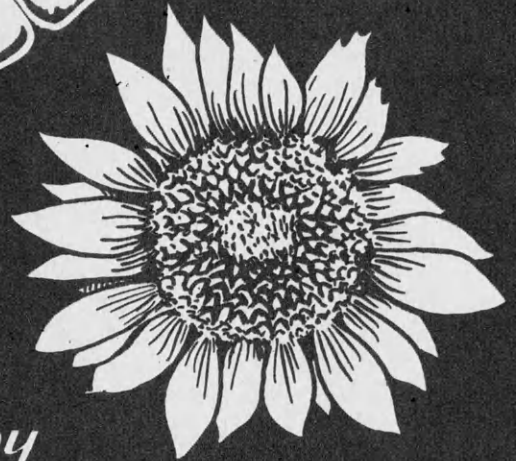
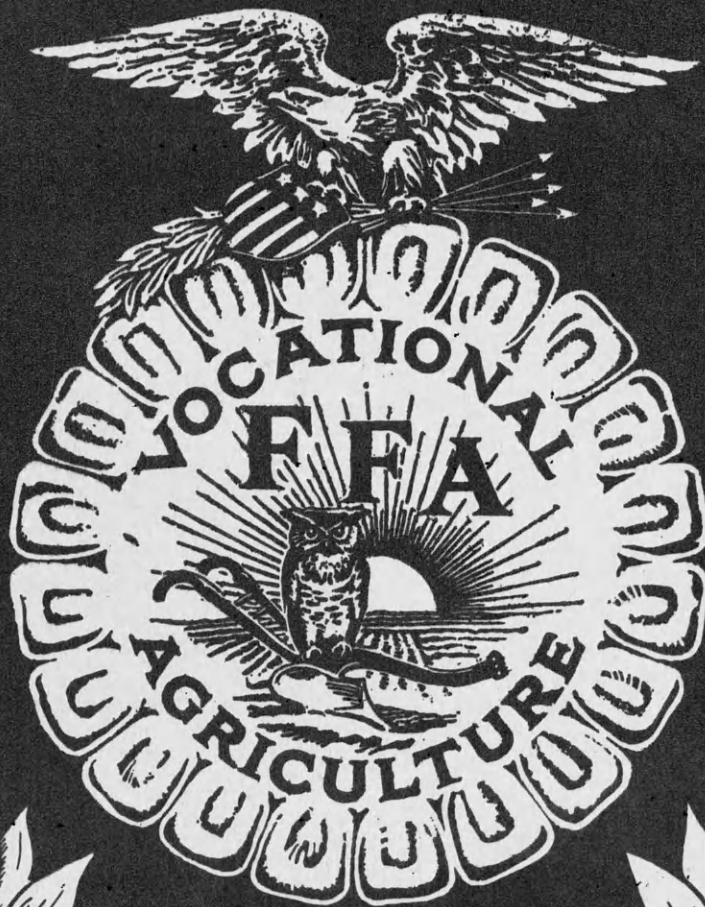


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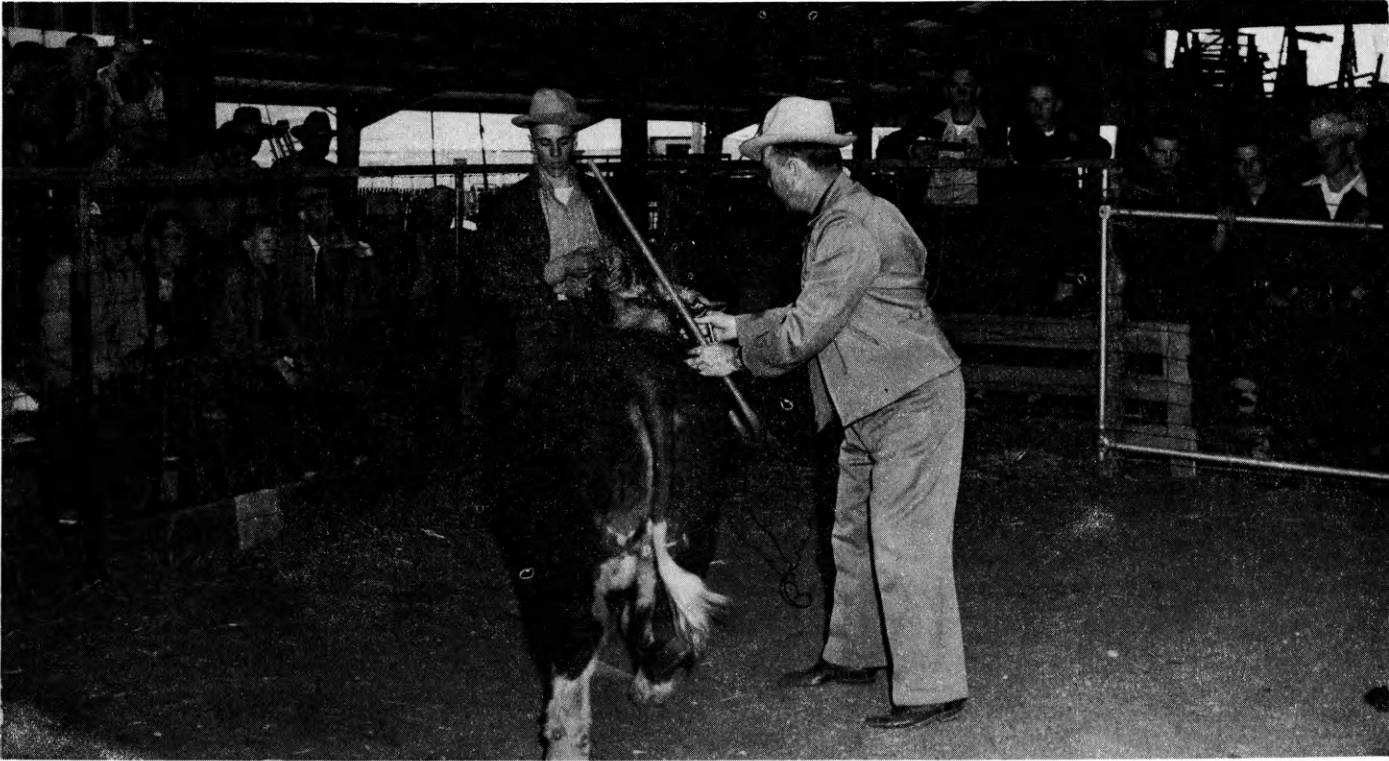
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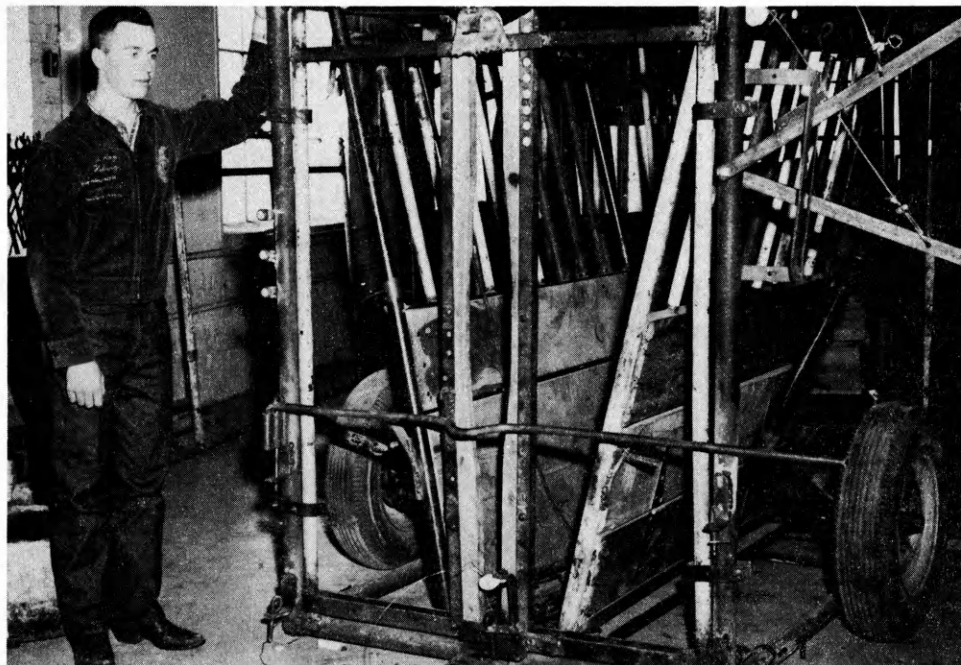
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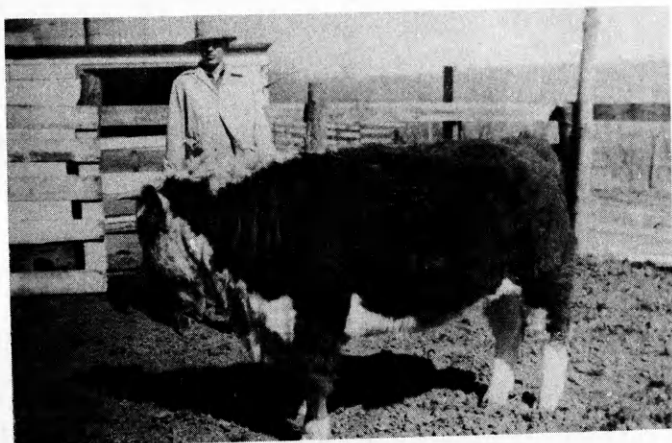


