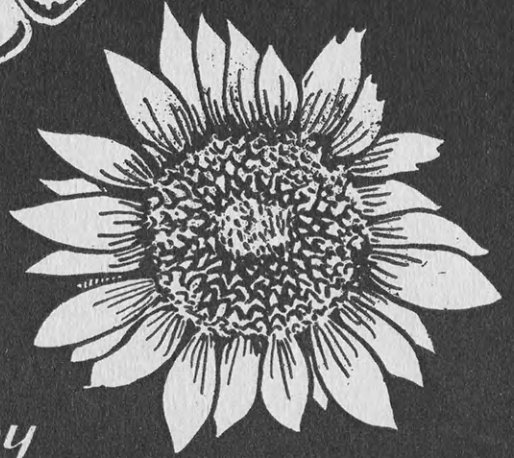
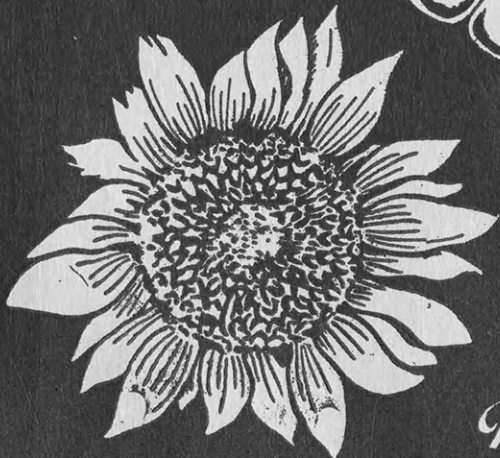
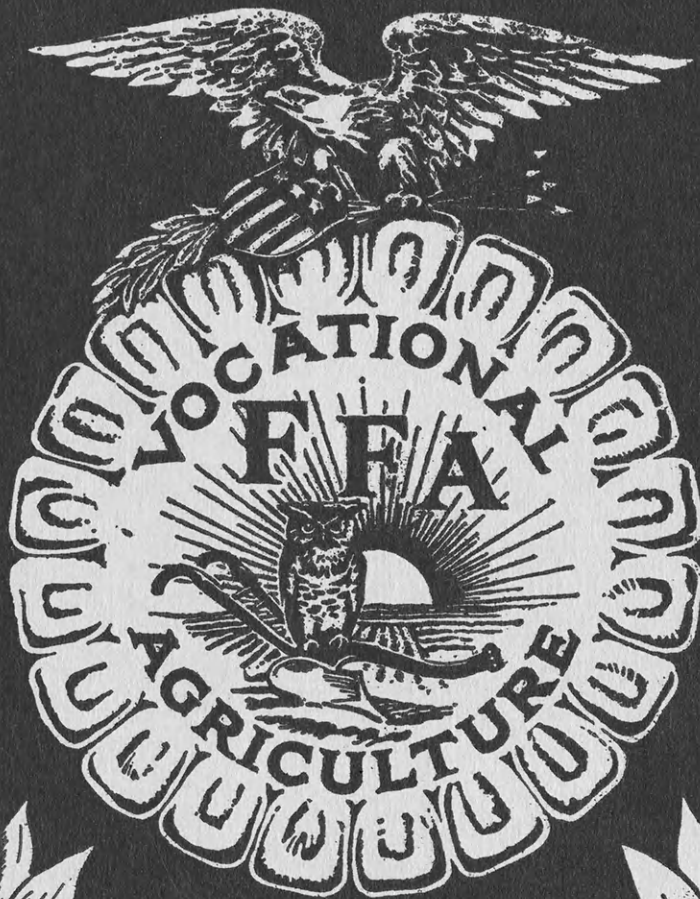


SEP 15 1955

The KANSAS
Future Farmer



Published by
**THE KANSAS ASSOCIATION
FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA**

NATIONAL OFFICERS, FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

1954-55

Constituting the
NATIONAL BOARD OF STUDENT OFFICERS

PRESIDENT William D. Gunter
Live Oak, Florida
REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT Charles W. Anken
Holland Patent, New York
REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT Bobby Futrelle
Mt. Olive, North Carolina
REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT Jay Wright
Alamo, Nevada
REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT Lowell Gisselbeck
Castlewood, South Dakota
STUDENT SECRETARY L. Philip Brouillette
Richford, Vermont
ADVISER W. T. Spanton
Washington, D. C.
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY A. W. Tenney
Washington, D. C.
TREASURER Dowell J. Howard
Richmond, Virginia

- - - - FFA - - - -

NATIONAL FFA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

W. T. SPANTON, Chairman, U. S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C.
E. J. JOHNSON, U. S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C.
R. E. NAUGHER, U. S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C.
H. N. HANSUCKER, U. S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C.
A. W. TENNEY, U. S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C.
HAROLD E. URTON, State Supervisor Agricultural Education
Pierre, South Dakota
COLA D. WATSON, State Supervisor Agricultural Education
Montpelier, Vermont
H. E. WOOD, State Supervisor Agricultural Education
Tallahassee, Florida
JOHN W. DUNTEN, State Supervisor Agricultural Education
Carson City, Nevada

univ
S533
F8
K3
v. 27

THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER
A. P. Davidson, Editor
H. R. Bradley, Assistant Editor

OFFICERS OF THE KANSAS ASSOCIATION
FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

Larry Figgs, President Effingham	Manuel Fruch, Reporter Kingman
Dean Ebel, Vice-President Wamego	Ray Drumright, Sentinel Harper
Loy Reinhardt, Secretary Chanute	C. C. Eustace, Adviser Topeka
John McComb, Treasurer Washburn	A. P. Davidson, Deputy Adviser Manhattan
L. F. Hall, Executive Secretary Manhattan	

