HERMAN WALD'S LAST WORK ...

Forestry chief unveils huge sculpture of lumberjack

The only bronze artwork of its kind in the Republic, this 20ft. high sculpture depicting a lumberjack felling a giant-Knysna hardwood tree, is now a Germiston landmark. It stands at the entrance of Ellerine Centre, headquarters of the countrywide chain of furniture stores in the Ellerine Group.

The last major work tackled by the late Herman Wald, one of South Africa's top sculptors, was commissioned by Mr. Eric Ellerine, chairman of the Group. The finishing touches to the sculpture were, in fact, directed by the sculptor's widow, Mrs. Vera Wald, with the aid of members of Mr. Wald's Parktown North studio.

The sculpture was unveiled, last Tuesday, by the Government's secretary for Forestry, Mr. H.L. de Waal Malherbe.

In this picture, taken shortly before the ceremony, the sculpture is inspected by Mr. Eric Ellerine, Mrs. Vera Wald, widow of Herman Wald, Mrs. Rona Ellerine and four-year-old Dionne Ellerine.