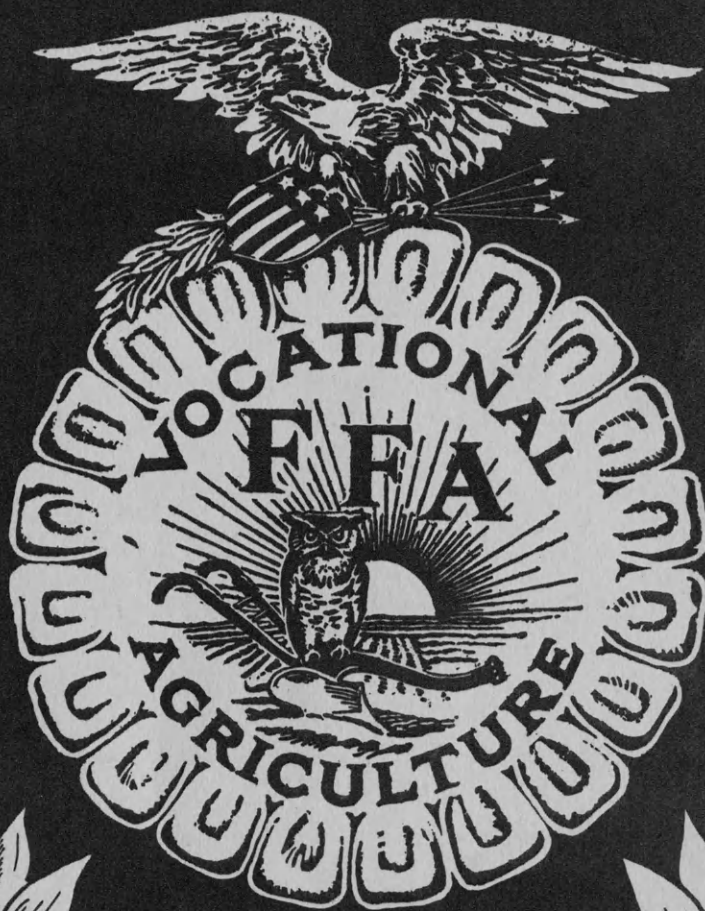


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Leo Schwartz, Star Farmer of Kansas 1957 with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Tom Schwartz.



State Officers of the Kansas Association of FFA for 1957-58. Front row L. to R. Vice-President, John Baird, Arkansas City; Secretary, Gary Cromwell, Salina; Sentinel, Bernard Owens, Kinsley; Treasurer, Don Huntington, Eureka. Back Row L. to R. State Advisor, C. C. Eustace, Topeka; Reporter, Lloyd Oswald, Natoma; President, Bob Krehbiel.



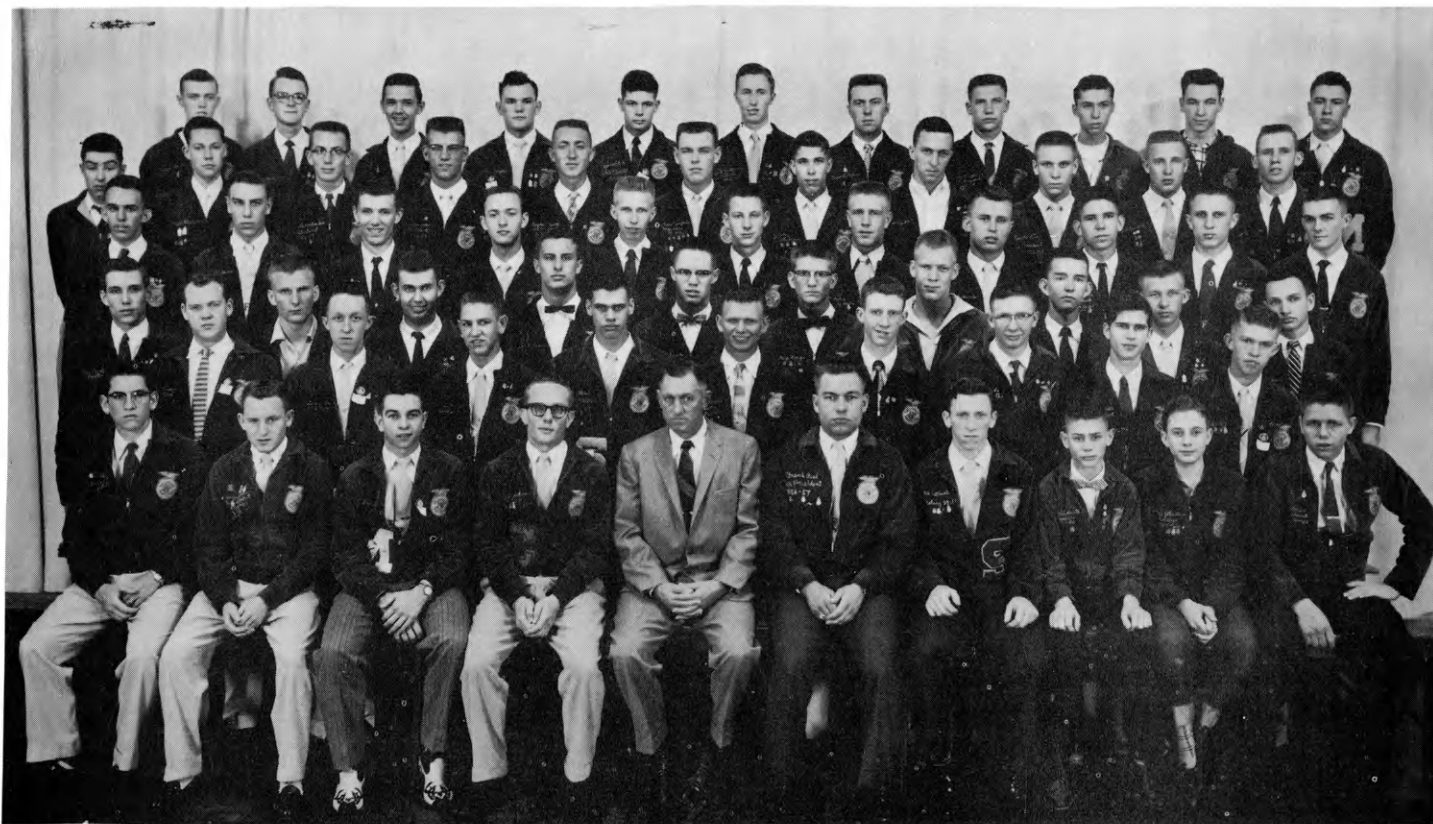


Fredonia Chapter, winner of the Agricultural Education Club Plaque, received the highest total score in all activities open to FFA members.



Dick Nichols and Professor C. O. Jacobs receiving their Honorary State Farmer Degree pins from President William Wachs. Ten other candidates also received the degree

KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA  
29th ANNUAL CONVENTION MANHATTAN, KANSAS



Kansas 1957 State Farmer Class - 136 members from 86 Chapters received degrees.

## KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF FFA HIGHLIGHTS, 1956-57

1. There are 213 departments of Vocational Agriculture in Kansas, with a total enrollment of 6,485.
2. Two hundred and twelve departments have paid state and national dues. We hope to have 100 per cent by the close of the fiscal year.
3. The Kansas Association has an active FFA membership of 7,229 members. This is 111 per cent on the basis of enrollment.
4. Six Kansas FFA members were awarded the American Farmer Degree at the 29th National FFA Convention.
5. The Little River and Oberlin Chapters, won Gold Emblem classification and the Stockton Chapter won Silver Emblem classification in the 1956 National Chapter Contest.
6. Charles Andrews, Ellsworth Chapter, represented Kansas in the Regional Speech Contest at St. Louis, Missouri. He placed 4th in the Region.
7. Berryton Chapter placed first in the Booth Exhibits and the Marion Chapter placed first in Farm Mechanics at the Topeka Fair. Winfield Chapter won first in the Farm Mechanics Exhibits at the State Fair at Hutchinson. First places in County Booth Exhibits prepared by FFA chapters at the Hutchinson Fair were won for their respective areas by the Buhler Chapter and the Coldwater Chapter. The Grand Championship in this event was won by the Buhler Chapter.
8. Kansas teams participating in National FFA Judging Contests won three Gold Emblem classification.
9. The Fredonia Chapter won the Agricultural Education Club Award Plaque in 1957.
10. One hundred thirty-six Chapter Farmers from 86 chapters were raised to the State Farmer Degree at the 29th Annual Convention of the Kansas Association of FFA.
11. Twelve Honorary State Farmer Degrees were awarded.
12. The Kansas Association was honored by having National FFA Student Secretary, Jerry Litton, Chillicothe, Missouri, present to assist with the Convention.
13. One hundred twenty-eight three-man teams entered the 1957 Annual High School Judging Contest in Agriculture, and 89 two-man teams entered the Farm Mechanics Judging Contests.
14. The House of Delegates heard Lanny Brent of Alton present a clarinet solo. The Mankato FFA Quartet and a skit team from Cottonwood Falls helped provide the program.



DATES OF IMPORTANCE

1. National Judging Contest in Dairy Cattle and in Dairy Products, Waterloo, Iowa, September 30-October 1.
2. National Judging Contests in Livestock, meats, and poultry, October 16-18 at Kansas City, Missouri.
3. National FFA Convention, Kansas City, Missouri, October 14-17.
4. Kansas members of the National FFA Band and National FFA Chorus, first practice session, Kansas City, Missouri, 1:00 p. m., Friday, October 11.

RESERVATIONS FOR THE NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION

The State Office at Topeka 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 FFA judging contests at Kansas City, it is advisable to make hotel reservations 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, handles all official FFA supplies.

