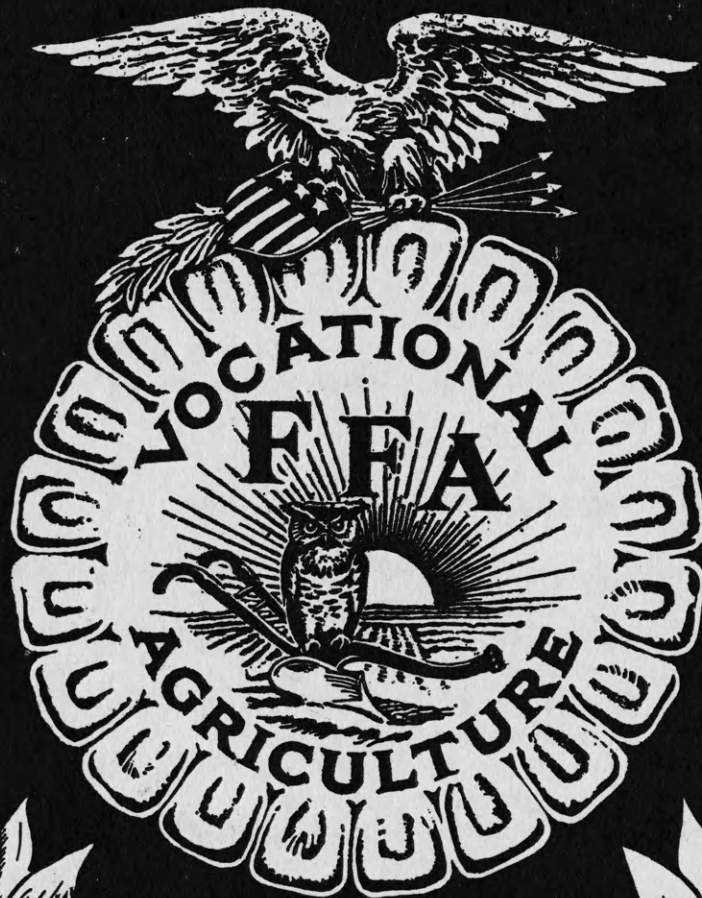


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FFA CALENDAR

Please submit the name of your 1945 American Farmer candidate to Prof. L. F. Hall, % KSC, Manhattan, Kansas, at your early convenience.

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COUNTRY GENTLEMEN USES KANSAS FFA NEWS IN OVERSEAS EDITION

We have just received word that the Country Gentlemen has a three-page spread about Kansas FFA chapters in a recent overseas edition. Some of the FFA pictures used in the overseas edition are to be used on the FFA page of an early issue of the domestic issue of this magazine, according to Moran Tudry, associate editor.

--FFA--

"On behalf of the Future Farmers of America, I wish to thank you for making it possible for Bruce Johnson (Highland Park chapter) to attend the annual banquet and appear on the program. The response of the audience was proof that his presentations were appreciated."

A. W. Tenney,  
Acting National Executive Secretary,  
Future Farmers of America

October 25, 1944

--FFA--

Dr. C. V. Williams of the Department of Education is recovering satisfactorily from a recent operation.

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1944 DISTRICT FFA LEADERSHIP SCHOOLS

The first district FFA "Officers Training School" was sponsored by the Shawnee Mission chapter in 1931. Each year since, with the exception of 1942, district FFA Leadership Schools have been conducted in Kansas.

The 1944 district FFA Leadership Schools were held in twelve centers, the centers being selected with a view to equalizing the travel distance. Twenty-three chapters did not attend any Leadership School. The FFA officers and advisers from the chapters not in attendance missed out on considerable inspiration and worthwhile information of very great value in the proper conduct of FFA chapters.

The purpose of the FFA Leadership School might be classified in three categories, namely: (1) ritualistic improvement; (2) broaden knowledge of the FFA; (3) exchange of ideas on building and executing a worthwhile program of work.

The 1944 FFA Leadership Schools were organized in such a manner as to give maximum emphasis to boy participation. A majority of the local chapter advisers brought their FFA officers to the meetings prepared to participate, while a few came totally unprepared. Much credit for the success of the 1944 FFA Leadership Schools must be given to the state FFA officers who assisted, and to the cooperation of the local chapters assigned special roles on the program.

The following rankings will be of interest to all FFA members and advisers who attended a Leadership School, and should prove of interest to all Future Farmer members.

The high five individuals in the state in the FFA Information Contest:

1st - Dale Appol, Sedan Chapter	62 points *
2nd - Jim Koller, Sedan Chapter	60 points
2nd - Rollin Casement, Sedan Chapter	60 points
2nd - Marlow Ediger, Inman Chapter	60 points
2nd - Wayne Heinger, Seneca Chapter	60 points

\* Total possible points equalled 68. (The test used in 1943 had 79 points.)

The high five chapters in the state in the FFA Information Contest:

1st - Inman, W. J. Braun, Adviser	292 points
2nd - Sedan, Joe Neill, Adviser	288 points
3rd - Washburn, Clark Milligan, Adviser	261 points
4th - Beloit, Howard Bradley, Adviser	257 points
5th - Stockton, F. A. Blauer, Adviser	255 points

To the Sedan chapter goes the honor of placing three boys in the high five individuals in the state in the FFA Information contest.

The Inman chapter won state honors for making the highest chapter score in the state FFA Information contest.

It is interesting to note that while the Sedan chapter had three boys in the high five in the state in the FFA Information contest, and the Inman chapter placed only one boy in this select group, Inman won the chapter honors. The individual scores for the five members in the Sedan and Inman chapters follow:



Leadership Schools (continued)

Sedan

Dale Appel. . . . .	.62 points
Jim Keller. . . . .	.60 points
Rollin Casemont. . . . .	60 points
Robert Rathburn. . . . .	54 points
Robert Cloyd. . . . .	.52 points

Inman

Marlow Ediger. . . . .	60 points
Herman Neufeldt. . . . .	59 points
Willis Harder. . . . .	58 points
Lester Pauls. . . . .	.58 points
David Hildogrand. . . . .	.57 points

The following rankings give the high five individuals, the high five chapters in the FFA Information Contest, and the high five schools in the FFA Ritual Contest for each of the 12 district FFA Leadership Schools:

SHAWNEE MISSION LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

High Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st - Fred Kissinger, Ottawa Chapter	53 points
2nd - Boyce Dougherty, Shawnee Mission Chapter	51 points
3rd - Donald Barnes, Ottawa Chapter	46 points
4th - James Boucek, Ottawa Chapter	44 points
5th - Joe Zemitos, Olathe Chapter	40 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st - Ottawa Chapter	202 points
2nd - Shawnee Mission Chapter	191 points
3rd - Lawrence Chapter	155 points
4th - Olathe Chapter	151 points
5th - Parker Chapter	111 points

High Chapters - Ritual Contest

1st - Lawrence Chapter
2nd - Olathe Chapter
3rd - Shawnee Mission Chapter
4th - Ottawa Chapter

HIGHLAND PARK LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

High Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st - Eugene Foltz, Washburn Chapter	59 points
2nd - Rudy Rocha, Washburn Chapter	57 points
3rd - Don Mackie, Highland Park Chapter	55 points
4th - Fred Jepson, Washburn Chapter	53 points
5th - LeVerne Sidfrid, Washburn Chapter	50 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st - Washburn Chapter	260 points
2nd - Highland Park Chapter	237 points
3rd - Onaga Chapter	205 points
4th - Overbrook Chapter	172 points
tie (5th - Holton Chapter)	159 points
(5th - Seaman Chapter)	159 points

Leadership Schools (continued)High Chapters - Ritual Contest

- 1st - Berryton Chapter
- 2nd - Holton Chapter
- 3rd - Paxico Chapter
- 4th - Overbrook Chapter
- 5th - Washburn Chapter

