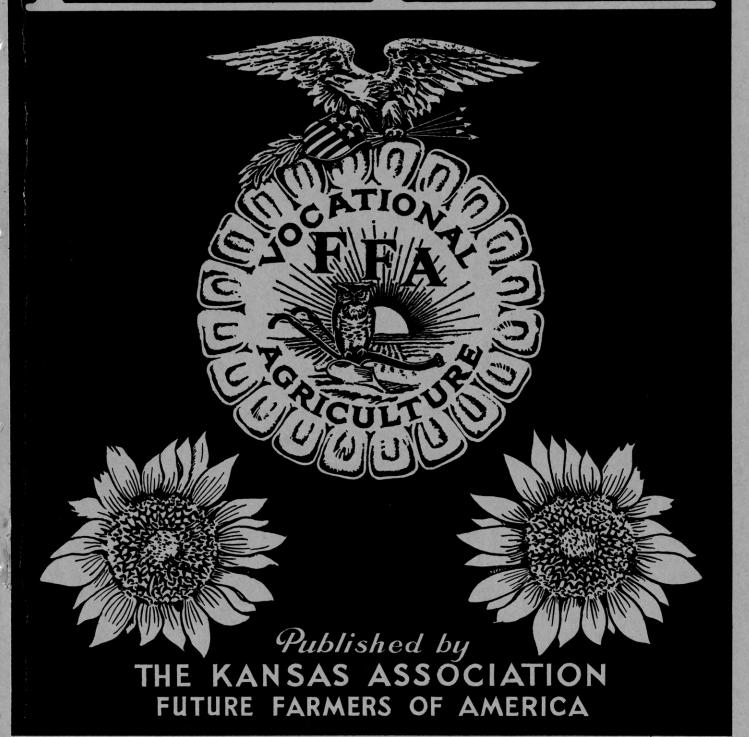
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NATIONAL CONVENTION OF FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA AND NATIONAL CONTESTS FOR STUDENTS OF VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE

The 1936 convention of Future Farmers of America and the National Contests for Students of Vocational Agriculture will be held in Kansas City, Missouri, October 17-24, 1936, in conjunction with the Thirty-eighth American Royal Live Stock Show.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

The Hotel Baltimore, Twelfth and Baltimore Streets, will be downtown headquarters for the Future Farmers of America and students of vocational agriculture. The Hotel Baltimore has provided a special rate of \$1.25 per day, per person, for a room with bath (at least four in a room). Large rooms with bath and three double beds or cots to accommodate six people, will be available for \$1.00 per day per person. All students of vocational agriculture and teachers who intend to stay in Kansas City overnight or longer should write directly to T. C. Bourke, resident manager of the Baltimore Hotel, for reservations as soon as possible. Early reservations will receive first consideration.

REGISTRATION

Only delegates to the National Convention of Future Farmers of America, contestants, teams, officials, railroad and other educational prize winners should register at the Hotel Baltimore. All other visiting students of vocational agriculture, F.F.A. members and their leaders are to register at the American Royal Building in the east mezzanine room, Wyoming Street entrance. Admittance tickets to various events and other material will be provided at the time of registration.

National Convention of Future Farmers of America (Continued)

FORSE SHOW

Tuesday, October 20, has been designated as "Vocational Agriculture Day" at the American Royal. A block of seats will be reserved for the matinee horse show on that day. Matinee horse show tickets will also be available on other days of the show.

ARENA PARADE

A change has been made in the plan for the arena parade this year. Due to the congested conditions and the lack of facilities for properly handling the large crowd of students participating in this event in former years, it appeared desirable to limit the number of participants this year. The present plan will include the following groups in this parade:

- 1. Official F.F.A. Band.
- 2. National Officers of Future Farmers of America.
- 3. All 1936 American Farmers.
- 4. Winners of National F.F.A. awards.
- 5. Official delegates to the National F.F.A. Convention.
- 6. Contestants in all National Contests for Students of Vocational Agriculture.
- 7. Selected live stock exhibits by students of vocational agriculture.

Night horse show seats will be reserved only for those participating in the parade.

MEETINGS OF COACHES

All coaches and supervisors in charge of milk and poultry judging teams will meet in the Baltimore Hotel at 6:30 p·m· on Sunday, October 18, 1936.* All coaches and supervisors in charge of judging teams in livestock, dairy and meat identification will meet at the Baltimore Hotel from 4:00 to 6:00 p·m· on Monday, October 19, 1936.*

* See Hotel Bulletin Board for assignments of rooms in which meetings will be held.

AMERICAN FARMER CANDIDATES

The candidates for the American Farmer Degree from Kansas this year are J. W. England III, Shawnee Mission Chapter, and Wilburt Duitsman, Linn Chapter. Both boys have outstanding records, and we have every confidence that their applications will be approved by the National Board of Trustees.

