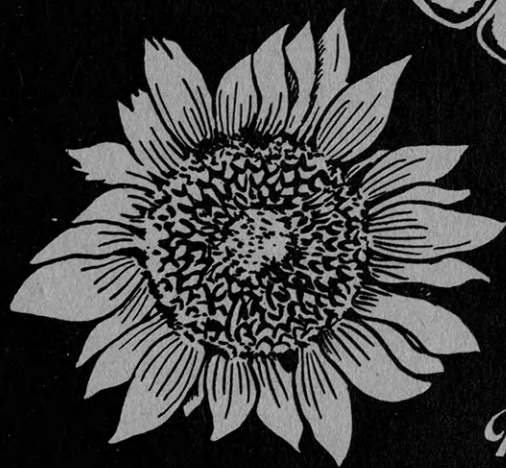
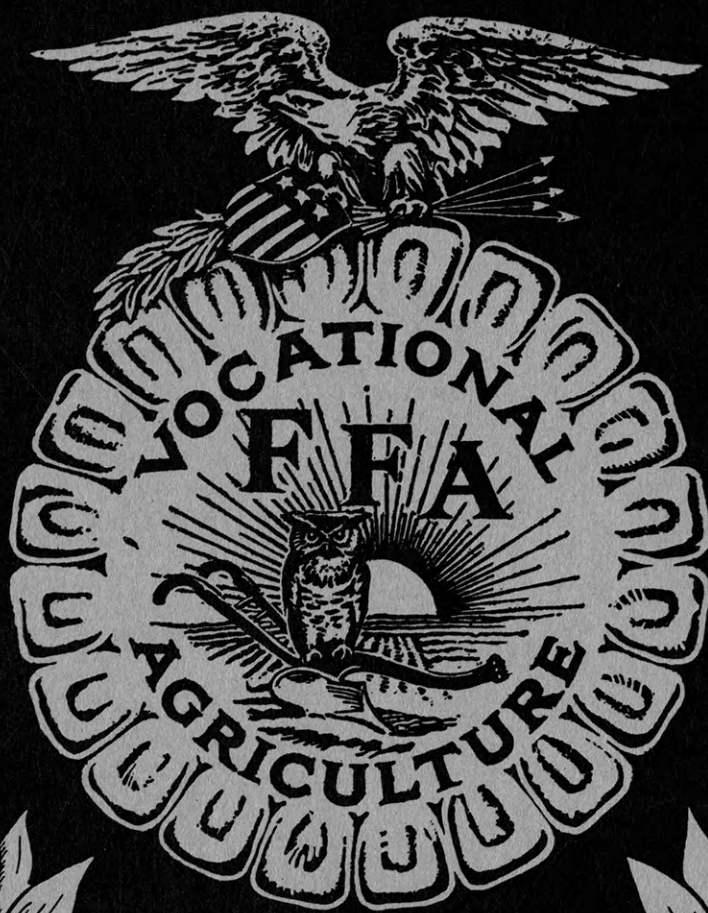


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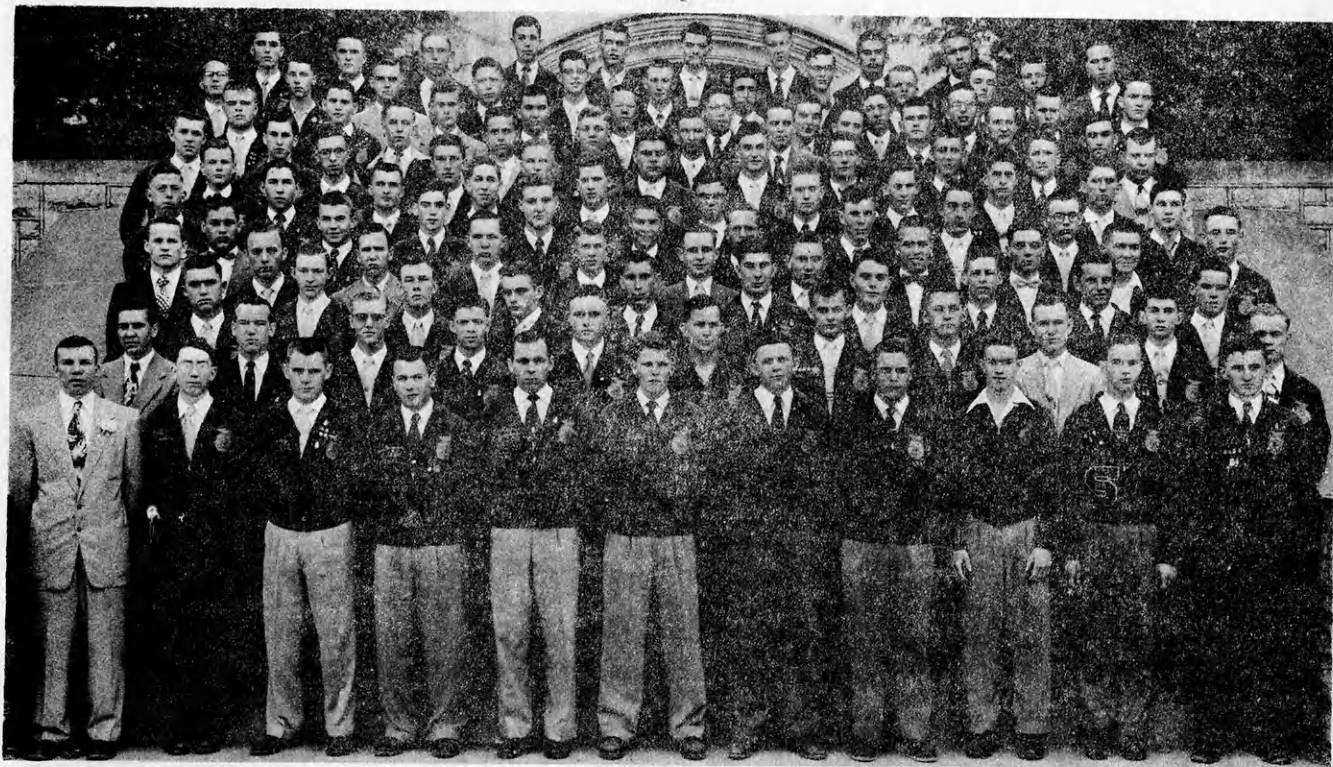
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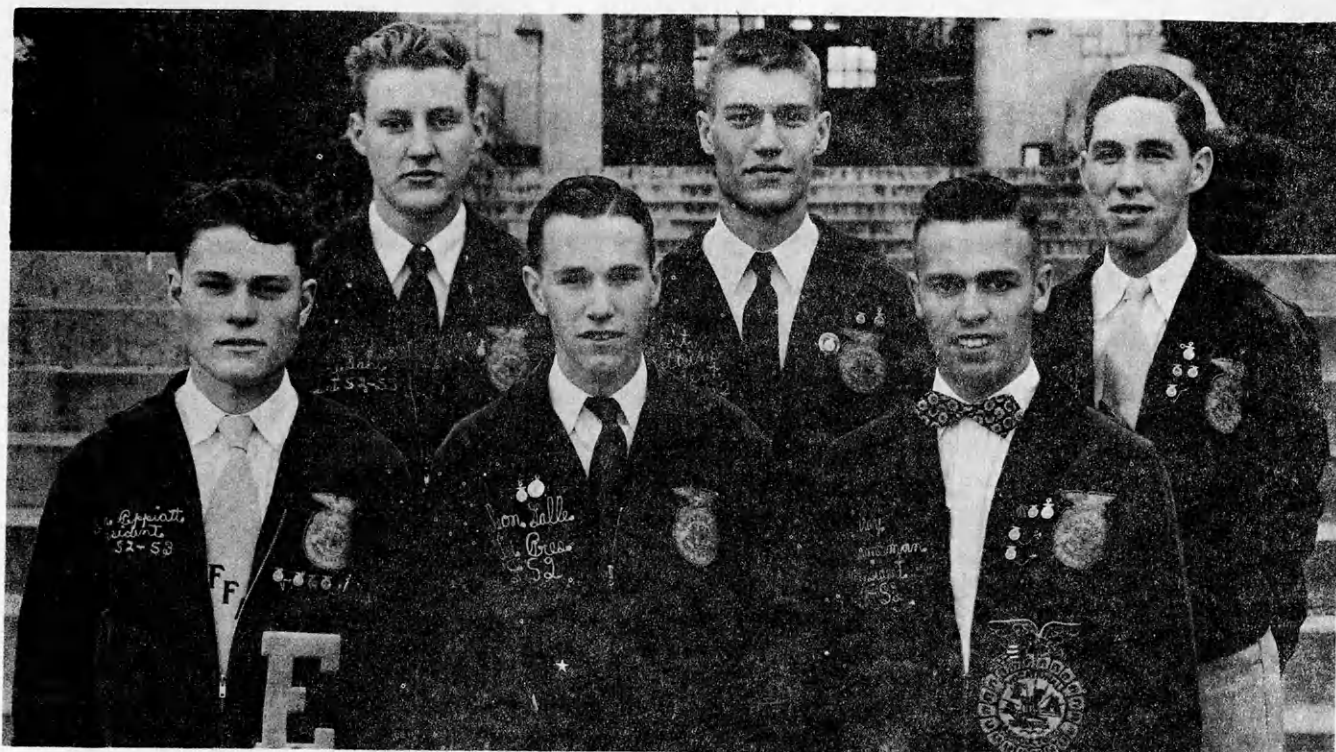
Dean A. D. "Dad" Weber, Dean of Agriculture, KSC, with National Vice President Fred Reed, and Kansas FFA President, Billy Ray James, studying Chapter Programs in the State Chapter Contest.

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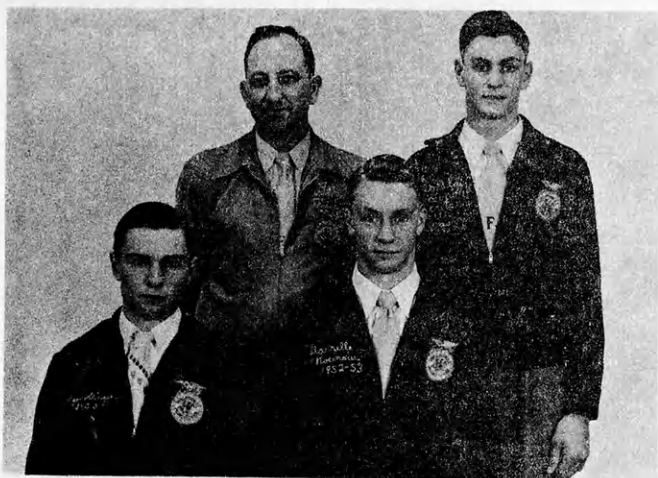




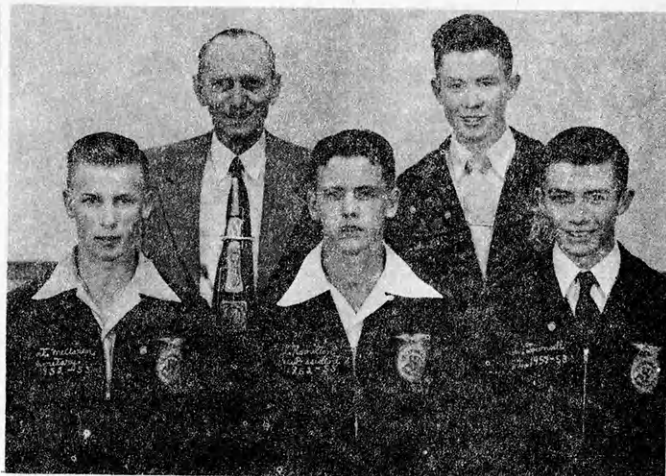
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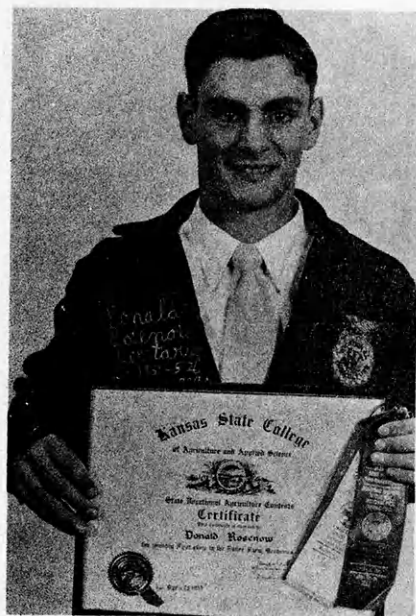
State Officers of the Kansas Association of FFA for 1953-54. Back Row L.R. Vice Pres. Gilmore Dahl, Effingham; Treasurer Bob Watkins, Alma; Sentinel, Francis Grillot, Parsons; Front Row L.R. Reporter Sam Peppiatt, Ellsworth; President Nelson Galle, Moundridge; Secretary Ray Zimmerman, Olathe.



