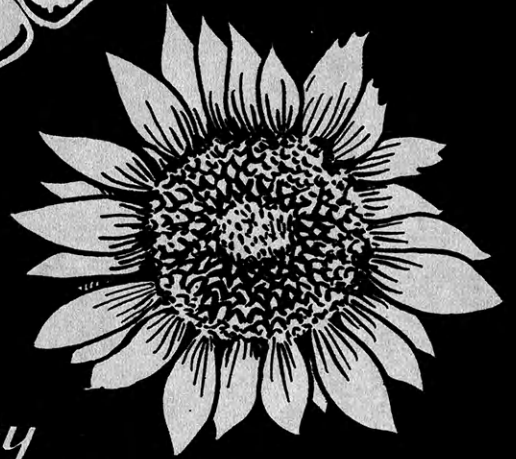
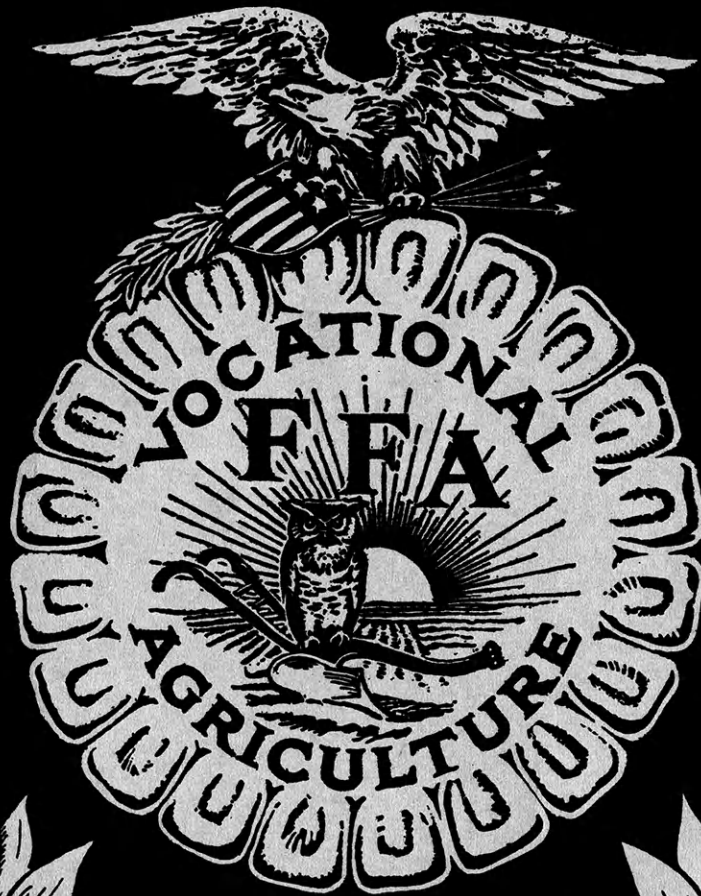


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Dairy Cattle: First, Colorado; second, North Carolina; third, Ohio; fourth, Oklahoma; fifth, Minnesota.

Livestock: First, Oklahoma; second, Texas; third, Arizona; fourth, Kentucky; fifth, Utah.

Meat: Identification of twenty-five cuts each of veal, beef, and pork for wholesale and retail designations. First, Illinois; second, Colorado; third, Missouri; fourth, Kansas; fifth, Arkansas.

Milk Judging: First, Kansas; second, Oklahoma; third, Illinois; fourth, Wisconsin; fifth, Colorado.

Poultry: First, Arkansas; second, Nevada; third, South Carolina; fourth, Oklahoma; fifth, Utah.

The Lima chapter milk judging team is to be congratulated on being first in milk judging as a team and having high individual. The team consisted of Loren VanPetten, Thello Dodd, Norman Lohmeyer, and Kenneth Rogge, alternate, coached by Clark Milligan. Thello Dodd was high individual in this contest, winning a blue ribbon, a gold wrist watch, and \$12.00 in cash. The wrist watch was presented by the National Co-operative Milk Producers, and the cash award was given by the American Royal. It is interesting to note that the winner of this contest last year was a Washington county chapter, and that Paul Leck, a member of the Washington chapter team was high individual.

Junior Norby, Pratt chapter, placed tenth in the meats contest. Paul Renich, Newton chapter, placed seventh in the poultry contest. Arlin Russell, Fredonia chapter, was sixth in sheep judging; Don McPherson, Fredonia, was eighth in horses and mules, and Gay Tuis, Fredonia, was second in judging hogs. Fredonia placed eleventh in the livestock judging contest. It is gratifying to have each member of a judging team rank in the high ten of at least one class, and Fredonia had that experience.