F.F.A. PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

The F.F.A. Public Speaking Contest will be held Monday, October 19, auditorium, Power and Light building. Lowell Hucksted, Neillsville chapter, Wisconsin, will represent the North Contral Region. His subject will be, "Why Johnny Mason Didn't Want to be a Farmer".

National Convention of Future Farmers of America (Continued)

CHAPTER CONTEST

The Lawrence chapter will represent Kansas in the National Chapter Contest. The Lawrence chapter received honorable mention in this contest last year. These boys have a splendid program and prepared an excellent report of their varied activities. They have our best wishes.

OFFICIAL BAND

The official band for the convention will be furnished by the Michigan Association of Future Farmers of America.

KANSAS F.F.A. DELECATES

The official delegates representing the Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America will be John Dean, Ottawa chapter, and Arnold Lohmeyer, Linn chapter.

NATIONAL F.F.A. RADIO PROGRAM

The representatives of the different regions in the national F.F.A. Public Speaking Contest will broadcast their talks on Tuesday, October 20, 11:30 to 12:30 a.m., over the facilities of the National Broadcasting System as a part of the Farm & Home Hour Program. We strongly urge that chapters plan to listen in. Invite parents, school board members, and school officials to join you in enjoying this broadcast. You will hear four outstanding F.F.A. members talk on timely agricultural topics. There will be other F.F.A. attractions on the air during this hour. Don't miss it.

VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURAL CONTESTS

Milk Judging Contest. L. S. Sasman, Superintendent, Chapman Dairy, 9:30 a.m., Monday, October 19. Kansas entry, Miltonvale Chapter.

Poultry Judging Contest, G. E. Freeman, Superintendent, American Royal Building, 1:00 p.m., Monday, October 19. Kansas entry, Ottawa Chapter.

Livestock Judging Contest, C. L. Angerer, Superintendent, American Royal Building, 8:00 a. m. Tuesday, October 20. Kansas entry, Abilene chapter.

Dairy Cattle Judging Contest, D. M. Clements, Superintendent, American Royal Building, 8:00 a. m. Tuesday, October 20. Kansas entry, Clay County Community High Chapter.

Meat Identification Contest, L. B. Pollom, Superintendent, American Royal Building, 1:00 p. m. Wednesday, October 21. Kansas entry, Linn Chapter.

National Essay Contest, Las Coff, Kansas City, Mo., Superintendent. Subject: "The Value of My Trip to the Ar vicen Royal Live Stock Show". Eligibility: Any high school student cover local agriculture who attends the 1936

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American Royal and is in attendance during the entire time of the National Convention of Future Farmers of America and the National Contests for Students of Vocational Agriculture.

Conditions:

Essay must contain not more than 500 words.

Essay to be submitted to Supervisor L. B. Pollom, Topeka, to be in the mails not later than November 10.

Prizes: Cash prizes ranking from \$15.00 for the first to \$2.00 for the eighth ranking essay will be awarded.

Note: The Kansas Future Farmer is glad to devote more space than is the usual custom in presenting the events held in connection with the National F.F.A. Convention and Vocational Agricultural Contest. Usually this material is carried in the Kansas Vocational Agricultural Association's Newsletter. Due to a change in secretaryship in the KVAA it is questionable whether a Newsletter carrying the above information will be published.

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STATE OFFICERS MEETING

The officers of the Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America met in Education Hall, Kansas State College, July 20, 1936. The meeting found all officers present except State Reporter, Robert Finch, who was too busy combining to take time out. The minutes of the previous meeting of the state officers, the minutes of the 1936 meeting of the House of Delegates of the State Association, and the minutes of the two meetings of the State Executive Committee were read. Discussion of problems confronting the State Association in F.F.A. work occupied the morning session. The afternoon session was given over to the business of formulating the 1936-37 objectives. The following objectives were formulated:

- 1. One hundred per cent of Kansas Vocational Agriculture Departments establish chapters of F.F.A. and strive for one hundred per cent enrollment of eligible members.
- 2. Each chapter to have a definite program of activities for the year and this program to be submitted to the state office not later than November 1, 1936. Each chapter to present an achievement report at the annual meeting of the State Association. Only chapters submitting activity programs by November 1 will be eligible for achievement ranking at the time of the annual meeting. Chapters failing to submit programs of work by November 1 will not be eligible for State Farmer candidates for that year, nor will they be permitted to participate in the State F.F.A. public speaking contest.
- 3. Nine issues of the F.F.A. Newsletter to be published, beginning with September and monthly thereafter for nine months.
- 4. As a means of inculcating sound thrift principles, encourage careful selection, management, and financing of supervised farm practice program.

