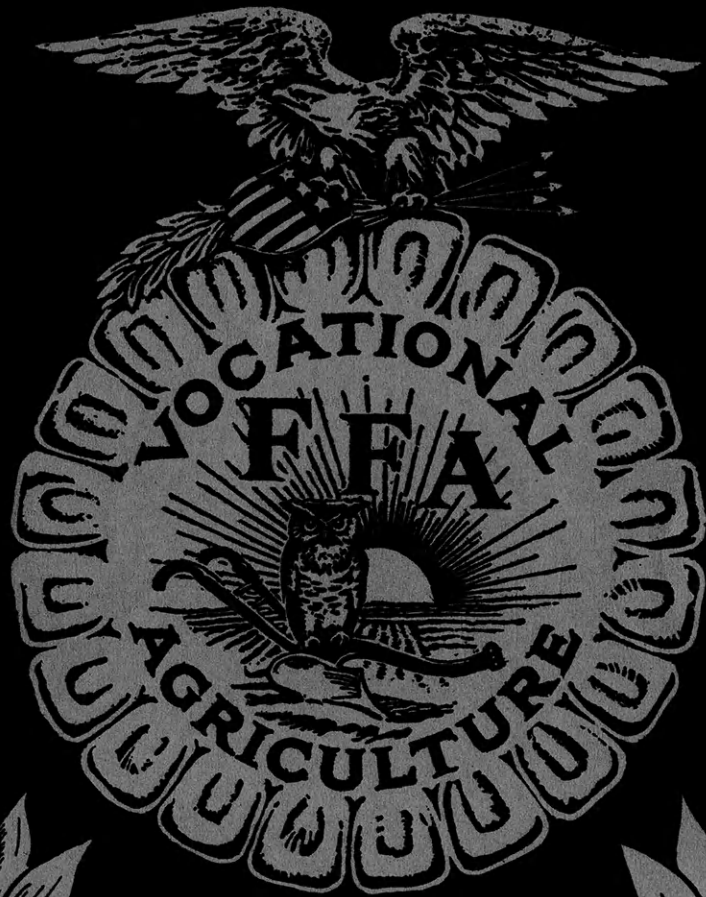


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J. W. ENGLAND III WINS REGIONAL PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

Congratulations and best wishes to J. W. England III, of the Shawnee Mission High School, Merriam, who won the Regional Public Speaking Contest at Waterloo, Iowa, October 1, and will represent the Central Region in the National Public Speaking Contest at Kansas City October 22. There were eleven states represented in the Regional Contest, and needless to say the competition was most keen. The placings were as follows: Kansas, Illinois, Wisconsin, Kentucky, and Iowa.

Kansas has an enviable record in this important F.F.A. activity. Our first contestant, Kenneth Waite, Winfield, placed second in the Regional Contest; Earl Parsons, Winfield, won the Regional and placed second in the National Contest; Fred Muret, Winfield, placed third in the Regional; Marbry Wheeler, Mound City, placed seventh in the Regional; and J. W. England III has placed the Kansas banner at the top of the Regional heap once more. Our hearty support and best wishes are extended to "J. W." and Harold Garver, his coach.

In the National Contest at Kansas City October 22 the following will participate:

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| Thelon Malous, Richfield, Utah | - Pacific Coast Region |
| Gilbert Sperring, Webster, New York | - North Atlantic Region |
| Curtis Rosser, Olivia, North Carolina | - Southern Region |
| J. W. England III, Merriam, Kansas | - Central Region |

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* May we suggest the importance of arranging for your chapter *
 * to listen in on the National Farm and Home Hour Tuesday, *
 * October 23, 11:30 to 12:30 o'clock noon, when the National *
 * Public Speaking contestants will broadcast over the NBC *
 * hookup. Invite your Superintendent and Principal to join *
 * you. Besides hearing four eminently worthwhile talks you *
 * will be taking advantage of an opportunity to inspire your *
 * members. This broadcast will reflect credit upon the F.F.A. *
 * organization and should be a means of favorably impressing *
 * members, friends, and coworkers. Wherever possible we would *
 * recommend that the entire school be invited to join the *
 * Chapter in listening to the broadcast. *
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FIFTY-TWO PER CENT

Fifty-two per cent of the chapters solicited for news for the October Newsletter responded. Is your chapter one of the number possessing a Reporter who was sufficiently alert to comply with the request, and thereby avail itself of an opportunity to inform the F.F.A. members in Kansas of its activities? Chapter Reporters who failed to respond to the request for news from the State Reporter passed up a fine opportunity to tell of their plans and activities, thereby causing a loss to both the local chapter and the membership of the State Association.