Manhattan chapter won a silver trophy cup for having the best livestock exhibit of any Kansas chapter.

The Convention

The National F.F.A. Convention opens on Friday with executive sessions of the Board of Trustees. Aside from the tours on Sunday, there is little of interest for the delegate in F.F.A. matters until Monday night. Of course the National officers, Advisory Council, State Advisors, and judging teams all see plenty of action before the night of the National Public Speaking Contest.

Public Speaking this year received attention before the hour of the National F.F.A. Public Speaking contest. Monday afternoon was set aside for an extemporaneous speaking demonstration. Kentucky, Tennessee, Pennsylvania, and Idaho had representatives in this demonstration. Winners were determined on the basis of audience appeal. The demonstration was high class in every respect, but should not seriously threaten to supplant the National Public Speaking Contest.

Another demonstration of interest was held Monday afternoon. It was staged by the Plain Dealing, Louisiana, chapter. This chapter demonstrated how a parliamentary procedure contest could be staged. One

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of the leaders from Louisiana stated that as a result of this contest every F.F.A. member in his state knew the twelve abilities listed in Stewart's Parliamentary Procedure. We ducked on that one. However, we do see possibilities in the parliamentary procedure contest.

The National Public Speaking Contest was up to its usual high standard of performance. A perfect setting, responsive audience, and splendid music, made the keynote of the F.F.A. activities a very enjoyable occasion. The winners were:

- 1st. Mont Kenney, Holden chapter, Holden, Utah
- 2nd. Paul Deats, Graham chapter, Graham, Texas
- 3rd. Thomas Downing, Lexington chapter, Lexington, Kentucky
- 4th. Earl Blayney, Mt. Giliead chapter, Mt. Giliead, Ohio

All the contestants received cash prizes, ranging from first place, \$300 to last place, \$100, in addition to medals.

Tuesday morning saw the Official House of Delegates of the National Organization of Future Farmers of America called to order. Delegates were seated, and state reports read and accepted. The Kansas delegates were: J. W. England III, President, Shawnee Mission chapter, and Richard Fisher, Vice President, Lebanon chapter. Nominations and the raising of candidates to the degree of American Farmer constituted the second major item of business before the convention. Paul Leck, Washington chapter, and Ellwood Baker, Abilene chapter, were the two boys from Kansas to receive this much coveted degree. Both boys had fine programs of work, splendid leadership and cooperative records, and had four year high school grade averages of 95% plus, and 96% plus, respectively.

Tuesday evening found about 3,000 F.F.A. boys parading in the arena at the American Royal. One of the most interesting events in connection with this occasion is the naming of the Star Farmer of America. Of course all Kansas F.F.A. boys know this high honor came to Paul Leck, of Kansas. Paul is the immediate past president of the Kansas Association, and every member in Kansas was mighty happy to see him receive this well merited recognition.

How many chapters in Kansas listened to the radio broadcast of the National Public Speaking Contest, N.B.C., Farm and Home hour, 11:30 a. m., October 22. Those who failed to listen missed a fine program and a wonderful opportunity to acquaint school officials with the FFA.

Kansas has two Honorary American Farmer Degree members: Senator Arthur Capper and Harold Garver.

Shawnee Mission chapter brought honor to Kansas by winning the National Better Chapter Contest. Much honor and a cash prize award of \$300 accompanies this achievement. Second place went to the Live Oak chapter, Live Oak, California; third place, Little Valley chapter, Little Valley, N. Y.; and fourth place was won by the Massanutten chapter, Mt. Jackson, Va.

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Wednesday evening saw the main dining hall and the auxiliary hall to the south completely filled by F.F.A. judging teams, delegates, American Farmers, and friends of the organization. Oscar Chapman, assistant secretary of the interior, was the principal speaker. Raymond Bryan, Ottawa chapter, entertained with a group of cowboy songs. Raymond also appeared before the House of Delegates in the afternoon.

The Best State Association award went to Utah, L. H. Humphries, advisor. This brings the Groseclose trophy back from Hawaii and sets it down in the Rockies in a state noted for its fine FFA band, Best Chapter, Public Speakers, and fine judging teams. The National Grange offers four cash prizes to the four ranking states in FFA work. State Associations ranking second, third, and fourth, were Louisiana, Texas, and California, in order named.

Thursday is the important day from the standpoint of action in the House of Delegates. Committees are appointed Wednesday noon, the afternoon is spent in committee deliberation, and Thursday sees the fireworks: "Alumni FFA", "Use of the FFA Emblem by Commercial Concerns", "Girls in FFA", "An Official FFA Paper", "Divide National Prize Money Down Through Regions to Individual States", etc., etc. A fine experience for the delegates and officers. Sometimes Old Man Parliamentary Procedure gets badly bent, but there are never any casualties. Interesting, too, for onlookers. Many folks miss this occasion, some because of other duties, and others because of a "full stomach and empty head" short cut to the arms of Morpheus.

