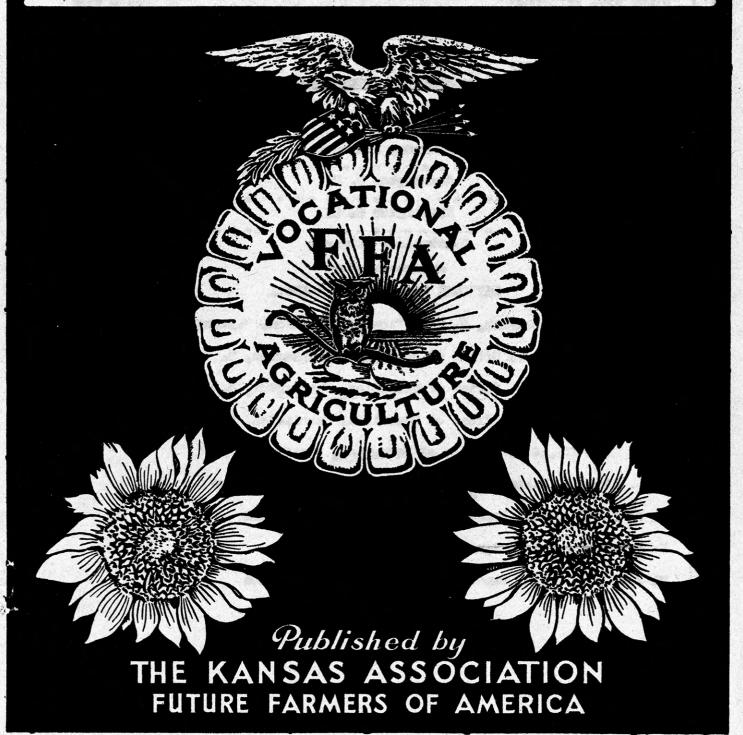
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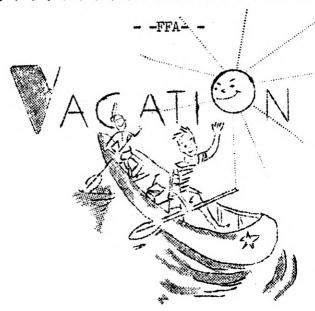
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#### 1949-50 STATE FFA CONVENTION

Approximately 130 of the 160 FFA chapters in Kansas sent representatives to the Twenty-Second Annual State Convention. There were 114 agricultural teams entered in the agricultural judging events. Ninety-one schools entered teams in the farm mechanics contests. There were 18 contestants in the State FFA Public Speaking Contest and 47 chapters entered the State FFA Chapter Contest. One hundred and six schools seated delegates at the annual FFA meeting. The weather was delightful and the two days and two evenings were crammed full of participating experiences for the FFA members in attendance. The tour groups, under the direction of Professor Fred Bortfeld, Department of Economics and Sociology, were comprised of approximately 150 alternates. Two hundred and twenty FFA members found rooming quarters at Nichols Gymnasium, while the remainder of the contestants and their advisers found rooms in town.

A box lunch was served on the campus to contestants in the Agricultural and Farm Mechanics Contest.

Professor Emery Castle of the Department of Economics and Sociology, was in charge of compiling statistics in the various judging events.

Many departments of the college cooperated in making the Twenty-Second Annual State FFA Convention a success.

The Kansas Association was honored to have Glenn Lackey, Delaware, Ohio, Chapter, Delaware, Ohio, National FFA Fourth Vice-President, as a guest throughout the convention. Vice-President Lackey addressed the House of Delegates meeting and brought greetings from the National Organization to the boys assembled at the Chamber of Commerce Banquet.

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# 1950 CHAMBER OF COLMERCE BANQUET

The Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America wishes to take this means of thanking the Manhattan Chamber of Commerce for the Twenty-Second FFA Banquet furnished by this group. President Evan Griffith, Secretary Lud Fiser, and O. W. Kershaw, chairman of the Vocational Agricultural Committee, can rest assured that both the FFA members and their advisers are duly appreciative of the efforts of the Manhattan Chamber of Commerce, to make their closing event such a delightful occasion.

The annual FFA banquet is a cooperative affair whereby the food is furnished by the Chamber of Commerce and is served under the direction of Professor Davy Mackintosh. The physical properties are provided by the college under the direction of Professor F. W. Atkeson, while the program itself is under the direction of the State Association of FFA. The Block and Bridle Club, which is a student organization in the department of Animal Husbandry, is in charge of the food preparation. The flags of the United Nations were furnished through the courtesy of the Institute of Citizenship, Carl Tjerandsen, Head. The band music was furnished by the Kansas State College Band under the direction of Professor Jean Hedlund. Group singing was led by Professor Elbert Fly of the High School. Jerome Johnson, Concordia Chapter, presented a saxophone solo.

1950 Chamber of Commerce Banquet (continued)

The entire banquet program was well received and the State Association turned the meeting over to Professor L. F. Payne, chairman of the College Contest Committee at 9:23 p.m.

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## 1950 STATE CHAPTER CONTEST

The ratings of the National Score Card used in the National Chapter Contest were used in the Kansas Chapter Contest. Under each of the eight headings, the same items were given consideration in ranking the chapters as listed in this issue of the Kansas Future Farmer Newsletter. The State Chapter Contest is designed to encourage and reward chapter effort over a wide range of activities. The first State Chapter Contest was held in Kansas in 1932 and these contests have been held annually since that date.

In addition to the eight major headings listed in the National Chapter Contest score card, the scoring committee checks each chapter activity program against the annual State Association Program of Work. Attention is also give to chapter performance in the District FFA Leadership Schools.

It was gratifying to note that 84% of the chapters entering the Chapter Contest had a minimum FFA library; 96% used both the official Secretary and Treasurer's book, and more than 96% of the competing chapters engaged in Fire Prevention, Safety, Pest Eradication, and Livestock Loss Prevention.

The four major classifications for recognizing the merit of chapter programs are: Gold Emblem classification, Silver Emblem classification, Bronze Emblem classification, and Honorable Hention classification.

The results of the 1950 State Chapter Contest follow:

# GOLD EMBLEM CLASSIFICATION - HIGHEST RANK

Beloit Chapter, Howard Bradley, Adviser Buhler Chapter, J. A. Johnson, Adviser Chanute Chapter, Chas. O. Carter, Adviser Clay Center Chapter, R. W. Morrison, Adviser Colby Chapter, Ronald B. King, Adviser Coldwater Chapter, L. E. Melia, Adviser Effingham Chapter, Roy Eck, Adviser Haven Chapter, Glenn Schulthess, Adviser Hoxie Chapter, Willard Barry, Adviser Lawrence Chapter, W. R. Essick, Adviser Little River Chapter, Milton Kohrs Adviser Shawnee Mission Chapter, Harold Garver, Adviser Olathe Chapter, A. G. Jensen, Adviser Stockton Chapter, Floyd Blauer, Adviser Highland Park Chapter, F. E. Carpenter, Adviser Winfield Chapter, Ira Plank and John Lowe, Adviser 1950 State Chapter Contest (continued)

# SILVER FUBLEM CLASSIFICATION

Alma Chapter, Frank E. White, Adviser
Bonner Springs Chapter, L. L. Van Petten, Adviser
ElDorado Chapter, Wm. R. McMillan, Adviser
Emporia Chapter, Emory Groves, Adviser
Lebanon Chapter, Don Hall, Adviser
Morrowville Chapter, Otis Dewey, Adviser
Phillipsburg Chapter, Frank Freeman, Adviser
Randolph Chapter, Robert C. Stephens, Adviser
Sabetha Chapter, H. R. Pollock, Adviser
Smith Center Chapter, Charles Mantz, Adviser
Washington Chapter, I. E. Peterson, Adviser

#### BRONZE EMBLEM CLASSIFICATION

Arkansas City Chapter, William D. Turner, Adviser Downs Chapter, R. D. Brent, Adviser Ellsworth Chapter, L. O. Gugler, Adviser Fowler Chapter, W. Ormond Breeden, Adviser Hays Chapter, Thaine Clark, Adviser Hillsboro Chapter, William D. Smith, Adviser Holton Chapter, Keith Wagoner, Adviser Howard Chapter, Wilbur Hart, Adviser Kincaid Chapter, Sam Harris, Adviser Kiowa Chapter, Allen Starosta, Adviser Meriden Chapter, R. L. Welton, Adviser Miltonvale Chapter, Lester Crandall, Adviser Minneola Chapter, J. W. Jordan, Adviser Ottawa Chapter, S. S. Bergsma, Adviser Valley Valls Chapter, Alden H. Loomis, Adviser Wamego Chapter, E. E. Stockebrand, Adviser Westmoreland Chapter, Norman Hildwein, Adviser

# HONORABLE MENTION CLASSIFICATION

Attica Chapter, David Bogart, Adviser Eureka Chapter, Harry Coffel, Adviser Mankato Chapter, Darwin Housholder, Adviser Yates Center, Don W. Brock, Adviser

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# FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA FOUNDATION, INCORPORATED

The State Office received pamphlets from the National Organization of Future Farmers of America giving information relative to the Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc. These pamphlets are intended to accompany medals which will be furnished by the Foundation for local chapter winners. Medals will be available for Star Farmer of the Chapter, Farm Mechanics, Farm Electrification, Dairy Farming, Soil and Water Management, Farm Safety, and Public Speaking.

At the date of issuing this Newsletter the State Office has not received its supply of medals.

## THE 1950-51 STATE OFFICERS

The following briefs of the 1950-51 State Officers are presented in the hope that our membership will know more about the boys who will be in charge of the Kansas Association of FFA for the next year.

In interviewing candidates for state office it was learned that candidates came from farms ranging in size from 50 acres to 2600 acres. Also it was learned that candidates came from families where the candidate was the only child in the family to a candidate who was one of thirteen children in the family.

