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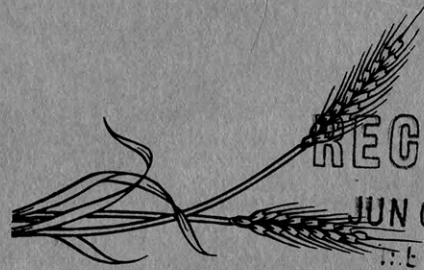
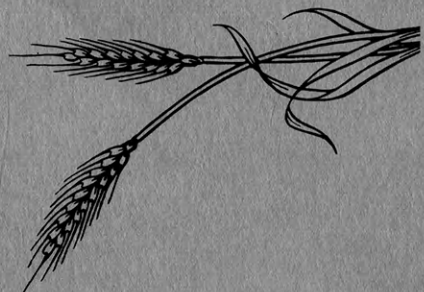
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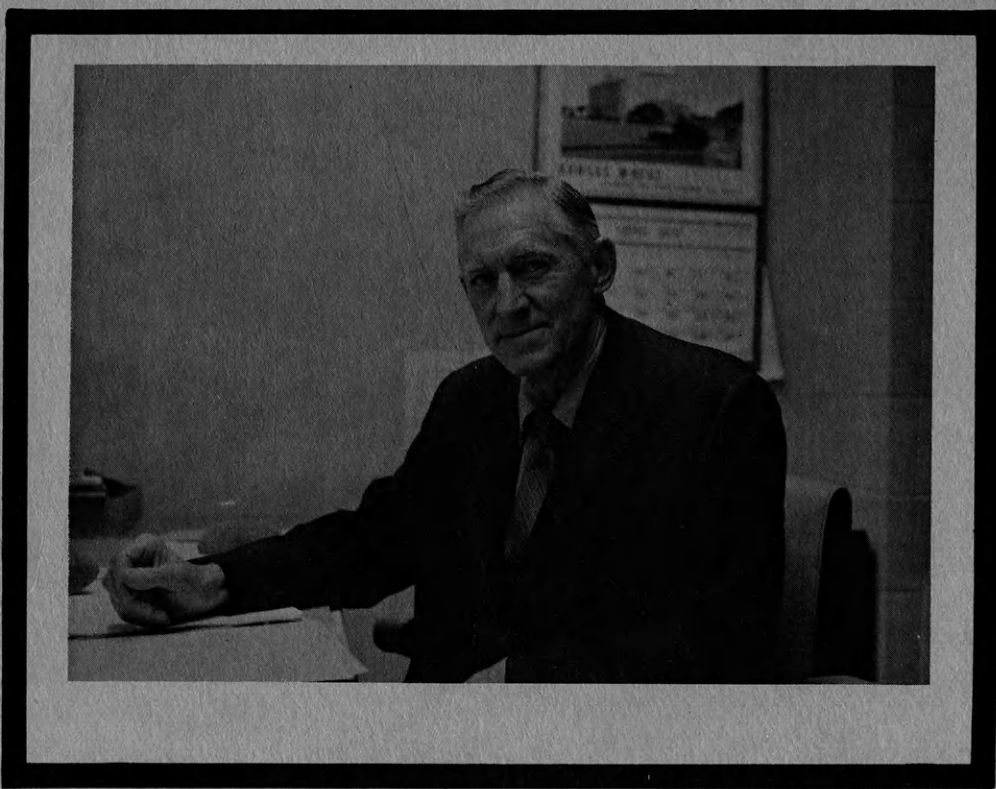
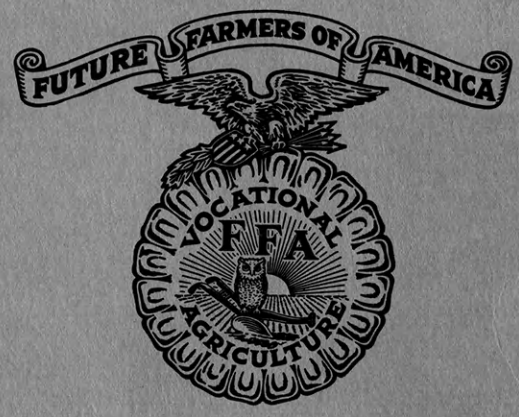
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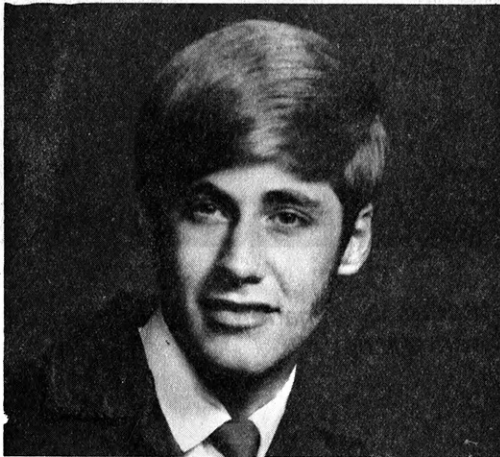
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*Mark Mayfield, State FFA President, will be chairman of the 44th State FFA Convention, Kansas State University, May 30, 31, and June 1.*

## NATIONAL OFFICE PROMOTIONS

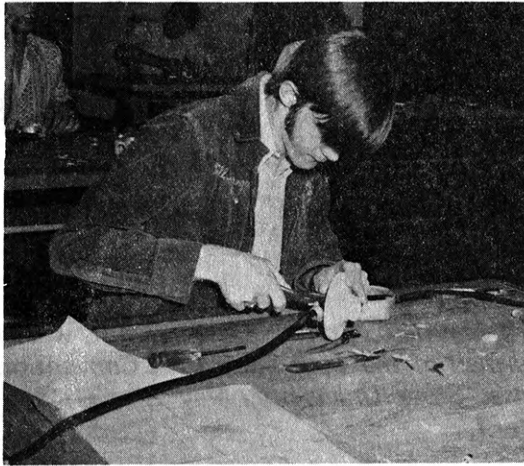


*Edward J. Hawkins has been promoted to the position of Executive Director of the Future Farmers of America.*

