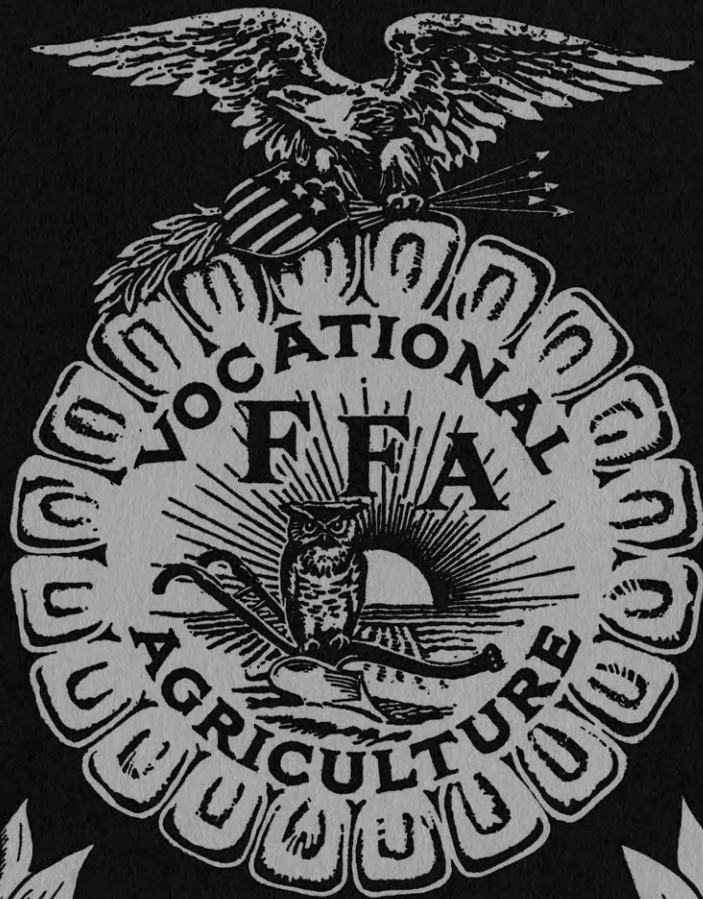


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CONGRATULATIONS

The State Association of Future Farmers of America welcomes the Iola Chapter, chartered February 2, 1937, as the 124th chartered FFA chapter in Kansas. The chapter has 16 members, with instructor Carl Ellis as the local advisor. The officers of the new chapter are:

Albert Coblentz, President  
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## NINTH ANNUAL PROGRAM

Kansas Association Future Farmers of America  
April 26 and 27, 1937

Monday, April 26.--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, John Dean, presiding.

Monday, April 26, 10:10 a.m.--Education Hall, G28, meeting of officers of Kansas Association Future Farmers of America.

Monday, April 26, 2:00 p.m.--Education Hall, G28, meeting of officers of Kansas Association Future Farmers of America.

Monday, April 26, 7:30 p.m.--Ag. 331. Eighth 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.

## Ninth Annual Program (Continued)

Officially vote on Future Farmer Candidates to be raised to the State Farmer Degree. Election of officers for the ensuing year.

Tuesday, April 27, 8:00 a.m.--Ag. 331. State F.F.A. Public Speaking Contest. A. P. Davidson in charge, President John Dean, presiding. Judges, a faculty representative from each of the Departments of Public Speaking, Education, and Economics and Sociology, K.S.C.

Tuesday, April 27, 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, April 27, 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 Farmer Degree Ritual. F.F.A. movies. Announcing contest results. Awards.

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NATIONAL F.F.A. RADIO BROADCAST

The Farm Home is the annual theme, and the program for February 8 dealt with "Improving the Exterior". This program was especially enjoyable. It is to be hoped that a majority of the FFA chapters in Kansas had the privilege of hearing this broadcast. The time, 11:30 to 12:30 a. m., is somewhat inconvenient for chapters not having radios in their department. However, we hope that FFA members will urge their parents and friends to listen regularly to these monthly broadcasts, and whenever possible arrange to have the chapter as a unit listen in. These programs are educational and inspirational, and are doing much to acquaint the people of the United States with the good work being done by the Future Farmer Organization.

