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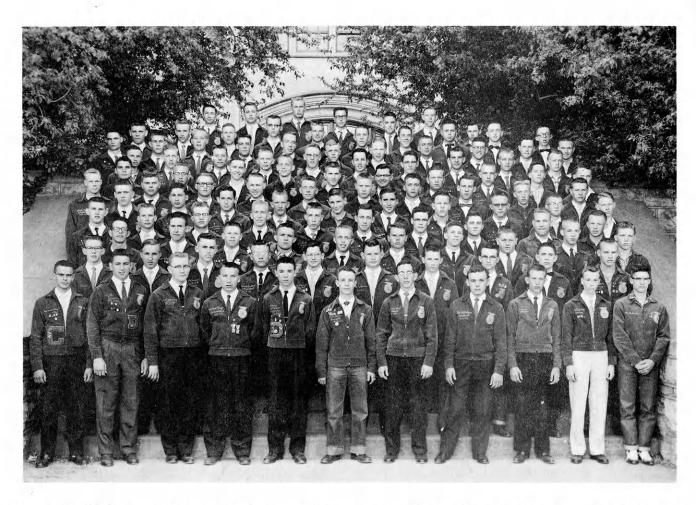
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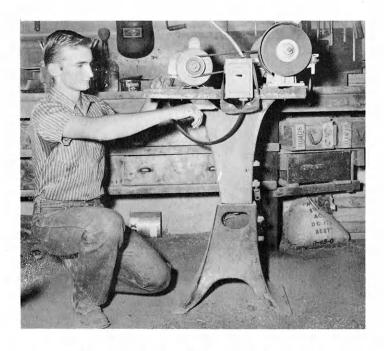
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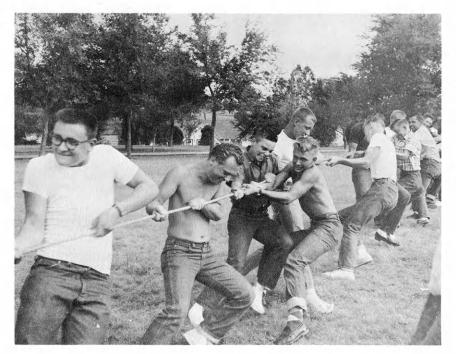
Kansas' 1960 State Farmer Class - 136 members from 84 chapters received degrees.



Dennis Borland, Clay Center Chapter, state winner in Farm Electrification, shows a grinder stand which he constructed.



Dallas Hensley, Ford FFA Chapter will compete for a spot on the National FFA Convention talent show



Competition was high at the First State FFA Leadership Training camp in Kansas. The camp was held at Camp Fellowship near Goddard, Kansas. Thirty-three chapters were represented with a total enrollment of 180 campers.

The Belleville Chapter's Dairy Cattle judging team will represent Kansas at the National FFA contest in Waterloo, Iowa, on Oct. 3, 1960. At right, L. to R.: Advisor Carl Beyer, Norman Brewer, Robert Blecha, Vincent Pachta and Owen Stindt, alternate.





Last year's Kansas Meats Judging team placed in the Gold division in the national contest. This team was from the Beloit Chapter and are shown on the left. They are, L. to R.: David Haskins, alternate; Max McGaughey; Tom Campbell; and David Snyder.



Of the "Three Little Pigs" that went to Panama this summer, with the help of the Kansas Association of FFA, one of them is being assisted in posing for a picture by three members of the Future Farmers of Panama.

Three registered, unrelated pigs: two Hampshires and one Duroc were sent to Panama in care of Mr. J. O. Brown, a former Kansas FFA advisor, who is helping promote the Future Farmer program in that country.

Prior to shipment to Panama, each of the three above mentioned pigs were placed in individual crates and shipped by railway express to St. Petersburg, Fla. where they were placed on a plane and flown to Panama.

On the left are some of the former owners of the pigs. L. to R.: Lyle Hoover, FFA member of the Lawrence Chapter who supplied the Duroc boar; his father, Mr. Raymond Hoover; Mrs. John Musick and Cheryl Musick who brought a Hampshire boar to the station so that Mr. Musick and their son could keep busy cultivating corn.





Many Kansas FFA Chapters will be building floats as a part of Homecoming and other events this fall.

On the left is the float which the Ford Chapter built as a salute to the new states of Alaska and Hawaii. The cow in the center carried the "U. S. A." sign and the calves at her sides carried the signs of the new states.

BORN TO WORK IN AGRICULTURE?

Have you decided what you want to be in life, the kind of work you want to do? The kind of work you are best suited for? Oftentimes, as a boy, I was sure that there were many other jobs more glamorous and rewarding than what I was doing. I used to cultivate corn in the field next to the Union Pacific Railroad where the train slowed down as it neared town. The jolly engineer seldom failed to wave at me. I thought his must certainly be a great life. What boy hasn't wanted to be an explorer in the jungle or other wild spot where adventure and danger lurked? As a junior in college, I had the opportunity to work on a geological project, digging for fossils and artifacts in the United States. The job was tempting but the pay was small and I had fully decided by then that I wanted to stay with agriculture.

You people on the farms today are part of a minority group - less than 12% of the nations population. At one time 85% of the population made their living on the farm. This would indicate that your grandparents and parents were among the best of farmers for they stayed on. They furthermore must have loved the open country and what it offered to them for honest effort combined with good management. One might truthfully say you are a born agriculturist! This is a precious heritage. You've got farming in your blood. Although only 12% or less of our population live on farms, 40% of the labor force work in processing and distributing farm products, or in providing goods or services to farmers. Many of you will be farmers. Those of you who can't be farmers, or who do not choose to farm should consider some of the many

other sources of employment in the broad field of agriculture. If you would seek guidance on the subject, no one is better equipped to counsel with you than your vocational agriculture teacher.

I quote to you in closing this statement of Daniel Webster, "let us never forget that the cultivation of the earth is the most important labor of man. Unstable is the future of that country which has lost its taste for agriculture. If there is one lesson in history that is unmistakable, it is that national strength lies very near the soil." I sincerely urge you future farmers of Kansas to take advantage of every opportunity offered to you through vocational agriculture to learn how to be a better farmer and a better citizen of the United States. By doing these things, you will be helping to preserve and make stronger our American way of life.