Volume XXVII

September 15, 1955

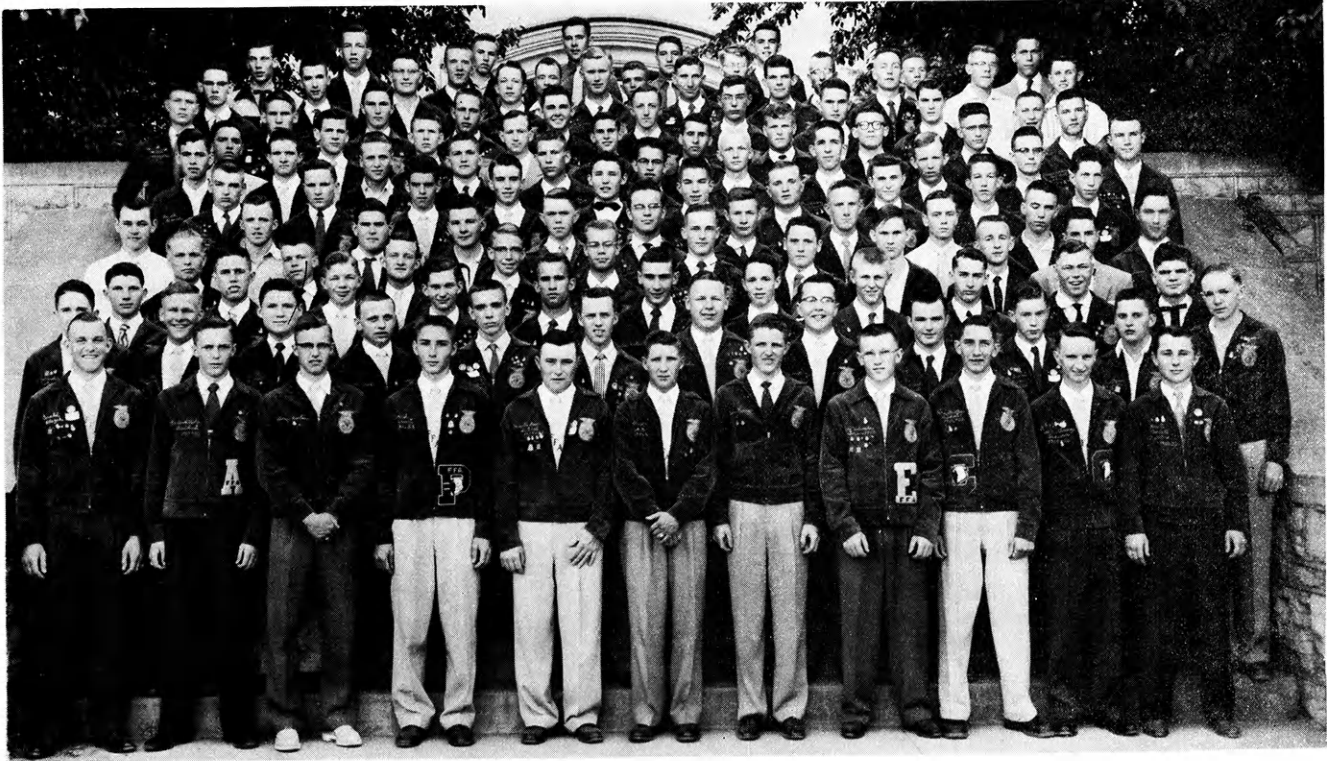
Number 1

FFA CALENDAR

Program of Work Due October 31

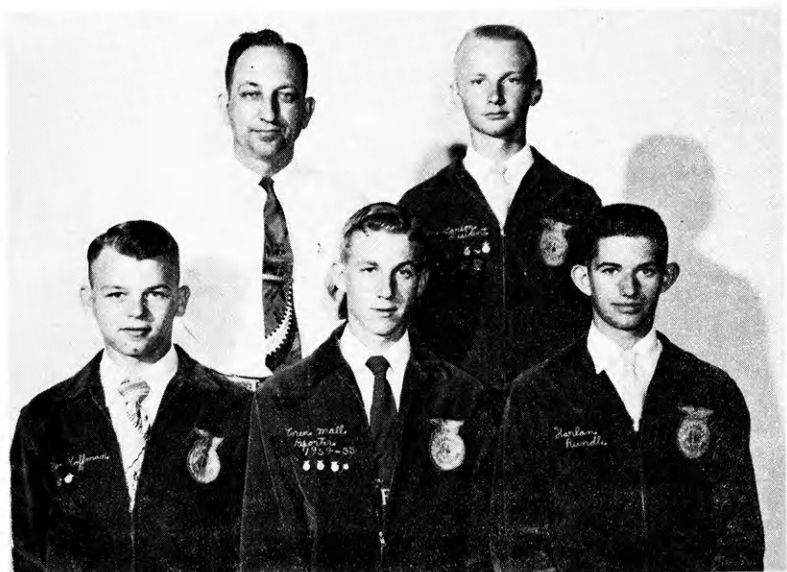
INDEX

	Page
Pictorial Section	1
President's Message	1
1955 Kansas Applicants for American Farmer Degree	2
Message from Adviser C. C. Eustace	2
Delegates to 28th National FFA Convention	3
Summary of Kansas Association of FFA Report to National FFA Organization 1954-1955	3
Pictorial Schedule	4
1955-56 State FFA Program of Work	6
1955-56 Kansas Association of FFA Budget	6
Meeting of State FFA Officers	7
Chapter Activity Program	7
Additions to Vocational Agriculture State Staff	8
Changes in Chapter Award Programs	11
Future Farmers of America Official Calendars	12
1955 Kansas FFA Leadership Schools	13
Establishing FFA Chapters	14
Authorized Suppliers of FFA Materials	14
State Junior Meats Contest - Wichita	15
Where to get FFA Supplies	16
Kansas Teams National FFA Judging Contests	16
Attention - 1955 Gold Emblem and Silver Emblem Chapter Winners	17
Policy of the Kansas Association of FFA Governing the Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc., Awards	17
Headquarters - Kansas Official Delegates	18
Tentative Program 28th National Convention	19
Kansas Entries in National Emblem Award Contest - 1956	19
National Future Farmer Magazine	20
International Youth Exchange	20
National FFA Band and National FFA Chorus	21
Regional FFA Speech Contest	21
Proposed Amendment to FFA National Constitution	21
Membership in National FFA Organization	22
Chapter News	22



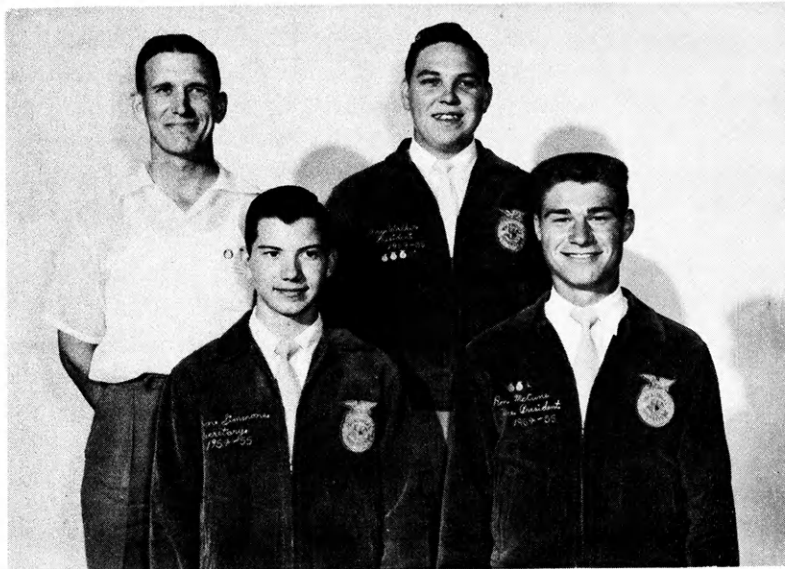
Kansas 1955 State Farmer Class - 145 FFA members from 84 chapters received degrees.

Clay Center Chapter will represent Kansas in the National FFA Dairy Products Contest held at Waterloo, Iowa, October 4. FR-L.R. Fay Hoffman, Loren Mall, Harlen Rundle. BR-L.R. Ray Morrison, Chapter Adviser; Jon Larson. (Dale Brooks is the present Chapter Adviser.)



Kansas Will Be Represented In The National FFA Judging
Contests By The Following Chapters

Newton Chapter, winning
FFA State Livestock
Judging Team, will
represent Kansas in
the National FFA
Livestock Judging
Contest held at Kansas
City, Missouri, Oct. 13.
FR-L.R. Jim Allen, Jerry
Nickel, James Suderman.
BR-L.R. Ralph Karns,
Chapter Adviser; Eldon
Schmidt.



Beloit Chapter, winning
FFA Dairy Judging Team,
will represent Kansas in
the National FFA Dairy
Judging Contest held at
Waterloo, Iowa, Oct. 3.
FR-L.R. John Simmons,
Ron McCune. BR-L.R.
Frank Carpenter, Chapter
Adviser; Larry Walker.

Chanute Chapter, winning
FFA State Poultry Judging
Team, will represent
Kansas in the National
FFA Poultry Judging
Contest held at Kansas
City, Missouri, Oct. 12.
FR-L.R. Gary Berthot,
Loy Reinhardt, Gary
Naughton, BR-L.R. Charles
O. Carter, Jr., Chapter
Adviser; Bill Bareis.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As members of the Future Farmers of America Organization, each and every one of us has a responsibility to live up to. We must provide the leaders, business men, and farmers of tomorrow, and exert an influence in our community that will be felt throughout the world. We shall have to seek better ways and methods to conserve the great heritage of agricultural wealth that is ours, for agriculture is the backbone and strength of any nation.

The Future Farmers of America Organization is nationally known and recognized, and each member should strive to make it a fine example of democratic ideals and Americanism.

The leaders and members of our state and local organization have attained high goals in the past and under the leadership of last year's officers a very successful year was experienced, but as each prize is won and each goal attained there are still greater ones that lie ahead.

As officers of your local chapter it is your duty to see that each member is included in your chapter program and that each project is fully completed. Your program of work should be made out and sent in on time, and I would like to encourage you to include in it public speaking activities, because achievement in this area will be one of your greatest assets. You should begin making plans now for attending the district FFA leadership schools and other district contests, for through these you acquire experience and knowledge for the state contests. I hope your chapters will be represented at the 28th National FFA Convention at Kansas City this fall.

Fellow Future Farmers, let us all be a living example of our FFA motto:

Learning to do
Doing to learn
Earning to live
Living to serve.

Larry Figgs, President
Kansas Association of FFA

- - FFA - -

1955 KANSAS APPLICANTS FOR AMERICAN FARMER DEGREE

The Kansas Association of FFA presented seven applications for the degree of American Farmer. All seven candidates have been recommended by the National Board of Directors to receive the degree at the National FFA Convention in October, 1955. The action of the Board of Student Officers and Board of Directors must be confirmed by the delegates at the National Convention. The Kansas candidates recommended are as follows:

Waldo W. Anderson, Oberlin Chapter	Leonard Hawk, Effingham Chapter
Norwood Blanke, Hanover Chapter	Clifford A. Mayo, Garden City Chapter
Ronald Daren Cheyney, Chanute Chapter	Roy R. Rau, Clay Center Chapter
Francis A. Grillo, Jr., Parsons Chapter	

- - FFA - -

A COLLEGE DEGREE IN AGRICULTURE?

Not enough farm boys with vocational agriculture training enroll in our agricultural colleges.

A few of you Future Farmers have visited the beautiful campus of Kansas State College in Manhattan while attending the State FFA Convention or participating in the state judging contests held there. Many of you will have this opportunity as you finish your last year of high school. The scope of the work in agriculture at Kansas State College and its experiment stations is large. It is one of the finest and best equipped colleges in the nation. Its aims and purposes bear similarities to the aims and purposes of your FFA organization.

There is a strong demand for college-trained young men in the field of agriculture. A good record and a degree from Kansas State College will help develop your capacity and ability as a leader in the field of farming. All of you cannot return to the farm but your farm background plus your high school training and a college degree will increase your opportunity to accept a position of responsibility and service to farm people.

The following list will give you an idea of a few of the job opportunities available to ag graduates:

Teaching vocational agriculture	Manager of a co-op
County agent work	Farm organization work
Farm management services	Forestry service
Research in agriculture or	Wildlife management
college teaching	Foreign service in agriculture

To do a good job of farming, it takes a well thought out farm plan suited to the farm you are operating. Have you thought about a plan for your future? Many of you farm boys will be happier in jobs related to agriculture than in positions entirely foreign to your background.

C. C. Eustace
State Adviser
Kansas Association of FFA

-- FFA --

DELEGATES TO THE 28TH NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION

Official delegates to the 28th National FFA Convention to be held at Kansas City on October 10-13 representing the Kansas Association of FFA will be:

Past State Vice-President	Waldo Anderson, Oberlin Chapter
State President	Larry Figs, Effingham Chapter

Alternates are:

State Vice-President	Dean Ebel, Wamego Chapter
State Treasurer	John McComb, Washburn Chapter

-- FFA --

SUMMARY OF KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF FFA
REPORT TO NATIONAL FFA ORGANIZATION 1954-1955

Number of vocational agriculture departments.....	208
Number of active FFA chapters.....	207
Number enrolled in vocational agriculture.....	6,803
Number of FFA members.....	7,535
Average net worth per member.....	\$531.04
Total net worth.....	\$4,001,407.53
Number State Farmer degrees granted.....	145
Number Agriculture Judging Teams entered State H. S. Contest...	139
Number Farm Mechanics Teams entered State H. S. Contest.....	103
Number entered State FFA Chapter Contest.....	47
Number entered State FFA Speech Contest.....	28
Number American Farmer Candidates recommended (1955).....	7

- - FFA - -

PICTORIALS

Volume XXVII of the Kansas Future Farmer Newsletter will continue the use of a pictorial section. Our present plan calls for major emphasis on the following subjects for the six issues of the Newsletter:

- September - Kansas Representatives in the National FFA Judging Contests
 Kansas Representative in the Regional FFA Speech Contest
- November - 28th National FFA Convention
- December - District FFA Leadership Schools
- February - State Fair FFA Exhibit Winners
- April - Farming Programs of Kansas FFA Boys
- May - 28th Convention of the Kansas Association of FFA.

