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"I'm an American!"

By Dr. Glenn M. Busset
 State Leader, 4-H and Youth

Perhaps nothing disturbs those of us on the wrong side of the generation gap so much as do the actions of a few of our young citizens who deprecate the values of American citizenship. Flag desecration and high praise of communistic political systems are the fashion of a few who claim that being an American citizen is no longer desirable or is something for which one should be apologetic.

On the eve of Independence Day 1972, I would like to witness what it means to me to be an American citizen. I do not do so in a surge of mindless Archie Bunker patriotism, but because it has been my privilege to see my American citizenship in the context of contrast.

When we went to live in India for two years, something happened to us that we did not anticipate—we became foreigners. For the first time we were able to see ourselves in an entirely different light as we learned what it means to be American citizens.

There is a saying among old "India hands" that to be happy in the Orient requires three elements—a Chinese cook, a Japanese wife, and an American passport. I am unable to address myself with the conviction of experience to the first two elements, but I can speak with philosophical insight into the value of an American passport, and of being an American citizen.

In traveling about India, a foreigner must declare nationality when purchasing a ticket, making a transfer, and often again when boarding a plane to return to the home station. I have never been much of a nationalistic, "my country right or wrong" type of citizen, so it was somewhat to my surprise that I noted a gradual change of attitude on my part in response to the polite question asked by Indian security personnel, "And sir, what is your nationality?" The change of attitude was slow and gradual, so much so that I was surprised at the thickening in my throat when I responded "I'm an American" one incredibly hot July day in the drab Indian Air Lines office in Ahmedabad.

When I attempted later to analyze the emotions that caused me to choke up so unexpectedly, I found I had no easy answers. I had already been in India for a year and had learned to love these gentle, polite people, inextricably bound to a life of great hardship and small opportunity. (I had also been reflecting on previous Independence Days spent in Kansas, so I must have been in an Auld Lang Syne mood.)

For the first time in my life, the full impact of what an American passport meant was impressed on me. During the long afternoon I had been passing the waiting time trying to talk to street children in my peculiar brand of helpless Hindi. Suddenly I saw my own 4 and 6 year old children in place of the ragged Indian waifs, standing barefoot on the scorching asphalt. These children faced a future that at best offered so little. It was as if I had become Indian and was wondering how I could provide for my children and if, by some miracle, they

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About the cover

Round-up and the Invitational Conference brought to the Kansas State University campus about 900 young people, and, in honor of them, the 4-H flags

were brought out in front of Umberger Hall. Flags and 4-H'ers combine in the picture on the cover. The photographer was David Von Riesen.

1972 Teen-age Safety Queen



Safety Queen Carol Carter wears a gown she made as part of her 4-H sewing project.

Lawrence Journal-World photo

Kansas Teen-age Safety Queen for 1972 is Carol Carter of the Eudora 4-H Club of Douglas County. She will reign for one year after having spent two years as safety princess.

The queen is selected by a panel of seven judges in Topeka based on a traffic safety speech and personal interview. Also con-

sidered are grade average from school and a written interview.

The contest is open to any high school girl in Kansas. The top seven girls are chosen in competition and from these seven a queen and six princesses are selected.

Carol's duties as queen are to speak at safety conferences and before civic groups such as Lion's Clubs, Jaycees, and 4-H clubs; appear in parades; and present radio talks.

Carol has received the Governor's Award of Merit for Out-

standing Work in Traffic Safety for three years. She was also nominated for the Youatl. Safety Award from the National Safety Council. She plans to attend the National Safety Conference in Huntington, West Virginia.

A 4-H member for seven years, Carol has combined the 4-H safety project with her public speaking project. She has attended Round-up for two years.

Larry McPherson, Carol's driver education teacher, is her sponsor. A senior this fall, she has been involved with safety since she was a freshman.

Denise Howard is reporter.

Information about roll bars

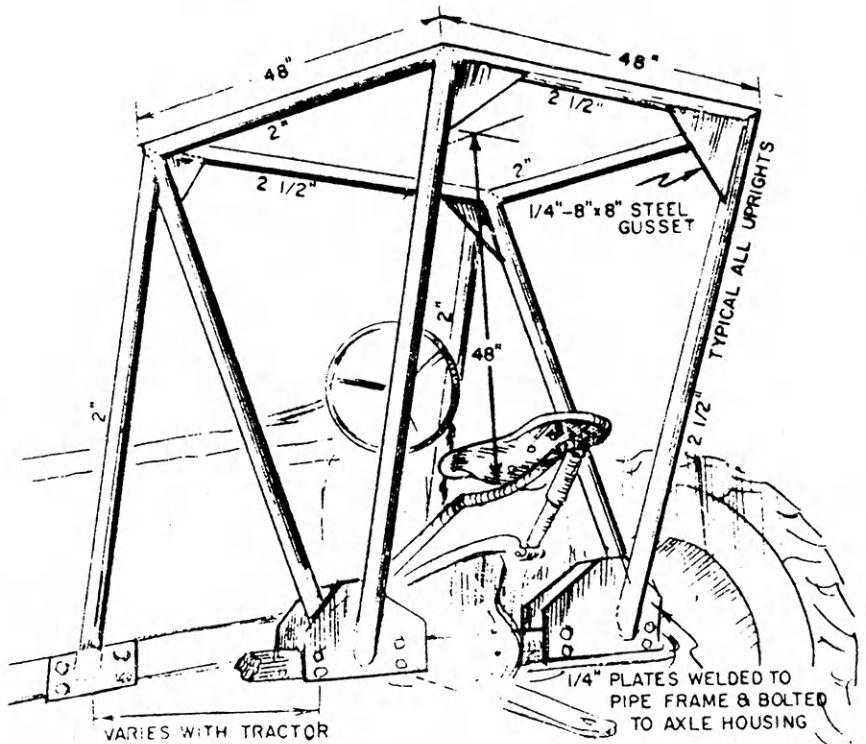
A roll bar is essentially a frame installed on a tractor to prevent the machine from turning over past 90 degrees in case of an upset. The bar (frame) is sometimes made from steel tubing. Angle iron and I-beam materials also can be used.