> C. C. Eustace State Advisor Kansas Association of FFA

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TENTATIVE PROGRAM THIRTY-THIRD NATIONAL CONVENTION

Future Farmers of America Kansas City, Missouri - October 11-14, 1960

October 7 and 8

Meeting of National Board of Student Officers

October 9 and 10

Meeting of National Board of Student Officers and Board of Directors

October 11

1:30 p.m.	Committee Meetings
2:00 p.m.	Early Registration - Municipal Auditorium
	a. FFA Representatives
	b. Judging Teams
7:30 p.m.	Meetings: - Municipal Auditorium
	American Farmer Ceremony Practice
	Star Farmer Program Practice
	Courtesy Corps and Ushers
	Talent Night Screening

October 12

8:00 a.m.	Registration - FFA Representatives, Judging Teams,
	Guests and Donors
8:45 a.m.	Opening Session - Municipal Auditorium
	(Speakers to be announced)
2:00 p.m.	American Farmer Ceremony
3:00 p.m.	Coaches and Officials' Meeting for Livestock and Meats
	Contest - Hotel President
4:00 p.m.	String Band Review

Evening

7:30 p.m. Second Session - Municipal Auditorium
Introduction of Representatives of Donors to FFA Foundation, Inc.
Star Farmer Ceremony
Massing of Flags
1960 "4-Star Farmers" (movie)
Talent Night Program

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7:30 a.m. Livestock Judging Contest - American Royal Stockyards

8:45 a.m. Third Session - Municipal Auditorium

Regular Business

Pageant - "FFA Salutes the Boy Scouts of America"

Committee Reports

1:00 p.m. Tours - Kansas City Points of Interest

2:00 p.m. Poultry Judging Contest - Auditorium Annex

Fourth Session - Municipal Auditorium

Business Session

Leadership Training - Committee Reports

Evening

7:15 p.m. National FFA Band Concert - Municipal Auditorium

7:45 p.m. Fifth Session - Municipal Auditorium

National Public Speaking Contest National FFA Foundation Awards

Red Foley Show (Tentative)

October 14

8:00 a.m. Meat Judging Contest

8:45 a.m. Sixth Session - Municipal Auditorium

Business Session - Committee Reports, etc.

National Gold Emblem Chapter Awards

We Salute the FFP

Election of National FFA Officers

11:45 a.m. RECESS

2:00 p.m. Special Session - Livestock Arena - American Royal

Livestock and Horse Show

Evening

6:45 p.m. Talent Show and String Band Program

7:15 p.m. Closing Session - Municipal Auditorium

Nacional FFA Officers' Nite Installation of New Officers Torch Bearers of FFA

Closing Ceremony

9:00 p.m. Firestone Show

October 15

7:00 a.m. Award Breakfast for Juding Contestants

10:00 a.m. American Royal Parade

12:00 noon Dismissal of Band

1:30 p.m. American Royal Livestock and Horse Show

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As president of the Kansas Association, I would like to extend to you a cordial greeting and a sincere hope that you have a very successful year in your Future Farmers of America work.

I am sure that you feel as I do that the FFA offers all of us unlimited opportunities, and I hope that you can see these opportunities in 1960-61 and reach out and use them to their fullest extent. As you know, to be happy and enjoy any organization one must work, participate, and be a part of that organization to realize to the fullest the benefits that can be obtained. Many of you have read the slogan that the state fair in Hutchinson is using, "Go Like 60 to the State Fair," and if I might use this slogan to say that we as FFA members should set our goals for the coming year with "Go Like 60" in all of our FFA activities.

Your 1960 leadership schools will be our first activity for the year on a state-wide basis. Why not make our leadership schools follow our slogan and have 100% local chapter participation. Remember while at our leadership schools that officers, more than anyone else, must remember that "A Future Farmer is Always a Gentleman."

It is never too early to start your program of work. As Future Farmers in planning your program make it a challenge to every member to do a better job and achieve higher goals.

A new year is before us and I am looking forward to seeing as many of you as I can at your leadership schools, judging schools, and of course, the state

convention. Feel free to contact me at any time on matters regarding the State Association and remember this is the year to "Go Like 60 for FFA."

Melvin Hunt, State President Kansas Association of FFA

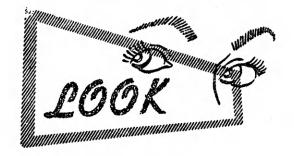
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1960 KANSAS APPLICANTS FOR AMERICAN FARMER DEGREE

This year the Kansas Association of FFA presented seven applicants for the degree of American Farmer. Six of the candidates have been recommended by the National Board of Student Officers and approved by the National Board of Directors to receive the degree at the National FFA Convention in October, 1960. One candidate has been turned down by the national boards but permission has been granted to the Kansas Association to appeal. The final decision will be announced later. The action of the Board of Student Officers and Board of Directors must be confirmed by the delegates at the National Convention. The Kansas candidates recommended are as follows:

George Sander, Stockton Chapter John Baird, Arkansas City Chapter Karl Bates, Clearwater Chapter Charles Ludlum, Erie Chapter Leo Schwartz, Hanover Chapter Don Sheppard, Burlingame Chapter

KANSAS DELEGATES TO 33RD CONVENTION NAMED



Official delegates to the 33rd National FFA Convention to be held in Kansas City on October 11 - 14 representing the Kansas Association of FFA will be:

Melvin Hunt - Tribune Chapter

State President

Larry Richardson, Altamont Chapter

State Vice-President

Alternates:

Gene Raymond, Garnett Chapter

State Secretary

Roger Aberle, Sabetha Chapter

State Treasurer

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WHERE TO GET FFA SUPPLIES

Most of the supplies needed by chapters and members may be obtained from the Future Farmers Supply Service, P. O. Box 1180, Alexandria, Virginia. The

official FFA catalogue for 1960-61 which was published by the Supply Service, carries pictures, descriptions, and prices of many FFA items.

ORDERS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY CHECK OR MONEY ORDER.

Other items and additional sources include:

Badges & buttons (1) (3)
Certificates, State Farmer (2)
Charters for chapters (2)
Creed (2)
Fair Supplies (5)
Lapel buttons, celluloid (1) (3)
Membership cards (2) Cards sent only
upon payment of dues, 75¢ per member
(40¢ state, 10¢ national, 25¢ national
FFA magazine)
Picture of Groseclose (2)
Pictures of Washington & Jefferson (6)*
Plows, miniature (4)*
Prize ribbons (3) (5)
Washington's General Order on

Future Farmers Supply Service,
 P. O. Box 1180, Alexandria, Va.

Profanity (2)

- 2. F. R. Carpenter, Executive
 Secretary, Kansas Association of
 FFA, State Board For Vocational
 Education, 11th Floor, State
 Office Building, Topeka, Kansas
- 3. St. Louis Button Company, 415 Lucas Avenue, St. Louis 2, Mo.
- 4. Deere and Company, Moline, Ill.
- 5. The Fair Publishing House, New London, Ohio
- Swift and Co., Union Stockyards, Chicago 9, Ill.

*Request must be accompanied by letter from State Executive Secretary.

CHAPTER PROGRAM OF WORK

October 31 is the deadline date for mailing your chapter activity Program of Work to F. R. Carpenter, Executive Secretary, Kansas Association of FFA, State Board For Vocational Education, State Office Building, Topeka, Kansas.

Official Program of Work blanks in sufficient quantities to supply a copy of your Program of Work to the State Office and an extra set for a carbon copy to be kept in the chapter files, will be mailed to each chapter by October 1.

Forms I, II, & III of the National Chapter Awards Program will be used again this year. These forms contain ideas which may be helpful in building Programs of Work. Include each member of the chapter in a committee.

Every effort should be made to have a program built and endorsed by the whole chapter.

Early scheduling of activities throughout the year is important. Too many activities at a given time will likely result in a scattering of effort and a lowering of standards. Too few activities will cause loss of interest. Fit your program of activities in with the school and community programs. Use of the 1960-61 "Calendar of Activities" for the Kansas Association of FFA will be helpful in building your chapter activity calendar.

