farm owned by Chas. H. Milburn at Tranquility. Its 500 acres of woodland are being protected and managed in cooperation with the New Jersey Division of Forestry. Since 1926, Milburn has planted 107,000 tree seedlings and transplants on his 650-acre farm. The Tree Farm Program in New Jersey is sponsored by the Department of Conservation. It is part of the nationwide tree farm system promoted by the American Forest Products Industries, Inc. to encourage growing of trees on privately owned woodlands.

