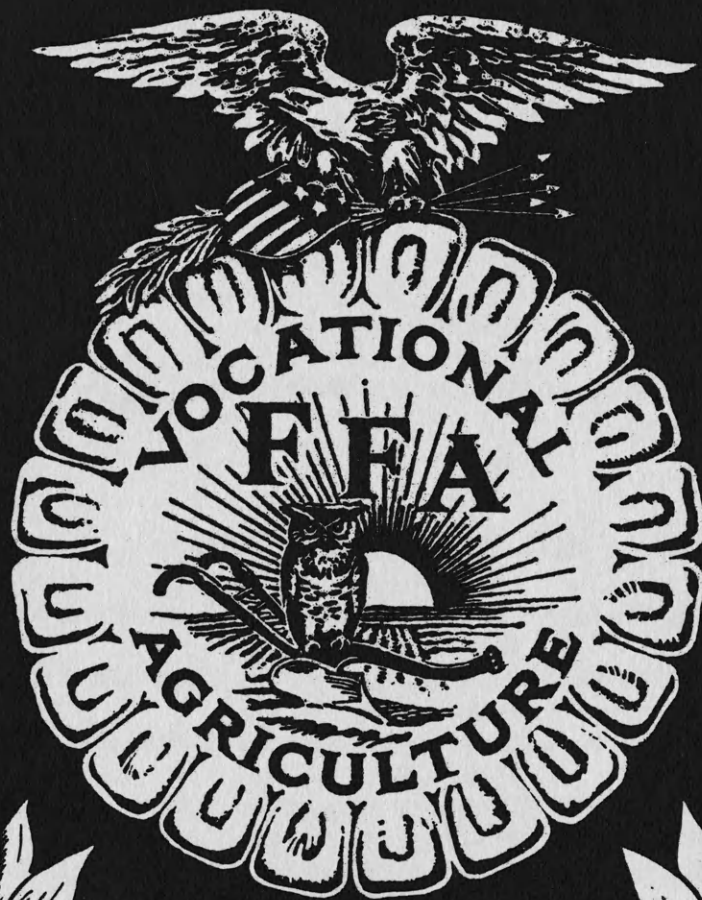


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FFA CALENDAR

MEMBERSHIP DUES

FFA membership dues are due as of January 1, 1945. Dues are 20 cents per member, 10 cents national and 10 cents state. Associate and honorary members do not pay dues. Membership cards are sent out from the state office only upon payment of dues. Send dues to Professor A. P. Davidson, K. S. Co., Manhattan, Kansas.

STATE FARMER CANDIDATES

Completed entry materials for application for the State Farmer degree must be in the mails January 15, 1945.

CARL RAYMOND GRAY SCHOLARSHIP

Completed entry materials for application for the Carl Raymond Gray scholarships (Union Pacific RR) must be in the mails January 15, 1945.

THE WISE MEN

"They brought gifts to Bethlehem."  
Who knows more than this of them?

All their other acts are hid;  
Where they travelled; what they did;  
How their lives henceforth were spent;  
What their starlit journey meant;  
Whether they had joys or woes;  
What life gave to them. Who knows?  
Only what they GAVE is told;  
Myrrh, and frankincense, and gold.  
Only this we know of them:  
"They brought gifts to Bethlehem."

--C. W. Sayres

## BUHLER - GOLD EMBLEM CHAPTER

Honor and distinction were brought to the Kansas Association of FFA by the Buhler chapter, J. A. Johnson, adviser, in winning a Gold Emblem Award in the 1944 National Chapter Contest. The chapter had a membership of 32. Robert Sawatzky, one of the four boys from Kansas who received the American Farmer Degree in 1944, is a member of this chapter.

The Buhler chapter presented a well balanced program of goals and accomplishments in the entry submitted to the National Chapter Contest. A total of 118 Goals were established by the chapter in planning their 1944 program of work, and in a large majority of instances, these goals were exceeded in accomplishment.

The following is an abstracted summary of the accomplishment of the Buhler chapter:

Supervised Practice - 29 goals

1. All members planned a 4-year farming program.
2. Members produced 26 tons of pork; 5,110 pounds of live mutton; 787 pounds of wool; 48,791 pounds of milk; 8,550 pounds of beef; 2,515 dozens of eggs; 59 tons of silage; 3,060 bushels of grain for feed; an average of 171 days of pasture for livestock per boy; 5,190 pounds of vegetables; 300 bushels of potatoes; and 27 bushels of sweet potatoes.
3. Averaged 3 1/3 projects per boy.
4. Crop and garden projects yielded above average in all cases except one.
5. 95% of members used only purebred sires.
6. 40% of members produced 100# of pork with 7 bushels of grain.
7. 78% of members treated all seed planted.
8. Had an average investment in farming of \$520.03.
9. Had an average increase in net worth of \$184.16.
10. 58% of members trimmed shrubbery at home and set an average of 70 trees per member.
11. Averaged 9 supplementary practices and 4 improvement practices per member.
12. Each member wrote one article about his farming program during the year.

Cooperative Activities - 13 goals

1. Presented chapel program.
2. Gave overall party for V.H.M. girls.
3. Conducted project tour.
4. Cooperative purchase of seed.
5. 3 members acted as superintendents at local fair.
6. 80% members exhibited local fair
7. Chapter had booth and concession at fair.
8. Members purchased \$714.68 worth of bonds and stamps.
9. Chapter purchased \$25.00 war bond.
10. Collected and sold 605# paper.



## Buhler - Gold Emblem Chapter (continued)

Community Service - 23 goals

1. Parent and Son Banquet, 93% members, 80% of parents, 80% of faculty, and 66% of school board members present.
2. Pest eradication - 792 rabbits; 306 crows; 59 prairie dogs; 130 opossums; 1,171 sparrows, starlings and blackbirds; 256 rats; 562 mice; 12 coyotes; 5 muskrats; and 5 coons.
3. Castrated 326 pigs, 124 lambs.
4. Decked 400 lambs.
5. Vaccinated 68 calves, 136 pigs.
6. Butchered 12 hogs.
7. Treated 600 bushels of oats and barley seed.
8. Dohorned 82 calves.
9. Culled 1,220 hens.
10. Dipped 2,840 sheep.
11. Wormed 850 hens, 122 pigs.
12. Treated 174 cattle for grubs, 10 horses for bots.
13. Built chapter hotbed 6' x 18'.
14. Set 85 trees on school campus.
15. Members surveyed home to locate fire hazards and remove same.
16. 20.3% members farmed on contour.
17. Members repaired an average of 4 farm machines per member.

Leadership - 22 goals

1. Host to District FFA Leadership School.
2. All officers participated in all features of District FFA Leadership School.
3. 4 articles in Hutchinson Herald.
4. Purchased 4 new volumes for FFA library.
5. Promoted Food Production War Training classes.
6. Milk testing demonstration in rural schools.
7. Conducted parliamentary procedure demonstration for grade school.
8. Conducted a parliamentary procedure contest.
9. Sold 525 packages of garden seeds.

Earnings and Savings - 6 goals

1. Earned \$139.00 from FFA booth at Hutchinson fair.
2. Earned \$25.00 from concessions at local fair.
3. Earned \$32.30 from rent on dipping vat owned by chapter.
4. Earned \$8.75 from sale of garden seeds.
5. Collected 50¢ dues from members.

Conduct of Meetings - 16 goals

1. Meetings held 2nd and 4th Monday of each month during school year during activity period; night meeting near the close of each 6 weeks period.
2. Elected program chairman.
3. 100% of Green Hands were raised to the Chapter Farmer degree.
4. Special talk or demonstration on subject of parliamentary procedure had at 90% of meetings.
5. Meeting devoted to plans for booth exhibit at Hutchinson fair.
6. Average attendance of members all meetings 90%.

## Buhler - Gold Emblem Chapter (continued)

Scholarship - 4 goals

1. 82% of members improved scholarship during year as shown by grades.
2. 11% of members became eligible for Chenille Emblem Honor Award.
3. 60% of members read one or more FFA books during year.

Recreation - 5 goals

1. Community singing at 80% of all FFA meetings.
2. Held overall and apron party for Homemaking Girls.
3. 100% of members took part in high school athletics.