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Statistics prove that locomotives are not afraid of automobiles.

FFA INFORMATION CONTEST

Officers will want to review the following publications in preparation for the District FFA Leadership Schools:

- 1. The Kansas Future Farmer six issues, beginning November 1, 1959 and including the September 15, 1960 issue.
- 2. The Fifteen and Twenty-five Year Histories of the Kansas Association.
- 3. The Official FFA Manual.

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MEATS JUDGING STATE CONTEST - WICHITA

The State Junior Meat Identification and Judging Contest will be held Wednesday, October 5, 1960 at 10:00 a.m. at the Cudahy Packing Plant in Wichita. Entries were required by September 15.

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The baby sardine saw its first submarine, and went swimming in terror to its mother. "Don't be frightened, darling," she reassured him, "it's only a can of people."

SUMMARY OF KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF FFA REPORT TO NATIONAL FFA ORGANIZATION 1959-60

Number of vocational agriculture departments	196
Number of active chapters	196
Number enrolled in vocational agriculture	6,303
Number of FFA members	6,737
Average net worth per member	1,098
Total net worth	07,751
Number State Farmer Degrees granted	136
Number agriculture judging teams entered State H. S. Contest	106
Number farm mechanics teams entered State H. S. Contest	76
Number chapters winning chapter awards in the National Chapter Award program	74
Number entered State FFA Speech Contest	21
Number American Farmer Candidates recommended by the	

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DUES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

State and National FFA dues will remain the same this year as they were last year. The total amount per member is 75 cents. Of this amount, the state office will send 10 cents to the National FFA office, 25 cents to the National FFA Magazine office and deposit 40 cents in the State Association treasury. A review of the 1960-61 budget, which is published in this newsletter, will indicate the items of expenditure which will need to be paid from your State Association funds.

Collect dues early. Include with them the list of chapter members and their home addresses on the National Future Farmer Magazine subscription blanks

and mail them to the state FFA office. Many of last year's subscriptions will soon be expiring. Since most boys do not want to miss any copies of the magazine, we suggest that this year's subscriptions be forwarded as soon as possible.

In the event that the new subscription is received before the old one runs out, the new subscription will be extended the number of copies that were due on the old one. The boys will receive all copies due them. Each subscriber receives six issues of the National Future Farmer each year.

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1960-61 KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF FFA BUDGET

	1960-61 Estimated Income	1960-61 Estimated Expenditures	1959-60 Actual Income
1960-61			
Income in dues	\$3350.		\$3368.50
Reimbursement National Judging Contests	140.		141.15
Regional Public Speaking Contest		30.	
Officers to called State Meetings		125.	
Officers to State Convention		180.	
Officers to District Leadership Schools		100.	
Officers to chapter meetings		120.	
State Farmer certificates		10.	
Public Speaking and State chapter contest			
certificates		15.	
Medals, plaques, ribbons, buttons		150.	
Officer jackets		40.	
FFA membership cards		20.	
Annual Convention - programs, name			
cards, etc.		100.	
Photographs		20.	
Auditing FFA accounts		15.	
National FFA dues		670.	
Delegates to Nat'l Convention		80.	
National FFA Band Uniforms		60.	
Expense, travel, and subsistence, member	rs		
Nat'l FFA Band		520.	
Special talent, State FFA Convention		30:	
National Judging Contests		140.	
Printing State FFA activity calendar		50.	

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FFA Insurance, --band, chorus,
American Farmers, delegates
Binding FFA volumes
Camp Miniwanca
State FFA Camp

	35.	
	20.	
	30.	
	100.	
\$3,490	\$2,690	\$3,509.65

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PLAN NOW TO WIN AN AWARD

The 1960-61 National FFA Foundation "state awards for improving agriculture and leadership" for Kansas will total \$729.12. This award money will be used to help provide awards in the following areas: Star Farmer, Farm Safety, Soil and Water Management, Dairy Farming, Livestock Farming, Poultry Farming, Crops Farming, Farm Forestry, Farm Mechanics, Farm Electrification, and Public Speaking. In Kansas, awards in each of the above areas will be made on the district and state levels.

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KANSAS TEAMS TO NATIONAL JUDGING CONTEST

At Waterloo, Iowa, October 3-4, 1960
Dairy Cattle, Belleville
Carl Beyer, Advisor
Dairy Products, Mulvane
Francis Shoup, Advisor

At Kansas City, Missouri, October 13, 1960 Livestock, Arkansas City, Harold Van Cleave, Advisor Poultry, Altoona J. W. Davis, Advisor

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NATIONAL FFA BAND

The National FFA Band under the 'direction of Dr. Henry S. Brunner, Office of Education, Washington, D. C., will again furnish music for the convention.

Members of the National FFA Band from Kansas are:

Kenneth Michaelis - Hoisington
Lester Norberg - Lindsborg
Tommy Riffe - Stockton
Wayne Dyck - Buhler
Lane Sunderland - Fairview
David Cromwell - Salina

1960-61 STATE FFA PROGRAM WORK

- One hundred per cent of the Kansas Vocational Agriculture departments establish chapters of FFA and each vocational agriculture student to be a member of the FFA.
- 2. Each chapter have a definite program of activities for the year and submit a copy of its program to the State Office not later than October 31, 1960. Only chapters submitting activity programs by October 31 will be eligible for State Farmer or American Farmer candidates and to participate in the State FFA Public Speaking Contest.
- A farming program of maximum size and scope for each boy commensurate with the ability of the boy and the home farm opportunity.
- 4. As a means of promoting sound thrift principles, the State Association encourages careful selection, management, and financing of supervised farming programs.
- 5. A continuous program of maintenance, repair and construction of farm machinery and equipment with more emphasis on maintenance and repair.
- Prevent waste of all kinds e.g., conserve soil and natural resources; control farm fires, livestock losses. Each chapter adopt at least one as a major activity.

- 7. Each chapter have a definite safety program including goals, and ways and means of attaining same.
- 8. Six issues of the Kansas Future
 Farmer Newsletter to be published
 beginning with September and
 distributed over a period of nine
 months. Copies of each issue
 will be sent to the officers of the
 National Organization of Future
 Farmers of America, to all State
 Advisors, and to a select list of
 agricultural teacher trainers and
 agricultural leaders.
- 9. Encourage parliamentary proficiency among local chapters, and encourage ritualistic proficiency throughout the State Association. It is recommended that sufficient copies of the FFA Manual be owned by the chapter in order that a copy will be readily available to each member and that Parliamentary Procedure manuals and films be used.
- 10. One hundred per cent of chapters meet the minimum requirements for the Standard Chapter Award and file a completed copy of Form I (Standard Chapter) in the State Office at Topeka, by April 7, 1961.
- Fifty per cent of chapters meet the minimum requirements for the Superior Chapter Award.
- 12. Encourage one hundred per cent of the chapters to use the official FFA secretary's book and the official FFA treasurer's book.