## SENECA LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

High Individuals - FFA Information Contest

- |     |   |           |
|-----|---|-----------|
|     | 1st - Wayne Heiniger, Seneca Chapter    | 60 points |
| tie | (2nd - Paul Banks, Fairview Chapter     | 53 points |
|     | (2nd - Bill Putthoff, Effingham Chapter | 53 points |
|     | 4th - Marvin Sabbert, Hiawatha Chapter  | 51 points |
|     | 5th - Albert Gigstad, Effingham Chapter | 50 points |

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

- |                          |                          |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1st - Effingham Chapter  | 226 points               |
| 2nd - Hiawatha Chapter   | 222 points               |
| 3rd - Fairview Chapter   | 213 points               |
| 4th - Seneca Chapter     | 208 $\frac{1}{2}$ points |
| 5th - Marysville Chapter | 153 $\frac{1}{2}$ points |

High Chapter - Ritual Contest

- 1st - Seneca Chapter
- 2nd - Fairview Chapter
- 3rd - Hiawatha Chapter
- 4th - Effingham Chapter
- 5th - Sabotha Chapter

## CLAY CENTER LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

High Individuals - FFA Information Contest

- |   |           |
|---|-----------|
| 1st - Gene Holiwell, Manhattan Chapter  | 57 points |
| 2nd - Robert Fulmer, Wamogo Chapter     | 47 points |
| 3rd - Louis Eckart, Wamogo Chapter      | 47 points |
| 4th - Ronald Warnica, Frankfort Chapter | 45 points |
| 5th - John Stiner, Frankfort Chapter    | 45 points |

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

- |     |                           |            |
|-----|---------------------------|------------|
|     | 1st - Wamogo Chapter      | 196 points |
|     | 2nd - Frankfort Chapter   | 189 points |
|     | 3rd - Clay Center Chapter | 175 points |
| tie | (4th - Washington Chapter | 169 points |
|     | (4th - Manhattan Chapter  | 169 points |

## Leadership Schools (continued)

High Chapters - Ritual Contest

- 1st - Clay Center Chapter
- 2nd - Washington Chapter
- 3rd - Frankfort Chapter
- 4th - Junction City Chapter
- 5th - Linn Chapter

## BELOIT LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

High Individuals - FFA Information Contest

- 1st - Keith Leslie, Beloit Chapter 57 points
- 2nd - Bob Stiner, Lebanon Chapter 52 points
- 3rd - Don Treaster, Beloit Chapter 51 points
- tio (4th - H. B. Walker, Beloit Chapter 50 points
- (4th - L. V. Prewett, Beloit Chapter 50 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

- 1st - Beloit Chapter 257 points
- 2nd - Lebanon Chapter 209 points
- 3rd - Smith Center Chapter 198 points
- 4th - Osborne Chapter 196 points
- 5th - Belleville Chapter 186 points

High Chapters - Ritual Contest

- 1st - Beloit Chapter
- 2nd - Osborne Chapter
- 3rd - Minneapolis Chapter
- 4th - Lebanon Chapter
- 5th - Smith Center Chapter

## HILL CITY LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

High Individuals - FFA Information Contest

- tio (1st - Gail McComb, Stockton Chapter 57 points
- (1st - Andrew Zillinger, Phillipsburg Chapter 57 points
- 3rd - Bob Daniels, Stockton Chapter 56 points
- 4th - Dee Sarmens, Stockton Chapter 54 points
- (5th - Norman Kardosh, Stockton Chapter 50 points
- tio (5th - Loren Anderson, Phillipsburg Chapter 50 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

- 1st - Stockton Chapter 255 points
- 2nd - Phillipsburg Chapter 245 points
- 3rd - Hill City Chapter 166 points
- 4th - Ellis Chapter 132 points
- 5th - Norton Chapter 131 points

## Leadership Schools (continued)

High Chapters - Ritual Contest

- 1st - Stockton Chapter  
 2nd - Hill City Chapter  
 3rd - Ellis Chapter  
 4th - Hays Chapter  
 tie (5th - Phillipsburg Chapter  
 (5th - Norton Chapter

## OBERLIN LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

High Individuals - FFA Information Contest

- 1st - Donald Densch, Atwood Chapter 37 points  
 2nd - Howard Sherrod, Goodland Chapter 36 points  
 3rd - Eugene Daise, Goodland Chapter 35 points  
 4th - Roy White, Colby Chapter 33 $\frac{1}{2}$  points  
 5th - John Heussman, Atwood Chapter 31 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

- 1st - Goodland Chapter 155 $\frac{1}{2}$  points  
 2nd - Atwood Chapter 142 $\frac{1}{2}$  points  
 3rd - Colby Chapter 135 $\frac{1}{2}$  points  
 4th - Oberlin Chapter 125 $\frac{1}{2}$  points  
 5th - McDonald Chapter 115 points

High Chapters - Ritual Contest

- tie (1st - Colby Chapter  
 (1st - Oberlin Chapter  
 3rd - McDonald Chapter  
 4th - Goodland Chapter  
 5th - Atwood Chapter

## KINSLEY LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

High Individuals - FFA Information Contest

- 1st - Robert McKinney, Coldwater Chapter 49 points  
 2nd - Bob Lobmeyer, Kinsley Chapter 46 points  
 3rd - Elmer Frick, Kinsley Chapter 45 points  
 4th - Gene Uhl, Coldwater Chapter 44 points  
 5th - Charles Zielka, Coldwater Chapter 43 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

- 1st - Coldwater Chapter 205 points  
 2nd - Stafford Chapter 183 points  
 3rd - Pratt Chapter 177 points  
 4th - Kinsley Chapter 167 points  
 5th - Garden City Chapter 137 points



## Leadership Schools (continued)

High Chapters - Ritual Contest

- 1st - Pratt Chapter
- 2nd - Garden City Chapter
- 3rd - Kinsley Chapter
- 4th - Coldwater Chapter
- 5th - Stafford Chapter

## EMPORIA LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

High Individuals - FFA Information Contest

- 1st - Wayne Cook, Hope Chapter 47 points
- 2nd - David Williams, Emporia Chapter 45 points
- tio (3rd - Richard McVaigh, Kincaid Chapter 42 points
- (3rd - Frederick Turner, Williamsburg Chapter 42 points
- tio (5th - Ralph Dillon, Hope Chapter 41 points
- (5th - Eugene Farr, Emporia Chapter 41 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

- 1st - Emporia Chapter 187 points
- tio (2nd - Kincaid Chapter 175 points
- (2nd - Williamsburg Chapter 175 points
- 4th - Cottonwood Falls Chapter 174 points
- 5th - Hope Chapter 160 points

High Chapters - Ritual Contest

- 1st - Emporia Chapter
- 2nd - Cottonwood Falls Chapter
- 3rd - Williamsburg Chapter
- 4th - Hope Chapter
- 5th - Kincaid Chapter

## BUHLER LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

High Individuals - FFA Information Contest

- 1st - Marlow Ediger, Inman Chapter 60 points
- tio (2nd - Herman Neufeldt, Inman Chapter 59 points
- (2nd - Richard Chase, Eldorado Chapter 59 points
- tio (4th - Willis Harder, Inman Chapter 58 points
- (4th - Lester Pauls, Inman Chapter 58 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

- 1st - Inman Chapter 292 points
- 2nd - Haven Chapter 243 points
- 3rd - Eldorado Chapter 231 points
- 4th - Buhler Chapter 209 points
- 5th - Moundridge Chapter 199 points

## Leadership Schools (continued)

High Chapters - Ritual Contest

- 1st - Great Bond Chapter  
 tie (2nd - Buhler Chapter  
 (2nd - Haven Chapter  
 4th - Inman Chapter  
 5th - Eldorado Chapter

## HARPER LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

High Individuals - FFA Information Contest

- 1st - Wayne Davis, Medicine Lodge Chapter 44 points  
 2nd - Jim Harbaugh, Medicine Lodge Chapter 43 points  
 tie (3rd - Alfred Thiemo, Kingman Chapter 40 points  
 (3rd - Loris Sims, Kingman Chapter 40 points  
 5th - Harold Snyder, Kingman Chapter 38 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