The State Office at Topeka will handle the following FFA supplies:

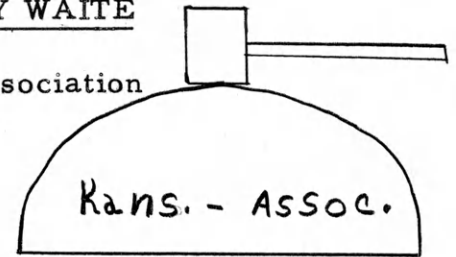
1. FFA Charters
2. State Farmer Degree pins and charms
3. FFA membership cards
4. FFA award certificates & plaques on the state level

Grand Champion Pen from Altamont

At the spring Fat Barrow show at Wichita March 22, the Altamont Chapter's pen of Black Polands won Grand Champion over all entries. There were 10 pens in the Junior division and 13 pens in the Senior divisions. One of the major objectives of the show was to teach swine grading.

GAVEL BLOCK PRESENTED BY WAITE

A walnut sounding block was presented to the Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America on April 29, 1957 by Mr. Boyd Waite of Winfield.



Mr. Waite was the first state FFA President, the first American Farmer from Kansas, the first Star Farmer of Kansas, and the first National Officer from Kansas.

In making the presentation, Mr. Waite said he had often thought, since the time he was state president, that it would be nice if the president could have a sounding block. The walnut used for the block was from a tree planted on the Walnut Valley Hereford ranch when Mr. Waite was a boy.

In making the presentation Mr. Waite said, "The growth of this tree reminds me of the tremendous growth we have had in the Kansas Association of FFA". "When we first organized, a room 10 by 12 would hold the delegates in attendance".

1957-58 STATE FFA OFFICERS

Fifteen FFA members, all recommended by their local advisors 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. The choice of your 1957 House of Delegates for the leadership of the Kansas Association of FFA during 1957-58 follows:

Bob Krehbiel, McPherson, President  
 John Baird, Arkansas City, Vice-President  
 Gary Cromwell, Salina, Secretary  
 Lloyd Oswald, Natoma, Reporter  
 Don Huntington, Eureka, Treasurer  
 Bernard Owens, Kinsley, Sentinel

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

1957 STATE FFA CONVENTION

Approximately 160 of the 213 FFA Chapters in Kansas sent representatives to the Twenty-Eighth Annual State Convention. There were 31 contestants in the State FFA Public Speaking Contest and 112 chapters entered the Chapter Award Contest. One hundred thirty-three schools seated delegates at the annual FFA meeting. The tour groups, under the direction of Professor Frank Orazem, were comprised of approximately 200 alternates.

A lunch was served on the campus to contestants in the agricultural and farm mechanics contest.

State FFA Convention (continued)

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

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



### 1957 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-Ninth FFA Banquet furnished by this group. The FFA members and their advisors are duly appreciative of the efforts of the Manhattan Chamber of Commerce in making the closing event such a delightful occasion.

The annual FFA banquet is a cooperative affair whereby the food is furnished by the Chamber of Commerce. The physical properties are provided by Kansas State College under the direction of Professor R. V. Olson, while the program 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. Band music was furnished by the Kansas State College Band under the direction of Professor Jean Hedlund.

### 1957 CHAPTER AWARDS

One Hundred twelve Chapters entered the 1957 Chapter Award Contest. The Kansas Association used the State Gold Emblem, Superior and Standard chapter awards. The first State Chapter Contest was held in Kansas in 1932, and these contests have been held annually since that date. All State Gold Emblem applications are required to complete National Chapter Award Forms I, II, and III.

The three major classifications for recognizing the merit of chapter programs are: First, State Gold Emblem Award; Second, Superior Chapter Award; and Third, Standard Chapter Award.

The Kansas Gold Emblem Chapters were selected from the Superior Chapters and were awarded Superior seals and Kansas Gold Emblem certificates.

Chapters which have entered the National Chapter Award program and have been awarded a standard or superior award have received a 5-year certificate and a seal from the national organization.



The results of the 1957 National Chapter Award and the Kansas Gold Emblem Chapter Contests Follow:

STATE FFA GOLD EMBLEM CHAPTERS\*

<u>CHAPTER</u>	<u>ADVISER</u>
1. Arkansas City	Harold Walker
2. Beloit	Lee Doyen
3. Bonner Springs	L. L. Van Petten
4. Buhler	J. A. Johnston
5. Burlingame	Richard E. Weiser
6. Effingham	Roy Eck
7. Ellsworth	Lester L. Crandall
8. Emporia	Emory Groves
9. Erie	Harold Van Cleave
10. Eureka	Harry L. Coffel
11. Garden City	Kenneth L. Henderson
12. Lawrence	Roy Cropp, Walter Gehlbach
13. Little River	Milton Kohrs
14. Oberlin	Lloyd Moody
15. Osborne	Merwin Stearns
16. Seaman	Marvin Smith
17. Simpson	Bob Severance
18. St. Francis	Donald E. Hall
19. Stockton	Floyd A. Blauer
20. Winfield	John Lowe, Lewis Eggenberg
21. Yates Center	Don W. Brock.

\*All Gold Emblem Chapters were also awarded the seals for Superior Chapters

SUPERIOR CHAPTER AWARDS

<u>CHAPTER</u>	<u>ADVISER</u>
1. Alma	James J. Marshall
2. Almena	Sam Stenzel
3. Altamont	Courtney Bennett, Dale Perki
4. Clay Center	Dale Brooks
5. Columbus	Robert M. Lay
6. El Dorado	Wm. R. McMillen
7. Ellinwood	John J. Cragun
8. Fredonia	Norman Haigh
9. Geneseo	Anton Harris
10. Inman	Donald Kimble
11. Kiowa	Charles E. Watkins
12. Longford	Eugene Walker
13. Mankato	James W. Wilson
14. Marysville	Walter Saathoff
15. Merriam	Harold D. Garver
16. Neodesha	Wayne Coltrain

## Superior Chapter Awards (continued)

<u>CHAPTER</u>	<u>ADVISER</u>
17. Ness City	Warren Stone
18. Norton	Philip Finley
19. Ottawa	S. S. Bergsma
20. Peabody	C. R. Wood
21. Plainville	Marvin Pinnick
22. Quinter	W. O. Breeden
23. Riley	Edgar Hinkle
24. Salina	Wm. D. Smith
25. Smith Center	Charles Mantz
26. Highland	Lowell Burchett
27. Topeka Washburn	Garth H. Renken
28. Holton	Harold Gentry

STANDARD CHAPTER AWARDS

<u>CHAPTER</u>	<u>ADVISER</u>
1. Alton	Marvin Riggs
2. Bazine	Edward F. Brenner
3. Burns	Allen Watts
4. Caney	Ralph Field
5. Chapman	Duane McCune
6. Cheney	James J. Stanley
7. Chetopa	Joe Turney
8. Coldwater	L. E. Melia
9. Concordia	W. A. Rawson
10. Downs	Robert Julian
11. Elk City	Leslie J. Howeth
12. Ellis	Richard Baker
13. Fairview	Clifford Elliott
14. Garnett	Clarence Anderson
15. Great Bend	Carl Heinrich
16. Haddam	I. E. Peterson
17. Harveyville	Lamer S. Tippit
18. Herington	Darrell Mounke
19. Hill City	Jay Hennigh
20. Hillsboro	Truman Diener
21. Jetmore	Hubert Mai
22. Jewell	Allen C. Sherman
23. Kincaid	Sam Harris
24. Kingman	Virgil Lake
25. Kinsley	Harold Blackwell
26. La Crosse	Marcus Oliphant
27. La Cygne	L. O. Gugler
28. Lebanon	Melvin Briley
29. Lebo	Alton Shumate

Standard Chapter Awards (continued)

<u>CHAPTER</u>	<u>ADVISER</u>
30. Leon	Duncan Circle
31. Leoti	Bill Pope
32. Liberal	C. C. Griffin
33. Long Island	Ira J. Mann, Jr.
34. Lyndon	Gene Nace
35. Manhattan	J. W. Taylor
36. Marion	Robert C. Stephens
37. McPherson	Richard Ramsdale
38. Miltonvale	Norman Hildwein
39. Moundridge	Frank Forest
40. Morland	Dennis LaMunyon
41. Natoma	R. B. Feldkamp
42. Osage City	Kenneth Kern
43. Palco	Benjamin Schweitzer
44. Parsons	Ralph Gaier
45. Pratt	Keith Fish
46. Pretty Prairie	Powell Heide
47. Phillipsburg	Frank Freeman
48. Randolph	Willis E. Ringen
49. Rossville	Ira Williams
50. Sabetha	Raymond Hackler
51. Scandia	Daryl Haegert
52. Soldier	Floyd Saulsberry
53. Solomon	Clyde Venneberg
54. Spearville	Oran Nunemaker
55. Syracuse	Marvin Hachmeister
56. Trousdale	Louis Carter
57. Troy	Stanley Larson
58. WaKeeney	Loren Detwiler
59. Washington	Otis Dewey
60. Waterville	Robert O. Whitaker
61. Wetmore	Harry Longberg
62. Wilson	Fred E. Simmons

Heart Attack Fatal to W. R. McMillan

Mr. William R. McMillan, Vocational Agriculture teacher and FFA advisor at El Dorado High School since 1947, died of a heart attack on April 8.



