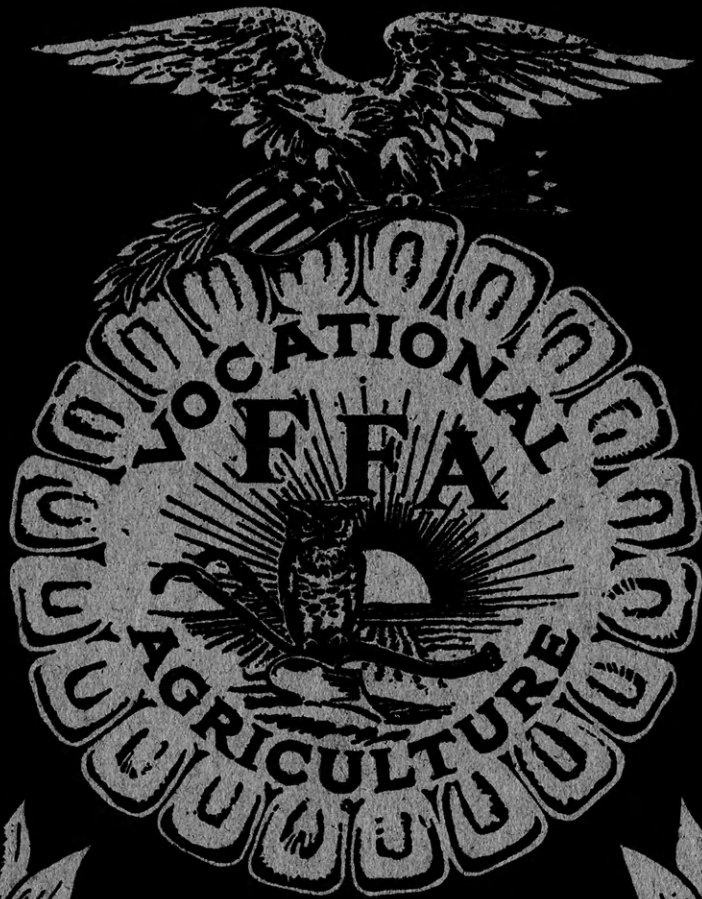


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KANSAS FFA SILVER ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON PICTURES

Boyd Waite, First State FFA President, and Nelson D. Galle, 25th State FFA President.



President Nelson Galle presents a copy of the 25 year history of the Kansas Association of FFA to President James A. McCain, KSC. Hunt Zumwalt, National FFA Student Secretary, smiles approvingly.

Advisor Pollom accepting plaque from President Galle for 25 years of service.



KANSAS FFA SILVER ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON PICTURES

State FFA Speech
Winners. LR -
Sterner, B. Waite,
Allison, England.



State FFA Presidents.
LR - Decker, Hall,
James, B. Waite,
Gigstad, Trail, Galle,
Coates, Kelley,
England, Alefs.

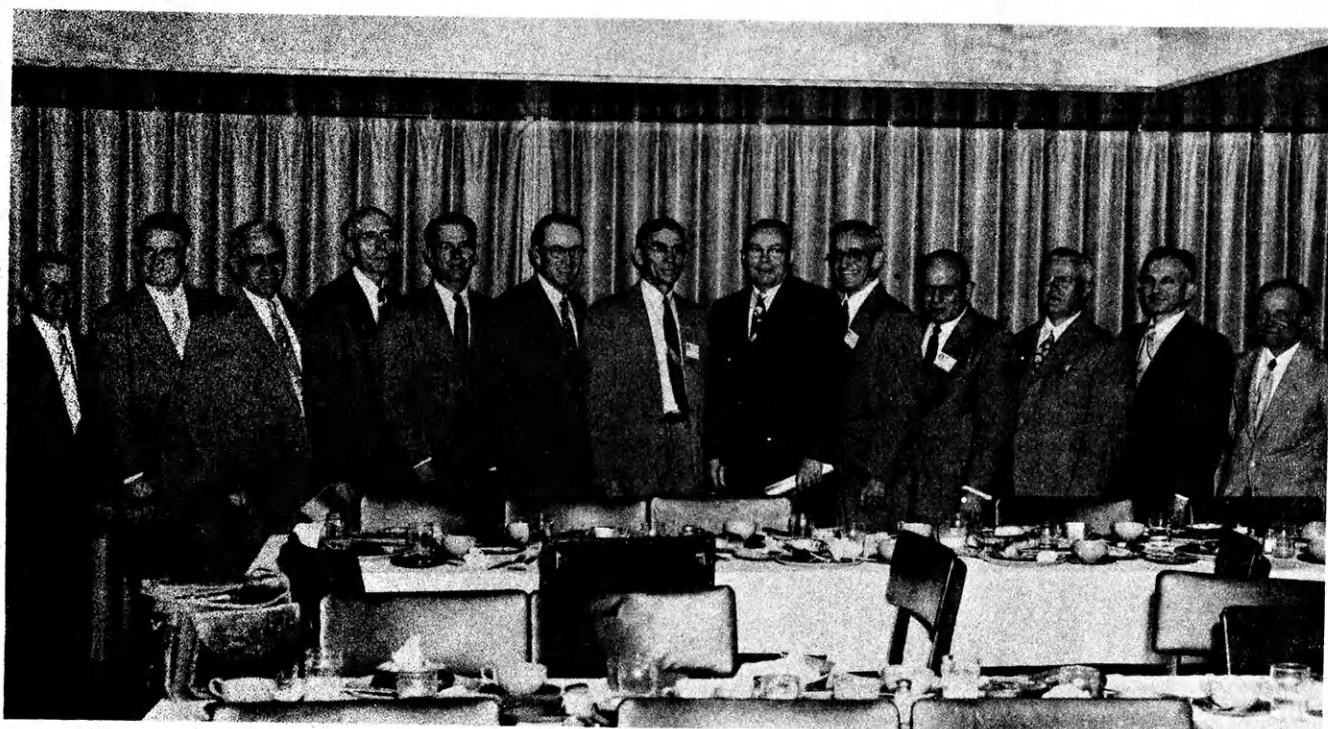
American Farmers.
Front, LR - Jones,
Hall, James, Galle,
Sawatzky, Allen,
Woodson, Gigstad,
Coates, England,
McCall. Back, LR -
Pratt, Pachta, Popp,
K. Waite, B. Waite,
Thalman, Jessee,
Wineland, Duitsman,
Schlickau, Hughes,
Alefs, Grillot, Sr.



KANSAS FFA SILVER ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON PICTURES



Masao Hamasu, agricultural education senior, (Honokaa Chapter, Hawaii) entertains our guests at the luncheon.



FFA advisors with 25 or more years of experience. LR - Engle, Jacobson, Johnson, Plank, Carpenter, Welton, Jensen, Karns, Garver, Blauer, Essick, Bergsma, Melia.

KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF FFA HIGHLIGHTS, 1953-54

1. There are 203 departments of Vocational Agriculture in Kansas, with a total enrollment of 6,632.
2. One Hundred per cent of the Vocational Agriculture Departments in Kansas have an active FFA chapter, with a total active membership of 7,424.
3. The Kansas Association of FFA will close the year with an active FFA membership of 112% on the basis of enrollment.
4. Four Kansas FFA members were awarded the American Farmer Degree at the 26th National FFA Convention.
5. The Shawnee-Mission and Little River Chapters won Gold Emblem Classification in the 1953 National Chapter Contest.
6. Roger Adamson, Cherryvale Chapter, represented Kansas in the National Speech Contest and placed second.
7. Ottawa Chapter placed first in the Booth Exhibits at the Topeka Fair. Pretty Prairie Chapter won first in the Farm Mechanics Exhibits at the State Fair at Hutchinson. First place in county booth exhibits prepared by FFA chapters at the Hutchinson Fair were won for their respective areas by Buhler Chapter and the Coldwater Chapter.
8. Kansas teams participating in National FFA Judging Contests won one Gold Emblem Classification and three Silver Emblem Classifications, and one Bronze Emblem Classification.
9. The Clay Center Chapter won the Agricultural Education Club Award Plaque in 1954.
10. 148 Chapter Farmers from 90 chapters were raised to the State Farmer Degree at the 26th Annual Convention of the Kansas Association of FFA.
11. 17 Honorary State Farmer Degrees were awarded.
12. The Kansas Association was honored by having National FFA Student Secretary Hunt Zumwalt, Artesia, New Mexico, assist with the Annual Convention.
13. 137 three-man teams entered the 1954 Annual High School Judging Contests in Agriculture, and 106 two-man teams entered for Farm Mechanics Judging activities.
14. A 25 year history of the Kansas Association of FFA was distributed at the 26th Convention. The history was written by A. P. Davidson.
15. Fifteen local FFA advisors who had taught Vocational Agriculture 25 years or more in Kansas were awarded the Honorary State Farmer Degree at the 26th Annual Meeting of the Kansas Association of FFA.
16. Approximately 50 former FFA members who had won FFA state and national recognition during the past 25 years returned for the Silver Anniversary Celebration.

1929

FFA SILVER ANNIVERSARY INFORMATION

1954

The National Organization of FFA was organized at Kansas City, Missouri, in 1928.

State and Territorial Charters issued: 48 states and the territories of Hawaii and Puerto Rico.

8,569 Local Chapters in the National Organization of FFA.

1954 membership of the National Organization of FFA - 363,369.

Dr. W. T. Spanton, National Advisor, Washington, D. C.

Dr. A. W. Tenney, National Executive Secretary, Washington, D. C.

David H. Boyne, President, Marlette, Michigan.

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The Kansas Association of FFA was organized in 1929.

Kansas received Charter No. 16.

Active chapters in the Kansas Association of FFA in 1954 - 203.

1954 Active membership in the Kansas Association of FFA - 7,419.

National recognition during 25-year history of the Kansas Association of FFA:

80 American Farmer Degrees

9 Honorary American Farmer Degrees

4 National FFA Officers

5 Participants in National FFA Speech Contest - 2 winners

13 Chapters have been honored in National FFA Chapter Contest

11 Gold Emblem winners in National FFA Judging Contests

1 Star Farmer of America

1 Regional Star Farmer of America

1 "Best Chapter" in the U. S.

The Kansas Association during its 25-year history:-

248 Charters issued - 203 active in 1954

1,779 State Farmer Degrees awarded

37 Honorary State Farmer Degrees awarded

252 Gold Emblem winners in State FFA Chapter Contest

25 Volumes of the Kansas Future Farmer Newsletter were issued.

It is estimated that more than 100,000 Kansas FFA members have read this publication and approximately 3,500 local FFA reporters have had experience in writing chapter notes. Editor throughout the 25 years - A. P. Davidson; Professor H. R. Bradley appointed Assistant Editor in 1952.

2 Histories of the State Association were published - a 15-year history in 1943, and a 25-year history in 1954. Both histories were written by State Deputy Advisor, A. P. Davidson.

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1929 President, Boyd Waite, Winfield Chapter - 239 active members.

