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Good-by, good luck

TO: The 4-H "Graduate" at Christmas FROM: Dr. Glenn Busset, State Leader

These fond words of farewell are directed to that unknown number of young men and women who will not be with their fellow 4-H members this next year. College careers, marriage, and the process of aging account for most of you. As one of the more than 11,000 concerned adults who have offered leadership to Kansas 4-H members, I speak to you in a personal way, as my own 18 year old daughter leaves the 4-H club with which she has been happily associated these past seven years.

Parting, as the eminent Mr. Shakespeare expressed it, is such sweet sorrow. It is true, we are sorry to see you go. It was pleasant having you with us. Sometimes we 4-H leaders are inclined to feel a bit sorry for ourselves, particularly when we say to each other, "Just when we needed them the most; just when they had become so competent and such a real pleasure to work with, they left us."

When we talk in this way we sound a bit selfish, as if we were looking forward toward this year, when with your fine help we surely would win the model meeting contest, have the grand champion booth, and other assorted goodies that have always been a bit beyond our reach. Now we long-suffering leaders must start all over again, just when it looked like we had it made. Maybe we are a bit envious of your youth, your enthusiasm and energy, but we don't really mean that you should stay with us. Somewhere along the green years that we spent together, we would have failed you if now you weren't enthusiastic about the present and excited about the future.

Thomas Wolfe was prophetic when he wrote his classical novel, "You Can't Go Home Again". There is no turning back. The only way is forward. If we believed for a moment that you wanted to return to a place or spot in your life to repeat some of your 4-H experiences, no matter how pleasant or valuable they were to you at that time, then we would know that we had failed you. These things are a part of your past, of your period of learning and development that you spent with us, and they should remain in the past. All your past helped prepare for the future.



Sometimes you have flattered us by giving us your attention, your consideration, your enthusiasm, and sometimes shyly, your appreciation. In a burst of rare confidence, you may have indicated that you hoped you would grow up to be "just like us". What a horrible thought! It would mean instant middle age. We love you, we pray for you, but we don't want you bound by the limitations that restrict us to our age and life styles. We hope we have helped you by sharing our ideals, our philosophies, and our understandings with you, but we have done so to prepare you for a life that we cannot know and can only dimly sense. The poet Kahlil Gibran¹ expressed the quandary well when he answered the woman who asked him to speak about children:

- You may give them your love but not your thoughts,
- For they have their own thoughts. You may house their bodies but not their souls,
- For their souls dwell in the house of tomorrow, which you cannot visit, not even in your dreams.
- You may strive to be like them, but seek not to make them like you.
- For life goes not backward nor tarries with yesterday.
- You are the bows from which your children as living arrows are sent forth.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and many happy years ahead. We send you out into the world, confident that at this Christmas season we have given you the greatest of all possible gifts: our concerns, our affection, and ourselves. We ask nothing in return, except that when you have the opportunity to help children gain the same educational advantages you have enjoyed, your answer will be an unhesitating, "Of course. I was hoping you would ask me."

¹Gibran, Kahlil **The Prophet.** Albert A. Knopf, New York 1969, p. 17

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For Citizenship Center— Plans complete, contracts let

Trustees of Kansas 4-H Foundation recently approved final plans for the Citizenship Center to be at Rock Springs Ranch and authorized contracts with Wolfenbarger and McCulley, Manhattan architects, and Martin K. Eby Construction Company, Wichita. Work will start on the site by mid-December, providing the drive for funds is successful.

W. Dale Critser, chairman of the Board of Trustees, said, "We have two of the top firms in this part of the country for planning and construction. With the Kansas Farm Bureau Women spearheading the fund drive we have every expectation of having this additional auditorium, seminar, and exhibit space available for use during the fall of 1971."

Programming for the Citizenship Center is being planned with the help of many prominent citizens and organizations, J. Harold Johnson, executive director of Kansas 4-H Foundation, said. On a recent visit to Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge, Pa., he found unlimited information for exhibits and programs. Freedoms Foundation was started in 1949 "to encourage all Americans to understand and defend the rights and responsibilities we enjoy under our constitutional form of government"; the staff there welcomed the opportunity to help in every way possible in planning the new center in Kansas, Mr. Johnson said.

