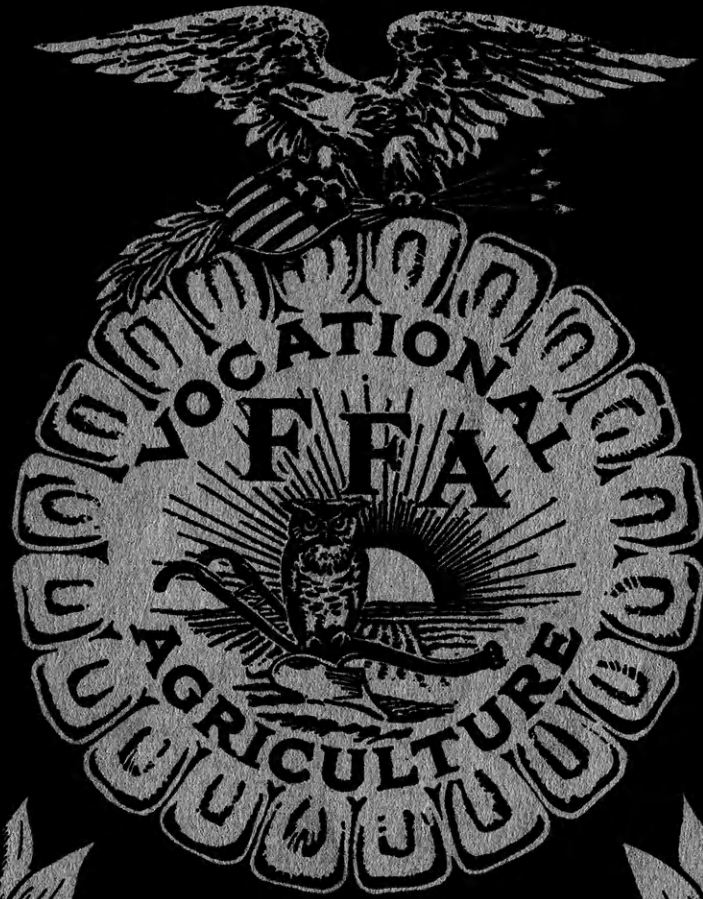


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IDEALS

As you think, you travel; and as you love, you attract
You are today where your thoughts have brought you;
You will be tomorrow where your thoughts take you.
You cannot escape the result of your thoughts,
But you can endure and learn, can accept and be glad.
You will realize the vision (not the idle wish) of your heart
Be it base or beautiful, or a mixture of both,
For you will always gravitate toward that which you,
Secretly, most love.
In your hands will be placed the exact results of your
thoughts;
You will receive that which you earn; no more, no less.
Whatever your present environment may be,
You will fall, remain, or rise with your thoughts,
Your wisdom, your ideal.
You will become as small as your controlling desire,
As great as your dominant aspiration.

--James Allan

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With an enrollment of approximately 4,000 students in vocational agriculture in Kansas, is there any reason why we should not, as a state association, be in a position to recommend four candidates for the American Farmer degree in 1938? We can think of no real reason why we should not be in a position to recommend four candidates, but the three factors listed below will have to be given attention before this goal can be attained.

1. Seven departments of vocational agriculture have never petitioned for an F.F.A. charter. The total enrollment of these seven departments totals approximately 150. Since active F.F.A. departments are scattered throughout the entire state it is difficult to accept "hard times" as a legitimate reason for not having organized.

2. Ten of the departments established in 1937 have not as yet petitioned for F.F.A. charters. These departments have an enrollment of approximately 200 students. We are confident that these departments will have organized F.F.A. chapters before the date of our next annual meeting of the state association.

3. Thirteen departments with chartered chapters of F.F.A. are on the inactive list. These thirteen departments enroll approximately 375 students. Four of the inactive chapters filed programs of work, so undoubtedly they will become active chapters before the date of the annual meeting. However, the other nine departments will necessarily have to reestablish their active status if we expect to reach the goal of being in a position to nominate four American Farmer candidates.

Of course the recommending of four American Farmer candidates is not the main reason we are hoping these 30 departments will establish themselves as active F.F.A. units. The principle reason for urging these departments to organize chapters lies in the good the boys and the departments will derive from such procedure. Read the Objectives of the Future Farmers of America, study the Creed, and then honestly evaluate the place of the F.F.A. in attaining these objectives for your boys. Then definitely set about to either organize, or reestablish a chapter in your department.

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LaCrosse has the honor of being the 130th F.F.A. chapter chartered in the Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America. Seventeen members were granted a charter on December 27, 1937. Franklin Miller is president, Lawrence Jennison is secretary-treasurer, and Carl Heinrich is the advisor of the new chapter. Congratulations and best wishes are extended by the State Association.

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INVITATION

The Solomon chapter has been invited to participate in the National F.F.A. Farm and Home Hour Program over the NBC facilities. They were given the choice of either April or May for broadcasting. It was indicated that a musical program was desired. Whether or not Solomon will be able to accept has not been determined. We are hopeful that they will be able to make the trip to Chicago and participate in the broadcast. Incidentally, Solomon has a paid up membership of 70 members, the largest in the state up to the time of going to press. May we extend congratulations upon having received an invitation to participate in the National broadcast, and secondly, upon the fine membership reported.

