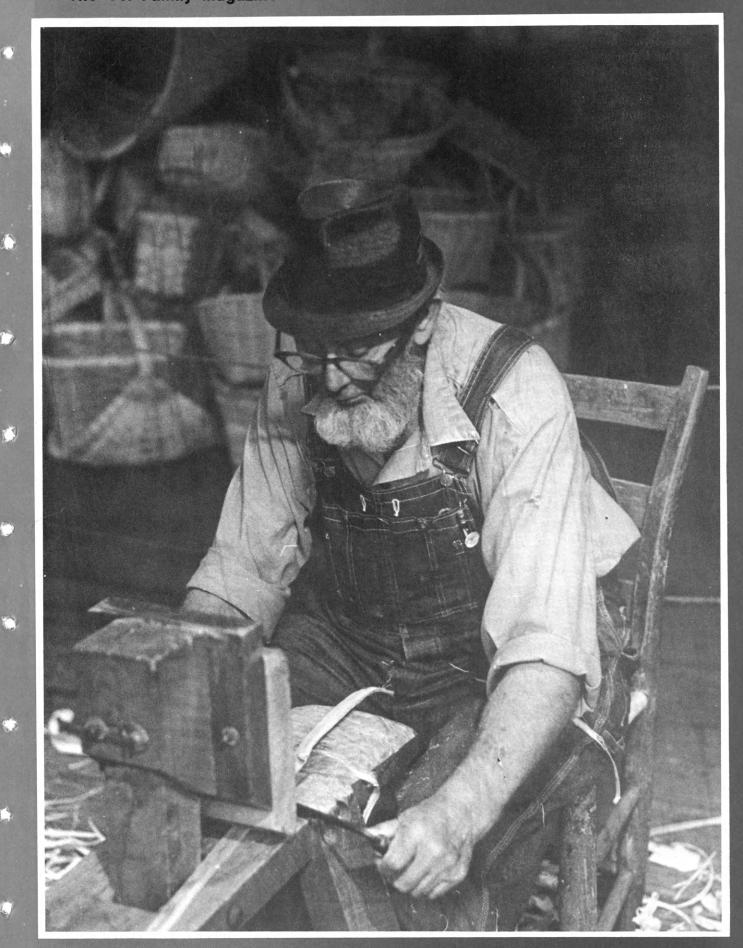
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Campers have "hobo heyday"

By Rebecca Haddock Arkansas City

Sixty-five campers at the annual 4-H Day Camp at Olmstead Lake, east of Arkansas City in Cowley County, discovered that the "hobo" life might not be so bad. Campers came in varying stages of hobo dress from the most ragged to the more sophisticated. While tubs and boxes of turtles awaiting the big race fought it out, the costumes were judged. Awarded costume prizes were Leigh Rahn, the funniest costume; Rae Ann Wiford, the most unusual (with white goat in tow); and Jay Jordon, the most pitiful.

The turtle population was so great that the race had to be divided into three heats with nine campers winning prizes. Other activities included a scavenger hunt ending with each camper making a terrarium; a session of games and relays; a hayrack hobo ride; a song fest; and groups competing against each other in original hobo songs, poems, or skits.

Craft time was in keeping with the theme as a hobo collage was made by each on an old wood shingle with an assortment of odds and ends of junk.

A new contest especially for hobos was a spitting contest—

but campers were slightly dried out by this time and no great distances were recorded.

Ham 'n beans and cornbread served on foil plates with a cold drink from a tin can kept campers going throughout the day. Fresh fruit plus cookies made by the hosting 4-H club foods project members also helped the hobos survive.

The annual day camp is sponsored by the Cameron 4-H Club on a countywide basis to give seven to ten year olds a chance to see what a typical camping day is like before they go off to other camps when they are older. It is also the only moneymaking project of the club for the year.

Junior leaders assisting at the camp included Brent Dowler, Gail DeVore, Eddie McGowan, Rebecca Haddock, Barbara Covey, Debbie McGowan, Vicki Doughten, Linda Taylor, Kristine Dowler, Mary Covey, Terri McGowan, Sonya Haddock, and Kent Marrs. Guest leaders were Karen Walker and LuAnn Morton.

Photos by Bruce Brinkman, Arkansas City Daily Traveler, former member and past president of Cameron 4-H Club



Rae Ann Wiford won the prize for the most unusual costume, with white goat for an accessory.

Volleyball was one of the games at 4-H Day Camp.



Washing up for dinner is fun when you have a pump like that, campers at the Cowley County 4-H Day Camp learned.