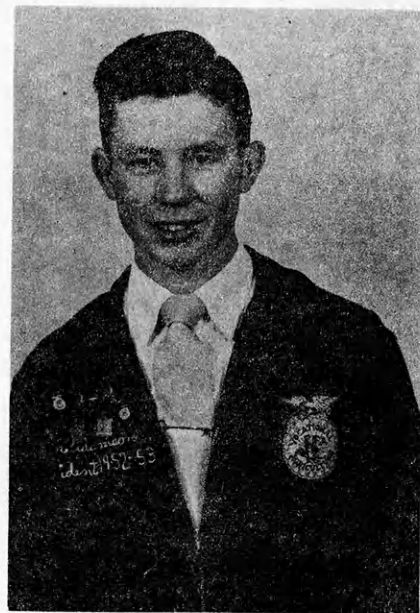
Clay Center FFA Chapter winning State Farm Mechanics team. Ray Morrison, Chapter Adviser.



Cherryvale FFA Chapter winning State Agricultural team. Clem Young, Chapter Adviser.



Right. Roger Adamson, Cherryvale Chapter, won the 24th Annual FFA Speech Contest and will represent Kansas in the Regional Contest. Roger made the high individual score in the Agriculture division of the State High School Judging Contest.



Above. Donald Rose-now, Clay Center Chapter, high individual in the State FFA Farm Mechanics Contest. Donald's brother, Darrell, was second high individual.



Clay Center Chapter winner of the Ag. Education Club Plaque, received the highest total score in all activities open to FFA members.

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HIGHLIGHTS

1. There are 192 departments of Vocational Agriculture in Kansas, with a total enrollment of 6,410.
2. Ninty nine per cent of the Vocational Agriculture Departments in Kansas have an active FFA chapter, with a total active membership of 7,045.
3. The Kansas Association of FFA will close the year with an active FFA membership of 110% on the basis of enrollment.
4. Two Kansas FFA members were awarded the American Farmer Degree at the 25th National FFA Convention.
5. The Winfield and Little River Chapters won Silver Emblem Classification in the 1952 National Chapter Contest.
6. Kenneth Howe, Stafford Chapter, did not place in the top four in the Regional FFA Speech Contest.
7. Hiawatha Chapter placed first in the Booth Exhibits at the Topeka Fair. Hillsboro Chapter won first in the Farm Mechanics Exhibits at the State Fair at Hutchinson. First place in county booth exhibits prepared by FFA chapters at the Hutchinson Fair were won for their respective areas by Buhler Chapter and the Coldwater Chapter.
8. Kansas teams participating in National FFA Judging Contests won one Gold Emblem Classification and four Silver Emblem Classifications.
9. The Clay Center Chapter won the Agricultural Education Club Award Plaque in 1953.
10. 141 Chapter Farmers from 78 chapters were raised to the State Farmer Degree at the 25th Annual Convention of the Kansas Association of FFA.
11. Six Honorary State Farmer Degrees were awarded.
12. The Kansas Association was honored by having National FFA Vice President Fred Reed, Hindsville, Arkansas, assist with the Annual Convention.
13. 129 three-man teams entered the 1953 Annual High School Judging Contests in Agriculture, and 105 two-man teams entered for Farm Mechanics judging activities.
14. Total number of pieces of equipment built and/or repaired by Kansas FFA members was 7,025.
15. Total number of machines repaired and/or built by Kansas FFA members was 5,803.
16. The average net worth for Kansas FFA members was \$510.00 and the total net worth of the 6,410 members was \$3,264,100.00.

DATES OF IMPORTANCE

1. FFA Regional Speech Contest, Columbia, Missouri, August 10.
2. National Judging Contests in Dairy Cattle and Dairy Products: Waterloo, Iowa, October 5 - 7, inclusive.
3. National FFA Convention: Kansas City, Missouri, October 12-15, inclusive.
4. National Judging Contests in Livestock, Meats and Poultry: Kansas City, Missouri, October 13 - 15, inclusive.
5. Kansas members of the National FFA Band and the National FFA Chorus, first practice session, Kansas City, Missouri, 1:00 p.m., Friday, October 9.

RESERVATIONS FOR THE NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION

The State Deputy Adviser will handle reservations for Delegates, American Farmers and members of the National FFA Band and National FFA Chorus. If you plan to have judging teams participating in the contests, it would be advisable to make hotel reservations for them early. Please address your requests for reservations to Mr. Robert B. Coyner, Manager, Convention and Visitors Bureau, Chamber of Commerce of Kansas City, 1030 Baltimore Avenue, Kansas City 6, Missouri.

FFA SUPPLIES

The Future Farmer Supply Service, Alexandria, Virginia, will handle all official FFA supplies except the L. G. Balfour Contract. The L. G. Balfour Company, Attleboro, Massachusetts, will continue for another year, to handle all FFA degree pins, FFA plaques, FFA rings, belt buckles, etc., as listed in the Balfour catalog.

The State FFA office at Manhattan will continue to handle the following FFA supplies:

FFA Charters
State Farmer Degree Pins & Charms
FFA membership cards
FFA Award Certificates & Plaques
on the State level.

PLAN YOUR FFA SUPPLY NEEDS FOR NEXT YEAR AND ORDER EARLY.

Reasons: Most of the business handled during the year by the Supply Service is during the months of September to December. Approximately 50,000 Official FFA Jackets were sold last year. It takes thirty minutes to letter a jacket. During the rush season allow four weeks for delivery on jackets.

As many as 700 pieces of mail are received by the Supply Service in a single day. The staff has been increased to facilitate handling the business. Careless filling out of order forms result in much delay. You can help by filling out order forms correctly and in a legible hand.

PICTURES OF 1953 STATE FARMER CLASS

1953 State Farmer pictures are available on order at 75 cents each. Address Floyd Hanna, Illustrations Department, Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kansas, and order photograph Number CO4927.

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1953-54 STATE FFA OFFICERS

Sixteen FFA members, all recommended by their local advisers and approved by the reviewing committee, were interviewed by the nominating committee for State Office. Ten excellent candidates were included in the slate presented to the House of Delegates. The office of sentinel was added to the list of officers in the Kansas Association of FFA and will become official at the beginning of the 1953-54 year. Special mimeographed material presenting full information concerning the scholarship, leadership and farming program for each candidate was made available to the delegates in session, Monday evening, April 27, 1953. The choice of your 1953 House of Delegates for the leadership of the Kansas Association of FFA during 1953-54 follows:

Nelson D. Galle, Moundridge, President
Gilmore M. Dahl, Effingham, Vice-President
Ray Zimmerman, Olathe, Secretary
Sam H. Peppiatt, Ellsworth, Reporter
Bob Watkins, Alma, Treasurer
Francis Grillot, Parsons, Sentinel

Congratulations and best wishes to this group of young men. The State Office predicts a highly successful year for the Kansas Association of FFA under their leadership.

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1952-53 STATE FFA CONVENTION

Approximately 150 of the 192 FFA chapters in Kansas sent representatives to the Twenty-Fifth Annual State Convention. There were 129 agricultural teams entered in the agricultural judging events. One hundred five schools entered teams in the farm mechanics contests. There were 25 contestants in the State FFA Public Speaking Contest and 41 chapters entered the State FFA Chapter Contest. One hundred and thirty-three schools seated delegates at the annual FFA meeting. The tour groups under the direction of Professor Fletcher Riggs, Department of Economics and Sociology, were comprised of approximately 175 alternates. Three hundred FFA members found rooming quarters at Nichols Gymnasium and the Hospital Annex, while the remainder of the contestants and their advisers found rooms in town.

A box lunch was served on the campus to contestants in the Agricultural and Farm Mechanics Contests. Seven Hundred and seventy five lunches were served.

Professor Milton Manuel of the Department of Economics and Sociology was in charge of compiling statistics in the various judging events.

Many departments of the College cooperated in making the Twenty Fifth Annual State FFA Convention a success.

1952-53 State FFA Convention (continued)

The Kansas Association was honored to have Fred Reed, Hindsville, Arkansas, Vice-President of the National Organization of Future Farmers of America as guest throughout the convention. Vice-President Reed addressed the House of Delegates meeting.

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1953 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BANQUET

The Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America wishes to take this means of thanking the Manhattan Chamber of Commerce for the Twenty-Fifth FFA Banquet furnished by this group. President Melvin Dodd, Secretary Lud Fiser and Joe Smerchek, chairman of the Vocational Agricultural Committee, can rest assured that both the FFA members and their advisers are duly appreciative of the efforts of the Manhattan Chamber of Commerce, to make their closing event such a delightful occasion.

The annual FFA Banquet is a cooperative affair whereby the food is furnished by the Chamber of Commerce and is served under the direction of Professor Davy Mackintosh. The physical properties are provided by the College under the direction of Professor Rufus Cox, while the program itself is under the direction of the State Association of FFA. The Block and Bridle Club and the Agricultural Education Club assisted in serving the food. The flags of the United Nations were furnished through the courtesy of the Institute of Citizenship, Dr. E. E. Edgar, acting Head. The band music was furnished by the Kansas State College Band under the direction of Professor Jean Hedlund. Group singing was led by Professor Elbert Fly of the High School.

The entire banquet program was well received and the State Association turned the meeting over to Professor L. F. Payne, Chairman of the College Contest Committee at 9:00 p.m.

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1953 STATE CHAPTER CONTEST

Forty-one chapters entered the 1953 State Chapter Contest. The ratings of the National Score Card used in the National Chapter Contest were used in the Kansas Chapter Contest. Under each of the eight headings, the same items were given consideration in ranking the chapters as listed in this issue of the Kansas Future Farmer Newsletter. The State Chapter Contest is designed to encourage and reward chapter effort over a wide range of activities. The first State Chapter Contest was held in Kansas in 1932 and these contests have been held annually since that date.

In addition to the eight major headings listed in the National Chapter Contest Score Card, the scoring committee checks each chapter activity program against the annual State Association Program of Work. Attention is also given to Chapter performance in the District FFA Leadership Schools.

It was gratifying to note that 87% of the chapters entering the Chapter Contest had a minimum FFA library; 96% used both the official Secretary and Treasurer's book and more than 95% of the competing chapters engaged in Fire Prevention, Scrap Drive, Safety, Pest Eradication and Livestock Loss Prevention.

1953 State Chapter Contest (continued)

The four major classifications for recognizing the merit of chapter programs are: Gold Emblem classification, Silver Emblem classification, Bronze Emblem classification and Honorable Mention classification.