The American Farmer Degree records of Ellwood Baker, and Paul Leck and the Better Chapter Contest records will be given special attention in the December issue of the Newsletter.

The National Officers for 1935 are:

William R. Shaffer, Virginia, President
Andrew Fulton, Arkansas, First Vice President
Owen David Owens, Wisconsin, Second Vice President
Stanley Schantz, Ohio, Third Vice President
Leon Hubbard, Oregon, Fourth Vice President
Julius Black, Iowa, National Student Secretary
J. A. Linke, National Advisor
W. A. Ross, National Executive Secretary
Henry Groseclose, National Treasurer

You will be interested to know that the Jayhawk chapter, Lawrence, Kansas, gave the Shawnee Mission chapter a real race in the chapter contest. We will include a report on the Jayhawk chapter in the December issue for two reasons: first, because the report merits a place; and second, because the Shawnee Mission boys want it included so you can all see what a fine chapter they had to beat in order to get somewhere in the National Better Chapter Contest.

We have had the opportunity of witnessing all the National FFA presidents in action from the time of the organization's inception, down to the turning over of the gavel to President Shaffer, and we nominate Andy Sundstrom as Tops.

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Delegate vice president Fisher, Kansas, speaking: "Future Farmers; Why Are We Here? Every F.F.A. member has already learned that he is here to practice brotherhood, honor his opportunities, and develop qualities of leadership, but above all of this, we are here to learn the importance of cooperation, and to become better organized so as to put our farming occupation upon a well supervised basis.

I doubt if the average F.F.A. boy who has never gotten beyond his local chapter, even realizes what this great organization of ours is really doing. Do you know that the F.F.A. organization is now composed of over 105,000 members? And do you know that our organization is recognized in Washington as one, if not the most, outstanding organizations in the United States.

I have just returned from Kansas City where I attended the National F.F.A. convention. I never realized the vastness and the great work that this organization was doing until I attended this convention. I certainly wish that every chapter in Kansas could send a delegate down to the convention each year. In this way they would have a better idea of what our organization is and what it is really doing.

In our national convention this year, we had delegates from 47 states and Hawaii. The convention started Tuesday morning and lasted until Thursday evening. We had reports of all the state associations to show what the different states are doing in the F.F.A. work. We heard some wonderful talks from educational leaders in Washington; we discussed problems that were arising in the different states and drew our plans for the next year.

After attending this convention I am thoroughly convinced that the F.F.A. organization is firmly established and will prove a foundation for better organization and cooperation in agriculture in the future." R. F.

J. W. England III, reporting for the Kansas Association of F.F.A., listed an increase of 7.3 per cent in number of chapters, and a 20 per cent increase in membership for the past year.

The 19 items included in the National Organization's program of work will be listed in the December issue of the Newsletter.

Sixty-nine American Farmer degrees were awarded to farm boys from 36 states. That high standards for this degree are maintained is evidenced by the fact that to date only 407 American Farmer degrees have been conferred.

Honorary American Farmer degrees were conferred upon: J. H. Pearson, Washington, D. C., regional agent; L. R. Humphries, Utah, (advisor, best state association), G. M. Rohrbach, Illinois, Deere & Company; F. H. Servatius, secretary American Royal; O. L. Chapman, assistant secretary interior department; and H. D. Garver, advisor Best Chapter.

The Convention (Continued)

"Greetings to the Future Farmers of America assembled in convention. America looks to our youth and especially the farm youth for efficient leaders and cooperators such as your organization provides. Regret that I am unable to be with you as I had hoped to be. Carry on."
(Signed) J. W. Studebaker, U. S. Commissioner of Education.

Texas had the official F.F.A. band, composed of 65 members from 26 chapters. They wore the official F.F.A. uniforms and presented a pleasing appearance. It was a fine band, led by H. G. Rylander of Itasca, Texas. Rylander is so young in appearance that most people were led to believe that one of the active members of the F.F.A. was doing the directing. A good band makes the convention. This is the second time for Texas. Thanks, Texas.

Seventeen states report having summer camps. Twenty-three states report regular F. F. A. radio broadcasts. There are 3,977 F. F. A. chapters in the U. S., Hawaii, and Puerto Rico, with a paid up membership of slightly over 100,000. Texas leads with approximately 9,000 members. They are planning a big pow-wow next summer in connection with the state's 100th birthday.

