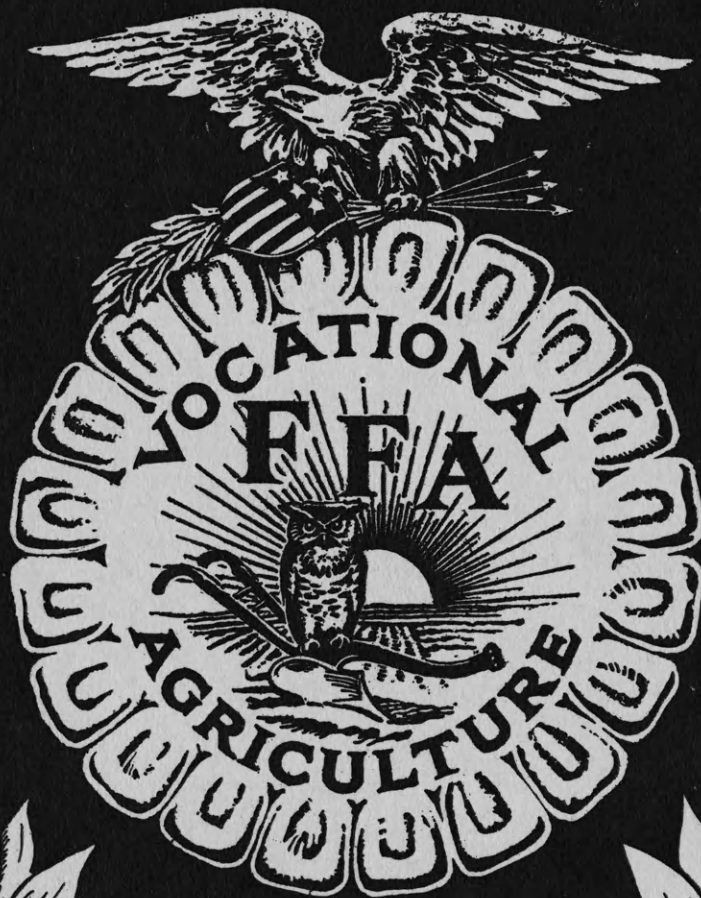


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F.F.A. CALENDAR

State Farmer Candidate's current year's record book, if called for...April 14
Public Speaking entry and manuscript.....April 14
Better Chapter Contest Report.....April 21
Thirteenth Annual Meeting of Kansas Association.....April 28-29

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CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations are extended to the Halstead Chapter of Future Farmers of America, chartered February 24, 1941 with 23 members. Officers of the Halstead chapter are: Kurt Huebert, president; Gerald Hall, vice president; Errol Johnson, secretary; Joe Trego, treasurer; Dale O'Dell, reporter. Mr. A. E. Starosta is the sponsor of the new chapter.

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PLEASE

Each year some of us are somewhat perturbed over the fact that many local FFA advisors and chapter members fail to inform themselves as to the correct terminology to use in discussing the Future Farmers of America. It is the National Organization, the State Association, and the local chapter. In listening to FFA chapter radio broadcasts over Kansas stations during the past year the writer has heard the National Organization of Future Farmers of America referred to as the "National Association", and the Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America called the Kansas "Organization". A common error made by certain broadcasting groups was the use of the word "Club" when referring to the local chapter. This error should be studiously avoided in fairness to the 4-H Club people. An organization of more than 231,000 members located in approximately 7,000 chapters in 47 chartered state associations and two territorial possessions is of sufficient importance to justify the time necessary to learn to speak of it correctly.

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ANNOUNCING

The Thirteenth Annual Meeting of the Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America will be held at K.S.C., Manhattan, Kansas April 28 and 29, 1941. Announcement folders and entry blanks for the agricultural, farm mechanics, and FFA contests are being mailed to all chapters. May we suggest that all advisors and chapter officers give close attention to rules, procedures and closing dates.

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RANK

In the April issue of the Kansas Future Farmer will be run a classified list of the FFA chapters in Kansas. The percentage of paid-up membership in the FFA on the basis of total enrollment in vocational agriculture will be the basis of the classification. We hope that your chapter will be in the group of 100 per cent plus.

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The only way in which one human being can properly attempt to influence another is the encouraging him to think for himself, instead of endeavoring to instil ready-made opinions into his head.

--Sir Leslie Stephen

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EMBLEM

L. G. Balfour Company, Attleboro, Massachusetts, have for sale a suitable gold emblem pin in the identical size and style of the present Green Hand and Future Farmer pins. This emblem is of 10K gold, and may be had with either pin or button attachment. The price is \$2.75. Honorary (gold) pins are not to be worn by active members.

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ADVISORS EMBLEM

Advisor's pins in gold plate at 23 cents are available through the office of the State Executive Secretary. This owl pin of special design may be had with safety clasp, screw back, or button attachment, if desired. However, the state office only handles the safety clasp type. The others may be obtained through L. G. Balfour Company, Attleboro, Massachusetts.

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Tenant: "Those people over my head are very trying. They were jumping about and banging on the floor till after midnight last Monday."

Landlord: "Did they wake you up?"

"No, I hadn't gone to bed."