## Robert Ball, President, Garden City

Robert is 17 years old and a senior in high school. In scholarship, he ranks first in his class of 119. During his four years in vocational agriculture he has increased his net worth from \$1,130.55 to \$7,485.51. His present farming program consists of two purebred milking shorthorn cows, one heifer calf, one purebred milking shorthorn bull, and eighty acres of wheat. His bull took Grand Champion in the dairy division at the County Fair in 1949. Robert was president in the group of officers that won first in the ritual contest at the District FFA Leadership School and was selected All-Star President at that Leadership School. He competed in the state agricultural judging contest his sophomore year. While a junior Robert was president of his chapter, Governor of Sunflower Boy's State, Honorary President of Boy's Nation, and president of the Junior class. While a senior his leadership activities included: president of the senior class, president of the Athletic Club, editor of the school paper, member of the junior Red Cross council. He was a member of the student council for three years. In athletics he was on the A team three years in football, on the A team two years in basketball and on the A team two years in baseball. During his junior and senior years in school he was president of the state and district young peoples group of the Presbyterian church.

# Hugh Schantz, Vice-President, Winfield

Hugh is 17 years old and a senior in high school. He has completed four years of vocational agriculture. His beginning net worth as a freshman was \$563.10 and his net worth January 1 of his senior year was \$2,323.87. In scholarship Hugh ranks third in his class of 160. His present farming program consists of twenty-one ewes, one lamb, one ram, and thirty-seven acres of wheat. He was vice-president of the Winfield chapter during his senior year. Other leadership activities that are a part of his reacrd include: member of second place ritual team at District Leadership School, blue ribbon winnings at the Burden and Arkansas City County Fair and the Winfield County Fair on his fat steers and fat lambs, member of FFA basketball and baseball teams, president of the Alpha Society, president of Home Room, high school track team for three years and chairman of the church commission.

# Duane Stoskopf, Secretary, Great Bend

Duane is 16 years old and a senior in high school. In scholarship he ranks third in a class of 150. His farming program includes ten acres of oats, fifty acres of wheat and eight fattening cattle. His total gain in net worth was from \$2,740.84 to \$4,412.66. He was chapter reporter as a junior and chapter secretary his senior year. At the leadership school he was chosen All Star reporter while a junior and All Star secretary while a senior. He

The 1950-51 State Officers (continued)

was a class officer during his junior and senior years, and Key club officer during his senior year. In the music department he is an officer in the A Capella Choir, a member of the glee club four years, and has participated in vocal solo work. During his senior year he was vice-president of the county council of the Methodist Church.

## Gary Johnson, Reporter, Highland Park

Gary was chapter vice-president during his sophomore year and chapter president both his junior and senior years. He is 17 years old and a senior in high school. He has had a gain in net worth of \$1,163.61 since he entered vocational agriculture as a freshman. His farming program includes: one Hereford cow and calf, one Duroc sow and eight feeder hogs and ten acres of corn. Gary was a member of the National FFA Chorus in 1949. He was vice-president of his class while a junior and president of the student council his senior year. During his senior year he has competed in debate on Youth Problems. He is at present director of his church's choir.

# Charles Robert Kinast, Treasurer, Haven

Charles is 17 years old and a senior in high school. In scholarship he ranks third in a class of 30. He has increased his net worth from \$308.24 to \$2,460.55. His present program includes: two Hereford heifers and three calves, eighteen ewes, five lambs and one ram, one saddle herse, five acres of wheat, ten acres of maize, and 1/12 acre of popcorn. During this, his senior year, he is president of his chapter. Last year he was chapter reporter. For two years he has won blue ribbons at both the county and state fairs on his fat lambs. He competed in the state farm mechanics contest as a sophomore and in the state agricultural judging contest as a junior. He was a member of the high school band four years, and the city band three years. He took part in glee club two years and mixed chorus two years. He is an active member and leader in the activities of the Lutheran Walther League.

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# NATIONAL FFA BAND AND CHORUS

Kansas will be represented in both the National FFA Band and the National FFA Chorus next fall at Kansas City, Missouri, October 9 - 12, 1950. Selection of candidates will be in charge of a national FFA music committee. Each chapter adviser will receive at an early date information blanks relative to possible candidates from your chapter for either the band or chorus. These blanks call for information as to qualification and experience of the individual candidate as well as for information relative to his placing in district and state music festivals. All information furnished will be over the signature of proper school officials including the music director of the local high school. The State Office will appreciate your usual prompt cooperation in this matter.

# EVALUATING FFA CHAPTER ACTIVITY PROGRAMS

Each year the state association has the task of evaluating local chapter activity programs and ranking them into broad classification groups. This is an interesting, but difficult task. It is difficult because of the many intengibles involved. However, the state association believes that there are enough factors common to all chapters to enable the evaluating committee to satisfactorily rank the chapters.

In evaluating chapters in Kansas, the local chapter program of work and the achievement report are carefully analyzed by an adult committee. Final rankings are made by a committee comprised of the state FFA officers and members of the state staff.

Supplemental materials would not enter into the judging of chapter accomplishment. However, one will have to admit that supplemental material is of value in substantiating claims of chapters as well as in many cases aiding the judges in forming correct opinions as to achievement standards.

The question is often asked whether all the detail involved in filing a written chapter program and an achievement report is justified. The answer in both cases is yes. In preparing the written chapter program of work the local adviser and chapter members are forced to be definite in their objectives and the written program avoids misunderstandings because it is always available for reference. The achievement report is a definite check up on failures as well as successes. Both the program of work and the achievement report should be of value in improving the work of the chapter from year to year. The chapter contest offers an excellent means of broadening the perspective of the local FFA adviser and chapter members, and of stimulating a wide range of experience on the part of both. In addition, the participants will develop a sense of community responsibility, will acquire a higher regard for scholarship, and will learn to cooperate by working and playing together.

# How Chapter Programs are Ranked

First, the chapter goals set up in the program of work submitted to the state office before November 1 are checked against the accomplishments listed in the achievement report submitted. Second, the scope of chapter goals and accomplishments are checked against the goals included in the state association program of work. Next in order the chapter entry is scored on each of the eight divisions around which chapter programs are built. The scoring committee checks on a list of fundamental activities that properly fall under the various divisions. After checking the eight divisions, the scoring committee turns its attention to items not included in the eight divisions, such as whether chapters followed recommendations and rules in compiling reports, percentage of membership, etc.

# National Score Card Weightings

The National Organization of FFA gives the following weightings to the eight divisions around which the local chapter program is centered. The judging committee scores each division on the basis of A,B,C,D. The weightings are of value only in maintaining perspective. The National chapter score card follows:

# Evaluating FFA Chapter Activity Programs (continued)

		Planned	Execution	Total
1.	Supervised Practice	50	150	200 160
2.	Cooperation	40 40	120 120	160
110	Community Service	30	90	120
	Earnings and Savings	30	90	120
6.	Conduct of Meetings Scholarship	20 20	60 60	80 80
	Recreation	20	60	80 1000

The following is a listing of some of the points the scoring committee keeps in mind in checking and evaluating chapter achievement under the eight divisions around which the program of work is centered. The list is not complete, and is varied from year to year to comply with national and state FFA objectives.

#### Supervised Practice:

- 1. Feed crop grown by Freshman members.
- 2. Definite farming program financial goals.
- 3. High per cent purebred animals or, quality specified.
- 4. High per cent certified seed or, quality specified.
- Project tour.

- 6. Improvement practices for each boy.
- 7. Supplementary practices for each boy.
- 8. Soil conservation practices a part of planned program.
- 9. Individual page setting forth planned and executed program and student activities.
- 10. Definite production goals for chapter and for individuals.

# Cooperation:

1.	Treat seed	4.	Marke orige.
2.	Test seed		a. Livestock
3.	Purchasing		b. Wool
-	a. Mineral mix		c. Fruit
	b. Used lumber		d. Vegetables
	c. Medicine for livestock kits		e. Plants
	d. Seed	5.	Exhibits: Shop - Fair - School
	e. Nursery stock	6.	Demonstration
	f. Livestock	7.	Financing
	g. Feed	8.	Harvesting crops - planting
	D	9.	FFA Library improvement
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Marketings

# Community Service:

- 1. Part time classes
- 2. Evening classes
- 3. Landscaping
- 4. Painting public equipment buildings.
- 5. Mother-son receptions; father-son and parent-son banquets
- 6. Pruning spraying culling soil testing seed testing
- 7. Food Production War Training Program assist
- 8. Pest eradication
- 9. Home beautification landscape, grade and sand roads, paints, etc.

# Evaluating FFA Chapter Activity Programs (continued)

## Leadership:

1. Delegates to state and district meetings

2. State and district FFA contests (public speaking, ritual, FFA Information)

3. State and district officers

- 4. State Farmer and American Farmer candidates
- 5. FFA officers leadership school organize, attend

6. A definitely planned publicity program

7. Assembly program

8. Definite plans for degree advancement

9. Committee responsibility in planning program of work

10. Committee responsibility in executing program of work

11. Committee responsibility in reporting chapter achievement (state chapter contest)

12. FFA radio broadcast

13. Formal installation of officers and formal degree initiations

#### Earnings and Savings:

1. Have budget

2. Purchase war bonds and stamps

3. Seed treating; hot bed; butchering; feed mixing, etc.

4. Salvage drive - per cent of sale 5. Farm machinery repair and sale

6. Dipping sheep; shearing; butchering; mineral mix; etc.

## Meetings:

1. Use official FFA paraphernalia

2. Definite schedule

3. Special feature planned: alumni - parents - meeting of officer group

4. Definite plan for officer training

5. Definite plan for committee assignments and reports

6. Definite plans for improving Parliamentary procedure and ritualistic performance.

7. Attendance goal set

8. FFA news items at each night meeting

# Scholarship:

1. Have definite scholarship goals.

2. Encourage members to improve grade average.

a. National Honor Society

b. School honor roll

c. FFA honor roll

3. Chapter grade average higher than school grade average

4. Give recognition for scholarship attainment

# Recreation:

- 1. Have a definite recreational program as a part of regularly scheduled chapter meetings.
- 2. FFA tournaments ping pong, horseshoe pitching, boxing, wrestling, tennis, etc.

