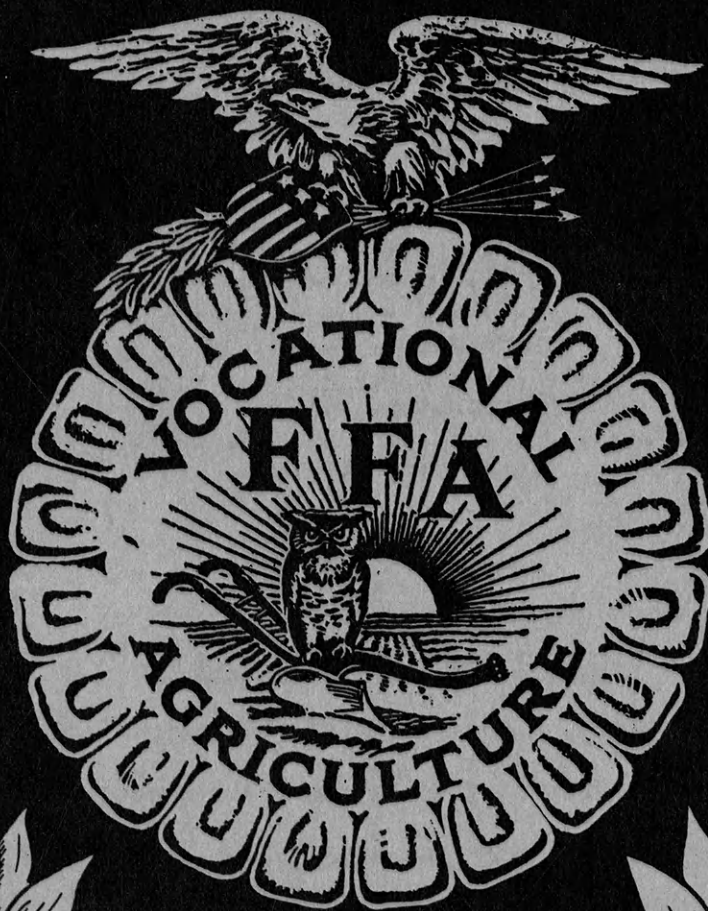


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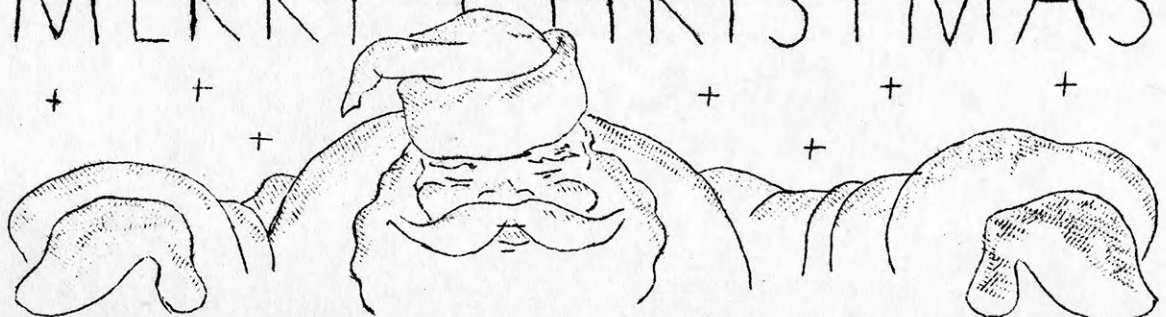
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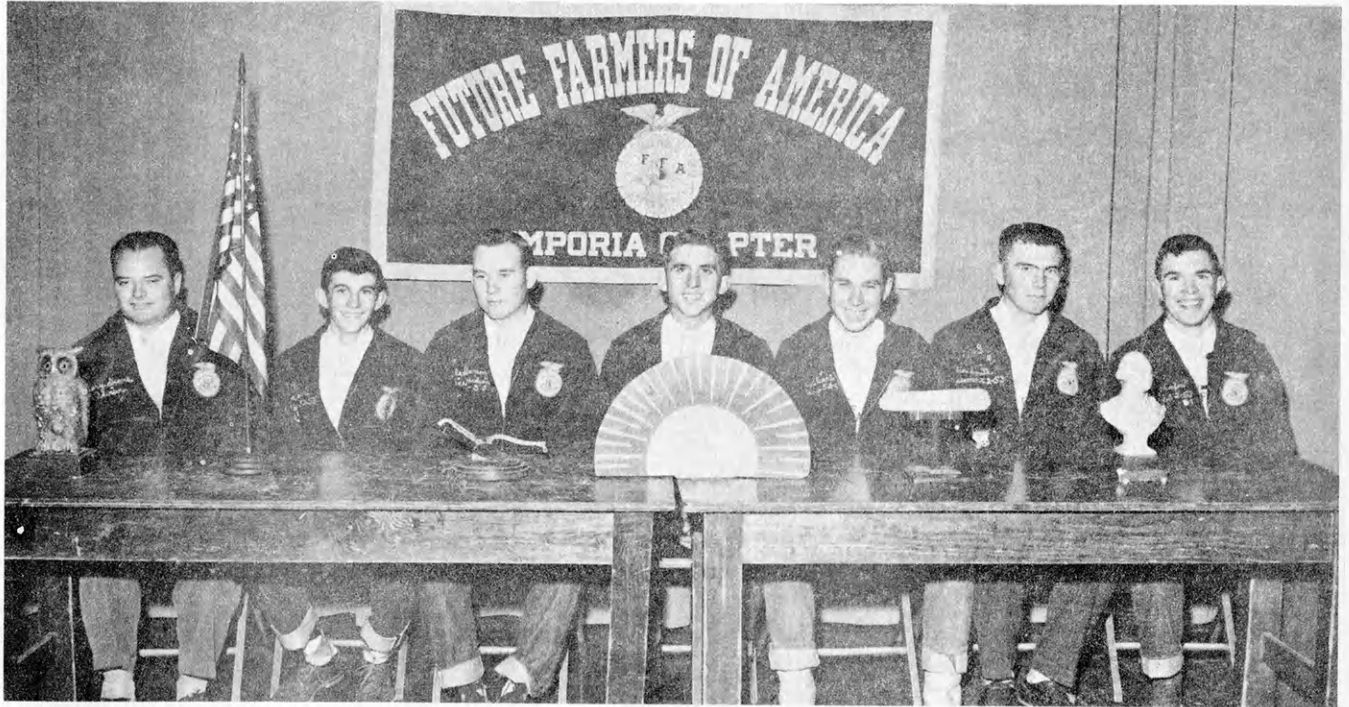
AMERICAN FARMER CANDIDATES: Declaration of intention to submit a candidate or candidates for the American Farmer Degree should be mailed immediately to Professor L. E. Whipps, Department of Education, Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kansas.

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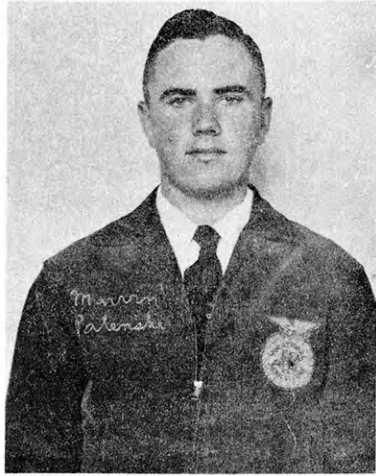
Emporia Chapter FFA Officers and Adviser welcome the FFA members to the 1952 Emporia District Leadership School. L-R Adviser Emory Groves, Rep. Dale Davis, V-Pres, Clare Pearson, Pres. Leonard Chamberlain, Sec. Dowane Bartel, Treas. John Smith, Sentinel Bob Schaefer.



The Frankfort FFA Chapter scored 453 points out of a possible 500 points. This was the highest score made by any group in the State FFA Information Contest. L-R Sentinel, James Feldhausen, Adviser Harold Frank, Sec. Gary Alexander, Treas. Gerald Keating, V-Pres Warren Harbert, Pres. Jerry Kennedy.



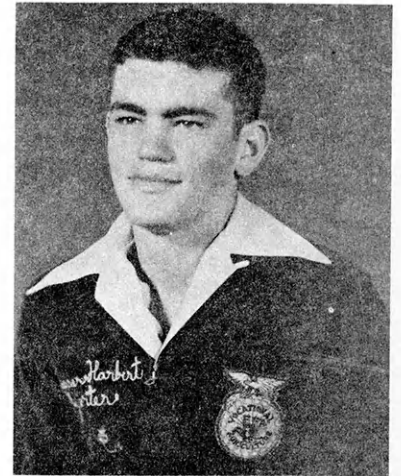
HIGH SCORE INDIVIDUALS IN THE 1952 TEN DISTRICT FFA INFORMATION CONTESTS



Marvin Palenske  
Alma



Roger Adamson  
Cherryvale



Warren Harbert  
Frankfort



Glen Lott  
Minneapolis



Jack Kirkland  
Minneapolis



Evert Goff  
Overbrook



Jim Goering  
Pretty Prairie



Ivan Wagner  
Phillipsburg



Eldon Harder  
Longford



John Bircher  
Ellsworth



George Miller  
Stafford

NATIONAL CHAPTER CONTEST

In Kansas the general plan followed in determining entries in the National Chapter Contest is to restrict the entries to local chapters that were ranked in the Gold Emblem Classification in the state chapter contest of the preceding year.

The State Office is having copied the 1953 chapter programs of work submitted by the 1952 Gold Emblem Chapter winners, and will mail same in time to reach the National Office on or before January 31, 1953.

By agreement among the chapter advisers of the Kansas 1952 Gold Emblem winners two Kansas chapters will be designated to submit final reports on accomplishments to the state FFA office in time to be forwarded to and received by the National FFA office by midnight September 1, 1953.