The use of a seat belt, in addition to the roll bar, provides the added protection of keeping the operator in his seat, within the confines of the roll bar, in the event the tractor tips over. In

addition, it provides a more stable seat for the operator on rough terrain.

The design should not interfere with the operator's movements in controlling the equipment, nor obstruct his view, and should permit easy escape if the tractor should overturn. It must be strong, yet be simple and inexpensive to construct.

One design is shown in the drawing below.



Drawing shows 2 1/2-inch steel tubing and 1/4-inch plates welded to pipe frame and bolted to axle housing, which affords maximum protection for operator and the tractor. Note frame on backside slopes to rear to give added tipover protection.

Tribute to a leader

By Kathy Jennings

Community service is Mrs. Norman Blankenship's favorite project. While serving this project she travels all over the United States.

Mrs. Blankenship is a community leader for the Central 4-H Club, Cherokee County.

She became active in 4-H because of her students and children who are active 4-H members.

Mrs. Blankenship is a librarian at Baxter Springs and worked on the state and national library committees.

Her hobbies are fishing, reading, sewing, and working in 4-H.

Farm safety—your responsibility!

Editor's note: National Farm Safety Week is July 25-31, but practicing farm safety is necessary every week and every day. In 1970, Kansas suffered 34 fatalities in farm accidents.

LaRita Croucher, Westphalia, a 1971 national safety award winner, has written this article about farm safety for Kansas 4-H Journal readers. With the usual 4-H'er's versatility, LaRita is also outstanding in sports. She plays on the Garnett softball team which has placed second and third in state competition. In 1970 she was picked as left fielder on the Kansas All Star team.

By LaRita Croucher

Promoting safety! What a challenge in a farm community! Farm safety and accident prevention must be taken seriously to reduce the number of farm accidents and deaths. Training farmers in safety is an endless task. Farmers are an independent group in need of constant reminders to use safety precautions. Most all occupations have safety rules enforced upon them. The law protects motorists with road signs and arrests for disobedience. Factories enforce safety rules and instruct workers on safety.

But who cares about the farmer's safety?? Machine companies place safety precautions on the machines purchased, but no one enforces the use of them. No one arrests a farmer for his careless driving or mishaps. He works long hours with fatigue + machines being the killer. It's a challenge to help keep him alive!

One of my greatest satisfactions in life has been advocating farm safety features such as slow moving vehicle emblems, machinery fire extinguishers, and tractor roll bars. The farmer is the hardest person to convince to spend money on safety devices. He invests money in land, crops, and machinery but overlooks the greatest investment of all — his life or the lives of his loved ones. This is why the farmer needs to be constantly reminded to use all safety precautions.

Slow moving vehicle emblems should be used to move machinery on roads no matter how short a distance the farmer is traveling. The farmer has to use

roads to move machinery to his various fields. The SMV emblems should be extended on a pole when moving machinery over a hilly road. To be seen over the crest of a hill, the pole should be extended at least five feet above the driver's seat. The farmer may think it a great nuisance to take time to fix a bracket for the extended pole to move a short distance down the road.



LaRita Croucher, Anderson County, talks about farm safety.

Yet he owes this responsibility to himself and the motorist to take the time. The rear-end tractor-car collision claims many lives each year. A few seconds may make the difference between life and death and the time missed will never be measured in a life-time. Farmers, the SMV emblems are your thing! Use them!

Many tractor companies are finally making roll bars standard equipment. What about the farmers with older tractors?? The vast cost of a tractor will make farmers use their tractors several years yet before investing in new ones. Tractor upsets claim the most lives of farm accidents. Why not wise up, guys — we need you around to produce food for awhile yet. A roll bar is a cheap investment compared to the life of you or your son. Protests are held against sending your son to Vietnam, but he could be wiped out in a tractor upset without a roll bar in your own backyard. Why not protest for roll bars and other safety devices?

Don't the farm youth count in this world??? At least the boys are trained to be given a chance to protect themselves in Vietnam. How much training have you gave your farm youth

to operate farm machinery?? The extension service has a great program to train farm youth to be eligible to work for other farmers. Parents are responsible for their own youth who work for them. Why not see that they are given proper training to drive tractors???? They are lucky if they get a half-hours instruction at age ten in operating tractors for the rest of their lives. If they survive to work the soil it's luck and the will of God. Parents take time to see that their youth get driver's education to operate a car but no tractor driver's education. Why, parents??? Take time and teach tractor driver's education. Parents may learn a few new things too! Who taught them safety?? Wise up, parents!

Noise pollution is the latest hazard to farm safety. It is causing much damage to the farmer's health. Farmers have been subjecting themselves to noise levels that could be damaging to their hearing. Bigger diesel engines are making this damage more likely. According to surveys farmers have a greater loss of hearing than the general public. More important, they are not aware of a hearing loss until it is too late to correct because damage occurs without pain. Machinery operators should use some kind of device to protect their hearing.

Acoustical earmuffs seem to be the best solution available unless one goes to a doctor and has a plastic earplug fitted. The muffs reduce the noise to a safe level, yet allow the wearer to hear other sounds and are the less expensive to wear. Farmers, use them; they are for you.

Yes, safety training to farmers is an endless task. A 4-H'er could spend all his spare time promoting farm safety and never put a dent in the great need here.

Take a moment and look around for the needs in your community. Make up a survey and talk to people about their safety need. It's a great way to communicate without a generation gap. Why not try the safety project? Try it, you'll like it! It's challenging and satisfying to make farmers safety-minded.