We liked J. B. Rutland's statement of how he meets the "whiny" teacher who simply can't organize and maintain a chapter in his department, due to drought, depression, special calamity visitations by providence, etc., etc. After listening attentively until most of the parade of hard luck has passed in review, Advisor Rutland stops the teacher and asks him if he will do him a favor. The teacher assents. Rutland then asks the teacher to think up One Good Reason why he should have an F.F.A. chapter. That usually changes the trend and they proceed from a negative to a positive basis.

At the opening of the convention a delegate from Georgia presented to president Andy Sundstrom a red cedar gavel, grown on the farm of Senator Hughes and made by the Georgia Association. Senators Smith and Hughes are highly esteemed by farm boys taking vocational agriculture, because of their interest in vocational education. Both Smith and Hughes represented Georgia in the U. S. Congress.

The Hawaiian association sent two delegates to the convention. They were Shizuta Kadata who excelled in growing sugar cane, and Yasuki Nakagama who grew superior coffee beans. These fine F.F.A. members had a wonderful trip. They saw snow for the first time as they passed over the Rockies. Our trees, which they called plants, they thought superior to any they had ever seen. The Hawaiian delegates presented each delegate in attendance with attractive leis and the new national officers were presented with leis made of blue and gold colored silk. The Hawaiian association sponsored and financed a trip made by Andrew Sundstrom national president, and W.A. Ross, national executive secretary, to Hawaii last year. A live association which won the Groseclose trophy last year, and will have to be watched in the future else the trophy might make its permanent home in the Pacific.

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Many state associations receive favorable publicity at the annual banquet by furnishing products for which the state is famous. This year we had maple sugar from Vermont, Delicious apples from Washington, peanuts from Virginia, Idaho potatoes, and Montana beans. The latter was a new one on us. We though Montana was a cow state.

The use of the F.F.A. emblem is a live and mooted question. In the South there are factories that can the F.F.A. products and use the F.F.A. emblem on them. The Vermont maple sugar was in sacks which bore the F.F.A. emblem. Shawnee Mission chapter uses the emblem on milk bottle caps (not the kind used for money in Missouri), and so on ad libitum. The question now is the matter of control so that a fine rural youth organization will not be exploited. The National Organization has a regulation requiring that products on which the emblem is used be at least of government standard. The problem of enforcement still looms eminent.

Also the question of how much of the F.F.A. emblem might be used to designate certain worthy rural youth organizations was before the house. Certain action was taken by the house of delegates--without much opportunity for debate--said action will be reported in the Proceedings. In scrambling for permission to use the F.F.A. emblem in various distorted and abbreviated designs, we are reminded of the great church divisions--they all had a part of the "Holy Writ" to stand on. We still stick to our old foggy idea that the F.F.A. better be kept a high school organization, primarily of, and for the boys enrolled in the day school classes of vocational agriculture.

In Massachusetts there is a state law which forbids the barring of people from organizations of religion, education, etc., because of color, and sex. Which is tantamount to saying that the problem of girl members in the F.F.A. is still before us. The House passed a resolution which we will pass on to you just as soon as we find it accurately stated in the forth-coming issue of the Proceedings. We believe this problem will finally "wear itself out". So long as the girl members are not permitted to come to Kansas City to disturb the deep thought of our regularly constituted delegates, and can not participate in any national F.F.A. contest, we will try to worry along out here in Kansas and hope that Massachusetts will be able to bear up under her self inflicted burden.

Did you know that the plow, donated by John Deere, used by the national officers in their annual convention meetings is of solid silver?

That smile, approaching a grin, on the face of advisor L. B. Pollen, Kansas, was the result of lightning striking twice in the form of the Best Chapter and the Star Farmer of America.

Did you see Howard Ritchey, Itasca, Texas, and Eugene Harmon, Hereford, Texas, wield those batons? Their skill added greatly to the pleasure of watching the Texas band in action.

Michigan is slated to furnish the F.F.A. band for next year. We

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know Michigan well enough to know it will be a corker. Whenever advisor Gallup sets out to do a thing you can rest assured it will be done right. Gallup had 20 of his local chapter presidents at the convention this year, expects to have practically one hundred per cent of their local presidents present next year. What better way can you offer to develop F.F.A. understanding and enthusiasm.

The National Organization is the proud possessor of a fine new painting of the Rising Sun. This painting is approximately 6' x 12', done by Gillis, and is worth \$500. Used for the first time in connection with the Eighth Annual Convention.

Principal F. G. Phillips, Plain Dealing high school, Louisiana, was an interested visitor. He addressed the house of delegates. We wish it were possible for more school administrators to pay us a visit at Kansas City.

Nomenclature is still important in F.F.A. publicity, but still seems to be having serious difficulty in sinking into the craniums of our state leaders who in turn are responsible for training their state representatives. Again we listened to "our local club", "our state organization", etc. Do all advisors know that we have a National Organization, State Associations, and Local Chapters. Is it asking too much to suggest to state leaders that a distinction be made between organization and association, and between chapter and club. The term "club" rightfully belongs to another rural youth organization. Lay off.

