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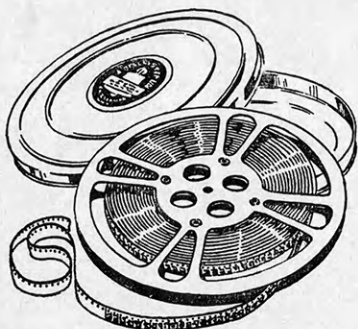
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Joyce Holdsworth, former Dickinson county 4-H'er and national winner in Recreation, is now a music teacher in the Abilene schools. For more information on Joyce and why 4-H should be more interested in career exploration, see pages 8 and 9.



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From The Editor

Most Kansas 4-H'ers do appreciate what hundreds, even thousands of Kansas businessmen and organizations contribute to the 4-H program. Certainly Kansas club work owes much of its success to the tens of thousands of dollars that supplement the regular tax funds used for 4-H.

Also 4-H members appreciate the many hours their adult leaders spend on the program. I can still remember with sincere appreciation the adult leaders of the Jolly Hustlers and Sedan Be-Square 4-H Clubs in Chautauqua county where I was a member.

But do we take time to express our appreciation.

One former Kansas 4-H'er now working with a large company says not. This company sponsors an excellent awards program in Kansas. This 4-H alumnus says, "We get fewer letters of appreciation from Kansas 4-H'ers than we do from any other state. Yet we give out more awards in Kansas than we do in most other states."

Some 9,000 adult leaders in Kansas spend countless hours each year working for their local clubs and members. News stories occasionally come to this office telling about ways local clubs honor their leaders. But I'm wondering how many were so honored?

You may know about the Edwards county girl who baked a cake and took it to the Home State Bank at Lewis in appreciation for the bank's sponsoring the Kansas 4-H Journal. Or the

cherry pie winner in Clay county who gave one of her pies to Frank Oberg at the Union State Bank in Clay Center to thank him for helping with the Kansas 4-H Journal in Clay county.

But how many of you did not even take the time to write a note or drop into the Journal sponsor's place of business to express your appreciation?

There are many 4-H members who do express appreciation and say thanks. But the ones that don't tend to spoil all the good will generated by the ones that do take the time to be courteous.

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The fate of the request for additional funds to reinstate county club agent positions in eight counties and a home demonstration agent position in one county is still before the Kansas legislature.

This editor and thousands of Kansans interested in the 4-H and extension programs are hopefully awaiting the decision.

Letters

If you have ideas or 4-H Club experiences that you would like to write about or if there are things you like or dislike about the Kansas 4-H Journal, write to the Editor, Kansas 4-H Journal, Manhattan, Kansas.

Leaders, parents, members, agents and 4-H friends are invited to write.

Thanks To Leaders!

Dear Editor:

All too often we 4-H'ers fail to commend our leaders for the fine work they do. One leader whom this reporter thinks is deserving of some special praise is Mrs. Carl Dodson of Jackson county.

During her seven years as a leader, club membership rose from 38 to 56. The club won 5 purple seals and a safety award. Members have won 135 championships, 12 Who's Who Key

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Here's a Money Making Idea For Your 4-H Garden Project

Would you like to take gardening for a 4-H project?

You say there's too much ground to hoe and too many weeds to keep down? You say you furnish food for the table but no money for the pocket.

Dick Roberts, K-State extension horticulturist, has an answer to those problems.

He suggests the first year garden project member take a relatively small plot of ground for his garden project.

That way there won't be too much area to hoe or so many weeds to cut down. After you feel you can get through the small plot without sun stroke or heat exhaustion, the project can be expanded to more nearly fulfill the needs of the family.

What about this matter of no income from the garden project? Roberts has an answer there too. He suggests 4-H members try raising tomato, cabbage or other hot bed plants for sale to neighbors and other 4-H'ers. Recommended varieties should always be used.

The hot bed phase should be only a part of the 4-H'ers garden project. The remainder should be devoted to raising items for use on the family table or for sale.

Plan Your Garden

After enrolling in the project,

members should plan the size of plot and the specific items to grow. The circular "Garden Guide 101" may be helpful. The 4-H garden record should also be used.

Varieties of garden items comes next. A brand new leaflet "Recommended Vegetable Varieties for Kansas" is available at your county extension office.

Flower and Garden Shows New

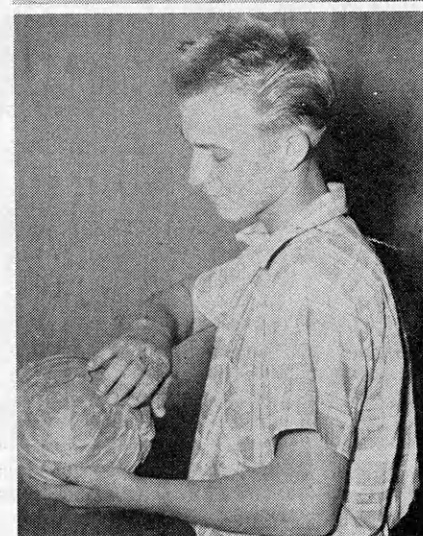
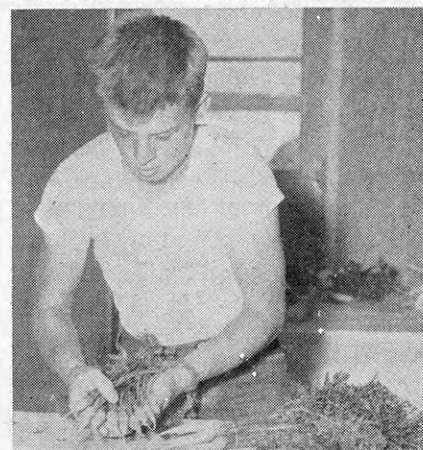
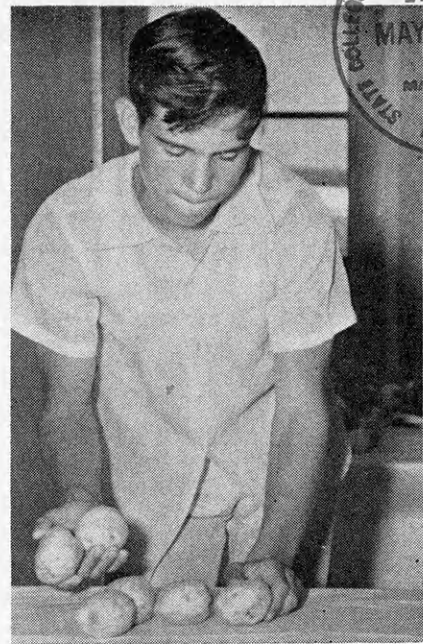
Pictured at the right are some Leavenworth county boys as they make final preparations for the 1957 Leavenworth county 4-H Flower and Garden Show.