36 Kansas 4-H'ers to Congress

A Kansas delegation of 36 teenagers joined more than 1,600 youth from across the nation November 29-December 3 in Chicago for National 4-H Congress. The theme of the event was "We Care."

Winning honor as national winners are Teri Anderson, Leonardville, in safety; and Margo Reiman, Byers, in home improvement. National and sectional winners are Linda Callow, Fort Scott, public speaking; and Larrell Howe, Goddard, in entomology. Sectional award winners are Gary Fornelli, Lawrence, in public speaking; and Carol Bigsby, also of Lawrence, in dairy. Special award winner is Loran Luthi, Abilene, in fields crops science. These 4-H members are pictured on the cover.

Other delegates received the trip as state award winners. They are: Myrna West, Rush Center, achievement; Larry Turnquist, Lindsborg, agriculture; Kenneth Miller, Ensign, automotive; Julie Nelson, Jetmore, bread; Shirley Reusser, Viola, clothing; Jeanie Gill, Harper, conservation; Lila Gatton, Bunker Hill, consumer education-home economics; Sue Mc-Cormick, Cedar, dairy foods; Patrice Blumenshine, Mulvane, dress revue.

Also, Robert Zweifel, Waldo, electric; Karen Honig, Onaga, foods-nutrition; Alicia Walker, Blue Mound, food preservation;

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JoAnn Rubenich, Dodge City, health; Becky Smith, Ozawkie, horse; Suzanne Shaw, Topeka, horticulture; Andrew J. Schuler, III, Chapman, leadership; Richard Cott, Clay Center, petroleum power; Debora Johnson, Lawrence, photography.

Also, Noralee Nagel, Valley Center, swine; Keith Pike, Medicine Lodge, woodwork; Ricky Maxson, Edna, beef; Millie Thomas, Garden City, livestock; Vickie Brink, Wichita, sheep; and six state award winners in general achievement—Jay Armstrong, Muscotah; Bill Fagan, Benton; Kathy Boyd, Beattie; James L. Miles, Burlingame; Becky Riffey, Sawyer, and Kay Harding, Stockton.

During the Congress, delegates participated in assemblies and discussion groups, attended a church service, saw the National 4-H Dress Revue, toured Chicago's famed museums, and enjoyed nationally famous entertainers.

Congress was planned by the National 4-H Service Committee, Chicago, and was made possible by the donors of each of the awards programs and many other cooperators.

Accompanying the Kansas delegation were Dr. Glenn Busset, state 4-H leader; Miss Arliss Honstead and John Hanna, extension 4-H specialists, KSU; Mrs. Gloria Gaston, Marshall County extension home economist, Marysville; Bill Umscheid, Reno County extension 4-H agent, Hutchinson; and Thayne Cozart, assistant extension editor, KSU.

Charter members at party

Rinker 4-H Club of rural Lyon County recently celebrated its 45th year of service to the young people of the community. Four charter members were present at the birthday party and achievement dinner. They were Elmer Pedersen, Russell Jacob, Fred Sickler, and Mrs. Herbert Teitz, all of Emporia. More than 1000 boys and girls have enjoyed membership in the club. Present leaders are Fred Sickler and Mrs. Gertrude Bacon. Mrs. Bacon has served as community leader for 33 years. She is also a member of the 4-H Foundation County Committee.

Pictured left to right are Mr. Pedersen, Mr. Jacob, Mr. Sickler, Mrs. Gertrude Bacon, and Mrs. Herb Tietz.





Here are some of the ways 4-H clubs observed Christmas in 1969.

Leaders were honored by the Hi-Plains 4-H Club, Logan County, with a pot luck Christmas supper. The leaders, 35 members, and their families enjoyed the supper and the arrival of Santa Claus.

Season's greetings from the Walnut City 4-H Club of Rush County took the form of a nativity scene at the intersection of busy highways K96 and K4. "It is one way the club expenses appreciation to the community for the support it receives," according to Myrna Sue West, club president. Backdrop for the figures was hand-painted by club members who were art students at La-Crosse High School.