"Working late, I suppose?"

"Yes, I was practicing on my saxophone."

AMERICAN FARMER

Kansas hopes to be in a position to recommend five candidates for the American Farmer degree at the Fourteenth Annual Convention of the National Organization of Future Farmers of America to be held at Kansas City, October 18-25. The applications must be in the mails by May 1, 1941. Professor L. F. Hall and Executive Advisor A. P. Davidson will visit all American Farmer candidates during the latter part of March and recommendations will be made to the State Executive Committee on April 16. The following points will be carefully checked by Professors Hall and Davidson:

1. Will the candidate have held the Degree of State Farmer for at least one year by the next national F.F.A. convention?
2. Is the candidate in active membership status and has he been an active member of the F.F.A. continuously for at least three years?
3. Does the candidate have a satisfactory record of participation in the activities of the local chapter and State association?
4. Has the candidate completed at least three years of vocational agriculture or (if less than a three year program) all the vocational agriculture offered in the school attended?
5. Does the candidate have in operation an outstanding program of supervised farming which shows comprehensive planning, continuation, growth and increase in scope?
6. Are the candidate's summary records complete, accurate and neat?
7. Has the candidate earned by his own efforts from farming and other agricultural work and deposited in a bank or otherwise productively invested at least \$500?
8. Was two-thirds or more of this \$500 derived from his supervised farming program?
9. Does candidate show outstanding ability in leadership and cooperation?
10. Has candidate been in the upper 40 per cent of his class in school in all subjects during the entire period of his secondary school instruction?

The score card for scoring American Farmer candidates as set up by the National Organization of Future Farmers of America follows:

Items	Points Allowed
I. In-School and Out-of-School Supervised Farming Program.....	400
*II. Earnings and Income from sources other than Supervised Farming Program.....	*100

American Farmer (Concluded)

Items	Points Allowed
III. Present Financial Statement.....	100
IV. Leadership and Cooperative Activities.....	300
V. Scholarship.....	100
Total.....	1000

*In case little or no income is reported under Section II of the candidate's application and he has already met his \$500 minimum requirements under Section I, allow 500 points rather than 400 points in scoring Section I. In such instance, allow no score under Section II.

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TRADEMARK

The following letter of February 27, 1941, from national secretary W. A. Ross in reply to a letter from the Kansas executive advisor seeking information as to whether or not it would be necessary to use "T. M. Reg. U. S. Pat. Off." whenever we printed or mimeographed the FFA emblem, is self explanatory and will be of interest to all Kansas FFA members.

"Answering your inquiry concerning the letters "T. M. Reg. U. S. Pat. Off." in connection with the F.F.A. emblem, may I say that this applies to the uses of the emblem in general rather than just in connection with the selling of goods.

To protect ourselves fully the above wording should appear in small type just below the emblem whenever and wherever it appears in print. We intend to do this nationally and are suggesting it to State associations and chapters. When you get new letterheads or print some new covers for the newsletter, it certainly would be advisable to add the legend. It will help us to prevent further illegal use of the emblem which is highly important."

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FFA STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WILL MEET

The State Executive Committee of the State Association of Future Farmers of America will hold its annual meeting at Manhattan, Kansas, April 16, at 10:00 a. m. The meeting will convene in the office of Dean L. E. Call, Division of Agriculture. The principal business of the meeting will be a review of the State and American Farmer applications. Members of the State Executive Committee are: Supervisor L. B. Pollom, State Supervisor of Agriculture; Dr. W. E. Grimes, head of the Department of Economics and Sociology; Professor A. P. Davidson, State Executive Advisor; Mr. J. A. Watson, president of the KVAA; Raymond Kaup, president of the Kansas Association of FFA.

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FFA NATIONAL PROGRAM OF WORK FOR 1940-41

1. Increasing Membership.
Goal - 250,000 active members by July 1, 1941.
2. Using Official Manuals.
Goal - 100 per cent of chapter and State officers provided with 1940 Manuals. 100 per cent of members having access to revised Manuals.
3. Using Official Secretary and Treasurer Books.
Goal - 100 per cent of chapters using both books.
4. Providing Official Meeting Paraphernalia, Equipment and Supplies.
Goal - 100 per cent of chapters and state associations have standard materials with which to work.
5. Using Uniforms.
Goal - 100 per cent of State officers, 50 per cent of chapter officers, and 100 per cent of chapter delegates to state convention have official jackets.
6. Using Official Ceremonies.
Goal - 100 per cent of the chapters using opening and closing, and degree ceremonies according to revised Manual.
7. Following Parliamentary Procedure.
Goal - 100 per cent of the chapter conducting meetings according to accepted parliamentary procedure.
8. Building Programs of Work,
Goal - 100 per cent of states and chapters with definite programs.
9. Advancing Members to Higher Degree.
Goal - 100 per cent of states naming full quota of qualified American Farmer applicants.
10. Providing Chapter Libraries.
Goal - 85 per cent of the chapters with libraries which include 5 or more F.F.A. books.
11. Practicing Thrift.
Goal - 80 per cent of chapters with thrift banks and using well-selected fund-raising activities.
12. Participating in Public Speaking.
Goal - 100 per cent of chapters holding public speaking contests.
13. Taking Tours and Trips.
Goal - 60 per cent of chapters taking educational tours or trips.
14. Making Home Improvements.
Goal - 95 per cent of members doing some home improvement work.