Participation is limited to active members of local FFA chapters.

Previous winners in the National FFA Chapter Contest are eligible to compete in 1953.

Each state association is eligible to submit two chapter programs to be scored in the National Chapter Contest.

NO SCRAP BOOKS MAY BE SUBMITTED WITH THE FINAL REPORT ON CHAPTER ACCOMPLISHMENTS.

The selection of winners will be based partly on the quality of the program of work and partly on the actual accomplishments of the chapter in terms of its program. Attention will always be focused on activities organized and carried out by the chapter as a group.

A committee selected by the National Board of Student Officers will judge the chapter entries.

In scoring a chapter's program of work, consideration will be given to: (1) the importance and appropriateness of the items included; (2) the goals of accomplishment set; and (3) the methods and devices selected to attain the goals. This applies to each item on the score card.

In scoring accomplishments, consideration will be given to: (1) total accomplishment of the chapter on each item of its program; (2) percentage of membership participation; (3) average accomplishment per member where such statement is feasible; and (4) the general accomplishment and progress of the chapter group.

The score card used in scoring entries in the National Chapter Contest allows 250 points for the program submitted and 750 points for accomplishments. Up to a total of 25 additional points are allowed for general effect including neatness and organization. The score card with points allowed follows:



## National Chapter Contest (continued)

	<u>Program of Work Planned</u>	<u>Report on Accomplishments</u>
I. Supervised Practice	50	150
II. Cooperation	40	120
III. Community Service	40	120
IV. Leadership	30	90
V. Earnings and Savings	30	90
VI. Conduct of Meetings	20	60
VII. Scholarship	20	60
VIII. Recreation	<u>20</u>	<u>60</u>
Total Perfect Score	250	750

Explanation of Score Card Items

- I. In scoring Supervised Practice activities, major consideration will be given to the work of the chapter as a group in aiding and stimulating the development of more effective individual farming programs among its members.
- \*II. In scoring Cooperative activities, major consideration will be given to the degree of participation of the chapter members in: (a) business activities such as financing and insuring projects; (b) buying and selling activities; (c) productive activities; and (d) chapter subsidiaries including crop or animal improvement association, spray ring and the like - all of which are sponsored by the chapter.
- \*III. In scoring Community Service activities, major consideration will be given to chapter undertakings relating to: (a) improvement of farm practices in the community; (b) conservation of natural resources (soils, trees, wild animal life, etc); (c) beautification and improvement of homes, grounds and buildings in the community; and (d) other social and general activities for community betterment.
- IV. In scoring Leadership activities, major consideration will be given to the extent to which the chapter has provided leadership training for all members and the extent to which members have developed and exercised leadership in school, chapter, farm and community activities.
- V. In scoring Earnings and Savings activities, major consideration will be given to the undertakings of the chapter as a group in earning and wisely using money and in encouraging members with respect to: (a) earnings derived from farming; (b) investments in farming; (c) cash savings; and (d) other investments. Special consideration will be given to records of chapter budgets, financial statements and evidence of the promotion of saving by means of a chapter thrift bank.
- \*Activities included in program of work primarily to provide member experience in cooperation and to secure profit therefrom classify under Item II. Activities aimed primarily at rendering community service although they may involve cooperation ordinarily classify under Item III.

## National Chapter Contest (continued)

- VI. In scoring Conduct of Meetings, major consideration will be given to: (a) the type of programs planned for meetings; (b) time of day chapter meetings are scheduled; (c) frequency of meetings; (d) length of meetings period; (e) average attendance at meetings; (f) chapter equipment; and (g) business conducted as revealed in the minutes of meeting.
- VII. In scoring Scholarship, major consideration will be given to the activities of the chapter as a group in attempting to improve the scholarship average of all members, including both academic as well as vocational subjects for the school year ending in June. Include also a key to school grading system.
- VIII. In scoring Recreation, major consideration will be given to the kind and number of the organized recreational activities successfully sponsored or directed by the chapter and participated in by members as well as others. This will include summer camps, athletic contests, tours, parent-and-son banquets, and various social or educational events contributing to the improvement of community-wide recreation.

General. The above statements are intended as suggestions to help competing chapters in connection with organizing the possibilities in various lines of endeavor. No attempt has been made to cover all possible situations. Items that do not classify under the eight headings listed should be included under a heading marked "General." Emphasis throughout should be given to evidence indicating chapter consciousness and group action.

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FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA FOUNDATION, INC.

Local Foundation Awards:

Local FFA Foundation Award Medals were distributed to local chapter advisers at the 1952 FFA District Leadership Schools. If your chapter did not receive the local Foundation Award Medals you may receive a set by writing A. P. Davidson, c/o KSC, Manhattan, Kansas. Sets will be mailed upon request as long as the supply lasts.

Local Foundation Award Medals are available in the following categories: Farm Electrification; Chapter Star Farmer; Farm Mechanics; Farm Safety; Public Speaking; Soil and Water Conservation; and Dairy Farming. The size and shape of the Award Medals have been changed. The Liberty Bell medal has been discontinued and a medal of smaller size and rectangular in shape is now being used.

The Kansas Association of FFA does not consider it to be the responsibility of the state association to establish rules and regulations governing local chapter awards. However, the state association does wish to urge local chapter advisers to give careful study to the plan initiated in determining award winners on the local level. Certainly scholarship and ability to work with others should be given consideration along with special ability in a given area. Bear in mind the fact that it is much easier to initiate an award program than it is to guide such a program along sound educational lines.

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1952 DISTRICT FFA LEADERSHIP SCHOOLS

The 1952 District FFA Leadership Schools were held in ten centers, the centers being selected with a view to equalizing the travel distance.

The purpose of the FFA Leadership Schools 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.

As a result of a high percentage of attendance and participation on the part of local FFA officers in the ten District FFA Leadership Schools, the Kansas Association is proud to report that approximately 100% of the local chapters can "Open and Close" an FFA meeting in a highly creditable manner.

The first district FFA "Officer 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 1952 FFA Leadership Schools were organized in such a manner as to give maximum emphasis to boy participation. Much credit for the success of the 1952 FFA Leadership Schools must be given to the state FFA officers who assisted, local FFA Advisers, and the local chapters assigned special roles on the program.

With one exception, the District FFA Leadership Schools were planned to begin at 3:30 p.m. and to close promptly at 9:00 p.m. All assignments were made early in the school year. Chapters were given an opportunity to indicate preferences in building the program, chapter wishes were followed insofar as it was found feasible. The following program for the Oberlin District FFA Leadership School is typical.

Assignments 1952 FFA Leadership School

Host Chapter - Oberlin; Place - High School

Date and Time: October 7, 1952; 3:30 p.m.

Order of Business:

1. Host chapter opens meeting with official opening ceremony.
2. Host chapter conducts Roll Call of Chapters.
3. Welcome by Superintendent or Principal of Host Chapter.
4. Opening and Closing Ritual Contest - All Chapters urged to participate.
5. FFA Information Contest - All Chapters urged to participate. Officers only eligible to compete.

SUPPER

6. Talk by State FFA Treasurer - Gary Neilan.
7. Parliamentary Procedure Demonstration - Atwood Chapter
8. Recital of the FFA Creed - Fred Mai - Hill City Chapter
9. Demonstration of the Proper Use of the Gavel - Goodland Chapter.

## 1952 Leadership Schools - (continued)

10. Roll Call of Chapters: Special 3 minute reports on the following assignments:

President or Vice-President - Program of Work - How Build? Committee Responsibilities and Check Up on Performance? Calendar?

School Time: Outstanding Activity Executed Past Year - Planned for Current Year. By the following chapters: Edson, Goodland, Phillipsburg, Quinter, St. Francis, Wakeeney.

Reporter - How get FFA recognition in school, community and state? How bring news of activities of other chapters before local group? By the following chapters: Almena, Hays, McDonald, Norton, Paradise, Stockton.

Secretary - Chapter records; Plan for acquainting members with State and National FFA activities? Planning and executing chapter meetings. By the following chapters: Atwood, Ellis, Norcatour, Palco, Plainville, St. Francis.

Treasurer - Plans for raising chapter funds: Financing FFA Parent-Son Banquet. By the following chapters: Bird City, Colby, Hill City, Hoxie, Oberlin, Stockton.

BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS: Methods used in acquainting members with the Future Farmers of America Organization; How to improve ritualistic proficiency in Green Hand and Chapter Farmer Degree work; How you train your officer group; Plan of teaching members parliamentary procedure; How to improve FFA Leadership Schools.

11. Awards  
12. Close

Host chapter will look after local arrangements such as: Welcome from Superintendent or Principal, Meeting Place, Arrangements for Eats, FFA Paraphernalia, etc.

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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 21 individuals in the state in the FFA Information Contest:

1st.	Roger Adamson, Cherryvale Chapter	98 points
2nd.	Ivan Wagner, Phillipsburg Chapter	96 points
3rd.	Warren Harbert, Frankfort Chapter	95 points
4th.	Harry Peter, Edson Chapter	95 points
4th.	Geard Kennedy, Frankfort Chapter	94 points
6th.	Jim Flanders, Edson Chapter	93 points
6th.	George Miller, Stafford Chapter	93 points
8th.	Gary Alexander, Frankfort Chapter	92 points
8th.	Marvin Palenske, Alma Chapter	92 points
10th.	John Townsell, Cherryvale Chapter	91 points
10th.	Fred Mai, Hill City Chapter	91 points



## 1952 Leadership Schools (continued)

10th. Sam Strahm, Fairview Chapter	91 points
10th. Robert McClaren, Cherryvale Chapter	91 points
10th. Glen Lott, Minneapolis Chapter	91 points
10th. Jack Kirkland, Minneapolis Chapter	91 points
16th. Evert Goff, Overbrook Chapter	90 points
16th. Evan Kindall, Minneapolis Chapter	90 points
16th. Wayne Cottril, Fairview Chapter	90 points
16th. Richard Riedel, Colby Chapter	90 points
16th. Vernon Mai, Hill City Chapter	90 points
16th. Alan Roelfs, Stockton Chapter	90 points

Total possible points in the 1952 FFA Information Contest equalled 100. From the individual scores listed, it is evident that the FFA Leadership School is attaining the second purpose listed.

