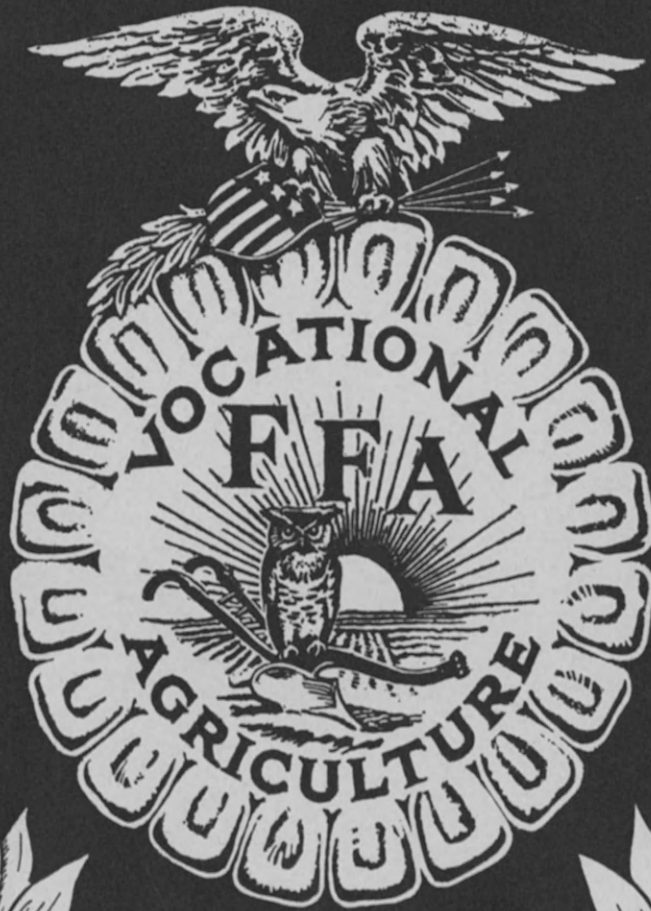


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F.F.A. CALENDAR

State Farmer, American Farmer, Carl Raymond Gray entries due.... November 1
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Fourteenth National F.F.A. Convention, Kansas City.....October 20-23
National F.F.A. Day..... October 21

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AT THE CONVENTION

Advisers and F.F.A. members should upon arrival at Kansas City go to the Municipal Auditorium, 13th & Wyandotte Streets, and register. All passes to the American Royal for F.F.A. members and their advisers will be available only at the Municipal Auditorium from Saturday October 18 until Wednesday October 22. All registration for vocational agricultural students and their instructors on Thursday and Friday, October 23 and 24, will be at the American Royal building, Wyoming Street entrance. The white registration cards with which all Kansas vocational agricultural instructors have been furnished will be honored on the October 23 and October 24 dates only.

Passes to the American Royal Livestock Show furnished F.F.A. members do not admit the holders to concession shows or to the Horse Show.

All House of Delegates sessions of the National F.F.A. Convention will be held in Exhibition Hall of the Municipal Auditorium. Exhibition Hall is in the basement of the Municipal Auditorium.

State F.F.A. exhibits and displays of F.F.A. merchandise will be housed in the Little Theatre of the Municipal Auditorium. Entrance to the left - off the main foyer.

The Kansas official delegates to the Convention will headquarter at the Aladdin Hotel.

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Experience is the best of schoolmasters, only the school fees are heavy.

--Carlyle.

POINTS ON PROGRAM BUILDING

The following points were taken from Dean Burch's talk before a sectional group at the Iola F.F.A. leadership training school. Dean is secretary of the Cherryvale chapter.

"In the past our president appointed eight committees, one committee for each of the headings under the program of work....They supposedly were responsible for building the program under that particular heading....We found this method unsatisfactory.

"We are building our program of work this year during school time and make no bones about it. We think that if the F.F.A. program is worth while, it is worth taking school time for. Our president assigned three headings under the program of work to each of the two advanced agricultural classes and two headings to the 9th grade class. Activities, goals, and ways and means are worked out during class time. The material prepared is then presented to each of the other two classes for their consideration. This offers an opportunity for every member of our chapter to become familiar with each activity. The members feel that it is their program and not something that was canned and handed to them.

"We use several methods in selecting our activities....review last year's Program of Work....review activities that we have observed or read about that other chapters are doing....include activities that result from new ideas furnished by members....and last but not least, occasionally our adviser presents a new idea.

"After the program is completed and inspected by all three agricultural classes and approved by the chapter, the next step is the calendaring of activities.

"We still have eight committees appointed, but they are not responsible for the program being prepared, but are responsible for seeing that their part of the program is carried out and a report of each activity is made and on file for the achievement report in the spring.

"It does not matter how good a program of work you build you can not and will not have an outstanding chapter unless your program is carried to completion.

"In order to carry out a program satisfactorily each member must feel that it is his program, that he is partly responsible for getting the job done."

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INMAN FIRST, PAOLA SECOND

The Inman chapter, Wm. Braun, adviser, sending dues for 50 members, was the first chapter to pay dues for the 1941-42 year. Paola, with dues for 37 members, is the second chapter to remit for the current year. O. E. Campbell is the adviser of the Paola chapter.

The State Association set as it Objective No. 1, the goal of "100 per cent of the vocational agricultural departments having chartered F.F.A. chapters, and strive for 100 per cent enrollment of eligible members."

Congratulations Inman! Congratulations Paola!

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"That dizzy feeling many people complain of is hardly ever caused by doing too many good turns."

FOURTEENTH NATIONAL CONVENTION OF F.F.A.National Officers:

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The following F.F.A. announcements will be of interest. For further detail see the September 15, 1941, issue of the Kansas Future Farmer newsletter.

Friday, October 17

8:00 a. m., Executive Session F.F.A. National Advisory Council, President Hotel.

Saturday, October 18

8:00 a. m., to 8:00 p. m., Registration, Grand Foyer, Municipal Auditorium.