The results of the 1953 State Chapter Contest follow:

GOLD EMBLEM CLASSIFICATION - HIGHEST RANK

Alma Chapter, Frank E. White, Adviser
Beloit Chapter, Frank Carpenter, Adviser
Buhler Chapter, J. A. Johnson, Adviser
Chamute Chapter, Chas. C. Carter Jr., Adviser
Clay Center Chapter, Ray W. Morrison, Adviser
Coldwater Chapter, L. E. Melia, Adviser
Effingham Chapter, Roy Eck, Adviser
Ellsworth Chapter, Lester L. Crandall, Adviser
Emporia Chapter, Emory Groves, Adviser
Holton Chapter, Keith Wagoner, Adviser
Hill City Chapter, John Lacey, Adviser
Hoxie Chapter, Frank Hutchinson, Adviser
Little River Chapter, Milton Kohrs, Adviser
Shawnee Mission Chapter, Harold Garver, Adviser
Olathe Chapter, A. G. Jensen, Adviser
Stockton Chapter, Floyd Blauer, Adviser

SILVER EMBLEM CLASSIFICATION

Bonner Springs Chapter, L. L. Van Petten, Adviser
Colby Chapter, Gordon Cunningham, Adviser
ElDorado Chapter, Wm. R. McMillan, Adviser
Eureka Chapter, Harry Coffel, Adviser
Howard Chapter, Wilbur Hart, Adviser
Kiowa Chapter, Allen Starosta, Adviser
Kingman Chapter, Virgil Lake, Adviser
Lebanon Chapter, Thos. Roberts, Adviser
Longford Chapter, Freeman Biery, Adviser
Seaman Chapter, Marvin Smith, Adviser
Ottawa Chapter, S. S. Bergsma, Adviser
Phillipsburg Chapter, Frank Freeman, Adviser
Riley Chapter, L. O. Gugler, Adviser
Simpson Chapter, Bob Severance, Adviser
Smith Center Chapter, Charles Mantz, Adviser
St. Francis Chapter, Don Hall, Adviser
Washington Chapter, Otis Dewey, Adviser

BRONZE EMBLEM CLASSIFICATION

Berryton Chapter, Thomas G. Morris, Adviser
Garnett Chapter, Clarence Anderson, Adviser
Great Bend Chapter, Carl Heinrich, Adviser
Harveyville Chapter, Duane McCune, Adviser
Meade Chapter, Howard Thomas, Adviser
Randolph Chapter, Alvin House, Adviser
Solomon Chapter, Clyde Venneberg, Adviser
St. Marys Chapter, Thos. W. Linville, Adviser

1953 CLASS OF STATE FARMERS

There were 141 FFA members from 78 chapters elected to the State Farmer Degree at the Twenty-Fifty Annual FFA Convention. This brings the total number of FFA members elected to the State Farmer Degree in Kansas to 1,631.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>
Dennis Lee Davis	Alma	Harold Bruna	Hanover
Harris Grunewald	Alma	Melvin E. Lohse	Hanover
Marvin Fred Palenske	Alma	Leslie Valdois	Haven
Elton Alfred Schmitt	Alma	Marvin Valdois	Haven
Merlynn Colip	Almena	Joe Farrell	Hill City
L. Lee Barnt	Alton	Bob Paxson	Hill City
Lyle Eaton	Arkansas City	Lloyd Funk	Hillsboro
Larry Dale Hewitt	Beloit	Edward C. Roth	Holcomb
Ronald W. McKinnie	Beloit	Larry D. Swartley	Holcomb
Donald L. Smyth	Beloit	Allen Clinkenbeard	Holton
John Cornett	Burlingame	Donald Jenkins	Holton
Duane Mills	Burlingame	Jerry Hubbell	Howard
Gene Rohr	Burlington	Roger McKinney	Howard
Duane Moyer	Chanute	Jim Perkins	Howard
Dean Strack	Chanute	Floyd Victor Karnes	Hoxie
Paul Faidley	Clay Center	Lloyd Mills	Hoxie
Roy Rau	Clay Center	Richard Glen O'Dell	Hoxie
Don Rosenow	Clay Center	Phillip Rollin Gates	Iola
Allan Leroy Henry	Colby	Dennis McDonald	Iola
Jack J. Kersenbrock	Colby	Billy J. Brown	Kincaid
Richard Riedel	Colby	Dean Howarter	Kincaid
James Lee Windle	Colby	Richard B. Prather	Kincaid
Charles A. Handshy	Columbus	Gerald O. Welsh	Kincaid
Norman Johnson	Concordia	Tim McKenna	Kingman
Jack Paulsen	Concordia	Paul Thissen	Kingman
James Gammell	Cottonwood Falls	Bert Gillig	Kiowa
Tommy Litke	Council Grove	Richard Gantz	Lawrence
Raleigh J. Flanders	Edson	Wayne Leonhard	Lawrence
Jerry Congrove	Effingham	Maurice Campbell	Lebanon
Gilmore Dahl	Effingham	Marion L. Hackerott	Lebanon
Bob Hall	Effingham	Eldon Guttridge	Liberal
Leonard Hawk	Effingham	Frank Carlton	Little River
Jim Hundley	Effingham	Gene Wilson	Little River
Richard E. Burch	ELDorado	Eldon D. Harder	Longford
Dale Hamilton	ELDorado	Gary Everson	Mankato
David Nuttle	ELDorado	John Russell	Mankato
John Bircher	Ellsworth	Arlyn Scheller	Marysville
Samuel H. Peppiatt	Ellsworth	Jim Montgomery	McDonald
Leonard Chamberlain	Emporia	Gilbert Christopher	McPherson
Dale Davis	Emporia	Jack Meyers	Shawnee Mission
Clare Pearson	Emporia	Gene New	Shawnee Mission
Gale Jackson	Fairview	Leslie Wayne Dyck	Moundridge
Samuel E. Strahm	Fairview	Gilbert Paul Kaufman	Moundridge
Joe Max Tindle	Fredonia	James A. Myers	Mulvane
William W. Hicks	Garden City	Dale Hawkey	Newton
Donald Unruh	Garden City	Clayton Kaufman	Newton
Allen Ball	Garnett	Lloyd Eldon Gideon	Seaman (N.T.)
Claron Benjamin	Garnett	Lawrence Jean Ellis	Olathe
James L. Doering	Garnett	Ray Zimmerman	Olathe

1953 Class of State Farmers (cont.)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>
Estel Schultis	Great Bend	Bill D. Lieber	Osage City
Norman Conrad	Osborne	Oscar Beck	Riley
Clifford Noffsinger	Osborne	Albion Visser	Riley
Orvin Wilson	Osborne	Stanley Lee Rieb	St. Francis
Trexel Warren	Ottawa	Billy R. Walter	St. Francis
Ronald Arthur Bond	Overbrook	Charles Grieshaber	St. Marys
Donald Eulert	Paradise	Earl Beck	Silver Lake
Francis Grillot, Jr.	Parsons	Joe A. Daniels	Smith Center
Earl Knust	Peabody	Dean E. Bigge	Stockton
Max W. Jarvis	Phillipsburg	Carl Louis Sander	Stockton
Robert E. Quanz	Phillipsburg	Wayne L. Finch	Tonganoxie
Ivan L. Wagner	Phillipsburg	Lyndall Ford	Valley Falls
Ronald Westhusin	Plainville	Jimmy Zinn	Washburn
Larry Schumann	Powhattan	James A. Smart	Washington
Jack Van Tilburg	Powhattan	Darrel Gene Stewart	Washington
Wilbur Wright	Powhattan	Terry Norman Turner	Waterville
Jim Goering	Pretty Prairie	Lawrence Heath	Westmoreland
Rex Dean Albin	Quinter	Ralph B. Basel	Williamsburg
Sam Chestnut	Quinter	Rex Slankard	Williamsburg
Louis Roberts	Quinter	James Lee Ware	Williamsburg
Larry Henry	Randolph	Joe Gordon	Winfield
		Ralph Russell	Winfield

Honorary State Farmer Degrees

The following men, because of their splendid cooperation with Vocational Agriculture and the FFA program in Kansas, were awarded the Honorary State Farmer Degree:

John Lewis, of the Alfalfa Lawn Polled Hereford Farm, Larned, Kansas.
 Dr. R. V. Olson, Head of the Agronomy Department, KSC.
 Mr. Roy Freeland, Secretary, Kansas State Board of Agriculture, Topeka.
 Mr. Wes Seyler, Radio Station WIBW, Topeka.
 Mr. Jerry Moxley, of the Moxley-Hall Hereford Ranch, Council Grove.
 Mr. Perry H. Lambert, Hiawatha, past president, Kansas State Board of Agriculture.

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CAMP AND OLD MILL

The facilities at the National FFA Camp are being used by the staff of the Future Farmers Supply Service and by the staff of the NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER. Since the Potomac Park Motor Court in Washington, D. C. has facilities to accommodate FFA chapters, the national camp was not open during the past summer.

The George Washington Grist Mill, which is leased from the Virginia Conservation Commission, is still being kept open to the public. A caretaker is kept on duty. The income from the mill is enough to pay for all of the expenses, maintenance, and the salary of the caretaker.

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1953 STATE FFA PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

The Twenty-fourth Annual FFA Public Speaking Contest was held on the campus at Kansas State College, Tuesday, April 28, 1953. State Vice President Harrell Guard, and Treasurer Gary Neilan, presided. The judges for the speech contest were: Professors Kenneth O'Fallon and C. C. Eustace of the Department of Education; Professors E. S. Bagley, Leonard Schruben and Paul Koefod of the Department of Economics and Sociology; and Mr. Winzer Petr of the Kansas State Board of Agriculture.

Kansas has an enviable record in Regional and National FFA Speech Contests. Twenty Kansas Future Farmers have participated in the Regional FFA Speech Contests and have won four firsts, four seconds, three thirds, two sevenths, two ninths, and one eleventh. In the run off contest, Kansas has had one third place, one fourth place, one seventh place and one thirteenth place.

The results of the 1953 FFA Speech Contest follow:

<u>RANKING</u>	<u>NAME AND CHAPTER</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>
1.	Roger Adamson, Cherryvale	"A New Era in Agriculture"
2	Gilmore Dahl, Effingham	"The American Farmer and His Cooperative"
3.	Ned Arthur, Newton	"Soil Conservation Not Only a Need - a Necessity"
4.	Bill Williams, Fort Scott	"Get Rid of Bangs or Lose Your Dairy Market"
5.	James Higgs, Independence	"Can The Earth Feed Its Millions"
5.	Marion L. Hackerott, Lebanon	"We Can Win"
7.	John Bircher, Ellsworth	"Footprints In the Soils of Time"
7.	Arlan Stackley, Eldorado	"Can We"
9.	Billy Ray James, Clay Center	"For the Land's Sake"
9.	Bob Quanz, Phillipsburg	"The World Food Crisis"

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AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION CLUB AWARD

The Clay Center Chapter, under the direction of Ray Morrison, won the 1953 Agricultural Education Club plaque. This plaque was awarded by Emery Berry, president of the Agricultural Education Club, to the chapter making the highest total score in all activities open to FFA members. The score card used would make it possible for a team to win 105 points in the agricultural events, 99 points in the farm mechanics events and 102 points in the FFA events. The score card used in determining the winners follows:

SCORE CARD

Breakdown for Agriculture - High ten teams

- 1st place - 29 points
- 2nd place - 28 points
- 3rd place - 27 points
- 4th place - 26 points
- 5th place - 25 points

Agricultural Education Club Award (cont.)

- 6th place - 24 points
- 7th place - 23 points
- 8th place - 22 points
- 9th place - 21 points
- 10th place - 20 points

For each of the Four Divisions in Agriculture -
Dairy, Animal Husbandry, Poultry, Agronomy

- 1st place - 19 points
- 2nd place - 18 points
- 3rd place - 17 points
- 4th place - 16 points
- 5th place - 15 points
- 6th place - 14 points
- 7th place - 13 points
- 8th place - 12 points
- 9th place - 11 points
- 10th place - 10 points

Breakdown Farm Mechanics - High ten teams

- 1st place - 29 points
- 2nd place - 28 points
- 3rd place - 27 points
- 4th place - 26 points
- 5th place - 25 points
- 6th place - 24 points
- 7th place - 23 points
- 8th place - 22 points
- 9th place - 21 points
- 10th place - 20 points

For each of the Seven Areas in Farm Mechanics - Farm Power,
Farm Carpentry, Concrete, Arc Welding, Farm Machinery,
Sharpening Tools, Soil Conservation

- 1st place - 10 points
- 2nd place - 9 points
- 3rd place - 8 points
- 4th place - 7 points
- 5th place - 6 points
- 6th place - 5 points
- 7th place - 4 points
- 8th place - 3 points
- 9th place - 2 points
- 10th place - 1 point

FFA SECTION

Chapter Contest

- 50 points - Gold Emblem
- 30 points - Silver Emblem
- 15 points - Bronze Emblem
- 5 points - Honorable Mention

Agricultural Education Club Award (cont.)

