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REPORT ON LOCAL CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

A report on the activities of each chapter will be expected. This report will be filed with the State Secretary in room Ag. 7 immediately following the opening of the judging contests. At this same time and place the registration of official delegates will be cared for. The annual program of work may be filed by a delegate, the local advisor, or an authorized representative of the chapter. It is hoped that each report may be typewritten and confined to one 8½ x 11 inch page.

Immediately following registration of delegates and filing of reports, the programs of work will be studied by a committee appointed by the state officers, and the five best will be read before the House of Delegates meeting:

DUES

In order to participate in the F.F.A. activities, a chapter must be active. This means that dues for 1933, due January 1, must have been paid.

CHANGES IN PROGRAM

Attention is called to a few changes in the Fifth Annual Program of the Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America as compared with previous programs.

First, the annual meeting of the House of Delegates will be held on Monday evening, May 1, 7:30 p.m., Ag. 331. This meeting in previous years was held Tuesday.

Second, the election of the State Farmer candidates will be held Monday evening as a part of the House of Delegates meeting program. However, these candidates will not be raised to the degree until Tuesday evening. Candidates elected to the degree of State Farmer will be eligible for State office.

Third, there will be a meeting of the State officers in G. 26 immediately following registration of delegates Monday a.m., May 1.

Fourth, the annual banquet given by the Manhattan Chamber of Commerce will be held at the Community House, 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 2. The successful State Farmer candidates will be raised to the State Farmer degree at this meeting.

Fifth, the awards and announcements concerning contest results will be made at the close of the Chamber of Commerce banquet Tuesday evening, May 2.

Sixth, a group picture will be taken of the new State Farmer members elected Monday evening, at 12:45 p.m., Tuesday, May 2, at the Illustrations Building.

Seventh, the new officers for the Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America elected Monday evening will report to have pictures taken at the Illustrations Building, Tuesday, May 2, 12:45 p.m.

Will local officers and local advisors please check these items over and compare with the printed program as set up in the pamphlet covering the activities of the Thirteenth Annual State High School Vocational Agriculture Judging and Farm Mechanics Contests. May we suggest that local officers, delegates, and State Farmer candidates thoroughly familiarize themselves with the scheduled program of the various activities of the Fifth Annual Meeting of the Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America. Promptness on the part of officials, delegates, and contestants will materially aid in the conduct of this program.

F.F.A. PILGRIMAGE TO MONTICELLO

June 12,13,14, 1933

An event of National importance will take place June 12-14, 1933, when the National Organization of Future Farmers of America cooperating with State Associations of F.F.A. will dedicate a room in the Thomas Jefferson home at Monticello. The following letter from Vernon Howell, National President of the Future Farmers of America will be of interest to all F.F.A. members:

"Guymon, Oklahoma
March 24, 1933

Mr. Waldo Cox
State President, F.F.A.
Mound City, Kansas

Dear Waldo:

At the Fifth National Convention of F.F.A. held in Kansas City last November, the delegates present from 38 states voted to accept the offer of the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation to dedicate a room in Monticello, Jefferson's home, to the ideals of the Future Farmers of America.

It was left to the National Board of Trustees to determine just when and how this dedication was to be made. After months of study, the Board of Trustees have come to the conclusion that the most appropriate manner for discharging this responsibility will be by means of an "F.F.A. Pilgrimage" to the National Capitol and Monticello, thus providing an opportunity for every member of the F.F.A. to pay tribute to one of the "Patron Saints" of our organization.

June 12, 13, and 14 have therefore been set aside as the time for this pilgrimage and dedication. Briefly, the plan is to have every State send at least one representative who will carry with him credentials from the State organization, a commission from the Governor, and also some high quality field or orchard product representative of the State. States along the Atlantic seaboard are expected to make an effort to have as large a delegation in Washington by June 12 as possible.

Boys, here is a chance to see your National Capitol; see, hear, and meet the President of the United States; and visit the homes of three great men: George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, and James Monroe, all of whom were farmers. A wonderful opportunity! Here you will learn more of the spirit upon which the F.F.A. was organized, participate in the dedicatory exercises, develop friendships with other Future Farmers and at the same time have a wonderful educational trip in the most historic spot of the Nation. A real treat from the day you leave home until you return!