National Program of Work (Continued)

15. Preventing Farm Fires.

Goal - 100 per cent chapter participation.

16. Conserving Natural Resources.

Goal - 100 per cent chapter and member participation.

17. Preventing Livestock Loss.

Goal - 100 per cent state participation.

18. Improving State Conventions.

Goal - 100 per cent of associations with well-planned, well-conducted and well-attended conventions.

19. Increasing State Officer Travel.

Goal - 100 per cent of the states making some provision for visits to chapters by state officers.

20. Increasing State Musical Organizations.

Goal - 60 per cent state participation.

21. Providing State Publications.

Goal - 100 per cent of states with an official organ.

22. Providing State Camps and Leadership Training.

Goal - 100 per cent state participation.

23. Distributing Proceedings of 13th National Convention.

Goal - Completed by March 1, 1941.

24. Continuing National F.F.A. Day.

Goal - 100 per cent of state associations participating.

25. Maintaining National Leadership School.

Goal - 100 per cent officer attendance.

26. Providing National Officer Travel.

Goal - All associations visited as requested.

27. Developing National Camp.

Goal - Have temporary camp and Washington's Mill open by June 1.

28. Informing the Public.

Goal - Keep the public informed on what the FFA is and does.

29. Maintaining Relationship With Kindred Organizations.

Goal - Assist where possible.

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When a man dies they who survive him ask what property he has left behind. The angel who bends over the dying man asks what good deed he has sent before him.--The Koran.

CHAPTER NEWS

HOLTON: In the pest eradication contest Clarence Schultz was high point individual with the riddance of 300 sparrows....There have been four noon meetings. Our chapter plans to hold these noon meetings every two weeks. Hot chocolate or some soft drink is served with the boys' lunches, followed by a picture show during the remainder of the noon hour....A night meeting was held December 27 for the boys who are attending college. George Riley was made an associate member of the chapter....Our chapter has received an invitation to broadcast over KMBC radio station at Kansas City May 3....Mr. Castle, our instructor, has compiled the following statistics in regard to the farming programs of the vocational agriculture students: 37 boys enrolled have a total investment of \$3,553.80; the average investment for each boy was \$96.05; the average investment for each freshman boy is \$43.33, each sophomore, \$120.45, each junior, \$169.89, and each senior and alumni member of the FFA, \$188.02; (this includes two boys attending college who have decreased their inventory to a large extent); the second year boys have gained from \$69.45 to \$120.45; the third year boys have gained from \$48.47, January 1, 1939, to \$104.93, January 1, 1940, and to \$169.89, January 1, 1941....In the poultry judging contest at Seneca, February 22, the Holton team won by a score of 1502. The boys on the teams were as follows: Leonard Gerhardt, Clarence Schultz, Warren Moore, Wayne Marshall, Andrew Riederer, and John Kehler. Dean Mumaw was an alternate. Professor Seaton, extension poultry specialist of Kansas State College, was guest judge of the contest.

--Reporter

LAHARPE: Our officers are: Orval Morrison, president; Emerson Ard, vice president; John Lust, treasurer; Richard Mankle, secretary; Floyd Boeken, reporter; Babe Wood, watch dog....Four members of our chapter attended the public speaking contest at Chanute. The following is a list of the boys and their ratings: Gus Schullian, superior; Emerson Ard, good; Kenneth Akers, good; Richard Mankle, excellent....The sophomore and junior classes constructed approximately 10,000 feet of terrace....The chapter has been testing seed for the farmers of the community. This is done in accordance with plans recommended by the State College at Manhattan....100 head of Western ewes were purchased by several members of the chapter. Part of the funds for this project was supplied by the Chanute Production Credit Association....For the last few days the students have been docking and castrating lambs....After seeing the need for a source of income for the treasury, the chapter decided to sell candy during the noon hour....LaHarpe presented a program over radio station KGGF. Those who took part in the program were: Orval Morrison, Richard Mankle, Emerson Ard, James Akers, John Lust, Chas. Englehardt, and Carol Yocum....During the fall the boys drenched approximately 300 head of ewes....We butchered five head of hogs and one beef....One tractor was overhauled and lights were mounted on another....In accordance with the home improvement program, overhead grain bins and fences were constructed on the farms of two of the members.

--Floyd Boeken, Reporter

Labor to keep alive in your breast that little spark of celestial fire called conscience.--Washington

Chapter News (Continued)

TONGANOXIE: Our chapter held an initiation for Green Hands January 21. Eighteen were initiated....Our poultry judging team went to Ottawa, Saturday, February 22, and placed fourth. Members of the team were: Junior Black, Paul Jones, James Davoren, Thomas Grey....The chapter has bought 55 bushels of Fulton certified oats to be sold to members and to farmers of the community....The excessive moisture this year made feed lots bad and members report that lambing conditions are not the best....Our next night meeting will be March 17. Sound pictures of farming machinery will be shown.

