

Education and Experience of Ward Shepard

Born Hicksville, Ohio, March 14, 1887, son of Charles and Fannie (Huffman) Shepard.

Education: public schools; one year Ohio State University, 3 years Harvard College (1906-10), A. B. cum laude (courses principally economics, history, English, and languages - German, French, and Greek).

2 years Harvard Forest School - M. F. 1913.

1913-21 in Southwestern District, U. S. Forest Service, as forest ranger, forest assistant, forest supervisor, and administrative official in regional office. All phases of practical and technical National Forest management and administration.

1921-6 Assistant Chief, Branch of Research, U. S. Forest Service, Washington.

Assisted Chief in inaugurating and securing passage of Federal legislation for creation of several Federal forest experiment stations in principal forest regions of United States. Assisted in finding personnel and in organizing programs and methods of research for these stations as well as the program of the large Forest Products Laboratory at Madison, Wis. This work entailed much field inspection throughout the country. Helped to organize economic researches, including the very large Forest Taxation Survey which has been carried on by Professor Fred Fairchild, of Yale, and his staff.

Was Chairman of Committee on Common names of Trees, which standardized Federal tree nomenclature.

Edited and supervised editing of numerous government bulletins on forest research.

In collaboration with Director of Forest Products Laboratory organized large conference on wood utilization, which resulted in creation of National Committee on Wood Utilization in Department of Commerce, which functioned very effectively until abolished by the present Administration.

Was member of Committee on Forest Research appointed at request of National Academy of Sciences and was principal author of report which led to creation of post-doctorate fellowships in forest biology by National Research Council.

1927-30 Assistant Chief, Branch of Public Relations, Forest Service, in charge of Washington and field educational and publicity work of Forest Service.

1930-1, Secretary of Charles Lathrop Pack Forest Education Board, established primarily for advanced training of foresters. During this period was also employed by Gifford Pinchot to assist in legislative program in forestry, which however he was compelled to give up on becoming Governor of Pennsylvania.

Member of Committee on Forest Education Survey of the Society of American Foresters, which planned the investigation of forest schools reported in Graves and Guise: "Forest Education in the United States" (Yale University Press, 1932) and made possible by the grant of \$30,000 by the Carnegie Foundation. I was employed by the Committee to edit the first half of the book, to which I contributed considerable original material.

1931-3 in England, France, Switzerland, Germany, Czechoslovakia, Austria, and Belgium. For three months, as collaborator of the Department of Agriculture, I made a study of game management in Germany. For 16 months I was a travelling fellow of the Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation, studying forest policy, legislation, administration, and "extension" both in their theoretical and practical aspects, travelling widely in the German-speaking countries.

Since then, I have been an advisor to the Foundation and was primarily responsible for organizing trip of 12 leading lumbermen to Central Europe to study sustained yield management (1935) and the present Foundation program of sending several mature foresters each year to study various phases of forestry in Central Europe (5 foresters now abroad under this plan).

In June 1933, proposed to President Roosevelt to include forest conservation provisions in Lumber Code, and have had active part in working out Code and in drawing up extensive program of legislation to be introduced at next session of Congress. Am a member of the Joint Committee appointed to follow up the whole program.

In September, 1933, at request of John Collier, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, I joined his staff as Specialist in Land Policy, later becoming Social-Economic Advisor. I Was a principal author of the revolutionary Wheeler-Howard Act, which created an entirely new concept of Indian administration. Have had charge of organizing extensive program of economic rehabilitation and of economic-social research and planning for reorganization of Indian life. Directed Indian land research activities of National Resources Board (report now in process of publication).

In 1934-5, as Chairman of Committee, made extensive study of Federal Soil erosion control program for Secretary Ickes, recommending consolidation of all such activities in Department of Agriculture. Assisted in drafting bill passed at last session of Congress creating permanent Soil Conservation Congress. At request of Secretary Wallace, advised Department of Agriculture on unification of soil erosion activities.

Senior Member Society of American Foresters, Member of the Governing Council, former Secretary, and former member of Board of Editors. Was offered editorship of Journal of Forestry, but declined.

Member American Forestry Association, Cosmos Club of Washington.

Co-editor (with Franz Heske) of World Review of Forestry, published in Germany in German, English, French in conjunction with Forstliche Rundschau (abstracts of world forestry literature).

