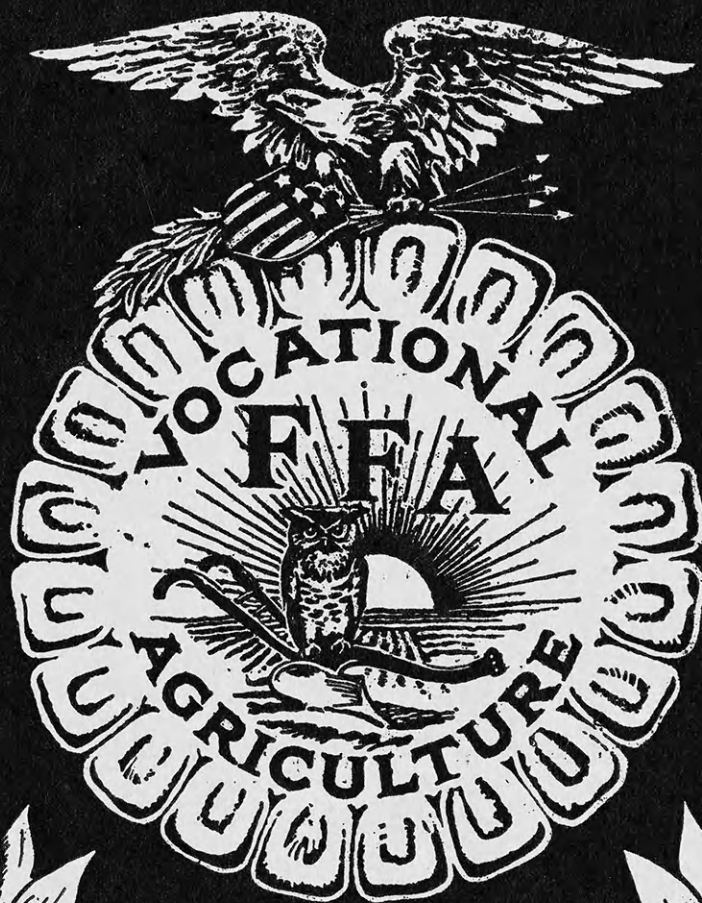


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FFA CALENDAR

MEMBERSHIP DUES: FFA membership dues are due January 1, 1955. Dues are 30¢ per member, 10¢ national and 20¢ state.

STATE FARMER CANDIDATES: State Farmer applications should be expressed to Professor L. F. Hall, Department of Education, Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kansas, not later than February 1, 1955.

AMERICAN FARMER CANDIDATES: Declaration of intention to submit a candidate or candidates for the American Farmer Degree should be mailed immediately to Asst. Supervisor L. E. Whipps, 1025 Kansas Avenue, Topeka, Kansas, if such declaration has not already been made to the State Office in Manhattan.

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HIGH SCORE INDIVIDUALS IN THE 1954 ELEVEN DISTRICT FFA INFORMATION CONTESTS



Larry Ihrig
Goodland



Richard Hotz
Almena



John Meyer
Herington



Stanley Smith
Newton



Bob Young
Kingman



Deane Burgess
Wamego



Douglas Matson
Longford



Bill Horner
Troy



Gerald Schneider
Ottawa



David Nies
Wamego



Richard Frank
Frankfort



Douglas Hale
Natoma



Jim McChesney
Clay Center

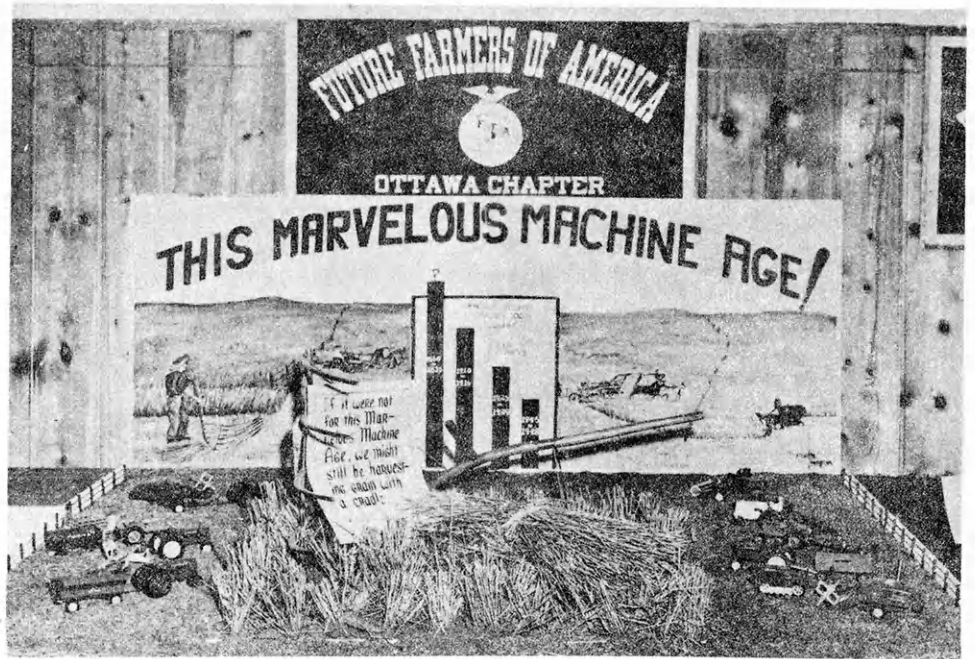


John Walter
Jetmore



Clem Linnebur
Cherryvale

The Ottawa FFA Chapter, S. S. Bergsma, Adviser, won first place in the FFA Educational Booth Exhibit at the Topeka Free Fair.



THIS MARVELOUS MACHINE AGE



District Leadership Schools develop strong officers for the Kansas Association of FFA. Local chapter presidents in attendance at the Beloit Leadership School were: FR-L.R. Ivan Walker, Concordia; Franklin Burandt, Belleville; Gary Millenbruch, Frankfort; Arden Devlin, Smith Center; Jim Ryan, Lebanon; John Conway, Osborne; Lyle Olena, Mankato. BR-L.R. Lynn Hendrixson, Minneapolis; Jerry Greene, Jewell; Richard Larson, Scandia; Larry Walker, Beloit; Don King, Glasco; Gary Hale, Simpson; Richard Rolph, Delphos; Donald Little, Beverly.

NATIONAL CHAPTER CONTEST

In Kansas the general plan followed in determining entries in the National Chapter Contest is to restrict the entries to local chapters that were ranked in the Gold Emblem Classification in the state chapter contest of the preceding year.

The responsibility of designating the Kansas entries in the National Chapter Contest rests with the local advisers of the 1954 Gold Emblem winners cooperating with the state office. This chapter designation should be effected as early as possible in order to facilitate the building and reporting upon local chapter programs.

We hope to exceed 7,500 members in Kansas this year, thereby making the Kansas Association of FFA eligible to submit three entries in the National Chapter Contest.

Participation is limited to active members of local FFA chapters. Previous winners in the National FFA Chapter Contest are eligible to compete in 1955.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The National Organization of FFA will use a new plan in 1955 for making chapter awards. Chapters entering the National Chapter Contest will complete a check sheet on chapter achievement. In order to be eligible the chapter must rank as Superior Chapter in accordance with the check sheet score determining Standard and Superior classifications. Since the forms for ranking chapters into Standard and Superior classifications have not been received at the state office it is not possible to fully acquaint chapters with the new plan. Gold Emblem chapter winners in Kansas will be eligible to enter the National Chapter Contest if they can classify as Superior chapters. We hope to publish in the February issue of the Newsletter complete information concerning the 1955 National Chapter Contest.

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FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA FOUNDATION, INC.Local Foundation Awards:

Local FFA Foundation Award Medals were distributed to local chapter advisers at the 1954 FFA District Leadership Schools. If your chapter did not receive the local Foundation Award Medals, you may receive a set by writing A. P. Davidson, c/o KSC, Manhattan, Kansas. Sets will be mailed upon request as long as the supply lasts.

Local Foundation Award Medals are available in the following categories: Farm Electrification; Chapter Star Farmer; Farm Mechanics; Farm Safety; Public Speaking; Soil and Water Conservation; and Dairy Farming.

The Kansas Association of FFA does not consider it to be the responsibility of the state association to establish rules and regulations governing local chapter awards. However, the state association does wish to urge local chapter advisers to give careful study to the plan initiated in determining award winners on the local level. Certainly scholarship and ability to work with others should be given consideration along with special ability in a given area. Bear in mind the fact that it is much easier to initiate an award program than it is to guide such a program along sound educational lines.

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1954 DISTRICT FFA LEADERSHIP SCHOOLS

The 1954 District FFA Leadership Schools were held in eleven centers, the centers being selected with a view to equalizing the travel distance.

The purpose of the FFA Leadership Schools might be classified in three categories, namely: (1) ritualistic improvement; (2) broaden knowledge of the FFA; (3) exchange of ideas on building and executing a worthwhile program of work.

As a result of a high percentage of attendance and participation on the part of local FFA officers in the eleven District FFA Leadership Schools, the Kansas Association is proud to report that approximately 100% of the local chapters can "Open and Close" an FFA meeting in a highly creditable manner.

The first district FFA "Officer Training School" was sponsored by the Shawnee-Mission Chapter in 1931. Each year since, with the exception of 1942, District FFA Leadership Schools have been conducted in Kansas.

The 1954 FFA Leadership Schools were organized in such a manner as to give maximum emphasis to boy participation. Much credit for the success of the 1954 FFA Leadership Schools must be given to the state FFA officers who assisted, local FFA advisers, and the local chapters assigned special roles on the program.

With one exception, the District FFA Leadership Schools were planned to begin at 3:30 p.m. and to close promptly at 9:00 p.m. All assignments were made early in the school year. Chapters were given an opportunity to indicate preferences in building the program, chapter wishes were followed insofar as it was found feasible. The following program for the Plainville District FFA Leadership School is typical.

Assignments 1954 FFA Leadership School

Host Chapter: Plainville; Place: High School

Date and Time: October 5, 1954, 3:30 p.m.

Order of Business:

1. Host chapter opens meeting with official opening ceremony.
2. Host chapter conducts roll call of chapters.
3. Welcome by superintendent or principal of host chapter.
4. Opening and Closing Ritual Contest - all chapters urged to participate.
5. FFA Information Contest - all chapters urged to participate. Officers only eligible to compete.