I realize that the financial conditions are not the best now, but I'm writing you far in advance of the date of the pilgrimage. Please get this information to your chapters immediately so they can make their plans to attend. Never before, and perhaps never again, in history will such an opportunity be presented to the farm boys in America. Detailed information regarding program, railroad rates etc., will be sent out later.

Yours very truly,

VERNON HOWELL
National President
Future Farmers of America".

NEW CHAPTERS

Quinter was granted a charter for a chapter in the organization of Future Farmers of America on April 8, 1933.

Silver Lake is now petitioning for a charter.

IN MEMORIAM

We regret to announce the death of Orval Bishop, Linn, Kansas, on March 8, 1933. Orval was a former member and officer of the Linn Chapter of F.F.A. He represented that chapter on their judging teams, had the distinction of carrying the largest individual project in Kansas, was a winner of the Union Pacific Scholarship for Washington County, and was elected to the degree of State Farmer in 1931. His untimely death was caused by an abscess on the brain.

CHAPTER NEWS

Manhattan. February 24, 1933, the Manhattan Chapter of F.F.A. held their annual Father and Son Banquet. The banquet was opened by the regular F.F.A. ritual, and then a welcome "To Dads" speech was presented by chairman Oran Talbot. The response was given by

Mr. Hammet. The luncheon was served by the high school cafeteria, after which special music was presented by Gordon Canter. Group singing was led by a former State Farmer Bob Paige. Dr. Sally performed a few magic tricks. Prof. Roy Green gave a talk on "Getting the Farm on the Upgrade", after which the "Swine Feeding Championship Cup" was presented to Willard Barry. Next the cup for the "Best Animal project of the year" was presented to Harold Krig. The meeting was adjourned by chairman Talbot.

-- Harold Krig, Reporter.

Hoyt. The Hoyt Chapter of F.F.A. put on a program at their regular meeting on March 31. The program consisted of a musical number by Earl Shipmen, a hot bed talk by Glenn Hatch, how to feed a baby beef by Don Goodrel, and a short one act play, "I'll Tell You Exactly What to Do". All associate members were invited.

A Father and Son Banquet will be given by the F.F.A. Chapter on Friday, April 28.

Norcatur. Plans are being made for a F.F.A. project in order to have money for judging trips and other expenses.

Two projects were suggested. Poultry and Corn.

Cloyde and Eldon Vanover have been tanning hides.

Four of our F.F.A. boys were on the basket ball team.

Three F.F.A. boys are members of the high school band.

-- Herbert King, Reporter.

Westmoreland. Twelve members have joined the Future Farmer organization in Westmoreland. The officers of the organization are as follows: President, William Evans; Vice-President, Robert Springstead; Secretary, Robert Arnold; Treasurer, Bernard Plummer; Watch Dog, Arnold Maxkil; Advisor, Kenneth Knouse; Reporter, Edward Repp.

We have elected different committees, such as the program, objective, and finance committees.

-- Edward Repp, Reporter.

Washington. The Washington Chapter is having a good year. We have two honorary members, one American Farmer, four State Farmers and eighteen Future Farmers and fifteen Green Hands. Our officers are: President, Elmer Dawdy; Vice-President, Darrel Craik; Secretary, Verlin Rosenkranz; Treasurer, Clyde Neu; Reporter, James Hood; Watch Dog, Curtiss Gressman.

Our biggest event was a Father and Son Banquet held February 2, at which 76 were served. Enough food was donated by the boys

that the cash expenses were less than five dollars. We had several short talks by the boys. Mr. Pollom was present and showed the State Farmer Film.

Projects are strong. The twenty-seven boys regularly enrolled have 65 home projects, and nine active members who are out of school have 10 continuation projects, making a total of 75 home projects in the chapter. We have a Laying Flock Class Project of 100 Leghorn Pullets which are doing nicely, a swine class project of 11 shoats, and the Freshman class have purchased eggs to grow pullets for next fall.