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F.F.A. PINS

The latest word from L. B. Balfour Company is to the effect that the new pins will be available shortly after the 15th of this month. Meanwhile, all orders for pins are being held in this office, and shipments will be made just as soon as the pins are delivered to us.

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PUBLIC SPEAKING

Certainly it is not too early to begin working on a speech for the annual contest to be held in connection with the annual meeting of the State Association next spring. Any subject having an agricultural bearing will be satisfactory. The time limit is 10 minutes for delivery. The judges will ask questions. Further announcements will be mailed later.

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METAL OWLS

Word comes to us from the Singer Sewing Machine Company that this concern has frequent calls from F.F.A. members for metal owls which are not available. Since these requests are of considerable annoyance to the Company, they are asking our help in correcting the impression which is responsible for such correspondence. The Singer Sewing Machine Company has no metal owls for distribution and no arrangements have been made with any Company by the national organization for such merchandise.

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The small boy had fallen into the stream, but had been rescued.
"How did you come to fall in?" asked a bystander.
"I didn't come to fall in," the boy explained; "I came to fish."

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SHIPPING CHARGES

The French-Bray Printing Company has suggested the following procedure when ordering printed material:

"There has been considerable comment about shipping charges on small shipments of F.F.A. printed supplies. Upon checking into this, we find that quite a saving can be effected by remitting Postal Money Order or stamps with the order. This eliminates C.O.D. charges which on small orders under \$1.00 usually amount to more than the price of the article ordered. Your cooperation in sending Postal Money Order or stamps for the cost of the article plus postage will facilitate delivery and effect a saving to you."

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NATIONAL OBJECTIVES

1. Membership - Strive for increased membership.
 Goal - 160,000 active members by the Eleventh National Convention
2. Manuals - Stimulate interest in the use of the official Manual
 Goal - 60% of active membership owning or having access to Manuals by the Eleventh National Convention.
3. Secretary and Treasurer's Books - Continue to make available official chapter secretary and chapter treasurer's books and encourage their use.
 Goal - 100% of chapters using books.
4. Uniforms - Encourage use of official uniform by members.
 Goal - 100% of State officers; 75% of chapter officers using uniform in connection with F.F.A. activities.
5. Libraries - Encourage and assist chapters to build up chapter libraries.
 Goal - 75% of chapters with libraries.
6. Thrift - Encourage the use of chapter-operated thrift banks.
 Goal - 50% chapter participation.
7. Long-Time Farming Programs - Encourage members to build individual farming programs through continuous project work.
 Goal - 75% of members participating.
8. Ceremonies - Stimulate interest in the use of the opening and closing ceremonies at F.F.A. meetings.
 Goal - 100% State Association and chapter participation.
9. Parliamentary Procedure - Encourage improvement in the conduct of chapter meetings.
 Goal - 100% chapter participation.

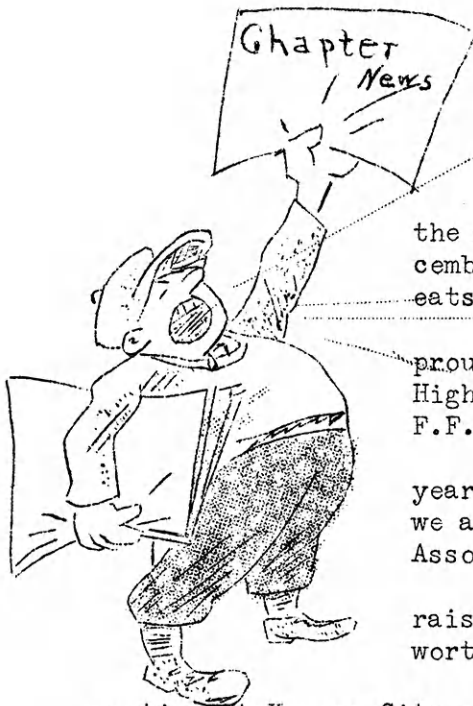
National Objectives (Continued)

10. Public Speaking - Encourage greater member participation in public speaking.
Goal - 100% of chapters holding a public speaking contest.
11. Home Improvement - Encourage home improvement by members to include landscaping, repair, electrification, and the like.
Goal - 80% of members participating.
12. Rural Fire Prevention - Encourage and improve rural fire prevention programs through education and demonstration.
Goal - 100% chapter participation.
13. Conservation - Encourage continuous conservation programs to include work with soils, water, trees, prevention of forest fires, protection of wild life, and the like.
Goal - 100% chapter participation with 80% of chapter members carrying on such improvement on their home farms.
14. State Camps and Leadership Training - Encourage establishing and maintaining State camps with Leadership Training schools held in connection with these camps.
Goal - 100% State participation.
15. State Musical Organizations - Encourage organization of State Bands and other musical organizations.
Goal - 50% State participation.
16. State Publications - Encourage establishing and maintaining official State publications and their exchange with other State Associations.
Goal - 100% State participation.
17. State Radio Broadcasts - Encourage organized State radio broadcasts operating on a systematic basis.
Goal - 65% State participation.
18. National F.F.A. Day - Provide for special national radio broadcast. Request chapters to listen in and schedule special public programs on that day. Date to be set three months in advance.
19. Degree Advancement - Encourage early and systematic preparation on the part of all members wishing to advance in degree membership.
20. National Officer Visits - Arrange as far as possible to have some national officer visit each State during the year.
21. World's Poultry Congress - Continue to have representatives assist in making plans for the World's Poultry Congress and encourage State Associations to have representation at the Congress.

