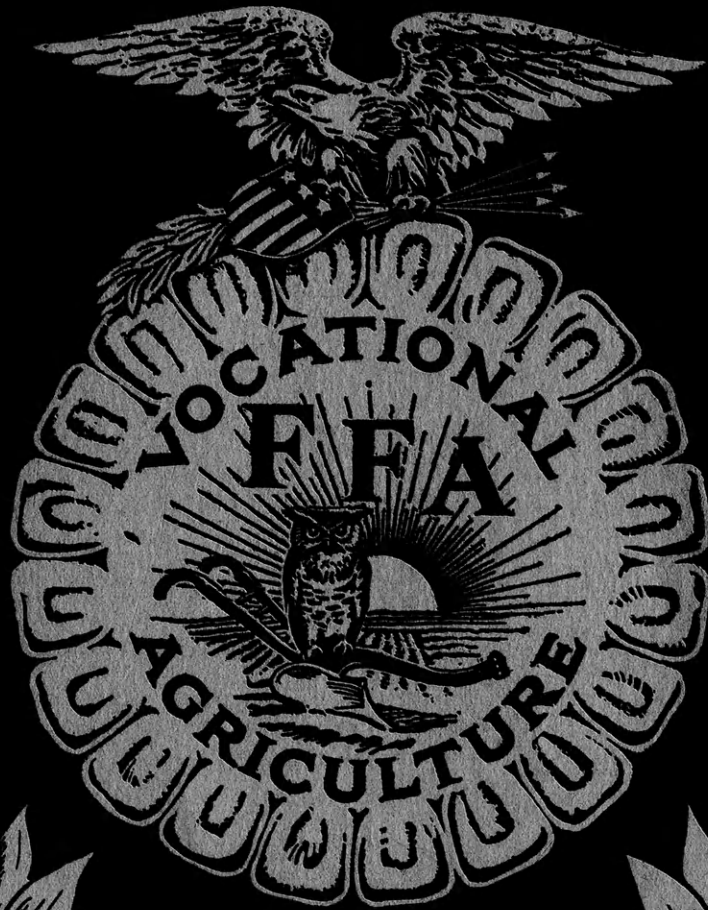


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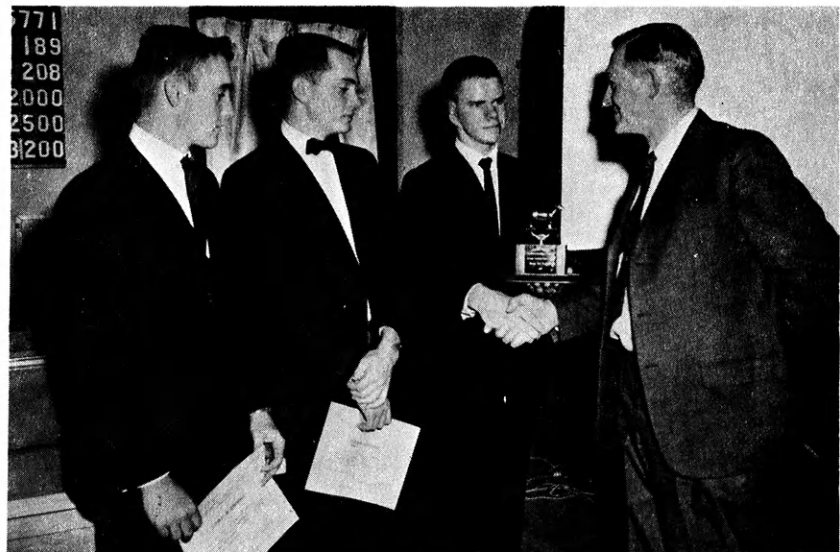
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L. to R. are: Jim Lee, Downs; Dwight Kuntz, Abilene; Kenneth Burkhardt, Kinsley; and Robert Strode, Ellsworth, Sears Sheep producers in the western division. Dwight Kuntz was the winner and top producer in the state.

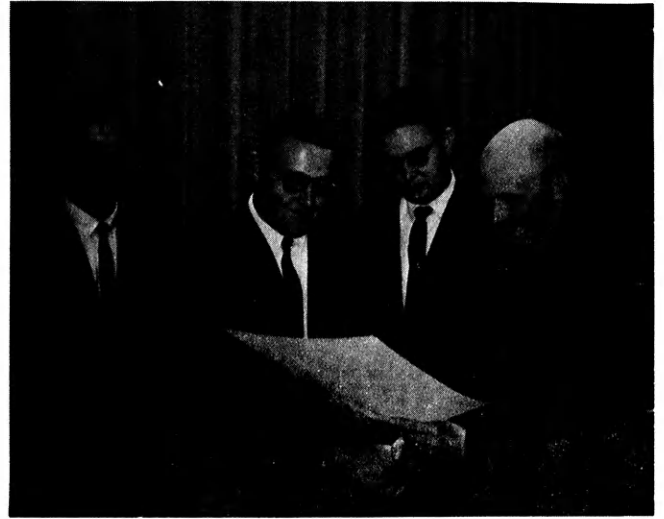
Mr. C. C. Eustace, State FFA advisor, congratulates John Price, Emporia winner of the eastern division in the Sears Sheep Program. Second and third place winners look on. L. to R. are: Larry Mooney, LaCygne and Paul Osgood, Florence.



Representing Kansas at the National Safety Congress were top row, L. to R.: Lester Crandall, Ellsworth; Delbert Eckart, Farm Bureau; Eugene Mendenhall, LaCygne; Virgil Huseman, Ellsworth; Terry Fanning, Eskridge; Harold Shoaf, State Office; Grice Sexton, Farm Bureau. Bottom row: L. to R.: James Dinkel, Tribune; Larry Converse, Eskridge; Rex Turnbull, Eskridge; George Warren, Eskridge; Larry Urbanek, Ellsworth.



Larry Goss, Garden City FFA member, shows his Grand Champion steer at the Finney County Fair.



L. to R. are; Harlan Janke, Bob Diehl, Duane McCune, advisor, and Jon Larson, President of the State Young Farmers Association during the charter night ceremony for the Chapman Chapter.



The Pretty Prairie Chapter was first place winner in the Angus Futurity Judging Contest, December 16. Steve White, Sig Collins, R. Graber, and instructor Powell Heide received the trophy from the Angus Association Secretary.



The Ellsworth FFA barnwarmer queen, her attendants, and their escorts. The Vocational Agriculture shop was decorated for the occasion.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- Feb. 1- State Farmer applications are due in the State Office, Topeka.
- Feb. 1- Nominations for State FFA Officers are due in the State Office, Topeka.
- Feb. 1- Union Pacific Scholarship applications are due in the State Office, Topeka.
- Feb. 15- Farming Program Financial Report (Ag. Ed. Form #2) due in the State Office, Topeka.
- March 1- All applications for District, State, and National FFA Foundation Awards, except Safety, are due in the State Office, Topeka.
- March 1- Final entries in Kansas Cooperative Activities Contest are due in the State Office, Topeka. (A.I.C. Form)
- April 6- Annual Meeting State FFA Executive Committee, Manhattan, Kansas.
- April 8- Annual FFA Report and Report of Delegates to State FFA Convention are due in the State Office, Topeka.
- April 8- National Chapter Award report forms due in the State Office, Topeka.
- April 15- Safety Award reports are due in the State Office, Topeka.
- April 16- State FFA Speech Contest entries -three copies- Howard Bradley, Kansas State University.
- April 16- Entries for Agriculture Newswriting Contest due-Howard Bradley, Kansas State University.
- April 16- Entries in Agriculture and Farm Mechanics Contest due-Howard Bradley, Kansas State University.
- April 16- Request for hot lunches during State Contest checks due-Howard Bradley, Kansas State University.
- April 16- Reservations for university housing due-C.O. Jacobs, Kansas State University.

Coaches of Agriculture and Farm Mechanics teams and individuals who do not have their entries delivered to H. R. Bradley by April 16, will not be permitted to have their teams compete in any part of the contest.



35th KANSAS FFA CONVENTION
April 28-30, 1963

Five business sessions are being planned for the 35th State FFA Convention. Each chapter in good standing with the State Association and the National Organization as of April 1, 1963 will be eligible to seat two delegates to take part in transacting the business of the State Association of Future Farmers of America. It will be essential to seat delegates who are not involved in any other activity during the contests or Convention. Judging team alternates, State Farmer candidates, or underclassmen may serve as delegates. There is no plan to entertain alternates and others who might be attending the contests and Convention. All FFA members and advisors who are not in the contest are urged to attend the Convention sessions. All Convention sessions except on Monday evening, will be held in the Williams

Auditorium. The Monday evening session will be held in the Kansas State University Auditorium. It is hoped that a large number of guests would be present for the Monday evening session. Parents and friends of the FFA are invited to attend any or all of the Convention sessions.

