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FFA CALENDAR

STATE FARMER CANDIDATES: State Farmer applications should be expressed or mailed parcel post first-class to F. R. Carpenter, State Board for Vocational Education, State Office Building, Topeka, Kansas, not later than February 1, 1958.

AMERICAN FARMER CANDIDATES: Declaration of intention to submit a candidate or candidates for the American Farmer Degree should be mailed immediately to Assistant Supervisor L. E. Whipps, State Board for Vocational Education, State Office Building, Topeka, Kansas.

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HIGH INDIVIDUALS IN THE 1957 DISTRICT FFA LEADERSHIP SCHOOLS



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Larry Marken Seaman



William Martin Herington



Barton Bigge Stockton



Wallace Wolf, Jr. Arkansas City



Leroy Fortner Fredonia



Charles Langford Manhattan



Gary Eilrich Ellsworth



Charles Schaller Kinsley



Larry Croisant Simpson



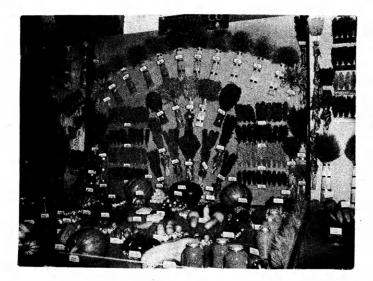
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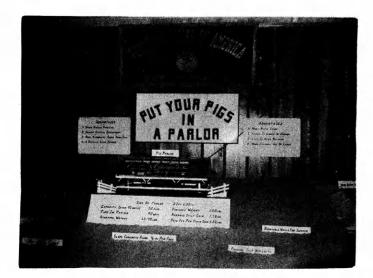


Ramon Aberle Sabetha





The Grand Champion county booth at the State Fair at Hutchinson in 1957 was prepared by the Minneapolis FFA Chapter. Selected grain bundles from this booth were shown at the International World Trade Fair at Cologne, Germany this fall. First place Farm Mechanics display at Hutchinson was shown by the Hillsboro FFA Chapter. Shown above are chapter members, Allen Hiebert and Roger Hiebert and Advisor Truman Diener with some of the exhibit projects.



Top education booth at the Kansas Free Fair at Topeka in 1957 was shown by the Hiawatha Chapter. The theme used was "Put your pigs in a Parlor".



The Highland Chapter won 1st place in the Farm Mechanics displays at Topeka. Shown above with the arc welder, which was a part of the exhibit, are Fred Cluck, Lowell Burchett, advisor, and Galen Weiland.



Last January the Oberlin Chapter netted over \$100. for the March of Dimes with their campaign to "Shell out for Polio". Shown here are Superintendent Mahon and chapter members Vyrl Rush and Charles Kelley.



The Arkansas City Chapter won Gold Emblem in the National Chapter award program in 1957. They also won first place in the State FFA Information Contest in 1957. Pictured here are: Dr. Jerry Vineyard, Superintendent of Schools, Harold Walker, FFA advisor and Eldon Eastman, Chapter president.



Twenty members of the LaCygne Chapter displayed 83 grain exhibits at their annual grain show last fall. The above chapter members took a leading part in making this show successful. They are: Howard Reece, Junior Creager, Bill Rhynerson and John Teagarden.



High FFA individuals at the S.W. Land Judging Contest last spring at Coldwater were the members shown above: L.toR. Tom Scott, Kinsley; J. W. McGhee, Kiowa; Ronnie Lohrding, Coldwater; Max Schooley, Kiowa; and Varlyn Goodson, Kinsley.

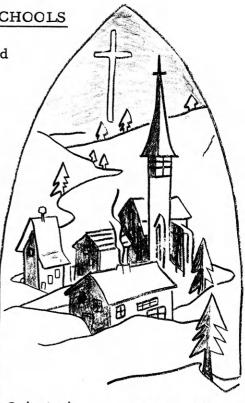
1957 DISTRICT FFA LEADERSHIP SCHOOLS

The 1957 District FFA Leadership Schools were held in eleven centers.

The purposes of these schools were as follows: (1) ritualistic improvements; (2) broaden knowledge of the FFA; (3) exchange of ideas on building and executing worthwhile programs of work.

As a result of a high percentage of attendance and participation on the part of local FFA officers in the eleven District FFA Leadership Schools, the Kansas Association is proud to report that approximately 100% of the local chapters can "Open and Close" an FFA meeting in a highly creditable manner.

The schools were organized in such a manner as to give maximum emphasis to boy participation. Much credit for the success of the 1957 FFA Leadership Schools must be given to the state FFA officers who assisted, local FFA advisors, and the local chapters assigned special roles on the program.



Christmas Greetings

With one exception, the District FFA Leadership Schools were planned to begin at 3:30 p.m. and to close promptly at 9:00 p.m. All assignments were made early in the school year. Chapters were given an opportunity to indicate preferences in building the program. Chapter wishes were followed insofar as it was found feasible. The following program for the Lawrence District FFA Leadership School is typical.

Assignments 1957 FFA Leadership Schools

Host Chapter: Lawrence - Place - High School

Date and Time: October 7, 1957 - 3:30 p.m.

Order of Business:

- 1. Host chapter opens meeting with official opening ceremony.
- 2. Host chapter conducts roll call of chapters.
- 3. Welcome by Superintendent or Principal of host chapter.
- 4. Opening and closing ritual contest all chapters urged to participate.
- 5. FFA information contest all chapters urged to participate. Officers only eligible to compete.

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- 6. Talk by State FFA Officer.
- 7. Parliamentary Procedure Demonstration Blue Mound chapter.
- 8. Recital of the FFA Creed David Hill Berryton chapter.
- 9. Demonstrate the Proper Use of the Gavel Rossville chapter.
- Members of each office meet as a group. Each officer be prepared to present ideas from his chapter. An advisor will meet with each group.
 Officer groups and suggested discussion topics follow:

1957 Leadership Schools (continued)

<u>Presidents</u>: Duties of Presidents - Program of work - How it is built. Committee responsibilities and check on performance.

<u>Vice-Presidents:</u> Duties of Vice-Presidents - Calendar of activities. Outstanding activity last year - Planned for current year.

<u>Secretaries</u>: Duties of secretaries. Chapter records. Plan for acquainting members with State and National FFA activities. Planning and holding chapter meetings.

<u>Treasurers</u>: Duties of Treasurers. Plans for raising chapter funds. Financing Parent-Son Banquets.

<u>Reporters</u>: Duties of Reporters. How to let the school, community and State know what the FFA is doing. How to bring news of other chapters before our members.

<u>Sentinels</u>: Duties of Sentinels. Proper set up of equipment in meeting room. How to welcome visitors.

- 11. Awards
- 12. Close

Host chapter will look after arrangements such as: welcome from Superintendent or Principal, meeting place, arrangements for eats, FFA paraphernalia, etc.

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The following rankings will be of interest to all FFA members and advisors who attended a leadership school, and should prove of interest to all Future Farmer members.