FFA Public Speaking Contest

1st place - 10 points
2nd place - 9 points
3rd place - 8 points
4th place - 7 points
5th place - 6 points
6th place - 5 points
7th place - 4 points
8th place - 3 points
9th place - 2 points
10th place - 1 point

State Farmers

Chapters having 1 - 10 points
Chapters having 2 - 20 points
Chapters having 3 - 30 points
Chapters having 4 - 40 points
Number points possible - 40 points

Seating Delegates

One delegate - 1 point
Two delegates - 2 points

The ranking of the high ten chapters with total points earned follows:

<u>RANKING</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>	<u>SCORE</u>
1.	Clay Center Chapter	231
2.	Chanute Chapter	209
3. <i>4 - Hill City</i>	Effingham Chapter	115
4. <i>5 - Alma</i>	Alma Chapter	107
5. <i>6</i>	Emporia Chapter	97
6. <i>7</i>	Cherryvale Chapter	95
7. <i>8</i>	Quinter Chapter	94
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*N.B.: Through an error Hill City was
-- FFA -- omitted. ASJ*

THE 1953-54 STATE OFFICERS

The following briefs of the 1953-54 State Officers are presented in the hope that our membership will know more about the boys who will be in charge of the Kansas Association of FFA for the next year.

NELSON GALLE, MOUNDRIDGE, PRESIDENT

Nelson is 17 years old and a senior in high school. During his three years in FFA he served as Reporter and Vice-president of his chapter. He was granted the degree of State Farmer at the 1952 State Convention. Nelson was a member of the winning State High School Livestock Judging Team that represented Kansas in the National FFA Livestock Judging Contest. After three years in vocational agriculture he had a net worth of \$3,435.80. His third year farming program consisted of 18 head of cattle, 80 head of swine, 4 acres of corn, 8 acres of oats and 8 acres of sweet clover. He was a member of the varsity football team, and took part in basketball and other school sports. For the past two years he has taken an active part in church youth organizations.

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The 1953-54 State Officers (continued)

GILMORE DAHL, EFFINGHAM, VICE-PRESIDENT

Gilmore is chapter president. He is 17 years old, a senior in high school, with four years of vocational agriculture. Gilmore ranked in the upper one third in scholarship in his class of 61. He was granted the State Farmer degree at the 1953 State Convention. His beginning net worth was \$1,553.50, and at the close of the third year of farming his total net worth was \$3,080.77. His high school activities include the band, mixed chorus, Boys' Glee club, Hi-Y secretary and treasurer. The past year he has been vice-president of a youth church group.

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RAY ZIMMERMAN, OLATHE, SECRETARY

Ray is 17 years old and a senior in high school. During his four years in FFA he served as secretary and president of his chapter. He was a member of the Gold Emblem ritual team at the District Leadership school. He was granted the degree of State Farmer at this year's convention and represented his chapter in the State High School Farm Mechanics contest in 1952, and the State High School Agriculture contest at the state contest this year. His high school activities include freshman class president, student council president and class plays. He was a member of the varsity football and basketball teams, and the past year served as treasurer of the school athletic club.

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SAM PEPPIATT, ELLSWORTH, REPORTER

Sam is chapter president and was formerly treasurer of his chapter. He is 18 years old and a senior in high school with four years of vocational agriculture. His beginning net worth was \$520.25 and at the close of his third year of farming his total net worth was \$3,833.68. His last year farming program consisted of 14 head of cattle, 29 head of sheep, 4 acres of oats, 6 acres of sorghums and 3 acres of alfalfa. The past year Sam was active in Hi-Y, football and agriculture judging. He represented Kansas in the National Band.

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ROBERT WATKINS, ALMA, TREASURER

Bob is 18 years old and a senior in high school. His many high school activities include president of the FFA chapter, freshman class treasurer, Sophomore class vice-president, junior class president, student council president, glee club, class plays, varsity football, basketball team and football captain. He attended the District Leadership school, and ranked in the Gold Emblem information and ritual team groups. Bob started his farming program with a net worth of \$335.33 and at the close of his third year of farming his total net worth was \$1,215.00.

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The 1953-54 State Officers (continued)

FRANCIS GRILLOT JR., PARSONS, SENTINEL

Francis ranked in scholarship in the upper ten per cent in his class of 152 seniors. He is 17 years old and a senior in high school. During his four years in FFA he served as chapter sentinel, reporter and vice-president. He was granted the degree of State Farmer at the 1953 State Convention. His third year farming program consisted of 19 head of cattle, 12 head of poultry, 5 acres of corn, and 12 acres of soybeans. Francis exhibited crops at the international crops show. He was a member of his chapter Farm Mechanics teams last year, and agriculture team this year.

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COMMEMORATIVE STAMP APPROVED FOR FFA

Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield has announced that a special three-cent postage stamp will be issued this year in commemoration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Future Farmers of America.

The announcement climaxed more than a year's campaign by FFA members and their leaders throughout the country to have a special stamp issued during the anniversary year. The exact date and place of the first issue is still under consideration, but in all probability it will be at Kansas City, Missouri, during the national FFA convention, October 12-15. The schedule calls for printing 110 million of the stamps.

After the first day, the FFA stamps will go on sale in other post offices where the local postmasters have requested it. A kit of suggestions for local FFA chapters to use in obtaining local FFA promotion and publicity in connection with the stamp issue is being prepared by the national office and will be sent to State Associations for further distribution to the local chapters.

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ACROSS THE BORDER

ALABAMA - Tillman Gibbs, 17 year-old Ranborne, Alabama, Future Farmer, has built 36 thermostatically-controlled heat lamp chicken brooders; enough brooders to handle more than 20,000 chicks. Twenty of the brooders were made for his own 10,000 chick supervised farming program in vocational agriculture. Ten were made for his father's use, and six for a neighbor.

CALIFORNIA - Members of the Mariposa, California, FFA chapter produced about 25 tons of meat last year, including nearly 3,000 pounds of lamb, 23,250 pounds of beef, 20,000 pounds of pork, and 1,150 pounds of rabbit and poultry.

MASSACHUSETTS - The West Springfield, Massachusetts, FFA chapter has completed a project of landscaping the new John Ashley School grounds. They placed 350 yards of loam, planted 900 pounds of grass seed, 21 trees, 400 shrubs, and about 500 other plants. The boys applied 16,000 pounds of lime and 7,000 pounds of commercial fertilizer to the seven acres of lawn and playground area. Savings to the town because of the FFA work is estimated at \$5,000.

WASHINGTON - The Evergreen, Washington, FFA chapter received \$1,902.73 profit last year from a 117-acre barley and oats project. Members were paid 75 cents per hour for their labor on the project. Thirty acres of the land was school property, and the remainder was rented.

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REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF
FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA 1952-53

The annual meeting to formulate the State Program of Work was held in Professor A. P. Davidson's office, September 6, 1952. A State Program of Work was formulated and published in the September 15, 1952 issue of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER Newsletter.

During the year seven chapters were chartered. They were: Peidmont, Ensign, Severy, Jennings, Marion, Wetmore and Ulysses. There are 192 vocational agricultural departments in Kansas, with a total enrollment of 6,410. The total FFA membership to date is 7,045. This gives Kansas an active FFA membership of 110 per cent, which constitutes the highest percentage of FFA membership in the North-Central Region, comprising of 13 states.

State President Billy Ray James, Clay Center Chapter and Gary Neilan, St. Francis Chapter, served as delegates to the Twenty-Fifth National Convention of Future Farmers of America at Kansas City last October. An over-all story of the Twenty-Fifth National FFA Convention was carried in the November, 1952 issue of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER Newsletter. As time will not permit, I shall not attempt to review this convention. I would strongly urge that if you have not already done so, that you examine carefully the November issue of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER Newsletter.

Ten district FFA Leadership Schools were held with State FFA Officers in attendance at each school. A complete report of the District FFA Leadership Schools will be found in the December, 1952 issue of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER.

Winfield and Little River Chapters each won Silver Emblem classification in the 1952 National Chapter Contest.

Kansas FFA members receiving the American Farmer Degree at the Twenty-Fifth National Convention were: Deryl F. Carswell, Alton Chapter and Phillip P. Pratt, Hoxie Chapter.

The Agricultural Education Club, Kansas State College, plaque was won by the Chanute Chapter in 1952. This award goes to the chapter making the highest total points in events open to FFA members in connection with the Annual Vocational Agriculture Judging and Farm Mechanics Contests.

One hundred and seventy eight chapters filed Programs of Work on or before November 1, 1952. A few chapters filed programs after that date.

The Better Chapter Contest winners in the 1951-52 State Chapter Contest showed sixteen chapters meriting Gold Emblem Classification. These chapters were listed in the May, 1952 issue of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER Newsletter.

One hundred and **forty one** Chapter Farmers from seventy eight chapters were raised to the State Farmer Degree in 1952.

Kansas had seven members in the National FFA Band and seven members in the National FFA Chorus.

Your President met with the State FFA Executive Committee April 9, 1953 for reviewing applications for the State Farmer Degree. One hundred and forty one applications were recommended by the committee for approval by the House of Delegates.

President's Report (Continued)

Practically 100 per cent of the chapters cooperated with the state program in Safety, Fire Prevention, Pest Eradication, Soil Conservation and Livestock Loss Prevention.

Kenneth Howe, Stafford Chapter, represented Kansas in the Regional elimination contest held at East Lansing, Michigan, and did not place in the top four.

Kansas FFA teams participating in National FFA Judging Contests held at Waterloo, Iowa and Kansas City, Missouri, won one Gold Emblem Classification, four Silver Emblem classifications. These rankings were listed in the November, 1952 issue of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER.

Hiawatha Chapter placed first in Booth Exhibits at the Topeka Fair. Hillsboro Chapter won first in the Farm Mechanics Exhibits at the State Fair in Hutchinson.

First place in County Booth Exhibits prepared by FFA Chapters at the Hutchinson Fair were won for their respective areas by Buhler Chapter, and the Coldwater Chapter. A complete report on chapter ranking in FFA Exhibits at both the Topeka and Hutchinson Fairs will be found in the November, 1952 issue of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER Newsletter.

The Kansas Association of FFA assumed the responsibility of securing subscriptions to the National Future Farmer Magazine and sent 5,532 subscriptions to Editor Lano Barron, Alexandria, Virginia. This represented 86.30 per cent of our total membership. The Kansas Association went on record at the 1951 House of Delegates meeting opposing any plan of making subscriptions to the National Future Farmer a requisite to membership in the FFA.

Respectfully submitted,

Billy Ray James, President
Kansas Association of FFA

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REPORT OF STATE FFA REPORTER, 1953

Including the May, 1953 issue of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER, six copies will have been printed and distributed during the year.

As was done last year, requests for local chapter news for THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER were sent from the State Office. During the year 384 requests were sent and 258 responses were received. This is a response of 68 per cent. This was an increase of 18 per cent over last year.

Six issues (including May 15, 1953) of THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER Newsletter were published. The plan of devoting the first half of the newsletter to state and national items of interest and the last half of the newsletter to local FFA chapter news was continued.

A pictorial section which was added to THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER Newsletter, beginning with the September 1951 issue was continued.

Reporter's Report (Continued)

Each issue of the newsletter carried out the FFA calendar and gave emphasis to major FFA activities calendared - for example:

- September issue - State FFA Program of Work; Summary of Kansas Association of FFA. Report to National Association; Budget of the Kansas Association of FFA. National FFA Program of Work; Reactivating and establishing FFA chapters.
- November issue - Devoted entirely to the Twenty-fifth National FFA Convention, National FFA Judging Contests, winning FFA Exhibits at the State Fairs.
- December issue - 1952 District FFA Leadership School; National Chapter Contest; Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc.
- February issue - Kansas FFA Public Speaking Contest; National FFA Week; State Farmer Degree Application; State Chapter Contest.
- April issue - President James issues Convention Call; Rank in FFA Membership; An Analysis of a Selected List of Chapter Programs; Evaluating FFA Chapter Activity Programs.
- May issue - Will be devoted to the Kansas Association of FFA Convention activities.