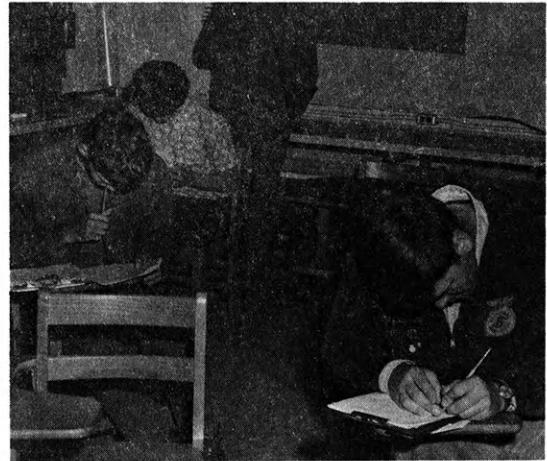


*V. Stanley Allen has been promoted to controller of the National Organization of Future Farmers of America.*

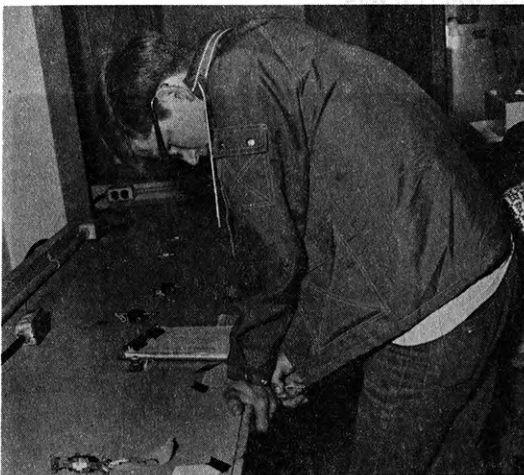
STATE FFA CONTEST CHAMPIONS



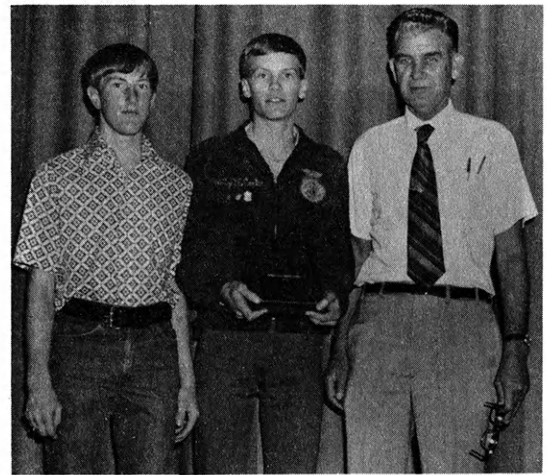
*Electric skills are important.*



*Written examination separates the men from the boys.*



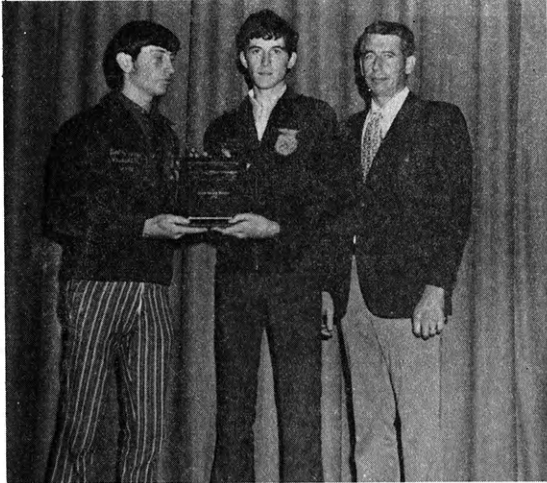
*Contestants must be able to identify electrical parts.*



*Altoona FFA is state electric champions. Left to right: Richard Bradford, Dwight Carter, Advisor John Davis.*

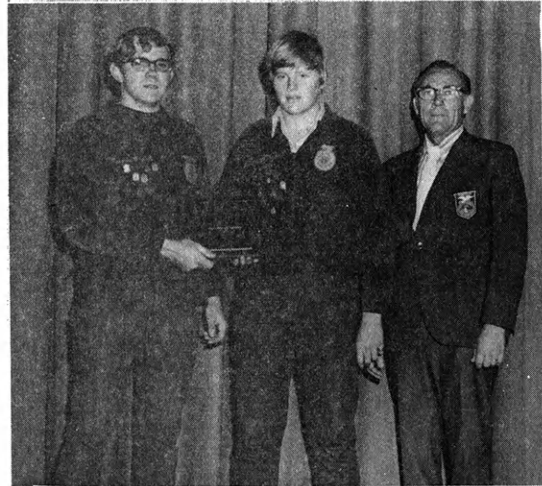
STATE FFA CHAMPIONS

*Hill City  
Small Engine Champions*



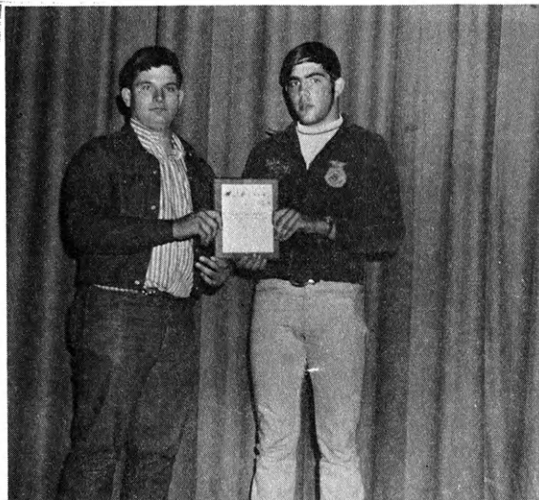
*Left to right: Gary Gano, Dan Worcester,  
and Joe Farrell, Advisor.*

*Garnett  
Soil Conservation Champions*



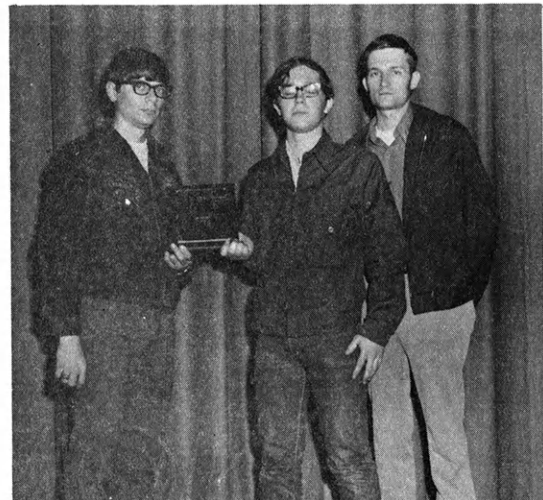
*Left to right: Raymond Mader, Wayne  
Brand, and Sam Harris, Advisor.*

