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of  
FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA



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\* The price of cots in the Gymnasium for \*  
\* four nights, May 1, 2, 3, 4, has been \*  
\* reduced from 85¢ per cot to 65¢ per cot.\*  
\* All other arrangements for housing re- \*  
\* main as stated in announcement folder. \*  
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FOURTH ANNUAL PROGRAM  
Kansas Association Future Farmers of America  
May 2, 3, 4, 1932

Monday, May 2 -- Immediately following opening of Contests, Room Ag. 7. Registration of official delegates and submission of copy of annual report of local chapter. Local advisor, delegate, or authorized representative. State President Leo Paulsen presiding.

Monday, May 2, 2:00 P.M. -- Education Hall, G. 28, meeting of officers of Kansas Association Future Farmers of America.

Monday, May 2, 6:00 P.M. -- Meeting State Officers and Official Delegates Kansas Association Future Farmers of America. Upstairs, west end, Community House, 4th and Humboldt streets. Officially vote on Future Farmer candidates to **be** raised to the State Farmer Degree.

Monday, May 2, 6:30 P.M. -- Manhattan Chamber of Commerce Banquet, Community House. Contestants, Coaches, F.F.A. Delegates, and guests. Meeting in charge of Kansas Association Future Farmers of America. Program. State Farmer Degree Ritual.

Tuesday, May 3, 8:00 A.M. -- Ag. 331. State F.F.A. Public Speaking Contest; A.P. Davidson in charge, President Leo Paulsen presiding. Judges, a K.S.C. faculty representative from the departments of Public Speaking, Education and Agricultural Economics.

Tuesday, May 3, 10:00 A.M. -- Committee Meetings.

Tuesday, May 3, 2:00 P.M. -- Education Hall, G 28, Meeting State Officers Kansas Association Future Farmers of America.

Tuesday, May 3, 5:00 P.M. -- Illustrations Building, Group picture of new State Farmer members.

Tuesday, May 3, 7:30 P.M. -- Ag. 331, Fourth Annual Meeting of the House of Delegates of the Kansas Association Future Farmers of America. Roll call, Chapter Reports, Reports of State Officers, Committee Reports, Election of Officers.

Wednesday, May 4 -- Following announcements in Pavilion, pictures new F.F.A. officers, dinner of F.F.A. Public Speaking Contest. Pictures will be taken in Illustrations Building by appointment.

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### PERSONAL QUALITIES OF FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

#### I - Dependability

Are you dependable? Can folks depend upon you to do the job? Are you entrusted with work to do in full confidence that you will complete it to the best of your ability? A Future Farmer should evaluate his own personal qualities by these criteria. Dependability is one of the foundation stones of personality and one of the marks of an individual of high character. Without it, no one can keep his self-respect as an individual nor can he merit the respect and confidence of his friends and fellow workers. That boy among you is held in the highest esteem among his acquaintances, among his teachers, among the business men of his community? Is it the brightest or most intelligent? Is it the most clever? The wittiest? Usually it is the boy who in all cases can be depended upon to live up to his promises, and to do what he says he will when he says he will. If he makes an appointment, he is there on time. He comes to class with his lesson assignments prepared. He gets to work on time, and does not "fudge" on the clock at quitting time. He takes his share of the responsibilities in all school activities, whether it be president or dish washer. His employer knows that the cows will be "stripped," that the harness and machinery will be properly fitted and adjusted, and that he will not "cut and cover." He does not need a "straw boss" to keep him on the job or to see that he does a good job.

Brains, intelligence, cleverness, perseverance, personal attractiveness, and many other valuable qualities are essential characteristics of a good citizen, but the reputation for being dependable, reliable, and trustworthy often outweighs all others in the estimation of one's character by his associates. The "woods are full" of folks who will join anything, sign anything,

promise anything, agree to do anything -- but who will do little or nothing when the time comes. Since they place such low value on the integrity of their word and promises, others are bound to do likewise. They are not to be trusted in matters of importance. No task is too small not to be done well, for it is through doing small tasks well that one makes preparation for the larger ones. The true Future Farmer of America is one who is dependable. By being faithful over the few things that are instructed to him day by day, he is preparing himself, when the opportunity comes, to be ruler over many things.

--L. L. Scranton.

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CHAPTER NEWS

JAYHAWK CHAPTER, LAWRENCE

Our chapter was organized September 11, 1931. We have had an Ag club in our department since 1922.

