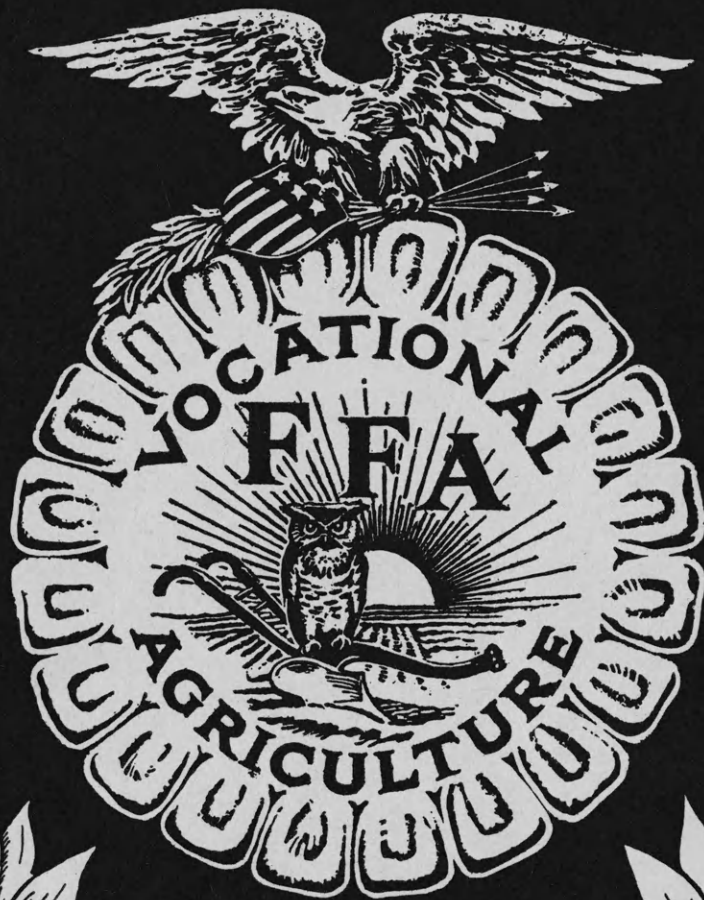


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OCTOBER IN KANSAS

The air is invigorant; fragrant from the harvest, spiced with wood smoke, bracing from the first frosts, scintillant with the glorious sunshine that fills the shortening autumn days with splendor and makes thin and luminous the attending shadows. "Bob White" shrills of "more wet, more wet", his Quakerish little wife, with half grown brood, timely speeds across the roadway into the ripening corn, or with musical "Whit-r-r" rises, to dive into the distant sea of undulating brown.

Prairie larks trill and carol on the rusty wire, or perched on the infrequent posts that hold the cattle from the ripened field. Hawks fly low; frightened sparrows flutter into trees and hedge row; rabbits scurry from bare pastures to grassy covert, or sit erect and watch with distended eye, quivering nostril and rigid ear, the impending danger.

The murmur of voices, the morning cock crow, the lowing of cattle are as distant music, carried softly to the ear by the voluptuous air.

Corn shocks dot the field - tents of an army that stands nearby in whispering ranks. A multitude of peace and plenty; no arms; no equipment but a haversack of golden grain on hip or shoulder. Save a weary few, they stand expectant, awaiting to deliver their garnered wealth, be mustered out and with empty pockets, light hearts and fluttering banners retrace their steps via the moldering way to the place whence they came, and rest. In rusty velvet fields, big dusty haystacks stand in herds or gather in about the barn, shouldering one another in ponderous good humor.

From the inspiration of the caressing air, the peaceful plenteous view, satisfied achievement of a summer's work, of goodly store from nature's plenty, we look with brightened eye, bounding blood and defiant head, to the north, undaunted by the icy breath that tells of coming snow.

--By W. E. Blackburn, late editor of the Herington Sun.

CONGRATULATIONS

The state association wishes to extend heartiest congratulations to the following winners in the 10th Hoard's Dairyman Cow Judging Contest: Powhattan chapter, John Moyer, advisor, winners of first place in the High School Division, with 45 states represented; the Frankfort chapter, John Mathre, advisor, for being one of the four schools listed in the honorable mention group in the High School Division; Duane Butterfield, Seaman Rural High chapter, fourth place winner in the Junior Division, and Furr C. Shaw, Morrowville chapter, winner of fifth place in the Junior Division. More than 52,000 individual entries were graded. The state association thinks it has a right to feel proud of chapters and members who can win and place in a contest of such magnitude as the 10th Hoard's Dairyman Cow Judging Contest.

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ORGANIZING NEW F.F.A. CHAPTERS

Acquaint your students with the F.F.A. through the Manual, Newsletter, and information furnished by the instructor. Elect a group of temporary officers from your upper class group. Write the executive secretary for a program of their activities. Return petition blank, program of work, together with 20 cents dues for each member. The Executive Committee will waive the constitutional requirement, stating that all officers shall be chosen from ranks higher than the Green Hand degree. When this is done and your chapter meets the requirements stipulated, it will be chartered and a charter will be mailed you.

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The best humorous definition of "boy" we have ever seen: "A noise with dirt on it."

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CASE WITH ORDERS

Due to the fact that charge accounts would more than double the book work, the Kansas Association of F.F.A. does not carry charge accounts. For this reason we must insist that cash accompany all orders sent this office. All F.F.A. materials handled through this office are handled without any profit whatsoever, so we cannot send out F.F.A. supplies and "send the bill later", as this requires too much time and expense.

In sending money for supplies we ask that you DO NOT SEND STAMPS.

The price of all F.F.A. supplies handled through this office is listed in the September 15, 1940, issue of the Kansas Future Farmer. Check these prices before sending for supplies.

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"It is not the future that is to make us, but we who are to make the future. "



DUE NOVEMBER 1

Chapter activity programs are due November 1! Don't forget that only chapters submitting activity programs by November 1 will be eligible for achievement ranking at the time of the annual meeting.

Chapters failing to submit programs of work by November 1 will not be eligible for State Farmer or American Farmer candidates for that year; will not be permitted to participate in the State F.F.A. public speaking contest.