- Participate in FFA contests of State and National scope.
- 14. One hundred per cent of the members subscribe to the National Future Farmer Magazine.
- 15. Publicity One hundred per cent of chapters participate in National FFA Week, February 18-25, 1961. Encourage local chapters to keep the public informed as to worthwhile activities at all times, and the State Association to give publicity to activities of State and National interest.
- 16. Encourage home improvement by members of local chapters to include landscaping, beautification, repair, electrification, providing comfort and convenience to make the farm home more livable.
- 17. It is recommended that each chapter provide and use the following list of paraphernalia: U. S. Flag, Owl, Ear of Corn, Plow, Gavel and Block, FFA Felt Banner (3' x 6'), Secretary's Book, Treasurer's Book, FFA Manuals, Shield for Sentinel Station, FFA Song, and Filing case. Framed under glass: Charter, pictures of Washington, Jefferson, and Groseclose, Washington's General Order on Profanity, Creed and purposes.
- 18. Encourage members to wear FFA jackets or other means of identification to all FFA functions.
- 19. Encourage scouting and other organizations with similar objectives.
- Encourage participation in the National FFA Foundation Awards program.

- 21. Encourage the awarding of Honorary Chapter Farmer degrees.
- 22. Encourage all FFA officers to attend the State FFA Leadership Training Camp.
- 23. Encourage the establishment of FFA chapter libraries and recommend the minimum requirements to be:
 - a. FFA Manual, 1958 Edition, for each officer (1)* 20¢.
 - b. Stewart's Parliamentary Procedure, one for each officer,
 (2) 10 or more 15¢, smaller quantities 20¢.
 - c. Fifteen and Twenty-Five Year Histories of Kansas FFA (5).
 - d. "FFA at 25" (1).
 - e. Complete file of Kansas Future Farmer Newsletter for the past year.
 - f. Complete file of National
 Future Farmer magazine for
 past year.
 - g. A copy of the Proceedings of the 32nd National FFA Convention.
 - h. Reporting FFA News, C. E. Rogers (4)\$3.00.
 - i. A More Effective FFA, Wall (4) \$2.65.
 - j. If You Please, Allen & Briggs(3) \$2.60.
 - k. Practical Activities for Future Farmers, Tenney (4) \$2.70.
 - 1. Handbook on Speech for Future Farmers, Purkey (4) \$3.60.
- *Figures in parentheses indicates publishers listed.
- (1) Future Farmers Supply Service, Box 1180, Alexandria, Virginia

- (2) W. F. Stewart, Rehearsal Hall, Ohio State University, Columbus 10, Ohio
- (3) J. B. Lippincott Company, 333 West Lake Street, Chicago 6, Ill.
- (4) Interstate Printing Company, 19-27 North Jackson, Danville, Ill.
- (5) F. R. Carpenter, State Office Building, State Board for Vocational Education, Topeka, Kansas.

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CALL FOR NATIONAL CONVENTION

TO MEMBERS OF THE FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA:

By the powers vested in me as
National President of the Future Farmers
of America, I am issuing a call for all
State Associations and the Commonwealth
of Puerto Rico, to send delegates to the
National Convention, which will be held
in the Municipal Auditorium, Kansas City,
Missouri, October 12 - 14, 1960.

All chartered State associations in good standing with the national organization are expected to send two official delegates and two alternates from the active membership. It is urged that those members serving as official delegates arrive in Kansas City in time for the Officer-Delegate Luncheon at noon on Tuesday, October 11. State associations should also have in attendance those candidates recommended for the American Farmer Degree, candidates for national

office, those members who are to receive awards, and others who have official business in the convention.

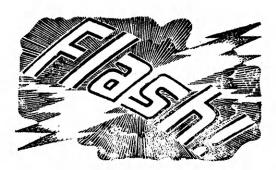
Any local chapter of the FFA is entitled to have a maximum of five carefully selected members and one advisor attend the convention, provided they come to Kansas City with properly completed official registration cards bearing the signatures of their chapter advisor, school principal or superintendent, parent, and State Advisor.

This year, your convention program has been carefully planned in order to embrace more of the American Royal Live Stock and Horse Show. The convention sessions themselves have been designed to hold the National Public Speaking Contest, recognize outstanding achievements, execute business, demonstrate leadership training, and to serve as an inspirational and informative experience to all in attendance.

The Thirty-Third Annual National Convention will be the highlight of our FFA year. We, therefore, urge all Future Farmers who will attend the convention to be present at all sessions from Wednesday morning, October 12, through Friday evening, October 14.

Jim Thomas National President

Box 212 Patterson, Georgia August 5, 1960



NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION ATTENDANCE RESTRICTED

The National FFA Board of Student Officers and Board of Directors have ruled that:

Attendance at the national convention be limited to not more than five carefully selected members and one advisor from any given chapter.

The following members will not be counted in the local chapter quota: official State delegate, American Farmer degree candidate, official State judging team member, National FFA Band member, contestant in the National FFA Public Speaking Contest, and regional or national winner of an FFA Foundation award. Parents and wives of FFA members and other adult guests will not be counted in the chapter quota.

The following procedures have been adopted:

1. Each FFA member attending the convention must have a registration card filled out before leaving home, complete with signatures of the member, teacher, parent, and high school superintendent or principal. (Two official delegates from each State and American Farmer degree candidates are not required to have their cards signed.)

- 2. The pre-registration cards may be obtained from the State FFA Advisor upon request by local teachers.
- 3. Upon arrival in Kansas City, the advisor or chaperon of a group of members will present the completed registration cards of all members in his group at the FFA convention registration desk. He will be issued an identification card for each of his members which must be signed by the advisor and the member.
- 4. No member will be admitted to the convention sessions or entertainment programs without the official identification card. Door checks will be made.
- 5. No registration cards for members will be available in Kansas City. They must be obtained and completed before the member leaves home. Teachers and State staff members also should have cards for their own registration.
- *(Editor's Note) Parents, school administrators and members of school boards will not need any type of identification in order to attend the sessions of the National FFA Convention. However identification cards for your guests should be requested as you register at the convention so that there will be no problem in getting them into the Convention Hall.

FFA DAY AT AMERICAN ROYAL



The first session of the National FFA Convention will open Wednesday morning, October 12, and the Convention will close Friday night, October 14. The American Royal has designated Friday, October 14, as FFA DAY, when the Convention will recess in the afternoon and all in attendance at the Convention will be given free admissions to the Royal.

A special program for the matinee Horse Show at the Royal has been arranged for that afternoon which will be interest to FFA boys. One of the special features will be the repetition of the "Chariot Race" between the same two famous four-horse teams that participated in the recent motion picture "Ben Hur". This will be their first appearance, outside of the motion picture, and is being staged especially for the FFA.

The Convention will close Friday night, October 14, with the installation of the new officers and an impressive candlelight pageant. This will be followed by the Firestone Show which has always been one of the entertainment features of the week.

Because of these adjustments, most FFA members will not need to reach Kansas City so early in the week and can have the following weekend to return home. It is sincerely hoped that these changes will be appreciated, and be of advantage to all concerned.