The Chapter Notes were satisfactorily written in most cases. Items from THE KANSAS FUTURE FARMER Newsletter were reprinted in several publications in the field of Agricultural Journalism.

Respectfully submitted,

Kermit Case, Reporter
Kansas Association of FFA

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REPORT OF STATE FFA TREASURER, 1953

Professor Harry M. Stewart, Certified Public Accountant, audited the Kansas Association of FFA Treasurer's Books for 1952-53.

Professor Stewart's audit follows:

The bank ballance at the beginning of the period was reconciled with the bank statement as of that date. All receipts as shown by the records were deposited in the Union National Bank, Manhattan, Kansas, and all disbursements per records were made by check. The Seneca Chapter was short 5 cents each on 30 members dues for a total of \$1.50

No inventory of pins and charms were made at the beginning or close of the fiscal period. However, a comparison of recorded items of pins and charms bought and sold would indicate no change in inventory.

Treasurer's Report (Continued)

The bank balance per books at the close of the fiscal period was reconciled with the balance shown by the statement from the bank. There was one check outstanding at the end of the year in favor of the St. Francis chapter of F. F. A.. This should be brought to the attention of this chapter.

The two series "F" defense bonds with an accrued value of \$962.00 are in a lock box at the Union National Bank. These two bonds will mature at \$1,000 in February, 1954.

Subject to the above comments, the attached statement in my opinion is correct.

The records appear to have been kept in good order.

Respectfully submitted,

Harry M. Stewart
Certified Public Accountant

Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America
Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
for the period April 1, 1952 to March 31, 1953

Bank balance per books, April 1, 1952 \$3,398.56

Receipts:

Dues - 30 at 25 cents	\$ 7.50	
6836 at 30 cents	2,050.80	
Charms and pins	635.60	
Supplies (books, jackets, charters, etc.)	17.70	
Contributions from Burlington R.R.	100.00	
Reimbursement of travel expense	108.03	
Refunds - Balfour	23.56	
Subscriptions to the National F.F.A. Magazine	1,424.50	
Total receipts		<u>\$4,367.69</u>
Total cash accounted for		<u>\$7,766.25</u>

Disbursements:

Dues - 6895 at 30 cents	\$ 689.50	
Charms and pins	659.20	
Badges and buttons	61.98	
State and National Convention Expense	883.34	
Auditing	7.50	
Supplies	374.93	
Printing and photos	305.74	
Burlington awards	100.00	
Contest expenses	153.60	
Subscriptions to National FFA Magazine	1,400.71	
Miscellaneous	20.60	
Total disbursements		<u>\$4,657.10</u>

Balance per books, March 31, 1953 \$3,109.15

Bank balance per statement, March 31, 1953 \$2,709.50
Add: Receipts on hand, deposited 4-3-53 412.15
\$3,121.65

Deduct: Check outstanding 12.50
#570 - St Francis Chapter, FFA -9-18-52 \$3,109.15
Balance for books

Treasurer's Report (continued)

CHECKS WRITTEN FOR DISBURSEMENT
FROM 4/1/52 - 3/31/53

4-28-52	Gillett Hotel, State FFA Officer Dinners	\$	10.00
4-29-52	Gillett Hotel, State FFA Officers Dinner		7.60
5- 1-52	Elbert Fly, Leading Group Singing at 24th State Conv.		5.00
5- 1-52	Donald Carr, Accompanist for E. Fly		2.50
5- 2-52	Chamber of Commerce, 23 banquet tickets		5.75
5- 5-52	Donald Staheli, State Conv. Exp.		5.50
5-15-52	Shawnee-Mission FFA Cha., ref.between 3 lok G.ch.&3 GP pins		6.30
5-15-52	Richard Reinhardt, State FFA Conv. Exp.		13.00
5-15-52	Marvin Decker, State FFA Conv. Exp.		4.00
5-15-52	Francis L. Reichart, State FFA Conv. Exp.		2.80
5-15-52	Wayne Thies, State FFA Conv. Exp.		5.00
5-15-52	Darrel Gartrell, State FFA Conv. Exp.		14.00
5-15-52	Gillett Hotel, State FFA Officers rooms during Conv.		40.00
5-15-52	Harry M. Stewart, CPA, Auditing FFA books, year 1951-52		7.50
5-15-52	Josephine Dalton, Lettering State Farmer Certificates		5.00
5-15-52	Illustrations Dept., State FFA Conv. photos		32.95
5-15-52	Art Craft Printers, 1200 FFA Banquet Programs		20.00
5-15-52	Future Farmer Supply Serv., 10 pkgs. PN-1 Napkins		5.00
5-15-52	D. J. Howard, Nat'l Tres., 6,895 State FFA dues @ 10¢		689.50
5-15-52	Jim Mustard, State FFA Conv. Exp. and tire		25.00
6-13-52	Future Farmer Supply Co., 50 manuals		7.50
7- 1-52	Art Craft Printers, 250 Window Cards		37.00
7- 1-52	Future Farmers Supply Serv., 2 Electrototype		4.34
7- 1-52	Future Farmers Supply Serv., 5 Officer Jackets (State)		49.10
7-23-52	Dr. Henry S. Brunner, 7 Nat'l FFA Band Uniforms		105.00
8- 1-52	Cash, to defray exp. for St. FFA Pub. Speaker to Reg. Cont.		50.00
8- 1-52	Lano F. Barron, 2979 subs. to Nat'l F.F. Mag inc. 9-5yr.		670.27
8-12-52	St. Louis Button Co, 400 award ribbons Dist. Ldrship Sch.		69.23
8-25-52	Lano F. Barron, 5-9 year subs.counted as 1 yr. subs.		6.08
9- 6-52	Gillett Hotel, State FFA Officers Dinner		6.00
9-13-52	Pretty Prairie High, ref. for sec. and tres. book		.70
9-17-52	Lano F. Barron, 2394 subs inc. 18-5 yr. subs.		550.80
9-18-52	Paul Pinet Printing Co., Printing exhibit cards		63.75
9-18-52	Norton FFA Chapter, Burlington Railroad grant		12.50
9-18-52	Almena FFA Chapter, Burlington Railroad grant		12.50
9-18-52	Norcatat FFA Chapter, Burlington Railroad grant		12.50
9-18-52	Oberlin FFA Chapter, Burlington Railroad grant		12.50
9-18-52	Atwood FFA Chapter, Burlington Railroad grant		12.50
9-18-52	McDonald FFA Chapter, Burlington Railroad grant		12.50
9-18-52	Bird City FFA Chapter, Burlington Railroad grant		12.50
9-18-52	St. Francis FFA Chapter, Burlington Railroad grant		12.50
9-19-52	Lano F. Barron, 6 subs to Nat'l F. F. Mag.		1.50
9-22-52	Lano F. Barron, 7 subs to Nat'l F. F. Mag.		1.75
9-27-52	Lano F. Barron, 24 subs to Nat'l F. F. Mag.		5.40
9-27-52	Art Craft Printers, Binding Newsletter & Ag. Ed. Mag.		4.00
10- 3-52	Lano F. Barron, 6 subs. to Nat'l F. F. Mag.		1.35
10-11-52	Lano F. Barron, 13 subs to Nat'l F. F. Mag.		2.92
10-18-52	Gillett Hotel, State FFA Officers rooms enroute to Conv.		13.10
10-18-52	Lano F. Barron, 25 subs. to Nat'l Mag.		5.62
10-23-52	Montgomery Foto Service, 10 pictures of Nat'l FFA Conv.		21.25

Treasurer's Report (continued)

10-24-52	Lano F. Barron, Editor, 22 subs. to Nat'l Mag.	\$ 4.95
11- 4-52	Future Farmer Supply Serv., 50 FFA creeds @ 25¢	12.50
11- 8-52	Lano F. Barron, 1-1 yr., 1-2 yr., & 1-5 yr. sub.to Nat'l Mag.	1.58
11-12-52	Gary Neilan, Exp. at Nat'l Conv. (Delegate)	43.33
11-12-52	Gary Neilan, Exp. for Leadership Schools	12.50
11-12-52	Gary Neilan, Exp. at State Officers Mtg.	20.60
11-13-52	Raymond Mabry, Nat'l Chorus accompanist exp.	46.94
11-13-52	J. W. VanBlaricum, Nat'l FFA Chorus exp.	62.22
11-13-52	Benny Brent, Nat'l FFA Band Exp.	47.40
11-13-52	David Frey, Nat'l FFA Band Exp.	43.44
11-13-52	Delmar Pfortmiller, Nat'l FFA Chorus Exp.	42.79
11-13-52	Sam Peppiatt, Nat'l Band Exp.	45.69
11-13-52	Steve Ahrens, Nat'l FFA Band Exp.	50.00
11-13-52	John Bircher, Nat'l FFA Band Exp.	24.69
11-23-52	Lano F. Barron, 107-1 yr. subs. & 5-5 yr subs to Nat'l Mag.	37.57
12- 3-52	Lano F. Barron, 145-1 yr. & 5-5 yr. subs. to Nat'l Mag.	37.12
12- 3-52	Chanute FFA Chapter, Nat'l Judging Cont. Exp.	8.32
12- 3-52	Moundridge FFA Chapter, Nat'l Judging Cont. Exp.	15.65
12- 3-52	Partridge FFA Chapter, Nat'l Judging Contest Exp.	18.00
12- 3-52	Silver Lake FFA Chapter, Nat'l Judging Cont. Exp.	26.00
12- 3-52	Hillsboro FFA Chapter, Nat'l Judging Cont. Exp.	35.63
12- 3-52	Billy Ray James, Expenses for Nat'l Conv. (Delegate)	24.60
12- 3-52	Bob Miller, National FFA Chorus Exp.	53.32
12- 3-52	Altis Ferree, Nat'l FFA Band Exp.	44.44
12- 3-52	Robert Raines, Nat'l FFA Chorus Exp.	60.88
12- 3-52	Sam Graham, Nat'l FFA Band Exp.	53.95
12- 3-52	Gerald Stoker, Nat'l FFA Chorus Exp.	47.30
12-12-52	Lano F. Barron, 150-1yr., 10-5 yr. and 1-2 yr. subs. to Nat'l Mag.	43.20
12-17-52	James W. Hatch, 6 Nat'l FFA Chorus Uniforms	90.00
12-20-52	Lano F. Barron, 34-1 yr and 1-5 yr. subs to Nat'l Mag.	8.55
1-12-53	Union National Bank, rental on safety dep. box # 218A	3.60
1-17-53	Lano F. Barron, 14-1 yr. subs. to Nat'l Mag.	3.15
1-23-53	Lano F. Barron, 17-1 yr. subs. to Nat'l Mag.	3.83
1-28-53	Future Farmer Supply Serv., 1 Motto Banner & 1 Mtg. Room Banner	35.10
2- 2-53	Postmaster, Bulk Mailing permit for 1953	10.00
2- 7-53	Lano F. Barron, 43-1 yr. and 6-5 yr subs. to Nat'l Mag.	15.07
3- 4-53	L. G. Balfour, St. Farmer pins and charms and engraving	543.31
3- 4-53	L. G. Balfour, Tax on St. Farmer pins and charms	115.89
3-16-53	Art Craft Printers, 2500 membership cards	112.45
3-17-53	Future Farmer Supply Serv., 1000 Anniversary stickers	6.50
3-17-52	St. Louis Button Co., 30 Cell. Buttons, 250 Badges	61.98
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$ 4,657.10

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Neilan, Treasurer
Kansas Association of FFA

REPORT OF THE STATE FFA SECRETARY, 1953

House of Delegates meeting, Recreation Center, April 27, 1953, 7:30 p.m.

Meeting called to order by President Billy Ray James.

Formal opening ceremony used.

Two hundred sixty six delegates from 133 chapters were seated.

President James stated that in order to get certain releases to the Press in time for the morning papers, he was recommending that the House of Delegates dispense with the regular order of business and turn to the head of New Business.