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DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTION

State president, Raymond Kaup of the Smith Center chapter will be delegate No. 1 to represent the Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America at the National Convention this year. James Cunningham of the El Dorado chapter has been selected from the recommended list of candidates for the American Farmer degree to serve as delegate No. 2. It is a distinct honor to be selected as a delegate to the National Convention and the delegate is faced with heavy responsibilities. Official meetings of the delegates begin Monday morning and run continuously, morning and afternoon until Thursday noon. Committee assignments often make it necessary to work during the evening. We have every confidence in the two delegates selected to serve Kansas and they go to the convention uninstructed.

John McCall of the Lebanon chapter and Grant Poole of the Manhattan chapter have been named as alternates.

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EXEMPT FROM TAX

It is held that the Future Farmers of America qualifies as an educational organization under provisions of section 1701 of the Internal Revenue Code. Admissions, all of the proceeds of which inure to the benefit of any chapter or any State branch of the Future Farmers of America, are exempt from the tax imposed by section 1700 of the Code.

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In accordance with the action taken at the 12th National Convention of F.F.A., a quartet arrangement of "Fail the F.F.A." has been prepared and is now on sale at 25¢ by the French-Bray Printing Company, Candler Building, Baltimore, Maryland. The quartet arrangement can be obtained through the state office.

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"It's not so bad to be fat - if it doesn't go to the head."

NATIONAL CONVENTION OF FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA
and
NATIONAL CONTESTS FOR STUDENTS OF VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE
1940

The 1940 National Convention of Future Farmers of America and National Contests for students of Vocational Agriculture will be held in Kansas City, Mo., November 9-16, 1940, in conjunction with the Forty-second American Royal Live Stock Show.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Special convention rates have been secured at the following hotels:

<u>Hotel</u>	<u>3 in room</u>	<u>4 in room</u>	<u>More than 4 in room</u>
Aladdin	\$1.00	\$1.00	--
Ambassador*	--	--	\$1.00
Commonwealth	1.25	1.00	1.00
Kay (formerly Westgate)	1.00	--	--
LaSalle*	1.00	1.00	1.00
Robert E. Lee	1.25	1.25	--
Pickwick	1.25	1.00	1.00
President	--	1.50	1.50
Rasbach	1.00	.75	.75
State (formerly Stats)	1.25	1.25	--

* The Ambassador and LaSalle hotels are not located within walking distance of the Municipal Auditorium.

IN ORDER TO FACILITATE MATTERS FOR EVERYONE, IT IS HIGHLY ESSENTIAL THAT ALL HOTEL OR ROOM RESERVATIONS BE MADE DIRECTLY WITH THE HOTEL CONCERNED.

REGISTRATION

In order to speed up and unify registration as much as possible, everyone who attends the F.F.A. Convention or American Royal Live Stock Show before Thursday, November 14, will register at the Kansas City Municipal Auditorium located at 13th and Wyandotte Streets. The registration booth at the Municipal Auditorium will be open from Saturday, November 9, to Wednesday, November 13, inclusive, but will be closed after Wednesday, November 13.

Teachers of vocational agriculture and their students from Kansas and Missouri who plan to attend the American Royal Live Stock Show on Thursday and Friday, November 14-15, should present their white identification cards, with which they have been provided in advance by the secretary of the American Royal, at a Junior Registration Booth that will be open on these 2 days only, at the Wyoming Street entrance to the American Royal Building.

HORSE SHOW

Tuesday, November 12, has been designated as "Vocational Agriculture and F.F.A. Day" at the American Royal. A block of seats will be reserved for the matinee horse show on that date.

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BANQUET

The annual banquet will be on Wednesday night, November 13. Details will appear in the printed program to be issued later. All national F.F.A. boy officers, American Farmer candidates, public speaking contestants, convention entertainers, winners of railway educational prizes, boy livestock exhibitors, members of judging teams and their local coaches will be provided with complimentary tickets as guests of the Kansas City (Mo.) Chamber of Commerce. All adults including Federal and State officials may secure banquet tickets at \$1.50 per plate.

EDUCATIONAL TOURS

No planned educational tours will be provided but full information regarding points of interest in and around Kansas City will be available at the time of registration for those who wish to make such trips on their own initiative.

ARENA PARADE

The Arena Parade will be on Tuesday afternoon, November 12, immediately preceding the matinee horse show. Definite plans will be announced later. However, the organization will probably be the same as that of last year, which was as follows:

1. Official F.F.A. Band
2. National Officers of the Future Farmers of America
3. All 1940 American Farmers
4. Winners of National F.F.A. Awards
5. Official delegates to the National F.F.A. Convention
6. Contestants in all National Contests for student of Vocational Agriculture

NOTE: 1. F.F.A. bands, National officers, delegates, American Farmers assemble at the Municipal Auditorium.
2. Judging teams assemble at the Agricultural Chautauqua Booth, ground floor, American Royal Building.

A VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES

The Thirteenth National Convention will include, among other things, convention business, special coast-to-coast radio broadcasts, band concerts, a parade, agricultural products' exhibit, chapter scrapbook exhibit, a banquet, Star Farmer awards, chapter awards, State association awards, Public Speaking Contest, and various special day and evening programs on November 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14. Invitations to attend and participate have been extended to many high officials in government, education, and business circles.

NATIONAL F.F.A. DAY

Tuesday, November 12, has been designated as National F.F.A. Day. Local chapters are therefore urged to plan early for some appropriate observance in the home town on that day. Suggestions are: Special chapter meetings,

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local radio broadcasts, school assembly programs, luncheons, dinners, banquets, and similar gatherings. There will be a Nation-wide F.F.A. broadcast over the N.B.C. Farm and Home Hour on November 11, from the floor of the national convention in Kansas City. Members and friends should plan to listen in.

Tuesday evening, November 12, will mark the culmination of a big day at the Thirteenth National Convention. In the arena of the Municipal Auditorium a special Celebration Program will be staged. High class entertainment talent will be selected from among F.F.A. members for this occasion and also for use at certain other times during that week. This may include soloists, trios, string bands, imitators, stunt performers, whistlers and the like.

CONVENTION SESSIONS

The regular convention will consist of business sessions, committee work, reports, addresses and talks, election and raising of candidates to the Degree of American Farmer, election of officers, presentation of special awards, and various educational and entertainment features.

F.F.A. convention sessions are always open to the public. All students of vocational agriculture, their friends, and other interested persons are urged to attend.

DELEGATES' DUTIES

F.F.A. delegates come to Kansas City to represent their association in the affairs of the convention. While certain recreational and entertainment features are also provided during the week, the delegates' first responsibility is to attend all meetings of the convention, which lasts 4 days, and report back to their respective States concerning important actions taken at this national meeting.