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TO THE FFA CONSTITUTION

In accordance with the provisions of Article XV, Section A, of the FFA Constitution, the Nebraska Association of FFA is submitting an amendment so that Article V, Section D, Item 2 would read as follows:

"Must have satisfactorily completed at least two years of instruction in Vocational Agriculture, have in operation an outstanding program of supervised farming, and be regularly enrolled in a Vocational Agriculture class, or, if out of high school, have satisfactorily completed at least three years of instruction in Vocational Agriculture or all of the Vocational Agriculture offered in the school last attended."

It is hoped that you will inform your two official delegates to the convention concerning this proposed amendment and advise them as to your attitude toward it, in order that they may come to the convention prepared to discuss it and vote intelligently on it.

HUGGINS FIRST IN REGIONAL SPEECH

Kenneth Huggins, Council Grove Chapter, won first place in the Central Regional speech contest at St. Paul, Minnesota on August 9. Kenneth won the right to represent Kansas at the regional contest by winning the State FFA Public Speaking Contest last spring in Manhattan.

Kenneth will compete in the National FFA Public Speaking Contest on Thursday night, October 13, at the National FFA Convention in Kansas City. The title of his speech is "What City People Should Know About the Farmer".

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FARM - CITY WEEK November 18-24, 1960

Leaders in the National FFA office have helped develop information and suggested activities for youth organizations to use in observance of Farm-City week. Circulars containing these suggestions were mailed to the chapters last year. Additional copies may be obtained from the National FFA office. The activities used in connection with Farm-City Week have considerable value in promoting better public relations for farmers, and certainly should be a matter of great concern to the FFA

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DUES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS DUE

Unnecessary correspondence can be eliminated if chapter treasurers will send in the state and national dues and the magazine subscriptions (75¢ per member) along with the magazine subscription lists. Due date is October 31.

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FILMS FOR LOAN FROM STATE OFFICE

The State FFA Office in Topeka has the following 16mm, sound, colored films available for loan to FFA chapters:

- 1. Silver Anniversary of the FFA 5 copies
- 2. That Inspiring Task 2 copies
- 3. Farmer of Tomorrow 1 copy
- 4. How To Raise a Boy I copy (Black and White)

Two other films which are entertaining and educational but not devoted primarily to FFA are: "Growth of a Nation" and "Old Mac Donald." They are placed in the State FFA office by the American Feed and Manufacturing Association.

When returning films to this office, send them by parcel post, film rate, and insured. Total cost will be approximately 30 cents. Mail them back to the State Office the day after showing.

TWO FILMS TOO GOOD TO PASS

"Four Star Farmers" - 1958, 1959, or 1960, and "Here and There with FFA" are colored, 16mm, sound films which are available from the Venard Organization, Peoria, Illinois.

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FIRST KANSAS STATE FFA CAMP



Thirty-three Kansas FFA chapters sent 180 campers to Camp Fellowship near Goddard, Kansas for the first state FFA leadership training camp in August of this year.

The campers were the newly elected chapter officers and the program was built to help supply them with ideas and abilities which would assist them in the directing the programs of the chapters this coming school year.

In addition to the leadership training received at camp, each local officer had plenty of opportunity to try his ability in various games both as a member of a team and as an individual.

Each advisor in attendance at the camp indicated that a similar camp should be held next year.

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EFFINGHAM AND LAWRENCE IN NATIONAL COMPETITION

The Effingham and Lawrence chapters are representing Kansas in the national Emblem Awards program this year.

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CORRECTION-ANIMAL HUSBANDRY JUDGING

KANSAS FUTURE FARMER, May issue was in error in listing the Arkansas City Chapter as being top in the state in Agricultural judging The statement should have read that Arkansas City was top in Animal husbandry (livestock) judging.

MY EXPERIENCES AT CAMP MINIWANCA by Melvin Hunt, State FFA President

Larry Richardson, state FFA vice-president, Mr. Marvin Castle, assistant supervisor of agricultural education, and myself returned August 29 from the American Youth Foundation leadership training camp in Michigan.

The enthusiasm I have had the past two weeks at the youth training camp makes it a pleasure to tell the members of the Kansas association some of the important things that were carried out there.

Miniwanca, meaning many waters, so named because of its three extensive waterfronts on Lake Michigan, Stony Creek, and Stony Lake, is a 350-acre camping paradise in the heart of the famed fruit belt and wooded sand-dune country of western Michigan. The camp is located approximately 35 miles north of the city of Muskegon.

Camp Miniwanca is owned and operated by the American Youth Foundation, a non-profit, non-denominational Christian organization dedicated to the purpose of assisting youth of capacity on life planning leadership training and balanced fourfold living.

The 500 boys attending the four-year camp are divided into six tribes. There are seven boys to a cabin with 10 or 11 cabins in a tribe. During the two weeks at camp there are various games and tribal activities in which the tribes are in competition for over-all points. There were 12 boys from Kansas attending the camp, two of which were graduating four-year campers.

The camp swings into action at 6:30 a.m. Flag raising, limbering-up exercises and a dip in the lake follow in rapid succession. Fifteen minutes before breakfast a bell rings designating the time for the quiet period. During this period the camper can wander off anywhere he wishes for a meditation period. After breakfast comes the job of cleaning up the cabins for the daily inspection.

Each camper has five 45-minute classes each day, two of which are electives. My classes were: Balanced four-fold development, The Life and Teaching of Jesus, The Art of Creative Living, Techniques of Public Speaking, and Other Lands and Peoples. Balanced development in the activities of physical mental, social, and religion was the objective of the first class. The Art of Creative Living was taught by a man from India. A minister from Ireland, who has recently completed a trip around the world, was the instructor for the Other Lands and Peoples Class. The camp staff was largely ministers of all denominations from all over the U. S. Some of the instructors have been returning to the camp for more than 20 years.

Following the classes in the afternoon, there is an hour of tribal games which is followed by an hour of free time. At this time we were allowed to swim, sail, canoe, play tennis, badminton, horse-shoes, ping pong, softball, basketball, and football. This was the only opportunity we had for writing letters, showering, or visiting with other boys in different cabins.

Following supper were the vesper services on a sand dune overlooking Lake Michigan and the unforgettable sunsets.

My stay at Camp Miniwanca was a challenging experience for me in balanced four-fold living, constructive life planning and leadership training, with an abundance of good fun and fellowship. It is my sincere hope and desire to be a four-year camper.

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by Larry Richardson, State FFA Vice-President

(In addition to Melvin's report on the camp, Larry stated:)... We checked in, ate lunch, found the cabin which was to be our home for the next two wonderful weeks, and got acquainted with our "cabin family".

The first morning the temperature was about 390 but it was somewhat warmer after that. Each cabin group ate together as a family, although the meals were prepared by a staff, one camper from each cabin group would wait on the table.

We had a large and varied list of night activities consisting of outdoor rodeo, indoor rodeo, low council, grand council, a play by the Bishop's Play Company, and other meetings and programs. "Light's Out" was always 20

minutes after the conclusion of the evening activities.

I met many FFA officers from other state associations and was very much interested and surprised to find such great differences in the associations in different parts of the country.

It was thrilling as well as challenging to be a part of this camp for two weeks. I learned many things for which I will always be indebted to Miniwanca; because, When you're through learning; You're through.

I may never be able to return to Miniwanca, but I will always remember the wonderful experience, and associations with others which I had there.