It was moved, seconded, and carried, that we dispense with the regular order of business and turn to the head of New Business.

Under the head of New Business, 141 State Farmer Candidates were nominated, elected and raised to the State Farmer Degree. Six Honorary State Farmers were nominated and elected.

The Report of the Nominating Committee was made.

It was moved, seconded, carried, that we return to the head of Unfinished Business.

The minutes of the House of Delegates meeting, 1952, were read by State Secretary, Ralph Braun, and approved.

The Reporter's Report was read by State Reporter, Kermit Case. A motion to accept was offered, seconded, and carried.

The Treasurer's Report was presented by State Treasurer Gary Neilan. A motion was offered, seconded, and carried, to the effect that this report be accepted and placed on file.

President James presented the Report of the State President. A motion to accept and place on file was offered, seconded, and carried.

National FFA Vice President Fred Reed, Hindsville, Arkansas, addressed the group.

The results of the ballot for State Offices was announced. The following were the successful candidates:

Nelson Galle, Moundridge, President
Gilmore M. Dahl, Effingham, Vice-President
Ray Zimmerman, Olathe, Secretary
Sam H. Peppiatt, Ellsworth, Reporter
Bob Watkins, Alma, Treasurer
Francis Grillot, Jr., Parsons, Sentinel

Announcements were made by Deputy Adviser, A. P. Davidson. Meeting adjourned 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Ralph Braun, Secretary
Kansas Association of FFA

NATIONAL FFA JUDGING CONTESTS

The National FFA Judging Contests shall be held at the following places and dates:

Dairy Cattle, Waterloo, Iowa, October 5-7, 1953
Dairy Products, Waterloo, Iowa, October 5-7, 1953
Poultry, Kansas City, Missouri, October 13-15, 1953
Livestock, Kansas City, Missouri, October 13-15, 1953
Meats, Kansas City, Missouri, October 13-15, 1953

Kansas will be represented in the National FFA Judging Contests by the following chapters:

Dairy Cattle, Chanute Chapter, Chas. O. Carter, Jr., Coach
Dairy Products, Quinter Chapter, Ormond Breeden, Coach
Poultry, Cherryvale Chapter, C. H. Young, Coach
Livestock, Hill City Chapter, John Lacey, Coach
Meats, Quinter Chapter, Ormond Breeden, Coach

General Information for All Contests

E. J. Johnson, Washington, D. C.
General Superintendent

All certifications of entry for Dairy Cattle, Dairy Products, Meats, Poultry Production and Livestock Contests must be sent each year to Dr. W. T. Spanton, Office of Education, Federal Security Agency, Washington 25, D. C., so as to arrive in his office not later than September 15. (Certification blanks will be sent each year to State Supervisors of Agricultural Education about August 1). A SEPARATE CERTIFICATION OF ENTRY MUST BE SUBMITTED FOR EACH CONTEST IN WHICH A STATE IS TO PARTICIPATE.

States must certify to Dr. Spanton by September 15 that they will be represented even though team members have not been selected. All names of contestants and alternates must be submitted and in Dr. Spanton's office at least 5 days prior to the contest in which they are to participate. All "certificates of entry" must be signed by the head State Supervisor of Agricultural Education.

Each state entering any team must certify one person to serve as an assistant in the contest. These persons must be supervisors, teacher trainers, or teachers.

Eligibility of Contestants

Boys who meet the following requirements are eligible for the FFA Contests:

1. Any boy is eligible who is under 21 years of age at the time of the National Contest, who has had not more than 4 years' training in any approved course in vocational agriculture of less than college grade, and who is, at the time the team is selected by the State, a bona fide FFA member enrolled in an all-day class in vocational agriculture or has had all of the vocational agriculture offered and carrying at least 3 units of regular high school work, with the exception that a boy who has participated previously in any official national judging contest (including national 4-H contests shall not be eligible for the same kind of contest, namely: Livestock,

National FFA Judging Contests (cont.)

Meats, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Products, or Poultry Production.) (The only official National FFA Contests are those held at Waterloo and Kansas City). If an ineligible boy is entered in any contest, the team of which he is a member shall be declared ineligible.

2. The members of any State team may be from either the same or different schools, the choice of plan to be determined by the State Supervisor of Agricultural Education. Team members shall be selected at a State or interstate contest held since the National Contest preceding the one in which they are entered.

NOTE A. Exception under (2) above is made of a team desiring to place and identify meat. Such a team may be certified without a State elimination contest if the team has had training in meat placing and identification.

NOTE B. Exception under (2) above is made of a team desiring to score milk and cream. Such a team may be certified without a State elimination contest if the team has had training in the scoring of milk and cream.

RegistrationWATERLOO, IOWA

October 5:	9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Registration of Dairy Cattle and Dairy Products contestants, Y.M.C.A.
	6:30 p.m.	Meeting of coaches and officials of Dairy Cattle Contest, Y.M.C.A.
October 6:	9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Registration of Dairy Products contestants, Y.M.C.A.
	1:00 p.m.	Dairy Cattle Contest.
	6:30 p.m.	Meeting of coaches and officials of Dairy Products Contest, Y.M.C.A.
October 7:	8:00 a.m.	Dairy Products Contest at <u>Carnation Plant</u> .
	5:00 p.m.	Banquet, results.

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

October 13:	9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Registration of Meats, Poultry Production and Livestock contestants, Municipal Auditorium.
	4:00 p.m.	Meeting of coaches and officials of Meats and Poultry Production contests, Hotel President.
October 14:	8:00 a.m.	Meats Contest, at <u>Swift Packing Plant</u> .
	9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Registration of Livestock contestants - Municipal Auditorium.
	12:30 p.m.	Poultry Production Contest, Municipal Auditorium.
	3:00 p.m.	Meeting, coaches and officials of Livestock Contest, Hotel President.
October 15:	7:00 a.m.	Livestock Contest, <u>Am. Royal Arena & Stockyards</u> .
October 16:		<u>Breakfast or luncheon and report on contests.</u>

National FFA Judging Contests (cont.)

Responsibilities of the General Superintendent

1. The general superintendent will be in charge of all contest arrangements.
2. He will enforce all rules and regulations governing the contests.
3. He will appoint all necessary assistants in each of the contest divisions.

Responsibilities of a Division Superintendent

1. He will be responsible for the selection of animals, poultry, poultry products, dairy products, or meats for his respective division.
2. He will have full charge of all activities of his respective contest during the period of the contest, and report any infraction of the rules to the general superintendent.
3. He shall inform his assistant superintendents of their duties and responsibilities.
4. He will give full instructions to contestants prior to the start of the contest.
5. He will collect all completed cards of contestants and deliver them to the superintendent in charge of tabulating scores.
6. He shall select supervisors and teacher trainers to serve as group leaders and timekeepers and inform them of their duties and responsibilities. Instructors also may be selected to assist with the contest provided they do not come in direct contact with the contestants from their State during the contests.
7. He will provide opportunity for the official judges to place, identify, and grade the animals, poultry, dairy products, or meats. He will collect the official judges' cards and scores and deliver them to the superintendent in charge of tabulation.
8. When the contest is completed, the division superintendent should arrange for the official judge to give his reasons for his placings and when possible, may allow the instructors and contestants to review the classes.
9. Any division superintendent or assistant superintendent who cannot be present to perform his assigned duties should select some other member of the Agricultural Education staff in his State to serve. The general superintendent should be notified about such substitutions.

Official Judges

1. Official judges will be selected by the general superintendent or his delegated representative.
2. The official judges shall make their placings in the same manner as is required of contestants with respect to handling specimens or animals.
3. The official judges will give their completed official placings and scores to the division superintendent.
4. Placings by the official judges must be kept confidential until the contest is completed and public announcements are made.

Tabulation of Results

A. H. Hollenberg, Washington, D. C., Superintendent
J. B. McClelland, Ames, Iowa, Assistant Superintendent, Waterloo
G. F. Ekstrom, Columbia, Mo., Assistant Superintendent, Kansas City

1. At the conclusion of each contest all completed cards will be delivered to the superintendent in charge of tabulation for scoring and tabulation.

National FFA Judging Contest (cont.)

2. The superintendent in charge of tabulation will prepare lists of scores by teams and individuals. These tabulations will be used by the general superintendent to determine the grouping of individuals and teams.
3. Results of contests will be made available only through the general superintendent.
4. Results of contests for both individuals and teams that are announced at the luncheon or dinner following the contests are to be considered as tentative and are subject to a final recheck on all scores and compilations.
5. Completed cards of individual participants will be available only to the superintendent of tabulations and to the general superintendent.
6. Following completion of all contests, each State Supervisor of Agricultural Education will receive for his State the individual scores for each class in each contest and the individual and team ratings.

GENERAL RULES

(For All Judging Contests)

1. Each State team will be composed of three members.
2. Individual animals in all classes will be identified by numbers.
3. Oral reasons will not be required for any of the classes.
4. Teams will be divided into groups so that no two contestants from a State are in the same group.
5. Placing and grading cards will be furnished for each contest.
6. Any communication between contestants during a contest will be sufficient cause to eliminate the teams from the contest.
7. Any assistance given to a team member from any source during a contest will be sufficient cause to eliminate the team from the contest.

AWARDS

The ranking of teams and individuals in each of the contests will be on the basis of 5 logical groups within the total range of scores. These groups will be designated as: Gold Emblem, Silver Emblem, Bronze Emblem, Honorable Mention, and Participation. The percentage of Gold Emblem teams and individuals in any contest should not exceed 20 per cent of those participating.

1. All awards in these contests will be provided by the Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc.
2. Cash awards to State Judging teams will be prorated on the distance teams must travel to reach the contest. The distance of travel in each case will be calculated by the shortest route from the State Capital to the point where the contest is held.
3. Plaques will be awarded Gold Emblem, Silver Emblem and Bronze Emblem teams. Certificates will be awarded Honorable Mention and Participation teams.
4. Appropriate medals will be awarded Gold Emblem, Silver Emblem and Bronze Emblem individuals. Certificates will be awarded Honorable Mention and Participation individuals.

National FFA Judging Contest (cont.)

5. Appropriate awards, based upon the ability of each participant to hold and show animals, will be given in the Livestock Showmanship Contest. Approximately the upper 25 per cent will receive Gold Emblem certificates.
6. After all contests for the year are completed, the cash travel awards, plaques and certificates will be sent to the appropriate State Supervisors of Agricultural Education for distribution.

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COLLEGE AUDITORIUM

This year for the first time in the history of the Kansas Association the college Auditorium was made available for the Annual Meeting of the House of Delegates. The Kansas Association wishes to express appreciation of all concerned for the use of the Auditorium. The Auditorium provides commodious quarters for this important meeting and we hope that teachers will encourage interested parents to attend future meetings of the House of Delegates of the Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America.

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FFA PARAPHERNALIA

The Kansas Association purchased station tables for each of the officers to be used for the first time at the 1953 Annual Meeting of the Kansas Association of FFA. The tables were built by students in the agriculture education curriculum under the direction of Professors H. L. Kugler and C. O. Jacobs. The station tables can be folded which facilitates the problem of storage. The front of each table carried a 30 inch diameter emblem of the National Organization of FFA. Both the table and the emblem was painted in the official FFA colors.

The back drop was built with the assistance of members of the Agricultural Education Club with Professor H. R. Bradley and Professor L. E. Whipps co-operating. The new paraphernalia clearly enhanced the effectiveness of the Annual Meeting of the House of Delegates.

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STUDENT EXCHANGE WITH NATIONAL FEDERATION OF
YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS

David Boyne, President of the Michigan Association, and Philip Brouillette, President of the Vermont Association, will represent the Future Farmers of America in Great Britain this summer. It was agreed that since a representative from the Southern and Pacific Regions had been to Britain last summer, that the North Atlantic and Central Regions should send representatives this year.

The FFA will again serve as host to two members of Britain's Young Farmers' Clubs. These two members will probably come to the United States about July 1 and will remain until after the Silver Anniversary Convention in October.