National Objectives (Concluded)

22. Proceedings - Publish and distribute to every chapter and official delegate the Proceedings of the Tenth National Convention as soon as possible; this publication to contain special pictures of the Tenth Convention Celebration.
23. Motion Pictures - Each administrative region to be provided with at least one complete film of the Tenth Convention Celebration; this film to be circulated among the respective State Associations and chapters as far as possible.
24. State Product Exhibit - Each State to prepare a display for the Eleventh National Convention; plan to be developed by the National Board of Trustees.
25. National F.F.A. Camp - National Board of Trustees to investigate the possibilities and formulate preliminary plans for the establishment of a National F.F.A. Camp and Leadership Training School. Report to be made at the Eleventh National Convention.
26. F.F.A. Paraphernalia - Encourage the use of appropriate F.F.A. paraphernalia in connection with all F.F.A. gatherings.

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Burlington: This chapter is experiencing new life and plenty of "pep". Seventeen new members as Green Hands were initiated December 15. This was the result of a membership contest led by Richard Keith and Estell Schermerhorn. The former's side secured the most members, so got to furnish the program for December 27. The latter's side lost so they furnished the eats for the whole crowd the same night.

We have two basket ball teams of which we are very proud. They have played the grade school and the Strawn High School Alumni. We are open for other games with F.F.A. chapters.

Our sheep project made us \$2.47 a share this first year. We are increasing the number of ewes kept. Also we are borrowing \$200 from the Chanute Production Credit Association to care for this year's needs.

Our popcorn project has been quite a success. We raised about 1000 pounds from one-half acre. We sold \$8 worth and have about 500 pounds to sell.

Eight boys from our chapter attended the F.F.A. Convention at Kansas City and the American Royal. Upon their return they wrote a report of the trip. The first prize \$3.00, was won by Roy McReynolds; second prize, \$2.00 by Richard Keith, and third prize, \$1.00 by Maurice McReynolds.

--Herbert Bowman, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

Moundridge: The November evening meeting was set aside for the initiation of Green Hands. The following 21 boys were examined and voted into the chapter: Wilbert Goering, Lawrence Harms, Milo Kaufman, Delbert Krehbiel, Eldo Schrag, Melvin Strauz, Junior Stucky, Kermit Decker, Abe Dirks, David Goering, Phillip Goering, Norman Hoyer, Leroy Krehbiel, Austin Tegier, Leroy Reusser, Melvin Schlender, Milo Schrag, Paul Schrag, Willis Voran, Waldo Waltner, Homer Wedel.

Recently the chapter sponsored a sparrow catching contest to maintain interest in the organization and also to rid the community of the pests. A total of 2,028 sparrow heads were brought in. The group was divided equally --the north against the south. The latter caught 1272; the former 757. Milo Kaufman was in charge of the contest. The two captains were Bus Westerman and Walter Krehbiel.

The annual carnival and amateur hour held each year by the chapter was postponed until January 20, because of scarlet fever. This is to be the biggest and best ever held in this community. The purpose of it is to raise funds for the chapter to help pay expenses for the winners of the trips to the American Royal and Judging trips. The carnival and amateur hour helps to maintain interest in the chapter and also furnishes entertainment for the community.

Twelve head of weaning pigs were bought for a chapter project. The pigs average 49 pounds each and cost ten cents a pound. Shares are being sold at \$2.50 each. This project is a good investment and the boys are taking advantage of the opportunity.

The chapter is helping sponsor an evening school for the farmers in the community. Mr. Johnson, the sponsor, of the chapter is also helping with this project.

--Clinton Krehbiel, Reporter

Atwood: Our chapter has an active membership of 35. We hold one evening meeting each month on the first Tuesday.

At the district Poultry Judging Contest at Bird City, December 17, the department placed third which was eleven points under the winning team. Arnold Moline of the department was second high individual.

On December 15, the chapter in cooperation with the County Farm Bureau sponsored a meat cutting demonstration by Mr. Carl Elling of the K.S.C. Extension Service.

On December 7, the Atwood chapter held a joint meeting with the McDonald chapter for the purpose of initiating the Green Hands. After the initiation every member had a good time playing volley ball, after which a lunch was served by the Atwood Chapter.

The agriculture department staged the scenery and made new scenery for the Junior play.

--William Whisler, Reporter

Delphos: The new officers for 1938 are: Harold Kisen, president; Ronald Everly, secretary; Ross Skinner, treasurer; Harold Doby, reporter; Sam Sparks, watch dog. A meeting of the new officers was held December 30 to plan the year's work.

--Harold Doby, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

Mound City: Our chapter elected officers last spring but our vice president and our reporter were unable to attend Mound City high school, so we elected another vice president and reporter this fall. The officers are as follows: Marvin Adams, president; Gerald Ball, vice president; Gordon Paddock, secretary; Ralph Augur, treasurer; Leslie Martin, reporter.

The officers attended the officers training school at Shawnee Mission September 25, and six of the outstanding members of the second year class attended the officers training school at Fredonia, October 5.

The activity program for this year was sent November 1. An officer is at the head of each activity and a sub-chairman is selected from the second year class. Under the sub-chairman are at least four helpers. The second year class worked out a complete list of all possible activities, their goals, and the ways and means; and the officers compiled it into the final form which was accepted by the chapter and submitted to the state association.