IDEAS * & News *

Patti Moore, reporter of the **Mingona Boosters 4-H Club** in **Barber County**, found out about the 4-H background of 30 parents of 4-H members in the Mingona club. She learned that about 50 per cent of the parents had been 4-H members, most between 5 and 8 years, although two parents were members for 12 years! Eight 4-H clubs had been alumnas to nine parents, in addition to **Mingona 4-H Club**, to which five parents had belonged. These five second generation members are: **Julie** and **Linda Clarke** and their father **Charles Clarke**; **Cindy, Rodney**, and **Susan Cunningham** and their mother **Shirley Cunningham**; **Karen Fitzsimmons** and her father **Eugene Fitzsimmons**; **Charyl** and **Robert Larson** and their mother **Charlene Larson**; **Elizabeth Lonker** and their father **Don Lonker**; and **Roger** and **Scott Simpson** and their father **Roger Simpson**.

Bonnie Crow was chosen junior president of **Shunga Valley 4-H Club**, **Shawnee County**, when the slate of junior officers was recently elected. **Vernon Hoobler** is reporter for the club.

From July 30 to August 2 **Christopher**

Daniel Finney of the **Liberty 4-H Club**, **Cowley County**, will attend a workshop on cooperatives in the business world at Iowa State University in Ames. He has studied electric, milk, and oil cooperatives, done business with a bank and Farmers Union Cooperative, visited the state legislature, and attended annual meetings of Cowley County Farm Bureau and Winfield Farmers Cooperative.

As part of their safety project this year, member of the **Lucky Clover 4-H Club** of **Leavenworth County** are selling to Linwood area residents slow moving vehicle emblems and decals furnished by the Kansas Farm Bureau. The club safety committee distributed litter bags to help keep Kansas safe and beautiful. **Jocelyn Sheets** has given a talk on tornado precautions.

Girls winning 1972 scholarships to the American Youth Foundation Leadership Training Camp at Stony Lake, Michigan, are **Linda Pattinson**, Hutchinson; **Sharon Long**, Hiawatha; and **Deborah Bare**, Eldorado. The boys who will go are **Don DeWerff**, Ellinwood; **Terry Henry**, Randolph, and **Bruce Brinkman**, Arkansas City.

Apologies to Cloud County

Our apologies to Cloud County — names of some 4-H groups in Cloud County were inadvertently omitted from the list of

donors to Kansas 4-H Foundation in the June Kansas 4-H Journal. Cloud County made special efforts in 1971 to complete their quota for Williams Dining Hall at Rock Springs Ranch.

The correct listing of 4-H groups in Cloud County should have read:

- 4 Buffalo Valley 4-H
- 4 Fairview Hilltoppers 4-H
- 4 Hill & Dale 4-H
- 4 Hollis Hustlers 4-H
- 3 Hopewell Corners 4-H
- 5 Jolly Jayhawk 4-H
- 3 Miltonvale Hustlers 4-H
- 6 Republican Valley 4-H
- 4 Solomon Valley 4-H
- 9 Sunny 4-H
- 1 Junior Leaders Club
- 1 Cloud County 4-H Council



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Dodge City First Federal Savings and Loan Assn.	McPherson The Pioneer Savings and Loan Assn.
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Emporia Eureka Federal Savings & Loan Assn.	Newton First Federal Savings and Loan Assn.
Eureka Eureka Federal Savings & Loan Assn.	Ottawa Franklin Savings Assn.
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Friends of 4-H Day

As a highlight of this year's Friends of 4-H Day, donors and friends were able to visit the soon-to-be-completed Citizenship Building. It is the first air-conditioned building constructed at Rock Springs Ranch.

Special recognition was given to 20 donors who have contributed individual or business memberships for 5, 10, 15 or 20 years. As part of the morning program, Angela Schneider and Judy Zielinski, Leavenworth County 4-H members, spoke on

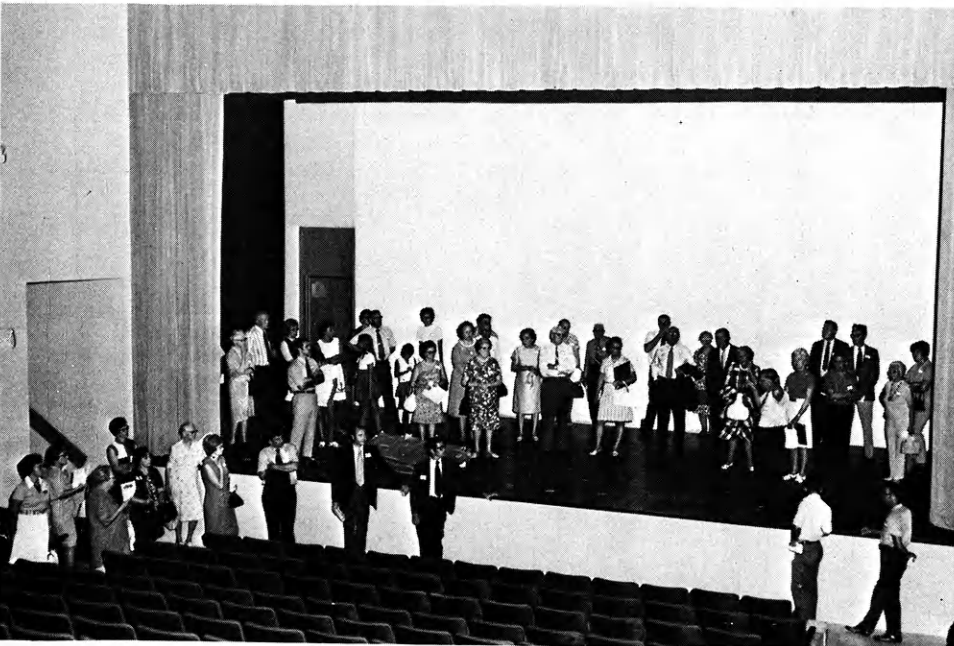
"4-H is Fun." "The 4-H Pledge" was the title of a talk by McPherson County 4-H'er Randy Goering.