State Officers Meeting (Concluded)

- 5. Encourage marliamentary proficiency among local chapters, and encourage ritualistic proficiency throughout the State Association. It is recommended that each chapter own sufficient copies of both the Manual and Stewart's Parliamentary Procedure to furnish a copy of both for each member.
 - 6. Support F.F.A. contests of State and National scope.
- 7. Publicity: Encourage local chapters to keep the public informed as to worth while activities, and the State Association to give publicity to activities of State and National interest.
- 8. Continue to cooperate with the K.V.A.A. in a study of F.F.A. problems of state wide interest.
- 9. Encourage the organization of sectional F.F.A. officers' training schools, and recommend that such meetings be held before November 1, 1936, and recommend that at least one state officer be present at each sectional meeting.
- 10. The state association give careful study to the problem of cooperating with the National Organization of Future Farmers of America in whatever plans might be laid for the celebration of the tenth anniversary of the founding of the Future Farmers of America.

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TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF F.F.A. IN 1937

At the eighth national convention of Future Farmers of America a committee was appointed to give attention to the building of a program for the tenth anniversary of the founding of the organization. Briefs from the committee's recommendation as listed in the Proceedings follow:

- 1. Issue special invitation to state association officers, local chapter presidents, or someone to represent local chapter where impossible for local chapter president to attend.
- 2. That board of trustees secure special railroad and bus transportation and special rates on hotel and convention accommodations so that cost to members will be reduced to a minimum.
- 3. That several F.F.A. bands be in attendance at the convention.
- 4. That boys who plan to attend the tenth anniversary convention invite their parents to accompany them.
- 5. That the president of the United States be the speaker at the annual banquet.

Kansas F.F.A. chapters will be kept informed through the Kansas Future Farmer of future developments and plans.

F. F. A. CREED

Every chapter in Kansas should have a copy of the official F.F.A. Creed suitably framed, under glass, and displayed in a prominent position in the agricultural classroom. In case your copy of the official creed has become damaged or lost you may have it replaced without cost by writing the Executive Advisor, explaining the situation, and requesting a new copy.

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DUES AND MEMBERSHIP

"One hundred per cent of Kansas Vocational Agriculture Departments establish chapters of F.F.A. and strive for one hundred per cent enrollment of eligible members." Objective No. 1, Kansas Association Future Farmers of America.

_	School Year		
	1934-35	1935-36	1936-37
Number of vocational agriculture departments	117	130	135*
Number of F.F.A. chapters	102	116	???
Number of active F.F.A. chapters	91	94	???
Enrollment in vocational agriculture	2943	3446	????
Number active F.F.A. members	2191	2164	????

It will be observed that in 1934-35 the per cent of vocational agricultural departments having chartered F.F.A. chapters was 87% plue. At the close of the year 89% plus of the chartered chapters were active chapters, and they reached 74% plus of the students enrolled in vocational agriculture. Last year, 1935-36, the per cent of vocational agriculture departments having chartered F.F.A. chapters was 89% plus. However, only 81% plus of the chartered chapters had an active status at the close of the year, and they reached 62% plus of the students enrolled in vocational agriculture.

What will be the 1936-37 status of the Kansas Association of F.F.A.? The answer is in the hands of chapter officers and advisors. Your leadership will largely determine student response to Objective No. 1 of the state association. Twenty-eight chapters the past year reported a membership of 100% or above. With approximately 3500 boys enrolled in vocational agriculture it should not prove difficult to go over the 2500 mark in membership. This would entitle Kansas to another American Farmer. While we have not had enrollment figures for the current year, we are of the opinion that if we fulfilled objective No. 1 we would probably be entitled to four American Farmers. We

Dues and Membership (Concluded)

know there is sufficient enrollment in vocational agriculture in Kansas to entitle us to three American Farmers. Certainly Kansas should not have less than three American Farmers next year.

State and National dues will remain the same for this school year, 10¢ state, and 10¢ national, a total of 20¢ per member. While state and national dues are not due until January 1, it would seem advisable to collect dues early in the school year. Membership cards will be mailed chapters when dues are paid. These cards should be filled out by your secretary, properly signed, and delivered to the respective members. Early remittance of dues assures early acquisition of membership cards on the part of your members. The Shawnee-Mission chapter calls the roll for their second meeting from the receipt stubs in the treasurer's book. No dues, no participation. Perhaps your chapter should hit upon a similar plan.

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ACTIVITY PROGRAMS

November 1 is the deadline for mailing chapter activity programs. Activity programs should be formulated and under way long before the November 1st date. This date was set in order to provide time for program refinement, and to provide ample time for beginning teachers to become acquainted with their chapter and community before the filing date. Activity programs should be mailed to Executive Secretary A. P. Davidson, Kansas State College.