Advanced Enrollment of Delegates

Annual FFA Report blanks will be mailed to chapters about March 15. These reports will be due back in the State Office by April 1, 1963. Delegates names should be listed in the appropriate places if your chapter plans to seat delegates. It is very important that pre-registration be completed in order that proper chapter standards can be printed and delegates can each be assigned to a committee. If a delegate must be substituted at the last minute, he will be asked to give his name at the time of the seating of the delegates.

State FFA Chorus to Perform

The State FFA Chorus, organized for the first time during last years FFA Convention, will again be rehearsing and performing during the day on Monday, April 29. Application forms have been sent to all chapter advisors and should be completed and returned to — Professor Morris Hayes, Associate Professor, Music Department, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, — on or before February 15, 1963. The State Chorus added greatly to the Convention last year, and it is hoped that it will continue to be as popular with FFA members and others.

Talent Numbers Needed for Convention

Talent numbers, as individuals or small groups, are needed for the State FFA Convention. Vocal or instrumental numbers, stunts, readings, or skits by small groups are welcome and will be well received by the delegates and others attending the Convention. Appearances in the State Convention are good experience for the National FFA Band or the National FFA Convention talent programs. Special skits, such as safety, parliamentary procedure demonstrations, wildlife programs, gun handling, etc., which may offer ideas to other chapters would also be good. Please get in touch with the State Office if you have a presentation which might be of interest.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM FOR 1963KANSAS FFA CONVENTIONManhattan, Kansas

Sunday, April 28, 1963

7:30 p.m. - Vespers Program -
to 9:00 p.m. All members of FFA
invited and urged to
attend.

- Announcements by State President and State Advisor
- Introductions
- Special music
- Address

Monday, April 29, 1963

- 8:30 a.m. - First Delegate Session
Williams Auditorium
- 9:00 - Greetings - National
FFA Officer
- 10:00 - Delegates adjourn for
Committee work
- 11:45 - Adjourn for lunch
- 1:30 p.m. - Second General Session -
Williams Auditorium
- Old and New Business
- Address
- Film, "Four Star
Farmers" - 1962
- Talent Presentation
- Presentation - Winners
of Kansas FFA Coop-
erative Activities Award
Hal Helebust, Secretary,
Kansas Coop Council
- Committee Reports
- Presentation - Santa Fe
Railroad - Scholarship
Awards
- 3:30 - Finals in State FFA
Public Speaking Contest
- 4:30 - Adjourn
- 7:00 p.m. - Third General Session
University Auditorium
- Granting of State
Farmer Degrees
- Vocal Concert -
State FFA Chorus -
Professor Morris Hayes
- Granting of Honorary
State Farmer Degrees
- Talent Presentation

- Address - National FFA Officer
- National FFA Foundation Awards Ceremony
- Star Farmer of Kansas Presentation
- 9:30 - Adjourn

Tuesday, April 30, 1963

- 8:30 a.m. - Fourth General Session - Williams Auditorium
 - Committee Reports
 - Report of State FFA Officer
 - Greetings from State FFA Officer
 - Awards - Kansas Gold Emblem Chapters
 - Awards - District Winner - FFA Foundation Program
- 11:30 - Adjourn for lunch
- 1:00 p.m. - Fifth General Session - Williams Auditorium
 - Election of 1963 State FFA Officers
 - State Officers Reports
 - Committee Reports
 - Talent number
 - Presentation of Union Pacific Scholarships
 - Announcement of 1963-64 State FFA Officers
 - Adjourn Convention
- 3:00 - Announcement of Winners of State Contests - Dr. C.L. Norton, Chairman of Contest Committee

PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATION
AND ELECTION OF
STATE FFA OFFICERS

1. Advisors of chapters who have a candidate for State FFA Office should nominate him prior to February 1. Nominations may be made at the same time State Farmer applications are due.
2. Nominated candidates may then be interviewed and screened by the District State Farmer Selection Committee, if there are more candidates nominated than the quota for the District calls for. Candidates will be notified if they are expected to appear for District interviewing.
3. The Nominating Committee on the state level will consist of the present State Officers, two local advisors, (KVAA President and Vice-president), and one state staff member. Adult members of the committee are not to be voting members, but are available for advice and guidance in conducting the interviews.
4. An information form will be sent to all candidates on or before March 15, to be returned to the state staff member on or before April 1. Copies will be made and furnished the State Nominating Committee in order that they may become familiar with the qualifications of the candidates.
5. The Nominating Committee will meet at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 28, 1963.

6. The candidates will meet at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 28, 1963. (Place will be designated.)
7. The candidates will all appear at the same time and each will give not over a three-minute talk on his qualifications and his reason for wanting to hold an office in the State Association.
8. The Nominating Committee will then meet and interview the candidates individually.
9. The Nominating Committee will select two candidates to run for President and Vice-president, and two candidates each for Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, and Sentinel.
10. Candidates so selected will be presented to the delegate body and make a two-minute presentation, after which the election will be held.
11. The Nominating Committee will not announce the candidates until the time of the election.

HONORARY STATE FARMER DEGREE

The State Executive Committee would welcome nominations for Honorary State Farmer candidates for 1963.

It is the feeling of the committee that the degree, "Honorary State Farmer," should continue to be a state award and that persons so honored would have served many chapters in a wide area of the State. Undoubtedly, many individuals have served local chapters or districts far beyond the call of duty, but if the award is to be a state award, then the degree should be held for

those who have served at least quite a large area of the State. If nominations are made, they should be accompanied by a written summary of the activities of the individual nominated so that the Executive Committee may have a basis for making selection.

STATE FFA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The State FFA Executive Committee will hold its annual meeting in Manhattan, Kansas, April 6, 1963, at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will convene in Room 135, Waters Hall. The principal business of the meeting will be to review the State Farmer Degree applications and select Honorary State Farmers. Members of the FFA Executive Committee are:

C. C. Eustace, State FFA Advisor
 Dr. Duane Acker, Director, School of Agriculture
 Dr. R. J. Agan, Head Teacher Trainer
 John W. Lacey, Executive Secretary of FFA
 J. A. Johnson, Buhler, President of KVATA
 Glenn Gottlob, Arkansas City, President of the Kansas Association of FFA

STATE FFA SPEECH CONTEST

The 34th State FFA Public Speaking Contest will be held at Kansas State University on Monday, April 29, 1963, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Each KVATA district may enter a minimum of one and a maximum of five contestants from their Junior-Senior division in the State FFA Public Speaking Contest. When there are less than 15 entries in the Junior-Senior division, (8 to 10 minute speeches), then one-third of the contestants are eligible to enter state competition. This rule insures that

contestants in the State Speech Contest will have placed in the upper one-third of their districts. Only one member from any one chapter shall be eligible to compete in the State FFA Speech Contest. Three typewritten copies of the speech entered in the contest will be required. Manuscripts must be in the hands of Howard Bradley at Kansas State University by April 16. One original and two carbons will be acceptable. Please be certain that good carbon paper is used in order that the copies can be easily read.

Subjects

Contestants may choose any current subject for their speeches which is of an agricultural character (nature), and which is of general interest to the public. Official judges of any FFA Public Speaking Contest shall disqualify a contestant if he speaks on a non-agricultural subject.

Eligibility

When selected to compete in the State FFA Speech Contest, contestants must be active members of FFA chapters that are in good standing with the State Association and National Organization.

The State Contest will be open only to boys less than 21 years of age who are regularly enrolled in all-day high school classes of Vocational Agriculture during the current calendar year, or who are still in high school, but have completed all the Vocational Agriculture offered.

Each contestant's manuscript will be the result of his own efforts. It

is expected that he will take advantage of all available training facilities in his local school in developing his speaking ability. Facts and working data may be secured from any source.

A contestant shall wear the official FFA jacket when competing in the State Public Speaking Contest. Any boy who has participated in a previous State FFA Speech Contest is not eligible for the 1963 contest.

Order of Appearance

Drawings will be made for order of appearance by a disinterested party prior to the date of the Speech Contest. Information relative to place and order of appearance will be mailed to local chapter advisors who have entries in the Speech Contest.