There were 136 FFA members from 86 chapters elected to the State Farmer Degree at the Twenty-ninth Annual FFA Convention. This brings the total number of FFA members elected to the State Farmer Degree in Kansas to 2, 195.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>
1. Philip Altman	Almena	45. Keith Hostetler	Harper
2. James Malcolm	Almena	46. Marvin Crumb	Harveyville
3. William Fultz	Altamont	47. Phillip DeShazer	Harveyville
4. Ronald McNickle	Altamont	48. Gary Phillips	Harveyville
5. John Taylor	Altamont	49. Eugene Heim	Haven
6. Howard Wilmoth	Altamont	50. Bill Romig	Haven
7. Lanny Brent	Alton	51. Frank Meyer	Herington
8. Kenneth Streets	Altoona	52. Richard L. Rieger	Hiawatha
9. John Baird	Arkansas City	53. Eugene Lee Swearingen	Hiawatha
10. John L. Blatchford	Arkansas City	54. Ronald Gascha	Hoisington
11. Clarence F. Rippe	Atwood	55. Harold Bontrager	Holton
12. Richard Blecha	Belleville	56. Jerry Segenhagen	Holton
13. James Gieber	Belleville	57. Lyle Barnes	Howard
14. Merlin Fobes	Beloit	58. "Sonny" Burch	Howard
15. Dean Heiman	Beloit	59. Harold Lister	Howard
16. Tom Kelly	Bonner Springs	60. DeWayne Eccleston	Jetmore
17. Don J. Shepherd	Burlingame	61. Eugene Vieux	Jetmore
18. Freddie Markham, Jr.	Chanute	62. John Smethers	Kincaid
19. Ronnie Poor	Chanute	63. Giles J. Thissen	Kingman
20. Earl Reno	Cheney	64. Bernard Owens	Kinsley
21. Billie E. Cowell	Clay Center	65. Bud Logan	Kiowa
22. Curtis Gardner	Clay Center	66. J. W. McGee	Kiowa
23. Larry Mosburg	Clay Center	67. Junior Creager	LaCygne
24. Karl D. Bates	Clearwater	68. Darrel Kleeman	Lakin
25. Dell Allen	Cherryvale	69. Robert Altanbernd	Lawrence
26. Ernest Bennett	Coldwater	70. Roger Pine	Lawrence
27. Gary Ray Swarner	Coldwater	71. Wendell Holt, Jr.	Longford
28. Virgil Capron	Columbus	72. Lloyd Hanson	Mankato
29. James Evans	Columbus	73. Jon Thole	Marion
30. Richard Ramsey	Concordia	74. Alan Hobson	McCune
31. James Congrove	Effingham	75. Bill Rooney	McDonald
32. Larry Lee Larson	Effingham	76. Ronald Embers	McPherson
33. Leroy Stutz	Effingham	77. Bob Krehbiel	McPherson
34. Galen Unger	El Dorado	78. David Easterday	Meade
35. Louis Bartholomew	Erie	79. Stanely Post	Meade
36. Charles Ludlum	Erie	80. Maurice Elliott	Minneapolis
37. Harold Trentman	Fairview	81. Lloyd Edward Oswald	Natoma
38. George Eisele, Jr.	Fredonia	82. Kenneth Smith	Neodesha
39. Larry Johnson	Fredonia	83. Raymond Long	Ness City
40. Robert W. Hering	Garden City	84. Gaylen Margheim	Ness City
41. Tony Rohleder	Garden City	85. Carrol Schoenhals	Ness City
42. Warren Campbell	Geneseo	86. Richard Denno	Newton
43. Roger Murphy	Great Bent	87. Ernest Louis Anderson	Norton
44. Leo Schwartz	Hanover	88. Vyrl D. Rush	Oberlin

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>
89. Duane Fredrickson	Osage City	113. Ivan Prochaska	Simpson
90. William Trueblood	Osage City	114. Jerry Linn Post	Smith Center
91. Milton Zimmerman	Osborne	115. Melvin Callabresi	Solomon
92. Don L. England	Ottawa	116. Terry Jackson	St. Francis
93. Gerald D. Wanker	Palco	117. Merlyn Desmarteau	Stockton
94. Bill Coddington	Paola	118. Donald Earl Ochampaugh	Stockton
95. J. C. McCaskey	Paola	119. George Sander	Stockton
96. Jerry Miller	Paola	120. Larry Rose	Tonganoxie
97. Clifford Prothe	Paola	121. Wayne Albers	Troy
98. David Slyter	Paola	122. Richard Blankenship	Udall
99. Cecil Janssen	Parsons	123. Rex Neff	Udall
100. Douglas Gillet	Peabody	124. Robert Blanka	Wamego
101. Donald Dean Keeten	Phillipsburg	125. Dale Keesecker	Washington
102. Delmar Mayhew	Plainville	126. Clayton Kuck	Washington
103. Teddy Rockhold, Jr.	Powhattan	127. Richard Pannbacker	Washington
104. Leland Albrecht	Pretty Prairie	128. Melvyn L. Miller	Waterville
105. Bill Frence	Pretty Prairie	129. Donald Pishny	Waterville
106. Eugene Evans	Quinter	130. Robert Anderson	Williamsburg
107. Melvin Roberts	Quinter	131. Charles Higdon	Williamsburg
108. Darrell Altwegg	Riley	132. Gary Cranston	Winfield
109. Jerry Just	Salina	133. Jim Dicken	Winfield
110. Charles Cathcart	Seaman	134. Eugene Eastman	Winfield
111. Frank Peel	Seaman	135. Howard Phillips	Winfield
112. Gary Allen	Silver Lake	136. Larry Waite	Winfield

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### 1957 Honorary State Farmers

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1957 STATE FFA SPEECH CONTEST

The Twenty-Eighth Annual FFA Speech Contest was held on the campus at Kansas State College, Tuesday, April 30, 1957. State President William Wachs, State Vice-President John Arford, State Treasurer John Griebel presided. Judges for the three preliminary sections of the contest were Professors L. W. Schruben, Joe Loeb, Paul L. Kelley, Leigh Baker, Harvey Littrell, Reuben Lind, Norman Whitehair, Wendell Moyer and Frank Bieberby. Judges for the final speech contest were Dr. Howard T. Hill, Ken Thomas, and Russell Reitz.

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME AND CHAPTER</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>
1	Dean Edson, Washburn RHS	Safetyize Your Farm
2	Roger Pine, Lawrence	Is There A Solution to The Farm Problem?
3	Gary Neil McNitt, Yates Center	Saving Our Soil
4	Dell M. Allen, Cherryvale	The Soil, Our Trust
5	Preston Bassford, Beloit	Electric Co-op -- Friend or Foe of the Farmer
6	Bill E. Cowell, Clay Center	The Earth Is the Lord's
7	Eugene Swearingen, Hiawatha	Social Security Reaches the Farmer
7	Jerry Burnette, Simpson	I Hate Funerals
7	Donald Ochampaugh, Stockton	I Am Pround To Be A Future Farmer

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AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION CLUB AWARD

The Fredonia Chapter, under the direction of Norman Haigh, won the 1957 Agricultural Education Club Plaque. This plaque was awarded to the chapter making the highest total score in all activities open to FFA members. The score card used in determining this award can be found in the May 15, 1956 issue of Kansas Future Farmer.

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

<u>RANK</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>	<u>SCORE</u>
1	Fredonia	179
2	Stockton	147.5
3	Neodesha	134
4	Altamont (Labette Co.)	131
5	Yates Center	116
6	Clay Center	115
7	Effingham (Atchinson Co.)	112.5
8	Winfield	110.5
9	Smith Center	110
10	Longford	95.5

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REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF  
FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA 1956 - 1957

The annual meeting to formulate the State Program of Work was held in Professor A. P. Davidson's office, September 8, 1956. A State Program of Work was formulated and published in the September 15, 1956, issue of The Kansas Future Farmer Newsletter.

During the year three chapters were chartered. They were Preston, Lebo and Morland.

Delegates to the 29th National FFA Convention were President William Wachs, Ellsworth, and Vice President John Arford, Almena. Alternates were Secretary Jon Larson, Clay Center chapter and Treasurer John Griebel, Stockton chapter. An over-all story of the 29th National FFA Convention was carried in the November, 1956, issue of the Kansas Future Farmer Newsletter.

Eleven 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 December, 1956, issue of The Kansas Future Farmer.

Kansas FFA Members receiving the American Farmer Degree at the 29th National Convention were: Ralph B. Basel, Williamsburg Chapter, Ambrose D. Ernzen, Effingham Chapter, David L. Essick, Ellsworth Chapter, Silas Foiles, Arkansas City Chapter, Wilmer Dale Otte, Great Bend Chapter, and Gerald Dean Schneider, Ottawa Chapter.

One hundred and sixty-eight chapters filed Programs of Work on or before November 1, 1955. Thirty-one chapters filed after that date.

Kansas had seven members in the National FFA Band and eight members in the National FFA Chorus.

Practically 100 per cent of the chapters cooperated with the state program in safety, fire prevention, pest eradication, soil conservation and livestock loss prevention.

The Kansas Association of FFA continued with the responsibility of securing subscriptions to The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine and sent 4379 subscriptions to Editor Lano Barron, Alexandria, Virginia. This represented 61 per cent of our total membership.

Respectfully submitted,

William Wachs, President  
Kansas Association of FFA

## REPORT OF STATE FFA REPORTER, 1956-57

Including the May, 1956, issue of The Kansas Future Farmer, six copies of the newsletter 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 426 requests were sent and 234 responses were received. This is a response of 55 per cent, an increase of one per cent over last year.

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.

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 plans for leadership schools.
- November issue - Devoted entirely to the Twenty-Eighth National FFA Convention, National FFA Judging Contests, Winning FFA Exhibits at the State Fairs; Budget for the National Organization of FFA; and Report of the National Treasurer.
- December issue - 1956 District FFA Leadership Schools; National Executive Secretary's Report, National Chapter Award Program.
- February issue - Kansas FFA Public Speaking Contest; National FFA Week; FFA Calendar; and Sears Sheep Program.
- April issue - State FFA President issues Convention Call; Rank in FFA Membership; National FFA Foundation Award winners.
- May issue - Will be devoted to the activities of the Twenty-Ninth Annual Convention of the Kansas Association of FFA.

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,

Tom Knappenberger, Reporter  
Kansas Association of FFA

REPORT OF THE STATE FFA SECRETARY, 1957

House of Delegates meeting, College Auditorium, April 29, 1957, 7:30 p. m.

The meeting was called to order by President William Wachs.

Formal opening ceremony was used.

