

• Campus Notes •

14TH MOVING-UP DAY

With Congressman Jacobo Z. Gonzales as guest speaker, the UP College of Forestry held its "Moving-Up" Day affair last March 17 on the forestry campus in Los Baños, Laguna. The affair was highlighted by "passing the key ceremony" of the junior and senior classes. Director Felipe R. Amos presented the candidates for graduation. UP President Vidal A. Tan awarded ranger's certificates. Asst. Dean Calixto Mabesa gave the opening remarks, while Prof. Gregorio Zamuco made the announcement of awards, prizes and donations.

The following received their Bachelor of Science in Forestry degree: Abraham, Felipe, Jr. B.; Alegre, Simplicio, Jr. S.; Baggayan, Rogelio B. Batoon, George T.; Empedrad, Francisco A.; Eugenio Alfredo A.; Galinato, Primitivo F.; Galo, Juan B.; Gulle, Marciano E.; Ilagan, Jose M.; Pollisco, Felixberto S.; Tadle, Josue F.

The following received their ranger certificates: Alcos, Augusto L.; Aminan, Jessie B.; Angeles, Leonardo D.; Anuma, Roberto K.; Briones, Jaime G.; Capili, Alberto B.; Cuadra, Helano J.; Ellazar, Magdalena B.; Esber, Gayred G.; Estoque, Jose D.; Felix, Remedios E.; Francia, Gregorio Jr. P.; Francisco, Apolo B.; Lamanilao, Juanito D.; Lazo, Alejandro P.; Lazo, Pedro P. Mejia, Isabelo M.; Menor, Venancio A.; Narciso, Policarpio Jr. M.; Paet, Eustaquio M.; Pareja, Bernardo L.; Pauig, Roger G.; Peig, Florencio Q.; Rendorio, Francisco C.; Romero, Jose Jr. C.; Salvador, Petronilo Jr.; T.; Sapiera, Cleto M.; Tabangil, Siegfried U.; Tongacan, Arsenio L.; Udarbe, Aquiles C.; Vedad, Azuero T.; Veracion, Vicente P.; and Zamoranos, Alfredo C.

IN-SERVICE TRAINING CONDUCTED AT LOS BAÑOS

Chief Valentin Sajor of the division of forest investigation created a committee on in-service training at College, Laguna to improve the effectiveness of service and accelerate personnel efficiency. The conference speakers were selected among the personnel of the division of forest investigation, forest products laboratory, college of forestry, and from casual visiting government officials. Although the in-service training being conducted by the forest investigation division lacks the requirement of the general system of in-service training as instituted by the Government Training Coordinator of the U.P. Institute of Public Administration, the committee has been doing its best to conform to the system. The committee is com-

posed of Prof. Valentin Sajor, Prof. Juan Daproza, Forester Domingo V. Jacalne, Forester Francisco Rola, Forester Felipe R. Lopez, Sr. Rgr. Aurelio Mejia and Mr. Zoilo C. Fraga.

FORESTER SAN BUENAVENTURA CONVOCATION SPEAKER

The College of Forestry held a convocation program last February 20, with Sr. Forester P. San Buenaventura of the division of reforestation, Bureau of Forestry as guest speaker. Among the members of his party were Foresters Vicente Caguioa and Daniel Allas of the said division.

THE FOREST PRODUCTS RESEARCH INSTITUTE

The reorganization of the Forest Products Laboratory of the Bureau of Forestry has been approved by Congress and will become effective after an executive order to that effect has been issued by the President. The Laboratory will then become a semi-autonomous Forest Products Research Institute attached to the University of the Philippines and under the supervision of a Governing Board of five members. The Director of the Bureau of Forestry will be ex-officio Chairman of this Board and the Dean of the College of Forestry will be an ex-officio member. Three other members will be appointed by the President of the University, one each to represent the lumber industry, the forest products industries other than lumbering, and the general public.

The Director of the Institute will exercise considerable freedom in handling the affairs of the Institute with only general supervision by the Board.

ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT FOR THE FPRI

A 64,000lb. shipment of machinery has been received by the Forest Products Laboratory, consisting of one Coe automatic veneer dryer and one 56-inch Coe veneer lathe. These items complete the \$150,000 worth of equipment purchased in 1955 with ICA dollar funds. The veneer and plywood equipment is expected to be ready to operate within 1-1/2 or 2 months.

IN-SERVICE TRAINING TAGALOG EXAM CONDUCTED IN LOS BAÑOS

A Tagalog exam was conducted for the first time at the Division of Forest Investigation last March 28 to determine the interest in and knowledge of each employee gained from the in-service training.

Forest pathologist Felipe R. Lopez was designated as head of the examiner-committee with Mr. Zoilo C. Fraga, secretary of the division in-service training and Miss Paterna Burgos, division clerk as members.

Tagalog was used by most speakers during the session and examination question were written in Tagalog. Of the 52 examinees, 29 passed and 25 failed. Most of those who passed were elementary to college graduates. Considered failed were those who could only write their names.

Silviculturist Domingo V. Jacalne, who had just completed his 3-week in-service training in the Manila Office, announced that the training he obtained would enable him to find ways and means to improve the present system of the in-service in the division of forest investigation and thus promote efficiency in public service.

COLLEGE UPSCA

The College of Forestry, U.P. UPSCA, formally recognized by UPSCA Central Council on January 5, 1954, elected Azuero T. Vedad as its president for the school year 1955-56, Juanito D. Lamanilao, Vice-president, Teresita B. Bañaga, secretary, Remedios Felix, treasurer, Cesar Tolentino PRO. Misses Herminia Jundos and Jesusa Taleon were elected advisers of the club. The outstanding and

active chapter members are former Ranger trainees of the college. Professor Valentin Sajor, Chief of the Division of Forest Investigation and Grand Knight of Columbus and Miss Jundos have spared no efforts in guiding and inspiring the club in all its activities.

THREE AMERICAN FORESTERS
EXPECTED NEXT SEMESTER

Three American Foresters are expected to arrive at the U.P. College of Forestry next semester of this school year according to Asst. Dean Calixto Mabesa. They will observe the trend of the forestry course and give pointers or suggestinos to improve our medium of instructions. Each of the American foresters will teach Forest Economics, Silviculture-Management, and Forest Products. Besides giving recommendations on some equipment that may be needed in teaching these subjects, their coming will also give opportunities to some of the college faculty members to take up graduate work in the United States.

DECREASE IN THIS YEAR'S ENROLLMENT

*Dean of Men and Counseling Consultant
College Speakers.*

Of more than two hundred applicants for admission in the College of Forestry, only one hundred students, twenty of whom were alternates, were selected after a screening with an entrance examination and a personal interview.

Because of the limited number of entering freshmen, this year's student population has decreased by over ninety students. Last year's freshman class alone numbered two hundred and sixty-eight students. There were eleven freshman coeds last year as against three of this year. There are 2 new Thai students and three returning old students. This year's total population of four hundred and ten students shows the predominance of students from Pangasinan, followed by those coming from the Ilocos regions. The increase of students coming from Mindanao has also been noted, quite a number of whom are honor students.

It is expected by the College officials that the screening will improve the scholastic work of the students. Records in the U.P. Registrar's Office reveal that the College of Forestry has the highest rate of scholastic delinquency among the U.P. Colleges, having reached new high of 52% last year.

Dr. Eleanor Elequin of the Student Personnel Services gave pointers on "How to Study" at the Freshman Orientation Program this year. And Dean Juan Canave, U.P. Dean of Men, this year's first convocation speaker stressed the importance of personal adjustment to the different College environments before effective study can be effected.

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