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THE 4-H CHALLENGE

The guest editorial for August was written by a 4-H parent, speaking to the worth of the learning that our children can and do gain through their 4-H experiences. Mrs. Haner's observations are most relevant for the time of year when the product of our children's skills—the completed projects—are on display at the fairs. It is her observation that skills are a means, not an end in themselves. Sometimes in the pressure of the moment we forget that we are developing human beings, and act as if the project that is being judged is the educational end in itself.

Glen M. Bussett State Leader 4-H and Youth

By Dorothy Haner Delano 4-H Club Parent Sedgwick County

Recently, I read about a ship's crew that became so involved in trying to decide who should paint the ship's hull that they didn't realize the ship was sinking. They failed to recognize their priorities and therefore perished.

It occurred to me that there is a parallel between this story and what appears to be happening in many youth organizations including 4-H. We become so involved in "painting the hull" we

do not always see the leaks.

One leak is the fact that as our children grow older, we begin to lose them. Even when they are with us physically, they are not with us in spirit—and all too often they are not even with us physically. This indicates rather strongly that, as adults, we are not meeting the needs of our teenagers. In fact, we are "turning them off." What was meaningful to them at age 8 may not work when they are older. We need to be open to change. That does not say we must embrace each new idea or fad that comes along, only that we remain open to its possibilities.

I suggest we need to re-examine our motives and attitudes. We have a responsibility to provide an environment where our youth, through interaction with one another and with us, can develop into

better, more loving, more adequate persons.

One way of providing the opportunity for interaction of our children is through the teaching and learning of skills. Skills provide an excellent way for one to express himself creatively and are a necessary part of our way of life. However, we must always keep in mind that the learning of a skill, though important, is not our greatest priority. We must all know certain skills. Skills are used daily, hourly—constantly. But let's not use the learning of skill as a measuring stick of individual or collective worth.

I believe there is a learning experience even more important than learning how to do something. It is the learning experience that leads to knowledge through an understanding of one's self and the world around us. Admittedly, this is a rather intangible idea and undoubtedly more difficult for us leaders than teaching skills. It challenges us to the very core of our being. It is impossible to schedule the teaching and learning of wisdom. It seems to happen at unexpected times and in unexpected ways. Which means, we, as leaders in 4-H, need to be open to the spontaneity of the moment.

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About the cover

On a trip to Silver Dollar City, Missouri, (see story page 11), as members of Meadowlark 4-H Club, Douglas County, observed the craftsmen, John Pendleton photographed the basket maker at

his work.

Many 4-H members, also, are learning the satisfaction of becoming craftsmen. A story about 4-H crafts in Kansas appear on page 8.

Grants are available

for community improvement

You and your fellow 4-H members see a way to improve your community—but maybe you're short of money and manpower to carry out the idea.

You may want to apply for a Citizenship-In-Action grant. Funds for such grants will be provided by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company and others through Kansas 4-H Foundation.

Application blanks and suggestions for preparing them are available in your county extension office.

Applications are due October 1 in the state 4-H and youth office in Manhattan. Winners of grants will be announced November 1.

Factors considered in choosing which clubs receive the awards are the long range impact of the project, coordination with other groups, involvement of club members, definite plans for meeting financial needs, and awareness that responsibility rests with 4-H members.

Earlier this year, 25 Kansas 4-H clubs received the first series of these grants ranging from \$25 to \$150. Counties represented, the 4-H clubs, and projects are:

- Decatur County, Eager Beavers—improve the community building
- Decatur County, Sappa Valley—provide safety aids for a rest home
- 3. Elk County, Flint Hills Boosters—improve community meeting place
- 4. Elk County, Paw Paw Lucky Clovers—raise funds for recreational facilities in the city park
- 5. Ellis County, Winner—transform a storage building to a meeting place
- 6. Ford County, Wright Wonder Workers—provide outdoor toilets for a baseball park
- 7. Ford County, Happy Hustlers—improve city park

- Franklin County, Full-O-Pep—restore a school building for use as a community center
- 9. Johnson County, Sharon—install lights at the fairgrounds
- Johnson County, Spring Hill Rustlers improve Spring Valley Park
- Lyon County, Sunnyside—improve community building
- 12. Marion County, Lincolnville Wide Awake
 —erect a building in Linconville City
 Park for community recreation
- 13. Meade County, Livewire—beautify the main street of Meade with trees
- Meade County, Three C—improve Fowler City Park
- Meade County, Town and Country—raise funds for a miniature golf course
- Morris County, Flint Hills—restore home of Seth Hays, first white settler in Council Grove
- 17. Nemaha County, Rustlers—provide flag, pole, and lighting at Goff City Hall
- Norton County, Four Square—map the local fire district
- 19. Pottawatomie County, Victory—restore and care for cemetery
- 20. Rawlins County, Beardsley Beavers—beautify McDonald Legion Hall
- 21. Reno County, Obee Go-Getters—establish Obee Community Park
- 22. Reno County, Buhler—beautify and care for Buhler City Park
- 23. Reno County, Haven—establish Haven Youth Center
- 24. Sedgwick County, Goddard—provide friendship for residents of Liva Vista Home in Goddard
- 25. Wilson County, Skyrocket—fence an abandoned cemetery and mark graves