254 delegates from 133 chapters were officially recorded and seated.

Minutes of the 28th Annual Convention were read and approved.

The report of the nominating committee was made and voting for state officers took place.

Miss Jeanette Shepherd, past state FHA president, spoke at the House of Delegates' meeting.

Mr. Boyd Waite, first State FFA President in Kansas, presented the Association with a walnut gavel block. The walnut wood came from his ranch near Winfield.

136 State Farmer candidates were nominated, elected and raised to the Degree of State Farmer. It was moved by State Advisor C. C. Eustace and seconded by Gary Zimmerman, Udall Chapter, that we accept the candidates as State Farmers. Motion carried.

Twelve men were awarded the Honorary State Farmer Degree.

The results of the ballot for state officers were announced. The following were the successful candidates:

Bob Krehbiel, McPherson, President  
John Baird, Arkansas City, Vice-President  
Gary Cromwell, Salina, Secretary  
Lloyd Oswald, Natoma, Reporter  
Don Huntington, Eureka, Treasurer  
Bernard Owens, Kinsley, Sentinel

Closing ceremony was given and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jon Larson, Secretary  
Kansas Association of FFA

REPORT OF STATE FFA TREASURER 1956-57

Mr. W. E. Wilson, Auditor, audited the Kansas Association of FFA treasurer's books for 1956-57.

Mr. Wilson's audit follows:

I have examined the records of Mr. F. R. Carpenter, Executive Secretary of the Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America for the period beginning July 2, 1956 and ending March 31, 1957, and herewith submit my report with the following exhibits and comments:

EXHIBIT A - Statement of Financial Condition as of March 31, 1957.

EXHIBIT B - Statement of Receipts & Disbursements for the period examined.

CASH BALANCE - \$7,462.22

The Association's cash was on deposit in the Central National Bank and Trust Company of Topeka, Kansas, and the amount was verified by direct confirmation of the bank and reconciliation with the Association's book balance. The bank account reconciliation is as follows:

<u>Balance per bank, March 31, 1957</u>	\$7,491.31		
LESS: - Outstanding Checks			
<u>Number</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
75	2-4-57	Future Farmers of America	1.91
79	2-18-57	Kiowa FFA Chapter	.25
80	2-18-57	Edward A. Roche	7.50
81	3-18-57	National Future Famers Maga.	13.95
82	3-25-57	Future Farmers Supply Service	5.48
			<u>29.09</u>
<u>Balance per books, March 31, 1957</u>			<u>\$7,462.22</u>

The cash in the bank is subject to withdrawal on checks signed by either C. C. Eustace, State Advisor or F. R. Carpenter, Executive Secretary.

UNITED STATES SAVINGS BONDS - \$1,050.00

The investment in United States Savings Bonds is represented by five Series "J" bonds, purchased September 9, 1954 and maturing September 1, 1966, as follows:

<u>Bond No.</u>	<u>Maturity Value</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Redeemable Value March 31, 1957</u>
C 113715 J	100.00	72.00	75.00
C 113716 J	100.00	72.00	75.00
C 113717 J	100.00	72.00	75.00
C 113718 J	100.00	72.00	75.00
M 111553 J	1,000.00	720.00	750.00
<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>1,400.00</u>	<u>1,008.00</u>	<u>1,050.00</u>

## Wilson's audit (continued)

These bonds are deposited in a Safety Deposit Box in the vault of the Central National Bank and Trust Company of Toepka, Kansas. Persons with authorized access to the box are C. C. Eustace, State Advisor or F. R. Carpenter, Executive Secretary. The bonds were inspected by the auditor on April 11, 1957.

LOAN-KANSAS BULLETIN VOLUME FUND - \$250.00

This is a non-interest bearing loan to the Kansas Bulletin Volume fund to provide working capital for this activity. The purpose of the Bulletin Volume Fund is to furnish, at cost, bulletin volume covers to vocational agriculture departments in Kansas. The loan was made in two installments; \$100.00 in the fiscal year ending March 31, 1947 and \$150.00 in the fiscal year ending March 31, 1950. No direct verification of this asset was made by the auditor.

STATE FARMER PINS AND CHARMS - \$587.37

State Farmer Pins and Charms have been purchased for resale to local FFA Chapters in Kansas. An inventory of these items was made by the auditor and found to consist of the following:

<u>Description</u>				
State Farmer Pins	71	5.23	371.23	
Lettering	634	.02	<u>12.68</u>	384.01
State Farmers Pins	45	2.48	<u>111.60</u>	
Lettering	270	.02	<u>5.40</u>	117.00
State Farmer Charms	8	2.20	17.60	
Lettering	48	.02	<u>.96</u>	18.56
State Farmer Charms	15	4.40	66.00	
Lettering	90	.02	<u>1.80</u>	<u>67.80</u>
TOTAL				\$ 587.37

INTERNAL CHECK AND CONTROL

The cash and securities of the Association are not under dual control nor are the State Advisor and/or the Executive Secretary bonded to the Association.

OPINION

In my opinion the accompanying Exhibits correctly present the financial condition of the Association on March 31, 1957, and the results of the cash operations for the period examined.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Wilson, Auditor  
3122 Stafford Street  
Topeka, Kansas



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

EXHIBIT A

March 31, 1957

ASSETS

Cash Balance . . . . .	\$ 7,462.22
United States Savings Bonds . . . . .	1,050.00
Loan - Kansas Bulletin Volume Fund . . . . .	250.00
State Farmer Pin and Charms - At Cost . . . . .	587.37
TOTAL	\$ 9,349.59

LIABILITIES

Encumbered Assets:

Cash: -Per Capita Tax due the National Organization of Future Farmers of America - 7114 Members @ 10¢ Each. . . . .	\$ 711.40
National Future Farmers Magazine - Subscriptions . . . . .	670.51
Sears Sheep Project . . . . .	3,192.80
Refunds for Overpayment on Magazine Subscriptions . . . . .	2.25
TOTAL ENCUMBERED ASSETS	\$ 4,576.96

Unencumbered Assets:

Cash . . . . .	\$ 2,885.26
United States Savings Bonds . . . . .	1,050.00
Kansas Bulletin Volume Fund Loan . . . . .	250.00
State Farmer Pins & Charms. . . . .	587.37
TOTAL UNENCUMBERED ASSETS	4,772.63
TOTAL	\$ 9,349.59

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

For the Period July 2, 1956, to March 31, 1957.

Cash Balance per books on July 2, 1956:-

General Funds . . . . .	\$ 2,904.58
Sears Sheep Project Funds . . . . .	192.80
	\$ 3,097.38

RECEIPTS

Dues Collected - 7114 Members @ 30¢ Each. . . . .	\$ 2,134.20
Magazine Subscriptions - 4270 @ 25¢ Each-37 @ 1.00 Each . . . . .	1,104.60
Uniforms and Jackets . . . . .	146.88
Pictures . . . . .	12.75
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad . . . . .	100.00
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad - Award . . . . .	800.00

## Statement of Receipts and Disbursements (continued)

Refund of National Judging Contest Expense . . . . .	\$ 142.95	
Refund of National Delegate Expense . . . . .	4.21	
Interest State Printers - Kansas Record Book . . . . .	404.04	
The Sears-Roebuck Foundation. . . . .	<u>3,000.00</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>8,099.63</u>
TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE		\$11,197.01
<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>		
Band & Chorus - National Convention Expense . . . . .	\$ 916.76	
Atchison, Topeka, & Santa Fe Railroad - Awards . . . . .	800.02	
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad - Awards . . . . .	99.99	
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad - Scholarship . . . . .	250.00	
Uniforms, Jackets & Ties . . . . .	276.25	
National Judging Contest Expense . . . . .	142.95	
Delegate Badges & Ribbons . . . . .	86.74	
State Farmer Pins & Charms for Resale . . . . .	587.37	
Expense of State Officers. . . . .	43.43	
Magazine Subscriptions. . . . .	405.76	
Public Speaking Contest Expense . . . . .	25.00	
Pictures . . . . .	30.00	
Audit Expense . . . . .	10.00	
Leadership Schools Expense . . . . .	49.72	
Office Expense & Supplies . . . . .	<u>10.80</u>	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		<u>3,734.79</u>
Cash Balance per Books on March 31, 1957:-		
General Funds . . . . .	\$4,269.42	
Sears Sheep Project Funds . . . . .	<u>3,192.80</u>	<u>\$ 7,462.22</u>

## CHECKS WRITTEN FOR DISBURSEMENT

FROM 7-20-56 - 4-1-57

7-20-56	Central National Bank & Co. - Safety Deposit Box	4.40
7-20-56	Theodore Dodge - Audit of FFA	10.00
7-20-56	James W. Hatch - Supplies	111.25
7-20-56	Henry Brunner - Supplies	105.00
7-20-56	Future Farmer Supply Co. - Supplies	60.00
8-3-56	Snyder Stamp & Key Co. - Supplies	1.40
8-10-56	Future Farmer Supply Service-Supplies	5.00
8-29-56	Howard Bradley-Grants & Awards( Public Speaking)	25.00
9-5-56	St. Louis Button Co., Inc. - Supplies	64.94
9-6-56	Bobby Elliot - Refund on Chorus Uniforms	4.37
9-8-56	Gillette Hotel - Convention Expense	11.56
9-12-56	Ronald McCune - Grants & Awards	125.00
9-13-56	William Wachs - Expenses to officer's meeting	8.75
9-14-56	Jon Larson - Convention Expense	61.54