These shows are held by most counties in June. Specific time will vary due to the variations in the growing season. This date has proved to be quite popular as it is held when most flowers and vegetables are in their prime.

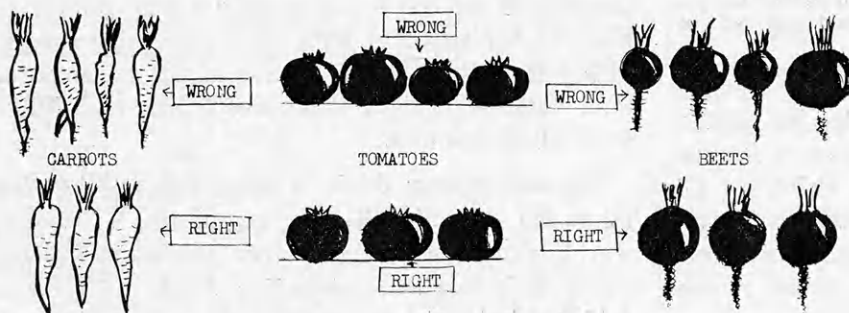
Demonstrations

A number of subjects for garden demonstrations are available in the bulletin "Let's Demonstrate."

A sample team demonstration is included in a leader's guide for garden leaders written by Roberts. This demonstration lists in some detail material helpful for a demonstration on "How To Sow Seeds for Convenient Care in the Home."



Leavenworth county's 4-H Flower and Garden Show is in June but preparations for it must start several months early—planting time in March. These pictures were taken at the 1957 show. Top, Marvin Jones of the Friendship Club is arranging his potatoe display. Middle, Myron Schwinn of the Green Promise Club is giving his carrots a last look over before tying them in a bundle. Bottom, Charles Winkler of the Bell Club is removing some dead leaves from the outside of this cabbage head before placing it in display position.



A bulletin by C. R. Roberts available for leaders at your county extension office shows the right and wrong way of selecting garden exhibits.

Kansas 4-H Foundation Activities Increase, Miss Erna Bly Hired To Fill New Position

New secretary for the Kansas 4-H Foundation is Miss Erna Bly who has been state 4-H department secretary for more than 23 years. She started work with Kansas State College in 1929 at the Garden City Exp. Station.

"The new position was made necessary," according to Foundation Board Chairman W. Dale Critser, Wichita, "by the increasingly high volume of detail involved in handling the operations of the Foundation.

"Miss Bly will assist the Board with recognition and promotion programs and will keep us informed of the financial condition and operations of the Foundation in general.

"We consider ourselves fortunate in securing such a fine dedicated person for this job."

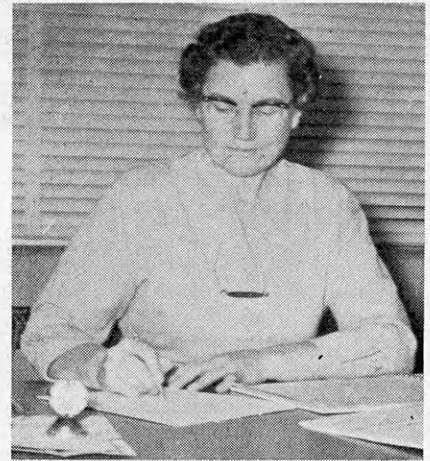
The new office will be on the K-State campus. In making space available in Umberger Hall, extension director Harold

E. Jones says of the Foundation's work, "It would be almost impossible to do the type of educational program we're carrying out with the young people of Kansas if we didn't have the support of the Kansas 4-H Foundation. And that support comes in many ways.

"It comes in the form of the physical facilities at Rock Springs. It comes in the form of the support of the prominent men associated with the Foundation—both in an advisory and in a promotional capacity.

"Achieving the aims of the Kansas 4-H program requires careful teamwork between the 4-H Foundation and the Extension Service at Manhattan.

"Thus, the furnishing of headquarters from which the Foundation may operate in close cooperation with the Extension Service is not only desirable but considered necessary."

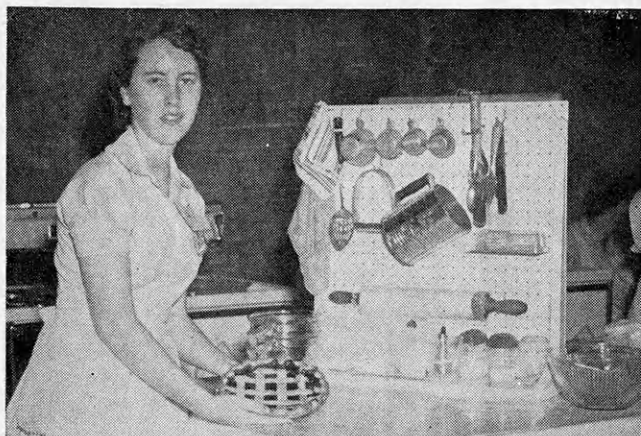


Miss Erna Bly, new Foundation secretary.

Projects of the Foundation vary widely. Among them are the State 4-H Center, Rock Springs Ranch; Kansas 4-H Journal; IFYE; brood mare project; 4-H supply service and handling of funds for awards and leadership training. These programs include tractor and electric training and the state leader's conference.