The high 15 chapters in the state in the FFA Information Contest:

1st. Frankfort, Harold Frank, Adviser	453 points
2nd. Minneapolis, Karl Will, Adviser	446 points
3rd. Cherryvale, C. H. Young, Adviser	445 points
4th. Fairview, Marvin Pinnick, Adviser	437 points
5th. Colby, Gordon Cunningham, Adviser	435 points
6th. Chanute, C. O. Carter, Jr., Adviser	431 points
6th. Hill City, John Lacey, Adviser	431 points
8th. Phillipsburg, Frank Freeman, Adviser	425 points
9th. Olathe, A. G. Jensen, Adviser	420 points
10th. Alma, Frank White, Adviser	414 points
11th. Stafford, E. P. Schrag, Adviser	406 points
12th. Longford, Freeman Biery, Adviser	399 points
13th. Washburn, Charles Ross, Adviser	398 points
13th. Clay Center, Ray Morrison, Adviser	398 points
15th. Stockton, Floyd Blauer, Adviser	391 points

RANKINGS BY DISTRICTS

The following rankings give the high five individuals, the high five chapters in the FFA Information Contest, the Gold Emblem Chapters in the FFA Ritual Contest and the Master Ritual Team for each of the ten District FFA Leadership Schools:

HOLTONHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st. Warren Harbert, Frankfort Chapter	95 points
2nd. Geard Kennedy, Frankfort Chapter	94 points
3rd. Gary Alexander, Frankfort Chapter	92 points
4th. Sam Strahm, Fairview Chapter	91 points
5th. Wayne Cottril, Fairview Chapter	90 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st. Frankfort Chapter	453 points
2nd. Fairview Chapter	437 points
3rd. Powhattan Chapter	387 points
4th. Wamego Chapter	379 points
5th. Effingham Chapter	377 points

## 1952 Leadership Schools (continued)

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Wamego Chapter  
 Valley Falls Chapter  
 Fairview Chapter  
 Holton Chapter

Master Ritual Team

Pres.	Dan Burgess	Wamego Chapter
Vice Pres.	Carl Stewart	Wamego Chapter
Sec.	Larry Bonner	Wamego Chapter
Treas.	Wayne Covril	Fairview Chapter
Rep.	Maurice Cashman	Powhattan Chapter

LAWRENCEHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st.	Evert Goff, Overbrook Chapter	90 points
2nd.	Sam Harrison, Olathe Chapter	87 points
3rd.	Lawrence Ellis, Olathe Chapter	86 points
4th.	Dean Henry, Washburn Chapter	86 points
5th.	Lloyd Arnold, Washburn Chapter	84 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st.	Olathe Chapter	420 points
2nd.	Washburn Chapter	398 points
3rd.	Williamsburg Chapter	374 points
4th.	Overbrook Chapter	364 points
5th.	Silver Lake Chapter	357 points

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Shawnee Mission Chapter  
 Washburn Chapter  
 Seaman Chapter  
 Bonner Springs Chapter  
 Lawrence Chapter

Master Ritual Team

Pres.	Gene New	Shawnee Mission Chapter
Vice Pres.	Jerry Wright	Olathe Chapter
Sec.	Ray Zimmerman	Olathe Chapter
Treas.	Mike Thomas	Lawrence Chapter
Rep.	Jim Hahn	Seaman Chapter

## 1952 Leadership Schools (continued)

CLAY CENTERHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st.	Eldon Harder, Longford Chapter	88 points
2nd.	David Mugler, Longford Chapter	85 points
3rd.	Ray Lippe, Clay Center Chapter	84 points
4th.	Vergie James, Clay Center Chapter	84 points
5th.	Lloyd Everett, Longford Chapter	84 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st.	Longford Chapter	399 points
2nd.	Clay Center Chapter	398 points
3rd.	Manhattan Chapter	366 points
4th.	Washington Chapter	347 points
5th.	Riley Chapter	325 points

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Clay Center Chapter  
 Longford Chapter  
 Linn Chapter  
 Miltonvale Chapter

Master Ritual Team

Pres.	Bill James	Clay Center Chapter
Vice Pres.	David Trey	Riley Chapter
Sec.	LeRoy Catlin	Miltonvale Chapter
Treas.	Arvin Hofmann	Clay Center Chapter
Rep.	Rayburn Lippe	Clay Center Chapter

EMPORIAHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st.	Marvin Palenske, Alma Chapter	92 points
2nd.	Lowell Miller, Highland Park Chapter	89 points
3rd.	John Smith, Emporia Chapter	88 points
4th.	Marvin Geisler, Alma Chapter	87 points
5th.	Marshall Price, Highland Park Chapter	86 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st.	Alma Chapter	414 points
2nd.	Highland Park Chapter	389 points
3rd.	Lyndon Chapter	380 points
4th.	Emporia Chapter	376 points
5th.	Herington Chapter	305 points



## 1952 Leadership Schools (continued)

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Emporia Chapter  
 Highland Park Chapter  
 Herington Chapter  
 Alma Chapter  
 Burlingame Chapter

Master Ritual Team

Pres.	Roger Toelkes	Highland Park Chapter
Vice Pres.	Charles Carson	Eskridge Chapter
Sec.	Dowane Bartel	Emporia Chapter
Treas.	Lowell Miller	Highland Park Chapter
Rep.	Oscar Albrecht	Herington Chapter

FREDONIAHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st.	Roger Adamson, Cherryvale Chapter	98 points
2nd.	John Townsell, Cherryvale Chapter	92 points
3rd.	Robert McClaren, Cherryvale Chapter	91 points
4th.	Pat Brazil, Chanute Chapter	89 points
5th.	Ronald Cheyney, Chanute Chapter	88 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st.	Cherryvale Chapter	445 points
2nd.	Chanute Chapter	431 points
3rd.	Howard Chapter	386 points
4th.	Fredonia Chapter	344 points
5th.	McCune Chapter	341 points

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Cherryvale Chapter  
 Neodesha Chapter  
 Chanute Chapter  
 Howard Chapter

NOTE: Master Ritual Team was not selected due to the fact that the Leadership School was divided into two groups.

HARPERHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st.	Jim Goering, Pretty Prairie Chapter	85 points
2nd.	Janver Krehbiel, Pretty Prairie Chapter	79 points
2nd.	Bill Naden, Arkansas City Chapter	79 points
4th.	Ned Graham, Winfield Chapter	78 points
4th.	Mike White, Pretty Prairie Chapter	78 points

## 1952 Leadership Schools (continued)

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st.	Pretty Prairie Chapter	360 points
2nd.	Arkansas City Chapter	317 points
3rd.	Winfield Chapter	296 points
4th.	Rose Hill Chapter	289 points
5th.	Harper Chapter	276 points

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Pretty Prairie Chapter  
Kingman Chapter

Master Ritual Team

Pres.	Merlin Krehbiel	Pretty Prairie Chapter
Vice Pres.	Bill Naden	Arkansas City Chapter
Sec.	Larrie Brewer	Winfield Chapter
Treas.	Vernon Shaddy	Medicine Lodge Chapter
Rep.	Larry Holand	Attica Chapter

BUHLERHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st.	John Bircher, Ellsworth Chapter	87 points
2nd.	Gerald Coleman, Buhler Chapter	86 points
3rd.	Nelson Galle, Moundridge Chapter	84 points
3rd.	Elson Seitz, Haven Chapter	84 points
3rd.	Bob Maze, Ellsworth Chapter	84 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st.	Ellsworth Chapter	378 points
2nd.	Moundridge Chapter	364 points
3rd.	ELDorado Chapter	342 points
4th.	Haven Chapter	336 points
5th.	Buhler Chapter	335 points

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Little River Chapter  
Buhler Chapter  
Haven Chapter

Master Ritual Team

Pres.	Gerry Winget,	Inman Chapter
Vice Pres.	Norman Reed	Little River Chapter
Sec.	Vincent Dolechk	Clafin Chapter
Treas.	Gene Wilson	Little River Chapter
Rep.	Clinton Pierce	Partridge Chapter

## 1952 Leadership Schools (continued)

BELOITHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st.	Glen Lott, Minneapolis Chapter	91 points
1st.	Jack Kirkland, Minneapolis Chapter	91 points
3rd.	Evan Kindall, Minneapolis Chapter	90 points
4th.	Jim Burnette, Simpson Chapter	89 points
5th.	Richard Frain, Minneapolis Chapter	88 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st.	Minneapolis Chapter	446 points
2nd.	Beloit Chapter	381 points
2nd.	Simpson Chapter	381 points
4th.	Lebanon Chapter	363 points
5th.	Smith Center Chapter	355 points

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Beloit Chapter  
Osborne Chapter  
Simpson Chapter  
Lebanon Chapter

Master Ritual Team

Pres.	Larry Hewitt	Beloit Chapter
Vice Pres.	Darrell Hasler	Beloit Chapter
Sec.	Roger McCaulley	Lebanon Chapter
Treas.	Ron McKinnie	Beloit Chapter
Rep.	Raymond Lumkin	Smith Center Chapter

OBERLINHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st.	Ivan Wagner, Phillipsburg Chapter	96 points
2nd.	Harry Dean Peter, Edson Chapter	95 points
3rd.	Jim Flanders, Edson Chapter	93 points
4th.	Fred Mai, Hill City Chapter	91 points
5th.	Richard Riedel, Colby Chapter	90 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st.	Colby Chapter	435 points
2nd.	Hill City Chapter	431 points
3rd.	Phillipsburg Chapter	425 points
4th.	Stockton Chapter	391 points
5th.	Palco Chapter	388 points

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Oberlin Chapter  
Goodland Chapter  
Edson Chapter  
St. Francis Chapter



1952 Leadership Schools (continued)

Master Ritual Team

Pres. Norman Duell Goodland Chapter  
 Vice Pres. Waldo Anderson Oberlin Chapter  
 Sec. Jim Flanders Edson Chapter  
 Treas. Ronald Tarbuenke Oberlin Chapter  
 Rep. Gary Rumsey Almena Chapter

DODGE CITY

High Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st. Miller, Stafford Chapter 93 points  
 2nd. Eisenhour, Stafford Chapter 87 points  
 3rd. Bean, Coldwater 84 points  
 4th. Slalrel, Pratt Chapter 83 points  
 5th. Classen, Spearville Chapter 80 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st. Stafford Chapter 406 points  
 2nd. Coldwater Chapter 325 points  
 3rd. Pratt Chapter 325 points  
 4th. Garden City Chapter 305 points  
 5th. Ashland Chapter 299 points

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Ford Chapter  
 Garden City Chapter  
 Stafford Chapter  
 Bazine Chapter  
 Ness City Chapter

Master Ritual Team

Pres. Joe Collins Garden City Chapter  
 Vice Pres. Dean Lyon Ness City Chapter  
 Sec. Willard Eisenhour Stafford Chapter  
 Treas. Larry Steele Ford Chapter  
 Rep. Donald Elson Kinsley Chapter

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

Leadership School:	: Highest Individual: : Score	: Highest Chapter: : Score	: Total High 5: : Boys	: Average High 5: : Boys	: Total High 5: : Chapters	: Average High 5: : Chapters
Holton	: 95	: 453	: 462	: 92.2	: 2033	: 406.3
Lawrence	: 90	: 420	: 433	: 86.3	: 1913	: 382.3
Clay Center	: 88	: 399	: 425	: 85.	: 1835	: 367.
Emporia	: 92	: 414	: 442	: 88.2	: 1864	: 372.4
Fredonia	: 98	: 445	: 458	: 91.3	: 1947	: 389.2
Harper	: 85	: 360	: 399	: 79.4	: 1538	: 307.3
Buhler	: 87	: 378	: 425	: 85.	: 1755	: 351.
Beloit	: 91	: 446	: 449	: 89.4	: 1926	: 385.1
Oberlin	: 96	: 435	: 465	: 93.	: 2070	: 414.
Dodge City	: 93	: 406	: 427	: 85.2	: 1660	: 332.

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 High Five Individuals Per Leadership School:

1st.	Oberlin Leadership School	93. points
2nd.	Holton Leadership School	92.2 points
3rd.	Fredonia Leadership School	91.3 points
4th.	Beloit Leadership School	89.4 points
5th.	Emporia Leadership School	88.2 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:

1st.	Oberlin Leadership School	414 points
2nd.	Holton Leadership School	406.3 points
3rd.	Fredonia Leadership School	389.2 points
4th.	Beloit Leadership School	385.1 points
5th.	Lawrence Leadership School	382.3 points

The following FFA members contributed to the success of the District FFA Leadership Schools by reciting the FFA Creed.

Jack Lackey, Centralia Chapter  
 Larry Brown, Washburn Chapter  
 Richard Stamm, Washington Chapter  
 Billy Brown, Kincaid Chapter  
 Bobby Miller, Altoona Chapter  
 Janver Krehbiel, Pretty Prairie Chapter  
 Willis Nickel, Hillsboro Chapter  
 Ronald Bellows, Glasco Chapter  
 Fred Mai, Hill City Chapter  
 William Johnson, Trousdale Chapter

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.

A practice begun in 1948 with the Stockton FFA Leadership School was continued. This practice consisted in having the local FFA advisers in judging the Ritual Contest rank the different officers on their performance. From these rankings an All Star Ritual team was chosen. This All Star team closed the District School. This feature has proved to be very stimulating.

Local FFA advisers for the most part did a fine job in coaching their members who were scheduled for parts in the District Schools. A high standard of performance must be maintained if our District FFA Leadership Schools are to yield hoped for results. A satisfactory standard can be maintained only by cooperation on the part of the local FFA adviser in selecting assignments, and in preparing individuals and teams for superior presentation of assignments. One of the purposes of the FFA District Leadership School is to stimulate each office to perform on a high plane the duties and responsibilities of his office.

## 1952 Leadership Schools - (continued)

The state office wishes to express its appreciation for the fine spirit of cooperation evidenced in each of the ten districts in which FFA Leadership Schools were held.

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RECENTLY CHARTERED FFA CHAPTERS IN KANSAS

Piedmont Chapter	Harold Carner, President, George A. Robinson, Adv. October 17, 1952, Charter No. 232.
Ensign Chapter	David Buchanan, President, Nathan Massey, Adviser November 4, 1952, Charter No. 233.
Jennings Chapter	Clarence Mowry, President, Ray H. Mann, Adviser November 4, 1952, Charter No. 234.
Severy Chapter	Douglas Holliday, President, W. V. Redding, Adv. November 5, 1952, Charter No. 235.
Marion Chapter	Ronald Herbel, President, R. C. Stevens, Adviser November 5, 1952, Charter No. 236.
Wetmore Chapter	Gerald Ketter, President, Norman W. Hildwein, Adv. November 6, 1952, Charter No. 237.
Ulysses Chapter	Bert T. Casey, President, Harold Mast, Adviser November 20, 1952, Charter No. 238.

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VIRGINIA: The Dayton FFA chapter of Rockingham County was recognized for outstanding community service during the past year and awarded a set of encyclopedias for the chapter library...Among the accomplishments of the chapter during the past year was the conducting of an outstanding livestock improvement campaign. Members of the chapter gave demonstrations on the improvement of livestock, distributed posters and bulletins, and showed slide films and movies to stimulate community interest in livestock improvement...A successful pest eradication campaign was also sponsored by the chapter. Fifteen of the 26 members of the chapter served in "Keep Virginia Green" crews. At Christmas time, the group provided baskets to seven needy families.

NEBRASKA: The Waverly Chapter has received both the silver and gold plaques from the Wisconsin Alumni Research for conducting a rat and mouse control program. The silver plaque is given to chapters who have 100% of the members rid their farms and homes of rats and mice. The Waverly Chapter distributed at cost over 700 pounds of Warfarin bait...A recent cooperative project of the Chapter was mixing 2,500 pounds of minerals for use by Chapter members. The mineral was sold at cost...The Chapter has been busy recently landscaping the Grange property which lies adjacent to the school grounds. Last spring 85 Ponderosa Pine, 100 Spiera and several shrubs were set out by the Chapter. Considerable time was also devoted to leveling the grounds with members using power machinery loaned by Grange members. This fall the leveling job has been completed and the grounds sown to blue grass. The Chapter plans to develop a park and picnic area on the grounds. This is a good community service project that will be carried on for several years.

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REPORT OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE  
NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF FUTURE FARMERS OF  
AMERICA FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1952

A. W. TENNEY

The following report on accomplishments for the year ending June 30, 1952, was read at the 25th National FFA Convention by A. W. Tenney, National Executive Secretary. Kansas chapters should be especially interested in Mr. Tenney's report on activities listed under the eight major headings of chapter programs of work. It should be noted that in no case did chapter accomplishment equal 100 per cent of the goal set. Accomplishment on the national level involving member participation will always be dependent upon the cooperation of individual members working through their local FFA chapters.

REPORT ON ACCOMPLISHMENTS

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Accomplishment</u>
<u>I. SUPERVISED FARMING</u>		
1. Producing food for world demands	100% member participation	81%
2. Increasing size of farming programs	100% member participation	55%
3. Improving livestock and crop production	100% member participation	61% 51%
4. Preventing livestock losses	100% chapter participation	57%
<u>II. COOPERATION</u>		
1. Providing experience in cooperative effort	100% member participation	70%
<u>III. COMMUNITY SERVICE</u>		
1. Stress repairing and reconditioning of machinery	100% member and chapter participation	43% members 70% chapters
2. Guarding and protecting life and property	100% of State Associations with safety program	82%
3. Conserving resources	100% of chapters and members participating	51% members 72% chapters
4. Repairing farm buildings and equipment	100% member participation	47%
<u>IV. LEADERSHIP</u>		
1. Advancing members to higher degrees	100% of States naming full quota of qualified American Farmer applicants	78%

## National Executive Secretary Report (continued)

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Accomplishment</u>
2. Providing chapter libraries	100% of chapters with libraries which include 5 or more FFA books	84%
3. Participating in public speaking	100% of Chapters and States holding public speaking contests	100% States 50% Chapters
4. Following parliamentary procedure	100% of chapters conducting meetings according to accepted parliamentary procedure	92%
5. Building programs of work	100% of States and chapters with written continuing program of work giving special emphasis to reconversion	100% States 83% Chapters
6. Providing State publications	100% of States with an official publication	84%
7. Providing leadership training	100% State participation	90%
8. Maintaining public relations	Keep the public informed on what the FFA is and does	33% chapters issued news sheets or news letters 65% chapters prepared publicity material regularly 62% States sponsored radio series 37% chapters prepared and gave broadcasts
V. <u>EARNINGS AND SAVINGS</u>		
1. Practicing thrift	100% of chapters and members participating	41% members 58% chapters
VI. <u>CONDUCT OF MEETINGS</u>		
1. Using Official Manual	100% of members having access to Official Manual	87%
2. Using Official Secretary and Treasurer Books	100% of members using both books	85% secretary 81% treasurer

## National Executive Secretary Report (continued)

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Accomplishment</u>
3. Providing official meeting paraphernalia equipment and supplies	100% of chapters and State associations having standard materials with which to work	96% States 82% Chapters
4. Using official ceremonies	100% of chapters using opening and closing and degree ceremonies according to the Official Manual	92%
5. Planning State conventions	100% of State associations hold conventions	100%
6. Meetings	Every member attend 100% of chapter meetings	91% chapters held regular meetings 53% members attended

VII. SCHOLARSHIP

1. Improved scholarship	100% of members show outstanding ability as evidenced by scholastic activities, and have a satisfactory record as certified to by the local school superintendent or principal	85% chapters helped members improve their scholarship
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VIII. RECREATION

1. Encourage supervised recreation	100% member participation	71%
2. Continuing National FFA Week	100% of State associations participating	98%

IX. GENERAL

1. Maintaining membership	360,000 active members	352,916 members
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National FFA Officers attended 44 State FFA Conventions.