Much credit for the splendid series of FFA radio programs is due W. A. Ross and his co-workers. The contributions of the United States Army Band are greatly appreciated, and their selections for the February broadcast were especially pleasing. The word picture painted by C. P. Close was interesting in every detail, though vocational agricultural workers in drought stricken Kansas will readily recognize the difficulties to be encountered in attempting to transform the picture to a Kansas setting. Hearing Professor Close recalled to your executive advisor's mind the fact that it was just 30 years ago when he first met Professor Close. Your executive advisor was a young chap just out of high school and business college and had taken his first job as secretary to the Director of the Maryland Agricultural Experiment Station, and Professor Close was in charge of horticultural investigations. Professor Close has spent his life in beautifying rural America, and what a delight it must have been to him to know that he had the interest of 120,000 farm boys while he painted a word picture of a properly landscaped farm home.

## National FFA Radio Broadcast (Concluded)

And did you hear Agricultural Education Chief, J. A. Linke drive that splendid team of dapple greys? That was a fine piece of horsemanship, though we thought for a time when he backed the team up to unload the shrubbery that he was going to cut 'er too short and either upset or break the coupling pole. Mr. Linke was first permitted to play "bit" parts, but now he has developed into a full fledged actor, and whenever chapters come in to present a broadcast and find themselves short handed they call on our good friend, Linke. The Kansas Association is appreciative of the fine spirit of cooperation shown by Mr. Linke. When we consider the multitudinous duties that must be his in directing the agricultural education program of the United States, in addition to the many duties which devolve upon him in his capacity as Advisor of the National FFA Organization, we are forcibly struck with the sacrifice on his part, that must be made in so ably cooperating with the FFA in promulgating its monthly national radio broadcasts. John Linke is interested in boys, especially farm boys, and it is for that reason alone that he is willing to give of his time and talent in directing an educational program which he earnestly believes will enhance the cause of the American farm boy. Mr. Linke, the Kansas F.F.A. boys salute you, and we hope that in driving your fine team of horses out of the newly landscaped front yard that Old Rick didn't get his tail over the lines.

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HOW TO RAISE FFA FUNDS

Professor Melvin Henderson, University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois, has published a pamphlet entitled, "Methods of Raising F.F.A. Funds". This 60 page booklet is listed at 50¢ per copy. Professor Henderson queried hundreds of F.F.A. advisors as to methods used in raising funds, and the book is a compilation of the successful methods used.

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PROFANITY

George Washington's "Order on the Use of Profanity", issued to the American Army in July 1776, beautifully done on parchment and including a reproduction of Washington from a famous painting by Rembrandt Peal is now available to all active FFA chapters in the National Organization. These parchments are of a size 12"x18 5/8". The Kansas Association of FFA now has a supply sufficient to meet the needs of all active chapters and the parchments will be distributed at the time of the annual meeting of the State Association. It is requested that the Order be framed under glass and hung in the agricultural room and properly cared for along with the other F.F.A. equipment.

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Are Your 1937 FFA Chapter Dues Paid?

DUES

We are glad to report satisfactory progress in the payment of state and national F.F.A. dues. January 1 has been designated as the due date. With approximately 3500 boys enrolled in vocational agriculture in Kansas and 124 chartered chapters of F.F.A. it would seem entirely feasible to exceed the twenty-five hundred mark in active members and thereby entitle the Kansas Association to recommend three candidates for the degree of American Farmer. The hope of having another American Farmer degree candidate is only incidental, however, and the principal reason why we should have a paid up membership in excess of twenty-five hundred is the privilege of belonging to the greatest farm boy organization in the world. The F.F.A. is doing more to publicise the work of vocational agriculture in a favorable manner than any one other single agency, and in addition, it offers a challenge to every pupil enrolled in vocational agriculture and to every local advisor. In Objective No. 1 of the State Association, the hope is expressed that every department of vocational agriculture will have an active F.F.A. chapter and that one hundred per cent of the enrolled students will be active members. Your cooperation in fulfilling Objective No. 1 will be greatly appreciated.

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NOTES FROM THE NATIONAL FFA ORGANIZATION

A song book and an activity guide are in process of preparation....proceedings of the Ninth National Convention will be available soon....a complete printed directory of active chapters for the entire United States has been authorized....Henry C. Groseclose in addition to being treasurer of the National Organization of F.F.A. is the official national parliamentarian....a study is under way of the possibility of making available small reproductions of the rising sun used at the national convention for use at the president's station in local chapters....blue sweaters were authorized to be added to the Staunton Novelty Company's merchandise list for a period of one year trial....an F.F.A. membership in the Country Life Association has been authorized....a national F.F.A. Leadership Conference to be held in connection with the Tenth Convention Celebration has been authorized...the retiring national president automatically becomes an ex-officio member of the Board of Trustees for the ensuing year....California requests that serious consideration be given to holding the national convention in that state in 1939 when the Worlds Fair and Exposition will be in progress....900 people attended the FFA banquet held in connection with the ninth annual convention.