V.E. McAdams, Extension Animal Husbandry Specialist, K.S.C., demonstrating fitting and showing a Hereford bull owned by Charles Andrews, Ellsworth FFA Chapter.

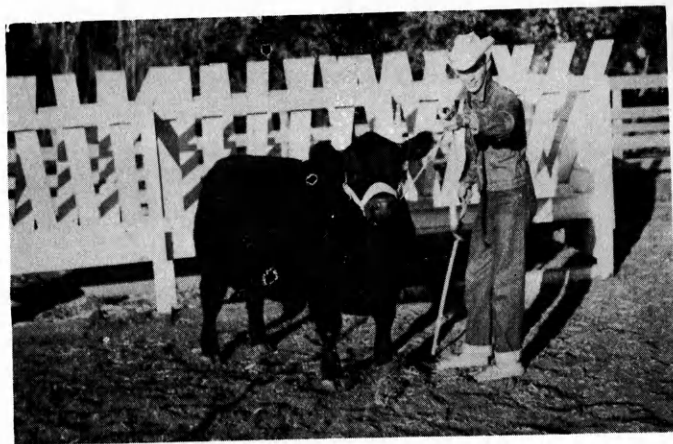


Lloyd Helwig, Columbus Chapter, examines live-stock squeeze built in Vo-Ag shop.

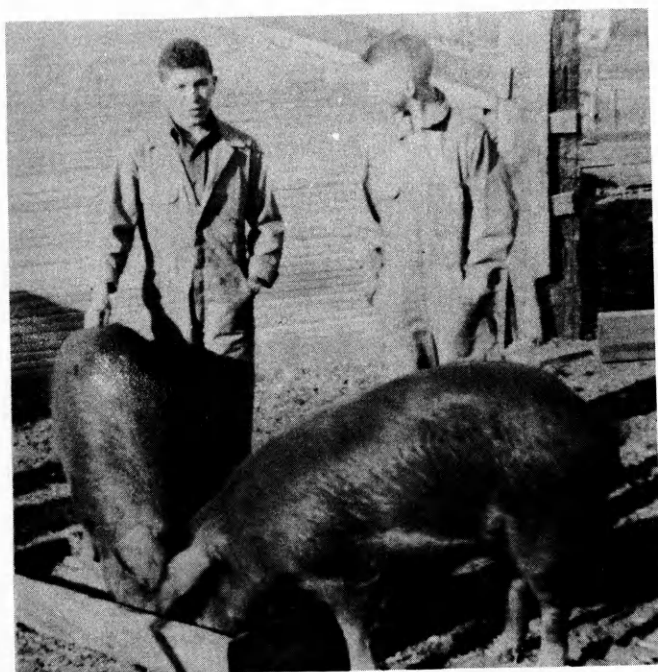




Tom Knappenberger, Olathe FFA member, caring for his Hereford calf.



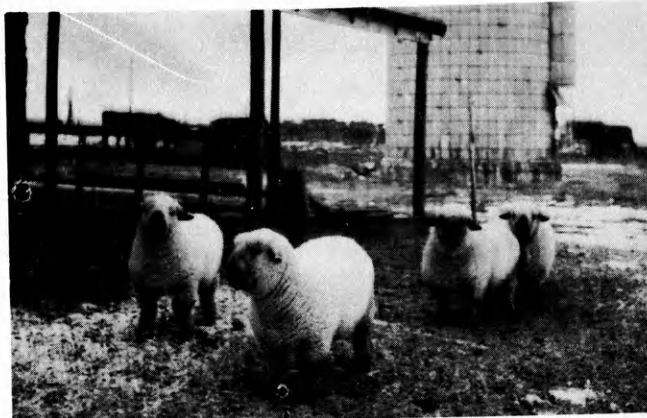
Tommy Schrag, McPherson Chapter, proudly poses his Angus steer.



Geneseo FFA Chapter gilts being fed by members Bill Kindle (L) and Shenny Rush (R).



Home work on Farming Program Records by Wayne Porter, Fredonia Chapter.



Registered Hampshire Sheep owned by Byron Bell, Beverly Chapter FFA member.

PRESIDENT FIGGS ISSUES CONVENTION CALL

The Twenty-eighth Annual State Convention of the Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America will be held April 30 and May 1, 1956, at Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kansas. The annual convention is a climax to the FFA work of the year and I hope that each chapter will have delegate representation, and participate actively in the convention program.

The House of Delegates must take action upon many business matters this year and I urge all delegates to cooperate in the efficient transaction of these items. Those chapters who have paid their state and national dues and who had filed a program of work by November 1 will have the privilege of seating delegates.

We are fortunate in that Dale Ring, Regional Vice President, Wooster, Ohio, will represent the National Organization of Future Farmers of America at our convention this year. I am looking forward to meeting and working with Dale during the convention and am sure you will enjoy meeting him also. Those attending the House of Delegates meeting the evening of April 30 will have the privilege of hearing this young man speak.

I am hoping to see as many of you as possible at our Twenty-eighth Annual Convention and hope that you will make it a point to attend.