The high 24 individuals in the State in the FFA Information Contest

lst	Larry Marken, Seaman Chapter	93 points
2nd	Bill Martin, Herington Chapter	92 points
3rd	Barton Bigge, Stockton Chapter	91 points
3rd	Donald Will, Herington Chapter	91 points
5th	Leroy Fortner, Fredonia Chapter	89 points
5th	Wallace Wolf, Jr., Arkansas City Chapter	89 points
5th	Lynn Wait, Natoma Chapter	89 points
8th	Darryl Blakerd, Altoona Chapter	88 points
8th	Ronnie Poor, Chanute Chapter	88 points
8th	Earl Ochampaugh, Stockton Chapter	88 points
8th	Bob Hunt, Arkansas City Chapter	88 points
8th	Charles Langford, Manhattan Chapter	88 points
8th	Gary Eilrich, Ellsworth Chapter	88 points
l4th	Bill Edwards, Highland Park Chapter	87 points
l4th	Gary Hunter, Wilson Chapter	87 points
l4th	Harold Nagle, Natoma Chapter	87 points
l4th	Raymond Steenback, Longford Chapter	87 points
18th	Lowell Kehloff, Herington Chapter	86 points
18th	Charles Schaller, Kinsley Chapter	86 points
18th	Pat Koons, Williamsburg Chapter	86 points
18th	Darrell Priddy, Seaman Chapter	86 points
18th	Jack Weaver, Neodesha Chapter	86 points
18th	Denny McKale, Longford Chapter	86 points
24th	Gary Reynolds, Neodesha Chapter	85 points

Total possible points in the 1957 Information Contest equalled 100. From the individual scores listed it is evident that the FFA Leadership School is attaining the second purpose listed.

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The high 13 chapters in the State in the FFA Information Contest

lst	Arkansas City, Harold Walker, Advisor	499 points
2nd	Seaman, Marvin Smith, Advisor	492 points
3rd	Herington, Darrel Mounkes, Advisor	479 points
4th	Longford, Eugene Walker, Advisor	468 points
5th	Neodesha, Wayne Coltrain, Advisor	467 points
6th	Ellsworth, Lester Crandall, Advisor	465 points
7th	Chanute, Charles Carter, Jr., Advisor	453 points
8th	Fredonia, Norman Haigh, Advisor	452 points
9th	Caney, Ralph Field, Advisor	451 points
lOth	Wilson, Fred Simmons, Advisor	450 points
llth	Burlingame, Richard Weiser, Advisor	447 points
12th	Natoma, R. B. Feldkamp, Advisor	443 points
12th	Altoona, John Davis, Advisor	443 points

RANKINGS BY DISTRICTS

The following rankings give the high five individuals, the high five chapters in the FFA Information Contest, the Gold Emplem Chapters in the FFA Ritual Contest, and the Master Ritual Team for each of the eleven District FFA Leadership Schools.

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High Individuals - FFA Information Contest

Placing	Contestant	Chapter	Points
lst	Larry Croisant	Simpson	83
2nd	Richard Heiman	Beloit	80
3rd	Jim Kadel	Beloit	79
4th	Audrey Straun	Simpson	74
4th	Lynn Myer	Minneapolis	74

High Chapters - Information Contest

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contes

Placing	Chapter	Points	
lst	Beloit	409	Beloit
2nd	Simpson	403	Osborne
3rd	Minneapolis	371	Simpson
4th	Smith Center	370	Minneapolis
5th	Scandia	329	

Master Ritual Team

President	Jim Kadel	Beloit
Vice-President	Richard Heiman	Beloit
Secretary	Marvin Prochaska	Simpson
Treasury	Mike Cady	Scandia
Reporter	Charles Simpson	Osborne
Sentinel	Stephen Hale	Osborne

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BUHLER

High Individuals - FFA Information Contest

Placing	Contestant	Chapter	Points
lst	Gary Eilrich	Ellsworth	88
2nd	Gary Harmon	Ellsworth	82
3rd	Ronnie Suaty	Ellsworth	80
4th	Ken Kohls	Ellsworth	78
5th	Allen Hiebert	Hillsboro	74
5th	Delvin Haase	Ellsworth	74

High Chapters - Information Contest

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Conte

Placing	Chapter	Points	
lst	Ellsworth	465	Ellsworth
2nd	Salina	398	Little River
3rd	Inman	367	Salina
4th	Little River	363	Partridge
5th	McPherson	354	

Master Ritual Team

President	Ken Krauter	Partridge
Vice-President	Allan Miller	Buhler
Secretary	John Davies	Partridge
Treasury	Delvin Haase	Ellsworth
Reporter	Gary Zerbe	Salina
Sentinel	Robert Lowe	Ellsworth

CLAY CENTER

High Individuals - Information Contest

Placing Contestant Chapter Points lst Charles Langford Manhattan 88 2nd Raymond Steenback Longford 87 3rd Denny McKale Longford 86 4th Larry Einhour Solomon 82 5th Curtis Gardner Clay Center 81



High Chapters -	-	Information	Contest
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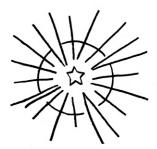
Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Conte

oints
58 Longford
38 Waterville
33 Clay Center
75 Linn
52

Master Ritual Team

President Vice-President Secretary Treasury Reporter Sentinel Denny McKale Bill Riley Leon Mills Bennie Bryer Bob Blaser Forrest Stewart

Longford Washington Chapman Solomon Waterville Clay Center



High Individuals - Information Contest

Placing	Contestant	Chapter	Points
lst	Charles Schaller	Kinsley	86
2nd	Ralph Young	Tribune	84
3rd	Duke Stewart	Tribune	79
4th	Melvin Abbott	Tribune	78
5th	Ernest Bennett	Coldwater	74

DODGE CITY

High Chapters - Information Contest

hapter Points
ribune 435
insley 391
akin 330
oldwater 318
azine 315
arden City 306

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Conte

Tribune
Lakin
Garden City
Jetmore
Ness City
Liberal
Meade

Master Ritual Team

President Vice-President Secretary Treasury Reporter Sentinel



Darrel Kleeman Melvin Abbott Stanley Werner Ken Pittman Don Demoret Daryl Loeppke Lakin Tribune Kinsley Liberal Jetmore Lakin



High Individuals - Information Contest

Placing	Contestant	Chapter	Points
lst	Bill Martin	Herington	92
2nd	Donald Will	Herington	91
3rd	Lowell Kohlopp	Herington	86
4th	Benny Grueber	Herington	83
5th	Johnny Seastron	Burlingame	79

EMPORIA

High Chapters - Information Contest

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contes

Placing	Chapter	Points	
lst	Herington	479	Herington
2nd	Burlingame	447	Emporia
3rd	Alma	410	Cottonwood Falls
4th	Lebo	386	Alma
5th	Emporia	384	Burlingame

Master Ritual Team

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FREDONIA

High Individuals - Information Contest

Placing	Contestant	Chapter	Points
lst	Leroy Fortner	Fredonia	89
2nd	Ronny Poor	Chanute	88
2nd	Darryl Blakerd	Altoona	88
3rd	Jack Weaver	Neodesha	86
4th	Gary Reynolds	Neodesha	85

High Chapters - Information Contest

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contes

Placing	Chapter	Points	
Flacing	Chapter	Fonts	Fredonia
lst	Neodesha	467	Neodesha
2nd	Chanute	453	Cherryvale
3rd	Fredonia	452	Chanute
4th	Caney	451	Caney
5th	Ottawa	443	Eureka

Master Ritual Team

President Vice-President Secretary Treasury Reporter Sentinel Larry Scheibmeir Gary Shue Lee Walker Vernon Banzet Gary Reynolds Bernard Gerstenkorn Yates Center Fredonia Cherryvale Altamont Neodesha Cherryvale



HARPER

High Individuals - Information Contest

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Placing	Contestant	Chapter	Points
lst	Wallace Wolf, Jr.	Arkansas City	89
2nd	Bob Hunt	Arkansas City	88
3rd	Gary Potter	Arkansas City	84
4th	Eldon Eastman	Arkansas City	83
5th	Neil Brown	Arkansas City	79



High Chapters	gh Chapters - Information Contest		Go
Placing	Chapter	Points	
lst	Arkansas City	499	
2nd	Pretty Prairie	344	
3rd	Udall	32.5	
4th	Kingman	322	
5th	Winfield	318	