Twenty-six members attended the American Royal Livestock Show, October 10. The trip was made on the school bus. The group also made a tour of the Swift packing plant.

Two class projects are being carried on this year. One is a breeding ewe project. Fourteen native ewes were purchased in September. These ewes are bred to lamb in January and February. The other project is a laying flock project. It consists of 72 White Leghorn pullets. These pullets were hatched April 12, and came into production the first of October, and were producing fifty per cent by November 1.

The seventh annual Father-Son banquet was held in the high school gymnasium Saturday, November 14. About 90 members and their fathers were there. Mr. H. H. Brown was the principal speaker of the evening.

--Leslie Martin, Reporter

Chanute: Our chapter had a stand at the school carnival December 10. It consisted of a bowling alley and throwing baseballs at milk bottles. The profit was about \$15.00.

We are mixing laying mash as a cooperative activity. The mash is mixed in the school shop, and sold out to members at cost. We do not sell to outsiders. The standard K.S.C. laying mash mixture is being used. We save about 30 cents per 100 pounds by mixing our own mash.

Our Christmas Sweetheart Party was held Wednesday evening December 22. We each brought two presents. Then numbers were drawn as a means of distributing the presents. Many of the presents were interesting and funny. The evening was spent in contests and games, after which refreshments of fruit salad, cake and punch was served.

The McCune chapter came to Chanute and played us a basketball game, Saturday, December 18. We won 29 to 16. After the game we went to the class room for a short meeting with group singing and contests making up the major part of the program. We had popcorn and apples for refreshments.

--Junior West, Reporter

Simpson: We had our annual Christmas party, December 16. Forty-one guests were present. Games were played and refreshments served.

We have finished the foundation of a garage for which we will be paid. The money will be put in the chapter treasury.

--Ivan Huffman, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

Wakefield: Educational booths were built by members of the second year class for the local fair. Five dollars in prize money was won, the boy getting half and the F.F.A. treasury getting the other half. Robert Randle won first, Tom Brown and Raymond Bergermier second, Leroy Hammond and Norman Shandy, third.

Most of the boys showed their project stock at the local fair, trying to earn enough money to pay their way to the American Royal.

Eleven boys made the trip to the American Royal. James Barclay, Merle Myers, Robert Randle and Clarence Shandy were delegates chosen from each class. These boys gave reports of the trip to the rest of the chapter. Other boys going were: Howard Stittsworth, Carl Neithinger, Wayne Machmer, Norman Shandy, Tom Brown, Melvin Thurlos, Mr. Machmer and Mr. Brandenburg. We went down Tuesday morning, returning Wednesday evening.

One hundred per cent of the boys have paid their dues on time.

A night meeting was held the latter part of October. 100 per cent of the Green Hands were initiated. After the meeting refreshments were served.

A joint roller skating party was held with the F.H.A.

The F.F.A. is helping Mr. Brandenburg conduct an adult evening school on Sheep Production. Three meetings have been held with much interest having been shown.

Carl Neithinger, Merle Myers and Dale Luthi are building an electric battery brooder in the shop. The F.F.A. is going to brood some chickens and serve them at our banquet.

Clarence Shandy, our president and a state farmer, is our candidate for the Union Pacific Scholarship.

Robert Randle, one of our outstanding F.F.A. members won a trip to Chicago to the International Livestock Show. By being Riley County Crops Champion he was made a candidate for the honor.

Our Sheep project, consisting of 25 head of purebred Hampshire ewes, have begun to lamb. All the buck lambs so far have been spoken for by boys for their individual projects. For a beef cattle project we purchased ten head of choice quality Hereford steers.

--Merle Myers, Reporter

Beverly: Officers elected for the year are: Lowell Webb, president; Everton Schroeder, vice president; Frank Pistoria, secretary; Junior Taylor, treasurer; James McBride, reporter; Chester Anderson, watch dog. We have 35 paid up members. At the first of school we initiated ten new members into our local chapter. We plan to carry a sow and litter project and have already bought three Chester White gilts. The school board furnished material for the fence and we have a very nice lot with two A type houses.

November 22 we sponsored a turkey shoot and cleared \$26. This was put into the F.F.A. treasury.

Recently we started an F.F.A. orchestra. This is a twelve piece orchestra and the boys are developing into a real orchestra.

We have built a glass bulletin board and put it up town with valuable information. This is for the benefit of farmers to keep posted on the latest material that they do not receive from the State Agriculture College. All boys enrolled in vocational agriculture have projects.

--James McBride, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

Morrowville: Our chapter held a hayrack party November 1. Approximately 30 members and friends attended. It was held to replace the Royal trip to Kansas City, which was in our program of activities. The group left town at six p. m. and returned at 10 p.m. The hayracks were covered with corn fodder and baled straw, with red lanterns for protection. Refreshments consisted of roasted weiners, marshmallows, cider and cookies. Guitar music and songs by Franklin Lull kept the witch away and all arrived home safely after having a good time.

The initiation of Green Hands was the principal business of our November 3 evening meeting. The following boys made the degree: Baline Wells, Maurice Stanton, Keith Bennett, Dale Foster, Earl Eichman, George Durst, Allen Mayberry and Ernest Howland.

Earl Moore and Jack Nutter attended the Fat Lamb show at Wichita. Earl sold hogs and sheep and Jack sold his beef calf. They also gave a sheep demonstration.