Photography leader

By Helen Reynolds Lawrence

For 21 years Mrs. Dorothy Akin, Route 2, Lawrence, has been a 4-H leader for the Meadowlark 4-H Club in Douglas County. The past nine years she has instructed the photography project members.

"Teaching the youngsters how to take better pictures is interesting," said Mrs. Akin. "Because I enjoy working with the club members, I have continued as leader even though my two children are no longer members."

While Mrs. Akin has been photography leader, two of the Meadowlark club members, John and Jim Pendleton, have won first place in Kansas photography records and attended National 4-H



Mrs. Akin and 4-H'ers admire 4-H Journal cover picture taken by fellow club member Jim Pendleton.

Congress in Chicago.

Under Mrs. Akin's leadership, the Meadowlark club's photography poster exhibit has won the purple ribbon numerous times at the county fair.

Even though she wears her 20-year 4-H leadership pin with pride, this long-time leader plans to continue as Meadowlark's photography leader for a number of years yet.

The 4-H Challenge-

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This quote from **Jottings** by John Valusek seems to sum it all up:

"The single, all-encompassing, and only justifiable goal for education is or ought to be to help develop more human human beings. All else should be subservient to this end."

Forest on the prairie—

The Kansas Arboretum

By Glenn M. Busset State Leader, 4-H and Youth

4-H clubs with an interest in conservation, wildlife, forestry, and wanting to take a "different kind of tour" should look at the possibility of visiting the Kansas Arboretum, two miles south of Wakefield. County, is ready for visitors.

Standing like a sentinel next to the entrance of the

nature trails is a giant cottonwood, the trunk 53 inches in diameter. Farther along the same trail, deep in the shade of many other trees, is an osage orange with a trunk more than 30 inches in circumference. Another hardy tree that has lived a full life along the edge of the trail is a native red cedar with a 27 inch girth.

There are two nature trails open and ready for visitors. The first or 'short trail' for the less active is about a half-rule long. The longer trail, an extension of the first trail winds for a mile along the old stream bed, occasionally breaking out into the prairie. The really nice thing about nature trails is that a group or an individual can proceed at their own speed, stopping as long as wanted at each of the "rests."

education of the public." In addition to the old trees along the nature trail, many new settings have been Some include trees not native to Kansas but which were introduced over the past half-century and have adapted successfully to the prairie climate. These

Here the non-walker may practice stump sitting and watching for the many land and water birds that frequent this quiet spot. A bit of quiet watching may be rewarded by a slow V of ripples as a muskrat catches up on his food gathering chores.

The Kansas Arboretum is a labor of love of a few members and friends who have brought the original dream a long way toward accomplishment. There's quite a way to go yet, and 4-H clubs could have a part in the development of the area. Perhaps the best way With two already-completed nature trails the 193 acre to "get involved" is to plan a club tour or outing at plot, located on the west arm of Milford Lake in Chay the site No reservations are needed, and there is ample parking on the site. Bring your own drinking water cameras, and note taking supplies; and plan to picnic somewhere along the trail. (You will be good citizens and clean up carefully, won't you?)

> It's easy to get to the Arboretum by car. About a mile west of Wakefield drive south on Clay county road 837 for two miles. Look along the right side of the road at an intersection for a small sign that will tell you the Kansas Arboretum is one and one-third miles east. Where that road dead-ends, turn left until you cross the small arm of the lake that forms the pond. Turn left at the enormous cottonwood tree north of the pond, into the parking lot. You are right at the entrance of the nature trails.

The Kansas Arboretum depends on memberships and cash donations. Perhaps your club would like to The primary object of the arboretum is "to members interested in ecology, conservation, wildlife, grow and display the best trees, shrubs, and other flowers, or who just enjoy nature. Write to Bill woody plants that will grow in Kansas and to maintain Flynn, Garden Place Nursery, Abilene, or Mrs. Rosemary Visser, Editor, the Wakefield Sun, Wake-individual and club member-individual and club memberfield, for information on individual and club memberships. Even if you don't donate or become a made in the former grain fields above the stream. member, the association wants you to come to the Arboretum and enjoy the nature trails they have so carefully laid out.