1954 President, Nelson D. Galle, Moundridge Chapter - 7,419 active members.

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DATES OF IMPORTANCE

1. FFA Regional Speech Contest in August (date and place not designated).
2. National Judging Contests in Dairy Cattle and Dairy Products: Waterloo, Iowa, October 4-6 inclusive.
3. National Judging Contests in Livestock, Meats and Poultry: Kansas City, Missouri, October 11-14 inclusive.
4. National FFA Convention: Kansas City, Missouri, October 11-14 inclusive.
5. Kansas members of the National FFA Band and the National FFA Chorus, first practice session, Kansas City, Missouri, 1:00 p.m., Friday, October 8.

RESERVATIONS FOR THE NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION

The State Deputy Adviser will handle reservations for Delegates, American Farmers and members of the National FFA Band and National FFA Chorus. If you plan to have judging teams participating in the contests, it would be advisable to make hotel reservations for them early. Please address your requests for reservations to Mr. Robert B. Coyner, Manager, Convention and Visitors Bureau, Chamber of Commerce of Kansas City, 1030 Baltimore Avenue, Kansas City 6, Missouri.

FFA SUPPLIES

The Future Farmer Supply Service, Alexandria, Virginia, will handle all official FFA supplies except the L. G. Balfour Contract. The L. G. Balfour Company, Attleboro, Massachusetts, will continue for another year to handle all FFA degree pins, FFA plaques, FFA rings, belt buckles, etc., as listed in the Balfour catalog.

The State FFA office at Manhattan will continue to handle the following FFA supplies:

FFA Charters
 State Farmer Degree Pins and Charms
 FFA membership cards
 FFA Award Certificates & Plaques
 on the State level.

PLAN YOUR FFA SUPPLY NEEDS FOR NEXT YEAR AND ORDER EARLY.

Reasons: Most of the business handled during the year by the Supply Service is during the months of September to December.

Approximately 60,000 Official FFA Jackets were sold last year. It takes thirty minutes to letter a jacket. During the rush season allow four weeks for delivery on jackets.

As many as 700 pieces of mail are received by the Supply Service in a single day. The staff has been increased to facilitate handling the business. Careless filling out of order forms results in much delay. You can help by filling out order forms correctly and in a legible hand.

PICTURES OF 1954 STATE FARMER CLASS

1954 State Farmer pictures are available on order at 75 cents each. Address Floyd Hanna, Illustrations Department, Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kansas, and order photograph Number CO5502.

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1954-55 STATE FFA OFFICERS

Seventeen FFA members, all recommended by their local advisers and approved by the reviewing committee, were interviewed by the nominating committee for State Office. Ten excellent candidates were included in the slate presented to the House of Delegates. Special mimeographed material presenting full information concerning the scholarship, leadership and farming program for each candidate was made available to the delegates in session, Monday evening, April 26, 1954. The choice of your 1954 House of Delegates for the leadership of the Kansas Association of FFA during 1954-55 follows:

Harry Dean Peter, Edson, President
 Waldo Anderson, Oberlin, Vice President
 Lynn Perkins, Howard, Secretary
 John Milton, Ottawa, Reporter
 Ronald McKinnie, Beloit, Treasurer
 Paul Faidley, Clay Center, Sentinel

Congratulations and best wishes to this group of young men. The State Office predicts a highly successful year for the Kansas Association of FFA under their leadership.

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1953-54 STATE FFA CONVENTION

Approximately 160 of the 203 FFA chapters in Kansas sent representatives to the Twenty-sixth Annual State Convention. There were 137 agricultural teams entered in the agricultural judging events. One hundred-six schools entered teams in the farm mechanics contests. There were 29 contestants in the State FFA Public Speaking Contest and 43 chapters entered the State FFA Chapter Contest. One hundred and forty-five schools seated delegates at the annual FFA meeting. The tour groups under the direction of Professor John Sjo, Department of Economics and Sociology, were comprised of approximately 175 alternates. Two hundred and twelve FFA members found rooming quarters in the Men's Gymnasium and the Hospital Annex, while the remainder of the contestants and their advisers found rooms in town.

A box lunch was served on the campus to contestants in the Agricultural and Farm Mechanics Contests. Eight Hundred and ten lunches were served.

Professor Milton Manuel of the Department of Economics and Sociology was in charge of compiling statistics in the various judging events.

Many departments of the College cooperated in making the Twenty-sixth Annual State FFA Convention a success.

The Kansas Association was honored to have Hunt Zumwalt, Artesia, New Mexico, Student Secretary of the National Organization of Future Farmers of America as guest throughout the convention. Student Secretary Zumwalt addressed the House of Delegates meeting.

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1954 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BANQUET

The Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America wishes to take this means of thanking the Manhattan Chamber of Commerce for the Twenty-Sixth FFA Banquet furnished by this group. President H. T. Hill, Secretary Lud Fiser and W. O. Rehschuh, chairman of the Vocational Agricultural Committee, can rest assured that both the FFA members and their advisers are duly appreciative of the efforts of the Manhattan Chamber of Commerce, to make their closing event such a delightful occasion.

The annual FFA Banquet is a cooperative affair whereby the food is furnished by the Chamber of Commerce and is served under the direction of Professor Davy Mackintosh. The physical properties are provided by the College under the direction of Professor Rufus Cox, while the program itself is under the direction of the State Association of FFA. The Block and Bridle Club and the Agricultural Education Club assisted in serving the food. The flags of the United Nations were furnished through the courtesy of the Office of the Dean of Students. The band music was furnished by the Kansas State College Band under the direction of Professor Dick Coy. Group singing was led by Professor Forrest Davidson of the High School.

The entire banquet program was well received and the State Association turned the meeting over to Professor L. F. Payne, Chairman of the College Contest Committee at 9:00 p.m.

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1954 STATE CHAPTER CONTEST

Forty-three chapters entered the 1954 State Chapter Contest. The ratings of the National Score Card used in the National Chapter Contest were used in the Kansas Chapter Contest. Under each of the eight headings, the same items were given consideration in ranking the chapters as listed in this issue of the Kansas Future Farmer Newsletter. The State Chapter Contest is designed to encourage and reward chapter effort over a wide range of activities. The first State Chapter Contest was held in Kansas in 1932 and these contests have been held annually since that date.

In addition to the eight major headings listed in the National Chapter Contest Score Card, the scoring committee checks each chapter activity program against the annual State Association Program of Work. Attention is also given to Chapter performance in the District FFA Leadership Schools.

It was gratifying to note that 88% of the chapters entering the Chapter Contest had a minimum FFA library; 96% used both the official Secretary and Treasurer's book and more than 95% of the competing chapters engaged in Fire Prevention, Safety, Pest Eradication and Livestock Loss Prevention.

The four major classifications for recognizing the merit of chapter programs are: Gold Emblem classification, Silver Emblem classification, Bronze Emblem classification.

1954 State Chapter Contest (continued)

The results of the 1954 State Chapter Contest follow:

GOLD EMBLEM CLASSIFICATION - HIGHEST RANK

Beloit Chapter, Frank Carpenter, Adviser
Buhler Chapter, J. A. Johnson, Adviser
Chanute Chapter, Chas. O. Carter, Jr., Adviser
Clay Center Chapter, Ray Morrison, Adviser
Effingham Chapter, Roy Eck, Adviser
Ellsworth Chapter, Lester Crandall, Adviser
Emporia Chapter, Emory Groves, Adviser
Holton Chapter, Keith Wagoner, Adviser
Howard Chapter, Wilbur Hart, Adviser
Little River Chapter, Milton Kohrs, Adviser
Shawnee-Mission Chapter, H. D. Garver, Adviser
Oberlin Chapter, Lloyd Moody, Adviser
Olathe Chapter, A. G. Jensen, Adviser
Ottawa Chapter, S. S. Bergsma, Adviser
Simpson Chapter, Robt. Severance, Jr., Adviser
Stockton Chapter, Floyd A. Blauer, Adviser
Washburn Chapter, Charles Ross, Adviser

SILVER EMBLEM CLASSIFICATION

Alma Chapter, Thomas Morris, Adviser
Altoona Chapter, George Robinson, Adviser
Arkansas City Chapter, Harold Walker, Adviser
Bonner Springs Chapter, L. L. Van Petten, Adviser
Burlingame Chapter, Roy Cropp, Adviser
Coldwater Chapter, L. E. Melia, Adviser
El Dorado Chapter, William R. McMillan, Adviser
Eureka Chapter, Harry Coffel, Adviser
Hoxie Chapter, Virgil Severns, Adviser
Medicine Lodge Chapter, John Brothers, Adviser
Smith Center Chapter, Charles Mantz, Adviser
St. Francis Chapter, Donald Hall, Adviser
Washington Chapter, Otis Dewey, Adviser
Williamsburg Chapter, Earl Anderson, Adviser
Winfield Chapter, Ira Plank and John Lowe, Advisers

BRONZE EMBLEM CLASSIFICATION

Frankfort Chapter, Willis Ringen, Adviser
Garnett Chapter, Clarence Anderson, Adviser
Kiowa Chapter, Allen Starosta, Adviser
La Cygne Chapter, L. O. Gugler, Adviser
Lebanon Chapter, Harold Gentry, Adviser
Liberal Chapter, C. C. Griffin, Adviser
Meade Chapter, Howard Thomas, Adviser
Morrowville Chapter, Irving Peterson, Adviser
Ness City Chapter, Warren Stone, Adviser
Palco Chapter, Benjamin Schweitzer, Adviser
Solomon Chapter, Clyde Venneberg, Adviser

