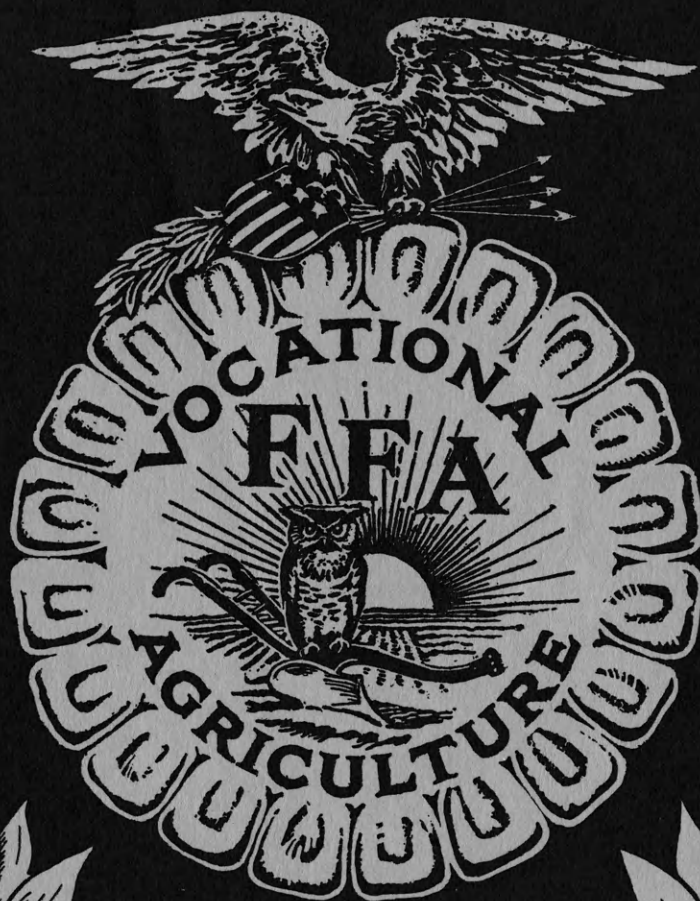


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WELCOME HOLTON

The Holton department of vocational agriculture, established in 1937, upon petitioning for an F.F.A. charter was granted charter number 125 under date of March 22, 1937. We congratulate Holton, and welcome them into a rapidly expanding farm boy organization. G. E. Lyness is the local advisor. Dick Cope is the president, and George Riley is the secretary of the new chapter.

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"IF"--1937

"If in this case has to do with membership in the F.F.A. in Kansas. Last year we pointed out in considerable detail that "if" the 11 chapters who had not paid their dues by the time of the annual meeting, would in paying their dues, average the number of members paid per chapter, Kansas would for the first time be entitled to recommend a third candidate for the American Farmer degree. Well, the 1936 "if" failed to materialize. What is your pleasure in 1937?

Kansas has 133 vocational agricultural departments in operation. We have chartered 125 F.F.A. chapters. At the date of issue of the April Future Farmer we have 2,451 active paid up members. Certainly the active membership list will exceed 2,501 by June 30, at which time the membership rolls will close. There are 3,582 students enrolled in vocational agriculture in Kansas this year, and 2,500 F.F.A. members means approximately 71 per cent of the boys enrolled in vocational agriculture. While we are not in full sympathy with the idea of having 100 per cent of the boys in vocational agriculture enrolled as active F.F.A. members, we do subscribe to a higher percentage than seventy-one. It seems reasonable to expect 3,000 F.F.A. members in Kansas, and that constitutes our aim for 1937.

--FFA--

PAID UP MEMBERS

Each year about this time we run a little article setting forth the idea that part of the Number 1 objective of the State Association reads as follows: "and strive for 100 per cent enrollment (in F.F.A.) of eligible members", and then proceed to point out the fact that some chapters have far exceeded the goal while others fall considerably short. We even have the courage to group the chapters with reference to their percentage of paid up members on a basis of total enrollment in vocational agriculture, and each year we get told good and proper about our sins of both omission and commission. The omission sins are due for the most part to misunderstanding and absent mindedness, while the commission sins are due almost one hundred per cent to our poor arithmetic.

While we do not believe that all boys enrolled in vocational agriculture should be interested in F.F.A., we do believe that with the permission to maintain active membership for three years after completing the vocational agricultural courses chapters should not find it difficult to maintain a membership of 100 per cent based on enrollment. Our sharp pencil and dull mind reveals the fact that active F.F.A. membership based on enrollment among the chapters in Kansas this year range from 38 per cent to 218 per cent. Paxico has the honor of having the chapter with the highest per cent of membership on the basis of enrollment. Congratulations Paxico.