HEADQUARTERS AND HOTEL RESERVATIONS

F.F.A. headquarters will be located in the Kansas City Municipal Auditorium. Those expecting to attend the convention are advised to make early hotel room reservations.

REGISTRATION

All persons attending the convention should register at headquarters in the Municipal Auditorium. See page 4 for further details.

OFFICIAL BAND

The Minnesota Association of F.F.A. has been invited to provide the official band for the convention. The Texas Association will provide the second band.

THE EXHIBIT

A special F.F.A. Exhibit in the Little Theater, Municipal Auditorium, will include:

1. Representative and Unusual Agricultural Products. -- by States.

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2. Special National F.F.A. Exhibit will include a 60-foot display of
3. glass transparencies illustrating the foundation stones upon which the organization is built.
3. Merchandise of Official F.F.A. Companies.
4. Records of State, Chapter and Individual Member Progress. This will include chapter contest reports, State association reports, applications for the American Farmer Degree, sample State F.F.A. publications and charts.
5. **Display** of F.F.A. Books. This will include single copies of books about the F.F.A. obtained from various publishing companies.

AMERICAN FARMER DEGREE

The five candidates recommended by the Kansas Association of F.F.A. for the American Farmer Degree are: Harold Hackerott, Alton; James Cunningham, Eldorado; Randall Libby, Smith Center; John McCall, Lobanon; Harry Stauffer, Frankfort.

STAR FARMER AWARDS

The regular application and records of candidates for the degree of the American Farmer in the F.F.A., which were forwarded by the States to the National Office, will be used as the basis for selections. States have no responsibility for entering a candidate for a Star Farmer Award since the records of all American Farmer candidates elected to the degree will be reviewed in the process of scoring for Star Farmer awards.

In addition to the \$500 award to the "Star Farmer of America", regional awards will again be made through W. A. Cochol, Editor of the Weekly Kansas City Star, to the most outstanding American Farmers in the other three regions of the country. "Star Farmers" will also be designated for the States of Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Arkansas.

PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

Douglas Charles Fisk of Hunter, North Dakota, winner of first place in the North Central Regional Public Speaking Contest, will represent the North Central Region in the national contest. Mr. Fisk will speak on "Between Men". The contest will be held in the Arena of the Municipal Auditorium.

BETTER CHAPTER CONTEST

Kansas will be represented in the National Better Chapter contest this year by the Highland Park (Topeka) chapter. Mr. F. E. Carpenter is advisor of this chapter.

Awards offered by the national organization of F.F.A. to competing chapters are as follows:

To Gold Emblem Chapters: An official national plaque with gold emblem in miniature thereon, a certificate of merit and \$15 in cash.

To Silver Emblem Chapters: An official national plaque with silver emblem in miniature thereon, a certificate of merit and \$15 in cash.

To Bronze Emblem Chapters: An official national plaque with bronze emblem in miniature thereon, a certificate of merit and \$15 in cash.

To Honorable Mention Chapters: A certificate of merit and \$15 in cash.

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THE STATE ASSOCIATION AWARDS

In order to encourage improvement among state associations of Future Farmers of America, awards are made annually to those states showing the most outstanding accomplishment on the basis of their annual reports submitted to the national office for the year ending June 30, 1940. No special reports are required and presentations will be made during the convention. This award is also under the direction of the National Board of Trustees.

The National Grange, through L. J. Taber, Master, offers cash awards totaling \$200 for this event. Plaques will be provided by the national organization of F.F.A., and the system of awards will be similar to that in the Chapter contest.

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F.F.A. OFFICER TRAINING SCHOOLS

The F.F.A. Officer Training Schools are being held at the same time this issue of the Newsletter is being prepared, so it will not be possible to present a resume of the district meetings. However, it might be desirable to record a few observations with the hope that objectives might be clarified and techniques improved.

The following points are on the credit side of the ledger:

1. A definite program is outlined with copies available for all officers in attendance.
2. Contest features were carefully planned.
3. Boy participation given proper consideration.
4. Guide sheets for discussion by chapter representatives at the officer sectional meetings.
5. Good song leader available.
6. Adult and boy group leaders designated in advance, and said leaders reporting with a carefully planned program.
7. Luncheon cost held to a low figure.
8. Meeting executed on schedule.
9. Important contributions summarized for entire group.
10. State officer present and actively participating in program.

The following points will have to be listed on the debit side of the Ledger:

1. Program outlines not available.
2. Contest features not carefully planned.
3. Adult leaders reporting for duty without a definite plan of procedure.
4. Boy leaders not instructed as to purpose or plan.
5. Lack of F.F.A. information on the part of both officer group and advisor group.
6. Group singing not given proper attention.
7. Luncheon reservations and cancellations of such nature as to be unfair to host chapter.
8. Meetings started late and closed early, which is evidence of inadequate preparation.

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9. Behavior approaching rowdiness at the banquet, accompanied by lack of interest on the part of officers in all meetings.
10. Quality of performance on the part of those to whom responsibility was delegated not sufficiently high.

High points of the training schools visited to date of "going to press": Group singing at Clay Center, led by Professor Peters; exemplification of the Green Hand degree by the Onaga chapter; and exemplification of the Future Farmer degree by the Havensville chapter; and the Opening Ritual as presented by the Haven chapter.

New features that should be studied and if deemed advisable, included in next year's program were: Reporters' contest, Radio Skit contest, and Askit-Basket contest based on F.F.A. information.

It is generally conceded that if the local chapter is to have a successful year, capable leadership on the part of the officer group must be supplied. The local advisor can not escape his part in shouldering the responsibility developing objectives and techniques that will result in capable leadership. Three things stand out as essential in providing sound chapter leadership. They are: (1) acquaintance with the purpose and history of the F.F.A., (2) high standards and quality performance, and (3) a challenging program of work.

The following list of questions based on the F.F.A. Manual, the May 15, 1940, and the September 15, 1940, issues of the Kansas Future Farmer newsletters, was used in one of the Askit-Basket contests. Try them out on your officers, on the chapter membership, or better still, on your advisor.