--Lionel Dramann, Reporter

SAFFORDVILLE: We held our Father-Son banquet, December 13. Eighty-five fathers, sons and guests were present. Mr. L. B. Follom, State Supervisor of Vocational Agriculture, gave the address of the evening....Our chapter presented a chapel program January 24....The shop team placed second at the shop contest at Emporia February 8....The freshman class has finished testing milk and cream for farmers....The boys have 74 lambs from their ewes to date. They are having good luck with the lambs....The chapter has started its hot bed. We plan to sell tomatoes, cabbage, peppers, and sweet potato plants to the community....A Dodge motor has been purchased for our feed grinder. We are grinding our own grain and hay for our projects....We mixed 600 pounds of mineral mixture for our projects and 900 pounds of Trinity mixture to be fed to our swine projects....Class project tours were held to see the progress in projects and to take project pictures....The freshman boys have wormed 20 hogs to date....Two Saturdays were spent butchering 14 hogs and two beeves at \$1.00 per head....Principal shop work completed so far by the boys consists of repairing six walking plows, four single cylinder gas engines, four harrows, and two curlers. We have made three sheep feeders.

--Glenn Harvey, Reporter

MULVANE: One of the biggest activities of our chapter was completed March 4 when we presented a 15 minute radio program. This time has been reserved each month for FFA radio programs to be given by chapters throughout the South Central district. The Mulvane FFA is the sponsor of these programs and at the close of the series an FFA plaque will be given to the chapter that presents the most interesting and educational program. Directors of the radio program are to be the judges....March 17 is to be a gala day in Mulvane. The Future Farmers and the Mulvane school band are sponsoring a carnival. Committees are now preparing booths and entertainment for all those who will be present....The Parent-Son banquet is scheduled for April 15. The chapter has a large shop display already prepared....The farm management class has completed plans for landscaping the grade school grounds. The agriculture classes are to do the work....The vocational agriculture department prepared an exhibit for the educational banquet of the Mulvane public school held February 24. Several pictures of this display were taken for the activity report.

--Raymond Schwyhart, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

MOUND CITY: There are 57 paid-up FFA members of which 55 are regularly enrolled in vocational agriculture....Our chapter held a joint meeting December 6, with all FFA chapters in Linn county. The schools attending this meeting were: LaCygne, Pleasanton, and Parker. At this meeting all Green Hands who were present received their Future Farmer degree. After the initiation, basketball was played....Our chapter closed a pest eradication contest March 1....We entered the Linn County Poultry Judging contest at Pleasanton, February 19, placing third....On February 22 we entered the District Poultry contest held at Ottawa. Mound City took seventh place with 24 teams competing....Jobs that have been completed or are under construction in shop are as follows: one large hog feeder, three disks sharpened and polished, four wagon boxes, one hay rack, one cultivator overhauled and painted, new screen frames made for each shop window, seed treater, vise and post drill remounted, several cars repaired. Miscellaneous jobs are ten music stands, three kafir corn toppers, punches, cold chisels, double trees, and single trees, etc. New equipment added to the shop: one double electric forge, one anvil, hammers and wrenches....Our chapter has a basketball team....We held our annual FFA and FHA joint meeting December 3....Our chapter has ten purebred Duroc cooperative sows out with ten FFA boys. We also have a purebred Duroc boar. Several of the boys purchased ten ewes last summer....We have butchered several hogs and a beef this winter, also pruned several vineyards. The chapter is selling seed cooperatively to make money for the chapter....The No. 11 boys are running a seed test experiment, testing seed for their projects....Our chapter will broadcast over KMBC at Kansas City, May 17. Our subject will be "Farming Programs"....A team of four boys participated in the public speaking contest held at Paola, March 8....We held our FFA and faculty basketball game February 26. After the game there was a pie and box supper sponsored by the FFA and FHA....Our chapter is going to sponsor the County Crops contest.

--Harley Dunsworth, Reporter

GOODLAND: The Goodland chapter recently held its annual Parent-Son banquet. Presentation of a farming program by a member of the freshman, sophomore and senior classes, showed the advancement of boys yearly as they increased their projects and incomes. The financial report was given by the treasurer and showed that the chapter's projects amount in value to \$10,000 at the end of the year, 1940....Shop practices are wide and varied. Many useful things are being made from old discarded parts. A two-wheel trailer is being made from the front chassis of an old auto and with the aid of lumber, old angle iron, and rods. Chick waterers are being made from one gallon Prestone cans....There are also some interesting things in livestock. Horses are still considered of sufficient importance to be included in western Kansas FFA projects. One boy has bought two young colts to raise for breeding purposes. Several boys are buying young livestock to keep for breeding purposes. This lessens initial financing costs and speeds future gains. Lambs are doing fine and boys report better than a 100 per cent lamb crop....The trees which have been raised on a cooperative basis will be put out this spring. In this locality it is best to plant trees on summer till or put them near an artificial water supply to prevent the dry weather from killing them. Small trees should always be given a start first in a protected place or garden. The trees will then be old enough to withstand drought and the raids of rabbits and grasshoppers. A tree that is two or three years old will resist these enemies much better than one that is only a year old.