## Evaluating FFA Chapter Activity Programs (continued)

- 3. FFA inter-chapter athletic contests basketball, ping pong, horse-shoe pitching, etc.
- 4. Overnight camping and fishing parties.
- 5. Date parties, hikes, etc.

## Cooperation with State FFA Program:

- 1. Complete FFA paraphernalia
- 2. Membership
- 3. Minimum library
- 4. FFA publicity
- 5. Home improvement

- 6. Farm accidents
- 7. Farm fires
- 8. Livestock losses
- 9. Use of official secretary and treasurer books

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## 1950 CLASS OF STATE FARMERS

There were 105 FFA members from 63 chapters elected to the State Farmer Degree at the Twenty-First Annual FFA Convention. This brings the total number of FFA members elected to the State Farmer Degree in Kansas to 1225.

Five Honorary State Farmer Degrees were awarded by the House of Delegates, namely: C. D. Davis, Associate Professor Agronomy, K. S. C., D. L. Mackintosh, Professor of Animal Husbandry, K. S. C., T. B. Avery, Professor of Poultry Husbandry, K. S. C., L. E. Whipps, In-Service Teacher Trainer for Agr. Educ., K. S. C., R. F. Cox, Professor of Animal Husbandry, K. S. C. This brings the total number of Honorary State Farmer Degrees granted by the Kansas Association of FFA during its twenty-two years of history to 31.

NAME	CHAPTER	NAME	CHAPTER
Schmidt, Robert	Alma	Brant, Bob	ElDorado
Graver, Keith	Altamont	Vam Sickle, Raymond	Emporia
Grimes, Homer Lee	Alton	Mayes, Richard	Emporia
Kurtz, Dean	Alton	Meyer, Jerry	Fairview
Carswell, Deryl	Alton	Fitzsimmons, Norman	Fort Scott
Higley, Earl	Atwood	Leinweber, Carl E.,	Frankfort
Krohn, Arden	Belleville	Ball, Robert R.	Garden City
Black, DeWayne	Beloit	Briney; Russell	Goodland
Magley, Fred, Jr.	Bird City	Clarke, Darrell	Great Bend
Lee, Herb	Bonner Springs	Stoskopf, Duane	Great Bend
Bailey, Howard Eugene	Chanute	Butler, James R.	Harveyville
Gartner, Richard	Coffeyville	Kinast, Charles	Haven
Frahm, Ronald Lee Roy	Colby	Gosser, Major W.	Hays
Stover, John Eugene	Colby	Jost, LeRoy	Hillsboro
Kimmal, Robert	Concordia	Ratzlaff, Marvin	Hillsboro
Lewis, Donnie	Concordia	McLean, Richard	Howard
Burt, Keith Duane	Concordia	Follis, Dee Lane	Hoxie
Yost, George R.	Downs	Mowry, Richard E.	Hoxie
Huiting, Burton,	Downs	Reed, Bert	Hoxie
Hawk, Duene W.	Effingham	Allen, Darrell W.	Hoxie
Hall, Albert Scott	Effingham	Neufeld, Cornie	Inman
Reece, Dale Harvey	Effingham	McDonald, Rcnald	Iola

1950 Class of State Farmers (continued)

NAME	CHAPTER	NAME	CHAPTER
Sloan, Roy	Kingman	Hetrick, Fred	Ottawa
Messenger, William	Kingman	Slyter, Damon	Paola
Bieber, David	Lawrence	Campbell, Howard	Powhattan
Landis, Donald	Lawrence	Lowe, Billy	Powhattan
Doyle, Duane	Lebanon	Schwartz, Jerry	Randolph
Piper, William	Manhattan	Wendland, Milton	Randolph
Scott, Don G.	Manhattan	Peterson, Arlo	Randolph
Clark, Stanley	McPherson	Hedke, Arnold	Randolph
Shelite, Don	Medicine Lodge	Springer, Robert	Randolph
Wright, Elbert	Medicine Lodge	Pfaff, Lyle	Randolph
Hedges, Harry	Shawnee Mission	Aeschliman, Elden	Sabetha
Braun, Melvin	Miltonvale	Barr, Maurice	Silver Lake
Gepner, Ernest	Miltonvale	Gilbert, James	Simpson
Turner, Doyle	Miltonvale	Overmiller, Bill	Smith Center
Schmidt, Fred	Minneapolis	Holthus, ElDean	Smith Center
Allison, Bob L.	Minneapolis	Watkins, Larry	Soldier
Stucky, Dean	Moundridge	Muir, Richard	Stockton
Wedel, Ronald	Moundridge	Bigge, Donald	Stockton
Hand, Robert	Mulvane	Odle, Donald	Stockton
Hukle, Bruce	Mulvane	Shetterly, Harold	Syracuse
Vetter, James	Newton	Johnson, Gary	Highland Park
Deschner, Norval	Newton	Palmer, Kermit	Washburn
Schirer, Keith	Newton	Schultz, R. J.	Valley Falls
Deines, William	Oberlin	Weixelman, Don	Wamego
Allen, Marvin	Olathe	Schumacher, Donald	Wamego
Haskin, Larry	Olathe	Willbrant, Raymond	Washington
Palmer, John	Olathe	Stewart, Conrad	Washington
Perdue, Dick	Olathe	Lewis, Walter	Winfield
Bard, Roger	Osage City	Schantz, Hugh	Winfield
Carlin, Wayne	Osborne	Wood, Jay M.	Winfield
		Drake, Don W.	Winfield

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# 1950 STATE FFA PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

The Twenty-first Annual FFA Public Speaking Contest was held on the campus at Kansas State College, Tuesday, May 2, 1950. State President Paul Mugler and Vice-president J. E. Zimmerman presided. The judges for the speech contest were: Dr. V. L. Strickland and Prof. Finis Green, Department of Education and Psychology; Prof. Dale Knight, Prof. Milton Manual, and Prof. Leonard Schruben, Department of Economics and Sociology; Dr. George Gemmell, Department of Home Study; and Prof. Vernon McGuire, Department of Speech. There were 18 contestants.

Kansas has an enviable record in Regional and National FFA speech contests. Seventeen Kansas Future Farmers have participated in the Regional FFA Speech Contests and have won four firsts, four seconds, three thirds, two sevenths, two ninths, one eleventh, and one seventh in a run-off contest.

1950 State FFA Public Speaking Contest (continued)

Originally the region consisted of twelve states but for the mast several years the central region has been comprised of 13 states. On the basis of 13 states competing in the Regional Speech Contests, Kansas should have had a winner in the national contest 1.61 times. Instead, in 1946 Kansas represented the region in the National FFA Speech Contest for the fourth time. Kansas in the National FFA Speech Contest has placed fourth, second, and has won the national twice.

The results of the 1950 FFA Speech Contest follow:

## RANKING NAME AND CHAPTER

# SUBJECT

1.	Robert Ball, Garden City	C
	Fred Magley, Jr., Bird City	1
	Don Weixelman, Wamego	7/
4.	Harold Copner, Stockton	1
	Larry Haskin, Olathe	F
	R. J. Black Schultz, Valley Falls	J.
	Jay Wood, Winfield	1
	Herbert Pfeifer, Hays	S

Merle Bradon, Eureka
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The Value of Seed Certification
Farm Youth Conservation

More Government or Less The Road is Clear

Soil Conservation in Western Kansas The Kansas Deferred Feeding System Protecting Our Heritage

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# AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION CLUB AWARD

The Clay Center Chapter, under the direction of Ray W. Morrison, had the distinction of winning the Agricultural Education Club plaque for the second consecutive year. This plaque was awarded by Dean Miller, President of the Agricultural Education Club, to the chapter making the highest total score in all activities open to FFA members. The score card used would make it possible for a team to win 105 points in the agricultural events, 99 points in the farm mechanics events, and 102 points in the FFA events. The score card used in determining the winners follows:

# SCORE CARD

Breakdown for Agriculture - High ten teams

lst place - 29 points 2nd place - 28 points 3rd place - 27 points 4th place - 26 points 5th place - 25 points 6th place - 24 points 7th place - 23 points 8th place - 22 points 9th place - 21 points 10th place - 20 points

For each of the Four Divisions in Agriculture - Dairy, Animal Husbandry, Poultry, Agronomy

lst place - 19 points 2nd place - 18 points 3rd place - 17 points 4th place - 16 points 5th place - 15 points

# Agricultural Education Club Award (continued)

6th place - 14 points
7th place - 13 points
8th place - 12 points
9th place - 11 points
10th place - 10 points

#### Breakdown Farm Mechanics - High ten teams

1st place - 29 points
2nd place - 28 points
3rd place - 27 points
4th place - 26 points
5th place - 25 points
6th place - 24 points
7th place - 23 points
8th place - 22 points
9th place - 21 points
10th place - 20 points

For each of the Seven Areas in Farm Mechanics -Farm Power, Farm Carpentry, Concrete, Arc Welding, Farm Machinery, Sharpening Tools, Soil Conservation

> lst place -10 points 2nd place -9 points 8 points 3rd place -4th place -7 points 5th place -6 points 5 points 6th place 4 points 7th place 8th place -3 points 9th place -2 points 10th place -1 point

# FFA Section

#### Chapter Contest

50 points - Gold Emblem
30 points - Silver Emblem
15 points - Bronze Emblem
5 points - Honorable Mention

#### FFA Public Speaking Contest

1st place -10 points 2nd place 9 points 8 points 3rd place -4th place -7 points 5th place -6 points bth place -5 points 4 points 7th place -8th place -3 points 2 points 9th place -10th place -1 point

#### State Farmers

Chapters having 1 - 10 points Chapters having 2 - 20 points Chapters having 3 - 30 points Chapters having 4 - 40 points Number of points possible - 40

#### Seating Delegates

One delegate - 1 point Two delegates - 2 points

The ranking of the high ten chapters with total points earned follows: lst place, Clay Center, 220; 2nd place, Smith Center, 180 points; 3rd place, Newton, 176 points; 4th place, Colby, 169 points; 5th place, Stockton, 161 points; 6th place, Chanute, 133 points; 7th place Emporia, 107 points; 8th place, Coldwater, 105 points; 9th place, Randolph, 103 points; 10th place, Washington, 101 points.