1. Who is president of the Kansas Association, and what chapter does he come from?
2. Name the president of the Kansas Association for 1939-40, and his home chapter.
3. Who was the Star American Farmer from Kansas last year?
4. How many chartered chapters did we have at the close of the past year in Kansas? How many were active chapters?
5. How many State Farmer degrees were granted in Kansas last year?
6. How many American Farmer degrees were granted to Kansas F.F.A. members in 1939-40?
7. When and where was the Future Farmers of America organized?
8. What is the F.F.A. Motto?
9. What are the colors of the F.F.A.?
10. How many Purposes does the F.F.A. Organization have?
11. How many symbols are on the F.F.A. emblem?
12. When was the F.F.A. Creed adopted?
13. Who is the president of the National Organization of F.F.A., and from what state does he come?
14. How many grades of active membership are there in the F.F.A.?
15. How many kinds of membership are there in the F.F.A. Organization?
16. What percentage of members may be elected to the American Farmer degree?
17. How many points were given consideration by the committee in ranking chapter activity reports in the Kansas F.F.A. contest last year?
18. How many chapters filed programs of work on time in Kansas last year?
19. What Kansas chapter had a member who won the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company contest a year ago, and what Kansas chapter had a member win this award the past year?

Officers Training Schools (Concluded)

20. What chapter had the winning public speaker in the Kansas F.F.A. public speaking contest the past year?
21. What chapter represented Kansas in the 1939 National Better Chapter Contest, and what chapter is representing Kansas in this contest for 1940?
22. What was the active membership of the Kansas Association of F.F.A. in 1939-40?
23. What are the eight divisions of the national score card for scoring the Better Chapter contest?
24. Which division of the national score card used in the scoring of the Better Chapter contest carries the most weight? How many points does this division carry?
25. How many chapters were designated as Outstanding in Kansas in 1939-40?
26. How many chapters were designated as having completed programs of work that were ranked as Honorable Mention in Kansas in 1939-40?
27. In what year was the Kansas Association of F.F.A. chartered?
28. How many chapters prepared and broadcast radio programs in Kansas in 1939-40?
29. How many issues of the Kansas Future Farmer were published in 1939-40?
30. Who is generally recognized as the founder of the Future Farmers of America, and from what state does he come?
31. Who is the Advisor of the F.F.A. in Kansas?

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LAUGHTER

"Whosoever hath lost the joy of laughter is bound by chains of bitterness to the cold rocks of pessimism. No more for him the pleasant paths of human companionship, for none seek him in his self-imposed isolation except those who wish to be stung by his sarcasm or stabbed by his malice. For without laughter is life cruelty itself.....Laughter is the saving emotion of the human race, when genuine, for from its presence the cynic flees, the pessimist retreats, the misanthrope is driven to cover. Under its influence the sun shines in dark places, the birds bring again their choicest songs, the flowers lift their smiling faces, and the world becomes once more a worth-while place in which to live." Charles E. Whelan.

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A "Who's Who in the F.F.A." is being proposed by the national F.F.A. office. It is an effort to set up a file on outstanding records of F.F.A. members, regardless of degrees held, accomplishments made in school, or length of time out of school. Information desired would include member's chapter, present age, address, and present occupation, along with a brief account of the steps in their advancement indicating honors, and distinctions gained beyond the local high school.

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DON'T FORGET - YOUR PROGRAM OF WORK IS DUE IN THE OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ADVISOR, A. P. DAVIDSON ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 1.

CHAPTER NEWS

OLATHE: Olathe F.F.A. officers for 1940-41 are: John Walter, president; LaVern Oltmer, vice president; Bill Spencer, secretary; Norman Voigts, treasurer; Henry Schlager, reporter; Junior Letcher, watch dog....The Olathe chapter sponsored the Northeast Kansas Livestock Judging contest held at the Smith farm at Stanley, Kansas. At this farm the teams judged Percheron horses and hogs. In the afternoon, we went to the "Miles of View" farm at Kenneth, Kansas, where we judged classes of Shorthorn heifers, bulls and several sheep classes. Some 25 schools took part in the contest....On June 6-7 Mr. Raines, Tom Ewing, Glen Ewing, and John Freedlun took 12 lambs to the Midwest Fat Lambs Show and sale at Kansas City....Wednesday, June 19 the Olathe chapter held their first summer meeting. This was a night meeting....June 21 we attended the national Percheron Show which was held at the Smith farm at Stanley, Kansas. Those who participated in judging were: John Walters, LaVern Oltmer, Bill Spencer, Norman Voigts, Henry Schlager and our advisor, Mr. Raines....On July 29, our chapter received one double deck carload of Texas ewes which was distributed to the members of the chapter....The fourth annual ice cream social was held August 19, which the parents and sons and the 8th grade graduates were invited to attend....On August 21, 1940, the Olathe chapter held its second annual livestock and crop show....To build up our treasury fund, the chapter raised money by moving bleachers for the Old Settlers program for which we received \$9.50. The chapter also had a covered wagon in the parade that took first place and received \$15. Our F.F.A. chapter had two stands, one at the fair and the other at the Old Settlers program. Both brought about \$4.00 each.

--Henry Schlager, Reporter

SMITH CENTER: The annual father-son watermelon feed was held this year on the evening of September 29. This meeting affords an opportunity for the fathers and sons to get together and for the freshmen to get acquainted. Vern Rounsley, the new president, presided over the meeting. Entertainment was furnished by Willard Kershaw, the county agent, who showed moving pictures of shelter-belt planting and also pictures of beef from the time it was on the hoof until the time it was put in the packing house. Other pictures shown were of duck farms and duck farming. After the pictures were shown, a contest was held between the fathers and sons in the form of a baseball game. The same day, September 29, a judging team composed of Linton Lull, Carrol Mankhey, and Rex Tucker was sent to the Stockton fair to judge. They took second place in the contest....Smith Center chapter officers for the year are: Vern Rounsley, president; Rex Tucker, vice president; Linton Lull, secretary; Billy Christolear, reporter; Raymond Yenne, treasurer; Paul Gilpin, advisor.

--Billy Christolear, Reporter

MILTONVALE: September 3 our club elected the following officers: James Fuller, president; Melvin Paquette, vice president; Lawrence McKain, secretary; Bob Felt, treasurer; Bruce Neill, reporter; F. X. Buche, watch dog....Our club has sponsored two trips to fairs this year. Six boys were entered from this chapter at the Cloud County Free Fair Judging contest at Glasco, September 5. In this contest, Bruce Neill received 366 out of a possible 400 points, and won the honor of being high individual of the entire contest. The other two boys forming the team were Pat Adam and Don Blackwood. On September 16, 14 members of the chapter met Monday morning to go to the Hutchinson Free Fair and participate in the Judging School.