1960 KANSAS FFA LEADERSHIP SCHOOLS

LAWRENCE: September 26, Monday, 3:30 p.m.

Berryton, Blue Mound, Garnett, Highland Park, LaCygne, Lawrence, Louisburg, Ottawa, Paola, Parker, Rossville, Seaman, Shawnee-Mission, Silver Lake, Tonganoxie, Wellsville, Williamsburg.

BELOIT: September 27, Tuesday, 3:30 p.m.

Belleville, Beloit, Beverly, Concordia, Courtland, Delphos, Downs, Jewell, Lebanon, Mankato, Minneapolis, Osborne, Scandia, Simpson, Smith Center.

BUHLER: September 26, Monday, 3:30 p.m.

Buhler, Claflin, Ellinwood, Ellsworth, Florence, Goessel, Great Bend, Haven, Hillsboro, Inman, Lindsborg, McPherson, Moundridge, Newton, Partridge, Peabody, Salina, Stafford.

EMPORIA: September 26, Monday, 3:30 p.m.

Alma, Alta Vista, Burlingame, Burlington, Burns, Cottonwood Falls, Council Grove, Emporia, Eskridge, Harveyville, Herington, Kincaid, Lebo, Lyndon, Marion, Osage City.

PALCO: September 26, Monday, 3:30 p.m.

Alton, Ellis, Hays, Hill City, Hoisington, Kensington, LaCrosse, Morland, Natoma, Palco, Paradise, Phillipsburg, Plainville, Quinter, Russell, Stockton, Wakeeney, Wilson.

HARPER: September 27, Tuesday, 3:30 p.m.

Arkansas City, Attica, Cheney, Clearwater, Harper, Kingman, Kiowa, Medicine Lodge, Mulvane, Oxford, Pratt, Preston, Pretty Prairie, Udall, Winfield.

CLAY CENTER: September 26, Monday, 3:30 p.m.

Abilene, Barnes, Chapman, Clay Center, Clifton, Greenleaf, Haddam, Hanover, Hope, Linn, Longford, Manhattan, Marysville, Miltonvale, Morrowville, Randolph, Riley, Solomon, Wakefield, Washington, Waterville.

OBERLIN: September 27, Tuesday, 3:30 p.m.

Almena, Atwood, Bird City, Brewster, Colby, Goodland, Hoxie, Jennings, Long Island, McDonald, Norcatur, Norton, Oakley, Oberlin, St. Francis.

DODGE CITY: September 28, Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.

Bazine, Dodge City, Ensign, Ford, Fowler, Garden City, Hanston, Holcomb, Hugoton, Jetmore, Kinsley, Lakin, Leoti, Liberal, Meade, Mullinville, Ness City, Plains, Spearville, Syracuse, Tribune.

HOLTON:

September 27, Tuesday, 3:30 p.m.

Centralia, Effingham, Fairview, Frankfort, Highland, Holton, Hoyt, Meriden, Onaga, Powhattan, Sabetha, St. Marys, Troy, Valley Falls, Wamego, Wetmore.

CHANUTE:

September 27, Tuesday, 3:30 p.m.

Altamont, Altoona, Caney, Chanute, Cherryvale, Coffeyville, Columbus, Elk City, Erie, Eureka, Fort Scott, Fredonia, Girard, Howard, Humboldt, Independence, Iola, McCune, Neodesha, Riverton, St. Paul, Severy, Uniontown, Yates Center.

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FFA CHAPTER NEWS

LIBERAL: Our chapter sold fireworks in a stand for three days this past summer and cleared nearly \$400. Members took turns working in the stand and there was never a shortage of help. An FFA meeting was held once each month and in August a picnic in our City Park was attended by both members and potential members and their families. The chapter also had exhibits at the Five-State Fair and was represented in the various classes of judging.

Clifton Browne, Reporter

EFFINGHAM: Three of our officers attended the Consumers Cooperative Leadership Training Camp June 5-10 as a scholarship trip sponsored by the chapter. Cur chapter held its annual softball game on August 7. All prospective Green Hands were guests. After the game refreshments were served. We entered a float in the Atchison County Fair Parade and received a red ribbon. Chapter members are busy preparing an educational booth for the Mid-America Fair and a schedule of FFA activities during the year. Five FFA officers and our advisor, Mr. Eck, attended the first FFA Leadership Training Camp at Goddard, Kansas.

Billy Falk, Reporter

MERIDEN: Our enrollment is 42 this year, with 38 boys enrolled in vocational agriculture. Some of our plans for this year are for attending the Mid-America Fair at Topeka and the American Royal in Kansas City. At our first all-school assembly we will have the Barnwarming Oueen Contest.

Ray Valdivia, Reporter

HILL CITY: On August 16 our annual father-son watermelon feed was held. All freshmen boys and their fathers were invited. Our advisor explained the advantages and uses of vocational agriculture training. The officers gave reports on various related topics. The principal and superintendent also talked. The 57 acres of wheat on the chapter farm yielded 33 bushels per acre. Two-thirds of this crop went to our chapter, the remaining one-third went to the vocational agriculture department. We have 24 acres of RS 610 milo which looks very promising at this time. The 74 acres of summer fallow has been tilled four times. The one-way and noble blade were used to work this land. This year we moved into our new high school. Our new shop is 47 feet by 76 feet.

Alan Radcliffe, Reporter

COLBY: On our farming program tour this summer we visited the farms of nine members. We also went on a two day fishing trip to the Lake in Scott County, Kansas. Our chapter members participated in the Livestock Judging Contest at the Thomas County Free Fair and at the Rooks County Fair. A new event was opened in the Thomas County Fair in which the FFA boys were able to enter projects which they had made in the ag. shop. The boys entered the following projects: 2 four-wheel trailers. 2 gates, a tractor, 2 feed bunks, head gate, cattle chute, hay bunk, 2 feed troughs, and a salt feeder.

Jerry Franz, Reporter

ALMENA: In May, 18 of our members and 5 adults went on a two-day fishing trip to the Kirwin Lake. In July the members spent an evening at the swimming pool at Norton. After the swimwe attended the drive-in movie. Our

annual watermelon feed was August 22. Mr. Bell, our superintendent was our guest along with 11 new freshmen. We are planning our FFA school carnival for this month. Our local implement dealer is helping us with a farm machinery display for the carnival. The display will be in front of the school building. We are BIRD CITY: Nine FFA members, two sending five members to the National FFA Convention at Kansas City in October. While there, they plan to spend a day at the American Royal.

Walt Whitney, Reporter

SIMPSON: We are again operating a seed germination service this fall for the farmers in this area. With wheat and barley drilling season fast approaching, knowledge of germination of seed wheat and barley becomes extremely important. Poor germination can cause the undoing of a very careful tillage operation in crop production. The chapter makes no charge business meeting we all adjourned to the for this service. Seed samples are left at the vocational agriculture building or are given to any FFA member.