The above plan may be greatly modified if the need arises. In order to keep up interest in the pictorials the State Office will need the cooperation of local FFA advisers and members in sending glossy prints of good pictures of outstanding activities of Future Farmer groups. Good pictures of interesting and outstanding FFA activities will be "sandwiched" in regardless of the major emphasis theme for any special issue. Address all pictures intended for the Newsletter together with descriptive material to A. P. Davidson, Department of Education (Vocational), Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kansas.

- - FFA - -

1955-56 STATE FFA PROGRAM OF WORK

1. One hundred per cent of the Kansas vocational agriculture departments establish chapters of FFA and strive for one hundred per cent enrollment of eligible members.
2. Each chapter have a definite program of activities for the year and submit this program to the State Office not later than October 31, 1955. Each chapter to present an achievement report at the annual meeting of the State Association. Only chapters submitting activity programs by October 31 will be eligible for State Farmer or American Farmer candidates, and to participate in the State FFA Public Speaking Contest.
3. A farming program of maximum size and scope for each boy commensurate with the ability of the boy and the home farm opportunity.
4. As a means of inculcating sound thrift principles, the State Association encourages careful selection, management and financing of supervised farming programs.
5. A continuous program of repair and construction of farm machinery and equipment.
6. Prevent waste of all kinds (conserve soil and other natural resources; control farm fires; control livestock losses, eradicate pests).
7. Each chapter have a definite safety program, including goals and ways and means of attaining same.
8. Six issues of the FFA Newsletter to be published, beginning with September and distributed over a period of nine months. Copies of each issue will be sent to the officers of the National Organization of Future Farmers of America, to all state advisers, and to a select list of agricultural teacher trainers and agricultural leaders.
9. Encourage parliamentary proficiency among local chapters, and encourage ritualistic proficiency throughout the State Association. It is recommended that each chapter own sufficient copies of both the FFA Manual and Stewart's Parliamentary Procedure to furnish a copy of both for each officer. It is further recommended that sufficient copies of both publications be owned by the chapter to make both readily available to all local members.
10. One hundred per cent of chapters meet the minimum requirements for the Standard Chapter Award.
11. Fifty per cent of chapters meet the minimum requirements for the Superior Chapter Award.
12. Encourage one hundred per cent of the chapters to use official FFA secretary's books and official FFA treasurer's books.
13. Support FFA contests of state and national scope.
14. Support the National FUTURE FARMER Magazine.
15. Publicity - 100 per cent of chapters participate in National FFA Week, February 19-25; encourage local chapters to keep the public informed as to worthwhile activities; and State Association give publicity to activities of state and national interest.

1955-56 State FFA Program of Work (continued)

16. Encourage home improvement by members of local chapters to include landscaping, beautification, repair, electrification, providing comfort and conveniences to make the farm home more livable.
 17. It is recommended that each chapter provide and use the following list of paraphernalia: U. S. Flag, Owl, Ear of Corn, Plow, Gavel and Block, FFA Felt Banner (3' x 6'); framed under glass - Charter, Pictures of Washington, Jefferson, and Groseclose, Washington's General Order on Profanity, Creed, and Purposes; Secretary's Book, Treasurer's Book, FFA Manuals (minimum of seven), Shield for Sentinel Station, FFA song, and filing case.
 18. Encourage scouting.
 19. Encourage the establishment of FFA chapter libraries and recommend the minimum requirements to be (figures in parentheses indicate publishers listed):
 - a. FFA Manual, 1954 edition, for each officer. (1) 15¢
 - b. Stewart's Parliamentary Procedure, one for each officer, (2) 10 or more - 15¢, smaller quantities - 20¢, or
A Guide to Parliamentary Practices, Henderson & Rucker. (4) 15¢
 - c. Fifteen and Twenty-Five Year Histories of Kansas FFA. Davidson, State FFA Office, Kansas State College.
 - d. Complete file of Kansas Future Farmer Newsletter for the past year.
 - e. Complete file of National FUTURE FARMER Magazine for the past year.
 - f. Most recent issue of Proceedings of the National FFA Convention.
 - g. Forward FFA, by W. A. Ross. (4) \$1.00
 - h. Reporting Agriculture through Newspaper, Magazines, Radio, Television, W. B. Ward. (7) \$4.00
 - i. At least one copy chosen from:
Starting to Farm, Beard (4) \$2.50
Living on a Little Land, Deyoe (4) \$3.95
What Our Farmers Can Learn From Other Lands, Yohe (6) \$3.00
 - j. At least one copy chosen from:
Short Stories for Future Farmers, Nolan (4) \$2.10
Tony Sees It Through, Bailey (8) \$2.75
If You Please, Allen & Briggs (3) \$2.60
 - k. At least one copy chosen from:
Programs for Future Farmer Chapter Meetings, Tenney (4) \$2.85
Practical Activities for Future Farmers, Tenney (4)
Winning FFA Speeches, Vol. II, Purkey (4) \$3.50
The Fun Encyclopedia, E. O. Harbin (5) \$3.95
- (1) Future Farmers Supply Service, Box 1180, Alexandria, Virginia
 - (2) W. F. Stewart, Rehearsal Hall, Ohio State University, Columbus 10, Ohio
 - (3) J. B. Lippincott Company, 333 West Lake Street, Chicago 6, Illinois
 - (4) Interstate Printing Company, 19-27 North Jackson, Danville, Illinois
 - (5) Abingdon Cokesbury, Nashville, Tennessee
 - (6) Iowa State Collegiate Press, Press Building, Ames, Iowa
 - (7) Cornell University Press, Ithaca, New York
 - (8) E. P. Dutton and Company, Inc., New York, New York

1955-56 KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF FFA BUDGET

	<u>1955-56</u> Estimated Income	<u>1955-56</u> Estimated Expenditure	<u>1954-55</u> Actual Income
1954-55 Actual Income	\$	\$	\$2,805.41
Income in Dues	2,250.00		
Prorated share FFA Supply Service Earnings	400.00		
Reimbursement National Judging Contests	130.00		
Regional Public Speaking Contest		25.00	
Officers to called State Meetings		75.00	
Officers to State Convention		100.00	
Officers to District Leadership Schools		50.00	
Postage for gathering FFA news and bulk mailing fee		50.00	
State Farmer Certificates		10.00	
Public Speaking and State Chapter Contest Certificates		15.00	
Medals, plaques, ribbons, buttons		150.00	
Officer Jackets		25.00	
FFA Membership Cards		65.00	
Program of Work Blanks		50.00	
Annual Convention - programs, name cards, etc.		50.00	
Photographs		65.00	
Auditing FFA Accounts		10.00	
National FFA Dues		750.00	
Delegates to National Convention		75.00	
National FFA Band Uniforms		100.00	
National FFA Chorus Uniforms		100.00	
Expense, travel and subsistence, members National FFA Band		350.00	
Expense, travel and subsistence, members National FFA Chorus		375.00	
Special talent, State FFA Convention		20.00	
National Judging Contest		150.00	
Printing State FFA Activity Calendar		50.00	
FFA Insurance - Band, Chorus, American Farmers, Delegates		50.00	
Binding FFA Volumes		10.00	
	<hr/> \$2,780.00	<hr/> \$2,770.00	<hr/> \$2,805.41

-- FFA --

MEETING OF THE STATE FFA OFFICERS

The State FFA Officers held a meeting at Manhattan, September 10. They approved the State Program of Work, set up plans for district FFA leadership schools, and planned activities in connection with the National FFA Convention.

-- FFA --

CHAPTER ACTIVITY PROGRAM

October 31 is the deadline date for filing local chapter activity programs with the State Department. Address same to State Deputy Adviser A. P. Davidson, Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kansas.

Official Activity Program Blanks in sufficient quantities to supply a copy of the local chapter activity program for the State Office and an extra set to be made and kept in the chapter files were mailed all chapters August 26.

Helpful Suggestions for building the chapter activity program will be found in the Official FFA Manual, 1954 Edition, p. 36-40. A cross section of the activities planned and executed by the 1954 Kansas Gold Emblem and Silver Emblem winners will be found on p. 4-12 of the April, 1955, issue of the Kansas Future Farmer Newsletter.

In planning chapter activity programs for 1955-56, requirements of the National Chapter Award Program should be kept in mind. More specific information concerning this program will be found on p. 8-11 of this Newsletter.

Committee Appointments for building the chapter activity program should include all members of the chapter. Every effort should be made to have a program built and endorsed by the chapter, and not merely a program set up by the officers and adviser.

Calendaring Activities for the year, by months, is important. Too many activities at a given time will likely result in a scattering of effort and a lowering of standards. Too few activities will cause loss of interest. Fit your program of activities in with the school and community programs. This will avoid conflicts and the possibility of demanding too much time and energy on the part of certain members of your chapter. The 1955-56 Calendar of Activities for the Kansas Association of FFA will be helpful in building local chapter activity calendars.