1954 CLASS OF STATE FARMERS

There were 148 FFA members from 90 chapters elected to the State Farmer Degree at the Twenty-Sixth Annual FFA Convention. This brings the total number of FFA members elected to the State Farmer Degree in Kansas to 1,779.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>
Rudy L. Feyh	Alma	Jerry Harris	Great Bend
Cleo A. Schultz	Alma	Darrell Keener	Great Bend
Dale Reeves	Almena	Chas. Hardenburger, Jr.	Haddam
Gary W. Rumsey	Almena	Vern W. Butler	Harveyville
Robert P. Fultz	Altamont	Donald Biehler	Herington
Darrel Hollingshead	Altamont	Delmar Rieger	Hiawatha
Albert L. Strickland	Altamont	Curtis Harvey	Hill City
Gale D. Carter	Altoona	Allen Worcester	Hill City
Franklin Heyka	Belleville	Leonne Worcester	Hill City
Garry Reed	Belleville	Franklin D. Moore	Holton
Larry Reed	Belleville	Eldon Wuthnow	Hope
Lynn Reed	Belleville	Don Forsyth	Howard
Don Hauptli	Beloit	Norman Lister	Howard
John D. Eggers	Bird City	Don Perkins	Howard
Paul Hansen	Chanute	Lynn Perkins	Howard
Bill Reinhardt	Chanute	Larry Mosier	Hoxie
Keith Lauer	Chapman	Johnnie Pratt	Hoxie
Arvin Hofmann	Clay Center	Dale Taylor	Hoxie
Herbert E. Mugler	Clay Center	Darrell E. Craghead	Jetmore
Darrell T. Rosenow	Clay Center	Jerry Greene	Jewell
Roger Bean	Coldwater	Clyde H. Sprague	Kincaid
Jerry Melia	Coldwater	Howard F. Thompson	Kincaid
Billy Forkner	Columbus	Oliver Blumenhourst, Jr.	Kingman
Gary Swenson	Concordia	Bob Farney	Kiowa
Jerry Thomas	Council Grove	Clayton Carothers	La Cygne
Harry D. Peter	Edson	Loren Reynolds	La Cygne
David L. Essick	Ellsworth	J. Roland Flory	Lawrence
Robert H. Maze	Ellsworth	Ronald Johnson	Lawrence
Irving Boldridge	Effingham	Scott Mitchell	Lawrence
Ambrose Ernzen	Effingham	Dale R. Stuart	Lebanon
Sylvester O. Nyhart	Effingham	Lynn Winslow	Lebanon
Arlan Stackley	Eldorado	Lloyd D. Everett	Longford
Gail Vogelman	Eldorado	David Mugler	Longford
Lester Kusmaul	Emporia	Billy Steenbock	Longford
Don Edwards	Erie	Arthur Godfrey	Louisburg
Bob Sears	Eureka	David M. Carlson	Manhattan
Harry Keller	Ford	Larry E. O'Neill	Manhattan
Larry Steele	Ford	Stephen H. Ahrens	Mankato
David Vogel	Ford	Melvin Scheller	Marysville
Dick Frank	Frankfort	Marvin P. Johnston	Mc Cune
Gary Millenbruch	Frankfort	Gilbert Frisbie	Mc Donald
Benjamin D. Compton	Fredonia	Francis Harwerth	Mc Donald
Francis Worrell	Fredonia	Donald Lonker	Medicine Lodge
Bernard Haflich	Garden City	Daryl Becker	Meriden
Aloysius Ohmes	Garden City	Ronald Lyne	Miltonvale
Joe Baily, Jr.	Garnett	LeRoy Barnes	Morrowville
Burke Rogers	Garnett	Jerry Bachman	Mulvane
Gary Mosbarger	Goodland	Jack Stout	Mulvane
Gaylen Weeden	Goodland	James Griffin	Natoma

1954 Class of State Farmers (Continued)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>
Chester Hogsett	Ness City	Jack Sutcliffe	Quinter
John Ankenman	Norton	Boyd Tuttle	Quinter
Lyle Fisher	Norton	Jerald Erickson	Randolph
Allen Kindall	Norton	James Osborn	Riverton
Waldo Anderson	Oberlin	Donald Morris	Seaman
Alvin Johnson	Oberlin	Bill Mills	Shawnee-Mission
John J. Holl	Olathe	Carlyle Thompson	Shawnee-Mission
Fred Toplikar	Olathe	Buddy W. McClintock	Simpson
Eugene Teske	Onaga	Jimmie L. McClintock	Simpson
Donald G. Williams	Osage City	George Miller	Stafford
Alvin Britt	Osborne	Ronald Curry	St. Francis
Clifford Hahn	Osborne	Edwin Rath, Jr.	St. Francis
Terry Fanning	Ottawa	Alan P. Roelfs	Stockton
John R. Milton	Ottawa	Darrel McKinney	Syracuse
Duane Hoover	Overbrook	Paul H. Hatfield	Valley Falls
Charles Michaels	Overbrook	Keith J. Jackson	Valley Falls
Therean Towns	Palco	Vernon F. Yenni	Wakefield
Gary Williams	Paola	Jim Corbett	Washburn
Willia D. Hodgson	Parker	Robert Foster	Washburn
Jimmie Guthrie	Peabody	Thomas P. Quaney	Washburn
Garry Hanneman	Peabody	Edward Revey, Jr.	Wellsville
George Strobel	Pratt	Richard Krouse	Westmoreland
Janver Krehbiel	Pretty Prairie	Don Burroughs	Williamsburg
Mike White	Pretty Prairie	Bill Stansbury	Williamsburg
Charles C. Ebbert	Quinter	Curtis Miller	Winfield

Honorary State Farmer Degrees

The following men, because of their splendid cooperation with Vocational Agriculture and the FFA program in Kansas, were awarded the Honorary State Farmer Degree:

Teachers of Vocational Agriculture with 25 or more years of experience in Kansas:

J. A. Johnson, Buhler
 A. E. Engle, Chapman
 L. E. Melia, Coldwater
 A. A. Haltom, Harper
 W. R. Essick, Lawrence
 James L. Jacobson, Marysville
 R. L. Welton, Meriden
 H. D. Garver, Shawnee-Mission
 R. M. Karns, Newton
 A. G. Jensen, Olathe
 S. S. Bergsma, Ottawa
 Floyd A. Blauer, Stockton
 F. E. Carpenter, Highland Park
 Ira L. Plank, Winfield
 John Lowe, Winfield

H. R. Bradley, Kansas State College
 Konny L. Ford, Kansas State College

1954 STATE FFA PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

The Twenty-fifth Annual FFA Public Speaking Contest was held on the campus at Kansas State College, Tuesday, April 27, 1954. State Vice President, Gilmore Dahl and State Sentinel Francis Grillot, Jr. presided. The judges for the speech contest were: Professors John Gilbaugh, Fred Bortfeld, L. W. Schruben, George Olson, Reuben Lind, and Mr. Winzer Petr of the Kansas State Board of Agriculture.

The results of the 1954 FFA Speech Contest follow:

<u>RANKING</u>	<u>NAME AND CHAPTER</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>
1.	Philip Kinast, Haven	"In This I Believe"
2.	Duane Strueby, Newton	"Tilling Our Fortune"
3.	David Nuttle, Eldorado	"The Man with the Hoe"
4.	Jerry Bush, Olathe	"Safety or Misery"
5.	Waldo Anderson, Oberlin	"Is Overproduction Soil Conservation"
5.	Scott Mitchell, Lawrence	"Where Do We Go From Here in the Field of Agri- culture"
7.	Marshall Crowther, Salina	"The Backbone of a Nation"
7.	Walter Douthit, St. Francis	"Future Farmers and Our Farming Future"
9.	Paul Faidley, Clay Center	"For the Land's Sake Spread It"
9.	Carlyle Thompson, Shawnee-Mission	"Our Need for Nitrogen"

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AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION CLUB AWARD

The Clay Center Chapter, under the direction of Ray Morrison, won the 1954 Agricultural Education Club plaque. This plaque was awarded by Gerald Meyer, President of the Agricultural Education Club, to the chapter making the highest total score in all activities open to FFA members. The score card used would make it possible for a team to win 105 points in the agricultural events, 99 points in the farm mechanics events and 102 points in the FFA events. The score card used in determining the winners follows:

SCORE CARD

Breakdown for Agriculture - High ten teams

1st place	- 29 points
2nd place	- 28 points
3rd place	- 27 points
4th place	- 26 points
5th place	- 25 points
6th place	- 24 points
7th place	- 23 points
8th place	- 22 points
9th place	- 21 points
10th place	- 20 points

Agricultural Education Club Award (continued)

For each of the Four Divisions in Agriculture -
Dairy, Animal Husbandry, Poultry, Agronomy

1st place	- 19 points
2nd place	- 18 points
3rd place	- 17 points
4th place	- 16 points
5th place	- 15 points
6th place	- 14 points
7th place	- 13 points
8th place	- 12 points
9th place	- 11 points
10th place	- 10 points

Breakdown Farm Mechanics - High ten teams

1st place	- 29 points
2nd place	- 28 points
3rd place	- 27 points
4th place	- 26 points
5th place	- 25 points
6th place	- 24 points
7th place	- 23 points
8th place	- 22 points
9th place	- 21 points
10th place	- 20 points

For each of the Seven Areas in Farm Mechanics - Farm Power,
Farm Carpentry, Concrete, Arc Welding, Farm Machinery,
Sharpening Tools, Soil Conservation

1st place	- 10 points
2nd place	- 9 points
3rd place	- 8 points
4th place	- 7 points
5th place	- 6 points
6th place	- 5 points
7th place	- 4 points
8th place	- 3 points
9th place	- 2 points
10th place	- 1 point

FFA SECTION

Chapter Contest

50 points	- Gold Emblem
30 points	- Silver Emblem
15 points	- Bronze Emblem
5 points	- Honorable Mention

Agricultural Education Club Award (continued)

FFA Public Speaking Contest

State Farmers

1st place - 10 points	Chapters having 1 - 10 points
2nd place - 9 points	Chapters having 2 - 20 points
3rd place - 8 points	Chapters having 3 - 30 points
4th place - 7 points	Chapters having 4 - 40 points
5th place - 6 points	Number points possible - 40 points
6th place - 5 points	
7th place - 4 points	Seating Delegates
8th place - 3 points	
9th place - 2 points	One delegate - 1 point
10th place - 1 point	Two delegates - 2 points

The ranking of the high ten chapters with total points earned follows:

<u>RANKING</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>	<u>SCORE</u>
1.	Clay Center Chapter	258
2.	Chanute Chapter	205
3.	Washburn Chapter	144
4.	Eureka Chapter	104
5.	Altamont Chapter	99
6.	Belleville Chapter	93
6.	Moundridge	93
8.	Howard	92
9.	Norton	91
10.	Beloit	87

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THE 1954-55 STATE OFFICERS

The following briefs of the 1954-55 State Officers are presented in the hope that our membership will know more about the boys who will be in charge of the Kansas Association of FFA for the next year.

HARRY DEAN PETER, EDSON, PRESIDENT

Harry is 17 years old and a senior in Edson High School. During his four years in FFA he served as reporter, vice-president, and president of his chapter. He was granted the degree of State Farmer at the 1954 State Convention. Harry was a member of the chapter ritual and information team receiving the Gold Emblem ranking in the Northwest Kansas District Leadership School. He was selected as the master ritual president for northwest Kansas. After four years in vocational agriculture he had a net worth of \$1,842.06. His third year farming program consisted of 19 head of cattle, 58 head of swine, 30 acres of wheat, 10 acres of sorghum, 2 acres of sudan grass, 5 acres of rye, and 35 acres of summer fallow ground for wheat. He was a member of the varsity football team and basketball team and took an active part in the extra-class activities of Edson High School. For the past two years he was a member of the church choir and president of the church youth organization. Harry ranked first in a class of ten in scholarship.

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The 1954-55 State Officers (continued)

WALDO ANDERSON, OBERLIN, VICE-PRESIDENT

Waldo is chapter president. He is 17 years old; a senior in high school with four years of vocational agriculture. Waldo ranked fourth in scholarship in his class of 57. He was granted the State Farmer degree at the 1954 State Convention. His beginning net worth was \$1,436.20 and at the close of his third year of farming his total net worth was \$22,469.43. His high school activities include band, dramatics, class officer, student council, and many other extra-class assignments. Waldo takes an active part in the church and the young people's organization.

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LYNN PERKINS, HOWARD, SECRETARY

Lynn is 17 years old and a senior in high school. His many high school activities include secretary of the FFA Chapter, secretary-treasurer of the senior class, Boy's State, member of Gold Emblem ritual team, and a member of the State Agricultural Judging Team. He was granted the degree of State Farmer at this year's convention. After four years in vocational agriculture he had a net worth of \$3,689.65. His last year's farming program consisted of 36 head of cattle, 47 head of swine, 11 acres of corn, and 3 acres of sorghum. Lynn ranked in the upper 10 per cent of his class in scholarship.