Fisher, of Kansas, got up in arms when he thought the F.F.A. was to be spread all over China. Seems he doesn't have enough brotherly love in his makeup to have the F.F.A. mantle spread that far, and he didn't hesitate to make his stand on the matter clear. All was forgiven when they explained to Fisher that they were talking about the F.F.A. emblem on China-ware, and not planning an expansion program. The house enjoyed a good laugh, and Fisher was a good sport. The laugh however, soon journeyed to the presidential chair, when it was learned that our esteemed leader had called for and approved a vote on the "China" motion in spite of the fact that the motion had never been made.

Halo Brown, advisor of the Washington chapter which produced Paul Lock, was kidded considerably by his fellow workers about basking in reflected glory. Halo, be it said, went home and taught his classes and allowed some of the State Boys to do the basking. When asked what part he played in developing Lock, Brown said his part reminded him of the story of the little boy leading the big Newfoundland dog. When the boy was asked how such a slight chap could manage to lead such a big dog, the boy replied that he tried to figure out where the dog wanted to go and then he led him there.

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Kansas Vocational Association

The K. V. A. in their annual meeting at Wichita had as their special guests, President James Nutt, of the Shawnee Mission chapter, J.V.

Kansas Vocational Association (Concluded)

England III, President of the Kansas Association of F.F.A., and Paul Leck, Star Farmer of America for 1935. These boys attended the 7:30 a. m. breakfast, and spent the balance of the day sightseeing. Paul was called on for a few remarks. He was equal to the occasion. Fame and fan letters go hand in hand, declared Paul. He stated that already he had several people who want to work for him; one old lady wrote that she would like to adopt him. So far, Paul claims he has had no proposals--but says he is still watching the mails.

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Secretary Book

The F.F.A. secretary book is ready for the mails. The State Association agreed to furnish such a book, and spend up to 10 cents per copy in so doing. Well we have overspent already, but the books will be mailed. We hope every chapter will make use of the book, and come back with suggestions to be embodied in the book adopted next year.

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Chapter Activity Programs

We have a fine bunch of chapter programs on file. These will be studied and classified, and we anticipate many helpful suggestions will be passed on to the chapters. Too many chapters, however, did not respond with a chapter activity program by the first of November. It is not important that you be interested in the chapter contest, but it is important that you have a program. As evidence of the fact that you do have a program and are doing something worthwhile, we recommend that you forward a copy of your chapter activity program to the state office at Manhattan.

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Names

In attempting to get the correct spelling on the names of boys comprising one of our judging teams recently, one boy remarked that he could see no need for all the care, since the Newsletter usually spelled 'em wrong anyway. The only defense the Newsletter has is the fact that we print 'em "as is". If it is important that names be spelled correctly, and we think it is, see to it that your reporter either writes legibly or prints legibly, or better still, types the news. Remember, we print them as we receive them, and if names are misspelled the fault will probably be with either the writing or spelling of your reporter.

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Appreciation

In this issue devoted largely to the story of the F.F.A. at the Royal, we want to express the appreciation and thanks of the Kansas

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Association of F.F.A. for the fine work done in behalf of vocational agriculture and the Future Farmers of America by the leaders from the Office of Education, the cooperating industrial and commercial concerns of the nation, and the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce and allied workers.

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Ohio F.F.A. Association is beginning a weekly broadcast over WLS dealing with Future Farmer activities in that state.

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The Homestead chapter, Florida, has invited the winning Shawnee Mission chapter to spend the Christmas holidays with them as their guests. W. A. (Art) Ross stated in his national F.F.A. broadcast November 11 that this was causing considerable "head scratching" on the part of the Shawnee Mission boys. The problem of transporting 65 members from Kansas to Florida and return is not so simple as it sounds.

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Individual membership cards will be given each member in Kansas this year upon payment of state and national dues. The cards are now available. The State Association voted in its last annual meeting to pay expenses involved in furnishing membership cards to all active members, the cards to be available for the 1935 membership. The cards are printed in the colors of the National Organization and will fit an ordinary bill fold. It will be the duty of the chapter secretary to see that the cards are properly filled and distributed.

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There were 18 chapters present at the North Central Kansas Officers Training School held in the high school auditorium, Saturday, October 12. The school was opened with the opening ceremony by the officers of the Clay Center chapter. The welcoming address was given by Principal Sheldon Frick of Clay Center. Paul Leck, Washington chapter gave the response. Some very interesting reels on European agriculture were shown by Superintendent F. E. Hewitt, Washington, Kansas, who took the pictures while traveling in Europe the past summer. He gave a short talk and discussed the pictures as they were shown. At the noon hour dinner was served by the Home Economics girls who did a very good job of it. Several songs were sung by the group, led by Advisor R. H. Perrill, Clay Center chapter. The afternoon session opened with a talk by A. P. Davidson, Executive advisor, Kansas Association F.F.A. The new secretaries' books were given to the secretaries present, and Mr. Davidson discussed the plan of using the books. The meeting then divided itself into special officer groups, where officer duties and responsibilities were studied.