During the last six weeks we have made a special campaign to get big shop jobs. We have two hay-loaders and a wagon box to be rebuilt. We put a new tongue, two new bolsters and new hounds in a wagon, and built three 8 by 10 hog houses, a brooder house, 11 by 13, and a six foot self-feeder for hogs. Other machine jobs are monitor and a six foot McCormick Deering binder to be repaired. We have done many small jobs on machines as well as making a bridle and mending five broken tugs.

-- James Hood, Reporter.

Seaman. Silverlake High School asked us to come up and tell them about the F.F.A. work. Four of our officers went; they were Charles William Pence, President; Frank Schuoeeder, Secretary; Glen Dillon, Treasurer; Robert Haynes, Reporter. Charles William Pence and Robert Haynes did the speaking.

Later Silver Lake organized a chapter and the next week we initiated the following boys: DeLloyd Tibbs, Fred Zeulner, Leroy Wax, Glen Snyder, Arther Mongold, Richard Hundertfund, Allen Rankin, Albert McRoberts, Arthur Hangford, Clayton David. Four of our boys were initiated at the same time they were: Nicholas Miller, Harvey Fleena, Elton Jackson, Marcelues Herman. After the initiation ceremonies we had a basket ball game; we won 17 to 7. Later we had refreshments furnished by Silver Lake.

On March 25 we played a return game of basketball with Silver Lake. First team game Silver Lake Club won 19 to 13. The Second team game Scaman won 19 to 9. Eugene Oshel is captain of our team.

Berton Cochran and Ernest Whitmen were voted in our chapter the last meeting.

The Chapter is busy in helping arrange for the Topeka District judging contest to be held April 22.

We held our annual Parent and Son Banquet, February 14, 1933. It was a big success. The speaker of the evening was Mr. Stonecipher, who is Professor of Rural Education of Pittsburg College. There were over one-hundred present. The food was furnished by the members of the chapter and prepared by the Home Economics girls.

Charles Pence, who is president of our chapter, won the Union Pacific Scholarship of this county. Frank Schroeder, who is Secretary, won Second place.

Our chapter is planning to put on a chapel program soon.

In the Seaman Chapter there are about fifteen members ready to become Future Farmers.

-- Robert Haynes, Reporter.

Mound City. The Mound City Chapter of Future Farmers, with the aid of the HHA or the girls of the Vocational Homemaking Department, entertained the Pleasanton Chapter at the High School Building Monday night, January 23. Several visitors were present.

The program started at 7:30, with the singing of songs directed by the HHA girls. When the crowd had gathered the meeting was called to order by the President and the F.F.A. Ritual followed. The remainder of the program follows: Welcome Address, Waldo Cox; Speech of Acceptance, President, Pleasanton F.F.A.; Vocational Agriculture, W.W. Humprey, visiting advisor; Mound City Chapter Oratorical tryouts; Group songs; Decision of the judges.

The crowd then went to the gymnasium where the two chapters engaged in a game of basket ball. Mound City was the Victor, 6 to 5. After the contest the crowd was treated to doughnuts and hot cocoa by the Homemaking class.

During the last two regular meetings the chapter has been entertained by the county treasurer and clerk who spoke of taxes and their office duties.

The first year class is landscaping the rear entrance to the farm shop. This calls for a cinder drive and rock wall leading from the back door of the shop to the school drive.

The vocational agriculture class is working on many shop projects at the present time. The boys are engaged in making wagon boxes, wheel barrows, trailers, chicken feeders, hog houses and feeders, overhauling the department truck, knives, rope halters, in lettering and in cleaning, greasing, and repairing harness.

The class project has increased since the last count. We now have 28 breeding ewes and 23 lambs to date.

There are now 36 boys enrolled in full time vocational agriculture, 17 in the 3rd year and 19 in the Livestock class. The members have an average of 1.6 projects each.

The Mound City Chapter was entertained by the Pleasanton Chapter March 2, at the Pleasanton High School where the two chapters engaged in their second basket ball game.

The Mound City Chapter of FFA and the HHA girls put on a play "Two Days to Marry" in the High School auditorium March 9.

-- Mabry Wheeler, Reporter.

Powhattan. The officers that were elected last fall were as follows: President, Homer Jacobsen; Vice-President, Orlin Strum; Secretary, Richard Hall; Treasurer, Vernon Schuetz; Reporter, Samuel Cashman; Watch Dog, Edwin Schuetz; Advisor, Mr. Brown.