The Buhler chapter elects its officers in the spring of each year. They make wide use of committees. They have a strong shop program. Space will not permit the listing of achievements in shop, supplementary practice and improvement practices.

The Buhler and Shawnee Mission chapters are the only two chapters in Kansas to receive the Gold Emblem Award during the 16 years of FFA history in Kansas.

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THINK

The job of the vocational agriculture teacher; the job of all teachers, is to teach youth to think, not what to think but how to think. Of course, facts must be made available in understandable form if the thinking is to be intelligent. There is no place in our educational scheme for the teacher who thinks his job is to tell students what to think. Such teaching makes for narrowness, doubt, lack of initiative, lack of resourcefulness, instability, demagoguery, radicalism, and blind obedience to questionable dogma.

There is abundant proof in the world today of the disastrous results of people being told what to think. Most regrettable is the fact that not all such demagoguery is found in foreign countries. It behooves every teacher from the elementary school to the highest college and university to caution pupils against the professional egotists who know the answers to all debatable questions. Some of them are in the teaching profession itself. They are a menace to our future welfare.

- L. B. Pollom, State Adviser, Kansas Association FFA

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DR. CYRUS VANCE WILLIAMS 1879-1944

We regret to announce the death of Dr. C. V. Williams, November 16, 1944. Dr. Williams spent his entire life in the field of education, and was a sincere friend of the cause of vocational education. He was a firm believer in the Future Farmers of America, and his skillful leadership and sound counsel will be greatly missed by coworkers and FFA members.

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1944 FFA BROADCAST SERIES - STATION KSAC

Four scheduled FFA broadcasts have been made, and the Manhattan chapter will have presented their number before this issue of the Newsletter reaches the Kansas chapters. A few conflicts have occurred, necessitating the changing of dates, and in the case of the Winfield chapter, a cancellation. The broadcasts have been of high quality, and now that the football season is over and the rush of fall work on the farm has eased up a bit, we hope that more of our members and friends will find it convenient to listen and enjoy the FFA broadcasts. The time is 2:15 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. The remaining schedule of FFA broadcasts follows:

Jan. 13	Farm Mechanics Instruction and Establishment in Farming	Clay Center Chapter
Jan. 27	Experience in FFA Cooperative Activities	Effingham Chapter
Feb. 10	Education in Farm Mechanics for FFA Members	Minneapolis Chapter
Feb. 24	Developing FFA Members Through Sound Farming Program Experience	Ottawa Chapter
Mar. 10	How the FFA Can Aid Out-of-School Farm Youth	Emporia Chapter
Mar. 24	The FFA Serves Its Community	Highland Park Chapter
Apr. 14	Behind the Scenes Preparation for the 17th State FFA Convention	State Association of FFA
Apr. 27	Review of Achievements of Outstanding Candidates for the State Farmer Degree	State FFA Officers
Apr. 28	Report on 17th State FFA Convention	State FFA Officers

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A CHALLENGE

FFA Dues are due as of January 1, 1945.

Last year we had 136 departments of vocational agriculture - this year we have 120 departments.

Our heartiest congratulations to the 129 FFA chapters that paid dues on 4,348 members in 1943-44 - seven chapters were inactive.

Every FFA member should recognize the importance of the State Association objective which calls for "100 per cent of eligible members".

Chapters should give special attention to that group of boys who are farming in the community and have been out of high school for less than three years. This group of out-of-school farm youth needs the FFA and the FFA needs them.

HELP MAKE 1944-45 A 100% YEAR.

FFA FLASHES

- TEXAS: Members of the FFA in Texas invested over \$2,000,000 in the business of farming last year. In addition the State Association purchased \$4,000 worth of war bonds while individual members purchased \$689,000 worth of bonds and stamps.
- OHIO: The Minster Chapter of Future Farmers of America served the farmers in their community effectively by helping them obtain good seeds for their crops. The chapter assisted farmers in obtaining 248 bushels of hybrid seed corn, 250 bushels of certified seed oats, 6,000 pounds of certified seed potatoes, and 175 bushels of certified soybeans.
- NORTH DAKOTA: The Mayville Chapter built 9 haystackers, 25 chicken feeders, and other miscellaneous types of farm equipment.
- WISCONSIN: Members of the Amery Chapter rendered outstanding service to their community last year. Their achievements included the testing of 431 dairy cows, testing soil for farmers, landscaping farmsteads, pruning and grafting of fruit trees, pest eradication, control of crop diseases and strip cropping.
- UTAH: The Rhodes Valley Chapter of Kamas had a most outstanding exhibit of purebred sheep at the Utah State Fair held in Salt Lake City. Twelve chapter members exhibited 83 head of registered Suffolks, Hampshires, and Southdowns. Seventy percent of the sheep exhibited by these boys received an "A" rating.
- IOWA: Members of the Amery Chapter were very active in the farm shop during the past year. The following farm equipment was constructed by them: 28 baby chick feeders, 86 poultry mash feeders, 18 hog troughs, 8 sheep feeders, and 2 wagon boxes with sideboards.
- OKLAHOMA: Members of the Oklahoma Association are keenly alert to the necessity of a soil conservation program in the State and FFA chapters are playing a vital part in this program. One hundred and sixty chapters and 4,600 members contributed to that effort in the various phases of soil conservation, such as terracing, contour farming, construction of farm ponds, and planting trees. Soil testing kits will be provided 100 chapters in the State this year.
- OREGON: The Albany Chapter received the Gold Emblem rating in the National Chapter Contest this year. Members of the chapter took part in many cooperative activities. Sixty tons of grain and several tons of minerals were handled through the feed co-op. Wheat was purchased on a carload basis to assure adequate grain for livestock and to reduce delivery charges. The chapter sponsors a livestock cooperative, owns a portable sheep dipping vat, two 1,000 egg poultry incubators and seventeen head of registered breeding stock.
- WASHINGTON, D. C.: Members of the Future Farmers of America are proud of their wartime achievements. Chapters and members placed major emphasis on such activities and their accomplishments were remarkable. During the past year these farm boys bought \$8,000,000 worth of war bonds, collected 85,000,000 pounds of scrap materials, repaired 245,000 farm machines and performed other essential activities.



BURLINGTON RAILROAD AWARD

The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad presented a check for \$100 to the Kansas Association to be distributed to the FFA chapters located on their lines in Kansas, the money to be used for the improvement of vocational agriculture and FFA work. The following FFA chapters shared equally in this award:

Bird City, Clarence Bell, Adviser  
McDonald, Clarence Bell, Adviser  
Atwood, Roy Hastings, Adviser  
Oberlin, O. D. Calhoon, Adviser  
Norton, Leonard Bird, Adviser

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NATIONAL CHAPTER CONTEST

It is not too early to begin laying plans for entry in the national chapter contest. All chapters may submit entries. However, in Kansas the Gold Emblem winners in the state chapter contest are the only chapters eligible to submit final achievement reports. A state association may submit two final achievement reports to the national chapter contest. If more than two chapters submit achievement reports, the state association will review them and submit the two winners. Because of the shortage of labor it is recommended that the eligible chapters in Kansas reach an agreement among themselves and plan to submit only one achievement report. For the past nine years, only one final entry has been prepared and submitted to the national office.

The following chapters were classified as Gold Emblem chapters in the 1943-44 state association chapter contest and are eligible to submit entries in the national chapter contest:

Winfield, Ira Plank and John Lowe  
Lebanon, F. A. Blauer  
Highland Park, F. E. Carpenter  
Great Bend, Fred Schultis  
Buhler, J. A. Johnson  
Sedan, Joe Neill  
Columbus, Robert Lay  
Hiawatha, Clark Milligan

It is hoped that each of the above listed chapters will prepare and submit an entry in the national chapter contest. The entry date in the past has been January 31. Entry blanks will be forwarded to the eligible chapters just as soon as they are received by the state office. The practice of having all eligible chapters submit entries in the national chapter contest would appear to be sound. Later in the year it can be agreed among the various chapters eligible as to which chapter will submit the final achievement report.

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FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA FOUNDATION, INC.