Vernon Adams, Reporter

We built a sheep dipping vat INMAN: with used metal from old oil storage tanks. The vat was placed on an old car running gears. Pipe was used to construct draining pens and angle iron and 1" x 12" boards were used to construct the ramps. Three boys operated the dipping vat in the community. They charged 12 1/2 cents per head for over 100 sheep and 15 cents for under 100 sheep. The boys used Fenatox as a dip which was purchased from the local veter-new school year has become a special inary. Eight FFA boys showed their livestock at the McPherson County Fair in Canton this year. Forty-six head of livestock were shown by the Inman FFA boys and they received 39 blue ribbons.

They also received \$2.00 for placing 2nd in judging. Our chapter will sell Solar Light bulbs and mixed nuts to raise money for our chapter this year.

Ronnie Pauls, Reporter

parents, and our advisor journeyed to Sappa State Lake at Oberlin, Kansas for our annual fishing trip in June. Our float for the Bird City Day Parade brought out the first two lines of the FFA motto -"Learning to do, Doing to learn." On August 16 our chapter was represented by four members and our advisor at the Northwest Kansas Free Fair in Goodland in the Livestock Judging Contest. The group brought home first place trophy together with first and second high individual medals. On August 25 a meeting was held in honor of the incoming freshmen vo-ag students. After a short shop for a watermelon feed. Eight Green Hands and 10 Chapter Farmers will receive degrees at a special meeting early in October. The official Green Hand ceremony is to be memorized and given by a set of sophomore officers who have been elected by the class. A freshmen parent meeting is planned in conjunction with these degree ceremonies. This year for the first time the chapter sold and will be distributing FFA calendars for a local sponsor as part of their fund raising activities.

Robert Lillich, Reporter

HIGHLAND: The first meeting of the one for the Highland FFA. To this meeting we invite all prospective members from the entering freshmen class and their parents. We plan a program that will be instructive for them concerning

what they will learn in FFA and vocational agriculture. Then we treat them to
a watermelon feed. At this same meeting we made arrangements for some of
the members to attend the tested boar
sale to be held in St. Joseph, Missouri.
They were instructed to buy a tested boar.
He will be used by the chapter farmers
and rented out to others. We have done
this before and it made quite a little
money for our chapter.

Tom Smith, Reporter

OXFORD: We had a watermelon feed on August 8 with 18 members of the chapter present. This year we have 30 students enrolled in vocational agriculture. We all plan to attend the State Fair at Hutchinson on September 19. We are preparing to attend the leadership school. The chapter plans to operate a concession stand at the football and basketball games to raise money for this years activities. We also have a squeeze chute available for rent in the community.

Phil Deets, Reporter

ABILENE: Our summer FFA meeting was held on July 29. We had as our guests the prospective freshmen students. We swam, played basketball and had refreshments at the City Park. We have the following activities planned for Sept. and October: a meeting for freshmen students and their parents, a trip to the Mid-America Fair at Topeka, and our annual parent-son picnic. We are planning our FFA Barnwarmer for October and we will crown our FFA queen at that time.

LaVern Myers, Reporter

DELPHOS: Two of our officers attended the first State FFA Leadership Training Camp held at Lake Afton. They reported a very busy week-end had been planned for those attending. Eight members showed farm mechanics projects at the Ottawa County Fair. Two members won blue ribbons on a picnic table and a loading chute. An officers' meeting was held on August 9 to plan some of our fall activities. On August 29 we held our annual watermelon feed for all boys attending high school and the men faculty members.

Larry Kline, Reporter

KINSLEY: During the summer months most of the boys showed their fat stock and crops at the Edwards County Fair. We also had an exhibit of some of the projects made in shop the past year. At the August officers' meeting it was decided to begin the year with a picnic supper and watermelon feed. All the members and the incoming freshmen and their families were invited. Several of the boys are planning on showing stock at the Fat Stock Show in Wichita next month.

Tim Werner, Reporter

BURLINGTON: Our chapter has had two meetings this summer. At our July meeting we had a business meeting, election of officers, a demonstration, and some talks. In August we met with our prospective freshmen, had a watermelon feed, and had the installation of officers. There are 31 members in FFA this year. Our Coffey County Fair was held August 29-31. Ronnie VanValkenburg showed the grand champion baby

beef and Jerry Sowders the reserve champion. Ronnie also placed top in the judging contest. Both Jerry and Ronnie are members of our chapter. We are planning a tour of all our FFA members farms to see their farming programs.

Ron VanValkenburg, Reporter

SPEAR VILLE: Twenty-three members and our advisor spent a three day camping trip at Scott County Lake during the summer. Chapter member C. E. McKee won 2nd place in the wheat show in Wichita with his Bison variety. There were 414 entries. Twenty-nine students are enrolled in vocational agriculture. The chapter members plan to attend the Kansas State Fair on September 18. Four members are also attending the Oklahoma State Fair in Oklahoma City. Grass and weeds were kept cut this summer around our "welcome" signs on the edge of town.

Ronald Sanko, Reporter

ALMA: This year there are 35 members enrolled in vocational agriculture, including 8 freshmen. During the summer the officers went to the Officers Camp near Wichita. We held one regular meeting, and had a watermelon feed and a swimming party with a Mulligan stew feed afterwards. We are going to enter a booth at the Mid-America Fair this year and are planning to attend. As a money making project, we are going to sell ads for the football programs.

Alan Winkler, Reporter

BLUE MOUND: We held our first FFA meeting of the school year on Friday night, September 9. New officers were elected and the FFA Foundation Awards

were discussed. The freshmen boys were invited and a watermelon feed followed the meeting. Our chapter attended FFA Day at the Mid-America Fair. In cooperation with the school district our chapter intends to carry out a swine feeding operation this year as a fund raising and educational activity. The money to start the project was approved and budgeted by the School Board. We intend to buy ten weanling pigs and feed them to market weight. They will be kept as close to the school as possible. It is our hope we can fatten two groups during the school year. Grain will be purchased locally. We are grateful to the Linn County Co-op, as they have agreed to furnish free of charge all the protein supplement needed for the first group of pigs.

Ed Murrow, Reporter

McCUNE: On August 12 the six new officers of our chapter went to the first State FFA Camp on the shores of Lake Afton west of Wichita, Kansas. At the camp each boy had fun at the swimming and organized recreation as well as learning a lot of new information to bring back to his chapter. On August 18 our chapter held its annual watermelon feed. We met at our school and had a meeting especially for the freshmen to get them acquainted with the FFA. Then we adjourned the meeting and went to our park to eat watermelon. At the County Fair this summer we made quite a good showing by placing first with a hog house, two 4-wheeled trailers, an air compressor and a cattle feeder. Twenty boys from the chapter and some of their dads attended FFA Day at the Mid-America Fair on September 10.

Tim Houseweart, Reporter

UNIONTOWN: Our chapter entered a float in the Labor Day Parade in Uniontown. We also operated the popcorn concessions during the Labor Day activities. Our freshmen welcome party was held September 12. Our advisor and 5 boys plan to attend the National FFA Convention in October. Six chapter officers and the advisor attended the first FFA Leadership Camp at Camp Fellowship near Goddard, Kansas. Three officers' meetings were held during the summer for the purpose of planning chapter activities. A chapter swimming and fishing party was held in July at the Allen-Bourbon County Lake. Our chapter achievement meeting was held in cooperation with the other school organizations during the month of May. Awards were given in the following areas: farm enterprise, FFA, farming program, Star Chapter Farmer, Star Green Hand, pest hunt, and the Dekalb farming program. Tours were conducted last spring to determine the farming program award winners. We have 56 enrolled in vocational agriculture and FFA.