Whink you will be rewarded if you make this into beginning and the end of the two nature trails is an old and girls. This is the result of someone's concern pond—actually a part of the Milford Lake—bordered for providing a place of quiet and someone's concern by cattails and swarming with red winced to makes you feel good to know that there is such a place here on the "treeless plains" of Kansas.

Are you putting me on?

By Traci Price Goodland

As a community project, the Warren Star Busy Bees 4-H Club in Sherman County, with the help of the Sherman County sheriff's office, held a "safety belt check" on the west edge of the city of Goodland in May.

Out of 147 vehicles stopped during the two-hour period of time, only 18 had safety belts fastened. Most vehicles stopped were owned by local Goodland citizens, so pamphlets from the Kansas Highway Patrol were handed to them.

These pamphlets pointed out that safety belts should be used all the time—not just on trips on highways away from home. Facts show that three out of every four deaths in traffic accidents happen within 25 miles of the victims' homes. Another fact pointed out to those stopped is if the safety belt is fastened, it lessens the



Displaying safety belts in stores, from left to right are Leta Gattshall, Mike Tagtmeyer, and Kip Armstrong.

chance of serious injury or death in an accident—chances of being killed are five times more if you are thrown out of your car.

Following the safety belt check, 4-H members of this club also



4-H'ers Traci Price and Karen Gattshall, and Fred Sexson, sheriff's office, checked the driver's safety belt and handed him a pamphlet from the Kansas Highway Patrol.

placed Kansas Highway Patrol posters in Goodland's store windows. The poster pictures a safety belt and asks the citizens of Goodland, "Are you putting me on?"

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Holiday Inn developer becomes a member of 4-H Trustee Board

Editor's note: Who are the men and women who give of their time to serve on the Board of Trustees of Kansas 4-H Foundation?

The Kansas 4-H Journal is carrying a series of articles about these distinguished persons. This is the second biography in the series.

Robert Brock, a Topeka businessman and attorney, is a new member of the Kansas 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees.

Mr. Brock and his partner, Edwin Linquist, developers of 70 Holiday Inns throughout the United States, are the largest franchise holders in the lodging industry. Mr. Brock is the president of their original company, Inn Operations, Inc., and of their new company, Topeka Inn Management, Inc. These two companies own or lease more than 10,000 Holiday Inn rooms and employ more than 6,000 persons in 21 states.

Mr. Brock has served as president of the International Association of Holiday Inns, an association of 1,470 Holiday Inns throughout the world. He is currently a director of the association and chairman of the Advertising Committee.

In addition to being a member of the Kansas 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees, Mr. Brock is a member of the Citizenship Committee of the Foundation. In past years, he has served as attorney for the Securities Commissioner, a member of the Topeka Human Relations Commission, and assistant city attorney of Topeka.

For the state of Kansas, Mr. Brock is the Defense Resources Liaison Officer. He is a member of the Advisory Council of the Kansas Center for Regional Progress, and was recently vice-president of the Kansas Commission of Executive Re-organization. Some of this commission's work has been used by the Kansas Legislature in the partial re-organization of the executive branch of the state government.

Mr. Brock received bachelor's and law degrees from the University of Kansas after service in the Naval Air Corps. He is active in the democratic party and is now chairman of the 2nd Congressional District.

Mr. Brock lives with his wife, Louise, and four of their five sons at 1533 Stratford Road in Topeka.



E. F. Bobo, Junction City, at right, found himself in front of the camera for a few minutes at Friends of 4-H Day, long enough to receive a special citation and a desk pen set from Kansas 4-H Foundation. Mr. Bobo has photographed 4-H events and groups at Rock Springs Ranch for 26 years.

Making the presentation is Bill Riley, associate director of Kansas 4-H Foundation in charge of camps.

IDEAS & News

About 100 young people from Elk, Greenwood, Chautauqua, Cowley, and Butler counties attended a junior leader rally at Eureka Lake. Several things were on the program; for one thing, Bruce Wood showed a film on the book, Future Shock, and afterward led a discussion. A covote joined the group when Bob Henderson demonstrated various predator calls. (The coyote had been released from a cage in a truck.)

The visiting junior leaders went home for supper with Greenwood County families, and then went into Eureka for a dance in the evening.

4-H members from Ellis, Wallace, and Sherman counties went on a geology field trip in June. They visited sites of geological interest in Trego, Ellis, and Graham counties. Dr. Harold Jones from Kansas State University explained the specimens which the 4-H members saw, reports Donna Follinger, junior geology leader, Edson Trail Blazers 4-H Club, Sherman County.

Change the pledge?

For many years 4-H members have pledged head, heart, hands, and health to club, community, and country. Now some 4-H'ers think another phrase should be added: "and my world."