The Kansas Association wishes to take this means of thanking the Agricultural Education Club for furnishing a beautiful FFA plaque each year which is awarded to the chapter scoring the highest total points in all events open to members.

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MINNESOTA: The Esko Chapter sponsored the placement of a Finnish exchange student on a farm in their community. He lived and worked on the Clifford Johnson farm, for a period of five weeks. Clifford is a former FFA member... The National Junior Vegetable Growers Association contest has formerly been open to 4-H members only, now have been broadened to include the FFA. This contest is designed primarily to study production and marketing techniques of garden vegetables. The prizes range from a \$500 scholarship for the national award, down to \$10 cash awards on the state level.

NEW LEXICO: The Mora Chapter will sponsor a yard beautification contest... The Tatum FFA Chapter will be in charge of a full scale rodeo for May 26-27. The program will include calf tie-down, team tying, steer riding, ribbon roping and bareback riding.

MICHIGAN: The Ovid Chapter won an award for having the greatest number of high quality stock at the state FFA fat stock show...The Tecumseh FFA chapter held their ninth annual pheasant feed for members and their parents Wednesday night, October 26. The hunting was apparently good and the marksmanship of the boys superb, for 32 fowls were brought in and served to the record crowd of 122 persons...Jack Kirch, President of the Plainwell Chapter recently sold a Chester White boar to Michigan State College to be used there as herd sire. Jack is a State Farmer and hopes to attend Michigan State College next year.

TENNESSEE: Observance of National FFA Week in Tennessee was very gratifying. More than 25 radio programs were presented and 3 major contests were conducted in observance of the event. The contests were (1) The FFA Queen's Contest and banquet sponsored by the Chattenooga Times, (2) West Tennessee parliamentary law and opening and closing ritual finals conducted in the New Southern Hotel at Jackson, and the finals in the Hid-State Parliamentary Law Contest conducted at Murfreesboro.

# OF FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA, 1949-50

The annual meeting to formulate the state Program of Work was held in Professor A. P. Davidson's office, September 7, 1949. A proposed state Program of Work was formulated and published in the September 15, 1949 issue of the KANSAS FUTURE FARMER newsletter.

The district FFA Leadership Schools were scheduled, assignments made, and programs outlined during July. Ten district FFA Leadership Schools were held with state FFA officers in attendance at a majority of them. A complete report of the district FFA Leadership Schools will be found in the December, 1949. issue of the KANSAS FUTURE FARMER.

During the year eight chapters were chartered. They were: St. Marys, Minneola, Plainville, Altoona, Ness City, Garnett, Meade, and Yates Center. Six chapters were reactivated. There are 160 departments of vocational agriculture in Kansas with a total enrollment of 5,381 boys. At present we have 158 active paid up chapters with a total membership of 5,771. We hope before we make our final report to the national FFA organization, July 1, 1950, we will have 100 per cent of the vocational agriculture departments in the state with paid dues and on an active status.

John Gigstad, immediate past state FFA president, and myself as president, served as delegates at the Twenty-Second National Convention of Future Farmers of America at Kansas City last October. Vice-president, J. E. Zimmerman, Olathe, and Lon Dean Crosson, immediate past treasurer, Kansas FFA Association, were alternates. An over-all story of the Twenty-Second National FFA convention was carried in the November, 1949, issue of the KANSAS FUTURE FARMER. As time will not permit, I shall not attempt to review this convention. I would strongly urge that if you have not already done so, that you examine carefully the November issue of the KANSAS FUTURE FARMER newsletter.

The Olathe chapter won Silver Emblem classification in the 1949 National Chapter contest.

John Gigstad, Effingham; Lon Dean Crosson, Minneapolis; Tim Hale, Alton; and Robert Knott, Newton, were raised to the American Farmer degree at this convention.

The Agriculture Education Club, Kansas State College, plaque was won by the Clay Center chapter in 1949. This award goes to the chapter making the highest total points in events open to FFA members in connection with the annual Vocational Agriculture Judging and Farm Mechanics Contest.

One hundred and fifty-two chapters filed Programs of Work on or before November 1, 1949. A few chapters filed programs after that date.

The Better Chapter contest winners in the 1948-49 State Chapter contest showed eleven chapters meriting Gold Emblem classification. These chapters were listed in the May, 1949, issue of the KANSAS FUTURE FARMER newsletter.

One hundred and four Chapter Farmers were raised to the State Farmer degree in 1949.

President's Report (continued)

Kansas had five members each in the National FFA Band and the National FFA Chorus. FFA chapters furnishing members from Kansas in the National FFA Band were Randolph, Concordia, Tonganoxie, and Stafford. Kansas FFA chapters furnishing members in the National FFA Chorus were Chapman, Concordia, Highland Park, Medicine Lodge, and Wakeeney.

Last year's House of Delegates (Kansas FFA Association), in addition to transacting the routine business of the state association, passed two significant measures: (1) contributed \$500 to the Kansas State College Memorial Chapel; and (2) voted to raise the state FFA dues from 10 cents to 20 cents per member.

A check for \$500 drawn upon the state association treasury was delivered to the Kansas State College Endowment Association. President Milton S. Eisenhower, Kansas State College, wrote our state association and among other things stated, and I quote: "I personally am delighted to know that members of your organization approve of our efforts to provide a focal point for the numerous religious activities on the college campus... It has been a great privilege to Kansas State College to serve your organization for the past 21 years. Your gift certainly indicates that this service has been appreciated."

The raising of the state dues from 10 cents per member to 20 cents per member made it possible for the Kansas Association to continue to cooperate with the National FFA Organization in sending members to participate both in the National FFA Band and the National FFA Chorus. Chapters have cooperated fully with this increase in state FFA dues as indicated by our treasurer's report showing 5,771 paid-up members. This is the largest paid up FFA membership in the history of the Kansas FFA Association, despite the fact we now have 14 less vocational agriculture departments in the state than in 1941—our peak year so far as number of vocational agriculture departments is concerned.

Your president met with the State FFA Executive Committee on April 11, 1950, for reviewing applications for the State FFA Executive Committee on April 11, 1950 for reviewing applications for the State Farmer degree. One hundred and five applications were recommended by the committee for approval by the House of Delegates.

During the past year, members of the State Association had a total net worth of approximately \$3,277,400. This is an average net worth per member of \$816.85. There were 3,155 pieces of farm machinery repaired and 4,325 pieces of farm equipment built in our school farm shops.

Practically 100 per cent of the chapters cooperated with the state program in Safety, Fire Prevention, Pest Eradication, Soil Conservation, and Livestock Loss Prevention.

Donald Volker, Stafford chapter, 1949 winner of the Kansas FFA Speech Contest placed third in the Regional elimination contest held at Waterloo, Iowa.

President's Report (continued)

Kansas FFA teams participating in the National FFA Judging contests held at Waterloo, Iowa, October 4 - 6, 1949, placed as follows:

Dairy Cattle Judging, Belleville chapter, Gold Emblem classification.
Dairy Products Judging, Olathe chapter, Silver Emblem classification.
Poultry Judging and Egg Grading, Cherryvale chapter, Gold Emblem
classification.

Kansas FFA teams competing in the National FFA Judging contests held at Kansas City, Missouri, October 13, 1949, placed as follows:

Livestock Judging, Belleville chapter, Honorable Mention classification.
Meats Identification Contest, Concordia chapter, Bronze Emblem
classification.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Mugler, President
Kansas Association of Future
Farmers of America

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# REPORT OF THE STATE FFA REPORTER, 1950

Including the May 1950 issue of the Kansas Future Farmer six copies will have been printed and distributed during the year.

As was done last year requests for local chapter news for the Kansas Future Farmer were sent from the state office. During the year 320 requests were sent and 2014 responses were received. This is a response of 63.7, indicating that 36.3 of the requests for local chapter news failed to bring response.

Six issues (including May 15, 1950) of the Kansas Future Farmer newsletter, were published. The plan of devoting the first half of the newsletter to state and national items of interest and the last half of the newsletter to local FFA chapter news was continued.

Each issue of the newsletter carried out the FFA calendar and gave emphasis to major FFA activities calendared; for example:

September issue - State FFA Program of Work; Summary of Kansas Association of FFA. Report to National Association; Budget of the Kansas Association of FFA; National FFA Program of Work.

November issue - Devoted entirely to the Twenty-Second National FFA Convention.

December issue - 1949 District FFA Leadership School; Reactivating and Establishing FFA Chapters.

February issue - Kansas FFA Public Speaking Contest; State Farmer Degree Applications; Future Farmers of America Foundation Inc.; State Chapter Contest.

Reporter's Report (continued)

April issue - President Mugler Issues Convention Call; Rank in FFA Membership

May issue - Report of Twenty-Second Annual Meeting of Kansas Association of FFA.

The chapter notes were satisfactorily written in most cases. Items from the Kansas Future Farmer newsletter were reprinted in several publications in the field of Agricultural Journalism including newsletters sent out by other state associations; American Farm Youth, Agricultural Leaders Digest and many others. Kansas chapter notes were quoted by national executive secretary A. W. Tenney in his monthly FFA Flashes.

Respectfully submitted by:

Billy Bert Jessee, Reporter Kansas Association of FFA

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# REPORT OF STATE FFA TREASURER 1950

Professor Harry M. Stewart, Certified Public Accountant, audited the Kansas Association of FFA Treasurer's Books for 1949-50.

Professor Stewart's audit follows:

The bank balance at the beginning of the period was reconciled with the bank statement as of that date. All receipts as shown by the records were deposited in the Union National Bank, Manhattan, Kansas, and all disbursements per record were made by check.