- 1st - Kingman Chapter 190 points  
 2nd - Medicine Lodge Chapter 186 points  
 3rd - Harper Chapter 142 points  
 4th - Oxford Chapter 127 points  
 5th - Arkansas City 126 points

High Chapters - Ritual Contest

- 1st - Medicine Lodge Chapter  
 2nd - Kingman Chapter  
 3rd - Harper Chapter  
 4th - Winfield Chapter  
 5th - Oxford Chapter

## PARSONS LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

High Individuals - FFA Information Contest

- 1st - Dale Appel, Sedan Chapter 62 points  
 tie (2nd - Jim Keller, Sedan Chapter 60 points  
 (2nd - Rollin Casement, Sedan Chapter 60 points  
 4th - Bob Allison, Chanute Chapter 55 points  
 (5th - Robert Rathburn, Sedan Chapter 54 points  
 tie (5th - Eugene Carnahan, Altamont Chapter 54 points  
 (5th - Dean Endicott, Altamont Chapter 54 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

- 1st - Sedan Chapter 288 points  
 2nd - Altamont Chapter 245 points  
 3rd - Columbus Chapter 218 points  
 4th - Cherryvale Chapter 216 points  
 5th - Chanute Chapter 204 points

## Leadership Schools (continued)

High Chapters - Ritual Contest

- 1st - Sedan Chapter
- 2nd - Parsons Chapter
- 3rd - Fredonia Chapter
- 4th - Chanute Chapter
- 5th - Columbus Chapter

The following is a summarized table of the contest results of the twelve district FFA Leadership Schools:

Leadership School:	: Highest Individual Score	: Highest Chapter Score	: Total High 5 Boys	: Average 5 High 5 Boys	: Total 5 Chapters	: Average 5 High Chapters
Shawnee Mission	: 53	: 202	: 234	: 46.8	: 810	: 162
Highland Park	: 59	: 261	: 274	: 54.8	: 1034	: 206.8
Seneca	: 60	: 226	: 267	: 53.4	: 1023	: 204.6
Clay Center	: 57	: 196	: 241	: 48.2	: 898	: 179.6
Beloit	: 57	: 257	: 260	: 52	: 1046	: 209.2
Hill City	: 57	: 255	: 274	: 54.8	: 929	: 185.8
Oberlin	: 37	: 155.5	: 172.5	: 34.5	: 674	: 134.8
Kinsley	: 49	: 205	: 227	: 45.4	: 869	: 173.8
Emporia	: 47	: 187	: 217	: 43.4	: 871	: 174.2
Buhler	: 60	: 292	: 294	: 58.8	: 1174	: 234.8
Harper	: 44	: 190	: 205	: 41	: 771	: 154.2
Parsons	: 62	: 288	: 291	: 58.2	: 1171	: 234.2

The following rankings list the Leadership Schools on the basis of the average of the scores made by the high five individuals in the FFA Information contest:

Average Five High Individuals Per Leadership School:

Buhler Leadership School	58.8 points
Parsons Leadership School	58.2 points
(Highland Park Leadership School	54.8 points
tie (Hill City Leadership School	54.8 points
Seneca Leadership School	53.4 points

The following ranking of district Leadership Schools is on the basis of the average score of the high five chapters in the FFA Information Contest:

Average High Five Chapters Per Leadership School:

Buhler Leadership School	234.8 points
Parsons Leadership School	234.2 points
Beloit Leadership School	209.2 points
Highland Park Leadership School	206.8 points
Seneca Leadership School	204.6 points

The FFA Creed was given at each of the 12 Leadership Schools. More use should be made of the FFA Creed by local chapters. This is one of the

## Leadership Schools (continued)

finest--if not the best--youth organization Creeds extant. Kansas FFA members should be especially proud of the Creed, since it was written by a native Kansan. E. M. Tiffany, the author, was born and grew to manhood on a farm near Lyndon, Kansas. He graduated from the Lyndon High School, received a B. S. from Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kansas, in 1915. taught a few years in Kansas High Schools, and at the time of writing the FFA Creed was in agricultural education work in Wisconsin. Every FFA member in Kansas, as well as every adult FFA leader, should be grateful to Mr. Tiffany for his splendid contribution to the idealism of the Future Farmers of America.

The following FFA members contributed to the success of the district FFA Leadership Schools by reciting the FFA Creed:

Joe Zomites, Olathe Chapter  
 Bruce Johnson, Highland Park Chapter  
 Wayne Heiniger, Seneca Chapter  
 Gene Dettmer, Randolph Chapter  
 Harold Walker, Beloit Chapter  
 Richard Swin, Hays Chapter  
 Donald Jenkins, Oberlin Chapter  
 Elmer Frick, Kinsley Chapter  
 Jay Crofoot, Cottonwood Falls Chapter  
 Richard Chase, Eldorado Chapter  
 Floyd Gese, Arkansas City Chapter  
 Larry Wolfe, Sedan Chapter

Floyd Gese, Arkansas City chapter, put more meaning in his recitation of the FFA Creed than any of the members scheduled to recite same. His presentation was letter perfect; pronunciation, enunciation, and timing were excellent, and through emphasis, Floyd demonstrated that he knew what the author had in mind when he wrote the five paragraphs comprising the FFA Creed. (Your Executive Adviser did not hear Bruce Johnson, Highland Park Chapter, make his presentation of the Creed.)

The Smith Center chapter presented a cattle grub demonstration at the Beloit Leadership School.

The more FFA members know about the Future Farmers of America the greater will be their respect for the organization. FFA officers (and advisers) too often are not adequately informed concerning the FFA. Ritualistic performance, especially the opening and closing ritual, constitute the "Show Window" of the FFA organization. It is important that all ritualistic performance be on a high standard, but especially important that the opening and closing ritual be well handled at all times. Parliamentary procedure should be given more attention by chapter officers. The FFA Creed can serve an important role in public relations if properly used.

The 1944 FFA Information test had a total of 68 possible points, as compared with 79 points in the 1943 Information test. The 15 year Kansas FFA History was used as a basis for building part of the 1944 FFA Information Test.

The State Office regrets that twenty-three chapters found it not possible to attend one of the leadership schools. Eighty percent of the chapters failing to submit a chapter program of work on time also failed to attend an FFA Leadership School.

## NOT A CIGARETTE ADVERTISEMENT

Your executive adviser came in for some "ribbing" during the 1944 FFA Leadership Schools concerning an item carried on page 59 of the History of the Kansas Association of FFA, said item being - "Old Gold and National Blue were adopted as official FFA colors at the 2nd national convention, 1929." Some of the local FFA advisers had their officers coached to ask for "samples" - all of which caused the Old Professor to do some head scratching. Upon our return to the office we checked the records and beg to report that on page 17 of the Minutes of the Second Annual Congress of the Future Farmers of America, Kansas City, Missouri, November 18-20, 1929, we find the following minute: "Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt old gold and national blue as standard national F.F.A. colors." So-o-o it was not a popular brand of cigarettes after all. The sin of omission, however, is the fact that your historian failed to state in his history when the "old gold" was changed to "cern gold". We apologize for the oversight.

--FFA--

## VISITORS

Kenneth Engle, National FFA Public Speaking winner in 1942, now Corporal Kenneth Engle, tail gunner on a B-24, called on friends in the state office (Manhattan) November 2. Kenneth is stationed at the Walla Walla Army Air Field, Walla Walla, Washington. While Kenneth and your editor were catching up on FFA news, who should walk in but past state reporter and American Farmer, 2nd Lt. Robert Randle, Wakefield. Robert is a bombardier on a B-17, stationed at Alexander, Louisiana. Had to listen to a little friendly argument as to the relative merits of the ships of the Boeing line - both admitted that either ship was plenty good. Both Robert and Kenneth expect to see a lot of water soon, but neither know whether it would be east or west of Manhattan. A pleasure to see and visit with both lads, and your editor extended the best wishes of the state association for a speedy and safe return.

--FFA--

## SMALL WORLD

Kenneth Engle, national winner of the 1942 FFA Public Speaking Contest recently took a leading part in a church service at Walla Walla, Washington. After the service, a young man in U. S. uniform approached Engle, introduced himself, and stated that he had heard Kenneth deliver his winning speech at Kansas City. The young man in question had served as an FFA delegate to the National Convention from the Washington FFA Association in 1942.