The Richland Rustlers 4-H Club of Pratt County was busy during the holidays. It presented a program for the Golden Agers Club, gave the program for a Veterans of Foreign Wars children's Christmas party, provided entertainment for the Americann Legion children's Christmas party, made 73 tray favors for Pratt's two rest homes, prepared a radio program for station KWNS of Pratt, caroled at Pratt rest homes, eight private homes and the county hospital, and presented a program for employees of the Kansas Power and Light Co.

The Newton City Slickers 4-H Club, Harvey County, learned to make nut cups at their December meeting. Roll call was "My favorite Christmas carol."

In a store window in Cuba, Republic County, the Merry Meadowlarks 4-H Club placed a large Christmas card expressing thanks to the community. In front of the window are, left to right, Larry and Merle Hadachek, Dale Hostinsky, Cecilia Kasl, Peggy Hadachek, and Joyce Hostinsky. A sign above the card shown in the picture said "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."



A pizza supper and gift exchange were highlights of the December meeting for Smoky View 4-H Club, Saline County. Singing carols and hearing Christmas poems were part of the program.

Members of the Lone Elm Beavers 4-H Club of Cherokee County prepared Christmas plates of homemade goodies for patients at two rest homes for the holidays and made tray favors for the city hospital.

Sixty-four bags of fireproofing material for Christmas trees were sold by Sasnak 4-H Club, Saline County. Each package held the proper mixture and amount of material to fireproof one tree. The recipe prepared by the 4-H'ers is: 9 ounces borax, 4 ounces boric acid, and 1/4 tablespoon low sudsing detergent. Buyers added 1 gallon water to make a spray.

Members and families of Flint Hills 4-H Club, Chase County, brought cheer as they went carol singing at a rest home, and from one end of town to the other.

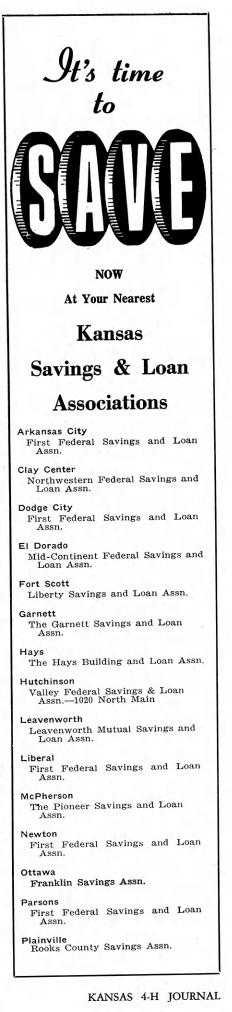
Ninety guests attended the Christmas party of the Manning Jayhawks 4-H Club of Finney County. The Town and Country Club was guest club. A unique, challenging roll call idea was "What Christmas means to me."

"People to People" was the theme of the **Cheyenne County Go-Getters 4-H Club's** annual Christmas party. Tables were decorated with articles from foreign countries and guests brought food from other countries for the potluck supper. A Swedish exchange student showed slides of her homeland.

An acquarium complete with fish was a gift to the children's ward at Kansas Neurological Institute from the **Harmony Hustlers 4-H Club** of **Shawnee County.** The tank and fish were purchased from members donations.

The Stateline Telstars 4-H Club of Sherman County sponsored a Christmas lighting contest in the community of Kanordo. The Kenneth Pettibone home won first prize and the Jon Sheldon home was second.

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Conservation is the subject of an exhibit for National 4-H Week. Kevin Brockhoff, a member of the Modern Sunflower 4-H Club in the Powhattan area, Brown County, prepared the display shown above and set it up in the lobby of the Citizens State Bank and Trust Company, Hiawatha. Kevin, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Brockhoff, has been actively involved in the 4-H conservation program.

The Delia Earlybirds 4-H Club of Jackson County is donating money for the Citizenship Center at Rock Springs Ranch, according to reporter Sandy Miller.

