Environmental Achievement Award

Environment Canada is offering Environmental Achievement Awards to recognize the efforts and commitment of Canadians from all walks of life in protecting and restoring the environment. Awards will be presented annually in six categories, namely: 1. Non-profit organizations, 2. Outstanding communication for environmental awareness, 3. Corporate environmental leadership, 4. Lifetime achievement, 5. Environmental leadership by a municipality, and 6. Environmental science fair projects.

Environment Canada is inviting nominations (200 words or less) and the Canadian Environmental Advisory Council will select the winners. The 1990 awards ceremony will take place during environment week, June 3-9.

Nominations (by February 15) and requests for additional information should go to: **Enquiry Centre, Environment Canada, 6th Floor Place Vincent Massey, 351 St. Joseph Boulevard, Hull, Quebec, K1A 0H3. Tel (819) 997 2800.**

Nova Scotia Opens New Forest Nursery Complex

Nova Scotia recently opened its unique, dual-purpose forest nursery and education centre, the Musquodoboit Valley Forest Nursery and Education Complex. Besides its two state-of-the-art greenhouses which can produce 5 million seedlings annually, the complex has large classrooms, two demonstration woodlots, an arboretum under development and a woodchip-fired heating plant using the latest wood energy technology. The complex offers easy access to schools and the general public being within one hour driving time of the major centres of Halifax, Dartmouth, Bedford, Sackville, Truro, New Glasgow and Pictou. It will host tours of students and the general public to increase awareness and understanding of forests and forest management, including the role of wildlife conservation, outdoor recreation and environmental protection in good forest management. Following the official opening, (from the left) Lands and Forests Minister Dr. Chuck MacNeil, Minister of Small Business Development Ken Streach, Premier John Buchanan and Jorg Beyeler, complex superintendent, examined a crop of spruce seedlings in one of its new greenhouses.

Obituary

John Alanson McNally 1905-1989

On Tuesday, October 3, 1989 the forestry profession lost one of its outstanding members. John Alanson McNally (Mac) was born in 1905 on the banks of the St. John River. His former home is now under the headpond of the Mactaquac Dam, upriver from the city of Fredericton. He studied forestry at the University of New Brunswick, graduation with a B.Sc.F., in 1930 and an M.Sc. in 1934.

It was while he was working as a forest engineer under J.O. Wilson, for the Anglo-Canadian Paper Mills of Canada Ltd. (now Diashwa Ltd.) that the first tractor-bulldozer was introduced into pulpwood harvesting operations in eastern Canada to build roads.

Mac left Anglo-Canadian after 13 years and went to Brown Corporation, Latuque, Quebec as Woodlands Manager, where he remained until 1957. He subsequently moved to Montreal with the Canadian International paper Company Ltd. (which had purchased Brown Corporation). Mac had been an active member of the woodlands Section, CPPA for over 50 years and had received the Woodlands Section Mechanization Award twice, in 1961 and in 1963.

One of Mac's major contribution is his book published by the Faculty of Forestry, University of New Brunswick in 1975 on the use of trucks on woods operations. It is titled "Trucks and Trailers and their Application to Logging Operations — A Reference Manual".

In 1971 Jack McNally retired from the Canadian International paper Company Ltd. and spent several years as a consultant to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. Two of his books, published by FAO, namely "Logging and Log Transport in Manmade Forests in Developing Countries" and "Planning Forest Roads and Harvesting Systems" are standard texts in third world countries.

In 1977 Mac and his wife moved to Ontario where he spent several years teaching logging in the faculty Forestry, University of Toronto, passing on his knowledge and experience to the next generation of foresters.

Our condolences go out to his wife and family.

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