Note: Speech contestants who plan to participate in either the Agriculture Judging or Farm Mechanics Contests on Monday, April 29, must obtain permission to compete in the Speech Contest from H. R. Bradley, at the time copies of the speech are submitted for judging.

Time:

Each speech shall be a minimum of eight minutes in length and a maximum of ten minutes. Each contestant will be allowed five minutes additional time in which he will be asked questions relating to his speech. This will apply in the finals as well as during the preliminaries. Deductions of 20 points per minute, or major fraction thereof, will be made from the score of each judge for speeches under eight minutes or over ten minutes in length.

THE BIBLIOGRAPHY

All candidates in the FFA Public Speaking Contest should give credit to others where any direct quotes, phrases, or special dates are used in the manuscript in order not to be guilty of plagiarism.

A bibliography MUST be included as part of the public speaker's manuscript and direct quotes from any other source of information must be marked in "quotes" on the manuscript and be identified in the bibliography. Failure to do so will automatically disqualify a contestant.

EXPLANATION OF SCORE SHEET POINTS

Part I. — For Scoring Contest and Composition

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| <p>1. Content of the manuscript includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Importance and appropriateness of the subject Suitability of the material used Accuracy of the statements included Evidence of purpose Completeness and accuracy of bibliography | <p>2. Composition of the manuscript includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organization of the content Unity of thought Logical development Language used Sentence structure Accomplishment of purpose - conclusions |
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Part II. — For Scoring Delivery of Production

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| <p>1. Voice includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quality Pitch Articulation Pronunciation Force | <p>3. Power of expression includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fluency Communicative Emphasis ability Directness Conveyance of thought Sincerity and meaning |
| <p>2. Stage presence includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Personal appearance Poise and body posture Attitude Confidence Personality Ease before audience | <p>4. Response to questions includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ability to satisfactorily answer the questions on the speech which are asked by the judges indicating originality, familiarity with subject, and ability to think quickly. |
| <p>5. General effect includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extent to which the speech was interesting, understandable, convincing, pleasing, and held attention. | |

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The following score card will be used by judges in the State FFA Public Speaking Contest, and may be used by district judges in order to be consistent with the State and National rules.

\$100 SCHOLARSHIP TO BE AWARDED
TO FFA FOUNDATION STATE WINNER
IN RURAL ELECTRIFICATION

The Kansas Electric Cooperatives will continue to award a \$100 scholarship to the individual who is named State Winner in Farm Electrification in the FFA Foundation Award Program. The National FFA Foundation will continue the practice of awarding \$100 to the State Winner. FFA members who have made outstanding progress in Farm Electrification will want to be sure to have their application on record and in competition for this award. Forms for applying for this award are available from the State FFA Office.

LINCOLN ARC WELDING AWARDS

Twenty Kansas FFA members won a total of \$634.00 in the 1961-62 James F. Lincoln Arc Welding Award Program for Vocational Agriculture students. The following students were all winners of fifth place awards, each receiving cash awards of \$52.50.

Frank W. Howard-Oakley Chapter,
Portable cattle squeeze

Joe B. Detrixhe-Concordia Chapter,
Combination hay-grain feeder

Homer Krehbiel-McPherson Chapter,
Springtooth carrier

Lee Steanson-Altamont Chapter,
Rotary mower

Each of the following FFA members received sixth place awards of \$26.50.

Stanley Fishburn-Lawrence Chapter,
Tractor carry-all

Lyle Hoover-Lawrence Chapter,
Trailer

Jim Schultz-Lawrence Chapter,
Sheep dipping vat

Kenneth O'Connor-Lawrence Chapter,
Cattle feeder

Larry Dean Robben-Oakley Chapter,
Post Hole digger

Randy Seibel-Oakley Chapter,
Wire roller

Charles Sharp-Columbus Chapter,
Portable squeeze chute

Jerry Rothfuss-Clifton Chapter,
Utility box

Richard Houdyshell-Ellsworth Chapter,
Two-wheel trailer

Gary Lee Urbanek-Ellsworth Chapter,
Dual-wheel machine trailer

Edward L. Wilson-Frankfort Chapter,
Combination hay and feed bunk

Bobbie Cardell-Garnett Chapter,
Hay feeder

Ernest Befort-Lebanon Chapter,
Portable wrap-around feed bunk

Gary Kircher-Louisburg Chapter,
Squeeze chute

Bill Harries-Marysville Chapter,
Loading chute

Laverne Figge-Onaga Chapter,
Loading chute and trailer

NATIONAL FFA WEEK
February 16-23, 1963

Each chapter advisor has received a booklet with many suggestions for local chapter activities during National FFA Week, February 16-23, 1963. Thirty-one different activities are listed, any one of which may offer a possibility for your own FFA chapter. A suggested news story, spot announcements for radio and television, and a program idea for a civic club or school assembly are included. An order form for FFA Week supplies is in the hands of your FFA advisor. Advance planning is necessary in order to make National FFA Week a success. Committees with definite responsibilities should be appointed. The following minimum activity program for each chapter in the state is offered as a suggestion:

1. A feature story in the local newspaper with a good picture in the hands of the publisher at least by February 11.
2. Supply the editor of the local paper with newspaper filler items by February 11. (See Brochure)
3. Present a short program to either a civic club, school assembly, or other community organizations.
4. Have all members who own FFA jackets to wear them during FFA Week. Hold a "dress-up" day for members.
5. Prepare and exhibit a window display publicizing the activities of the local chapter.
6. Purchase the standard package of FFA Week materials and see that they are used to the best advantage in the community.

Please keep in mind these are suggested as minimums. The success of National FFA Week in your community is in your hands — make the best of it.

1962-63 DUES AND PROGRAM
OF WORK

In order for local FFA chapters to be eligible to compete in activities sponsored by the State Association of Future Farmers of America, they must be in good standing with the State and National Organizations.

A chapter in good standing meets the following requirements:

1. Its total State and National FFA dues are paid.
2. It has filed an approved Program of Work with the State Association.
3. Its local constitution is not in conflict with the State or National Constitutions.
4. It has an active membership at least equal to 50% of the enrollment in all day vocational agriculture classes and has at least ten active FFA members.

Programs of Work were due in the State Office by October 31. State FFA dues were due in the State Office on or before January 2, 1963.

If the payment of State and National dues or a copy of your Program of Work has not been sent to the State Office, it should be taken care of immediately. The following statistics of chapters in good standing as of January 28, should be of interest to all members. (Listed in alphabetical order)

Name of Chapter	FFA Member- ship	Percent of Enroll- ment	Nat'l Mag. Subs	Name of Chapter	FFA Member- ship	Percent of Enroll- ment	Nat'l Mag. Subs
Abilene	36	110%	36	Emporia	39	91%	39
Alma	27	113%	27	Ensign	28	104%	28
Almena	45	103%	39	Erie	34	95%	37
Altamont	125	102%	128	Eskridge	40	103%	40
Alta Vista	22	91%	22	Eureka	37	100%	36
Alton	24	120%	26	Florence	22	96%	22
Altoona	29	112%	25	Ford	19	106%	20
Arkansas City	60	123%	57	Fort Scott	72	141%	72
Attica	20	61%	20	Fowler	22	108%	22
Atwood	40	125%	38	Frankfort	29	116%	29
Bazine	23	105%	23	Fredonia	31	100%	26
Belleville	23	99%	23	Garden City	65	148%	57
Beloit	38	100%	38	Garnett	60	100%	60
Beverly	21	117%	21	Girard	52	96%	43
Bird City	31	172%	31	Goessel	45	103%	45
Blue Mound	28	100%	26	Goodland	36	136%	37
Buhler	58	106%	52	Great Bend	36	120%	36
Burlingame	32	110%	35	Haddam	30	100%	30
Burlington	26	104%	30	Hanover	57	154%	58
Caney	46	110%	46	Hanston	27	100%	27
Centralia	32	150%	31	Harper	36	190%	37
Chanute	20	100%	20	Harveyville	22	100%	22
Chapman	66	100%	66	Haven	32	118%	28
Cheney	52	102%	52	Hays	34	106%	32
Cherryvale	20	100%	20	Herington	22	116%	28
Clafin	38	100%	35	Highland	42	127%	35
Clay Center	48	107%	48	Hill City	37	116%	37
Clifton	31	110%	31	Hillsboro	34	106%	36
Coffeyville	41	111%	36	Hoisington	32	103%	33
Colby	27	104%	27	Holcomb	26	87%	22
Columbus	51	106%	51	Holton	22	110%	22
Concordia	59	111%	51	Hope	26	113%	27
Cottonwood				Howard	26	104%	26
Falls	28	108%	28	Hoxie	36	109%	36
Council Grove	20	80%	20	Hoyt	18	120%	18
Courtland	30	100%	30	Hugoton	36	99%	36
Delphos	26	100%	26	Humboldt	43	113%	43
Dodge City	49	86%	50	Inman	54	106%	44
Effingham	63	103%	52	Iola	38	84%	40
Elk City	42	102%	42	Jennings	27	100%	22
Ellinwood	31	103%	31	Jetmore	28	100%	27
Ellis	31	117%	31	Jewell	34	144%	33
Ellsworth	45	140%	30	Kensington	27	104%	24