After lunch with the young people who were at Rock Springs Ranch attending the Farm Bureau Citizenship Seminar, the group heard a panel discussion about citizenship by five 4-H members. Also, Jayne Samuelson, state style revue champion, presented "Fashion in Review," in which she modeled clothing she has made.

Irene Rogers, Junction City, received recognition for five years of Kansas 4-H Foundation support during the June 7 Friends of 4-H Day at Rock Springs Ranch, state 4-H Center. Presenting the certificate is Dr. Robert A. Bohannon, director of the Kansas Cooperative Extension Service, Kansas State University, and a member of the Foundation board of trustees.



Taking part in a panel at Friends of 4-H Day are, from left, Vernon Waldren, Greeley County; Doris Hubbard, Pottawatomie County; Annette Allen, Johnson County; and Richard Koelsch, Barton County, all delegates to National 4-H Conference; and Jan Mahoney, Russell County, who was a junior counselor attending Farm Bureau Citizenship Seminar. At right is the moderator Dr. Don Springer, section leader, television production, in the extension service.



Visitors at Rock Springs Ranch pause in Spencer Auditorium in the Citizenship Building to notice the red seats, arranged for best viewing of the stage. The white wall at the back of the stage will provide a screen for pictures. The ceiling is blue.

A \$160,000 gift from the Kenneth A. and Helen F. Spencer Foundation, Kansas City, Missouri, and from Mrs. Helen F. Spencer, has provided for construction of the auditorium.



Recognition for 15 years of Kansas 4-H Foundation support went to Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Simons, Lawrence, during the June 7 Friends of 4-H Day at Rock Springs Ranch, state 4-H Center. Simons is chairman of the Foundation board of trustees. Dr. Robert A. Bohannon, director of the Kansas Cooperative Extension Service, Kansas State University, and a member of the Foundation board of trustees, right, presented the certificates. George Powers, Wichita, was cited for 20 years of Foundation support.

A look at beef showmanship

Editor's note: Dr. Miles McKee is an associate professor in the department of animal science and industry at Kansas State University, Manhattan. He is an internationally known livestock judge. Here he shares some of his knowledge of showmanship with 4-H Journal readers.

By Dr. Miles McKee

"And now entering the ring are the contestants in the beef showmanship contest." And here they come, boys and girls dressed in their finest, leading calves groomed to the nth degree of perfection.

Each fall showmanship contests are held at most county fairs and livestock shows. Perhaps they are the most misunderstood contests at the fair and yet if conducted properly one of the most useful contests.

What makes a good showmanship contest? What is involved in correct showing on the part of the contestant? What does the judge look for when judging the showmanship contest? Certainly, these questions are asked many times by contestants, parents, county agents, interested spectators, and the judge himself.

Probably to arrive at the correct answer to these questions we need to study the use and the value of showmanship contests.

Showmanship contests are designed to help the young show-

man learn the correct and the proper way to present the product he has for sale. Is it all a case of trickery and deceit? Of course not. If used properly showmanship contests can help the 4-H club member learn the importance of properly presenting a product for sale. In this case, the product is the calf that the boy or girl has worked on for several months. The public is the buyer who will be interested in buying that calf on its individual merit. Just as the grocer has learned to present his saleable product so that the consumer wants to buy it, so should the exhibitor of a 4-H calf learn how to present his calf so that the judge will say it is the best.

Is the showmanship contest an important part of the 4-H club training program? It can be if it is properly conducted and properly managed, for you see, a showmanship contest that is properly conducted will teach the showman competitiveness. It will give him confidence that he is properly presenting his calf. He will derive a great feeling of satisfaction in learning how to correctly show his calf. After working with a calf for 8 to 10 months, it is good to know how to present the calf so that the judge will be pleased with the exhibit.

What are the criteria then for placing beef cattle showman-

ship? Certainly, we quite often see long lists of do's and don'ts which are improperly used in judging showmanship contests. Many times youngsters are placed low because they do not stand in a certain location, the hair is not combed a certain way on their calf, they do not use the show stick in the proper manner, they do not place the animals' feet in a certain way, the show strap is not held correctly, perhaps the clothing the youngster wears does not satisfy the whims of the judge. If champion showmen are made on such criteria, there have been errors in conducting and evaluating beef cattle showmanship contests.

The following are eight general criteria upon which beef cattle showmanship contests should be placed.

Show animal's best points

1) Present your animal in the ring so that he is able to show those things about his makeup that are very desirable. This means that you must attempt at all times to bring out those things which are good about your calf's structure or his condition. To do this correctly, the calf must be clean and beautifully groomed. You must be concerned as a showman with the general overall picture that you and your calf present in the ring. Does it make the calf show to his greatest advantage those things that he is strong in? Do all that you can to make the total exhibit look like the ideal beef animal.

Follow instructions

2) Follow the instructions of the judge and the ringman. To make livestock shows run smoothly, once the animals are in the ring a certain format is followed so that the judge can make his decision quickly, place the animals rapidly, and the show can move on. Therefore, when you come in, learn to follow the instructions of either the ringman or the judge and if you are told to line up in a straight line, line up in a straight line; if you are told to hold your animal side view, hold him side view; if you are told to

Randy Fritz showed the reserve grand champion steer at the Kansas State Fair. Randy belongs to the Gyp Hills Pioneers 4-H Club in Barber County.

With Randy, from left, are judge Odell Gelvin of Fairland, Oklahoma; Annette Allen, Kansas Hereford Princess from Olathe; and Becky Hottman, Kansas Polled Hereford Queen from Muscotah.



move about the ring, walk your animal and help the contestant in front of you so that the show moves on in a smooth efficient manner.

Be competitive, yet courteous

3) Be competitive in the showmanship contest, yet be courteous and respectful to all the others in the ring. So often showmen feel that to win a showmanship contest they should not give any aid or assistance to any other showman in the ring. This is incorrect. We should be in the ring to make the show move smoothly, while we are showing our calf. If the calf ahead of you balks, give him a tap on the tail to make him walk; however, maintain a competitive spirit. Work to get the best position in the ring if possible. Make your calf stop and stand so that his front end is higher than his rear end if at all possible. Watch the judge closely; show him that you want to win and that you will do all you can to make your calf look perfect.