The following percentages based upon enrollment in vocational agriculture will be of interest:

Chapters having a membership range of from 101 per cent to 218 per cent:

Abilene	Fairview	Merriam	Smith Center
Argonia	Goodland	Morrowville	Solomon
Auburn	Haddam	Mound City	South Haven
Beloit	Hill City	Mulvane	Vinland
Beverly	Kingman	No. Topeka	Webster
Bird City	LaCygne	Norwich	Westmoreland
Brewster	Lawrence	Ottawa	Williamsburg
Coldwater	Lebanon	Parker	Winfield
Cottonwood Falls	Linn	Paxico	
Delphos	Manhattan	Powhattan	

Chapters having a membership percentage of 100:

Bonner Springs	Mayetta	Oskaloosa	Wakefield
Grinnell	Moundridge		

Chapters having a membership range of from 90 to 99 per cent:

Byers	Olathe	Sabetha	St. George
Concordia	Parsons	Silver Lake	Topeka (Highland Park)
Harper			

Chapters having a membership range of from 80 to 89 per cent:

Atwood	Effingham	Hope	Ramona
Clay Center	Ellis	Neodesha	Washington
Colby	Greensburg	Pratt	Waterville

Paid Up Members (Concluded)

Chapters having a membership range of from 70 to 79 per cent:

Fredonia	McDonald	Oberlin	Topeka (Washburn)
Garden City	Medicine Lodge	Reading	Wakeeney
LeRoy	Miltonvale	Tampa	

Chapters having a membership range of from 60 to 69 per cent:

Belleville	Burlington	Glasco	Wamego
Blue Ranids	Downs	Osborne	Wellsville

Chapters having a membership range of from 50 to 59 per cent:

Altamont	Arkansas City	Iola	Saffordville
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Other chapters either have a membership of less than 50 per cent, based upon enrollment in vocational agriculture, or have not paid this year's dues.

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JOE BLACK TO BE GUEST SPEAKER AT F.F.A. BANQUET

We are happy to announce that the National F.F.A. President, Joe Black, of the Sheridan, Wyoming chapter, will be the guest of the State Association during the ninth annual meeting. Joe expects to participate in all phases of F.F.A. activities connected with the annual meeting of the State Association. He will work with the state officers and in that way will meet all candidates for the State Farmer degree, and will aid in reviewing the chapter achievement programs, will be present at the House of Delegates meeting and will cooperate in handling the annual F.F.A. Public Speaking contest. Joe's principal contribution and main recognition will be in connection with the annual banquet, Tuesday evening, at the Community house. President Black will be the guest speaker on that occasion. We are glad to announce the expected pleasure of having our national president with us, and hope that Joe will enjoy meeting and working with Kansas F.F.A. officers and delegates. We know that we are mighty happy to have the National F.F.A. President as our guest.

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DINNER ORCHESTRA

The Solomon F.F.A. chapter will furnish the dinner orchestra for the annual banquet. They will bring a complete set by truck and will transform the rather plain rostrum of the community house into a thing of beauty. They are considering the possibility of trucking their white piano down along with the rest of the paraphernalia in order to finish the setting. We hope they will be able to arrange to do this. We are happy to announce the Solomon F. F.A. dinner orchestra for this occasion. Every boy in this orchestra is an active member of the Future Farmers of America, and the director and leader is none other than the local F.F.A. advisor, Paul Chilen.

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INFORMATION CONCERNING THE STATE FARMER DEGREE

(1) Standards set up in the Manual will be maintained. Any modification of the financial requirement will be left to the discretion of the State Executive committee.

(2) Advisors will be notified as soon as possible after the meeting of the State Executive committee as to the success of their candidate or candidates. This information will be in all cases, we hope, received by the advisor before he leaves for Manhattan.

(3) The State Executive committee will meet ²³ April 19, at which time we hope final decisions will be made in all cases. All applications, as well as project record books for all projects claimed as part of the supervised farm program, have to be reviewed before it is possible to hold a meeting of the State Executive committee.

(4) It is hoped that all successful State Farmer candidates will be present for the meeting of the House of Delegates and for the F.F.A. banquet meeting. It is not compulsory to be present in order to receive this award, but for the best interest of the boy and the State Association, it is highly desirable that all candidates be present.

(5) The State Executive committee recommends the candidates, the House of Delegates elects, and will raise the candidates to the State Farmer degree.

(6) The gold-plated State Farmer key, price ^{1.75} \$2.50 each, will be presented to successful candidates, provided the key has been paid for by either the candidate, the advisor, or some representative of the chapter. The key should be paid for by ^{may 2} 5:00 o'clock, p.m. of the evening of April 26.

(7) It is not compulsory to purchase the State Farmer key. However, only those who have purchased keys will receive them. The keys are awarded as a part of the ritual in raising the candidates to the State Farmer degree. We consider it a distinct honor to receive the State Farmer degree, and we hope that each chapter will see to it that their candidate or candidates will have the opportunity of receiving the State Farmer key which is the mark of this high honor.

(8) The gold-filled ^{10K solid gold} State Farmer key (^{3.25} \$5.00) will be ordered upon request of the advisor. Otherwise, the gold-plated key will be awarded.

(9) American Farmer candidates are chosen from the active State Farmer group. State Association officers must be elected from the active group of State Farmer rank.

(10) The State Association reserves the right to orally examine any candidate for the State Farmer Degree who has not held office in his local chapter. The basis of examination will be Stewart's Parliamentary Procedure.

POSSIBLE CHANGES IN THE 1937 REVISION
OF
THE NATIONAL F.F.A. CONSTITUTION

(Note: The committee on study and revision of the state constitution called all activities to a halt when it was learned that the National Organization was planning a comprehensive revision of the national constitution. We present herewith proposed changes which will be submitted to the National F.F.A. House of Delegates at their annual meeting next fall. We are also presenting a list of questions which come to mind in connection with the proposed changes. Our delegates to the National F.F.A. convention must be informed on this subject, and they should speak for their constituents. Will you study this list of proposed changes and the questions raised, and see that your delegates are thoroughly conversant with the subject. A.P.D.)