Larry Figgs, President  
Kansas Association of FFA

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VICE PRESIDENT DALE RING WILL ATTEND STATE FFA CONVENTION

Kansas FFA members will be pleased to learn that National FFA Vice President Dale Ring, Wooster, Ohio, will attend and assist with the 28th convention of the Kansas Association of FFA. He will address the House of Delegates meeting April 30, and will bring greetings from the national office at the Chamber of Commerce Banquet May 1.

The visiting national officer, Dale Ring, was elected to his position at the national FFA convention in Kansas City, Missouri, last October. One of the organization's most capable young leaders, he served as Ohio State FFA President last year. He is continuing his study of agriculture at Ohio State University.

Dale lives with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Ring, on a 142 acre dairy and poultry farm. He has part ownership of the livestock and machinery on the farm.

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REMINDERS

1. Check your calendar for all mailing dates for FFA contest materials.
2. THREE copies of the FFA public speaking manuscript are required.
3. Annual report of chapter on membership, cooperation with state and national FFA programs of work, etc., is needed in order to prepare publicity for releases at time of convention.
4. Deadline mailing dates for all FFA events as well as for all agricultural judging and farm mechanics contests will be rigidly enforced.
5. Deadline mailing dates:
  - a. State FFA Speech Contest, April 4, 1956.
  - b. Chapter Membership, Officers, Delegates, etc., April 4, 1956.
  - c. State FFA Chapter Award, April 4, 1956.
  - d. Entries in the Agricultural Judging Contest, April 13, 1956.
  - e. Entries in the Farm Mechanics Contest, April 13, 1956.
  - f. Entries in the Dairy Products Contest, April 13, 1956.
  - g. Payments for cots and box lunches, April 13, 1956.
6. Box Lunch - 80¢ each - contestants only. Money due in mails April 13, 1956.
7. State FFA Speech Contest:
  - a. Order of appearance may be obtained from the secretary, Room 103, Holton Hall, between 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m., Monday, April 30, 1956.
  - b. Deductions for over time and under time:
    - (1) Twenty points for each minute or part thereof for speeches over ten minutes in length.
    - (2) Twenty points for each minute or part thereof for speeches under eight minutes in length.
8. The annual meeting of the State FFA Executive Committee will be held in Holton Hall, Room 103, April 5, 10:00 a.m.
9. Teacher application forms for the Honorary American Farmer Degree are available at the office of A. P. Davidson, Holton Hall, K.S.C. Completed forms are due in the State Office at Manhattan July 1, 1956.



AMERICAN FARMER DEGREE APPLICATIONS

Applications for the American Farmer Degree, approved by the state adviser, must be in the national office not later than midnight of June 30, or shown by postmark or other reliable evidence to have been mailed to the national office on or before June 15, prior to the national convention at which the application will be considered.

Kansas applications for the American Farmer Degree are due in the Topeka Office, May 14, 1956. Address application materials to Assistant Supervisor L. E. Whipps, State Board for Vocational Education, 1025 Kansas Avenue.

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HOUSE OF DELEGATES WILL MEET IN COLLEGE AUDITORIUM

The House of Delegates will hold its annual meeting in the College Auditorium Monday, April 30, 1956, 7:30 p.m. We want to express our appreciation for the fine cooperation of the Music Department at KSC in making the auditorium available for our use. Since we will have ample room for visitors, it is recommended that teachers invite parents of State Farmer candidates and others who may be interested to attend the Monday evening meeting of the House of Delegates.

The MANHATTAN SINGERS, under the direction of Professor Fisher, KSC Music faculty, have been invited to give a 20 minute program. Those of you who had the pleasure of hearing this group perform in 1955 will be hoping that they can be with us again in 1956. Invite your friends to share this special feature of our House of Delegates meeting.

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"HEADACHE" WITH NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER - SEE BILLY HOWARD

Billy Howard, National FFA Vice President 1951-52, of Plains, Georgia, was chosen to take over as Circulation Manager for the National Future Farmer as of December 1, 1955. Billy served as FFA Exchange Student to Great Britain for 1952 and the following year won the \$1,000 National Soil Conservation Public Speaking Award. Billy personifies the FFA member with ability and sound objectives, and we bespeak for him a successful career with the National Future Farmer.

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DATES OF INTEREST TO FFA MEMBERS AND ADULT LEADERS \*

- Jan. 19-20---National Meeting, FFA Board of Student Officers, Washington, D.C.  
Jan. 23-25---Joint Meeting, FFA Board of Student Officers and Board of Directors, Washington, D.C.  
Jan. 26-27---Annual Meeting, FFA Foundation Board of Trustees, Washington, D.C.  
Jan. 27-----Joint Meeting, FFA Foundation Board of Trustees and FFA Foundation Advisory Committee (donor representatives), Washington, D. C.  
  
Jan. 30-----National FFA Officers annual Public Relations and Good Will to Feb. 17 Tour, Cities to be visited this year include Baltimore, Wilmington, New York, Poughkeepsie, Akron, Detroit, and Chicago.  
Feb. 6-----Dan Dunham, national FFA president, to appear on Voice of Firestone radio and television program over ABC network.  
Feb. 18-----Dan Dunham (or other national officer) to appear on National Farm and Home Hour radio broadcast over NBC network.  
Feb. 18-25---National Future Farmers of America Week.  
  
July 23-28---Annual Joint Meetings, FFA Board of Student Officers and Board of Directors, Washington, D.C.  
  
Oct. 1-2-----National FFA Judging Contests, Dairy Cattle and Dairy Products, and presentation of regional and national awards in Dairy Farming, at National Dairy Cattle Congress, Waterloo, Iowa.  
Oct. 11-12---FFA Board of Student Officers Meeting, President Hotel, Kansas City, Missouri.  
Oct. 13-14---Joint Meetings, FFA Board of Student Officers and Board of Directors, President Hotel, Kansas City, Missouri.  
Oct. 15-18---NATIONAL CONVENTION, FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA, Municipal Auditorium, Kansas City, Missouri.  
Oct. 17-19---National FFA Judging Contests in Livestock, Meats, and Poultry, Kansas City, Missouri.  
Oct. 19-----Leadership Training Meeting, new National FFA Officers, President Hotel, KansasCity, Missouri.  
Oct. 19-20---Annual Meeting, Special Study Committee for National FFA Judging Contests, President Hotel, Kansas City, Missouri.  
Oct. 20-----National Farm and Home Hour broadcast of Convention Highlights, NBC radio network.  
  
Dec. 3-7-----American Vocational Association Convention, St. Louis, Missouri.

\* - The January and February activities on the National level are included in order to give a complete picture of the pattern of working with the National FFA Officers and other official groups interested in promoting the program of vocational education in agriculture.

DEADLINE DATES - FFA - NATIONAL LEVEL

The following Deadline Dates for 1956 were made available through the National Organization of Future Farmers of America. The Deadline Dates listed refer to activities on the national level. Check your Kansas Association of FFA calendar and the Kansas Future Farmer for Deadline Dates applicable to local FFA Chapters.