What do you think about it?

If you have an opinion, clip the coupon at the bottom of the page and return to Kansas 4-H Journal, Umberger Hall, KSU, Manhattan, Kansas 66506.

Should the 4-H pledge be changed to read:

I pledge my head to clearer thinking,

My heart to greater loyalty, My hands to larger service, And my health to better living, For my club, my community, my country, and my world.

Yes No

If several members of your family answer, put the number of persons in the yes or no column. Maybe you'll want to include a letter to the editor explaining your point of view.

AMERICAN ROYAL

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Crafts and folk art

Photos by Marjorie Tennant Crafts and folk art, new as tomorrow, old when your great-great-grandmother was young, are a growing interest for Kansas 4-H'ers. In some counties, exhibits of crafts will be seen at the county fair.

Folk art classes are part of 4-H work in Leavenworth County. More than 15 adult volunteer leaders share enthusiasm and skills with girls and boys. Mrs. John W. Snider, Linwood, for the past two years has conducted classes for the leaders. Because she considers experience with design necessary, Mrs. Snider includes three sessions on design and art principles followed by one to evaluate, and one each on crochet, finger weaving, and needle weaving.

The folk art project is designed to develop skills in primitive weaving, cotton and crewel embroidery, Bargello, needlepoint, macrame, knitting, and crocheting.

Extension home economist Emily Robbins points out that the textile medium gives young 4-H'ers an opportunity to master skills requiring hand dexterity, yet the same project enables older, as well as younger, members to do interesting and creative things, comments Ralph Rector, 4-H agent.

An Idea Book on the Folk Arts is prepared by each leader and member, and is evaluated at critique sessions. A four-page explanation gives details of each craft with definite how-to-do-it information, lists articles to make, and explains the basis of evaluation. Group members also have a record sheet to complete.

Mrs. Snider is a former art teacher and is owner-manager of a weaving and yarn shop in Linwood.



Mrs. John Snider, left, holds a gift which the group she trained in folk art gave her in appreciation. Another example of folk art is the primitive weaving held by Mrs. Stanley Hand, Tonganoxie, the folk art project leader for the Reno Bobwhites 4-H Club.



Mrs. Rolland Elder, Leavenworth, holds a bright yellow afghan in the broomstick pattern. It was made in the Leavenworth County 4-H folk art project. Mrs. Elder is the folk art project leader for the Boling 4-H Club and is a graduate of Mrs. John Snider's leader training classes.

This year Doniphan County has initiated a 4-H craft project. At the beginning of the 4-H year leaders and members met to discuss such a project. Ideas of various crafts were brought by several and shared with the group.

Two craft workshops were set up; the first taught macrame and decoupage and the second, candles and string-art pictures. Both days, work in two crafts went on simultaneously all day with a break at noon for a sack lunch. Teachers were volunteer leaders. Most of the projects could be finished before the 4-H'ers went home, but they were encouraged to do more work in the same craft area on their own.

As an evaluation of the projects, there will be craft classes at the fair this year which include: candles, ceramics, crocheting, decoupage, leather craft, macrame, needlework, painting and drawing, string-art, and a miscellaneous class, Donna Funk, extension home economist, explains.

In Johnson County leathercraft is popular. Morning Glory 4-H Club sponsored a countywide leathercraft meeting with Ray Raef of Tandy Leather Company, Kansas City, Missouri, showing films and answering project members questions.

Morning Glory 4-H Club has 25 leathercraft members. Leesa Bottoms is reporter.

Mrs. Marvin Gorrell helped get arts and crafts started as a new project in Ottawa County. "We have nine different groups," Janie Lee writes, "in which we can enter almost anything we have made either from a creative idea or from a kit.

"This year at the Ottawa County Fair we are expecting many exhibits. Since this is the first year for this new project, we are not limiting the amount each 4-H'er can exhibit. We have divided arts and crafts into two age groups, 12 and under and 13 and over."

Some young people in Ottawa County were initiated into crafts earlier, when Joan Phelps, the home economics teacher at Tescott High School, required that each of her students bring two crafts a year to be graded. This year a new elective course, arts and crafts, was added. Students built rock gardens, made candles, decoupaged pictures, made belts and purses of leather, macramed purses and holders for hanging sand candles, and made and painted plaster molds.

Joan Phelps is a former member of the Lyon Conqueros 4-H Club.

Among the other counties with crafts classes are Cloud, Harper, Seward, Greeley, Logan, Mitchell, Sedgwick, and Marshall.

Foil antiqued jewel chest

By Sue Rothenberger Osborne

Use a common cigar box or a purchased one with a rounded top. Put a catch or lock in place.