Our F.F.A. laying flock is averaging fifty per cent production.

Our chapter is conducting a fattening hog project, consisting of 20 head of hogs. They will be marketed in March or early April. We have butchered four hogs and dressed a beef, a sheep and a young goat in shop this year.

December 20, we held our Christmas Party and Green Hand initiation. The following boys were initiated: Max Wells, Frederick Prellwitz, Keith Enfield, Lester Miller, Ralph Dodd, and Oliver Steele. After the initiation, the members exchanged gifts.

Our chapter planned to have a watch party at our last night meeting, New Year's eve. It was voted to make this a date party. The party began at 10 p. m. New Year's Eve.

--Gerald Fencil, Reporter

Tonganoxie: Officers for the coming year are: Edwin Willert, president; Leonard Eisele, vice president; Edward Seufert, secretary; Fred Leimkuhler, treasurer; Robert Graham, reporter; Harry Sornesen, watch dog; R. L. Welton, advisor.

The Green Hand initiation was held November 17, in the High School shop. Five Green Hand members were initiated into the F.F.A. They are: Lloyd DeHoff, Harry Sornesen, Charles Jones, Karl Peterson, and Carl Deoge. Another initiation will be held in the near future for six other Green Hands.

A basket ball team has been organized and prospects are for a good team. We have challenged the F.F.A. team of Lawrence for a game. We hope to have several more games during the season. Any chapter wanting a game should write to Robert Graham, Tonganoxie chapter of F.F.A., Tonganoxie, Kansas.

At the Potato Judging Show held at Lawrence, Foster Carter of the Tonganoxie chapter tied for second place, but received the third place medal, losing the second place medal to a member of the Lawrence chapter by casting lots.

--Robert Graham, Reporter

Today is all that matters. Yesterday had its reign. Tomorrow will be only what today allows. If we would partake of and enjoy our tomorrow--whatever that may be--we must know that today not only prepares the way for living, but that living is today.--C. H. Blanchard.

Chapter News (Continued)

Washington: We are carrying a Class Project in Poultry consisting of White Leghorn pullets, brooded during the past summer. They were hatched on March 23, and began laying in August. On September 1, 145 pullets were put in the laying house at a cost of \$110.80. The flock now consists of 101 pullets plus cockerels, which were purchased from Chilen of Miltonvale F.F.A.

Production during September was 6.7 eggs per hen; October 12.3, and November 12.6. Per cent production during November was 42.

Paul Froehlich and Kenneth Bowers of our chapter won the two \$15 prizes to go toward the purchase of purebred heifers at the Linn Dairy day program October 23.

Our chapter is having a sparrow catching contest which terminated at the December meeting, the losers furnishing the refreshments. Lester Stoffel brought 251 heads one morning.

Twenty-one F.F.A. members attended the Royal. They also visited a packing plant, stock yards, terminal elevator, grain exchange, Long View and Chapman Dairies and the Municipal Air Port.

Seventy-two people attended the F.F.A. roller skating party at Linn, November 22. Our chapter leased the hall for the night.

Our department recently concluded its evening school in poultry production. Nine pupils had perfect attendance. The group was largely made up of flock owners supplying the Oliver hatchery. Mr. Chilcott was the instructor, and meetings were held in the Agriculture rooms and at the flock owners' homes.

--Jim Donahue, Reporter

Columbus: The Columbus F.F.A. held their first meeting October 11 and elected officers as follows: Adrian Clark, president; Harold Hammer, vice president; Dick Cooper, secretary; Dan Paradee, treasurer; Dale Hall, reporter; Steward Jones, watch dog.

Dick Cooper and Harold Hammer were elected to represent the Columbus chapter in the Speaking Contest.

The Columbus F.F.A. members are feeding four calves for the Midwest Stock Show.

The initiation of new members was held at our second meeting. The following received the Green Hand degree: Lloyd Coons, Bobby Miller, Bob Smittle, Damon Ruggels, Vern Reese, Harold Hammer, Don Gillenwater, Charles Crawford, Donald Cheney, Marine Cheney, Neil Chubb, Riley Clark.

Adrian Clark, Dan Parradee, and Dale Hall received their Future Farmer degree which was given to them at Fredonia.

The Columbus chapter is awarding school letters to the members of the judging team this year.

We organized a basketball team and have played the McCune F.F.A. We also played the Treece High School.

We have a membership of 24 members. We hope to have a larger membership the second semester.

--Dale Hall, Reporter

"The ladder of life is full of splinters, but they always prick the hardest when we are sliding down".

Chapter News (Continued)

Argonia: Our chapter held a Green Hand initiation on December 12. We started the initiation by having all of the Green Hands remove their shoes. They were then brought into the room for initiation. Some of the activities were the singing of a song by each Green Hand, eating crackers and whistling. We ended the initiation by having each Green Hand sign his name on our roll while sitting in an electric chair. After this refreshments were served.

On October 30, our chapter made a tour of all the projects. We had a report from each member whose project we visited. At noon we played a game of football at Merle Pearce's. Then we had a Dutch lunch after which we continued on with our tour. We intend to take a similar project tour in the spring to determine the progress in the various projects.

As wheat is our most profitable crop most of the boys carry wheat as a project. Almost all of our wheat projects are in excellent condition as we have had plenty of moisture.

