

"Timber Farms" Program Launched

North Carolina Forestry Association Inaugurates Plan in Cooperation with Southern Pine Association

RALEIGH, N. C., May 20.—At its annual meeting in Raleigh, May 17, the North Carolina Forestry Association awarded "Timber Farms" certificates to ten forest land owners who have met the requirements for this award. These timber farmers are the first to be so designated as the association is this year inaugurating the Timber Farms program. It is expected that a number of additional awards will be made from time to time. The Southern Pine Association is cooperating in the North Carolina Timber Farms program.

The following are the forest owners honored by the North Carolina Forestry Association by being designated Timber Farmers:

1. Log Cabin Association, Sylva, N. C., 887 acres, Jackson County. Protected from fire, planted 50 acres to pine and spruce, selectively cut 150 acres, and cleaned 650 acres.

2. O. W. McManus, Gibson, N. C., 85 acres, Scotland County. Protected from fire. Area kept productive, selection cutting in some of stands.

3. Ben H. Nicholson, Cowarts, N. C., 21.5 acres, Jackson County. Protected from fire. Planted 16.5 acres to pines and spruce. Single-tree selection cuttings.

4. Camp Manufacturing Company, Franklin, Va., 6,346 acres, Hertford County. Protected from fire. Selection cuttings.

5. A. M. Carpenter, Route No. 4, Durham, N. C., 100 acres, Durham County. Fire protection. Has made thinnings and improvement cuttings.

6. Gennie Shepherd, Route 3, Durham, N. C., 103 acres, Durham County. Fire Protection. Has made thinnings and improvement cuttings.

7. B. H. Perry, Henderson, N. C., 1000 acres, Franklin County. Fire protection. Selection cuttings and cutting to 12-inch diameter limit.

8. Mrs. T. B. Williams, Ridgeway, N. C., 25 acres, Warren County. Fire protection, selection cuttings.

9. Lacy L. McAlister, Pilot Life Insurance Company, Greensboro, N. C., 1,000 acres, Anson County. Fire protection. Planted 20 acres to loblolly pine. Has made thinnings, improvement and selection cuttings.

10. R. L. Stowe, Belmont, N. C., 50 acres, Gaston County. Fire protection. Planted 30 to 35 acres mostly to loblolly pine. Has made thinnings for fuel wood.

To qualify as a Timber Farmer the association requires that:

1. The owner must effectively protect his property from forest fires. This may be accomplished by cooperating in the forest fire control program conducted by the Division of Forestry of the North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development in localities where state protection is available, or through his own efforts where organized protection is not available.

2. The landowner must follow approved forestry practices with the view to assuring continuous production of commercial forest crops.