No inventory of pins, keys, supplies and membership cards were made at the beginning or close of the fiscal period. However, a comparison of recorded items of pins and keys bought and sold would indicate a slight decrease in inventory for these, and a similar comparison of supplies would indicate an increase in inventory.

The bank balance per books at the close of the fiscal period was reconciled with the balance shown by the statement from the bank. The total cash on hand, \$181.37 was deposited in the bank, March 31, 1950. There were two checks outstanding at the end of the year.

The two series "F" defense bonds with an accrued value of \$861 were inspected by the auditor.

Subject to the above comments, the attached statement in my opinion is correct.

The records appear to have been kept in good order.

Respectfully submitted,

Harry M. Stewart Certified Public Accountant

## Treasurer's Report (continued)

Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements for the period April 1, 1949 to March 31, 1950

Bank balance per books, April	1,	1949
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Bank balance per books, April 1, 1949		\$1,623.60
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Receipts:  Dues - 5983 at 20 cents and 30 cents Charms and pins Supplies (manuals, books, etc.) Contributions from Burlington R.R. F.F.A. Supply Service Refunds - Balfour and others	\$1,769.20 1,631.58 359.20 100.00 526.35 52.82	
Total receipts Total cash accounted for		4,439.15 \$6,062.75
Disbursements:  Dues - 5516 at 10 cents Charms and pins Taxes on charms and pins Badges and buttons Pictures State and National Convention Expense Auditing Supplies Printing Burlington awards Regional Speech Contest Balfour Award K.S.C. Chapel Fund Refunds Miscellaneous Kansas Bulletin Volume Fund Total disbursements	\$ 551.60 1,442.86 118.46 95.90 13.00 660.06 7.50 394.45 205.25 99.96 25.00 21.61 500.00 6.90 8.10 150.00	4,300.65
Balance per books, March 31, 1950		\$1,762.10
Bank balance per statement, March 31, 1950 Add: Cash on hand		\$1,595.93 181.37 \$1,777.30
Deduct: Checks outstanding #319 - Highland Park Gardens 5/7/49 392 - FFA Supply Service 3/17/50	\$10.20 	15.20

Balance per books above

# Treasurer's Report (continued)

# CHECKS WRITTEN FOR DISBURSEMENT from 4/25/49 - 3/17/50

1-25-10	L. G. Balfour, Ag Education Club Award	\$ 21.61
1-25-10 1	Harry M. Stewart, Auditing FFA Books	7.50
1-25-49	French Bray, Due on Electro	.65
1-25-10	Agricultural Education Club, Haddam Box Lunches	2.25
1,-25-1,0	John Gigstad, FFA Executive Meeting Expense	4.77
1-25-49	St. Louis Button Company, 100 #30 Badges, 150 #F-8571 Badges	60.22
1-25-10	Wareham Hotel, State Officer Dinners	8.90
4-25-49	Hotel Gillett, State Officer Dinner	8.55
5- 3-49	Kansas State Endowment Association, KSC Chapel Fund	500.00
5- 4-49	Elbert Fly, FFA Convention Music	5.00
5- 5-10 1	Union National Bank, Safety Deposit Box	1.60
5- 7-1.0	Highland Park Gardens, Flowers for Convention Banquet	10.20
5- 7-10	Art Craft Printers, 1000 State Farmer Certificates	30.00
5- 7-10	Art Craft Printers, 1200 FFA Banquet Programs	18.00
5- 7-10	Helen Edgerton, Lettering State Farmer Certificates	5.00
5-10-10	Hazel Buck, Room for Shirley Osborne, National FHA President	3.00
5-13-49	Everett Yoxall, Refund on State Farmer Order	.90
5-23-10	John Gigstad, FFA State Convention Expense	8.11
5-27-49	Gillett Hotel, 1949-50 State Convention Officer Rooms	20.00
5-31-49	L. G. Balfour, Chapter Officer Emblems	5.49
5-31-10	Chapter Supply Company, "Rising Sun"	4.50
6-21-49	D. J. Howard, Nat'l FFA Treasurer, 5456 National 1948-49 Dues	
7-20-10	D.J. Howard, Nat'l FFA Treasurer, 60 add'l Nat'l dues	6.00
7-25-10	Kansas Bulletin Volume Fund - On Loan	150.00
8-8-10	French Bray Printing Company, 501 Manuals	75.15
8- 8-10	L. G. Balfour Co., 500 G.H., 300 C.F., 5 State Farmer Pins	233.35
8- 8-10	L. G. Balfour Excise and Federal Tax on above	26.22
8-10-19	FFA Supply Service State Officer Jackets	46.10
8-10-49	Don Volker, Regional Public Speaking Contest	25.00
8-30-10	FFA Supply Service, FFA Chorus Uniforms	60.00
8-30-119	FFA Supply Service, FFA Band Uniforms	75.00
9- 7-119	Gillett Hotel, State Officer Group	9.17
9-29-119	W. F. Stewart (Chio U) 200 Parliamentary Procedures	20.00
9-29-119	French Bray Printing Company, 501 Manuals, 2 Electrotypes	77.90
9-30-119	J. E. Zimmerman, St. Officer Mtg. & Idrship School	2.30
10- 3-119	L. G. Balfour, 300 Officer Pins and Guards	274.50
10- 3-19	W. F. Stewart, 5¢ each add'l on 200 Parl. Paro. order 9/29	10.00
10-15-119	Billy Bert Jessee, State Officer Expense - 9/7/49	14.87
10-17-49	Carl Reeder, National Chorus Expense	37.51
10-22-49	St. Louis Button Company, Leadership School Badges	35.68
10-22-49	Art Craft Printers - Bind FFA Newsletter	3.50
10-22-49	Don Schimpf, Stafford, Nat'l FFA Band Expense	53.02
10-23-49	Merle Schnelle Nat'l FFA Chorus Expense	46.53
10-24-49	Jerome Johnson, Nat'l FFA Band Expense	41.17
10-24-49	Jim Anderson, Nat'l FFA Band Expense	47.47
10-24-49	Paul Mugler, State Mtg. Exp, Ldrshp Exp. Nat'l Conv. Exp.	41.50
10-24-49		
	John McKone, National FFA Band	42.20
10-24-49	Clement C. Anderes, Nat'l Chorus Exp.	30.51
10-24-49	John Gigstad, Nat'l Conv. Exp. and Leadership Exp.	27.15
10-26-49	L. G. Balfour, 500 G.H., 200 C.F. Pins	196.04
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## Treasurer's Report (continued)

11- 8-49 Atwood FFA Chapter, Burlington Award	14.28
11-8-49 Bird City FFA Chapter, Burlington Award	14.28
11- 8-49 McDonald FFA Chapter, Burlington Award	14.28
11- 8-49 Norcatur FFA Chapter, Burlington Award	14.28
11- 8-49 Norton FFA Chapter, Burlington Award	14.28
11- 8-49 Oberlin FFA Chapter, Burlington Award	14.28
11- 8-49 St. Francis FFA Chapter, Burlington Award	14.28
11- 8-49 Lon Dean Crosson, 1948 Leadership School Expense	21,.20
11- 8-49 Montgomery Photo Service, National Conv. Pictures	13.00
11- 8-49 Billy Bert Jessee, 1949 Leadership School Expense	26.95
11- 8-49 Ted Hanson, National Convention Expense	34.86
11- 8-49 Elmer Kern, Leadership School Expense	14.50
11- 8-49 Kenneth Buller, State Officer Meeting Expense	7.00
11-10-49 Void	1,000
11-10-49 The American Farm Youth, 1949 District Leadership Schl. Winner	7.50
11-10-49 Clay Center - Refund on order for officer pins	.95
11-19-49 Jerry Deaton, National Band Expense	51.38
12- 6-49 Gary Johnson, National Chorus Expense	31.74
12- 7-19 Alton Chapter - Overpayment of order for FFA supplies	2.05
12- 7-49 L. G. Balfour Company - 300 C.F. Pins	102.48
12- 7-49 L. G. Balfour Company, 10 G.P. Adviser Pins	3.66
12- 7-49 Void	,
12-19-49 Altoona, Refund on dues	3.00
12-19-49 Union National Bank, Safety Deposit Box	3.60
1- 6-50 Paul Pinet Printer, 250 Charters	63.75
1-10-50 U. S. Post Office, Permit for precancelled stamps	10.00
1-10-50 L. G. Balfour Company, 300 C.F., 500 G.H.	229.98
2-24-50 Art Craft Printers, 20,000 Nembership Cards	85.00
3-3-50 L. G. Balfour Company, Public Speaking Awards, tax & engraving	
3-10-50 L. G. Balfour Company, 32 GP SF Pins, 66 10K Pins & engraving	
3-10-50 L. G. Balfour Company, Excise and State Tax on St. Fr. Order	84.83
3-17-50 French Bray, 8 FFA Electrotypes	10.80
3-17-50 FFA Supply Service - 1 album Convention Records	5.00
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Respectfully sumitted by

Elmer Kern, Treasurer Kansas Association of FFA

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# REPORT OF THE STATE FFA SECRETARY 1950

House of Delegates meeting, Recreation Center, May 1, 1950, 7:30 p.m.

Meeting called to order by President Paul Mugler.

Formal opening ceremony used.

Two-hundred twelve delegates from 106 chapters were seated.

Secretary's Report (continued)

According to the roll call record the following chapters failed to seat delegates. Certain of these chapters were not represented in any of the activities scheduled on the KSC campus and in all probability were not on the campus, while other chapters known to be on the campus failed to seat delegates. The roll call lists the following chapters as absent: Altoona, Alta Vista, Ashland, Attica, Auburn, Barnes, Bazine, Beverly, Burlington, Centralia Chapman, Clifton, Coffeyville, Cottonwood Falls, Ellis, Eureka, Fowler, Fredonia, Garnett, Girard, Goodland, Greenleaf, Haddam, Hanover, Holcomb, Holton, Hoyt, Hugoton, Jewell, Junction City, Kinsley, Lakin, Leon, Linn, Lyndon, Marysville, McDonald, Meade, Meriden, Morrowville, Neodesha, Norcatur, Norton, Onaga, Oxford, Parker, Paxico, Sedan, Stafford, St. Francis, Tonganoxie, Valley Center, Wakefield, Waterville, and Williamsburg.