Many chapters follow the practice of preparing a complete report on chapter accomplishment at the close of the school year. This is in addition to the report filed with the state office in April. Preparing the final report has many advantages, among which is the opportunity of checking accomplishment against the plans for the year. Such a report offers opportunity for furnishing interesting and worth while information to patrons and school officials. Copies of such reports were received at the state office from the Winfield and Ottawa chapters. Both reports were extremely interesting and a credit to the chapters concerned.

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OFFICERS TRAINING SCHOOLS

Training schools for F.F.A. officers were held at Fredonia, October 3, Shawnee Mission and Oakley, October 10, and a training school is scheduled for Kingman on October 17. Such meetings are valuable both to the officers and advisors, and will result in improved activity programs and improved parliamentary and ritualistic proficiency.

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Cooperation is not a sentiment--it is an economic necessity.--Charles Steinmetz.

SUGGESTIONS TO REPORTERS

- 1. There is no mysterious formula about getting news into the Kansas Future Farmer. One third of the chapters are circularized each month for news. This group is distributed over the entire state. Your reporter's responsibility will be to send your chapter news to the state reporter in time to reach him by the first of the month.
- 2. Reporters should look for interesting, helpful stories--not routine news. Three hundred fifty copies of the Kansas Future Farmer are published, and go to every state in the union as well as to Puerto Rico and Hawaii. Attempt to get the type of news that will interest most all of the people reached.
- 3. Typewrite the material if you can--use pencil or ink if you cannot. Write on one side of the paper only. Use care in spelling proper names, and see that they are legible.
- 4. In reporting coming events, be sure that they are reported upon far enough ahead so that the magazine will reach those interested before the event has taken place. The publishing date of the Kansas Future Farmer is on the 15th of each month.
- 5. Write news stories that will be of interest to people in other chapters. Put yourself in the place of the reader. Imagine the story was coming from some other chapter and see whether it would be interesting to you.
- 6. Too much of the chapter news published in the past has had only local interest. Reporters should attempt to furnish news stories that will have a wide interest range.
- 7. Any special newsworthy event occurring during a month when your chapter is not circularized for news, should be sent direct to Professor A. P. Davidson, Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kansas. If the story is timely and worthy it will find a place in the newsletter.

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F.F.A. SECRETARY'S BOOK AVAILABLE SOON

According to word received from Mr. W. A. Ross, an F.F.A. secretary's book will be available at and after the F.F.A. convention in Kansas City, October 17-24. Mr. Ross did not inform us as to the price of the book. Undoubtedly they will be available through this office after the convention, but we are not in a position to say what the cost will be.

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FUTURE FARMERS OUTSIDE THE BORDER

Montana--Radio programs were continued throughout the year, with Montana state association and chapter news being a special feature... Twenty-nine chapters gave thirty-seven safety programs, with special emphasis being placed on safe driving... 85.5% membership in the state association based on the enrollment in vocational agriculture, with 18 chapters having 100% membership.

Future Farmers Outside the Border (Concluded)

Arkansas -- Four new buildings overlooking beautiful Lake Catherine on the F.F.A. summer camp ground were recently dedicated by Mr. Mathews, state director of vocational education. These buildings will easily accommodate 60 to 65 persons and will contribute a permanent summer camp for F.F.A. boys in Arkansas.

Iowa--Reinard A. Wulkow, a member of the Lytton chapter, gives the following interesting account of the chapters 1,412 mile tour by truck of the Black Hills the second week of June:

"Corn listed; land dusty; no trees around farm homes; little machinery housed; few wind electric plants; changed to mountain time at Murdo; arrived Cedar Pass at 4 o'clock Monday; hiked in Bad Lands; picked up rock and cactus; rain and temperature drop to 40 degrees in early morning June 9; dinner at Rapid City; visited School of Mines (very interesting); visited Crystal Cave 269 feet underground; visited federal hatchery and reserve at Spearhead; few boys hazarded the extremely cold water of Spearhead Canyon for a swim; hills mostly solid rock; pine trees and some birch; toured Terry's Peak-7,071 feet high--from which four states can be seen; saw memorial at Mount Rushmore; ate dinner at Horse Thief Lake July 11; wrecked two back corners of our truck while passing through narrow tunnels on Needles road; bathed in 90 degree water at Hot Springs; crossed into Nebraska July 12; on road home July 13; arrived Lytton July 14 at 3:20 a.m.--and no place like home.

Idaho--For the third consecutive year the Boise Chapter of F.F.A. has won the right to represent Idaho in the National Chapter Contest. In 1934 and 1935, the chapter placed second and third respectively in the Pacific Region.

Virginia--The 1935-36 budget for the state association totaled \$9,904.69the state association will provide official F.F.A. jackets, to be worn by all representatives to the National Convention at Kansas City.