The Future Farmers of America Foundation was incorporated under the laws of the District of Columbia on March 29, 1944. The Certificate of Incorporation, By-Laws, Administrative Policies, and Proposed Foundation Awards have been widely discussed and reviewed by leaders in agricultural education and as finally revised and adopted by the Board of Trustees at a special meeting in Kansas City, Mo., on October 7, 1944, the Foundation now has the whole-hearted support of State Supervisors of agricultural education throughout the country.

While all contributions to the Foundation shall, in accordance with the provisions of the approved Administrative Policies, "be used exclusively for the purposes specified in Article IV of the Certificate of Incorporation of the Foundation without any reservations, limitations, or restrictions by the donors" and "Donors will not be identified with any specific Foundation prizes, awards or activities", it is believed that in the long run a much better balanced training program in vocational agriculture can be maintained that would be true if specific types of projects, contests, or activities were selected by Foundation donors with which they would be identified.

The management of the affairs of the Foundation will be vested in a Board of Trustees of fifteen members, six from the staff of the Agricultural Education Service of the U. S. Office of Education and nine from the states. While representatives of corporations or business concerns who are donors to the Foundation may not serve on the Board of Trustees of the Foundation, they will be requested to serve on advisory committees to the Board of Trustees. Since vocational education in agriculture is an integral part of public school systems, and since the public school is generally regarded as one of the most sacred of American institutions, it is believed that the Future Farmers of America Foundation, Incorporated, is one of the safest and most practical methods for the building and maintaining of sound public relations with all corporations and business concerns which wish to make substantial contributions on a nation-wide basis for the further promotion of vocational education in agriculture and activities of the Future Farmers of America and New Farmers of America.

Proposed Expenditures Which May Be Made by the  
Future Farmers of America Foundation, IncorporatedFOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1945, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 1946

All unobligated funds in the National Treasury of the Foundation between July 1, 1944, and June 30, 1945, as a result of contributions made by various donors will be determined as of June 30, 1945. These funds will be budgeted for use during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1945, and ending June 30, 1946, for such of the following types of projects or activities as may be finally selected by the Board of Trustees at its annual meeting in July 1945.

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Office of the Director of Public Relations and Information

Salaries, secretarial assistance, travel expenses, postage,  
communication, supplies, printing, bond for National Treasurer,  
and miscellaneous expense - Total - \$15,260.00

A. FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA AND  
STUDENTS OR FORMER STUDENTS OF VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE

## I. Contest Awards

## 1. Public Speaking Contest (F.F.A. members only)

The Future Farmers of America National Public Speaking Contest is designed to develop rural and agricultural leadership through providing for member participation in agricultural public speaking activities. Every active member of the F.F.A. in the United States who is under 21 years of age and who is a regularly enrolled undergraduate high school student of vocational agriculture at the time he is selected to represent the local chapter in the State contest is eligible to participate.

	<u>Individual Award</u>	<u>Totals</u>
a. National Winner	\$500.00	\$ 500.00
b. Regional Winners	250.00	750.00
c. State Winners	100.00	4,900.00
		<u>\$6,150.00</u>

## 2. Contests for All-Day Students of Vocational Agriculture

Cash awards to winners in the following types of contests will not be made until the national contests are resumed at Kansas City in connection with the National F.F.A. Convention and American Royal Livestock Show, when a complete breakdown and distribution of the \$10,000 among the various contests will be made.

- a. Livestock
- b. Dairy
- c. Meat
- d. Poultry
- e. Milk
- f. Others

Amount needed - \$10,000.00

II. Establishment in Farming Awards for All-Day Students of  
Vocational Agriculture and Members of the Future Farmers  
of America

No individual will be permitted to receive more than two national awards as described in paragraph 1 and 2, nor more than one State award as

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described in paragraphs 3 to 6, inclusive, under this general heading in any one year.

Recipients of awards that are on a national basis will be selected in accordance with such detailed plans and procedures as may be prescribed by the Board of Trustees. Procedures for obtaining information necessary from the nominees from the various States will be prepared in advance. This will be filled out by the nominee.

Recipients of awards that are on a State-wide basis will be determined in such a manner as may be prescribed by the State Supervisor of Agricultural Education. General principles and suggestions will be prepared by the Foundation to guide the States in determining recipients of State awards. The final details and procedures in the selection of recipients of State awards will be left to the States.

All awards will be made primarily to assist deserving F.F.A. members or students of vocational agriculture to become established in a farming occupation. Each recipient of a Foundation award will therefore be expected to use it for the purchase or rental of land, purchase of farm machinery or equipment for the farm or farm home, supplies (such as seed, fertilizer, spray or paint materials, etc.), livestock, or such other equipment, materials, or supplies needed or necessary to further assist him in farming as an occupation.

1. Star Farmer Awards (F.F.A. members only)

Star Farmer awards have been made on a national, regional, and, in a few instances, on a State basis since the founding of the Future Farmers of America in 1928. The Star Farmer award is recognized as one of the most outstanding and coveted of all F.F.A. awards. Since this award has proven stimulating and helpful on the national and regional levels, it should be equally stimulating on the State level as a means of promoting achievement and advancement in the F.F.A.

	<u>Individual Award</u>	<u>Totals</u>
a. Star Farmer of America	\$500.00	\$ 500.00
b. Regional Star American Farmers	250.00	750.00
c. Star <u>State</u> Farmers	100.00	<u>4,900.00</u>
		\$6,150.00

2. American Farmer Awards (F.F.A. members only)

An award of \$25 has been made for several years to each boy who receives the American Farmer Degree. This award is well-deserved and will be continued.

Amount needed - 25.00      \$5,000.00



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## 3. Farm Mechanics Awards (one to each State)

Since departments of vocational agriculture have well-equipped farm shops, it is fitting and proper that an award should be made in each State to recognize and stimulate achievement in farm mechanics. Unquestionably the teaching of farm mechanics and farm machinery operation, care, and repair will receive much more attention in the post-war period than ever before.

Amount needed - \$100.00                      \$4,900.00

## 4. Food and Farm Commodity Production Awards (including livestock, livestock loss prevention, dairying, poultry, crops, horticulture, etc.) - (one to each State).

Awards will be made to recognize achievement in and stimulate the use of, improved scientific practices in the production, harvesting, storing or processing and marketing of crops, fruits, vegetables, poultry, livestock, and dairy products.

In the selection of an individual in each State who has achieved most in food and farm commodity production activities, special emphasis will be placed on the extent to which candidates for this award have, through their own efforts and under the supervision of their local teacher of vocational agriculture, put into operation in their supervised farming programs, improved and scientific practices on an economic basis. Such practices might include the following as examples:

1. Treatment of soil to improve human and animal nutrients in plants produced.
2. Control of livestock diseases and pests.
3. Control of plant diseases and pests.
4. Management of soils and water to maintain and improve soil fertility.
5. Using agricultural products and by-products efficiently.
6. Production of specialized crops for conversion into industrial products.

Amount needed - \$100.00                      \$4,900.00

## 5. Farm and Home Electrification Awards (one to each State)

Since electrical facilities have been extended to many rural areas, an opportunity has arisen through instruction in farm mechanics to help students to become familiar with opportunities, problems, and necessary skills in this field. The Foundation proposes to offer one award of \$100 each to the student of vocational agriculture in each State who has achieved most in making practical and economic use of electricity in connection with his productive supervised farming activities on his home farm or in the farm home. Consideration will also be given to originality in the scientific development of new or improved economic practices in the use of electricity or electrical appliances or equipment on the home farm or in the farm home.

Amount needed - \$100.00                      \$4,900.00

## Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc. (continued)

## 6. Farm and Farm Home Improvement Awards (three awards of \$100 each to each State)

Three awards of \$100 each will be made to the three individual all-day students of vocational agriculture in each State who, as a part of their systematic instruction in vocational agriculture, including farm mechanics, have contributed most to specific types of improvements on their farm or in their farm home.

Consideration should be given to those specific farm and farm home improvement projects for which the student, under the supervision and guidance of his local teacher of vocational agriculture, has personally assumed the major share of the financial and managerial responsibility and on which he has personally performed most of the work.