Dale Guder, Reporter

GIRARD: Several of our members participated in the Crawford County Fair. We displayed a shop exhibit which included a mineral box, sheep feeder, hay bunk, wagon running gears, and a freshmen exhibit of shop skills. Five of the officers attended the Leadership Camp at Camp Fellowship. All the officers enjoyed the camp very much and gained a lot of ideas that they brought back to use in our chapter. We held a stag watermelon feed in August for the members and our dads. The freshmen and their dads, the faculty and board members were invited. Colored slides were shown and a short discussion of

vocational agriculture and FFA followed. Our department has 40 boys enrolled this year.

Jerry Hudson, Reporter

BELOIT: We held an officers' meeting on August 15. Plans were made for our booth at the Mitchell County Fair. Several boys had exhibits in crops, livestock, and equipment at the Mitchell County Fair. Five members and our advisor attended the Meats Judging School in Wichita on July 21. Our annual potluck supper-watermelon feed was held August 27 at the Beloit City Park. This years freshmen ag. boys, all the dads and the men faculty were guests. Plans have been made to conduct a seed testing service for the boys in the chapter and the farmers of the community. We are also making preparations for the Beloit Leadership School and plans have been made to enter the State Meats Judging Contest.

Lee Nicholson, Reporter

TRIBUNE: In August our chapter had its annual watermelon feed and swimming party. There were about 30 members present. At our last official meeting we appointed committees for our annual FFA and Home Ec. box supper and barnwarmer. All officers enjoyed a trip to the mountains. On this trip we saw much of the scenic views of the Rocky Mountains. In the latter part of August our officers enjoyed seeing the Colorado State Fair which is held in Pueblo, Colorado. We have 44 boys enrolled in vocational agriculture this year.

Paul Woolfolk, Jr., Reporter

FRANKFORT: Our members went on a fishing trip to the Nemaha County State Lake. The fishing was not too good, but everyone enjoyed himself. Three of our officers and our advisor attended the Leadership Camp near Wichita on August 12-15. As our chapter lost to the Marysville FFA Chapter in our Pest Control Contest, we provided a weiner roast for them in the Frankfort Park on August 25. August 28 we held a watermelon feed for incoming freshmen to explain vocational agriculture and the FFA to them. This year we have 37 enrolled in vocational agriculture.

Ed Wilson, Reporter

In our shop we are constructing these projects: picnic tables, feed bunks, a harrow hauler, and some horse trailers. of work was discussed and our advisor Last May four of the Chapter Farmers competed in the National Land Judging Contest and finished ninth. We are at present preparing for the District Leader- and shop department are being made by ship School. Also we are in preparation for the District Land Judging Contest at Dodge City.

Doug Brown, Reporter

During the summer the FFA OBERLIN: boys had three meetings. One of the meetings was a swimming party at the Oberlin swimming pool. At the start of the school year the annual watermelon feed was held in the ag. shop with the new freshmen boys as guests. Our FFA boys worked four days on painting the high school grandstand at the Oberlin football field. On August 12-15 our officers traveled to the State FFA Leader-the process of selling magazines as our ship School at Camp Fellowship near Goddard, Kansas. Several stops were made along the way at points of interest. One stop was at the Hays Experiment Station to observe experiments being

conducted at the station. Another was made at the Engles Hatchery south of Hays. On the way home from Camp Fellowship the officers stopped at Pratt, Kansas to see the fish hatchery.

Dale Brockhausen, Reporter

HUGOTON: "Meade Lake here we come" was on the tongues of some 20 FFA members and sponsors this past July. We fished and went swimming the first afternoon and camped that night. This summer our chapter was visited by a vocational agriculture teacher from New York state. While in Hugoton he visited our shop and some farming programs of members. Our chapter is always happy to have out-of-state or home town visitors At the August FFA meeting the program stated that as of next year the Stevens County Fair will include a FFA livestock division. Entries for this years crops several members. Chapter officers were glad to learn that our milk selling machine has finally gotten into the black side of the ledger. The machine showed a net profit of \$100 for this past year.

Loren Zabel, Reporter

MEADE: Three of our officers attended the State Leadership Camp held at Goddard. We held our last summer meeting August 25 at the City Park where we showed the film "Four Star Farmers of '59." The guests included our parents, school board, administration, honorary members, and faculty. We are now in annual and largest money project. With the money, the chapter intends to send five members to the National FFA Convention and American Royal. Plans are being made to take part in various FFA

judging schools and contests throughout the year. We are getting ready for the Range Judging School put on by the Soil Conservation District. We are interested in what other chapters are doing for activities and would appreciate different ideas, especially in the "program of work" area.

John Lemaster, Reporter

ALTOONA: This summer we had four officers' meetings and two chapter meetings. We had a watermelon feed at which 43 attended. We invited all the men faculty, prospective new members, their fathers and our own fathers. We started a pig ring this summer and already four boys have a start in the pig business. Lately we have been working on projects, cleaning them up, and getting them ready for the Wilson County Fair and the Topeka Fair. We showed four projects at the Fredonia Fair along with our educational booth on farm safety. We plan to take the farm mechanics exhibit to the Topeka Fair along with our educational booth.

Kelley Starbuck, Reporter

LaCYGNE: Our department began the year with 27 boys enrolled in vocational agriculture. The week before school started we had a watermelon feed for the freshmen. Our chapter attended FFA Day at the Mid-America Fair in Topeka on September 10. Parents night will be held October 11. Initiation of Green Hand and Chapter Farmers will be held then. Work is well under way on the construction of street signs to be erected in La Cygne. The project is being financed by contributions from the townspeople.

WILSON: Our chapter held an FFA safety meeting and barbecue at our June meeting. For money making projects, we held an FFA dance on the tennis courts and sold refreshments, had a trash haul, and are now planning for another dance. At a recent meeting we discussed the idea of starting a saddle club. We are now trying to get all our FFA boys interested. Also, at our meetings we usually show an interesting film. We are now going to overhaul old motors to learn more about farm mechanics.

Darrell Steinle, Reporter

HOISINGTON: We started the fall semester with a watermelon feed for our dads and new members. We had good attendance and the games were enjoyed by all. We used some of the games that our officers learned at the State FFA Camp. Our freshman class is studying the planting of wheat and seed selection. Our sophomore class is studying feeds and feeding. They took a field trip to a commercial feed yard and are scheduled to visit a milling company that formulates and mixes feeds for most of our dairy farmers in this area. We are working on our program of work and are planning to win the Superior Chapter rating. Some of our highlights of this fall semester will be a parent meeting, a chili feed, and a barnwarmer dance. We are planning to take over the care and management of the SCS grass drill for a cooperative project and to earn money for our chapter. Our milk machine is in operation and the students are starting to patronize it with their lunches during the noon hour.

Richard Teagarden, Reporter

Jim Byers, Reporter