Name of Chapter	FFA Member- ship	Percent of Enroll- ment	Nat'l Mag. Subs	Name of Chapter	FFA Member- ship	Percent of Enroll- ment	Nat'l Mag. Subs
Kincaid	35	106%	12	Osborne	52	113%	52
Kingman	54	121%	56	Ottawa	26	100%	20
Kinsley	32	107%	34	Oxford	27	104%	26
LaCrosse	22	122%	22	Palco	45	105%	45
LaCygne	25	109%	25	Paola	73	104%	73
Lakin	30	130%	30	Paradise	24	89%	24
Lawrence	83	108%	87	Parker	28	104%	34
Lebanon	36	150%	32	Partridge	32	113%	33
Lebo	27	100%	27	Peabody	29	100%	29
Leoti	42	100%	39	Phillipsburg	40	80%	36
Linn	45	110%	45	Plains	33	100%	33
Lindsborg	39	95%	35	Plainville	39	103%	33
Longford	24	114%	25	Powhattan	29	81%	30
Long Island	16	133%	16	Pratt	25	100%	25
Louisburg	47	100%	43	Preston	36	121%	26
Lyndon	47	131%	45	Pretty Prairie	32	120%	32
Manhattan	38	103%	38	Quinter	23	177%	23
Mankato	39	111%	39	Randolph	44	100%	44
Marion	33	106%	28	Riley	47	131%	47
Marysville	37	109%	38	Riverton	60	103%	55
McCune	30	107%	31	Rossville	30	75%	30
McDonald	12	75%	12	Russell	46	148%	34
McPherson	55	115%	58	Sabetha	41	100%	41
Medicine Lodge	31	135%	27	St. Francis	47	120%	53
Meriden	34	103%	34	St. Marys	42	100%	42
Miltonvale	22	116%	20	St. Paul	27	100%	23
Minneapolis	25	79%	25	Salina	42	102%	42
Morland	28	112%	28	Scandia	26	104%	26
Morrowville	28	99%	9	Severy	26	100%	25
Moundridge	37	120%	37	Silver Lake	22	73%	22
Mullinville	16	89%	16	Simpson	17	113%	17
Mulvane	56	112%	56	Smith Center	37	128%	37
Natoma	26	104%	26	Solomon	37	104%	37
Neodesha	28	100%	39	Spearville	32	133%	24
Ness City	27	100%	27	Stafford	22	110%	22
Newton	40	100%	39	Stockton	59	120%	54
Norcatour	29	135%	30	Syracuse	36	106%	36
Norton	40	103%	40	Tecumseh	29	132%	29
Oakley	40	103%	31	H. Park			
Oberlin	40	115%	38	(Topeka)	22	42%	22
Onaga	24	80%	2	Seaman			
Osage City	33	106%	33	(Topeka)	27	108%	24

Name of Chapter	FFA Membership	Percent of Enrollment	Nat'l Mag. Subs	Name of Chapter	FFA Membership	Percent of Enrollment	Nat'l Mag. Subs
Tribune	52	127%	61	Washington	29	107%	29
Troy	37	116%	33	Waterville	23	85%	23
Udall	42	95%	44	Wellsville	39	105%	38
Uniontown	60	134%	50	Williamsburg	30	100%	30
Valley Falls	45	98%	45	Wilson	18	113%	19
Wakeeney	48	190%	52	Winfield	53	93%	53
Wakefield	26	118%	26	Yates Center	42	114%	38
Wamego	44	107%	29				

If your chapter is not included in the above list, then our records show that either the dues or Program of Work have not been received as of January 28.

Total FFA membership now stands at 6,568. FFA membership in 1961-62 was 6,674. If we are to maintain or exceed last year's membership, it will be necessary to have every eligible member on record.

FARMING PROGRAM REPORT: Gary Winget, sophomore FFA member at Hanston High School, started a farming program his sophomore year consisting of 23 acres of farm land planted to wheat. He receives 2/3 of the wheat crop. His father was in partnership with him on ten acres of forage sorghum and ten head of cows with calves. Gary paid \$1,000 for his five head of cows and calves; he borrowed the \$1,000 from the bank. This winter he sold the cows and calves because of a poor water supply and a very good price offer. After expenses, Gary made \$425 on the five cows and calves. He had owned them since last April. One-third of the feed still belongs to Gary; he plans to sell it. Gary plans to get back in the cattle business next spring. What is most remarkable about Gary's farming program is that he lives in town and has been commuting to the farm 6 miles away, often twice or more a day.

ELLSWORTH BARNWARMER: On November 29 one hundred fifty FFA members, their guests, parents, and faculty members gathered in the Ellsworth vocational agriculture shop for the annual Barnwarmer. The shop was cleared of all projects, tables and benches were moved back against the walls and the floor space was used for an old-fashioned square dance. The freshman class was to be responsible for cleaning out the shop. Other vocational agriculture classes each had the responsibility of decorating or providing food. The dance began at 7:00 p.m. The FFA queen was crowned at 8:00 p.m. and an intermission was held at 9:00 for refreshments. Mothers of the junior class served sandwiches and soft drinks to everyone. Each vocational agriculture class chose a queen candidate and the queen was elected by a vote of FFA members. The shop was appropriately decorated with bales of hay to sit on and a throne made of bales of hay from which the queen and her attendants reigned. A three-piece orchestra was hired for the activity which was concluded by 10:30 p.m. All those participating reported an excellent time and whole-heartedly recommend this activity to other chapters in the State.

NATIONAL CHAPTER AWARD PROGRAM

In 1962, eighty-five chapters submitted entries in the National Chapter Award Program and received the Standard Award, Superior Award, or Kansas Gold Emblem ranking. (See May 15, 1962 issue) This is an excellent record. However, there were 100 chapters who did not submit a report. May we urge each chapter to participate in this worth-while program. In order to qualify for the Standard Award, only Form I should be submitted; for the Superior Award; both Form I and II; for the Kansas Gold Emblem Award, Forms I, II, and III must be completed, meeting minimum standards as outlined in the report forms. The two reports judged to be most outstanding will be eligible for competition for the National Emblem awards. Completed reports are due in the State FFA Office on or before April 8, 1963.

FFA FOUNDATION AWARDS

District and State Awards in the areas of Beef Production, Swine Production, Sheep Production, Farm Mechanics, Farm Electrification, Crop Farming, Dairy Farming, and Public Speaking are available to FFA members. The Farm Safety Award is available to chapter entries. Application forms for District and State Awards have been greatly simplified. Forms are in the hands of FFA advisors or may be requested from the State Office. Members who are doing good work in any of the areas are encouraged to submit an entry. The December 15 issue of the Kansas Future Farmer Newsletter carries a complete summary of the awards available. All entries are due in the State Office on or before March 1.

District winners will be selected by State Farmer Evaluation Committees of FFA advisors. State winners will be honored during the 35th State FFA Convention.

COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES AWARD REPORTS DUE MARCH 1

Final reports in the Cooperative Activities Award Program are due in the State Office on or before March 1. The quiz contest was taken during December and will have no bearing on the activities report. In each KVATA district, the chapter whose average score in the quiz is the highest will receive a \$50 cash award. The individual in each district whose score in the quiz is the highest will receive a \$50 scholarship toward attendance at the American Institute of Cooperation summer meeting. Cash awards in the activities report will be made to three chapters in each of the seven KVATA districts as follows: First place-\$50, Second place-\$35, Third place-\$15. Each first place winner in the district will receive a traveling trophy. A chapter which has won the trophy three times will have permanent possession. The first place winner in the district last year is not eligible for a cash award this year. This restriction does not pertain to the quiz contest or the traveling trophy. Report forms were distributed during November teachers' meetings or are available from the State Office on request.