Some of our chapter activities consist of a poultry show which was held December 17, 18, 19, 1931. The boys exhibited 225 birds from their projects. Ottawa and Oskaloosa also exhibited birds. Nearly \$200.00 in cash and special awards was offered by the Lawrence Chamber of Commerce. At this time we held the Northeast Kansas Crops show. We also offered a regulation set of horse shoes to the freshman boy showing the best ten ear sample of seed corn. At the time of the poultry show we had a poultry judging contest with seven teams competing. Ottawa won the contest with Carbondale second.

The Eleventh Annual Grain Judging contest will be held in our school April 16, 1932.

We have a baseball team this season and have games scheduled with other chapters near Lawrence.

We have spent several days working on the cabin at the Leavenworth State Park six miles from Tonganoxie. This cabin is being built by the chapters in the Oskaloosa, Tonganoxie, McLouth, Shawnee Missions and Lawrence schools. The cabin is 48 feet by 28 feet. We purchased the land and some of the lumber. Most of the lumber was made from logs taken from the bottom of the lake bed. We hope to have the cabin completed by summer so we may have camping and fishing trips this summer and fall.

On May 24 we will have our annual field day with the Tonganoxie chapter. This is a big annual affair with visits to projects, a big picnic dinner and a baseball game between the two chapters. Next summer we will go to Tonganoxie for project tour and baseball game.

Last summer we developed a film of motion pictures of the activities of our chapter. The film is called "Future Farmers in Action". It is 1237 feet long and will take 45 minutes to run. The film is with the extension department of the University of Kansas. Any one can get the film by writing the University. It is a 16 M.M. film.

--Lyle Weeks, Reporter.

## MOUND CITY

The F.F.A. play produced with the cooperation of the Vocational home making girls. This play "Wild Ginger" was very much of a success.

The Mound City Chapter is looking forward to the Judging Contests at Manhattan. The Advisor, Mr. E. L. Raines, promises us that we will be well represented with our teams at this contest. Some of the boys are very busy at the present time working on Crops, Poultry, and Farm Machinery.

The chapter will hold a joint meeting with the Vocational Homemaking girls April 12.

-- Reporter.

## ATWOOD

The Atwood chapter of F.F.A. will help arrange for the big district American Legion Convention to be held at Atwood April 17 and 18. They will also run a check stand during the convention. The chapter is also contemplating a float for the big convention parade.

-- Wayne Minnick, Secretary.

## MULLINVILLE

The Mullinville chapter of Future Farmers, sponsored by H.A. Noyce, had a very appropriate program and banquet for their fathers and a few other men of the community, in the Vocational Agriculture Class Room, March 11, 1932.

The tables were decorated with an ear of corn, and a plow. At the opening of the program, the Future Farmers took their fathers down to the Auditorium where a short playlet, entitled "The Return of Martha and George," was given by Lawrence Pitts, Roy Beckett, Arthur Rainer, and Ralph Sheer. After the play, the members and guests were taken to the reception room where opening exercises were held. After a prayer by Dr. Buckett, Misses Alta Buckett and Margaret Schmidt served a delicious luncheon of hot rolls, chicken pie, salads and pickles, with ice cream and cake for dessert, which had been prepared by Mrs. Sheer, Mrs. Noyce and Mrs. Wm. Morris.

After dinner an opening speech was made by Enel Burton, who acted as Toastmaster. Vernon Sheer then gave a talk to the fathers, and Mr. Noyce gave an interesting talk about the "Owl," Roy Buckett about the "Rising Sun", Lewis Ralstin about the "Plow", and Carl Schmidt about the "Ear of Corn". All three toasts were very good. Both the sponsor and the boys are to be complimented on the interest they took in preparing their toasts.

After the program, the crowd went to the auditorium to see the picture of the "Future Farmers in Action." The film was prepared by the F.F.A. chapter at Lawrence and the machine was loaned to us by the Dodge City Schools. Mr. Gleckner operated the machine. The evening was enjoyed very much and both the guests and Future Farmers organization appreciated the exhibition of the film of the "Future Farmers in Action."

-- Arthur Barns, Reporter.



## COLD WATER

On March 14 the Coldwater Chapter of Future Farmers of America held a meeting in the Vocational Agriculture building. During the business meeting we voted to have a party for the Domestic Science girls as they served our Father and Son Banquet for us. A committee was appointed to make arrangements and plans for Poultry Day. This will be held about the first May or when we close the Future Farmer Poultry project. A committee was also appointed to make arrangements and plans for the project tour. The project tour will be held in May. We are going to invite all the business men to accompany us on a tour of all the projects thus giving them an opportunity to see the work we have been doing.