A native of Finney County, Miss Bly still has an interest in a herd of registered Angus cattle in that area.

First Time's The Charm for Republic 4-H'er



Melinda Marlowe, Washington county, found organizing her work easy at the state cherry pie contest with this peg board made to fit into the mixing center of her home.

A 15-year-old Republic county girl, Beverly Mach, won the state 4-H cherry pie baking contest in Wichita January 11. She will represent Kansas in the national contest in Chicago, February 26.

65 county winners participated. Runner-up was Margaret Sellers, Marion. Margaret had been runner-up once before and in the purple ribbon group twice.

Facilities for the contest were furnished by

the General Electric Supply Corporation and the Kansas Gas and Electric Company.

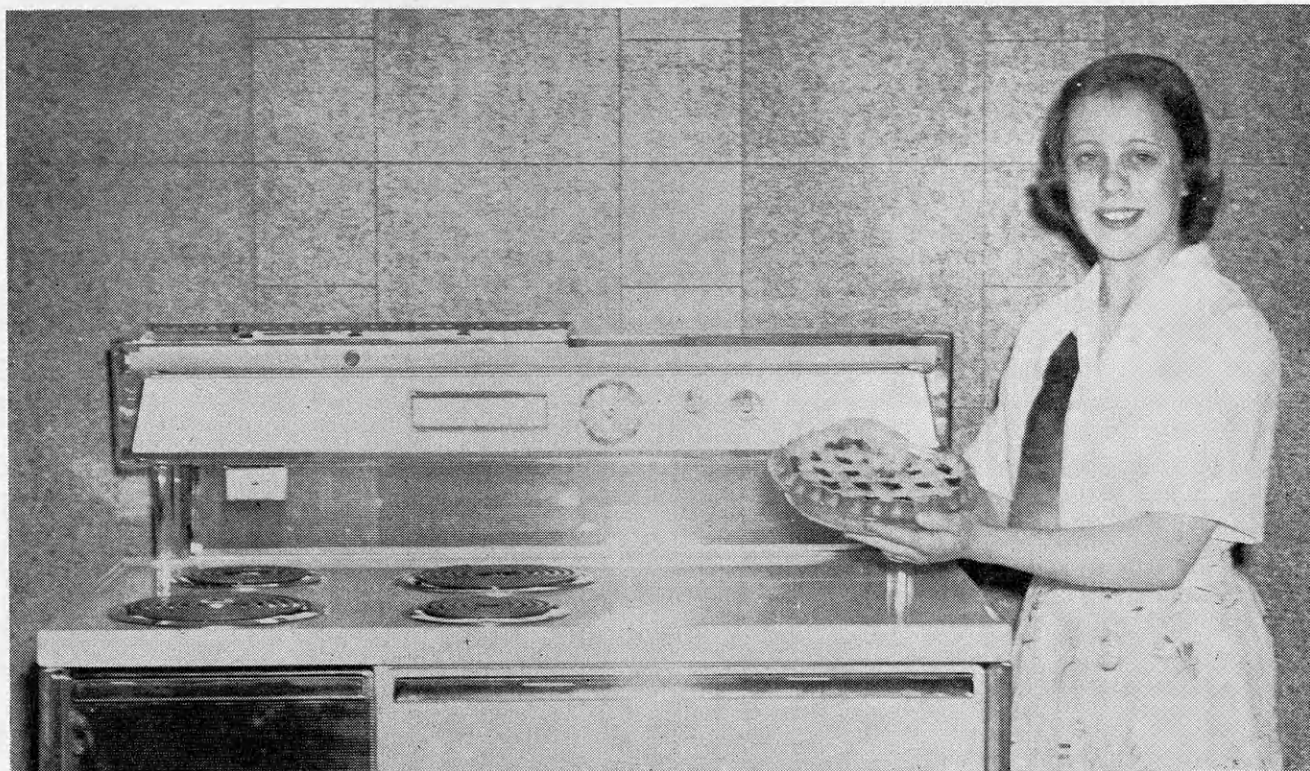
Beverly Mach used the following recipe to bake her winning cherry pie.

Recipe

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F.

Sift 1 t salt and 2 cups flour together. Blend in $\frac{2}{3}$ cup and 2T shortening with pastry blender until mixture looks like coarse meal. Remove $\frac{1}{4}$ cup of mixture, add this to $\frac{1}{3}$ cup milk, then stir into flour mixture to form dough. Press into ball. Place little more than half of the dough on for lattice top. Cut in $\frac{1}{2}$ inch strips. Add cherry board. Roll out little larger than 9 inch pie plate. Fit into the pan and trim. Roll remaining dough filling to bottom crust. Weave strips criss-cross. Fold edge of bottom crust over ends and flute. Bake 40-45 minutes.

For the filling drain 2 cups frozen cherries (thawed). Combine $\frac{2}{3}$ cup sugar and 2 T cornstarch. Combine $\frac{1}{2}$ cup cherry juice and $\frac{1}{4}$ cup water. Stir in the combination. Cook until clear. Add 2 T butter, 4 drops almond extract, $\frac{1}{4}$ t red food coloring and the cherries.



Beverly Mach, 15, Narka, Kansas State Cherry Pie Champ.

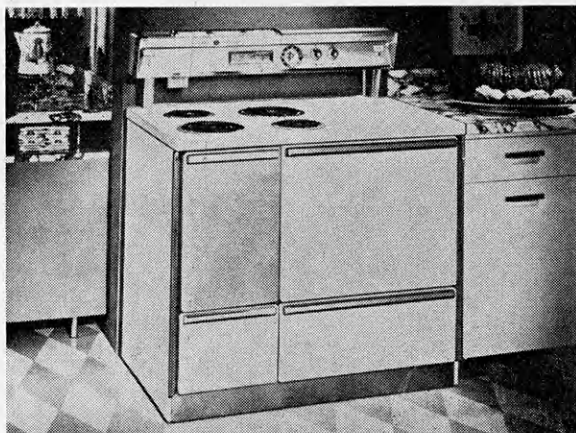
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Maintenance is Big Part of the 4-H Club Home Beautification Project of Kansas' State Winner

Mowing grass and spraying for insects and weeds may not sound romantic or exciting, but it's an important part of the home beautification project of Jerry Turner, Harper county.