The plan of gathering news for the monthly Newsletter is as follows:

The State is divided into three regions. The chapters in each region are respectively numbered 1, 2, and 3. All chapters designated by Number 1 are listed in one group, and chapters designated by Number 2 and those designated by Number 3 are classed into respective groups. This sectional grouping constitutes three distinct mailing lists. The chapters falling into a given group will be solicited for news once every three months. By this plan each chapter has opportunity to tell of its activities three times during the school year.

Requests for news to a given group are mailed from the State Reporter's office on the 18th of the month. The Local Reporter should have his reply in the hands of the State Reporter not later than the 1st of the month following. The chapter news is assembled and edited by the State Reporter and mailed to the State Office on the 7th of the month. The State Office compiles the Newsletter and endeavors to have it in the mails by the 15th of the month.

This plan of gathering news gives a State-wide sampling of activities for each issue. Routine chapter activities will find a place in the Newsletter only when the Local Reporter cooperates with the State Reporter.

Important chapter news may be submitted to the State Office at any time, and if deemed newsworthy will find a place in the Newsletter regardless of whether or not your chapter is in the group being solicited for news for the issue.

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Inactive chapters are not eligible to purchase F.F.A. insignia. A corrected list of active chapters will be submitted to the leading concerns furnishing F.F.A. insignia and supplies at the Seventh National Convention of Future Farmers of America October 23-26. We hope the few chapters who have become inactive because of non payment of dues will reestablish themselves before the Kansas City meeting, and thereby be eligible to purchase F.F.A. materials.

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* Chapter Activity Programs are due in the State Office November 1. *
* We suggest that the form recommended in the September, 1934, News- *
* letter be used in submitting your program. Send Chapter Programs *
* to A. P. Davidson, Executive State Advisor, Kansas State College, *
* Manhattan *
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WINFIELD 1933-34 CHAPTER REPORT

The Winfield Chapter was designated by the committee of judges as one of the two Chapters to have its program published in the F.F.A. Newsletter. Their report follows:

I. Supervised Practice:

During the past year students have fed out 2 carloads of baby beeves, 3 carloads of creep fed lambs, and have shipped 1 car of potatoes. Among the minor projects were poultry, sow and litter, corn, wheat, soy beans, and sorghum.

II. Cooperative Activities:

Among the outstanding cooperative efforts of the chapter were the treating of 2 carloads of seed potatoes for themselves and farmers, the purchase of 240 head of breeding ewes cooperatively, the cooperative selling of 2 carloads of baby beeves and some 300 fat lambs and 1800# of wool, the cooperative purchase of all spray material and all seed treating chemicals. The chapter purchased cooperatively 50 sacks of certified seed potatoes to be planted in August for Junior seed for the 1935 crop.

III. Community Service:

The chapter sponsored an annual sheep day and an annual baby beef round-up. They put on a first place Educational booth at the fair. They treated, sprayed, and graded potatoes for farmers. They put on two rural school programs.

IV. Leadership Activities:

The chapter put on a program for the Winfield Chamber of Commerce. The chapter assisted in getting enrollment for evening school and in looking up special data for discussion.

V. Earnings and Savings:

The chapter has the following methods of earning money:

1. Hire out potato equipment and sweet clover harvester.
2. Turn all winnings by teams over to chapter.
3. Put on Educational booth at county fair.
4. Each member pay State and National dues.
5. Treat seed potatoes.
6. Conduct lunch stand at the Farmers Union picnic.
7. Make profit on Junior seed surplus.

It is the policy of the members of the chapter to reinvest all savings into projects where possible; hence we do not bank through the school bank.

Winfield 1933-34 Chapter Report (Concluded)

VI. Meetings:

Our chapter has had regular monthly meetings during the year. July is our vacation month. The chapter officers have two luncheon meetings each year. A parent-student banquet of 140 plates was held in April.

VII. Scholarship:

We had one of the five honor students in our chapter last year. Robert Barnett won second place in the National Hoard's Dairyman dairy judging contest. Our contestant won third place in the State public speaking contest and our chapter placed second in the Region in the National Chapter contest.

VIII. Recreation:

Our chapter put on a two-day camp at the Ponca City Recreational camp. Our chapter held contests with the Ark City chapter in baseball, basketball, golf, and cowpasture pool.

President Raymond Muret

Secretary John Snook

Advisor Ira L. Plank

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In building your chapter program we suggest that you refer to the following issues of the F.F.A. Newsletter: October, 1933; and September, 1934.