Club's founder honored by award given to outstanding member

Barbara Stolle is the first member of Silver Lake 4-H Club of Shawnee County to receive the Crow Memorial Award. Beginning this year, this \$15 award is to be given annually to the outstanding club member. Blaine Crow was the founder of Silver Lake 4-H Club 40 years ago. After his death, his grandchildren established this special award in his name. The first recipient has completed her fifth year of 4-H club work. She is an eighth grader at Silver Lake. Barbara was secretary of the club last year and is vice-president this year. She is also active in several county 4-H activities.

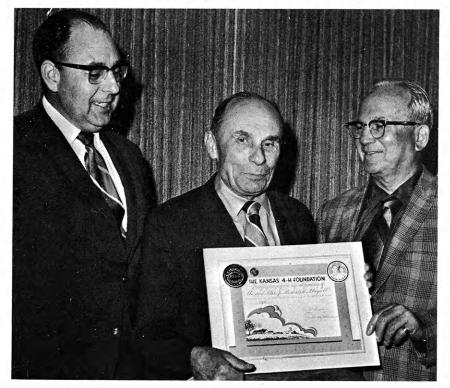
Roderick Mayall, center, Wichita attorney, was recognized recently as a donor to the Kansas 4-H Foundation. Presenting the award to Mayall was Dale W. Critser, chairman of the Foundation Board of Directors, right, and Floyd E. Ricker, chairman of the Kansas 4-H Foundation Committee of Sedgwick County.

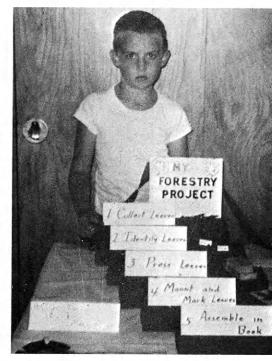
Mayall is a graduate of the Kansas University Law School and has long been active in Wichita community affairs. He and his wife, Alice, acquired their interest in 4-H work through their daughter, Mary Alice. She was active as a Sedgwick County 4-H member for several years while her parents acted as community and project leaders.

Mary Alice married Ludwick Hallman and spent several years in Europe where she was a member of the Austrian State String Quartet. Both are now teaching in Maine.

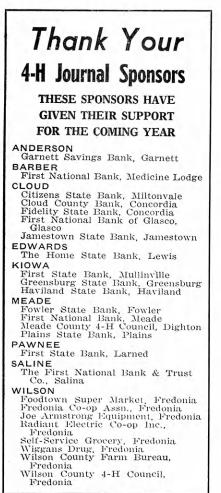
Even after their daughter left 4-H work, Mr. and Mrs. Mayall continued active support of the local 4-H club. Mrs. Mayall continues today as music leader of the Sunnydale 4-H Club.

Critiser indicated the money would be used to further the work of 4-H clubs in Kansas, assuring more youth, rural and urban, an opportunity to participate in a worthwhile educational experience.





Randy Heim's forestry display, above, received reserve grand champion among 14 entries displayed at the Leavenworth Plaza during National 4-H Week. Randy's club, Happy Hollow 4-H Club, Leavenworth County, was well represented in the Plaza with five project displays and two cartoon contest entries.



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Reporter-to-the-Nation re

By Diana Jo Elnicki Crawford County 4-H Member and Reporter-to-the-Nation

My year as a 4-H Reporter-tothe-Nation has been exciting and challenging. It began at National 4-H Congress last year; there, from 50 state nominees, eleven 4-H'ers were selected by members of the Federal Extension Service, 4-H Service Committee, and National 4-H Foundation to be Reporters-to-the-Nation. Before attending the Congress I had no idea what a 4-H Reporter-to-the-Nation was, but I learned.

The purpose of the report team is to tell the 4-H story to national leaders in agriculture, business, industry, government, and education. Too often, people still think of 4-H as a farm organization, dealing only with cows and horses and canning. This just isn't true today. Of course, agriculture is still a big part of 4-H, and an important one. But 4-H is more now. 4-H is city, too; 4-H is involvement. And 4-H is growing-with new projects, such as climat ology, geology, and aerospace, with 4-H TV action clubs, and with special nutrition clubs in the inner city. This is the part of 4-H that many people don't know. So it was our job as 4-H reporters to