California--Something brand-new in Future Farmer radio programs is scheduled for the coming school year, with a weekly drama of farm life using as characters an imaginary high school agriculture student and his instructor ... Marion Nobles, Point Arena chapter, showed the best fine wool fleece at the Sacramento Wool Show. This was the first time in the history of the California Wool Show that a member of the Juvenile Division entered fleeces from an F.F.A. project and showed the best fine wool fleece in the open classes.

Oregon--The Gresham chapter presented a program on the Farm and Home Hour broadcast from Portland, August 29. The program came over the N. B. C. and started in Washington, D. C., and later transferred to New York, Chicago, San Francisco, Portland and Seattle.

Tennessee--Elmo Johnson, Maynardsville chapter, will represent the southern region in the National Public Speaking Contest. His subject will be: "The Future of the American Farmer".

West Virginia--Kenneth Jack, Pennsboro chapter, representing the North Atlantic region at the National Public Speaking Contest, will use as his subject: "What Next"?

RADIO PROGRAMS FOR SOUTH-EAST KANSAS

The following schools will have charge of radio programs over station KGGF, Coffeyville:

October 11---Fredonia November 8---South Haven December 13--Winfield January 10---Arkansas City

All programs start at 2:00 p.m. and are 30 minutes long. KGGF tunes in at 1010 kilocycles.

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CHAPTER NEWS

Morrowville: New officers elected for the year 1936-37 are: Guy Jennings, president; Lute Richardson, vice president; Earl Steele, secretary; Jack Barnes, treasurer; Wayne McNish, reporter; Harold Hagans, watch dog; Kenneth Lull, song leader.

Summer activities included a fishing party, a project tour, a watermelon feed for the eighth grade boys, and judging schools.

At the Washington County Fair the Morrowville Future Farmers won six first placings in farm shop. Our F.F.A. booth placed first for the fourth consecutive year. Our chapter exhibited seven breeds of hogs, winning first money on five breeds. In vocational record books we placed in the first four places. In judging we placed second as a school. Linn won this division. In the junior division we placed first and second as individuals and fourth high man in the senior division. Total vocational winnings were \$176.25, of which \$23 is claimed by our F.F.A. treasurer and the remainder represents premium money won by the boys.

All newly elected F.F.A. members will be awarded a trip to the American Royal.

- - Wayne McNish, Reporter.

Wellsville: On September 18 the Wellsville F.F.A. chapter had their first meeting in the new vocational agriculture building. This meeting was for the purpose of electing officers, which had been previously nominated by a nomination committee. The following officers were elected: Eugene Barnett, president; Paul Warren, vice president; Gilbert Lawrenz, secretary; Lucky Shellack, treasurer; William Lytle, reporter; Loren Broers, assistant reporter; Clifford Cox, watch dog. A new office, that of alumni secretary, was created this year. Paul Warren was elected for this office.

Considerable interest among the vocational agriculture boys was manifested in the sponsoring of the live stock show in connection with the Wells-

ville Twelfth Annual Picnic Fair. The fair was held September 10 and 11 of this year.

--William Lytle.

Winfield: The Winfield chapter of Future Farmers held its annual election of officers at the first meeting of the school year, September 9. The new staff includes Allen Snook, president; Dalton Marten, vice president; Gene Birdzell, treasurer; Wayne Brothers, secretary; Wilbur Thornton, reporter; and Robert Berry, watch dog. The installation of these officers will take place at a home-room meeting Thursday morning, October 1, as the Cowley County Fair will come on the regular October meeting night.

There was a very large turnout to the annual two-day camp held at the Lew Wentz camp at Ponca City, Oklahoma, August 7 to 9. Eighty boys from Arkansas City, South Haven, Argonia, Howard and Winfield chapters attended this camp. Twenty from Winfield attended. Winfield won two cups out of the three offered in athletic competition at the camp. They starred the invincible Allen Snook, who walloped all members in goofy golf. Also a swimming team which made a victorious sweep of the water contests. The prizes were two exmustard jar vases. For sports we had swimming, boating, tennis, goofy golf, and base ball. Considering sunburns and all, it was the most successful camp in years.

The retiring executive committee of the Winfield chapter held a luncheon meeting at the Bretton hotel on September 3, to talk over the progress made by the chapter during the past year and to suggest a program of work for the officers elect. Those attending were Freddie Dowler, Harold Muret, Wilbur Thornton and the sponsors, John Lowe and Ira Plank.

The Winfield chapter has an awards committee and one of the important awards each year is the trip to the American Royal. This year ten or twelve of the highest ranking members of the chapter will have part of their expenses paid to the American Royal. These expenses will be paid out of chapter funds. The chapter added about \$400 to its treasury this year in a cooperative potato project.