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JOHN MILTON, OTTAWA, REPORTER

John is chapter president and was formerly reporter of his chapter. He is 17 years old and a senior in high school with four years of vocational agriculture. His beginning net worth was \$1,185.00 and at the close of his third year of farming his total net worth was \$3,159.88. His last year's farming program consisted of 7 head of cattle, 6 head of swine, 5 acres of corn, 17 acres of soybeans, 10 acres of milo, and 5 acres of corn silage. He ranked in the upper 15 per cent in a class of 115 seniors in scholarship. John is active in extra-class activities.

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RONALD MC KINNIE, BELOIT, TREASURER

Ronald is 18 years old and a senior in high school. He was granted the degree of State Farmer at the 1953 State Convention. During his three years in FFA he served as treasurer of his chapter. Ronald was a member of the chapter ritual and information team receiving the Gold Emblem ranking in his District Leadership School. He was a member of the State Agricultural Judging Team and represented his chapter in the state FFA Speech Contest. His many high school activities include president of the student council, class plays, varsity football and basketball teams, and a member of the Hi-Y. Ronald closed his farming program books for the end of his third year with a net worth of \$4,738.

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1954-55 State Officers (continued)

PAUL FAIDLEY, CLAY CENTER, SENTINEL

Paul is 17 years old and a senior in high school. During his four years in FFA he served as chapter treasurer and vice-president. He was granted the degree of State Farmer at the 1954 State Convention. His third year farming program consisted of 7 head of cattle, 20 acres of wheat and 10 acres of oats. His end of year net worth was \$3,363.84. Paul exhibited crops at the County Fair. He was active in committee work with the FFA. He was a member of the Gold Emblem ritual team in his district and was selected on the master ritual team.

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FFA SILVER ANNIVERSARY PICTURES

Note: Send all orders for pictures to F. J. Hanna, Illustrations, KSC.
Check or Postal Money Order must accompany order.
Order by number and name of picture.

	Number
Public Speaking winners present for anniversary	3510
First President (Waite) and 25th (N. Galle)	3511
American Farmers present for anniversary	3512
State Presidents present for anniversary	3513
Group picture of State Presidents, American Farmers, Public Speakers and Honorary State Farmers	3514
25 year Vo-Ag Teacher group	3515
L. B. Pollom receiving plaque from State Pres. N. Galle.	3516
FFA Silver Anniversary exhibit panel.	3517

Price: Small pictures (approximately 5x8) 35¢
Large pictures (approximately 6x10) 75¢

State High School Judging and Farm Mechanics Contest Pictures

High Individual, Agricultural Contest	1A9195
FFA 1954-55 State Officers	1A9196
High team Poultry Production	1A9197
1st place FFA Speech Winner	1A9198
High team Animal Husbandry Contest	1A9199
High team Dairy Contest	1A9200
High team Crops Contest	1A9201
High Individual Farm Mechanics Contest	1A9203
Second place team Animal Husbandry (Meats)	1A9204
High team in the Agricultural Contest	1A9205
Second place team Dairy (Dairy Products)	1A9206
High team Farm Mechanics	1A9207
Agricultural Education Plaque picture	1A9208
1954 Class of State Farmers	C05502
High Individual Crops Contest	1A9202

Price: Small pictures (approximately 5x6) 25¢
Large pictures (approximately 7½x9) 75¢

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REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF
FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA 1953-54

The annual meeting to formulate the State Program of Work was held in Professor A. P. Davidson's office, September 5, 1953. A State Program of Work was formulated and published in the September 15, 1953 issue of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER Newsletter.

During the year ten chapters were chartered. They were: Humboldt, Ellinwood, Salina, Goessel, Blue Mound, Hoisington, Clearwater, Udall, Sublette, and Elk City. There are 204 vocational agricultural departments in Kansas, with a total enrollment of 6,632. The total FFA membership to date is 7,419. This gives Kansas an active FFA membership of 112 per cent, which constitutes the highest percentage of FFA membership in the North-Central Region, comprised of 13 states.

Past State President Billy Ray James, Clay Center Chapter and President Nelson D. Galle, Moundridge Chapter, served as delegates to the Twenty-sixth National Convention of Future Farmers of America at Kansas City last October. An over-all story of the Twenty-Sixth National FFA Convention was carried in the November, 1953 issue of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER Newsletter. As time will not permit, I shall not attempt to review this convention. I would strongly urge that if you have not already done so, you examine carefully the November issue of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER Newsletter.

Ten district FFA Leadership Schools were held with State FFA Officers in attendance at each school. A complete report of the District FFA Leadership Schools will be found in the in the December, 1953 issue of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER.

Shawnee-Mission and Little River Chapters each won Gold Emblem classification in the 1953 National Chapter Contest.

Kansas FFA members receiving the American Farmer Degree at the Twenty-Sixth National Convention were: Marvin G. Allen, Olathe Chapter, Kermit Case, Little River Chapter, Ronnie Hughes, Emporia Chapter, Donald W. Hunt, Arkansas City Chapter.

The Agricultural Education Club, Kansas State College, plaque was won by the Clay Center Chapter in 1953. This award goes to the chapter making the highest total points in events open to FFA members in connection with the annual Vocational Agriculture Judging and Farm Mechanics Contests.

One hundred and eighty-three chapters filed Programs of Work on or before November 1, 1953.

The Better Chapter Contest winners in the 1952-53 State Chapter Contest showed sixteen chapters meriting Gold Emblem classification. These chapters were listed in the May 1953 issue of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER Newsletter.

One hundred and forty-one chapter farmers from seventy-eight chapters were raised to the State Farmer Degree in 1953.

Kansas had five members in the National FFA Band and nine members in the National FFA Chorus.

President's Report (Continued)

Your President met with the State FFA Executive Committee April 8, 1954, for reviewing applications for the State Farmer Degree. One hundred and forty-eight applications were recommended by the committee for approval by the House of Delegates.

Practically 100 per cent of the chapters cooperated with the state program in Safety, Fire Prevention, Pest Eradication, Soil Conservation and Livestock Loss and Prevention.

Roger Adamson, Cherryvale Chapter, represented Kansas in the National Speech contest and placed second.

Kansas FFA teams participating in National FFA Judging Contests held at Waterloo, Iowa and Kansas City, Missouri, won one Gold Emblem Classification, three Silver Emblem Classifications, and one Bronze Emblem Classification. These rankings were listed in the November, 1953 issue of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER.

Ottawa Chapter placed first in Booth Exhibits prepared by FFA Chapters at the Topeka Fair. Pretty Prairie Chapter won first in the Farm Mechanics Exhibits at the State Fair in Hutchinson.

First place in County Booth Exhibits prepared by FFA Chapters at the Hutchinson Fair were won for their respective areas by Buhler Chapter and the Coldwater Chapter. A complete report on chapter ranking in FFA exhibits at both the Topeka and Hutchinson Fairs will be found in the November, 1953 issue of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER Newsletter.

The Kansas Association of FFA assumed the responsibility of securing subscriptions to the National Future Farmer Magazine and sent 6,253 subscriptions to Editor, Lano Barron, Alexandria, Virginia. This represented 84.28 per cent of our total membership.

Respectfully submitted,

Nelson D. Galle, President
Kansas Association of FFA

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REPORT OF STATE FFA REPORTER, 1954

Including the May, 1954 issue of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER, six copies will have been printed and distributed during the year.

As was done last year, requests for local chapter news for THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER were sent from the State Office. During the year 401 requests were sent and 241 responses were received. This is a response of 60 per cent. This was a decrease of 8 per cent under last year.

Six issues (including May 15, 1954) of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER Newsletter were published. The plan of devoting the first half of the newsletter to state and national items of interest and the last half of the newsletter to local FFA chapter news was continued.

Reporter's Report (Continued)

A pictorial section which was added to THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER Newsletter, beginning with the September 1951 issue was continued.

Each issue of the newsletter carried out the FFA calendar and gave emphasis to major FFA activities calendared - for example:

- September issue - State FFA Program of Work; Summary of Kansas Association of FFA Report to National Association; Budget of the Kansas Association of FFA; and Establishing FFA Chapters.
- November issue - Devoted entirely to the Twenty-sixth National FFA Convention; National FFA Judging Contest; Winning FFA Exhibits at the State Fairs; Budget for the National Organization of FFA; and Report of the National Treasurer.
- December issue - 1953 District FFA Leadership School; National Chapter Contest; Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc.; National Executive Secretary's Report.
- February issue - Kansas FFA Public Speaking Contest; National FFA Week; State Awards for Improving Agriculture and Leadership.
- April issue - President Galle issues Convention Call; Rank in FFA Membership; Evaluating FFA Chapter Activity Programs; The Agricultural Education Magazine.
- May issue - Will be devoted to the Kansas Association of FFA Silver Anniversary Convention activities.

The Chapter Notes were satisfactorily written in most cases. Items from THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER Newsletter were reprinted in several publications in the field of Agricultural Journalism.

Respectfully submitted,

Sam H. Peppiatt, Reporter
Kansas Association of FFA

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REPORT OF STATE FFA TREASURER, 1954

Professor Harry M. Stewart, Certified Public Accountant, audited the Kansas Association of FFA Treasurer's Books for 1953-54.

Professor Stewart's audit follows:

The bank balance at the beginning of the period was reconciled with the bank statement as of that date. All receipts as shown by the records were deposited in the Union National Bank, Manhattan, Kansas, and all disbursements per record were made by check.

Treasurer's Report (Continued)

No inventory of pins and charms was made at the beginning or close of the fiscal period. However, a comparison of recorded items of pins and charms bought and sold would indicate a slight increase in inventory.

The bank balance per books at the close of the fiscal period was reconciled with the balance shown by the statement from the bank. There were five checks outstanding at the end of the year, of which three have been out for some time. These should be brought to the attention of the parties concerned.

The two series "F" defense bonds with a matured value of \$1,000.00 are in a lock box at the Union National Bank. These two bonds matured in February, 1954.

Subject to the above comments, the attached statement in my opinion is correct.

The records appear to have been kept in good order.