- - FFA - -

ADDITIONS TO VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE STATE STAFF

We are pleased to announce that two assistant supervisors of vocational agriculture were added to the state staff at the close of summer school. Their appointment was effective August 8, 1955.

This will mean more individual in-service help to the teachers than has been possible in the past. The new men are John Lacey, vocational agriculture instructor at Hillsboro, and Harold Shoaf, from Fredonia. Mr. Lacey will work in the northwest part of the state and Mr. Shoaf in the northeast. Mr. Whipps, a present member of the staff, will work in the southeast part of the state. All three men will help Supervisor Eustace with the supervisory work and problems in the southwest section. All of the men will be headquartered in the Kansas State Board for Vocational Education, 1025 Kansas Avenue, Topeka.

C. C. Eustace, State Supervisor
Agricultural Education

- - FFA - -

CHANGES IN CHAPTER AWARD PROGRAMS

- I. NATIONAL CHAPTER AWARD PROGRAM. Action was taken at the 1954 National FFA Convention to change the National Chapter Contest. Kansas FFA chapters entering the 1955 National Chapter Award Program will conform to the new plan which was approved at the 26th National FFA Convention.

The new plan* for conducting the National Chapter Award Program is designed to enable every chapter in the United States to participate and be scored. The general plan includes:

1. Standard Chapter Award
2. Superior Chapter Award
3. National Emblem Awards: Gold, Silver, and Bronze

AWARDS

Awards will be made to chapters by the National Organization of Future Farmers of America as follows:

A. TO ALL NATIONAL EMBLEM AWARD CHAPTERS:

A National FFA plaque the year the chapter is an initial winner.

TO GOLD EMBLEM AWARD CHAPTERS: A Gold Emblem in miniature for attachment to plaque.

TO SILVER EMBLEM AWARD CHAPTERS: A Silver Emblem in miniature for attachment to plaque.

TO BRONZE EMBLEM AWARD CHAPTERS: A Bronze Emblem in miniature for attachment to plaque.

B. TO ALL STANDARD AND SUPERIOR CHAPTER AWARD WINNERS:

A special "5-year" certificate designed to hold 5 seals of the official emblem.

TO STANDARD CHAPTER AWARD WINNERS: A Bronze Emblem seal for affixing to "5-year" certificate.

TO SUPERIOR CHAPTER AWARD WINNERS: A Gold Emblem seal for affixing to "5-year" certificate.

The National Emblem Awards will be presented at the Annual National FFA Convention.

Each State Association shall determine the place and manner for presenting the Standard and Superior Awards to local chapters.

The certificate and seals for the chapter awards shall be sent to each State FFA Adviser, upon request, for distribution to the winners in his state.

* Office of Education, Vocation Division, Misc. 1299. 1954-55.

Changes in Chapter Award Programs (continued)

REQUIREMENTS FOR NATIONAL AWARDS FOLLOW:

1. Standard Chapter Award (Form I)
 - a. Local chapter must meet Item 1 - Program of Work submitted October 31.
 - b. Must meet 18 of the remaining 20 requirements.
 - c. Form I will have to be filled out and signed by the chapter president, chapter secretary and chapter adviser, and approved and signed by the State FFA Adviser before being sent to the National FFA Office.
 - d. Standard Chapter Award winners will receive a special 5-year certificate designed to hold 5 Bronze emblem seals.
2. Superior Chapter Award (Form II)
 - a. Chapter must meet the first 12 requirements set forth in Form II and at least 5 of the remaining 9 requirements, plus the requirements for a Standard Chapter (Form I) to qualify for the Superior Chapter Award.
 - b. Form II will have to be filled out and signed by the chapter president, chapter secretary and chapter adviser, and approved and signed by the State FFA Adviser before being sent to the National FFA Office.
 - c. Superior Chapter Award winners will receive a special 5-year certificate designed to hold 5 Gold emblem seals.
 - d. Kansas chapters filling out Form II, "Superior Chapter Award," will be required to submit a copy of the chapter's achievements (Form III) to the State Office.
3. National Emblem Awards: Gold, Silver, and Bronze (Form III)
 - a. In evaluating a chapter's final report (Forms I, II, and III) for a National Emblem Award, consideration will be given to the following points:
 - The number of standards met
 - The extent of membership participating in meeting the standards
 - b. To all National Emblem Award chapters a National FFA Plaque will be given the year the chapter is an initial winner.
 - To Gold Emblem Award winners: A Gold Emblem in miniature for attachment to the plaque.
 - To Silver Emblem Award winners: A Silver Emblem in miniature for attachment to the plaque.
 - To Bronze Emblem Award winners: A Bronze Emblem in miniature for attachment to the plaque.

Changes in Chapter Award Programs (continued)

- c. Kansas chapters entering the National Emblem Award Program will be required to submit a copy of the chapter's achievement program (Form III) to the State Office.
- d. The number of chapters from a state that may participate in the National Emblem Award Program is based upon the same membership requirements that were operative in 1954 - two chapters for each 5,000 members; an additional chapter for each major fraction thereof.

II. KANSAS ASSOCIATION AWARD PROGRAM.

1. Standard Chapter Award

- a. The Kansas Association will not make Standard Chapter Awards but the State Adviser will be required to sign Form I setting forth the chapter accomplishments before forwarding same to the National FFA Office.

2. Superior Chapter Award

- a. The Kansas Association will not make Superior Chapter Awards but the State Adviser will be required to sign Form I setting forth the chapter accomplishments before forwarding same to the National FFA Office.
- b. Before a Kansas chapter will be certified for the National "Superior Chapter Award" (Form II), said chapter will have to submit along with the application a copy of the chapter's achievement program (Form III) to the State Office.
- c. NOTE: Kansas chapters submitting Form III may or may not, at their discretion, enter the Kansas Association Emblem Award Program.

3. National Emblem Awards: Gold, Silver, and Bronze

- a. Chapters indicating a desire to participate in the Kansas Emblem Award Program will be classified into Gold, Silver, and Bronze. State Association Certificates will be awarded.
- b. For certifying Kansas chapters for the National Emblem Award Program a pattern similar to the one in force will be used.
- c. It is highly desirable to continue with the State Association Emblem Award Program since items applicable to Kansas may be added at the discretion of the State Association.

For several years the Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc., has approved the Emblem Chapter Program in Kansas as qualifying for the "State Award for Improving Agriculture and Leadership." We hope the Foundation will continue this approval.

Changes in Chapter Award Programs (continued)

The 1955 Foundation "State Award for Improving Agriculture and Leadership" for Kansas will total \$999.10. Sixty per cent of this award money will be distributed equally among the 1955 Gold Emblem Chapter Award winners and 40 per cent will be divided equally among the 1955 Silver Emblem Chapter Award winners. All award moneys must be spent for chapter betterment.

- - FFA - -

FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA OFFICIAL CALENDARS

W. T. Spanton, Chief, Agricultural Education Branch

Our attention has been called to the existence of confusion on the part of some vocational agriculture teachers concerning the fact that two companies are distributing official Future Farmers of America calendars. I hope you will take whatever steps are necessary to clear up such misunderstandings in your own State.

The two companies authorized to publish and sell official FFA calendars are the Osborne Company, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and the Custom Cal Company of Atlanta, Georgia. The type of calendar sold, and method of selling, is different with each company. There should be no conflict in the sale of the calendars.

The Osborne Company has been producing official FFA calendars since 1946. Their "home" calendar has a four-color reproduction of an FFA painting on the cover, followed with 12 pages of color photographs on the inside. Three sizes of "wall" calendars also are produced by Osborne, featuring the reproduction of the same painting used on the cover of the "home" calendar, but without any other color pages.

The Osborne Company is responsible for selling sponsorship of its calendar, and is permitted only one sponsor in a community. Osborne Company salesman are required to consult the local vocational agriculture instructor before the selection of the sponsor is made. Generally, the FFA chapter agrees to distribute the calendars when they arrive, and for this service the chapter receives a small commission based on the number of calendars purchased by the sponsor. Development of public relations through distribution of an attractive calendar is the primary function of this line of calendars.

The Custom Cal Company was authorized by the FFA Board of Directors last January to begin selling FFA fund-raising calendars. Their calendar is a single sheet that features a group picture of the FFA chapter members. It includes space for advertisements by several merchants in the community. With the Custom Cal calendar, members of the FFA chapter are asked to handle the selling of advertising space. It's primary purpose is fund-raising. The chapter retains most of the money collected from advertising.

The FFA Board of Student Officers and Board of Directors, in approving the plan of the Custom Cal Company to sell fund-raising calendars, felt that this type of calendar should in no way conflict with those that are sold by the Osborne Company.

- - FFA - -

1955 KANSAS FFA LEADERSHIP SCHOOLS

LAWRENCE: September 26, Monday, 3:30 p.m.

Berryton, Blue Mound, Bonner Springs, Garnett, Highland Park, LaCygne, Lawrence, Louisburg, Olathe, Ottawa, Overbrook, Paola, Parker, Rossville, Seaman, Shawnee-Mission, Silver Lake, Tonganoxie, Washburn, Wellsville, Williamsburg.

BELOIT: September 26, Monday, 3:30 p.m.

Belleville, Beloit, Beverly, Concordia, Delphos, Downs, Glasco, Jewell, Lebanon, Mankato, Minneapolis, Osborne, Scandia, Simpson, Smith Center.

BUHLER: September 26, Monday, 3:30 p.m.

Buhler, Claflin, Eldorado, Ellinwood, Ellsworth, Florence, Geneseo, Goessel, Haven, Hillsboro, Inman, Leon, Lindsborg, Little River, McPherson, Moundridge, Newton, Partridge, Peabody, Salina, Stafford.