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contes

Arkansas City Winfield Udall Kingman

Master Ritual Team

President	Eldon Eastman	Arkansas City
Vice-President	Bill French	Pretty Prairie
Secretary	John Dicken	Winfield
Treasury	Kenneth Baxter	Arkansas City
Reporter	Larry Schwintz	Winfield
Sentinel	Larry Herbers	Winfield

HOLTON



High Individuals - Information Contest

Placing	Contestant	Chapter	Points
lst	Ramon Aberle	Sabetha	78
lst	Elton Aberle	Sabetha	78
2nd	Lawrence Schrader	Effingham	75
3rd	Larry Sunderland	Powhattan	73
3rd	Bill Michler	Sabetha	73
4th	J. D. Gordon	Frankfort	72
5th	Wallace Rayfield	Effingham	70
5th	Larry Beer	Sabetha	70

High Chapters - Information Contest

Placing Points Chapter lst Sabetha 422 Effingham 373 2nd Frankfort 350 3rd 333 4th Highland Troy 329 5th

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contes

Master Ritual Team

President Vice-President Secretary Treasurer Reporter Sentinel Harold King Theron Falley Lawrence Schrader Chester Westergart Larry Sunderland Ronnie Alley Westmoreland Wetmore Effingham Wamego Powhattan Holton



High Individuals - Information Contest

Placing	Contestant		Chapter	Points	
lst	Larry Marken		Seaman	93	
2nd	Bill Edwards		Highland Park	87	
3rd	Pat Koons		Williamsburg	86	
3rd	Darrell Priddy		Seaman	86	
4th	Richard Landess		Ottawa	84	
4th	Bill Hermann		Seaman	84	
5th	Bill Thompson	• •	Seaman	79	
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LAWRENCE

High Chapters - Information Contest

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contes

Placing	Chapter	Points	
lst	Seaman	492	Lawrence
2nd	Ottawa	432	Seaman
3rd	Williamsburg	426	Ottawa
4th	Highland Park	414	Shawnee Mission
5th	Washburn	390	Washburn
5th	Silver Lake	390	

Master Ritual Team

President	Harold Mitchell	
Vice-President	Dick Duer	
Secretary	Steven Robb	
Treasurer	Bill McNish	
	Darrel Priddy	
Reporter	George Wendt	
Sentinel	Bill Herman	

Lawrence Shawnee Mission Lawrence Ottawa Seaman Bonner Springs Seaman

OBERLIN

High Individuals - Information Contest

Placing	Contestant	Chapter	Points	
lst	Gilbert Graham	Almena	82	
2nd	Dave Ashley	Almena	81	
3rd	Jared Combs	Almena	80	
4th	David Cox	Long Island	75	
5th	Herb Shirley	Norcatur	73	
5th	Dean Esslinger	Norton	73	

High Chapters - Information Contest

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contes

Placing	Chapters	Points	
lst	Almena	426	Almena
2nd	Long Island	402	Goodland
3rd	Norcatur	378	Oberlin
4th	Oberlin	352	Quinter
5th	Norton	326	St. Francis

Master Ritual Team

Arvid Hawk	Norton
Jay Mann	Quinter
Larry McMullen	Norton
Dave Ashley	Almena
Norbert Zander	Oberlin
Ronnie Trachsell	Goodland
	Jay Mann Larry McMullen Dave Ashley Norbert Zander

PLAINVILLE

High Individuals - Information Contest

Contestant	Chapter	Points
Barton Bigge	Stockton	91
Lynn Wait	Natoma	89
Earl Ochampaugh	Stockton	88
Gary Hunter	Wilson	87
Harold Nagee	Natoma	87
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High Chapters - Information Contest

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contes

Placing	Chapter	Points	
lst	Wilson	450	Phillipsburg
2nd	Natoma	443	Stockton
3rd	Stockton	435	La Crosse
4th	Wakeeney	355	Natoma
5th	Paradise	350	

Master Ritual Team

President	Earl Ochampaugh	Stockton
Vice-President	Eric Haberer	Paradise
Secretary	Kenny Brown	Plainville
Treasurer	Gene Stitham	Palco
Reporter	Larry Oborny	La Crosse
Sentinel	Caroldean Stenzel	Wakeeney

	Total	Average	Highest	Highest	Total	Average
Leadership	High 5	High 5	Individual	Chapter	High 5	High 5
Schools	Chapters	Chapters	Score	Score	Boys	Boys
Fredónia	2266	453	89	467	436	87
Lawrence	2154	431	93	492	436	87
Emporia	2106	421	92	479	431	86
Plainville	2033	407	91	450	442	88
Clay Center	1966	393	88	468	424	85
Buhler	1947	389	88	465	402	80
Oberlin	1884	377	82	426	391	78
Beloit	1882	376	83	409	390	78
Harper	1808	362	89	499	423	85
Holton	1807	361	78	422	377	75
Dodge City	1789	358	86	435	401	80

The following FFA members contributed to the success of the District FFA Leadership Schools by reciting the FFA creed.

> Donald Buchanan, Washburn Chapter Neil Hackerott, Lebanon Chapter Bob Krehbiel, McPherson Chapter Larry Ringel, Alma Chapter Allen Stamper, Plainville Chapter John Baird, Arkansas City Chapter Larry Scripter, Longford Chapter Jan Flora, Quinter Chapter Larry Huck, Coldwater Chapter Douglas Dechairo, Westmoreland Chapter Richard Speer, Elk City Chapter

As a persons knowledge of the Future Farmers of America increases his respect for the organization also grows. FFA officers and advisors are often not adequately informed concerning the FFA. Performance of the opening and closing ritual, constitute a "Show Window" of the FFA organization. It is important that all performances be on a high standard.

At the 1957 leadership schools, a part of the program consisted of the respective officer groups meeting separately and discussing their problems under the direction of advisors who had prepared materials for these meetings.

Most of the FFA advisors did a fine job in coaching their members who were scheduled for parts in the District Schools. A satisfactory standard can be maintained only by cooperation on the part of the local FFA advisor in selecting assignments, and in preparing individuals and teams for superior presentation of assignments. One of the purposes of the Leadership School is to stimulate each officer to perform on a high plane the duties and responsibilities of his office.

The State office staff wish to express their appreciation for the fine spirit of cooperation evidenced in each of the eleven districts in which FFA Leadership Schools were held.

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CAN YOU USE THESE FILMS

This office 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 1 copy (black and white)

Schedule your showings early so that you can have the film when you need it. Some of these films are supplied by companies. If we report that they have not been used we may not be able to borrow them for future years.

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.

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FFA CHAPTER EXHIBITS AT 1957 FAIRS

FFA exhibits at both the Kansas Free Fair at Topeka and the State Fair at Hutchinson attracted wide and favorable attention. The following rankings were given the competing chapters:

AT THE KANSAS FREE FAIR, TOPEKA

Chapter Booth Exhibits - Placings Follow:

- lst Hiawatha, Ralph Arnold, Advisor Theme: Put your pigs in a parlor
- 2nd Lawrence, Roy Cropp and Walter Gehlbach, Advisors Theme: The winged menace
- 3rd Burlingame, Richard Weiser, Advisor Theme: Grub Control
- 4th Sabetha, Raymond Hackler, Advisor Theme: Poor management to profit with soil conservation
- 5th Powhattan, Melvin Casey, Advisor Theme: Conserve your soil
- 6th Rossville, Ira Williams, Advisor Theme: King wheat may be dethroned
- 7th Alma, James Marstall, Advisor Theme: Plug those losses
- 8th Silver Lake, Dean Prochaska, Advisor Theme: Pig parlors
- 9th Effingham, Roy Eck, Advisor Theme: Incorporated farmers
- 10th Marion, Robert Stephens, Advisor Theme: Hybrid sorghums

Farm Mechanics Exhibits:

- lst Highland, Lowell Burchett, Advisor
- 2nd Lawrence, Roy Cropp and Walter Gehlbach, Advisors
- 3rd Erie, Harold Van Cleave, Advisor
- 4th Burlingame, Richard Weiser, Advisor
- 5th Marion, Robert Stephens, Advisor
- 6th Powhattan, Melvin Casey, Advisor
- 7th Berryton, Thomas Morris, Advisor
- 8th Harveyville, Lowell Satterlee, Advisor
- 9th Alma, James Marstall, Advisor
- 10th Fairview, Clifford Elliott, Advisor

AT THE KANSAS STATE FAIR - HUTCHINSON

Booth Exhibits:

Central Area:

lst place - Ottawa County (also Grand Champion Booth) Prepared by the Minneapolis Chapter, Carl Stauffer, Advisor

Western Area:

lst place - Comanche County Prepared by Coldwater Chapter, L. E. Melia, Advisor

Farm Mechanics Exhibits:

Placing	Chapter	Advisor
lst	Hillsboro	Truman Diener
2nd	Ellsworth	Lester Crandall
3rd	Salina	William Smith
4th	Bazine	Edward Brenner
5th	Kingman	Virgil Lake
6th	Buhler	J. A. Johnson
7th	Pretty Prairie	Powell Heide
8th	Wilson	Fred Simmons
9th	Ellinwood	John Cragun
lOth	Lakin	Dean Hoppas

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STATE FFA MEATS CONTEST - WICHITA

Placing	Chapter	Advisor	Total Points
1	P = 1 = 14	T D	1105
lst	Beloit	Lee Doyen	1125
2nd	Kinsley	Harold Blackwell	1086
3rd	Lawrence	Roy Cropp and	1032
		Walter Gehlbach	
4th	Sedan	Albert Maddux	1024
5th	Winfield	John Lowe and	,960
		Lewis Eggenberger	
6th	Mulvane	Francis Shoup	948
7th	Parsons	Ralph Gaier	868
8th	Cedar Vale	John Denyer	827
9th	Pretty Prairie	Powell Heide	791
10th	Noga Citra	Warman Chang	770

CONDUCT OF FFA MEMBERS AT 1957 NATIONAL CONVENTION Wm. Paul Gray

There have been many highly complimentary remarks passed on to this office relative to the conduct of those FFA members in attendance at the 1957 National Convention.

The fine work of the Courtesy Corps, the service of the ushers, and the pre-registration, had much to do with correcting some shortcomings in the conduct of FFA members which existed previously.

NATIONAL FFA FOUNDATION AWARDS FOR 1958

The Kansas Association of FFA will continue to cooperate with the National FFA Foundation in the awards program. Cash awards will be available in eight areas of competition in each of the seven districts of Kansas and for State winners. Awards will be available also in public speaking on the State level.

Application outlines for the following areas may be obtained (by requesting them from the state FFA office: Farm Mechanics; Farm Electrification; Dairy Farming; Soil and Water Management; Farm Safety; Swine Production Award; Beef Production Award; and State Farmer Application. These outlines are the same as those which were mailed to the chapters last year.

Applications for each of the above awards must be in the State Office by March 1, 1958.

Chapters may want to use the above mentioned application outlines, or a modification of them, for selecting the winners of the local medals which were supplied by the Foundation.

FFA CALENDAR CHANGE FOR N.C. DISTRICT

Under February 10, mark out Mankato as the place for the Poultry School and replace it with Minneapolis.

SEARS RANGE EWE PROGRAM

It will soon be time to make the selection for the seven FFA boys to participate in the Sears Foundation Sheep Program for 1958. If you have a Freshman or Sophmore boy whom you feel would make a good candidate, please send his name to: Loren Whipps, State Board for Vocational Education, State Office Building, Topeka, not later than January 1, 1958.

Excerpts from <u>THE REPORT OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE SECRETARY</u> Wm. Paul Gray

THE FUTURE FARMER BUILDING

The 30 acres of land that is owned by the FFA three miles west of Mount Vernon is part of what was formerly the George Washington estate. Many of you know this as the national camp. I am happy to inform you that construction is now completed on your new building erected on this site. It is a building all of you can be proud of. It is a Colonial architecture, brick construction, completely air-conditioned and fireproof. It is 176 feet long and 36 feet wide. It has two floors, a basement and spacious attic storage space. Decoration is in color dynamics. Most important, it is designed and equipped for efficiency and comfortable working conditions. You will benefit through the excellent services the staffs of both the Supply Service and THE NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER magazine will be able to give you. The grounds will not be completely landscaped until next summer.

Many people deserve considerable credit for the designing, planning and construction of this building. We are most thankful to the Boards of Student Officers and Directors, the FFA Foundation Board of Trustees, Mr. Hollenberg, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Barron, and especially Dr. Spanton, for their keen interest and effort in your behalf.

THE FUTURE FARMERS SUPPLY SERVICE

Your Supply Service has continued to grow at an amazing rate; however, it has not lost sight of the importance of quality and price while it grew and improved its service to you. Now that we have our new building, I am sure you will be more pleased than ever with this important part of your organization.

A number of new FFA items have been added at the request of State Associations and by authorization of the Boards of Student Officers and Directors.

THE NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER

We were pleased when the Future Farmer Magazine became a reality, and later when six issues per year were printed and distributed. Any local chapter or State Association that has 100 per cent of its membership subscribing to the magazine can be justly proud of that achievement. May such a goal be a challenge to you, your chapter, and State Association.

Progress is going forward satisfactorily in the promotion of two FFA calendars. Mr. Cedric Lafley, Associate Editor of THE NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER, has worked untiringly to develop this activity which has great potentialities for promoting the FFA, which will benefit all local chapters by providing them a means for fund raising.

Mr. Barron, the Editor, and his staff of fine workers, some of them formerly teachers of vocational agriculture and several former national FFA officers, are doing a very commendable job of selling FFA through the magazine. We look to the future with confidence for continued progress when this group begins their work in the new building.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING

We are pleased that 47 state associations held special leadership schools to provide this training to over 5,870 chapters.

STATE CONVENTIONS

Each State association held a convention during the past year. It is gratifying to note that the majority of these conventions are providing greater opportunity for member planning and participation. Significant contributions are being made at these annual meetings in recognizing individual and chapter accomplishments for every phase of work in vocational agriculture. We were successful in having a national FFA officer attend 46 of these State conventions.

OFFICER TRAVEL

You can be justly proud of your national officers. These young men have served you well, efficiently and faithfully without monetary compensation. They have worked diligently in rendering this outstanding service to your organization. They have won many friends to the FFA because they are sincere, friendly, capable and outstanding in leadership. I have considered it a great privilege to work with these national officers during a part of this past year.

NATIONAL CHAPTER AWARD PROGRAM

The 1954 convention adopted and authorized the new Chapter Award Program. That year 99 applications were received. I am pleased to report that we have received 126 applications this year. This points out growing interest and development in this phase of our program. A review of these reports submitted indicates that FFA chapters are using this device to promote and strengthen the total educational program in vocational agriculture. Let us not forget that our chapter program is very important, and if we all continue to work together this phase of our work in vocational agriculture will do much to strengthen FFA in every chapter.

PRIZES AND AWARDS

The Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc. was supported by more than 300 donors this year. These representatives of business, industry, farm and civic organizations, and individuals have done much toward promoting and stimulating interest among students of vocational agriculture.