Winfield boys will be well represented in the exhibits division of the Cowley County Fair. Baby beeves, dairy cattle, breeding gilts and sheep will feature the livestock entry. Plans are also to put on a large potato display showing the work of the chapter in variety and fertility tests on potatoes.

--Wilbur Thornton, Reporter.

Downs: The following officers have been elected for the 1936-37: George Fletcher, president; Howard Reece, vice president; Danial Courter, secretary; Boyd Botterf, treasurer; Duane Sharp, reporter; Clarence Goheen, watch dog; C. Witt, L. Breakey, V. Obert, program committee.

We plan to schedule some basket bell games later in the season.

- - Duene Sharp, Reporter.

Burlington: The Burlington chapter of F.F.A. held its regular camping trip August 19-22, at Emporia, Kansas, in Soden's grove. The boys report a fine time. There were 10 boys who attended. The time was spent swimming, playing ball, going to shows and having a meeting every evening.

We are having our regular meetings every second and fourth Monday evening of each month. We are striving to increase the membership to about twice the size it now is. We now have 22 members.

We elected the following new officers for the coming year: Charles Schnider, president; Virgil Levering, vice president; Raymond Decker, reporter; Ralph Conard, Treasurer; Roland Kelley, secretary; Herbert Bowman, program chairman; Floyd Lewis, sergeant-at-arms.

The new president has appointed a standing committee composed of William McMullen, Raymond Decker, and Herbert Bowman. This committee is to plan the program for the coming year.

- - Raymond Decker, Reporter.

Parker: Our chapter officers were eleted in May for the year beginning June .l. The officers are: Elmo Alexander, president; Thomas Burnett, vice president; Dillard Cox, secretary; Junior Ingram, treasurer; Marion Barnett, reporter; and Loring Harold, watch dog.

The chapter held an ice cream social on Saturday night at our home town. Most of the necessary things in making the cream were donated by members of the chapter. The profit was \$12.87, which we used to help pay expenses of our camping trip, which was held the first part of August. We went to Lake Tonganoxie for two days and nights.

Our first meeting of the school year was held Wednesday night September 9. We had a good program with 21 of our new members present. The other three vocational agriculture teachers of the county, Mr. Edleblute of Mound City; Mr. Braun of LaCygne, Mr. Griffin of Pleasanton, and our new principal, Mr. Elliot were guests of the evening.

Our two musicians, Elmo Alexander and Dillard Cox gave a fifteen minute musical program at the Topeka Fair, on the F.F.A. program, Thursday, September 17.

- - Marion Barnett, Reporter.

Bonner Springs: Our chapter has elected the following officers for the year 1936-37: Don Kirby, president; Kenneth Petty, vice president; Eugene Enloe, secretary; Raymond Coleman, tressurer; Russell Runnels, reporter.

-- Russell Runnels, Reporter.

Brewster: Our chapter plans to have each member have charge of the entertainment for one meeting each semester.

We have plans made for an F.F.A. date party to be held in the near future. A similar party held last year was a big success and we expect to have a good time again this year.

The main event of our summer activities was the trip we took to the mountains. Ten of our members and our farmer sponsor, Mr. Thomas, went in a truck with a tent over it. We visited coal mines, gold mines, etc., north and west of Denver.

-- Irving Imbroy, Reporter.

Moundridge: Our chapter attended the state fair at Hutchinson. Twenty-four students and the instructor, Earl H. Johnson attended the full day's program. Everyone enjoyed the farm machinery school by Professor Barger, and livestock work presented by Professor Bell.

A class project has been started this year with two high grade Duroc bred sows. At present the sows have 17 pigs that are doing nicely. Shares in the project have been sold to the boys with the understanding that the chapter shares in the profits or losses to the extent of 15 per cent. From this beginning we hope to have a production fund in a few years from which money can be borrowed by students for projects.

The Moundridge chapter elected officers for the year on Thursday, September 24. The new officers are: Milo Goering, president; Marvin Westerman, vice president; Een Wedel, secretary; Eldon Flickner, treasurer; Harvey Goering, reporter; parliamentarian, Walter Krehbiel; program chairman, Junior Hetzke. Regular meetings will be held the first and third Thursdays of the month.

The latter part of May eleven boys and the instructor made a trip through Oklahoma, Arkansas, Missouri, and Kansas. The trip was made on the basis of pleasure as well as an educational tour. By traveling in two cars by day and camping by night, and cooking our own meals the trip was not expensive. We traveled 1850 miles at a cost of \$12.50 per boy. An interesting side trip was one made to the Arkansas State F.F.A. camp on Lake Catherine. Visits were made to the State Agricultural colleges of each state. Those making the trip were: Fred and Ted Razook, Gilbert Galle, John Huxman, Marvin Westerman, Paul Stucky, Jack and Bill Mulvaney, Orlin Goering, Ralph Stucky, Junior Hetzke, and Earl H. Johnson.