The following types of activities are suggestive and representative of those for which these awards for superior achievement might very properly be allowed:

1. Laying out terracing plans and terracing of fields on the home farm in need of same.
2. Laying out contour plans and contouring of field on the home farm in need of same.
3. Laying out and constructing drainage or irrigation systems, or both, for various fields on the home farm in need of same.
4. Painting of farm structures. This project should include preparation of surfaces for painting, selection of proper paints or paint ingredients, mixing, thinning, coloring, application of paints, etc.
5. Installing electric light and power facilities for the farm home and farm buildings.
6. Installing running water and sewage disposal systems for the farm or farm home.
7. Landscaping the farmstead.
8. Making of concrete drinking troughs, sidewalks, barn or house foundations, cellar floors, dairy barn floors, etc.
9. Repair or construction of farm structures.
10. Preservation of wood and other building materials.

Amount needed - \$100.00                      \$14,700.00

III. Establishment in Farming Awards for Out-of-School Young Farmers Under 30 Years of Age Who Were Former Students of Vocational Agriculture and Who Are Members of a Part-Time or Evening Class at the Time the Award Is Made

It is contemplated that these funds will be used to assist worthy young farmers under 30 years of age who were former students of vocational agriculture and who are members of part-time or evening classes in vocational agriculture to become established in a farming occupation. For the present such assistance will be in the form of

## Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc. (continued)

direct grants of not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000 to any one individual through the office of the State Supervisor of Agricultural Education.

The Foundation will from time to time, and as experience dictates, issue suggestions to the States regarding standards and policies for the administration and expenditure of Foundation funds for these specific types of projects.

Whatever funds are available will be allotted to each of the several States on the basis of the ratio of the total paid-up F.F.A. memberships in the State to the total paid-up F.F.A. memberships in the United States. When this allotment is made, each State's quota will be ear-marked and remain in the office of the National Treasurer until checks are sent to the individuals through the office of the State Supervisor of Agricultural Education. All individuals must be certified to the Foundation by the State Supervisor as entitled to receive awards in accordance with such regulations and policies as may be prescribed by the Board of Trustees.

Every necessary precaution will be taken to insure that Foundation funds are protected and used only for the purposes for which they are intended. To that end, great care should be exercised in seeing to it that funds are awarded only to those persons who have demonstrated their farming ability through past performance, and who have the unqualified recommendation and endorsement of the State Supervisor of Agricultural Education concerned.

The selection of worthy individuals to receive these special awards will rest entirely in the hands of State Supervisors of Agricultural Education. However, no awards will be made to any individual who is not actually farming on his own or working on a farm with a view to becoming immediately established in farming.

The recipient will be expected to use the award for the purchase or rental of land; purchase of farm machinery, or equipment for the farm or farm home; supplies (such as seed, fertilizer, spray, paint materials, etc.); livestock; or such other equipment, materials, or supplies as are needed or necessary to further assist him in his farming operations.

While no recipient of an award will be required to do so, it is hoped that if and when he becomes thoroughly established as a successful farmer, and can spare the money, he will return the amount of the award (without interest) to the Foundation for the purpose of building up a reserve fund to assist additional deserving young farmers to become established in a farming occupation.

Amount needed - \$125,000.00

#### IV. Projects Initiated Within the States on a State or Local Level

Any State desiring to set up State or local projects to be financed

## Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc. (continued)

from Foundation funds may do so by submitting specific plans for each such project to the Board of Trustees for its approval.

Foundation funds available for State projects will be allotted to the several States for such specific projects on the basis of the ratio of the total active membership in the F.F.A. to the total active membership for the entire country for the previous fiscal year.

The Foundation will from time to time, and as experience dictates, issue suggestions to the States regarding standards and policies for the administration and expenditure of Foundation funds for these specific types of projects.

Estimated amount needed - \$50,000.00

B. NEW FARMERS OF AMERICA AND NEGRO STUDENTS OR FORMER STUDENTS OF VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE FOR ALL STATES WHERE SEPARATE SCHOOLS ARE MAINTAINED

The same general types of Foundation awards may be made to Negro students or former students of vocational agriculture for the benefit of all States where separate schools are maintained as are contemplated in Section "A" for "Future Farmers of America and Students and Former Students of Vocational Agriculture." The amount of funds budgeted for this purpose will be determined as outlined in paragraph 6, item C - 2 on page 2 of the "Administrative Policies."

Since at present the number of paid-up N.F.A. memberships represent approximately 10 percent of the number of the total combined paid-up memberships in the N.F.A. and F.F.A. for the entire country, it is estimated that the total amount of funds needed and which should be budgeted if available for all awards under this heading would therefore be approximately \$25,744.00.

Recapitulation  
(Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1946)

	<u>Totals</u>
Office of the Director of Public Relations and Information	\$15,260.00
A. Future Farmers of America and Students or Former Students of Vocational Agriculture	
I. Contest Awards	
1. Public Speaking Contests	\$ 6,150.00
2. Contest Awards - All-day students	10,000.00
Total	\$16,150.00



## Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc. (continued)

II. Establishment in Farming Awards for All-Day  
Students of Vocational Agriculture and Members  
of the Future Farmers of America

1. Star Farmer Awards	\$ 6,150.00
2. American Farmer Awards	5,000.00
3. Farm Mechanics Awards	4,900.00
4. Food and Farm Commodity Production Awards	4,900.00
5. Farm and Home Electrification Awards	4,900.00
6. Farm and Farm Home Improvement Awards	14,700.00
Total	<u>\$40,550.00</u>

III. Establishment in Farming Awards for Out-of-  
School Young Farmers

Estimated amount needed - \$125,000.00

IV. Projects Initiated Within the States on a  
State or Local Level

Estimated amount needed - \$50,000.00

B. New Farmers of America and Negro Students or Former Students of  
Vocational Agriculture

Estimated amount needed - \$ 25,744.00

Grand Total \$272,704.00

NOTE: The above information concerning the Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc., was taken from U. S. Office of Education releases.

The inclusion of this extensive treatment of the Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc., in the Kansas Future Farmer Newsletter is for the purpose of making available to local FFA advisers sufficient information on this new plan of handling awards to enable this group of leaders to understand the program. We wish to point out the fact that the "extensive treatment" of the Foundation, Inc., is **far from a complete** statement of the program and rules governing the same. An attempt has been made to include that portion of the new plan which directly concerns the local FFA advisers and FFA members.

It will be well to bear in mind the fact that the proposed new plan of handling FFA awards hinges upon the availability of funds; therefore, the proposed program for 1945-46 is tentative.

A. P. D.

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Members of the Goodland FFA Chapter are helping the war program by assisting farmers harvest the big feed crop in Sherman County this fall. The chapter also sponsored the training of town boys for work on farms.

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CHAPTER NEWS

TONGANOXIE: Our adviser, R. L. Welton, accompanied by all the boys enrolled in Agriculture, attended the Premier Hereford Farms Sale at Wolcott, Kansas, on November 17. Mr. Joe Radotinsky, the owner of Premier Hereford Farms, is planning an annual Field Day, at which time the FFA Chapters and 4-H Clubs within a reasonable radius will be invited guests, and we are 100% in favor of this....The chapter has collected 4 tons of waste paper and 21 sacks of milkweed pods....The FFA sponsored a party and chili feed for the Girls Home Economics Club....The FFA has had several former FFA officers and members who are in service and have seen action overseas to relate their experience to the chapter at our regular weekly meetings. The boys have been modest and reserved about their own accomplishments, although some of them hold coveted medals which makes us proud of them....Our Chapter Berkshire male is being used on 3 member's farms....Chapter funds will finance some feeding and breeding projects this year....We have recently purchased the following new FFA paraphernalia for the chapter room - owl, flag, ear of corn, and a picture of Washington.

Delbert Bradley, Reporter

ARKANSAS CITY: Officers for the year are: President - Bill Marrs; Vice-President - Floyd Gose; Treasurer - Marshall Smith; Reporter - Elton Bowman. All the officers participated in the FFA Leadership School at Harper, October 25....We have a total of 24 members in our FFA this year. Ten of our members, with Mr. Tom Faris our adviser, attended the State Fair at Hutchinson. Wayne Harador, Marshall Smith, Elton Bowman, and Floyd Gose also attended the Fat Livestock Show at Wichita. Several of our members purchased the FFA jackets this year....We held the initiation of the Green Hands and a watermelon feed for all members was sponsored by the chapter members.... We plan to participate in the Cattle Grub Control program this year. Anthony Hatcher reported the first cattle grub to be found by one of our members on October 17, 1944. Lester Alcorn was second on October 19, 1944.