Of our livestock projects beef seems to be the most popular; many students have some very fine individuals.

We feel very fortunate in our community this fall as we had a very abundant crop of feed and sorghum grain. We also have worlds of excellent wheat pasture.

We are doing some improving around our shop this year, having planted sod around the building and now we are making a side walk leading to the shop. In the spring we intend to plant shrubs and to set out a few trees.

It was voted at our last meeting to hold one night meeting each month for extra business and recreation as we felt the time set aside during our club period did not give us sufficient time.

--F.F.A. Reporter

Manhattan: The first meeting of the officers of the Manhattan chapter of F.F.A. was held September 17 at the home of our advisor, Mr. Kugler, in the form of a dinner party. During the evening committees were appointed and the Activity program planned.

Dale Knight has been elected secretary to fill the vacancy left by Richard Endicott. The new officers for the year are George Wreath, president; Edward Elling, vice president; Roy Currie, treasurer; Dale Knight, secretary; Burke Bayers, watch dog, and Amos Wilson, reporter.

The chapter has held one night meeting, and we are planning both a day and a night meeting for each month of the year.

Adelbert Wilson, a prospective Green Hand, won a free trip to the American Royal at the Kansas Free Fair at Abilene. Adelbert placed first in judging dairy cattle.

The chapter officers participated in a paraphernalia and ritual contest at Clay Center. They placed second winning \$2.50 for our chapter treasury.

A concrete bench was constructed in shop. We hope to place this somewhere on the school grounds as an advertisement for the F.F.A.

--Amos Wilson, Reporter

"Dear Teacher," wrote an indignant mother, "you must not whack Tommy. He is a delicate child, and isn't used to it. We never hit him at home except in self-defense."

Chapter News (Continued)

Reading: Our parent-son banquet was held November 9. A good program was given. Honorable Ed Rees of Emporia, was guest speaker. The banquet was free this year to all F.F.A. members and their parents.

The chapter entertained the Freshmen enrolled in Vocational Agriculture at a party at their October meeting. Practically the entire membership of the class was present and a good time was enjoyed by all.

The chapter sponsored an amateur contest and box supper the evening of October 23 in connection with their grain show. A large number of good exhibits were entered in the show. The exhibits were judged by Mr. Wildman, vocational agriculture instructor at Harveyville. A large crowd attended the amateur contest and box supper.

The chapter voted to enter a candidate in the corn husking contest at Cottonwood Falls sponsored by the Chase County Community High School F.F.A. chapter held October 30. Only F.F.A. members in high school were eligible to compete. The chapter named Wayne Simkins as their candidate.

--Leonard McAnarney, Reporter

Norwich: The F.F.A. chapter of Norwich High School elected the following officers for the year of 1937 and 1938. Everett Fieser, president; Arthur Smith, vice president; Keith Holder, reporter; Clair Messmer, watch dog; and Mr. Latimer, advisor. We have approximately thirty members in our local chapter. We have regular meetings twice each month. Our night meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p. m. and our afternoon meetings are the first Tuesday of each month at 3:00 p. m.

The activities for the year of 1937 and 1938 are as follows: pie and box supper, sponsoring the Norwich fall fair, fishing trip in the spring, father and son banquet, culling poultry and seed treatment of grains for farmers, are cooperative outside activities. There is a possibility of a few basketball games with other F.F.A. chapters.

Sponsoring the Norwich Fall Fair was one of our largest activities. The F.F.A. chapter was in full charge of all livestock and grain exhibits. There were approximately 250 head of very fine livestock at the fair. Many of the 1500 people who visited our fair said it was one of the best they had ever seen, even outclassing some of the local county fairs.

--Keith Holder, Reporter

Hope: The Hope chapter elected the following officers, October 9: Verden Long, president; Delmor Rufner, vice president; Harold Schimming, secretary; Robert Rock, treasurer; Preston Rhodes, reporter; Earl Gantenbien, watch dog. Most of these officers attended the officers training school at Clay Center.

We are running a cooperative Sheep Project this year. The project now includes eleven ewes, one having died October 25. Seven are western range ewes and four are natives. We bought them September 6. The project is financed by selling shares at \$2.50 per share.

The Hope chapter had charge of the tickets for the Lyceum Course. The town and community was divided into districts and each boy was responsible for a district. We also sponsored the pictures of the entire school, selling them. The two jobs together netted \$15.50.

Our advisor took Robert Rock, Verden Long, Delmor Rufner, Anthony Lorson, and Earl Gantenbien to the American Royal.

--Preston Rhodes, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

Medicine Lodge: We have our regular F.F.A. meeting every Tuesday from 8:30 to 9:00 a. m. Our dues this year are 50 cents; 20 cents for national and state dues, and 30 cents for our local treasury.

The Green Hands are working on the school chicken house and they plan to have about 60 pullets. Each boy is to bring in five pullets as his part of the investment and this is to be a cooperative activity.

The Sophomore class has been taking field trips to select sorghum seed.

The chapter has been working very hard on their activity program for the coming year, also the Future Farmers have been working on a night meeting for initiation for the Green Hands.

The following officers have been elected for this year: Pat Harbaugh, president; Kenneth Foster, vice president; Frank Fishburn, secretary; Howard Gant, treasurer; George Fritz, reporter; Roman Abt, watch dog; Harold Anderson, program chairman; M. W. Pearce, advisor.