President Mugler stated that in order to get certain releases to the Press in time for the morning papers he was recommending that the House of Delegates dispense with the regular order of business and turn to the head of New Business.

It was moved, seconded, and carried, that we dispense with the regular order of business and turn to the head of New Business.

Under the head of new business, 105 State Farmer candidates were nominated, elected and raised to the State Farmer Degree.

Five candidates were nominated and elected to the Honorary State Farmer degree. They were:

Doctor Rufus Cox, Head Animal Husbandry Department, KSC

Professor Tom Avery, Poultry Department, KSC

Professor D. L. Mackintosh, Animal Husbandry Department, KSC

Professor C. D. Davis, Agronomy Department, KSC Professor Loren Whipps, Education Department, KSC

It was moved, seconded, carried that we return to the head of Unfinished Business.

The minutes of the House of Delegates meeting 1949 were read and approved.

The Reporter's report was read by State Reporter, Billie Bert Jessee. A motion to accept, seconded and carried.

The Treasurer's report was presented by State Treasurer Elmer Kern. A motion was offered, seconded and carried to the effect that this report be accepted and placed on file.

President Mugler presented the report of the State President. A motion to accept and place on file was offered, seconded and carried.

National FFA Fourth Vice President Glenn Lackey, Delaware, Ohio, chapter, addressed the group.

The results of the ballot for state offices was announced. The following were the successful candidates:

Secretary's Report (continued)

Robert Ball, Garden City, President Hugh Schantz, Winfield, Vice President Duane Stoskopf, Great Bend, Secretary Gary Johnson, Highland Park, Reporter Charles Robert Kinast, Haven, Treasurer

Announcements were made by Executive Adviser A. P. Davidson

Meeting adjourned 9:30 p.m.

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#### NATIONAL FFA JUDGING CONTESTS

The National FFA Judging Contests shall be:

Dairy Cattle, Waterloo, Iowa, October 3-5, 1950
Dairy Products, Waterloo, Iowa, October 3-5, 1950
Poultry, Kansas City, Missouri, October 11-14, 1950
Livestock, Kansas City Missouri, October 11-14, 1950
Meats, Kansas City Missouri, October 11-14, 1950

#### General Rules

#### (For All Judging Contests)

- 1. Each State team will be composed of three members.
- 2. Individual animals in all classes will be identified by numbers.
- 3. Oral reasons will not be required for any of the classes.
- 4. Teams will be divided into groups so that no two contestants from a State are in the same group.
- 5. Placing and grading cards will be furnished and explained before each contest.
- 6. Any communication between contestants during a contest will be sufficient cause to eliminate the teams from the contest.
- 7. Any assistance given to a team member from any source during a contest will be sufficient cause to eliminate the team from the contest.

#### Eligibility of Contestants

Boys who meet the following requirements are eligible for the FFA Contests:

1. Any boy is eligible who is under 21 years of age at the time of the national contest, who has had not more than 4 years' training in any approved course in vocational agriculture of less than college grade, and who is at the time the team is selected by the State a bona fide FFA member enrolled in an all-day class in vocational agriculture and carrying at least 3 units of regular school work, with the exception that a boy who has participated previously in any official national judging contest (including national 4-H

contests) shall not be eligible for the same kind of contest, namely: Livestock, Meats, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Products, or Poultry Production. (The only official national FFA contests are those held at Waterloo and Kansas City.) If an ineligible boy is entered in any contest, the team of which he is a member shall be declared ineligible.

2. The members of any State team may be from either the same or different schools, the choice of plan to be determined by the State Supervisor of Agricultural Education. Team members shall be selected at a State or interstate contest held since October 14, 1949.

Note A. Exception under (2) above is made of a team desiring to place and identify meat. Such a team may be certified without a State elimination contest if the team has had training in meat placing and identification.

Note B. Exception under (2) above is made of a team desiring to score milk and cream. Such a team may be certified without a State elimination contest if the team has had training in the scoring of milk and cream.

#### Registration

1. Dairy Cattle and Dairy Products (Waterloo, Iowa):

Contestants will register at the booth provided for this purpose in the Y.M.C.A. building. Registration will be from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., October 3 and 4, 1950.

2. Meats, Poultry and Livestock (Kansas City, Mc.):

Contestants will register at the booth provided for this purpose in the Municipal Auditorium. Registration will be from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., October 11 and 12, 1950.

Meeting of Instructors, Teacher Trainers and Supervisors

1. Dairy Cattle and Dairy Products (Waterloo, Iowa):

Coaches of Dairy Cattle teams and those assigned to assist in conducting the contest will meet at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, October 3, 1950. Coaches of Dairy Products teams and those assigned to assist in conducting the Dairy Products contest will meet at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, October 4, 1950. These meetings will be held in the Y.M.C.A. building.

2. Poultry, Meats, and Livestock (Kansas City, Mo.)

Coaches of Poultry teams, coaches of Meats teams, and those assigned to assist with these contests will meet at 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, October 11, 1950. Coaches of Livestock teams and those assigned to assist with the Livestock contest will meet at 4:30 p.m., Thursday, October 12. These meetings will be held in the President Hotel.

#### Responsibilities of the General Superintendent

- 1. The general superintendent will be in charge of all contest arrangements.
- 2. He will enforce all rules and regulations governing the contests.
- 3. He will appoint all necessary assistants in each of the contest divisions.

# Responsibilities of a Division Superintendent

- 1. He will be responsible for the selection of animals, poultry, dairy products, or meats for his respective division.
- 2. He will have full charge of all activities of his respective contest during the period of the contest, and report any infraction of the rules to the general superintendent.
- 3. He shall inform his assistant superintendents of their duties and responsibilities.
- 4. He will give full instructions to contestants prior to the start of the contest.
- 5. He will collect all completed cards of contestants and deliver them to the superintendent in charge of tabulating scores.
- 6. He shall select supervisors and teacher trainers to serve as group leaders and inform them of their duties and responsibilities. Instructors also may be selected to assist with the contest provided they do not come in direct contact with the contestants from their State during the contests.
- 7. He will provide opportunity for the official judges to place, identify, and grade the animals, poultry, dairy products, or meats. He will collect the official judges' cards and scores and deliver them to the superintendent in charge of tabulation.
- 8. When the contest is completed, the division superintendent should arrange for the official judge to give his reasons for his placings and when possible. may allow the instructors and contestants to review the classes.
- 9. Any division superintendent or assistant superintendent who cannot be present to perform his assigned duties should select some other member of the Agricultural Education staff in his State to serve. The general superintendent should be notified about such substitutions.

#### Official Judges

- 1. Official judges will be selected by the general superintendent or his delegates representative.
- 2. The official judges shall make their placings in the same manner as is required of contestants with respect to handling specimens or animals.
- 3. The official judges will give their completed official placings and scores to the division superintendent.
- 4. Placings by the official judges must be kept confidential until the contest is completed and public announcements are made.

#### Tabulation of Results

- A. H. Hollenberg, Washington, D.C., Superintendent
- J. B. McClelland, Ames, Iowa, Assistant Superintendent
- G. F. Ekstrom, Columbia, Missouri, Assistant Superintendent
- 1. At the conclusion of each contest, all completed cards will be delivered to the superintendent in charge of tabulation for scoring and tabulation.
- 2. The superintendent in charge of tabulation will prepare lists of scores by teams and individuals. These tabulations will be used by the general superintendent and a committee to determine the grouping of individuals and teams.
- 3. Results of contests will be made available only through the general superintendent of contests.
- 4. Results of contests for both individuals and teams that are announced at the luncheon or dinner following the contests are to be considered as tentative and are subject to a final recheck on all scores and compilations.
- 5. Completed cards of individual participants will be available only to the superintendent of tabulations and the general superintendent.
- 6. Following completion of all contests, each State Supervisor of Agricultural Education will receive for his State the individual scores for each class in each contest and the individual and team ratings.

#### Awards

The ranking of teams and individuals in each of the contests will be on the basis of 5 logical groups within the total range of scores. These groups will be designated as: Gold Emblem, Silver Emblem, Bronze Emblem, Honorable Mention, and Participation. The percentage of Gold Emblem teams and individuals in any contest should not exceed 20 per cent of those participating.

- 1. All awards in these contests will be provided by the Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc.
- 2. A total of \$8,000 will be used as cash awards to State teams, prorated on the distance teams must travel to reach the contest. Tentatively, with the understanding that amounts may be increased or decreased proportionately according to funds available for State awards, each team traveling less than 500 miles will receive \$25; each team traveling 500 to 999 miles will receive \$50, and each team traveling 1,000 miles or more will receive \$75. The distance or travel in each case will be calculated from the State capital to the point where the contest is held.
- 3. Plaques will be awarded Gold Emblem, Silver Emblem and Bronze Emblem teams. Certificates will be awarded Honorable Mention and Participation teams.
- 4. Plaques will be awarded Gold Emblem, Silver Emblem and Bronze Emblem individuals. Certificates will be awarded Honorable Mention and Participation individuals.

- 5. Appropriate awards, based upon the ability of each participant to hold and show animals, will be given in the Livestock Showmanship Contest.
- 6. After all contests are completed, the awards will be sent to the appropriate State Supervisors of Agricultural Education for distribution to team and individual winners. No cash, plaques, or certificates will be awarded until after all contests, at Waterloo and Kansas City, are completed.