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The January, 1934, issue of the F.F.A. Newsletter carries information concerning cost and source of F.F.A. supplies.

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SEVENTH NATIONAL CONVENTION OF FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

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The State Supervisor of Vocational Agriculture has mailed each department in the State a program of all the important activities in connection with these two National meetings, and a complete program of all Future Farmer activities accompanies this Newsletter.

Exhibitors, trip winners, judging teams, delegates, American Farmer candidates, and other F.F.A. visitors should remember that the National F.F.A. headquarters are located at the Baltimore Hotel in Kansas City. You will be expected to register as early as it is convenient for you to do so, and this office will prove most helpful in furnishing information and directions as well as tickets and passes to those entitled to same.

All official F.F.A. Convention meetings will be held in the Baltimore Hotel. Visitors are welcome at the general assembly meetings.

The splendid tours arranged for F.F.A. members are inspirational and educative. Avail yourself of this opportunity.

Support all F.F.A. activities. The National Public Speaking Contest in the Power and Light building Monday, October 22, at 7:30 o'clock P. M., will of course be of interest to all Kansas F.F.A. members. The parade in the American Royal Arena on Tuesday evening where the Star Farmers are designated is an inspiring event.

We wish it were possible to invite you to attend the banquet at the Baltimore Hotel Wednesday evening at 6 o'clock. Due to lack of space this banquet is restricted to official delegates, members of judging teams, and newly elected American Farmers.

President Paul Leck and Vice President Ellwood Baker are the official delegates from Kansas. Since President Leck is a member of the F.F.A. dairy judging team which represents Kansas and will be engaged in judging activities Tuesday, Past State Treasurer Alfred Taylor, of the Winfield Chapter, will be certified as a delegate from Kansas for the first day of the National Convention.

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IDEALS

"As you think, you travel; and, as you love, you attract. You are today where your thoughts have brought you; you will be tomorrow where your thoughts take you. You can not escape the result of your thoughts, but you can endure and learn. You can accept and be glad. You will realize the vision (not the idle wish) of your heart, be it base or beautiful or a mixture of both, for you will always gravitate toward that which you secretly most love. Into your hands will be placed the exact results of your thoughts; you will receive that which you earn -- no more, no less. Whatever your present environment may be, you will fall, remain, or rise with your thoughts, your vision, your ideal. You will become as small as your controlling desire, as great as your dominant aspiration."

-- James Allen, Midland Schools, Iowa

From Agricultural Education magazine
June, 1934



Fairview: There are 33 members in our chapter this year. We held our first meeting September 19.

Plans have been made for the interclass sports tournament in which many of our members take part.

We are going to offer this year, for the first time, an honorary membership in the chapter to each member of the high school faculty.

-- Forrest Snyder, Reporter

Holcomb: The following officers were elected for the coming year: Charles Smith, president; John Steinback, vice president; Wilbur Huckstadt, secretary; Bruce Hartman, treasurer; Loyd Frost, reporter; Bill Adams, watch dog.

The Holcomb chapter attended a two-day outing at the Scott County State park during the summer. There were many other chapters present, and the different chapters afforded competition for each other in sports.

-- Loyd Frost, Reporter

Beloit: The new officers that we elected for the coming year are as follows: Charles Jordan, president; Leland Gates, vice president; Lyle Dodd, secretary; Noel Porter, treasurer; Leslie Parrish, reporter; and Keith Nelson, watch dog.

The Future Farmers held two overnight camps and swims during the months of June and July.

-- Leslie Parrish, Reporter

Shawnee Mission: The Shawnee Mission chapter, in cooperation with the Johnson County fair board, sponsored a livestock judging contest for F.F.A. chapters during the last fair. Animals entered for exhibition were used in the ring. Silver cups were awarded to the first and second place chapters and F.F.A. medals to the three high individuals. Chapter winners were as follows: Jayhawk (Lawrence), Oskaloosa, and Tonganoxie. The three high individuals, all from Lawrence, were: Kenneth Johnson, first; Gene Childs, second; Walter Houk, third.

The Shawnee Mission chapter sponsored its fourth F.F.A. officers' school September 22, at the Shawnee Mission high school. Nine chapters sent representatives, making a total of fifty-two persons for the school. The chapters attending were: Tonganoxie, Lawrence, Ottawa, Wollsville, Manhattan, Washington, Effingham, Seaman, Mound City. The program was as follows: Welcome, by Houston Carter, President of Shawnee Mission chapter; and talks by A. L. Cross, Principal of Shawnee Mission; William R. Essick, Lawrence; Ray L. Cuff, Kansas City Livestock Exchange; and A. P. Davidson, Kansas State College, Manhattan.