*Altamont  
Farm Carpentry Winner*



*Left to right: Tom Jackson and Leslie  
Kimrey.*

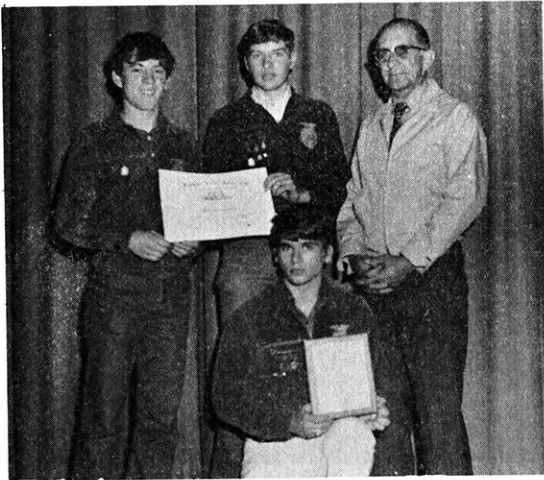
*Paola  
Welding Champs*



*Left to right: Paul Haley, Ryan Standley,  
and student instructor Kenneth Nickell.*

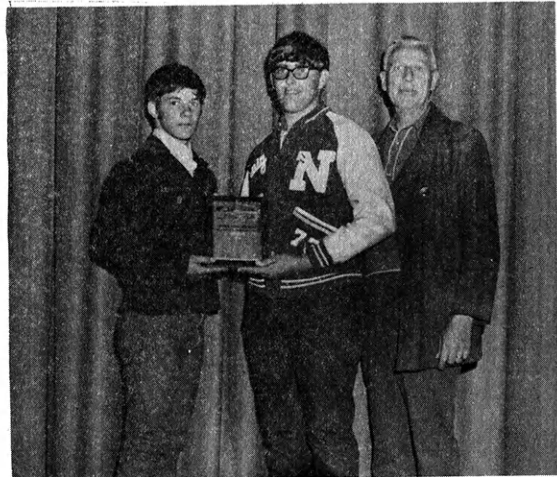
**STATE FFA CHAMPIONS**

*Mulvane  
Dairy Products Champions*



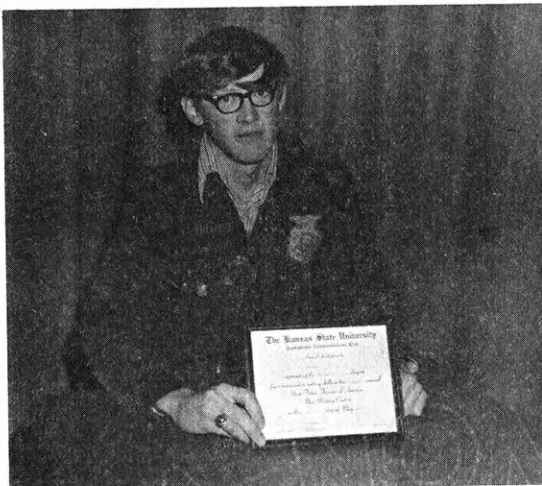
*Left to right: Steve Dochow, Don Kerley, and Francis Shoup, Advisor. Kneeling: Jim Shoemaker.*

*Ness City  
Entomology Champions*



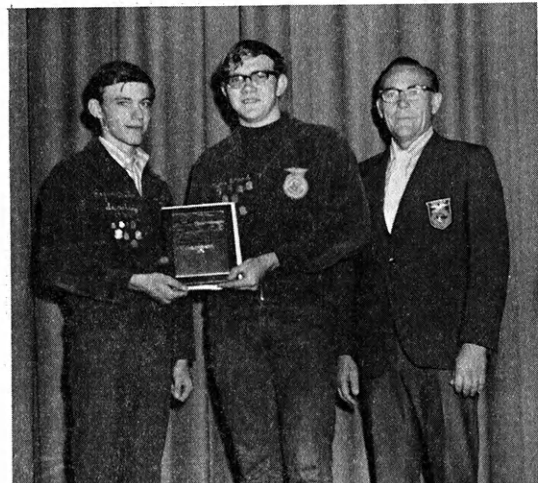
*Left to right: Steve Kraft, Craig Goodman, and Ed Brenner, Advisor.*

*Newsriting Champion*



*Ron Wilson, Manhattan, is the Newsriting champion.*

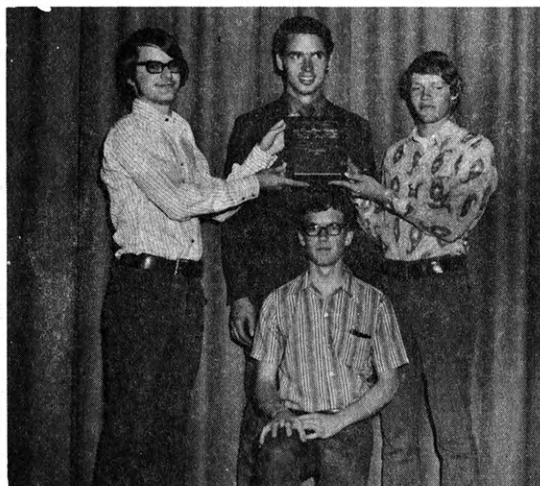
*Garnett  
Farm Machinery Champions*



*Left to right: Wayne Brand, George Miller, and Sam Harris, Advisor.*

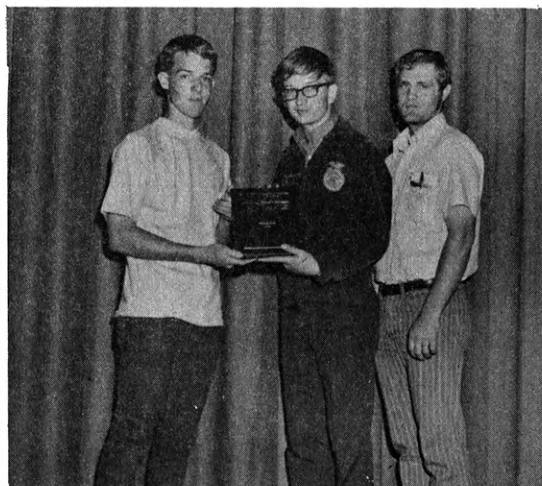
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*Moundridge  
Agronomy Champions*