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CHAPTER NEWS

Miltonvale: The following Future Farmer boys from Miltonvale Chapter went to Abilene to a district Future Farmer camping trip at Brown Memorial Scout Camp, August 11 and 12: Leroy Windhorst, Paul Crane, Tom Neill, Wendell Walker, Fenton Walker, Warren Condrey, Henry Haist, Mr. John H. Kerr, and his nephew, Harry Dale Clark, a visitor from Little Rock, Arkansas. Every boy enjoyed the trip. It was suggested we make this an annual affair.

The officers elected for the following year are: Jettie Fuller, president; Ralph Koster, vice president; Tom Neill, secretary; Vincent Lacy, treasurer; Leroy Windhorst, reporter.

The Miltonvale chapter took eighteen boys to Glasco to participate in the county fair judging contest. Wayne Hauck took third in the entire contest and Tom Neill placed sixth. Wayne Hauck tied for first in judging beef. Fenton Walker tied for first in judging sheep, and Tom Neill placed first in judging swine.

Several of the boys entered their projects at the Glasco county fair and were quite pleased with their winnings. Entries entered were one baby beef, grand champion; trio of one cockerel and two pullets, placed first; gobbler, placed first, old hen, placed first; pullet placed first, and young turkey tom, placed first. We consider this good for the first year.

We entered twenty boys in the North Central fair judging contest at Abilene.

We plan to have a stag party at the home of our president, soon. They have a large lake, and boating will be the main item of interest.

--Leroy Windhorst, Reporter

Williamsburg: The following boys were advanced to the grade of Future Farmer at the October meeting of the Williamsburg chapter: Eugene Hart, Bernard Stoekle, Francis Harrington, Stanley Davis, Earnest Eaton, and William Shaffer. The eleven green hands initiated at the same meeting were: Charles Sanders, Elmer Burnett, Milo Hackett, Donald Cade, Harold Miller, Eldon Van, Billy McMillan, Hugh Crabb, Everett Ede, Micheal Collins, and Roy Hudson.

The chapter has planned its years program of activities which has been presented for approval. Seventeen vocational boys made the trip to the American Royal, Wednesday, October 23, in a truck. Several other F. F. A. boys went during the week.

--Allen Hoyt, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

Colby: Monday night September 2, a regular meeting of the Colby chapter of F. F. A. was held in the annex of the high school building for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year. The officers elected are as follows: Marion Boyer, president; Edward Bremenkamp, vice president; Fred Yeo, secretary; Vernon Jones, treasurer; Ray Zoberst, reporter; Pershing Boyer, farm watch dog. Following the election the new officers then took their positions.

It was decided to hold a special meeting as soon as possible for the construction of the yearly program.

Monday night, October 7, a regular meeting of the chapter was held and the new agriculture boys were initiated as green hands. Those initiated were as follows: Junior Denny, Jack Dean, James Dean, Dick Hamill, Ralph Jones, Albin Mazanec, Raymond Mazanec, Francis Mazanec, Francis Mentlic, Fred Roesch, Clifford Shanks, Allen Sloan, Bobby Wallace, Lloyd White, Clarence Cersovsky, and Clifford Boyer. Following this ceremony a lunch was served and music was offered by several members of the chapter.

The members of the chapter enjoyed a date party given Saturday evening, October 19, in the high school basement. The evening was enjoyed by playing games. Several selections were given by the chapter's "Melody Makers", consisting of John Robinson, who has attained the degree of a state farmer, Junior Denny, and Lloyd White. Refreshments of ice cream, cake, sandwiches, and cider were served to a group of forty-seven.

A program was given by some of the F. F. A. members of the chapter at the high school boys assembly Friday, October 25, in the consolidated school building for the purpose of explaining the F. F. A. The program consisting of talks and music by talented members of the F. F. A. as introduced by Reubon Bryan was as follows: "The Degrees of the F. F. A.", Melton Bryan; "What the F. F. A. Has Done for Me", John Robinson; Musical numbers, Junior Denny, John Robinson, and Lloyd White; Tap Dance, Junior Stewart; Review of the Yearly Program, Fred Yeo.