Sunday, October 19

8:00 a. m. to 10:00 p. m., Registration, Municipal Auditorium.
 2:30 p. m., Meeting of F.F.A. State Advisers, Hotel President.
 5:30 p. m., Get-to-Gether Dinner for National F.F.A. Officers and Delegates, Aztec Room, Hotel President.
 7:30 p. m., Concert by Michigan F.F.A. Band, Arena, Municipal Auditorium.

Monday, October 20

8:00 a. m., Registration, Municipal Auditorium.
 9:00 a. m., Opening Session 14th National Convention, Exhibition Hall, Municipal Auditorium.
 Seating of delegates.
 Officers' reports.
 Nominations for the American Farmer Degree.
 Distribution of State Association Reports.
 Appointment of Committees.
 11:30 a. m., Radio Broadcast from the Convention floor. NBC.
 1:30 p. m., Second Session 14th Convention.
 Election and raising of active members to the Degree of American Farmer.
 7:15 p. m., National F.F.A. Public Speaking Contest, Arena Municipal Auditorium. Preceded by a concert by the Michigan FFA Band.

Fourteenth National Convention of FFA (Concluded)

Tuesday, October 21. National F.F.A. Day.

- 8:00 a. m., Registration, Municipal Auditorium.
 9:00 a. m., Third Session 14th National Convention.
 11:30 a. m., Radio Broadcast from the Convention Floor. NBC.
 1:00 p. m., Assemble for Arena Parade:
 1. Bands, national officers, delegates, American Farmers, and public speakers assemble at the Municipal Auditorium.
 2. Vocational judging teams assemble at the Agricultural Forum, American Royal Building.
 1:45 p. m., Parade in Arena of American Royal led by Michigan and Texas F.F.A. bands.
 2:00 p. m., Star Farmer Awards. Broadcast over WDAF.
 7:15 p. m., Talent Night Program, Arena, Municipal Auditorium.

Wednesday, October 22

- 8:00 a. m., Registration, Municipal Auditorium.
 9:00 a. m., Fourth Session 14th National Convention.
 11:30 a. m., Radio Broadcast from Floor of Convention. NBC.
 1:30 p. m., Fifth Session, 14th National Convention.
 6:00 p. m., Annual Vocational Agricultural Banquet, Arena, Municipal Auditorium. Guests of Kansas City, Missouri, Chamber of Commerce.

Thursday, October 23

- 8:00 a. m., Registration, American Royal Building, Wyoming Street entrance.
 9:00 a. m., Sixth Session 14th National Convention.
 1:30 p. m., Closing Session, 14th National Convention.

Friday, October 24

- 8:00 a. m., Registration, American Royal Building, Wyoming Street entrance.

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RADIO

Sixty-eight Kansas F.F.A. chapters prepared and gave radio talks during 1940-41. This year we hope to exceed that number. Radio broadcasting offers a wonderful opportunity for local chapters to inform the citizens of Kansas of the fine work being done in vocational agriculture and through membership in the F.F.A. May we suggest that persons charged with the responsibility of preparing the radio scripts take every precaution to base the content on factual data. The new Manual, 1940 edition, should be the basis for all ritualistic materials. Advisers and F.F.A. officers should seek the cooperation of other members of the high school faculty in order to present the most highly finished number possible. The old axiom, "whatever is worth doing is worth doing well", should be dusted off and used.

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MANHATTAN F.F.A. OFFICERS EXPLAIN

The following outline on "Building a Chapter Program of Work", was presented by the Manhattan F.F.A. officers at the Clay Center leadership school:

JOB: PLANNING FFA CHAPTER PROGRAM OF WORK

QUESTIONS:

- I. Define FFA chapter program of work.
- II. Why should a chapter develop a chapter program of work?
- III. When is the chapter program of work to be completed and to whom is it sent?
- IV. What is the procedure followed when an FFA chapter develops a chapter program of work?

References: Kansas Future Farmer, October 1, 1938.
FFA Manual, November 1940 edition, pp 31-35.

ANSWERS:

Question I. A chapter program of work is a written outline of the chapter activities, goals, ways and means, together with the selected list of committees for the FFA year beginning approximately April 15, 1941, and ending April 15, 1942. The activities are set up under the eight major headings as outlined by the National FFA organization, namely: I. Supervised Practice; II. Cooperative Activities; III. Community Service; IV. Leadership; V. Earnings and Savings; VI. Conduct of Meetings; VII. Scholarship; and VIII. Recreation.

Question II. Building a chapter program of work forces the chapter members and adviser to plan their chapter activities for a year in advance.

A completed program of work serves as a challenge to chapter members and advisers to carry out the activities and complete the goals as planned.

The completed chapter programs of work of previous years will serve as references for future chapter members in planning programs of work.

It is necessary to submit a chapter program of work by November 1, in order to enter the better chapter contest sponsored by the Kansas Association of FFA.

Question III. The chapter program of work should be mailed to Prof. A. P. Davidson, Kansas State College, by November 1, 1941.

Question IV. The following outline of "How to Build a Chapter Program of Work" is a brief statement concerning the procedure followed by the Manhattan Chapter in building its chapter program of work. Each FFA chapter will need to work out a plan of procedure to fit the local situation.

a. Chairman of committees are appointed to set up the program of work under each of the eight major headings.