--FFA--

Past Third National Vice President, George Stelter, Abilene, Kansas, is now in the U. S. Navy. George is in the aerial photography branch of the service and is getting the thrill of his life out of his experiences. You know - pardon us - but George always was "nuts" about photography - and those of you who have had the pleasure of viewing his movies and stills will agree that he has considerable photographic ability.



## MY WORLD

by

Earl Mitchell\*, Lawrence, Kansas

(Winner of First Place in 1944 State FFA Public Speaking Contest)

On the radio, in the newspapers, and in the halls of Congress we continually hear plans for the America of the future. We are at war fighting to preserve the America we have always known and loved. On one side of this great conflict are the nations joined with us to maintain the four freedoms as expressed by our president. On the other side of the conflict are the nations dedicated to destroy the principle of government of the people, by the people, and for the people.

The war appears to be going well for us and Victory seems assured. There is no need to speculate on what might have happened to us if our enemies could have over-powered us. That time is over.

Is not this the time to look to the future and plan for a better individual, a better home, a better community, a better nation, yes, and a better world? To achieve our goal will take prodigious planning by an intelligent, cooperative, and forward looking people. This is not the task of Congress and our President, or the governing bodies of any other nation, but it is a task of the peoples of all nations of the world.

Who will plan this new world we want when guns are made into plow shares? Who will have to shoulder the stupendous debts of this war? Who will decide the means by which we shall carry out our determination to live in peace with the rest of the world?

As I am a young man, my generation, my group of Future Farmers cannot escape the responsibility of a part in this planning. What we plan and what we carry through will largely determine the success or failure of my world.

I would like therefore to set forth one young man's idea (my own) of the world I would like to live in and call my home. Yes, it is visionary but practical, a dream, but a dream possible to achieve.

All elements of a people, no matter what their vocation, are closely bound together by social and economic ties. In my world each segment of society must get a square deal. I shall not attempt to picture the industrial side of my world except to point out that government, labor, and management must come to a firm and cooperative understanding. Business must earn a fair income on invested capital. Labor must earn a wage sufficient to support a high standard of living.

Unless industry prospers and labor receives a fair income, agriculture cannot possibly prosper. There is no object in producing farm products if no one is able to buy.

As I am a young farmer, I will picture my world through the eyes of a young man stepping into the business of farming.

The essentials of my agrarian world are: a fertile soil, well tilled;

\* - Earl was struck by a train on August 1, while driving a pick-up truck across the railroad tracks on his home farm and died without regaining consciousness.

## My World (continued)

a balanced community life; and a reasonable stabilization of farm income.

A fertile soil. Civilization is largely dependent on the top nine inches of the earth's soil. The best farmers live on the best farms, and the poorest farmers on the poorest farms. This fact holds true for communities, states, yes, and nations. No great nation exists today that is not supported by a strong agriculture, springing from a fertile farm land.

My world must start with the land, because from the land must come forth the things needed to support the people living on the land. The farm should be properly tilled, terraced if necessary. A proper balance between grain and pasture crops will conserve the fertility of the soil for those who must maintain civilization.

Given good land, it should be farmed by the owners who take pride in their chosen occupation. Extensive absentee ownership is bad for any farming community. I would want a community of farm owners. They should be intelligent, cooperative, and progressive.

Farm homes should be real homes, the buildings well painted, and kept in good repair, the yards landscaped in conformity with the surrounding conditions, the farmstead tidy and neat. The farm home should be fitted with modern conveniences comparably to the average city home.

Home life should be planned, orderly, and cheerful. These well cared for farms would help make the entire life of my community wholesome, cheerful and pleasant. The general attractiveness of the community would strongly tend to hold the young people to the land.

My community would be cooperative, with undertakings on a group basis. All-weather roads would connect all parts of the community. All people in the community would take part in recreational, social, and group activities of their choice.

The church and school in my community will play the chief part in the people's religious training and education. I want above all, better rural schools, because I believe our rural boys and girls must have a sound basis for their education if they are to maintain my world. A high school diploma would be the minimum educational achievement for all the boys and girls of my community. Education in the field of agriculture would be stressed in all high schools having rural boys and girls. Higher education would be provided for all who would attend.

My home locality has to some degree the requisites I have mentioned. It is above the average, but improvements can still be made.

Its chief problem in the last decade brings me to a brief consideration of the third essential of my agrarian world. It is the stability of farm income. Farm income must be adequate to provide the family with the necessities of life, plus enough for the best of medical care, education, and recreational advantages for the entire family and savings for old age. In my neighborhood we have the farms, the people, and good community life, but we have seen hard times because we have failed to maintain our farm income on a proper level.

## My World (continued)

Our nation is, and probably always will be, a nation producing more food than we can consume. There is no reason why we should not have a surplus of food at all times. From a social standpoint this is sound. We can have both this surplus and also satisfactory prices. Whatever it takes to produce the prices, will indeed be cheap, if we can maintain by them a sound and thriving agriculture throughout the nation.

The present Federal Agricultural Program has produced many good results in this field. There have been many shortcomings in the program on the part of the government as well as the farmer. Any plan adopted, to succeed, must have utmost support from the farmers.

This, then, is the picture, a fertile soil guarded by good husbandry and supporting communities composed of well educated farm-owning families.

As in every human institution, my young man's plan is no better than the young man. Since the Future Farmers of America have a heavy responsibility for results, those results will be no better than are the character and stamina of the membership of our organization. Today, as when Goldsmith wrote these lines --

"Ill fares the land, to hastening ills a prey,  
Where wealth accumulates, and men decay."

Have no doubt of us. The Future Farmers of America will come through. We shall not leave our creed a cold paragraph on a printed page, -- "I believe in the future of farming...in the promise of better days through better ways. I believe that America can and will hold true to the best traditions of our national life". We believe that. We shall vitalize it. We shall make it work.

My world, a young man's plan for tomorrow will materialize through our vision and determination to build it.

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FFA uniforms are going to be scarce. Mr. Tolan, Universal Uniform Company, Van Wert, Ohio, informs me that his company has been allotted enough corduroy to enable them to fill approximately 10 percent of the expected orders for FFA jackets. The large FFA emblem on the back of the jacket is no longer available - due to labor shortage. The small emblem on the front of the jacket is still available - also all necessary lettering. This company is expecting a mandate from the National Board of Trustees soon which will enable them to manufacture FFA T-shirts and FFA sport shirts. Such a mandate will fill a long felt need, and also will help eliminate the existing black market for such materials.

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Notice - Irwin Thalmann's farming program and the Buhler chapter program, both promised for the November 15 issue of the Kansas Future Farmer Newsletter, will be carried in the December issue of the newsletter. Sorry. Paper shortage, you understand.

## WASTE PAPER - ENOUGH FOR 1,209,000 CARTONS

The Smith Center chapter in collecting, grading, tying, and shipping 93 tons of waste paper during the past year contributed to the war effort to the extent of furnishing sufficient scrap paper to make 1,209,000 cartons for packaging United States army field ration "K". This figure is based upon the accepted standard of 100 pounds of waste paper necessary to make 650 cartons.

Paper is essential to the war effort. It takes eighty-one tons of supplies every month to keep an American fighting man overseas. Huge quantities of paper are required to wrap, package and protect this material. Pasteboard, in which waste paper is a principal ingredient, protects every large shell until it is fired. The state office extends congratulations to the 50 FFA members of the Smith Center chapter, and to their local adviser Mr. Charles Mantz, for collecting and shipping an average of 3,720 pounds of waste paper per member.

The Smith Center chapter not only takes pride in the fact that their members made a sizeable contribution to the war effort, but they also take comfort in the fact that this well organized and ably conducted paper drive netted the chapter approximately \$350. They paid off a \$65 deficit in the FFA treasury, bought 4 pure bred gilts and put them out on shares to members, purchased farm shop tools, plan to purchase certified seed for spring planting, bought a \$100 war bond, and financed a watermelon feed for chapter members and guests.