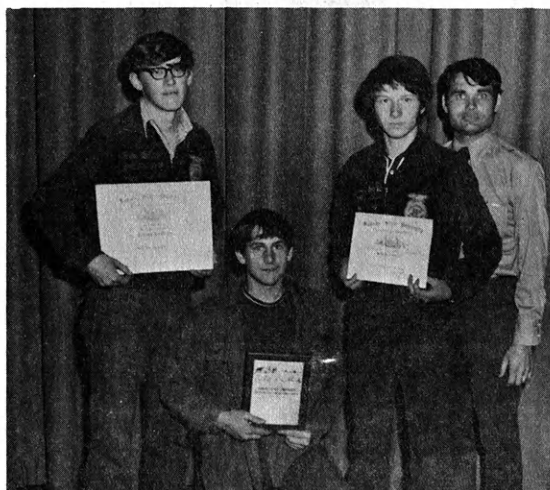
*Standing left to right: Keith Allenbach,  
Advisor Dwight Claassen, Monty Wedel.  
Kneeling: Greg Huxman.*

*Salina  
Horticulture Champions*



*Left to right: Greg Warden, Galen  
Swenson, and Wilbur Stites, Advisor.*

*Manhattan  
Poultry Champions*



*Standing left to right: Ron Wilson,  
Darrell Parks, and Stan Bartel, Advisor.  
Kneeling: Dan Brooks.*

*Lebanon  
Livestock Champions*

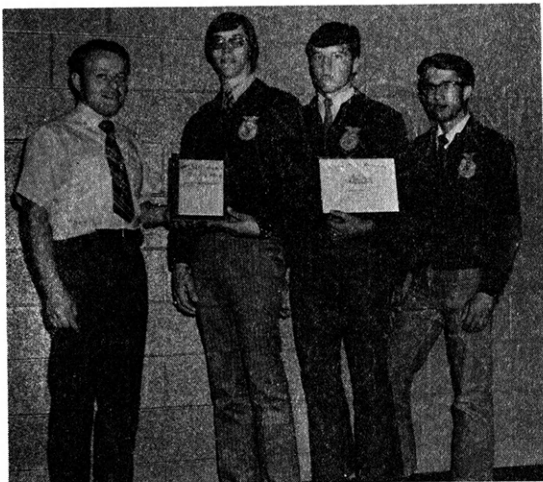


*Left to right: Randall Warner, Randall  
Merritt, Brian Maydew, and Robert  
Dills, Advisor.*



**STATE FFA CHAMPIONS**

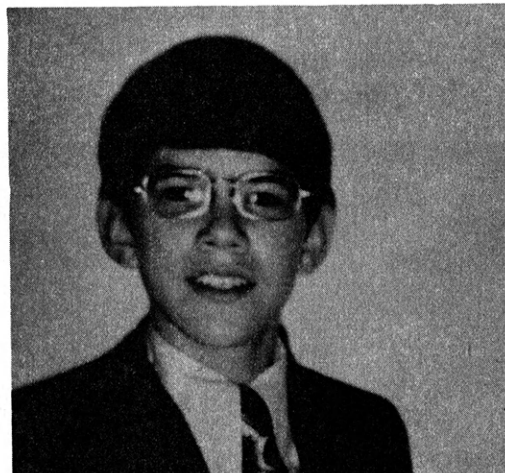
*Concordia  
Meats Champions*



*Left to right: Steve Reedy, Advisor; Don Garlow, Jerry Istas, and Terry LeDuc.*

*State Convention Organist*

*Mark Deines will be the State FFA Convention organist this year. Mark is a member of the WaKeeney FFA Chapter.*



## CONVENTION SECTION

**DON'T MISS THIS!**

### STATE FFA CONVENTION DATES

Disregard the dates of the State FFA Convention as listed on the 1971-72 Calendar of Activities. The correct date is May 30, 31, and June 1.

### THE BIG ONE IS ON THE LINE!

The climax of this year's activities will be the 44th State FFA Convention. Every chapter in Kansas needs to be represented in order to receive motivation and to set goals for next year's program. Decisions will be made affecting the entire state. The State Convention will pay dividends to those participating.

Air-conditioned facilities, a challenging program, and FFA fellowship should make this State Convention the best ever held in Kansas.

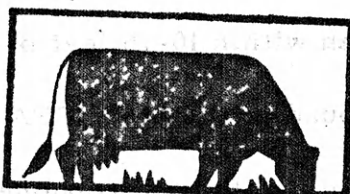
If your chapter has not sent in the names of delegates, please do so immediately.

### DELEGATE-ADVISOR LUNCHEON

It is hoped that both advisors and delegates will attend the Delegate-Advisor Luncheon on May 31, 12:00 noon, KSU Student Union.

Advisors may purchase a ticket by sending \$2.25 to the State FFA Office in Topeka. Make checks payable to the Kansas Association of FFA. A ticket will promptly be sent to you.

The National FFA President, Tim Burke, and other distinguished guests will be present. It is hoped that all advisors will attend.



HELPFUL CONVENTION HINTS

Congratulations to the delegates who have been selected to represent their chapter at the State FFA Convention. If you happen to be a recipient of an award or scholarship, be sure to be in attendance. Donors take a dim view of an individual who is not present to receive his award, so make every effort to be present at the official presentation.

Follow these suggestions and you will make this State FFA Convention outstanding:

1. Wear your official FFA jacket in the air-conditioned University Auditorium. You need not wear it outside if it is too warm.
2. Be prompt in attending sessions. If for some reason you are late, enter quietly.
3. If you must leave the auditorium before the session is over, please leave between numbers. Always respect a speaker.
4. Be a mature FFA representative. Loud talk, boasting, profanity, vulgarity, kid stuff, and horse play are not becoming of an FFA member.
5. A number of young ladies will be attending as delegates and guests of the State Convention. Wolf calls and whistling are not appropriate.
6. Do not smoke while wearing your FFA jacket. It is against the fire regulations to smoke while in the University Auditorium.
7. Sit with your group and advisor during convention sessions (if you are not a delegate).
8. A gentleman (FFA member) always removes his hat when he enters the convention hall.
9. If you hoot with the owls at night, you can't soar with the eagles in the daytime. Retire by 11:30 p. m. so you will feel alert the next day.
10. Treat all people inside and outside of the convention hall with respect. You may be speaking to or sitting beside a very distinguished person, a donor, sponsor, or others who will judge the FFA by your actions.
11. The best pictures are taken within 10-15 feet of the individual.
12. Report all items lost or found to the State FFA secretary's desk.
13. If you are a delegate please use the microphones for all official business and discussions. You should also make sure the State FFA secretary has your name and chapter before presenting your motion or discussion.