These materials are needed: broiler aluminum foil, spray adhesive, white glue, scissors, light weight cardboard, heavy cord, a jar or spray can of black paint, clear spray, and a wet clean cloth and a dry cloth. Legs may be used if desired.

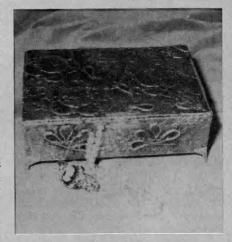
For a flower design, cut petals and leaves of light coardboard. Pile smaller shapes on larger. Bend if using a rounded surface. Glue in place.

Draw curlicues on top and sides. Follow lines with glue; then lay cord on pattern and press firmly in place. Let dry.

Wad a piece of foil, then carefully open. Spray box with adhesive. Press foil in place and around raised patterns with a wet cloth, then using thumb or small paint brush press down foil again around patterns to finish. Trim off excess

When box is dry, brush completely with black paint. Let dry a few minutes; wipe with dry cloth. Finish with clear spray. An alternate method is to use spray paint. Spray a small area at a time and wipe it off, leaving black in low places around pattern.

Using crushed or plain velvet, cut pieces to fit inside box and glue in place. If you wish, add legs.



—the finished product

Editor's note: Sue Rothenberger taught this craft to members of Penn 4-H Club in Osborne County. A group of fifth graders turned out 25 antiqued silver jewel boxes.

Sue was an active 4-H member for 11 years. She averaged six projects a year and received blue and purple ribbons or medals for all of her projects.

IDEAS & News

Members of Sunflower 4-H Club of Ulysses, Grant County, entertained residents of Western Prairie Care Home with a party honoring Mrs. Smalley, Mr. Thurow, and Mr. Wiley, who have birthdays in June. They were each presented a red carnation in a milk glass vase. Debbie Sweangen is reporter.

Counselors for the Youth Environmental Conference in July at Rock Springs Ranch were: Randy Cormode, Lancaster; David Kerl, Hiawatha; Don Nicholson, Wich-Darrell Parks, Manhattan; Tom Mertz, Manhattan; O'Connor, Junction City; Ron Tittel, Paola; Allen Konicek, Mc-Pherson; Cheryl Larson, Medicine Lodge; Carolyn Lloyd, Hiawatha; Elaine Lichtenhan, Dwight; Ze-Campbell, Kingman; Lilly Rochat, Emporia; Valerie Goerl, Little River; Sharon Cummings, Topeka; Suzanne Shaw, Topeka; Lila Gattan, Russell; Connie Marr, Junction City; Kathy Sneed, Conway Springs; and Janet Lichtenhan, Dwight.

More than 250 young people studied relationships between environmental problems and energy needs of the nation and the world.

Members of Meadowlark 4-H Club and Hackberry 4-H Club, Gove County, participated in the United Methodist Church service for 4-H Sunday. The 4-H'ers provided special music. Debra Packard is reporter.

District 4-H wheat shows will be August 3 at Salina and August 10 in Dodge City. In these shows, mill-bake samples of wheat are milled, and flour is used in baking bread, and the bread is then tested for quality. The show emphasizes varieties that make top quality baked goods.

Reporter Gayle Anderson writes that members of the Stick-To-It 4-H Club, Decatur County, took a recent survey for a safety project to see just how many keys were left in cars. Of the 374 cars checked, 147 or 39 per cent were found to have keys inside. A note was left in each vehicle to remind the driver to please take the keys with him, thus doing everyone a favor.



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Meadowlark on the go

By Susan Boehle Eudora Douglas County

Meadowlark 4-H Club trips combine fun and excitement, and usually are educational, too.

Meadowlark 4-H'ers sparked the idea of the club members and their parents touring Swope Park and Nelson Art Gallery in Kansas City. Can't forget the time when we loaded upon a train and went to Old Abilene, to see the Eisenhower Memorial. Also the rides and stores at Six Flags Over Mid-America, and that venture to Silver Dollar City, where we all enjoyed seeing old-time crafts.

And now the question the club raises each year is: "Where will we go this year?"

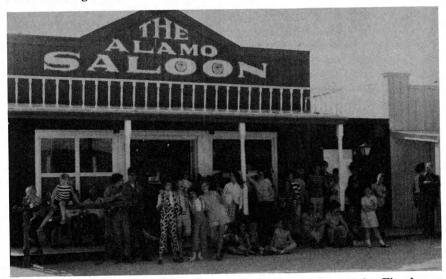
Although we know that trips are fun, a club planning a trip should take into consideration the time and effort that goes into the trip before deciding to really go. In Meadowlark club the junior leaders find out how much it will cost, if we travel by bus or train, and places where the club will be able to visit. Club members vote and make the final decision.