Elton Bowman, Reporter

SOLDIER: The following boys were elected officers of the Soldier FFA Chapter: President - Jarrel Barnes; Vice-President - Clair Gunther; Secretary - Wayne White; Treasurer - Max Swartz; Reporter - Gerald Pollock; Sentinel - Donald Allen....We have had two night meetings thus far, one on October 7, and the second meeting was held on November 13. The following boys were elected to the Green Hand degree--Clifford Bickford, Philip Markam, and Duane Segrist....Jarrel Barnes, Max Swartz and Floyd Watkins took calves to the Royal, with the following results--Jarrel 3rd in his class; Max 4th in his class, and Floyd 1st in his class....Our pest eradication contest started on Thanksgiving vacation, and will end at the end of our Christmas vacation....Our shop has been busy on farm machinery repairing and building 3 wagon boxes, repairing 2 running gears of wagons, and building 2 wheelbarrows, and numerous hog, chicken and calf feeders....Several field trips have been taken by different classes for the purpose of selecting feeder calves, breeding livestock, of beef and sheep; also for the culling of poultry.

Gerald Pollock, Reporter

It takes a baby approximately two years to learn to talk, and between 60 and 75 years to learn to keep his mouth shut.

## Chapter News (continued)

**BEVERLY:** The Beverly Future Farmers attended the "Stecker and Feeder judging contest" Tuesday, November 21, at the Beverly sales barn in Salina. Alfred Detmer was third in placing, Leroy Cole was fifth in weight, and Herbert Traulson was third in estimation of value. There were a total of 116 members attended from Hope, McPherson, Abilene, Solomon, Minneapolis, and Beverly. Our instructor, Joe Greene, helped organize the show. We wish to thank Paul Chilen from Solomon for sponsoring the contest, Jack Beverly for his time, cattle and sales barn, and Harv Woods for his time....Our chapter has been butchering hogs and beeves. We cut and cure the pork and render the lard....We held a parent and son night December 6....Officers for the year 1944-45 are: President - Leroy Cole; Vice-President - Leroy Morten; Secretary - Herbert Traulson; Treasurer - Alfred Phelps; Reporter - Willard Meyer; Sentinel - Lowell Grim....The Beverly chapter, in cooperation with the Junior Class, has collected 2 tons of waste paper and 40 pounds of waste fat....We are cooperating in the state wide ox warble control program and plan to treat most of the cattle on home farms....The following candidates received the Green Hand degree October 20: Eugene Blatchley, LaDean Conyers, Billy Cassell, Virgil Fischer, Bob Kissick, Bob Pierce, Vincent Pistora, Donald Stover, Richard Webb, Earl Wholer, and Billy Schroeder. Leroy Morten, Leroy Cole, Lowell Grim, and Alfred Phelps were awarded the degree of Chapter Farmer....We made \$74.50 on the last bunch of hogs owned by the FFA. We have bought two beef calves to winter and graze.

Willard Meyers, Reporter

**SHAWNEE-MISSION:** Twenty members of Shawnee-Mission chapter took turns in helping at headquarters during the 1944 National Convention in Kansas City. A fine letter from Executive Secretary A. W. Tenney complimented our boys on the service they rendered....Our chapter goal of a sack of millwood pods for every member in service was reached, although seven sacks came in too late to be sent in with the main load. 114 sacks were collected....Our chapter battery brooder has been streamlined this year before being started. A drip system for watering, and a roll dropping pan has been installed. These improvements will make much less work in daily squad duties....We cleared fifty dollars on this season's printed football program....A number of FFA members staged a mock bull fight in connection with the annual school Pow Wow. The gym was packed to see the advertised live bull - which was two weeks old. (Age not advertised in advance)....Our shop is again filled with machines undergoing repair. Two mowers, two tractor plows, a side delivery rake, two harrows, three discs and a grain drill are being repaired. Two tractors will be brought in later. Feeders, hay racks, and other equipment are being built....Our sixteenth annual FFA Parent-Son Banquet was held November 29 in the Overland Park Presbyterian Church. 136 attended....Bill Poffinbarger, Boyce Dougherty, Wayne Miller and Jesse Gorman went to Manhattan for a radio broadcast over station KS.C, November 25....Out of state visitors to our department this fall have been: Director H. T. Hall of Iowa; Supervisor Harry E. Nesman; Assistant state supervisor S. D. Owens of South Dakota; State Supervisor John M. Lowe, Charleston, W. Va.; State Supervisor A. W. Johnson of Mont.; State Supervisor L. M. Sasman of Wis.; Clarence Bonsack, teacher trainer of Wis.; H. E. Nickloy, Mid-States Steel & Wire Co., Crawfordsville, Ind.; Russel Guin, Inter-State Printing Co., Danville, Ill.; Dr. R. H. Woods, Dir. Vee. Ed, Kentucky; Dr. Arthur B. Mays, Prof. Industrial Ed, Uni. of Ill. and Senorita Francisca Rodrigues of Sao Paulo, Brazil. She is owner and director of a "School of the Americas", and was in this country to further her knowledge of North American schools. She said, "There are no rural high schools in my country" and expressed her amazement in such organizations as the Future Farmers of America.

Richard England, Reporter

## Chapter News (continued)

**OBERLIN:** The officers of our chapter are as follows: President - Harold Norton; Vice-President - Ron Magers; Secretary - Don Jenkins; Treasurer - Howard Merton; Reporter - Kieth Barnett; Sentinel - Royce Stimbert....Ten of the boys, including our officers, have received their official FFA jackets. Several other boys ordered jackets, but the company notified them that they could not supply the jackets....The sophomore and juniors in Voc. Ag. class have received their white coveralls for shop work; they have Voc. Ag. FFA Oberlin on the back in red lettering....The junior ag. class helped the County Agent harvest sorghum test plots. This was good experience and enabled the boys to compare the varieties in the field....The shop work is progressing pretty well this fall. Some of the different jobs that have been completed or in the process of construction are: overhauling two mowing machines; one two-row lister; one corn binder; two three-row weeders are being made of parts of four two-row weeders; two two-wheel trailer boxes; one wheelbarrow; one sixteen'gate overhauling a Model T. Rope making is rather popular with some of the boys. There are numerous other small jobs of repair and construction. All boys are required to overhaul at least one farm machine during school.... A few new tools have been added to the shop. The one of greatest attraction happens to be an acetylene welding and cutting equipment. The boys are finding many uses for the equipment....We have seventeen freshmen and three upper classmen that have joined our chapter this year, making a total of forty-three members in all. The boys are planning to have their Parent and Son banquet around the middle of January....The Chapter has added quite a lot of new materials to their chapter paraphernalia this year. The FFA is sponsoring a Farm Machine School which is to start December 19.

Kieth Barnett, Reporter

**HOLTON:** The Holton chapter had a roller skating party Thanksgiving night. Each member was to bring a date. If for any reason the member could not bring a girl he was to tell the chairman of the committee. After all reports were in, the chairman then invited enough girls so there would be the same number of boys and girls. In previous parties there weren't enough girls, so the plan worked out very nicely. There were 31 boys and 31 girls present. Everyone had a very pleasant evening and expressed themselves in favor of making it an annual event. The management served hot dogs....The classes have been going on some very interesting field trips. First, the boys locate a farm that has many improved practices. When they go to the farm, they interview the farmer on his production. Then the boys go around and check the improved practices. When the boys get home, each one writes a theme on the field trip. The next day after all the themes have been written, they discuss each one. To finish up, a real good theme is written by combining all the ideas into one. This theme is then published in the city paper....The chapter has sold five wagon boxes and six more are being finished....We have a small electric corn peeper. Selling popcorn at football and basketball games is our main method of raising money.

Wayne Kabanoo, Reporter

**CENTRALIA:** There are 35 boys enrolled in vocational agriculture. Of this number 18 are members of the FFA. Our officers are: President - Roger Herron; Vice-President - Bennett Brewer; Treasurer - Donald Hanzlick; Secretary - Leonard Mueiting; Reporter - Lloyd Polson; Sentinel - Gilbert Schoeler....The FFA and the Boy Scouts have been conducting a paper drive. Twelve tons have been collected and shipped to Kansas City. \$60.00 was our share of the net returns. Our school had a Fall Festival October 30. The chapter prepared an exhibit and a speak house. The exhibit was on corn and sorghum.