## Checks written for disbursement(continued)

9-14-56	William Wachs - Convention Expense	\$ 61.54
9-14-56	Tom Knappenberger - Convention Expense	61.54
9-14-56	Darell Kleeman - Convention Expense	61.54
9-14-56	Gary Shrag - Convention Expense	61.54
9-14-56	Lester Hole - Convention Expense	61.54
9-14-56	Billie Cowell - Convention Expense	61.54
9-14-56	Bob Krehbiel - Convention Expense	61.54
9-14-56	Charles Reeves - Convention Expense	61.54
9-14-56	Jerry Young - Convention Expense	61.54
9-14-56	Charles Andres - Convention Expense	61.54
9-14-56	Howard Stroup - Convention Expense	61.54
9-14-56	Gary Hering - Convention Expense	61.54
8-17-56	R. B. Jones & Sons, Inc. - FFA Convention Insurance	48.00
9-19-56	Long Island Chapter - Burlington Award	11.11
9-19-56	McDonald Chapter - Burlington R. R. Grant	11.11
9-19-56	Almean FFA Chapter - Burlington R. R. Grant	11.11
9-19-56	Atwood FFA Chapter - Burlington R. R. Grant	11.11
9-19-56	Norcatour FFA Chapter - Burlington RR Grant	11.11
9-19-56	Bird City FFA Chapter - Burlington RR Grant	11.11
9-19-56	Norton FFA Chapter - Burlington RR Grant	11.11
9-19-56	Oberlin FFA Chapter - Burlington RR Grant	11.11
9-19-56	St. Francis Chapter - Burlington RR Grant	11.11
9-28-56	Gerald Deckert - Refund on FFA Magazine Subscriptions	.50
9-28-56	Lester Crandall - Refund on FFA Magazine Subscriptions	.50
10-10-56	John Griebel - Leadership school, Convention Expenses	1.00
10-19-56	Hotel Kansas Citian - 7 boys (Band), Convention Expense	172.91
10-19-56	State Hotel - 8 chorus boys, Convention Expense	195.40
10-22-56	Jon Larson - Leadership school, Convention Expense	15.12
10-22-56	John Arford - Leadership school & National Convention	13.75
10-22-56	William Wachs - Leadership school, Convention Expense	12.50
10-22-56	Duane Unger - Leadership school - National Convention	7.35
10-23-56	Jon Larson - Hotel Bill - Convention Expense	5.48
10-25-56	Preston Bassford - Convention Expense	34.50
10-26-56	Larry Ohlde - Convention Expense	32.30
10-26-56	Dean Ebel - Convention Expense	36.43
10-27-56	Nation Future Farmer Magazine, 580 1 yr. subs., 2, 4 yrs.	132.30
10-30-56	Ronnie Poor - Convention Expense	22.25
10-30-56	Montgomery Foto Service - Pictures of Kans. band, chorus, and American Farmer	30.00
10-31-56	Jerry Cundiff - Convention Expense	32.70
10-31-56	Jerry Post - Convention Expense	40.30
11-1-56	Earl Ochampaugh - Convention Expense	35.00
11-5-56	Richard Aberle - Convention Expense	33.48
11-7-56	John Baird - Convention Expense	33.71
11-7-56	Marvin Timmons - Convention Expense	24.00
11-7-56	Robert Elliot - Convention Expense	11.25
11-14-56	John Carlson - Convention Expense	29.40
11-20-56	Paul Dozier - Convention Expense	32.75
11-21-56	Kansas Livestock Ass'n - 11 student subs. to the Ks. stockman	27.50
11-26-56	Manhattan Chapter - National Judging Expenses	44.35

Checks written for disbursement(Continued)

11-26-56	Clay Center Chapter-National Judging Expenses	\$ 44.63
11-26-56	Chanute Chapter-National Judging Expenses	12.00
11-26-56	Beloit Chapter-National Judging Expenses	21.41
11-26-56	McPherson Chapter-National Judging Expenses	20.56
12-10-56	Gillette Hotel -Lodging FFA boys	4.00
12-10-56	Francis Shoup-Refund on FFA dues	10.00
1-17-57	Warren Ochsner-Convention Expenses	33.32
1-17-57	National Future Farmer Magazine-717 1yr. 4 4yr. maga. sub.	164.93
1-18-57	Ronald McCune-Grants & Awards	125.00
2-1-57	Ranch House Restaurant-FFA Officer dinner	10.79
2-4-57	Future Farmers of America-Newspaper Mats	1.91
2-4-57	Kermit Froetschner-Convention Expenses	46.90
2-14-57	National Future Farmer Magazine-162 1yr subscriptions	36.45
2-14-57	William Wachs-Bus fare and 1 meal for officers	6.85
2-18-57	Kiowa FFA Chapter-Subscription refund	.25
2-18-57	Edward Roche-Records	7.50
2-18-57	National Future Farmer Magazine-Invoices, subscriptions	30.63
3-13-57	Future Farmer Supply Service-Supplies, Metals	21.80
3-18-57	National Future Farmers-Subscriptions	13.95
3-19-57	Future Farmer Supply Service-Supplies, Pins & charms	581.89
3-25-57	Future Farmers Supply-Supplies, Pins	5.48
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$ 3,739.76

Respectfully submitted,

John Griebel, Treasurer  
Kansas Association of FFA

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CHARTERED FFA CHAPTERS 1956-57

Three chapters were chartered during the year bringing the total number of chapters chartered in the twenty nine year life of the Kansas Association of FFA to 262. Of this number of chartered chapters 213 are on the active list.

The date, charter number, and chapters chartered follow:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CHARTER NO.</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR</u>
May 22, 1956	260	Preston	Keith McFall
February 22, 1957	261	Lebo	Alton E. Shumate
February 22, 1957	262	Morland	Gail LaMunyon

RESULTS OF 1957 STATE HIGH SCHOOL AGRICULTURAL JUDGING CONTESTSGold Emblem Teams----Entire Agricultural Contest

<u>Team</u>	<u>Coach</u>
Cherryvale	C. H. Young
Stockton	F. A. Blauer
Fredonia	N. N. Haigh
Longford	E. Walker
Labette Co. Com. H. S.	C. D. Bennett
Belleville	C. H. Beyer

Gold Emblem Teams--Dairy Contest

Longford	E. Walker
Decatur Co. Comm. H. S.	L. L. Moody
Mulvane	F. B. Shoup
Pratt	K. Fish
Garden City	K. Henderson
Holton	H. Gentry
Erie	H. B. VanCleave
Lakin	D. Hoppas
Cheney	J. J. Stanley
St. Francis	D. E. Hall
Paola	R. Attebery
Tribune	J. T. Grider

Gold Emblem Teams-Animal Husbandry

Stockton	F. A. Blauer
Winfield	L. F. Eggenberger
Greeley Co. Tribune	J. T. Grider
Ellinwood	J. J. Cragun
Cherryvale	C. H. Young
Alta Vista	J. Fish
Newton	R. M. Karns
McPherson	R. L. Ramsdale
Norton Co. Comm. H. S.	P. B. Finley
Arkansas City	H. Walker
Council Grove	G. Morrison

Gold Emblem Teams-Poultry Contest

Highland Park	F. E. Carpenter
Labette Co. Comm. H. S.	C. D. Bennett
Fredonia	N. N. Haigh
Stockton	F. A. Blauer
Altoona	J. W. Davis
Hodgeman Co. Comm. H. S.	H. Mai
Erie	H. B. VanCleave
Chanute	C. O. Carter, Jr.
Cherryvale	C. H. Young
Newton	R. M. Karns



Results of 1957 State High School Agriculture Judging Contest (cont'd)  
Gold Emblem Teams--(cont'd)

Gold Emblem Teams--Agronomy Contest

<u>Team</u>	<u>Coach</u>
Cherryvale	C. H. Young
Fredonia	N. N. Haigh
Belleville	C. H. Beyer
Neodesha	W. Coltrain
Natoma	R. B. Feldkamp
Newton	R. M. Karns

Gold Emblem Teams--Dairy Products

Clay Center Co. Com. H. S.	Dale Brooks
McPherson	Richard Ramsdale
Sedan	Albert Maddux
Ellsworth	Lester L. Crandall
Kinsley	Harold Blackwell
Longford	Eugene Walker
Belleville	Carl Beyer
Stockton	Floyd A. Blauer
Inman	Donald Kimble
Arkansas City	Harold Walker

RESULTS OF 1957 STATE HIGH SCHOOL FARM MECHANICS CONTESTS

Gold Emblem Teams--Entire Farm Mechanics Contest

<u>Team</u>	<u>Coach</u>
Fredonia	Norman Haigh
Neodesha	Wayne Coltrain
Yates Center	Don W. Brock
Smith Center	Charles Mantz
Eureka	Harry Coffel
McPherson	Richard Ramsdale
Ashland	Charles Campbell
Clay County Co. Com. HS	Dale Brooks
Atchison Co. Com. HS	Roy E. Eck
Altoona	John Davis

Gold Emblem Teams--Tool Conditioning

Stafford	Jerry M. Gee
Goessel	Gerald Deckert
Fredonia	Norman Haigh
McPherson	Richard Ramsdale
Norton	Eugene Smith

Gold Emblem Teams--Tool Conditioning (cont'd)

<u>Team</u>	<u>Coach</u>
Ashland	Charles Campbell
Atchison	Roy E. Eck
Neodesha	Wayne Coltrain
Minneapolis City	Carl Stauffer
Smith Center	Charles Mantz

Gold Emblem Teams--Farm Machinery & Power

Smith Center	Charles Mantz
Pretty Prairie	Powell Heide
Goessel	G. Deckert
Clay County Com. HS	Dale Brooks
Independence	T. E. Stockebrand
McCune	Ira Johnson
Labette	Jack Shell
McPherson	R. Ramsdale
Yates Center	Don W. Brock
Neodesha	Wayne Coltrain

Gold Emblem Teams--Arc Welding

Fredonia	Norman Haigh
Yates Center	Don W. Brock
Neodesha	Wayne Coltrain
Lawrence	Walter Gehlbach
Partridge	Norman Terrill
Smith Center	Charles Mantz
Altoona	John Davis
Phillipsburg	Frank Freeman
Lakin Rural	Dean Hoppas
La Crosse	Mark Oliphant