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OUTSIDE THE BORDER

Connecticut...For the first time in the history of the state association, (1936) a candidate was recommended for the American Farmer Degree. The recommendation was favorably received by the National Organization. Four delegates attended the National Convention at Kansas City, constituting one representative for every 125 vocational agriculture day school students.

## Outside the Border (Continued)

New York... The membership in the F.F.A. for 1935 was 4,926. The state association holds a mid-winter meeting in connection with the Farm and Home Week at Cornell University. 800 Future Farmers attended the 1936 meeting. A new feature of this meeting was an elaborate educational exhibit of the various phases of work carried on by the F.F.A. boys of the state. Each candidate for the Empire State Farmer degree was visited personally by Supervisor Weaver, there being 65 applicants and 35 successful candidates.

Wyoming...One hundred per cent of students enrolled in vocational agriculture to be active F.F.A. members is the 1936 goal of the state association. The Worland chapter conducted an electric hot bed project last year. The project proved successful and this year plans are under way to continue the work. After the expense of the project has been paid the rest of the money will go into a fund to defray expenses of three or four boys to the National Convention in Kansas City next fall.

California...Seventeen of the eighteen new departments approved by the state department have organized F.F.A. chapters, bringing the total number of chapters in the state to 154.

Hawaii..."Impressions of F.F.A. and F.H.H. Delegates" is the title of a reprint published by the Honolulu Star-Bulletin, 1936. The pamphlet carries a series of "letters home" written by Masayuki Nii of Pahoehoe, delegate to the Ninth National Convention of the Future Farmers of America, and Miss Sin Bok Kim of Hil, delegate to the Annual Convention of Future Homemakers of America. They were traveling to the convention in Kansas City with K. Nitta, vocational agriculture teacher at Waiakeauka School, and Miss Clara Berry, vocational homemaking teacher at Leilehua High School.

Ohio...The Alexandria chapter assisted the building and sanitation committee in erecting the speaking platform, the radio broadcasting tower, and sanitation facilities in preparation for the National Corn Husking Contest which was held in Licking County this year. The members of the Ridge chapter have an average of 4.12 projects per boy.

Nebraska...The Stapleton chapters issues a mimeographed sheet entitled, "Barnyard News". It goes into the homes of members of the vocational agriculture classes and other people of the community. The state association is striving to go over the 1500 mark in membership this year.

Montana...Twenty-eight F.F.A. reporters are enrolled in an F.F.A. news writing course being offered by the state department of vocational education. All students completing the four lessons and examinations satisfactorily will be given a certificate from the state office. Every member of the Manhattan chapter possesses a manual and F.F.A. pin of his own.

Iowa...There are 128 vocational agriculture departments in the state. In 1936 there were 71 chartered F.F.A. chapters. The goal for 1937 is 100 chapters.

CHAPTER NEWS

Parker: Our annual parent and son banquet was held in the high school gym Tuesday December 15. The banquet was attended by 130 boys and parents. The theme of the banquet was "Building the Bridge", meaning the bridge to carry the farm boy to be an established farmer. Four talks representing the piers of the bridge were given by members of the Parker FFA chapter. These talks were on, "Vocational Agriculture Class Work", "Farming Program", "Farm Mechanics", and "Parents". Professor A. P. Davidson was the main speaker of the evening.

Our sheep class project is coming along fine. So far we have 25 live lambs from 18 ewes. We have taken turns sleeping at the sheep barn during lambing season. We have the barn equipped with a bed, cook stove, heating stove, and a radio. We have had one set of triplets and saved all three.

We cleared \$16.15 at our annual faculty vs FFA basketball game. The FFA won 25 to 24. As preliminary games we had a girls game and a game between boys wearing rubber boots and sunbonnets and a girls team.

Members of the chapter are burning grass patches and fence rows on the farms in the community to aid in controlling chinch bugs.

The trees in the city park and school yard are being pruned by members of our chapter.