Draw attention to your calf

4) Learn to draw attention to your calf and not to yourself. So many times showmen get in the ring and crouch or jump or move in such a manner that the judge has his eye attracted to the showman rather than to the calf. Remember the judge is out there to judge that calf. He's not judging you; even though it is a showmanship contest and the way in which you present the calf is being evaluated, you must still learn to draw attention to your calf and to his strong points rather than to yourself.

Be neat and clean

5) Be neat, clean, and efficient in the way you show your calf. Winners of showmanship contests should not be placed on the clothes they are wearing, on that particular uniform that they have on that day. It should only suffice that a showman should be clean, he should have the appearance of being neat and efficient in the way in which he shows and conducts his business in the ring.

Be relaxed, yet alert

6) Show in a very relaxed manner and yet be alert so that

you know what is going on in the ring at all times. If a judge motions you to move from one place in line to another place, respond quickly. Do it as easily as possible. There are no rules that say you have to back your calf, you have to lead forward and turn, you have to step in a certain direction. Do it as easily as possible but get it done, be quick about it, and at the same time be relaxed.

Be gracious

7) Be a gracious winner and a good loser. It never pays to be upset or disgruntled with the way in which a judge places you as an individual in the class. Remember the judge has been asked to give his opinion. Most judges will readily admit that their opinion is not gospel nor rules which are unbreakable. Rather, this is the way I see this class. If you disagree with me that's perfectly all right but I've been asked to tell you how I see them so this is the way I am placing them.

Learn all you can

8) Win, lose, or draw use the showmanship contest as an aid to learn how to better present your calf for the public. Listen closely and attentively to the judge's discussion of the class. See if you can pick up some new things to help you present your product. Remember you must have pride in your work and assurance that you have done and do know how to do the right things. Therefore, if you use the showmanship contest as an instructional aid you will gain regardless of whether you are first or last.

Are showmanship contests useful? Yes, if they are properly conducted and one enters the contest with the right spirit and in the right frame of mind. Remember we're out to learn how to do things better, be willing to accept ideas and thoughts, be willing to change some ideas which we may have had in the past, and above all be openminded, be competitive, have the spirit and the desire to achieve. This is what 4-H club work is about and just as any 4-H club program can be useful if it's properly used, so can beef showmanship contests be useful if we enter them in the right frame of mind.

American —

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might get enough education so they need not scrounge hopelessly on the streets.

Although my children do not know it and likely will never fully realize its importance, the little green passport, the evidence of American citizenship, means simply the difference between hope and a future in which there is no hope. The passport means for them a university education, careers, and a great many choices in life, simply because they were born into an American family.

This is what citizenship means to me as I think about Independence Day and hear the idle, mindless popping of fireworks. I still get mist in my eyes when I see the flag flapping and try to sing the Star Spangled Banner. Usually I can't get all the way through because the magic of memory flashes me back to that emotional highlight in Ahmedabad, and I choke up again.

This is my own personal experience in citizenship. I cannot transfer this experience, but I can try to share with you what it means to this citizen to say, "I'm an American."

New voters: Register soon!

If you are 18, or will be by Election Day, you must register in order to vote. To do this, go to the county clerk's office in your county seat by July 11. You don't need to take any identification, but you must go in person to register.

Qualifications to vote in Kansas are:

You must have lived in Kansas six months.

You must have lived in your precinct for 30 days.

You must be a United States citizen.

You must be 18 by election.

Persons who live in rural areas and did not have to register in previous elections, also must register this year at the county clerk's office or at the polls.

So remember, July 11 is an important date; don't let it slip by!

IDEAS * & News *

For Parents' Night at the Hazel Grove 4-H Club in Wyandotte County, community leader Roy Breedlove showed slides taken in New Zealand when he and Mrs. Breedlove, 4-H member Ginger and future 4-H member Bruce, spent one month as guests of the Peter Cooper family of Auckland, N.Z. Peter spent a year with the Breedlove family as an American Field Service student and attended Washington High School.

Parents assuming club members' duties on Parents' Night were Mr. Breedlove, Mrs. Estes, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Westfall, and Mrs. Burgess. The hospitality committee served refreshments after a social hour following the regular monthly meeting. Mrs. Harvey Servos is the other community leader.

Sasnak 4-H Club, Saline County, sponsored a bicycle registration day in May. Instead of holding it in one location, the Sasnak club held it in three different parts of town at the same time. This way everyone who wanted to register his or her bike was only five minutes away from a registration place. The three locations were the three Dillon Store parking lots in Salina. Veterans of Foreign Wars post members also participated by putting reflective tape on the bicycles. More than 200 bicycles were registered by the end of the day with the Salina Police Department. Kim Glasgow is safety chairman of the club.

This year the Mount Hope 4-H Club in Sedgwick County selected its first honorary member. During March, which happens to be St. Patrick's month, the club made Kenneth Sheane, an Irishman, a member. Ken was presented a desk plaque with the letters 4-H and his name on it. He has always been very active in the local club and has helped many of the members with their projects. Last spring he held classes at the McCurry farm for the horse project members and actually trained a young horse. Geoff McCurry, reporter, writes, "We are very happy to have Kenneth Sheane as an honorary member of the Mount Hope 4-H Club."

Hopewell Corners 4-H Club, Cloud County, is doing something about loneliness, writes reporter Bill Martin. Members adopted residents in St. Anne's Rest Home in Concordia as their special grandparents for this year. As their spare time permits, they visit, take small gifts, and try to make life have more interests.

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Cooperation builds winning float

By Mrs. Paul Bennett

The logical first step after the fair theme for the year has been chosen is to get together with the float committee and decide just what course of action will be taken. That was the reason several 4-H boys and girls were together one afternoon when the committee chairman said, "I think it would work just fine to do a volcano with papier-mache."