Jerry was state winner in home beautification this past year.

Sixteen years old, Jerry has been in 4-H 5 years. And he's taken home beautification every year.

This past spring Jerry set out 200 deciduous trees, 200 evergreens and 212 shrubs as a part of a windbreak project for his farmstead.

Nine flower beds in the yard help bring beauty and joy to the farmstead.

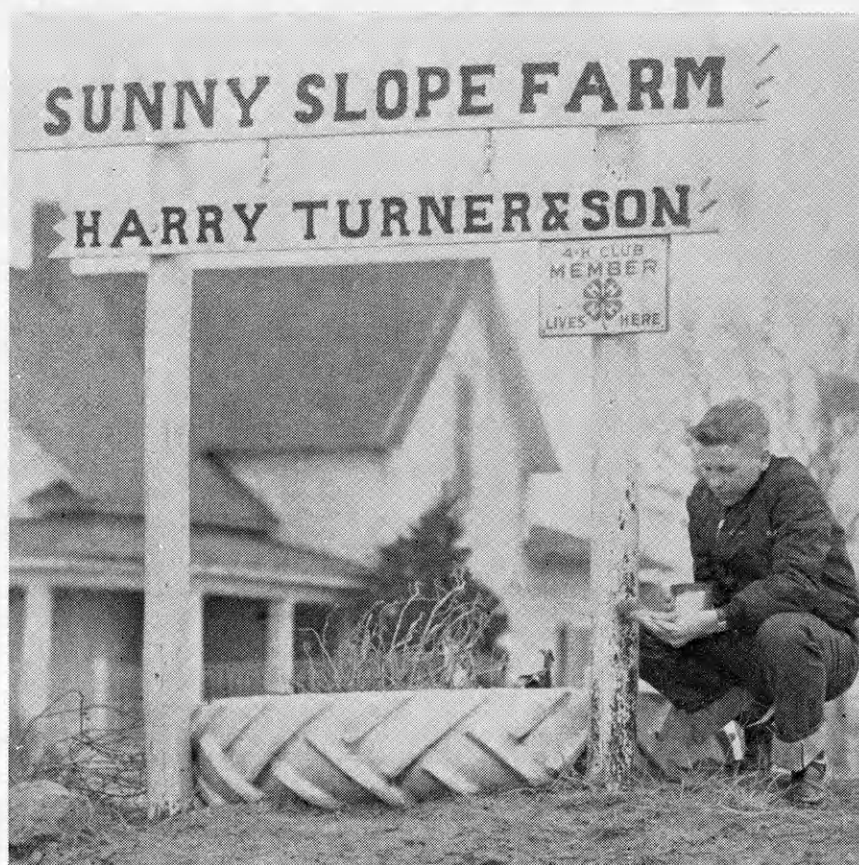
The Turner home sits on a hill sloping off to the rear of the farmstead rather rapidly. A major problem in landscaping has been in preventing excessive runoff. The solution has been to construct a terrace and outlet between the house and outbuildings.

Much of Jerry's work has been in the maintenance and care of the farmstead yard and buildings. Part of his work has been to paint the buildings and keep them in repair. Another job is to make sure the machinery is kept in place.

It's also Jerry's job to keep the driveway graded and the drainage terrace in shape. Of course, there is always the lawn to be mowed and trimmed, the flowers to be planted or weeded and the 1001 odd jobs that make a farm yard look extra neat.

Jerry believes in telling others about his project too. He has given 17 demonstrations in the past 4 years. One was on "How to Plant a Tree."

A junior in Anthony High School, Jerry is president of the Spring Robins 4-H Club. He was

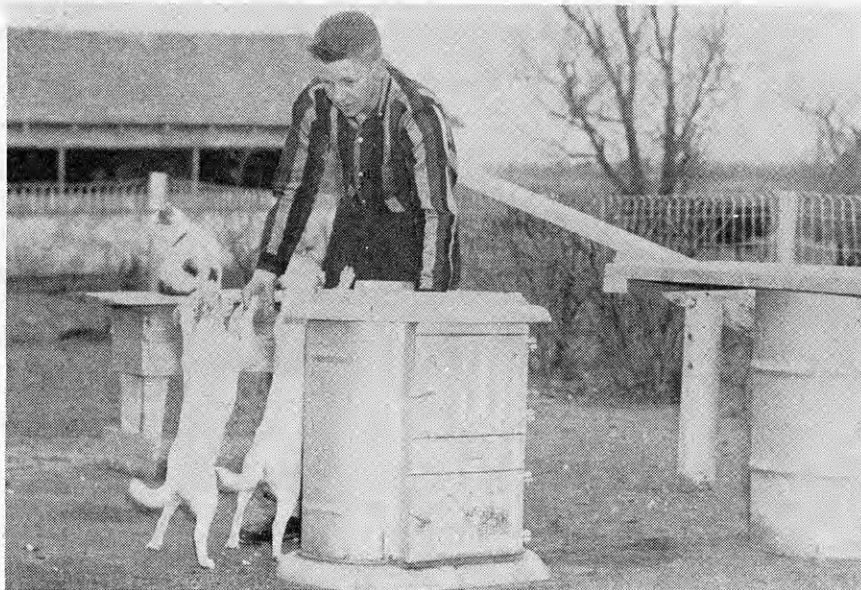


This farm sign was constructed by Jerry Turner, Anthony, as a part of his state winning home beautification project. He cautions that such a sign needs frequent repainting in order to give a good impression to the passing public.

reporter twice, recreation leader and vice president. He is enrolled in junior leadership.