EMPORIA: September 27, Tuesday, 3:30 p.m.

Alma, Alta Vista, Burlingame, Burlington, Burns, Cottonwood Falls, Council Grove, Emporia, Eskridge, Harveyville, Herington, Kincaid, Lyndon, Marion, Osage City, St. Marys.

PLAINVILLE: September 27, Tuesday, 3:30 p.m.

Alton, Bunker Hill, Ellis, Great Bend, Hays, Hill City, Hoisington, Natoma Palco, Paradise, Phillipsburg, Plainville, Stockton, Wakeeney, Wilson.

HARPER: September 27, Tuesday, 3:30 p.m.

Arkansas City, Attica, Cheney, Clearwater, Coldwater, Harper, Kingman, Kiowa, Medicine Lodge, Mulvane, Oxford, Pratt, Preston, Pretty Prairie, Rose Hill, Udall, Winfield.

CLAY CENTER: September 28, Wednesday, 3:30 p.m.

Abilene, Barnes, Chapman, Clay Center, Clifton, Greenleaf, Haddam, Hanover, Hope, Junction City, Linn, Longford, Manhattan, Marysville, Miltonvale, Morrowville, Randolph, Riley, Solomon, Wakefield, Washington, Waterville.

OBERLIN: September 28, Wednesday, 3:30 p.m.

Almena, Atwood, Bird City, Brewster, Colby, Edson, Goodland, Hoxie, Jennings, Leoti, Long Island, McDonald, Norcatour, Norton, Oakley, Oberlin, Quinter, St. Francis, Tribune.

DODGE CITY: September 28, Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.

Ashland, Bazine, Dodge City, Ensign, Ford, Fowler, Garden City, Holcomb, Hugoton, Jetmore, Kinsley, Lakin, Liberal, Meade, Mullinville, Ness City, Plains, Spearville, Sublette, Syracuse, Trousdale, Ulysses.

HOLTON: October 3, Monday, 3:30 p.m.

Centralia, Effingham, Fairview, Frankfort, Hiawatha, Highland, Holton, Hoyt, Meriden, Onaga, Powhattan, Sabetha, Seneca, Soldier, Troy, Valley Falls, Wamego, Westmoreland, Wetmore.

FREDONIA: October 3, Monday, 3:30 p.m.

Altamont, Altoona, Caney, Cedar Vale, Chanute, Cherryvale, Chetopa, Coffeyville, Columbus, Elk City, Erie, Eureka, Fort Scott, Fredonia, Girard, Howard, Humboldt, Independence, Iola, McCune, Neodesha, Parsons, Piedmont, Riverton, Sedan, Severy, Toronto, Yates Center.

ESTABLISHING FFA CHAPTERS

The following information will be of interest to local FFA advisers who are faced with the problem of establishing local FFA Chapters.

- I. ESTABLISHING FFA CHAPTERS IN SCHOOLS WHERE VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE IS BEING OFFERED FOR THE FIRST TIME.
 - a. Acquaint the vocational agriculture students with the Future Farmers of America Organization through study lessons, FFA Official Manual, FFA Newsletters, National FFA Proceedings, etc., in an effort to create a desire to organize a local chapter of Future Farmers of America.
 - b. Elect temporary officers from upper class groups. Use a nominating committee if feasible.
 - c. Through committee assignments and study of mimeographed material from the State Office, build tentative chapter Program of Work.
 - d. Write State Office at Manhattan for petition blanks to petition the State Association for a local FFA chapter and for Program of Work blanks.
 - e. Collect State and National dues (10¢ National, 20¢ State - total 30¢), list membership in accordance with directions on petition blank and forward the petition blank with State and National dues and tentative local chapter Program of Work to the State Office at Manhattan, Kansas.
 - f. Upon receipt of petition blank, dues and local Program of Work, the State Office will issue the local FFA charter and will send the local chapter free the following material: George Washington's General Order on Profanity, Purposes, Creed, Picture of Henry Groseclose, all to be framed under glass. The State Office will also send letters to be forwarded to Swift and Company and Deere and Company which will enable your chapter to procure a miniature steel plow and framed pictures of Washington and Jefferson.
 - g. In accordance with the National Constitution, all local officers except the Sentinel must hold the degree of Chapter Farmer. In case of newly chartered chapters, the Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America has ruled that all officers in such FFA chapters shall be elected from the Green Hand Degree group. During the second year of the local chapter's history it will be possible to elect officers from the Chapter Farmer Degree group, which will be in full accord with the Constitutions of both the National Organization and the State Association.
- II. SUGGESTED PATTERNS FOR DEGREE RITUAL WORK.
 - a. Take the officer group to a neighboring chapter and have them initiated into the Green Hand Degree. Then the Chapter Green Hand officer members can initiate the other members of the chapter into the Green Hand Degree.

Establishing FFA Chapters (continued)

- b. Have a neighboring chapter bring its officers to a meeting of the local chapter and have them initiate the entire group into the Green Hand Degree.
- c. In the case of small groups, it might be desirable to take your entire membership to a neighboring chapter and have them initiated into the Green Hand Degree.

- - FFA - -

AUTHORIZED SUPPLIERS OF THE FFA TRADE-MARKED EMBLEM
OFFICIAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT

The following are the official suppliers which have been authorized by the National Organization of Future Farmers of America to use the trade-marked emblem of the FFA on official supplies and equipment:

- (The Fair Publishing House, New London, Ohio
- The Future Farmers Supply Service, P. O. Box 1180, Alexandria, Virginia
- St. Louis Button Company, 413 Lucas Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri

In order to avoid misunderstandings and possible embarrassment later on, it is recommended that only officially designated sources of FFA supplies and equipment be patronized.

FUTURE FARMERS SUPPLY SERVICE, Box 1180, Alexandria, Virginia - Cash must accompany all orders. No C.O.D. orders are accepted.

September, October and November constitute the rush seasons for the Supply Service. Order early.

KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF FFA - The following supplies are available through the State FFA Office at Manhattan:

- a. Local FFA Charters
- b. Chapter Program of Work blanks
- c. Certificates and plaques on the state level
- d. State Farmer pins and charms
- e. FFA membership cards.

- - FFA - -

STATE JUNIOR MEATS CONTEST - WICHITA

Entries close September 23, 1955. Mail entries to:

Conlee Smith, General Manager
Kansas National Livestock Show
Union Stock Yards
Wichita, Kansas.

- - FFA - -

WHERE TO GET FFA SUPPLIES

Following is a list of FFA supplies and where they can be purchased. See that this list is filed so that when your chapter is in need of supplies your secretary will have the necessary information on where the material can be purchased, thereby eliminating the necessity of writing the State Office for this information. ORDERS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY CASH.

Adviser jackets (1)	Membership cards (6) Cards sent only upon payment of dues, 30¢ per member (20¢ state, 10¢ national)
Adviser pins (1)	Metal markers (7)
Arm bands, felt (1)	Music:
Badges and buttons (7)	"Hail the FFA" (1)
Banners, felt (1)	"Hail the FFA" (quartet) (1)
Basketball Uniforms (1)	"FFA March" (2)
Belts and buckles (1)	Napkins (1)
Billfolds (1)	Neckties (1)
Blankets (1)	Necktie chain clasps (1)
Bookends (1)	Newspaper mats (1)
Bracelets, identification (1)	Notebooks (1)
Caps (1)	Officer Station Drapes (1)
Certificates, State Farmer (6)	Official FFA Owl (1)
Charters for Chapters (6)	Paperweights (1)
Collegiate Chapter Pins (1)	Parliamentary Procedure (3) 10 or more 15¢, less than 10 - 20¢
Coveralls (1)	Pennants, felt (1)
Creed (6)	Pictures, Washington & Jefferson (8)*
Cups, paper (1)	Pins and badges, degree (1)
Cups, trophy (1)	Place cards (1)
Cuts and mats of emblem (1)	Pencils, wood and mechanical (1)
Decals of emblem (1)	Pencil clips (7)
Decals, letters (1)	Pen and Pencil sets (1)
Degree pins and keys (1)	Pens (1)
Ear of corn, model (1)	Plaques (1)
Electric emblem (1)	Plates, paper (1)
Electrotypes, emblem (1)	Plows, miniature (4)*
Emblems, cut out (for Building of the Emblem Ceremony) (1)	Printed supplies (1)
Emblem stickers (1)	Prize ribbons (5) (7)
Envelopes (1)	Project markers (7)
Fair supplies (5)	Purposes (6)
Favors (1)	Recordings:
Felt goods (1)	"FFA March"
Flags (7)	"Hail the FFA"
Gavels (7)	"I'm in Love with a Boy from the FFA" (1)
Jackets (1)	Rings, finger (1)
Jefferson, bust of (9)	Rising Sun (1)
Jewelry (1)	Scrapbooks (1)
Keys, degree (1)	Sentinel Plaques (1)
Knife (1)	Secretary books (1)
Lapel buttons, celluloid (7) (1)	Secretary, pocket (1)
Lapel buttons, felt (1)	Shirts, sport, dress & dark blue (1)
Letters, felt (1)	Shop coats (1)
Letterheads (1)	Signs, metal (1)
Livestock blankets (1)	Softball uniforms (1)
Manuals (1)	
March of the FFA (band) (2)	
Medals (1)	

Where to get FFA supplies (continued)

