

Presenting The Forestry Department's Teaching Staff

THE 1948-1949 school year has seen some changes in the Forestry Department Staff. These changes should not be taken to mean that the department won't be doing its best to uphold the standards set in the past. In fact you might like to know that we have back and in there doing their usual fine job of teaching, such regulars as: Dr. Andrew McComb handling silviculture and planting; Dr. D. W. Bensend taking care of the forest products, logging and lumbering courses; Prof. J. E. Granson teaching forest protection, forest administration, and forest economics; Instr. William Chilcote teaching range management and wood technology; and Instr. George Thomson handling mensuration and allied courses.

The changes in the teaching staff include the following:

PROF. G. B. MACDONALD

After thirty eight years as head of our department Prof. G. B. MacDonald is retiring, in line with overall college policy, from his administrative duties. Under "Prof. Mac's" direction the Department of Forestry has grown steadily. From a one man staff and a mere handful of students it has grown to a staff of fourteen members and a student body of 375 members.

Professor MacDonald will remain on full time and take up instruction duties. He is now handling the freshman forestry lectures, giving the neophyte foresters benefit of his broad experience and inspiration.

He is retained as State Forester and will work with the Iowa State Conservation Commission on forestry problems of the state.

Prof. MacDonald was recently appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture to the three-man National Board of Review on Forestry. The duties of this board, briefly, are to advise the Secretary of Agriculture on appeals to decisions by the Forest Service.

To "Prof. Mac" it is quite a relief to turn over the administrative duties of the department. We are all glad that he will still be active on the instruction staff of our department.

PROF. GEORGE HARTMAN

Replacing Professor G. B. MacDonald as head of the Forestry Department is Professor George Hartman. Prof. Hartman has been an Iowa State man from the start. He began his college career here in September 1913 and was graduated in June 1917. After graduation Professor Hartman spent six months with the Bureau of Plant Industry on blister rust control work.

After returning from France in August 1919, where he served with both the 20th Engineers, a forestry regiment, and the Army A.E.F. University, where he taught forestry subjects, Professor Hartman went

to work for the Long Bell Lumber Company in Noble, Louisiana. In 1920 he transferred to the Long Bell branch at DeRidder, Louisiana and stayed there until March 1935. While at DeRidder, he rose in rank from foreman to plant superintendent of the wood preserving plant.

In March of 1935 Professor Hartman came to Iowa State to teach on the staff of the Forestry School. He remained here until March 1947, at which time he returned to DeRidder, Louisiana as Assistant General Manager of the Hudson River Division of the Long Bell Lumber Co. In March of 1948 he returned to Iowa State to take over the position of head of the department upon the retirement of Professor MacDonald.

While administrative duties will keep Professor Hartman busy most of the time, he will teach lumber markets and wood preservation and probably help out in utilization courses and some freshman forestry courses.

PROF. A. W. GOODSPEED

A severe blow was dealt to the teaching staff at the end of Fall Quarter when Professor Goodspeed left to become Professor of Forest Management at West Virginia University. Since September 1938 when he came from the University of Maine to teach at Iowa State, Prof. Goodspeed has been a familiar figure in the Forestry Department. All classes from freshman 101, thru sophomore mensuration, and into senior forest management and finance have at one time or another come under his instruction. During the war years, in addition to his forestry courses, he taught mathematics for the Division of Science. Since Prof. Goodspeed came, only one summer camp has been held without him and his family being present.

Forest management has always been Professor Goodspeed's special interest with mensuration and finance fitting nicely into the scheme of things. He feels that the development of easily applied principals of photogrammetry as applied to forestry is perhaps one of the fields that has shown the most development in the past few years.

In spite of a full teaching schedule, Prof. Goodspeed has found time for such hobbies as hunting, fishing, and reading "all the detective stories on the shelf". His movies taken at summer camp are always looked forward to as a part of some future seminar.

We all wish him the best of luck at his new school, and thank him for the many good "idears" he left with all of us here at Iowa State.

DR. J. A. LARSON

Dr. Larson announced in the spring of 1948 that he was retiring from full time teaching. More correctly the "Skipper" said that he was retiring from time and a half to just full time teaching.

Looking back we can see what he meant. For twenty-four years Dr. Larson has given generously and unselfishly of his time and technical knowledge. Teaching silviculture, wood technology, forest mapping, seeding and planting, helping out with student special problem courses, teaching freshman forestry and acting as counselor were just a few of his duties during the past years.

Known to the students as "Skipper", a title that followed him to the United States from his sailing ship days in Norway, Dr. Larson

received his A.B. from Yale in 1908 and in 1910 he received his M.F. After coming to Iowa State College in 1924, he received his Ph.D. in 1936.

Always to be counted on for a campfire talk, a song, a poem or personal advice, Dr. Larson's half time teaching will find him carrying on in his usual time and a half way.

PROF. LEONARD F. KELLOGG

Professor Leonard F. Kellogg comes to the faculty from the Central States Forest Experiment Station Branch here in Ames. Their loss is our gain and we welcome him to the faculty. His job here will consist of handling forest mensuration, forest finance, forest management and other allied courses.

Prof. Kellogg is a true Iowan. He was born and raised in Marshalltown. After graduating from Marshalltown High School in 1918, he went to the University of Chicago for two years and specialized in chemistry. Then in 1920 Prof. Kellogg transferred to the University of California where he received his B.S. in Forestry in 1924. He received his M.F. at Yale University in 1927.

The summers of his college days were spent at a variety of jobs. He worked on rodent control for the U. S. Biological Survey in 1921. In 1922 he worked on a timber survey and cruise for the U. S. Forest Service. Other jobs included scaler and timber sale supervision in California and volume table work for the U. S. Forest Service.

After receiving his masters at Yale University in 1927, Prof. Kellogg joined the staff of the Central States Forest Experiment Station in Columbus, Ohio, and remained there until 1946. While at Columbus, Ohio, Prof. Kellogg initiated mensuration work on the growth and yield of black walnut and black locust plantations. He also did volume table work on eastern hardwoods and handled many other phases of forest mensuration and forest management that were being worked on by the experiment station. Special assignments that Prof. Kellogg worked on during his 19 years at the Central States Forest Experiment Station include; contribution to the Copeland Report; supervision of the first 100% lumber survey in 1941-43; and work on the Central States data for the Reappraisal Report in 1945-46.

Prof. Kellogg is married and has two children. Virginia, the oldest, is 14 and Perry, whom we hope will carry on the forestry tradition, is 12.

INSTRUCTOR DAVID HERRICK

David Herrick has joined the faculty of the Forestry Department as an instructor. Dave plans to work on his masters degree as soon as possible. Since his arrival, Dave has assisted with the following courses: Forest Mapping 245, General Forestry 101, Wood Technology 388, and Mensuration 241.

After graduating from Iowa State College in 1947, Dave and a fellow classmate operated a sawmill at Osceola, Iowa. They cut native Iowa hardwoods for their mill and also logged veneer logs for direct resale. A number of species were cut for sale in the form of rough lumber. The principle species cut for this use were basswood, cherry, ash, and elm. The veneer logs were mainly oak and basswood. The majority of the rough lumber was trucked to Chicago and Des Moines.

The Forestry Club and the Staff of the *Ames Forester* welcome Dave's return to the Forestry Department.