Article II - Organization

- Section A - The Future Farmers of America is the national organization for students of vocational agriculture. It consists of chartered State, Territorial, and Insular Associations which may in turn be composed of three divisions (1) Local Chapters, (2) Affiliated Chapters, and (3) Collegiate Chapters, all of which are under the direct jurisdiction of the respective State, Territorial, and Insular Associations.
- Section B - Local Chapters of the Future Farmers of America for students enrolled in school shall be established only in schools where systematic instruction in vocational agriculture of the all-day or day-unit type is offered under the provisions of the National Vocational Education Acts.
- Section C - Affiliated Chapters designed for older farm boys and youth who are out of school may be established in localities served by approved vocational agriculture departments where systematic instruction in vocational agriculture of the part-time type is offered under the provision of the National Vocational Education Acts.
- Section D - Collegiate Chapters designed primarily for training prospective teachers of vocational agriculture in their duties as local advisors of F.F.A. may be established in recognized teacher training institutions.
- Section E - Delegates from local chapters shall meet in State, Territorial, or Insular Convention, organize, adopt a constitution not in conflict with the national constitution, elect officers, set up a program of work, and then apply to the National Executive Secretary for membership in the national organization. Upon receipt of a charter from the national organization a State, Territorial, or Insular Association, its divisions, and the members thereof will be recognized as Future Farmers of America.

Possible Changes in the 1937 Revision of the National FFA Constitution (Continued)

Section F - The general plans under which Affiliated and Collegiate Chapters operate shall be included in the By-Laws attached to this constitution.

Article III - Membership

Section A - Membership in this organization shall be of five kinds: (1) active, (2) affiliated, (3) associate, (4) collegiate and (5) honorary.

Section B - Active membership. Any student who is regularly enrolled in an all-day, day-unit, or part-time class in Vocational Agriculture is entitled to become an active member of the F.F.A. upon receiving a majority vote of the chapter membership at any local chapter meeting. A member may retain his active membership throughout his high school career and for three years from the date of graduation, completion of high school vocational agriculture classroom instruction, or leaving school.

Section C - Affiliated membership. Any former active member or other out of school farm youth of high school age and older who, in order to secure additional education, economic, and social benefits and who is enrolled in a part time class for systematic instruction in vocational agriculture is entitled to become and remain an affiliated member, while maintaining membership in such class, upon receiving a majority vote at any meeting of a recognized affiliated chapter. Affiliated membership is effective for the year in which the part-time class is held.

Section D.- Associate membership. Following the termination of active or affiliated membership status a member automatically becomes an associate member.

Section E - Collegiate membership. This includes all trainees preparing to teach vocational agriculture and former active F.F.A. members who are enrolled in the institution.

Section F - Honorary membership. Instructors, school superintendents, principals, teachers, business men, farmers, and others who are helping to advance vocational agriculture and the F.F.A. and who have rendered outstanding service may be elected to honorary membership by a majority vote of the members present at any regular meeting.

Summary Questions

1. Does the F.F.A. have a responsibility beyond the day-school group in vocational agriculture?
2. Should we try to make a satisfactory membership provision for the so-called "F.F.A. alumni" group?

Summary Questions (Concluded)

3. Should we try to extend the advantages of F.F.A. to out-of-school former vocational agriculture students who have never had F.F.A. experience?
4. Should we try to extend the advantages of F.F.A. to interested out-of-school farm boys and youth who have had neither vocational agriculture or F.F.A. experience.
5. Do you think it would be wise and safe to attempt to organize affiliated chapters of F.F.A. over the country without basing such a move on needs growing out of systematic instruction in vocational agriculture?
6. Is the part-time educational provision the most logical approach to the affiliated chapter problem?
7. Is it practical to try to include in affiliated chapters former students of vocational agriculture, former active F.F.A. members, and other out-of-school farm youth -- all on the same level with no advance degrees provided?
8. Should the present provision for collegiate chapters be liberalized to include all F.F.A. boys enrolled in the institution regardless of whether or not they are enrolled in teacher-training? If not, how can we avoid having two F.F.A. groups on the same campus?
9. Do we have any responsibility or should we assume any responsibility for helping to hold together former active F.F.A. members located in Junior Colleges and in institutions of higher learning other than teacher-training institutions?
10. Are the three main divisions--Active, Affiliated, and Collegiate--practical, sound, and adequate in light of apparent present and probable future needs?
11. Which would be the best designation?

Active Chapter	Active Unit	High School Chapter
Affiliated Chapter	Affiliated Unit	Affiliated Chapter
Collegiate Chapter	Collegiate Unit	Collegiate Chapter
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AMERICAN FARMER DEGREE

The Kansas Association of F.F.A. early turned over the task of selecting American Farmer candidates to the State Executive Committee. This committee is glad to have chapters and local advisors suggest possible candidates. Any State Farmer who is still an active member, and has held the State Farmer degree for at least one year is eligible. A member of the State Executive Committee will visit all potential candidates and will gladly counsel with the advisor and officers of local chapters.

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TENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF FFA

We have neither time nor space to give due consideration to this important milestone in the history of our national organization. However, we shall call attention to a few points that should be of interest to all FFA members.