SUMMARY OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The summary of work done by various State associations for the year ended June 30, 1957, based on information obtained from their annual reports is as follows:

A. ORGANIZATION

Total number chartered active local chapters	9,054
Total number eligible departments of vocational	
agriculture without FFA chapters	55
Total active membership in chartered chapters	379,396

B. MEMBERSHIP DISTRIBUTION AND STATUS

Total number of active members now holding Green Hand	
Degree	165,236
Total number of active members now holding Chapter	
Farmer Degree	202,291
Total number of active members now holding State	
Farmer Degree	11,150
Total number of active members now holding American	÷
Farmer Degree	719
Total active membership	379,396
Total number of Honorary Chapter Farmers	65,613
Total number of Honorary State Farmers	6,647
Total number of Honorary American Farmers	377

I. SUPERVISED FARMING

Number of members who have a comprehensive	and a second
farming program consisting of two or more	
productive enterprises	259,437
Number of members who received awards for	
outstanding achievement in supervised farming	34,655
Number of members who used improved	
livestock practices	231,650
Number of chapters engaging in organized	
livestock loss prevention work	4,590
Number of members who used improved crop	
production practices	182,517
Total amount actually invested in farming by	
active members, as of January 1	
	104,954,299.18

II. COOPERATION

Number of chapters cooperating with other	
groups	8,377

III. COMMUNITY SERVICE

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175,427
7,038
45
4,779
131,269
6,489
178,051

IV. LEADERSHIP

Number of State Associations that nominated full	
quota of American Farmers	44
Number of chapters having libraries with 5 or	
more FFA books	7,956
Number of State Associations holding a public	
speaking contest	50
Number of chapters holding a public speaking	
contest	5,122
Number of chapters using accepted form of	
parliamentary procedure in conducting chapter	
meetings	8,577
Number of State Associations having a written	
continuing program of work	50
Number of chapters having definite continuing	
written program of work	7,916
Number of State Associations putting out a State	
paper, periodical, or news sheets regularly	45
Number of chapters issuing news sheets or news	
letters	2,868
Number of chapters preparing publicity material	
regularly	6,298
Number of State Associations providing leadership	
training schools or conferences for local chapter	
officers and members	47
Number of chapters participating in leadership	
training schools or conferences	5,871
Number of members participating in leadership	
training schools or conferences	45,630

Number of State Associations sponsoring	
radio broadcast series	24
Number of chapters that have prepared and given	
one or more radio programs	3,985
Number of State Associations sponsoring a	
series of television programs	_18
Number of chapters that have prepared and given	
one or more television programs	1,823
Number of Association members attending last	
National FFA Convention	13,712
Number of State Associations participating in	
National FFA Week	49
Number of chapters that participated in National	
FFA Week	7,568

V. EARNINGS AND SAVINGS

Number of chapters that prepared a budget	7,023
Number of chapters that earned enough money to	
finance chapter activities,	7,598

VI. CONDUCT OF MEETINGS

Number of members who have access to the	
latest revised Official Manual	342,163
Number of chapters using official chapter	
secretary's book	7,942
Number of chapters using official chapter	
treasurer's book	7,605
Number of chapters possessiong full meeting	
equipment as listed in the Manual	7,992
Number of State Associations possessing full	
meeting equipment as listed in the Manual	49
Number of chapters using the official opening and	
closing ceremonies for regular meetings	8,400
Number of chapters using official degree	
ceremonies	8,253
Number of chapters holding regular meetings	8,428
Number of State Associations holding a	
convention	50
Number of members who have attended 100% of	
chapter meetings	193,040

VII. SCHOLARSHIP

VIII. RECREATION

Number of chapters that provided supervised	
recreation	7,659
Number of members who participated in	
supervised recreation activities	270,908
Number of State Associations having a State	
camp in operation during the year	18
Number of members attending State camps	20,001
Number of chapters represented at State	
camps	2,060

COLLEGIATE CHAPTERS

Number of recognized teacher training	
departments operating Collegiate FFA	
Chapters	25
Reported membership in Collegiate Chapters	1,472

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WE LOOK TO THE FUTURE

We can be proud of the FFA organization because of the magnificent record of past accomplishments. We look to the future with confidence; we will continue to improve ourselves and our HAPP organization through accepting real challenges. One challenge is to increase our membership! In 1956 we had a membership of 382, 342, compared to 379, 396 in 1957, a drop of 2,946 members. We should encourage the continuation of membership after the students leave high school.

I wish to compliment each of you for the excellent accomplishments during the past year under the leadership of your officers and the guidance and advice of your teachers of

vocational agriculture. Let us give credit for the cooperation of your school, your community and most important, your parents who have contributed much to make possible your record of accomplishments.

CHAPTER NEWS

SIMPSON: Through the courtesy of the E. C. Riley Chevrolet Co. of Cawker City, the Simpson FFA Chapter is sporting a new 1958 1/2 ton Chevrolet pickup. This truck is being furnished free of charge to the chapter for the entire school year and will be returned to Mr. Riley at the completion of the school term ... We are again conducting a safety campaign this year. Each farm in the survey will be checked for the various hazards and will be re-checked around the first of March, to see how many were corrected... We treated our dads to their Seventh Annual Stag Pheasant Feed on November 13... At our Green Hand initiation the Freshmen parents along with other guests were present. As part of the program each Green Hand presented a short talk concerning FFA as well as the vocational agriculture program. Bill Shaffer talked on "Why Have a Farming Program in FFA", Bob McClintock spoke concerning the "History of the Simpson FFA", while Mickey Hartman presented "Simpson FFA Activities". Jack Carlson talked on "The State and National Organization". In addition to the boys talks, Corwin Freeman, local farmer and a charter member of the Simpson FFA, gave a short talk on the chapter as it was when it was first formed.

Kenny Vernon, Reporter

LEOTI: This year there are 43 boys enrolled in Voc. A. and FFA... This year we have had a hayrack ride, a food sale, and constructed a fence for the school. Other activities planned are: a chili supper for the Dads, a Parent and Son Banquet, a rabbit drive, serve at soil conservation meeting, pest and rodent control contest, sell Christmas cards, conduct farm safety campaign, hold Mother's night at a meeting and a box and pie supper:..Something new in our chapter this year is the awarding of letters to outstanding boys in FFA. This will be based on a point award system. Points will be earned in contests of livestock judging, crops judging and farm mechanics.

Dave Hudson, Reporter

OXFORD: There are twenty active members in our chapter this year... To raise funds our chapter is selling coffee, donuts, apples and carrots at the home football games. We made a football practice sled out of two inch pipe for the school...Large projects in our shop now include three two-wheel trailers and one four-wheel trailer. We have completed several machinery repair jobs.

Royal Franklin, Reporter

KINCAID: We held our annual summer picnic August 11, for the prospective freshmen and last year seniors... The formal Green Hand initiation will be held at our December meeting... The junior and senior members attended the Topeka Fair... Twelve members had crop exhibits in our crops booth at the Kincaid Fair... Our pest eradication contest will begin on December 9 and run until January 6. The losing team will treat the winners to a picnic and roller skating party next spring... Shop jobs under construction or that have been completed this year include: 1 bale loader, tractor mounted grader blade, 1 implement trailer, 1 hay feeder, 1 2-wheel trailer, 1 4-wheel trailer, pipe gates, 1 disk repair, 1 dehorning chute and 2 cars painted and several hog troughs.

Marvin Peery, Reporter

The chapter put on a program on KCKT television ELLSWORTH: and a radio program on KSAL radio during the summer. The television program showed an example of how a farming program is built up. The radio program was presented by the district soil conservation winners... Bob Comfort from the Salina Fire Department put on a demonstration on how to use fire extinguishers, at out second meeting of the year... We had our Freshman-Parents night October 3 with all the freshmen and their parents attending. The officers went through the ritual to start the night. One boy from each class told about his farming program to show the growth of the farming program each year. The freshmen built the emblem and Rance Headly recited the FFA creed... All the officers attended the National FFA Convention with Mr. Crandall and William Wachs... The Ellsworth teams took third, fourth and fifth at the state district land judging school at Ellsworth... We are planning to present another television program on December 17 over KAKE television... On December 18 we are having our annual barnwarmer with the FHA invited.