We held our first annual chapter public speaking contest in the high school auditorium, Tuesday, February 23. The contest was free to the public and was well attended. Thirteen members competed in the contest. The contest was divided into three groups according to years in vocational agriculture. The winner of the third year division will represent our chapter in the state public speaking contest this spring. The winners of the first and second year divisions were awarded the trip to Manhattan at the time of the state contest. Lloyd Burnett won in the third year division, Charles Dedrick in the second year, and Dale Woolsey in the first year.

During Christmas vacation members of our chapter brought teams and wagons and hauled 25 loads of manure, which was put on the ground we have rented for corn for a class project this spring.

Over 1200 non-producing or poor producing hens were culled out of flocks in the community last fall by members of our chapter.

Our chapter will sponsor a radio program over Coffeyville station, April 11. The subject of the program will be "FFA Leadership". There will also be music by our FFA quartet and the Parker Rhythm Chasers, who are none other than Elmo Alexander and Dillard Cox. Don't fail to tune in Sunday, April 11, at 2:00 o'clock.

-- Marion Barnett, Reporter.

## Chapter News (Continued)

Blue Rapids: The Blue Rapids chapter held a special meeting Thursday evening, February 4. The members gathered at 6:30 o'clock to listen to the Solomon chapter broadcast over radio station KFBI. This was a very good meeting. After the program was over, the club held its meeting which consisted mostly of the initiation of the following boys into Future Farmers as Green Hands: Earl Aley, Walter Francis, Jarvis Hunt, Gerald Johnson, Delbert Kapitan, and Leonard Riley. All these boys are taking first year vocational agriculture. After the initiation the meeting adjourned to the gymnasium where the members played basketball and held a "stunt initiation" for the new members. This initiation consisted of rolling a match across the floor with their nose and a ducking in a bucket of water.

Monday evening, February 22, the chapter held a rifle shoot at Granger's Hardware. First prize was a box of shells from the chapter and a blue ribbon from the hardware store which went to Jarvis Hunt. Second prize of a pair of pliers to Rolland Fincham, and consolation prize of a pocket screwdriver to Gilbert Johnston.

The local chapter has been very active in judging work the past two weeks getting in a lot of practice for the spring contests.

--C. Frederick Foreman, Reporter

McDonald: A joint meeting with the Brewster chapter was held on February 1. After the regular meeting basketball was played with McDonald winning both first and second team games. Boxing and wrestling was also included in the evening entertainment.

Many shop projects have been completed recently. A 12x14 brooder house has just been finished and another one started. Two motor overhaul jobs have just been turned out and at present we have a tractor overhaul job in the motors department. The third year class does the overhauling.

We are testing many samples of seed this year for germination. We got 25¢ per sample and have tested about twenty-five samples to date. We also sell candy at athletic events and do the janitor work in our new building. With the proceeds we are improving the FFA chapter room and plan to send the judging team to the Hays and Manhattan contests. We have added two new pictures to the chapter room. One of a rising sun and another of an owl. We plan to start our chapter library and also buy an FFA banner soon.

We recently enjoyed moving pictures of the judging team at the various contests of last year and also of the various boys and their projects. We have one especially good action picture of Professor Bell (with pipe). The pictures were taken by our advisor, Mr. Frisbie, with the small camera owned by the school.

-- Reporter



## Chapter News (Continued)

Washburn: On January 26, the Washburn chapter of FFA conducted a chapel program for the whole school. They combined with the 4-H clubs represented in the school, to make a more varied and interesting program. Ona Mae Ready, the county's outstanding 4-H club reporter, gave a reading. Forrest Oberhelman, our vice president, rendered numbers on his saxophone and clarinet. Mr. C. L. King, county 4-H club leader, gave a talk on project work and gave examples of outstanding achievements. After the talk, Rudolph Smerchek led forth Burlap, the educated cow. Her front legs resembled those of Eddie Mitchell and her hind legs were similar to those of Ferrol Oberhelman. Her udder was somewhat pendulous and perhaps a little far forward but she was a good cow, never-the-less. Rudolph would ask her questions and she would answer by stomping her foot, shaking her head, or by wagging her tail. The rest of the school appreciates Rudolph's ability to make these cows understand him.

Among our sheep projects we now have sixteen lambs from nine ewes. We have four sheep projects with a total of 38 ewes, 29 natives, and 9 westerns. We expect to creep feed the lambs and sell them before school is out. Lowell Sheets, our president, has the earliest lambs.

In the regular chapter meeting, February 8, the chapter decided to have a roller skating party during the week of February 21. Forrest and Ferrol Oberhelman were chosen to make the arrangements.