The National Organization has set aside \$5,000 for the proper handling of this occasion....the new convention hall will be at the disposal of the FFA organization....this hall seats 12,000 persons and is one of the finest of its kind in the United States....there is a possibility of cots being used to house the overflow of F.F.A. visitors, at a nominal charge, and space for this activity will be available in the auditorium....three state F.F.A. bands have accepted to date, namely, Missouri, Utah, and Michigan....President Roosevelt has been invited to speak....Tuesday has been designated as F.F.A. Day, Missouri very graciously moving Missouri Day to Wednesday.... 10,000 F.F.A. members are expected to attend....Kansas chapters should begin planning early to send their officers, or other specially delegated representatives, and Tuesday is the day that should be selected.

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FFA PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

Some advisors are in favor of completely reorganizing the FFA public speaking contest. One plan: Have the subject matter judged by subject matter specialists, and have the speech delivery judged by speech specialists. The questions shall be asked by subject matter specialists. Another plan proposed: Have the subject matter judged by subject matter specialists, and if questions must be asked, have them asked by persons who know when and to what extent they are answered. Both plans have their good points. The first would be ideal, if we can get the cooperation of a sufficient number of subject matter specialists and enough specialist volunteers in the field of speech. Both subject matter specialists and teachers of speech have other things to do, and we find it difficult to get three "combination" men each year to give of their time and energy. It might be possible to get the first mentioned plan into operation, but the importance of the contest as a method of teaching ability to organize, and the effective presentation of ideas will have to be more completely presented to our cooperators. The second plan has many of the features of the first. However, the audience appeal clause will not fit in with contests between chapters. That is, we question if it will. Perhaps the millenium has dawned and we have been so busy getting out Future Farmer Newsletters that we hadn't heard about it. It is within the powers of the Kansas Association of F.F.A. to set up any type of public speaking contest it desires, but the winner in competing in the regional contest and in the national contest will be expected to conform to the rules and regulations set up by the National Organization of F.F.A.

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CHAPTER NEWS

Smith Center: Our chapter entertained their parents and guests for the sixth time at an annual covered dish supper in the high school gym Friday night, March 26. A special edition of the F.F.A. Reporter was issued and served to inform those assembled of the work done by the chapter during the year.

After a delicious supper topped off by home made ice cream, the president, Ralph Robb called the meeting to order. The officers gave an impressive opening ceremony using such chapter symbols as the miniature plow, the picture of Washington, an owl and the national emblem to which all chapter members pledged their allegiance..

Bob Mathes, acting as toastmaster, called upon Waldean Hooper to welcome the guests and parents. Mrs. McWerts responded for the parents. A violin selection was played by Francis Knight, Green Hand member of the F.F.A.

Farming Methods of European Countries was discussed by Mr. and Mrs. Claud Diehl. Parliamentary Practice was demonstrated by a group of first year students, with Buster Braden acting as the presiding officer. Following the presentation of guests by Mr. Allbert, superintendent of schools, two reels of movies were presented showing work done by the F.F.A. in Kansas. Group projects as well as individual work was recorded on the films. The program finished with the closing ceremony of the chapter.

Tables were decorated with the gold and blue colors of the organization and tools symbolic of work done by the boys were used as centerpieces. Five girls enrolled in homemaking classes assisted in serving the dinner.

--Reporter

Auburn: The Auburn chapter of the F.F.A. has made two barrels to treat seed oats. We use Ceresan dust. Mr. Noyce and his crops classes have treated 500 bushels of oats. They charge \$1.25 for 50 bushels. The classes furnish the dust.

The Farm Shop classes are oiling harness in shop. They have not oiled many sets yet but have their equipment and oil ready to start oiling after the oat crop is in. They receive 50 cents a set for their work.

Our chapter is publishing a paper which we call the "Plowshare". This paper is written by the members of the crops class and edited by Wayne Engler with the aid and advice of Mr. Noyce. We charge the local stores and establishments 5¢ an inch for advertising. The paper is distributed among the students and the local establishments. We mimeograph between 100-140 copies.

The money taken in from treating oats and oiling harness is going into a sinking fund to be used for the Father and Son banquet that is to be held in April.

If any chapter is interested in how we publish our paper or constructed our barrels for treating oats we would be glad to furnish the information.

Officers of our chapter are: Glen Kramer, president; Forest Kresie, vice president; Edward Embry, secretary; Paul Nason, treasurer; Wayne Engler, watch dog, Mr. Noyce, advisor.

--Wayne Engler, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

Morrowville: Charles Schwab was elected watch dog to replace Harold Hanans. Earl Eichman, George Durst, and Dale Foster were recently elected to the Green Hand degree.

Lute Richardson, Jack Nutter, and Lawrence Dodd as a committee are preparing the annual chapter activity report to be presented April 26, at Manhattan.

The Junior class challenged the entire high school and faculty to a basketball schedule of five games. The Junior team included all the regular line up except one. The first string sub is a Junior also. Their challenge was accepted by a mixed group consisting of a Freshman Green Hand, a Sophomore Green Hand, a Sophomore Future Farmer, a Senior Future Farmer, and the local advisor, I. E. Peterson. The mixed group won three of the first four games, so a chili supper is to be served by the Juniors.