Song "Hail the FFA" (1)	Sweetheart bracelet (1)
Song cards (1)	Sweetheart pearl pendant (1)
Stamps, rubber - emblem (1)	Sweetheart jacket (1)
Stencils with FFA emblem (1)	Trophies (4)
Stickers, baggage (1)	Uniforms (1)
Stickers, windshield (1)	Washington's General Order on Profanity (6)
T-Shirts (1)	"What it is - What it does" (1)
Treasurer books (1)	Work jacket and pants, denim (1)
Ties (1)	
Washington, bust of (1)	
Watchfobs (1)	*Request must be accompanied by letter from State Deputy Adviser.
Sweetheart compact (1)	

- (1) Future Farmers Supply Service, Box 1180, Alexandria, Virginia
- (2) Cundy Bettoney Company, Hyde Park, Boston, Massachusetts
- (3) W. F. Stewart, Rehearsal Hall, Ohio State University, Columbus 10, Ohio
- (4) Deere and Company, Moline, Illinois
- (5) The Fair Publishing House, New London, Ohio
- (6) A. P. Davidson, State Deputy Adviser, Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kansas
- (7) St. Louis Button Company, 415 Lucas Avenue, St. Louis 2, Missouri
- (8) Swift and Company, Chicago 9, Illinois, Agricultural Research Department
- (9) Chapter Supply Company, Box 594, Danville, Illinois

-- FFA --

KANSAS TEAMS NATIONAL FFA JUDGING CONTESTS

At Waterloo, Iowa, October 3-4, 1955:

Dairy Cattle, Beloit, Frank Carpenter, Coach
Dairy Products, Clay Center, Dale Brooks, Coach

At Kansas City, Missouri, October 12-13, 1955:

Livestock, Newton, Ralph Karns, Coach
Poultry, Chanute, Charles O. Carter, Jr., Coach

-- FFA --

ATTENTION - 1955 GOLD EMBLEM AND SILVER EMBLEM CHAPTER WINNERS

Summaries of Chapter Accomplishments for all chapters placing in the Gold Emblem and Silver Emblem classifications are due in the State Office October 1, 1955. Summaries must be submitted to the State Office before distribution of award money under the "Improving Agriculture and Leadership" project can be made.

-- FFA --

EXPLANATION OF THE POLICY OF
THE KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA
GOVERNING THE FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA FOUNDATION INC. AWARDS

- I. The Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc., has approved the plan proposed by the Kansas Association of FFA for using the 1955 award money for "Improving Agriculture and Leadership." The amount allotted to Kansas for this purpose is \$999.10. The plan for allocating this money for 1955 will be the same as the plan used in 1954. Under this procedure sixty per cent of the award money will be divided equally between the Gold Emblem Award winners, and forty per cent of the award money will be divided equally between the Silver Emblem Award winners in the 1955 State Chapter Contest. The award money will be paid the chapters out of the State FFA Treasury, and a short statement of accomplishments of the award winners together with a reimbursement voucher will be sent the National FFA Office. The State Association will then be reimbursed for the maximum amount allocated for this purpose. All award money distributed for this project in Kansas is to be used for the betterment of the local FFA chapter.
- II. The Kansas Association participated in the 1955 Farm Safety (Chapter Award) Program of the Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc. Chapters should keep in mind the fact that the Kansas Association will participate in the chapter safety program for 1956 and should include increased emphasis on chapter safety activities for the current chapter year. The chapter award on the state level will be \$100, which must be spent for chapter improvement.
- III. The American Farmer award of \$50 for each successful American Farmer candidate is given to help defray expenses to the National Future Farmers of America Convention and is made direct to the individuals concerned, all of whom have been out of high school for at least one year.
- IV. The Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America acts as an intermediary for distributing the Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc., award money to assist in paying travel expenses for the National Future Farmers of America Judging Contests.
- V. The Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America does not accept Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc., cash awards on the state level for individual FFA members enrolled in high school.

- - FFA - -

HEADQUARTERS - KANSAS OFFICIAL DELEGATES

The headquarters of the Kansas Association of FFA at the 28th National FFA Convention will be at the Hotel President. American Farmer candidates from Kansas will be housed at the Ambassador Hotel.

- - FFA - -

TENTATIVE PROGRAMTWENTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL CONVENTION

Future Farmers of America
Kansas City, Missouri - October 10-13, 1955

- October 6-7 Executive Sessions, FFA National Board of Student Officers, President Hotel
- October 8-9 Executive Sessions, FFA National Board of Directors and National Board of Student Officers, President Hotel
- October 10
- 8:30 a.m. Registration, Grand Foyer, Municipal Auditorium
 - 12:00 noon Officer-Delegate Luncheon, Aztec Room, President Hotel
 - 1:00 p.m. Tours to Points of Interest
 - 2:30 p.m. Meeting of State Advisers, President Hotel
 - 8:00 p.m. National Public Speaking Contest, Main Arena, Municipal Auditorium
- October 11
- 8:00 a.m. Registration, Grand Foyer, Municipal Auditorium
 - 9:00 a.m. Opening Session, Main Arena, Municipal Auditorium
 - Band Concert
 - Address of Welcome--Honorable H. Roe Bartle, Mayor of Kansas City, Missouri
 - Treasurer's Report
 - Executive Secretary's Report
 - Address--
 - 2:00 p.m. Second Session, Main Arena, Municipal Auditorium
 - Presentation of Awards in National Chapter Award Program
 - Address--Herschel D. Newsom, Master, The National Grange
 - Conferring of Honorary American Farmer Degrees
 - American Farmer Degree Ceremony
 - 7:30 p.m. Third Session, Main Arena, Municipal Auditorium
 - Massing of State Flags - State Star Farmers
 - Presentation of Star American Farmer Awards
 - Special Entertainment--Courtesy, Firestone Tire and Rubber Company
- October 12
- 9:00 a.m. Fourth Session, Main Arena, Municipal Auditorium
 - Introductions and greetings from Past National Officers
 - Old and New Business
 - Patriotism and the FFA
 - Address--Honorable Harold E. Stassen, Assistant to President Eisenhower
 - 1:00 p.m. Tours to Points of Interest
 - 2:00 p.m. Fifth Session, Main Arena, Municipal Auditorium
 - Appointment of Committees
 - Recess for Committee Work
 - 8:00 p.m. Sixth Session, Main Arena, Municipal Auditorium
 - Introduction of Foundation Donors
 - Presentation of Foundation Awards
 - FFA Amateur Hour

Twenty-Eighth National FFA Convention (continued)

October 13 9:00 a.m. Seventh Session, Main Arena, Municipal Auditorium
 Committee Reports
 Report on Future Farmers Supply Service
 Report on The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine
 Greetings--A. Z. Baker, President, Rotary
 International
 1:30 p.m. Eighth Session, Main Arena, Municipal Auditorium
 Election of Officers
 Greetings from Incoming Officers
 Installation of New Officers
 Presentation of Past Officers' Pins and
 Certificates
 Closing Ceremony by New Officers
 2:30 p.m. Special Entertainment, Courtesy, Saddle and
 to Sirloin Club
 7:00 p.m. (By invitation only)

-- FFA --

KANSAS ENTRIES IN NATIONAL EMBLEM AWARD CONTEST - 1956

A postal card survey was made of all 1955 Gold Emblem Chapter winners in Kansas to ascertain whether or not they would be interested in entering the 1956 National Emblem Award Contest. The result of this survey showed the following three chapters declaring their intention of entering the 1956 National Emblem Award Contest: Stockton Chapter, Oberlin Chapter and Arkansas City Chapter.

In case membership in the State Association does not reach 7,501, it will be necessary for one of these chapters to withdraw. We hope our membership will permit the three above listed chapters to enter the 1956 National Emblem Award Contest.

-- FFA --

NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER MAGAZINE

The Kansas Association is again cooperating with The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine in securing subscriptions. Multicolor subscription blanks with full instructions were mailed Kansas chapters on August 25, 1955. May we suggest that you give this matter early and careful attention--deadline date of September 10 was included with instructions.

The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine is interested in securing stories and pictures of FFA activities. We hope that Kansas FFA members will make it a point to send stories and pictures of newsworthy FFA activities to Editor Iano Barron, Box 1180, Alexandria, Virginia.

-- FFA --

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH EXCHANGE

A. W. Tenney, National FFA Executive Secretary

The following FFA members were selected to represent the Future Farmers of America in Great Britain this year:

Larry Royer, Assumption, Illinois
 Joe Faure, Porterville, California
 Frank Wilson, Montrose, Pennsylvania
 Max Berry, Lambert, Oklahoma

They sailed from New York City on June 8, on the "Queen Mary" and returned from Southampton on the "Queen Elizabeth" on September 8.

We were unable to complete arrangements with France and Denmark to start an exchange with them. We have increased our exchange with the National Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs of Great Britain. Four young men from that organization came to the United States. They arrived June 13 and will remain in this country until after the National FFA Convention.

The states participating in this exchange in 1955 are serving as host states to the boys from Britain. If you have use for one of the boys from Britain while they are in this country, I suggest you communicate directly with the officials in one of the host states.

- - FFA - -

NATIONAL FFA BAND AND NATIONAL FFA CHORUS

The National FFA Band under the direction of Dr. Henry S. Brunner of Pennsylvania and the National FFA Chorus directed by Dr. James W. Hatch of New York will again be on hand to furnish music for the convention.