My first reaction was, "Oh, the poor thing has been working too hard again."

But on the night of August 23, 1971, when the Selma Flaming Arrow 4-H Club of Anderson County walked away with the blue ribbon prize at the Anderson County Fair, I had to admit that the volcano was a pretty effective one.

The theme for the 1971 fair was vacation places. So by picking Hawaii and stressing an active volcano, we were able to stress "Be Active in 4-H," thereby selling 4-H.

The cooperation we had on the float was superb. The first night we got together the men and boys worked on an A-type frame for the volcano. Chicken wire was stretched over the tall poles to be papier-mached later. The girls and women were busy making palm leaves out of wire and green crepe paper.

The next time we got together was on a Saturday, and if a stranger had dropped in, he would have thought a Chinese laundry was in operation as all available pans were full of starch. We were now ready to start our papier-mache. The first layer was hardest as it went on the wire, and it didn't stick as well to the

wire as it did later to the paper. We had the wagon parked in the barn at our leader's home, and Mrs. Leader told Mr. Leader that she believed it was too warm in the barn, so Mr. Leader hooked the tractor on to the wagon and pulled it around to the shady side of the barn.

Just as we got where we were going to park, a puff of wind came along and blew half the papers off. We got them about all back on when we finally realized that the wind was just not going to cooperate, so about six of us leaned on the A-frame with our arms spread out, and Mr. Leader pulled the wagon back into the barn. By this time, we were all laughing so hard, we hardly had the strength to put any more papers on.

While all this activity was going on, the men and boys were trying to come up with something to put inside the volcano so that it would smoke. After discarding several ideas, they decided on a used oil filter to make slow fire and covered partly with half-cured grass to make plenty of smoke. All was enclosed with metal to be fire-proof.

The volcano was painted a muddy shade of brown. Poles from the timber were cut on which to place the palm leaves. Sand, sea shells, palm trees, orchids, three girls in leis and real grass skirts from Guam, and two guitar players all added to the atmosphere and made you feel as if you were there in Hawaii.

We were, of course, thrilled to receive the 1st place ribbon and the accompanying \$25 but more than that, we found out that

something like this takes a lot of cooperation and that everyone has some talent that can be put into use. And we also found out while doing this work we could have a good time and lots of fellowship.

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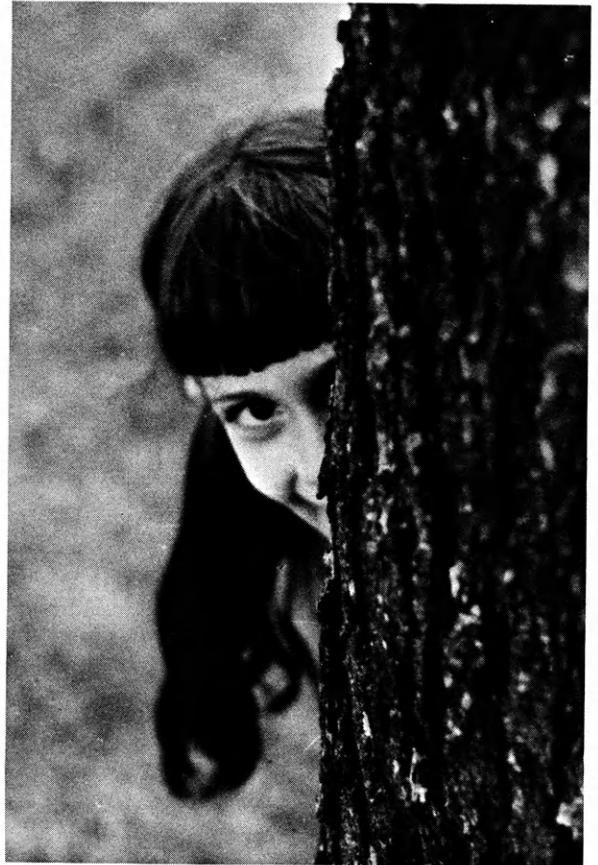
Girls in grass skirts add to the Hawaiian atmosphere; from left, they are Yvonne Gordon, Diana Bennett, and Julie Weber. Guitar players are Dana Aldrich and Marc Day.



More of the best of 4-H photography



"Day Dreaming" is the title of Dennis Wiles' purple ribbon picture of a small boy day dreaming.



Becky Gish, Halstead, took this picture of her neighbor's granddaughter one sunny summer afternoon. She used a Yashica Lynx 14 camera with Plus X film, with a shutter speed of 125 at f 8.



Brent Long's favorite subjects for photography are his 11 year old brother and their miniature poodle Pierre. Brent is from Dodge City, as is also Dennis Wiles, who took the picture left, above.

4-H club combines tour, cook-out, 4-H Sunday service

By Garold Roberts, Reporter

In spite of the wind, about 50 4-H members, parents, and leaders of the Lydia Jayhawkers 4-H Club in Wichita County made their annual tour of projects Sunday afternoon, May 21st.

Those showing their projects were Greg and Garold Roberts, swine and baby beef; Anita, Barbara, and Larry Bishop, baby beef; Kelly Bishop, swine, baby beef, and horses; Larry Pritchard, swine; and Marsha and Bret Hunt, baby beef.

The tour ended at the Bertys Hunt home where the club held its 4-H Sunday program followed by a cook-out, planned and served by the 4-H cooking class and their leaders.

Families represented on the tour were Bertys Hunts, Everett Pritchards, Merle Bishops, Kenneth Bishops, Ray Sondereggers, R. L. Simmons, Lee Roberts, Bill Archers, Larry Ventsams, Lloyd Geyers, and Arthur Kuhlmanns.



On 4-H Sunday the Lucky Clover 4-H Club of Leavenworth County conducted services for the Baptist and United Methodist congregations at the Linwood United Methodist Church. Sermonettes were given by Jocelyn Sheets and Russell Davidson. Members led all parts of the service.