Other projects include dairy, swine, beef, wheat, garden and foods.

Even the dogs and cat enjoy the backyard barbecue facilities fixed up by Jerry Turner, Anthony, as a part of his home beautification project. Note the inexpensive items—an old stove, a barrel—used in making the equipment.



Have Irish Fun For March Meet

A wee bit of Irish fun will add sparkle to your March meeting. You might add an O' to everybody's last name. If you do this Mary Jones becomes Mary O'Jones and Jimmy Brown becomes Jimmy O'Brown for the evening.

Wearing of the Green

For a starter try the "Wearing of the Green." Write names of green vegetables or fruits on slips of paper for each person. Number each slip and pin on the back of each guest. Provide each player with pencil and paper. At a signal everyone tries to see the words and numbers pinned to the backs of everyone without letting his own tag be read. Award a prize to the one with the longest list.

The Irish Sweepstakes

Have you played "The Irish Sweepstakes?" Players divide in teams and are arranged in relay formation. Each player, in turn, sweeps a small wooden stake to a goal line with a broom or stick. Upon return to the starting line, the next person in line is given the broom and stake. Have a prize for the winning team.

Potato Race

Another relay for teams of members is the "Potato Race." Each player tries to balance an "Irish Potato" on the end of a yardstick as he walks toward a goal line and returns. If a player drops the potato he must begin again. A prize goes to the team who finishes first.

Irish Spelling

For a quiet game try "Irish Spelling." Irish words, preferably, are given by the leader to the participants to be spelled in the usual way except that an action is substituted for each vowel. For "a" the player holds up right hand; for "e" the left hand; for "i" point to the eye; for "o" point to the open mouth; and for "u" point to the leader.

Musical Games

If you like musical games, have you tried "Pig in the Parlor?" One suggested record is Folk Dancer 1112 or you may sing the calls.

After refreshments you might like to sing favorite Irish songs—"When Irish Eyes Are Smiling," "My Wild Irish Rose," "That's An Irish Lullaby"—for your signature for the evening.

We Want Cartoons

We want your ideas for cartoons. Our artists will draw them—you just tell us what to draw.

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Partial Reference List for Use In Career Exploration Activities

1. Science Research Associates, Inc., 57 W. Grand Avenue, Chicago 10, Ill.
Life Adjustment Booklets series including the following—
How to get the job
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Getting job experience
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Workbook entitled "Charting Your Job Future"
2. Superintendent of Documents, Washington 25, D. C.
The Occupational Outlook, U. S. Dept. of Labor Bulletin
Career Service Opportunities in the U. S. D. A., Agriculture Handbook No. 45
Occupations, Professions and Job Descriptions PL 33A
Job Guide for Young Workers 1956-57 Edition
3. Dean of Agriculture, Kansas State College, Manhattan
Careers Ahead

A slight charge is made for most of the booklets listed above.

Additional information on careers in specific fields may be obtained by writing to advertisers in magazines who feature specific careers. A number of advertisers in this issue of the Kansas 4-H Journal would welcome your inquiry.

From 4-H To Teaching Music



Joyce Holdsworth, Abilene music teacher, started her 4-H music experiences as a club pianist.

Joyce Holdsworth has an outstanding record as a Dickinson county 4-H member. One of the highlights of her 4-H experiences was being selected as National Winner in Recreation and Rural Arts.

Today she is a music teacher in the Abilene schools.

Did her 4-H experiences help in select-

ing a career outside the fields of home economics and agriculture?

Yes, says Joyce. She started as club pianist and song leader. Then she was song leader for the county 4-H council and led singing at business men's picnics and achievement banquets. Later she led singing for a five county camp group at Rock Springs and at the State Fair Encampment at Hutchinson.

Finally as a climax to her 4-H song leading experiences, which was a help to her professional life later, there was the thrill of leading singing at the 1953 National 4-H Congress in Chicago.

"4-H and the church were my first contacts with song leading and playing for groups," Joyce says.

In addition to her duties as supervisor of vocal music for the Abilene grade schools, Joyce is now working with the Abilene Aggies 4-H girls ensemble.

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Challenge to 4-H Clubs



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Sedgwick county 4-H Clubs, under the direction of county club agent Thurman Wren, have an active career exploration program for 4-H Club members.

So far this is the only county program that has a specific career exploration activity. Career exploration is carried as a sideline to many 4-H events, activities and projects.

Round-up at the K-State campus last summer featured seminars and discussions on various vocational fields. So did last year's state junior leadership camp at Rock Springs Ranch.

Tours by local club or county groups are frequent. On such tours there are frequent opportunities for members to get a glimpse of work in the place they may be visiting.

But in Sedgwick county club members have signed up to participate in a series

of meetings devoted specifically to career exploration. At the first meeting, members are asked to list the following—

1. Jobs and other activities that have interested me the most.
2. My parents say my interests are—
3. Others say my interests are—
4. Vocational fields or choices I would like to study further.

Club members were also given an opportunity to order from a wide variety of literature Wren had accumulated.

The variety of vocational choices listed for further study by the club members was amazing, Wren said. He had hoped originally to study the various fields by groups or committees. The large number of choices may make individual studies of the various fields necessary.

Club members in the later stages of the study may be encouraged to actually visit with people in the fields studied.

From 4-H To Law and Politics

It was a local businessman's visit to a 4-H Club meeting that had an impact on the vocational choice of Owen Redmon, Sedgwick county 4-H'er.

A long-time member of the Eureka Club, Redmon had dairy cattle, home beautification and livestock as his projects.

When Victor Murdock, Wichita publisher, visited Owen's club meeting one evening, he told the group "they could be anything they wanted to be."

This was enough for Owen. He was interested in politics. Murdock told him the law profession provided a good entry into this field.

Redmon is now a Wichita attorney active in Sedgwick county politics.

"Parliamentary procedure and accounting are two prerequisite courses to law school. My 4-H training was certainly good experience to have before taking these courses," Redmon comments.