STATE FARMER PICTURES

State Farmer pictures will be taken on the KSU Campus on the east steps of Willard Hall, 5:00 p. m., May 31. Mr. Von Riesen of KSU will be the photographer. Pictures will be available on request from Mr. Von Riesen.

KVATA PRESIDENT LES OLSEN CALLS SPECIAL MEETING

Les Olsen, KVATA President, is asking all advisors to meet in the Student Union on Wednesday, May 31, 1:00 p. m. to decide on district activity dates. It will be necessary to decide the dates for district activities at this meeting due to the fact that teachers will not be together again until August. The Calendar of Activities will be taken to the press immediately after the convention.

This meeting will be held in Cardwell Hall, Room 102.

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE CONTEST

The State FFA Parliamentary Procedure Contest will be held at 3:30 p. m., Tuesday, May 30, in Williams Auditorium, KSU. Visitors and guests are welcome and urged to attend. This is an opportunity to observe top FFA members in action.

The following chapters will participate in the contest:

Jetmore	Powhattan	Caney
Arkansas City	Concordia	Garnett
Hill City		

Mr. Robert Randle, Assistant Vice President of the Federal Land Bank of Wichita, will present the trophies and awards to the chapters at 10:30 a. m., May 31, in the University Auditorium.

The Federal Land Bank will present a plaque and a \$40 check to each district winner who competes in the State FFA Parliamentary Procedure Contest. This award will not be made unless the team enters and participates in state competition. An additional \$50 and trophy will be awarded the first place chapter in the contest. Each of the six members of the winning team will be presented a gold FFA state award pin. A member of the winning parliamentary procedure team will be chosen state parliamentarian for the convention.

The top two teams will compete for first place honors in the University Auditorium on Wednesday, May 31, at 9:00 a. m.

Phil Stinemetz, 1970-71 State FFA Vice-President, will be chairman of the contest.

HILL CITY TOP CHAPTER IN STATE

The Hill City FFA Chapter was chosen as the number one gold emblem chapter in the state. The advisor is Joe Farrell. The runner-up was the Atchison County FFA Chapter from Effingham. Both of these chapters will be entered in national competition.

The following chapters were chosen as gold emblem chapters for the state:

Westmoreland	Powhattan
Valley Heights (Blue Rapids)	Paola
Moundridge	Peabody
Russell	Garden City
Trego Co. (Wakeeney)	Hill City
Atchison Co. (Effingham)	Jetmore
Labette Co. (Altamont)	Abilene
Seaman (Topeka)	Winfield
Concordia	

MOUNDRIDGE FIRST IN BOAC

Kansas FFA chapters are to be congratulated on their interest in making our communities a better place to live. Kansas has been a leader in the BOAC program in the United States.

Moundridge placed first in the state in the BOAC program, with Fowler placing second. Other chapters ranking high in the BOAC program are as follows:

Fort Scott	Alma	Hill City
Jetmore	Peabody	Westmoreland
Hill City	Smith Center	Arkansas City
Altamont		

STATE FARMER RECEPTION

Parents, administrators, and friends of State Farmer Degree recipients are invited to attend a reception in honor of the State Farmers on May 31 from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. This will be held in the "Cat's Pause" room at the Student Union.

MISSION VALLEY FIRST IN SAFETY

The Mission Valley (Eskridge) FFA chapter placed first in state competition in the area of safety. Atchison County Community High School (Effingham) placed second, Kingman placed third, and Atwood placed fourth. The district safety winners are as follows:

Northeast - Atchison Co.  
Southwest - Jetmore  
East Central - Eskridge

Northwest - Atwood  
Southeast - Fort Scott  
South Central - Kingman

1972 HONORARY STATE FARMERS

The Honorary State Farmer Degree is the highest award given by the Kansas Association of FFA to friends who have given untiring and dedicated service to our organization. The Executive Committee of the Kansas Association of FFA met on May 1 and selected the following individuals to receive the Honorary State Farmer Degree:

Congressman Keith Sebelius, District #1, Norton  
James McCain, President, Kansas State University  
Robert Rawlins, Holton, President of the State Board of Agriculture  
Ron Sweat, Beloit, Kansas Association of Bank Agricultural Representatives  
Marion Zinc, Topeka, Director of Member Service, Kansas Electric Coop  
Les Olsen, Clay Center, KVATA President  
Henry Gile, Topeka, Farmers Home Administration  
Professor Harold Roberts, KSU, Dairy Department  
Paul Zeh, Wichita, Kansas Farmer-Stockman  
Larry Bookless, Assistant to the President, Great Bend Manufacturing Co.

RUSSELL TOP COOP ACTIVITIES CHAPTER

The Russell FFA Chapter was chosen as the Kansas Coop activities state winner. Les Streit is the chapter advisor. The following is the district ratings:

Northeast

1. Atchison Co.
2. Powhattan
3. Valley Heights

East Central

1. Seaman
2. Paola
3. Williamsburg

North Central

1. Concordia
2. Abilene
3. Riley Co.

South Central

1. Moundridge
2. Arkansas City
3. Peabody

Southwest

1. Garden City
2. Hanston
3. Jetmore

Northwest

1. Russell
2. Hill City
3. Wakeeney

Southeast

1. Fort Scott
2. Labette Co.

The Russell FFA Chapter will be recognized by the Kansas Coop Council at the State Convention. The award will be presented at 10:30 a. m., Wednesday, May 31, in the University Auditorium.

The chapter in each district which is judged to have the best cooperative program will receive a plaque and \$50 cash award. Second place receives \$35, and third place receives \$15. The advisor of the top chapter in the state will win an all-expense paid trip to Iowa State University from July 30-August 3 to the AIC Convention.