Ronnie Svaty, Reporter

NATOMA: We held our annual Parent-Son Banquet the evening of November 4. There were about 125 parents, members and guests present. The program consisted of the recitation of the FFA creed, several musical numbers, a parliamentary procedure demonstration and a brief outline of our chapter activities for the past year... We shocked feed as a money making project and made over two hundred dollars...Our vocational agriculture classes have made a few farming program tours to the members homes.

Harold Nagel, Reporter

STOCKTON: The nineteenth annual Parent-Son Achievement Banquet was held May 9... The annual farming program tour was held May 13... On August 6 our chapter presented a program on preparing crops exhibits for fairs, over channel 2 KCKT, Great Bend... Twenty-eight members exhibited projects at the Rooks Co. Fair. The chapter also exhibited a booth on keeping farm accounts and sponsored a livestock judging contest...Nine members attended the State Fair...Nine boys were initiated as Green Hands on October 4. A best groomed boy contest was held with the Green Hands participating...On October 12 the chapter helped sponsor the Northwest district land judging school and contest...Fifteen boys and the parents of the three of the boys attended the National Convention...Our annual FFA carnival (Goblins Glory) was held October 29. The profit was \$550.78... Our annual parents meeting was held November 12...The FHA and FFA sponsored an all-school party November 15.

Kenneth Riffe, Reporter

This summer seven members attended the Missouri FFA ERIE: Camp at Kaiser, Missouri... During August we held a watermelon feed and the prospective members were our guests... We took five farm mechanics projects to the Topeka Free Fair, including two four-wheel trailers, portable hydraulic harrow evener, hay feeder, and a power take-off drive for an irrigation pump... We have just ended our card sales in which we sold 340 boxes. The low half in the card sales will treat the high half to a chili feed ... For another money project we rent our grassland drill to farmers which this fall took in \$150.30... We had two winning projects in the Lincoln Arc Welding contest, a portable hydraulic harrow evener and a hay feeder... During December and January we will hold a Pest Contest. We will also initiate 11 Green Hands and raise 6 members to the Chapter Farmer degree at our December meeting.,. We held our annual barnwarmer on November 23... Our six officers and two State Farmer candidates attended the National Convention ... Major shop projects under a survey construction at the present time are: eight D. C. welders, three bale elevators, two four-wheel trailer beds, two sets of clothes line poles, a carry-all for a John Deere, and the repairing of a manure spreader.

Jam Mayfield, Reporter

<u>PEABODY</u>: The chapter is working together to get 2x2 slide film pictures made of every boy and his farming program. These pictures are to be shown on the program next spring at our annual Parent-Son Banquet...Two coming activities are the fall hayrack ride and the pest control contest.

Kenny Guthrie, Reporter

LONGFORD: We have 25 members in vocational agriculture this year...We initiated seven Green Hands early in Sept. and served watermelon at the meeting...On Nov. 2 we had our annual date party that included a wiener roast and home-made cider. The refreshment committee made about 20 gallons of cider from apples donated by Emerichs' orchard nearby...Our chapter sold \$40. worth of popcorn at the second annual Longford Rodeo held in Sept... Marvin and Raymond Steenbock won \$100. and the shop received \$100. from the Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation for their three-stall walk through milking parlor stalls made in the Ag. shop last year... Some of our major projects in the shop this year are four-wheeled trailers, two-wheeled trailer, portable loading chute, feed bunk, gate repair, ping pong tables, barbecue grills and welding and cutting for the new E.U.B. church which is under construction at this time.

Larry Cooney, Reporter

<u>CHAPMAN</u>: We have 72 boys in our FFA chapter. We hold two regular meetings per month... We initiated 23 Green Hands and 17 Chapter Farmers at a night meeting on Nov. 27... The chapter is having a pest control contest from Nov. 5 to Feb. 1 and plans are to give prizes to the five boys collecting the most points... The FFA had a concession stand at the football games and made over \$100... The vocational agriculture classes have worked on a weed control project. They took field trips to castrate livestock and cull poultry... In the farm mechanics shop some of the projects are: feed bunks, tool cabinets, two-wheeled trailer, cattle squeeze chute, machinery repair, chicken feeders, weed sprayer, lawn chairs, farm gates, bolt and nail racks, can racks, ladders, tractor grader and manure scoop.

Donald Emig, Reporter

MANHATTAN: We moved into the new Senior High School in Sept. and are happy with the new equipment and space. The 64 x 64 foot paved and fenced work area and 16 foot electric operated door are features we especially like... Eleven of our members attended the National FFA Convention, and 21 members attended the American Royal... The Green Hand initiation was held Nov. 5 with 19 boys receiving their bronze pins... The chapter purchased a young Duroc boar... The pest

control contest started Sept. 20 and will run until Dec. 15. The climax of the contest will be a chili feed and Parents Night on Dec. 19.

Dale Finney, Reporter

COLDWATER: We are proud to have had the privilege of furnishing Mr. W. W. Garber of the Kansas Wheat Commission some samples of wheat from Comanche County. These samples were used in their wheat display at the Worlds Food Fair at Cologne, Germany last Sept. 28 through Oc. 6. Our chapter furnished sheaves of Comanche, Kiowa, and Wichita wheat and grain samples of Kiowa, Comanche, and Concho... We won approximately \$183. on our county booth at Hutchinson. This was the 25th blue ribbon we have won on this exhibit. We have won the Grand Champion ribbon five times... Ross Dewall a Sophmore in our school had the pleasure this year of being awarded Grand Champion on his FFA steer at the American Royal in Kansas City.

Larry Huck, Reporter

SABETHA: Our educational booth at the Topeka Fair showed the before-and-after effects of soil conservation...Some of the shop projects that have been planned and completed so far this year are as follows: two feed bunks, feed racks, four gun racks, four nail boxes, chicken nest, chicken waterer stand, three porch flower boxes, two troughs and a tool cabinet...The annual pest contest began Nov. 1. In Feb. the losers will put on aprogram and chili supper for the winners... The chapters wheat field has been planted to Ponca wheat and has been fertilized...Our advisor and four members attended "Career Day" at Kansas State College...Elton Aberle and Errol Landman attended the district Co-op meeting at Valley Falls and Elton gave a talk about his summer camp trip.

Darryl Thompson, Reporter

<u>MCPHERSON</u>: Twenty-two Green Hands will be initiated on Dec. 4... Our chapter has subscribed 100% to the National Future Farmer Magazine... The McPherson Sales Pavilion is sponsoring our FFA calendars again in 1958...Our chapter presented a TV program over KTVH at Hutchinson on November 1. Our topic was the measuring of the meat type hog and the hog carcass...Our pest control contest started on Nov. 7. The chapter is divided into two teams. The losing side will furnish refreshments at a party...We are planning to have an FFA basketball team again this year...We are selling subscriptions to the Farm Quarterly. We have sold over 100 subscriptions and have made \$250. for the treasury...Shop projects include: 2 picnic tables, 6 cattle feed bunks, I two-wheel stock trailer, 1 four-wheel irrigation pipe trailer, 6 bicycle racks, and 1 four-wheel hay wagon.

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GREAT BEND: We started the year with a watermelon feed in Sept... We sold \$480. worth of advertising for a 1958 calendar...Nine Green Hands were initiated in Nov...The chapter attended the State Fair... A Father-Son Chili Feed will be held on the evening of Dec. 5...A party dance with invited guests was held Nov. 29...We have a rodent control contest underway.