Home improvement tour exposes 4-H'ers to ideas

By Bill Martin, Reporter

Room improvement members of Hopewell Corners 4-H Club, Cloud County, recently went on a tour, looking for both practical ideas and those to dream about.

At the Milton Sorem home, Mrs. Sorem explained their own plans in architecture and landscaping, including the art collections and furnishings which they have collected in their world travels. The home, with its panoramic view, has been featured in the Sunday Home Section of the Kansas City Star. The Anthony Gocke family pointed out original furnishings and paintings, along with interesting features in architecture, in the old Col. Brown mansion.

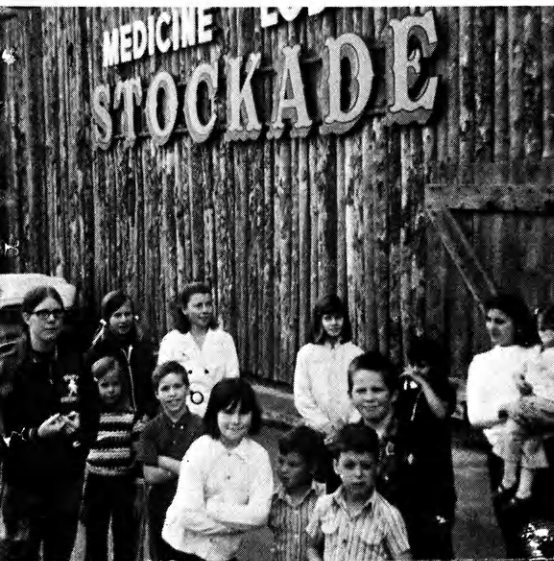
At the home of Senator and Mrs. Ross Doyen, Mrs. Doyen showed several examples of creative needlework and original

interior decorating which she has done.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Koehn told the group about their methods in refinishing and arranging the old furniture with which they have furnished their home.

The tour ended at the Loren Harrington farm where members met in the new home and shared a picnic lunch. Patrick Martin gave an illustrated talk on economical ideas for room improvement.

The group hopes to have a meeting at which Mrs. Wilson Calgren would show films and speak on principles in interior decorating, and another at which Mrs. A. L. Street of Beloit would help them in redecorating old trunks. Club leaders are Mrs. George Kocher and Loren Harrington. Room improvement leaders are Mrs. Dale Martin and Mrs. Gerald Danielson.



Richland Rustlers 4-H Club members from Pratt County visit the Stockade Museum at Medicine Lodge on their club trip. They also went to the Carry Nation home. Making the trip were Rosario and Dean Roy Mil'er, Becky, Deb, and Suzanne Sawyer, and Kenna Giffin. Leaders were Mrs. Wendell Reed, Mrs. Norman Sawyer, and Mrs. Dean Miller. Other members of the Miller family and their guests accompanied the group.

Members of the winning judging team at the 21st National Pasture and Range Judging Contest in Oklahoma City and their individual rank are, from left, Steve Thompson, fifth; Warren Etheridge, third; Ray Etheridge, team coach; Jeff Baier, seventh; and John Forester. The Barber County team had a score of 788 points; score of the second team from Okmulge County, Oklahoma, was 748. Barber County won this contest twice before, in 1959 and in 1962.

Sponsoring the team were Barber County Soil Conservation District, Medicine Lodge; O.K. Co-op, Kiowa; Sawyer Co-op, Medicine Lodge-Sawyer; and Hazelton Co-op, Hazelton.



Salina to have seventh annual dairy show

The seventh annual Kansas All-Breeds Junior Dairy Show will be held in Kenwood Park (Fair Grounds), Salina, Kansas, on August 18 and 19. Entries will be accepted until August 11. The show is co-sponsored by the Agricultural Committee of the Salina Chamber of Commerce and the Kansas Interbreeds Dairy Council.

Friday, the 18th, is entry day with animals to be in place by 3:00 p.m. A banquet honoring exhibitors will take place at 6:30, followed by a calf sale.

Judging of eight show classes, junior and senior fitting and showing, and champion county herd will begin Saturday morning.

The show is limited to 4-H and FFA members enrolled in dairy projects who, on January 1, were 8 years old and under 19. Both registered and grade cattle are eligible. This is the largest show of its kind in the state.

Ribbons and cash premiums will be awarded in each class. Special breed awards range from \$100 certificates to engraved plaques. The county herd award is a traveling trophy and the fitting and showing winners will receive a wristwatch.

Part of the prize money will be distributed to each exhibitor on the basis of the distance between his county seat and the show.

IFYE alums plan to furnish room in Citizenship Bldg.

Furnishing a room in the new Citizenship Center at Rock Springs Ranch, state 4-H center near Junction City, is the latest service project of the Kansas International Farm Youth Exchange Alumni Association.

The room will be designated the IFYE Room and represents the more than 200 Kansas youth who have spent six months overseas as IFYE delegates since the program began in 1948.

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IFYE Alumni Association members are encouraging host families of exchangees who have spent some time in Kansas, and any individuals, organizations, businesses, and 4-H clubs who have an interest in the IFYE project to support the service project. The goal is \$3,500 and association officers hope to reach this goal by July 10, opening date of the IFYE World Conference at Fort Collins, Colorado.

Jim Ploger, association treasurer, R.F.D. 2, Box 134, Kinsley, Kansas 67547, is handling the contributions.

District horse shows

Seven district horse shows are on schedule in July, giving young riders an opportunity to qualify for the state 4-H horse show at Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson.

District shows will be July 18 at Newton, July 19 at Garden City, July 20 at Hill City, July 21 at Salina, July 24 at Yates Center, July 25 at Ottawa, and July 26 at Oskaloosa, reports Cecil Eyestone, extension 4-H and youth specialist. The judge will be Mike Drennan from Meade.

For the first time, a dress code is in effect. Participants are to wear blue jeans and a white blouse or shirt.