- May 1 ----- Applications for membership in National FFA Band due.
- May 15 ----- Applications for membership in National FFA Chorus due.
- June 15 ----- Final date for payment of FFA Membership Dues to National Treasurer.
- June 30 ----- Applications for American Farmer Degree due in National Office, or must show by postmark to have been mailed on or before June 15.
- July 15 ----- All recommendations for vocational agriculture teachers to receive the Honorary American Farmer Degree due in National Office.
- July 31 ----- Applications and certifications due in National Office for all State winners who wish to compete for regional or national FFA Foundation awards in Farm Mechanics, Farm Electrification, Farm Safety Dairy Farming, and Soil and Water Management..
- Aug. 15 ----- All FFA State Association Reports due in National Office.
- Sept. 1 ----- Reports due in National Office for entries in National Chapter Contest.
- Sept. 15 ----- Certifications due in National Office for all teams to be entered in National Judging Contests (Dairy Cattle, Dairy Products, Poultry and Eggs, Livestock, Meats).
- Dec. 15 ----- All certifications for 1956 FFA Foundation State Awards due in National Office.
- Dec. 31 ----- Final date for submission of proposals for use of FFA Foundation funds in 1957 under the program of "State Awards for Improving Agriculture and Leadership".



NAME AND EMBLEM OF THE FFASUGGESTED OFFICIAL POLICIES  
REGARDING THE USE AND AUTHORIZATION FOR USE  
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NAME AND EMBLEM OF THE FFA

The following suggested policies are for the guidance of FFA members, local chapters, State associations, the National organization and all other parties concerned with the approved and acceptable uses of the name Future Farmers of America, the letters FFA, or the FFA emblem, subject to the endorsement of the National Board of Student Officers and delegates at a National Convention.

Basic Premises

1. The name Future Farmers of America, the letters FFA, and the FFA emblem or insignia are registered as trademarks in the United States Patent Office and as such are the exclusive property of the "FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA," a corporation, incorporated by an Act of Congress (P.L. 740, 81st Congress). The National FFA Board of Directors, acting upon recommendations of the National Board of Student Officers and the National Convention Delegates, is assigned the responsibility for establishing policies governing the use of the FFA name and emblem.
2. The use or employment of the name "Future Farmers of America" and the emblem or insignia of the FFA or the letters FFA shall be only such that will reflect dignity and credit on the organization.
3. Any use or employment of the name Future Farmers of America or any abbreviation thereof, the FFA emblem or insignia, or the letters FFA is strictly prohibited if such exploits or might be construed to exploit, for commercial or unapproved purposes, the organization, its officers, members, or the vocational agriculture program of which they are a part.
4. Any use or employment of the FFA emblem or insignia, the letters FFA, or the name Future Farmers of America or any abbreviation thereof, which is not specifically included in this statement of policies is reserved to the National Board of Directors, upon the recommendation of the National Board of Student Officers, and the Delegate body at any National Convention.
5. Any grant of authorization to an individual, organization or institution for a specific use of the name Future Farmers of America or any abbreviation thereof, the letters FFA, the FFA emblem or insignia does not imply nor preclude granting a similar authorization to another individual, organization or institution for the same or similar purposes.

General Policies\*- cont'd

1. The FFA emblem should be given a position of prominence whenever it is used.
2. The FFA emblem always should be used intact and never should be defaced.
3. The "National name and emblem" shall not be used or employed in any manner by the FFA groups, members or other parties as trademarks in connection with commercial enterprises or purposes.
4. Advertisements, public releases or displays containing the National name and emblem in any form shall not include expressed or implied testimonials or endorsements of business firms or individuals, their products or services, either by individual members, local FFA chapters, State associations or the National Organization.
5. The "National name and emblem" shall not be used by or associated in any manner with any organization or business when such use or association might reflect unfavorably on the National FFA Organization or its members.

Specific Policies\*A. Rights Granted Local Chapters and State Associations by the National Organization

1. FFA chapters and State Associations may authorize for their own use the production of the following materials bearing the "National name and emblem" for informational and educational purposes including but specifically limited to: (a) stationery, (b) written or printed forms, (c) certificates, (d) programs, (e) posters and signs, (f) award plaques and ribbons, (g) membership cards, (h) record books and notebooks, (i) books, bulletins or pamphlets, (j) pencils, (k) emblem cuts (for printing only), (l) napkins (m) wall charts, (n) place cards and banquet supplies. Additional items may be added to this list upon the recommendation of State FFA Associations and with the approval of the National Boards of Student Officers and Directors.
2. All official FFA groups may authorize the use of the "National name and emblem" in news media such as newspapers, periodicals, radio and television programs when such use is for educational or informational purposes.
3. State Associations or local chapters, in their respective areas of operation may authorize commercial firms, business organizations and other agencies and individuals, to employ the "National name and emblem" in saluting or paying tribute to the organization and in interpreting its educational objectives and activities.

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\*The name Future Farmers of America and any abbreviation thereof, the letters FFA, and the FFA emblem or insignia in the statement of "General Policies" and "Specific Policies" are referred to as the "National name and emblem".

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4. State Associations and local chapters of the FFA may employ the "National name and emblem" in those exhibits, displays and demonstrations which are designed to pay tribute to or to salute the FFA organization.
5. FFA chapters and State FFA Associations may use the "National name and emblem" in connection with the promotion of contests and awards which are designed for educational purposes.

B. Rights and Duties of Members

1. Active members, advisors and ex-officio leaders of the FFA are entitled to identify themselves officially with the FFA organization and to wear the official FFA degree pins and charms.
2. Former FFA members, collegiate chapter members, honorary members and persons who are recipients of official FFA honors, special recognition, and awards are entitled to wear the pins, charms, medals, sweetheart jackets or other approved symbols of the respective official degrees, awards or honors which have been conferred upon them.
3. All FFA officers and members shall be guided by the foregoing principles and the spirit of these policies. Any unethical or unauthorized use of the FFA name, the letters FFA, and the FFA emblem should be reported by members to officials of the State FFA Association, the National Boards of Student Officers and Directors of the FFA, or the National FFA Office.

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BAND AND CHORUS EXPENSE

The Kansas Association of FFA raised state dues from 10¢ to 20¢ in 1949 for the purpose of meeting budget expense in connection with the National FFA Band and the National FFA Chorus. The following is a report on the income from the 10¢ assessment for 1955 and the total expense underwritten by the Kansas Association of FFA for National Band and National Chorus.

## Income:

7,535 members @ 10¢ per member ..... \$753.50

## Expense:

15 uniforms (Kansas Association paid half the total cost of the uniforms).....	\$112.50	
Total paid for band travel and subsistence.....	406.99	
Total paid for chorus travel and subsistence...	401.66	
Pictures.....	7.50	
Total Expense.....		\$928.65
Expenses exceeded income by.....	\$175.15	

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NATIONAL FFA WEEK - ARKANSAS CITY CHAPTER

The state office received many clippings attesting the fact that local FFA chapters were active in participation in National FFA Week, February 19-25, 1956.

Raymond Atkins, Reporter for the Arkansas City chapter, sent a detailed outline of activities engaged upon by his chapter during National FFA Week and inclosed a copy of the February 19 issue of the Arkansas City Sunday Traveler. The "Traveler" carried an achievement story of the local FFA chapter on page one; a three-fourth length column editorial by editor, Rex Wood, Jr., on page 4, and a full-page spread of pictures depicting activities of the local FFA Chapter on page one of Section A of the February 19 issue.

In addition to the recognition given the FFA program by the "Traveler", the chapter planned and carried out the following National FFA Week activities:

I. Sunday

- (1) Forty-five members attended Church at the Central Christian Church.
- (2) Forty-three members attended a dinner and meeting following the services.

II. Monday

- (1) Placed window display in Chamber of Commerce office.
- (2) Ten chapter members participated in crops and poultry judging contest.
- (3) Placed window display in Sr. High School.