Rudolph Smerchek was elected as our new treasurer because our old treasurer, Eddie Mitchell, enrolled in Toneka High School.

--Ferrol Oberhelman, Reporter

Ellis: The Ellis FFA chapter has organized a basketball team. It is one of the seven teams competing in the Intra-mural league. They have won two, lost one, and have three to play.

We held a date party February 18 in the basement of the city hall. The evening was spent playing "Farmer". A prize was given for the boy and girl having high score. Pressed chicken sandwiches, cocoa, and cookies were served for refreshments. There was 21 couples present.

--Reinhard Keller, Reporter

Goodland: To finance the trip to the Manhattan state contest, the chapter has a fund of \$56.50 of which \$23.50 was earned by selling ads for football bulletins and \$33 by individual members, moving high school equipment from the old building, now being razed. We expect to add to this fund about \$20 to be earned in constructing 100 trays for battery brooder.

We expect to hold our parent-son banquet on March 25.

--Warren Harding, Reporter

## Chapter News (Continued)

South Haven: The South Haven chapter entertained their fathers with a pot luck supper Saturday evening, January 23, as their fourth annual father-son banquet. Each FFA member brought two articles of food and it was planned so that we had meat, sandwiches, salads, pie and cake. It made the meal more informal and the 70 guests present expressed themselves favorably. The following program was given: (P) Luck, Glenn Barber, Toastmaster; Riddles (FFA opening ritual), Officers; Wish of the Wish Bone (Welcome), H. Wolfe; 1-2-3-4 Leaf Clover, FFA Quartet, McGregor, Mason, Barber, J. Deets; For Want of a Horse Shoe (Response), Mr. B. D. Hutchinson; End of a Rainbow, FFA German Band, McGregor, Nelson, Munyon, Deets, Mason; Fortune, (Speech of the evening), Mr. Potucek, County Attorney; Seven Comes Eleven, (Auction), Lloyd Martin. The auction sale of odds and ends around the shop proved to be quite a success. We found out that Lloyd Martin, our watch dog, made a very good auctioneer. One single tree sold three times. We took in \$5.00 at this sale.

Our chapter held their second table tennis tournament with each member participating, paying a nickle to cover expenses. Glenn Barber was declared the champion and won the cup and ribbon.

The adult evening school in farm mechanics closed February 1. Fifty-four men attended the meetings and there were 32 members of the school. At the last meeting the FFA chapter conducted a drawing for the mail box post which was made the evening concrete was studied. The total proceeds of \$5.00 were turned over to the Red Cross as a donation.

Lee Wise, member of the third year vocational class, made a gravity seed treater which we could use for the new ceresan dust method of treating seed oats. The treater was made out of an oil barrel. T. W. Kirton, county agent, and John I. Miller, the plant disease specialist from KSC were present at the last Farm Mechanics evening school and demonstrated this method of treating. Mr. Kirton has also used the treater for several demonstrations in Sumner County. We have been treating for 5¢ per bushel and have treated about 500 bushels.

There were about 200 mice caught during our mouse catching contest, with George Strickland and Joseph Gile as the captains.

The Future Farmers took the Green Hands into camp at our last meeting by beating them in a game of basketball 32-21. At this meeting a public speaking contest was held to determine who should represent us at the state contest to be held in Manhattan. Ivan Mason was selected as the winner. The high school dramatics teacher and two honorary members acted as judges.

Our chapter was in charge of a chapel program on March 2. The program included a parliamentary drill sketch by the officers, harmonica solo by Chester Gile, Xylophone solo by Advisor Kugler, and numbers by the FFA German band.

--Ivan Mason, Reporter

## Chapter News (Continued)

Linn: Our annual Parent's banquet was held last month. Approximately 90 people attended the program which briefly consisted of group singing, various committee reports, musical selections, by members of the local chapter, several after dinner speeches, including the main address by the state advisor of FFA for Kansas, Mr. Lester B. Pollom.

Sometime during the month of March the district public speaking contest will be held in Linn. To date, four entries have been listed, namely, one from Clay Center, one from Washington, and two from our own chapter. Rules of the state contest are to be followed throughout.

The annual grain judging contest will be held sometime during the forepart of April. Those in charge and who will conduct this contest will be members of previous state contest teams.

For the first time, the Linn FFA is planning to stage a carnival. It is to be held in the local auditorium. Doll stands, mik bottle stands, boxing matches, refreshments, bingo, confetti, and other attractions are to be features of the evening.