The 1970 Report-to-the-Nation team, chosen at last year's National 4-H Congress, are, left to right, back row: Oscar Johnson, Illinois; Lanny Rainey, Virginia; Mike Carpenter, North Carolina; Elaine Mattingly, Indiana; Randy Spence, Delaware; Steve Wetzel, Idaho; and David Janovec, Nebraska. In the center row are Jerry Macklin, National 4-H Foundation; Mrs. Fern Kelley, Federal Extension Service; William Smith, manager, Conrad-Hilton Hotel; and Kenneth Anderson, National 4-H Service Committee. In the front row are Debcrah Templin, Minnesota; Vicki Moss, South Carolina; Diana Elnicki, Kansas; and Susan Gourley, Oregon.



tell as many people as we could about the modern and dynamic 4-H program. To do this, we traveled, under the sponsorship of the Conrad-Hilton Hotel of Chicago and J. C. Penney Company.

When the team met again in February at the Conrad-Hilton in Chicago for an orientation meeting, our sponsors, Mrs. Fern Kelley and David Benedetti of the Federal Extension Service and the 4-H Foundation, warned us that our trips wouldn't be all fun—that many times we would be exhausted by busy speaking schedules, but that at all times we were responsible for representing 4-H at its best. It was a responsibility, but we enjoyed every minute.

My first assignment as a 4-H reporter took me to New York in September. Mike Carpenter and Elaine Mattingly and I arrived at La Guardia Airport before noon on Sunday, September 14. The rest of the day was spent in meetings and briefings of our duties for the following week. We did take a few hours in the afternoon for a walk through Central Park, though.

Monday morning began with a news conference at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. Press representatives from the New York Times, New York Daily News, Scholastic, Good Housekeeping, and Christian Science Moniter were among those there. Mike, Elaine and I answered questions —and the questions surprised us a little. The reporters asked about 4-H, but they also wanted know how we, as young to people from such different parts of the country with such different interests and backgrounds, felt about drugs, pollution, overpopulation, and other controver-sial topics. The press confer-ence went well, and the next morning we were pleased to see articles in the Daily News and the New York Times.

The rest of the week was spent visiting with donor companies. Our job was to represent all 4-H'ers in expressing sincere gratitude for the support of these friends of 4-H who assist 4-H in many ways, and who give of themselves to make the 4-H program better.



At the White House Diana speaks with George P. Sch her right are Oscar Johnson and Dave Janovec. Acro

We visited Coats and Clark, Singer, Simplicity, and the Sperry - Hutchinson Company, all donor companies of 4-H award programs. We were busy all the time, meeting donor representatives and touring the companies, as well as telling donors a little bit more about the ever-widening range of 4-H.

Our evenings were busy, too, but allowed us to relax a little and to enjoy plays and an opera in New York. We also did a little sightseeing whenever there was half an hour or so empty in our schedule. We visited St. Patrick's Cathedral, the Empire State Building, and Rockefeller Plaza.

My second assignment included a trip to Washington, D.C., during National 4-H Week. The rest of the team included Susan Gourley, Oscar Johnson, Steve Wetzel, and David Janovec. We stayed at the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland.

The theme of 4-H Week this year was "We Care," so it was the responsibility of the report team to explain to government and public leaders that today's 4-H'ers really do care about the problems that face our nation—

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orts to Kansas 4-H'ers



lirector, Office of Management and Budget. At table is Steve Wetzel.

pollution, environmental control, nutrition, health, international relations—and that we are doing something about them. We told of last years' accomplishments and, more importantly, we announced future needs and plans. During the week we met with many people who are interested in 4-H and the young people of the nation. We talked with Senator Percy of Illinois, Senators Mark Hatfield and Robert Packwood of Oregon, and Congressman Jamie Whitten of Mississippi, as well as our own representatives. I spent a day with Senators Dole and Pearson and Congressman Skubitz in their offices and in touring the House and Senate chambers.

Press contacts were an important way of telling the 4-H story to the public. In fact, as soon as I arrived at Dulles International Airport, I was rushed to the Washington Star to meet the rest of the team for an interview. From there we went to the Washington Post and then to one of the newer newspapers in the Washington area, Afro - American, an influential black newspaper. We did also radio and TV shows during the week.