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REPORT ON LAW SUIT
TO PROTECT THE TRADE-MARKED EMBLEM AND INSIGNIA OF THE FFA
BY

W. T. Spanton, Chief, Agricultural Education Branch - May 5, 1953

Sometime during the year 1951, one of the State FFA Associations made a "deal" with a business concern to produce, for sale to members in that State, certain supplies and equipment bearing the trade-marked emblem and insignia of the Future Farmers of America. The business concern did not have legal permission from the national organization to use the trade-marked emblem and insignia of the FFA, and the products concerned did not meet the standards of quality, style and design required in official supplies and equipment. When this was brought to the attention of the national organization, letters were dispatched to the State Association and to the vendor, informing them that their method of operation constituted an infringement of the FFA trade-marked emblem and insignia, and requesting that they immediately cease such infringement. However, the vendor claimed he had received permission from the State to use the trade-marked emblem and insignia upon such items as jackets and T-shirts, and continued to carry on a national advertising program using the trade-marked emblem and insignia upon various items. He also tried, unsuccessfully, to make similar deals with other State Associations and local chapters. The national organization, on recommendation of the official delegates at a National Convention, and by action of the Board of Student Officers and Board of Directors, then brought suit in the federal district court to protect the trade-marked emblem and insignia of the Future Farmers of America. After extensive hearings, the court, on April 22, 1953, issued a memorandum opinion in which it stated:

- a. "That the State Association by its actions gave authority to the defendants to use the trade-mark rights of the national organization, and that the State Association had the right and power under the Federal Charter to grant this permission to the defendants.
- b. "That whatever grant of permission the State Association had given had been withdrawn.
- c. "That the national organization is entitled to the protection of its trade-mark rights.
- d. "That the defendants infringed upon plaintiff's trade-mark rights insofar as it made use of the trade-marked emblem and insignia without authorization of plaintiff or its duly authorized chapters or association of chapters."

"In junction will therefore issue restraining the defendants from further use of plaintiff's trade-marks in accordance herewith. Findings of fact and conclusions of law may be submitted together with final order conforming with this opinion."

The memorandum opinion of the court, in the opinion of our counsel (FFA)*, is erroneous to the extent it holds that anyone other than the National Organization may permit manufacturers and vendors to use trade-marks owned by and registered in the name of the National Organization. It is not a final decision by the court. It directs the preparation of a finding of fact and a final order of the court. Until this last step is taken, the opinion does not become a final decision of the court.

* Parenthesis inserted by Editor

Report on Law Suit (continued)

We expect, through our counsel (FFA)*, to apply for a revision of the memorandum opinion, which will give full protection of the trade-marks. In the event the court does not revise its opinion and renders a final order in conformity with its present opinion, an appeal of the decision will be taken to a Federal Court of Appeals. Pending the outcome of the foregoing litigation, our attorneys have advised that State Associations, local chapters, and members refrain from placing orders for supplies and equipment, bearing the FFA emblem, with unauthorized vendors, and purchase only from official FFA sources. Our counsel further recommends that if anyone should request you to make purchases from unofficial sources or to give permission to use the trade-marks of the National Organization, you should report such facts to the National Organization. Just for clarification, the following are the official suppliers which have been authorized to use the trade-marked emblem of the FFA on official supplies and equipment:

The L. G. Balfour Company, Attleboro, Massachusetts
The Fair Publishing House, New London, Ohio
Future Farmers Supply Service, P.O. Box 1180, Alexandria, Va.
St. Louis Button Company, 413 Lucas Avenue, St. Louis, Mo.

It is suggested that the above information be passed on to local FFA chapters and members through the columns of your State FFA paper or through a special circular letter. You will be kept informed, from time to time, as the case develops. You are assured that the National Organization will take all legal steps to protect its trade-mark rights.

* Parenthesis inserted by Editor.

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ROSE HILL: Our Chapter held its annual banquet on March 20. A fried chicken dinner was served to 110 guests...The chickens were raised in the shop as a class project. This spring we cleaned and treated over 4,000 bushels of seed oats...In our pest eradication contest, we destroyed 3,294 sparrows, 1251 starlings, 24 coyotes, 27 opossum, 355 mice and 51 rats...At our February meeting, thirteen members were raised to the Chapter Farmer degree...Our chapter is sharing in the purchase of a popcorn machine to be used by the school activity groups...Shop projects which are under construction are 3 sideboards for pick-ups, 1 bale elevator, 1 creep feeder, 1 spring-tooth, one 4-wheel trailer, one 2-wheel trailer, 1 loading chute, welding rims for tires on 2 wagons, mailbox stand, 2 pairs of clothesline poles, 2 swing sets, and a major overhaul of a tractor.

Larry Young, Reporter

MARYSVILLE: Eight members received their Chapter Farmer degree at the beginning of the second semester. A concession stand at the regional tournament handled jointly by the Marysville FFA and FHA netted both groups \$105.00. Fourteen members have enrolled in a corn growing contest...Shop projects completed this semester were, a picnic table, settee, 2 lawn chairs, 5 mash feeders, 10 chick feeders, 20 bale hooks, one home made field level, garden tractor, boat, home built forge, four home shop wall tool cabinets, metal gate and two utility cabinets.

Delmar Seematter, Reporter

CHAPTER NEWS

COLUMBUS: The total net worth of the chapter at the present time is \$54,422.99. This is an average of \$1008.00 for the 54 members. The senior net worth averaged \$1387.00, the junior \$485.00, the sophomore \$1083.00 and the freshman \$681.00...The boys tentative farm program for this year are 70 dairy animals, 51 beef animals, 264 hogs, 44 sheep, 1800 chickens, 312 acres field crops, 216 acres of pasture, 832 acres cash crops and 66 acres soil building crop...Shop projects completed during the year are hay and feed racks, creep feeder for calves, hog troughs, self feeders, farm drag tractor, post hole digger, chicken feeders, and tool cases for farm shops...The chapter had a square dance party with the F.H.A. this spring, a weiner roast in March and a summer meeting with a basket dinner is planned in August...The FFA has been enjoying soft ball with the other teams organized.

Jim Yock, Reporter

SOLOMON: We brought our pest eradication contest to a close April 1...We purchased a Duroc Boar for \$70.00 to be used in our Purebred gilt loan program and for other members farming programs. We have at present six gilts on loan...We are bringing a number of shop jobs to a close at this time. Some of the major jobs being completed in the shop are: Implement trailer by Arnold Richards, Junior; 50 bushel creep feeder for calves by Ronnie Bell, Sophomore; Garden tractor by Arthur Seymour, Junior; 12 ft. Portable loading chute by Arthur Seymour; Wayne Lamer, Ronnie Rinker, Gary Ingermansen and Tom Barrett have built 2 cattle squeezes and are working on a third as a cooperative class project and for advanced experience in welding. We have sold one of the de-horning chutes for a \$75.00 profit; one was built for a farmer and the third now under construction will be owned by the chapter for our own use and on rental basis to farmers in the community.

Eldon Janssen, Reporter

MANKATO: We held our 4th Annual Achievement Banquet March 16, the theme of the banquet being "The Farm Shop." Awards were given to outstanding individuals: Farm Safety--John Russell; Farm Shop--Carroll Thronson; Soil Conservation--Steve Ahrens; Star Chapter Farmer--Jerry Vader; Dairy--Harold Steele; DeKalb Award--Garry Everson; one cash award to a parent...Shop projects completed this year are as follows: Four, 4-wheel trailers; Two, 4-wheel trailers with boxes; One, 2-wheel trailer and box; Eight gates of various lengths, Two self-feeders, One hay buck, Five lawnmowers, One barrel stand, One barrel seed treater, One car hoist, Two posthole diggers, and Seven saws sharpened...The Chapter sponsored two ping pong tournaments. In the first tournament the winners were: Steve Ahrens, first; Garry Everson, second; Leo Zadina, third. In the freshman tournament the winners were: Warne Colson, first; Calvin Huntsinger, second; and Paul Wagner, third...Jewell-Mitchell Electric Co-Operative held an Annual R.E.A. Day April 23. The Chapter participated with a display of shop projects.

Carroll Thronson, Reporter

BEVERLY: The Beverly Chapter held a Parent-Son Banquet on April 2, 1953...The chapter had a pest eradication contest that lasted for two weeks...The chapter sponsored an all school skating party...The Beverly Chapter ranked 13th in a judging contest held at Ellsworth.

Royce Kopf, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

BURLINGAME: The Burlingame FFA has 27 members this year...The chapter has built eight four-wheeled trailers, three two-wheeled trailers, one two sow hog shed, three hay racks, several feed bunks, and many other useful articles on the farm...To make money for our chapter this year we built a concession stand on our Ag. truck and sold pop, hot dogs and etc at the football and basketball games. We made about \$25.00 profit per game. The chapter cleaned up two lots behind the grade school.

Duane Mills, Reporter

HANOVER: Our chapter sponsored a Halloween Party for the whole school... Our annual pest contest was started on October 1 and ended January 3 with the losing team giving the winning team a chili feed...The chapter sponsored a pop corn machine and schedules for all home football and basketball games... In shop we are making feed bunks, bale loader, hog houses, chicken feeders and numerous gates.

Dale Cook, Reporter

PEABODY: We have vaccinated, dehorned, or castrated over 1,000 head of livestock for farmers around the community...The annual FFA Parent and Son banquet was held March 24th...We have been selling popcorn at all home athletic games. In shop we are building gates, two self feeders, one hog feeder, two chicken feeders, press, stand for gasoline barrel, digger for Ford tractor, post-hole digger, creep feeder, manure loader, and other smaller objects.

David Craig, Reporter

WINFIELD: The Winfield Chapter held its anniversary banquet February 19. One hundred and twenty were served. Our Principal, Mr. Arthur Partridge was the main speaker. His subject was "How Not to Succeed"...Our adviser, Mr. Ira Plank, took a car load of boys to the A & M College at Stillwater, Oklahoma last Saturday. Among the many things they studied at the college was a demonstration on bark grafting of pecans. Our Junior class has about one hundred three year old pecan seedlings to bark graft this spring...The Vocational Agriculture classes have moved into the new shop building. While the installations are not completed at present, we are gradually getting things lined up. We invite all of you to drop in and see our new quarters. The official opening of the new building will be in October 1953...The Winfield chapter had an average of one article a day and three pictures in our local paper during National FFA Week.

Rex Bolack, Reporter

SOLDIER: Our FFA Chapter held a Pest Eradication Contest during December and January. The sophomores and freshmen won over the juniors...We have built a cattle feed bunk to be sold as a money raising activity. We are also building a 4 wheeled trailer for a local farmer. Some other shop projects are another 4 wheeled trailer, a manure spreader being rebuilt, a power lawn mower, a magazine rack, a wheel cutting jig, several farm gates, a tackling dummy frame for the football field, and some other equipment for the athletic department.

Bill Stanton, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

HILLSBORO: The Hillsboro Chapter was host to the South-Central District Dairy Judging School March 23. There were forty-eight teams present. The dairymen of the community brought eight classes of cattle to the high school grounds for the day's activities...Four members of our sophomore class made up two teams which competed in the District Shop Contest at Kingman, March 9. They were Dean Jost, Marvin Bartel, Willis Nickel and Wesley Nickel...Our shop program is moving along nicely. Dean Jost is making a 14 foot self-propelled swather which is attracting a lot of attention. It will be used in harvesting grass silage.

Wayne Wiens, Reporter

SIMPSON: The Simpson Chapter is getting ready for their Annual Spring Farming Program Tour to be held the last week of school...At the present time the Ag. boys are completing the machinery and equipment jobs that were started at the beginning of the year. Under construction at the present time are three pickup stockracks, one hay rack bed, one four wheel trailer, one two wheel trailer and numerous small repair jobs...The Simpson High Basketball team composed of 100 per cent FFA members and officers took second in the State Class BB Basketball Tournament at Hutchinson...Our most recent money raising activity was the FFA Sock-Hop held in the new gym May 4.