We endeavor to organize our trips as a family group, with leaders as chaperones, because 4-H is a family affair. The parents are encouraged to accompany their 4-H'ers.

It's fun, educational, and exciting when the Meadowlark club takes a 4-H trip. Why don't you plan a trip in your club?



At Six Flags Over Mid-America in St. Louis, Meadowlark 4-H Club members wait in line for a log ride.



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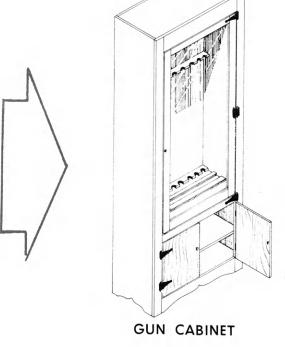
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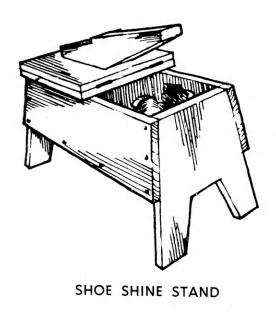
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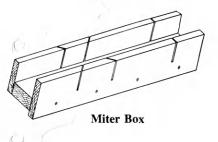
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Sixty-five Kansas 4-H Ambassadors from 37 counties have been designated for 1973-74. The Ambassadors are those outstanding 4-H members invited by their counties to attend the Invitational Conference June 4-8.

During the weeklong study sessions and skill training, many recommendations were made for state 4-H policy and programming. Each delegate served on an advisory group that made recommendations relating to a specific topic and also served on an operational committee that had certain duties for running the conference.

The Cross-Cultural Advisory Group had the theme "Let's Teach the World to Sing" and strongly recommended that all groups that are "potentially ripe for 4-H organizations to move into" should be approached by current 4-H people with a new structure that will meet the special needs. These special groups include inner city youth; married couples and unwed mothers of 4-H age; physically or mentally handicapped youth; youth in orphanages and disciplinary schools; day camps for younger children; and youth in exchange programs. In addition, the advisory group recommended that each county hold officer training meetings and community leader meetings.

The 4-H Philosophy Advisory Group used the theme "What's Behind The Clover" and in the spirited discussions came up with recommendations centering on projects. The members urged that the following projects be offered: community service; teen clubs; bachelor living; home chemistry;

and revisions in electric and clothing projects. They also urged greater family participation in seminars and training sessions.

The Citizenship Advisory Group used the theme: "What's It To You?" The recommendations focused on the programs for the American Heritage Hall of Kansas at Rock Springs Ranch. A survey of citizenship interests of 8-13 year olds was suggested as being an area that the committee members could themselves carry out. In addition to the selection of programs now offered, programs for older campers were suggested that included a mock campaign, a mock trial, a mock senate, and a mock stock market. A Clover Resource Development Project was suggested that would expand the current citizenship project. Perhaps a project theme could be adopted each year by the state such as elderly aid; helping the emotionally, physically, and mentally handicapped; ecology; drug abuse; and the adult basic education program. An award to the county accomplishing the most in the CRD program would be made each year in the county's name to the Heritage Hall.

The Teen Issues Advisory Group had the theme "Choose Your Poison." Many of their recommendations centered on what each local club might do. Getting new members involved from the start by assigning older members to be new members' "pals" was recommended as was an orientation session for parents. Younger members could also serve as "junior officers." Junior leaders could oversee judging schools, showmanship schools, record book workshops, and recreation for the older age group itself. Exchange programs expand members' horizons, and a family group program with one family putting on a program for the others is recommended. Publicity and informing the public is another responsibility that teens can coordinate through a public style review at a shopping center, a club or county 4-H paper, a practice "Spring Show" of the fair, and community services with other groups. All are good ways to publicize 4-H.

The recommendations will be studied by the state 4-H staff and will be used to guide programming.

Families may be hosts to rural youth leaders from other countries

Kansas families will have an opportunity this fall to become acquainted with professional rural youth leaders from countries in Africa and Asia.

The visitors will be in Kansas from September 10 to November 22 to study extension programs designed for young people. To give the youth leaders opportunities to learn about family and community life in this country, they will live with host families.

Families interested in providing a home for three to four weeks for one of the visitors can get host family registration blanks and other information from their county extension offices. The applications should be returned by August 15.

The program is an exchange, part of the 4-H international programs coordinated by Marjorie Area, extension 4-H and youth specialist. Carolyn Olson, extension agent in Marion County, studied youth programs in the Asian countries of Nepal, India, and Sri Lanka earlier this year. This is the first year for this exchange in Kansas.