Our poultry team placed fifth in the district contest at Concordia with 16 teams entered. Lute Richardson was high man on production for which he received an F.F.A. medal. Our crops team placed fifth at the district contest held at Miltonvale with 16 teams entered.

We will have a team entered in the following contests: Washington, Frankfort, Livestock Judging, April 3, Toneka District Dairy, April 10, Junction City Angus Day, April 15, Washington County Crops Contest at Linn, A. H. District contest at Clay Center, April 24, and the state contest at Manhattan.

We have an F.F.A. quartet composed of Kenneth Lull, Lute Richardson, Charles Schwab, and Earl Steele.

Fifty-nine head of hogs were marketed cooperatively including ten head from our F.F.A. project. Profits varied from \$2.55 to \$6 per head.

Lawrence Dodd marketed two spring lambs March 22, weighing 75# average which brought top of \$13 per cwt. Virgle Hanshaw received \$9 per cwt for his fat calf the same day. All of our wintered calves were sold in March except three.

Nine head of hogs and two fat beef were butchered in the shop this year.

We have three State Farmer candidates, Lute Richardson, Guy Jennings, and Wayne McNish.

Plans are at work for our third annual F.F.A. Parent and Son banquet to be held in April.

--Wayne McNish, Reporter

Vinland: Our chapter sponsored a "Kansas Day" basket dinner for the parents and patrons of the community. A basketball game between our team and the Lawrence F.F.A. team was held. Mr. Logan of the Soil Conservation Service at Ottawa was present and showed pictures of the soil conservation work... We are planning on putting on a radio broadcasting program and sell ice cream and cake to raise money for our trip to the state judging contest.

--Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

Wakefield: Fifteen Green Hands were initiated into our chapter at one of our night meetings. After the initiation a few rounds of boxing were indulged in and volley ball was played. Refreshments were served. Those being initiated were Wayne Machmer, Stanley Sparrowhawk, Edwin Moyer, Lester Elsasser, Norman Shandy, Albert Auld, Leroy Hammond, Merle Myers, Thomas Brown, Howard Stittsworth, Raymond Bergermier, Carl Neithinger, George North.

Various articles are being made in the Shop to be sold and raise money for the F.F.A. Knitting baskets seem to sell very well, especially if you can have one shown at some ladies gathering.

Each boy has made out a long time project program up to 1940 including both crops and livestock. Most boys have some sound and worthwhile programs outlined.

The F.F.A. and the F.H.A. held a skating and sledding party on the football field. A bon-fire was built for light and also to roast wieners and marshmallows afterwards.

The F.F.A. chose up sides and held a pest eradication contest. Merle Myers and Carl Neithinger were captains. Merle's side won and the losers are to furnish the eats at our next party.

Mr. Brandenburg, our instructor, prepared a crops contest similar to the state contest for the Crops Class. Prizes of 50¢ and 25¢ were given. Robert Randle was high point man and Melvin Thurlow second.

The F.F.A. is sponsoring a feeders day to be held at the Ag farm. Parents, patrons and a few of the surrounding schools have been invited. Talks will be given concerning the class projects carried the past year and also classes of breeding gilts, breeding heifers, hatching eggs will be judged.

In order to raise money for our treasury we are planting a plot of about 3/4 of an acre of potatoes. We have enough money in our treasury to buy the seed and treat them. We have the ground plowed and are ready to plant the potatoes as soon as it is dry enough.

--Reporter

Burlington: Our annual F.F.A. banquet was held March 29 at the good will room. Parents and friends were guests.

Our class sheep project has six lambs from four ewes so far. Our class project is 23 ewes.

Wilbur Levering won the prize of making the most money on his project. He made \$58 on a swine project.

Our chapter will have 23 acres of field corn and one acre of popcorn for a project this year.

--Raymond Decker, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

Bird City: Monday March 22, the Bird City and St. Francis F.F.A. members met at the farm of State Representative Henry Hickerdt for a livestock judging tour. In the morning a class of Hampshire ewes, fat lambs and draft mares were placed with oral reasons. Dinner time found the group still at the Hickerdtts. In the afternoon a class of draft mares was judged at Hickerdtts and from there a class of spotted Poland gilts at Earl Burrs. The day ended with a class of Ayrshire cows at Clarence Barlett's farm.

Mr. Parlett organized the trip, placed the classes and gave reasons and discussed the classes before the group. We were very fortunate in having Mr. Barlett promote this tour for us.

One of the F.F.A. calves was sold, showing a profit of \$13.40. A gain of 220 pounds in 155 days was made by this calf on a ration of 1 pound limestone, 1 pound cotton seed meal, 1 pound light ground barley and cane stover. The remaining calves stand the chapter at a nice profit to date. They will probably be fed grain this summer and one fed out for the Denver Livestock Show next January.

Norvan Harris is busy getting all project books and records ready for his application for State Farmer degree.

The livestock judging team will compete in the contest at Colby, April 2 and 3, and Hays and Manhattan, April 26 and 27. The Manhattan trip will be approximately an 800 mile round trip.

--Reporter

Argonia: Our market hogs have been sold and the records brought up to date. We sold 7 market pigs which weighed 1520 lbs at 6 months of age. They brought \$10.10 at Wichita which was top price of the week. We lost about \$18. We are continuing with 2 pure bred gilts and one boar pig.