SUPPER

6. Talk by State FFA Officer.
7. Green Hand Degree Demonstration - Stockton Chapter.
8. Parliamentary Procedure Demonstration - Alton Chapter.
9. Recital of the FFA Creed - Lloyd Oswald - Natoma Chapter.

1954 Leadership Schools (continued)

10. Roll call of chapters; special three minute reports on the following assignments:

President or Vice President - Program of Work - How Build? Committee Responsibilities and Check Up on Performance? Calendar?

School Time: Outstanding Activity Executed Past Year - Planned for Current Year. By the following chapters: Hays, Hill City, Phillipsburg, Plainville, Stockton, Wakeeney.

Treasurer - Plans for raising chapter funds; financing FFA Parent-Son Banquet. By the following chapters: Alton, Bunker Hill, Ellis, Hoisington, Palco, Paradise, Phillipsburg, Wilson.

Reporter - How get FFA recognition in school, community and state? How bring news of activities of other chapters before local group? By the following chapters: Ellis, Hill City, Hoisington, Natoma, Plainville, Stockton, Wakeeney.

Secretary - Chapter records; plan for acquainting members with state and national FFA activities; planning and executing chapter meetings. By the following chapters: Bunker Hill, Hays, Natoma, Palco, Paradise, Wilson.

BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS: Methods used in acquainting members with the Future Farmers of America Organization; how to improve ritualistic proficiency in Green Hand and Chapter Farmer Degree work; how you train your officer group; plan of teaching members parliamentary procedure; how to improve FFA Leadership Schools.

11. Awards.
12. Close.

Host chapter will look after local arrangements such as: Welcome from superintendent or principal, meeting place, arrangements for eats, FFA paraphernalia, etc.

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The following rankings will be of interest to all FFA members and advisers who attended a leadership school, and should prove of interest to all Future Farmer members.

The high 34 individuals in the state in the FFA Information Contest:

1st.	Richard Frank, Frankfort Chapter	98 points
2nd.	Gary Millenbruch, Frankfort Chapter	97 points
2nd.	Clem Linnebur, Cherryvale Chapter	97 points
2nd.	John Meyer, Herington Chapter	97 points
5th.	John Walter, Jetmore Chapter	96 points
5th.	Richard Streets, Altoona Chapter	96 points
7th.	Dean Gladow, Alma Chapter	95 points
8th.	Richard Hotz, Almena Chapter	94 points
8th.	Larry Ihrig, Goodland Chapter	94 points

1954 Leadership Schools (continued)

8th.	Glenn Henley, Fredonia Chapter	94 points
8th.	Duane Blomenkamp, Herington Chapter	94 points
8th.	Loy Reinhardt, Chanute Chapter	94 points
13th.	Coy Allen, Coffeyville Chapter	93 points
13th.	Deloran Allen, Coffeyville Chapter	93 points
13th.	Gerald Schneider, Ottawa Chapter	93 points
13th.	Douglas Matson, Longford Chapter	93 points
13th.	Jim McChesney, Clay Center Chapter	93 points
13th.	Stan Smith, Newton Chapter	93 points
19th.	James Guthrie, Peabody Chapter	92 points
19th.	Keith Hyde, Herington Chapter	92 points
19th.	Robert Kidd, Fredonia Chapter	92 points
19th.	Ronald Zvolanek, Ellsworth Chapter	92 points
19th.	Franklin Burandt, Belleville Chapter	92 points
19th.	Douglas Hale, Natoma Chapter	92 points
19th.	Dennis Duell, Goodland Chapter	92 points
19th.	Charles Ochs, Jetmore Chapter	92 points
19th.	Mike Taylor, Jetmore Chapter	92 points
19th.	Jon Larson, Clay Center Chapter	92 points
29th.	Dale Will, Herington Chapter	91 points
29th.	Bob Nelson, Fredonia Chapter	91 points
29th.	Gary Berthot, Chanute Chapter	91 points
29th.	Eugene Just, Hillsboro Chapter	91 points
29th.	Marion Heim, Buhler Chapter	91 points
29th.	Ron McCune, Beloit Chapter	91 points

Total possible points in the 1954 FFA Information Contest equalled 100. From the individual scores listed it is evident that the FFA Leadership School is attaining the second purpose listed.

The high 16 chapters in the state in the FFA Information Contest:

1st.	Chanute, Chas. O. Carter, Jr., Adviser	551 points
2nd.	Fredonia, Harold Shoaf, Adviser	546 points
3rd.	Frankfort, Jerry Hope, Adviser	541 points
4th.	Jetmore, George Turnbull, Jr., Adviser	538 points
5th.	Cherryvale, C. H. Young, Adviser	530 points
6th.	Herington, Darrell Mounkes, Adviser	527 points
7th.	Ellsworth, Lester Crandall, Adviser	522 points
7th.	Alma, Walter Gehlbach, Adviser	522 points
9th.	Clay Center, Ray Morrison, Adviser	521 points
10th.	Natoma, R. B. Feldkamp, Adviser	514 points
11th.	Almena, Sam Stenzel, Adviser	513 points
12th.	Ottawa, S. S. Bergsma, Adviser	511 points
13th.	Beloit, Frank Carpenter, Adviser	505 points
14th.	Salina, William Smith, Adviser	503 points
15th.	Burlingame, Thos. Morris, Adviser	501 points
16th.	Trousdale, James T. Grider, Adviser	500 points

1954 Leadership Schools (continued)

RANKINGS BY DISTRICTS

The following rankings give the high five individuals, the high five chapters in the FFA Information Contest, the Gold Emblem Chapters in the FFA Ritual Contest and the Master Ritual Team for each of the eleven District FFA Leadership Schools:

CLAY CENTERHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st.	Douglas Matson, Longford Chapter	93 points
1st.	Jim McChesney, Clay Center Chapter	93 points
3rd.	Jon Larson, Clay Center Chapter	92 points
4th.	Bill Meyers, Washington Chapter	90 points
5th.	Jerry Gardner, Clay Center Chapter	89 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st.	Clay Center Chapter	521 points
2nd.	Longford Chapter	463 points
3rd.	Washington Chapter	442 points
3rd.	Riley Chapter	442 points
5th.	Solomon Chapter	439 points

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Clay Center Chapter
Miltonvale Chapter
Longford Chapter
Riley Chapter

Master Ritual Team

President	Dean Faidley	Clay Center Chapter
Vice President	Jon Larson	Clay Center Chapter
Secretary	Douglas Matson	Longford Chapter
Treasurer	Jim McChesney	Clay Center Chapter
Reporter	Maynard Kline	Miltonvale Chapter
Sentinel	Jerry Gardner	Clay Center Chapter

EMPORIAHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st.	John Meyer, Herington Chapter	97 points
2nd.	Dean Gladow, Alma Chapter	94 points
2nd.	Duane Blomenkamp, Herington Chapter	94 points
4th.	Keith Hyde, Herington Chapter	92 points
5th.	Dale Will, Herington Chapter	91 points

1954 Leadership Schools (continued)

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st. Herington Chapter	527 points
2nd. Alma Chapter	522 points
3rd. Burlingame Chapter	501 points
4th. Emporia Chapter	494 points
5th. Lyndon Chapter	478 points

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Emporia Chapter
Cottonwood Falls Chapter
Herington Chapter
Lyndon Chapter

Master Ritual Team

President	Calvin Roberts	Emporia Chapter	
Vice President	Bob Bock	Emporia Chapter	
Secretary	Dean Gladow	Alma Chapter	
Treasurer	Gary Scott	Cottonwood Falls Chapter	
Reporter	Keith Hyde	Herington Chapter	
Sentinel	Charles Rindt	Herington Chapter	} tie
Sentinel	Richard Lowry	Emporia Chapter	

LAWRENCEHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st. Gerald Schneider, Ottawa Chapter	93 points
2nd. Don Bowman, Seaman Chapter	90 points
3rd. Don Edson, Washburn Chapter	87 points
3rd. Stanley Stewart, Ottawa Chapter	87 points
3rd. Squire Foster, Ottawa Chapter	87 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st. Ottawa Chapter	511 points
2nd. Seaman Chapter	492 points
3rd. Washburn Chapter	489 points
4th. Silver Lake Chapter	455 points
5th. Highland Park Chapter	420 points

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Washburn Chapter
Shawnee-Mission Chapter
Lawrence Chapter
Silver Lake Chapter

Master Ritual Team

President	Jim Chance	Seaman Chapter
Vice President	Don Edson	Washburn Chapter
Secretary	Frank Einhellig	Bonner Springs Chapter
Treasurer	John McComb	Washburn Chapter
Reporter	Dale Eckerberg	Shawnee-Mission Chapter
Sentinel	Daryl Boehm	Olathe Chapter

1954 Leadership Schools (continued)

FREDONIAHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st. Clem Linnebur, Cherryvale Chapter	97 points
2nd. Richard Streets, Altoona Chapter	96 points
3rd. Loy Reinhardt, Chanute Chapter	94 points
3rd. Glenn Henley, Fredonia Chapter	94 points
5th. Deloran Allen, Coffeyville Chapter	93 points
5th. Coy Allen, Coffeyville Chapter	93 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st. Chanute Chapter	551 points
2nd. Fredonia Chapter	546 points
3rd. Cherryvale Chapter	530 points
4th. Neodesha Chapter	488 points
5th. Yates Center Chapter	471 points

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Chanute Chapter
 Fredonia Chapter
 Yates Center Chapter
 Neodesha Chapter
 Altoona Chapter

Master Ritual Team

President	Gary Berthot	Chanute Chapter
Vice President	Jim York	Columbus Chapter
Secretary	Gerald Howe	Neodesha Chapter
Treasurer	Leslie Purcell	Yates Center Chapter
Reporter	Gary Naughton	Chanute Chapter
Sentinel	Duane Pollman	Humboldt Chapter

EFFINGHAMHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st. Bill Horner, Troy Chapter	88 points
1st. Deane Burgess, Wamego Chapter	88 points
1st. David Nies, Wamego Chapter	88 points
4th. Richard Folsche, Troy Chapter	87 points
5th. Dale Harness, Troy Chapter	85 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st. Troy Chapter	486 points
2nd. Wamego Chapter	478 points
3rd. Holton Chapter	476 points
4th. Centralia Chapter	442 points
5th. Fairview Chapter	423 points

1954 Leadership Schools (continued)

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Wamego Chapter
 Holton Chapter
 Effingham Chapter
 Highland Chapter