- - Harvey Goering, Reporter.

Coldwater: The Coldwater F.F.A. Chapter held its first meeting September 15. The new officers had charge of the meeting. Our officers are as follows: Dan Parcel, president; Ralph Sooter, vice president; Clair Parcel, treasurer; Monroe Huck, secretary; Richard Crowe, watch dog; Clifford Case, reporter, and Mr. Melia, advisor.

Coldwater chapter attended the state fair at Hutchinson September 20 and 21. Transportation was paid by the chapter. We entered a booth at the fair and placed first in the county collective booths. First prize was \$158.80.

Our enrollment in vocational agriculture is 32, 20 first year boys and twelve third year boys. This is the largest enrollment we have ever had.

Our first evening meeting was held on September 29 for the initiation of the Green Hands. There were 17 present to be initiated. Refreshments of doughnuts and apples were served.

- - Clifford Case, Reporter.

Bird City: The Bird City chapter of F.F.A. held their first night meeting Tuesday, September 15, with 12 members and 4 guests present. The following officers were elected: Gerald Turley, president; Norvin Harris, vice president; Clerence Robertson, secretary; Bruce Leisure, treasurer; Lynn Burr, reporter; Martin Busse, watch dog. Following the meeting our advisor, Mr. J. H. Greene, gave us a watermelon feed.

We will have a night meeting once each month and two day meetings each month.

These calves will be taken by the chapter members and cared for and fed by them for the chapter. The present plans are to carry the calves through the winter on rough feed and some grain and C.S.M. and either sell in the spring or fatten for the summer market. Definite plans are to be made later.

Paul Busse and Norvin Harris are hoping to follow in the footsteps of Marion and Pardee Woods who made the State Farmers Degree in 1936.

- - Lynn Burr, Reporter.

Chanute: The entertainment of the Chanute chapter for the summer was furnished by the Green Hands. A roasting ear feast was held on the Neosha River with George Lindblade acting as host. A swimming party was held later in the day.

The Future Farmer group went swimming in the Chanute swimming pool in July. Friends were invited.

We plan to install the following officers at the first regular meeting: George Madill, president; Sam Fickle, vice president; George Lindblack, secretary; Junior West, treasurer; Erwin Heilman, reporter; Franklin Washburn, watch dog.

It has been arranged to have the regular chapter meetings during the school activity periods this year.

- - Franklin Washburn, Reporter.

Council Grove: The Council Grove classes of vocational agriculture met Wednes-day August 5, at the high school to organize a local chapter of F.F.A.

Officers were elected as follows: Clyde Buchman, president; Bob Alexander, vice president; Wayne Fromm, secretary; Donald Bross, treasurer; Morris Dodrill, reporter; Bob Cook, watch dog.

The program committee consisting of Bob Alexander, Richard Dodrill and Raymond Bolte was appointed by the president. The yearly program and dues were sent to Manhattan and the charter was received.

Five State Farmers and their advisor from the Linn chapter performed the initiation ceremony at the high school August 24. Those of the Linn chapter who attended this meeting were Mr. Milligan, Wilbert Duitsman, Loren VanPatten, Thello Dodd, Arnold Lohmeyer, and Norman Loymeyer.

- - Morris Dodrill, Reporter.

Smith Center: Officers elected by the Smith Center chapter for the year of 1936-37 are: Ralph Robb, president; Robert Mathes, vice president; LaVal Ayers, secretary; Eldon Stein, treasurer; Dean Logan, reporter; Charles Goodale, watch dog.

On June 20, eighteen members of the Smith Center chapter and their advisor spent the night on the Republican River fishing.

Waldean Hooper and Ralph Robb, members of our chapter are president and secretary, respectively, of the student council. Ralph is our chapter president this year, and Waldean was vice president of our chapter last year. They are also co-captains of the Smith Center football team this year.

Jack Critchfield, Ivan Hughes, Wayne Collins and Laval and Lavon Ayers spent August in Colorado. Collins and the Ayers boys received a few weeks temporary employment. Just before returning home Laval, our F.F.A. secretary, became ill with pneumonia and has been unable to enter school up to date. Forrest Bloomer has taken care of his job thus far.

The Activity Contest held by the Smith Center chapter during the past year is drawing to a close. Project books are due October 1, for grading and ranking. The winner in this contest will get a trip to the American Royal.

Our chapter still has its class projects, a laying flock and a purebred Shropshire sheep project. We are considering a beef calf feeding project for this year.

- - Dean Logan, Reporter.