--George Fritz

Colby: We have changed our annual election of officers from a fall election to a spring election. The following officers have been elected: Bobby Wallace, president; Glenn Larson, vice president; John Aschenbremer, secretary; Allen Sloan, treasurer; and Ralph Jones, reporter.

The chapter entertained the Freshmen boys at the regular monthly meeting on October 4. After the business meeting was over the boys played basketball and competed in several boxing and wrestling matches. Refreshments of ice cream and cookies were served in the cafeteria.

The annual Northwest Kansas training school for F.F.A. officers was held here October 9 at the high school building. Fifty-six officers and advisors, representing a dozen F.F.A. chapters were on hand for the school. The meeting was called to order at 11 a. m. and continued until 3:30 in the afternoon with time out for lunch. Following lunch the Colby officers gave a short demonstration on parliamentary procedure. After the different officers had met and reassembled, the conference was adjourned with the closing ceremony given by the Oberlin chapter.

At a special meeting October 25, the Colby chapter initiated the Hoxie boys, who are organizing a new chapter. Eleven boys were initiated as Green Hands. After the initiation ceremonies, refreshments were served.

--Ralph Jones, Reporter

Meriden: The following officers have been elected for the Meriden chapter of F.F.A.: Ray Anspaugh, president; Andrew Zeulner, vice president; DeVere Woodruff, secretary; George Martin, treasurer; Raymond Marker, reporter, Bob Becker, watch dog.

All officers, with their advisor, Blaine Crow, attended the officers' training school at Shawnee Mission, September 26.

Twenty-six Future Farmers, accompanied by their advisor, attended the American Royal.

Both classes in vocational agriculture attended the Tripp & Son sale of purebred Poland China boars and gilts, September 30.

About \$100 worth of new tools have been added to our farm shop.

--Raymond Marker, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

Bird City: December 16,17,18 the chapter held its annual Cheyenne County Poultry show and Poultry Judging School. There were 260 birds entered in the show, the largest number and best entries in the six years that the show has been held. The quality and size of the show drew many favorable comments from R. W. Pritchard, Kansas State Poultry Inspector and owner of the Hiawatha Hatchery, who was the judge. The Lions Club furnished the impetus, the business men donated \$100 for prizes and expense, and the F.F.A. managed and conducted the show and judging school. The following schools were entered in the contest Friday morning: Wakeeney, Colby, Oberlin, Atwood, McDonald, St. Francis, and Bird City. The classes consisted of the following: two classes of exhibition Rhode Island Red and S.C. White Leghorns; production classes of Buff Minorcas, Barred Rocks, White Rocks and S.C. White Leghorns, white eggs, brown eggs and dressed market poultry. The silver pigeon trophy was won by the Colby team consisting of Ralph Jones, Jim Dean and Allan Sloan. The Bird City team consisting of Clarence Roberson, Lowell Query, and Duane Harris, tied the Colby team for first place, but presented the trophy due to the fact that they had practiced culling selection in some of the flocks from which the contest birds were selected. Atwood placed third and Wakeeney, fourth. Twenty-five baby chicks were awarded to Ralph Jones of Colby High School for being high individual by the Hiawatha Hatchery. The ten high individuals were as follows: Ralph Jones, Colby; Arnold Moline, Atwood; John Schuster, Wakeeney; Jim Dean, Colby; Clarence Roberson, Bird City; Elbert May, Oberlin; Alfred Pemerton, McDonald; Duane Harris, Bird City; Frank Pattin, Atwood; Lowell Query, Bird City.

--F.F.A. Reporter

Frankfort: The Frankfort chapter of the F.F.A. held their first meeting of the school year on October 6. The new officers took charge. They are as follows: Raymond Easton, president; Harold Carlson, vice president; Harry Stauffer, secretary; Everett Pennington, treasurer; and James Connet, reporter. The program consisted of three talks. The first was by Howard Mills who talked on "Preventing Farm Accidents"; LeRoy Johnston talked on "Why I Plan to Stay on the Farm", and Calvin Hadorn gave a reading on "Kinds of Corn". The talks were enjoyed by all.

Our chapter initiated sixteen Green Hands on November 10. This gives a total of 28 active and paid up members for this year.

Our Activity program includes among other things the sponsoring of an invitation livestock judging contest next April. This has been an annual affair for the past eleven years.

--James Connet, Reporter

Longford: The officers for the coming year are: Dean Ferguson, president; Wesley Kramer, vice president; Orval Dal Mack, secretary; Russel Drumm, treasurer; Jack Smith, reporter; Kenneth Burns, watch dog.

Two day meetings are held every month on Fridays activity period and one night meeting is held once each month. To improve the chapter's parliamentary procedure, a parliamentarian is appointed for each meeting. We are hoping that it will aid us in conducting our meetings in proper order.

The chapter has made plans for landscaping the school lawn.

Candy is being sold at noon and during lecture courses to aid the chapter's treasury.

--Jack Smith, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

Miltonvale: Our chapter joined the Concordia Future Farmers on a fishing trip to the Ottawa County State Lake. There were about 15 members who attended.

This fall we sponsored a fitting and showing contest for all of the Agriculture boys. Junior Byers won first in the beef division, Loral Blackwood in the horse division, Hal Scott in the sheep division, and George Emrich in the dairy. The grand champion prize which was \$5.00 went to Loral Blackwood. Mr. H. Brown of Manhattan was the announcer. Mr. Norton of Glasco was the judge of all the divisions.