Riders who receive a blue or purple ribbon will be eligible to enter the state horse show. To take part, 4-H'ers must be 12 as of January 1, 1972.

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Notes



By Dr. Margery Neely
Extension Specialist,
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The Rev. James Lackey, of United Ministries in Higher Education at Kansas State University, was a keynote speaker at the Invitational Conference. The rest of this column is made up of excerpts from his talk.

To be "aware of yourself" perhaps does have some concrete data available to work with; the phrase presupposes it. But, it is only fair to admit that these are rather a soft kind of hard facts. To take them out of the reference resources and look at them again and again in the lifelong adventure of becoming self-aware can be helpful. Such "hard" facts as the following might be considered.

First, no self is completely independent. It is a fresh composite of genes that are millions of years old. These little fellows have had previous identities. They have "seen" and "heard" remarkable things. They have had exciting experiences long before they became you and me. With all of our learning, we are not positive about the degree to which these wee fellows determine the shape and particularity that is our self. We think we know that they made almost all of the stuff that we identify as "our" this or "our" that.

Second, no self is completely independent. It is a segment of its time and place. The point is, to be aware of self is to be aware of time and place, of knowledge and experience.

Third, no self is completely independent. It is a social product. The ways in which a family, or a society, chooses the experiences for a new self make possible the field of experiences that are experienced. These are "givens" by the society.

All of this may sound as if

the self is not free, not mysterious, not altogether completely mine or yours . . . Creatures, beings, who have absorbed and learned what our societies have allowed us to absorb and learn, are what we are.

What we have said just now makes it sound as if whatever else a self is, it at least is a jelly-like something, passive, moldable, and all that. Let's say that this is true and then hasten to add that most helpful of all English intellectual words — BUT. A self is in the business of getting up every morning (or going to bed every night) for the purpose of creating a new self, a new self awareness. This leads us to think that the self can intentionally plan some of the possibilities for its newness. It can select some areas of knowledge and experience that have greater probabilities for wholeness (newness) than others; it can intentionally open itself to some great ideas, to some visions of greatness. Of course it can, if it is obstinate and ornery, close itself in on just what it has been given, never get out and run freely toward some of the noble people and notions that have been pioneers in this business. So our subject of self awareness gets much more interesting.

What kind of a self shall the self create?

Albert Schweitzer suggests that to ridicule, to devaluate, any part of life is to cast doubt about the value of all life.

Further, as Martin Buber said, "The attitude of man is twofold, in accordance with the twofold nature of the primary words which he speaks. The one primary word is the combination I - Thou. The other primary word is the combination I - It . . . Hence the I of man is twofold."

"If I face a human being as my Thou, and say the primary word I - Thou to him, he is not a thing among other things, and does not consist of things."

What we aspire to is a self in community, in communion with all life, not a self in competition with other life, or, as Buber described it, what we want is an I - Thou, relational life. A self being and becoming with others, not being and becoming against others.

Or, as Buber thought of it, there is no true I apart from Thou; for all "life is meeting."

World IFYE Conference

An opportunity for IFYEs and host families from all over the world to visit together will come at the second World IFYE Conference at Fort Collins, Colorado, in July.

Among topics for programs at the conference are Poverty and our Environment, This Restless World, Cross-Cultural Communication, and 4-H International Programs.

The first World IFYE Conference met in 1965 in Switzerland.

Forestry club grows in Cherokee County

Members of the Cherokee countywide forestry project club learn by doing, as they study about the importance of forestry.

One of the many activities of the club, which is under the leadership of George Belcher, a Columbus physician, took place on Arbor Day.

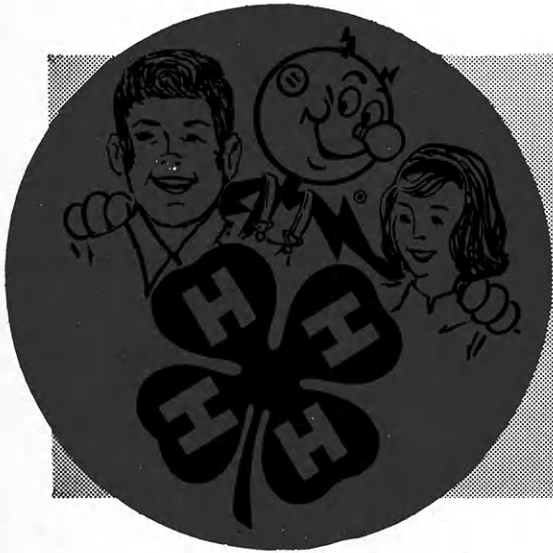
The group met at the Columbus fairgrounds, and planted four trees. This activity provided a dual purpose. First, the activity paid tribute to Arbor Day, and second, the members learned the proper techniques to follow when planting trees.

The trees, two Scotch pines and two tulip poplars, are cared for by the members of the club. Each 4-H'er has been assigned a week throughout the summer months to water the trees and keep the grass and weeds pulled from around them.

The newly formed project club is giving many Cherokee County 4-H'ers a great appreciation for trees and their importance in our everyday life.

Dr. George Belcher shows members of the forestry project in Cherokee County the correct way to plant trees.





Eleven years in electric project bring varied experiences for 4-H'er

By Dale Ziegler
Furley 4-H Club, Sedgwick County

Attending the Kansas 4-H Congress climaxed 11 years in the 4-H electric project in which I have built and shown over 20 different items. Among some of the things are: ham transmitter, receiver, color TV, amplifier, electronic keyer, oscilloscope, volt meters, signal tracer, and tube tester.

In 1971 I instructed 14 members of my 4-H club in electricity. I'm constantly on call in the community for electric problems. I have received county championship in electricity three times.

This fall I'll be a student at Kansas State College of Pittsburg enrolled in electronic technology.



Dale talks and receives on his ham radio station WA0UQU. The transmitter and receiver were constructed from kits.



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