--Bruce Neill, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

MOUNDRIDGE: The first meeting of this school year was held during activity period on September 17. The officers for the coming year were elected: Wilbert Goering, president; Marvin Stucky, vice president; Kenneth Kaufman, secretary; Virgil Stucky, treasurer; Austin Regier, reporter; Harold Schlender, watch dog....The chapter is again sponsoring the Moundridge Athlete. This is a printed sheet bearing the names of players of both teams and scores of all games played. These are handed out at each home football game and each basketball game. The chapter sold advertising space to the local merchants to finance the project. A nice profit is being realized by the chapter....We have already cleaned and treated over 1000 bushels of seed wheat and barley for local farmers this fall....Just after school was out last spring a group of 15 boys and Mr. Sample journeyed to the Smoky Hill River for an all night fishing party. We did our own cooking and slept in the open. The boys did not have much luck fishing but everyone had a good time.

--Austin Regier, Reporter

AUBURN: Our officers for the year are: Silas Anno, president; Clyde Carrier, vice president; Charles Green, secretary; Colton Kincaid, treasurer; John Dougan, reporter; and Lindsay Mitchell, watch dog....Our chapter sponsored a watermelon feed late in August. The meeting was enjoyed by about 18 of the chapter members. The melon feed has been an annual activity for the past two seasons.A get together was held on September 27 to get organized for the coming year. We voted on attending the American Royal and about 16 boys wish to attend. We also made plans for the annual parent-son banquet which will be held early in 1941.

--John Dougan, Reporter

PAOLA: The Paola FFA held its first summer night meeting at one of the member's farm, Charles Carter. Fishing and swimming were the main activities, which was followed by frankfurters, marshmallows, and a pint of ice cream. The ice cream was furnished by T. E. Swartz of the Paola Citizens State Bank....July 16, Mr. Campbell received word saying that the Paola chapter had placed fifth in the series of radio broadcasts held over KMBC. Paola had 83.40 points while the winning team had 85.25....The Grand Champion Baby Beef at the County fair was shown by an FFA member, Clifford Husted. The outstanding hogs that were shown at the county fair were those shown by F.F.A. members....September 13 the F.F.A. members enjoyed 600 pounds of watermelon at the time they welcomed the freshmen of vocational agriculture into the F.F.A. chapter....1940-41 officers are Wilbur Minefee, president; Clifford Everhart, vice president; Marvin Ulendte, secretary; Gerald Hoffman, treasurer; Charles Pursell, reporter; John Hoffman, watch dog....The Paola chapter entered these four contests at the Shawnee Mission Training School held Saturday, October 5: the opening and closing ceremony contest, the radio skit contest, and the askit-basket contest.

--Charles Pursell, Reporter

BEVERLY: Under the leadership of our president, Mel Percival, and advisor, Mr. Borgelt, our chapter got under way with its annual FFA project tour on September 28....The chapter had their cooperative wheat project drilled September 26.Some of our F.F.A. boys won honors at the Lincoln County Poultry Show. Entries were Asa Goens, Leonard Steinberg, Dale McCormick, Earl Smith, Cyril Schroeder, and Victor McCormick. Earl Smith placed in the first ten pens consisting of two roosters and two pullets.

--Earl Smith, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

BURLINGTON: The Burlington chapter started out in good shape for 1940-41. They have new officers in every office. The new officers are: Cletis Clay, president; Joe Winn, secretary; Dean Redding, reporter; Harold Hammond, vice president; Gilbert Williams, treasurer; John Jauernig, watch dog; A. W. Miller, advisor....Each officer is chairman of a committee. He has from four to six members on his committee. Every member is on at least one committee. The names of the committees and their chairman are: Supervised Practice, Dean Redding; Community Service, Harold Hammond; Earnings and Savings, John Jauernig; Scholarships, A. W. Miller; Cooperative Activities, Cletis Clay; Leadership Activities, Walter Surprise; Conduct of Meetings, Gilbert Williams; Recreation, Joe Winn....The F.F.A. chapter gave a watermelon feed on September 10 for the Freshmen and new students who are taking Vocational Agriculture.... Our former president, Richard Keith, is now attending Kansas State Agriculture College. He is taking Agriculture. Keith was successful in being awarded the Sears scholarship of \$150 for Coffey county.

--Dean Redding, Reporter

ONAGA: New officers elected for 1940-41 are: Delbert Clark, president; Vernon Kolterman, vice president; Duane Malone, secretary; Floyd Teske, treasurer; Max Moody, reporter; Marvin Honig, watch dog; and Mr. Howard Wildman, advisor. The new officers were installed at the regular meeting in September....Our chapter operated a pop stand at the Pottawatomie County fair in Onaga during the latter part of August. We cleared about \$8.00. We constructed a shop booth at the fair. St. George placed first, Onaga placed second, and Wamego, third. Our second place premium was \$7.50....There were four F.F.A. crop entries from Onaga in the county fair and eight F.F.A. livestock entries from Onaga. Vernon Kilterman took first and second prize on his fat hogs and second and third prizes on his breeding gilts and third prize on his purebred ram. His total prize money amounted to \$9.50, which was the largest premium money awarded any of the Future Farmer boys from Onaga....Ten Future Farmers enjoyed an all night camping trip on the Blue River during August. The number included the following: Arthur Schwandt, Rex Grafton, Everett Bonjour, Delbert Clark, Lawrence Clark, Glen Teske, Irwin Teske, Marvin Honig, Max Moody, and our instructor, Mr. Wildman.

--Max Moody, Reporter

MORROWVILLE: The Morrowville F.F.A. elected new officers as follows: Fred Prellwitz; president; Jerald Dhority, vice president; Lester Miller, secretary; Bob Shaw, treasurer; Harold Durst, reporter; Harold Fry, watch dog; Darrell Menke, song leader....Some of the activities through the summer were a party, overnight fishing trip, three judging trips, and a trip to the lamb marketing day in St. Joseph....Our members exhibited some livestock at the county fair. The exhibitors in the vocational agriculture division are limited to members of the vocational agriculture classes in the eight departments in the county. The exhibitors and the prizes they won are as follows: Bob Moore, Duroc boar, 1st, Duroc gilt, 2nd; Harold Durst, Hampshire gilt, 1st, Hampshire boars, 1st and 2nd; Jerald Dhority, 1 yr. old Guernsey heifer, 3rd; Harold Fry, 1 yr. old Jersey heifer, 1st, 2 yr. old Jersey heifer, 2nd and 3rd; Ralph Dood, 1 yr. old Holstein heifer, 2nd; Bob Shaw, baby beef, 1st. Several shop and crop entries were made, and the boys won first in all divisions entered....Our chapter is also proud of the fact that we have had three State Farmers every year for the last four years and we have three more boys that are trying to make that degree this year.