Phillip Barthalomew, Reporter

OSAGE CITY: We organized a softball team during the summer and played several games with other chapters...A watermelon feed was held Aug. 26 honoring prospective Ag. 1 students...Eight Green Hands were initiated on Oct. 29. We drew one of the Freshmen members name out of the hat and he recited the creed during the initiation ceremony...The chapter voted to have a pest control contest from Nov. 1 to Feb. 1...The chapter is haponsoring the sale of advertisement on calendars...Some of the projects completed or being worked on in the shop are: 6 farm gates, both steel pipe and wooden, hog self-feeder, three bading chutes, feed bunk, feed bunk stands from pipe, overhaul several small engines, repair stock racks on pickup and hog troughs...Again this year the sophmore class applied poisoned wheat to the local golf course in an attempt to control gophers and moles.

Derald Stromgren, Reporter

HAYS: Seven Green Hands were initiated Nov. 25 at our Father-Son Chili supper...In the shop we are making 1 power mower, 125 ft. bicycle rack, have painted two cars, relined brakes on three cars, repaired a milk cooler, rebuilt two lawn chairs, and made on boat... In woodworking projects we have made three beds, three chests of drawers and two cedar chests...We are making money by exhibiting a booth, butchering cattle and hogs and by having concession stands... We hold one meeting each third Monday of the month, including four night meetings...The FFA officers attended the National FFA Convention.

Maurice Rohr, Reporter

SEAMAN: On Aug. 22 our chapter presented a program on WIBW-TV which concerned the use of Stilbestrol Implants on Deferred Full Fed Steers... We went to the State Fair to study the farm mechanics display... We held our annual watermelon feed for prospective Green Hands at our regular nigh meeting, Sept. 23... Our chapter went to the National Convention with 23 members and the advisor on October 15... We are planning to have a scrap drive and to sell Christmas cards and screwdriver sets. We also sold football programs again this year... This year in shop we have one A-house under construction and are starting to construct 3 hay and grain feeders, a 2-wheel trailer, a 4-wheel trailer, a hog-self feeder, grain and stock racks for pickup, and a drill press. Repair jobs that have been completed are a manure spreader, stock racks, car painted with enamel and 2-gates, trailer hitches for 2 trucks and 1 car...Our classes recently poured a concrete slab in the front of the shop door on which to wash and clean equipment before bringing it into the shop for repair.

Robert Browning, Reporter

HARPER: Some of the members baled straw and sold it for bedding to the county fair exhibitors. We had a booth on grub control which won first at the county fair... Members bring in waste paper and store it until we get a truck load, then we take it to Hutchinson and sell it... The officers met at the home of our advisor early in Sept. for a hamburger fry, after which they worked on the program of work... We put on a TV program at KARD-TV on Oct. 15. Our theme was, "controlling cattle grubs.". We have a 1951 Ford pickup truck which we got from the surplus property division in Topeka... Our pest control contest starts Nov. 22 and runs until Feb. 28... We buy our ammunition at wholesale and sell it to the members at cost.

Gerald Wedman, Reporter

HANOVER: We took a two day fishing trip to the Ottawa County State Lake last summer...Our main sources of income this year are from printing the athletic programs, and from selling popcorn at the games...Our chapter officers attended the National FFA Convention on Oct. 15. We had three members participating in the Convention program...The program for our Oct. meeting was on wild life and was presented by a local feed dealer:..

Paul Kruse, Reporter

OAKLEY: Our chapter is buying a milk vending machine as a money making project. We are also starting a chapter gilt ring, with the help of one of the service clubs of our town...This fall we shocked feed one day and helped one farmer run concrete sides for a trench silo.

Jay Sweeney, Reporter

MINNEAPOLIS: The grain bundles from our county collective booth were taken to the International World Trade Fair at Cologne, Germany by the Kansas Wheat Commission for display. Last year's bundles will be used in a wheat display in South America to help create a better wheat market... We had a large farm mechanics' display at our county fair this year. The Delphos chapter brought some of their things, a total of 29 projects were on display... We used one of the town's windows for an American Educational week exhibit this year. A wheel made up the body of the display with each spoke representing phases of agriculture, the hub had our emblem design with the words "Doing to Learn." All around the wheel were tools used in agriculture with back-boards of reference material, crop samples, and tool shop supplies... The officers attended the National FFA Convention this year. The school stood half our expenses and our chapter the other half... We have many projects in our shop: we also have a dehorning chute to use this year... Our FFA-FHA Harvester was a big success... For our money making projects this year we had the county collective grain booth, magazine sales, and oppossum catching for a Doctor who is doing research work in Denver.

Bill Schur, Reporter

TROUSDALE: Our chapter went to Grand Lake at Grove, Okla. for one week in June on their FFA summer trip. For fund raising activities we are testing DeKalb grain sorghum plots and building clothesline poles... We held our annual watermelon feed in Aug.

Carl Johnson, , Reporter

OTTAWA: We held our annual watermelon feed to entertain our new ninth graders in the latter part of Aug...Oct. 9-11 we held our annual crop show... The night of Oct. 10 our parents and guests came in to see the 175 entries...Six boys and our advisor attended the National FFA Convention... Thirty boys and the advisor also, went by bus to the American Royal, and toured Swift and Company. To finance our trip we had a scrap iron drive which proved very satisfactory... We have sold 175 boxes of Christmas cards.

Richard Landess, Reporter

<u>CHANUTE:</u> Our chapter chartered a bus and attended the Hutchinson Fair for two days. Ten of our members and our advisor attended the National FFA Convention for two days...Earl W. Hole was privileged to represent our chapter as a guest of the Kansas Farm Bureau at the National Safety Congress in Chicago. He reported at our following FFA meeting on his most inspiring trip. We also had one of our local veterinarians speak at one of our meetings. He talked about Livestock Loss Prevention...Our chapter has recently purchases a fire blanket for our shop. We are again putting out an FFA Calendar. We expect to make \$150. profit...Some of our shop jobs are: stalk cutter, three-row farrowing house, feed rack, two-wheel trailer, horse trailer with tandem wheels, air compressor, repair of a harrow, two farrowing crates and two picnic tables.

Carl Hines, Reporter

HOLCOMB: All the officers from our chapter attended the National FFA Convertion... We planted Kiowa wheat on our nine acres of ground. We fertilized and irrigated the field.

LeRoy Rupp, Reporter

<u>GOODLAND</u>: We held our watermelon feed in Goodland in Aug. Last year's seniors were the honored guests at this meeting...Mr. Little took last year's seniors on a trip to his mountain cabin during the week following the fair. Among places visited were the Colorado State University and Wyoming University campuses, Monforts' feed lots at Greely, State Capitol of Wyoming at Laramie and the rodeo grounds at Cheyenne. They also did some fishing and mountain climbing...Our annual parent and son fall-meeting was held on Mon., Nov. 25. Larry Coon, our president, explained our program to the parents and showed slides of farming programs of the older boys. The sophomore officers conferred the Green Hand degree on eleven freshmen boys at this meeting... Larry Coon gave a talk on farming programs at the parent meeting of the Edson chapter.

Dale Rice, Reporter

<u>GENESEO</u>: In Aug. we hald our summer softball game and watermelon feed for our fathers. Freshmen were our guests. Soon after school started we had an FFA - Fayette hayrack ride... We displayed five exhibits at the Kansas State Fair. Our display included an implement trailer, cultivator, portable loading chute, harrow hitch and a stubble mulch plow. Leon Ault, builder of the stubble mulch plow, won third in individual placing... In Nov. we granted degrees to 10 Green Hands and 10 Chapter Farmers.

Jim Wynn, Reporter

<u>PLAINVILLE</u>: On Sept. 15, we held our first biweekly meeting. We also held our freshmen watermelon feed in Oct... The FFA chapter voted to buy a poloroid camera...On Oct. 15, five officers and the advisor attended the National FFA Convention...On Nov. 11, we took part in the annual school carnival, and on Friday, Nov. 15, we held the second annual "Barnwarmer." This activity was held in the vocational ag. shop, with 90 per cent of the FFA boys and their dates, and the faculty attending.