Master Ritual Team

President	Larry Riat	Wamego Chapter
Vice President	L. C. Bowser	Holton Chapter
Secretary	Herbert Wenger	Powhattan Chapter
Treasurer	Raymond Lyne	Effingham Chapter
Reporter	Gale Haag	Holton Chapter
Sentinel	Robert Sewell	Fairview Chapter

BUHLERHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st. Stan Smith, Newton Chapter	93 points
2nd. Ronald Zvolanek, Ellsworth Chapter	92 points
2nd. James Guthrie, Peabody Chapter	92 points
4th. Eugene Just, Hillsboro Chapter	91 points
4th. Marion Heim, Buhler Chapter	91 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st. Ellsworth Chapter	522 points
2nd. Salina Chapter	503 points
3rd. Newton Chapter	498 points
4th. Buhler Chapter	488 points
5th. Hillsboro Chapter	485 points

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Newton Chapter
 Great Bend Chapter
 Partridge Chapter
 Haven Chapter
 Salina Chapter

Master Ritual Team

President	Denzil Franklin	Buhler Chapter
Vice President	Delton Evers	Great Bend Chapter
Secretary	Bob Buller	Newton Chapter
Treasurer	Eldon Becker	Inman Chapter
Reporter	Jerry Doornvos	ElDorado Chapter
Sentinel	Buddy French	Partridge Chapter

1954 Leadership Schools (continued)

BELOITHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st. Richard Frank, Frankfort Chapter	98 points
2nd. Gary Millenbruch, Frankfort Chapter	97 points
3rd. Franklin Burandt, Belleville Chapter	92 points
4th. Ron McCune, Beloit Chapter	91 points
5th. Larry Walker, Beloit Chapter	90 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st. Frankfort Chapter	541 points
2nd. Beloit Chapter	505 points
3rd. Belleville Chapter	485 points
4th. Minneapolis Chapter	463 points
5th. Smith Center Chapter	462 points

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Beloit Chapter
Osborne Chapter
Belleville Chapter
Delphos Chapter
Minneapolis Chapter

Master Ritual Team

President	Franklin Burandt	Belleville Chapter
Vice President	Maurice Hammer	Scandia Chapter
Secretary	Richard Frank	Frankfort Chapter
Treasurer	Don Gorton	Beverly Chapter
Reporter	Darrell Nelson	Scandia Chapter
Sentinel	Lewis Carlin	Simpson Chapter

HARPERHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st. Bob Young, Kingman Chapter	90 points
2nd. Silas Foiles, Arkansas City Chapter	88 points
3rd. Gary Miller, Winfield Chapter	87 points
4th. David Cleveland, Attica Chapter	86 points
5th. Richard Blankenship, Udall Chapter	84 points
5th. Delbert Whaley, Arkansas City Chapter	84 points
5th. Maurice Schrag, Kingman Chapter	84 points
5th. Bob Baker, Kingman Chapter	84 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st. Arkansas City Chapter	490 points
2nd. Kingman Chapter	449 points
2nd. Kiowa Chapter	449 points
4th. Udall Chapter	428 points
5th. Pretty Prairie Chapter	417 points

1954 Leadership Schools (continued)Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Pretty Prairie Chapter
 Arkansas City Chapter
 Attica Chapter
 Udall Chapter

Master Ritual Team

President	Steve French	Pretty Prairie Chapter
Vice President	Larry Schooley	Kiowa Chapter
Secretary	Gary Mac Barton	Arkansas City Chapter
Treasurer	Bob Rice	Oxford Chapter
Reporter	Melverne Albright	Pretty Prairie Chapter
Sentinel	Wayne Wall	Udall Chapter

PLAINVILLEHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st.	Douglas Hale, Natoma Chapter	92 points
2nd.	Roger Beisner, Natoma Chapter	90 points
3rd.	Larry Sarver, Natoma Chapter	89 points
4th.	Howard Garvert, Plainville Chapter	88 points
4th.	Bob Mason, Stockton Chapter	88 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st.	Natoma Chapter	514 points
2nd.	Stockton Chapter	477 points
3rd.	Alton Chapter	474 points
4th.	Plainville Chapter	443 points
5th.	Hill City Chapter	431 points

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Plainville Chapter
 Alton Chapter
 Stockton Chapter
 Hoisington Chapter

Master Ritual Team

President	Freddie Nichols	Alton Chapter
Vice President	John Griebel	Stockton Chapter
Secretary	Gary Rempe	Plainville Chapter
Treasurer	Benny Brent	Alton Chapter
Reporter	Leland Adam	Plainville Chapter
Sentinel	Donovan Williams	Plainville Chapter

1954 Leadership Schools (continued)

OBERLINHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st. Larry Ihrig, Goodland Chapter	94 points
1st. Richard Hotz, Almena Chapter	94 points
3rd. Dennis Duell, Goodland Chapter	92 points
4th. Don Summer, Hoxie Chapter	89 points
4th. Larry Spomer, Edson Chapter	89 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st. Almena Chapter	513 points
2nd. Hoxie Chapter	469 points
2nd. Edson Chapter	469 points
4th. Goodland Chapter	466 points
5th. Norton Chapter	450 points

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

St. Francis Chapter
Edson Chapter
Goodland Chapter
Almena Chapter

Master Ritual Team

President	Walter Douthit	St. Francis Chapter
Vice President	Gerald Emig	Goodland Chapter
Secretary	Jerome Reed	Hoxie Chapter
Treasurer	Gary Torluemke	Oberlin Chapter
Reporter	Ben Leibbrandt	St. Francis Chapter
Sentinel	Eldon Bennett	Edson Chapter

DODGE CITYHigh Individuals - FFA Information Contest

1st. John Walter, Jetmore Chapter	96 points
2nd. Charles Ochs, Jetmore Chapter	92 points
2nd. Mike Taylor, Jetmore Chapter	92 points
4th. Melvin Huser, Syracuse Chapter	90 points
5th. Richard Rudzik, Jetmore Chapter	89 points
5th. Duane Shiew, Jetmore Chapter	89 points
5th. Bill Johnson, Trousdale Chapter	89 points

High Chapters - FFA Information Contest

1st. Jetmore Chapter	538 points
2nd. Trousdale Chapter	500 points
3rd. Kinsley Chapter	493 points
4th. Lakin Chapter	428 points
5th. Hugoton Chapter	421 points

1954 Leadership Schools (continued)

Gold Emblem Chapters - Ritual Contest

Jetmore Chapter
 Ness City Chapter
 Garden City Chapter
 Bazine Chapter
 Trousdale Chapter

Master Ritual Team

President	Dee Doebbeling	Ness City Chapter
Vice President	Verl Walter	Ness City Chapter
Secretary	Laurice Margheim	Ness City Chapter
Treasurer	Larry Pippitt	Dodge City Chapter
Reporter	Bob Riegel	Ford Chapter
Sentinel	Darrell Goss	Garden City Chapter

The following is a summarized table of the contest results of the eleven District FFA Leadership Schools:

Leadership School	: Highest Individual Score	: Highest Chapter Score	: Total High 5 Boys	: Average High 5 Boys	: Total High 5 Chapters	: Average High 5 Chapters
Clay Center	: 93	: 521	: 457	: 91.4	: 2307	: 461.4
Emporia	: 97	: 527	: 468	: 93.6	: 2522	: 504.4
Lawrence	: 93	: 511	: 444	: 88.8	: 2367	: 473.4
Fredonia	: 97	: 551	: 474	: 94.8	: 2586	: 517.2
Effingham	: 88	: 486	: 436	: 87.2	: 2305	: 461
Buhler	: 93	: 522	: 459	: 91.8	: 2496	: 499.2
Beloit	: 98	: 541	: 468	: 93.6	: 2456	: 491.2
Harper	: 90	: 490	: 435	: 87	: 2233	: 446.6
Plainville	: 92	: 514	: 447	: 89.4	: 2339	: 467.8
Oberlin	: 94	: 513	: 458	: 91.6	: 2367	: 473.4
Dodge City	: 96	: 538	: 459	: 91.8	: 2380	: 476

The following rankings list the Leadership Schools on the basis of the average of the scores made by the high five individuals in the FFA Information Contest:

Average High Five Individuals Per Leadership School

1st.	Fredonia Leadership School	94.8 points
2nd.	Emporia Leadership School	93.6 points
2nd.	Beloit Leadership School	93.6 points
4th.	Buhler Leadership School	91.8 points
4th.	Dodge City Leadership School	91.8 points

The following ranking of District Leadership Schools is on the basis of the average score of the high five chapters in the FFA Information Contest:

Average High Five Chapters Per Leadership School

1st.	Fredonia Leadership School	517.2 points
2nd.	Emporia Leadership School	504.4 points
3rd.	Buhler Leadership School	499.2 points
4th.	Beloit Leadership School	491.2 points
5th.	Dodge City Leadership School	476 points

1954 Leadership Schools (continued)

The following FFA members contributed to the success of the District FFA Leadership Schools by reciting the FFA Creed:

George Mollean, Hanover Chapter
Paul Dozier, Herington Chapter
Dean Edson, Washburn Chapter
Doug Buttershell, Erie Chapter
John Buser, Fairview Chapter
Leland Suderman, Hillsboro Chapter
Maurice Elliott, Minneapolis Chapter
Gary Johnson, Clearwater Chapter
Lloyd Oswald, Natoma Chapter
Vyrl Rush, Oberlin Chapter
Roy Adams, Trousdale Chapter

The more FFA members know about the Future Farmers of America the greater will be their respect for the organization. FFA officers (and advisers) too often are not adequately informed concerning the FFA. Ritualistic performance, especially the opening and closing ritual, constitute the "Show Window" of the FFA organization. It is important that all ritualistic performance be on a high standard, but especially important that the opening and closing ritual be well handled at all times. Parliamentary procedure should be given more attention by chapter officers.

A practice begun in 1948 with the Stockton FFA Leadership School was continued. This practice consisted of having the local FFA advisers in judging the Ritual Contest rank the different officers on their performance. From these rankings an All Star Ritual Team was chosen. This All Star Team closed the District School. This feature has proved to be very stimulating.

Local FFA advisers for the most part did a fine job in coaching their members who were scheduled for parts in the District Schools. A high standard of performance must be maintained if our District FFA Leadership Schools are to yield hoped-for results. A satisfactory standard can be maintained only by cooperation on the part of the local FFA adviser in selecting assignments, and in preparing individuals and teams for superior presentation of assignments. One of the purposes of the FFA District Leadership School is to stimulate each officer to perform on a high plane the duties and responsibilities of his office.