One night we five reporters spoke to 4-H leaders from 14 states who were attending a leadership forum at the National 4-H Center. The next morning we got up bright and early for an 8 a.m. appointment with George Schultz, director of the Office of Management and Budget, at the White House. We spent an enjoyable morning talking with Secretary of Agriculture Clifford Hardin about 4-H—its history and the new dimensions of the 4-H program.

Other appointments during the week took us to the President's Council on Youth, and the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges.

A highlight of the trip was meeting Don Galo Plaza, secretary general of the Organization of American States, and former



Diana shows a 4-H booklet to the Hon. Galo Plaza, director general of the Organization of American States.

president of Ecuador. He was very much interested in 4-H, especially the international aspect, since he was one of the founders of the 4-H program in his country.

As in New York, we had some time to see Washington, and the interesting monuments and places in and around Washington — Arlington National Cemetery, the Smithsonian, the National Archives, the Lincoln Memorial, and Georgetown. On our last evening we were guests of the Washington Statler-Hilton for dinner at Trader Vic's.



Bob Fager and his camera were on hand last year to record special events of Willowdale 4-H Club, Dickinson County. Here are three of his pictures. At left are members of the cast and others who helped with the play "The Storm."



From left to right are Janet Burwell, Mary Chase, Mrs. Perry DeWeese, Sue Strunk, David Cook, Kathy Sleichter, Margaret Cook, Gerry Alice Kohr, and Tim Strunk. New members of the club are Laurie Hafner and Daryl Ferguson,



center. At right, Janet Burwell, Willowdale 4-H queen, helps out in the clothing department at the fair. Janet has been in 4-H eight years. She hopes to become an airline hostess.



National 4-H Week was observed in Sherman County with a proclamation by Mayor Ed Carletion, window displays, posters in the schools, distribution of 1,500 fliers with information about 4-H, and a radio talk about 4-H. Such Sherman County newspapers as Prairie Drummer and Goodland Daily News gave maximum press coverage of 4-H events.

In recognition of National 4-H Week in October the Flinthills 4-H Club, Butler County, prepared a window display showing the various projects 4-H offers; items shown were exhibited by club members at the 1970 Butler County Fair. Five members recorded short 4-H talks at KBTO radio station in ElDorado. They were on the air during National 4-H Week. Community leaders are Mrs. Lloyd Willhite and James Burton. The reporter is Rick Brown.

Showmen from Lucky Clover 4-H Club, Leavenworth County, are Sandra Elder, Jocelyn and Jeff Sheets. At the Wichita National Livestock Show Sandra showed her Charolais steer, while Jocelyn and Jeff took barrows to the American Royal Livestock Show in Kansas City.

Ray Riniker is the new president of the Silver Lake 4-H Club, Shawnee County. Other new presidents are in Saline County, Mary Streckfus, Sunny Valley; Janice Seim, Kipp Wide Awake; Debra Vidricksen, Smoky View; Sue Gile, Mustard Seeds; and Frances Egan, Ichi-ban. In Harvey County Jolene Grabill was elected president of Sedgwick Sunflower 4-H Club, and Laverne Goering of the Highland 4-H Club. Another new president is Susan Bulk of the Shunga Valley 4-H Club, Shawnee County.

A 4-H'er who likes the home improvement project is Cecilia Kasl, Merry Meadowlarks 4-H Club, Republic County. On a county tour in the spring, rooms to be improved are visited and evaluated later when work is complete. Cecilia writes, "What I enjoy most is seeing the rooms before and after; we see what problems some members have and what they do to solve them. We learn about color, harmony, balance, and furniture arrangements best suited for each room. The judges' rating makes us more aware of the best rooms. I recommend this project to any active 4-H member who is willing to work the whole year through."

Citizenship Center Fund Drive Closes Christmas

Mrs. Victor Haflich, state chairman of Kansas Farm Bureau Women, has announced a December closing date for a state-wide drive to raise funds for the construction of a Citizenship Center at the Kansas 4-H Foundation's Rock Springs Ranch near Junction City. $(\mathbf{0})$

In a letter to county chairmen of Farm Bureau Women, she said pledges and contributions are being made at a rate which, if continued, will enable the Farm Bureau Women to close the drive for \$300,000 by Christmas Day or sooner.