Members of the National FFA Band from Kansas are:

Jonnie Guthrie, Cherryvale	Richard Hedges, Blue Mound
Oren Welch, Cherryvale	Lanny Brent, Alton
Steve French, Pretty Prairie	Laroon Holt, Barnes
Dennis Duell, Goodland	

Members of the National FFA Chorus from Kansas are:

James Ellis, Olathe	Marvin Timmons, Fredonia
Tommy Schrag, McPherson	Gaylon George Hoffman, Chapman
Jim Coltharp, Barnes	David Jackson, LaCygne
Russel Peterson, Randolph	Bobby Elliott, Columbus
Thomas E. Kieffer, Belleville	

- - FFA - -

McCOMB FOURTH IN REGIONAL FFA SPEECH CONTEST

Treasurer John McComb, 1955 winner in the state FFA speech contest, placed fourth in the regional contest held at East Lansing, Michigan, August 16. Jerry Litton of Chillicothe, president of the Missouri Association of FFA, placed first. Litton spoke on "Farming - A Challenge and Opportunity" and will represent the Central Region in the National FFA Speech Contest at Kansas City in October. Harold Baun, Ohio, placed second; Andrew Hawkinson of Illinois placed third. McComb, fourth place winner, spoke on the subject of "Make Your Soil Stay at Home."

- - FFA - -

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO FFA NATIONAL CONSTITUTION

Under the provisions of the FFA National Constitution, all proposed amendments to the National Constitution must be submitted by the National Adviser to the several State Associations "at least 30 days prior to the next succeeding National Convention, be reviewed by the Board of Student Officers and the Board of Directors, and submitted by the National Officers with recommendations to the delegates in the National Convention."

A proposed amendment from the South Carolina Association of Future Farmers of America is as follows:

Amend Article XI, Section B of the constitution by inserting "and one additional delegate for each 5,000 active members or major fraction thereof, over the first 5,000 members" in line 4 after "convention". The rest of Section B would remain the same.

- - FFA - -

MEMBERSHIP IN NATIONAL FFA ORGANIZATION

Membership in the Future Farmers of America has reached a new record total of 383,219 during the Organization's 27th year, according to records compiled in the National FFA Office in Washington, D. C.

The 1955 membership topped 1954 by 11,627, or approximately 3.13 per cent. Figures are based on the amount of dues (10 cents per member) paid by the State FFA Associations to the National Organization.

Forty-one states increased their FFA membership during the year. The organization is active in all the 48 states, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico. Texas leads the nation with 37,718 members, followed by North Carolina with 22,606, and Illinois with 17,578.

- - FFA - -

CHAPTER NEWS

KINSLEY: Our Chapter room has been redecorated and painted during the summer. A new air compressor has been installed in the shop...An irrigation tour was held in August. We saw both flood and sprinkler systems in operation. Jay Schaller has helped his Dad level 38 acres for a flood system. They have installed a 10 inch pump. Larry Lorenzen and brother are sprinkling 80 acres of milo. Kirit Froetschner has 20 acres of milo he has irrigated to feed his 46 steers...The FFA boys had 16 entrys in the local fair. Benyard Owens, Kirit Froetschner, Larry Lorenzen, and Ronnie Schaller won 12 blue ribbons... The following members have received a registered Hampshire Gilt in the chapter pig chain. Larry Wilson - Jerry Jensen - Daniel Mehringer - Ernest Oster.

Jay Schaller, Reporter

LYNDON: Officers elected for the school year, 1955-56 are Harlan Bauck, President; David Eklund, Vice-President; Gary Bremer, Treasurer; Don Casey, Secretary; Ben Schreiber, Sentinel; and Charles Overbaugh, Reporter...The Lyndon FFA Officers and their Advisor, went to Harvey County Park for a three day program planning trip. A yearbook outlining each FFA meeting during the year was planned. Each boy in the Chapter was included on some part of a program during the year...The Annual FFA Watermelon Feed honoring Freshmen boys was held Monday, August 22...Lyndon FFA boys are helping with the construction of the new Football and Baseball lighted Field...Our Classroom has a new look this year. Old type school desks have been removed and replaced by tables made of old army beds from the Surplus Property Section.

Charles Overbaugh, Reporter

BELOIT: Forty members and guests were present at our summer picnic. The freshmen FFA members and the new men faculty members were our special guests...On each Thursday evenings throughout the summer, members of the Chapter have been folding market reports for the Hansen-Kirkemide Livestock Auction. Each week 6,000 papers were folded and sent to 31 different post offices in this area. We have supplied the Auction with dependable service and we have built up our reserves in our treasury...Our six acres of Ponca wheat yielded 20 bushels. We received only one cutting from our alfalfa field. Drought has been severe...Larry Walker, John Simmons, and Ronald McCune have been working at County Fairs and other places on judging dairy cattle in preparation for the national contest at Waterloo in October.

Gene Kennedy, Reporter

LITTLE RIVER: Twenty-two FFA members and their advisor enjoyed a three day fishing trip to the Solomon River near Bennington after school was closed. Members camped out and did their own cooking...The spraying committee has purchased spraying supplies, and secured helpers to run the machine during the summer. Roger Arnold, Chapter Treasurer, was placed in charge of the machines. During the summer seven chapter members were hired to assist in our spraying program. Our summer gross is over the \$1700.00 mark. Over 100 farmers and others have made use of our spraying services...The chapter has been busy selling 100 subscriptions to the Farm Quarterly. The \$250.00 from this project will be placed in the Jeep Fund. Donald Jordan, chapter vice-president, enjoyed a free trip to the Purdue University this summer. The trip was sponsored by the Kansas Cooperative Council, and was the result of the chapter placing second in the State Cooperative Contest.

Keith Irvine, Reporter

INMAN: The Inman chapter of the FFA has found the summer very helpful in building up our farm programs and getting farm machinery in to the shop that we want to repair or work on for the coming year...The FFA takes an active part in the Inman Community Fair. We have charge of livestock and crops. We have concession money making stands that sold home made ice cream and watermelon.

Bob Schmidt, Reporter

GLASCO: The Glasco FFA held an overnight camping trip at the Bennington State Lake. A good time was enjoyed by all. Many of the members have followed the harvest this summer with some of them still in the northern states working...The highlight of the summer activities was the participation in the county fair. Glasco FFA won first place with their float in the parade which depicted "Harvest Progress." We had several floats showing harvesting from the stone age to the present modern day self-propelled combine...The FFA sponsored a judging contest for Cloud County and neighboring chapters and had a special FFA livestock division. We are looking forward to a greater fair next year...We will hold officer elections at the beginning of the school year and will make plans for a busy year ahead.

Pat Pitner, Reporter

HILL CITY: We called a special meeting and voted to clean the puncture vines and bull nettles on all of the school grounds...Our chapter farms 160 acres which is owned by the school and we rent the land on 1/3 - 2/3 basis. We have our own equipment and the work is done by chapter members in their spare time under the supervision of the advisor...The annual watermelon feed was held for the purpose of acquainting the freshman boys with the Future Farmers of America organization.

Don Pafson, Reporter

HAVEN: Our chapter crop sprayer and portable sheep dipping vat have seen a great deal of service since the close of school. Our chapter and the Part-ridge Chapter, to whom we rented the dipping vat, dipped over 6,000 head of sheep during May and June...Gene Heim and Bill Romig with assistance from Mr. Schulthess, our advisor, sprayed over 1500 acres of alfalfa for grasshoppers...Due to the drouth, we did not have a much call for weed spraying as we had anticipated. However, we did spray about 300 acres for weed control...All the boys with deferred steer programs have their steers on the final full feeding phase of the program. Gary and Dean Zimmerman sold their 20 head of fat steers August 15 and 16. They brought \$21.50 and \$22.50 per cwt. on the Wichita market. Jim Rayl sold his 8 deferred heifers August 2. They averaged 842 pounds and brought \$21.50 per cwt. K A K E Television showed Jim at market with his heifers on the Farm Forum program...Billy and Jerry Huston have each taken a registered Yorkshire Gilt from our FFA gilt ring.

Art Hoskinson, Reporter

LIBERAL: Officers for our chapter for 1955-56 will be Bob Trimmell, President; G. S. Wiggains, Vice-President; Bob Kurth, Secretary; Jerry Brown, Reporter; Eddie Kunza, Treasurer; and Charles Freeman, Sentinel...Our chapter had five items entered in the Farm Mechanics display at the fair. The theme of the booth was "Helping the Boy Achieve a Success in Agriculture".

Jerry Brown, Reporter

OSBORNE: The Osborne FFA chapter has moved into their new building which has a shop 50' x 70', classroom, office, seed room, supply room, locker room, and rest room...Our FFA chapter acted as hosts to the Caledonia, Mississippi FFA summer tour group on July 22, at the Veterans of Foreign War building. The Caledonia FFA chapter was on an educational tour traveling in a school bus, cooking their own meals, and sleeping in buildings in towns where the Chamber of Commerce or local FFA chapters had made previous arrangements...Fifteen of our Osborne FFA members and adviser toured Yellowstone Park, Salt Lake and Denver area between August 1 and August 8 traveling in three cars, eating in restaurants, and camping in public camp grounds at night...Jerome Waggle, last years FFA secretary received a \$100.00 scholarship award and will attend Kansas State College this fall...Mr. Stanley Abel past FFA State Farmer from the Winfield FFA Chapter has been employed as our High School Principal for the coming school year, 1955-56...On August 23, we held our annual fall watermelon feed for old and new FFA members on the school tennis courts...Milton Zimmerman purchased two pure bred Duroc gilts from Ronald Holling an Alton FFA member. Raymond Foster is feeding his hogs cooked waste material from the Cady butchering plant in order to meet the low price hog market. The home made swine cooker is inspected regularly by a state sanitation inspector. Doran Beatty purchased a Hereford steer calf to feed the extra skim milk he has left over from the dairy enterprise on his home farm. Bob Wheeler bought out his father's Spotted Poland China swine enterprise during the summer.