Forty-five State associations held special leadership schools for local chapters and members. More than 35,753 members attended the leadership schools.

The facilities at the National FFA Camp are being used by the staff of the NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER and by the staff of the Future Farmers Supply Service. Since the Potomac Park Motor Court in Washington, D.C. has facilities to accommodate FFA chapters, the national camp was not open during the past summer.



## National Executive Secretary Report (continued)

The George Washington Grist Mill, which is leased from the Virginia Conservation Commission, is still being kept open to the public. A caretaker is kept on duty. The income from the mill is enough to pay for all of the expenses, maintenance, and the salary of the caretaker.

Seventeen State Associations operated camps for members during the summer. A number of other State associations are continuing to develop State camps.

Seventy-seven reports on accomplishments were entered in the National Chapter Contest the past year. We are pleased with the continual improvement in the quality of work being done by FFA chapters. The annual increase in the number of Gold Emblem awards is adequate proof of their accomplishments.

The Future Farmers Supply Service has continued to grow during the past year. A number of new items have been added at the request of State associations and by authorization of the Board of Student Officers.

We are pleased that, at last, the NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER, the official magazine for the Future Farmers of America, has become a reality. Members have requested a magazine since our organization was started in 1928 and, at last, this goal has been attained.

SUMMARY

The summary of work done by various State associations for the year ended June 30, 1952, based on information obtained from their annual reports is as follows:

## A. ORGANIZATION

Total number chartered local chapters.....	8,498
Total number white departments of vocational agriculture without FFA chapters.....	137
Total active membership in chartered chapters.....	352,916

## B. MEMBERSHIP DISTRIBUTION AND STATUS

Total number of active members now holding Green Hand Degree..	155,345
Total number of active members now holding Chapter Farmer Degree.....	185,001
Total number of active members now holding State Farmer Degree.....	9,227
Total number of active members now holding American Farmer Degree.....	486
Total active membership.....	352,916
Total number of associate members (local).....	353,126
Total number of honorary members (local).....	29,827
Total number of honorary members (State).....	4,125
Grand total membership.....	703,556

## National Executive Secretary Report (continued)

## I. SUPERVISED FARMING

Number of members who participated in production of food.....	284,982
Number of members who increased the size of their farming programs.....	196,193
Number of members who used improved livestock practices.....	215,864
Number of members who used improved crop production practices.....	178,292
Number of chapters engaging in organized livestock loss pre- vention work.....	4,700

## II. COOPERATION

Number of chapters cooperating with other groups.....	7,502
Number of members provided experience in cooperative effort...	245,475

## III. COMMUNITY SERVICE

Number of members who repaired and/or reconditioned farm machinery.....	152,842
Number of chapters that repaired and/or reconditioned farm machinery.....	5,949
Number of State Associations having a safety program in operation.....	41
Number of members engaged in organized conservation work.....	179,388
Number of chapters engaging in organized conservation work....	6,086
Number of members who repaired farm buildings and/or equipment.....	164,838

## IV. LEADERSHIP

Number of State Associations that nominated full quota of American Farmers.....	39
Number of chapters having libraries with 5 or more FFA books..	7,124
Number of State Associations that held a public speaking contest.....	50
Number of chapters holding a public speaking contest.....	4,249
Number of chapters using accepted form of parliamentary procedure in conducting chapter meetings.....	7,832
Number of State Associations having a written continuing pro- gram of work.....	50
Number of chapters having a definite continuing written program of work.....	7,026
Number of State Associations putting out a State paper, periodical, or news sheet regularly.....	42
Number of chapters issuing news sheets or news letters.....	2,833
Number of chapters preparing publicity material regularly.....	5,541
Number of State Associations providing leadership training schools or conferences for local chapter officers and members.....	45
Number of chapters participating in leadership training schools or conferences.....	5,547
Number of State Associations sponsoring radio broadcast series.....	31

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Number of chapters that have prepared and given one or more radio programs.....	3,171
Number of Association members attending last National FFA Convention.....	8,678
V. EARNINGS AND SAVINGS	
Number of members carrying out definite thrift practices.....	144,197
Number of chapters participating in thrift practices.....	4,929
VI. CONDUCT OF MEETINGS	
Number of members who have access to the Official Manual.....	288,054
Number of chapters using official chapter secretary's book.....	7,211
Number of chapters using official chapter treasurer's book.....	6,899
Number of chapters possessing full meeting equipment as listed in the Manual.....	6,949
Number of State Associations possessing full meeting equipment as listed in the Manual.....	47
Number of chapters using the official opening and closing, and degree ceremonies for regular meetings.....	7,774
Number of chapters holding regular meetings.....	7,756
Number of State Associations holding a convention.....	50
Number of members who have attended 100% of chapter meetings...	186,836
VII. SCHOLARSHIP	
Number of chapters that stimulated members to improve their scholarship.....	7,228
VIII. RECREATION	
Number of chapters that provided supervised recreation.....	6,966
Number of members who participated in supervised recreation activities.....	248,889
Number of State Associations having a State camp in operation during the year.....	17
Number of members attending State camps.....	19,311
Number of chapters represented.....	1,784
Number of State Associations participating in National FFA Week	49
C. INVESTMENTS IN FARMING	
Total amount actually invested in farming by active members, as of January 1 of this year.....	\$84,689,154.24
D. COLLEGIATE CHAPTERS	
Number of recognized teacher training departments operating Collegiate FFA chapters.....	32
Reported membership in Collegiate Chapters.....	2,098

## National Executive Secretary Report (continued)

We are pleased that our report this year includes the 48 States, the Island of Puerto Rico, and the Territory of Hawaii.

You have a just right to be proud of the fact that the FFA has again broken a number of records. Our membership as of June 30, 1952 was 352,916. We may look forward to a new record in membership during the current year. All boys who are studying vocational agriculture in high school should belong to the FFA.

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AGRICULTURAL SUBJECTS A MUST FOR FFA SPEECH CONTEST

Undoubtedly many FFA members in Kansas are giving thought to a suitable subject to be used in preparing a speech for local chapter and district FFA speech contests. It therefore seems in order to call attention to the ruling made just prior to the 23rd National FFA Convention relative to the nature of the subject to be covered by the speaker. The following quotation taken from a letter taken from a letter on this subject sent to the states by National Adviser Dr. W. T. Spanton is self explanatory:

"It is not enough that a speech should be built around some topic of general interest such as "The Marshall Plan" or "Socialized Medicine" and contain a few references to agriculture or farm people. The rules are specific in requiring that the speech must be on an "Agricultural Topic." This means, according to the National FFA Advisory Council, that both the title and content of the speech must deal primarily, not incidentally, with some phase of agriculture."

"The National office has called attention to this problem on several occasions during the last two years, but from now on, any contestant who violates this provision of the rules, no matter how well his speech is prepared or delivered, will be doing so at the risk of having his speech disqualified by the judges. Certainly all speeches that may "get by" judges of local or State contests, will most assuredly be disqualified in the Regional or National Contests, if this provision of the rules is violated."

"Judges of all FFA Public Speaking contests should be clearly instructed as to the importance of this requirement, since the decisions of the judges in all contests will be final. It would be very unfortunate for the winner of a State contest to be disqualified in a Regional or National contest because this regulation had not been observed."

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WASHINGTON: A number of FFA Chapters in the state are making an outstanding record in attaining the Master Chapter rating. The program was started in 1947 and the following chapters have now received their sixth award ranking them as a Master Chapter among the 127 chapters in the state: Battle Ground, Castle Rock, Chehalis, Clarkston, Mt. Baker, Ellensburg, Kelso, Longview, and White Salmon.