The Citizenship Center has been in the future building plans of the 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees for some time, but a \$200,000 donation from an anonymous donor earlier this year made 1970 "the year to move" according to Ray Frisbie, president, Kansas Farm Bureau, who is a foundation trustee.

The Foundation requested help from the Kansas Farm Bureau Board of Directors in a campaign to raise an additional \$300,000. The board approved the project and asked the State Committee of Farm Bureau Women and the county women's committees to spearhead the drive.

The Citizenship Center will include an auditorium for lectures and films, a gallery for the display of historical documents and examples of citizenship activities of today's youth working as individuals and in organizations, and seminar rooms for small group discussions.

The state federation of 105 county Farm Bureaus has conducted an annual citizenship seminar for high school juniors and seniors at Rock Springs Ranch since 1962. Nearly 3,000 conferees have participated in the last nine years.

Contributions may be made and pledge cards signed at the county Farm Bureau offices where brochures explaining the project in detail are available.

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Assemble a reporter's notebook

By Kenna Giffin Richland Rustlers' Reporter Pratt County

Preparing a reporter's notebook for a county fair shows techniques that have been learned during the past year as reporter. As an example, a description of the notebook that won the championship in notebook division at the Pratt County Fair this July is presented below. The arrangement was decided upon when the notebook was first begun, and kept in that order, with additions made with each story. A notebook made in this fashion is easier to organize and display than when articles are tossed into a pile to be organized the night before the fair. The notebook had seven divisions.

(1) Introduction. This division contained the title page, stating the club's name, the type of notebook, and the reporter's name. Next was a current list of club officers, followed by two pages listing the standing committees, two to a page, the chairman and members listed. The table of contents followed the last committee page.

(2) Club Activities. These were the stories written on club activities, and this section should be the largest section in the notebook. The original, typewritten article went on the left side; the article as it was printed by the local paper went on the right. If the news was carried by the Kansas 4-H Jour-



nal or another paper, that article went beside the local paper article. Above each item was the name of the paper or journal, plus the date it was published. The items were cut from the paper itself. Articles written by other junior leaders were included in this section.

(3) Feature Stories. As previously stated, this type of reporting adds much experience for the reporter as well as complimenting the subject. The original copy was on the left, the printed version on the right in the example notebook.

(4) County Activities. The energetic reporter will write accounts of all county activities, such as junior leadership parties, as well as club activities. Again, the original went on the left, the published copy on the right.

(5) Newspaper Clippings. Any article in which the club or a member or leader of the club was mentioned, even if the article did not mention 4-H, was included in this division, as it

"I do love to write, not just reporting but a little fiction here and there for fun, so I hope that I can use the hobby in some way when I grow older." This is Kenna Giffin's answer to one of our questions when she agreed to write about the reporter's duties for the Kansas 4-H Journal. Kenna is a junior in high school this fall; she is in her third year in 4-H and her second year as club reporter. Here she is shown with her champion reporter's notebook.

> proved the member was active in the community.

(6) Radio Programs. A reporter's notebook is actually a public relations record. Therefore, a copy of every radio program given by the club was entered under this part of the notebook.

(7) Communications. Probably not every reporter will need such a division. In this separation fell letters from papers or magazines sent to the reporter concerning the writing of 4-H news.

Details help make a champion notebook. The use of plastic covered page protectors can be quite expensive, and they are not absolutely necessary, but they keep all articles neatly in place and certainly help the appearance of the notebook. For a cover, the regulation Kansas 4-H record cover is used; vari-colored tabs may divide the notebook. In the final analysis, the top reporter's notebook in any county will be neat, well-organized, and contain the best quality of 4-H newswriting possible.

The position of the 4-H reporter in the 4-H program is indeed important. He serves as a public relations representative in all areas in the county and state. As in all 4-H work the reporter's job requires dedication to duty and the desire to help others. Be happy, be **proud** if your group chooses you to be its 4-H club reporter.

Yes, that's money! Ruth Norris, treasurer of the Richland Rustlers 4-H Club, Pratt County, counts each member's fair premiums. Stuart Reed received the largest amount.