--Roy Zoberst, Reporter

The Northwest Kansas Officers Training School was held in the Colby high school building Saturday, October 12. The program was as follows: F. F. A. Opening Ceremony, Colby chapter; Play, "A Little Louder Please", Oberlin F. F. A. chapter; Talk, Professor L. F. Hall, Department of Education, Kansas State College; Closing Ceremony, Colby chapter. Following the program it was requested that the school should resume at 1:30 o'clock for the afternoon session.

The different officers were assigned to certain rooms and were addressed by particular persons of the various schools on the special duties of each office. The group then met in the assembly room and discussed the business of the various chapters.

Mr. Robt. Fort advisor for the Colby chapter, was elected chairman for the next year.

--Roy Zoberst, Reporter

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Manhattan: Thirty members of the Manhattan chapter attended the American Royal Live Stock Show in Kansas City. Other places of interest were visited. These included the Kansas City Board of Trade, the Stock Yards, Armour Meat Packing Plant; Airport, Power and Light building, and the Kansas City Star plant.

Seven members of the Manhattan Chapter exhibited live stock in the vocational division at the American Royal Show. The winnings of the exhibitors were: one third, one ninth, two tenths, and one fifth. A total of \$28 in prizes was won by exhibitors. All of the live stock was sold on Friday, October 25. Prices were good and ranged up to and above current market prices.

Our chapter is the possessor of a new silver cup. This cup was won as the best exhibitor of live stock in the vocational agriculture division from the state of Kansas.

Twenty-five new members were initiated as Green Hands on October 30. After a half hour of fun and contests of strength and nerve and skill the regular Green Hand initiation ceremony was used in making these boys members of the Future Farmers of America.

Members of the chapter are planning to build a ping-pong table to be used by the members. The chapter will finance the project.

--John Poole, Reporter

Arkansas City: The Arkansas City F. F. A. chapter held their last meeting October 23. New officers were elected as follows: Delbert Highee, president; Louis Abernathy, vice president; Arthur Rahn, secretary; and John Childs, reporter.

We are planning to initiate the new members at our next regular meeting.

Plans are being made for a basket ball team this season.

We had a F. F. A. booth at the Cowley county fair and won second.

The Future Farmer members who made up the Arkansas City judging team at the county fair placed second.

--John Childs, Reporter

Harper: The following officers were elected at a regular meeting held October 17: Clifford Baylor, president; Glenn Benollet, vice president; Roscoe Haskin, secretary; Voltes Oliver, treasurer; Raymond Maninger, reporter.

--Raymond Maninger, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

Norcatour: Our F. F. A. initiation was held October 21. Eleven agriculture boys were initiated as new members of the F. F. A. The names of the boys are as follows: Fritz Ankenman, Lee Arnold, Frances Arnold, John Bell, Cloyd Ward, Albert Miller, Joe Sanderson, Dale Butler, Carl Shick, Leo Bunny, Rex Windel.

We elected new officers September 27. They are as follows: Gerald Brown, president; Allen Seabough, vice president; Manly Shirley, secretary-treasurer; Donald Stapp, watch dog; Ralph Strayer, reporter; Mr. Wilmore, sponsor.

The activity committee has built our yearly program, and our chapter has adopted it. We think we have a good program outlined for the entire year.

--Ralph Strayer, Reporter

Powhattan: Our chapter elected their officers on June 28, as follows: Marvin McCrerey, president; Albert Schuetz, vice president; Emmett Schuetz, secretary; Burl Hinz, treasurer; Dee Henry, reporter; Ivan Wenger, watch dog; Harold Hildwein, parliamentarian.

Initiation for thirteen Green Hands was held on October 22.

We have our programs for our monthly meetings on schedule.

Emmett Schuetz showed a Guernsey calf, a cow, and a heifer at the Brown county fair and the Topeka Free fair. He won one reserve champion, two firsts, three seconds, two thirds, and one fourth prize.

Several members of the F. F. A. play different instruments in the high school orchestra.

All of the Sophomores and Juniors have a definite program outlined for the coming year.

All members of the F. F. A. are practicing the most economical way of carrying out their projects.

--Dee Henry, Reporter

Atwood: The F. F. A. meets on the first Monday of every month. The cabinet members meet every Friday. The purpose of the last general meeting was to vote on, and elect the Green Hands for this year. The following boys were elected: Dale Bennett, Cyril Bliss, Denzil Dyer, Lynn Franklin, Garnet Ginther, Arnold Moline, Frank Patton, Allan Peaseley, Frank Ruda, Kenneth Winters, Elias Brown, Delmar Green, Jimmy Lankas, Vincent Shramck.

The F. F. A. program for November: Nov. 4, Green Hand Initiation; Nov. 18, Cabinet Meeting; Nov. 25, Annual Barn Warmer With F. H. A.