The state office wishes to express its appreciation for the fine spirit of cooperation evidenced in each of the eleven districts in which FFA Leadership Schools were held.

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MEMBERSHIP IN NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF FFA

National FFA membership in 1954 reached a new record of 371,592, an increase of 2.26 per cent over the previous year. There are 8,793 local FFA chapters.

A breakdown of the active FFA membership shows 162,905 Green Hands, 198,253 Chapter Farmers, 9,824 State Farmers, and 610 American Farmers.

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THE FFA PROGRAM OF WORK *

By Jerry Jordan, President, Fredonia Chapter

The program of work is an outline of activities of the FFA members, determined according to the needs of the student, school and community and such activities should be carried out under the supervision of the adviser.

The program of work should include the following:

- a. Be in outline form.
- b. Should include all the chapter activities.
- c. Should be set up annually.
- d. It should be reasonable, challenging and worthwhile to accomplish.
- e. The activities should be balanced to provide development of all Aims and Purposes of the FFA.
- f. The activities should be goals the students desire to accomplish.
- g. Should always provide for ways and means of accomplishing the goals.
- h. Provide for adequate provision for checking on the accomplishments.
- i. Should represent the combined thinking of the entire group.
- j. Each year should show marked improvement in planning.
- k. Work on the activities is most generally carried on outside the classroom, however,
- l. Integration with the classroom, farm shop and supervised farming should always be done when possible.

Precautions

What precautions should be observed in developing and carrying on the program of work?

1. Be sure that each chapter member clearly understands the purpose of the program of work.
2. Be sure that each committee chairman understands his job.
3. Give considerable thought in selecting program committees.
4. Remember, it is the boys' program and should be boy initiated.
 - a. Get ideas from the boys.
 - b. Adviser is a counselor - gives considerable guidance when and where needed.
5. Allow boys to serve on committees for which they show most interest and ability.
6. Every boy should have an active part.
7. Give recognition to boys and committees for jobs well done.
8. The program of work should not be too elaborate but challenging.
 - a. One that is physically possible to accomplish.
 - b. One that is practical.
 - c. It should be interesting to the boys.
9. Do not include activities in the program of work that do not meet favorably in the school or community.
10. The program activities should meet the needs of the boys, school and community.
11. Keep in mind the questions (a) Will the activities promote FFA and the vocational agriculture program? (b) Will the activity justify the time required?

* This was the presentation of "How to Build a Program of Work" made by Jerry Jordan before the members of the Fredonia District FFA Leadership School September 28, 1954.

The FFA Program of Work (continued)

12. Be sure that all investments are good financial risks.
13. Be sure to get program of work activities posted on the school calendar.
14. Let the superintendent and principal know of your activities early in the school year.
15. Include the school superintendent and principal in your activities whenever possible.
16. Have committees give progress reports regularly to keep them active.
17. Post a chart of the activities of the program of work.
18. Post a record of accomplishments as achieved.
19. Have an occasional check-up to see what activities have been neglected.
20. Hold regular meetings for the program committees.
21. Adviser should be available to give guidance when needed.
22. Good cooperation should always exist between committee members and other members at large.
23. The program of work should continue to grow during the year and expand year to year.
24. Be sure to get pictures of activities and events.
25. Never have the president or vice president as committee chairmen.
26. When selecting committee chairmen the following offices are recommended:

Earning and Saving	Treasurer
Recreation	Sentinel
Conduct of Meetings	Secretary
General Activities	Reporter

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

Should the State and National Chapter Contest be used as a goal for the chapter or even as a motivating factor for the boys in planning and developing a program of work?

Answer:

Yes, when used as a "teaching tool". It should never be the "tail wags the dog". If the FFA is integrated with the over-all vocational agriculture program, there is a definite value in using the chapter contest to motivate and help the members to get more out of their vocational agriculture training.

It is recognized the State and National Contests have taken over in many states to where too great an emphasis is placed upon "winning a Gold Emblem" rating. This practice should never happen. A good method of preventing this is to require distinct study of any chapter entry in any contest. This study should be in the form of a committee of advisers who should examine all chapter entries on the district level.

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BIRTHDAY

The Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc., is observing its 10th anniversary in 1954. In nine years, completed last December 31, the Foundation had provided \$596,932.32 in prizes and awards to FFA members and chapters, and \$53,918.38 for NFA members. The budget for awards in 1954 was \$144,560.

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KANSAS 1955 FFA SPEECH CONTEST

Rules governing the National FFA Speech Contest also govern the FFA Speech Contest in Kansas. This plan was approved by action of the House of Delegates at the inception of the State FFA Speech Contest and has not been changed. Accordingly, the rule changes recommended by the 1953 National FFA House of Delegates and approved by the National Board of Student Officers and the National Board of Directors effective beginning July 1, 1954, will constitute a part of the rules governing the 1955 State FFA Speech Contest in Kansas. Following are the rule changes:

1. Article IV is to be amended to read that deductions of 40 points shall be made per minute or part thereof for speeches under eight minutes in length.
2. Add to Article IV that deductions be made of 20 points per minute or part thereof for speeches over ten minutes in length.
3. Amend Article V, Rule 6, to read that a timekeeper shall be designated who will record the time used by each contestant in delivering his speech, noting undertime and overtime, if any, for which deductions should be made.
4. To amend Part III of the Score Card to include less undertime deductions 40 points for each minute or part thereof; and less overtime deductions 20 points per minute or part thereof.

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AGRICULTURAL SUBJECTS A MUST FOR FFA SPEECH CONTEST

Undoubtedly many FFA members in Kansas are giving thought to a suitable subject to be used in preparing a speech for local chapter and district FFA speech contests. It therefore seems in order to call attention to the ruling made just prior to the 23rd National FFA Convention relative to the nature of the subject to be covered by the speaker. The following quotation taken from a letter on this subject sent to the states by National Adviser Dr. W. T. Spanton is self-explanatory:

"It is not enough that a speech should be built around some topic of general interest such as "The Marshall Plan" or "Socialized Medicine" and contain a few references to agriculture or farm people. The rules are specific in requiring that the speech must be on an "Agricultural Topic". This means, according to the National FFA Board of Directors, that both the title and content of the speech must deal primarily, not incidentally, with some phase of agriculture.

"The National Office has called attention to this problem on several occasions during the last two years, but from now on, any contestant who violates this provision of the rules, no matter how well his speech is prepared or delivered, will be doing so at the risk of having his speech disqualified by the judges. Certainly all speeches that may "get by" judges of local or state contests will most assuredly be disqualified in the regional or national contests if this provision is violated."

"Judges of all FFA public speaking contests should be clearly instructed as to the importance of this requirement, since the decisions of the judges in all contests will be final. It would be very unfortunate for the winner of a state contest to be disqualified in a regional or national contest because this regulation had not been observed."

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE
NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF FUTURE FARMERS OF
AMERICA FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1954

A. W. TENNEY

We are pleased to report that new records were made in membership and in number of chapters during the past year. There are 8,569 chartered local chapters with a total active membership of 371,592. According to the reports of state associations and local chapters, the interest and accomplishments of members are at an all-time high. We must not forget that the progress made during the past year is due to the excellent work done by FFA members, teachers of vocational agriculture, state staffs in agricultural education and the members of the Agricultural Education Branch of the Office of Education. We recognize the helpful assistance that has been given to the FFA by individuals, our many friends in other organizations and from the field of business and industry.

The following report on accomplishments of the Future Farmers of America is for the year ended June 30, 1954.

REPORT ON ACCOMPLISHMENTS

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Accomplishment</u>
I. <u>SUPERVISED FARMING</u>		
1. Producing food for world demands	100% member participation	81%
2. Increasing size of farming programs	100% member participation	57%
3. Improving livestock and crop production	100% member participation	63% livestock 53% crop
4. Preventing livestock losses	100% chapter participation	72%
II. <u>COOPERATION</u>		
1. Providing experience in cooperative effort	100% member participation	73%
III. <u>COMMUNITY SERVICE</u>		
1. Stress repairing and re-conditioning of machinery	100% member and chapter participation	23% members 77% chapters
2. Guarding and protecting life and property	100% of State Associations with safety program	90%
3. Conserving resources	100% of chapters and members participating	49% members 78% chapters
4. Repairing farm buildings and equipment	100% member participation	51%

National Executive Secretary Report (continued)

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Accomplishment</u>
<u>IV. LEADERSHIP</u>		
1. Advancing members to higher degrees	100% of states naming full quota of qualified American Farmer applicants	88%
2. Providing chapter libraries	100% of chapters with libraries which include 5 or more FFA books	85%
3. Participating in public speaking	100% of chapters and states hold public speaking contests	100% states 50% chapters
4. Following parliamentary procedure	100% of chapters conducting meetings according to accepted parliamentary procedure	94%
5. Building programs of work	100% of states and chapters with written continuing program of work giving special emphasis to reconversion	100% states 88% chapters
6. Providing state publications	100% of states with an official publication	86%
7. Providing leadership training	100% state participation	96%
8. Maintaining public relations	Keep the public informed on what the FFA is and does	31% chapters issued news sheets or news letters 70% chapters prepared publicity material regularly 58% states sponsored radio series 35% chapters prepared & gave broadcasts
<u>V. EARNINGS AND SAVINGS</u>		
1. Practicing thrift	100% of chapters and members participating	40% members 66% chapters
<u>VI. CONDUCT OF MEETINGS</u>		
1. Using Official Manual	100% of members having access to Official Manual	87%

National Executive Secretary Report (continued)

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Accomplishment</u>
2. Using Official Secretary and Treasurer Books	100% of chapters using both books	86% Secretary's 80% Treasurer's
3. Providing official meeting paraphernalia equipment and supplies	100% of chapters and state associations having standard materials with which to work	94% states 84% chapters
4. Using official ceremonies	100% of chapters using opening and closing and degree ceremonies according to the Official Manual	92%
5. Planning State Conventions	100% of State Associations hold conventions	100%
6. Meetings	Every member attend 100% of chapter meetings	93% chapters held regular meetings 51% members attended

VII. SCHOLARSHIP

1. Improving scholarship	100% of members show outstanding ability as evidenced by scholastic activities, and have a satisfactory record as certified to by the local school superintendent or principal	83% chapters helped members improve their scholarship
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VIII. RECREATION

1. Encourage supervised recreation	100% member participation	69%
2. Continuing National FFA Week	100% of State Associations participating	100%

IX. GENERAL

1. Maintaining membership	375,000 active members	371,592 members
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STATE CONVENTIONS

Annual reports of state associations indicate that each association held a convention during the past year. National FFA officers attended 48 of these conventions.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING

During the past year 48 state associations held special leadership schools for local chapters and members. A total of 5314 chapters participated.