Respectfully submitted,

Harry M. Stewart
Certified Public Accountant

Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America
Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
for the period April 1, 1953 to March 31, 1954

Bank balance per books, April 1, 1953		\$3,109.15
Receipts:		
Dues - 7655 at 30 cents	\$2,296.50	
Charms and pins	667.43	
Supplies (books, jackets, charters, etc.)	82.28	
Contributions from Burlington R. R.	100.00	
Reimbursement of travel expense	149.65	
Subscriptions to National F.F.A. Magazine	1,301.50	
Future Farmers Supply Service	627.82	
Miscellaneous	<u>12.39</u>	
Total receipts		<u>5,237.57</u>
Total cash accounted for		<u>\$8,346.72</u>
Disbursements:		
Dues - 7045 at 10 cents	\$ 704.50	
Charms and pins	780.10	
Badges, buttons and plaques	245.33	
State and National Convention expense	1,062.24	
Auditing	10.00	
Supplies	383.99	
Printing	128.35	
Burlington awards	100.00	
Contest expenses	174.65	
Subscriptions to National F.F.A. Magazine	1,286.39	
Miscellaneous	<u>24.40</u>	
Total disbursements		<u>4,899.95</u>
Balance per books, March 31, 1954		<u>\$3,446.77</u>

Treasurer's Report (continued)

Balance per bank statement, March 31, 1954			\$3,699.77
Less: Checks outstanding			
#685 - Dr. James W. Hatch	11-10-53	\$135.00	
703 - Cherryvale Chapter FFA	12- 3-53	12.80	
713 - St. Francis Chapter FFA	12-16-53	12.50	
729 - Dr. Henry S. Brunner	3-15-54	75.00	
731 - Future Farmers Supply Serv.	3-22-54	<u>17.70</u>	
			<u>253.00</u>
Balance per books			\$3,446.77*

* The Kansas Association acts as a repository for \$741.90 representing National FFA dues for 1953-54 and \$741.90 representing State dues collected for the purpose of sending Kansas National FFA Band and Chorus members to the National Convention in 1954.

CHECKS WRITTEN FOR DISBURSEMENT
FROM 4/1/53 - 3/31/54

4- 3-53	L. G. Balfour Co., public speaking medals	\$ 7.58
4- 3-53	Future Farmer Supply Serv., 1200 Anniv. Banquet place cards	9.00
4-13-53	Future Farmer Supply Serv., 12 pkg. paper napkins	6.00
4-13-53	Chapter Supply Co., 1 owl, 1 corn, 1 Washington	10.00
4-13-53	L. G. Balfour Co., Ag. Judging Plaque (Ag. Ed. Club)	21.88
4-27-53	Wareham Coffee Shop, dinners for State FFA Officers	10.30
4-28-53	Harry M. Stewart, auditing books	10.00
4-28-53	L. G. Balfour Co., deficit on speech medals	.16
4-28-53	Gillett Hotel, dinners for State FFA Officers	4.68
4-16-53	L. G. Balfour Co., 7 State Farmer charms and tax	35.00
4-30-53	Norma Lee Quinlan, lettering State Farmer certificates	5.00
4-30-53	Mrs. Harold Hunt, accompanist at 25th State Convention	2.50
4-30-53	Elbert Fly, leading group singing at 25th State Conv.	5.00
4-30-53	Fred Reed, Jr., State Conv. Exp.	2.18
4-30-53	Gillett Hotel, State FFA Officers rooms for State Conv.	35.30
5- 7-53	Illustrations Dept., State FFA Conv. Photos	41.24
5- 7-53	Thomas Sign Service, painting FFA stands and lettering	63.00
5- 7-53	Art Craft Printers, 1200 banquet programs	20.00
5- 7-53	Dept. of Agricultural Engg., supplies for making FFA stands	56.05
5- 7-53	Billy Ray James, State Conv. Exp.	26.10
5-15-53	D. J. Howard, Natl. Treas., 7045 Natl. FFA dues @ 10¢	704.50
5-15-53	Guerrant Studio, 6 5x7 pictures of State Officers	3.00
5-18-53	Ralph Braun, State Conv. Exp.	6.30
5-19-53	Lano F. Barron, 50 subs. to Natl. Mag.	11.25
5-21-53	Lano F. Barron, 18-1 yr. & 3-5 yr. subs. to Natl. Mag.	6.75
6-10-53	Physical Plant Dept., P.A. system for House of Delegates Mtg.	4.81
6-10-53	Guerrant Studio, picture of boys at airport	5.00
6-10-53	Future Farmer Supply Service, 6 officer jackets @ 9.22	55.32
7- 3-53	Art Craft Printers, 275 FFA Calendars	38.35
8- 5-53	Roger Adamson, defray exp. to public speaking contest	25.00
8-25-53	St. Louis Button Co., 360 badges for Dist. Leadership Sch.	62.98
9- 5-53	Gillett Hotel Coffee Shop, officers dinners for St. Off. Mtg.	8.65
9- 7-53	Art Craft Printers, binding 6 volumes	7.00
9-11-53	Forrest Adams, refund on 6 FFA Manuals	2.10
9-11-53	Washington FFA Chapter, overpayment on subs.	.50
9-12-53	Lano F. Barron, 4415-1 yr. & 36-5 yr. subs. to Natl. Mag.	1025.77
9-14-53	Attica FFA Chapter, refund on subs. and supplies	18.80

Treasurer's Report (continued)

9-14-53	Valley Falls FFA Chapter, refund on subs.	\$ 3.00
9-15-53	Lano F. Barron, 197-1 yr. subs. to Natl. Mag.	44.32
9-21-53	Lano F. Barron, 144-1 yr. & 11-5 yr. subs. to Natl. Mag.	42.30
9-24-53	Nelson Galle, Exp. St. Off. Mtg. and Leadership School	5.20
9-26-53	Lano F. Barron, 26-1 yr. subs. to Natl. Mag.	6.07
9-28-53	Sam H. Peppiatt, Exp. State Officers Mtg.	5.50
10- 1-53	Paul R. Shanahan, Sec. of St., rayon Kansas State flag	46.00
10- 1-53	Lano F. Barron, subs. to Natl. Mag.	50.62
10-10-53	Francis Grillot, Jr., Leadership School Exp.	22.20
10-10-53	Francis Grillot, Jr., Officers Mtg. Exp.	9.50
10-10-53	Lano F. Barron, 81 subs. to Natl. Mag.	18.22
10-19-53	Lano F. Barron, 28-1 yr. subs. to Natl. Mag.	6.30
10-21-53	Gilmore Dahl, Ldrshp. Sch., St. Off. Mtg., and Conv. Exp.	8.63
10-22-53	Arvin Hofmann, Natl. FFA Chorus Exp.	47.44
10-22-53	Harold Heymann, Natl. FFA Chorus Exp.	54.00
10-23-53	Raymond Mabry, Natl. FFA Chorus Exp.	60.00
11- 5-53	Gillett Hotel, FFA Band and Chorus enroute to Conv.	13.50
11- 5-53	David L. Essick, Natl. FFA Chorus Exp.	55.00
11- 5-53	Robert Haas, Natl. FFA Chorus Exp.	50.00
11- 5-53	Benny Brent, Natl. FFA Band Exp.	53.53
11- 5-53	Office Supply & Eqpt. Co., flag pole, stand, & eagle	14.07
11-10-53	Wayne Wiens, Natl. FFA Band Exp.	49.19
11-10-53	James W. Hatch, 9 Natl. FFA Chorus uniforms	135.00
11-10-53	Lano F. Barron, 117-1 yr, 1-2 yr, 5-5 yr subs to Natl Mag	31.27
11-11-53	Ray Zimmerman, Leadership School Exp.	14.15
11-18-53	Lano F. Barron, 22-1 yr. subs. to Natl. Mag.	5.50
11-18-53	Hal McClure, Natl. FFA Chorus Exp.	45.00
11-18-53	Jim Fromme, Natl. FFA Band Exp.	56.64
11-18-53	Gary Neilan, Natl. FFA Conv. Exp. (Delegate)	14.50
11-18-53	Billy Ray James, Natl. FFA Conv. Exp. (Delegate)	7.50
11-18-53	Merle Cuthbertson, Natl. FFA Chorus Exp.	50.15
11-18-53	Marlin Brown, Natl. FFA Chorus Exp.	52.71
11-18-53	Carlyle Thompson, Natl. FFA Chorus Exp.	43.04
11-19-53	Jack McVaugh, Natl. FFA Band Exp.	48.75
11-24-53	Lano F. Barron, 44-1 yr. subs. to Natl. Mag.	9.90
11-24-53	Bill Brethour, Natl. FFA Band Exp.	45.00
12- 3-53	Claflin FFA Chapter, Natl. Judging Contest Travel Exp.	46.42
12- 3-53	Chanute FFA Chapter, Natl. Judging Contest Travel Exp.	36.01
12- 3-53	Hill City FFA Chapter, Natl. Judging Contest Travel Exp.	26.81
12- 3-53	Quinter FFA Chapter, Natl. Judging Contest Travel Exp.	27.61
12- 3-53	Cherryvale FFA Chapter, Natl. Judging Contest Travel Exp.	12.80
12- 3-53	Montgomery Foto Service, Natl. Conv. Pictures	30.00
12-14-53	Lano F. Barron, 28-1 yr. subs. to Natl. Mag.	6.30
12-16-53	Norton FFA Chapter, Burlington Railroad grant	12.50
12-16-53	Almena FFA Chapter, Burlington Railroad grant	12.50
12-16-53	Norcatour FFA Chapter, Burlington Railroad grant	12.50
12-16-53	Oberlin FFA Chapter, Burlington Railroad grant	12.50
12-16-53	Atwood FFA Chapter, Burlington Railroad grant	12.50
12-16-53	McDonald FFA Chapter, Burlington Railroad grant	12.50
12-16-53	Bird City FFA Chapter, Burlington Railroad grant	12.50
12-16-53	St. Francis FFA Chapter, Burlington Railroad grant	12.50
12-23-53	Postmaster, bulk mailing permit for 1954	10.00
12-23-53	Lano F. Barron, 46-1 yr. subs. to Natl. Mag.	10.35
12-28-53	Union National Bank, rental on safety deposit box #218A	3.60
12-29-53	Lano F. Barron, 19-1 yr. subs. to Natl. Mag.	4.27

Treasurer's Report (continued)

1-12-54	Marvin Creech, C. M. Miller's Recognition Dinner	2.50
1-13-54	L. G. Balfour Co., FFA Award Plaque (C. M. Miller)	21.34
2- 4-54	Lano F. Barron, 32-1 yr. subs. to Natl. Mag.	7.20
2- 8-54	J. C. Darling Co., one 1-line rubber stamp	.89
2-12-54	"Friends of Doc Hill", banquet ticket for Nelson Galle	2.50
3- 1-54	L. G. Balfour Co., State Award Plaque (Ag-Ed Club)	22.09
3- 4-54	L. G. Balfour Co., St. Farmer pins & charms and engraving	614.20
3- 4-54	L. G. Balfour Co., Tax on St. Farmer pins and charms	130.90
3-15-54	St. Louis Button Co., 500 celluloid buttons, 500 badges	86.17
3-15-54	L. G. Balfour Co., State Award Plaque (Dr. Hill)	23.29
3-15-54	Dr. Henry S. Brunner, 5 Natl. FFA Band uniforms	75.00
3-17-54	French-Bray Printing Co., 1 small FFA emblem	1.25
3-22-54	Future Farmers Supply Serv., signs, napkins, manuals, stickers	17.70
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$4,899.95

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Watkins, Treasurer
Kansas Association of FFA

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REPORT OF THE STATE FFA SECRETARY, 1954

House of Delegates meeting, College Auditorium, April 26, 1954, 7:30 p.m.

Meeting called to order by President Nelson Galle.

Formal opening ceremony used.

Two hundred eighty delegates from 145 chapters were seated.

President Galle stated that in order to get certain releases to the Press in time for the morning papers, he was suggesting that the House of Delegates dispense with the regular order of business and turn to the head of New Business.

