

Journal of RANGE MANAGEMENT

Editorials

Our 1953 Student Issue

THIS, our 1953 Student Issue, marks the first step in achieving a goal hoped for by Editor R. S. Campbell in his editorial on page 301 of the 1952 Student Issue of the Journal. The continued increase in response by students and schools in contributing worthwhile and interesting information has been exceedingly gratifying.

Under the guidance of Professor Omer E. Sperry, Department of Range and Forestry, Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, two student editorials, three articles on range education, three student research articles, and four abstracts of theses have been assembled. In addition, thirteen colleges and uni-

versities have submitted items for the Range Student Roundup and the News and Notes. This issue is a suitable tribute to Professor Sperry's enthusiastic response to our request, and his effort in soliciting, assembling and editing material submitted.

It is through the efforts of range students that have contributed to this issue, and others like them, that the objectives of our Society will continue to be met in years to come. Judging from their willingness to work for the Society, and the breadth of their interests, we have much reason for optimism.—*Joseph F. Pechanec*, Editor.

Let's Broaden the Journal's Horizons

IN 1948 about 500 far sighted range-men formed the nucleus of the American Society of Range Management, a focal point for those possessing mutual interests in Range Management. The general desire for such an organization was immediately indicated by the spontaneous increase in membership once the objectives of the Society were announced. To foster advancement in the science and art of grazing land management, to promote progress in the conservation and greatest sustained use of forage and soil resources, to stimulate discussion and understanding of scientific and practical range and pasture prob-

lems, to provide a medium for the exchange of ideas and facts among members with allied technologists, and to encourage professional improvement of its members; these objectives constitute a very ambitious program indeed. Is this program being undertaken and fulfilled through the medium of this Journal? It is on the subject matter of the Journal that we should like to comment.

Is the Journal as our organ of communication helping to promote the advancement of good range management? Is it a medium of exchange of ideas and facts among allied technologists? Let us examine issues of the Journal published to date.