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## AMERICAN FARM YOUTH

Bob Romack, managing editor of The American Farm Youth magazine continued to turn out the best FFA coverage of any national magazine that has come to my attention. Bob had an especially fine issue in his October number - intended to serve as an advertising medium at the National FFA Convention. Bob loaded up the old jalopy with hundreds of copies of the October issue and headed for the convention. His Big Boss came along about that time and insisted on thumbing his way to the national convention. That was too much, and they blew out a brace of tires - no replacements - Bob stayed home and the Big Boss bought a passenger ticket for Kansas City. Anyway, Bob, it was a fine issue of the American Farm Youth Magazine - we paraded it before our 12 district FFA Leadership Schools, and hope that 100 percent of the Future Farmer members will sign on the dotted line.

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An oversight - In filing Robert Sawatzky's application for the John Deere Farm Mechanics Award, we forget to inform the committee that Robert's 160 acre farm is so level that there is no need for terracing, contour farming, strip cropping and pond building; and that the farm is so fertile that there is no need for lime or commercial fertilizers. All due credit to the contestants whose farms needed the above items and the boys who included such activities in their programs of work. However, we should have informed the committee more fully so that no member could have suspected that Robert overlooked such important soil conserving practices.



CHAPTER NEWS

STAFFORD: We elected the following officers for the current year; President - Lee Paulsen; Vice-President - Billy Smith; Treasurer - Ralph Dunn; Secretary - Dean Newell; Reporter - Jim Logue. Mr. Schrag is our Adviser. We have 38 members enrolled in the FFA....We attended the State Fair at Hutchinson in September....Farmers in this locality have had very little help with their fall work, so a number of the school boys have volunteered to go out and help them....Mr. Schrag, our adviser, gave a party for all the Ag boys on Tuesday, October 3. Chili was served as refreshments....Our chapter started a Pest-eradication contest on November 1, and it will continue until January 3.

James Logue, Reporter

COLUMBUS: At our September 13 meeting the following officers were elected: President - Gordon Hale; Vice-President - Donald Hefley; Secretary - Louis Schreiner; Treasurer - Billy Dean Collins; Reporter - Jack Graham....Gordon Hall was also elected vice-president of the Senior class this fall. Immediate past State Treasurer, Calvin Jarrett, received the American Farmer Degree at the National Convention in October. Calvin is in the army and is stationed at Camp Fannin Texas....During October we collected over 9000 pounds of waste paper. We are planning on buying a bond with the receipts from the sale of the paper....The chapter officers and our adviser attended the Officers Training School at Parsons October 26....We have under repair in the farm shop one manure spreader, one corn sheller and one spike tooth harrow. We are also building one farrowing house, one self feeder for hogs, one feed bunk for cattle, a number of chicken feeders, hog troughs and other smaller items. We have added a tool grinder to our equipment.

Jack Graham, Reporter

MINNEAPOLIS: Twelve members of our chapter and our adviser attended the fair at Hutchinson. While at Hutchinson we went out to Braden's Brown Swiss Dairy where we were shown the cattle and how the dairy is operated....The officers attended the Officers Training School at Beloit on October 16....The officers for this year are: President - Vincent Pieschl; Vice-President - Bill Henry; Secretary - Joe Anderson; Treasurer - Eldon Postlethwaite; Reporter - Kent Pridey; Adviser - Mr. Jordan. Allen Windhorst, of our chapter, is secretary of the State Association....We held our FFA Harvest Festival October 24. Every person was to bring a date or pay 25¢ or 50¢ if he stayed home. The Harvest Queen was elected by the members and crowned by our president. The freshmen class took charge of entertainment which consisted of games for the entire group, followed by the crowning of the Queen, and dancing. 45 members and guests consumed 12 dozen doughnuts and 8 gallons of punch....The chapter is fattening 28 lambs for our cooperative project which will be marketed in the near future....We held our Green Hand initiation for 10 freshmen November 8....A new one-horse electric motor has been purchased which will run the tilting arbor power saw we are building....We have built a 7' by 12' tilting bed trailer equipped with a wench and stock rack for hauling machinery and livestock....The freshmen visited the farm program and projects of Allen Windhorst, and the farm shop of our former member, Thaine Siler.

Kent Pridey, Reporter

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Timely Slogan--"Join the Navy, and See What is Left of the World."



MEDICINE LODGE: One of the first meetings of the year was for the election of officers. The following were elected: President - Jim Harbaugh; Vice-President - Jim Wise; Reporter - Bill Palmer; Treasurer - Bob Strowalt; Secretary - Wayne Davis; Sentinel - Jack Groendycke....The officers and adviser attended the Officers Training School at Harper on October 25.... We have 41 active members in our chapter at present. We are planning to have Green Hand initiation in the near future....The sophomore and junior classes have studied culling of chickens and have culled some flocks....In shop we have built some feed bunks, loading shoot, hen nests, step ladders, and many smaller articles. Much of the shop time has been devoted to the repairing of articles, rather than to the building of new articles....At present we have 43 boys enrolled in vocational agriculture. Our War Food Production Classes started September 25. At the close of the first five weeks there were 15 adults enrolled. Bill Palmer, Reporter

SEDAN: The officers elected for the coming year are: President - Rollin Casement; Vice President - Robert Rathbun; Secretary - Jim Keller; Treasurer - Robert Cloyd; Reporter - Dale Apel; Adviser - Joe Neill.... New blood has been injected into the veins of this chapter with the addition of fourteen Green Hands....We sold our registered duroc boar to a local breeder this fall....An acetylene welder has been added to our school equipment this fall....A number of the members had projects at the county fair and a large number of ribbons were brought home....The FFA date party was held October 13 at the city lake with 50 attending.... Refreshments in the form of weiners and pop were served....The officers ordered their official jackets and have received favorable information about them....The boys in shop are busy on shop equipment, stakes for truck beds and numerous hog troughs....The boys will soon have their hands full repairing machinery purchased by the chapter and to be sold next spring. ...The dairy heifer contest closed October 30 with a large number of the boys writing essays entitled, "The Raising of a Dairy Heifer from the Time She is Weaned Until She Weans Her First Calf," in the hope of winning one of the two purebred Jersey Heifers to be awarded. The essays will count 40% in this contest with the interview counting 20% and the record book and the way of taking care of livestock another 40%....The farm machinery repair school started November 6. An air compressor, along with other miscellaneous tools have been added....Several tons of paper, rubber, and scrap have been collected by the boys so far this year....We have butchered 112 head of hogs and beeves so far this year....We have been invited by the Coffeyville chapter to attend their meeting about the middle of November to initiate their Green Hands and install their officers.Dale Apel, Reporter

MARYSVILLE: Chapter officers for this year are: President - Charles Richardson; Vice-President - Wayne Krous; Secretary - Dale Schwindaman; Reporter - Frederick Kupfersmith; Treasurer - John Vering, Jr.; Sentinel - Francis Clacys....Our first meeting this fall was a picnic, to which the freshman voc. ag. class was invited....We are doing emergency farm work in harvesting feed crops. To date we have shocked 40 acres of sorghums for farmers in the community. We have also harvested 40 Hybrid Corn Test Plots of a Farm Bureau project....Members of the chapter assisted in a Corn and Poultry Show sponsored by the Marysville Chamber of Commerce, October 28. ...We have added 13 new members, which will bring our November 1 membership to 40 boys. Frederick Kupfersmith, Reporter

## Chapter News (continued)

ONAGA: The officers for the year 1944-45 are: President - Clinton Rollenhagen; Vice President - Martin Figge; Secretary - Duane Kufhal; Treasurer - Alvin Toske; Reporter - Duane Brunkow; Sentinel - Merrill Schlegel....The FFA officers attended the Leadership School in Topeka....At our September meeting a watermelon feed was given for the freshmen....Some of the FFA members have been working on farms in order to raise money for our treasury and have also raised a sum of money at football games....The chapter has planned a hayrack ride for the Home Economics girls....Some of the shop jobs consist of two hog houses, feed bunks, rope halters, many forge tools, auto repairs, hog troughs, welding, chicken pens, wagon boxes, step ladders, and trailers.

