

Old Time Lumberjacks And Logger Hicks Be Honored

The recently-organized Old Time Lumberjacks and Logger Hicks of Western North Carolina will be guests of P. B. Ferebee at a luncheon Saturday, Oct. 30 in Andrews, it was announced this week.

The new organization has had two meetings—with the purpose stated as renewal of friendship, making of new friends and a get-together for the old time lumber workers.

The second meeting of the group was held at the American Legion Hut, Andrews on Sept. 25, with Capt. F. W. Swan acting as temporary chairman. Some 22 persons

attended from Cherokee, Clay, Macon and Jackson counties. After an address of welcome by P. B. Ferebee, mayor of Andrews and president of the Citizens Bank and Trust Co., the meeting was called into a business session.

The following officers were elected: A. B. Chandler Sr., of Andrews, president; Shaler Gilley of Sylva, first vice-president; Wymer Cochran of Nantahala, second vice-president; and Joe R. Klingensmith of Andrews, secretary-treasurer.

The following committees were appointed by the new president: membership, J. P. Matheson, An-

Mighty Oaks From Tiny Acorns

BY ELBERT WILKEY

Long, long ago there was a crop of acorns falling from the trees of our forest. Some of these little acorns penetrated the forest floor of themselves in the good old mother Earth. These acorns were deep enough that the squirrels and other wild animals of the forest failed to find them. Out of these small acorns many young trees were born. As the growing season came they grew into mature trees.

Today as we look upon these trees and think of the many ways in which we use them and the values they hold for us in this life we should try harder to protect our fine forest from fire and destruction.

This season's crop of acorns come from the white oak and chestnut oak. The white oak crop is at a low elevation and is especially heavy around Fontana and Santeetlah lakes with chestnut oak reaching upon the ridges at a higher elevation. Northern Red Oak (Mountain Oak) is found at highest elevations but the seed crop this year is scarce.

Back in March, 1952, I helped appraise a tract of land in Graham County. At the time of appraisal this land had a nice stand of mature white oak with plenty of young seedlings. Enough young oaks were seen to replace the mature timber that was to be cut. This tract appraised for \$20 an acre.

In October, 1952, a fire broke out on this same tract of land. Harold Long, Sheriff Lynn and about six other men were the first men to get on the fire. The fire proved to be too much for them though and additional men were sent in. Before it was over it took 30 men to put it out. All together it took two weeks to control the fire. Total cost of putting this fire out amounted to \$2,100. That's just for the men, supplies and equipment.

This year I reappraised this same tract of land. The mature

DOUBLE-TALK

BY THE DOCKERY TWINS

LAST WEEK

Thirty-nine students met Wednesday, Sept. 15, to form the Boomerang Club for 1954. Fifteen girls and one boy wrote acceptable stories.

The Staff is as follows: Editor-in-chief, HEDDY WEST; Associate Editor, PETER OLSON; Sports Editor, IDA BRUMBY; Feature Editor, GEORGIA SAMPSON

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Work has begun on the first issue which should be out next week. Everyone is eagerly waiting for this first copy.

DANCE BAND

Ed Reynolds is starting his dance band, he had tryouts for those wanting to be in it. The following are the ones that came out on top.

Alto Saxophones: BETTY WEAVER, LINDA ENGLISH, JUDY DAVIS. Tenor Saxophones: ANNETTE WHITE, JUDY SNEED, Baritone Saxophones: RAMONA HAGGARD.

Trumpets: ROMMIE BRITAIN TOMMY HOWSE, Drums, HARRY DUNCAN, Piano: ANN PARKER.

These will play at the Banquet and at other special requests.

JUNIOR OFFICERS

Junior Class Officers for the year of 54 and 55, are: President, Hubert Sneed; Vice-president, Georgia Sampson; Secretary, Edward Odom; Treasurer, Steve Hembree; Reporter, Mary Ruth

presents the group danced to the jazz records. Everybody enjoyed the party immensely.

The party was given by Ann's Aunt Ruth Rose.

Those present were: Joan Schmitt, Mary Lepschier, Larry Posey, Jo Garrett, Patsy Jones, Judy Sneed, Gut Hall, Sammy White, Ann Parker, Nettie Sue Dockery, Burt Moore, Nancy Sales, Sue Hubbard, Ramona Haggard, Geraldine Mulkey, Betty Dockery, Becky Rhoads, Linda English, Kenneth Jones, Carolyn Bates, John English, Patricia Moore, Katrene Gentry, Gwen Cole, Geraldine Mulkey, Annette White, Judy Davis, Ann Hickey

HOT DOG

The FFA's of Murphy High School are giving a weiner roast tonight. Before the weiner roast they are having an initiation for all new members of the club. The initiation is at 6:30 and afterwards they will go to the ballpark for the weiner roast. They are inviting the FFA's to the weiner roast.

Around 35 per cent fewer crop soybeans were available last year



AFTERMATH OF FIRE—This is not a unique scene. Each year hundreds of the country's recreational areas are destroyed by fire. And the sad part is this: Most of these fires could be prevented... for they are caused by carelessness, pure and simple. Be extra careful this year. Won't you? Help stop the shameful waste. This message sponsored by:

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Graham Has Goal Of 100,000 Trees

Graham County has set a goal of 100,000 tree seedlings to be set during the 1954-55 setting seasons.

Any person may get seedling trees by making application through the following persons who are serving on a "Keep Graham County Green Committee": Voyne E. Shope, George Huscusson, L. W. Wilson, J. S. Howell, Mrs. E. L. Stone, John McKeldrey, Donald L. Allison, E. A. Parsons, County A. S. C. Office, County Agents office and Troy Proctor.

All applications will be forwarded to the County Agent's office for processing and sending on to the proper channels for delivery of trees from TVA nurseries. Trees are free of cost to any boy or girl, man or woman who will agree to set them out.

According to newest statistics, Graham County has 1300 acres of eroded and waste land that needs to be set to trees besides the many acres that could use underplanting. It will take 1,300,000 trees to set the above acreage. If the county only sets 100,000 trees a year it will take 13 years to complete the 1300 acres.

Nineteen-fifty two was a serious fire year in Graham County. It took a big toll of the young trees that was set in spring of 1952; immediately following the 52 fire year the setting of seedling trees decreased to 14,000 for the spring of 1954. This would point out that if fires could be controlled then our tree setting program would not be much problem to put across the top.

oak were still there although some of them are beginning to die because of fire scars. They will have to be cut soon. None of the young seedlings are alive. They all burned up in the fire. In a matter of a few hours this fire destroyed what had taken nature years to build up. In a matter of a few hours the value of this land dropped from \$20 an acre to \$10 an acre.

Because someone was careless with fire this landowner lost \$10 an acre. That's not all either—who do you think paid the \$2,100 for fighting the fire—why you did.

The Basic Idea Behind the All-New 1955 PONTIAC

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