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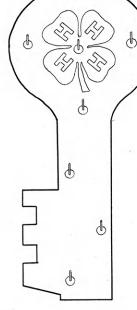
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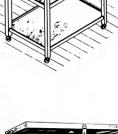
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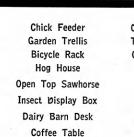
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4-H members win trip to National Safety Congress

These 4-H Club members who were winners in the 4-H Survey of Safety Program, joined the annual Safety Scholars Award Trip to the National Safety Congress

Two members from each of the following Future Farmers of America chapters also made the trip to Chicago. Their chapters were winners in the Farm Bureau Future Farmers of America Safety Program.

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On trees Safety rules tagged

By Carolyn Vohs **Club Reporter**

To help make Christmas safer and happier, the safety com-mittee of the Solomon Valley 4-H Club, Smith County, last December tagged Christmas trees in local stores with a 10point safety message. Committee members Steve and Phil Kirchhoff, Eldon Vohs, and Kent Fuller met after school to tag trees.

Below is the information provided on the tags.

1. Keep the tree as moist and fresh as possible. Cut the trunk at a slant one inch above original cut. Bore a hole 4 inches deep in the stem and pack with cotton. Place stem of tree in bucket of water; then store in cool moist place until ready to set up.

2. Fireproof your tree. Spray with a mixture of 9 ounces of borax and 4 ounces boric acid powder in 1 gallon water. Give good coverage.

3. Use water in container holding your tree.

4. Don't overload your wiring with Christmas lights.

5. If using extension cords, be sure they are heavy-duty cords where needed.

6. Disconnect light when no one is going to be home. 7. Keep tinsel away from

lights.

8. Place tree away from main traffic areas in house, especially doorways. Also keep away from heated areas as TVs, heaters, and fireplaces.

9. Never use outlet under tree for switching lights on and off. Use the plug at the wall.

10. When decorating the tree, never use snow spray on angel hair. The National Fire Protection Association warns that this combination is extremely flammable.

A club photographer has been one of the officers of Willowdale 4-H Club in Dickinson County since 1967. Bob Fager serves in this capacity. He photographs special club events, in this way keeping a pictorial record of the club's history. Some of his pictures are on page 9.

Sedgwick County won the state 4-H horse judging contest at the Kansas State Fair in Hutchinson this year. Members of the winning team are: back row, Betty Daw-son and Sally Cole, Wichita. Front row, Tom Dempsey, Wichita, Deadra Cauble, Mt. Hope, and Deirdre Hill, Wichita. Not pictured is Becky Power, Andover. Deadra Cauble was high individual in the contest. Team coach was Stan Bratcher, Sedgwick County extension agricultural agent. The horse is not identified.







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Christmas giving easy for state electric winner

At Christmas time Robert Zweifel finds his skills with electricity especially useful, as he gives to people on his list electric gifts he's made; for example, he's given each of his three sisters a pair of lamps.

Year round, Robert's knowledge of electricity is in demand. He has repaired fans, milking machines, extension cords, TVs, toasters, and lamps. On the farm of his parents near Waldo, he has installed a new yard light, put in a 4-way switchboard, and helped put in a 220 outlet and rewiring for the barnyard.

Robert, a member of Paradise Dell 4-H Club, Russell County, has taken the electric project for seven years, and has been a junior leader for young electricians in a neighboring club. He's given 36 electric demonstrations and made motor protection fuse boxes for the 4-H fair.

The state electric winner celebrated his 16th birthday in Chicago the last day of this year's National 4-H Congress. Donor of Robert's Chicago trip is Westinghouse Electric Corporation.



Lamps make a bright Christmas gift used all year long. At right, Robert Zwiefel holds a pair of pin-up lamps he gave to his mother for Christmas last year. He found two old bases, rewired each, and bought new shades. The lamp in the center is one of a pair of better light, better sight lamps made several years ago. One was used as a Christmas gift and one was kept for Robert's desk. Extension cords are another useful gift idea. The state electric award winner says he's made them to order from as short as 3 feet to as long as 150 feet-made the size the person to receive one asked for.