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NATIONAL FFA WEEK

The 1953 National FFA week will be the week of February 22 to 28, inclusive. The following list of suggestions may help your chapter promote National FFA week -

1. Prepare news features about FFA for local paper, telling about chapter's activities and individual member's accomplishments. Local news reporters or editors probably will be happy to help in writing the stories. The editor may wish to plan a special FFA edition. Have a group picture of the chapter members made and submit it to the editor.
2. Suggest to the advertising manager of the local newspaper that merchants may want to plug FFA in their advertising if they know about FFA Week. Many newspapers plan FFA Week special editions. Start planning at least a month ahead for complimentary ads and special editions.
3. Contact local radio stations to obtain FFA programs. Radio advertisers may also wish to plug FFA during the week. Make arrangements to appear on a television show if there is a station in your community. Arrange for local stations to carry spot announcements on FFA Week.
4. Obtain "FFA Week" proclamation from mayor or governing official of town.
5. Make "National FFA Week" posters and exhibits and contact local business men for window or floor space for displays.
6. Contact the Chamber of Commerce, Civic Clubs, and Service Organizations and make arrangements for Future Farmers to appear on their programs.
7. Sponsor joint meetings of local civic and rural clubs.
8. Arrange special school assembly program to be put on by FFA.
9. Hold open house for parents and friends. Tell about the past year's FFA activities and accomplishments.
10. Invite eighth grade farm boys and their parents to a special FFA meeting or open house.
11. Prepare FFA Chapter News Letter to distribute to parents and others in the community.
12. Have all members who own them to wear FFA jackets during the week.
13. Hold annual parent-son or other banquet.
14. Conduct a project tour, if weather permits, so your friends in the community can see FFA member accomplishments.
15. Obtain one of the FFA movies and get local theater to present it as a short--or get it used over television.
16. Urge members to listen to the National Farm and Home Hour, NBC, on Saturday, February 21, when they will hear the national FFA president.
17. Report your activities during FFA Week to your State Association, and begin making plans for a better observance of National FFA Week in 1954. It comes during the week of George Washington's birthday every year.

## ACROSS THE BORDER

TEXAS: More than \$17,000 passed through the hands of Navasota Future Farmer Chapter members from September, 1951, to September, 1952. The chapter recently issued a financial report showing its receipts and disbursements for the past year, and its assets and liabilities. The Navasota boys began last year with a cash balance of \$552.52, but this year they did even better with \$751.09. In addition to the cash on hand, the boys list as their assets the following: shop inventory, \$5,536.75; farm equipment inventory, \$2,175; 275 turkeys, \$1,375; and 26 calves, \$1,100, all of which total \$10,937.84. Among the biggest items in the chapter's \$17,000 receipts column are \$2,284.61 for the sale of hogs and prizes; \$2,706.95 for the sale of beef calves; \$748.95 for mowing and custom work; \$1,287.98 for sale of roping calves; \$600.50 for rental on roping calves; \$536.36 from the annual FFA rodeo; and \$602.23 from a concession stand. The biggest item on the disbursements side of the financial report is \$6,106.59 for livestock project purchases. Other items include \$2,085.21 for livestock feed; \$605.84 for tractor parts and repairs; \$685.87 for shop tools and supplies; \$449.87 for melon seed purchases; and \$3,786.93 for paying bank notes and interest.

OHIO: Demonstration plots on the farms of students were reported by nearly 70 teachers this year. Almost 300 high school boys and more than 160 adult students had plots in their fields. The great majority of the plots were developed in connection with corn. A number dealt with wheat and the remainder were distributed among soybeans, oats, pasture improvement or renovation, and the like. Most of the corn demonstrations included one or more trial practices. Increased planting rate, increased row fertilizer, supplemental nitrogen, and variety checks were being tried. Many plots were hard hit by the midsummer dry period and yields are not up to expectations in frequent cases. Even so, increased student interest is being reported as yield checks are made. Many more yield checks were made this year in corn projects which did not include demonstration plots. One teacher reported use of a 1/100 acre corn yield contest among students in his classes.

NEW MEXICO: The first annual Junior Fat Stock sale held in conjunction with the San Miguel county fair Saturday and Sunday was considered successful. Boys of the Las Vegas FFA Chapter participated in the show and sale. Two fat steers purchased last fall led the show. The grand champion, owned and fed by Billy Jones of Las Vegas, was sold for 45¢ per pound. The reserve champion owned and fed by Jerry Piper of La Cueva, was sold for 40¢ a pound. In the sheep division, a fine class of blackface Hampshire lambs, purchased last spring by the FFA boys cooperatively were sold by several of the Future Farmers. Jimmy English of Las Vegas stole this part of the show by having the grand champion and reserve champion lambs. The champion sold for 55¢ per pound. Jimmy English also exhibited the champion fat pig which was purchased for 35¢ per pound.

ILLINOIS: The Future Farmer, state publication of the Illinois Future Farmer organization, has been printed this year in the office of the Henry News-Republican, Henry, Ill., which is close to the home of Gene Held of Lacon, member of the Varna FFA chapter, who is state reporter this year. It has been a pleasure for the News-Republican to work this year on the publication with Gene and with his Mid-County (Varna) high school vocational agriculture teacher, John Shields, Jr. Prior to this year, we in the Henry News-Republican office have had some, but not a great deal of knowledge, of

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the Future Farmer organization. After working with the Future Farmer publication for a year and becoming more familiar with the Future Farmer program and some of its leaders, we are convinced that it is a great privilege for the boys of Illinois to have the opportunity of participating in the activities of this worth-while organization. We believe Gene has done an excellent job of editing the publication through all four of its issues for the year. There has been a generous array of news articles, and Gene has obtained for publication an unusually large number of pictures of FFA activities throughout the state.

CALIFORNIA: Bill Gong, who attended Madera high school about ten years ago is now a quite successful businessman in Lamont, near Arvin. Keeping his interest in farming, however, he has purchased ten acres of land with which to farm. Deciding to help out Arvin Future Farmers, he agreed recently, to let the boys erect a model feeding setup on his place. He furnished all of the materials and some of the labor. Lamont area boys furnished the rest of the labor. They now have a covered feeding area over a concrete slab that measures 24 by 100 feet. Pens radiate from the shed to allow loafing space for steer projects. At present six students are using the pens, and have 17 steers on feed. Bill Gong, when asked about the reason for helping, stated "I didn't have much of a chance when I was going through school, so I want to help these younger boys get a start."

TENNESSEE: The Halls Cross Roads Chapter made a good showing at the Tennessee Valley A & I Fair in Knoxville last month according to Reporter Don McCarter. The chapter won second place in the farm shop show, fourth in the poultry show, fourth for chapter exhibits, sixth in the tobacco grading contest, sixth in the tobacco show and eighth in the chapter special class.

MISSISSIPPI: Having trailed the Ford tractor winning high corn producer in last year's Vocational Agriculture Achievement contest by only one-eighth of a bushel, James Bowen, Duck Hill, Mississippi Future Farmer of America, devised an irrigation system in an effort to save his 1952 crop from the drought and bolster his chances of winning the tractor this year. Bowen had heavily fertilized his two-acre crop with 1600 pounds of basic slag and 500 pounds of Nitrate of Potash per acre last winter, then applied 500 pounds of 5-10-5 and 200 pounds of Ammonium Nitrate before planting, and side dressed with 400 pounds of Ammonium Nitrate. He won two tons of Ammonium Nitrate given as second place State prize in the contest last year, which he used on his crop this year. When he saw that dry weather was going to ruin his crop he hurriedly set up an irrigation system whereby he pumped water from a creek through a two-inch rubber hose with a centrifical pump. Because the hose was too short to reach his crop it became necessary for him to dam up a ditch to hold the water from which he pumped the water a second time to his crop where a home constructed wooden trough on stilts helped to empty it down the middles of the rows. "He irrigated about every two days or when needed for six weeks," says B. M. Trapp, his vocational agriculture teacher, who believes that the crop will yield from 175 to 200 bushels per acre, where without irrigation it might have made 25 bushels. Bowen was second place winner in the State last year with an average of 178 bushels per acre. In the 1950 Achievement contest his 210 bushels per acre drew for him only the third place slot.



CHAPTER NEWS

BUHLER: The first major activity of our chapter was to prepare and exhibit the Reno County Collective Exhibit at the State Fair. This project netted us a blue ribbon and \$164.00...Our annual chapel program consisted of the giving of the Green Hand Degree to 20 new members and the showing of a movie on important events in the life of George Washington...Gary Rayl bought a Berkshire gilt to add to his farming program and Clifford Schmidt, a freshman, bought a Registered Hereford Heifer at the Paul Paney's Dispersal sale. Clifford received a part of his profit last week when she gave birth to twin calves...Gary Rayl acted as Chairman of our canvass of the City of Buhler for the Community Chest drive. We collected \$306.00...We are buying used machinery at junk prices and dismantling them. Members buy the parts to use in repair work...We are ready to begin our pest eradication drive. J. D. Elwell will be chairman. We will concentrate on the eradication of rats... Community service jobs are dehorning, castrating, etc...We will have a Barbecue picnic soon. We hope to have all former members present.

Cecil Morris, Reporter

PALCO: The Chapter has just completed shocking 100 acres of feed, for which we were paid \$2 per acre...Plans are being made for our Parent-Son Banquet to be held December 10. We plan to have movies of the WIBW Hawaiian tour...The Senior boys are looking forward to the trip to the National Western Livestock Show January 16. They will visit the Denver Post, Swift and Co., Gates Rubber Co., and the Union Stockyards. The local chapter pays for the boys' transportation, room and board while in Denver...All of the Senior FFA boys are on the Palco High Football team, which is one of the few in the state that is unbeaten.

Glen Warren, Reporter

ROSE HILL: Fourteen boys received the Green Hand Degree on November 12... 13 members attended the Sedgwick County Beef tour. We observed purebred cow herds, creep feeding systems, and the deferred fed cattle systems...We have cleaned about 9,000 bushels of seed wheat this fall with our portable seed cleaner...We are planning to hold a pest eradication contest during December and January...Shop projects include 10 metal feed bunks, 2 wood feed bunks, gates, stock rack for a pickup, 3 cattle hay feeders, a bolt storage rack, and 12 rat bait boxes.

Larry Young, Reporter

DODGE CITY: We held a night meeting whereby Green Hands received their degrees on November 18...The chapter is giving a prize to the winner of a pest eradication contest...Some of the projects underway are: butchering, culling poultry, vaccinating and collecting and selling scrap iron... The FFA members are making a booth for the high school carnival.