Moved by Secretary Zimmerman, seconded by Reporter Peppiatt that we dispense with the regular order of business and turn to the head of New Business.
Motion carried.

The Report of the Nominating Committee was made and voting for State Officers took place.

Under the head of New Business, 148 State Farmer Candidates were nominated, elected, and raised to the Degree of State Farmer. Seventeen Honorary State Farmers were nominated and elected. Moved by Acting Adviser, C. C. Eustace, seconded by Marshall Crowther, Salina Chapter, that we accept the State Farmer and Honorary State Farmers as read. Motion carried.

Announcement was made of the winners of the State Chapter Contest.

Secretary's Report (continued)

The minutes of the House of Delegates meeting for 1953 were not read. Moved by Secretary Zimmerman, seconded by Larry Rankin, Kiowa Chapter, that they be accepted as they appeared in the May 15, 1953, issue of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER Newsletter. Motion carried.

Moved by Robert Scherman, Paola Chapter, seconded by Bob Corwin, Smith Center Chapter, that the Reporter's Report be accepted as it will appear in the May 15, 1954, issue of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER Newsletter. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was presented by State Treasurer Bob Watkins. Moved by John McComb, Washburn Chapter, seconded by Allen Worcester, Hill City Chapter, that this report be accepted and placed on file. Motion carried.

Moved by Marshall Crowther, Salina Chapter, seconded by Harvey Klingaman, Ulysses Chapter, that the President's Report be accepted as it will appear in the May 15, 1954, issue of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER Newsletter. Motion carried.

National FFA Student Secretary, Hunt Zumwalt, Artesia, New Mexico, addressed the group.

Announcements were made by Professor H. R. Bradley.

The results of the ballot for State Officers were announced. The following were the successful candidates:

Harry Dean Peter, Edson, President
 Waldo Anderson, Oberlin, Vice-President
 Lynn Perkins, Howard, Secretary
 John Milton, Ottawa, Reporter
 Ronald McKinnie, Beloit, Treasurer
 Paul Faidley, Clay Center, Sentinel

Meeting adjourned 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Ray Zimmerman, Secretary
 Kansas Association of FFA

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BUDGET EXCESS

The 1953-54 budget of the Kansas Association of FFA did not include provisions for activities in connection with the Silver Anniversary Celebration. Approval was given by the State FFA Executive Committee to plan and execute a 25th anniversary program. The following expenditures cover the printing of the 25 year FFA history, photography to do justice to the occasion, and guests of the Kansas Association at the Luncheon and the Chamber of Commerce banquet.

Art Craft - 25th History and Inserts - Program	\$382.22
Guerrant Studio - Silver Anniversary Luncheon Pictures	37.00
Pictures of overall activities, including TV	72.00
Guests of Kansas Association at Chamber of Commerce Banquet	35.00
Flowers - Silver Anniversary Luncheon	9.18
Guests - Silver Anniversary Luncheon plus services	<u>48.60</u>

TOTAL \$584.00

RECOGNITION

The Kansas Association of FFA presented a FFA State Award Plaque to State Adviser, L. B. Pollom, at the Silver Anniversary Luncheon. The plaque carried the following inscription: "The Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America Awards This Plaque to State Adviser, L. B. Pollom, for 25 years of Service to the Farm Youth of Kansas." Mr. Pollom will retire July 1, 1954.

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VO-AG TEACHERS RECEIVE HONORARY STATE FARMER DEGREES

Fifteen Kansas Vocational Agricultural teachers who had taught 25 years or more in Kansas were awarded the Honorary State Farmer Degree at the 26th annual convention of the Kansas Association of FFA.

The fifteen teachers honored have consistently won recognition in all fields of FFA activities. Their records show that they have developed -

An average of 23 State Farmers (State average 8.3)
 Twenty-eight per cent of the 80 American Farmer Degree members
 Three of the four national FFA officers
 Eleven of the 24 state FFA speech winners
 Three of the five national FFA speech participants
 Five of the six Gold Emblem winners in the National FFA Chapter contest

Vo-Ag teachers awarded the Honorary State Farmer degree are:

S. S. Bergsma, Ottawa	A. G. Jensen, Olathe
F. A. Blauer, Stockton	J. A. Johnson, Buhler
F. E. Carpenter, Highland Park	R. M. Karns, Newton
A. E. Engle, Chapman	John Lowe, Winfield
W. R. Essick, Lawrence	L. E. Melia, Coldwater
Harold D. Garver, Shawnee-Mission	Ira L. Plank, Winfield
A. A. Haltom, Harper	R. L. Welton, Meriden
James L. Jacobson, Marysville	

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25TH FFA REUNION LUNCHEON

One hundred fifty-four persons attended the FFA Reunion Luncheon at the Terrace Gardens, Wareham Hotel, 1:00 p.m., April 27th. Representatives of the press and radio-TV were guests of the Kansas Association. Past American Farmers, past State FFA Presidents, past FFA Speech Winners and Honorary State Farmer members were introduced.

President, James A. McCain, KSC, addressed the group on the subject of Leadership. He stated that with the fate of the world resting on decisions which will be made over the conference tables, the FFA emphasis on leadership development will play an important role in shaping the future of the country.

Masaoo Hamasu, Honokaa Chapter, Hawaii, now a senior in Agricultural Education at KSC entertained the group with a group of Hawaiian songs. A technicolor sound movie of the 25th Silver Anniversary of the National Organization of FFA was shown.

25th FFA Reunion Luncheon (continued)

Former FFA members came from as far as Hoxie in northwest Kansas, Kingman southwest, Columbus southeast, and Effingham in northeast Kansas.

Of the 80 American Farmers written, replies were received from 60. Of the 60 replying:-

- 43 were farming.
- 4 U.S. Armed Forces - farming when called.
- 2 farm managers.
- 3 USDA employees.
- 2 College Professors - field of agriculture.
- 1 practicing veterinary medicine.
- 2 students KSC - Agriculture.
- 3 in pursuits other than agriculture.

Of the 24 Speech Winners 21 replied. Occupational status:-

- 7 farming.
- 4 students in college (2 theology).
- 3 Armed Forces.
- 2 ministers.
- 2 law - 1 F.B.I.
- 1 College Professor.
- 1 USDA
- 1 salesman
- 1 deceased.

It was interesting to note that leadership was being put into practice by former FFA members. Approximately 100 per cent were church members; community activities averaged 3.5 per member. Membership in farm organizations ranked second, and membership on school boards ranked third. Two members had served in the Kansas Legislature - one is chairman of the Senate Agricultural Committee. Size of farms ranged from 30 acres * to one member in partnership with his father and a brother operating 7 sections of land. Many World War II experiences were briefly noted. One member was a pilot for the Pan American Grace Air Lines for 3½ years, based at Lima, Peru. One member of the USDA, Field Crops Research Branch, stated in his letter, "During the last 17 years I have had opportunity to visit and work with many farm boys. On the average Future Farmers are much better able to meet the public, think through their problems, and assume responsibility than those boys who have not had the privilege of belonging to the organization".

(Note: This advertisement is being paid for by your Editor).

* While it has been the intent of your Editor not to publicize any of our former FFA members, we feel that in justice to the fine farmer group response it is only fitting that we explain how a measly little 30 acre farm crept into the corral:

Those or you who were FFA members in the early forties will remember George Stelter, State President and National Vice President, of the Abilene Chapter. George annually went to Colorado and Wyoming and purchased bred ewes, shipped them to Abilene and sold them to farmers and FFA members. Returning from one of his buying trips George dropped off to sleep, missed a culvert, wrecked his new Buick car and wound up in the hospital. The accident occurred one week before the District FFA Leadership Schools. George was not the kind of FFA

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member who quit, so he was on hand for the 10 district schools, swathed in bandages until he could easily have been mistaken for a Hindu "swami". We adjusted our schedule to arrive an hour early so that a barber could massage George's head and start all three corpuscles circulating, then to the chiropractor to reset the vertebra so that our leader could stand erect while delivering his Message to the FFA members. George, in answering my questionnaire, replied somewhat as follows: "Davy, I am still Digging in the Soil, and am still Planting. Size of Farm, 30 Acres. Type of Farm - Cash Crop". Signed, George Stelter, Owner & Operator, Lawncrest Memorial Park, Redding, California. That, fellow Future Farmers, explains the 30 acre farm.

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FFA RADIO TV

WIBW TV on May 1, 1954, devoted a 30 minute program to activities of the Kansas Association of FFA Silver Anniversary and the High School Vocational Agricultural and Farm Mechanics Judging Contests. The first black and white movie of these activities was taken in 1930, the first FFA technicolor sound movie was taken in 1938, and the WIBW TV program becomes the first televised version. Wes Seyler was in charge of the program, with the photography by Professor L. F. Hall, Floyd Hanna and Gene Guerrant. Members from the following FFA chapters assisted: Highland Park, Washburn, Seaman, and Silver Lake.

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1954 NATIONAL FFA JUDGING CONTESTS

The National Judging Contests in Dairy Cattle and Dairy Products will be held at Waterloo, Iowa, October 3-6, and the National Judging Contests in Livestock, Meats and Poultry will be held at Kansas City, Missouri, October 11-14. The following teams will represent Kansas in these events:

Dairy Cattle, Pretty Prairie Chapter, Powell Heide, Adviser.
 Dairy Products, Clay Center Chapter, Ray Morrison, Adviser.
 Livestock, Winfield Chapter, Ira Plank & John Lowe, Advisers.
 Meats, Yates Center Chapter, Don Brock, Adviser.
 Poultry, Belleville Chapter, Carl Beyer, Adviser.

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CORRECTION

BURNS: Presumably there was an error in the enrollment figure received from the state office in Topeka for the Burns Consolidated High School. The figure should have been 21 instead of 42, thus making a percentage of 133% instead of the 67% reported in the April Newsletter.

Since the ranking of local FFA chapters on the basis of per cent of membership and enrollment in vocational agriculture was published in the April Newsletter, ten chapters have paid additional dues and have increased their percentages. Those chapters and their percentages are: Ellsworth, 108%; Morrowville, 150%; Natoma, 121%; Meade, 109%; Kincaid, 98%; Meriden, 107%; Jewell, 100%; Cottonwood Falls, 107%; Parsons, 119%; and Buhler, 105%.