--Elmer Gafford, Reporter

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Chapter News (Continued)

OBERLIN: The officers of this chapter raised the Hoxie chapter Green Hands to the Future Farmer degree and gave the Green Hand degree initiation to the officers of the Norcatur chapter....At our last meeting we closed our pest eradication contest and the winning side was treated by the losers...The chapter elected Mr. Pritchard, manager of the Oberlin Hatchery to the degree of honorary Future Farmer....At a recent pep meeting the organization put on a stunt which consisted of some boys asking an owl, (symbol of wisdom and knowledge) questions, and the owl answered them through another boy who was concealed in a box placed under the owl. The talking was done through a microphone.... In the school nursery the department is taking care of about 150 trees, which will be set out next spring....One of our members has taken as his project a pair of silver foxes. His father owns and operates a fox farm.

--Dean Watkins, Reporter

MCDONALD: The annual Parent-Son banquet was held February 20. Seventy-five parents and their sons attended....The FFA chapter has bought a pair of boxing gloves, which the boys enjoy very much....The losing side of the pest eradication contest gave an oyster supper for the winning side. There were 540 pests killed during the first semester....Mr. Poch and four boys attended the National Livestock Show at Denver. Two boys entered their calves....The vocational agriculture boys have made 150 stepping stones....We remodeled the forges by taking the steel legs off of the forges and building a brick stand for them. We also painted a car and sharpened saws, changed a gas engine from a low tension system to a high tension system, and are changing an old hammer mill from a blower type elevator to a chain and a cup elevator.

--Dale Downing, Reporter

HALSTEAD: Our chapter has been organized for about three months. We meet the second and last Thursdays of the month. After our meeting we have volleyball and basketball games....We sold popcorn at five basketball games as a chapter activity and made a profit of \$6.89. The boys who sold popcorn at the games were credited with their dues....We are selling garden seeds this spring and will receive 33 1/3 per cent on all sales....Our officers are: Kurt Huebert, president; Gerald Hall, vice president; Errol Johnson, secretary; Joe Trego, treasurer; Dale O'Dell, reporter; Mr. Starosta, advisor.

--Dale O'Dell, Reporter

ELDORADO: Our FFA chapter has just completed a pest eradication contest. The Senior class, losers in the contest, will serve chili to the sophomores and juniors at our next meeting. At the same meeting we will initiate 16 Green Hands....We treated 360 sacks of potatoes March 1 with acidulated corrosive sublimate....We have butchered eight hogs this year. A number of the boys attended the Tractor show in Wichita....We intend to entertain the Burns FFA chapter at our next meeting.

--Wilbur Baker, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

SOUTH HAVEN: F.F.A. members wanting a worthwhile shop job that will cost very little and result in a very useful article around the farm shop, should build one or two saw horses as follows: cut three pieces of common 1 x 4 three feet long and nail together as an I beam. Cut four legs of same material each two feet long and attach to I beam. Both ends of legs may be miter cut or left square as desired....About 35 members treked to Wichita on February 19 and visited the Cudahy Packing plant and the Union Stock Yards in the forenoon and the big Tractor and Road show in the afternoon. The trip was made in an enclosed truck....Fred Strickland, Fred Cottle, and Charles Carson participated in the Shop School at Moundridge March 1....Our chapter produced over 200 bushels of Fulton seed oats last harvest and saved them for seed this spring. It was decided to sell them to members only at 50¢ per bushel. In order to meet the demand we had to purchase 60 bushels of the same variety of oats from our last year's president, Dale Milligan, to fill our orders. All oats were cleaned and treated in the school shop. Members planted from 3 to 40 bushels....Our chapter is financing the purchase of approximately \$100 worth of screws, stove bolts, bolts, washers, sandpaper, and lumber and storing it at school in order to make these items more easily available when needed. This material was purchased at a price that will allow a profit to the chapter.

--Ray White, Reporter

BELLEVILLE: The Belleville chapter distributed a carload of Western ewes September 10 at \$6 per head among the vocational agriculture boys....Hal Ramsbottom, our FFA president, sold his purebred Hereford bull at the Kansas Hereford Breeders Association sale at Hutchinson for \$450....There were 20 boys initiated into the Green Hand degree December 1. The initiation was followed by a turkey dinner....Members of our chapter having purebred sheep projects are: Hampshires, Hal Ramsbottom and Loren Bryon; Suffolk, Max Ball; Southdown, Hal Ramsbottom and Melvin Morley. Members having purebred cattle projects are: Hereford, Gerald Fraser, Floyd Anderson, and Hal Ramsbottom; Angus, Delmar Davidson, Elwin Scofield, and Walter Milnor....In our shop Bill Hodgins is making a sheep dipping vat, and Gerald Fraser is making a brooder house.