Lunch was served at the high school cafeteria.

The afternoon was given to round table meetings where officers met in groups according to the office held. Each group was led by one of the visiting sponsors. Here problems especially important to each particular office were discussed, as well as problems of value to the chapter as a whole.

Every one expressed the opinion that the school was a success and worth traveling a long distance to attend. The Shawnee Mission chapter enjoyed the visit of other officers and benefitted by their ideas.

-- J. W. England, Reporter

Argonia: The Argonia chapter met Tuesday, September 18, and the following officers were elected: Leroy Floyd, president; Herbert Crites, vice president; Dale Pearce, treasurer; George Young, secretary; Milford Johnson, reporter; Dean Nystrom, program chairman; and Richard Handy, watch dog.

The Argonia chapter attended the State fair at Hutchinson on September 17.

-- Milford Johnson, Reporter

Miltonvale: Officers for the Miltonvale chapter are: William Pearce, president; Joe Zahn, vice president; Jettie Fuller, treasurer; Ed Zahn, secretary; Tom Neill, reporter; and Ronald Bombardier, watch dog.

Twenty-five of the members went to Abilene to enter the livestock judging contest held in connection with the fair.

A party was held last summer for the Future Farmers and their friends.

-- Tom Neill, Reporter

Lawrence: The Jayhawk chapter held two overnight camps at their cabin at the State lake. One of these camps was held with the Carbondale and Tonganoxie chapters. We enjoyed swimming and baseball. We had a baseball tournament involving the three schools and the Jayhawk chapter emerged victors.

The officers attended the officers' training school held at Shawnee Mission September 22, and we gained several new ideas that were worth the trip.

The Future Farmers held their annual watermelon feed for the freshmen on September 25.

The Jayhawk chapter sent a judging team to the Johnson County fair and won first place as a team as well as having the three high individuals. The members of the team in order of their individual standing were: Kenneth Johnson, Gene Childs, and Walter Houk.

-- Raymond Schaaque, Reporter

Kiowa: The Kiowa chapter on September 20 was called together by President Charles Spicer for the election of officers for our organization for the current year. Officers elected were: Kenneth Short, president; Lloyd Ligenotoffer, vice president; Alvin Elkert, secretary; Harold Wells, watch dog; Albert Elkert, program chairman; Professor J. A. Johnson, advisor; and Paul Watt, reporter.

A district F.F.A. officers' training school was held at Kiowa September 29. Officers from Harper, Argonia, Kingman, Pratt, and Medicine Lodge were present. There were twenty-eight persons in attendance. The purpose of the meeting was to help the boys to become more familiar with the work of building and executing the chapter program. The F.F.A. being a boys' organization, adults can act only as advisors. Thus the responsibility for the success of a chapter rests on the officers.

Lunch was served by the domestic science girls under the direction of Miss Stuckey. After dinner a round table discussion was held, each group being led by an advisor of some other chapter.

It was decided and approved by all schools that we should have another school next spring at Kingman.

-- Paul Watt, Reporter

South Haven: The South Haven chapter elected officers last spring at the close of school. The following officers were elected: Leonard Deets, president; Harold Charter, vice president; Lee Wise, secretary; Dale Barker, treasurer; LaVerne Butterfield, reporter; and Burl Quillin, watch dog.

On August 4 and 5 twelve members and our advisor, Mr. Kugler, attended the summer camp at Wentz pool. The Arkansas City and Winfield and South Haven chapters attended the camp. The boys learned a few things about cooking since each member took turn in preparing his own meals. Every one had a good time and each member brought home a sunburned back.

We have sold sixty-five bushels of Certified Tenmarq wheat at \$1.25 a bushel, and the money from the wheat sold will be used in the F.F.A. chapter. The seed was cleaned and treated for smut.

We are planning on a terracing project for our class.

-- LaVerne Butterfield, Reporter

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Morrowville: Officers for the coming year are: Earl Moore, president; Gerald Menzies, vice president; Max Benne, secretary; Orville Elliot, treasurer; Earl Coder, reporter; and Glenn Cummings, watch dog.

The boys of the local chapter entered 45 head of livestock at the county fair. Thirty-five ribbons, including 13 firsts, were won, and the total premiums amounted to \$49.50.

Morrowville carried away first honors in booths with a "model swine" booth.

Our chapter plans to have all the second year class in attendance at the American Royal.