Manhattan FFA Officers Explain (Concluded)

1. The six FFA officers serve as chairman with the additional help of two chapter members.
2. Officers are selected as chairmen according to their FFA office held or on the basis of their special abilities.
 - a. Earnings and Savings - - Treasurer
 - b. Conduct of Meetings - - Secretary
 - c. Leadership - - Reporter
 - d. Supervised Practice - - President or member interested in farming programs
 - e. Recreation - - Watch Dog or member interested in athletics
 - f. Scholarship - - Member interested in high scholarship standards
 - g. Community Service
 - h. Cooperative activities
3. Committee chairman and committee members for each of the eight divisions select activities for the program of work.
 - a. Last year's report is reviewed and a list made of all activities the committee wishes to see continued. The committee is to try to find out why certain items were successful and others were not.
 - b. Each committee is requested to submit at least one or two new ideas, which will fit the needs of the chapter for the present year.
 - (1) New ideas are secured from a study of past issues of Kansas Future Farmer, Farm Youth Magazine, Fun and Work, Officers Training School, Program of Work of State Association.
4. The chairman of each committee presents the activities selected by his committee before a chapter meeting for approval or rejection action concerning each activity.
5. The committees complete the goals, ways and means of carrying out each of the activities which have been accepted by the chapter.
6. Committees are appointed to supervise the activities.
 - a. The officers appoint a chairman for each activity.
 - b. Each committee chairman is asked to select his committee members.
 - c. Chapter officers hold a meeting and complete the committee. It is the duty of the officers to see that each chapter member serves on at least one committee and that certain capable chapter members are not overworked.
7. The complete chapter program of work including the activities, goals set, ways and means, and committees is presented before the chapter at a regular meeting for final adoption.
8. The Manhattan chapter also follows the plan of having these same committees check on the activities under their division and submit the final report in the spring.

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CASH ON THE BARREL HEAD

Form letters have been devised to save time on the part of the secretaries in the office of the state executive adviser in handling FFA orders that are unaccompanied with cash, or have not been figured correctly. The state office regrets the necessity of having to resort to this impersonal method of handling correspondence. It is impossible for the state office to carry open FFA accounts. Cash must accompany all orders.

A list of FFA supplies handled by the state office, together with the price, will be found in the September 15, 1941, issue of the Kansas Future Farmer.

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OFFICERS TRAINING SCHOOLS

Attendance at the district leadership schools has been highly satisfactory. Conflicts with local fairs and extra-curricular high school activities, caused a few chapters to miss attendance. Midweek - 6 man team - football events is the newest conflicting factor. Each year finds several chapters offering no excuse for absenting themselves from the district leadership schools - and very often this group represents the chapters needing FFA education and inspiration most. We should all bear in mind the truism that successful local FFA chapters do not happen - they are developed.

While the district leadership programs as a whole were very satisfactory, we think they can be strengthened by more teachers participating in the problem of planning and carrying out the activities scheduled.

Is there any excuse for local officers attending a district leadership school without being informed as to the duties of his particular office? Certainly he should be familiar with the duties in the new FFA Manual.

Would it not be possible to have each chapter bring the following for examination and use at the various sectional meetings:

- Last year's program of work.
- Last year's achievement report.
- Last year's secretary's book.
- Last year's treasurer's book.
- Last year's calendar of meetings with program outlines.
- Last year's radio scripts and demonstration skits.

Time should not be taken at district FFA leadership schools for a teacher's meeting.

The contest feature of the leadership school should be continued. The scope of contests offered should be broad enough to challenge a majority of the chapters, and every chapter should compete in at least one contest.

Entertainment may be necessary, but certainly it must be restricted in amount of time consumed.

Boy participation is the important factor to keep in mind in planning the district FFA leadership school. Askit-Basket and Professor Quiz programs based on FFA information would seem to be a desirable phase to include on all district leadership school programs.

The local chapter officers should return from the FFA district leadership school feeling that they had made a contribution to the meeting as well as having gained some helpful information.

The following individuals and schools won honors at the FFA leadership schools held prior to October 10:

- Clay Center: Opening Ritual Contest - Manhattan chapter, 1st;
Junction City chapter, 2nd.
- Reporter Contest - Harold Milligan, Clay Center, 1st.
- Emporia: Opening Closing Ritual - Alta Vista chapter, 1st; Emporia, 2nd.
- Iola: Opening Closing Ritual - LeRoy chapter, 1st; Chanute chapter 2nd.
- Shawnee Mission: Askit-Basket - Wellsville chapter, 1st; Highland Park, 2nd.
- Askit-Basket Individual Winners - Jack Chalender, Wellsville, 1st; Randall Cusic, Highland Park, 2nd.
- Parliamentary Procedure - Highland Park, 1st; Washburn, 2nd.
- Demonstration Skit - Lawrence chapter, 1st.
- Humorous Skit - Ottawa, 1st.
- Scrap Book - Highland Park, 1st; Wellsville, 2nd.

Officers Training Schools (Concluded)

Oxford: No Contests.

Holton: Askit-Basket - Clayton Pollock, Soldier chapter, 1st.
Wendell Henby, Hiawatha chapter, 2nd.

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THE F.F.A. PRESENTS

(This is the second in a series of three articles on Radio presentations of the Future Farmers of America.)

Suppose you were to walk into the home of your best friend and say, "My dear Mr. Smith, I want to take about 15 minutes of your time today to tell you about the advantages to be found in beautifying your home." Mr. Smith, who is, remember, your best friend, would probably think that you had been recently overexposed to the sun.

The radio audience for whom you write consists of your best friend. Notice that I have used the singular form - friend; not friends. You are speaking, in radio, to your best friend multiplied by any number. But every listener is in his own home. You are talking to him alone. So the first thing to learn about writing for the radio is that you are addressing individuals, not a crowd. It doesn't matter how many people listen to what you write; you still write as though you were speaking to one of them. Use informal, direct address. Be conversational. In conversation we do not use long, complex sentences. That applies to radio, too.

An audience listening to a speaker on the platform is influenced in three ways: by what the speaker says; by his actions; by the reaction of the other members of the audience. The radio listener is influenced by only one thing: the voice which he hears. So it is necessary for the radio writer to present his material in the most vivid manner possible in order to leave the greatest impression on the audience. The imagination of the listener must be stirred; he must see in his imagination the setting for the talk or play which he hears. He is called upon to imagine what the speaker or actor looks like. The radio writer must present his material in pictorial language - language which will give the listener the greatest possible use of his imagination.