UNION PACIFIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS NEEDED

Union Pacific Railroad scholarships are available to one vocational agriculture student from each county served

by the Union Pacific Railroad. The scholarships are worth \$200 each. To be eligible a student must be a junior or senior, a member of the FFA, and have completed three years of vocational agriculture or be presently enrolled. The scholarship is for Kansas State University or any land-grant college. FFA members in counties served by the Union Pacific who have done satisfactory work in vocational agriculture should make application for the scholarships by February 1, 1963.

FFA members who are also candidates for the State Farmer Degree need to indicate on the front of the application that they are also candidates for the Union Pacific Scholarship. Each candidate, whether State Farmer applicant this year or in previous years, must complete the Union Pacific application form which is available from the State Office. In addition, each candidate must submit a picture of himself mounted on 8 1/2 x 11 paper and a story of the history, development, and results of his farming program in not less than 500 words. Eligible counties are as follows:

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| 1. Brown | 18. McPherson |
| 2. Clay | 19. Mitchell |
| 3. Cloud | 20. Nemaha |
| 4. Dickinson | 21. Osborne |
| 5. Doniphan | 22. Ottawa |
| 6. Douglas | 23. Pottawatomie |
| 7. Ellis | 24. Riley |
| 8. Ellsworth | 25. Rooks |
| 9. Geary | 26. Russell |
| 10. Gove | 27. Saline |
| 11. Graham | 28. Shawnee |
| 12. Jackson | 29. Sheridan |
| 13. Jefferson | 30. Thomas |
| 14. Leavenworth | 31. Trego |
| 15. Lincoln | 32. Wallace |
| 16. Logan | 33. Washington |
| 17. Marshall | 34. Wyandotte |

INSURANCE PLANS

The December 15 issue of the Kansas Future Farmer Newsletter carried a brief statement concerning two insurance plans available to FFA members. We wish to clarify the fact that these are not the only plans available. Mr. Harold Garver, retired advisor of the Shawnee Mission FFA Chapter, represents the American United Life Insurance Company, which offers a Young Farmers Life Plan. The details of the plan are in the hands of the FFA advisors. FFA members should consider the merits of all insurance policies offered in Kansas and make their own decision, based on their judgment of the facts presented. Neither the State nor National FFA Offices sponsor any life insurance.

FAIR RETURN

The following article from the Owl's Nest is quoted from the "FFA Squealer" the chapter publication of the Simpson Chapter.

"The story is told about an FFA member who missed out on some of the activities of his chapter. His excuse was, 'It didn't look like it was going to be interesting, so I didn't come.' This incident could have happened last week, last year, or several years past.

"This always brings up an interesting aspect on the smooth functioning of every FFA chapter. Why is it necessary to present a five-ring circus for every activity in order to keep it interesting for those few that must be entertained. A majority of the boys who get much out of FFA are doing so because they are putting something into it. This organization is officially described as an organization "of, by, and for boys studying vocational agriculture." This

purpose would denote that the chapter is self-governed and self-operated. This further indicates that if the boys are going to get anything out of FFA, THEY MUST PUT SOMETHING INTO IT.

"Any organization existing for the entertainment of its members is indeed shallow in purpose. There must be mutual effort by all to receive mutual benefit. Any person along just for the ride, like our aforementioned member, should be left in state, in (study hall).

"Next time you criticize your FFA or school, for that matter, ask yourself how much effort you have put out to make it beneficial; for others as well as yourself. Remember, the train called success has no riders."

A SUCCESSFUL FARMING PROGRAM REPORT

At the beginning of my freshman year in high school, I had no farming program. During my freshman year, I purchased five high-grade, three-year old Hereford cows. They calved in February and March, and I lost one calf at birth. I sold the other four calves in November at a weight of 410 pounds. On January 1 of my sophomore year, I purchased twelve acres of growing wheat and five acres of growing alfalfa. I rented twelve additional acres of land from Dad and planted it to feed to be cut as silage. I got 40 tons of silage from the feed, 244 bushels of wheat, and 600 bales of alfalfa from my crops. In June, I purchased twelve high-grade, three-year old Hereford cows with calves at their side. In my Junior year, I purchased six registered Hereford cows, five with calves at their side, and one to calve within a month. During the summer I purchased twelve registered Hereford cows with calves at side. I

sold my twelve grade cows and their calves for \$250 a pair to help finance the purchase of my registered cows and calves. I sold twelve of my registered heifer calves to Dad for \$120 each when they weighed 375 pounds. At the present time, I own 20 registered cows, six registered Hereford bulls, weighing 555 pounds, two fattening steers, and 25 acres of wheat. My net worth has increased almost \$8,000 in my four years of high school, and I hope that my farming program will finance my college education.

Craig Carmichael,
Plainville

A Message to Kansas FFA Members Regarding the 1963 People-to-People Good Will Program

The Second Annual Kansas FFA People-to-People Good Will Mission to Eastern and Western Europe, July 1963 is in the process of being formed. The tour will include a day and night in New York City before flying by jet liner to Edinburgh, Scotland for a three week tour in eight countries. These countries are as follows: Scotland (Edinburgh), England (London), France (Paris), Germany (East and West Berlin), Belgium (Brussels), Denmark (Copenhagen), Czechoslovakia (Prague), and Hungary (Budapest). The tour will originate in Wichita, Kansas about July 9. The delegates will fly to New York and from country to country in Europe by air. Every FFA member, (active, associate, or past), who is interested in promoting good will should take advantage of the educational opportunities to travel abroad at reasonable rates. The entire tour from Wichita and return will cost no more than \$1189.00 and probably a few dollars less. This includes all transportation, meals, room, visas, tips, tours, and a few miscellaneous items. All FFA chapter advisors have

received complete information concerning the 1963 tour. FFA members who feel they can give of their time and money for this program should immediately contact their advisor or Mr. Virgil T. Lake, Vocational Agriculture Department, 637 North Spruce, Kingman, Kansas or home address, 1130 North Pine, Kingman, Kansas. Information received from Mr. Les Davis, People-to-People Travel Program Director, Winnebago, Illinois, states that 18 State FFA delegations are being formed and 31 State Department of Agriculture delegations (first-class groups) are in the making. KANSAS DOES NOT YET HAVE ENOUGH REGISTERED DELEGATES TO ASSURE A DELEGATION FOR 1963. Kansas, with 31 delegates in 1962, was one of six states that initiated these tours. Kansas MUST NOT break the chain of events of this vitally important program of creating good will in the Communist world. Any sacrifice which a member might have to make to go on the tour will be well worth it. Any of the 1962 delegates would say it was well worth it. It is hoped that the interest exhibited earlier will be renewed and that Kansas will maintain her status with the best of the delegations going to Europe in 1963. ACTION IS NEEDED NOW!

Virgil T. Lake
State FFA Coordinator
People-to-People Program

PEABODY FFA PURCHASE
DEMONSTRATION FARM

The Peabody Future Farmers of America Chapter has started a project which has been a full-time job for all members. We have bought a demonstration farm that consists of two and one-half acres. We have cleared all the brush and have mowed the grass. We plan to purchase a steer to fatten for our FFA banquet. Several members of the chapter and the Peabody Co-op bought shares and purchased two additional steers. We built a shed for the three steers and started our first livestock production program. We also constructed a windbreak and a pen for the steers. Then a committee of FFA members traveled to the Wichita Stock Yards, made the purchase, and brought the animals back to the farm. The first thing that happened was sickness. One of the steers had a bad case of shipping fever. This sickness caused the steer to lose weight, but he is gaining nicely at the present time. Today all three steers are gaining rapidly and are doing very well. The FFA banquet will be well supplied with beef and the shareholders will receive a slight profit from their investment in the two additional steers. We all enjoy working on our newly purchased demonstration farm.

Kerby Mellott,
Peabody

FFA CHAPTER NEWS

OXFORD: In August our chapter had an ice cream feed and invited all the new freshmen as guests. Darrel Jarboe, one of our members taking part in the People-to-People Tour through Europe, gave a talk and showed his pictures. In September the chapter took a trip to the State Fair in Hutchinson. Later in that month, the officers all attended the Leadership School at Harper. We had a hayrack ride and wiener roast in November, which everyone enjoyed. We are selling mixed nuts, renting our squeeze chute, and selling coffee and donuts at basketball games for money-raising projects this year. We have just started a pest eradication contest, and the losing side will provide a chili feed for the chapter.