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#### ACROSS THE BORDER

NEBRASKA: The Annual State Convention held at Lincoln with 143 delegates from 76 chapters...This year for the first time all entertainment was provided by FFA groups as a culmination of the district and state talent parade...Sixty-four were promoted to the State Farmer Degree...In 1951 they will hold a three day convention running concurrently with the high school agricultural judging contests...The yellow jonquil was approved as the official state FFA flower...Five hundred were served at their annual banquet.

GEORGIA: The Hereford bull project sponsored by the Sears-Roebuck Foundation is beginning to grow and perpetuate itself. Good Hope, one of the 50 chapters which received Texas-bred bulls back in November, 1947, has become the first of these chapters to fulfill its obligation by returning a young bull to the state assocation for placement with another chapter...The program at the State FFA Camp this summer will include seven weeks of joint camping with the Future Homemakers of America...In the state corn contest 50 FFA members have reported yields of one hundred bushels per acre or more. The highest yield reported by an FFA member was by Randall Turner of Union County who reported a yield of 159 bushels.

MISSISSIPPI: Members of the Mooreville FFA Chapter purchased five head of white face hereford cattle from the C.T. Hereford Farm in Aberdeen, Mississippi. These cattle are to be used as a cow and calf project for future years...The McNeill FFA chapter sold their steers and cleared a nice profit on them. Our community received a thousand dollars for winning the Community Achievement Program Contest in Pearl River County. We are using the money to build a Community Canning Plant.

WASHINGTON: The Kent-Meridian chapter felled, trimmed and bucked 35 trees for the sawmill where they will be sawed into lumber for members' projects...The Enumclaw chapter will treat approximately 5,000 cows for grub for a minimum cost of 15¢ for two treatments per head...The Richland chapter's farm now includes approximately 50 swine and 1,000 chicks. Garbage is reducing the feed cost of the swine.

UTAH: The State Bankers Association furnished gold keys to the 62 successful candidates for the State Farmer Degree. In recent years the bankers Agricultural Committee has awarded a number of registered dairy calves to Future Farmer chapters for distinguished service in dairy record keeping. As a result of this encouragement several high producing dairy cows have been added to the herds in various parts of the state.

#### CHAPTER NEWS

EMPORIA: The FFA membership this year is seventy...The annual FFA banquet was held May 11 in the school cafeteria. One hundred thirty-five parents, guests and members were present. Three honorary members were initiated after which a movie "The People Together" was shown...The net worth of the 70 FFA members if \$58,553.49 as of January 1. Richard Mayes had the highest net worth of \$6,716.11...The officers for 1950-51 are president, Jim Boch; vice-president, Douglas Magathau; secretary, Loren Reber; treasurer, Kenneth Horton; reporter, Albert Spencer; Sentinel, Ronnie Hughes.

#### Jim Boch, Reporter

EFFINGHAM: Our officers elected for 1950-51 are: president, Max Stutz; vice president, Bob Ellerman; secretary, George Kautz; treasurer, Patrick Lee; reporter, Dean Kvicala; sentinel, Gene Richard; program chairman, Stanley Larson...Our chapter was awarded the Gold Emblem classification award again this year...Our chapter was host to the Northeast Kansas District Public Speaking Contest held April 25...We are planning to have two parties and a meeting through the summer and running a hotdog stand at the County Fair...The officers have ordered their new FFA jackets.

#### Dean Kvicala, Reporter

OSBORNE: Our pest eradication contest was completed in January. Prizes were given to the three highest individuals with Dean Bliss taking first, Duane Spears, second, and Rex Curry, third...On December 12 we raised twelve members to the Chapter Farmer Degree. The Green Hand initiation for ten members was held on January 23, 1950...On February 6 our FFA chapter attended Vern Albrecht's 50th Duroc school and sale...Our annual parent-son banquet was held on the evening of February 23, with 140 parents and sons attending. The guest chapters represented at the banquet were Smith Center, Lebanon, and Downs...On May 5, our chapter elected their officers of 1950-51. Officers are as follows: president, Leroy Thornburg; vice-president, Bob LcKinney; secretary, Bill Ketter; treasurer, Wayne Carlin; reporter, James Hlad; sentinel, Lowell Cornwell; parlimentarian, Richard McMillen... On May 8 our FFA chapter entertained the FHA chapter on a hay rack ride to the scout cabin where games were played and our chapter furnished the eats and drinks. The FHA girls to show their appreciation served at our FFA banquet ... Some of our summer activities planned are an over night fishing party the last of May and our August watermelon feed, when we invite the future Green Hands in for an introduction to our chapter program and activities....Our local cooperative is offering a free three day tour of their Cooperative plants in Kansas to six of our FFA boys, who were selected for their school grades, leadership activities, farming program and farm mechanics projects. Wichita, Coffeyville, and Kansas City are the major areas to be visited. Wayne Carlin, Dean Bliss, Loren Curry, Leroy Thornburg, Doyle Mitchell, and Edgar Reif have been selected to make this trip...Bill Ketter won our record book contest. Dean Bliss won the Carl Raymond Gray scholarship.

#### Leroy Thornburg, Reporter

RANDOLPH: We sold ten tons of scrap metal to raise money for our banquet... Our officers for next year are: Harold Hargraves, president; David Brenner, vice-president; Carl Boles, secretary; Bob Hagenmaier, reporter; Jim Brooks, treasurer; Arlen Dettmer, sentinel; Roger Carlson; Student Council. We had 20 prospective freshmen visiting our department on May 10.

Jim Anderson, Reporter

BONNER SPRINGS: In December the local Rotary club purchased two purebred gilts from the K.M.B.C. farms...Were awarded to Bill Coleman and Melvin Hounker. ... Both boys were chosen by the school faculty. Boys receive free lumber from local yard for the building of hog houses. They must return two gilts to the Rotary from one of the litters and the cycle starts over. This program is to encourage raising of purebred gilts in the community...We initiated seven Green Hands into our chapter December 9... December 21 we sponsored all-school Christmas party, raffled off turkey and made \$12.00 profit. The chapter sponsored a movie at the local theatre... We have the following new outdoor work equipment: dehorners, tools for castrating, vaccination, and caponizing. ... Dehorned five cows and castrated four hogs before Christmas... Herb Lee won first place in the state and the sweepstakes in the state high school essay contest sponsored by "The native Sons and Daughters of Kansas". Essay title was "The importance of salt for livestock"...He received \$25.00 from the Carey Salt Company... The Kansas State Flag was given to the school as recognition...On March 9th and 10th our chapter co-sponsored donkey basketball games with Junior class. Made \$30.00 profit... We held our parent-son banquet March 28. Eighty two boys parents, faculty and guests attended ... The chapter pest eradication contest was won by Freshman Jack Anderson with 9,135 points. Prizes were awarded at the banquet. The loser will sponsor a picnic for winner June 25 ... Marion Vaughn, Editor of Chieftain, local paper, was granted the Honorary Chapter Farmer Degree. He has printed more than 125 articles concerning our chapter in his paper during the past two years... April 20th our chapter held election of officers for the coming year of 1950-51. They are: William Vaughn, president; George Sprague, vice-president; Jack Rehm, secretary; Tom South, treasurer; Herb Lee, reporter; and Bob Tichenor, sentinel... We gave a 15 minute radio program over Olathe station KPRS, April 17.

#### Herb Lee, Reporter

CONCORDIA: The Concordia FFA held its twentieth annual parent-son banquet this spring. Forty-six members and parents were present with a total of 148 present. This is the largest crowd we have ever had...Our chapter sold 640 boxes of garden seeds to other FFA chapters and 4-H clubs. Some of these seeds were sent to Germany as part of a program to help rehabilitate a German family. We realized about \$\mathcal{Q}30 profit on this enterprise...The pest eradication contest was won by the Freshmen and Senior boys and they were treated to a feed at the expense of the Sophomores and Juniors...Shop jobs include two trailers, five power lawn mowers, hog feeder, twelve hog troughs, four steel gates, two lawn gates, repairing a weeder and a plow...Three of our members, Keith Burt, Lyle Scott and Harold Scott participated in the County Plow terracing contest. Harold won first.

#### Paul Carr, Reporter

INMAN: The Inman FFA and FHA held a party-picnic the evening of May 5...The junior and sophomore classes had a project tour this year...The Inman FFA boys are planning a fishing trip to Kanopolis Dam on Friday and Saturday, Llay 26 and 27.

Elmer Kroeker, Reporter

ASHLAND: The Ashland vocational agriculture classes have completed the following shop projects for the year: three power lawn mowers, one post hole digger to be run from a power take off on a tractor, complete overhaul job on five motor cars, two cattle squeezes, one A-type hog house, one chicken brooder house of 600 chick capacity, three feed bunks for cattle, four feed and hay and grain feeders for cattle, two grain and mineral feeders for hogs, 600 feet of rope, one chassis for a hayrack to haul alfalfa hay bales, five hog feeders made out of old water heaters, twelve clevises for tractor hitches, one seed treater, repair one grain binder...For finances to operate the chapter, we have annual dues of fifty cents, sell garden seeds, and butcher beef, sheep in the vocational agriculture shop. About 51 hogs were butchered during the year.

#### Kenneth Swanson, Reporter

COUNCIL GROVE: Gilbert Whitlock and Leslie Wilson were delegates to the State Convention at Manhattan, May 1...We held a farming program tour on May 10 with the FFA chapter furnishing refreshments...Our chapter sold garden seeds this spring making a profit of \$21.67...Shop projects completed this year include two hog houses, three wagon boxes, five hen feeders, three hog feeders, four feed bunks, a large cattle feeder and seven gates...We cooperated with the Veterans on-farm training classes in ordering kafir seed.

#### Roger Wilson, Reporter

MILTONVALE: Officers for the coming year elected at the May 5 meeting were: president, Robert Wilkins; vice president, John Lee Tanzer; secretary, George Shroyer; treasurer, Dennis Lyne; reporter, Dean Catlin; sentinel, Paul Shannon; adviser, L. L. Crandall...On April 13 Hospitality Day was held for all the 8th grade students in the county. Eighteen boys visited our vocational agriculture classes...Some of the ways the chapter earned money the past year are: collected old and discarded machinery, then used the iron to build labor saving devices in the shop, sold Christmas cards, docked and castrated lambs, planted trees, pruned trees, operated coke machines and sold refreshments at games. The chapter held a pest eradication contest with the Minneapolis chapter. We treated the winners...The chapter is planning to leave for Colorado May 21 for a week in the mountains...Plans are under way for a new shop and class room for next year.