1918 married Jean Frances Duer Key (Radcliffe 1915). Have three sons, Ward, Jr (16), Charles (13), Francis Key (10)

References:

- John Collier, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Washington, D. C.
 Mary Heaton Vorse (author), Indian Service, Washington
 Sally Lucas Jean (internationally known organizer of public health activities) Indian Office, Washington.
 Earle H. Clapp, Chief, Branch of Research, Forest Service, Washington
 F. A. Silcox, Chief, Forest Service, Washington
 Hugh H. Bennett, Director, Soil Conservation Service, Washington
 Henry A. Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture, Washington
 M. L. Wilson, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, Washington
 Harold L. Ickes, Secretary of the Interior, Washington
 Henry S. Graves, Dean of Yale Forest School, New Haven, Conn
 Thomas H. Gill, Forester, Charles Lathrop Back Forest Education Board, Washington.
 H. H. Chapman, President, Society of American Foresters, Yale University, New Haven, Conn.
 Wilbur K. Thomas, Director, Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Dr. Haven Emerson, New York.
 Dean Walter Mulford, School of Forestry, University of Calif.
 Aldo Leopold, Director, Conservation Department, University of Wisconsin.
 Dean Samuel T. Dana, School of Forestry, University of Mich.
 Hugo Winkenwerder, College of Forestry, University of Washington
 Dean Samuel Spring, N. Y. State College of Forestry, Syracuse
 Robert Marshall, Director, Indian Forest Service, Washington (graduate Harvard Forest School)
 Wm. B. Greeley, former Chief of Forest Service, Manager, West Coast Lumbermen's Association, Seattle.
 Capt. John B. Woods, Secretary, Joint Committee of Forest Conservation Congress, National Lumber Manufacturers Association, Washington.

Grifford Pinchot, Milford, Penna.

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(Note: this bibliography is incomplete and will be replaced in a few days by a more complete one, which will require some checking of publications)

My formal published work is rather slender, as I have been engaged largely in organizing and promoting forest policy, legislation, research, education, and administration, rather than reporting on researches in this field. In addition to the works listed below, I have written large numbers of press releases as well as lectures and addresses signed by others, and many unpublished reports on complex administrative, legislative, and technical situations).

Co-author: "Timber: Mine or Crop?" - a summary of the forest situation published in 1923 by the Forest Service.

"The Necessity for Realism in Forestry Propaganda" - Journal of Forestry, _____ (\$500 prize article)

"Cooperative Control: A Proposed Solution of the Forest Problem", Journal of Forestry, February 1930 (\$1,000 prize article)

"Is Silviculture Possible in America?" a series of four critical articles on the fundamental defects in forest strategy in America, published in the Journal of Forestry between December 1930 and April 1931.

"A Plan for Reorganizing the Conservation Work of the Federal Government" (author of committee report), Journal of Forestry, 1930.

"The Handout Magnificent", Harper's Magazine, October 1931 (an attack on Hoover's proposal to turn the public domain over to the States)

"European Facts for American Skeptics", (co-author with Franz Heske, Journal of Forestry, _____)

"Notes on German Game Management", published by the Senate Wild Life Committee, 1934.

Editor, Report on National Conference on Wood Utilization", published by the Government, 1926(?).

Co-editor, "report of National Conservation Congress" (1934)

Two editorials in New Republic on Article X of the Lumber Code.

Numerous popular articles on forestry in American Forests, Nature Magazine, etc.

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Co-author: "Timber: Mine or Crop ?" - a summary of the forest situation published in 1923 by the Forest Service.

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Chairman of Committee on Common names of American trees adopted in "Check List of the Trees of the United States" published (about) 1927 by Forest Service.

"The Necessity for Realism in Forestry Propaganda" - Journal of Forestry, January 1927 (\$500 prize article)

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"European Facts for American Skeptics" (Co-author with Franz Heske, Journal of Forestry)

Principal author (for Committee, Society of American Foresters) of "Proposed Policy of American Forestry" officially adopted in 1931 as Society's platform.

"Notes on German Game Management" Published by the Senate Wild Life Committee, 1934.

Editor, Report on National Conference on Wood Utilization, published by Government, 1926 (?)

Co-author, "Report of Conference on Forest Conservation" 1935.

Two editorials in the New Republic on Article X of the Lumber Code.

Numerous popular articles and press releases on forestry in American Forests, Nature Magazine, etc. Numerous mss. and mimeographed reports on administrative and technical problems, e.g.: "An Analysis of the Educational work of the Forest Service" etc. etc.

Legislation

Author of New Mexico Game Law, the first American Game Law establishing extensive administrative regulation of game instead of statutory regulations. Reenacted by several other states.

Co-author, Indian Reorganization Act, passed by Congress in 1934.

Co-author, Soil Conservation Act, passed in 1935, creating permanent Soil Conservation Service.

Co-author (with Joint Committee of Forest Conservation Conference) of Forest Credit Bill now pending in Congress.

Co-author (with Joint Committee) of Forestry "Omnibus" Bill to be introduced in next session of Congress.