All of the officers met at Mr. Dudte's home and planned yearly programs for 1937 and 1938. Each member of the F.F.A. was placed in charge of one or more programs.

The Miltonvale officers attended the Officers Training School in Clay Center.

The first, second, and third year agricultural classes hired a truck and went to Hutchinson to the fair. The second and third year boys went to Abilene to a live stock judging contest. Joe Chilean, a second year boy in school, received first prize on beef cattle and was awarded a trip to the American Royal in Kansas City.

The F.F.A. boys are having a pest contest and giving a prize to the boy who kills the most pests. Wallace Bulleigh is in the lead at the time this article is written.

A table tennis tournament was sponsored at one of the night meetings. Wallace Bulleigh and Paul Emrich were the winners.

We invited our Dads to our last night meeting. We conducted our meeting as usual to give our dads an idea of what we do. After the business meeting we played checkers and carroms and table tennis. The Dads enjoyed the meeting very much. We served hamburgers, cocoa and cookies for refreshments.

--Junior Stout, Reporter

Washburn: The following officers have been elected for the coming year: Ferrol Oberhelman, president; Lyle Engler, vice president; Rudolph Smercheck, secretary; LeRoy Sidfrid, treasurer; Earl Diehl, reporter; Paul Huske, watch dog.

Lyle Engler and LeRoy Sidfrid attended the Officers Training School at Shawnee Mission, September 29.

Edward and Earl Diehl, Norman Shideler, Rudolph Smercheck, and LeRoy Sidfrid with Mr. Stewart attended the Hog Feeders Day held at Manhattan.

The officers of Washburn High accepted an invitation to go to Valley Falls and raise their Green Hands to the Future Farmer degree the latter part of October.

Rudolph Smercheck won first and LeRoy Sidfrid won second in the Future Farmer Hog Show at the Kansas Free Fair. This is the sixth time a Smercheck has placed in this show.

--Ferrol Oberhelman, Reporter

"Some books are to be tasted; others swallowed; and some few are to be chewed and digested".--Francis Bacon.

Chapter News (Continued)

Parker: The members of the Parker chapter went on a three day camping trip to the Ozarks, August 14 to 17. There were 31 F.F.A. members and 14 "outsiders" including Mr. E. L. Collins, last year's advisor, and Mr. C. H. Young, this year's advisor. The trip was financed partly by the chapter and partly by the boys individually, each boy paying two dollars. The trip was made in cars, and car expenses were paid by chapter, according to number of boys that each car hauled. All car expense, (oil and gasoline) was paid on cars hauling four boys. This was approximately a 600 mile trip. Our chapter plans to make a trip to Colorado next fall.

Officers elected for this year are: Junior Ingram, president; Charles Dedrick, vice president; Marion Barnett, treasurer; Byron Boydston, secretary; Dale Woolsey, reporter; Junior Cavinee, watch dog.

The chapter officers attended the sixth annual Officers Training School sponsored by the Shawnee Mission chapter.

Our chapter is maintaining a Thrift Bank again this year to save money for the trip to Colorado next fall.

The following Green Hands were raised to the Future Farmer degree at a special meeting in October: Byron Boydston, Lloyd Burcham, Charles Cavinee, Leonard Dodd, Virgil French, Gordon Gorrell, Elvyn Hampton, Eugene LaMar, Jack Lockhart, Laverne Harold, Glenn Logan, Milan Schroyer, Philip Singer, Roy Spencer, Harry Traul, Willis Troutman, Dale Woolsey, and Gerald Zimmerman. The following Green Hands were initiated: Fred Lee, Fred Harvey, Lloyd Hay, Laverne Hay, Roy Collins, Paul Smitheran, Clarence Traul, Duane Lanzrath, Herman Keitel, G. W. Campbell, William Milton, Charles Dye, Clayton Povenmire, Wayne Holderman, and Gerald Davey.

For shop work our vocational agriculture classes have been repairing our shop. The walls and ceiling have been white washed, which makes it much lighter; old benches have been repaired, and new ones are being built; tools are all being repaired and painted; ten new tool cabinets have been constructed.

Our vocational agriculture department has recently subscribed for several farm magazines, including Hoard's Dairyman, Breeders Gazette, and Kansas Farmer. We have also secured a judging kit consisting of pictures of six animals each, of five different breeds of dairy cattle. These pictures are being used for practice judging in preparation for entering the National Dairy Cattle Judging Contest sponsored by the Hoards Dairyman.

We are building a glass front, weather-proof bulletin board, which will be placed in a prominent place uptown.

--Dale Woolsey, Reporter

Alton: We have completed our fat hog project and made a profit of \$33.05.

The boys who are taking second year agriculture have butchered eight hogs charging 50 cents for each hog, and dehorned fifteen Ayshire heifers for 10 cents each.

An F.F.A. chick feeding project consisting of 100 white Wyandottes will be started about February 1.

We have purchased two tons of blackhull kaffir at \$7.00 per ton, and one ton of alfalfa at \$14 per ton for the sheep. We are going to grind the alfalfa since it is rather coarse and the ewes were wasting some of it. One of the ewes lambed December 7.

The F.F.A. members hope to do enough butchering to pay for the feed for the sheep.

--John DeFord, Reporter