We have 1.1 acres back of the swimming pool that we have rented for potatoes. Five town boys, Gerold Ashmore, John Baldwin, Marvin Brown, Loren Paxon and John Smith will care for the project. We bought 1100 lbs of seed (Certified Irish Cobbler) from the Winfield Farmers Union Association. We seeded 1015 lbs or approximately 17 bushels on the 1.1 acres. We bought 125 lbs of 0-52-10 fertilizer from Ira Plank. The potatoes were seeded March 19. We plan to irrigate.

Our hotbed was completed and the sweet potatoes planted on March 8, the cabbage, tomatoes, egg plant and peppers were seeded March 17, and 18.

Nineteen boys visited the Harper chapter Wednesday March 24. We played them a game of basketball and won 28-13. However they seemed to have the edge in ping pong.

--Maurice Bandy, Reporter.

Chapter News (Continued)

Miltonvale: Our chapter has been carrying on a number of activities lately. We sponsored the district grain judging and public speaking contest held at Miltonvale, March 20, 1937. We made \$2.25 profit from our sale of candy to contestants. The Miltonvale judging team won the trophy for first place. Individual awards went to Murray Kirman, Wamego, first; Merrill Thompson of Lebanon, second; Lowell Wallace of Linn, third, in the grain judging contest and Robert Finch of Lebanon won first place in the public speaking contest.

We sponsored a seed treating program of treating seed oats and seed potatoes for nearby farmers and realized a profit of \$1.15.

We have organized a basketball team. We played the Simpson Future Farmers and were forced to play a tie off and were defeated by four points. We have a game scheduled with Clay Center soon. We are sponsoring a hotbed program for a project. We planted a hotbed 6x20 into tomatoes, cabbage, sweet potatoes, and peppers. We are going to use part of the profit in financing our annual Future Farmer fishing trip in the spring.

We are also helping a business man plant about 500 trees on his lake, in order to have the use of the lake on boating parties.

We held our last night meeting Tuesday, March 30. Several of our old members attended. We nominated our delegates to the annual roll call meeting of the F.F.A. at Manhattan on April 26, 1937, and will vote on the candidates at our next meeting.

--Reporter.

Lawrence: The Jayhawk chapter conducted their sixteenth annual grain judging contest on March 16. Twenty-one teams entered, but only sixteen teams were able to attend. The Lawrence chapter offered a trophy for the team winning the entire contest, and the Tonganoxie chapter offered a trophy for the highest team in grain judging. Three medals were offered for the three high individuals in the entire contest. The Ottawa team won both trophies and all three medals, Max Floyd, Kenneth Jameson, and Raymond Johnson ranking high in the order given. Wamego won second, and Silver Lake won third in the entire contest.

The Lawrence F.F.A. was very happy to receive and accept the invitation of the Hiawatha Kiwanis Club to attend their meeting on March 2, and conduct the program. The object of the meeting was to decide upon the advisability of putting a course in vocational agriculture in the Hiawatha high school.

The F.F.A. basketball team ended the basketball season with a first team loss and a second team win over the Lawrence Junior High School team. Our team played fourteen games, winning five and losing nine games.

The election of new officers and the initiation of the Green Hands into the F.F.A. was held March 31.

--Lowell Penny, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

Alton: The Alton chapter of F.F.A. which was organized several years ago, but has been inactive for sometime, was reorganized Tuesday, March 16. The election of officers was held Friday, March 19, and the following officers were elected: Oid Lee Wineland, president; Monte Sparks, vice president; Harold Hackerott, secretary; Dean Smith, treasurer; John DeFord, reporter.

Six boys of the vocational agriculture I class went to a grains and poultry judging contest at Wakeeney, March 13. They ranked sixth in grains and tenth in poultry. The vocational agriculture II class is judging pictures of livestock and plans to go on some field trips to various farms in the community and judge livestock. Both classes are working on the Hoards Dairyman contest which they plan to enter.

The vocational agriculture II class has a class project of 12 ewes which had sixteen lambs, one of which died. They fed the ewes sorghums and alfalfa, and are at the present time feeding them oats also. They are creep feeding the lambs on alfalfa hay and corn chop.

The vocational agriculture I class has planned and started a hot-bed for their class project. The agriculture I class had a hot-bed for a class project last year and each boy in the class made \$1.27 profit.

In shop the classes have built feed bunks, shed and fence for sheep project. Other shop work has included a trailer with box, wagon box, book case, breakfast table, trailer hitches for four wheeled trailers and other smaller articles too numerous to mention.

We put one additional requirement other than those of the F.F.A. That is, that all members must be passing in four subjects. The following are members: John DeFord, Oid Lee Wineland, Herbert Barnt, Richard Brent, Dale Cooper, Richard Cordill, Mas Gregory, Harold Hackerott, Doyle Hadly, Leonard Holloway, Edwin Macha, Dwight Nichols, Dean Smith, Monte Sparks, Earl Watson, Lee Paynter, and Dale Brent.

--John DeFord, Reporter

Atwood: Ten Future Farmer candidates will be initiated April 6.

An open date party will be held sometime in April.

The chapter is organizing a Cooperative Feed Production Association. At present there are 23 members with 160 acres signed up. The plan is to produce cheap roughage to feed to beef cattle next fall.