Gold Emblem Teams--Farm Carpentry

Clay Co. Com. HS	Dale Brooks
Altoona	John Davis
Pretty Prairie	Powel Heide
Inman	Kimble
McCune	Ira Johnson
Independence	Thomas E. Stockebrand
Stafford	Jerry McGee
Sabetha	Raymond Hackler
Fredonia	Norman Haigh
Yates Center	Don W. Brock

Gold Emblem Teams--Soil Conservation

<u>Team</u>	<u>Coach</u>
Neodesha	Wayne Coltrain
Clay Co. Com. HS	Dale Brooks
Washburn Rural	Garth H. Renken
Eureka	Harry Coffel
Fredonia	Norman Haigh
Longford	Eugene Walker
Ellsworth	Lester Grandall
Smith Center	Charles Mantz
Atchison	Roy E. Eck
Labette Co. Com. HS	Jack Shell

Gold Emblem Teams --- Concrete Contest

Fredonia	Norman Haigh
McPherson	Richard Ramsdale
Yates Center	Don W. Brock
Norton	Philip B. Finley
El Dorado (tie)	Richard Chase
Beloit (tie)	Lee Doyen
Atchison Co. Com. HS (tie)	Roy E. Eck
Longford (tie)	Eugene Walker
Lakin	Dean Hoppas
Partridge	Norman Terrill

Gold Emblem Teams--Farm Electrification

Smith Center	Charles Mantz
Yates Center	Don Brock
Altoona	John Davis
Eureka	Harry Coffel
Neodesha	Wayne Coltrain
Ashland	Charles Campbell
Osborne	Merwin Stearns
Phillipsburg	Frank Freeman
Goessel	Gerald Deckert
Washburn	Garth Renken

1957 National FFA Foundation Award Winners  
in Kansas

Forty-eight awards totaling \$2,475.00 were presented to Kansas FFA members.  
The winners were:

- Star Farmer of Kansas . . . . . Leo Schwartz - Hanover Chapter
- District Star Farmers . . . . . James Congrove - Effingham Chapter  
Duane Fredrickson - Osage City Chapter  
Jack Capron - Columbus Chapter  
Bob Krehbiel - McPherson Chapter  
Lloyd Oswald - Natoma Chapter  
Darrel Kleeman - Lakin Chapter

Farm Safety

- State Winner . . . . . Little River Chapter
- District Winners . . . . . Wetmore Chapter  
Williamsburg Chapter  
Chanute Chapter  
Simpson Chapter  
Morland Chapter

Soil and Water Management

- State Winner . . . . . Ronnie Poor - Chanute Chapter
- District Winners . . . . . Gary Dale Harmon - Ellsworth Chapter  
Bob Hunt - Arkansas City Chapter  
Kermit Froetschner - Kinsley Chapter

Dairy Farming

- State Winner . . . . . Galen Schrag - Pretty Prairie Chapter
- District Winners . . . . . Elvon Van Dalsen - Fairview Chapter  
Duane Fredrickson - Osage City Chapter  
George Cunningham - Chetopa Chapter  
Jan Fredrickson - Concordia Chapter  
Stanley Werner - Kinsley Chapter

Beef Production

- State Winner . . . . . Charles Higdon - Williamsburg Chapter
- District Winners . . . . . Donald Ungerer - Marysville Chapter  
Cecil Davis - Chetopa Chapter  
Gary Harmon - Ellsworth Chapter  
Gary Cranston - Winfield Chapter  
Lloyd Oswald - Natoma Chapter

Swine Production

State Winner	. . . . .	Steven McGovney-Coffeyville Chapter
District Winners	. . . . .	William Trueblood-Osage City Chapter Donald Long-Ellsworth Chapter Eldon Eastman-Arkansas City Chapter Veryl D. Rush-Oberlin Chapter Clyde W. Stieben-Bazine Chapter

Farm Mechanics

State Winner	. . . . .	Larry Waite-Winfield Chapter
District Winners	. . . . .	Charles Schaller-Kinsley Chapter Harvey C. Kohls-Ellsworth Chapter Phillip Addis-Chetopa Chapter Ronald Hoover-Lawrence Chapter Elvon Van Dalsen-Fairview Chapter

Farm Electrification

State Winner	. . . . .	Bob Homolka-Ellsworth Chapter
District Winners	. . . . .	Neil Eugene Brown-Arkansas City Chapter Richard Fairchild-Chanute Chapter Elvon Van Dalsen-Fairview Chapter

Public Speaking

State Winner	. . . . .	Dean Edson-Washburn Chapter
Second in State Contest	. . . . .	Roger Pine-Lawrence Chapter
Third in State Contest	. . . . .	Gary Neil McNitt-Yates Center Chapter



CHAPTER NEWS

LEBO: We held our annual Parent-Son Banquet with 98% attendance of parents and sons. Mr. Loren Whipps was the evening speaker. His topic was FFA in Kansas. The FFA quartette sang and slides of members and their projects were shown. We then had the presentation of awards, plus the ceremony for the Honorary Chapter Farmer Degree. . . . We have put up signs on the edge of town on the highways entering Lebo to welcome people to our community. . . . The Chapter bought a 1950 Chevrolet pickup for our use. . . . We sold subscriptions to the Farm Quarterly and received \$100 clear. . . . We bought \$75 worth of recreational equipment to be used after FFA meetings. Some of the equipment is as follows: boxing gloves, badminton, volley ball, punching bag, and table tennis.

Reporter, Gary Busboom

LEON: Three of our members put on a fifteen minute demonstration on proper welding procedures on KTVH at Hutchinson. . . . During FFA Week we had a display on tractor safety in a downtown window. . . . Some of the jobs completed in shop this year include: a gas barrel stand, 12 stock gates, feed bunks and a grain and hay feeder, several different types of hog feeders, 12 pairs of clothes line poles, and a 36 foot span brace for a building. . . . We are anxiously awaiting the end of school so that we can attend the three day camping and fishing trip to be held at the Kiwanis Camp near Independence.

Reporter, Jim Butts

GARNETT: We were recognized over KMBC-TV. They showed some of our pictures and shop projects. Our Chapter gave a ten minute program over KOFO Radio Station on the progress of the FFA. . . . Our Junior FFA members took the eighth graders through our shop and explained some important points to them during 8th-grade day. . . . In shop this year our members have made, 8 pipe hay feeders, 2 loading chutes, 7 gates, 2 forges, 5 trailers, 2 hayracks, 1 creep feeder, 1 post hole digger, 8 feed bunks and 4 show boxes. We also overhauled 12 engines, 2 tractors, and 1 combine.

Reporter, Bill Campbell

RANDOLPH: We held our annual Parent-Son pot luck supper the night of March 21. K. T. Johnson, a local farmer, was presented the Honorary Chapter Farmer Degree. The program included reports by the Chairman of the program of work committees, several entertainment numbers by local members and two films, "Farm Oddities", and "That Inspiring Task". . . . We recently had our first shop injury in two years that required medical treatment. John Lutz was burned about the face when some pieces of metal became inbedded in his face. He was cutting with the oxy-acetylene cutting torch, when some molten metal deflected into his face. . . . We have 20 pigs from two of our Chapter gilts. One gilt saved 10 of 10 and the other saved 10 of 11.

Reporter, Dale Peter

KIOWA: We held our annual Father-Son Banquet on April 16. . . . We attended the District Land Judging Contest at Coldwater where we were able again to obtain first and third places as teams. Winning this contest entitled us to attend the National contest in Oklahoma City. . . . We were guests of the Lions Club where we told the Club members of our FFA Achievements during the past year. . . . A few of the shop projects completed this year are: reconditioned a plow, several lamps were made or refinished, several cars and trucks were overhauled, a tool check stand was made in the shop, tables and chairs were refinished, and lawn-mowers have been overhauled.

Reporter, Jim Talbott

WILSON: We held an open house in the Ag. Department on February 19 at 11:00 a.m. to celebrate National FFA Week. The open house lasted one hour and was open to all faculty members and high school students. . . . Fourteen boys gave demonstrations, each lasting four minutes. The demonstrations were as follows: arc welding, acetylene welding, acetylene cutting, seed judging, milk testing, egg candling, rafter cutting, and tool sharpening. Other demonstrations were: spark test, hack saw, tap and die exercise, sheet metal, forge work, and conservation. . . . Our Parent-Son Banquet was held on April 11.

Reporter, Denny Dlabal

LITTLE RIVER: In our safety program we have 9 teams for checking hazards on the farms. We have 7 demonstration teams that have presented 15 demonstrations for various organizations. Two of our demonstration teams put on TV programs on KARD Wichita. The programs were entitled: "The Overloaded Circuit", and "First Aid in Fire Fighting." A colored film on our safety program was taken by Dick Nichols of WIBW-TV. . . . Our Livestock Committee has distributed 5 purebred gilts to deserving Chapter members. We have docked and castrated 152 lambs, and 47 pigs. . . . We are enjoying the eats that our mothers have been preparing for our regular meetings. Each mother is assigned to serve at a Chapter meeting. This has helped our night attendance at our meetings.

Reporter, Byron Hayes

LA CYGNE: FFA Week was observed by having a page in the local newspaper, and by having the Annual Parent-Son Banquet. . . . John Teagarden showed 2 beef calves at the American Royal in the FFA division and received a 2nd place ribbon and a 12th place ribbon. . . . Junior Greager was Grand Champion in the regional and corn show sponsored by Missouri Phister Growers Inc. . . . . The grain was sent to the International Livestock Exposition and Grain show in Chicago where they received ribbons.

Reporter, Bill Rhymerson

MOUNDRIDGE: Major shop projects completed this year are: loading chutes, weed sprayer, squeeze chute, stock rack, gates, self-feeders, feed carts, and trailers. . . . Five of this years projects will be selected for the State Fair Farm Mechanics display next fall. . . . We have constructed bike stands for the school and have installed new steel lockers for the dressing room. . . . We held our Parent-Son Banquet on May 6.