Wayne Cook, Reporter

COFFEYVILLE: Our local chapter held their fourth annual Parents-Son Banquet held March 27, 1953 in the high school library. The program was as follows: A welcome was given by John Wishall and response by Mr. Paul Wishall. Green-hand and Chapter Farmer awards were presented, Howard Nease the chapter president, received the outstanding FFA senior award. Richard Rees gave the FFA creed. Norman Wittner and Milton Miner assembled the FFA Emblem. Our speaker for the evening was Mr. Russell C. Klotz, who is the county agent of Labette County. He gave a very informative and interesting speech. One of our special guests was State Supervisor L. B. Pollom...A radio program was presented by our local chapter on April 14.

Coy Allen, Reporter

SEVERY: The Chapter received its Charter on November 5, 1952, and our Officers were installed by the Eureka Chapter in December, 1952...On February 25, 1953 at 7:30 p.m. our chapter put on a special program at the school as a part of the 25th Anniversary of the FFA. The program was as follows: Opening Ceremony-Severy Chapter; Information about the Future Farmers of America - Eureka Chapter; Initiation Ceremony-Severy Chapter; FFA Creed-Louis Johnson; FFA Glee Club; Closing Ceremony-Severy Chapter...Our chapter was represented in the Southeastern District in all FFA contests except Farm Mechanics...Some of our projects completed recently in the shop are: Six calf feeders, two farm gates, one 4-wheeled trailer, one hog feeder and six pieces of equipment to be used in our Farm Shop.

Karlton May, Reporter

HOYT: The members went to Sabetha for the District Dairy School in which we tied for 5th place, and Francis Fulton placed third. We also went to the Black and White Show in Topeka where Ben Morris placed 5th...We had a skating party as cooperative activities with the Kayettes. We have painted seven mailboxes for our community as a community service.

Don Schwanke, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

OVERBROOK: The FFA boys entertained the FHA girls with a picnic and hayrack ride to Lone Star Lake, May 1. A total of seventy members attended...For the past three months we have been having a photo contest. The contest closed May 1. The prizes will be purchased by members who failed to participate in the contest...As a project for National FFA week, we held a school clean-up. We pruned trees and shrubs, and removed trash. Also, we are landscaping the grounds around the new school building.

Everett Goff, Reporter

PHILLIPSBURG: Some of the shop jobs completed are: 1 loading chute, 1 implement trailer, 3 tractor mounted post hole diggers, 6 tank heaters, 17 feed bunks, overhauled 1 car, and a few cold chisels...The Chapter made \$160.00 by selling magazine subscriptions...The Chapter held its Thirteenth Annual Parent-Son Banquet on March 30, 1953. Two Honorary Chapter Farmer degree awards were made.

Neil Schild, Reporter

WAKEFIELD: Our chapter has completed a broiler project, with a net profit of \$126.00...Shop jobs completed are: four feed bunks, painted one tractor, built a stock rack for a truck, and several hose winders...The annual Parent-Son Banquet was held March 24 with Professor Tom Avery of Kansas State College as guest speaker. All prospective members for the coming year have been invited to attend our May meeting.

Leo F. Naverth, Reporter

MC DONALD: Our annual Parent-Son Banquet was held April 7...Shop projects under way or completed are: 2 feed bunks, rabbit hutch, several gates and panels, overhauling motor, a bale loader and an air compressor...Our money raising projects included shocking feed, a raffle and some concrete work.

Kenneth Long, Reporter

GARDEN CITY: We had a nail driving contest booth in the all school carnival that netted \$8.71. The chapter has purchased a new movie projector to be used for class work...Lavern Tuttle took top honors in the Southwest Kansas speaking Contest at Lakin.

Walter Hubbard, Reporter

PIEDMONT: Our January 1st inventory showed an average farming program net worth of about \$600.00 per member...Recent shop jobs completed include hay frame, hay feeder, A-type hog house, chassis for four-wheel wagon, fuel barrel stand, three tractors repainted.

Richard Rader, Reporter

WESTMORELAND: We had our annual Parent and Son Banquet on April 9, 1953. Mr. Kugler, Professor of Agriculture Engineering at Kansas State College, was our guest speaker. Mr. Kugler showed several interesting films on the Arc. Welder...Our chapter held a weiner roast at Lake Pottawatomie, Wednesday night, April 22...In shop some of our projects are: creep feeder, hog feeder, and several rake wheel gates, tool cabinet, and two truck beds.

Abe Hunt, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

SYRACUSE: Our chapter donated 35 student working hours to the building of the new fair building. We built and painted 21 panels which are to be used on the fair ground...The school paid the chapter \$35 for digging jumping pits and runways for athletic field. We moved 16 cu. yards of dirt out and replaced it with 16 cu. yards of sand and cinders...We killed 77 rats, 275 mice, 19 crows, 3 ground squirrels, 3 stray cats, 139 magpies, 27 coyotes, 7 garter snakes, 19 kangaroo rats, 2 gophers, 2 prairie dogs, 19 painted turtles, and grubbed 242 head of cattle in our pest eradication contest. The boys on the losing side furnished pies for a picnic...Some of the shop projects at the present time are painting a picnic table for a roadside park, making wire rolling spools and overhauling two trucks. Shop projects that have been finished lately are a work bench, 3 rabbit hutches, and 3 rose trellises.

Melvin Huser, Reporter

CLIFTON: The chapter will soon be completing its livestock squeeze chute... New chapter officers were installed at April 21st meeting...Sophomore FFA boys are planning an overnight fishing trip for May 19...The FFA and FHA are sponsoring an all school party cooperatively, a movie and square dancing were features of the entertainment...The FFA is backing a square dance club for high school students...The Sophomore, Junior and Senior boys enjoyed a wonderful trip to Dempster Mill Manufacturing Co. at Beatrice, Nebraska...Shop projects completed recently are four 8' x 14' trailer boxes, three four wheel trailer chassis, sheep feeder, feed bunks, stock racks, and many smaller articles. A FFA soft ball team is being organized this summer. Members will buy caps and official T shirts as uniforms.

Carl Finkbinder, Reporter

WASHBURN: Our chapter initiated nine members this year to the greenhand degree. They received their pens at our Parent and Son banquet, held on April 24. Supervisor L. B. Pollom, our state FFA Adviser, attended...Our chapter attended all the district contests this year. In the East Central Kansas Crops judging contest held at Alma, Bob Foster was high individual and the team ranked second. In the district Public Speaking contest, John McComb placed first in the Sophomore division, and the team ranked second...Some of the things built in our shop this year are one wagon box, three lawn mowers, five feed bunks, two tractor sprayers, three two wheeled trailers, two machinery trailers, two fuel racks, one four wheeled trailer, and several other smaller things. We have repaired four tractor mowers, one self hog feeder, six harrows, one side delivery rake, one baler and one cultivator...As a community service this year we have mixed livestock mineral, and we have placed a bulletin board in the Pauline Grain Elevator and we keep it posted with up to date information.

Lloyd Arnold, Reporter

QUINTER: The Quinter Chapter placed fourth at the State Agricultural Judging Contest. The team placed second in dairy and second in animal husbandry, Boyd Tuttle placed fourth individually...Louis Roberts was awarded the DeKalb award. Darrel Bolen was awarded first and Jack Sutcliff second in our record book contest...The Shop is a very busy place now. Everybody is trying to finish their jobs before school is out...Contractors are now starting on the new shop building, 44 X 98 feet...Two squeeze chutes are being made by Duane Blackwill and Dwight Jamison. Three calf-creep feeders and a trailer by Royce Roesch... We are trying to organize a soft-ball team for the summer league.

Royce Roesch, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

MARION: The Marion Chapter held open house for Freshman parents on May 4. Darrel Riffle gave the creed and 12 boys told about purposes of FFA. Howard Stenzle was master of ceremonies. After the meeting an inspection of the shop and numerous projects was made and refreshments were served. A similar meeting will be held for Sophomore, Junior and Senior parents on May 6... Several good projects were made in shop. Some of them are a dehorning chute made by Joe Sklenar, manure loader by Roger Pankratz, weed sprayer by Harold Byrum, hog feeder by Ronald Post, 2-wheel trailer by Joe Devorak, lawn mower by Donald Longhofer, repair and painted plow by Ray and Roger Richmond, Re-built hay rack by John Wayner, 2 hog sheds by Jerry Olsen and 1 hog shed by Roger Richmond.

Donald Longhofer, Reporter

KINGMAN: Our chapter has been busy at the close of this school year with end-of-year activities, and making plans for the summer and next fall...We have had some very interesting programs at our meetings this year including Mr. Merle Butcher, local newspaper editor, who showed slides taken during his visit to Scotland, England, and Africa as a guest-editor with the Navy Intelligence. Mr. Lake, our instructor, also showed slides of his visit to Eastern United States. Our County Agent gave an interesting report on soil erosion and its control at another of our meetings...The FFA Dance held at the gym on Friday, March 12, was a new idea for the Kingman Chapter. The music was furnished by a film showing popular orchestras, including some feature events. The program ran about 1½ hours.

Charles Lee Mueller, Reporter

SHAWNEE MISSION: A complete assortment of vaccines, medicines, etc. was obtained from Lederle Laboratories by our Livestock Loss Prevention Committee. This is sold at cost to members for their farming programs...So far, about eight tons of scrap iron has been collected this year...Shop projects completed or being built include: three trailers, a tractor manure loader, feed troughs from oil drums, and discarded hot water tanks, a metal hay rack from old gas pipe, a gas forge, overhauling a grain drill, a portable hay rack, a storage rack for tractor fuel tanks, and many smaller items...The twenty fifth annual FFA Parent-Son banquet was held in our school cafeteria. Mr. Roderick Turnbull, editor of the Kansas City Star Farmer, was the speaker. Eleven Green Hands were raised to Chapter Farmer. The following new officers were installed: President, Carlyle Thompson; Vice-president, Rex New; Secretary, Dick Darnell; Treasurer, Darrel Arnold; Sentinel, Dick Thompson; Reporter, Ralph Russel; Program Chairman, Bob Nelson...Two students from Jordan and Pakistan attending Kansas City University, were special guests at the Parent-Son Banquet. They, and another student from Iran returned the day after the banquet for a visit to our vocational agriculture department. They were accompanied by Dr. Hugh Speer of Kansas City University...Two days later, twelve men from Italy, France and Belgium who were touring the United States to study feed mills, spent one afternoon in our vocational agriculture department. They had their interpreters and used head phones just as in United Nations meetings. Some could speak a little English, and we enjoyed visiting with them. They were amazed that high school boys were allowed to use arc welders and other shop tools...Our chapter has completed plans for an air tour of local farms on which soil conservation work has been done. It will cost each one \$3.00 for a thirty minute ride covering about fifty miles. We are cooperating with Civil Aeronautics Administration and the local Soil Conservation Service.

Ralph Russel, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

BUHLER: On February 20, 1953 the Buhler Chapter had its annual FFA Parent and Son Banquet. Every member who attended had one or both his parents with him. One of the high lights of the evening was the presentation of the Honorary Chapter Farmer Degree to Hans Hummer, exchange teacher from Germany. He spent most of February at Buhler...Robert Stoughton was the champion pest destroyer for the chapter. He received an FFA Ring for his efforts. Runners up were Gerald Coleman, Marion Heim and Norman Dick. They each received an FFA Belt...Marion Heim's Gilt is raising a litter of 11 pigs. They are doing nicely...Norman Dick has purchased 15 Yearling Ewes as a part of his farming program...Of late, our biggest project has been that of moving out of our present building into temporary quarters....We have purchased an old separator for scrap iron to use next fall.

Cecil Morris, Reporter

WATERVILLE: Our chapter hold an FFA chili feed this winter...The chapter has several good swine projects this year and we will again enter the Pfister Seed Corn Contest...We raised money during the school year by selling popcorn at the athletic events...Several pieces of farm machinery have been repaired and repainted. Three portable bleachers for use at football and softball games are now under construction.

Terry Turner, Reporter

ST. FRANCIS: Our Parent-Son Banquet was held May 7 with 160 members, parents, and guests present. Newly elected officers for the next year were installed as part of the program...Walter Douthit placed first in the Sophomore Division at the NWK FFA District Public Speaking Contest.

Harvey Zwegardt, Reporter