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CHAPTER NEWS

CONCORDIA: The Concordia FFA Chapter held their annual FHA-FFA sweetheart party in February. Five girls were selected to compete for the title of FFA Sweetheart. Each candidate was to prove her worthiness of the honor by demonstrating her ability to bake a cake, catch a baby pig, milk a cow, sew a button on a shirt, and build a miniature hog trough from wood cut to fit by the FFA boys. These events were held during the night's program and scored by a committee of teachers. Miss Sue Woods was crowned Sweetheart. A bracelet and an FFA sweetheart jacket were presented to her. Square dancing followed the ceremony and 96 attended....March 27 our chapter was host to the NCK district for the dairy contest. Seven classes of dairy cows were used for the demonstration. Twenty three schools attended....This year we have planted oats on five of the ten acres of land we farm. The remainder of the field will be used to plant corn. Three fertilizer plots were put on the oats using anhydrous ammonia in 100, 60 and 30 pounds per acre. Material for the test was furnished by the Nitro Fertilizer Co. of Salina. Soil tests were taken from the field and analyzed to show us the minerals lacking in the soil. Since nitrogen was the one lacking most we will add 200 pounds per acre of 20% nitrogen on the corn ground. We plan to plant the corn in a check-row pattern to allow for better cultivation. Little or no corn is planted in this manner around Concordia....In vocational agriculture classes we have been practicing running terraces and contour lines. Practice lines were run on the school grounds and then the classes went to fields on Keith Waters' and Howard Powell's farms to actually run some terraces; the terraces are being built with a plow. The corn field on Steve Sorem's farm was layed out for contouring....A new metal band saw has been added to the equipment in our shop. Boys are working on hay trailers, harrow for Ford, turning lathe, three motors are being overhauled, 2 gates, stock rack....A hayrack ride and weiner roast was held April 22 for boys and their dates. Forty-five attended.

Ivan Walker, Reporter

HAVEN: Our chapter put on an hour long assembly program during National FFA Week. Every member in the chapter had some part in the program. The freshman class assembled the FFA emblem; the sophomores and juniors put on a Farm Safety skit; the officers gave the opening ritual and gave the degree to twelve Green Hands....Our chapter sponsored the South Central District Livestock Judging Contest April 10. There were 44 teams representing 31 schools in attendance. We provided a hot lunch at 75 cents per plate in our hot lunch room....Philip Kinast, our chapter president, led the entire school in scholarship the past six weeks period....Larry Haines is completing a new corral and hog pasture fence around a 10-acre lot. Joe Weve has built one new corral and rebuilt one this winter and spring. Both boys used railroad ties for posts... We are repairing our sheep dipping vat in preparation for a big season of dipping. We are getting requests to dip sheep from as far as 30 miles away... Gary and Dean Zimmerman's nine deferred steer calves made an average gain of 1.65 pounds per day through the wintering period. They have had their calves on rye pasture during March and April, and they appear to be making excellent gains, though they have not been weighed. Eugene Heim, Art Hoskenson and Jim Hayes also have deferred steers....Haven's three American Farmers attended the Silver Anniversary luncheon of the Kansas Association of FFA

Larry Haines, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

OSBORNE: We held our FFA Parent-Son Banquet on March 30 with 143 parents, guests, and members present. During the banquet the following boys received Foundation Awards: Alvin Britt, Star Farmer; Bernard Henke, Farm Mechanics; Bob Gantz, Public Speaking; James Storer, Soil Conservation. Mr. Ray Brown, Soil Conservation Agent, and Mr. Homer Calvin, John Deere manager, received the Honorary Chapter Farmer Degree....We are planning a fishing trip in June and a watermelon feed in August.

Dale Kelling, Reporter

ALTOONA: January 15 was our Parent and Son Banquet with 125 attending....On February 27 in observance of National FFA Week the chapter put on a radio program over Station KIND, Independence, and also showed the movie of the National FFA Silver Anniversary Convention to the school....The sophomore class constructed some farrowing stalls in a hog shed for a local man as a community service project....Shop jobs recently built or being constructed are four 4-wheel trailers, 1 hay frame, two-wheel trailer, implement trailer, hay and grain elevator, repainting tractor, installing motor in truck, hog troughs, and concrete flagstones.

Gale Carter, Reporter

SIMPSON: The chapter held their safety emphasis meeting during March and had as their speaker Sheriff Sandy Wagoner of Beloit....For money making projects the chapter has sold several pieces of equipment made in shop, ran a concession stand during the Simpson Invitational Basketball Tournament, and sponsored a KSAL home talent show....The FFA Quartette composed of Wesley Carlton, Gary McClintock, Gary Gilbert, and Bud McClintock has sung several times for community affairs.

Larry Sams, Reporter

OBERLIN: During the course of the year the members sold refreshments at football games, mixed and sold mineral, and performed various services to finance judging, public speaking, and farm mechanics trips all over the state....Some highlights of the year were the Silver Anniversary State Convention at Manhattan, the Christmas party, Freshman-Parent night, and the annual Parent-Son Banquet....Future plans include a joint meeting and the annual trip which, in past years, has carried members as far west as California, as far east as Louisiana, as far south as Texas, and as far north as Michigan.

Norman Tally, Reporter

ST. FRANCIS: We have 37 active members this year. Eleven Green Hands received their degrees at our annual Dad-Son Chili Supper in October....Sixteen members and three sponsors attended the National Western Stock Show in Denver in January....Major projects in the shop at present and recently completed include: two auto motor overhauls, one calf creep feeder, one 14' x 8' flat bed trailer and hay rack, one John Deere "D" tractor motor overhaul, 18 hog troughs, 8 calf feed bunks, 3 steel farm gates, 2 wood farm gates, 1 set truck stock racks, and 4 small farm gas engine overhauls.

Ronald Curry, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

NORTON: The Norton Chapter now has 42 members....Our pest eradication ended March 1....We had our Parent and Son Banquet February 22 with Embert Coles of the Colby Experiment Station as our guest speaker....The FFA Chapter is planning to take a trip to the Rocky Mountains after school this year....The ag classes have been taking field trips to farms to practice livestock judging... Our shop activities include overhauling and painting four tractors, overhauling three cars, reconditioning one grain drill, building several steel gates, one creep feeder and one farrowing house, and other small jobs.

Vernie Hazlett, Reporter

LA CYGNE: Our chapter observed National FFA Week with a special meeting with the eighth grade boys as guests. The finals of the local public speaking contest were held. The motion picture, "Farmer of Tomorrow", was shown....The FHA-FFA party was held in the shop with square dancing directed by Mr. Karr... FFA medals have been awarded to: Willard Stevenin, Dairy Farming; Frankie Noel, Rural Electrification; Donald Surbough, Farm Safety; James Karr, Soil and Water Management; Merle Beckman, Public Speaking; Larry Coffin, Farm Mechanics; Larry Coffin, Star Chapter Farmer.

Donald Stainbrook, Reporter

INMAN: The FFA boys here are about to finish some football bleachers for the school. These bleachers were made with 4-inch and 2-inch used pipe purchased from Kansas Power and Light Co. for \$19.00 per ton. The bleachers will seat about 229 people....The pest eradication contest ended with the losers treating the winners to a show and homemade ice cream....The boys borrowed a grain probe from the local elevator and used this probe to check their stored grain. Field trips were used for this purpose and most of the grain in the bins checked was O.K.; however, there were several that had weevil. Efforts were made to correct these conditions.

Bob Smith, Reporter

IOLA: Our chapter Parent-Son Banquet was held April 2, 1954. Mr. Ira Stockebrand, Independence, was our speaker. He showed us colored moving pictures of big cattle ranches, rodeos, etc....Russell Lytle, our vice president, was awarded the Dekalb Agricultural Award for this year....Donald Heath won our chapter pest eradication contest and will be awarded the Iola Junior Chamber of Commerce gilt. The gilt award was started by the Junior Chamber of Commerce four years ago.

Fred Kuestersteffen, Reporter

WETMORE: The chapter is sponsoring a scholarship contest with the highest boys in all subjects receiving certificates of achievement....We raised 20 boys to the degree of Chapter Farmer and seven boys to the degree of Green Hand this year.

Raymond Stuke, Reporter

GARDEN CITY: On February 10 we held our annual Parent-Son Banquet. Our president presided, and the main speaker of the evening was Bob Ball, Jr., past chapter president and past state president....Our Honorary Chapter Farmer Degree for this year was awarded to Mr. Ralph Kersey, the first vo-ag instructor.

Bob Dale, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

KIOWA: The chapter sold Kiowa Pride, one of the Duroc sows from our swine herd. This sow had farrowed five litters totaling 54 pigs, raised 45, an average of nine pigs raised per litter or 83% of the pigs farrowed. She weighed 665 pounds. Our chapter swine program has been in operation for six years. We now have six females and a boar, all registered Durocs. We have found that this activity is very worth while for our chapter. It has paid for itself, and all of the animals that we have on hand are from the profit above the original investment of six years ago. Last fall we replaced our old herd boar with Fancy King 2nd purchased from Herman Popp of Haven....A lot of time and money has been spent in the improvement of the chapter owned lot which we purchased a year ago this spring. We have the lot divided into twelve equal parts, each 50 feet by 140 feet. We have had nine lots rented out this winter, but now the boys with calves will be going to pasture soon and some of them will be empty for the summer. We have laid water pipe so that every lot has water, built three concrete water troughs, wired electricity into two farrowing houses and five feed houses, and have had yard lights installed so the boys may do their chores after practicing their school sports. ...We are now running a concrete footing for a feed house that will contain 6 bins. The feed house will be made of tile that we salvaged from three buildings that were being removed from one of the farms near town....We have just finished installing a pair of 8 by 14 foot cattle scales near our loading chute and squeeze pens. These scales will be used periodically by the boys to check the gains on their livestock....The members have been dipping sheep in the community for the past two Saturdays and will have to continue at least one more day to finish.

Willis Colson, Reporter

EDSON: Our chapter held its annual Parent-Son Banquet on April 20. We served fried chicken from chickens raised as a project by our chapter to approximately 125 people....Some of the major shop projects for the year are 6 feed bunks, machinery trailer, two-wheel trailer, garden tractor, seed cleaner, 4 tractor overhaul jobs, 2 truck box floors, loading chute, 3 alfalfa feeders, 3 tool cabinets, several hog troughs, chicken feeders, salt boxes, and many other jobs such as tool conditioning....This year we raised seven members to the Green Hand Degree and eight to Chapter Farmer Degree....We will hold our barn-warmer party May 8. We plan to have folk games and square dancing for the evening's fun.

Dale Parker, Reporter

BLUE MOUND: The Blue Mound Chapter of FFA is nearing the close of its first year. Among our local activities are the following: tested soil for six local farmers; dehorned seven head of yearlings; castrated and rang 49 head of pigs; dehorned two cows and 5 head of yearlings; butchered two beeves; went on several dairy judging trips; and conducted a pest eradication program.In the building and repair field the FFA boys built and painted a bed on the FFA pickup; built a large 7' x 14' wagon bed; sharpened saws; built model houses; made an oil can; soldered oil can spouts; and glazed farm shop windows. ...A special FFA program was planned and presented before the high school in assembly....A coon hunt provided fun and resulted in a catch of a 26-pound coon...For money making projects we had a scrap iron drive, making \$33.33, and sold cards and pencils to enlarge the chapter treasury.

Dean West, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

EFFINGHAM: Twenty-four Green Hands received the Chapter Farmer Degree at our annual Father-Son Chili Supper....During the year sixty members completed record books, showing the production of 114,019 pounds of beef; 79,218 pounds of pork; 5,841 pounds of mutton; 2,262 pounds of poultry; 150,875 pounds of milk; 15,854 bushels of corn; 3,260 bushels of wheat; and 4,451 bushels of oats....Our members ran germination tests on 102 samples of seed for themselves, 97 samples for their fathers and 42 samples for local farmers. One hundred per cent of our members tested soil on all their crop land for lime and phosphate, totaling 542 samples for themselves and their fathers and 41 samples for local farmers....We have installed a new thickness planer in our shop and a new trophy case in our classroom....Our chapter has 13 purebred Duroc gilts in the chapter gilt ring. They are loaned out to members under contract....Our chapter made \$161.76 selling popcorn at home football and basketball games. We sold \$135.57 worth of garden seed to chapter members and parents....Some of the items built in shop this year are: 5 four-wheel trailers, 3 loading chutes, a brooder house, a hog house, a gas barrel stand, feed bunks, 11 gates, lambing pens, tool cabinets, and repairing many other items.

