



W.J. [BILL] Beck is shown as he planted the first tree, an Austrian Pine, in the first shelterbelt in the United States on the H.E. Curtis farm in the Lake Creek community March 18, 1935. On June 19, 1985 rededication ceremonies were held with a symbolic tree planted. Beck was Greer County Agent from 1934-46. Mr. and Mrs. Beck were unable to attend the rededication due to illness.