--Harold Durst, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

KIOWA: The Kiowa F.F.A. chapter elected the following officers in the spring: Glenn Irish, president; Sammy Mott, vice president; Robert Hilderbrand, secretary; Tracy Rugg, treasurer; Bill Houlton, reporter; Raymond Black, watch dog....Members of our chapter went on a two day fishing trip in Kiowa county. Many fish were caught....We are planning to have a volley ball and a basketball team beginning next month....During the summer months the class room and shop were remodeled, redecorated, and modern lighting installed....The F.F.A. operated a pop stand at our annual Labor Day picnic and cleared \$25. We are planning to sell candy bars at our football and basketball games....We attended the Officers Training school at Mulvane, October 1....On October 12 our chapter attended the Kingman County fair with a livestock judging team of six members....We are starting the school year with \$52.12 in our treasury.

--Bill Houlton, Reporter

INMAN: Our officers for this year are: Abe Thiessen, president; Emerson Pankratz, vice president; Abe Neufeld, secretary; Herb Ediger, treasurer; Arnold Wittoff, reporter; Walter Buller, watch dog; Paul Reiner, program chairman.Inman was one of the few schools entering a panel at the State fair in 1940. The panel showed how Tenmarq wheat was developed and represented the subject, "Supervised Farm Practice"....Members of the different classes have vaccinated several herds of hogs and culled several flocks of chickens as well as worming several herds of swine and poultry....Our chapter took part in the annual Officer's Training school held October 7 at Buhler....Inman will outline an activity program for the coming year and have it in the State office by October 31....15 boys are enrolled in vocational agriculture III, 16 in vocational agriculture II, and 16 in vocational agriculture I. Seniors make up vocational agriculture III, Sophomores, vocational agriculture I, and Juniors, vocational agriculture II.

--Arnold Whittorff, Reporter

NORTON: The Norton chapter is working on an interesting sheep project for the coming year. We plan that all of the boys will have something to do with this project which we feel will be educational. We have purchased 61 sheep. Some of the boys have bought sheep from the F.F.A. flock and have taken them to their farms. Only 29 remain in the original flock. We are keeping the flock of 29 at Mr. Bird's, our vocational agriculture instructor. He has 10 acres of land at the east edge of town. Here they have a good barn for shelter which makes a good place for sheep....We also have an F.F.A. sorghum project at the airport. This field consists of 27 acres. We have arranged to give one-third of this feed to the city for rent. The feed has been cut and stored for our sheep....We carried our meetings on during the summer months. During the meetings, we discussed our sheep project....We entered our sheep, two ewes and one ram, in the fair this year. Our ewes and ram took first. The two types of sorghum which we entered took one first, and one second. We had a judging contest during the fair. The following schools competed: Lenora, Stockton, Colby, Alton and Norton. Alton took first as a high school and Everett Bird took first as an individual.

--Howard B. Goodman, Reporter

"Were I so tall to reach the pole,
Or grasp the ocean with my span,
I must be measur'd by my soul;
The mind's the standard of the man."

Watts.

Chapter News (Continued)

WELLSVILLE: We expect to have a record F.F.A. membership this year with about 56 members. Our Freshman class has 30 members....We are still talking about the fun we had on the trip we took last spring, when we camped in the Ozarks for two nights and three days. Among the important places we visited were: Bennet Springs, where a fish hatchery is located, Jefferson City and the State House, Missouri University, and many other places. We plan to take another trip next spring....We are installing a two horsepower motor that is movable to run our lathe, saw and emory wheel....We completed our cooperative sheep dipping vat last spring and expect to dip about 600 more sheep....Our cooperative gilt project is coming along fine. We now have three gilts ready to go to Leon Craig, Junior James, and Cleon Barnes. Ivo Loftus, Eldon Carlson, and Jack Chalendar have three gilts and one sow....Our officers for the year are: Marion McConnell, president; Stanley Hughes, vice president; Eldon Carlson, secretary; Jack Chalendar, treasurer; Junior Bloss, reporter; Frank Kaub, watch dog; chairmen of Activity Committee, Junior Bloss and Marvin Shoemaker....We attended the Officers Training School at Shawnee Mission October 5 and took part in the opening ceremony and parliamentary demonstration.

--Dean DeGarma, Acting Reporter

JAYHAWK: Since 1931 the Jayhawk chapter has sponsored a fair. This year the fair was held August 16. All members are encouraged to exhibit their projects in crops and livestock. Cash prizes are offered by the Lawrence Chamber of Commerce. The Jayhawk chapter offered cash prizes for the best gilts from the chapter cooperative gilt project. The fair is an educational exhibit as it teaches the chapter members to select corn, wheat, hogs, cattle, etc....The Jayhawk chapter has the largest membership this year since the organization of the chapter in September 1931. We have a membership of 75. 27 of the members are Green Hands....On September 25 the chapter membership met at Brown's Grove for the annual watermelon feed. Soft ball was played, but the big event of the evening was the paddling of the Green Hands, an annual affair. One of our alumni furnished the watermelons....The vocational agriculture alumni association held its first meeting October 8. The alumni meetings are dinner meetings with programs....The Jayhawk Chapter Cooperative is about ready to give out 12 registered Duroc gilts. The gilts weighing 200 pounds will be given to members and they will return two gilts next year at this time. The chapter also owns a registered boar.

--Kenneth Richardson, Reporter

SIMPSON: New officers for the year are: Carl Johnson, president; Robert Guipre, vice president; Max McClintock, secretary; Robert Pearson, treasurer; Bill Weaver, reporter; George Berneking, watch dog....Our most important activity of the summer was the Simpson fair. Local business houses donated \$70 which was used for prize money. There were 29 fat steers, consisting of 15 Herefords, 11 Shorthorns, and 3 Angus. We also had 3 fat lambs and 11 fat hogs. The winner of the fat barrow class received a purebred Poland China gilt as well as the first place cash prize. This gilt was donated by Mr. Paul Davidson, of Simpson, breeder of Poland China hogs. We also had a nice display of 7 colts which were shown by local farmers and entered in the open class. The fair was voted a real success. An amateur program with several cash prizes made up the evening's entertainment...Our chapter has been invited to help the G.R. with their school carnival which will be held October 18. This is one means of raising money for our chapter activities.