Knowing that he must write as though he were talking informally to his best friend - a friend who is temporarily blind and able to "see only through his ears" - the radio author must adapt his material to the limitation of broadcasting. However, writing a radio script has some advantages. For example, if you want the listener to know what happened during the meetings of the National FFA Convention it is a simple matter to transport him to the actual convention - with sounds, voices, dialogue - even drama. The platform speaker can only tell, as well as he is able, what happened. Again, radio knows no limits of time. What is presented may be happening the moment it is heard; or it may have taken place a hundred years ago, or perhaps a hundred years in the future. At the writer's command are time and space. Using them is his rare privilege.

In the first article of this series I mentioned the four types of radio programs which are most frequently used in Public Service, or Educational broadcasts....Talks, Interviews, Discussions, Dramatizations. The first three are often combined with the last; certainly the most frequently used are the Talk and the Dramatization. Several rules which apply to the writing of each of these should be mentioned.

The F.F.A. Presents (Continued)

The Talk can be very interesting; it can be very dull. Its success or failure is of course determined by the speaker. But the writer can help the speaker. It is essential to remember that radio has no time for words which do not carry meaning. It takes time for a speaker to say, "We ought to do something about it"....but he has actually said nothing. Be specific; if the speaker has a solution for a problem, let him give it. Similarly, the use of good descriptive words is better than beautiful abstractions. The poet speaks of limpid pools of light; the script writer calls them eyes.

Writing the radio drama involves certain restrictions. The writer has no time for details. The announcer may set the stage; but only enough to give the listeners' imagination a start in the right direction. "A mountain cabin" will provide all of the necessary setting. There is no need to detail to fireplace, the type of furniture, the number of windows unless these are essential in the plot. The listener wants to fill the details in for himself. Even a better introduction, if it can be done, is to eliminate any suggestion of setting by the announcer. The following opening illustrates the use of stage setting and introduction of the character in the dialogue itself:

SOUND MOTOR OF PLANE FLYING, HEARD IN CABIN OF PLANE. THIS CONTINUES
THROUGH THE FOLLOWING:

ALDEN Lieutenant Alden calling Ft. Riley, Kansas....Larry Alden calling Ft. Riley....My instruments aren't working right. I don't know where I am. Come in Ft. Riley.

SOUND MOTOR UP, FIVE SECONDS, THEN FADE

ALDEN Where are you Ft. Riley? Lieut. Alden somewhere over Kansas. I'm lost. Can't see anything but the lights from towns. Instruments not working. Come in, Ft. Riley.

In these two speeches the character of Lieut. Alden is established, he is in a plane flying somewhere over Kansas, he is lost, it is night. No announcer's introduction was necessary for the script.

After making a quick get-away, the radio writer must keep his script going. He has no time for extra details of character, setting, movement. Every member of the audience will see the picture in his own imagination. His personal enjoyment of the adventure is greater the more he is allowed to follow the story in his own way. That is one of the reasons for the success of radio.

Finally, the preparation of the radio script has become standardized. The following pages are typical pages taken from the script of GREEN GOLD, a radio play presented from Kansas State College over the National Farm and Home Hour on the National Broadcasting Company.

SOUND A WOMAN SCREAMS OFF MIKE

CORONADO See who that was. It seemed close by.

JUAN (OFF MIKE) It is an Indian girl. The soldiers have caught her and are bringing her this way.

GIRL (OFF MIKE AND APPROACHING) Let me go...let me go...you...

JUAN She seems a fiery vixen.

CORONADO Bring her in.

JUAN Release her, men. Come in, girl.

SOUND GIRL SPITS LUSTILY

GIRL Dogs of soldiers!

The F.F.A. Presents (Continued)

JUAN That'll do. Get back to your posts, men. Now, girl, what do you want?

GIRL I must speak with the Capitan Coronado.

JUAN Well, there he is.

CORONADO Speak. And quickly. It is late.

GIRL I have heard that you will soon return to Mexico, Senor Capitan.

CORONADO So rumor flies ahead as usual. Well, what if I do?

GIRL Tonight I have heard an Indian slave tell of a place of great wealth where many people live. It may be worth to see before you go home.

CORONADO If there is such a place, where is it?

GIRL Far to the northeast - across the great plains. A place called Quivera.

CORONADO Juan, take this girl away. Treat her well. Tomorrow we shall hear the slave's story from his own lips. If what this girl says is true, she and the slave will be well rewarded. Perhaps, instead of going home, Juan, we will set out for....what is it called....?

GIRL Quivera....

CORONADO Quivera....

PAUSE

HENRY (CONTINUING THE STORY HE IS TELLING) Coronado went to Quivera all right. Instead of riches, all he found was a few Indian tents and a lot of buffalo and grass on the plains. That was too much for poor Coronado, so he gave up and went back to Mexico. But before he left, he gave orders for the reward to the Indian slave which he had promised....what may have been the first legal execution in this country....

SOUND THREE QUICK DRUM BEATS

JUAN (INTONING) Because he misdirected the expedition of Captain Francisco by lies, and stories which have been proved false, this Indian slave is hereby condemned to die. The method of his execution is to be....strangulation. The act is to be performed in the slave's tent. (NORMAL VOICE) Are you ready, slave?

PAUSE

Then....kneel!

SOUND THE DRUM SOUNDS SIX SLOWLY MEASURED BEATS INCREASING IN INTENSITY AND ENDING WITH A HEAVY THUMP ON THE LARGE TYMPANI.

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RADIO INFORMATION DESIRED

Advisers in charge of the organization of radio programs for any stations in Kansas, should write the state executive adviser, A. P. Davidson, giving the date, hour, kilocycles, and station over which the broadcasts are being made. This information will be used in running a complete schedule of such broadcasts in the November 15, 1941, issue of the Kansas Future Farmer.

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Are your officers familiar with the 12 graded abilities set forth in Stewart's "Helps in Mastering Parliamentary Procedure"? Why not practice the procedures set forth by Dr. Stewart in your regular meetings? Over 65,000 copies of this booklet have been sold - it must be helpful.