Henry Brown, Reporter

STAFFORD: This summer on our annual FFA trip, we went to Powder Canyon, Colorado. We fished, hiked, and visited a feeding-lot near Denver. We were gone five days...In Oct. we held our annual steak fry for the members, followed by the initiation of the Green Hands. We are at present conducting our annual magazine selling campaign. At present we have sold \$730. worth of subscriptions.. Our annual turkey shoot for the FFA members was held Nov. 23. We had three turkeys as prizes. On turkey was the prize for the best pattern for a shotgun, one turkey for the best score on a rifle target, and one turkey used for a turkey scramble...In shop we have three feed bunks, a loading chute, five trailers, a hoist stand, two salt feeders for loose salt that will turn with the wind to keep it dry, two picnic tables and two charcoal burners.

<u>PARADISE</u>: Our FFA watermelon feed was held early this fall to acquaint the Green Hands with the rest of the chapter... Approximately \$65. was made by shocking feed for nearby farmers...For the sixth year we are planning to have our annual pest contest.

Jon Anderson, Reporter

LONG ISLAND: We held our annual Freshman Parent night on Sept. 23. All seven Freshman boys and their parents attended... Ten FFA members and our advisor, Mr. Mann attended the National FFA Convention. All members making the trip expressed a desire to return next year... At the present time, the chapter is planning a Parents night, in which the parents will be guests of the members for a regular FFA meeting. Later this year we plan to have a Dad's night, in which the dads will compete against their sons in various phases of Voc. Ag. such as, judging cattle, welding and identification of tools... Our annual project tour was held on Nov. 6. Five Farms were visited and evaluated. The farming programs observed and discussed were of a varied nature and included: Sheep, Swine, and Beef Cattle, milo, wheat and corn...All Freshman boys have good farming programs underway. Plans are now being made for the field crops part of the farming program... Our larger shop projects include; farm machinery repair, construction of loading chutes, mowing machines, trailers... This past week, the Home Ec. girls and the Ag. II boys have exchanged classes. The boys have learned to cook candy, cookies and waffles and to set a table. The girls have learned how to use a hammer, saw and square, wire a simple circuit and replace plugs on appliance cords. This exchange of classes has proved to be interesting as well as educational to both classes.

Dick Ames, Reporter

<u>ATWOOD</u>: We have a gilt ring which, at the present consists of 8 gilts. We also have seats that are sold during indoor activities... This year we have had a watermelon feed and a freshman party...Some of our shop projects are: a machinery trailer, a hay rack, three tool cabinets, and a combination loading chute, and trailer.

Gary Chvatal, Reporter

<u>GOESSEL</u>: Our chapter held its annual FFA parent-son banquet Nov. 15. Cecil Carrier, KTVH Hutchinson weather forecaster, was speaker...We are holding a pest control contest from Nov. 1 to Feb. 1...Our shop projects this year included several implement carriers, small farm trailors, and 4wheel trailors.

Bryce Schmidt, Reporter

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<u>NESS CITY</u>: Money raising projects that we have decided to use this year include: selling of screw driver sets, selling stadium seats at ball games, and selling Official FFA Calendars... The four high grades in FFA classes are to be posted on the FFA bulletin board... Some of the Ag. 9 boys are selling Farm Journal's to earn their jackets... In farm shop we have completed these major projects: paint school car, make a hayrack frame, paint running gear for hayrack frame, repair football clock, and farm gates.

Charles Pfannenstiel, Reporter

<u>HOWARD</u>: The FFA sponsored a joining FHA and FFA dance...One of the outstanding projects completed in shop is a hay feeder on a sled for cattle... The annual FFA Pest Hunt has begun, and this year there is special rivalry since the junior boys have challenged the rest of the FFA boys for the hunt and the losing side has to give a party for the winning side. The junior boys have taken an early lead.

Benny Doughty, Reporter

FORT SCOTT: We are experimenting with our FFA wheat project of seven acres. On one third of it we applied 100 pounds of Anhydrous Ammonia the day before drilling, harrowed it in; then we applied about 160 pounds of superphosphate drilled in with the wheat using a fertilizer drill...Our purebred Hampshire Gilt Ring is expanding to about nine gilts to be distributed this winter...Our Pest Control Contest will start Dec. 1 and close Feb. 1...We are making hog troughs, ladders, hen feeders, saw-horses, metal gates, funnels, chisels and punches in our shop.

Donald Hutchison, Reporter

ALTAMONT: Our FFA has raised money by selling snow cones, Christmas cards, and rat poison, and by holding a barnwarming in which square dancing, round dancing, sack race, nail driving contest, pie eating contest, and other games were played... Twenty-six juniors and seniors went to Kansas City to the American Royal. We attended the horse show and saw many other exhibits. We visited Swope Park before coming home... Seven seniors and our two advisors attended the "Career Day" at Manhattan on Nov. 16... We presented an assembly to the entire student body Nov. 14. We presented three numbers which included a musical pantomine of "Clobbered Heart", a skit entitled "Willy the Scientific Farmer", and a reading entitled "Coon Huntin' in Moonshine Holler"... We are now selling Christmas cards in order to raise money for our Banquet... We participated in the Farm Journal magazine sale in which seven boys will receive FFA jackets... Our chapter has fourteen registered Dorset ewes and one registered ram. Also, eighteen head of steers. The boys will butcher some of the steers for cafeteria use... We have 11-0 members in FFA chapter... Projects made in the shop the first part of the year are: three stock racks, pickup utility cart for Ford tractor,

completely repaired manure spreader, made approximately 10 pipe gates, three self feeders for cattle using fifty gallon drums and pipe frames, made two calf feeders using barrel and pipes, one loading chute on runners, and painted two tractors. Fifty or sixty round concrete hog troughs have been made. The freshmen have made gate hooks, eye bolts, and hay hooks. In sheet metal they have made several hand feed scoops out of No. 10 cans. The sophomores made a self feeder for calves, four picnic tables, two sheep feeders and several sheep panels.

Gerald Richardson, Reporter

<u>HILLSBORO</u>: At present we are holding our pest control contest...We participated in our Marion County Fair this year. Our County Fair association provides \$100. to be prorated to the participating chapters from Marion County. Each chapter is allowed five pieces of equipment and competition is between individual exhibits rather than a chapter exhibit. We also showed the same pieces of equipment at the State Fair: an implement carrier, blade for Allis Chamber tractor, grain and hay feeder, hoist, carry-all for Ford tractor... We have a number of projects in the ship now such as: silage wagon box, gen graham homey plow, post hole auger, return winches for silage wagons, mechanical silage tractor, picnic table, bale elevator, bale loader, 2 "Lo-boys", and repair a spring tooth.

Loren Hiebert, Reporter

HIGHLAND PARK: We attended the American Royal and 4 officers and the advisor attended the National Convention... Work is progressing on a new project for the boys who do not have room of their own for farming programs.

Dean Melton, Reporter

BREWSTER: Our chapter and the Kayettes sponsored an all-school dance in Oct...In Nov. we had our FFA hayrack ride...Our FFA boys shocked feed and plan to sell candy during the holidays to make money...The sophomores went to the State Fair this year.

Stanley Tovera, Reporter

FAIRVIEW: At the beginning of the school year we had a watermelon feed for all freshman boys... The chapter went to the Kansas Free Fair and the juniors and seniors attended the National Convention... All the officers went to leadership school and all feel that we learned a lot... We had the initiation for ten Green Hands, followed by a weiner roast... At our annual Barnwarming this fall we gave a jacket to our chapter sweetheart. The Kayettes were our guests.

Donald L. Tummons, Reporter