In regard to recreation, ping pong, or table tennis has won popular favor among the boys. In a night meeting last month, a tournament was played to determine the best table-tennis doubles.

The local chapter is planning to enter as many crop, livestock, and poultry contests as possible, for the training and experience to make a favorable showing at the state contest.

--Raymond Lange, Reporter

Osborne: The Osborne chapter held their monthly meeting on February 11, 1937. We decided to take 200 baby chicks as a Future Farmer project. We secured a poultry house and now have 200 White Rock baby chicks. They are now about one week old and we have 198 chicks left. We intend to push the chicks and get them on the market about the first of May. We intend to sell them all as broilers. The vocational agriculture class is also buying some baby chicks. It is getting 50 of a new breed and intends to sell them as a laying flock in the spring.

--Neil McDoneld, Reporter

Hill City: The Hill City Future Farmer chapter sponsored a school carnival in November. The proceeds went for the benefit of the chapter. We have been holding regular night meetings once a month. The initiation of the Green Hands was taken up at one of our monthly meetings.

Our chapter is sponsoring a show to raise money for the Father-Son banquet to be given sometime in March.

--Ralph Quint, Reporter

## Chapter News (Continued)

Shawnee Mission: Due to not having a permanent place for meeting or to carry our activities, the Shawnee Mission chapter of Future Farmers is having a hard time but we are getting straightened out and ready for some real work. Our new high school building is almost completed and when it is complete, we will have a new shop about twice as large as our old one with many new tools with which to work. Also, we will have a new class room which will include an office, FFA reading room and supply room.

Our judging team has been working hard every day of the week preparing for the state contest. At present the boys are studying poultry, preparing for the Ottawa contest held by the Ottawa chapter.

Our squad this year is very much larger than it has been in previous years. The members are Donald Nehl, Charles Christion, Karl Seested, Robert Singleton, Charles Roy, Earl Coughlin, Conrad Flinn, Walter Smith, Ralph Mullen, Donald Van Dalsen, Harold Widmer.

Officers elected for the following year were: Albert Coats, president; Elmer Van Winkle, vice president; Robert Singleton, secretary; Eugene Trent, treasurer; Charles Roy, reporter; Jerry Hites, gate keeper. The installation of officers will be held some time in March. Along with the installation, the Green Hand and Future Farmer degree will be conferred upon those who have met with the qualifications for such degrees.

For the first time, the Green Hand candidates elected officers from their group.

--Eugene Needham, Reporter

Ottawa: We held our annual Mother and Son reception at the junior high school study hall. Those in the receiving line were Mrs. C. R. Floyd and son Max, our FFA president, Mrs. Laura Hamilton and son Gerald, our vice president, Mrs. J. R. Jameson and son Kenneth, reporter. The following program was given: Welcome to Mothers, Harry Melendy; Response, Mrs. Laura Hamilton; Vocal Solos, Jack Weinheimer, and a talk by Mr. John Lawrence, a member of the school board.

Our poultry contest was selected for the official northeast and southeast district contest. Fifty invitations have been sent out to different chapters of good FFA standing. Medals will be awarded to the three high individuals and loving cup to the high team. Linn was the title holder from last year. Ottawa will not compete for the cup or medals. This is our fourth annual poultry contest.

Our pest eradication contest ended January 20. Lowell Fout's side won with 2,446 points over George Reed's side with 1,786 points. Total sparrows eradicated were 1,930; mice 293, rats 3, crows 11. Gerald Hamilton was high man with 949 points and Curtis Mathass was second with 456 points.

--Reporter

## Chapter News (Continued)

Tampa: The Tampa FFA chapter helped put on a part time school by drawing charts and notifying the boys when meetings were to be held.

We are working on a program which will show the proper use of parliamentary procedure which we intend to put on some evening for the part time class.

Our chapter has had a display of shop work in a store window down town. This has helped to get the part time boys interested in shop work.

A mower bought and repaired by our chapter is ready for sale. Maureice Ihde the treasurer, is in charge of selling the mower.

We are planning a program for the freshman boys who intend to take vocational agriculture next year. We want to tell them about vocational projects and help them start planning their program for next year now. We are going to invite them to become junior members.

We made a drum grain treater in shop and treated about one hundred bushels of oats for smut out at Eugene Costello's February 25.

We are planning a date party soon and only paid up members can go.