Supplies for the project will be bought cooperatively, as will the purchase and sale of the beef calves.

--William Whisler, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

Wakeeney: We held our first Father-Son banquet with 64 dads and boys present. The dads all came in overalls and were greeted with mangers built on the tables filled with hay. Bales of hay were used for seats and a large shock of feed decorated the center of the room. A fine program was enjoyed by the entire group. The program was concluded with a set of reasons on a class of Jersey bulls. (4 dads).

We purchased 200 baby chicks February 16, which are doing fine. We expect to cull out and keep the more promising pullets for a laying flock project next fall.

The chapter fully enjoyed having the ten schools as our guests March 13, in the Western Kansas Poultry and Crop School. Attendance was cut down due to bad roads.

We are planning to feed the Lions Club fried chicken April 5. The proceeds will help pay for our chicks.

We are working hard on our crops and live stock for the State contest and the Colby contest.

We have been running a few germination tests for some of the local farmers free of charge.

--Cecil McAtee, Reporter

Moundridge: The Moundridge chapter cleared \$20 on a bulletin printed for every basketball game. This bulletin consisted of advertisements of various merchants and business men in town and the line-ups and numbers of both teams' players.

Our chapter held a carnival and amateur hour February 11. We charged an admission price of 10 and 15 cents. We had eleven numbers for the amateur hour including two gong numbers from members of the FFA. After the program we opened booths for entertainment. We also had an eat stand where we sold hotdogs, ice cream, pie, cake, doughnuts, and coffee. Each member brought two pies or a cake. We made a profit of \$75.

Our chapter treated and cleaned oats for farmers in the neighborhood. We treated the oats with New Improved Ceresan dust. We treated 2137 bushels of oats. Our rates were 2 cents a bushel for cleaning and 3 cents a bushel for treating with us furnishing the materials.

From our class project of two sows and seventeen pigs we sold the sows and ten of the pigs. One bred sow weighed 405 lbs and sold for $9\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ a lb, bringing \$38.47. The other weighed 435 lbs at Wichita and brought top \$10.25, bringing us \$207.14.

Our chapter built a chicken house for one of our member's Dad. We worked 17 days on it and received \$20 besides very helpful practice....We also have a hot-bed for a class project. The plants are doing well.

--Harvey Goering, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

Beverly: New officers elected for the year 1936-37: Lowell Webb, president; Arthur Lancaster, vice president; Frank Pistoria, secretary; Verne Cross, treasurer; Wellington Dunn, reporter; Junior Taylor, watch dog.

The Beverly chapter has organized a basketball team and are playing other chapters and other teams in the community. The members of the chapter are selling candy and gum at the basketball games to enlarge the Future Farmer treasury.

The chapter is planning to have their annual parent and son banquet sometime soon. A committee has been appointed to provide entertainment.

The chapter holds a day meeting once every two weeks and a night meeting once every month.

Most all of the members of the chapter have ordered Future Farmer or Green Hand pins.

The organization held a date party. Refreshments of pie and ice cream were served. Every one present reported a pleasant time.

Our chapter has sown oats on our class project plot this year.

A committee of five of the chapter members are making a bulletin board to put up some place in town. Information will be put on this board that will help the farmers of the community.

--Wellington Dunn, Reporter

Ramona: Five members and the advisor attended the poultry contest at Wichita and the grain contest at Newton, March 13. One of our boys placed third high in the poultry contest.

We are planning on attending Angus Day at Junction City, Clay Center livestock contest and a contest at Newton. These contests are to help us with the state contest at Manhattan.

We are planning a theater party as a social for the juniors who will be F.F.A. members next year. This was to have been in January, but icy roads prevented.

We are planning a parliamentary practice program for our next meeting.

Our part-time school closed April 1. There were 16 boys enrolled. The boys thought the time well spent and enjoyed the school. It was conducted by our vocational agriculture teacher, Mr. T. Bruner. The subject was farm shop. Some of the boys made chick feeders, foot stools, saw benches, and dressing screens.

--Arthur Hanschu, Reporter.

Chapter News (Continued)

Winfield: Our chapter has been treating seed potatoes for the local Farmers Union. We have our own equipment and use the acid corrosine sublimate method. A total of 970 bags were treated of which 150 were for chapter use. By charging 10 cents a hundred we netted \$64.

After having been beaten earlier in the season by the Oxford F.F.A. team, 19 to 18, the chapter team vindicated themselves somewhat by turning back the same team on our own court, 25 to 19. This gave us a game apiece, so Oxford invited us over again to play off the tie. In a close thriller, the local boys won out 27 to 26. We have a game matched with Arkansas City in the near future.

"Caught in a Riptide", (snowdrift to you) is the theme song of the chapter judging team. After going to Wichita and participating in a Poultry and Egg judging contest there, the boys started to Newton for the Grain judging contest. It had been snowing and about seven or eight miles out of Wichita the going became more and more difficult. After struggling along several miles, slipping and sliding in the snow, the boys, with a feeling of frustration, decided that the roads were impassable, and turned around and came home. The "snow babies" were Dalton Martin, George Lierman, Owen Tucker, and Robert Berry. They were accompanied by Mr. Plank.

We had a very successful banquet on February 25 in the recreation hall of the high school. There were approximately 110 members, parents, and guests present. The speaker of the evening was Fred Demott, farmer and banker of Arkansas City. It was financed by charging 25 cents a plate and making up the difference out of the chapter treasury.