National Executive Secretary Report (continued)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.

During the past year 15 state associations operated camps.

NATIONAL CHAPTER CONTEST

We received 99 reports on accomplishments in the National Chapter Contest. A review of the reports submitted indicates that FFA chapters are continuing to carry out high quality programs.

Plans are under way to make a number of important changes in the National Chapter Contest.

PRIZES AND AWARDS

We are pleased it has been possible to continue the award program, which has been financed from funds provided by the Future Farmers of America Foundation. The Foundation is supported annually by grants by many friends of the FFA.

FUTURE FARMERS SUPPLY SERVICE

The Supply Service had another very successful year. A few items have been added at your request.

THE NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER

We are pleased with the progress being made by your magazine, The National FUTURE FARMER. The circulation for 1953-54 as reported by Editor Barron is 146,777. We are looking forward to the time when each member of the FFA will receive the official magazine.

MOTION PICTURE FILMS

The Future Farmers of America organization has been materially assisted by the production of a number of motion picture films. Last year a film was made of the Silver Anniversary Convention. The letters received in our office indicate that this film is proving very popular and helpful to local chapters. Consideration is being given to the production of a few other films on the Future Farmers of America. The state associations and local chapters will be advised as soon as these films are available for distribution. We are very grateful for the assistance provided by our friends through these motion picture films.

NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER MAGAZINE

The change in publication date recommended by the 1953 National FFA House of Delegates was not approved by the National FFA Board of Directors.

As of November 17, 1954, a total of 5,093 Kansas individuals have subscribed for The National FUTURE FARMER. This is a decrease of 338 as compared with the 1953 subscription list as of the same date. Our records show 53 of the 208 chapters in Kansas without a single subscription to this magazine for the current year. There is a possibility that chapters among this group subscribed late last year and are just getting ready to send renewals. Also subscriptions may have been sent direct to the National Office. Certainly 53 chapters in our state should not be without the benefits available through receiving and using The National FUTURE FARMER magazine.

Many chapters have reported difficulty with postal deliveries of The National FUTURE FARMER. Editor Lane Barron is cognizant of this problem. He urges that all members include route and box numbers in their delivery address. Kansas has included route numbers in submitting subscription lists, and still the problem persists.

WHERE CHAPTERS ARE HAVING DIFFICULTY WITH DELIVERY OF THE NATIONAL FUTURE FARMER, WE RECOMMEND THAT THE LOCAL FFA ADVISER TAKE HIS SUBSCRIPTION LIST TO THE LOCAL POSTMASTER AND CHECK WITH HIM DELIVERY PROCEDURE.

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RECENTLY CHARTERED FFA CHAPTERS IN KANSAS

Hoisington Chapter	Charles E. Riedl, President; Raymond Stewart, Adviser December 2, 1953; Charter No. 244.
Clearwater Chapter	Sylvester Lipke, President; David V. Rector, Adviser January 5, 1954; Charter No. 245.
Udall Chapter	Gary Evans, President; Richard E. Weiser, Adviser January 15, 1954; Charter No. 246.
Sublette Chapter	Max Allen, President; Thomas W. Linville, Adviser March 15, 1954; Charter No. 247.
Elk City Chapter	Larry R. Mills, President; Dale E. Brooks, Adviser April 20, 1954; Charter No. 248.
Caney Chapter	Frank Clubine, President; Ralph G. Field, Adviser September 10, 1954; Charter No. 249.
Geneseo Chapter	Lawrence Rush, President; Anton A. Harris, Adviser November 3, 1954; Charter No. 250.
Lindsborg Chapter	Bruce Hawkinson, President; Delbert E. Jamison, November 3, 1954; Charter No. 251. Adviser

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MILK VENDING MACHINES - ARKANSAS CITY CHAPTER PROJECT

The Arkansas City Chapter is sponsoring milk dispensing machines in the Junior College, the Senior High School, and plan to install a machine in the Junior High School at an early date. Because of the significance of this project as it relates to milk consumption and human health, we asked adviser Harold Walker to explain the Arkansas City Chapter plan. The pattern used follows.

1. The chapter sponsors the project in cooperation with the Meadow Lane Dairy of Arkansas City.
2. The agreement with the dairy provided that the machines be purchased by the dairy and placed in the schools on a 30-day trial basis.
3. At the end of the trial period the FFA chapter had the option of:
 - (a) Purchasing the machine and buying milk at wholesale, or
 - (b) Dairy retain ownership of the machine and pay the chapter 2¢ on each half pint sold.

The chapter decided to accept option (b).

4. The dairy stocks and fills the machines. A sales slip showing quantity used together with a check is sent the chapter at the end of the month.
5. The chapter is responsible for keeping the vending machine area clean and attractive. Disposal of empty cartons is the responsibility of the chapter. Careful planning, assigning responsibilities, and supervision are needed to keep the area from becoming unsightly and unsanitary.
6. THE TRASH CANS ARE STERILIZED IN THE FARM SHOP BY MEANS OF STEAM PRESSURE.

The following points listed by adviser Walker relate to the milk dispensing machine used in the Senior High School at Arkansas City.

1. Enrollment in the Senior High School is approximately 900.
2. The vending machine holds 210 half pints. Requires servicing twice a day.
3. Whole milk, chocolate milk and an orange drink are stocked.
4. The week of November 8-12 the machine in the high school averaged 150 sales per day and 750 for the week; @ 2¢ per sale, a total of \$15.00 net to the chapter.

The following comment by adviser Walker will be of interest:

- (a) Since the machine in the high school is serviced twice a day we have no difficulty with the product going out of condition.

Milk Vending Machines (continued)

- (b) Students are permitted to drink milk between classes so long as they do not carry cartons to class and are not late to class.
- (c) The number of sales of milk per week have increased steadily, and the sales from soft drink vending machines have decreased.
- (d) Chocolate milk sales outsell the whole milk approximately 8 to 1. The orange drink in the milk vending machine will be discontinued and the space will be used for milk.
- (e) Much praise for sponsoring the milk vending project has been received from fellow teachers, the PTA, doctors, dentists, and from civic organizations.

Adviser Walker thinks the project will succeed in high schools having hot lunch programs and enrollments of 100 or more pupils. He suggests the local chapters cooperate with the local dairy and recommends the plan of having the dairy own the vending machine.

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VISITORS FROM OVERSEAS AND THE 27TH FFA CONVENTION--AS OTHERS SEE US *

You will be interested in the reactions of our visitors from overseas to the events on the program of the 27th National Convention of the Future Farmers of America. Under the sponsorship of the Foreign Operations Administration, the Department of State, the U. S. Office of Education, or the National Social Welfare Assembly, Inc., 14 visitors from six nations attended the convention. These visitors arrived in the United States during the month preceding the convention. For most, English is not their native tongue.

Following the close of the convention, each visitor was invited to submit a statement setting forth the three program features that appealed to him as being the most significant, the most meaningful and impressive with a short statement to indicate his reason.

It is of interest to read these reports and note the features appealing to our visitors, all of whom have an interest in agricultural education in their respective countries. The features most frequently mentioned throughout the reports are:

1. The student-parent-teacher relationships, so vital a feature in the activities of the FFA;
2. The cooperation and interest of great industrial and business organizations as reflected by their leaders in attendance and the awards program; and
3. The demonstrated leadership ability of National Officers, delegates and entire membership traceable to training in public speaking and in parliamentary procedure.

* H. B. Swanson, Assistant Chief, Agricultural Education Branch, ably assisted by Charles Zelden, a Chicago businessman, was in charge of the delegation of overseas visitors.

CHAPTER NEWS

GREAT BEND: Twelve members and our adviser spent a three-day vacation and outing at Lake Kanopolis during the last week in July. Boating, fishing and swimming were enjoyed by all...Our secretary, Marlin Walter, won second prize and our vice-president, Delton Evers, won third prize on their Westland milo entered in the open class at the state fair...Our chapter officers appeared on television September 14. They presented a program typical of an FFA meeting over KTVH, Hutchinson. Our vice-president, Delton Evers, gave a demonstration on how to select sorghum samples for show. We had as a guest, Padmaker Makariker, an exchange student from India, who gave a brief report on agriculture and education in India...We have a pest control contest under way at present. Our membership is divided into the north and south sides. The losers will entertain the winners. Prizes will be offered to the four high individuals...Harve Johnson, our president, and Dale Otte, our reporter, were Junior Rotarians during the month of October. They attended the regular Rotary meetings each Monday as FFA representatives...President Harve Johnson, Vice-President Delton Evers and Adviser Carl Heinrich presented a program for the local Lions Club. Harve reported on our FFA activities throughout the year and Delton gave a demonstration on judging cattle, giving reasons why we look for certain points in judging. The same program was presented to the Rotary Club a week later. Both clubs received the program well as indicated by the applause...We had our Father-Son Chili Feed on Monday evening, November 15. Thirty-five members, 24 dads and 27 men faculty and guests were present. Our program consisted of talks by Superintendent D. V. Swartz, Principal R. E. Gunn and Adviser Carl Heinrich. Dennis Calvert, a transfer member from Missouri and a Missouri member of the National FFA Chorus, gave two piano numbers. Dale Otte and Delton Evers gave reports on their farming programs. Marlin Walter recited the FFA Creed. We concluded the program by showing the FFA Silver Anniversary film...In making the chili for the Chili Feed we used 40 pounds of hamburger from a calf we had butchered for our Parent-Son Banquet last spring. Members of the senior class prepared the chili and served it in the cafeteria. The total cost of our feed was \$51.71.

Dale Otte, Reporter

WELLSVILLE: We have 30 enrolled in vocational agriculture this year with 42 active members in FFA...Our chapter sold popcorn and pop at all of the home football games, and will sell popcorn at the home basketball games...The pest eradication contest in our chapter will soon be under way. Two teams have been chosen with a team captain for each. Rex Murphy is one team captain, and Floyd Mignot is the other...Our chapter sponsored an all school party November 17. Dancing and a floor show provided the entertainment. Cider and doughnuts were served...Classes assisted in harvesting the corn variety test plot...Some of our farm mechanics projects have been: four-wheel trailer, feed bunk, tractor cleaned and spray painted, four pipe gates, two tool cabinets, two home library book cases, grinder stand, gas barrel stand, and three chicken feeders.