Duane Brunkow, Reporter

PHILLIPSBURG: Ten boys of the Phillipsburg chapter attended the Hutchinson State Fair this year....The chapter initiated seven Green Hands on October 23 - Kenneth Weak, Leroy Boughton, William Zink Jr., Glenn Scott, Dean Johnson, Irwin Walker, and Bill Boyd....The chapter has held one meeting devoted to Fire Prevention, and one devoted to Navy day....During the month of August the chapter collected 1100 pounds of scrap paper for the Smith Center chapter....During the summer and the fall the adviser and the number 11 class dipped 2200 head of sheep for farmers of Smith and Phillips counties. They used the portable dipping vat which the chapter built two years before....The chapter has about 75 head of turkeys to be marketed in December. These were raised in cooperation with Loren Anderson who also has 75 head. It is hoped this project will net the chapter one dollar per bird.

Keith Lemon, Reporter

HOLCOMB: The officers of the Holcomb chapter of FFA for the year 1944-45 are as follows: President - Jarvis Bruchy; Vice-President - Billy Earnest; Secretary - Harold Steverson; Treasurer - Sylvester Schiffelbein; Reporter - Charles Dreiling; Sentinel - Lawrence Roth; Adviser - Mr. Miller....We initiated 14 boys into the rank of Green Hand, and 10 boys are to be initiated into the rank of Chapter Farmer as soon as possible....This chapter has filed its program of work for this year. Committees were appointed to work under the different activities....We voted to hold a carnival next semester. The idea of the carnival is to raise funds for the local chapter....The chapter is sponsoring a purebred hog project this year. Any member of the FFA is eligible to hand in an application for a hog. His application then goes to the board where it is accepted or rejected. If the boy's application is accepted, he receives one gilt which he keeps until she farrows and until the pigs are weaned. He then returns the sow to the chapter. The chapter chooses one pig from the litter and when it reaches the age to be bred it is placed with another boy. The hogs are Improved Ohio Chester Whites....The Holcomb FFA boys took first in a judging contest between Garden City and Holcomb. The group judged some registered ayrshires at the Orion Towles farm.

Charles Dreiling, Reporter

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"Beneath this stone, a lump of clay  
Lies Uncle Peter Dan'els  
Who too early in the month of May  
Took off his winter flannels."

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## Chapter News (continued)

HAYS: Our officers are: President - Floyd Binder; Vice-President - Virgil Hauschild; Secretary - Alvin Denning; Treasurer - Richard Swim; Reporter - Vernon Binder....Our officers all attended the FFA officers training school at Hill City October 17....Alvin Denning is the winner of a 18 month old bred Holstein Heifer and Richard Swim is the winner of a four weeks old Holstein calf. These presentations are annual affairs of the Higher View Dairy which is owned and operated by J. D. Fellers and son, Edmund....Our chapter is testing and keeping records of the Higher View Dairy herd. Two members collect samples in the evening and morning once each month and the milk is brought to the vocational agriculture room for testing. Last month we tested 62 cows....Millard Moore, one of our alumni members, has purchased terracing equipment consisting of a caterpillar tractor, an elevator grader and a blade grader. He is terracing his farm, after which he plans to do custom work. Our classes have been taking field trips to the Moore farm to watch them operate....Twenty-four of our alumni members are serving overseas in the Armed Forces....We will have our annual Fall Father-Son meeting November 16....Floyd and Vernon Binder are building a wagon loader for their corn binder. It will be fourteen feet long and twenty inches wide.

Vernon Binder, Reporter

WAKEENEY: Our officers for 1944-45 are: President - Ernest Shull; Vice-President - Willard Phillips; Treasurer - Bruce Kenyon; Secretary - Melvin Folkers; Reporter - Elvin Shubert; Sentinel - Clyde Mong....Our chapter now has thirty members and we plan to initiate the new members to the FFA about January 1. The chapter takes a week out to make tile. We sell the tile and then have a picnic. What is left after all expenses are paid goes into the treasury. We have purchased \$175 worth of bonds. After the war we are planning to go to Washington, D. C....We had a surprise visitor the other day. It was Howard Dietz, our vice president of 1940-41. He left as soon as the war broke out with Japan. He joined the Marines to prove that the rising sun belonged to the FFA and not to the yellow men of Tokyo. He was in the battles of Solomons, Tarawa, Saipan, and Guadalcanal. He was wounded in the arm in the fight for Tarawa, and had his eye brows singed by a tracer bullet. He is now back in the States for the first rest in three years.

Elvin Shubert, Reporter

GARDEN CITY: Our chapter officers for the coming year are as follows: President - Victor Hahn; Vice-President - Glenn Allmon; Treasurer - Ed Hoyt; Secretary - Jerry Finely; Reporter - David Crase; Adviser - Mr. Kenneth Henderson....We have 52 members at present in our chapter. This is the largest membership we have ever had. Of this group there are 40 school students taking vocational agriculture. The rest of the members have recently taken vocational agriculture and are in good standing....Each year we have a number of work projects to raise money for our parent and son banquet, which is held every spring. This year we have shocked 60 acres of feed for 4 farmers. We also painted parking lines around the school. This was under the supervision of the city commissioners. In the near future we are planning to butcher hogs for some of the farmers....Our chapter meetings are held during the activity period. We hold two night meetings every month....We try to have at least one social event every month. So far we have had a hay rack ride and an over night camping trip to Scott County State Lake.

David Crase, Reporter

## Chapter News (continued)

NORFON: Our officers for this year are President - Keith Sanderson; Vice-President - Harold Wauffle; Secretary - Vernon Archer; Treasurer - Phillip Wiltfong; Reporter - John Sides. We have 25 boys enrolled in the No. 9 course this year. We initiated 13 of these into the FFA at our first night meeting. We expect to have 100% membership in FFA this year. We have decided to hold our meetings once a week during activity period, and a night meeting once each six weeks. The chapter officers attended the FFA Leadership School held at Hill City on October 17. All of them agreed that it was very much worthwhile....We feel fortunate that we have had the privilege of having Jack Hall, our state FFA president, speak to us at a special meeting called when he and Mr. Davidson stopped in on their way to a leadership school.... Our chapter has just purchased a seed germinator in which we plan to test all seed to be planted by our members, as well as the seed planted by their dads. The tester will test 120 samples of seed at one time. We can test seeds in the light or in the dark. It has a thermostatic control....In shop we have overhauled a tractor, 3 gas engines, a weeder, and a mower. We have built 2 wagon boxes, and have 3 more under construction. We have also completed a brooder house, since school started. We have an arc welder as a new addition to our shop and are looking forward to receiving an acetylene outfit....The junior vocational agriculture class went to Mr. Whitney's farm and harvested the corn variety tests for this county. Phillip Wiltfong, our treasurer has completed the harvest of the sorghum variety tests which he planted as part of his farming program for this year....Our committees have just completed our program of work which will be mailed as soon as it is typed.

John Sides, Reporter

KINCAID: The Kincaid chapter of the Future Farmers of America started the year with the following officers elected last May: President - George Patton; Vice-President - Richard McVaigh; Secretary - Carol Lee Evans; Treasurer - Dean Spillman; Reporter - John Conner; Sentinel - Kenneth Powers....The chapter cooperated with the F.H.A. girls in holding a parents' meeting. There were close to 75 people present....We collected 61 sacks of milkwood pods. John Conner collected the most. His collection totalled 21 sacks. Junior Adams was second with 16 sacks....We sent four officers and one substitute to the Officers Training School at Emporia, Kansas....A special meeting was held on National FFA Day, October 10, to listen to FFA broadcasts....The Kincaid chapter sponsored their second annual grain show October 27 and 28. There were approximately 250 entries. Dean Spillman made more entries than any other boy in school. Other boys making six or more entries are Junior Adams, Max Spillman, Billy Kersley, Richard McVaigh and John Conner.