III. Tuesday

- (1) Silver Anniversary Convention film shown to Green Hands.

IV. Thursday

- (1) The officers presented a thirty-minute program over Station KSOK, in observance of FFA Week and reporting on activities of the local chapter.

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WINS IZAAK WALTON AWARD

State FFA Secretary Loy Reinhardt has been selected to represent Kansas at the Isaak Walton Young Outdoor Americans Conference to be held in Sioux City, Iowa April 18-20, 1956. The award consists of an all expenses paid trip for attendance at the conference. Factors influencing the selection of the Kansas winner were scholarship, leadership, and conservation practices planned and executed.

Past president Nelson Galle won the Izaak Walton award in 1954, and past state reporter John Milton won the Izaak Walton award in 1955.

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1955 NATIONAL FFA BAND AND CHORUS RECORDS

The 1955 National FFA Band and Chorus records are ready for distribution. The recordings are on 33 1/3 long play records. Twenty five minutes of FFA music on one side of the long play record.

Only a limited number of records will be ordered, therefore, it is important that your order be placed immediately.

The price of a single long play record is \$4.00 which includes packing and shipping charges. All additional records in the same order will be \$3.50 each.

Source of Band and Chorus Records:

Edward A. Roche, 1310 Wyandotte, Kansas City, Kansas.

There are two (2) 33 1/3 long play records, a Band record and a Chorus record.

Band Record Numbers

March Gloria	Grandioso
Prairie Prince (Overture)	Green Thumb (Overture dedicated FFA)
Trombones Triumphant	America Exultant
Skyline (Tone Poem)	FFA March
Our Director	Semper Fidelis
	Battle Hymn of the Republic
	(Band and Chorus)

Chorus Record Numbers

Hail America (Band & Chorus)	Happy Wanderer (Band and Chorus)
America Our Heritage	Down In The Valley
(Band and Chorus)	Home On The Range
This Is My Country	Peter On The Sea
One World	De Animals
America The Beautiful	Dry Bones

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PRESIDENT LARRY FIGGS TO MISSOURI FFA CONVENTION

President Larry Figgs has accepted an invitation to attend the annual convention of the Missouri Association of FFA April 20-21, 1956. Larry expects to gain much information that will be helpful in handling the Kansas FFA convention. Thanks Missouri FFA and we hope Kansas can reciprocate next year.

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NATIONAL FFA JUDGING CONTESTS

The following dates for the National FFA Judging Contests will be of interest to local FFA advisers having teams qualified to participate in these events:

To be held in Waterloo, Iowa:

Judging Dairy Cattle, October 1, 1956  
Judging Dairy Products, October 2, 1956

To be held in Kansas City, Missouri:

Judging Meats, October 17, 1956  
Judging Poultry, October 17, 1956  
Judging Livestock, October 18, 1956

Hotel reservations for members of judging teams ~~should be made early~~. Requests for reservations should be sent to Robert B. Coyner, Manager, Convention and Visitors Bureau, Chamber of Commerce of Kansas City, Kansas City 6, Missouri.

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NATIONAL FFA JUDGING CONTESTS WINNERS

National judging contests for vocational agriculture students were begun in 1925, three years prior to the organization of the Future Farmers of America. All national judging contests for students in vocational agriculture were discontinued during World War II. Since 1947 all national judging contests involving vocational agriculture students have been classified as Future Farmers of America National Contests.

Upon the recommendation of a National Committee comprised of one supervisor of agricultural education and one teacher trainer in agricultural education from each of the four administrative regions in the United States, the national judging contests for students in vocational agriculture were revived in 1947. Three principal recommendations of the National Committee were embodied in the reactivated judging program, namely: (a) the contests to be known as National FFA Judging Contests, (b) teams and individuals competing in the National FFA Judging Contests to be ranked on the basis of Gold Emblem, Silver Emblem, Bronze Emblem, and Honorable Mention, and (c) the contests to be made more educational.

The following lists the Kansas winners in the five National FFA Judging Contests since their inception in 1947.

Dairy Cattle

1947	Simpson	Bronze Emblem
1948	Coffeyville	Honorable Mention
1949	Belleville	Gold Emblem
1950	ElDorado	Gold Emblem



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1951	El Dorado	Silver Emblem
1952	Hillsboro	Silver Emblem
1953	Chanute	Bronze Emblem
1954	Pretty Prairie	Bronze Emblem
1955	Beloit	Silver Emblem

Dairy Products

1947	Newton was to represent Kansas but failed to get entries in on time	
1948	ElDorado	Silver Emblem
1949	Olathe	Silver Emblem
1950	Clay Center	Gold Emblem
1951	Cherryvale	Silver Emblem
1952	Silver Lake	Silver Emblem
1953	Clafflin	Silver Emblem
1954	Clay Center	Gold Emblem
1955	Clay Center	Silver Emblem

Meats

1947	ElDorado	Gold Emblem
1948	Coffeyville	Bronze Emblem
1949	Concordia	Bronze Emblem
1950	Clay Center	Silver Emblem
1951	Yates Center	Silver Emblem
1952	Partridge	Silver Emblem
1953	Quinter	Silver Emblem
1954	Yates Center	Silver Emblem
1955	Mulvane	Gold Emblem

Livestock

1947	Beloit	Gold Emblem
1948	Belleville	Gold Emblem
1949	Belleville	Honorable Mention
1950	Beloit	Silver Emblem
1951	Newton	Bronze Emblem
1952	Moundridge	Silver Emblem
1953	Hill City	Silver Emblem
1954	Winfield	Bronze Emblem
1955	Newton	Gold Emblem

Poultry

1947	Concordia	Silver Emblem
1948	Chanute	Silver Emblem
1949	Cherryvale	Gold Emblem
1950	Stockton	Gold Emblem
1951	Chanute	Gold Emblem
1952	Chanute	Gold Emblem
1953	Cherryvale	Gold Emblem
1954	Belleville	Gold Emblem
1955	Chanute	Gold Emblem

RANK IN FFA MEMBERSHIP

Each year in the April issue of the Kansas Future Farmer Newsletter local FFA chapters are ranked on the basis of per cent of membership and enrollment in vocational agriculture. October first enrollment figures furnished by the State Department for Vocational Education are used, and FFA membership figures are taken from the records of the State Office at Manhattan.

On October 1 there were 6637 students enrolled in 213 departments of vocational agriculture in Kansas. The total FFA membership as of March 26 was 7,044. The percentage of membership based upon October 1 enrollment was 106 per cent.

One hundred ninety-five chapters have paid dues to date. Eighteen chapters are delinquent.

The percentage of membership on the basis of enrollment in vocational agriculture for the 195 chapters having paid their dues is 114 per cent.

One hundred sixty chapters reported a paid-up membership of 100 per cent or more. Thirty-three chapters fell below the 100 per cent membership goal.

The five chapters having the highest paid up membership for the year were: Labette County Community High, Altamont, 135; Effingham, 84; Emporia, 76; Mulvane, 73; and Winfield, 71.

In case of error in percentage of membership below, we will be glad to have you notify us so that correction can be made in the May issue of The Kansas Future Farmer.