The chapter potato project is well under way now with three and one-half acres planted. Variety tests are being run on seven different varieties. We use commercial fertilizers and we have our pump ready for irrigation if needed. We intend to save seed from the spring crop to plant in August for junior seed.

--Wilbur Thornton, Reporter

Mayetta: A parents-sons party was given by our chapter, March 19. The program consisted of the opening ceremony, piano duet, FFA Creed, one act play, "The Grass is Always Greener", and the closing ceremony. The main speaker was Max Beeler, associate editor of Capper's Farmer. After the program, refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake and coffee, or chocolate milk were served.

The F.F.A. is operating the greenhouse again this year. The seeds were planted March 19. The plants will include tomatoes, cabbage, and peppers.

We have been quite busy the last few days treating oats seed for farmers. They are treating the seed with New Improved Cerasan. So far, 220 bushels have been treated. We charge two cents per bushel if the farmers can furnish the dust.

--Reporter.

Chapter News (Continued)

Fairview: Initiation services for raising Green Hands to Future Farmers was held March 19. The following boys were initiated: Walter Meyer, Junior Duckers, Leroy Hampton, Leland Kleopfer, Winfield Rieger, Raymond Brockhoff, Charles Skinner.

The first draft of plans for a sheep breeding project has been worked up and approved by the chapter. These plans call for a project of 15 or more ewes to be purchased next fall. The project is being planned for a continuation project to be carried for 5 years or more.

Some of the boys have sold their feeder pig projects and have realized a nice profit. Henry Torkelson made a profit of nearly \$40 on five Duroc Jersey pigs which he fed for 85 days. Walter Meyer and Harold Key both made a profit on their pigs but not as much as Henry.

The Girl Reserve and FFA chapter conducted a food sale during the county basketball tournament held at the Fairview high school. We sold hamburgers, plate lunches, ice cold pop, coffee, candy bars, pop corn, pie, chewing gum, apples and oranges and also conducted a check room for coats and hats. The tournament lasted Thursday evening all day Friday and Friday evening. We cleared \$51.86 which made \$25.93 for each organization.

We conducted an interclass basketball tournament during the latter part of February and everybody had a fine time. The Freshmen and Seniors tangled first in a closely contested battle which finally went to the Seniors. The final game was won by the Juniors without much trouble. The consolation game between the Sophomores and Freshmen was a good one with the Freshmen leading all of the way except during the last few minutes when the Sophomores nosed them out. The entire student body watched these games.

An interclass track meet is being planned for sometime in the near future.

--Reporter

Brewster: We put on a minstrel show March 12. The purpose of the minstrel was to raise money for our vacation trip sometime during the summer.

The vocational agriculture class has constructed two hall trees and a book case during the past month for the community.

We are planning to sponsor a Junior Fair and Poultry Show some time in May. The vocational agriculture class is going to construct different things that are convenient to have on the farm to sell at the fair. The money taken in above expenses will go into the chapter treasury.

We sent a donation of \$2.00 to the flood district area.

We are planning on holding a horse show tournament some time soon. We plan to charge an entry fee of 5¢ per person. The purpose of the tournament is to get money in the treasury.

--Elmer Uhey, Reporter

Chapter News (Concluded)

Coldwater: We held our annual father and son banquet on January 29. A special meeting was held Tuesday, February 30, to initiate five Green Hands to the Future Farmer degree. For the last four weeks we have been studying for the Hays and Manhattan judging contest.

On January 7, six Coldwater aggies went to Dodge City to judge poultry. Our team consisted of three members who are Frank Metzger, Monroe Huck, and Clifford Case who placed first. Frank Metzger was high individual.

On March 13, five boys, Frank Metzger, Clair Parcel, Monroe Huck, Fred Nichleson and Clifford Case went to Wichita, to judge poultry in the morning, and then drove 25 miles to Newton to judge grain. Our team ranked third in poultry judging and Clifford Case was second high individual. We did not hear how we came out at Newton.

March 20, Mr. Melia, vocational instructor and six boys went to Pratt to a meeting on sorghum production and feeding sorghums to beef cattle. Twenty boys are planning to plant 10 acres of sorghums and winter 15 calves each, as a cooperative project next fall.

The first year class is carrying a brooding project of 350 U. S. certified white rock chicks. They will keep the pullets for a laying flock next year.

--Clifford Case, Reporter

Harper: At the beginning of school we held a meeting of the club and elected the following officers: Walter Olivier, president; Donald Domniek, vice president; Teddy Troyer, secretary; Francis Davis, Treasurer; Arthur Drouhard, watch dog; Lloyd Drouhard, reporter; P. W. Russell, Advisor.

Shortly after school started, we initiated nineteen members into our organization. After the ceremony a weiner roast was held in honor of the new members.

We organized a basketball team. There are about six or seven players, who make up the team. The team has played three games.

At our last meeting we discussed State Farmer candidates. Candidates who are eligible are: Teddy Troyer, Arthur Drouhard, Francis Davis, Donald Domniek, and Lloyd Drouhard.

At present our superintendent is taking pictures of our projects. These we plan to show at an assembly held toward the end of the term.

--Lloyd Drouhard, Reporter

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See you at the State Meeting April 26-27.