--Bill Weaver, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

HORTON: Members of the Horton chapter were hosts to their parents at an installation meeting of new officers, September 23. The new officers are: Dale Campbell, president; Walter Schesser, vice president; Leonard Greer, secretary; John Ellingson, treasurer; Howard Husted, reporter; Richard Jacobson, watch dog; J. L. Jacobson, advisor....Summer activities included trips to the Midwest Lamb Show at Kansas City, Cattle Feeders Day at Manhattan, and a project tour. At our August meeting a watermelon feed was held to which new prospective high school students were invited....Chapter members who won premiums at the Tri-County fair at Horton were: Donald Schesser on Jerseys; Walter Schesser on Guernseys; Knudson Brothers on Poland China gilts. A new member, Deaner Thorson won grand championship at both our Tri-County fair and Topeka Free fair with his Jersey heifer....Chapter members on the Horton football team this year are: Richard Harris, past president; Dale Campbell, president; Arthur Trojovsky, watch dog....Honorary members of our organization are J. S. Henderson, Mayor of Horton; George Hamilton, Hereford breeder; Joe Kennedy, implement dealer....We are again sponsoring printed programs at the football and basketball games this year. Eight firms and business men have cooperated with advertisements to finance this project....Our chapter loan fund for financing farming programs for 1940 totaled \$300.

--Howard Husted, Reporter

COLDWATER: The Coldwater Chapter exhibited the Comanche County collective booth at the Hutchinson State fair again this year. We are proud to report that the exhibit won first place in the Western division and Grand Champion over all counties in the state, participating. This is the eighth time we have won first on this exhibit, but the first time we have won the Sweepstake prize. Our prize check amounted to \$171. The members of the committee who set up the exhibit at Hutchinson were: Harold McKinney, Edward Young, Clair Thompson, Clinton Sherman, and Wayne White. Other boys who helped prepare the exhibit at home were: Clayton Sherman, Bob White, Clyde Thompson, Jack Lewis, Bob Wallace, and Carl Robbins....New officers this year are: Harold McKinney, president; Edward Young, vice president; Clinton Sherman, secretary; Walter Crowe, treasurer; Wade Mark, watch dog; L. E. Melia, advisor....Those who helped prepare our Grand Champion County collection exhibit at the State fair were entertained by our advisor, Mr. Melia at a Ping Pong and Domino party in his basement Friday evening September 27....We entered a panel exhibit in the Cooperative Activity division at the State fair and won the blue ribbon. We were a little disappointed in the size of the check as some of the boys had figured first prize would amount to \$5.00.

--Merle Kroff, Reporter

HOWARD: Summer activities of our chapter included the following: a covered dish dinner at the city lake with parents, members and friends, summer camp at Ponca City, Okla., and a picnic in August for the 8th grade graduates... F.F.A. officers for the year are: Albert Andrews, president; Eugene Coble, vice president; Loren Kling, secretary; Arlys Tompkins, treasurer; Ivan Morse, reporter; Waldo Gray, warden....One of our money making activities is that of operating a book exchange. This year we handled about 600 books and showed a profit of about \$35....On September 20, four gallons of ice cream was frozen and sold during the noon hour. Several customers were waiting when we ran out of ice cream so we expect to sell ice cream again soon. We cleared \$3.20.

--Howard Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

CHANUTE: The F.F.A. officers for this year are: Charles Tyler, president; Wayne Brant, vice president; Joe Arthur, secretary; Marion Johnson, treasurer; Robert Heaton, reporter; Leland Richman, sargeant at arms....Glenn Neely, president of the Chanute chapter last year, was elected vice president of Chanute Junior College student council at a recent school election....An officers meeting was held September 5 to plan the year's program of work. Committees and chairman for each of the eight committees were chosen....The Chanute chapter presented a radio program over station KGGF, Coffeyville, Kansas, Wednesday morning, October 4. The program consisted of a newscast by Phillip Cooper, state reporter, song by Wendell Brant, and music by the Hillbilly band. Those playing in the band were: Hal Welch, accordian; Marion Johnson, piano; Wendell Brant, banjo; Merle Allen, fiddle; and Frank Bates, guitar. A skit on "Leadership" was given by Charles Tyler, Wayne Brant, Robert Heaton, Marion Johnson, Leland Richman, Joe Arthur, Melvin Alford, and Junior Allen....Wayne Brant, our vice president, was elected president of the Junior class of the high school. There are 219 students in the Junior class....The officers of the Chanute chapter installed the new officers of the Cherryvale chapter as part of the program at the Officers Training School held at Fredonia, October 1. Our Hillbilly band was also on the program. There were 17 members of our chapter who attended the Training School....Thirty members of our chapter and 10 members of the Cherryvale chapter went on a three-day camping trip in the Ozarks this summer. We camped out and did our own cooking at the Roaring River State Park. The time was spent sightseeing, horseshoe pitching, and swimming. The entire cost including food and transportation was \$1.65 per person.

--Robert Heaton, Reporter

BELOIT: Our newly elected officers are: Noel Belles, president; Maxel Gates, vice president; Dale Good, secretary; Richard Holway, treasurer; and Donald Seaman, reporter....28 members of the vocational agriculture class entered the Mitchel County Judging contest....James Dodd, a Freshman, won the Mitchell County Judging contest making a perfect score. Other Ag boys to place in the high five were: Noel Belles, F.F.A. president, Clifford Houghton, and Max Fobes....At the September meeting, plans were layed to increase the membership of the F.F.A. chapter by having more attractive programs....A parent's night will be sponsored during October....Maxel Gates, Dale Good, Donald Seaman, Noel Belles, Clifford Houghton, Leroy Holway, and Richard Holway entered the Abilene Judging school....Our chapter has started working on the activity report which we hope to have completed and in the state office by November 1.