Lloyd Polson, Reporter



## Chapter News (continued)

MORROWVILLE: Our first major activity this fall was the county fair. We did very well at the county fair, winning 23 blue, 22 red, and 8 white ribbons. We won the Senior judging contest, placing all five high individuals and also won the Freshman judging contest, placing 3 in the high five individuals. We also won 1st place on our booth and 2nd place on our shop display....We shipped in a carload of feeder lambs. The following boys purchased lambs: Louis Carter 83; Elmer Olandt 50; Ivan Ayers 15; Perl Menke 15; Francis Mutsch 20; Bruce Finley 10; and Harold Mutsch 7. We also have 25 lambs on feed in our school lots....All four of the class presidents this year happen to be FFA boys....At the present time we have on feed at our school lots 2 Hereford steers, 2 hogs, and 25 feeder lambs.... We have published our first news letter to the boys and it is on its way to the boys in service. We hope this will be in the form of a Christmas greeting to the boys....We sponsored a school carnival the 5th of December.  
Francis Mutsch, Reporter

CONCORDIA: Our officers for this year are: President - Rex Cery; Vice-President - Provine Green; Secretary - Bob Clark; Treasurer - Norman Cleveland; Reporter - Bill Lowell; Sentinel - Harlan Smith....Our chapter recently cooperated in purchasing 13 purebred Duroc gilts from the Albrecht farm at Smith Center. This makes a total of 18 registered Duroc's in the chapter. Four other boys have purchased purebred Poland China gilts. Some of the jobs we have made in shop are as follows: one double farrowing house, two A type hog houses, 9 wagon boxes, 8 feed bunks, 10 hog troughs, 2 tool cabinets, 9 tumble bugs, 2 loading chutes, one work bench, and several other small projects....Our chapter has been raising money by selling hog troughs and other shop projects. Each member is excused two days each semester to work on farms and \$3.00 of his earnings is turned over to the FFA treasury.... Our chapter plans to have several movie shots and slide pictures taken of projects and shop work to show at our banquet next spring.  
Bill Lowell, Reporter

EFFINGHAM: As a part of our cooperative activities, our chapter shipped in five double decked loads of Texas lambs last fall. Most of these were taken by FFA members, and the boys report the lambs doing fine. We also purchased phenothiazine cooperatively for use with lambs, pigs, and poultry. By purchasing cooperatively we saved approximately one-half the price charged locally....Recently we were privileged to visit the Barwood Ayrshire Farm while Jim Lynn of K.S.C. was classifying the cows in this fine herd. Several of our boys did an excellent job of scoring a cow that was classed as excellent....Our FFA sponsor, Mr. Jensen, grew a hill of sweet potatoes that produced 27 pounds to the hill. He also produced a cauliflower head that weighed 6 pounds. He is all out for Victory....Our boys put on the assembly program October 20. Most of the program featured FFA activities and parliamentary procedure and seemed to be appreciated by the student body.... Our officers have been proudly strutting in their FFA jackets recently received....The FFA boys and FHA girls had a joint Hallowe'en party October 30. The party was started by giving the freshmen a mild initiation and the rest of the evening was spent in dancing and consuming popcorn, apples, and Pepsi-cola.

Jack Turner, Reporter

Says she to me: "So I says to him, 'Go! An' the sooner I never sees your face no more the better it'll be for both of us when we meet.' An' go he did!"

## Chapter News (continued)

SEDAN: The Sedan chapter accepted an invitation from the Coffeyville chapter to initiate their first Green Hands and to install their officers on November 13. The Sedan officers, including Sentinel Bobby Rush and Conductor Leon Smith, went to Coffeyville to perform this pleasant task. The officers from Sedan opened the meeting and then initiated twenty-one Green Hands. They also installed the five newly elected officers of the Coffeyville chapter. The Coffeyville officers then took charge of the meeting and several short talks were given by Superintendent Ostenberg, and other local officials. After the meeting, the group visited the chapter's vocational agriculture shop.

Dale Apel, Reporter

BUHLER: Our chapter exhibited the Reno County Collective Agriculture Booth at the State Fair again this year. This was the fourth time we have won first in our division and the first time we have won Grand Champion....The District Leadership School was held in Buhler on October 24....Our pest eradication contest has started with the chapter divided into two teams. The losing team is to treat the winners....To date 36 crows, 77 rats, 108 mice, 92 sparrows, 65 rabbits, 22 opossums, 4 muskrats, 11 skunks, and 2 gophers have been killed....The chapter has been culling poultry for farmers....We expect to start butchering soon. Several pigs and calves have been castrated; several head of cattle have been dehorned....Projects started or completed in shop include 2 sheep feeders, 2 feed bunks for cattle, mash hopper, hog feeders, hog house, 2 trailers, several hundred feet of rope, several forge projects, and lathe projects. We came to the rescue of the city and made 10 covers for water meter boxes from scrap metal....Prizes won by FFA members at the local Fair include 10 firsts and 4 seconds in livestock; 16 firsts, 4 seconds, and 3 thirds and 2 champions in poultry; 11 firsts, 5 seconds, 3 thirds in garden; 13 firsts, 7 seconds, and 4 thirds in crops....Robert Sawatzky's entry in the Wheat Quality Class was rated the best in the show....The chapter netted \$60.00 on a baseball throw at the Fair....The chapter feels very grateful to the State Association for the privilege of representing Kansas in the National Contest. We have received the Emblem presented by the National FFA Organization. It looks like a million dollars to us.

Ralph Field, Reporter

OXFORD: The annual Parent-Son banquet was held November 7, in the high school gymnasium. Plates were laid for 55. The program was furnished by the chapter members....Clyde Noyce, Ralph Farris and Carol Nicholson presented the life history and control measures for the Southwestern Corn Borer with the aid of the projector. A surprise number on the program was a short talk by Mr. F. C. Gladfelter in charge of the milkweed floss collection program....The slaughtering program is well under way. The butcher room facilities are available for farmer's use on each Wednesday. The two morning classes do custom slaughtering Thursdays and Fridays. We plan to bring this part of our program to a close about the first of the year when we will use the butcher room for starting a coop-broiler project....The classes in farm machinery repair are meeting regularly three nights a week in spite of the small attendance occasioned by shortage of farm help. Several of the boys in the department have taken time out of school to help in getting the food crops in.

Reporter

"Don't cry, honey," pleaded Boatswain Botsford, as he awkwardly patted his girl's shoulder. "Honest, I ain't got a girl in every port. I ain't been in every port."

## Chapter News (continued)

INDEPENDENCE: Our officers: President - John Garner; Vice-President - Wesley Wright; Secretary - Clarence Patterson; Treasurer - James Ferguson; Reporter - Fred Ferguson; Adviser - Mr. J. W. Miller. They attended the Officers Training School in Parsons on October 26....Fourteen FFA members were initiated to the Green Hand degree at our last meeting. They are: Raymond Loeffler, Jr., Kent Clark, George Bruington, Harold Bruington, Richard Pitts, Donald Pitts, Billy Neil Henry, Wayne Zimmerman, Fred Wilson, Bob Cook, James Aiken, J. D. Roeter, Bill Simmons, and Joe Pond. Eight members are to be raised to the degree of Chapter Farmer at our next regular meeting....We are planning a night meeting for the near future. Our parents will be invited to attend this meeting so they may understand better the purposes and some of the achievements of our chapter....Our regular meetings are held during the activity period on Thursday of every even week....Our chapter set \$250.00 as the minimum for the members in their bonds and stamp sales....About a month ago our chapter held a hayrack ride. No one was allowed to attend without a date. Refreshments of weiners and buns were served. This served as a spark in our chapter. We are planning a box supper in the near future.... Many students have started machinery repair projects in our shop. Some of them are: Franklin Johnson, Charles Spradling, and Rox Catlett each are repairing mowing machines; Jack Sherwin is building a Fresno; Dale Nelson and Wesley Wright are repairing two stalk cutters; Fred Ferguson is building a loading chute; James Ferguson is building a bale elevator; Lee Springer is building a dual wheeled machinery trailer; Floyd Holloway is building a two-wheel trailer; Dean Wilson is building a gate out of used pipe.