Frank Gardiner, Reporter

HAVEN: At Green Hand initiation we welcomed 22 new members into our chapter. On Saturday, November 24, we sponsored our annual All-School Dance. Lynnette Geffert, a senior and the twin sister of our president, was elected FFA Queen. Jay Yoder and Vern King have been elected as co-managers of the FFA basketball team. The basketball games have been scheduled with two games each for Pretty Prairie, Buhler, Inman, Moundridge, and McPherson Chapters. Two weeks ago we enjoyed a field trip to the Schlickan farm to weigh and rate yearling bulls and heifers for their December sale. We also helped wash and groom the cattle on the day before the sale. John Hayes has started his farming program with ten steer calves, which he plans to handle on the deferred system. Larry Schmidt, Steve Westfahl, and Ronnie

Back are also planning deferred programs. Clayton Yutzy has 12 western ewes in his beginning program. Tom Wenner has one gilt, one Hereford heifer, and eleven dairy goats; Ray Seck has a bred Hampshire gilt; and Tim Carmichael has three bred Hereford steers.

Bill Seck, Reporter

WILSON: Our summer activities at Wilson included building a float for the annual "After Harvest Festival" (the theme, "Youth Our Most Important Product"). Our officers attended the third annual officers' training camp at Rock Springs Ranch, and we held our watermelon feed in the Lions Club Park before school started. At our first monthly meeting, Vince Reinert, manager of Kyner Elevator, spoke to us on some of his experiences in the feed business. He told us how he became connected with the feed industry, what training he has had, how his farm background and vocational agriculture experience has helped him in an agricultural related field. The Program of Work was the item of business at the October meeting. After the meeting was opened and Kenney Soukup explained how to adopt a committee report, we split up into the various committees to draw up the final report. The fathers were guests at the Father-Son Chili Supper, November 20, in the vocational agriculture shop. After the meal, Roger, Harry, and Raymond pantomimed three songs; and the chapter gave a parliamentary procedure demonstration. During "Farm-City Week," we presented an all-school assembly. At this assembly we showed the film, "Dynamic Careers Through Agriculture."

Ernie Soukup, Reporter

FLORENCE: Our chapter has held a meeting every month this year. Over the summer we gave a T. V. program about fitting and showing sheep. We have increased our enrollment in vocational agriculture by seven students. We held Open House for the new members and their fathers. Last month we initiated 13 Green Hands into our chapter. We also have a new vocational agriculture teacher; he is Ross Moon from Pratt. In shop we are building a feed wagon, feed bunks, a squeeze chute, and several small items. In our last meeting there was a parliamentary procedure contest between the Green Hands and the officers-- the officers won. The regular officers attended the Leadership School at Buhler.

Don Hague, Reporter

GREELEY CO.: We held our annual watermelon feed for the incoming freshmen in August. When school started, we were glad to have 17 candidates for the degree of Green Hand. In shop the members are making pickup stock racks, loading chutes, cattle feeders, and other things. In our safety program we are selling fire extinguishers, seat belts, and reflectors. At one of our meetings, we held a demonstration on fires and how to extinguish them. As one of our cooperative activities, we helped co-sponsor a box supper and a Barnwarmer. The box supper was very successful and was enjoyed by those who attended. We have started a new gilt ring and have run concrete for our cooperative hog feeding program.

Wayne Johnson, Reporter

HANSTON: On August 14 the chapter had a watermelon feed for the freshmen boys. They also elected officers for the

coming year. Many of the chapter members entered their shop projects in the Hodgeman County Fair. The chapter members won Grand Champion, five blues, three reds, and one white. The Hanston Chapter rated third place at the Kansas State Fair in the Farm Mechanics Contest. Chapter members took third place in the Southwestern Kansas Area Land Judging Contest at Liberal. There were eleven freshmen initiated to Green Hands at the November night meeting. The chapter is selling reflectors, safety stickers, fire extinguishers, and seat belts. They are selling these for a money-making project and also to make the community a safer place to live. The FFA Barnwarmer was held December 8. A queen was chosen from four candidates. It was held in the new shop building. Recent speakers at our meetings have been Mr. Jim Jarnigan, Star Farmer of America in 1958, and local co-op manager, Steve Lewis.

Gary Winget, Reporter

JENNINGS: The Jennings FFA members held a car wash to finance a trip to Ponca City, Oklahoma. We left for Ponca City Sunday morning at 9 a.m. and arrived at 5 p.m. The next morning we toured the Conoco Oil Refinery. The agriculture classes ran a cement slab for their work area in front of the shop and also constructed a concrete trash burner. The juniors and seniors have been going over the fundamentals of drawing and reading blueprints. The sophomores have been studying about the care and management of the sow from breeding to farrowing. The chapter is also sponsoring a pest control contest.

Roger Vanover, Reporter

GOESSEL: The Green Hand initiation was held on October 23. The program included the initiation ceremonies, a parliamentary procedure contest, and the juniors' presentation of the skit, "Building the FFA Emblem." A freshmen-parent meeting was held recently. This meeting informed the 16 freshmen boys and their parents of the duties and principles of the FFA. The seniors studied farm machinery repair this six weeks. A hay baler was repaired completely. This hay baler was the first study project; it will be followed by the study of other implements. In sophomore vocational agriculture the fellows have been studying what it costs to produce a 200 lb. market hog, a 50 lb. weaning pig, a 1,000 lb. fat steer, and a 100 lb. lamb. Field trips to farmers who raised this type of livestock were taken after each specific lesson was completed. Some of the projects being built in our vocational agriculture shop at the present time are a mower, a trailer, several stock racks, an implement carrier, a swather trailer, a post-hole digger, a three-point-hitch springtooth carrier, and various other smaller projects.

Larry Dirksen, Reporter

SABETHA: On November 15 our chapter held its annual roller skating party with the FHA girls. After skating we returned to the high school and enjoyed doughnuts and hot chocolate. The following night we initiated 17 Green Hands into our chapter. After the initiation the group played basketball. Our pest control contest got underway December 1. At the close of the contest, the losing side will provide a pie supper for the winning side. Plans are being made for

our All-School Valentine Dance, sponsored by the FFA and FHA. The FFA has nominated three candidates for queen, and the FHA has nominated three candidates for king. Voting will be the night of the dance, and the queen and king will be crowned.

Kenneth Aberle, Reporter

MANHATTAN: Fourteen Green Hands received the Chapter Farmer degree on January 15. Seven members received the degree of Green Hand on October 16. We have had the 4-H Club leader, Jimmie Smith, talk to us about insects in Kansas. Arlen Etling, State FFA Vice-President, showed slides of his People-to-People Tour. Mr. Delbert Eckart, Farm Bureau Insurance Safety Assistant, talked to our chapter on safe practices on the home farm. Our sophomore class organized an FFA basketball team to compete in the intramural program at school. We built concrete slabs for a local nursery for our concrete experience and skills in shop. Shop projects include a livestock trailer, a horse trailer, rewiring lights on tractor, repairing a mower, and many other items of a similar nature.

Tom Kientz, Secretary

PARKER: During the first day of the Parker Chapter FFA Green Hand initiation, the Green Hands wore overalls, work shoes, work shirts, red handkerchiefs, and carried their books in buckets. The clothes represented the "Farmer of Yesterday," under the slogan "All Brawn, No Brains." The second day the Green Hands wore the "Dress of

Tomorrow," representing the heading, "Balance of Hard Work and Managerial Ability." The apparel consisted of dress pants, white shirt, tie, FFA jacket, and a "Green Hand." They also received their Green Hand pins. Albert Kerr was the high individual scorer in the pest contest. The losing team is in charge of refreshments at an FFA meeting. Prizes went to individuals. The Parker FFA and Y-Teen Christmas Party was a success. The program consisted of games. Gifts were exchanged; refreshments were cookies and punch. The chapter presented an hour-long safety program for an all-school assembly. A panel presented facts on effectiveness of seat belts. A skit on safety with firearms was presented. The chapter is selling and installing seat belts. No profit is made on the seat belts, but there is an installation charge. Some of the shop projects are hay feeders, feed bunks, loading chutes, gates, farrowing crates, etc. The sophomores and freshmen are working on three-minute speeches in preparation for the speech contest at Emporia.