Ten Green Hands were put through the Green Hand initiation of the Future Farmers at the September meeting. The following were put through the initiation: Lloyd Bell, Charles Hill, Paul Knisel, Harold Kurtz, Dll Henry, Marvin McCrerey, Albert Schuetz, Donald Spregue, Lorn Wenger, Robert Weidman.

The Powhattan Chapter of Future Farmers made plans for the Father and Son Banquet at the November meeting. The Father and Son Banquet was held December the seventh with all officers at their stations. The following members gave short talks, Edwin Schuetz, Harold Kurtz, Norman Hildwan, Robert Edwardson, Mr. Brown, Advisor, and Professor Corrigan. Mr. Brown explained Edwin Schutz's Victory and how he won the National Jones cup. Songs were sung, and two quartet numbers. Also two duet numbers were sung. Larry Schuetz sang two solos. The meeting was closed in the formal way.

The following officers were elected for the following year at the March meeting: President, Samuel Cashman; Vice-President, Victor Schuetz; Secretary, Vernon Schuetz; Treasurer, Harold Kurtz; Reporter, Norman Hilchven; Farm Watch Dog, Francis Arnold.

A few plans for the Future Farmers initiation were made at this same meeting.

-- Norman Hilchven, Reporter.

Garden City. The annual Home Feed Banquet for all boys who had taken at least one year of Vocational Agriculture and their farmers was held at the Agriculture Building on Thursday evening, March 9, 1933, at seven o'clock.

The local chapter of the F.F.A. had charge of the program. Harold Greathouse, president of the organization, acted as Toastmaster.

Awards were made by the Garden City Chamber of Commerce for the best project books for the previous year. The winners were: Glen Stover, three dollars; King Forest, two dollars; and Kenneth Edwards, one dollar.

Linn Russell, a graduate of the class of 1924, gave a talk on activities in his early class.

There were two short talks by Glen Corn and Kenneth Edwards on activities of the shop and crop enterprizes.

Two short films were also shown of Vocational Agriculture and F.F.A. activities throughout the State of Kansas.

Thursday noon, March 16, 1933, the officers of the F.F.A. and their advisor, J. D. Adams, put on the program for the local Kiwanis Club Banquet.

Harold Greathouse had charge of the program. Talks were as follows: Shop, Frank Oldweiler; Livestock, Don Henselman; Projects, Joe Helsel; Crops, Kenneth Edwards; Outside Activities, Ralph Geist; and Organization of Vocational Departments and Outside Curricula, J. D. Adams.

-- Don Henselman, Reporter.

Williamsburg. This chapter has secured the use of a stitching machine for harness which is the only one available locally and is doing stitching work for farmers at cost of thread only.

The chapter traded for one and has the use of two other sheep clipping machines and has several sheep shearing jobs, one being 175 head.

The Williamsburg chapter offers through these columns to any chapter which may be interested, a Stewart cattle, mule and horse clipper worth 10 dollars or more new, for \$4.00 cash, FOB.

-- David Bunch, Reporter.

Havensville. The Havensville Vocational Agriculture boys met October 7, 1932 and elected the following officers for the purpose of organizing a F.F.A. chapter: President, Harland Clements; Vice-President, Noel McKee; Secretary, Roy Coulson; Treasurer, Warren Mummert; Farm Watch Dog, Paul Beach; Reporter, Ralph McKinsey.

We received our State charter October 31, 1932. January 13, 1933, the officers went to Frankfort and received the Future Farmer degree initiation. On the evening of March 14 we raised two freshmen, Darrell Fordham and Glenn Sumner, to the Future Farmer degree. We are also glad to report that we initiated John Harris Jr., who is a Junior in high school and who has had two years of Vocational Agriculture, and we are proud to announce that he won the Union Pacific Scholarship contest in our county.

We are planning an open house April 25, at which we plan on having our Mothers and Dads with us. We will try to get Mr. Hall or Mr. Davidson to talk to us and also show us some moving picture films of F.F.A. activities.

-- Ralph McKinsey, Reporter.