### DELEGATES RULE

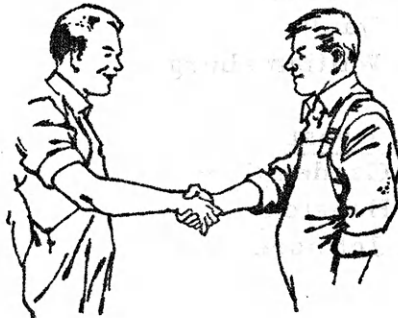
The delegates of the 1972 Convention will have opportunity to evaluate and change any FFA activity they so desire. In order to change the constitution, a 2/3 vote is required by the delegates present. Clear thinking should be given to each item voted on. The following items are examples of what type of items will be voted on:

1. Set the price of FFA dues for 1972-73.
2. Dates and location of the 1973 State FFA Convention.
3. The following resolution is recommended by the Jetmore FFA chapter. This will be voted on at the convention:

WHEREAS, We, the Jetmore Chapter, consider it practical and to the best interest of Kansas FFA youth and vocational agriculture education, to have any member eligible to compete in State FFA Contests and,

WHEREAS, The rules for the State FFA Contests state that if a member has competed in one area of the state contests he is not eligible to compete in the same area of the state contests again, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that it is the sense of the chapter that any member may compete in the state contest in the same area more than one year and that a member should be eligible to compete in the state fair judging contest even if he has competed in the State FFA Contests.



STATE FFA CONVENTION PROGRAM

May 30, 31 and June 1

1971-72 State FFA Officers

Mark Mayfield, President  
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Hugoton

State Executive Committee

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Manhattan

Joe Farrell  
State Vice Pres., KVATA  
Hill City

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Topeka

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Clay Center

Harold Shoaf  
Executive Secretary  
Topeka

State FFA Sweetheart

Kim Schoen, Downs

National Officer

Tim Burke

National President

New Hampton, Iowa



THEME: YOUTH WITH A PURPOSETuesday, May 30, 1972

- 10:30 - 11:30 a. m. Nominating Committee Meeting, Waters Hall, Room 135 -- Mark Mayfield, Chairman
- 11:45 a. m. Luncheon for State Officer Candidates and Selection Committee, Bluemont Room of the Student Union
- 1:00 - 3:00 p. m. State FFA Officer Candidates interview, Waters Hall, Room 137
- 3:00 p. m. Parliamentary Procedure Judges meet, Room 125, Umberger Hall -- Earl Wineinger, Chairman
- 3:30 - 5:00 p. m. Parliamentary Procedure Contest, Williams Auditorium -- Phil Stinemetz, Chairman
- 8:00 - 9:00 p. m. Vesper Services -- All Faith Chapel

Wednesday, May 31  
University Auditorium

- 8:00 - 9:00 a. m. Registration of FFA Convention delegates -- Lobby of University Auditorium
- 8:00 - 12:00 noon Public Speaking contest -- Williams Auditorium and Justin Hall
- 9:00 a. m. Opening Ceremony  
Welcome  
Introduction of guests -- Steve Hittle, State Sentinel  
Minutes of 43rd State FFA Convention -- Jay Armstrong, State FFA Secretary  
Convention Tips -- Ralph Wilson, State Treasurer  
Parliamentary Procedure Finals (2 top teams) -- Phil Stinemetz, 1970-71 State FFA Vice-President, Chairman
- 10:15 - 10:30 a. m. Break (Refreshments for delegates), courtesy of Kansas Association of FFA
- 10:30 - 11:40 a. m. Address -- Terry Lawrence, State FFA Reporter  
Ceremony honoring parents of State Officers  
Parliamentary Procedure Awards -- Robert Randle, Assistant Vice President, Federal Land Bank  
Entertainment

Address -- Tim Burke, National FFA President  
 Kansas Coop Council Awards -- Hal Hellebust,  
 Executive Secretary

- 11:40 a. m. Closing Ceremony
- 12:00 noon FFA Delegate - Advisor Luncheon -- Main and West Ballrooms, KSU Student Union. Tim Burke, National President, will speak on "You Are Important"
- Entertainment  
 Your Committee Responsibility -- Jay Armstrong,  
 State FFA Secretary  
 Appointment to Committees -- Terry Lawrence,  
 State FFA Reporter
- 1:30 - 2:45 p. m. KVATA District Meetings, Cardwell Hall, Room 102 -  
 Les Olsen, Chairman
- District meetings will be as follows:
- |       |                |            |
|-------|----------------|------------|
| SE -- | Cardwell Hall, | Room 120   |
| SC -- | " "            | , Room 121 |
| SW -- | " "            | , Room 122 |
| NE -- | " "            | , Room 124 |
| NC -- | " "            | , Room 127 |
| NW -- | " "            | , Room 129 |
| EC -- | " "            | , Room 130 |
- 2:00 - 3:15 p. m. State FFA Delegate Committee Meetings  
 (Committees and rooms where they meet are listed at the end of this program)
- 2:00 - 3:00 p. m. State Farmer Reception (Parents, Administrators,  
 State Farmers) -- Cat's Pause, Student Union
- 3:15 p. m. Opening Ceremony  
 Address -- Jay Armstrong, State FFA Secretary  
 State Farmer Ceremony  
 Closing Ceremony
- 5:00 p. m. State Farmer Picture -- Willard Hall, east steps
- 5:30 - 7:00 p. m. Honorary State Farmer Banquet -- Cottonwood Room,  
 Student Union



1:15 p. m.                    Opening Ceremony  
Address -- Ralph Wilson, State FFA Treasurer  
Kansas Farm Electrification Council Award --  
Elwyn Holmes, Extension Engineering, KSU  
National FFA Foundation Awards  
Greetings -- Seven District Sweethearts  
State FFA Sweetheart Report  
Closing Ceremony

Thursday Night

5:30 - 7:15 p. m.            FFA Alumni Banquet -- Flint Hills Room, Student  
Union  
Talent Show -- Kim Schoen, State FFA Sweetheart,  
Chairman

7:30 p. m.                    Opening Ceremony  
Address -- Keith Sebelius, U. S. House of  
Representatives, 1st District  
Entertainment  
Roy Freeland FFA Agriculture Education Scholarship  
Star Agribusiness Award  
Address -- Mark Mayfield, State FFA President  
Special Recognition of C. C. Eustace, FFA Advisor  
Installation of Officers  
Miracle on the Land  
Closing Ceremony  
(Leave Evaluation Sheet at door)

Friday, June 2

7:30 a. m.                    1971-72 and 1972-73 State Officers Meeting -- Sunflower  
Room, Student Union

8:30 - 11:45 a. m.            1972-73 State Officers Meeting -- Waters Hall, Student  
Union