Those chapters having a membership range from 126 per cent plus are:

Abilene	Almena	Altamont
Altoona	Beverly	Bird City
Burlington	Centralia	Cherryvale
Colby	Cottonwood Falls	Effingham
Ellsworth	Emporia	Fairview
Fort Scott	Garden City	Glasco
Goodland	Haddam	Hanover
Wamego	Harper	Herington
Hill City	Hillsboro	Holton
Hoxie	Humbolt	Jetmore
Kincaid	Kiowa	Lebanon
Liberal	Linn	Manhattan
McCune	McPherson	Medicine Lodge
Shawnee Mission	Oberlin	Osborne
Ottawa	Parsons	Partridge
Peabody	Phillipsburg	Smith Center
Stockton	Washburn	Wakeeney

Those chapters having a membership range from 101 per cent to 125 per cent:

Alma	Alton	Alta Vista
Arkansas City	Atwood	Beloit
Berryton	Buhler	Burns
Cedar Vale	Chanute	Chapman
Chetopa	Clay Center	Clifton

## 101 to 125 per cent (continued)

Coffeyville	Coldwater	Columbus
Concordia	Council Grove	Downs
ElDorado	Ellinwood	Erie
Eskridge	Eureka	Florence
Ford	Frankfort	Garnett
Goessel	Great Bend	Harveyville
Haven	Hays	Hoisington
Hope	Howard	Jewell
Kingman	Kinsley	Lakin
Lawrence	Leon	Leoti
Lindsborg	Little River	Mankato
Marysville	Meade	Meriden
Minneapolis	Moundridge	Mullinville
Mulvane	Neodesha	Ness City
Newton	Seaman Rural High	Norton
Olathe	Osage City	Palco
Paradise	Plainville	Randolph
Riverton	Rose Hill	Sabetha
Salina	Silver Lake	Simpson
Stafford	St Francis	Troy
Valley Falls	Washington	Watterville
Wellsville	Westmoreland	Wetmore
	Wilson	

## Those chapters having a membership of 100 per cent:

Bazine	Blue Mound	Brewster
Cheney	Delphos	Edson
Ellis	Ensign	Geneseo
Hugoton	Inman	Jennings
LaCygne	Longford	Onaga
Oxford	Powhattan	Pretty Prairie
Rossville	Sedan	Severy
Solomon	Spearville	Ulysses
Pratt	Wakefield	Williamsburg

## Those chapters having a membership range from 90 per cent to 99 per cent:

Attica	Clearwater	Fredonia
Louisburg	Marion	McDonald
Morrowville	Natoma	Parker
Riley	Soldier	Syracuse
Highland Park	Tribune	Yates Center

## Those chapters having a membership range from 80 per cent to 89 per cent:

Bonner Springs	Elk City	Holcomb
Iola	Lyndon	Long Island
Miltonvale	Oakley	Paola

## Those chapters having a membership range from 41 per cent to 79 per cent:

Caney	Dodge City	Girard
Norcatour	Plains	Scandia
Sublette	Trousdale	Winfield



**LAWRENCE:** William R. "Bill" Essick was honored at the 24th annual Father and Son Banquet held at the Lawrence High School...Arden Booth, KLWN Radio Station director and Ralph Leary, Jayhawk FFA chapter president were masters of ceremony for the evening...Mr. Essicks total teaching career of thirty-seven years, 1918-1955-56, has been at Lawrence High School. During this time over 700 farm boys have passed under his direction and supervision. Bill is a past president of the Kansas Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association and a past president of the KVA. He was instrumental in the development of the annual Douglas County Junior Fair...He organized the Jayhawk FFA club in 1924. This was similar to our present Future Farmers of America even though it was five years prior to the official organization of the Future Farmers of America. The Jayhawk Chapter was chartered in the state association in 1931...Since 1931 the Jayhawk Chapter has produced 39 State Farmers and have held state offices in the FFA association...Mr. Essick was presented with a bound volume of letters from many of his former students and workers in the agricultural education field. When Mr. Essick was given the opportunity to express himself he said "Boys you have taken me by complete surprise." However, he went on further to say that teaching farm boys has many rewards and his interest has always been for the good of vocational agriculture...William Hundley our 4-H club agent and a vocational agriculture teacher trainer was awarded an Honorary Chapter Farmer degree.

Phil Spencer, Reporter

**GREAT BEND:** Our annual Pest Control contest has been underway for quite some time now. Points are awarded to members on the number of pests killed. These include: rats, mice, sparrows, starlings, moles, crows, gophers, blackbirds, rabbits, coyotes. We have 34 members participating in this annual event. This contest will run until May 7, at which time, points will be officially calculated, and the losers will honor the winning side with a party. This is a project which has chapter-wide interest and participation. It is also a community service with killing such a vast number of pests...Our classes attended the 8th annual Poultry Roundup at Great Bend January 18. Several members entered eggs in the exhibits held. One of the sophomores placed fourth in the brown egg class. We heard several talks about the new egg law, new trends in poultry breeding, and one entitled "You and Your Banker, A Winning Team" by Glenn Opie, Great Bend banker.

Dennis Calvert, Reporter

**MARYSVILLE:** Our Green Hand degree ceremony was held in January. Six of our Chapter Farmer candidates were entered in the local public speaking contest. Their speeches were judged by senior members. Twelve members have qualified for the Chapter Farmer Degree. In our Earnings and Savings activities we have received fees for seed testing, building hog troughs, and from a maturing Savings Bond. We reinvested our savings bond in a new bond and contributed the amount of the interest to a new hospital fund...Shop projects completed or under construction are: 4 steel hog troughs, 16 cement hog troughs, one gas barrel stand, 6 lawn chairs, 3 plow hitches repaired, one new hitch made, numerous chick feeders.

Merlin Frerking, Reporter

SHAWNEE-MISSION: Newly elected chapter officers are: President, Mike Carter; Vice-president, Larry Justice; Secretary, Ronald Dodson; Treasurer, Don Kelley; Reporter, Gary Clark; Sentinel, Pete Lorenz; Program Chairman, Roger Chalk. Election is held each year soon after the end of the first semester. This gives old and new officers a chance to work together for a period. Mike Carter is the son of Houston Carter, who was chapter president when Shawnee-Mission won the National Chapter Contest in 1935...Shop projects completed or under way include: four trailers, a welded loading chute, two self feeders, and a tractor built from an old car. Overhauling jobs: two tractor discs, a three section harrow, a corn picker, trailer tractor plow, two brush cutters, and ignition work on a tractor. Our gas forge installed last fall has been in constant use... A one-third acre plot of ground near the school will be planted to strawberries and grapes...Alain Larriere, a French exchange student is enrolled in our crops class. He speaks fluent English and is very popular with all students in this school. The exchange part has worked both ways as we have learned as much from him as he has from us. He will return to France next June. His last assignment will be as the principle speaker at our annual FFA Parent-Son Banquet held during May...We have had several field trips where we pruned fruit trees, studied new machinery at nearby dealers, and visited the Columbia Stock Farm near Grandview, Missouri...Thirty one members competed in our annual chapter speaking contest...Members of our chapter served as collectors for all local theaters during the March of Dimes week. Over \$500.00 was collected.