--Melvin Morley, Reporter

BUHLER: Our chapter raised the Green Hands of the Moundridge chapter to the Future Farmer degree. After the ceremony, games were enjoyed....The chapter butchered two hogs for the G. R. club....The vocational Homemaking club took charge of our February 10 meeting and gave us several ideas on etiquette. It was in the form of an "Asket Basket" program. The boys turned in questions they wished to have answered and the girls were asked to answer them....Walter Bartel was not satisfied for his ewes to have only twins and triplets so he made arrangements with Mr. Stork for quadruplets to be left to one matronly old ewe. She didn't get along with one so well, as she laid on it after it was about two weeks old. The others are doing nicely....After checking up we find that our chapter members have an average of over four projects each. Four Hereford heifers were bought cooperatively by four members....We appeared on the monthly literary program for the Kent Rural school. Our vocal quartette gave two numbers, the string trio, two numbers, Loo Ediger explained the National Organization of Future Farmers of America, and Norman Enns discussed the activities of the local chapter....We have set March 26 as the date for our Parent-Son banquet.

--Norman Enns, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

GARDNER: The Gardner chapter entered the Ottawa poultry judging contest February 22, with four juniors entered....Our chapter purchased 600 Texas ewes last summer. About 60 per cent have dropped lambs. All the ewes were bred to pure-bred Hampshire rams....Colored moving pictures were taken of our shop by the Cramer Chemical Co. The pictures were taken of students working at the forge.... We have been making sheep feeders and selling them for \$2.25 each. We are planning to buy another sheep shearing outfit to shear the sheep in our projects.

--Wayne Ebberts, Reporter

KISMET: This is the first year we have had vocational agriculture. We have 20 members in our FFA. The officers are: Dean Hoadrick, president; A. J. Handy, vice president; Ray Rose, secretary; Ralph Ellsaesser, treasurer; Harold Krause, reporter; Arthur Bayba, watch dog....We have planned our activities for the coming year....We plan to buy certified Leoti Red Seed. This seed will be sold to the boys and the farmers at a small profit....We will buy small trees. These trees will be planted in a nursery for one year. After a year in the nursery the trees will be planted on the football field and some will be sold to the boys....We will treat seed for ourselves and for the farmers....We did not charge local dues but will butcher a pig to meet the necessary expenses until we get things rolling smoothly.

--Harold Krause, Reporter

PHILLIPSBURG: On December 29, 1940, the Phillipsburg chapter of Future Farmers purchased 24 head of bred Western ewes as a cooperative project. They were purchased in cooperation with two other boys who purchased 25 head each. The purchasing of the ewes was financed through the Stockton Production Credit Association....The cooperative broiler project which the No. 10 class carried on was brought to a close January 10. We found at the close that we had made a profit of \$15.10 above operating costs, not counting labor and depreciation. The same class purchased another bunch of 225 chicks January 23....On January 25 the FFA sponsored a coyote hunt over an area 6 x 5 miles. They garnered two coyotes for the treasury....Our chapter has planned a Parent-Son banquet for April 1.

--Emmott Scott, Reporter

PRATT: Our chapter participated in a volley ball tournament which was held at Medicine Lodge, on February 18....The Animal Husbandry classes held a meat demonstration for the Home Economics girls on February 4....A National Defense course is being offered to out-of-school rural youth between the ages of 17 and 25....The advanced agriculture boys have been working on cabinets and other equipment in relation to this school....The boys who have sheep as a project are getting along very nicely with them. They have had unusually good weather for lambing....George Doan has sold nearly all of his young breeding livestock with profitable returns....Weather conditions have been very favorable for the crops projects....The Future Farmer boys were invited as special guests to the local John Deere Day to see moving pictures and to see what is new in farm machinery.

--Clyde Woolfolk, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

TAMPA: Tampa chapter officers are: Ramand Ide, president; Ruben Kerbs, vice president; Kenneth Wiley, secretary; Martin Hajek, treasurer; Olander Mohm, reporter....Some of the members took projects to the Hillsboro fair. They won six firsts, four seconds, and three thirds....The chapter netted \$15 on its Darso project....We are sponsoring a garden seed sale this spring. The chapter is trimming trees for the Catholic church....Our Father-Son banquet was held March 10.

--Olander Mohm, Reporter

WOODSTON: The Woodston chapter of the FFA made \$8.88 on their carnival January 10. The attendance was not large on account of the flu epidemic....The first annual FFA banquet was held February 25. Conservation was the theme of the program. No charge was made for the banquet but the boys brought food from home and Miss Grace Helen Dunlap and her homemaking girls prepared and served it. Fifty-five persons attended the banquet....We are selling garden seed again this year as a source of income for the chapter.

--Lawrence Whaley, Reporter

DOWNIS: January 18, six boys were selected to go to Salina for a 15 minute broadcast over KSAL....At the first of the year, a special party was held for the men teachers of the high school....The Downs FFA annual banquet was held Thursday evening, February 27. Some of the fries from our own chapter broiler projects were served at the banquet....In shop this year over 200 tile have been made for subirrigation for different parties of the community....We are having some trouble with our poultry at our demonstration yard--a disease called laryngotracheitis.