After the business session was over the program committee took charge of the meeting. Fred Lohrding gave a talk on "Washington as a Farmer." Dwight Copple gave a talk on Duroc Jersey hogs, and Dwight Link talked about the hog and poultry projects. Lynn Haas furnished the music with his guitar, and "golden" voice.

On March 23 the first year class closed their sow and litter class project. They had two sows. One sow had ten pigs, while the other had eight. However one sow turned cannibal and ate two of her pigs and three of the other sow's pigs. Altogether they raised nine pigs. The average daily ration was as follows: Wheat, 5.39#; Tankage, .27#; Alfalfa .416 #. The average cost of feed per sow per day was \$0.043 or \$1.29 per month. The net profit was only \$2.16 due to the fact that the sows raised such small litters. However, the boys made 29% interest on their investments.

--Russell McKinney, Reporter.

## READING

The Reading Chapter of F.F.A. held their regular monthly meeting March 28, in Americus. There were ten boys from Reading and the advisor Mr. H.C. Wood, Nolan Scholobohm, Edwin Smith, Harold Fechter, Virgil Wamser, Clarence Wamser, John Whittington, Clyde Whittington, Myron Zumsteg, Thomas Hopkins, Gomer Jones.

The business meeting was followed by a good program after which a good time was had by all. The purpose of our meeting in Americus was to give them an idea of what the F.F.A. organization is like. They are thinking about organizing over there, and we believe they will.

Americus passed around some candy bars and then a basketball game was played between Reading vs. Americus. During the basketball game several boxing matches were staged and some real punches were exhibited.

We are planning on initiating new members as Green Hands at our next regular meeting. Plans for a fishing party and several baseball games are in progress.

We also extended Americus an invitation to come to Reading to be initiated.

--Harold Fechter, Secretary.

WELLSVILLE

The Wellsville F.F.A. Chapter held a program and box supper in connection with the Girl Reserves Wednesday night, Feb. 17. About \$10.00 was cleared.

We have decided to have our Father-Son banquet on Friday night, April 8. A program has been planned and we are now working on it. Supervisor L. B. Pollom has consented to come and bring some films. Tickets are being sold to defray expenses.

The members of the Vocational Agriculture classes are looking forward to the time of the State Contests at Manhattan which they will enter.

The third year class in Vocational Agriculture visited C.O. Banta's Livestock class at Ottawa, Friday, Feb. 19.

The Third Year Class is building a trailer for the Vocational Agriculture Department. The Third Year Class pruned a five acre orchard during February.

--Marvin Royer, Reporter.

BURLINGTON

Our chapter held a Father-Son banquet March 16. Tom McNeal, Editor, Kansas Farmer, was the principal speaker. Other speakers on the program were Superintendent T.E. Osborn who gave a splendid talk on the "Value of a F.F.A. chapter to the Community"; "Why Every Vocational Agriculture Boy Should Belong to the F.F.A. Chapter" by Carl Heinrich, the vocational agriculture instructor; a talk by Lester B. Pollom, state supervisor of vocational agriculture, and "The Purpose of the F.F.A.", by Harry Arnold.

Warren Decker, president of the chapter, presided as toastmaster and gave the address of welcome which was responded to by Dr. A. B. McConnell, president of the school board. Loy Harreld gave the F.F.A. creed and Lawrence Schlichter gave a very entertaining reading. R. C. Fearl of the Farmers Produce Co., and John Redmond of the Daily Republican also were introduced and spoke very briefly.

The opening and closing ceremonies of the F.F.A. were given by the chapter officers.

-- Reporter.

COLBY

The Colby chapter of Future Farmers of America is training the Greenhand members for the Future Farmer degree by having each sponsor a program and lead the meeting in connection.

We plan our Father and Son banquet for April 1. We'll fool our Dads by footing the bill.

The annual Colby - Foster Farms practice judging contest will be held on April 15 and 16. Plans are being sponsored for the entertaining of the judging teams and coaches at a banquet on Friday evening.

--Wayne Scheffner, Reporter.

During December the local chapter held initiation services for five boys. The service was performed in the shop of our department. After the service, refreshments were served consisting of apples and fudge.

The Manhattan chapter held its annual Father and Son Banquet February 26. This was a home products banquet.

The Ljundahl family is moving to Colby, Kansas. Our chapter will miss them. Lester and Philip were both active members of our chapter. Philip was one of our State Farmers.

--Paul Berggren, Reporter.