Mike Carter, Reporter

NORTON: Our FFA Chapter held their annual Parent-Son Banquet on February 27. Floyd Blauer, vocational agriculture teacher from Stockton, Kansas was the principal speaker. There were one hundred and ninety six parents, sons, and guests present...Our sweetheart ball was held jointly with the FHA chapter. The entire school student body was invited and a pleasant evening of dancing and games was enjoyed by all...A Green Hand from the Norton chapter gave the winning speech in the Freshman Division of the public speaking contest for the northwest district at Hill City. Two members were selected to explain the 1955-56 activities of our chapter to the Norton Rotary Club at their regular noon luncheon. Among the farm mechanics projects in the vocational agriculture shop at the present time are, one tractor overhaul, one automobile overhaul, two feed bunks, two mineral and salt feeders, one implement trailer, one mounted subsoiler, ten hog troughs, one sheep blocking table, one wire roller, one flared top grain box, one livestock water tank, one farm gate, one chick brooder, one head gate, and one post hole auger.

Junior Shevey, Reporter

BAZINE: This year our chapter raised funds for its program by having a donkey basketball game that cleared us \$60.00 and a Farm Quarterly magazine drive netting us \$116.00. Shop projects made and being made are: 2 cattle squeeze and repairing two other cattle squeezes, 1 four wheeled trailer, 1 cattle oiler, several plum bobs have been made in the metal lathe, farm gates and portable livestock corrals. Our chapter has won first in crops at Meade, first in Poultry at Ness City, second in shop at Lakin and third in Dairy at Kinsley so far this year. Our Vocational Agriculture Building was used to host a county wide welding school March 20.

Leland Rein, Reporter

SMITH CENTER: The Smith Center Chapter sponsored the Vern Albrecht Duroc Judging Contest. There were 24 schools present...The chapter held the annual Pest Eradication Contest in which the Freshmen and Seniors were against the Sophomores and Juniors. The Sophomores and Juniors won the contest. The losers gave the winners a chili supper. Our speaker was Larry Means, Kirwin Wild Life Conservationist...The chapter has three booths at the Kayette Carnival. The annual Parent & Son Banquet will be held with the FHA on April 16, 1956.

Don Lemon, Reporter

PARTRIDGE: Miss Lucky Strike has been acquired by our chapter. She is a registered Yorkshire gilt which was bought for the chapter gilt ring from the Velsa Hall Farms at Arkansas City. She was awarded to Dick Jenkins who will return to the chapter two gilts from her first litter. These gilts will then be given to two deserving freshman boys next year. Miss Lucky farrowed her first litter for the chapter on February 13. There were 12 pigs in the litter but two died leaving her with 10 healthy pigs...Prizes will be awarded to the three high individual winners in the chapter Pest Eradication Contest. The boys had a lot of fun competing against each other and a great many pests were killed as a result of the contest.

Ken Peirce, Reporter

BUHLER: The Buhler chapter has been busy trying to get ready for District Judging Schools...We had our annual Parent and Son Banquet on February 21. Every member who attended had one or both of his parents with him. Mr. Leland Robinson and Mr. Bud Moeckel were awarded the Honorary Chapter Farmer Degree...The chapter has set out 135 spirea shrubs around the campus. We set out 18 spreaders on the west side of the vocational agriculture building. In shop we have under construction, three loading chutes, one large combination hay and silage feed bunk, one large low platform trailer and three smaller trailers, one posthole digger, three rabbit hutches, several large farm gates, several barrel type feed bunks, foot scraters, etc.

Jerald Robinson, Reporter

WATERVILLE: Our chapter has again obtained concession rights for all the softball games this summer. John Roche, who missed school all of last year because of polio will run the stand on a 50-50 basis...The certified switch grass seed that members of the chapter planted cooperatively last year was a total loss due to drought. Most of the 1200 trees set out for wind breaks were also lost...The chapter bought two pure bred Berkshire Gilts for our gilt ring. A junior sold five pure bred Hampshire ram lambs for \$260.00 this spring. We made \$78.00 cleaning 40 acres of irrigated corn.

Jerry Hedke, Reporter

MULVANE: Mulvane FFA had their annual hamburger fry on March 19. There were 150 hamburgers fried by the FFA boys and cake furnished by the boys. Plans were made to purchase two modern candy machines to replace the old candy machines. Their are nine registered Yorkshire gilts owned by chapter members. Plans are made for the FFA Parent and Son banquet which will be a planned pot luck.

Don Coleman, Reporter



LINDSBORG: The Lindsborg chapter held its second annual Parent-Son Banquet, Monday, March 19. The guest speaker was Mr. Loren Whipps. Ninety-three members and parents attended...Last fall a gilt ring was started in our chapter. Six gilts were purchased. So far three gilts have farrowed thirty-three pigs, saving twenty-nine...Some major shop jobs are a squeeze chute, hay bunk, feed bunks, self feeders, and tools of all kinds...As a money making project the chapter built a portable loading chute to sell...On March 19, our dairy judging team placed first at Hutchinson in the district contest. John Carlin was second high individual and John Dahlsten fifth high.

John W. Carlin, Reporter

HERINGTON: A chapter farmer degree ceremony was held March 16, for six members. We concluded our pest eradication contest just after Christmas vacation. The losers treated the winners to a supper...The North Central District Crops School was held here at Herington on March 5. We are now planning our Parent and Son Banquet. A few of our shop projects are: a calf creep-feeder, a cattle crossing, clothes line poles, plus a numerous amount of small jobs.

Fred Rule, Reporter

HARVEYVILLE: The Harveyville chapter has scheduled a regular night to hold its meetings so that it will not interfere with other activities of the school. At the first of the year the chapter voted to set aside the first Monday night of each month to hold its regular meeting...The chapter bought a Purebred Hampshire boar hog. The boar will be rented out to the farmers for a service fee to make money for the chapter treasury...The members of the chapter ran a 20 x 30 foot slab of concrete in front of the Farm Mechanics Shop. The chapter purchased a soil testing kit.

Phillip DeShazer, Reporter

COFFEYVILLE: On February 23 the Coffeyville Chapter held its annual Parent-Son Banquet...The Coffeyville chapter has eight gilts out with members of the chapter. Our chapter held their annual poultry contest here with about 20 schools attending.

David Ford, Reporter

CENTRALIA: Our chapter has made about \$30.00 from our snack bar. We sold popcorn at the home basketball games...The members enrolled in agriculture painted the shop. In shop we have constructed a feed bunk, iron gate, several wooden gates, 2 wooden hog troughs, several hog troughs from discarded hot water tanks, implement carrier. We repaired and painted 2 trailers, repaired a bob-sled, and made several other miscellaneous items.

James Kuenzi, Reporter

JEWELL: On February 7th we entertained our parents with our annual chili supper. Entertainment for the evening was portions of our assembly program. The assembly program was given February 8th at 10:30 a.m. We had a picture which featured time-lapse photography included in our program.

Dick Foulke, Reporter

MARION: The Marion F.F.A. Officers gave the Green Hand Degree to 24 Florence members. Congratulations to the Florence Vocational Department for establishing a F.F.A. Chapter their first year... We are having a F.F.A. Open House on March 22. The parents of the members will be our guests. Refreshments will be served by the F.F.A. boys... On February 6 two boys of the Marion F.F.A. Chapter gave a TV program over KTVH Hutchinson on how to build an air compressor. A freshman gave a talk on how to file a saw. This is our third TV Program on KTVH...Shop jobs are: truck bed by Darrell Riffel; loading chute, by Jon Thole; tool carrier, by Larry Olsen. There are several smaller projects in progress such as feeders, trailers, water heaters, and air compressors. We ran some terrace lines for a farmer south of town... Our basketball team played nine games, winning five.