Dwight Gorrell, Reporter

OSAGE CITY: We have 35 boys in FFA and 32 enrolled in vocational agriculture. Eleven boys applied for and were advanced to the Green Hand degree. The FFA officers went to the American Royal in October and toured Swift and Company Packing Plant. Professor Paul Stevenson was the Square Dance caller at the FFA Barnwarmer held November 17 in the vocational agriculture building. A candidate for FFA Queen was selected

by each class. The queen was then selected from these four girls by a penny a vote. Anamarie Jensen, the seniors' representative, was selected as the 1962-63 FFA Queen. FFA members, their dates, and invited guests enjoyed the three hours of square dancing and games. We are cooperating with the local Chamber of Commerce Pest Control Committee in mixing and distributing free Warfarin rat bait. One hundred pounds of mixed rat bait has been distributed to the residents of the community. Shop projects under construction include hay feeders, gates, stock rack, four-wheel wagons, loading chutes, squeeze chute, feed bunks, mail box stands, picnic tables, etc. The Pest Control Contest is underway and will be completed February 1. The losing team will treat the winners to a chili feed in February.

Gary Dayhoff, Reporter

ELLSWORTH: During the current year Ellsworth had 13 boys initiated as Green Hands. Eight members were raised to the Chapter Farmer degree. Five of the boys have applied for the \$500 Soil Conservation Scholarship. The Ellsworth High School and local businesses cooperate to conduct an annual Senior Work Week. This year the week was held from January 20-27. All the FFA seniors have gone to work with the local veterinarian with the idea of finding a possible vocation or learning a few practices to use on the home farm. Our chapter hosted the district speech contest on January 19. Nineteen schools enrolled some 80 boys in the contest. The three top schools

in the Gold Emblem division were Ellsworth, Salina, and Beloit. Lester Crandall, Virgil Huseman, Gary Urbanek and the advisors, attended the National Safety Congress in Chicago. The all-expense-paid trip was very valuable in learning new safety ideas. Ellsworth also presented a safety demonstration while attending the Congress. Members' farming programs are making good progress. Two hundred seventy-seven head of cattle and 571 acres of crops are being handled by FFA members. The chapter operates a concession stand during basketball season. Ellsworth Future Farmers comprised over one-sixth of the Ellsworth's CPL. championship football squad this year.

Gary Urbanek, Reporter

HAYS: The Hays Future Farmers of America Chapter has 31 boys this year. FFA members attended the Angus Futurity show and judging contest at Hutchinson. FFA members attended the Western Livestock Show at Denver. We are now making plans for the FFA banquet, which will be held in March. Hays will be host for the Northwest District Dairy Judging Contest. Projects in shop consist of silage bunks, trailers, gates, dehorning chute, and painting a combine.

Dennis Breeden, Reporter

ELK CITY: The Elk City FFA Chapter has 40 boys enrolled in vocational agriculture this year, with 100 per cent membership in FFA. This year we have held numerous events. Among them are the FFA and FHA Banquet, Elk City Fair, trip to the Kansas State Fair, and attendance at FFA Leader-

ship School. We have recently held our FFA Green Hand initiation and presented 12 freshmen boys with the Green Hand degree. There were 16 Chapter Farmer degrees awarded this year. During the Christmas season our chapter helped cut and decorate a Christmas tree for the town square. Our planned activities for the immediate future consist of an FFA basket ball game with the Coffeyville and the Caney Chapters. We plan to attend some of the District Judging Contests in our area. For our fund-raising program we have sold ads for an FFA Calendar. Our chapter has distributed 525 calendars over the immediate trade area. We feel this will provide an excellent source of advertisement for our chapter, as well as a fund-raising program. Farm shop projects this year consist of construction of hay feeders, gates, ladders, flower holders, self-feeders, and a feed wagon.

Dale Springer, Reporter

LAWRENCE: Our Parent and Son FFA Banquet was held November 20, 1962. The Chapter Sweetheart Mother was Mrs. Jess Sutton. The Honorable Chapter Farmer was Arden Booth, the Director of Radio Station KLWN. The banquet was attended by 290 members, parents, and guests. The Lawrence Chapter will start 1963 with a Public Speaking Contest held in Emporia. All freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors are eligible. The Public Speaking Team will give speeches at the Hi-12 Club on February 5. The chapter has four State Farmer candidates for 1963. We have a candidate for the Union Pacific Scholarship. Numerous shop projects have been made, such as cattle hay feeders,

tractor carry-alls, loading chutes, self-unloading wagons, bale elevator, implement trailer, and manure scoop. On October 11 our chapter had the pleasure of showing 90 FFA boys from California various farming programs and livestock. These boys were delegates to the National Convention in Kansas City. We took them to visit farming programs of our members.

William Schmidt, Reporter

STOCKTON: There are 40 members enrolled in vocational agriculture. Sixteen boys were initiated as Green Hands on October 16, and on January 17 nine members were raised to the Chapter Farmer degree. The chapter sponsored their annual Goblin's Glory (high school carnival) on October 27. Six members attended the National FFA Convention. The annual FFA Parent-Son Meeting was held on November 20. A building to be used for a concession stand and football equipment storage was built this fall by the shop classes. The American Farmers from our chapter were honored guests of our local Lions and Rotary Clubs. Don Dix and sons (Richard and Archie) Hereford Farm sponsored a livestock judging school and contest on December 27 for the Rooks County 4H and FFA members. The members of the Young Farmer class assisted with this school by placing the classes and taking the reasons. Our chapter will be host to the Northwest District Poultry School and Contest on February 16.

Verlyn Maddy, Reporter

KINCAID: We began school last fall with 11 Green Hands and 24 Chapter Farmers. Our first activity was to prepare our crops booth at the Kincaid

Fair in September. Several members exhibited crop samples. On October 10 the FFA Officers attended the National FFA Convention in Kansas City. On October 15 the juniors and seniors attended the American Royal. We held our Chapter Public Speaking Contest in December, and the winners of each class are now practicing for the District Contest at Emporia. Our pest control contest ended January 2. We were glad to see several coyote ears and crow heads turned in along with a large number of rat and mice tails. The losing side will treat the winners to a picnic in the spring. Shop projects include creep feeders, loading chutes, trailers, gates, and stock racks.

Glen Louk, Reporter

FORD: The Ford Chapter has over 100 per cent membership in FFA this year. In September the chapter set up the Ford County Collective Agriculture Booth at the Kansas State Fair in Hutchinson; this booth received second place in Western Kansas. On Sunday during the fair, 12 boys and the chapter advisor traveled to Hutchinson, where they stayed all night and participated in the FFA activities. Rundell Brown, Chapter Treasurer, was selected to play in the National FFA Band during the convention. Other chapter officers also attended the convention. Chapter officers initiated eight freshmen into the chapter at our October meeting. The December meeting was the annual Father-Son Meeting. Our speaker was Mr. Ralph Peters, Agriculture Consultant to Senator Williams of Delaware. Mr. Peters talked on the "Farm Problem." In December we took the co-op quiz and are now working on the co-op speeches. Some of our shop projects this year include a picnic table, squeeze chute,

gas barrel stand, gates, feed bunks, feed troughs, and overhauling a tractor and a small engine. Our year thus far has been interesting, instructive, and learning.

Roger Jones, Reporter

ELLINWOOD: Several Ellinwood FFA senior officers are filling out applications for the State Farmer degree. Our chapter has decided to start the pest control contest again on a limited basis. We divided the interested members into three teams, with the members having the lowest score on the two losing teams paying for the prizes for the top members. Some of the pests, which have caused trouble in the past, were excluded from the contest. At our recent meetings we have had a speaker talking on the meaning of Christmas and films on "Cheyenne Bottoms" and "Duck Hunting with Ted Williams." Some of the larger projects being built in our shop include two cattle feeders, implement carriers, post hole auger, field sprayer, and beef cattle sling.

David Isern, Reporter

TROY: The Troy Chapter of the Future Farmers of America has seven new members to the Junior Hampshire Swine Registry. In order to become members, they have to own at least one registered male or female Hampshire hog. They are junior members until they reach the age of 21, then it will cost them \$10 to be members. Troy and Highland have been having a pest eradication contest. Many students have shown interest, and many rodents and other pests have been eradicated. The chapter

welcomed 14 Green Hands into the chapter, and eight Green Hands were raised to the degree of Chapter Farmer as a part of the program for the annual Father-Son Chili Feed.

Stan Ruhnke, Reporter

ERIE: The chapter members are sponsoring a chapter basketball team. Chapter members have sold Christmas cards for a fund-raising activity. Members have also constructed shop projects to sell.