Dale Rathbun, Reporter

WAKEFIELD: Our chapter has a membership of 25...We held our annual Barn-warmer November 8...We won second place on our FFA booth at the Wakefield Free Fair...To make money we sold the "Pathfinder" magazine...We are rebuilding and repairing machinery for local farmers...The chapter has a



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scrap iron drive underway...We are raising 300 broilers which will be ready to sell December 20...We organized our pest eradication contest, sides were chosen, a system of points and prizes worked out and the losing side will give a party for the winning side. The prizes will be awarded at our annual Parent-Son Banquet March 23...Shop projects include feed bunks, hay feeders, lawn mowers, hose winders, gates and other farm equipment being made for farmers in the community or for our own use.

Leo Nauerth, Reporter

SHAWNEE-MISSION: Our chapter supplied messenger service for the headquarters at the National FFA Convention. The entire chapter attended the convention.. The California FFA delegation spent one day visiting our school and community. Four farms of chapter members were visited by the joint California-Shawnee Mission groups. Our FFA Shopmobile was demonstrated to the visitors ...25 Illinois University students who are preparing to become FFA advisers visited our chapter one day during the national convention...19 first-year vocational agriculture students are members of our Green Ag Club. All prospective chapter members are required to belong to the Green Ag Club for one semester before they can be elected to the chapter as Green Hands. During this time, the Green Ags conduct their own meetings during activity period, just as regular chapter meetings are conducted. This includes opening and closing ceremonies, business and programs. Green Ags attend regular chapter meetings during the first semester, but cannot vote or wear the FFA emblem... Our chapter is raising money by selling fireplace wood. So far 13 loads have been sold at \$15 each...We again sponsored printed programs for all home football games. We have cleared \$178...Our broiler project has been started. 25 day old chicks are placed in the battery each week. Dressed 3 pound birds will be sold at retail price...A trophy case has been added to our FFA room...Our chapter officers prepared and manned a float between halves of a football game. The float encouraged adults to register so they could vote. Its subject was "We Can't Vote," and showed a prisoner, an alien, an illiterate, an insane person and a non-registered citizen.

Dick Jorgensen, Reporter

ESKRIDGE: Projects completed in our shop this year are: 2 dump trailers, 1 hog house, 1 plow and 1 disk repaired and painted, 2 cars repainted, a wrecked car rebuilt and several gates and 1 small house built...We have an FFA band this year composed of 6 FFA members. They are Neal Hafenstein, Clive Buckner, Stanley Swenson, Bert Langley, Anthony Diaz and Dick Jepson. This band performed in our assembly program...We are holding the county welding school November 20...We have 7 new members in our chapter this year. They are five freshmen: Clive Buckner, Roy Carson, Darwin Kraus, Eugene Stevenson and Allan Wagner; 1 junior, Dick Jepson; and 1 senior, Francis Roderick.

Neal Hafenstein, Reporter

SOLDIER: We had an overnight fishing trip last summer...3 new members received the Green Hand degree...There are 2 gilt rings in operation at present. ...For money raising activities we have operated a popcorn machine at games, sold Christmas cards and built a hayrack for a local farmer.

Bill Stanton, Reporter

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QUINTER: Our chapter had a pheasant feed the night of November 24. All of the Home Economics girls were invited...Some things being made in shop are: hog house by Bob Tuttle; Creep Feeders by Don Graham and Roger Johnson; loading chute by Duane Fahey and Herman Wildeman; Stock rack by Roland Boone and Eugene Tilton and Leo Harvey; post-hold diggers by Wesley Turner and Paul Rhine; dirt carry-all by Charles Easton...Each boy is taking a picture of his farming program and each week we will have a new set of pictures on the bulletin board.

Royce Roesch, Reporter

CENTRALIA: There are 21 members enrolled in Vo-Ag this year. 100% of the members subscribed to the National Future Farmer Magazine...James Lackey, Eldon Milner and Kenneth Herron received their Chapter Farmer degree Sept. 17 ...Dick Ayers, Wm. Cross, Myron Drinkwater, Erwin Flentie, Carol Fritch, Gary Lackey, Lloyd Riffer, Gary Simmons, Donald Walden and James White became Green Hands Oct. 24...The 6 officers of the chapter and our Adviser attended the National FFA Convention for 2 days...We have sold pop and popcorn at each football game and will sell at all home basketball games in order to raise money for our chapter...The Sophomore and Junior classes attended a soil conservation day sponsored by the Seneca FFA chapter. We layed out and plowed terraces...We have finished the following projects in shop: 2 cattle feed bunks, 2 hog troughs, 1 calf feeder, 1 four wheel trailer, repaired and painted 1 disc and 1 two wheel trailer, made a stop sign for the school, and other small jobs.

William White, Reporter

SOLOMON: We started the school year with 28 active members. 100% of our membership subscribed for the National Future Farmer magazine, and after receiving the first copy felt that their money was well spent...\$43 worth of new supplies was ordered to bring the chapter equipment and paraphernalia up to the State Association requirement. This included a new chapter meeting room banner...The chapter sponsored a tractor driving contest as part of the program for Lions Club Community Day. The contest was divided into 3 groups of competition: Adult men, women and the FFA. Winners of the FFA group were Eldon Janssen, first; Arnold Richards, second; and Morris Rasher, third. ...The annual FFA-Senior carnival was held October 31, which grossed \$665 and netted \$365...Twelve freshmen met the requirements of Green Hand and were initiated at our regular November meeting...The annual FFA Ag Barnwarmer was held November 26.

Eldon Janssen, Reporter

FREDONIA: We have 52 enrolled in Vo-Ag this year with 57 active members in FFA...We have made \$125 on concessions at football games. Our best money making project is selling Christmas cards...In cooperation with the FHA, we had a box supper and cleared \$100...Our annual pest contest was opened Nov. 10 and will close Jan. 6...The Vo-Ag officers attended the National Convention... We are planning our FFA Banquet for Dec. 2.

Dan Compton, Reporter

## Chapter News (continued)

WATERVILLE: The chapter returned June 1 from a five day trip to the Ozarks. A schoolbus was chartered and we left during the last week of May. 25 boys and our Vo-Ag instructor, R. W. Whitaker, accompanied by John Dummermuth, veterans instructor, made the trip...The chapter has 3 gilts, 2 of which will be given to a freshman and a sophomore as bred gilts...Shop jobs include: calf self-feeder, 3 feed bunks, a gate, picnic table, a barrel feed bunk, magazine rack, painting a tractor, refinishing small tables, sharpening knives, chisels, etc...We have sponsored the printing of the football programs...We will sell Christmas cards as a means of raising money...The Junior boys attended the American Royal...Our chapter does numerous vaccination and castration jobs...The Green Hand initiation and Chili Feed will be held on December 2...In the local Hybrid Corn Contest held at Marysville, Root Copeland had the Grand Champion 10 ear exhibit. His exhibit will be sent on to the National Corn Show at Peoria, Illinois.

Terry Turner, Reporter

SIMPSON: The chapter obtained a new Chevrolet Pickup truck...The chapter has a new seed germinator and has been running purity and germination tests on seeds for members and their dads as well as for other farmers in the community. The sophomore boys have run three concrete sidewalls this fall. The fall farming program tour has been started in all classes...We have 2 feed bunks, 1 four wheel trailer, 2 pickup stockrack boxes under construction besides several smaller repair jobs in shop...The Simpson Livestock Judging team won first place in the Cloud County Fair...The chapter will sell popcorn to the school this winter from a field of popcorn donated by a local farmer. The chapter has sent out several working crews to help farmers in this area.

Wayne Cook, Reporter

CLIFTON: The chapter gave the entire school a hayrack ride and weiner roast ...The chapter has purchased a candybar vending machine and rented a coke machine to help raise funds. These machines are kept in the school lunch room...A chapter room banner has been ordered...All officers have purchased FFA jackets...10 Senior boys enjoyed a trip to the American Royal...9 Freshman boys will present the Emblem Building ceremony at the December PTA meeting...5 Sophomore Ag members have established a Parliamentary Procedure demonstration team and are scheduled for 3 demonstrations...The annual Pest eradication has started and will end March 1. Dick Johnson and Merrill Nelson are team captains...Some of the larger shop projects are: trailers; trailer beds and feed bunks. Rollin Newell has completed a 16 foot sheep feeding rack. The chapter has completed a portable concession stand, which can be mounted on the FFA machinery trailer...Committees are working on the Donkey Ball game, Parent-Son chili supper and initiation of Greenhands.

Carl Finkbinder, Reporter

WILLIAMSBURG: A new addition to our Vo-Ag shop, 34x34, has been constructed. The shop is now 74x34. We have purchased several pieces of new equipment which includes a post drill, tilting arbor saw, jig saw, 6 in. vise, and a combination Caginaw drill and vise...We have 32 boys enrolled in Vo-Ag out of 34 boys in high school. All enrolled in Vo-Ag are FFA members...First year Vo-Ag boys have constructed feed bunks...21 members have purchased FFA



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jackets...Our chapter exhibited the Franklin County Collective booth at Topeka and Hutchinson fairs, and placed 5th in both fairs. We received \$294.00 in prize money. The Senior Ag class was responsible for most of the planning and work connected with the booth...One of our most interesting assembly programs was held in the shop last month. The entire student body had a chance to observe the Junior Ag class put on various demonstrations using the welding equipment and tools in our shop...Investment in new farming programs since the beginning of the school year include the purchase of livestock in the amount of \$2730. Our Junior Ag class has an average farming program investment of \$720 per member...We purchased for our chapter a Crestwood tape recording machine which we use to record farming program talks, classroom discussions, FFA meetings and for exam reviewing. The chapter purchased the recorder from the chapter fund...We have planned a weiner roast and date party before Thanksgiving vacation.