Fred Ferguson, Reporter

HUGOTON: We have 43 boys enrolled in vocational agriculture. Temporary FFA officers have been elected. President - Eugene Reser; Vice-President - Jerry Mills; Secretary - Lee Sturgeon; Treasurer - Roy Barber; Reporter - Dean Roehr; Sentinel - Val Barnes; Parliamentarian - Wayne Brubaker; Adviser - E. D. Chilcote....The boys who went to the Kansas State Fair had to recite the creed. 16 qualified, 12 made the trip. We were gone 4 days, visiting the Reformatory, Braden Dairy, Hutchinson Iron Foundry Co., State Quail Farm at Calista, and the State Fish Hatchery at Pratt....The FFA officers attended the Kinsley FFA Training School....A Food Production War Training Class has been in progress for 6 weeks with average attendance of 20 each night....The chapter plans to get its charter at once and initiate the Green Hands in December or January....We had one date party in November. After going to the show we had a scavenger hunt. Refreshments of ice cream and doughnuts were served. The doughnuts were made in the shop lard kettle.... The FFA plans to sell chicks for the Geonner hatchery. Our profit will be 10%.

Dean Roehr, Reporter

Hank the Hired Man had stopped for a snack of ptomaine at the "Gobble & Git."

"Them flies in the butter ain't butterflies, is they?" asked Hank.

"Gosh, no," said Arkie Ann, "and that ain't butter either."

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Sugar cane was first raised in the United States in 1751, when Jesuits introduced the crop from Santo Domingo.

## Chapter News (continued)

PARSONS: Chapter officers for the year are: President - Verland Dringenberg; Vice-President - Dale Wilson; Secretary - Lewis Weidert; Treasurer - Bill Morwerth; Reporter - Fred Gaiser; Adviser - Mr. Brandenburg....Our boys held a Parent's meeting on October 5. They showed their parents around the Ag shop and explained their work. From there they went to the FFA Classroom where the FFA officers conducted the opening ceremony. Raymond Nance, Junior Blackburn, Lewis Weidert, Dale Wilson, and Bill Morwerth spoke on what the FFA does in the shop and in the classroom. Games were played and prizes were given to the winners while refreshments were served....The FFA officers training school was held here October 26....One of the things that the recreational committee has done for entertainment this year was a Halloween party. Each boy brought a date and came masked. All came to the FFA Classroom where games were played and prizes given. Later in the evening we went out on a hayrack ride and had a wienie roast.

Fred Gaiser, Reporter

LYNDON: The following persons have been selected to uphold the offices of the Lyndon chapter of FFA this year: President - Marvin Criqui; Vice-President - Lee Shaw; Secretary - Charles Skidmore; Treasurer - Bill Peters; Reporter - Arlo Bell; Adviser - H. R. Pollock; Sentinel - Paul Manning. There are ten Chapter Farmer members this year, and nine Green Hands.... We made a trip to Thompson's Seed Farm at Wakarusa, where some of the boys had a very interesting chat with some Nazi prisoners of war who were working there. In a hog judging contest held near here one of our boys, Charles Skidmore, won first prize, a purebred Poland-China gilt....One of our more important tasks so far has been the shucking of the state experimental corn plots at Burlingame....Our largest undertaking thus far, however, was the managing of the Osage County Hay and Grain Show, sponsored by the local merchants....We assisted in the school carnival by sponsoring a shooting gallery which was very successful....The boys completed a filing cabinet recently for the FFA which was very badly needed....The department has been repairing seep endgates for the nearby farmers recently. And many of the boys have gone from school to help a few days with the harvest....In addition to conducting scrap paper drives in town every three months, we have been collecting waste paper from nearby rural schools....Some of our boys in addition to their regular farming programs are organizing a calf club and purchasing purebred animals to raise for show purposes. Others are securing Balboa Rye and Black Hull Kafir, both of which are comparatively new in this region, to raise for certified seed....We are organizing an FFA sextet which will sing at rural school entertainments etc.

Arlo Bell, Reporter

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We are a mighty nation. As we run our memories back over the pages of history, we find a race of men whom we claim as our fathers. They were iron men, and it is because of what they did that we have our freedom and prosperity. The sentiment of the Declaration of Independence gave liberty to the people of this country, and hope to the world. Let us re-adopt the Declaration of Independence, and the practices and policies that harmonize with it.

--Abraham Lincoln



## Chapter News (continued)

KINGMAN: The program committee has been very active this year in planning for two or three meetings in advance as to what the program will consist.... On Wednesday, October 25, the FFA officers went to Harper to the Officers Training School. Our adviser, Mr. Lake, was well pleased with what the boys received at this meeting....Our yearly Program of Work was made by the FFA officers and the second and third year boys, and then was approved by the rest of the FFA members....On the night of November 23 we held an initiation of Green Hands. There were 13 Green Hands initiated. For our other part of the program we had two films on "National Farm Oddities" and "Tom, Dick, and Harry". On November 29 we held our first recreational meeting along with raising nine of our members to the Chapter Farmer Degree.... Since school began the second and third year boys in Voc. Agriculture have visited the home farms of the entire class. The freshman class will use this method of visiting their home projects in the spring. The second and third year boys culled, wormed, and deloused two hundred and seventy-five hens for our Sentinel, Leonard Richardson.

Harold Snyder, Reporter

GREAT BEND: The Great Bend chapter has had quite an extensive program this fall in the purchase of stocker steers cooperatively. We have made two trips to the McKinley Winter Livestock auction at LaJunta, Colorado. The first trip we purchased seven carloads of choice hereford stock steers; the second trip we purchased four carloads of choice stocker steers....17 boys in the chapter purchased cooperatively 95 of these steers for their farming programs. These steers cost \$7206.92 laid in at Great Bend. The boys borrowed \$3864.55 from the Larned Production Credit Association. About \$1000.00 was borrowed from the local banks. The balance was either borrowed from friends, parents, or the boys had the cash available....352 of the steers were purchased for various farmers in this community. Most of the steers were in the 600-700 pound class and will be fed some grain and fattened for the packer....Our farm shop has been a regular factory this fall. We have finished twelve feed bunks, and eleven hay racks and silage wagons since school started. Two automobiles and one truck have been overhauled the past 6 weeks. A new 275 amp. Electric welder has just recently been installed in our shop....Our officers hold a dinner meeting once a month to plan the month's work. We plan a father and son night meeting, and Green Hand initiation before Christmas. We also have a chapter basketball team.

Robert Manoth, Reporter

BELLEVILLE: Our officers elected for this year are as follows: President - Joe Hanzlick; Vice-President - Oliver Markland; Secretary - Riley Goodwin; Treasurer - Ivan Valok; Reporter - Ray Fraser; Sentinel - Gerald Kadlec; Adviser - Emory Groves....Forty-four boys are members of Vocational Agriculture and forty-eight are active members. All of our officers attended the Leadership School at Boloit....We now have our program of work finished for the coming year and put into practice....We are planning another Parent-Son Banquet. Plans were made for having meetings every other Thursday, and a meeting at night once each month....We are planning to operate our sheep dipping vat again this year and also our sheep shearing outfit....Our president took first and second prizes with sheep at the County Fair and Grand Champion in the 4-H and FFA division.