Owen Redmon, Wichita attorney, pays tribute to his 4-H experiences for helping with his present law profession and work in politics.

"4-H gives you a sense of responsibility. Once you start doing things for the community, the tendency is to keep right on going. When you finish one project, it sort of shows you the road to do something else," Redmon added in paying tribute to the citizenship building characteristics of club work.

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Farm Bureau has a completely decentralized structure of organization — county, state and national.

Farm Bureau policies are developed on a non-partisan basis. Partisanship is avoided but bi-partisan support is sought to implement policies developed by the membership.



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Working Together

Minnesotan Is New 4-H Asst.

Roberta Anderson, 25-year-old Minnesota farm girl, is new assistant Kansas 4-H leader.

Her new responsibilities, starting February 1, will include YMW work.

Formerly a Minnesota 4-H agent, Miss Anderson has her



Roberta Anderson

B. S. from the University of Minnesota and is working on her M. S. at Wisconsin.

A native of Sargeant, she was 4-H agent in Brown county, Minnesota. As a 4-H member, she won trips to the National 4-H Congress and Camp.

Letters

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Awards and 32 trips to Round-up and state camps.

In addition to 4-H, Mrs. Dodson is pianist and part-time Sunday School teacher, Bible School worker and HDU member.

This record is a fine example of what can be accomplished through cooperation of leaders and club members.

Judy Shaw, Rep.
Jackson county

Like Pen Pal Idea

Dear Editor:

I have been receiving the Journal and reading it for over a year; I sincerely enjoy every issue.

In the October issue the article "Been Elected President?" was very

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4-H Club Has Long-Time Community Service Project

The elder citizens of Hoxie really get the red carpet treatment by members of the Sunshine Club, Sheridan county.

For the past 10 years each member has drawn the name of an elderly person. During the year they would try to be a "good neighbor."

Near the close of the club year the group has an outdoor get together and fried chicken picnic. Club members invite the

elder citizens, visit with them, get their guest's plate of food and eat with them.

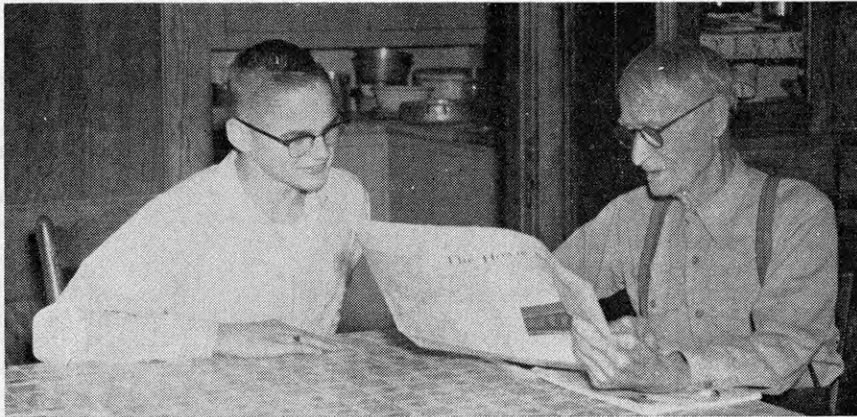
Mrs. Decker Mosier, long-time community leader of the club, says of the picnic, "The folks really look forward to it. A lot of them don't get out very much anymore."

A program is prepared by the 4-H Club members. It may include musical numbers, readings, 4-H talent numbers or communi-

ty singing. One year the club gave a model meeting to tell the guests just what it was they did in 4-H.

Some members visit their assigned elder a number of times

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Just visiting and talking over the week's news are Steve Mosier and Mr. Will Cressler, 92, retired Sheridan county farmer.



Kathleen Beckman visits 84 year-old Mrs. Virginia Brown with a basket of fruit as a part of her club's community service project.

Go, man, go! Here's your
quick, refreshing lift!

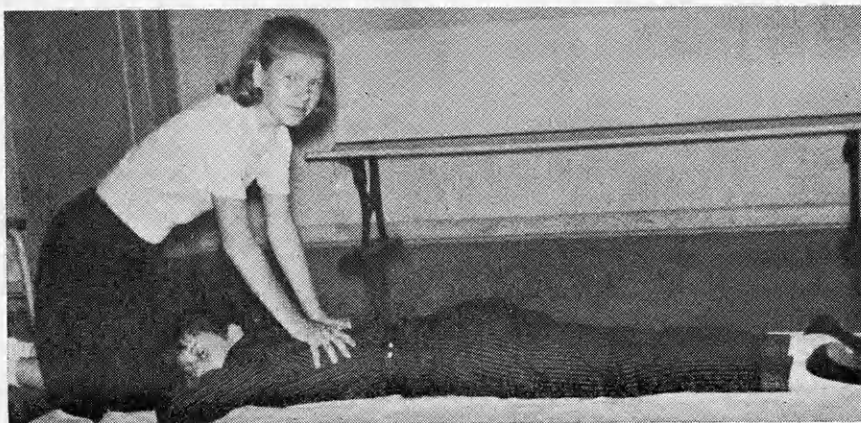


Nothing does it like Seven-Up!



Verbie Friesen, McPherson county, shows some practical and very attractive garments she made in her clothing projects. She is modeling a 4-H project dress and holding the coat she made.

McDowell Creek 4-H'ers, Geary county, believe in good health; this is their year to carry health as a club project. A main point in their health program is to prevent drowning. Here Wilma Rogers uses Ann Kamm to demonstrate artificial respiration at a club meeting.



Ten-year old Lyon county 4-H'er Susan Ann Briggs has taken beginner's sewing for the second year, won a state blue award on her simple skirt.



Ninnescah Valley 4-H'ers, Sedgwick county, believe in "Litterbugs for Litterbugs," according to their float in the Homecoming Parade. Pictured are Wesley Wilbur and Natalie Parker.

SEND IN YOUR PICTURES

We want pictures taken by Kansas 4-H'ers. Prizes will be given for all pictures used in the Journal.