Marvin Brown, Reporter

GOODLAND: Highlighting the chapter activities for quite a while has been the trip taken by the chapter officers to the National FFA Convention. Many interesting trips throughout the city were made...Officers and members of the chapter have been invited to visit the Edson Chapter on the evening of October 27.

Maurice Little, Reporter

SYRACUSE: Our chapter keeps the signs for the parking places that have been sold for the football games in good condition. We park cars at every game...Shop jobs under construction are clothesline poles, a 2 wheel trailer, repairing a trailer, overhauling a farm truck, making two feed bunks, and building a lathe...We have collected and sold 1710 pounds of scrap iron... Our pest eradication contest is now underway. The losing side treats the winning side to a picnic or party...Our chapter has decided to have an outside speaker for every other meeting. The first speaker was Cecil Frey who gave us a talk on the laws that the farmer should know. At our Nov. meeting we will have a talk on manners given by Elsa McFadden, the Home Demonstration Agent.

Dennis Henry, Reporter

HARVEYVILLE: We have 26 active members this year...8 freshmen have received their Green Hand degrees...The chapter purchased all new officer's paraphernalia and an FFA banner...About 75% of our members have purchased FFA jackets...Our chapter voted to give five gilts to members in the chapter from our Purebred Gilt Ring...The chapter float ranked second at the Harveyville Grange Fair.

Leland Kimball, Reporter

CHAPMAN: Fifteen Green Hands were initiated at our October meeting...We now have a membership of 55...Our cooperative gilt project will place 2 gilts this fall for spring farrowing...A project of landscaping which consisted principally of planting cedars and junipers at the football field has been completed...Some community activities accomplished to date are: laying out lines for terraces, suggested lay-outs and culling chickens.

Keith Lauer, Reporter



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MORROWVILLE: Lawrence Nutz placed third and the team rated second at the annual Washington County livestock judging contest held at the County Fair... Our 3 deferred-fed Angus steers average 915 pounds...Our chapter sponsored fire prevention publicity during the dangerously dry hunting season...Fred Applegarth, a freshman, won an official FFA jacket and a pair of FFA socks during a subscription drive...The sophomore and junior classes attended the American Royal...LeRoy Barnes and Arlo Bonar were on the St. Joseph Vocational Marketing Day with 2 head each of Hereford fat steers...With dry, mature, high quality yellow ear corn selling locally at \$1.40 per bushel. We plan to purchase our needs for the feeding year ahead...Our chapter is sponsoring an all-school roller skating party in November.

Reporter

ELLSWORTH: The chapter held its Freshman night October 22 with all 16 freshmen and their parents present...The chapter placed 5th in the county collective booth and the machinery exhibit at the state fair in Hutchinson. We received \$206 which will go to the chapter fund...Our chapter has been collecting scrap iron and junking unusable parts...Our chapter and the Wilson chapter will hold joint initiation for the Green Hands and Chapter Farmers... We had a swimming party October 30 at the YMCA to encourage early payment of chapter dues.

Alex Vodraska, Jr., Reporter

SABETHA: We have 32 members this year...In the Hiawatha Grain Show our chapter members won 1 purple ribbon, 2 blues, 2 red and 1 white...Shop jobs include the construction of feed bunks for parents...The pest contest will start in the near future...Our annual Parent Night will be held in the middle of November...We placed our 3 chapter steers on full feed last week. We plan to feed them 30 days and then market them...Our members are selling magazines to raise money for the chapter.

Darrell Henry, Reporter

NORTON: The chapter has its largest membership in several years with 37 members...Seventeen Green Hand members were initiated November 3rd...In order to become a Green Hand member the candidates must wear white shirts and ties for 3 days prior to initiation. In connection with initiation we had a square dance and invited the FHA girls and sponsor...We have started our pest eradication contest which will end March 1...The chapter has been shocking feed for farmers to raise funds...The chapter sold hotdogs, coffee and popcorn at the home football games.

Vernie Hazlett, Reporter

GARDEN CITY: The chapter has an enrollment of 52 members this year...For money raising activities we lime the football field for home games...The chapter had a concession stand at the County Fair, which netted them \$270... We shocked feed this year...The chapter plans to have a party with another FFA chapter...The FFA boys took part in the Livestock Judging contest at the Finney County Free Fair in which Billy Ackley took first...100% of our members subscribed for the National Future Farmer magazine...The Vo-Ag class visited the Experiment Station this year to study Sorghums and wheat...25 boys attended the State Fair and took part in the school judging...In shop projects 2 boys built a hog house that brought \$35 for the chapter...A lime spreader was built to lime the football field...Under construction is a hog feeder and an Implement trailer.

Walter Hubbard, Reporter

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ENSIGN: We received our FFA Charter effective November 4, and were initiated by the Dodge City Chapter November 17...There are 19 members in our Chapter... Our father-son pheasant hunt supplied 56 pheasants for our Parent-Son Banquet held November 12. The banquet cost was held to 40¢ a plate by this method and by the cooperation of the Homemaking Class who prepared the meal...We had an FFA Trapshoot in October and made \$40 profit...Other methods of making money are: butchering 10 head of beef, 5 head of swine, and dehorning 220 head of cattle...We have repaired some farm machinery for farmers in this community.

Delbert Israel, Reporter

MARYSVILLE: Our annual watermelon feed for prospective Green Hands was held in September...We held our election and initiation of Green Hands in October.. Dick and Bill Miller from Hebron, Nebraska, are transfer students to our Vo-Ag department...Nine members of our chapter entered a corn show held recently in Marysville...Members of the Ag I and Ag II classes sold \$79 worth of magazine subscriptions during a week's campaign in October...Our chapter assisted a local Service Club in making a foot bridge for a roadside park on U.S. Highway 36...New equipment added to our department consisted of an improved magazine display cabinet and a new ten inch power saw for shop.

Delmar Seematter, Reporter

JEWELL: Our chapter built booths for the annual corn show exhibits. The chapter's float in the corn show parade placed first, adding \$10 to the treasury...A new arc welder and a floor grinder have been added to our shop. The shop walls have a new coat of foam green paint...Projects in our shop at present are: 2 feed bunks, 2 power take-off post hold diggers, a corn sheller being reconditioned, new wood being put on a manure spreader, and a picnic table...Ten members have ordered new FFA jackets.

Jerry Greene, Reporter

MANKATO: Our chapter purchased a registered Hampshire boar. This boar is to be used in our gilt ring and by other members...In October we had a weiner roast and hay rack ride for members and dates...The members run a concession stand at the football games in cooperation with the Kayettes... We held a parent's night meeting this fall for all parents.

Carroll Thronson, Reporter

WESTMORELAND: We had our annual overnight camping trip August 8...We initiated 7 Green Hands into our chapter...We had a magazine drive which cleared \$160...In shop we made a floor in 1 wagon and a bed in another, piped gas into the shop, made a rake wheel gate, painted the inside of the shop and a feed bunk...We started our pest control contest on October 30.

Kenny Brockish, Reporter

ALTON: The new, all concrete Vo-Ag building is nearing completion and should be ready to move into by the first of the year. It is a 50'x70' masonry block structure with a concrete roof and will house a classroom, shop, wash-room and storage room. It will be completely equipped with all new tools and equipment as all our old equipment was destroyed by fire last January...

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Our chapter has purchased a new, coin operated pop dispenser which so far has proved to be a good source of income for our treasury.

Donald Wallace, Reporter

KINGMAN: We have purchased 10 gross of pencils with our school and chapter name for our use and to sell around school. We have purchased 2 pencil machines to sell the pencils for us, one to be placed in the Library and one at the Vo-Ag building. A selector type pop machine was purchased by the chapter for the local youth center and has done well during the first year of service...Our pest eradication contest runs from Nov. 15 to Feb. 1.

Charles Mueller, Reporter

MULVANE: Chapter meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month. We have the regular business meeting followed by recreation...The chapter Parent-Son banquet speaker will be Dr. P. H. Stephens from the Farm Credit Administration of Wichita, Kansas...We are renting our cattle squeeze to the farmers in the community and will use the receipts to help pay the judging teams hotel expense in Manhattan this spring...The pest contest starts Nov. 27 and will end Jan. 5.

Jack Stout, Reporter

COLUMBUS: The Chief of Police talked to the chapter during Safety Week. He stressed laws, safe driving and work being done by the Auto Club...The annual Parent-Son Banquet will be held December 1. Frank Mueller of the Joplin Chamber of Commerce will be the speaker...The following shop jobs are under construction: picnic table, 3 self feeders, 2 farm gates, 2 hog troughs, 7 combination grain and hay bunks, 6 silage bunks, 3 field drags, 3 chicken feeders, book case for classroom, 3 sections of harrow repaired, voting booth for the high school, 1 loading chute, welding jobs, concrete troughs, 5 step stools, nail boxes and other small jobs.

Jim York, Reporter

MARION: This is our chapter's first year. Our new advisor is Mr. R. C. Stephens...This year 18 members attended the American Royal...The Vo-Ag classes have been doing practice judging on cattle and sheep...Jerry Mullikin the Marion County Park and Lake caretaker gave a talk on Wildlife...Mr. Muse of the Soil Conservation was with us on a field trip to give instruction on grass waterways...The FFA sold magazines this year for the Farm Journal. We set our quota for \$96 and went over by about \$20...For the past 10 weeks we have been working on benches, arranging tools, and engraving the words, "Vocational Agriculture" on all tools...The FFA received 27 new FFA jackets... We have 2 new arc welders, a new floor grinder, new FFA metal signs, and a new FFA banner...The FFA had a window display during National Education Week in Marion...We have 46 members in FFA.

John Summervill, Reporter