John Conner, Reporter

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Applying for his citizenship papers, Gino was doing all right until he came to the questions about the American flag. "What is it," asked the Judge, "that you always see flying over the Courthouse?"

"Poojins!" confidently replied Gino.

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## Chapter News (continued)

HARPER: The officers elected for this year are: President - Leonard Wedman; Vice-President - Billy Greve; Secretary - Francis Olivier; Treasurer - Albert Freeman; Reporter - Bob Greve; Sentinel - Johnny Russell; Advisor - A. A. Halton....Our chapter was host to the District Leadership Training School October 25....The second and third year classes in vocational agriculture built a building to be used by organizations in selling refreshments at the football games....A monthly newsletter, called "The Future Farmer Tattler" was put out during the summer months by our advisor. He collected the news from the boys as he visited them during the summer and then wrote it up in the news letter....Several boys took advantage of the shop facilities during the summer, using the shop for repairing their farm machinery and building other equipment. ...Our chapter attended the State Fair at Hutchinson....Projects completed in the shop thus far include a hay rack, 9 sheep feeders, 5 cattle feed bunks, 3 chicken feeders, a large two-wheel trailer and miscellaneous smaller articles....Our chapter is planning a Community Fair for November 18. Exhibits of various farm crops and vegetables will be supervised by the boys in the FFA while the F.H.A. girls will have charge of baking, canning and sewing exhibits. The girls will have charge of a refreshment stand and the boys will run some games which, incidentally, they hope will help the financial standing of the chapter.

Bob Greve, Reporter

CHAPMAN: Our officers for the coming year are President - Karl Hannan; Vice-President - Clayton Colson; Secretary - Harlin Deines; Treasurer - Bob Zumburn; Reporter - Armin Scriptor; Sentinel - Kenneth Simpson. Those attending Officers Training School at Clay Center October 5 were Karl Hannan, Clayton Colson, Harlin Deines, Harvey Krinhop, and Harold Paeklam. The boys reported an interesting and profitable time....Our annual watermelon feed had 100% attendance. Everybody was well filled and had a good time. There are 56 boys in our chapter. Twenty-four Green Hands were initiated on October 27....We are planning our annual corn husking contest at which variety tests are harvested, and we also plan to hold a Chapter Corn Show....The milk weed campaign is under way, and to date over fifty sacks have been collected. The sophomores so far are the champion harvesters....Our new project of selling hot dogs and fudgiclos is going over big. With our newly-lighted athletic field and the attractive stand, built in the shop, it can not help but succeed.... Some of the main projects under construction in shop are two manure spreaders, one hayrack, one hog feeder, all metal boat, hog troughs, chicken feeders, six ladders, two scoop boards, sheep dipping vat and, in addition, many repair jobs in welding and soldering.

Armin Scriptor, Reporter

HOWARD: At our last meeting in May we elected the following officers: President - Kenneth Parker; Vice-President - Donald Wyant; Secretary - Clay Hull; Treasurer - Bill Jones; Reporter - Kyle Patrick; Advisor - Ned Smith....In August our chapter had a picnic for the freshmen boys. There were 35 present....We are repairing farm machinery in the FFA shop....We have a new acetylene welder for our shop....Our FFA meeting is held twice a month.

Kyle Patrick, Reporter



## Chapter News (continued)

LEBANON: Our officers this year are: President - Bob Steiner; Vice-President - Norris Maydew; Secretary - Forest Bock; Treasurer - Wyvern Kugler; Reporter - Bill Shively; Sentinel - George Moore; Parliamentarian - Lloyd Bock; Song Leader - Ivan Carper; Adviser - Don Hall....A picnic in honor of F. A. Blauer was held last summer. Mr. Blauer is Ag instructor at Stockton this year....Lebanon ranked high in the Junior Fair held at Smith Center, September 14 and 15. We took the following prizes in livestock: 12 firsts, 13 seconds and 8 thirds. In crops we received 3 firsts, 4 seconds, and 1 third. In the judging contests we received the first four places in livestock and second, third, fourth and fifth in crops....We held our 7th annual FFA Achievement Day on Friday, September 29. The Lebanon Hub Club (Chamber of Commerce) assisted in promoting the event and in furnishing prize money. A parade consisting of the school band, floats, horses and riders, bicycle riders, the Booster Club (Pep club) preceded the placing of the exhibits....In the livestock division, entries were made in 36 sheep, 4 cattle and 3 swine classes. Morse Abbot was Grand Champion exhibitor in the livestock division, Norris Maydew was runner-up and Dean Ellues and Wyvern Kugler tied for a close third place. 26 corn entries, 14 sorghum and 4 small grain entries were made in the crops division. Billie Franklin won the Grand Championship in this division. Bill Shively placed second, and Arden Isom third.

Wyvern Kugler, Reporter

SMITH CENTER: Our officers for the year are as follows: President - Bernard Buck; Vice-President - Roger Brown; Secretary - Dale Lambert; Treasurer - Marion Dunton; Reporter - Max Hayes; Sentinel - Dean Grothaus; Adviser - Charlie Mantz....Our chapter has sponsored a FFA and R.O.H. hay-rack ride....We have shipped out a carload of paper this year. This makes the third carload of paper shipped out by our chapter, a total of 93 tons. Our chapter cleared approximately \$350 on this project....Officers attended the Training School at Beloit....Our chapter is sponsoring the printing of football programs for home games.

Max Hayes, Reporter

BAZINE: Thirty-two of our members attended the 1944 Hutchinson fair. We elected the following officers for 1944-45: President - Howard Bondurant; Vice-President - Duane Schaben; Secretary - Robert McFadden; Treasurer - Bill Margheim; Reporter - Edward Schneider...Our chapter arranged the poultry and crop exhibits at the Fall Festival of the Chamber of Commerce....The officers and the adviser of the Bazine chapter attended the Leadership Training School at Kinsley, October 19....The members of the Bazine chapter conducted a Navy Day program, October 27. The names of the former Bazine high school students in the Navy, Marines, and Coast Guards and Future Farmer members were read during the program....Dean Moore, Junior Gish, and Johnny McFadden of the Navy, and Marvin Stieben of the Marines were present and had places of honor on the stage.

Edward Schneider, Reporter

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An Englishman speaks over the telephone:

"Yes, this is Mr. 'Arrison. What, you can't 'ear? This is Mr. 'Arrison--haitch, hay, two hars, a hi, a hess, a ho, and a hen--'Arrison."

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## Chapter News (continued)

DOWNS: There are 21 boys enrolled in vocational agriculture. Of this number, 8 were raised to Chapter Farmers on October 16, and received their silver pins. Our chapter officers are: President - Merle Nyhogg; Vice-President - Kenneth Michel; Secretary - Laurence Schoen; Reporter - Francis Burch; Treasurer - Rex Michel; Sinternel - Jerry Bishop; Adviser - Richard Pock. For our school assembly program we had the parliamentary procedure, ceremonies for opening and closing, ritual, a talk by Rex Michel and the recital of the creed by Lloyd Wiersma....The chapter bought FFA emblems for the officers and boys that took part in the Officers Training School at Beloit. Some of the officers have also ordered FFA jackets....In shop our No. 9 boys are making stepping stones, rope halters, lawn mowers and practicing arc welding. No. 10 boys are making dust pans, nail boxes and cupboards. No. 11 boys are repairing a wagon, repairing small tools, practicing acetylene welding and doing lathe work. We added to our shop a power sickle, grinder and disc sharpener. We piped natural gas to our shop.