Reporter, Kurt Graber

CEDAR VALE: Our Parent-Son Banquet was held during National FFA Week. Our parents, local businessmen, county extension and Soil Conservation personnel, neighboring Ag. teachers and their Presidents were invited. Our speaker was Mr. Don Hunt, American Farmer of 1953, from Arkansas City. Highlights of the evening included the presentation of the Chapter Sweetheart and the Star Chapter Farmer. We built a prop for the Star Chapter Farmer Award and patterned it after the ones used at the National Convention. It is made of plywood with a blue background and an elevated star painted gold. With a spotlight on it, it looked very impressive. . . . Fund raising projects this year included feeding out two gilt ring pigs. Last week we had our Donkey ballgame and at half time auctioned off slaves for a days labor. The slaves brought from \$3.00 to \$14.00. We found this to be one of the easiest ways to raise money. The slaves jobs ran all the way from waxing floors to mowing lawns and spading gardens. Our income from the Donkey ballgame, slave sale and concession stand was about \$150.00

Reporter, Darrell Boyer

BELOIT: We held our Parent-Son Banquet on May 7. The program was provided by the Chapter members. We built and hung thirteen wooden gates for the Fair Board. . . . We have six acres of wheat, 2 acres of oats and two acres of alfalfa, and two acres of Bison wheat which was put out on irrigated land. . . . We will send three members to the Co-op leadership camp in Missouri this summer and will send three boys to the National Co-op meeting in Fort Collins, Colorado. . . . We purchased a registered Hampshire boar and two registered Hampshire gilts to improve our gilt ring. . . . Three members and the advisor will attend the Co-op meeting in McPherson where the Chapter will receive an award for cooperative activities. Preston Bassford will compete for a college scholarship when he gives his talks on Electric Co-ops.

Reporter, Bill Bunger

RILEY: Our Chapter had an over-night camping party on May 10th. At this party we ate an evening meal over an open camp-fire and went fishing and boating. . . . Officers for the coming year in the local Chapter were elected at our last meeting. We also chose 4 boys to receive the 4 FFA gilts for next year. . . . Some of the boys attended the Livestock Day at Junction City and judged 8 classes of Angus cattle.

Reporter, Larry Kaump

LIBERAL: This year our officers and advisor went to the Fat Stock show at Fort Worth. We plan to make this an annual affair if we can finance the trip. . . . We held our annual Parent-Son Banquet on February 19 at the Warren Hotel. At our banquet we conferred the Honorary Chapter Farmer Degree on Mr. H. E. Malin, our high school principal, and Mr. Joe Pittman, a local grain dealer. . . . During National FFA Week, we also presented a radio program at our radio station. . . . As money making projects we are selling screwdriver sets, which we purchased from the Wallace Co. We are also rewiring the strings of colored lights for the city that are used for Christmas decorations. We made \$140.00 on the sale of Christmas trees during the Christmas season. . . . We held our annual tractor driving contest on April 18. . . . We plan to have an over-night camping trip to Lake Meade the last of May.

Reporter, Elwood D. Smith

BONNER SPRINGS: To date, our Chapter has mixed over three tons of protein supplement for hogs. . . . Four boys have been awarded four registered Hampshire gilts from the Chapter gilt ring. They are to return two gilts from the first litter. . . . Our Parent-Son Banquet was held March 21st. Dr. A. W. Tenney, Mr. Eustace and Mr. Shoaf were our special guests. Dr. Tenney related much of his experiences in Japan in connection with the FFJ. We considered it a great honor to have Dr. Tenney and members of our State staff at our banquet. . . . The Chapter has raised and sold 185 broilers to patrons of the community. They weighed approximately 2 3/4 pounds each when dressed. They were sold for \$1.25 each. At our clothing check stand we checked a total of 700 items during this school year and a total of 3500 items in the last five years. We have not lost one single item of clothing. . . . We presented a T-V program on KCMO T-V during National FFA Week. We built a poultry house behind the school house for our broiler project. . . . Over 30 articles have been written by Chapter members for newspapers in the community concerning FFA activities. We gave a program for the Rotary Club in March concerning FFA ideals. We built a large portable loading chute for the Wyandotte County Fair Association. Over 45 head of livestock have been castrated this spring. Twenty-nine head of farm animals (swine, beef and sheep) were butchered this year in the farm shop. Ninety-one percent attendance of members to all meetings was accomplished during the year.

Reporter, Gary Barney

HAVEN: Our Chapter sponsored our District Livestock Judging School on April 13th. . . . We are repairing and remodeling our portable sheep dipping vat and crop sprayer. . . . Our entire department participated in the Hutchinson Dairy Festival Judging Contest Wednesday, April 24th. . . . We have mixed a ton of salt and phenothiazine to sell to members and local sheep men. . . . Our Parent-Son Banquet was held May 11th.

Reporter, Billy Schoepf



WETMORE: Our Chapter was named winner in the Northeast District Farm Bureau Safety Improvement Project. We will receive a safety plaque and radio. . . . We sold 29 quart size fire extinguishers. Our profit was \$21.75. . . . Seventy-two parents, guests, and members attended our annual Parent-Son Banquet April 17. . . . Some of the projects in our shop at present are: portable hog house, repainting tractor, garden tractor, bale loader, metal gates, and clothes line poles. . . . The Eighth grade boys were our guest at our meeting May 3. . . . We attended the Northeast Livestock Judging Contest at Holton. We placed 6th out of 15 schools. . . . We have purchased 4 safety signs to post on highways near here. . . . Ten members gave speeches at an assembly program February 26. . . . Our Ag. 1 boys elected Junior officers and have held one meeting.

Reporter, Theron Talley

BIRD CITY: Our Chapter is planning several test plots for this summer. One test will be a grass plot. The grass seed was furnished to the Chapter by the County Soil Conservation Service and the City of Bird City is providing the land and water. A sorghum plot will be planted on the Garry Seymour farm with the De-Kalb company providing the seed. . . . March 25 we held our annual FFA Parent-Son Banquet. Evans Banburg, Colby Experiment Station was the speaker. . . . The FFA Chapter members attended the National Western Stock Show in Denver in January. The funds for this trip were raised by shocking feed last fall and by selling popcorn at the home football and basketball games. . . . The contest for the Foundation Awards is now underway. This year awards will be given in dairy, soil, electrification, farm mechanics, safety, and Chapter Star Farmer.

Reporter, Gary O'Leary

KINSLEY: We had a Parent-Son Banquet with 128 persons present. The FFA boys gave the program. Kermit Froetschner gave a talk on Farming Programs, Charles Schaller gave a talk on shop activities, Merle Katz gave a talk on FFA activities. In our FFA assembly we had "The Building of the Emblem", a skit entitled "The Light Went Out" and a trio and a western swing number. . . . Bernard Owens won a Sears Scholarship to Kansas State College, was awarded the State Farmer Degree, and was elected State Sentinel for 1957-58. . . . We had 3 FFA Foundation Award winners, Charles Schaller, in Farm Mechanics, Kermit Froetschner, in Soil and Water Management, and Stanley Werner, in Dairy.

Reporter, Charles Schaller

WASHINGTON: Our State judging team placed 17th in animal husbandry and placed in the bronze group in poultry. . . . There are several projects in the shop which are nearing completion such as a cattle squeeze, a creep feeder for cattle, a box for a four wheel trailer, sheep feeders, and feed bunks.

Reporter, Willis Keesecker

ARKANSAS CITY: At a recent meeting of our Chapter the Texaco Oil Company was put in charge of the program. They showed movies and gave away door prizes. . . . A highlight for the Freshmen class was the trip to the Little American Royal, held at Manhattan. . . . The Sophomore class of Vocational Agriculture attended a local land judging contest April 17. . . . Our Chapter held a Parent-Son Banquet in the Vocational Ag. shop, May 8. In order to cut down on expenses the Freshman class bought 100 baby chicks on March 8 and they were eaten at the banquet. The meal was served by the girls of the home economics classes. . . . We will soon start an annual sheep dipping drive. We will charge 14 cents a head for 50 or more head of sheep. We will charge 16 cents a head for less sheep than 50.

Reporter, Loren Fresh

SPEARVILLE: FFA Foundation Medals were awarded to outstanding members at the Achievement Award Night. . . . We have been dismantling old combines and saving the angle iron. . . . Plans are being made for a camping trip this summer. . . . One member is being established in the production of Landrace swine. . . . Freshman shop projects include: building a two-wheel trailer, repair and reconditioning of farm machinery, construction of branding irons, and mail box stands.

Reporter, Richard Burghart

OBERLIN: Norman Richards received a ewe flock under the Sears Sheep Program. . . . Our annual Parent-Son Banquet was held March 28th. . . . Vyrl Rush, who recently won the District Swine Production Award, farrowed 34 pigs from his three sows and saved all of them. They were weaned at an average weight of 48 pounds. . . . Some of the major shop jobs completed this semester are: one squeeze chute, one power post-hole digger, 2 four-wheel farm wagons, 2 heavy duty implement trailers, two sets of stock racks for pickups, 256 feet of picket fence, one 2-row tractor weeder, one stock water tank, and two hog self-feeders. We repaired one truck, two tractors, one power mower, a spring tooth harrow, and power lawn mower. . . . Our summer plans call for a two or three day fishing trip to be held the first week after school is out.

Reporter, Norbert Zander

HIGHLAND: We held our annual Parent-Son Banquet on April 12. After the supper of fried chicken, the Highland College quartette sang several numbers. Mr. Richard Altman, the farm editor of the St. Joseph News-Press, then gave an interesting talk about the new steps in farming. Our instructor introduced the outstanding farmer of each class. Each of these boys was presented with a plaque and a trophy. . . . Our shop projects include: bale loaders, and portable welders, which we drive by power take-offs on tractors. . . . We co-operated with the Kayettes in holding the annual Eighth Grade Day, April 17. All the future Freshmen came to visit classes. At noon, dinner was served by the Home Ec. class and a program was held in honor of our visitors.