The picture need not be on 4-H Club work, but pictures with subjects related to 4-H Clubs are preferred. Action pictures are desired.

All pictures should be glossy prints at least five by seven inches in size unless accompanied by the negative.

Photographs should be accompanied by a short statement explaining the picture and including the names of persons shown.

Entrants should designate their choice of the following prizes. A year's subscription to the National 4-H Club News, one roll of color film—sizes 620, 120, 616, 116, 127 or 35mm only, or a 4-H Club photograph album.

4-H members, parents, leaders, county agents or friends of 4-H may send in pictures.

Six 4-H'ers To Be 1958 Kansas IFYE's

Six former Kansas 4-H'ers will be International Farm Youth Exchange delegates this spring and summer.

Named by the National 4-H Foundation were Ann Ekland, Sherman county to Ireland and Northern Ireland; Emily Ann Douthit, Cheyenne to a country not yet designated; James L. Gooch, Stevens to Italy; Billy Clark, Lincoln to Scotland; Clifford Gruver, Scott to the Middle East; Dean Ebel, Pottawatomie to Greece.

This is the tenth year Kansas has participated in the IFYE program. A total of 97 delegates will have visited other lands.

Delegates were interviewed by a committee in Kansas and final selection made in Washington.

Purpose of the IFYE program is to promote better understanding between the U. S. and other countries by exchanging ideas about farming, family living, education, religion, industry, government, etc.

Service Project

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during the year. All are remembered at Christmas time.

On 4-H Sunday one year the members made a special effort to help the elder citizens get to church. A number of members made special arrangements for transportation.

Edith Neal, former member of the club now secretary at the county agent's office, says "My guest was rather active so a couple of times during the year I took her to the movie with me. On Valentine's Day I took her a box of candy.

"On Easter I took her to church. I also read to her a good deal and visited her on the special holidays."

How About The Newspaper Business?

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Off the 4-H Line

Reporter's Notice: The Kansas 4-H Journal would like to print interesting stories of your local club events, activities, members and leaders.

Local club meeting stories, if submitted, should contain something unusual or of interest to people outside your county.

Outstanding projects, services or events of your club, or stories of individuals within your club that would give ideas to other 4-H'ers would make excellent stories.

Prizes will be awarded all blue award stories each month. Please state your choice (1) a year's subscription to the National 4-H Club News or (2) a hard cover loose leaf 4-H notebook.

Members Serve Dinner and Put On Program

The majority of the food for the menu for a dinner served the Manhattan Lions Club and their guests by the College Hill 4-H Club, Riley county, was donated by each family in the club. The rest was purchased. Mothers and Junior leaders served the dinner. The profit was \$92.61.

After a short business meeting by the Lions Club, the College Hill Club presented a program including an accordion solo, a cowboy ballad, flute solo, dramatic readings, and piano jazz numbers.

Janet McAdams, Rep.

Club Project Nets 2600 Bushels Milo

In the spring of 1957, Jr. leaders of the Star-Valley Club rented a 97-acre

the regular $\frac{2}{3}$ renter's share and amounted to 2,600 bushels.

Most of the money from sale of the milo will be used to assist in building a community house.

Ruth Cozad, Rep.

4-H'ers To The Ozarks

Sedgwick county Who's Who members voted for a trip to the Lake of the Ozarks in August.

Each year the group camps out in a state park and does their own cooking. Other activities that were enjoyed this year included boating and swimming. Almost everyone learned how to water ski. This sport is very exciting and is one that is becoming very popular.

The first evening the group popped corn and had a song fest. There was dancing the second night.

Marjorie Presnal, Rep.

This Club Honors Bachelors

Women and children are usually among those honored at special events, but the Golden Plains Club, Gove county, invited the bachelors of the Grinnell area to be their guests at the Christmas party held at the VFW Hall.

After a chili supper the movie "Tim's Choice" was shown the group. Delilah Dohm, Rep.

Club Banquet is Highlight

All members of the Pleasant View Club, Mitchell county, look forward with a great deal of anticipation to

Here and There

Girls from the Westside Ramblers Club swept both junior and senior divisions of the Ford county cherry pie baking contest. Jr. winner was Ruthene Reinert on her 4th try. Sr. winner was Jeanette Frink, also on the 4th try . . . Funds for club benefits during the year were raised with a square dance December 27 by the Mulberry Busy Bees, Clay county . . . Ransom Jr. Farmers, Ness county, were guests of Trego's Lone Star Club for square dancing Dec. 28 . . . Plum Creek 4-H'ers, Cheyenne county, presented a silver tray to community leaders Mr. and Mrs. Joe Neilan in appreciation of their ten years service . . . Republican Valley members, Cloud county, caroled at the Sunset Home and hospital, Waldo home, and for several individuals during the pre-Christmas holidays . . . After a caroling spree through Lindsborg by Smoky Valley members, McPherson county, gifts were presented to the community leaders by the club . . . Rawlins county junior leaders sponsored a card party for recognition of their leaders . . . County agent Harding, Rawlins county, suggests jr. leaders undertake a membership drive as a service project . . . Cocoa and cookies were at the last place on the ten stop caroling tour of the Rinker Club, Lyon county . . . Instead of exchanging Christmas gifts, Lawn Ridge 4-H'ers, Cheyenne county, provide reading material for a shut-in of the community . . . Bentley Eagles, Sedgwick county, gave baskets of fruit to older people in the community as their Christmas service project . . . Lucky 7 4-H'er Kitty Vinduska represented Ottawa county in the state cherry pie baking contest . . . Charles Murphy told members at the Country Pals, Thomas county, meeting they should plow fire guards around buildings and fields to prevent prairie fires . . . County agent Jim Childers told Huntsville 4-H'ers, Reno county, that "4-H'ers aren't in club work to make money but to learn by doing and demonstrating" . . . Nancy West gave a pie baking demonstration at a meeting of the Thoma-dora Club, Reno county . . . Rozel Hustlers, Pawnee county, made \$16.29 with their food sale . . . Willing Workers Club, Saline county, adopted a needy family for Christmas . . . Grantville Club, Jefferson county, enjoyed a basket supper for Christmas . . . An instrumental ensemble from the Thrifty Thrivers, Labette county, entertained members of the Tri-State Restorium at Oswego during the Christmas holidays . . . Langdon community leader Roy Jones, Reno county, offered transportation to a "special event" for last year's club



Parent James Powell helps Star Valley 4-H'ers, Decatur county, harvest 3,900 bushels of milo they raised on a rented 97-acre farm.

field in Decatur county. Last week the field was harvested, producing 40 bushels of milo per acre.

