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\* CORRECTION \*  
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\* At the close of the time allotted by the state \*  
\* officers of the Kansas Association of Future Farmers \*  
\* of America for the submission of the yearly program, \*  
\* November 1, 1933, a few chapters were notified that \*  
\* "Because of the fact that their program did not reach \*  
\* this office by November 1, they would not be permitted \*  
\* to have a vote in the next meeting of the House of \*  
\* Delegates". This statement was in error. It should \*  
\* have read that "Chapter programs reaching this office \*  
\* after the closing date, November 1, would not be con- \*  
\* sidered in ranking the ten best chapter programs at the \*  
\* annual meeting of the State Association next spring". \*  
\* We are sorry this error occurred and take this means of \*  
\* correcting same. \*  
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\* The right to vote in the House of Delegates' meet- \*  
\* ing is predicated upon the payment of dues. If a chapter \*  
\* is active, it is entitled to two delegates. An active \*  
\* chapter was defined by the House of Delegates in their \*  
\* last meeting as a chapter maintaining officers and having \*  
\* their dues paid to date. \*  
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FOURTEENTH ANNUAL JUDGING  
AND FARM MECHANICS CONTESTS

The fourteenth annual state high school vocational agriculture judging and farm mechanics contests will be held at Manhattan, April 30 and May 1, 1934. The sixth annual meeting of the Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America will be held in connection with this event. FFA chapter officers should acquaint themselves with the list of activities open to high school students, and urge participation on the part of their members in as many of the activities as possible. Besides the judging teams in agriculture and farm mechanics, activities of interest to Future Farmers are, the public speaking contest, best chapter contest, State Farmer candidates, electing and sending delegates to the annual meeting, and choosing state officers for 1934-35. Chapter officers should see to it that their chapter is duly qualified to participate in the activities of this occasion. A folder carrying the announcements of all the activities scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, April 30 and May 1, 1934, is being mailed every chapter advisor in the state.

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SIXTH ANNUAL PROGRAM  
Kansas Association Future Farmers of America  
April 30 and May 1, 1934.

- Monday, April 30 - Immediately following opening of Contests, Room Ag. 7.  
Registration of official delegates and submission of copy of annual report of local chapter. Local advisor, delegate, or authorized representative. State President, Wayne D. Trail, presiding.
- Monday, April 30, 2:00 p.m. - Education Hall, G28, meeting of officers of Kansas Association Future Farmers of America.
- Monday, April 30, 7:30 p.m. - Ag. 331. Sixth Annual Meeting of the House of Delegates of the Kansas Association Future Farmers of America. Roll Call, Chapter Reports, Reports of State Officers, Committee Reports, Officially vote on Future Farmer candidates to be raised to the State Farmer Degree. Election of officers for the ensuing year.
- Tuesday, May 1, 8:00 a.m. - Ag. 331. State F.F.A. Public Speaking Contest; A. P. Davidson in charge, President Wayne Trail presiding. Judges, a K.S.C. faculty representative from the Departments of Public Speaking, Education, and Agricultural Economics.
- Tuesday, May 1, 5:00 p.m. - Illustrations Building, group picture of new State Farmer members and group picture of new officers of the State Association of F.F.A.
- Tuesday, May 1, 6:30 p.m. - Manhattan Chamber of Commerce Banquet, Community House, Contestants, Coaches, F.F.A. Delegates, and guests. Meeting in charge of Kansas Association Future Farmers of America. Program. State Farmers Degree Ritual. F.F.A. movies. Announcing contest results. Awards.

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## CHAPTER NEWS

Hill City. We held our annual meeting to elect officers in January. The following officers were elected: President, Ralph Bethal; Vice-president, Dixon Low; Secretary-Treasurer, Leo Grantham; Reporter, Lee Ninemie; Watch Dog, Marion Kesseling.

Leonard Bird, a senior member in our chapter, was awarded a \$100 scholarship by the Union Pacific Railroad Company. His major project was 12 acres of Wheatland Milo.

-- Lee Ninemie, Reporter.

Lincoln. The Lincoln chapter elected the following officers for the coming year: President, Ben Wilson; Vice-president, Clayton Lewick; Secretary, Henry Watson; Treasurer, Lloyd Walker; Reporter, Richard Didrill; Watch Dog, Vernon Schneider.

The chapter has been planning a F.F.A. Parent and Son Banquet which will be held the 29th of March. This will be the second annual banquet.

The second year agriculture class banded trees for the spring canker worm the 14, 15, and 16 of February. This project included all trees on the school ground and about 45 additional trees.

We have also been making plans for our hot bed project which is 6 feet by 12 feet. We plan to plant half of it to tomatoes, one-fourth to sweet potatoes, and one-fourth to cabbage.

-- Richard Didrill, Reporter.

Blue Rapids. The chapter held election of officers at the regular February meeting. Elmer Musil, our State Farmer, was re-elected President.