#### Bill Baldock, Reporter

LEBANON: On April 11, 1950, our chapter held the annual parent-son banquet. The officers for 1950-51 were installed at this time. They are: Duane Doyle, president; Garth Renken, vice-president; Gary Myers, secretary; Loyd Hayes, treasurer; Gene May, parlamenarian; Jack Shannon, sentinel; and Daryl Haegert, reporter...Our delegates to the state FFA convention were Oliver Isom and Marvin Kugler...The total number of pests eradicated during the "Pest Eradication Program" were 14 hawks, 700 mice, 62 rats, 120 starlings, 600 sparrows, 240 skunks, 2 coyotes, 23 crows and 10 opossums. All of the boys in FFA participated in the contest.

BELOIT: Officers elected for 1950-51 are Harrell Guard, president; Neil McKee, vice-president; George Bets Jr., secretary; Bob Snyder, treasurer; and Gerald Jamer, reporter...Our third year boys are leaving May 23 on a three day tour furnished by the local Co-op in our county. We will visit McPherson, Wichita, Coffeyville and Kansas City...Our chapter has completed the cooperative 4-H - FFA hog barn built at the Mitchell County Fair ground. The building is 22' x 120'. Labor and cash expenses were shared by the two rural organizations..Our parent-son banquet was held May 8, with 175 parents and guests present. Included among our guests were the following students from Kansas State College: Dean Miller, Thomas Linville, Harold VanCleave, W. G. Reist, Gene Berghaus and James Chenoweth. These men are agriculture education students who have received their practice teaching here in Beloit under the leadership of Mr. Bradley.

#### Gilbert Harlow, Reporter

BIRD CITY: Our radio program on "Deferred Feeding of Beef Cattle" was broadcast over Station KXXX at Colby on February 4...Members butchered four hogs
and two beef animals this semester for farmers in the community...On March 3
the Bird City chapter was host to the McDonald chapter. A short crops school
was held...Our parent-son banquet was held April 10 in the high school gym.
Our speaker was Mr. Embert Coles, supervisor of the Colby Experiment Station.
His subject was "The Value of Vocational Agriculture in a Farming Community."
...At our night meeting February 8, Mr. Bressler, a member of the Kansas Flying Farmers, was our guest speaker. He is now giving airplane instructions to
FFA members on Friday afternoons...New pieces of equipment in our ag shop
include a drill press, farm level, metal lathe and chain hoist...The losing
side of the donkey basketball ticket selling contest gave a party for the
winning side on May 9.

#### Warren Erickson, Reporter

HAVEN: Chapter officers for 1950-51 elected at our meeting May 5 were, president, Art Kranz; vice-president, Lyle Dean Newby; treasurer, Darrel Valdois; secretary, Lloyd Yoder; sentinel, Allen Bauman; and reporter, Don Huston...We held our parent-son banquet April 14. Each member pinned a Carnation corsage on his mother just before the group was called to the banquet table. The principle entertainment was a skit "Trial of a Soil Robber" given by the sophomore and freshman classes...We have remodeled our sheep dipping vat and have started dipping sheep. Our goal is 4,000 head...Our chapter earned nearly \$400 for its treasury the past year. More than \$200 of this was profit from the Regional Basket Ball tournament concession which we handled in cooperation with the Girls' Club...We have set May 19 as the date for a dinner party to which we will invite girls from the Home Economics department who helped with our parent-son banquet. We plan to take our dates to dinner at a restaurant and attend a movie afterwards.

#### Don Huston, Reporter

GIASCO: Officers elected for the 1950-51 year are: president, Leon Wealand; vice-president, Cleo Elliott; secretary, David Berndt; reporter, Glen Teasley; treasurer, Rodney Eller; student council, Glen Swoyer; and sentinel, Marlin Amspacker...An overnight camping trip has been planned for the night of May 12.

ABILENE: Officers elected for next year are: William Greenwood, president; Milton Sexton, vice-president; Jack Sexton, secretary; Willard Beetch, treasurer; Bill Heiens, reporter; and Mark Mayden, sentinel...We are sponsoring an all-school dance May 12 with Gene Fullen's band furnishing the music. ...Our swine project started in August 1943 has netted the chapter \$349.50. We have two gilts out on contract at the present time...Teams from our chapter won first, third, and fourth at the County Hereford Show on April 12 with a total of \$10.00 in prize money...The winners in our pest eradication contest were: John Sexton, first; Bill Heiens, second; Marvin Curran, third; Ralph Bauman, fourth; and Everett Kolling, fifth. Thirteen prizes were given with a total of \$20.00...In our snapshot contest Bill Heiens and Marvin Curran tied for first with \$3.50 each in prize money...We have contributed \$25.00 to the Eisenhower Foundation...Our spray gun has been kept busy in shop painting tractors, plows and listers.

#### Bill Heiens, Reporter

HILL CITY: Our 19th annual Parent-Son banquet was held on March 21 with 165 present...We put up a window display in a local merchant's show window during FFA week...Our chapter has recently purchased official jackets for the officers.
..On March 25 our chapter presented a 15 minute radio program over station KXXX, Colby...We have organized a gilt ring in the chapter. Bob Bryant, a freshman boy, received the first gilt at about 100# in weight. We hope to expand the project in the future...Our pest eradication contest closed March 1. The losing side treated the winning side to a roller skating party at Norton.
...Shop projects which are about to be completed include two 2-wheel trailers, three power lawn mowers, two self-feeders for hogs, overhauling mower, reconditioning a four-wheel trailer and numerous nailboxes, funnels, etc. by freshman boys...A special meeting was held May 9 to elect officers for 1950-51 school year. Those elected were: president, Duane Kachel; vice-president, Willis Brandyberry; secretary, Paul McRae; treasurer, Gary Sandlin; reporter, John Ginther, and the sentinel Verland Nesbitt.

#### John Ginther, Reporter

LITTLE RIVER: We had a joint FFA-FHA party, February 7. Square dancing furnished the evening's entertainment...The chapter has done much work with sheep. The Ag I class did most of the castrating and docking...The Ag I class had its paper pick up day April 15, and baled 5 tons of paper. The money will be used to pay for their FFA shirts...The boys and their dads have planted 2400 Multiflora rose bushes obtained from the county soil conservation service...The chapter had its annual parent-son banquet April 18. Bill Bork, Farm Editor of the Hutchinson News-Herald, was the speaker. The banquet was attended by 130 members, parents, and guests...The chapter sent two delegates, Jack Richardson and Kermit Case, to the state FFA convention at Manhattan, May 1.

#### Paul Hubenett, Reporter

VALLEY CENTER: The Valley Center chapter sent in a complete story on individual farming programs. We are sorry that lack of space prevents our inclusion of this report in this issue of the Newsletter. - Editor.

BURLINGTON: A number of our members went out on week-ends and cut hedge and sold the posts and wood to buy FFA jackets, which most of the boys now have. ...We are treating our fathers to a fishing party on May 20, in which prizes will be given for the largest fish caught...We have had our election of next year's officers and they are: Gary Krouse, president; Lester Decher, vice-president; Bob Herr, reporter; Jack Levering, treasurer; Howard Caldwell, secretary; Clarence Kniss, Watch Dog.

#### George Casey, Reporter

OBERLIN: We elected new officers for the following positions: Max Carman, re-elected president; Arnold Morton, vice-president; Carrol Chambers, secretary; Aard Erickson, treasurer; Robert Vernon, reporter; and Mr. Moody, our adviser. We also elected Junior officers to take over in the absence of any of our regular ones...Trip plans are being made already for next summer's journey which will be through Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, California, Nevada, Utah and perhaps New Mexico, Arizona and Oklahoma. Around fifteen or eighteen boys will go this year...We have a total of 431 pigs from 18 sows and 35 gilts. The gilts raised an average of more pigs than the sows.

#### Robert L. Vernon, Reporter

SENECA: The Seneca FFA chapter officers for 1950-51 are: Bill Kuckelman, president; Tom McBride, vice-president; Elmer Tanking, secretary; Clarence Tift, treasurer; Donald Spielman, reporter; and Louis Wichman, sentinel... The chapter has purchased about 500 trees and set them out for wind breaks. .We sent out post cards to the rural people and had them write their name on the post card that they wanted us to put on their mail boxes. Our chapter is planning on getting the letters painted and putting them on before school is out... In shop the boys have made one implement trailer, two small trailers, two wagon boxes, light step ladders, one hog feeder, several cement hog troughs, four gates made out of old hay rake wheels and pipe, one loading chute, one power lawn mower, and have rebuilt one desk and one drill... Our FFA chapter laid out several terraces on the FFA boys dad's farms, and our FFA chapter also sponsored a coyote hunt.

## Donald Spielman, Reporter

ALTOONA: We received our chapter charter November 18. We are very proud of it. ..On November 22 we enjoyed a weiner roast given for us by Mr. Harold Myers in appreciation of our harvesting 50 acres of his corn while he was injured and unable to do his farm work...We have been busy building our shop. On January 3 we completed running the floor. It is 40x60 - made of cement six inches thick and has an 8 inch thick driveway. We also completed five new tool cabinets and three new benches...Our first major shop project was a four-wheeled wagon which we completed and are now busily engaged at building a garden tractor that we hope to have completed soon...On the night of May 8 we had our parent-son get together...We elected the following new officers for the coming year: president, Jim Carlile; vice-president, Warren Latta; secretary, Eugene Green, treasurer, Joe Jordan, reporter, Paul Ashford; and sentinel, Charles Almond...At present we are eagerly looking forward to the all night fishing trip we have set for August.