CHAPTER NEWS

MORROWVILLE: Some of the summer activities of the chapter were: A trip to the lamb marketing day held in St. Joseph. Morrowville placed 2nd as a team and Perry Dodd ranked 1st as an individual and Gerald Dhority was 2nd....Our judging team placed 1st at the Belleville fair. Perry Dodd was 2nd high individual, Don Moore, 4th, and Don Beeman, 6th, in the entire contest with 76 individuals competing....The Morrowville FFA softball team won the Washington county FFA softball championship....In September we held our first night meeting of the year. We invited the freshman ag boys and treated them to a watermelon feed. About 600 pounds of melons were eaten....The FFA boys won 3rd place in the judging contest and 2nd place on the FFA booth at the Washington County fair....Members of the Morrowville chapter showed about one-fourth of all livestock exhibited at the Washington County fair. The result was about \$75 prize money. Bob Shaw won the grand championship on his fat Angus steer. In the judging contest, Louis Carter was high individual of the freshman division with Francis Nutsch, both of Morrowville, 4th high individual....The FFA is again carrying livestock projects in the school lots. At the present time the boys have 2 steers, 11 ewes, and 2 pigs. We plan to get another steer, 7 more pigs, and 10 additional feeder lambs....The vocational agriculture class is building a cattle shed for the school lots.

--Perry Dodd, Reporter

CHECTOPA: Our chapter enjoyed a camping trip to the Ozarks August 7-11. Four days were spent on the trip with a total cost of \$3.00 per student....The officers and their committees are preparing their program of work for the coming year. We are planning on having one hundred per cent FFA membership. We now have 33 members....Six members have been carrying a cooperative beef feeding project since January 11. The calves have been making fine gains and will be sold at the Joplin Live Stock Show....We are anxious to get into our new vocational agriculture building. It is expected to be completed by October 14. The shop classes are making new cabinets and benches for the new shop. The building is 36 feet wide and 88 feet in length. The shop will be 36x50 feet with added rooms for classroom, dressing room, storage, and office....The FFA voted and has helped the PTA promote a hot lunch program. Eighteen boys under the leadership of Mrs. Smith, constructed 12 tables, 2 kitchen work tables, secured 5 stoves, 3 hot plates, and constructed an outside window entrance....Neal Allison, Glen Neth, Eugene Shields, Curtis Broyles, and Dale Johnson have purchased a total of 156 sheep for their farming program. Each financed his project by borrowing from the Production Credit Association....Our officers attended the Officers Training School at Iola....Picking pecans will be our new way of securing money for our treasury. Pecan trees grow rank and this year it looks like there will be a crop of 150 lbs per tree.

--Junior Smith, Reporter

ONAGA: As a chapter cooperative activity, we purchased 3 pure bred Duroc gilts at C. F. Miller's Duroc gilt sale at Alma, Kansas. Two of the gilts were sold and one retained as a chapter project....Another cooperative activity of the chapter was the purchase of 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ tons of tankage, 1 ton of Soy Bean meal, and 1 ton of cotton seed meal....The Onaga FFA chapter conducted the Pottawatomie County Fat Lamb Show and contest for FFA boys of the county on May 28. Seven pens were exhibited. The winners were: Vernon Kilterman, 1st; Lee Kolterman, 2nd; and Irwin Teske, 3rd. There was also a judging contest for FFA boys and adults....There were nine members raised to the Future Farmer degree recently.

--Robert Schlegel, Reporter.

Chapter News (Continued)

BURLINGTON: One of our activities for the summer was to take a trip to the mountains of Colorado. On August 18, a group of boys accompanied by our adviser started out on a week's sightseeing. At Hutchinson we noted the many large grain elevators--most of which were full of wheat in storage. Just west of that city we paused a little while at the Hoover monument built by the school children of Reno County in honor of that time when President Hoover harvested wheat in that field. At Lamar, Colorado we went through an alfalfa mill, and secured many facts relative to that industry. That night we encountered our first rain and hail. At Pueblo we intended to visit the steel mill but Uncle Sam said, "No". Went on to Canyon City where we spent an hour and a half going through the state penitentiary. Saw the gas house, the new cell quarters, many articles the prisoners make for sale. The second severe hail storm came up as we were leaving. The next day we succeeded in getting into a gold mine at Cripple Creek where we secured some gold ore. That night we had a great camp fire out under the stars. The next morning we drove to the top of Pikes Peak--not a clear day but well worth the climb. The next morning it was all covered with snow. In Denver with the help of Mr. L. R. Davis, the state supervisor of agriculture, we were permitted to go through the mint. Saw \$18,000 in one gold brick. They were making pennies and nickles that afternoon. 'Twas kind of a queer feeling to know as we came out that a guard had a machine gun trained upon the only entrance door. We reached home hale and hearty, not quite broke but ready for mother's cooking. We are going on a trip every summer.

--Marvin Robinson, Reporter

HOWARD: A public sale was held by our chapter in which several pieces of machinery, tools and equipment that were conditioned and repaired in the farm shop, were offered for sale. About \$80 was realized from the sale....Ten members went on a two-day camping trip in Missouri and Arkansas after school was out last spring. The first night was spent at Roaring River and the second night at Noel, Missouri....A picnic was held at the city lake for eighth grade graduates during the month of August....Four members and Mr. Bergsma enjoyed a camping trip at Wentz Camp at Ponca City, Oklahoma....Again this year the Future Farmers conducted a book exchange of grade and high school books. Approximately 600 books were handled at the exchange and \$250 worth of books were sold.