Ray Fraser, Reporter



## Chapter News (continued)

RANDOLPH: In the past month our chapter has been carrying an extra heavy load. In shop, we are making several wagon boxes, repairing plows, installing sealed beam head lights. Several of the boys have been working on their cars doing everything from fixing braces to repairing motors and installing spindell belts, also cleaning and sharpening vet. tools, and making corn elevators....The freshmen are getting off to a rapid start, having already completed their knots, and funnel work and starting on their own private projects....Also the II & III classes have been doing a lot of field work, castration, vaccinating, judging, and attending a hybrid corn test plot meeting at K.S.C....Randolph entered the Corn Show at Manhattan with 11 entries, Earl DeWyke receiving a 1st, Gene Dettmer receiving a 1st and other boys received 4 thirds and 2 fourths with prize money totalling \$39.00....At our last meeting we initiated our Chapter Farmers. We also gave out the Chapter Farmer pins and Green Hand pins. We initiated the Green Hands earlier in the year....At each of our meetings we try to have a short program which adds very much to the interest of the meeting. We also have a song leader and sing the official FFM song, which we think adds to the spirit of the meeting....As our part in the war effort we are planning to have another scrap drive....We have already collected 192,000 pounds of scrap, and we have been buying bonds also. On Friday afternoons we have been excused from school to work for different farmers husking corn, shocking feed, filling silos....On New Years day our chapter is planning to sponsor a coyote hunt....We are getting ready for our annual date party. This is when we put our Green Hands to the test. We like to give the Green Hands a special boost because we know they are bashful. Other activities will be ice skating parties, and our annual Parent and Son Banquet....We have 5 boys trying for the State Farmer Degree....Our annual post graduation is now well under way. One of our boys has caught 5 coyotes with steel traps....In our chapter we have 21 alumni boys in the service. We know they are giving all they have, and we hope we are doing our part to keep up the farms on the home front.

Aldon Sparman, Reporter

ATWOOD: Our officers for this year are: President - John Houssman; Vice-President - Gene Olsen; Secretary - Don Domsch; Treasurer - Earl Hudgens; Reporter - Charles Pinalto....Under community services we sponsored a poultry culling demonstration; harvested the county sorghum variety test; built a new guard fence around the football field, and ran a concrete sidewalk for the school....In shop we have made 3 loading chutes, 1 hog feeder, 3 feed bunks, reconditioned a Dodge pick-up motor, overhauled 1 gasoline motor, and rebuilt a hay-buck....Four chapter members purchased registered Herefords at the North-West Kansas Hereford sale held last October. Three members, through the kindness of Dr. J. H. Parker of the Kansas Wheat Improvement Association, were each able to purchase 10 bushels of the new Commanche wheat for their wheat projects. The boys have made many improvements in the shop for the night school, which began November 27, with an enrollment of 20 farmers.

Charles Pinalto, Reporter

A young Brooklyn soldier was on maneuvers in Oregon. Having a few minutes to himself after evening chow, he strolled out into the woods and soon came back with a handful of rattlesnake rattles.

"Where in the world did you get them?" gasped his alarmed companion.

"Off'n a woin," replied the lad from Brecklyn.

## Chapter News (continued)

OSBORNE: Our chapter held our FFA Parent and Son Banquet Tuesday evening, November 14. There were 126 present. The theme of the banquet was "Kansas." At the south side of the gymnasium we had a large blue map of Kansas outlined with ears of yellow corn. We also had a farm scene including some shecks of fodder, chickens and a pair of twin lambs....Supper was served by the Osborne Home Economics girls and then we had the program. Mrs. Dave Nelson gave the response for the mothers, and Mr. H. A. Storer gave the response for the fathers. Next we had ten short talks on the leading commodities of Kansas, given by chapter members. Mr. Howard Bradley, the adviser of the Beloit chapter, gave a very interesting talk on farming programs, which was enjoyed by everyone....This year we have 41 members in the chapter....In our shop we have put rings in one car and have started some self-feeders and an A type hoghouse. Some of the first year boys have made feed bunks. Most of the first year boys have made mash feeders....The officers for this year are: President - Roland Standley; Vice-President - Eldon Thornburg; Reporter - Jack Mayes; Treasurer - Eugene Rothenberger; Secretary - Bill Storer; and Sentinel - Lloyd Bruce.

Jack Mayes, Reporter

HARVEYVILLE: At our first meeting of the year, we elected officers. They are as follows: President - Glenn Crumb; Vice-President - Edwin Van Potten; Secretary - Dick Houseworth; Treasurer - Sheldon Davis; Reporter - Dick Marrs; Sentinel - Kenneth Nichols....We initiated 7 Freshmen on the seventh of November at the regular meeting. They were Kenneth Nichols, Louis Walker, Donald Fifer, Jim Reed, Jack Baxter, Dean Romine, and Neil DeWitt....We held a High School Carnival November 17, and the FFA cleared \$70.78....Some shop jobs completed by members of our chapter were: hay rack, sheep feeder, two farm gates, fifty yards of concrete sidewalk laid in front of the shop, tractor hay buck, running gears rebuilt, over-hauled John Deere tractor, one hay loader rebuilt, several saws reconditioned, and numerous smaller jobs were completed.

Dick Marrs, Reporter

WAMEGO: Officers of the Wamego FFA chapter are: President - Harold Mertz; Vice-President - Robert Fulmer; Treasurer - Charles Gardenshiro; Secretary - George Walker; Reporter - Kenneth Ekart; Sentinel - Louis Ekart....The initiation of Green Hands was held December 1....The Wamego chapter of FFA entered the annual officers leadership school at Clay Center....The chapter has made several tours so far this year. The class wormed sheep for Duane Bishop once this year....In the farm shop the ag. boys have built 3 feed bunks, 2 hog feeders, 1 sheep feeder, several chicken feeders, 2 wheel-barrows, 1 food wagon, and several other smaller projects. So far, a wheat-drill and box wagon have been repaired....At the meeting held November 16, it was decided to have a pest eradication contest. Sides were chosen, and it was decided to hold this in a form of a contest. The winning side will give a pic social to the losing side.

Kenneth Ekart, Reporter

If you talk about your troubles  
And tell them o'er and o'er  
The world will think you like 'em  
And proceed to give you more.

## Chapter News (continued)

ABILENE: The boys are all doing well with their hog projects this year. Altogether we have placed 6 sows and gilts this year on farms of boys who will carry out a well planned contract and feeding system to raise the gilts and their litters. The following boys got young gilts this fall: Bob Whitehair, Jim Lantz, and Ivan Foster....The members enjoyed a Hallowe'en party held at Joe Clemence's pasture October 26. Refreshments were cider, doughnuts, and hot dogs....The Community Service Committee is sponsoring a pest eradication contest with prizes....We made over \$62.00 for the treasury by selling refreshments at a football game and are figuring out more ways to make money.... Our officers attended the officers training school at Clay Center October 6. We gave the parliamentary procedure demonstration....We attended the stecker and feeder school held at Jack Beverly's sale pavilion at Salina, November 21.... Our Green Hands have learned the FFA creed and we held our Green Hand initiation ceremony Wednesday, December 6....Our treasurer, Bill Sexton, was the announcer of the Abilene School broadcast over KSAC, October 24....In the shop, 2 feed bunks, a trailer, 2 sheep feeders, and several chicken feeders have been built besides the machinery repair and many smaller jobs.

Ivan Foster, Reporter

LAWRENCE: Our Thirteenth Annual Father and Son Banquet was held at the Hotel Eldridge, November 21. The chapter followed its policy of presenting an Honorary Degree in our organization to an outstanding farmer in the community. Wilson Counts was awarded the degree for outstanding leadership in agriculture. Raymond Williams was awarded a cash prize for the best grades among the 24 Green Hands....We have 52 members at the present time. Our social events so far this year in addition to the father and son banquet have been a watermelon feed, and a roller skating party with about 100 members and guests present. Our Christmas party is the next on schedule. The party is the one event where a date is required....We have 20 members out for the FFA basketball team. We hope to schedule a full season of games with as many chapters as possible.

John Flory, Reporter

SENECA: The Seneca chapter acted as host to the Northeast Kansas District Leadership School on October 4....Our chapter has been active in collecting milkwood pods....Don Fairfield, Jim Kochler and Bob Halthaus each purchased a purebred Holstein heifer for their farming programs....Some of the things we are making in shop are: tank heaters, feed bunks, bale hooks, scoop boards, line spreaders, chicken feeders, and we are repairing farm machinery. We are holding a Food Production War Training Program in our department again this year. We had our Green Hand initiation November 30. We invited our fathers as guests. Mr. J. C. Andersen, Vice-President of Nemaha County Farm Bureau, was our guest speaker. Eight Green Hands were initiated. Chili was served as refreshments.

Wayne Hoiniger, Reporter

George Bernard Shaw said recently:

"Caricatures are never like me. One day when I went into a friend's flat I saw a caricature of me that seemed to be good--cruel, of course, still what a caricature should be. Then it moved, and I saw it was a mirror."