Jack Olmstead, Reporter

LONGFORD: The junior and senior classes of the Longford FFA Chapter have just finished installing a new overhead door in the shop...Our chapter is holding a pest eradication contest which began November 9 and will end January 9. The seniors and sophomores are competing against the juniors and freshmen...The chapter purchased a registered Poland China gilt to start a gilt ring.

Quentin Smith, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

GENESECO: Two boys of the local FFA and our adviser gave talks at the November PTA meeting about our new FFA organization...Twenty-two boys are enrolled in vocational agriculture and the same number joined FFA this year...The Parent and Son Banquet has been planned for January 25...The Geneseo Chapter has added a complete set of new hand tools, and the boys have installed an air compressor...Two boys and Mr. Harris demonstrated how to cull chickens over television station KTVH on November 3...An enjoyable skating party was held at the Ellsworth Roller Rink on October 24 with the Hi-Y and Y-Teens...We have been selling magazines to earn money to get our FFA jackets...Two teams were chosen for a pest eradication contest which will end January 5...Projects started in shop this year are a hog shed, hog feeder, barrel stands, portable loading chute and a cab for our new truck...Our program of work has been completed and typed by the members and sent in to the state office.

Arden Alexander, Reporter

SABETHA: The Sabetha FFA finds that it pays to do a good job. We rented a 10-acre field for corn and spent extra time cutting weeds. This was observed by the landlady. When we paid her the rent she signed the check over to the chapter. The check amounted to \$185.00. With this money we purchased a new drill press for the shop...Our brome grass plot made us \$152.00 this year from seed...We have rented for cash a six-acre plot of ground for five years. We are treating it with lime and will apply phosphate and nitrogen before planting it to corn...Our chapter members have a net worth of \$16,000.00...Our chapter cooperated with the veterinary department of Kansas State College in displaying our last year's Topeka Fair booth at the Yates Center Livestock Jamboree... Marvin Moore and Robert Ackerman have built an electric safety tractor to use at rural school meetings in the county. They have three dates so far for the demonstration...Mrs. Emery Campbell, one of our mothers, is helping our adviser organize a music group in our chapter. Meetings are held at her home.

Arwin Bauman, Reporter

COLDWATER: One of the first activities of the school year was exhibiting the Comanche County Collective Booth at the Hutchinson State Fair. The entire chapter worked the first two weeks of school selecting and preparing the samples, and a committee of six boys and Mr. Melia went to Hutchinson Friday, September 17, to put up the exhibit. We won first in the Western Kansas Division and received \$182.50 in prize money. The Buhler Chapter won Grand Champion on the Reno County booth. They had a very neat and attractive booth...We held our fall party the last week of October. We had a picnic at the golf course followed by a line party to the local show. About 20 of the members and their dates attended...Jerry Melia showed two fat calves and Larry Ellis one fat calf at the Wichita Fat Stock Show. All three calves placed in the top half of their class and sold for \$27.50 per cwt. This was a little above market price...We have a committee working on placing FFA road signs at the edge of town...Several of the members are selling magazine subscriptions in an attempt to earn FFA jackets and other articles.

Clay Morris, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

PRETTY PRAIRIE: Members of our chapter are taking part in our pest control contest of crows, starlings, rats, mice, opossum and sparrows. Our chapter is divided in two teams with the losing team giving the winners a party. Up to this time leading boys are Galen Schrag, Larry Friesen, Steve Waltner, and Conrad Graber...On the night of November 8 we had a parent and son meeting when the freshmen received their Green Hand Degree. A film was shown and refreshments of coffee and doughnuts were served afterward...Several members of our chapter are selling subscriptions to one of the farm magazines. Anyone who sells ten subscriptions is awarded an FFA jacket by the chapter and those who sell two subscriptions get a mail box name plate. If we sell 100 subscriptions as we did in 1951, the chapter will earn \$250.00...Boys who have purchased calves and are feeding them on the deferred system are Steve French 6, Neil Notestine 10, J. R. O'Leary 7, Leland Stucky 22, Leland Albrecht 5, Darrel Albrecht 6. Gary Albright, Kenny Albright, Delmer Schrag, Steve French, Bill French and Larry Krehbiel have purchased ewes for fall lambing...Three junior boys and the sponsor from our chapter presented a 15-minute program over KTVH television station November 22. The boys taking part were Gary Albright, Kenny Albright, Steve French and Adviser Powell Heide. The subject was "The Value of Timeliness in Sheep Production in Dollars and Cents".

Melverne Albright, Reporter

OLATHE: Members of the Olathe Chapter cooperated with members of the FHA in the concession stand at the "Old Settlers Picnic" and cleared about \$100. The two organizations also cooperated in a float for the parade and this rated fifth for a prize of \$7.50...Last summer during June our chapter officers and adviser enjoyed a three day fishing trip in the Missouri Ozarks...So far this school year we have had one picnic held in the city park and a hayrack ride and watermelon feed with over 60 taking part...Our members tore down an old barn on school property and are building many useful projects from the salvaged lumber. Some of the old brick has been hauled over to the shop and used to improve the road to the shop entrance...Thirteen Green Hand candidates received their Green Hand Degree during a special meeting on November 19.

Melvin Beckford, Reporter

ALTAMONT: Our first FFA meeting for the year was held in September with 126 members attending. The first activity this year was an FFA Rodeo September 29. We invited chapters from McCune, Parsons and Chetopa to enter. There was pole bending, colver leaf race, running class for all members and calf roping, steer riding and ribbon roping for a team from each school...Robert Adams, a freshman from our chapter, showed the Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Steers at the Fall Festival at Parsons. The chapter had an educational booth entitled "Soil Improvement for Better Living" at the Fall Festival...Thirteen members showed 30 head of fat barrows at the Fat Stock Show in Wichita. The boys won eight out of thirteen first place ribbons...Six boys showed eleven head of fat barrows at the American Royal and made good placings with all of them...The chapter had a paper drive October 23 in order to raise money for new basketball suits. We sold nine tons of paper for \$80.23. Ten new suits have been ordered for this season...We held our annual barnwarmer October 26. A total of \$215 was added to the treasury from the barnwarmer...The junior and senior classes are building 1,850 feet of terraces at the school garden. The senior class has planted five varieties of wheat on the school farm. A yield test is being made on Concho, Poncha, Triumph, Pawnee and Wichita...The chapter let 30 gilts out to beginning boys on the chain gilt program...The ag shop boys have moved into a new 50' x 50' building which is an addition to the old shop.

Ray Helms, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

EL DORADO: Future Farmer activities got off to an early start in the 1954-55 school year when the officers and adviser appeared before the Junior High assembly Friday morning, September 3. With H. C. Ruckert, chapter president, presiding, the officers presented the opening and closing ceremony using the official FFA ritual. Vernon Faulconer welcomed all ninth grade farm boys and suggested that they investigate the vocational agriculture courses offered in the El Dorado school system and consider them in their curriculum...Our chapter has a ten acre plot; five acres have been planted to wheat and a small nursery, and the remainder will be planted in popcorn. The field is used for a fund raising project for the chapter...The junior vocational agriculture class went into the livestock business on October 14 when they purchased a purebred Hereford cow. Shares of stock were sold to members of the class to make the purchase. This animal is to be used as a class project. At the present time it is being cared for by Bob Morgan, a member of the class...To encourage scholastic standing our vo-ag instructor has posted a chart on his bulletin board showing how the ag boys are progressing with their grades. This chart is made up on a point system. The highest award is a gold star followed by silver and bronze stars. Fourteen points merits a gold star, 11 points a silver star and 8 points a bronze star. An A counts 4 points, B 3 points, C 2 points, D 1 point and F -2 points. Only solid subjects are counted.

David Templeton, Reporter

LYNDON: Four chapter officers, David Eklund, President, Harlan Bauck, Vice-President, Leo Williams, Reporter, Ben Schreiber, Sentinel, and adviser appeared over WIBW TV at Topeka on the Farm Feature Show October 7. They demonstrated "Rope, the Farmer's Friend"...The ag classes built two bicycle racks for the school from surplus property at a saving of \$100 each...Three boys, Harlan Bauck, David Eklund and Ben Schreiber, sold prime lambs at the annual St. Joseph FFA Lamb Marketing Day last summer. They also placed high Kansas team in a lamb grading contest. Twenty-two other FFA boys journeyed to St. Joseph at the same time for an FFA summer activity...Shop projects include one elevator, one four-wheel trailer, three Ford V-8 engine overhauls and two two-wheel trailers. Other boys are making tools in the new homemade gas forge we have in our shop this year.

Leo Williams, Reporter

NATOMA: On November 1 our chapter held their regular yearly Parent Night. The program was under the supervision of the officers with special committees appointed for entertainment, eats and decoration. A prize was given to the father and mother who guessed nearest to how many nails were in a pint jar. The main points of the program were the chapter's "Program of Work" and a talk by a member on "My Farming Program." A film was shown on the FFA organization. Decorations followed the Halloween spirit. One hundred sixty people were present...A hayrack ride and weiner roast was successfully completed by the chapter...We have raised money by shocking feed, selling junk iron and doing other jobs...We have toured some of the outstanding members' home farms to see their deferred steers and marketing hogs programs.

Douglas Hale, Reporter

HIGHLAND: The agriculture classes are repairing tools...Plans are being made to plant evergreens and beautify the school grounds in other ways...Our chapter held paper drives. We purchased a popcorn popper and plan to sell popcorn at football and basketball games...A plot of ground is being used by the chapter to show the effects of fertilizer on different crops.

Phillip McKay, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

OTTAWA: Our first gathering of the school year in the form of a watermelon feed for the eighth grade graduates was abruptly ended by an eight inch rain accompanied by a cyclone...Winning first prize at the Topeka Fair our educational booth, "This Marvelous Machine Age", featured the steps of harvesting improvements, from the hand cradle to the modern self-propelled combine. A hand cradle surrounded by a menagerie of miniature farm implements used in harvesting grain was the center attraction...Our local crop show was a great success with 158 entries. Leading throughout the show, Emery Corbett was the crop show winner with 422 points, having over 200 points more than the second place winner. All crops grown in the county were featured with oats having the most entries. The ten top winners were announced at our annual parent meeting the second night of the crop show. Refreshments were served after the meeting. ..Four boys entered the district corn judging contest. The team was the first place winner, taking the grand champion plaque.