--Alton Coble, Reporter

BELOIT: The Beloit chapter held three night meetings during the summer months. ...Our livestock judging team entered several contests during the late summer. The team won first at the Delphos contest. Max Fobes was high individual at the Delphos and Belleville FFA contest....Our FFA department entered a live stock and a crops booth at the Mitchell County fair. A blue ribbon was won on each....Our chapter had a modern hayrack ride the 29th of September. Three new rubber tired Farmall tractors were loaned us by the McCormick-Deering dealer and we had three rubber tired hayracks. There were 30 FFA boys and 30 GAA girls present....Our chapter is the proud possessor of a new FFA banner.... The finance committee is planning an FFA fat barrow project....Our chapter was host at the Officers Training School held October 8. 12 schools were present. State president, George Stelter, and state secretary, Melvin Gilmore addressed the meeting.

--Donald Seaman, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

MILTONVALE: The FFA boys entertained the freshman boys at a watermelon feed at the city park, August 27. The boys ate more than 500 lbs. of melons.... The agriculture classes attended the Cloud County fair at Glasco. The following boys won individual prize money: Don Hauch, Herman Pattison, Harold Loveland, and Lloyd Whitney....We have been cleaning and disinfecting the chicken house. We plan to have between 120-130 chickens. We will mix and sell laying mash again this year....30 FFA members attended the state fair at Hutchinson... Our officers attended the North Central Kansas Officers Training School at Clay Center.

--Pat Adams, Reporter

CHANUTE: In May 30 of our members went on a three day camping trip at Roaring River State Park....Approximately 100 persons attended our annual parent and son picnic which was held the second Sunday in August....During the summer months we held two parties....The Neosho County Fair Association rented our tent to place exhibits in. Our chapter received \$15 for rent fee and for caring for the tent during the week of the fair....Wayne Brant, our chapter reporter was elected president of the student council for the coming year.... We are now making plans to hold a registered hog sale in December.

--Wayne Brant, Reporter

PAOLA: September 5 the chapter members treated the freshmen to a watermelon feed. They consumed about 500 lbs. of ice cold melons....September 9, 31 members of FFA went to the Topeka Free Fair....In shop the boys are making wagon boxes, double and "A" type hog houses, hay racks, cement hog troughs, and many other articles....Byron Manchester, Harold Peckman, Ralph Kettler, and Dale Kettler recently purchased 12 head of pure bred registered Hampshire sheep.

--Dale Kettler, Reporter

WAKEFIELD: All boys of the upper classes and their instructor, Mr. Barrows, attended the judging school at the Topeka state fair on September 9. We also got some ideas for our booths for our local fair....Our annual parents meeting was held Friday, September 12, at which time the vocational program was explained to the parents of the freshman boys. About 50 parents and boys attended....Our FFA chapter has recently purchased 11 western ewes and a pure bred Duroc Jersey gilt. We plan to continue our laying flock project....All boys taking vocational agriculture, and their instructor, attended the Clay County fair, September 4.

--Dean Thurlow, Reporter

SPIVEY: Our chapter visited the Kansas State fair at Hutchinson September 15. ...A parents meeting was held the evening of September 25. Each parent brought a covered dish and while they ate supper they visited and discussed different problems about the boys' projects. Mr. R. D. Brent, vocational agriculture teacher, explained how the boy's farming program should be planned and why the boy should do the work for his project or projects.

--Leonard Dick, Reporter

ALTA VISTA: Our officers attended the Officers Training School at Emporia. In the opening ceremony contest our chapter placed first....We made \$111 on our cooperative sheep project last year with 17 boys taking part. This year we have 26 boys participating. Proceeds are equally divided between shareholders and the FFA.

--Robert Schrader, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

ST. GEORGE: Our chapter won first prize of \$5.00 at the bi-county fair and third prize of \$5.00 at the county fair on our booth exhibit. The booth briefly illustrated FFA activities and more specifically the testing of milk and its value as a community service....In connection with class work, an FFA dairy testing organization of eight boys has been formed. They weigh and test the milk of their home herd once each month. Records are being kept and a prize will probably be given to the high producing herd....Jim Wilson tied for first place in the bi-county FFA and 4-H judging contest. He received a carpenter's brace as first prize....The freshman boys were entertained by the chapter at an out-door picnic...The FFA boys are making plans to sponsor an all school skating party....Twenty-one of the FFA boys spent one day at the Topeka Free fair.

--Kenneth Rowe, Reporter

WINFIELD: The officers of the Winfield chapter were elected in April and installed in May. A meeting of new officers, advisers and honorary members was held at the Brettun hotel August 25, where the program of work for the new year was discussed....At the regular September meeting talks were given by boys who spent their vacation in western Kansas on what they described as a working vacation, working in the harvest field and seeing the country at the same time. One boy went to Canada following the harvest. The meeting was concluded by a travel talk in Kodachrome pictures given by Carl Whitson, newspaper reporter who was the guest speaker of the evening....The Winfield chapter is cooperating with the Chamber of Commerce in building a booth at the Cowley County fair to encourage farmers to grow more soy beans in hopes of getting a soy bean processing plant in the future....The chapter members now have: 163 sheep, 37 cattle, 18 hogs, 31 pigs. We still need 16 cattle, 40 ewes, 11 gilts, and 10 feeder pigs.

--Eli Rush, Reporter

FORD: Local FFA members have been learning by doing. We have just been renewing our notes to the Greensburg Production Credit Association to the amount of \$865. Several notes had just been paid off before we renewed the notes.... Last summer nine members and our adviser took a five day trip to the Lake of the Ozarks, Bagnell, Mo. We left Ford Tuesday morning at 6:00 o'clock. At Eureka, Kansas we had to drive 40 minutes in a driving rain storm. Everyone and everything got soaking wet. Nevertheless, we arrived at our destination at 7:20 that evening. The next morning we hired two row boats for the day. We went fishing and swimming and nearly everyone got a healthy sunburn. The next morning we took a four mile speedboat ride. We then traveled a little to see the country. We returned via Wichita where we spent the night. We arrived home the next day at 12:00 o'clock

--Harley Miller, Reporter

SOLDIER: Our chapter enjoyed an over-night camp and steak fry at Pfrangs lake near Wetmore, August 18....We cooperatively purchased 110 head of western ewes during the past summer....The FFA chapter sponsored a project tour and 100 per cent of the members took part. At our September meeting the committees reported on the activity program and we adopted our program of work for the coming year.Wayne Pollock, Albert Bottom, Milton Fisher, Robert Tribble, Raymond Allen, and Vivian Vernon of our chapter marketed lambs at the St. Joseph Lamb marketing day in June....Donald Barnes was leader of the presidents discussion group at the Holton FFA leadership school, October 6.