--Donald Seaman, Reporter

BYERS: The Byers boys held their annual F.F.A. camp at Elm Mills from August 15 to 17. At the same time the camp was held, a Junior League baseball tournament was held in Pratt. The boys under 16 years entered this and won second place trophy which is on display at the high school....September 14 the Junior agriculture boys started a project tour. They visited four of the boys' projects. The first project visited was Kenneth Smith's. Kenneth has a sow and litter of nine pigs; also a cow and calf and 15 acres of atlas sargo. The next stop was at Lewis and Leroy Hodson's. The Hodson boys have eight head of Hereford long yearling feeder steers and 40 acres of Wheatland milo and atlas sargo. They then visited Junior Stratford, who has 20 acres of Colby milo and 5 very good grade Hereford heifers. They plan to finish the project tour in the near future....The Freshman boys have been watching shop demonstrations, preparing to learn the farm shop skills. The Sophomore boys have their shop program started.

--Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

COLUMBUS: Our officers are Cloyd Bowers, president; Don Hall, vice president; Herbert Jarrett, secretary; Jimmie Holland, treasurer; Calvin Jarrett, reporter; Mr. Lay, advisor....September 17 Mr. Lay and Mr. Daves took two busses loaded with vocational agriculture and modern agriculture students to the county experiment field, 1 mile west and 3 north of Columbus. 62 boys made the trip. We saw 7 different kinds of sorghums, 8 of alfalfa, and 5 different kinds of soy beans....On October 7 and 8 the Columbus chapter had 16 calves at the Joplin Livestock show. 370 calves were sold at auction on the 8th....October 1, Mr. Lay with the officers of the F.F.A. attended the Officers Training School at Fredonia....During the summer Mr. Lay built wall benches along the west wall of the shop. Two forges have been repaired by placing cement in the bottom. Tables have been placed along the south wall and the shop has been wired for small machines. A new hardware cabinet has been built....There are 40 enrolled in vocational agriculture....August 19, Herbert and Calvin Jarrett entered 3 Berkshire hogs, two gilts, and one boar at the Cherokee County American Legion fair at Columbus. The boar took first in his class and was Senior Grand Champion. The other gilt took second place.

--Calvin Jarrett, Reporter

RAMONA: The Ramona F.F.A. chapter is expecting a 100 per cent membership. 30 of the 35 boys in school are enrolled in agriculture while the remaining five are eligible and expect to join....The chapter is planning a three day trip to the American Royal in the school bus. One day will be devoted to sight seeing in Kansas City and Topeka....Our chapter has for the last few years carried on a book sale. We are continuing it because of its profitableness to the chapter....The officers elected for the year are: Lauren Brunner, president; Eugene Hackler, vice president; Herbert Bruns, secretary; Leon Bura, treasurer; Gene Weber, watch dog; and Jack Anderson, reporter.

--Jack Henderson, Reporter

ST. GEORGE: Winning first prize on the shop booth exhibit at the Pottawatomie County fair was the first successful step of our F.F.A. chapter this year. The prize was \$10. The booth had five main divisions, woodwork, forge work, sheet metal work, tool fitting and rope work. The wood work consisted of a nail box and double tree. For forge work we had some punches and chisels. The sheet metal work included a funnel and the steps in advancing in sheet metal abilities. The rope work was on a large cardboard. It showed the different kinds of knots, splices, and a halter. These and others were neatly arranged against an attractive background....Eldon Henton was elected president at our first F.F.A. meeting. Other officers are: John Bock, vice president; Bill Woodruff, secretary; Frederick Bennet, treasurer; Lee O'Neill, reporter; Victor Fechter, watch dog....Freshmen were entertained with an outdoor party by the F.F.A. members. The party was to show them what the F.F.A. is like and to get acquainted with the new officers. A large camp fire was built and several games played after which cider and doughnuts were served to everyone.

--Lee O'Neill, Reporter

FORD: New chapter officers for the FFA are: Robert Campbell, president; Marion Scott, vice president; Richard Olive, secretary; Cecil Gum, treasurer; Melvin Dawson, reporter....18 boys are enrolled in vocational agriculture this year. They have bought an old combine and are tearing it down and will use the material in the shop.

--Melvin Dawson, Reporter

Chapter News (Concluded)

ATWOOD: The Atwood No. 10 and 11 classes made their annual visit to the Colby Experiment Station this week to study sorghum experiments....Because of a large enrollment in vocational agriculture we hope to have a chapter enrollment of 50 members this year....Events this month: parent meeting in cooperation with the vocational homemaking club, October 11, and the Officers Training School at Oakley, October 12....at the Thomas County fair Atwood placed third with 18 schools in livestock judging. Arthur Dunker was second high individual in the contest....Annual Achievement Day was held August 30 at Atwood.

--John Finley, Reporter

WINFIELD: The Winfield Future Farmers heard a very interesting report by Raymond Groene on his trip into the North Woods, September 18, at their regular meeting. This trip was awarded Raymond for being a winner in the Goodyear essay contest held last summer. Raymond has some films of his trip which he will show at the next meeting....A good example of chinch bug losses was shown in the Winfield chapter's sorghum variety test this year. As the bugs were very bad in our district it was easily shown what crops were chinch bug resistant. The Winfield chapter plans to show this at their booth in the local fair.New officers were installed and committees appointed for the 1940-41 Winfield Future Farmers. Officers installed were Leonard Kukuk, president; Paul Lawrence, vice president; Loren Holt, secretary; Marvin Whitehill, treasurer; Nuel Hinegardner, reporter; and Leon Johnson, watch dog....The Winfield chapter has shipped in 543 head of ewes for the boys and some of the farmers around Winfield. The Winfield chapter has bought 5 head of ewes which are going to be put out with a boy who will be paid for keeping them through the winter. These ewes came from Manhattan. They are purebred Shropshire ewes and the purpose in keeping them is to raise better purebred rams for the boys in the chapter....John Lawrence, past president of the Winfield Future Farmers, and secretary of the State Association of Future Farmers of America, together with Mr. Ira L. Plank, advisor of the Winfield chapter, drove to Americus, Kansas, where John purchased a purebred Duroc boar. From there they drove to Manhattan where Mr. Plank bought an arc welder for our shop.

--Nuel Hinegardner, Reporter

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GOOD ADVICE TO EVERYBODY

"If wisdom's ways you wisely seek,
Five things observe with care--
Of whom you speak - to whom you speak,
And how - and when - and where."

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It is said of Henry Ward Beecher that, walking the street one winter's night, a poor ragged newsboy asked him to buy a paper. Mr. Beecher spoke kindly to the lad and bought his remaining newspapers. Then, asking the little fellow if he didn't feel cold, Mr. Beecher received this reply:

"It was cold, sir, until you came along."