The Marion Reporter

DODGE CITY: We are raising 25 chickens for our Father-Son Banquet. It is undecided whether we will have barbecued chicken or fried chicken. The mothers will furnish the dessert and the other part of the meal will be prepared by the FFA members. We will have a program explaining the work and activities in FFA... We have butchered 3 hogs and some chickens and are planning to butcher another hog and a beef in the near future. Some of our main shop projects consist of a stock rack, irrigation pipe trailer, and a rabbit hatch... We are planning a skating party with the local FFA Chapter.

Wesley Underwood, Reporter

QUINTER: We are building six machinery and implement trailers in the shop. We have planned a FFA basketball tournament for March 27th. We have a Hampshire gilt ring going, with two gilts to farrow this month. Five of our FFA members have purchased a registered Hampshire boar cooperatively. Our FFA is sponsoring a crops judging school for the Gove County on April 24 - just before the Hays Judging Contest.

Eugene Evans, Reporter

SYRACUSE: We had our annual FFA Parent and Son Banquet January 24. The FFA girls cooked and served the food. Milford Zook, a Hamilton County farmer, was our guest speaker. The FFA boys dressed the chickens for the banquet...New table tops were added to our shop benches...The projects under construction in shop are a portable adjustable loading chute, a scraper blade for a Ford tractor, and a gate made out of second hand pipe... Les Shamburg bought an Ayrshire cow at the Harshorn-Schoonover Dairy dispersal sale.

Fred Henry, Reporter

GARDEN CITY: Twenty freshmen received their Green Hand Degree on January 11, 1956 into the Garden City Chapter...The Garden City Chapter's 34th Annual Parent-Son Banquet was held on February 11, 1956, at the High School Cafeteria, with more than two hundred attending. Seven Green Hands were raised to Chapter Farmers at this Banquet. Necessary funds to serve this Banquet were raised by shocking feed, working on athletic field, and by operating a food stand at the Finney County Free Fair... A combined FFA-FFA Square Dance is planned for March 21, at the High School Cafeteria.

Scott Holmke, Reporter

ALTA VISTA: Our chapter is busy in the shop. The following things have been made: 3 trailers, 1 wagon bed, 1 wagon rebuilt, bulldozer, hay feeder, sheep feeder, self feeder 15 gates...The pest-eradication contest is over with, about 2,500 pests were killed. The losing side treated the winning side to a chili supper. The five lowest on the losing side washed the dishes, while the three highest were awarded prizes...Eleven freshmen received their Green Hand degree. Plans are being made for the FFA banquet.

Allen Stewart, Reporter

COLUMBUS: Our annual Parent and Son Banquet was held during December with an attendance of one-hundred-sixty guests present. The program was furnished by chapter members...The annual Pest Eradication Contest was held during the last of December with some 11,000 pests being destroyed: so called Chicken Hawks were not included in the contest...During FFA week we had a window display uptown. We had 45 column inches of newsprint and a talk on stocking ponds given by Mr. Craig, our local game warden...Our financial statement showed that our average net worth for 45 members for 1955 was \$1,578...A check in our shop program shows that we have built over \$1,200 worth of equipment this year. Included in this are 2 cattle squeeze chute, 2 types farrowing houses, 2 pick-up stock racks, 2 pick-up grain sides, 4 feed bunks and many other items to numerous to mention.

Ted Christiansen, Reporter

FREDONIA: March 12th, the Fredonia chapter had their annual Parent-Son Banquet. A delicious meal was served followed by the opening ceremony. Marvin Timmons, local FFA member and a member of the National FFA Chorus, sang two songs, "Hail the FFA" and "He". Mr. Carl Dixon, the speaker of the evening, gave a humorous talk about some of the FFA boys...Around 11,000 feet of pipe alone has been used by the boys in the Fredonia Chapter. Out of the pipe used we have made fifty-three gates, eighteen large hay feeders, and many other useful items. We have constructed three trailers, one 30 foot bale elevator and overhauled a tractor, and along with repairing many other pieces of equipment. The shop work will be devoted mainly to the repair of farm equipment the last six weeks of school... One of the chapters best money makers this year was the popcorn machine which netted over \$300.00.

Merle Reinhart, Reporter

KINGMAN: Our pest eradication contest ended with one boy compiling 10,636 points, obtained by bringing in 1005 crows, 11 coyotes and 12 jackrabbits. Another placed second with 2123 points and third was 2120 points. The total number of pests eradicated by the chapter was 2696...1955 Farm Account Books have all been summarized and annual Farming Program Report has been sent to C.C. Eustace...Two freshman boys have been selected to raise 100 broilers each on a share basis with the FFA chapter...Three lots of Hybrid sorghum have been received and will be placed with three vocational agriculture students in cooperation with the Dekalb Hybrid Seed Company for test plots.

Don Brown, Reporter



ELLIS: The Ellis FFA chapter presented a play "Monkey Shines In the Doctors Office", at the all school assembly, March 2...During shop classes we have been dismantling a threshing machine which was purchased by our chapter. We will keep the usable iron for shop projects by FFA members and sell the unusable metal. Shop projects which have been started or nearing completion are: creep feeder, stock racks, gates, milking stanchions, feed bunks, dozer blade, barb wire spool and sack holders.

Dennis Schoenthaler, Reporter

BEVERLY: The Beverly FFA chapter had their annual chili supper on Tuesday March 13th. There were 79 members, parents and guests present...The chapter sponsored a welding clinic on Thursday March 15, there were about 20 adults there...To raise money our chapter has purchased and is selling Beverly Booster tags...A committee of underclassmen has selected Byron D. Bell to receive the DeKalb award.

Byron D. Bell, Reporter

MANKATO: This year to raise funds, we have held two city wide trash clean-ups. This has proved very successful...At the present time our chapter is getting ready for our annual Parent-Son banquet. This year our theme is "Conservation". On banquet night, we are awarding two Honorary Chapter Farmer Degrees...Our chapter has a new power-hack saw and two new arc welders...Shop projects under construction are: 2 feed bunks, 8 trailers, 1 combination trailer-loading chute, 1 cattle squeeze, 3 foot scrapers, 3 picnic tables, 1 hog trough form, painted one tractor, built 3 gates, 1 farrowing crate, and reconditioned many small tools.

Richard Reed, Reporter

ST FRANCIS: Fifteen members attended the National Western Stock Show at Denver January 17-18. Tickets to the show were furnished by the local Citizen State Bank. The chapter in cooperation with the Dekalb seed company is testing hybrid sorghum varieties. Both dryland and irrigated varieties are being tested. The chapter is also cooperating with the local soil conservation unit in the planting of different grass varieties demonstration plots. Major shop jobs at the present time are a cattle squeeze, tilting table squeeze chute, two wheel stock trailer, and power lawn mower.

Ben Leibbrandt, Reporter

YATES CENTER: Our pest control contest and chili supper of December 13th was a success. Guests included the male members of the faculty. A Father-Son Chili Supper was held on March 12th. The Green Hand and Chapter Farmer degree ceremony was held as part of the program. Projects in shop include: a garden tractor, several two-wheeled trailers, four loading chutes, two hog houses, several gates, a lawn mower, a work bench, several feeders, and a tool cabinet. Our annual Parent-Son Banquet will be held this spring.

Gary McNitt, Reporter