Bill Wilson, Reporter

FRANKFORT: The chapter pest eradication contest ended on March 15 with the total number of points turned in at approximately 285,000. As a climax and prize for the winning side, it was decided the losing side would furnish the food for our annual spring fishing trip....On April 15 a farming program tour was held. We visited all the members' homes to see their farming programs.... Money making activities of our chapter this year have included selling pop and popcorn, selling magazine subscriptions, and building and selling concrete hog troughs.

Dick Frank, Reporter

ALTON: Our chapter held its Parent-Son Banquet on April 16....We have started our pest control contest....Shop jobs completed since the first of the year include the following: feed bunks, a welding table, two trailers, and overhauling several gas motors. Under way at the present time are a show box, squeeze chute, a power post hole digger, and the overhaul of a power lawn mower, plus several other small jobs.

Gary Eller, Reporter

LEON: Two of our projects are a gilt ring and a popcorn popper....This year in shop we have made cattle feeders, chicken feeders, trailers, feed bunks, hog houses, picket fences and other projects....The FFA is looking forward to our annual fishing trip toward the end of school....The FFA is planning on renting some ground to plant to wheat and corn.

Ted Davis, Reporter

LIBERAL: We presented a radio program over Station KSCB on February 25 during National FFA Week. We used the skit, "George Washington, The Farmer"....We are carrying on a broiler class project....We held our third annual tractor driving contest on April 22. Our contest consisted of three events - harrowing stakes, spotting driving and backing, and belting up to a machine. Gary Warden was high point driver in the contest...We have two road side FFA signs ready to be placed...In shop we have been making trailers, step ladders, and gates.

Bob Trimmell, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

HUGOTON: Seventeen FFA boys and our adviser attended the National Western Livestock Show at Denver. We visited the Natural History Museum, the Colorado State Museum, Swift Packing Co., the rodeo, and toured the Denver Stock Yards.. ..We have remodeled our shop and classroom and have added several items of needed equipment including a seed germinator to use in our community service.. ..We have rebuilt and repainted a total of 93 major farm implements. These include: 21 tractors, 10 trucks, 14 pickups, 6 cars, 7 one-ways, 5 listers, 7 chisels, and 2 trailers. We have installed rings and ground the valves in 5 tractors, 2 trucks, and relined the brakes in 3 cars, 4 pickups, and 3 trucks. We have built 2 calf creep feeders, 1 portable loading chute, 2 trailers, a hydraulic press, 3 stock tank heaters, 3 hog troughs, 2 welding carts, 1 shop work bench, 21 foot scrapers, 2 pickup stock racks, 1 truck stock rack, 1 feed bunk, 5 welding shop seats, frames for 75 weed and grass samples, installed 1 set of spindle bolts in a car, made frames and screens for a house, and 2 sets of markers for listers....At present all ag classes are building a pipe fence around the tennis courts and the ag building and are cleaning up the shop and the grounds. Next week we will rebuild our machinery loading ramp.

Paul Grewell, Reporter

HILL CITY: We held our 24th annual Parent-Son Banquet on March 17....We have completed our annual pest eradication contest....We have obtained 160 acres of farm ground for our chapter. At the present we have 50 acres and will get the rest this fall. We have planted 34 acres to clover and plan to plant 15 acres to milo and a variety of test plots for grain sorghums. We have taken a soil sample and are having soil tests made from it. Our machinery for this farming will be furnished by a local dealer; we will furnish the gas and oil....Some of our shop projects have been: cattle self feeder, barrel bunks, two and four wheeled trailers, clothesline poles, garden tractor and numerous gates.

Vernon Mai, Reporter

COLBY: The Colby Chapter was host to 25 other chapters at the annual livestock judging school at Foster Farms and the dairy judging school at the Colby Experiment Station April 9 and 10....Our Parent-Son Banquet was held on April 29 with E. H. Coles, Superintendent of the Colby Experiment Station, as the speaker....The losing team of the pest eradication contest gave the winning team a mountain oyster fry....Equipment built and repaired in the shop include: overhauling and painting two tractors, repairing a drill and a combine, two loading chutes, two stock racks for pickups, a calf creep feeder, two hog feeders, three wire rollers, three post hole diggers, and two garden tractors.

Loren Henry, Reporter

ARKANSAS CITY: One hundred sixty FFA members and friends attended our Parent-Son Banquet May 5. At this time Honorary Chapter Farmer Degrees were presented to Dr. J. J. Vineyard, Superintendent, H. J. Clark, Principal, and W. J. Dempsey....For part of the decoration theme we dismantled our program of work and displayed it on bulletin boards so that our parents and friends could inspect it....Our chapter now has 45 head of hogs in the lot, and we plan to market them in 10 days. During the past year we have fed out 69 head of hogs at a net profit of \$1500....We plan a tour of all the members' farming programs during the last week of school....As a service to the farmers in our community we plan to dip sheep for scab and ticks.

Jim Webb, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

BONNER SPRINGS: The chapter has dehorned over 30 head of cattle and castrated 15 head of calves....Our chapter adviser and other instructors have been visiting rural grade schools, checking on incoming Green Hands for next year.. ..The local chapter gave two radio shows the last semester....Our chapter has increased its net worth \$153.00 over last year....Ten per cent of our members are on the school honor roll....Each member in our chapter has served on an average of three committees during the year....A pest eradication contest was held....The chapter has entered the Pfister corn contest. Twenty samples are being planted....The chapter swine farrowing pen is completed. It is portable and will be transported from one farm to the other as needed....Our chapter broiler project of 200 birds netted us approximately \$75.00. All birds were dressed and delivered by chapter members. All birds weighed $2\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. and over at nine weeks....We mixed two ton of 45% swine supplement and sold it to members....Our Parent-Son Banquet was held March 23 with 125 guests in attendance. Professor Loren Whipps from Kansas State College was the guest speaker.

Arden McLaughlin, Reporter

MOUNDRIDGE: The Moundridge FFA was host to the District Poultry Judging School on February 22. There were 35 teams entered from 23 schools in the district....Four carloads of FFA members attended the Little American Royal at Kansas State College....The FFA presented an assembly before the high school on April 9. Bob Krehbiel and Norvin Schrag gave a demonstration on electrical wiring, several of the members sang some western songs, and a movie concerning the FFA was shown....Shop projects that have been completed include: 4 baled hay elevators, 4 turkey sun porches, a combination baled hay pickup and elevator, 2 garden tractors, 2 adjustable loading chutes, and several gates, hog troughs, etc....The annual Father & Son Banquet was held on May 4. There were 116 fathers, guests, and members present. Loren Whipps, Vo-Ag teacher trainer, was the guest speaker....Jerry Becker turned nurse maid when his gilt farrowed 13 pigs and did not produce any milk. He saved 11 of them by hand feeding them every three hours day and night for several days.

Clyde Goering, Reporter

LYNDON: We held our 13th Annual Banquet April 29. Our main speaker was Wes Seyler, farm service director of WIBW at Topeka....Our new chapter board has produced exceptionally well. The boys got an average of 9 pigs from 20 litters....The shop projects for the year have been: 6 two-wheel trailers, one four-wheel trailer, one mobile cattle squeeze, one movable hoist frame, 5 rake wheel gates, 4 cattle feed bunks, 5 hogs troughs, and painted one truck.

Leo Williams, Reporter

BIRD CITY: Our FFA Parent and Son Banquet was held on March 30. We had as our guest speaker Mr. Maurice Little, the adviser from the Goodland Chapter. Other guests included the advisers and one officer from the St. Francis, Edson and McDonald Chapters. The film, "Twenty-Fifth Anniversary National Convention" was shown as part of the entertainment. Our banquet was served by the FHA girls, and we returned the favor by serving their banquet....We gave the lawn around the school one spraying with 2-4-D for the control of dandelions.. ..The junior boys butchered a beef, part of which was consumed at the Junior-Senior Banquet this spring.

George Fishel, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

TONGANOXIE: Some of the shop projects being built to finish out the year are: 6-foot picnic tables by Bob Kissinger, Delmar Jackson, Verlin Dunker, and Daryl Roberts; two-wheel milk cart by Doug Guinn; ping-pong table by Eddie Wood; coffee tables by Wayne Jones and Larry Gallagher; a large log chain hook by Louis Seufert. John Martin put a set of new shock absorbers in his car.

Carl Kraus, Reporter

EMPORIA: Our chapter is busy planning many events. Our Parent-Son Banquet was held in the Junior High Gym. There were 140 present, and our principal speaker was Mr. Richards, our superintendent....Our barn party was held May 11 at the Blue Stem Hall. Contests featured at the barn party were square dancing, pie eating, pop drinking contest, and feather in spoon races....We held our election of officers May 7.

Bob Davis, Reporter

LITTLE RIVER: Mothers of members have been taking turns in serving refreshments after all FFA meetings....We sold 1,000 pencils with the high school basketball schedules printed on them....We have mixed and sold 2,000# of minerals since the first of the year....Our chapter purchased two \$25 war bonds with the money they received from the National Better Chapter Contest....This year we have castrated and docked 467 lambs, castrated 38 pigs, and vaccinated, dehorned, castrated, and marked 64 calves....The chapter purchased a new John Beam sprayer pump and accessories for \$200....We used 75# of crystals for the eradication of prairie dogs for a local farmer....Our annual Parent-Son Banquet was held May 7, 1954.

Kermit Peterson, Reporter

WASHINGTON: Our chapter has a good start in the Duroc business. We have 13 registered sows and a registered Duroc boar. We have had an average of 9 pigs per litter from our gilts and sows this spring. Martyn Apley's registered gilt farrowed 8 pigs, and he had an average of 47 pounds at 56 days. We weighed all litters at 56 days.

Darrel Ryser, Reporter

OXFORD: Our chapter had a weiner roast and fishing trip April 15. All the eats were furnished by the losers of the pest eradication contest....We finished our cattle squeeze chute and have made \$19.20 on rentals to date....We have had a very productive year in shop. We will have a display in front of the high school of all shop projects made during the year during senior class night at the close of school....The terraces that we staked out and built with a moldboard plow proved satisfactory during the recent rains....We had a lot of fun playing the Winfield Chapter in baseball May 3. They won by a score of 5 to 1.

Ernest Fink, Reporter

TORONTO: In our shop we are doing several projects for making money for our chapter. We have built a false bottom stock rack, feed cart, feed bunk, barrel rack, and a trailer....The old gymnasium is being used by the Vo-Ag Dept. as a shop and classroom. The students have helped with installation of equipment and finished the classroom. A concrete floor was placed in the shop by the students to provide a place to use for welding.

Gary Webb, Reporter