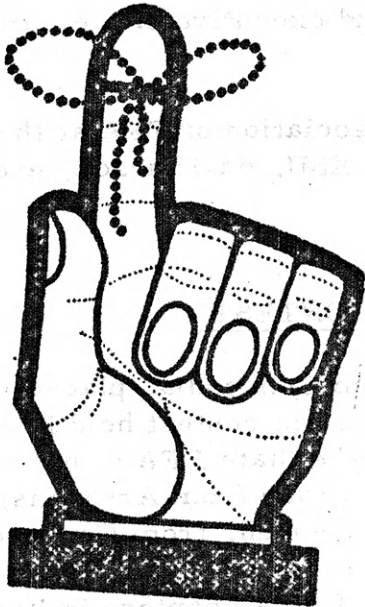
10:00 - 2:00 p. m.            State FFA Executive Committee Meeting -- Waters Hall

11:45 - 12:30 p. m.           State FFA Executive Committee luncheon -- Sunflower  
Room, Student Union

(Alpha Tau Alpha members will serve as ushers for the convention)

The following is a list of the delegate committees and where they will meet:

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Location</u>
1973 State Farmer Degree	Cardwell Hall, Room 132
1973 Superior & Gold Emblem Awards	Cardwell Hall, Room 143
1972 District Leadership School	Cardwell Hall, Room 144
1972-73 Greenhand Conference	Cardwell Hall, Room 145
1972-73 International FFA Committee	Cardwell Hall, Room 146
1972-73 Constitution Committee	Call Hall, Room 204
1973 Public Speaking	Denison Hall, Room 116 A
1973 Agribusiness Awards	Denison Hall, Room 116 B
1972-73 BOAC Committee	Denison Hall, Room 117
1972-73 State FFA Camp	Denison Hall, Room 118
1972-73 FFA Membership	Denison Hall, Room 215
1973 Foundation Awards	Denison Hall, Room 216
1972-73 Coop Quiz	Denison Hall, Room 217
1972 Topeka & Hutchinson Farm Mechanics	Denison Hall, Room 218
1973 State FFA Convention	Denison Hall, Room 219
State FFA Livestock Show	Ackert Hall, Room 105
1972-73 State & District FFA Sweetheart Selection	Ackert Hall, Room 106



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## ACTIVITIES SECTION



### STATE FFA ADVISOR RETIRES

Mr. C. C. Eustace, State FFA Advisor, has announced he will retire on August 1. He has served as advisor from 1954 to the present.

Mr. Eustace is a native of Wakefield, Kansas. He completed three degrees at Kansas State University -- a BS in Agronomy in 1930, an agriculture education degree in 1937, and an MS in animal husbandry and education in 1953. He started his career as a vocational agriculture instructor in 1937 and taught three years at Hoxie and two years at Pratt.

He served four years in the Army. After this he taught one semester at Burns High School. From 1946 to 1954 he served as a field supervisor for institutional on-farm training. This federally funded project was cooperatively sponsored by the Kansas State Department of Vocational Education and KSU to provide on-the-farm training for veterans of World War II. He served a brief period of time as acting State Director and executive officer for the Division of Vocational Education.

Mr. Eustace will be honored by the Kansas Association of FFA at the 44th State FFA Convention, University Auditorium, KSU, on Thursday evening, June 1.

### SECOND ANNUAL TALENT CONTEST

The Astronotes, a four member rock group from Concordia, placed first in the second annual Future Farmers of America talent contest held May 1 at Kansas State University in Manhattan during the State FFA Contests. Taking second place was a country and western group from Arkansas City, and third place went to twins, Arlan and Harlan Jensen, from Concordia.

The FFA Talent Contest was open to members of FFA chapters in Kansas.

Judges were Dr. William Burke, associate professor of speech at KSU; Dan Commerford, graduate assistant in music from KSU; and Lauren Libby, 1969-70 State FFA President from Smith Center.

Miss Kim Schoen, Downs, present State FFA Sweetheart, acted as master of ceremonies.

Others taking part in the talent contest were a nine member jazz and rock band from Powhattan; Debbie Doebele from Hanover; Steve Knoll from Morland; and Steve Burd from Northern Valley.

FFA ALUMNI HOLD FIRST NATIONAL MEETING

More than 200 farmers, agribusiness leaders, and government officials, all former members of the Future Farmers of America (FFA), were in Chicago, Friday, May 12, for the organizational meeting of the National FFA Alumni Association. The meeting was held at the O'Hare Inn adjacent to Chicago's O'Hare International Airport.

Purpose of the meeting was to elect a national slate of officers and to decide on state, local, and national activities in which members can participate. This was the first national meeting of the FFA Alumni Association which was formed two years ago at the National FFA Convention when state delegates of the national youth organization voted to create an alumni membership status.

According to Gus Douglass, National FFA Alumni Council Chairman and Commissioner of Agriculture in West Virginia, "The FFA Alumni Association is striving to develop activities that will complement the activities of local vocational agriculture departments and FFA chapters."

Although the National Alumni Association has been formally organized for only slightly more than a year, 15 states have already chartered State FFA Alumni Associations. Total membership in the National Association now stands at over 3,000 members and according to Alumni Association Administrative Secretary, Jay Benham, the membership is growing rapidly. "We estimate that over 3 million students of vocational agriculture have been FFA members over the 44 year history of the organization," says Benham. "We realize that the present membership is only a small beginning, but response to date makes us optimistic that the Association will grow to a sizeable organization. Our biggest challenge so far has been to locate former members and to inform them of our organization's existence and purposes."

According to Benham all former FFA members, honorary members and teachers of vocational agriculture are eligible for membership in the FFA Alumni Association. All who join prior to May 12 will be considered "Charter Members" and will receive a special charter membership card. National dues for the organization are \$4 per year or \$100 for life membership. The purposes of the FFA Alumni Association are:

To support and promote the FFA organization, FFA activities, and vocational agriculture on the local, state, and national levels.

To provide a tie to the FFA and to assist FFA and agricultural education personnel to involve former members in worthy activities.

To promote a greater knowledge of the agricultural industry and support education in agriculture.

To cooperate with the National FFA Board of Directors, National FFA Foundation Board of Trustees, and the National FFA Foundation Sponsoring Committee.

Harold Shoaf, Executive Secretary of the Kansas Association of FFA; Chris Schmidt, State FFA Vice-President; and Lauren Libby, Past State FFA President, attended from the Kansas Association.