--Eugene Costello, Reporter

Washington: Our poultry class project has a loss of \$6.36 from October 1 to March 1. March production was 37% or 10.3 eggs per bird. The eggs per bird from October 1 to March 1, have been 34.9.

During January we held three night meetings, one regular meeting, one farewell party for Clifford Dahlrymple who moved to Marysville, and one for a picture show by International Harvester Company.

We have our parents night scheduled for March 19, with all local talent and talks.

We have 400 S.C.W. leghorn chicks ordered from O. H. Wilson of Burr Oak, Kansas, for March 23.

Both classes attended the John Deere and McCormick Deering machinery schools.

The FFA members have copied off and are learning the song, "Hail the FFA."

We plan to have a livestock judging school for the vocational agriculture departments of the county during April, to which they can bring all boys in their agriculture classes.

--Bab Cooper, Reporter

## Chapter News (Continued)

LaCygne: LaCygne is one of the new vocational agriculture schools. At present it is but half time and in 1937-38 will carry full time work. There are 18 boys enrolled in the course.

On December 16, 1936, the officers and nineteen other members of the Parker chapter held formal initiation for the LaCygne chapter at LaCygne.

The class has chosen a poultry project as their class project.

We have completed one trailer bed, several tool chests, single trees, and numerous other odd jobs in the shop. Up to the present time, 10 of the boys have worked with hot iron. Rope work has been initiated and five of the boys have worked over their father's car.

Our chapter attended the American Royal in a body. Also several prospective members for the coming year were in attendance.

On Tuesday evening, January 12, our chapter had a sledding party at Golf Hill.

--Reporter

Garden City: The FFA chapter had a date party on the 12th of December, with twenty-two boys and girls present. The evening was spent playing games of different kinds. Refreshments were served later in the evening.

Wednesday evening, December 13, one of the FFA members and his advisor, from Holcomb came to our meeting and gave us a talk on their trip to the American Royal at Kansas City.

The FFA members and vocational agriculture classes went to the Lamar Stock show the 28th of February. There were 36 in all. The money was obtained for the trip by building sheep feeders for farmers.

--Fred Biernacki, Reporter

Glasco: The Glasco chapter of the FFA elected the new members to be initiated into the organization at its November meeting.

The formal initiation was held at the December evening meeting. The following new members were initiated: Newton Boatwright, Leonard Keener, George Chapman, Marvin Henning, Mile Bray, Richard Wyatt, Edward Brown, Harvey Browning, Leon Bannam, Richard Mitchel, Leland Studt.

The informal initiation was held at the January night meeting. Plans were made for the evening meeting at which the fathers are to be guests.

--Otix Tilton, Reporter

## Chapter News (Concluded)

Westmoreland: The Westmoreland FFA basketball team lost to the St. George team Wednesday, February 17, by a score 14 to 28.

An FFA tournament was held Saturday afternoon February 20, at Wamego. This tournament was well played by all teams. Westmoreland chapter took first by defeating Wamego 10 to 16, and St. George 21 to 22.

The Westmoreland FFA chapter is planning a wolf hunt which will be held as soon as the weather permits. The funds from this hunt will be turned into the FFA treasurer.

--John Roach, Reporter

Belleville: The Belleville chapter held its first annual banquet the sixth of January. The program was as follows: Opening Ceremony by officers; Purpose of the FFA by Dale Roff; Trombone Solo by Charles Krause; Dad's Viewpoint by Ross Swenson; Quartet composed of Ivan Swoney, Max Scofield, Maynard and Merrill Abrahams.

We are holding a scholarship contest based on the six weeks grades. The losers furnish the ice cream and cake.

The chapter played basketball with Concordia. Concordia won by a good margin.

We have a fat hog project. We expect to hold them until the last of March.

--Maynard Abrahams, Reporter

Marysville: Monday, January 25 our chapter gave a father-son banquet. A delicious turkey dinner was served which was followed by a short address given by Mr. George Nieman. Some good entertainment was given by members of the class. I am sure our meeting gave the fathers some information about our work in agriculture and they in turn will help and encourage their sons in getting home projects.

On February 11 about 30 members of Future Farmers visited the Little American Royal at Manhattan. They had a very nice educational trip.

--Harold Kruse, Reporter

---FFA---

Open the door, let in the air;  
The winds are sweet and the flowers are fair  
Joy is abroad in the world today;  
If our door is wide, it may come this way.

--Anonymous