Squire Foster, Reporter

OSAGE CITY: The Osage City Chapter has a membership of thirty actives this year. Twenty-six of this number are enrolled in the vo-ag classes with four members that have finished three years of work. Our regular meetings occur on alternate Fridays during our activity period. This gives us a chance to carry out all of our chapter business without many night meetings...All our dues were collected and paid by November 1...Our Chapter Farmer degree will be scheduled with our principal sometime in December. About eight Green Hands will be raised to the second degree at that time...Our annual pest eradication contest starts on Thanksgiving Day and closes on February 1. The winning team will be given treats by the losers. We plan to eradicate thirteen pests this year. Points will be assigned to all pests collected and destroyed...We are laying initial plans for our Parent Night to be held during National FFA Week in February...Our chapter has been chosen to cooperate with the Youth Program over WIBW TV on January 20...In the shops the boys are making feed bunks, poultry feeders, hog troughs, sheep panels, gates, chisels and punches, filing saws, conditioning tools, and repairing cars and machinery parts.

Torsten Isaacson, Reporter

ELLSWORTH: The chapter has eight acres of land rented which will be made into a grass nursery. The local S.C.S. will furnish the grass seed and a local farmer will furnish the machinery. The boys in the chapter do all the work and profit is on a 50% basis...The chapter has a scholarship offered them. It is based upon actual work in the field and written records of the conservation plan carried out on the boy's home farm. Last year's winner was Sam Peppiatt, a former FFA member...A new three-fourths ton pickup has been loaned to the chapter by one of our motor dealers. The boys built a cab for the back of the truck to accommodate eighteen boys...We had a freshmen-parent night September 26 with 62 freshmen and guests present...We are having a calendar printed again this year. At the top of the calendar our chapter is pictured. Below the picture are twenty-five squares which we sell for five dollars a square. Two hundred calendars will be printed and we hope to clear \$75. The calendar is given away as advertisement...The chapter had \$300 invested in iron that was bought in lump sums around the State of Kansas. The iron will be sold back to the boys at a slight increase in price.

Larry Webb, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

ELLINWOOD: Our adviser, Mr. Cragun, is still in the Veteran's Hospital in Wichita due to a back injury which he received while pruning trees on the school grounds last June. Keith Jordon is substituting for Mr. Cragun until he will be able to resume his teaching duties...We have 40 boys enrolled in vocational agriculture this year...Our annual pest contest started November 15 and ends January 15...This year our chapter is sponsoring a milk dispenser which will bring us in some added income and promote better health in our school. Another of our money making projects has been selling scrap iron... We built a back stop for the physical education baseball diamond and are starting a swing for the new grade school playground.

Milton Schwertfeger, Reporter

ST. MARYS: The St. Marys Chapter has 17 members. On November 10 six freshmen received the degree of Green Hands and three other members advanced to the Chapter Farmer degree...The members had their annual hayrack ride and weiner roast September 9. All the boys had dates...We are making plans to put on a television program February 3 on Wes Seyler's Farm Features program...Bill Dohrman has purchased four purebred registered Aberdeen Angus calves...Sides have been chosen for our pest eradication contest and winners will be treated with a chili feed by the losers...At the beginning of the school year we repainted our ag shop and added a new portable electric skill saw, a quarter-inch electric drill, and a three horse power floor grinder with a 14 inch stone and buffer. We also enlarged our tool cabinets...The St. Marys Chapter harvested the Kansas State College test plot of field corn. We received \$32 for our treasury...We are still carrying out our gilt ring with two gilts cut.

Larry Marstall, Reporter

WINFIELD: The Winfield Chapter has made up the program of work for the year as of November 1. The task now is to make up a calendar of all events and inform committee members as to the time and purpose of their meetings. Each chairman of the main divisions of work posts the names of those who have meetings scheduled for that week...Ronald Shoup, our president, went to Stillwater last Saturday and purchased a Landrace-Poland China boar. This is a part of a program agreed to by a number of the boys to try to raise some premium meat type pigs for the next fall market...The four civic clubs of Winfield financed the Winfield livestock judging team to the National FFA Livestock Judging Contest...Our November meeting is always a highlight of the year and is featured by refreshments of cider and cookies. The mothers make the cookies and the boys furnish the cider. Twenty-two Green Hands and 20 Chapter Farmers received their degree in the FFA.

Gary Miller, Reporter

CLAY CENTER: Paul Faidley, out of school member, recently was announced as the first place winner of the Lincoln Arc Welding Contest. Paul received a check for \$600. Other winners from Clay Center were Warren Baxter, who won a third award and \$200; Stanley Roberts, fourth award and \$100; Gary Chaffee, fifth award and \$50; Delmar Hundley and Arvin Hofmann, sixth awards and \$25. The school received \$900, which will be used to buy more tools for the ag shop...Some of the equipment our chapter is building in shop includes truck bumpers, loading chutes, trailer beds, calf feeders, cattle guards, and other smaller items.

Loren Mall, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

HAYS: We have 47 boys enrolled in vocational agriculture...A father and son meeting was held last month in which 15 freshmen received the Green Hand degree...Our chapter started its community service activity by butchering for the farmers in the community...Shop projects under construction are: two pickup stock racks, two tractor paint jobs, two mowers being repaired, one feed cart, two ladders, four mailbox stands, two salt boxes, one jig saw stand, one log saw stand, three trailers, and one tractor being overhauled.

Don Davis, Reporter

PLAINVILLE: We held our annual watermelon feed in September...To raise money for our chapter we shocked feed and took part in the annual school carnival held November 19. We plan to take orders for flagstones. Gary Rempe, James Meyers, Billy O'Brien, Leland Adams and Earl Lumpkins showed steers at the county fair. The steers fed and shown by Leland and Earl were "catch" calves. Last August Gary Rempe, Larry Kaba, Don Meyers and Bill Mayhew caught calves in the calf rodeo at the Rooks County Fair. They will show these calves at the fair next year. Several other chapter members are buying steers to feed and show at the fair next year.

Leland Adam, Reporter

SILVER LAKE: The FFA sponsored an overnight fishing trip to Blue Rapids last summer. Eighteen members and the adviser made the trip...We presented a demonstration of how to prepare a sow for farrowing on WIBW TV this fall...The FHA girls entertained the FFA chapter at a square dance in the shop...We presented thirteen members with the Green Hand degree November 9. We have thirty-seven members in our chapter...In order to promote better grades among FFA members, members will be ranked as gold, silver and bronze, according to the grades received in all school courses...Shop jobs now under construction include an air compressor, combination elevator, three two-wheel trailers, hog house, hog self-feeder, row markers for Ford tractor, four gates, and stock racks for pickup; reconditioning of a tractor, grain drill, tandem disc; overhauling one cylinder motor. New equipment installed in the shop includes three horse power grinder, power hacksaw, press drill and air compressor.

Marlin Constant, Reporter

CHAPMAN: Our father and son baseball game was rained out just before school started, however, everybody had a good time and lots of eats at the picnic... Our pest control contest is under way with Gaylen Hoffman, Harold Provance, Harold Poland and Junior Gormley the committee in charge...The chapter conducted a stand at the home football games, selling hot dogs, coffee, candy and gum...The sophomore class has made several field trips since school started to cull chickens...Some of our projects in the shop this semester are two four-wheel trailers, three heavy two-wheel trailers, one tractor repair, several large feed bunks and many other minor projects and equipment repair jobs...Harold Provance now has the chapter purebred Duroc gilt.

Ronald Sutton, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

HOPE: The Hope Chapter of the Future Farmers of America has been presenting a tractor safety demonstration to the public. In this demonstration we show how tractors tip on an inclined plane. Our demonstration was presented over television station KTVH-Hutchinson and WIBW TV-Topeka...A new activity of our chapter is the formation of an agricultural scholarship for a Hope agriculture graduate to Kansas State College. We intend to build this fund up and invest it, using the interest for the scholarship...To make money for our treasury we bought four large blocks of plastic foam which we are sawing and carving into many types of Christmas decorations to sell to the public.

John Rhodes, Reporter

CHANUTE: We have 19 Green Hands and 31 Chapter Farmers enrolled in vocational agriculture this year...Thirty boys made entries in Chanute's Annual Fall Festival Grain Show and received several awards. We sold peanuts on Kiwanis "Kid's Day" to help purchase a needed medical instrument for the Neosho County Hospital. The chapter has been selling Christmas cards. We made \$55.19 on concessions at one of the football games...We had a skating party in October and are now organizing an FFA basketball team. Mr. Bill Daniels, father of one of our members, will be our coach...Recently a registered Hampshire gilt and a registered Berkshire gilt were purchased by the chapter to start a gilt ring. Merle Greve and Stephen Fickel received the gilts...Our annual pest eradication contest began November 15...Clinton Swiler has completed a loading chute of pipe. Larry Ingraham is making a machinery trailer, Mike Fickel a two-wheel trailer, Gary Clemens repaired a combine, Robert Riker has made two picnic tables, Craig Thompson is rebuilding a four-wheel trailer. Other shop projects are clothes line poles, hay hooks, machinery repair and tool sharpening. Our shop has a new gas forge and two new P & H welders.

Gary Naughten, Reporter

SIMPSON: The Simpson Chapter of Future Farmers of America held their annual Pheasant Feed November 16. This fall activity brings all the boys of the chapter and their dads together for an evening of eating roast pheasant and all the trimmings as well as enjoying volleyball and basketball. The pheasant was supplied by the boys as part of the pheasant that was bagged during the regular season. After finishing off eighteen pheasants along with mashed potatoes, corn, rolls, and pie, the boys and their dads enjoyed a movie on K-State Football Highlights of 1953. The volleyball and basketball games between the boys and dads found the dads still quite able to keep up with their sons, even though many dads were quite sore and stiff the next morning.

Jerry Heidrick, Reporter

NESS CITY: There are 31 active members in our chapter this year...Some of our projects in the farm shop are: two loading chutes, one gas tank rack, two gas barrel racks, material rack, hog self-feeder, picnic table and three feed bunks. ...At the last meeting our president appointed a safety committee to organize and conduct a tractor and car driving contest...A parent meeting for Ag 9 will be held in December...The ritual team gave the opening and closing ceremony at the Rotary Club and at a public meeting during National Education Week.