Reporter, Larry Milne

LEBANON: On May 9 we held our annual Parent-Son Achievement Banquet. Several boys gave talks and reports to show the progress of our Chapter. On April 25, our achievement day, each boy exhibited his livestock and showed his shop projects. The livestock was divided into classes and each class was judged. Points were given to winners of the first three places and for the best shop projects. The best class notebooks were also shown and the best farm libraries and points were awarded for these. The boy with the most points will have his name engraved on a plaque. . . . Other activities included: a tractor driving contest and a greased pig catching contest. In the greased pig contest, which consisted of the Freshman FFA boys, the boy catching the pig, which was donated by the Hub Club, got to keep him and in return the boy will furnish one for the contest next year. . . . We had a Garbage clean-up program this year as a money raising project. . . . Our major shop projects include: several gates, a gas barrel stand, a portable loading chute, a cattle squeeze, a four wheel trailer, and a heavy duty 8 x 15 implement trailer.

Reporter, Neil Hackerott

OSBORNE: We wrote two articles for the newspaper during National FFA Week and presented a window display in one of the stores on main street. For our display we used a few shop items, a record book, achievement awards, colored slides of FFA activities and farming programs, and an FFA Banner. . . . Our FFA programs for meetings have included a report by our instructor, on the NVATA meeting in St. Louis; Debate team, which presented a program on the National Farm Program; a graduate Chapter Farmer, home on leave, reported on his Naval experiences; Chapter Farmer Initiation; Elected Honorary Chapter Farmer; Elected 1957-58 officers; Film "Farmer of Tomorrow"; and made plans for an FFA party. . . . Our Parent-Son Banquet was held on March 21 with 97% of the members and parents present. Mr. John Lacey, Assistant State Supervisor, was guest speaker. Other banquet program activities were, FFA Emblem building, FFA accomplishments, Honorary Degree and Awards, plus musical solos. . . . Our shop has two portable loading chutes, 3 feed bunks, two large gates, one two row corn disk and dehorning chute in it at the present time. Several other items such as 2 gates, 7 hog panels, children's swing, tire bead breaker, tool grinder gauge, parts for power post hole digger, 2 painted tractors have been made or repaired and taken from the shop recently. . . . 31 of our 35 members completed 2 or more enterprises. . . . Our Chapter held a tour of the Arnold Rose hog farm near Ionia. . . . Plans are underway for a summer fishing trip.

Reporter, Gerald Wanderlich

NEWTON: Our Chapter put on the South Center Kansas District crops contest at Peabody. . . . Last month our Chapter was honored by having Elmer Sump, local artificial breeding agent, show slides and explain his work.

Reporter, Bluford W. Miller

EFFINGHAM: Our Sophomore class visited the Karl Scholtz farm 10 miles northeast of Effingham and inspected his newly constructed caged laying house occupied by 1800 layers. Also the class toured his 3 cow walk-in milking barn. . . . During the National FFA Week the Atchinson Radio Station KARD sponsored our Chapter each morning with a 5 minute program. The Chapter officers discussed the purposes of the FFA and some of the Chapter activities carried out during the year. . . . We finished our Pest Eradication Contest on March 1. . . . Our Chapters net worth per member averaged \$1,624.51 at the end of 1956. . . . Some of the larger articles constructed in the farm shop are: One flatbed, five pair saw horses, two self-feeders for hogs, six feed bunks, two show boxes, two tool cabinets, two sheep feeders, nine hog troughs made from hot water tanks, four chicken feeders, and a loading chute.

Reporter, James Lee

ALMA: We won the Pest Eradication Contest with Eskridge. . . . We recently purchased 2 Yorkshire gilts to start our gilt ring. One of the gilts farrowed twelve pigs and the other eight. . . . Some of our shop projects are: aluminum gates, feed racks, tool cabinets, wagon beds, hog feeders, loading chutes and a canopy for our truck. . . . We have been making plans for our Parent-Son Banquet and our spring trip.

Reporter, Jim Heder

HOISINGTON: In order to help raise money for the Chapter we purchased an old combine and tore it down and sold most of the scrap. . . . We also completed a pest control contest.

Reporter, Floyd Bozer

DELPHOS: Our officers presented a program for the Lion's Club. . . . We are holding a safety campaign with farm inspections of all Chapter members. . . . All members participated in the reconstruction of the Solomon River Dam. . . . Shop projects under construction are: 3 two-wheel trailers, an implement trailer, 2 bale elevators, a bale loader, a portable loading chute, and a power lawn mower.

Reporter, Billy Paynter

DOWNS: As a money making project we constructed a portable loading chute for sale. . . . Three boys in our Chapter have Registered Yorkshire gilts of breeding age for sale. . . . Plans are being made for our summer trip.

Reporter, Lee Wiersma



HUGOTON: We held our Green Hand initiation and Parent night on February 21. . . . Some of the major projects constructed in the shop this year are: 1 cattle working squeeze, 1 loading chute, 2 stock racks, 2 trailers, 7 welding tables, 5 stock gates, 3 hog feeders, 19 feed bunks, 7 foot scrapers, 2 wire rollers, 1 grain bed, and 1 overhead storage tank rack. Rings were installed and valves ground on 3 pickups. New brake linings were installed on two trucks. There was also one combination ensilage and hay feeder constructed. . . . In January, 15 members and our instructor attended the National Western Stock Show at Denver. While there, we made a tour of the State Capitol, and visited both houses of the legislature while they were in session. We toured the State Museum, the U. S. Mint, and Swift Packing Company, the stockyards, and the Museum of Natural History. On the way back we stopped in Pueblo and made a tour of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company. Here we watched the manufacturing of railroad rails, barbed wire, hog wire, steel cables, nails, steeples, bolts, screws, and oil well casings.

Reporter, Garry Trogdon

FRANKFORT: Members of our Chapter went to the Better Beef Day show held at Holton, April 6th, and that night we went to the Little American Royal at Manhattan. . . . On April 13th, we went to the Soil Judging School held at Effingham, then on April 20th, we went to the Eastern Kansas Soil Judging Contest at Rossville. . . . We are now planning a fishing trip as soon as school is out.

Reporter, Kenneth Johnson

EMPORIA: Our Pest Eradication Contest was held during December and January. . . . About 50 members and their dates held a roller skating party on March 6. . . . On March 13, four Libyan teachers from North Africa visited our department. We took them on a field trip of dehorning, vaccinating, and emasculating; gave a soil testing demonstration, a milk testing demonstration and then had a regular classroom discussion. Libya is building up their educational system and is visiting the U. S. to receive help. . . . During the month of March we made Safety Patrol Tours. We visited about 40 farms and checked the farmsteads for safety hazards. Many of these hazards were corrected. . . . Our annual Parent-Son Banquet was held on March 26. About 150 boys, parents, teachers and honorary members were present.

Reporter, Richard Browning

LEOTI: We celebrated our Dad's night with a chili feed. Also a new 35 MM camera has been purchased and slides of all events are being developed. Our FFA box supper, high-lighted by the crowning of the Chapter sweetheart, netted the Chapter a nice profit. . . . Our pest and rodent control contest has been completed. . . . We held our 2nd annual Parent-Son Banquet on April 4.

Reporter, Harold Pearson



INMAN: We have started our spring field trips. Each Chapter Farmer is visited by the Ag. class. On these trips each boy is asked to make comments on the farming program of the visited boy. Helpful ideas are given by the class and the Ag. instructor concerning the farm program and safety on the farm. . . . On our judging field trips we go to the members homes that have show calves. This works very satisfactory because it gives the boys and the calves experience in showing. . . . We are planning a fishing trip to Kanopolis Dam this year. . . . The FFA officers provided a program for the Farm Bureau meeting. The boys used posters on swine, beef and poultry, comparing feeds and showing the advantages of pasture and good care. Slides were also used on the different cuts of meat. These slides were purchased from the National Livestock and Meat Board, Chicago, Illinois.

Reporter, James L. Stephens

BURLINGTON: We started a Chapter gilt ring. . . . Our Parent-Son Banquet was held on March 12. Several FFA films were shown. . . . Several projects completed in shop are: a combination hay and grain feeder, a disc trailer, steel and wooden gates, hog feeders, and hens nests. . . . At the last two meetings the Chapter has had guest speakers. At one meeting a local farmer talked to us regarding raising hogs. At our last meeting a banker talked to us. . . . Our instructor placed first in his division of the National Hoards Dairyman Judging Contest.

Reporter, Dan Levering

HILL CITY: Our Chapter attended the Northwest Kansas Milking Shorthorn Judging show and contest at Hoxie on May 6 and was the first place team. The boys brought back as winners of the contest a small model milking Shorthorn cow, which will have the team members' names engraved on the base. They also brought back a large wall plaque, which remains in the Chapter as they are the winners of the plaque for the 3rd time. . . . We held our annual Parent-Son Banquet on March 18. Members of the Palco and Morland Chapters were invited and attended the banquet. Mr. John Lacey, assistant State Supervisor of the Vocational Ag., was our speaker. . . . We fertilized the football field and the lawn around the school house.

Reporter, James McKim

MILTONVALE: We held our Parent-Son Banquet April 9. One hundred and fifteen members, parents, and guests were present. . . . Our assembly program was presented before the students on April 11. . . . We are making plans for an overnight camping trip this summer. . . . Some of the farm mechanics jobs completed are: a combination hay rack and feed bunk, a loading chute mounted on wheels, painted a tractor, a cattle squeeze, a sack holder, a power lawnmower, steel post puller, eight rake wheel gates, pipe gate, pony cart, repaired spring tooth harrow, 3 feed bunks, and a chicken feeder.

Reporter, Richard Bull