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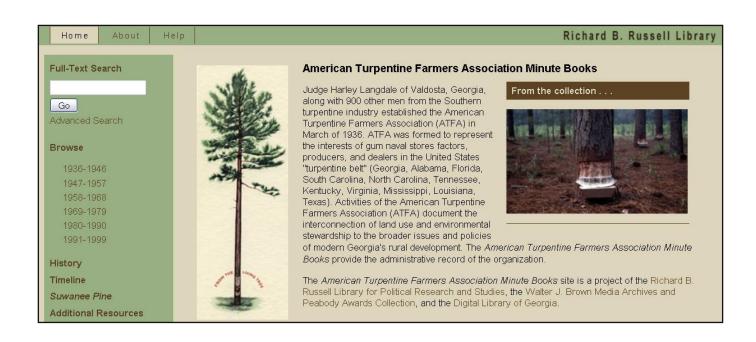
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The American Turpentine Farmers Association Minute Books, 1936-1999 provide the administrative record of the American Turpentine Farmers Association (ATFA), which was established in March of 1936 by Judge Harley Langdale of Valdosta, Georgia, along with 900 other men from the Southern turpentine industry. ATFA was formed to represent the interests of gum naval stores factors, producers, and dealers in the United States "turpentine belt" (Georgia, Alabama, Florida, South Carolina, North Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky, Virginia, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas). Activities of the American Turpentine Farmers Association (ATFA) document the interconnection of land use and environmental stewardship

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Briefly stated, conservation farming increases both quantity and the quality of farm products; it provides a means, perhaps the only means, whereby we can reach the wartime goals; and lastly, it protects the fertility of the soil and in this way will help us to reach future goals if this should turn out to be a long war.

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The Secretary of Agriculture has repeated many times, "Food will win the war and write the peace." Back of that statement are two pictures -- one, a picture of tremendous supplies of food for ourselves and our Allies; of

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1950s	Turpentine production declines rapidly and producers begin turning to other industries
1950	8,863 gum producers in the U.S.
	Valdosta chemists Woody Allen and Rene Bernard, Jr., create new plastic standards, to replace glass standards, for judging rosin color
	Congress removes the exemption of agricultural labor from the Social Security Act, except for turpentine employees
circa 1951	Establishment of the Equipment Development Project, in Gainesville, Florida, to research more efficient methods of farming gum turpentine
1952	Election of Harley Langdale, Jr. to the Department of Agriculture's Forest Research Advisory Committee
1953	Value of turpentine production in Georgia amounts to approximately \$29,000,000 annually
	Equipment Development Project moves from Gainesville, Florida to Olustee, Florida
	ATFA urges producers to employ more modern turpentining methods to conserve trees