Francis Burch, Reporter

LITTLE RIVER: At the beginning of the school year we gave a watermelon feed for prospective members. About 40 boys came out....We elected officers in September. President - Wesley Polck; Vice-President - Kenneth Reschke; Secretary - Wilbur Fry; Treasurer - Edwin January; Reporter - Virgil Johnson; Sentinel - Everitt Loughridge....During October we use classtime to work out our Program of Work. The president appointed every member on at least one committee....Our 38 boys completed Farming Programs. Some of the larger items were as follows: 249 acres of wheat which produced 2807 bushels as the boys' share; 120 acres of grain sorghums that will make 3700 bushels of grain; 19,690 pounds of beef....Wilbur Fry has 15 head of 1100 pound fattening steers....The project tour for the sophomore class was held the second week of October. The three boys that had the best Farming Programs were those of Jack Cordell, Max Heinley, and Jack Rush. Max fed out a long yearling hereford to weigh 1250 lbs. when sold at Wichita. He also had 5 acres of corn which made 2 tons of silage per acre. Jack Rusli's angus cow produced over a thousand gallons of milk as well as a calf that weighed 500 lbs. when sold at 6 months. His atlas sorgho will make 40 bu. per acre....Jack Cordell has a baby beef weighing 950 lbs. His corn will make 40 bu. per acre....The junior class had their project tour the first week in October. Wilbur Fry has 15 head of heavy steers on full feed. Hair is beginning to smooth up. His 8 acres of wheat made over 20 bushels per acre. Clement Lindholm had 27 acres of wheat but it only made 13 bushels per acre. His 10 acres of oats made 23 bushel per acre. He took his shorthorn calf to the Royal Fat Stock Show where it won 2nd in its class. At the sale it brought 25¢ a pound.

Virgil Johnson, Reporter

PARKER: Ten members of the Parker FFA chapter attended the State Fair at Topeka. The morning was spent watching the livestock judges working on cattle and horses and in looking over the livestock and other agricultural exhibits....On Wednesday, October 25, the 10 members of the Senior Agriculture Class went on a field trip to the limestone quarry north of Garnett, Kansas. This is one of the largest quarries in the state. The class members agreed that this was one of the best and most profitable field trips they have ever taken.

Edward Boyer, Reporter

## Chapter News (continued)

POWHATTAN: Our officers for this year are as follows: President - Edwind Drainy; Vice-President - Carol Crumb; Secretary - Ruben Finger; Treasurer - Elbert Pike; Reporter - Ivan Schuetz; Sentinel - Harold Loyd; Adviser - Mr. Williams....We have initiated 16 Green Hands and 5 Chapter Farmers....We are buying old machinery, repairing it and then selling it to the highest bidder, and rebuild machinery for farmers. We bought a manure spreader and have it all rebuilt, ready to sell, and we have a wagon box repaired. We also are picking milkweeds and have thirty some bags now, but intend to pick a lot more when time permits....The vice-president Carol Crumb has rented Mr. William's farm for the coming year. He is planning to buy a tractor and some machinery to go with it. We all wish him luck....Some of our members participated in the Tri-County Fair at Horton on September 6 to 8. Edwind Drainy's Chester White hogs took 1st in pen of three, reserve grand champion, 1st and 2nd on fat barrows, and 1st and 2nd on gilts at the Tri-County Fair....At the Nemaha County Fair he received first, second and third on fat hogs....At St. Joseph he got second on pen of three and on individual barrow....Ivan Schuetz' Duroc Jersey hogs at the Tri-County Fair took third on far barrow, third on white corn. At Topeka he got third on corn....Carol Crumb's Shropshire sheep at Tri-County Fair received first and third on fat lamb and second on ewe.

Ivan Schuetz, Reporter

CLAY CENTER: We elected our officers last year before school was out. This gives the new officers a chance to have a meeting or two before school starts. President - Gerald Martin; Vice-President - David Carnahan; Secretary - Gene Martin; Treasurer - Bill Carnahan; Reporter - Maynard Blake; Sentinel - Robert Munson; Student Council Representative - Pat Hemphill. After the boys were elected to the designated office, we bought jackets with our name, office and chapter on them. These jackets were paid for by the officers and the chapter. ...We are going to have our Green Hand and Chapter Farmer initiations at our next regular meeting....Our chapter bought a house and tore it down and sold the lumber to our agriculture boys. The ones that are building hog houses out of this lumber are M. Wohler, K. Hildenbrand, L. Martin, R. Reed, R. Oettinger, D. Sharp, and E. Nye. E. Hartner, D. Germann are building self-feeders, also a wagon box is being built by Robert Munson....Other projects being built in the shop are: six tumble bugs, four more wagon boxes, six feed bunks, three lawn mowers, two manure spreaders, one four-wheeled trailer and several other smaller articles....Other ways in which our chapter is making money are selling blue-prints for tumble bugs, poultry projects, swine, and booths at the all school carnival which is held every year in October or November. Membership dues help to raise money for our chapter....We were host to the FFA Leadership School....Some of our boys took their projects to the county fair. Those winning prizes were Paul Carnahan, David Carnahan, Gene Martin, Gerald Martin, and Robert Munson.

Maynard Blake, Reporter

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He was dug out of the wreck and carried to the nearest doctor's office:

Doctor: "Can I do anything for him? I'm a veterinary surgeon."

Casualty: "That's all right doc, I'm a jackass to think I could fifty on these tires."

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## Chapter News (continued)

KIOWA: Chapter officers for 1944-45 are: President - Kenneth Gillig; Vice-President - Karl Shklar; Secretary - Eugene Templeton; Treasurer - Bill Shrock; Reporter - Duane Bryant; Sentinel - Rodney Ellison; Adviser - J. Wade Morey. We held a very successful initiation of the Green Hands in our first night meeting. We have 120% enrollment in FFA this year. We have butchered 2 hogs, 2 beeves, and 3 sheep to date. We have branded 100 calves, vaccinated 50 calves, wormed and castrated 2 herds of pigs, wormed a flock of sheep, and wormed, culled, and deloused 800 hens....We had a snow-cone stand at the Barber County Fair and a Labor Day stand at Kiowa....Bill Shrock had two fat steers which he showed at the Barber County Fair, at the Hutchinson State Fair, and at the Fat Stock Show at Wichita. He won five blue ribbons and one red ribbon....Duncan Circle showed his sheep at the County Fair, Fat Stock Show, and at the State Fair. He took two firsts and a second.... The Kiowa FFA has established a scrap paper drive in which we have collected two and one-half tons of paper....We have repaired a trailer and three motors in the Shop and now have a Model A motor, a truck, a trailer, and a windmill tower almost ready to go.

Duane Bryant, Reporter

WINFIELD: The first hybrid seed corn to be produced in Cowley County is now being harvested at the Walter Hunt farm, nine miles southwest of Winfield. The Winfield Chapter is in cooperation with Mr. Hunt with a five acre tract planted to hybrid seed corn on a fifty-fifty basis....Sixty-five bushels of Kansas 1583 hybrid has been harvested at this time. This corn will be cured out, shelled, fanned and graded into three grades according to shape and size of grain; then it will be put into one bushel sacks which will receive the Kansas Crop Improvement certified seal. We are taking orders for this corn now....The Winfield Chapter has launched a "Land Use Planning" program as a part of the community work this year. The program calls for a 4-year program for the Winfield Chapter, and involves such projects as: terrace outlets, terracing, gully control, strip farming, and many others....The Winfield Chapter has shipped in one car of feeder lambs from Texas and also one car of Texas breeding ewes. Five boys are feeding lambs. We bought a car of 250 at \$8.50 F.O.B. Winfield, 60#.

Ronal Heffron, Reporter

BURNS: Burns' newly elected officers are as follows: President - H. Knaussman; Vice-President - C. Wedel; Secretary - C. Waggy; Treasurer - G. Kyle; Reporter - K. Green; Sentinel - S. Annoter....The chapter has had two night meetings and three day meetings to date. We have the largest number of boys enrolled in Vocational Agriculture and the largest number of Green Hands in our history....September 17 the chapter went as a group to the State Fair at Hutchinson; the day was an enjoyable one....The committees that were appointed to make out the Program of Work have it about completed....The chapter officers attended the Leadership Training School at Buhler. Much was gained at the school.

Kent Green, Reporter

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Wayne Bryant, Chanute Chapter, president of the state association 1942-43, now in the U. S. Navy, attended the Parsons FFA Leadership School. Wayne gave a fine inspirational talk to the 100 FFA officers and members present.

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Richard Berrie, Winfield chapter, member of 1944 State Farmer class, now of the U. S. Navy, attended the Harper FFA Leadership School.