--Dan Sharp, Reporter

KINCAID: The FFA boys have been having good luck with their Western ewes. The average per cent of the lambs saved is 110 per cent....The following boys, Jim Holmes, Frank Martin, Orville Rogers, and Arden Wilcox went to Pleasanton to a poultry show February 19. Our school did not compete....The following boys, Arden Wilcox, Herman Green, Wilbur Louk, and Joe Church went to Ottawa to a poultry contest February 22. Kincaid ranked fifth. Arden Wilcox tied for seventh high individual....The FFA chapter bought four official FFA jackets to be worn by the officers or members who officially represent our chapter.

--Joe Church, Reporter

CENTRALIA: Our recently organized chapter elected officers as follows: Kenneth Newman, president; Eldon Grey, vice president; Don Hitchner, secretary; Francis Fritch, treasurer; Harlan Elder, reporter; Carl Campfield, watch dog. Committees have been appointed to set up a program of work. We intend to have a chartered chapter soon....Carl Campfield, Paul Harper, Victor Gaughan, Clinton Dodd, and Eldon Grey attended the poultry judging contest at Seneca February 22. They did very well for beginners.

--Harlan Elder, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

LEROY: Our officers for this year are as follows: Clarence Clem, president; James Irwin, vice president; James McCormick, secretary; John Mountain, treasurer; Paul Frevert, reporter; Eugene Curbey, watch dog. C. A. Brewer is our sponsor....Early in the school year we held our parent meeting, and a watermelon feed for the Green Hands down on the river bank....Ten Green Hands were initiated this year....We have an increased enrollment in our department and chapter this year, even though the general school enrollment is down....We have 140 head of ewes, mostly Western, in our department this year....We have loans of over \$6,000 from the Chanute Production Credit Association....We bought five pure-bred Hampshire rams, which were used to breed the ewes....Another year we plan to set up our own insurance plan to cover any losses we may have....We have helped various farmers worm and cull chickens, worm, dock and castrate ewes and lambs, prune fruit trees, vaccinate for black leg, butcher, and kill field bindweed....The chapter has been making money this year by picking and selling pecans, selling magazines and Christmas cards, and handling the candy and hot dog concessions at football and basketball games....We held our father and son banquet January 22. Over 60 guests were present, including all of our board members....On February 3 four of our members, Clarence Clem, John Mountain, Dean Ray, and Floyd Eggleston, went to Chanute to the district public speaking contest, where they won third place out of some 16 teams competing. Dean Ray received a superior rating....On the evening of February 10 we were guests of the Iola chapter for a joint initiation of Future Farmers....We now have 32 members.We held a very successful pest eradication contest earlier in the year.... Jim McCormick has started what we believe to be the only flock of broad breasted Bronze turkeys in our community....Dean Ray recently purchased three Giant Toulouse geese to start a flock....Our FFA members won over \$100 in prize money at the county fair last year.

--Paul Frevert, Reporter

WAMEGO: The sophomore and junior vocational agriculture boys have butchered 20 hogs for farmers of the community....On January 25 a judging contest for farmers and business men was held in the agriculture building. Boys on committees arranging for the event were: Coleman Farrell and Vernon Gieber, ewes; Everett Boyce and Robert Salzer, hogs; Jack Fixley and John Farrell, dairy cows; Glen Applegate and Harmon Orsborn, beef cattle; Dale Scott and Junior Ubel, poultry.On February 8 the chapter held the parent-son banquet in the high school gymnasium....The agriculture building has a new germinator which will be used to test seed for farmers of the community. We have tested 17 samples to date.... The chapter has organized a basketball team....We have played five games and won all of them....A demonstration was given in shop on making a concrete hog trough. The forms cost \$50 and are being financed by selling \$1 shares to any member who wants a share. The shareholder will be given \$1.50 back for every \$1 he invests in it....The district crops judging contest is to be held here March 15.

--Junior Ubel, Reporter

HAYS: The Hays chapter held its parent-son banquet December 9, with 120 guests present. All of the decoration, planning, and cooking of the food was done by the FFA boys....The classes in vocational agriculture have been actively engaged this year in that they have slaughtered three beeves, castrated 47 pigs, and 34 calves, dehorned 18, vaccinated 23, and branded 14 cattle, culled 1,072 hens and pullets, castrated and docked 25 lambs.

--Dean Wahl, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

BARNES: Our chapter officers are: Jean Herrmann, president; Lowell Rodick, vice president; Phil Clark, secretary; Walt Moore, treasurer; Norbert Stiggs, reporter Mr. Rawson, advisor....Our chapter held their first Parent-Son banquet in the high school gymnasium, January 9....Our chapter members made a project tour December 16. Ten farms were visited and some very good farming programs were studied....The chapter gave an assembly program February 5. The main event was a one-act play entitled "The Racket on the Payson Farm"....We entered a team in the Farm Mechanics contest held at Greenleaf, February 15....The agriculture boys are busy these days overhauling cars, making trailers, hog houses, chicken feeders, ropes, sharpening chisels, axes, and many other jobs in the shop.