Howard Guyer, Reporter

OBERLIN: The chapter officers for the coming year are Larry Guinn, President; Duane Unger, Vice-President; Lynn Johnson, Secretary; Larry Sargent, Treasurer; Charles Johnson, Sentinel; and Jerry Macfee, Reporter...Gary Soderlund, our past chapter president, received a Sears Roebuck scholarship to Kansas State College for the coming year...Carrol Hoffbauer, Chapter farmer, won the grand championship in the fat steer class at the local county fair and Charles Johnson, our chapter sentinel, won the grand championship in the sheep division...On May 21, the Oberlin Future Farmers of America started on their sixth chapter summer trip. The trip is under the direction of their adviser Lloyd Moody, who drove the James Jennings' pickup with all the equipment necessary for an eight-day trip of camping and educational experiences. Additional drivers for the group were two former vocational agriculture students, Maynard Smallberger and Dale Richardson and one of the school coaches, Mr. Charles Lyons...The highlight of this years' trip was the two-day tour of the Purina Raulston Laboratories Plant and Research Farm at St. Louis. This was arranged by Mr. Howard Banta, our local feed dealer...On the return trip the tour included Bull Shoals, Arkansas, Roaring River State Park in southern Missouri, and other points of interest in the Ozark region. There was a 16 mm. color movie made of the research farm and trip. The cooperative trip was made at an expense figure of \$30.00 for each boy. The FFA members making the trip were Dennis Barratt, Derry Bishop, Lynn Johnson, Lemoine Rush, Darrel Brown, Carrol Hoffbauer, Phillip Yonker, Wayne Zwickle, Donald Richardson, Eldon Johnson, Lowell Holmberg, Lee Foley, James Jennings and Vyrl Rush.

Jerry Macfee, Reporter

OXFORD: We have nineteen members enrolled in vocational agriculture. Seven of these members are freshman...Our chapter is in the process of obtaining new equipment...For a money making project we are going to sell calendars.

Neal Slack, Reporter

EMPORIA: Officers for this year are: President, Bob Daws; Vice-President, Paul Beyer; Secretary, Philip Duncan; Treasurer, Emil Krueger; Reporter, Larry Barnhart; Sentinel, Bob Schaefer...A swimming party was held in July in the city pool. Over 50 members were present and enjoyed a good swim... A watermelon party was held in August with plenty of good watermelon for all. Twenty-five boys entered projects in farm mechanics at the Lyon County fair. Larry Barnhart won grand champion with his feed hopper and will enter it at the Topeka fair. Twenty boys entered crops and garden products in the open class.

Larry Barnhart, Reporter

ALMENA: We held two regular FFA meetings during the summer months with a very good turnout at each meeting. For the August meeting, invitations were extended to the prospective Freshman boys...A watermelon feed was scheduled and over 200 pounds of melon were consumed by the members present. Colored slides of last year's activities and projects were shown to the boys...All the FFA officers have ordered their FFA jackets...For the first time in its history, all boys enrolled in Vocational Agriculture will also belong to the FFA chapter. Membership is voluntary in this chapter.

Phillip Altman, Reporter

EFFINGHAM: Officers elected for the year of 1955-56 are Billy Kanning, President; Donald Miller, Vice-President; Wyatt Fuhrman, Secretary; Kenneth Wallingford, Treasurer; Jerry Hundley, Reporter; Eldon Meyer, Program Chairman; and George Dunn, Sentinel...Our chapter won first place in the State Cooperative Leadership Training contest and was presented the award at the Kansas Cooperative Convention Council held at Hays May 12-13. Billy Kanning received an all expense paid trip to the American Institute of Cooperation Convention, Purdue University, August 7-11 by the Kansas Cooperative Council. ...Other chapter activities held during the summer are: an overnight fishing party June 4, attended the Lamb Marketing Day at St. Joseph, Missouri, June 10, held our annual softball game August 14, operated a concession stand at the Atchinson County Fair, August 23-26, and we were in charge of the parking lot at the Atchinson County Soil Conservation Field Day.

Jerry Hundley, Reporter

BONNER SPRINGS: Mickeal Deaner received a one week all expense free trip from the Kansas Cooperative Council to Purdue University...The local chapter participated in National Farm Safety Week held July 24-30...We took a two day bus trip to the Ozarks immediately after school was out. The chapter had a booth at the Wyandotte County Fair with the theme "The FFA and Its Principles"...Our annual incoming Green Hand meeting was held August 20th in the high school ag. shop...The local chapter has purchased and installed a T-V set in our classroom. It will be used for agricultural programs and after school entertainment. We have added to the farm shop a large power grinder, another arc welder, and a four cylinder timing engine...We have approximately forty students enrolled in vocational agriculture for the coming year.

Elbert Surritte, Reporter

LACYGNE: The officers met at the advisers home on August 8, to plan summer and fall activities...On August 29, the chapter invited the new boys and their parents to a special meeting...Our paper drive netted the chapter \$114.00... Our chapter plans for a grain show in November.

Bill Rhynerson

DELPHOS: Twenty one boys enrolled in vocational agriculture this year... Chapter members participated in fairs at Glasco and Minneapolis. A livestock judging team composed of Larry Nelson, Max Dewey, and Donald King placed second at Glasco and Richard Rolph, Max Dewey and Larry Nelson placed second in the Minneapolis contest. Donald King showed a Shorthorn baby beef and Max Dewey had an Angus and a Hereford at the county fair. Miles Funk received a red ribbon on his tractor and Danny Jilka was awarded a blue ribbon on his 4-wheel trailer in the farm mechanics display at Minneapolis.

Paul McHenry, Reporter

HOISINGTON: The Hoisington chapter will start the year with twenty-eight enrolled in vocational agriculture, and forty FFA members...The chapter had a watermelon feed for new members on September 9...Committees are now set up to develop the program of work for the year...The chapter has a vendomilk dispenser in the school on a trail basis with the opportunity of purchasing if the sales are satisfactory.

Lloyd Boger, Reporter

ARKANSAS CITY: Eleven chapter members and our adviser enjoyed a 3,000 mile educational tour this summer that took them through eight states and Canada. Stops were made at the Illinois State Fair at Springfield; Arcola, Illinois, broomcorn industry; Centennial of Farm Mechanization, Michigan State College; Robin Lane Farms, Thornton, Iowa, and the Harry Knabbee and Son Hampshire farm at Nehawka, Nebraska...Our chapter president enjoyed attending the American Institute of Cooperation at Purdue University this summer. He spoke to the youth session on "How Co-ops Improve our Marketing System." The chapter held its annual fall picnic for the freshmen Sunday, August 28, with fifty-six attending...Other activities included a Father-Son watermelon feed, continuing work on our gilt ring, and assisting the Chamber of Commerce with the Junior Fair.

Raymond Atkins, Reporter

KIOWA: This past summer the school has added onto the local school shop making it twice as big as formerly. It is now 36' by 75'...Some projects the local chapter plans to handle this coming year are: the sheep dipping project for farmers of this area, running the concession stand at the football games, preparing the football field by putting up the bleachers and the P. A. system and cleaning up the Kiowa park following the Labor Day celebration..The main project of the future are the FFA lots. The chapter plans to build another feed house to match the one already constructed for use of town boys in handling their livestock enterprises.

Larry Cox, Reporter

NEODESHA: Thirty-five boys have enrolled for vocational agriculture this year...A new welder was purchased for us this summer...Our chapter plans to attend the State Fair at Hutchinson and will stay for two days and two nights.

David Hughes, Reporter

WILSON: The Wilson FFA Chapter started it's gilt ring this summer, by purchasing a purebred Yorkshire gilt from the Jawhawk Farm of Little River, Kansas. As soon as the pigs are weaning age they will be loaned to the FFA members...We held our annual watermelon feed August 29...A new power hack saw has been added to our shop.

Robert Mog, Reporter

PLAINS: The Plains chapter was organized and received Charter number 252, May 19. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Archie Sinclair; Vice-President, Harvey Bond; Secretary, David Feldmen; Treasurer, Wendell Fox; Sentinel, Ernest "Butch" Fletcher; Reporter, Darryl Ball...Activities that have been planned for the month of September are a trip to the State Fair at Hutchinson and the newly elected officers will attend and participate in the Officers Leadership School.

Darryl Ball, Reporter

MILTONVALE: We have twenty-five boys in vocational agriculture and will have approximately forty boys in the FFA this year; nine will be Green Hands... Regular meetings will be held the second and fourth Tuesday of each school month. Several movie films have been booked for programs...A new arc welder, saw filing machine, and some hand tools were added to our shop this summer.

Bill Fuller, Reporter

COLBY: The executive committee met on the evening of August 26, and again the afternoon of September 5, for the purpose of outlining the chapter's program of work and calendaring the activities of the chapter for the coming year...Our first meeting was held September 14, honoring the new Number 9 boys. The annual hay ride and weiner roast has been set for October 4... Several members of the chapter won purple ribbons at the County fair--Bruce Flipse had the Grand Champion barrow, Dan Bourquin showed the Champion Hereford steer, and John Kern won Sweepstakes on his Kiowa wheat.

Leroy Moore, Reporter

HIGHLAND: The Highland FFA Chapter met for a watermelon feed August 31, to welcome the freshman members...The newly elected officers for the year 1955-56 are the following: President, Jim Scott; Vice-President, Fred Cluck; Secretary, Eddie Stahl; Treasurer, Galen Weiland; Reporter, Ronnie Michaels; Sentinel, Larry Beaman.

Ronnie Michaels, Reporter

BLUE MOUND: Our last meeting of the year was held May 15 with Richard Hedges presiding and the new officers at their places...At the local county fair we had ten boys entered with twenty head of livestock...We had our second annual watermelon feed the 22nd of August. There were 37 present and we played ping pong and pitched horseshoes...We had a softball game with the Kincaid softball team.

Richard Thyer, Reporter