Gaylen Margheim, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

ERIE: Thirteen Green Hands and eleven Chapter Farmers were initiated into the chapter at the October meeting...We have sold over 200 boxes of Christmas cards...We are going to start a pest contest the first of December...Vo-ag shop students have been building a sidewalk from the high school to the vo-ag building...The FFA Chapter seeded the school lawn and playground to rye and rye grass this fall...The chapter is developing a calendar this year. We are to receive them around the first of December...Shop projects started this year are five hay feeders constructed from pipe, two cattle feed bunks, three sheep bunks, one hay elevator, one four-wheel trailer, pipe stock rack, swings, gasoline stand, and other small repair jobs.

Ronald Burghart, Reporter

HARPER: Our officers met at the adviser's home for a hamburger fry, after which we discussed the activities of the chapter for the year. The committees then met and worked out the details of the Program of Work before presenting it to the chapter for approval...We ordered 54 gallons of anti-freeze cooperatively for FFA members, making a total savings of about \$50...Our pest eradication contest started November 1 and will run until March 1...A number of our members earned FFA jackets and other FFA supplies by selling magazine subscriptions...We placed a pencil vending machine in the high school which gives us a good return. We also collect and sell waste paper...Our chapter plans to organize a basketball team and will be glad to schedule games with other neighboring chapters...We have a new DeWalt radial saw in our shop.

Bill Barnes, Reporter

MINNEAPOLIS: The Minneapolis Chapter has 32 members...Shop projects are: repairing a truck, building two trailers, hog house, loading chute squeeze chute, several gates, hay hooks, salt box and sub-soiler...We held our "Harvest" November 19. We decorated the gym with a false ceiling and used bales of straw for seats. The king and queen were elected from the FFA and FHA.

Gary Kay, Reporter

MULLINVILLE: The Mullinville FFA began holding weekly meetings this fall when school started. We have completed our program of work and are trying to carry out everything we can under this program...Eight Green Hands were received into the FFA chapter, bringing our total membership to 21...Our chapter cooperated with other school organizations to present a variety show. Our share of the proceeds was \$30.61...We decided to hold our annual pest eradication contest starting with Thanksgiving vacation and lasting until the end of December. We chose sides and the losers will be host to the winners at an all-school party.

Robert Hadley, Reporter

KINSLEY: We have started a Hampshire gilt ring...Our chapter has 100% subscription to The National FUTURE FARMER...One of our money making activities is to have concessions at football and basketball games...Shop projects are: building one power lawn mower, two sixteen-foot feed bunks, one two-wheel trailer, two swings, one 300 gallon gas barrel stand, one hog feeder, two loading chutes and rebuilding two four-wheel trailers.

Bernard Owen, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

BELOIT: Fried chicken was the main dish at our summer picnic. Freshmen and boys were guests. The meeting was held August 29 with 50 members and men faculty present...Two breeds of hogs are used in our chapter gilt ring. Four boys have Yorkshires and three boys have Hampshires...Our annual FFA hayrack ride and barnwarmer was held October 25. The home economics girls and faculty members were our guests...Shopwork in construction at the present time include a water tank, side boards for pickup truck, stock rack for trailer, bale elevator, two cattle chutes, metal cabinet, step ladder, cattle squeeze and other small projects.

Jerry Broadbent, Reporter

MEDICINE LODGE: Our plans for remodeling the shop this year include a new woodworking table, two welding tables, a sheetmetal table and rebuilding the woodworking benches...As a means of raising funds for the chapter we are selling Christmas cards and have made plans for a scrap iron drive December 1... The chapter has appointed a committee to secure two acres of land close to town. The land will be fenced into lots and rented to boys who haven't a place to keep a farming program.

Jack Wortman, Reporter

STOCKTON: The Stockton FFA Chapter's first activity was the county fair. Our fair booth received a blue ribbon. A large number of exhibits were entered by chapter members. We also sponsored a livestock judging contest...Eleven freshmen received their Green Hand degree at the Plainville Leadership School. ...Our annual Goblin's Glory was held on October 26. The net profit from this carnival was \$737.67. An all-school party was sponsored by the chapter on November 19 in appreciation for their help in sponsoring the Goblin's Glory.

Bob Mason, Reporter

FORT SCOTT: Our vocational agriculture building has been remodeled with new benches, cabinets, power tools, and hand tools...Our Green Hand degree ceremony will be held at the December meeting. We have thirteen applications for the Green Hand degree...Our gilt ring is expanding, we now have eight gilts... Some of the school projects are four and two-wheel wagons, feed bunks, pipe and wood gates, ladders and numerous other small projects...Our money raising projects include dues, concessions at football games, and the sale of the Farm Magazine.

Donald Findley, Reporter

PRATT: Darrel Brehm, Ted Patterson, and David Woolfolk, members of the Pratt chapter presented a television program on "Tool Sharpening" over KVTH, Hutchinson, on October 22...We held our regular initiation for Green Hands on November 19...Kent Fincham was fortunate in being able to take a tour of several countries in Europe last summer. He will show slides and discuss his trip at a regular meeting...Field trips were organized to inspect some of the members deferred feeding programs...A creep feeder for calves, two loading chutes and various small projects are under construction in the shop...We are looking forward to our expanded facilities which we will have in a new vocational building which we hope to be able to move into by next fall.

Richard Smith, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

HOLCOMB: We have 22 members in the FFA this year. Our Parent and Son Banquet was held November 18. This was the first Parent and Son Banquet ever to be held in the Holcomb Chapter...We started our pest eradication program the first of November. Sides were chosen for this contest and the losers will treat the winners to a supper...Three of our members entered projects in the Finney County Fair. Marvin Richmeier won a blue ribbon with his Duroc boar. John Swartley won a blue ribbon with his Angus fat steer, and James Holmstrom won a blue ribbon with his White Rock chickens...During the summer the chapter went on a camping trip to Colorado. We stayed five days in the mountains southwest of Leadville...Shop projects are: feed bunks, self-feeder for hogs, overhauling engines, and shop skills.

John Swartley, Reporter

SEAMAN: The Seaman Chapter held their annual watermelon feed with ten prospective Green Hands as guests. Eighteen regular members were present... Some of our shop projects are: 6 four-wheel trailers, 6 wood feed bunks, 1 wood feed rack, 1 metal combination feed rack and bunk, 6 metal feed bunks, 1 post hole digger and 3 metal hog feeders...We are planning to start a chapter newsletter to keep old members in contact with the chapter. The paper will be sent to FFA members in the armed services, honorary members, and State Farmers. A boy will be appointed from each class to furnish news to the reporter at the end of each six weeks. The paper will be edited once each semester.

Richard Rees, Reporter

ATTICA: The Attica FFA Chapter has 31 members; 11 Chapter Farmers and 20 Green Hands...We held our annual pest eradication contest with the freshmen beating the sophomore-junior team...Our chapter entertained the home economics girls on a hay-ride and weiner roast November 2. Two large hayracks were used to carry the group to a local farm where the group enjoyed roasting weiners by a big fire and playing games in the well-lighted farmyard...In shop the freshmen are learning to sharpen saws, the sophomores to weld and the juniors are studying electricity. They just completed wiring a building for a local farmer... Twenty-nine boys completed their annual workday and turned in money to the treasury. Some of the money will be used to buy materials to build a squeeze-chute.

Loren Wingate, Reporter

FAIRVIEW: On November 9 we held our annual Barnwarmer in the gym of the high school. The FFA president crowned Delores Hinton FFA Sweetheart and awarded her the FFA Sweetheart jacket. Dancing, games and refreshments rounded out the program. Mr. Pollock, the chapter adviser at Sabetha, was the FFA's guest. He judged the best dressed couple attending. Those attending the Barnwarmer were FFA boys and their dates, young farmers and their wives or dates, teachers and schoolboard members...The shop has a new blanket for fire protection.

John Kopp, Reporter

GOODLAND: Parents were invited to our first night meeting of the year...Members of the Ag 11 class are building tables for the school. Harold Schoepner is installing new sleeves, piston rings and valves in his tractor. Paul Burk is giving his pickup a complete overhaul. Larry Ihrig has purchased 17 steers for deferred feeding and will buy 8 more. Dennis Duell has purchased 9 steers for his deferred program.

Stanley Kenny, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

GOESSEL: The FFA had a watermelon feed on August 16 to get acquainted with the freshmen boys who were interested in joining the FFA. The enrollment for this year is 42...We have started the pest eradication contest. The defeated side will give the winners a chili supper...Some of the projects that are being made in the shop are 2-wheel trailers, 4-wheel trailers and trailer beds, bale elevators, rebuilding manure spreader, implement carriers, portable loading chutes and a number of other things.

Morris Woelk, Reporter

ATWOOD: The Atwood Chapter of FFA held their election of officers the ninth of September. Our freshmen received their Green Hand degree on September 21 in connection with the FHA party...Our chapter consists of about 50 members this year and we are planning to hold one night meeting monthly...Our FFA chapter has invested about \$350 in stadium seats to be rented at home basketball games...Several of the boys are planning to attend the Western Livestock Show to be held the coming January in Denver.

Lynn Anderson, Reporter

KINCAID: We held our annual FFA picnic for the new freshmen August 1. There were 25 members present...We hold our FFA meetings the second Wednesday of each month. At our last meeting 20 Green Hands received their degree. We have 33 Chapter Farmers this year...We have made \$15 from renting out our squeeze chute to farmers...Our chapter made arrangements to rent 8 acres of ground for crops next spring...We will have the concession stand at some of our basketball games...Some shop jobs completed so far include 4 feed bunks, porch swing, 1 motor overhaul, 2-wheel trailer, and several gates. Some jobs underway include a 4-wheel trailer, squeeze chute, loading chute, implement trailer and several gates.

Ronnie Waddell, Reporter

FORD: The chapter met on September 6 to elect officers and have a watermelon feed. The Green Hand initiation ceremony was conducted for 10 boys...The pest eradication program will run until January 15. The chapter was divided into two teams and the loser will treat the winning team to a chili supper...Bob Riegel sold his two Angus deferred fed steers at the Southwest Kansas Deferred Fed Sale at Dodge City, Kansas...The shop activities are progressing very nicely. Major projects include one drill wheel gate, one four-wheel trailer, one power mower and repairing a grain drill.

Bob Riegel, Reporter

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NEBRASKA: The Blair Chapter conducted a farm safety survey this summer to bring out the importance of farm safety. The survey was held during National Farm Safety Week. The number of members present was divided into three groups. Three farms were visited, and a total of 91 hazards was found. A red tag was hung on each hazard, and a suggestion as to how the hazard should be corrected was made.

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