### 1972 AMERICAN FARMERS

Seven members of the Kansas Association of FFA have been nominated to receive the American Farmer Degree at the National FFA Convention in Kansas City next October. They will be among the nearly 500 individuals from across the nation receiving the degree.

This is the highest degree an FFA member can earn from the National Organization. According to the National Constitution, a state association may submit one application for the first 500 active members in the state association; a second candidate for an active membership of 501 to 1,000 and one application for each additional 1,000 active members.

The seven Kansas men are:

Doug Deets, Arkansas City  
Frank Buchman, Alta Vista  
Paul Westerman, Ellsworth  
Elmer Donley, Jr., Ellsworth  
Gary Worcester, Hill City  
Ernie Goering, Mounridge



Frank Buchman has been chosen as the Kansas entry in the Regional Star Farmer competition.

### STATE FFA CAMP AUGUST 2-5

One of the most important activities for chapter FFA officers is the attendance at the State FFA Leadership Camp. Chapter officers and advisors are urged not to miss the opportunity to be motivated and receive inspiration in making 1972-73 an outstanding year.

It will be determined at this year's leadership camp whether the district leadership school in October should be changed, deleted, or held as usual. Other important decisions that will effect the year's FFA leadership activities will be discussed.



Those individuals interested in being Wranglers at the State FFA Camp should return the enclosed application by June 15. Chapters should enroll their officers not later than July 1. The application form is enclosed in the back of this newsletter.

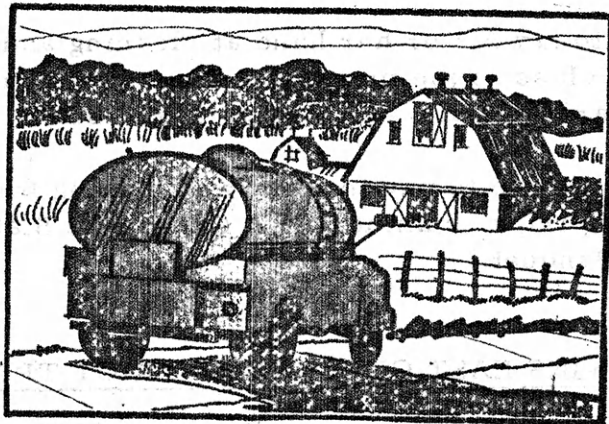
### JOBS IN AGRICULTURE

According to Charles Pratt, Capital-Journal Farm editor, the number of persons in the hired farm work force in the nation gained 4 percent during 1971. This temporarily interrupted the downtrend in process since 1967.

The report was issued by the Department of Agriculture and indicated that about 2.6 million persons 14 years of age and older did some farm work for cash wages in 1971. All the gain was in the nonmigrant sector.

In Kansas at this time farm labor demands are strong and undoubtedly will increase as the soil dries after the recent rains. There already is some demand reported by the Department of Labor for operators for customs crews to go south for the wheat harvest.

Demand in many areas of the state is increasing for single persons and married couples. General farmhands are wanted in a wage range from \$200 to \$350 per month, plus housing.



## CHAPTER AND DISTRICT SECTION



### JETMORE PARENT AND SON BANQUET

The Jetmore FFA chapter held its 19th Annual Parent and Son Banquet on Monday, March 27, 1972. A meal including roast beef was served by the Jetmore Kayettes. After the meal the annual awards were presented. Mrs. Linda Webb was named honorary chapter farmer. Foundation awards were presented to Warren Vieux, crop production; Danny Denton, Dairy; John Herrman, beef production; Alan Ochs, Ag Mechanics and Soil and Water Conservation; Doug Ewy, Swine Production; Cary Tucker, Public Speaking; Dennis Gibbs, Leadership; Tim Gibbs, Star Greenhand; and Dekalb and Star Chapter Farmer to Cary Tucker. After the meal and awards presentation all parents and supporters were invited to view the Ag shop and the students projects.

### HANSTON FFA SUPPER

The annual Hanston FFA Mountain Oyster Fry was held on Friday, March 11. Approximately 130 people enjoyed a meal of mountain oysters, combination salad, baked beans, and chips.

Every FFA member got to try his or her hand at cleaning and slicing the mountain oysters during class in the morning. The afternoon was spent grinding crackers, preparing salad, and making baked beans.

Proceeds from the fry will help to pay for food and lodging for FFA members who participate on judging trips, summer FFA Camp, the State Convention, and the Annual Chapter Banquet.

### SEAMAN WINS EAST CENTRAL DISTRICT TROPHY

Last year the East Central District Vocational Agriculture Teacher Association started giving district sweepstake trophies to be presented in the school with the highest score combined in all district contests. The hope in giving a district sweepstake trophy was to get more schools to all district contests. The scores for the district trophy are determined in the following manner: First place - 10 points; second place - 9 points; third place - 8 points; fourth place - 7 points; fifth place - 6 points; and 5 points to all other schools competing.

In addition to the district sweepstake trophy this year, the top three teams in each contest were presented a trophy. Money for the three team trophies was solicited by the host school from local merchants.

Participation in the East Central Kansas District contest this year was greatly improved from the past several years. Of the 14 contests held this year, the average percentage attendance was over 60 percent. Contests of highest attendance were Farm Mechanics, Livestock Judging, and Dairy Judging. Contests of lowest attendance were meats, crops, horticulture, and entomology.

The top five schools in the overall district contest placing were: Seaman - first; Paola - second; Prairie View - third; Osage City - fourth; and Burlington - fifth. There are 18 active schools in the East Central district.

### BRIAN MOOS HAS A GOAL

Brian Moos, a freshman of the Plainville FFA chapter, has a goal for the future. He wants to receive the State Farmer Degree and try for a state officer when he becomes a senior.

Farming is the main interest and the FFA and anything dealing with agriculture is what makes Brian the outstanding freshman earning the Star Greenhand degree of the 23 vocational agriculture I students at Plainville.

Living on a dairy farm has encouraged Brian to become a dairy farmer after graduation and attending Kansas State University one or two years. Brian's farming program includes one show steer, one feeder steer, two cows with calves, three yearling heifers, two holstein heifers, one horse, 36 acres of feed, and rented grassland.

Brian has been very active in all FFA active in all FFA activities which include: third in the district speech contest, ninth individual in the district dairy cattle judging contest, sixth in the district poultry contest, and was a team member in many other contests.

Brian will serve as reporter of the local chapter next year and looks forward to attending the State Convention, State Leadership Camp, and farming this summer.