Terry Kiser, Reporter

HOPE: In August we entered five pieces of equipment in the FFA Farm Mechanics Contest at the Central Kansas Free Fair. We received the first place in chapter exhibits. Individual prizes were first blue, John Gruber, loading chute; second blue, Eldred Brockmeier, four-wheel trailer; second red, Tom Haire, springtooth trailer; and second white, Rom Schlesener, air compressor. Eldred Brockmeier received ninth at the Kansas State Fair on his trailer. We have nine Green Hands this year.

Dan Falen, Reporter

STAFFORD: As a community service this year, the Stafford FFA Chapter is selling rat poison and tow cables. So far, we have sold over 100 lbs. of rat poison and several cables. We also had a magazine drive to raise money for our annual trip to Colorado. We have held turkey shoots for a money-raising project. We have submitted two members' names for the good will tour to foreign countries. FFA members are doing odd jobs to help defray part of the expense.

Bill Lackamp, Reporter

PLAINVILLE: During the Christmas vacation, the Plainville FFA Chapter held a pest eradication contest. All members were encouraged to gather points by bringing in identifying parts of many different pests that were to be found in the community. The losing team is required to serve at a chili supper to be held in February. The parents will be invited to this supper, and during the program our chapter will initiate the new Green Hands. The chapter is now making plans for the annual pancake and sausage supper to be held on Saturday, February 16. The FFA has sponsored this event for several years now and has adopted it as our main money-raising project. Hogs for this event are purchased by the FFA and are butchered, processed, and seasoned by the vocational agriculture classes. All edible meat is ground into the sausage. Tickets are sold to the public; and when someone comes to eat, they are served all of the pancakes and sausage that they can eat. The vocational agriculture department purchased 44 feeder pigs for its cooperative pork production plan, and they are almost ready to go to market. The cooperative has planned to purchase 50 more pigs later on in the year. Shares were sold in the amount of \$10 each to raise money for the project, and there was no limit placed on how many a member could buy. The money raised from the sale of shares goes toward the purchase of the pigs and feed. Benefits are to be paid on the shares after the hogs are fattened out and sold. This program has served as an excellent place for class work and a very good management project for students who have a limited farming program opportunity because the students that have no farming opportunities have a chance to manage the project

and to gain experience by doing the work that the project requires.

Steven Hall, Reporter

CLAY CENTER: We started our year off with an exhibit at the Hutchinson Fair, and the judging team attended the National Dairy Cattle Congress at Waterloo. We sold \$1200 worth of wheat along with \$850 worth of fire extinguishers and seatbelts and \$350 for popcorn sales at football games. The chapter planted grass in the agriculture building yard and purchased shrubery for the yard. The members painted the building foundation as a cooperative project. Forty members were guests of our co-op for a two-day trip to Kansas City during Christmas vacation. Sixteen Green Hands and dads were present at our parent meeting; and 42 members and dads were present at our annual Christmas meeting, where we enjoyed a Christmas program and a gift exchange. Our chapter cooperated with the Young Farmer chapter in the first annual feeder pig sale in October. Another is planned for next October. Shop projects include tractor blades, crop sprayer, pickup stock racks, loading chutes, horse trailers, four-wheel trailers, power hacksaw, springtooth evener, self-unloading trailer, farrowing stalls, and other projects. The School Board has supplied us with a pickup, a tractor, and plow for our school farm.

Ted Kobetich, Reporter

McPHERSON: Members of the McPherson FFA Chapter began the year with a hamburger fry and watermelon feed early in September. This year 23 new Green Hands are in FFA. The chapter members had a bowling

party in October. Some of the members attended the Angus Futurity last fall. We are now playing FFA basketball with the schools near us. As a money-making project, we sold \$1600 worth of magazines for the Curtis Publication Company. In shop this year, the freshmen are working on skills. Other shop projects include a garden tractor, implement carrier, springtooth hitch, stock racks, three-point hitch carry-alls, and overhauling a truck motor and clutch.

Alan Mitchell, Reporter

WAKEENEY: The new school year for the Wakeeney Chapter of FFA started with a watermelon feed sponsored by the FFA. FFA members were invited. It was held a week before school started. The county had a land judging school, in which the junior and senior agriculture students attended. The FFA also helped sponsor a mixer after the Ellis-Wakeeney football game. Refreshments were served, and the jukebox was used for music. For a money-raising activity, the FFA sold Christmas cards and stationery. To increase sales, prizes were set so you could win pencils, pens, T-shirts, sweatshirts, and even an FFA jacket. On January 12 the seniors left for Denver to see the National Western Stock Show. The chapter advisor, school principal, and two parents furnished cars. The seniors spent two days at the stock show. The seniors look forward to this trip every year. For a community service project, we are going to sell nursery stock. Our goal is to sell 3,000 potted windbreak trees, 5,000 barerooted windbreak trees, 150 balled landscape trees, 150 roses, 150 shade trees, and 150 fruit trees.

James Montgomery, Reporter

MULLINVILLE: The Mullinville Chapter of FFA held their second semester party in the school gymnasium. Several close volleyball games were played. Refreshments were served. To increase our financial standing, front car tag booster plates are being sold. We also plan to sell Farm Bureau safety seat belts and fire extinguishers as a part of our safety program. At our last meeting our Co-op manager spoke on the marketing of grain and the history of Co-op. The local banker is scheduled to speak next month on establishing our financial credit.

Dewain Davis, Reporter

LONGFORD: The Longford FFA pest eradication contest started on November 19, 1963, and ended on January 18. We were divided into two teams, the North and the South. Shop projects the first semester include loading chutes, stock racks, sickle grinder, air compressor, grain trailer, horse trailer, and several smaller projects.

Ernest Ferguson, Reporter

ATWOOD: The Atwood Chapter of FFA is in the process of a safety program by selling fire extinguishers, seat belts, and flares to farmers around the area. The chapter is also planning to have a Parent-Son Banquet on May 14. We are planning a picture page in the local paper and a window display for FFA Week. The Atwood Chapter is planning to order shrubs to plant around the high school grounds to improve the looks of our school.

John Dirks, Reporter

PRATT: Our chapter entered a county

collective booth at the Kansas State Fair at Hutchinson in September. A team attended the livestock judging contest at the Angus Futurity Show in Hutchinson. A float was prepared for the High School Football Homecoming Game. The float placed third. The chapter held a dance in the Pratt Recreation Center. The FHA was invited. The chapter has sponsored the concession stand twice--once at a football game and other at a basketball game. A pest eradication contest is now being held. The members are divided into two groups forming two teams. The chapter is planning a radio program on the local radio station for National FFA Week. Posters will be distributed throughout Pratt during this week.

Calvin Barnhart, Reporter

FORT SCOTT: The Fort Scott FFA Chapter started the school year with 51 boys enrolled in vocational agriculture and 72 active FFA members. Our Annual FFA Parent-Guest Night is set for May 9. Mike Dikeman, Dale Niemeir, and Earl Carter, who were in Europe last summer under the People-to-People Program have been busy presenting on the average of two to three programs a week since they have returned. They will present the program at our banquet about their trip to Europe. Six FFA members and two parents attended the National FFA Convention on October 12. The members of the various agriculture classes have vaccinated 319 hogs for cholera and swine erysipelas, and they docked 50 lambs. Three sets of FFA officers were elected besides the regular officers. At our January meeting, 14 members were raised to the Green

Hand degree. Plans have been made to have a Valentine Party on February 14. Our chapter basketball team has been playing basketball, having lost only one game so far in the school intramurals.

Bill Madison, Reporter

NATOMA: The Natoma Chapter of FFA has raised three boys from the Green Hand degree to the Chapter Farmer degree, and nine boys from the freshmen class were made Green Hands. The chapter has done numerous community service jobs this past semester. We have done castrating and vaccinating to both hogs and cattle and have butchered some in shop. Some of the shop projects being built this year are feed bunks, squeeze chute, loading chute, iron and wood gates, bale loader, trailers, and truck and pickup overhaul. Some of the boys are also making gun racks, cedar chests, and tables. The junior agriculture boys took a trip to the Western National Livestock Show at Denver, January 12-14. They saw the cattle show and other things in the morning and attended the rodeo in the afternoon.

Leonard Kreft, Reporter

MEDICINE LODGE: The Medicine Lodge Chapter of FFA purchased 38 pigs to sell as a monty-making project. The chapter members took turns feeding the hog the feed furnished by the local Co-op. Money for the pigs was borrowed from the local bank. The chapter had three Green Hand initiations in November. There were eight members to be initiated. There was a fine crowd and all Green Hands were honored.

Tom Thomas, Reporter