Lawrence: The sixth annual Future Farmer and 4-H Club fair was held September 11 and 12, at the Mount Nursery barn. Twelve beef calves were exhibited by the members of the advanced class. First and second places were won by

Bradford Powell with Angus calves, third place by Walter Tome with a Hereford calf, and fourth prize by Ralph Hauk with a Shorthorn calf. In addition to the calves, sheep, hogs, and poultry were exhibited by the members of the Jayhawk chapter.

The officers of the Jayhawk chapter were elected in May 1936, and took office at the beginning of school in September. The officers are: Vernon Flory, president; Bill Penny, vice president; Harold Johanning, secretary; Ralph Houk, treasurer; Lowell Penny, reporter; Wm. R. Essick, advisor.

The annual watermelon feed was held September 22, with the Future Farmers entertaining the Green Hands. The two groups engaged in a ball game before the feed. The forty members present consumed 560 pounds of watermelons.

The Jayhawk chapter has the honor of representing Kansas in the national better chapter contest. The results of this contest will be announced at the time of the American Royal Livestock Show in October.

Our chapter plans to enter beef calves, hogs, and sheep at the American Royal Live Stock Show.

At the present time our chapter has a membership of 52, consisting of 16 Green Hands, and 36 Future Farmers.

- - Lowell Penny, Reporter.

Ramona: At the September meeting of the chapter it was decided to reorganize the chapter and so a constitutional convention was called. One of the changes we made was that the election of officers now comes in April. Another feature is the adding of an unofficial new degree of F.F.A. work called the Junior F.F.A. This is to accommodate the Freshmen who are not offered the agriculture in our school. The junior members pay no dues and cannot vote but are entitled to the social privileges that the regular members enjoy. Every boy in school has now declared his intention of belonging to the F.F.A. this winter.

The following officers will serve us until next April: Harry Heiser, president; Lonnie Daetwiler, vice president; Roland Hackler, secretary; William Hoeppner, treasurer; Arthur Hanschu, reporter; Lawrence Hanschu, watch dog.

The chapter plans to carry a potato project on the land belonging to the school. It was also voted to hold a tri-chapter camp next summer and an achievment day next fall in cooperation with the chapters at Tampa and Hope.

Two car loads of our chapter members visited the state fair at Hutchinson on Monday, September 21. We are planning a delegation to the American Royal.

- - Arthur Hanschu, Reporter.

Chapter News (Concluded)

Wakefield: The Wakefield Future Farmer chapter elected officers on the 14th of September as follows: Sheldon Alquist, president; Clarence Shandy, vice president; Claude Grippe, secretary; Myron Bixby, treasurer; Melvin Thurlow, watch dog; Lee Carroll, reporter.

Our chapter sponsored a trip to Hutchinson for three boys with Mr. Brandenburg, the agriculture teacher. The boys who went were: Clarence Shandy, Melvin Thurlow, and Merle Forsythe. They visited the Carey Salt Mine, the Boys' Industrial School, and the Live Stock and Machinery demonstrations put on by Professor Barger and Professor Bell of Kansas State College.

Our chapter exhibited some of its purebred Hampshire sheep and purebred black Poland China hogs at the Clay County Fair and won \$22 in prizes.

Harvy Puck, a member of the Wakefield chapter took his Black Angus calf to the Clay County Fair and took second prize.

-- Lee Carroll, Reporter.

Beloit: We started out this year with a 20 per cent increase in membership in our local chapter.

At a judging contest held at the Mitchell County Fair this year for all boys under 21 years of age, the following F.F.A. members ranked as follows: Lloyd Kadel and Richard Tice tied for first place. Tom Mehl and James Eads tied for second, Donald Louder, third, and Lowell Porter, fourth.

On September 21, 1936, we had a watermelon feed at the school house, which was attended by 30 people.

The coming year has a very encouraging outlook and I am certain that it will be very successful.

-- Richard Tice, Reporter.

Mayetta: At the end of the 1935-36 school year, the Mayetta chapter of the F.F.A. elected its officers. They were as follows: Ivan Salts, president; Noel Dickerson, vice president; Virgil Salts, secretary; Jack James, treasurer; Richard James, reporter; Salvador Delgadello, watch dog; R. L. Welton, advisor.

In September our chapter built a wheat treater for smut. So far, we have treated about 150 bushels of wheat and have about 50 bushels more to treat. We charge .06% per bushel, and furnish everything.

-- Richard James, Reporter.

Holcomb: Holcomb chapter of Future Farmers enjoyed their summer camping trip at Two Buttes, Colorado. A large irrigation reservoir situated near two volcanic peaks furnished the camp ground. The peak rising 1000 feet above the surrounding country afforded quite a novelty to climb. Twenty boys together with their advisor, made the trip.