The men and boys did the planting and cultivating of the land. Some days there were as many as 20 workers in the field at one time. The women and girls cooked and served the meals.

Some of the land was listed, some drilled. (The listed produced more.)

The club's share of the grain was

the club achievement banquet—only one in the county.

Food service from appetizer to dessert is perfect. The mothers' cook it and the older club members serve. Place cards, special program books and beautifully decorated tables add to the event.

Special guests at the club event were the county agents and the local minister and their families.

Keith W. Vestal, Rep.

officers. The club voted to buy tickets for the event . . . December meeting was Parent's night for the Pawnee Indians Club, **Finney** county . . . Six new members have been added to the rolls of the Peppy Workers Club, **Kearny** county . . . Because the jitterbug is one of the more popular dances among teen-agers today, Mary Bell chose Caroline Crist as a partner and demonstrated it as a program number for the McDonald Mixers Club, **Rawlins** county . . . Roll call for the Abbyville Club, **Reno** county, was to name a book of the Bible . . . Rev. Elmer Dadisman told a story of Christmas in Sweden at the December meeting of the Salem Club, **Reno** county . . . Ray Pierce of the High Plains Journal conducted a school for 4-H reporters at the Courthouse in **Ness** City . . . Each member of the Achievers Club, **Sedgwick** county, is to bring diabetic food for a needy family and a used toy for another family of children . . . Kay Wohlgenuth of the South Cottonwood Club, **Marion** county, won the Who's Who Key Award on the basis of her work in food preservation and preparation, frozen foods, general achievement, public speaking and clothing . . . Local 4-H'ers from **Riley** county sang Christmas carols to elderly people in the "biggest little town in Kansas," **Zeandale** . . . First leaders of the ten-year old Lucky 7 club, **Ottawa** county, recently presented the club with a mallot . . . Busy Beavers 4-H'ers, **McPherson** county, won a gold cup at the county achievement banquet for the "Best Livestock Display" at an earlier fair.

Letters

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helpful—the reason being, I was just elected president of our club.

I believe Jerry Pickering's idea of 4-H Pen Pals would be a way of exchanging ideas and problems of members and clubs.

I have belonged to the Olsburg Boosters Club for ten years. I helped organize the Jr. Leaders Club in Pottawatomie county several years ago.

Rosalie Ingalsbe
Pottawatomie county

Compliment To Be Leader

Dear Editor:

I have been highly complimented by the community this past year by being elected a community leader.

This has been one of the most inspiring years of my life. I had waited 10 years for our son to be old enough for 4-H and suddenly I find I have a wonderfully large family of fine boys and girls of which I am very proud.

I think I worried right along with all of them at the fairs, about what

color ribbon each would get. As far as I was concerned they were all top blues. Of course, I was slightly prejudiced.

With the help of God I pray I will

be a good leader and be able to teach these fine young folks "How to make the best better."

Mrs. Dean Hamilton
Franklin county

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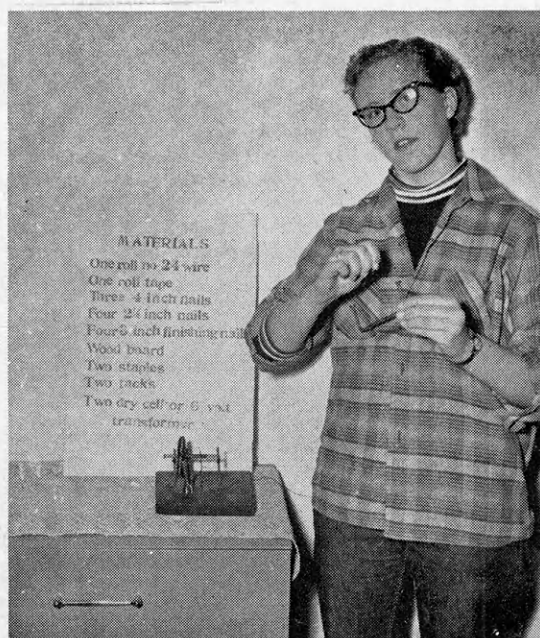
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Linnea participating in the All Electric Day activities at Coldwater.



Linnea demonstrates one of the two electric motors she has made. She used this demonstration a number of times in competition.



Heavy duty extension cord made by Linnea is handy for many home projects.

"4-H ELECTRIC FOR GIRLS TOO"

Says Linnea White, Coldwater 4-H'er — And She's Proved It

During two out of the eight years she has been in 4-H, Linnea White, 16 year old Pleasant Valley club member, has participated in electric projects. Being the only girl in the county in the project doesn't bother Linnea, for she feels that the training is just as practical for her as any other 4-H work.

To prove her point she has won two county medals and completed an impressive list of activities in the field. Two electric motors she has made have led to a number of demonstrations at the county fair, county 4-H Day and her club meetings. Recently she gave a demonstration on electricity at an All Electric Day in Coldwater. She has made a demonstration off-

on board, extension cord and a tester. The installation of two electric outlets and the repair of a waffle iron, toaster and washing machine top off the list.

For Linnea the electric project is just one of a full schedule. During 1957 she completed projects in clothing, food, wheat, sorghum, health, woodworking and junior leadership. She was her club's secretary last year and is currently club reporter.

Of her work in 4-H Electric Linnea says, "I would like to continue and make other electric equipment. I would like to get others interested in electricity." We're sure she will.

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