--Earl Coder, Reporter

Coldwater: Officers for the coming year of the Coldwater chapter are: Vernon Huck, president; Jim Guseman, vice president; Dwight Link, secretary and treasurer; George Sundgren, reporter; and Dan Parcel, watch dog.

We won \$161.12 prize money on our county collective booth at the Hutchinson fair this year. This is the third consecutive year that we have had the first prize booth at the fair. The committee in charge of the booth was composed of Jim Guseman, Dan Parcel, Clair Parcel, and Vernon Huck.

The first and third year vocational agricultural classes went to the Hutchinson fair on September 17. The transportation bill was paid out of the F.F.A. treasury.

-- George Sundgren, Reporter

Smith Center: Officers of the Smith Center chapter are: Orlo Paget, president; Irwin Gedney, vice president; Jack Jones, secretary; Harold Buell, treasurer; Harold Tracy, reporter; and Delwar Knight, watch dog.

Our regular meetings will be held the first and third Tuesdays of each month during activity period.

The officers and Mr. Allbert, Superintendent of Schools, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Templeton (Mr. Templeton is our new advisor) on the evening of September 25 for dinner. After the meal the officers planned their activity program for the year.

-- Harold Tracy, Reporter

Howard: Mr. Bergsma is training the poultry judging team for the American Royal Contest.

The Howard chapter held its annual picnic August 3. There were 35 members present and 24 guests, including 20 rural school graduates from Elk county. The day was spent playing ball, after which a good "feed" was enjoyed.

The Howard chapter organized a "punkin" ball team and entered into a City league in competition with seven other teams. Our team ranked third in the league.

A straw loft poultry house is being constructed by the two vocational agricultural classes under the supervision of Mr. Bergsma. The school board is paying for the building which will, in time, be paid for by those who rent it.

-- Ray Highsmith, Reporter

Chapter News (Concluded)/4

Norton: Our chapter had a booth display at the local county fair during the first week of September, which consisted of grain and plant samples and display matter on Hessian Fly and control of wheat bunt. The display netted the chapter \$10.00.

The evening of September 2, the chapter enjoyed a line party at the theater, after which a watermelon feed was held for the freshmen.

Meetings will be held early in October for the purpose of electing officers, raising Green Hands to the Future Farmer degree, and initiating Green Hands.

Our chapter has charge of liming the football field and keeping it in shape. This nets the chapter a few dollars each year.

-- Lester Ankenman, Reporter

Wellsville: The Wellsville chapter planted an acre of potatoes last spring as a chapter project, and in spite of the drouth we were able to break even. After the potatoes were dug, the members enjoyed lunch and a swim at the Paola park. Plans are being made for a 20-acre wheat project this year.

The first year agricultural class is carrying a swine project.

The officers for the coming year were elected September 19. They are as follows: Paul Warren, president; Waverly Rhoades, vice president; Merlin Ford, secretary; Gilbert Lawrenz, treasurer; Charles Lawrenz, reporter, and Theodore Bunnell, watch dog.

The newly elected reporter and president attended the F.F.A. officers' training school at Shawnee Mission September 22.

-- Charles Lawrenz, Reporter

Ramona: The Ramona chapter held their election of officers at the regular bi-monthly meeting on September 19. The following officers were elected: Ivan Fajchman, president; Oren Daeturler, vice president; Edwin Berger, secretary; Reuben Hanschu, treasurer; Reuben Koch, reporter; and Lawrence Hanschu, watch dog.

The yearly program is being prepared for presentation to the chapter. We expect to add new activities for this year.

Plans are being completed for the initiation of Green Hands and the raising of members to Future Farmers.

The chapter held monthly meetings during the summer and also went on two overnight fishing trips.

The chapter made a profit on their potato project, which was of very good quality but very small quantity.

-- Reuben Koch, Reporter

Winfield: The following officers were elected for the coming year: Clarence Mason, president; Raymond Muret, vice president; Ronald Beery, secretary; Jay Brothers, treasurer; Robert Barnett, reporter; Charles Elliott, watch dog.

The chapter is conducting a six-acre junior seed potato project which is being grown on irrigated land, and under favorable conditions the members expect to produce their own seed potatoes for their potato projects next spring.

The chapter has distributed 247 head of breeding ewes to the boys for a group livestock project this year. The chapter intends to put on an irrigation booth at the county fair that is to be held in October.

John Snook and Raymond Dillman, members of last year's judging team, were awarded free trips to the American Royal this year by the Frisco Railroad company.

-- Robert Barnett, Reporter