--Norbert Stiggs, Reporter

KINGMAN: The Kingman chapter has purchased 25 White Rock chicks which will be raised in an electric brooder at the shop and sold as broilers....Adrian Kostner and Paul Conrardy each purchased a registered Hereford heifer at Will Condell's annual sale at Eldorado....The chapter entered a team in the Farm Mechanics school contest at Moundridge, Saturday, March 1....FFA committees have been functioning well lately and interest in FFA work is on the increase....The News Sheet committee compiled and sent out approximately 150 copies of the first issue of this year's "FFA News Digest", February 14....Arthur Beat, our FFA president, recently purchased a senior yearling Duroc Jersey sow from Vern Albrecht at Smith Center....Some of the shop jobs recently completed are: four sets ewe lamb branding irons, one two-wheeled trailer with stock racks and grain box sides, one 3-compartment self feeder for swine.

--Paul Conrardy, Reporter

ELLIS: The Ellis FFA chapter held their fourth annual banquet on February 29. We had 135 people present. We bought a hog and used the hams and shoulders for the banquet and sold the rest. The entertainment consisted of a few musical numbers. The main feature was a picture show and a demonstration on acetylene welding....We bought 60 head of ewes and distributed them among the boys in lots of 5 and 10. Each boy takes as many as he can feed and handle during the winter. We also have butchered 36 hogs this year in vocational agriculture....The vocational agriculture boys are building a 4 x 8 foot two-wheel trailer in the shop.

--Ray Kroeger, Reporter

PARKER: The members of the FFA have purchased a hammer mill and a motor and mounted both on a trailer to do custom grinding in order to make some money for the chapter. We are also grinding feed for the boys at cost and are going to grind the chicken feed which we plan to mix and sell....Seven boys have 80 lambs from 78 ewes....All the boys attended a sheep meeting held at the Cadmus Grange Hall, February 12, and learned quite a bit about raising lambs. The Producer's Commission Association, Midwest Wool Marketing Association, and the Sheep Growers Association of Linn County put the meeting on and also treated us with a roast leg of lamb dinner....Sidney Higginbottom, our FFA president, placed first, Russel McFadden, treasurer was second, Roy Stroup, reporter was third, Richard Stainbrook, fourth, and James Troutman was fifth in the poultry judging held at Pleasanton, February 19. LaCygne, Mound City, and Parker were the only schools competing....Sidney Higginbottom, Junior Burnett, Richard Stainbrook, and Elmer Johnson constituted a team that went to the Ottawa poultry contest February 22, and placed 14th.

--Roy Stroup, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

LITTLE RIVER: The Little River chapter sold the basketball season tickets on 10 per cent commission basis....January 23 the chapter ordered 45 official FFA shirts. The purchase was made possible through proceeds from the skating rink. Shirts were given to honorary members: Wm. H. (Bill) Burke, Professor P. C. Perry, and Principal A. E. Frisbie. These shirts are to be worn on special occasions....Another date skating party was held February 10. The faculty was invited and a good time was enjoyed by all....A butchering club has been organized. Dorwin Ramsey is president; Kenneth Troy, secretary; Ruben Voth, treasurer. Thus far, 13 hogs, one steer, and one lamb have been butchered. The charge is 25 cents per head for hogs and lambs and 50 cents per head for steers. There are 30 members....The club held a date surprise party at the Little River lake March 12....Plans are being made for the annual FFA Parent-Son banquet to be held in the school auditorium, May 3....The following boys are members of the lamb projects: Kenneth Troy, Lester Williams, Emery Stowe, Leland Johns, Wayne Smith, Bobby Fail, Curtis Smith, Bill Winkler, Melvin Leonard, Calvin Colle, Clifford Williams, and Ted Troy. Clifford Williams is leading in ownership of lambs with 45.

--Virgil Cory, Reporter

OLATHE: Charles Frank Thompson, Richard Sackman, Donald Hoff, and Charles Page represented the Olathe FFA chapter at the first annual East Central Kansas Public Speaking Contest held at Paola. Charles Thompson will represent the chapter at the State Contest in Manhattan....The poultry judging team competed in the poultry contest at Ottawa. Members of the team were: Richard Sackman, John Walters, Lavern Oltmer, and Henry Schlagel. Our chapter placed sixth out of the 25 schools represented. Lavern Oltmer was fourth high individual in the entire contest....The Olathe FFA presented a short skit over radio station KMBC February 8, about our purebred Duroc swine project. Those taking part were: John Walters, Bryant Tate, Charles and Donald Page, Bobbie Wright, Loren Williams, Donald Hoff, Tom Ewing, Lavern Oltmer....The livestock and crops classes of the Olathe vocational department butchered and cut up six hogs for the Kansas state school for the deaf....To help raise money for our FFA chapter, and for our trip this spring, the boys have been banding the trees on our school campus for cankerworm. Six dollars was earned this way....The chapter purchased a metal hog trough form to make troughs to sell to farmers....The poultry judging team visited the Cold Storage Poultry Plant in Kansas City, Kansas, and placed some live and dressed poultry.

--Henry Schlagel, Reporter

KENSINGTON: The Kensington chapter took a trip to the National Western Stock Show at Denver, Colorado. Thirteen boys went on the trip. The main attraction at the show was the fancy roping, bronc riding, gaited horses, and six horse team. Other points of interest were the airports, mountains and stockyards....The chapter sponsored a wolf hunt and served hot dogs, coffee, and rolls. A good profit was made on this enterprise.

--Charles Werner, Reporter