The January meeting was held in the school gymnasium. The members were divided into teams and a basket ball tournament was played. We also had some boxing matches and other games.

Three of our officers have been members of the Marshall County championship basket ball team.

Several of the members have been cooperating in mixing laying mash.

-- Marving Sedivy, Reporter.

Mound City. The F.F.A. and F.H.A. Departments gave a play Wednesday evening, March 7, in the High School Auditorium entitled "George in a Jam", which was very successful. This is the fourth annual play given by these two departments since the organization of the F.F.A. chapter. The proceeds will be used to carry on the activities of the chapter.

The Mound City chapter visited the Pleasanton chapter February 8, where they thoroughly enjoyed themselves. There were two basket ball games played, one by the Green Hands and the other by the Future Farmer team. After the games refreshments of cocoa and cookies were served.

The class project of the Mound City chapter will be three hundred White Leghorns coming from a R.O.P flock. Chicks will be purchased and grown out. Next fall and spring setting eggs from this flock will be sold to students and people of Mound City. This plan should aid greatly in building high grade flocks of White Leghorns in this community. The vocational agriculture boys are remodeling a vacant building on the school grounds to use as a brooder house for the chicks. It is to have a hail screen floor and runway. A twenty by twenty hen house used by the class in '32 is being remodeled to accommodate the pullets next fall.

Two and one-half miles of terraces have been laid off for Clayton Osborne, a former member of our F.F.A. Each of these proved to be successful and a credit to the department.

The agriculture boys have completed a driveway which leads into the shop. Rocks are whitewashed and set around the outer edge. Several loads of cinders have been put in the driveway to make it an all-weather road.

The Crops class held a public pruning demonstration at C.W. Jacksons, Feb. 5. They pruned grapes, apple, peach, and cherry trees.

-- Edgar Schasteen, Reporter.

Havensville. The following boys hold office in the Havensville chapter: President, Harland Clements; Vice-president, Glen Sumner; Treasurer, David Schilling; Secretary, John Harris Jr.; Reporter, Darrel Fordham; Watch Dog, Paul Beach.

The following boys were initiated as Green Hands in October, 1933: Nyman Bateman, Junior Cline, Donald Harris, Lyle Loughmiller, Milton Manual, Raymond Miller, Clyde Vennegerg. They will be raised to the Future Farmer degree March 20.

The chapter is sponsoring a hot bed project, the proceeds being used to finance judging teams. The chapter is also starting a landscaping project on the school grounds this spring and is planning this as a continuation project for the future. We hope to make our grounds the best in the state.

We are planning on having an open house meeting in April, at which time all parents will be invited, and shop exhibits, etc. are to be displayed. We find this is one of the best ways to create interest in F.F.A. on the part of the people in the community.

The regular meeting night of the chapter is the third Tuesday in each month and special meetings are called when necessary for special business.

-- Darrel Fordham, Reporter.

Shawnee-Mission. Initiation and Installation. On February 14, 1934, the Shawnee-Mission chapter advanced 14 Green Hands to the Future Farmer degree. The ceremony was impressive and made one proud to be an F.F.A. member. The 14 successful candidates were conducted by Fred Vanschoelant, State Farmer. Those receiving the degree were: Charles Burner, Houston Carter, Douglas Christy, J. W. England III, Robert Fitzgerald, Clarence Hall, Charles Mangold, Lawrence Miller, Claud Milligan, Vernon Needham, James Nutt, Harry Weber, Gail Wisner, James Wharton.

Following the initiation ceremony the newly elected officers were installed. They were: President, Houston Carter; Vice-president, Harry Weber; Secretary, Lawrence Miller; Treasurer, Douglas Christy; Reporter, J. W. England III; Watch Dog, Gail Wisner.

Mr. Ray Cuff of Kansas City was the speaker of the evening. About seventy-five parents and friends attended.

Cooperative Feed Grinder. A group of members of the Shawnee-Mission chapter formed a company to build a cooperative feed grinder. The outfit consists of a new eight-inch burr grinder mounted in the chassis of a car. The grinder and motor are connected by a direct shaft drive. The outfit is portable, making it possible to move easily from place to place. Shares were sold at a dollar each, and each member is to pay one-half the usual charge for grinding. Non-members pay the regular price. Money received into the treasury is first used to pay operating costs, and the balance going back as dividends to stock holders at the end of the year. Outside grinding is not done as this chapter does not enter into competition with local business concerns.

Our electric incubators have over 1000 hatching eggs from class B.W.D. tested flocks. Outside custom hatching is not done.

Both electric hotbeds are well started with tomato plants. This year planting has been confined to tomatoes as experience has shown that it does not pay to mix plants in the same bed.

-- J. W. England III, Reporter.

Berryton. The Berryton chapter of Future Farmers held their annual election of officers January 23. The following officers lead the chapter in the year of 1934: President, Kenneth Ticknor; Vice-president, Merle Sims; Secretary, Lawrence Rusch; Treasurer, Leo Renyer; Reporter, Elmer Benander; Watch Dog, John McQuestion; Conductor, Homer McElroy.