--Vern McKinsey, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

FAIRVIEW: FFA letters were awarded last fall to the following members: Live-stock team, Clarence Minton and Billy Owen; Crop team, Lawrence Smith and James Howard; Public speech, Kenneth Breeden; Shop team, Leo Dodd and Raymond Meyer....The Fairview chapter will present a radio program over KFEQ, St. Joseph, Mo....Our officers attended the Holton Officers Training school October 6....The chapter's project tour was held the first Saturday of the school term with 25 boys present. After visiting the members' projects we drove to Sycmore Springs for a watermelon feed and roller skating....Friday, September 26 the members had a date party at Sycmore Springs....Our cooperative potato project yielded an average of 244 bushels per acre. We had one-half acre so we netted 122 bushels.

--Lawrence Smith, Reporter

BEVERLY: Our adviser and seven FFA members attended the State fair at Hutchinson. Our chapter entered a panel in the contest at the fair. The theme of our exhibit was grasshoppers, their effects on crops, and how to get rid of them. We showed a picture of a bait spreader made and owned by our chapter. ...Our chapter conducted a school book exchange. The total profit from this enterprise was \$9.71....Our 1.8 acres of wheat which we harvested this summer yielded 33 bushels. Our total profit was \$17.00. Since alfalfa has been doing well in our community, our chapter planted one acre to this crop on September 13....As a result of our success last spring in raising chickens in an electric battery brooder we are going to start this project again right away. With the brooder we have, we are able to turn out 25 chicks which are eight weeks old every week.

--Quentin Percival, Reporter

BIRD CITY: The Bird City FFA chapter will sponsor the annual Cheyenne County Grain Show again this year. The show will be held about the third week of October. In connection with the grain show the members of the local chapter plan to have on exhibit their prize projects....At the first regular chapter meeting held September 11 a watermelon feed was enjoyed by all the members of the chapter. Watermelons were furnished by members of the chapter....Fifteen new members will be initiated into our chapter as Green Hands on October 20.

--Bernard Kramer, Reporter

HORTON: Our summer activities included a trip to the Midwest Lamb Show at St. Joseph, Mo., and several judging trips. We also had a watermelon feed to which we invited all prospective FFA members....We sponsored a stand at our Tri-County fair this year and made \$23. We are also sponsoring a potato project.

--Kenneth Knudson, Reporter

KIOWA: The FFA had a sheep dipping project and dipped about 600 sheep this summer...The FFA pop stand at the Labor day picnic cleared \$33.85....The FFA held initiation of the Green Hands on the first September night meeting.... We are going to have a pop and hamburger stand at the football games....The vocational agriculture boys went to the Kansas State Fair Sunday, September 14.Our FFA officers attended the Oxford Training School.

--Herb Kennicutt, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

SIMPSON: Our most important event of the summer was the Simpson 4-H and FFA fair which was held Thursday, August 21. Local business men donated \$65 which was used for prize money. Eleven calves and 20 head of sheep were exhibited.The Simpson FFA officers attended the officers training school at Beloit.We plan to initiate our Green Hands at our next regular FFA meeting, October 15....Shop jobs completed to date include panels for lambing pens, grain bunks, and a classroom cabinet....Field trips have consisted of some practice judging and the worming of 140 head of sheep....Dale McClure was ranked as second high individual of the live stock judging contest at the Central Kansas Free Fair, Abilene, August 19, and as a reward receives a trip to the American Royal Live Stock Show in Kansas City....The Simpson live stock judging team placed 5th at the Cloud County fair at Glasco....Bobby Gentry and Wilbur Pearson, both freshmen, placed second and third high respectively at the Mitchell county fair in live stock judging.

--Robert Vernon, Reporter

MAYETTA: Our chapter sponsored a farm machinery sale last spring which netted us \$50. With these proceeds Mr. Moore, our adviser, Edward Bausch, a former FFA member, and 12 chapter members started out on a fishing trip to Arkansas. We caught one fish which cost us \$20 in license fees. Disgusted with fishing we decided to travel. We visited interesting places in the following states, Missouri, Arkansas, Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas and Oklahoma. We returned to Mayetta June 7 having traveled 2000 miles. It was a grand trip.We are repairing old machinery again this year....Our officers attended the officers training school at Holton, October 6.

--Keith Magers, Reporter

MCPHERSON: The members of the chapter purchased cooperatively 150 ewes and 3 rams. We are planning to buy feeder calves from the range....We have an FFA meeting every Thursday during activity period....The FFA is planning to have a basketball team....In August nine FFA boys and adviser, Mr. Patton, attended the FFA camp at Ponca City, Oklahoma....We have ten steers and heifers on the deferred feeding system and are planning to market them in November.

--Carroll Tillman, Reporter

LYNDON: We have regular night meetings the second Wednesday of each month.... A trip was made to the Ozarks at Branson, Mo., during August. During the last of that month our chapter had a watermelon feed and invited all of the prospective freshmen....Our local chapter attended the Emporia officers training school. They placed fifth in the opening contest.

--Francis Kitchen, Reporter

JAYHAWK: Our chapter has 60 members including 24 Green Hands....We held our annual Douglas County fair, August 13, in cooperation with the 4-H clubs of the county....On September 16 we held our annual watermelon feed as a part of the initiation of the Green Hands....The chapter will have 15 gilts to give out this year from the increase of our cooperative Duroc project....The chapter purchased the Junior Champion Duroc boar from the Topeka fair and will use him as a herd sire....Our chapter will celebrate its tenth anniversary this year.