The four youth leaders are from Zambia and Botswana, China and Turkey. They will be 25 to 35 years of age. During their stay in Kansas they are expected to attend the state fair, visit county extension offices, and go to local 4-H meetings.

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Riddles from Kim Kelley, Chapman:

Q. What has 18 legs and catches flies?

A. A baseball team.

Q. If two is company and three is a crowd, what is four and five?

A. Nine.

Q. What coat is always wet when you put it on?

A. A coat of paint.

Q. What is black and white and read all over?

A. A newspaper.

Q. If you have some cows and ducks what do you have?

A. Milk and quackers.

Q. If the chicken crosses the road, rolls in the mud, then crosses back, what is he?

A. A dirty double-crosser.

Q. Why do birds fly south?

A. Because it is too far to walk.

Q. What did one strawberry say to the other?

A. If you weren't so sweet, we wouldn't be in this jam.

Q. Why did the moron tiptoe past the bathroom?

A. He didn't want to wake the sleeping pills.

"It says here in the newspaper," said the old gentleman, "that a man is run over in New York every half hour."

"Dear me!" said the old lady.

"The poor fellow!"

Interested: Have an accident? Victim: No, thanks, I just had one.

A doctor fell into a well And broke his collar bone. The doctor should attend the sick And leave the well alone. She wore her stockings inside out All through the summer heat. She said it cooled her off to turn The hose upon her feet.

Papa Kangaroo: Arabella, where's the baby?

Mama Kangaroo: Oh, my goodness, my pocket's been picked!

A painter who came from Great Britain

Interrupted two girls who were knittin.

He said with a sigh,

"That park bench—well, I Just painted it, right where you're sittin."

There was a young lady named Perkins

Who just simply doted on gher-kins.

In spite of advice
She ate so much spice

That she pickled her internal workins.

"I woke up last night with the feeling that my watch was gone, so I got up and looked for it."

"Was it gone?"

"No, but it was going."

The typographical error

The typographical error is a slippery thing and sly;

You can hunt till you are dizzy, but it somehow will get by.

Till the forms are off the presses, it is strange how still it sleeps;

It shrinks down in a corner, and it never stirs or peeps.

That typographical error is too small for human eyes,

Till the ink is on the paper, when it grows to mountain size.

The boss just stares with horror, then he grabs his hair and groans;

The copy reader drops his head upon his hands and moans.

The remainder of the issue may be clean as clean can be;

But the typographical error is the only thing they see.

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One of summer's trubulent moods is portrayed in "Summer Storm" taken at 7 one evening by Kelly Krehbiel, Moundridge, McPherson County. This picture won Kelly a merit award from Scholastic Magazine in the 1973 National High School Scholastic Art Awards contest.

"So you're going to start a bakery?"

"Yes, if I can raise the dough."

Saint Peter: How'd you get up here?

New arrival: Flu.

Tramp: Beg pardon, but do you happen to have some cake that you can spare an unfortunate wanderer?

Lady of the house: No, I'm afraid not. Will some bread and butter do?

Tramp: As a general rule, it would, but you see, today's my birthday.

The missionary's little boy and the cannibal's son were having lots of fun together till the latter's mother called him in and said, "Haven't I always told you, don't play with your food?"

Two trucks with hay bales for seats took 71 persons, 34 of them 4-H members, on the tour of Mayetta Mustangs 4-H Club, Jackson County. At the end of the tour everyone enjoyed a weiner roast, writes Dennis Wells, reporter.



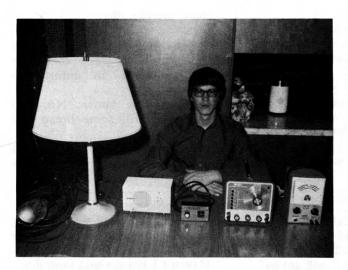
Harper County boy is lighting technician

After working as lighting and sound technician for plays and musical productions at Chaparral High School for several years, this year Howard Schmidt taught a course in stage lighting.

Howard has worked on lighting and maintenance for a rock band. He put together a music synthesizer kit for himself and several pieces of test equipment for his father who is a TV repairman.

In Howard's senior physics class he studied more complicated electrical theories which, Howard says, "gave me a better understanding of what electricity is all about."

He is president of the Freeport Trailblazers 4-H Club in Harper County.





Howard is shown at the lighting panel in the high school auditorium where he assisted with lighting and sound for dramatic and musical productions.

Some of the things Howard made in the 4-H electric project, from left, in the order in which they were made, are: trouble light, study lamp, five-tube radio, motor speed control, and sine-square wave generator, and, at right, a flyback and yoke tester made for his dad's TV shop.





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