We have initiated five Green Hands this year.

We are planning to give a chapel program in two or three weeks.

The first member to finish his project book for year 1933 was Leo Renyers.

-- Merle Sims, Reporter.

Argonia. The F.F.A. of Argonia, Kansas, met February 13. The Green Hand initiation ceremony was given. Those initiated were: Ray Floyd, Richard Handy, John Young, Carroll Ritts, Milford Johnson, Deene Nystrom, and Allen Smith.

The chapter has been selling candy and gum at the Argonia basket ball games. Approximately \$4.00 was cleared during the tournament. We cleared approximately 50¢ at each game outside of the tournament. We plan to have a party with the Future Homemakers of America soon.

A seed treater is being constructed in the shop. Plans are underway to have a sorghum seed treating day some time in the early spring.

-- Reporter.

Concordia. Boys of the Concordia chapter who took their second degree ceremony work at Miltonville were: Melvin Swenson, Carl Abbott, Orvil Henderson, Kenneth Hutchinson, and Orvidale Ericson.

We were unable to attend the officers F.F.A. training school that was to be held at Clay Center, February 24, because of the big snow here.

Members of the Concordia chapter have built a large hotbed. Profit from the sale of plants will be used to replace a depleted treasury and furnish funds for an F.F.A. picnic.

We are planning a Father and Son banquet to be held in the latter part of March.

-- Dean Larson, Reporter.

Saffordville. The Saffordville chapter of the FFA are holding night meetings monthly. At the January meeting, nine Green Hands were initiated. The chapter this year has planned many activities which it hopes to carry out.

In the spring the chapter plans to hold cooperative practices in helping the farmers with their seed treating. We will have a baseball team in the spring and hope to schedule games with nearby towns. We plan to have an achievement day in the spring. Our chapter invites other chapters to visit them.

-- Francis Stewart, Reporter.

Oberlin. The Oberlin chapter of the FFA began 1933-34 activities by an officers meeting at the home of Mr. Howard. Instructions as to duties were discussed and the program for the year planned. Mrs. Howard served ice cold watermelon.

A late fall picnic was enjoyed by nearly one hundred in September. The freshmen vocational students were invited, also former graduates of the department.

The freshmen of the vocational agriculture department were entertained in October. Games were enjoyed and the program was put on by the older boys. The purpose of the FFA was explained and all were invited to join at the November meeting. All but one were initiated and received their pins for the Green Hand degree at the next meeting.

The FFA boys and their instructor have helped on the wheat allotment and corn-hog allotment educational programs. The advanced pupils have been carrying on the long-time agricultural program of better seed, better breeding stock, disease eradication and insect control. The beginning shop class has devised a rope making machine that winds from both ends. This machine has attracted the interest of many farmers.

During the American Royal the boys met at the home of Mr. Howard and listened to the Farm and Home hour program broadcast from Kansas City. They were especially interested in the oratorical contest as some of the boys are planning to try out for this contest next year.

February 18 Mr. Howard and several of the boys from the advanced class judged the Herndon Poultry Show and helped on the program at night. Irwin Miller won first prize in an egg identification contest sponsored by the Oberlin Roller Mills. Eggs from eight different breeds of chickens were included in the contest.

Regular meetings are held twice a month. The program follows a half hour of athletic events and games. Light refreshments are served.

-- Irwin Miller, Reporter.

Carbondale. The Carbondale chapter holds their regular meetings on the second Wednesday of every month. For our December meeting we accepted an invitation to Auburn. After the meeting, we played basketball and won 17 to 13.

February 14, our last meeting, we decided to have a father and son banquet.

In November the agriculture class husked one-tenth of an acre of corn from last year's projects. The five highest yields were as follows:

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Yield per acre</u>
1. Orlando Snell.....	58 $\frac{6}{7}$ bu.
2. Harold Rishel.....	45 $\frac{5}{7}$ bu.
3. Edwin Wideau.....	39 bu.
4. Louis Luthey.....	33 bu.
5. Francis Waetzig.....	27 bu.

The class lost \$13 of class project money by theft which we were unable to recover.

We plan to send a team to the Ottawa Poultry contest.

-- Harold Rishel, Reporter.

South Haven. The South Haven chapter held its first father and son banquet on February 23. There were about eighty fathers, sons, and guests present. Most of the food was supplied by members of the club and the home economics class prepared and served it. Professor A. P. Davidson of Manhattan made the principal address of the evening. The banquet was held in the agriculture classroom which was recently redecorated by the chapter. In connection with the banquet a shop exhibit was held.

Our latest project is a hotbed which is well in progress and from the proceeds of this, we intend to finance a judging team to Manhattan the latter part of April.

We were rather late in organizing a basketball team. However, we played several games with local teams and are expecting to play Arkansas City FFA boys in the near future.

-- Elburn Martin, Reporter.