--Charles Corel, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

WELLSVILLE: Four officers and one substitute attended the officers training school at Shawnee Mission September 27. Wellsville won six ribbons at the contest. Elden Carlson won the musical contest by giving bird imitations. In the Asket-Basket contest, Wellsville won first with Jack Chalender tying for first individual. Stanley Hughes placed third. The scrapbook made by our chapter received second place. The parliamentary procedure drill, a motion to amend a motion, received third. Wellsville won more ribbons than any school present....Freshmen were initiated at our first meeting September 16. There are 54 boys enrolled in agriculture this year....Our boys have dipped 67 head of sheep since the beginning of school. The chapter is planning to attend the American Royal October 21.

--Jack Chalender, Reporter

INMAN: State and national dues for 50 members representing 100 per cent of our vocational agriculture enrollment were sent to the state office the second week of school....The local chapter entered a Panel at the State fair at Hutchinson. The Panel carried out the plans to follow in feeding the average size dairy cow and the efficiency of the cow and the amount of feed fed.... 50 members of the Inman chapter attended the State fair at Hutchinson September 15....The Inman chapter demonstrating Ability III in Parliamentary Procedure, will compete in the Opening and Closing ceremony contest at the Haven Officers Training School, October 15....The boys are looking forward to much hard work, a successful and very pleasant year.

--Franklin Panhratz, Reporter

NORTON: The FFA boys dipped over 2000 head of ewes in their portable dipping vat which we built last year....We have seven ewes and two lambs and two pure bred Shropshire rams left in our cooperative sheep project. These rams are also used for the boys in the department who have 10 head of ewes and can't buy a ram of their own....Billy Horesky ranked fifth high individual, and our team placed fifth in judging at the Colby fair....The FFA has 27 acres of feed on the airport farm this year. This feed consists of 14 acres of sumac and 13 acres of Colby milo....Our farming program for the last year consisted of 56 acres of corn, 48 acres of barley, 51 acres of wheat, 180 acres of sorghums. This is a total of 335 acres of ground farmed by the agriculture boys during the last year. In addition they had 76 head of sheep, 271 head of poultry, 3 dairy cows, 3 dairy calves, 3 beef animals, 7 head of hogs, and planted 165 trees.

--Wilmer E. Severns, Reporter

PAXICO: We held our first night meeting of the school year September 18. Our business included chapter approval of our program of work which was built last May. After the meeting a treat was furnished by Mr. Bieberly, our advisor. This was followed by boxing matches and table tennis....To date we have completed the following jobs in the school shop: an individual farrowing house, alfalfa bunk, sheep feeder, rotary seed treater, several window screens, a ping pong table, and numerous smaller jobs....Our officers and advisor attended the officers training school at Emporia, September 24.

--Donald Deiter, Reporter

DELPHOS: Our chapter elected officers at our meeting, September 8. These officers attended the officers training school at Clay Center....New members will be initiated at our October meeting.

--Jesse Ralph Jr., Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

HIAWATHA: The Hiawatha chapter elected officers at its June night meeting.... 30 boys attended a watermelon feed for the new members August 17....On August 21, 5 of our members took part in a general live stock judging contest at the Atchison county fair in Effingham. Dick Thuma was high individual in the live stock judging contest, and our team placed fourth....Our chapter placed third in judging at the Brown county free fair. Several of our members exhibited dairy cattle in this county fair. Gale Mellenbruch placed first with a Guernsey heifer and Jesse Chesnut placed first with a Jersey heifer in the FFA division. Marvin Jefferies had the winning ten ears of yellow corn....32 members attended the Topeka fair, Tuesday, September 9 on FFA day....Gale Mellenbruch won reserve grand championship with his Guernsey heifer and Glenn Korthanke won two firsts with his gilts at the Horton tri-county fair....The chapter is running a hot dog stand at all home football games to earn some money.

--Wallace Ragan, Reporter

COLUMBUS: The local officers attended the Officers Training School held at Tola, September 25....Calvin Jarrett, Cloyd Bower, Galen Gaston, Carlos Eagleson, Don Hall, Roger Reed, Bobby Fray, and Ray Furgerson, had entries in the Joplin Beef Show held October 6 and 7....The following jobs are under construction in farm shop: A-type hog house, combination cattle feeder and hay rack, sheep feeders, poultry feeders, hog troughs, step ladders, machinery repair, and many other small articles....A new portable electric drill and stand have been purchased by the department....The FFA boys cleared \$7.40 on candy and pop sales at the first football game.

--Lee Sellers, Reporter

WATERVILLE: Our FFA chapter has an enrollment of 30 members this year. We held initiation ceremonies for all new members at our first night meeting in October....Our chapter put up a booth at the Marshall County fair September 23-26. The booth featured the advantages of a wind break. Our entry placed first...We ran a popcorn popper at the Marshall County and Washington County fairs. These two activities have helped very much in building up our treasury....Some of our FFA boys have done remarkably well in showing their projects at the local fairs. In the live stock and grain exhibits alone they have carried away 35 firsts, 15 seconds, 10 thirds, and 6 fourths.

--David Livers, Reporter

RAMONA: Lenord Rudolph won first on his project record book at the Marion County fair....The vocational agriculture class is planning to build a sidewalk south of the school building....Our chapter carries on a book exchange each spring and fall. This year we made a profit of \$7.50, which will be used to sponsor the father and son banquet.

--Donald Smith, Reporter

ARGONIA: We are making plans for the initiation of 11 Green Hands....Our chapter will sponsor a poultry show....17 members attended the FFA camp at Ponca City, Oklahoma in August....Our officers attended the FFA Training School at Oxford, September 30.

--Russell Garber, Reporter

BYERS: One of our members, John Lewis borrowed \$114 from the Production Credit Association at Greensburg and purchased two steers and two heifers. One of the heifers placed fifth at the state fair in the Shorthorn division. He sold his two steers for \$193, paid off his loan and has two heifers plus \$70 in cash left

--Leroy Hodson, Reporter