--Sidney Lewis, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

Reading: The Future Farmer officers for this year are as follows: Arthur Jones, president; Tom Whitaker, vice president; Herbert Balding, reporter; Verne Duggan, treasurer; Glenn Griffith, secretary.

Our chapter raised four members to the Future Farmer degree. These members were: Tom Whitaker, Herbert Balding, Leo DeDonder, Verne Duggan.

Our chapter had an all day picnic with the Americus chapter, June 4. The picnic was enjoyed by every one, and in the afternoon a baseball game was played between the two teams. The score was 26 to 12 in Reading's favor.

At the October meeting the chapter members initiated the following members as Green Hands: Willard Beason, Gerald Jones, Joe Duggan, Elvyn Slavik, Warren VanSickle, Robert Price, Preston Wamser.

Eleven members accompanied Mr. Taylor our advisor, to the American Royal at Kansas City, October 21 and 22.

--Herbert Balding, Reporter

Cottonwood Falls: The following officers were elected to head the Chase County Community F. F. A. chapter: Rollie Scott, president; Albert Burton, vice president; Leslie Cooper, secretary; Paul Brough, treasurer; Bill Wilson, reporter; Doyle Conley, watch dog.

The chapter entered a kafir booth in the Chase County fair and took first place. We also sponsored a float, which was awarded second place. The two entries netted the chapter \$45.

The chapter sponsored a trip to the American Royal Livestock Show. Twenty-one members made the trip in a truck. They went down Friday night and came back Sunday afternoon. Everyone had a good time and enjoyed the show.

We are planning a Father and Son banquet later on in the year. We are also planning to organize a basket ball team.

Our chapter meets every Monday morning and every second Monday evening of each month.

-- Bill Wilson, Reporter

Paxico: On September 24 the following officers were elected by the Paxico chapter: Bob Herron, president; Glen Searcy, vice president; Walter Michaelis, secretary; James Pauly, treasurer; Alvin Michaelis, watch dog.

Preparations have begun for the initiation of Green Hands, which will be held in the near future.

--Walter Michaelis, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

Fredonia: The Fredonia chapter holds its regular meetings the first Wednesday in each month in the vocational agriculture class room. Officers are elected at the April meeting for the following year and take office at the May meeting. In this way we close up our Future Farmer year the first of May, and start the work of the following year then. The present officers are: Loren McDonald, president; Max Keller, vice president; Willard Timmons, secretary; Leo Marshall, treasurer; Kenneth Read, reporter; Glenn Bauman, farm watch dog.

At the November meeting some of the members of last year's Green Hands will be raised to the degree of Future Farmers. We plan to call a special meeting to initiate candidates for the degree of Green Hands.

The chapter gave an assembly program, October 18. The program was opened with the opening ceremonies with the officers on the stage. Allen Honeyman read the objective of the chapter for the current year. Mr. Kenneth F. Burnett, division freight agent of the Santa Fe railroad, Joplin, Mo., gave an interesting talk regarding transportation and the Santa Fe railroad, after which he presented each member on the national livestock judging team from Kansas, the alternate, and their coach, 26 crisp, new one dollar bills, with which to pay their expenses in connection with the American Royal.

The local chapter was well pleased with the placing of their team in the national livestock judging contest. The team ranked 11th with 36 states competing. The team tied with Virginia for third place in the judging of sheep and ranked fourth in the judging of swine. The members of the team were Gay Tuis, Don McPherson, and Arlin Russell. Gay was second high individual in the judging of swine and received \$7.50 from the national organization of Future Farmers. Don ranked 8th in the judging of horses and mules and received \$3.00 from the Horse and Mule Association. Arlin also ranked 6th in the judging of sheep but received no cash prize. These boys were all seniors last year and have had only one year of vocational agriculture. Gay is now enrolled at Manhattan in agriculture.

The department entered a team in the judging contest at Winfield, October 10. All members of the team are Future Farmer members. The team ranked 10th. Members of the team were Allen Honeyman, Kenneth Read, and Charles Stover.

The chapter has a new walnut plaque on which we are putting bronze plates. On one of these plates each year will be placed the name of the outstanding Future Farmer for that year. The honor is determined by the members' scholarship, project program, participation in activities, and home practice. Our outstanding member of the past year was Gay Tuis.

Loren McDonald, Allen Honeyman, and Buford Sherbenou, and the chapter entered poultry in the Neodesha Junior fair. Loren won first and third on cockerel, and second and third on pullet in White Wyandottes. Allen had first pen and first pullet and first cockerel in the Ancona's class. Buford had the same as Allen, except his was in the Bantam class. The chapter entered White Leghorns and had first pen, first and third cockerel, and second and third pullet. Collectively we won \$8.50.

Chapter News (Fredonia News Concluded)

We held our all night summer picnic last summer at Dunn Dam on Fall River. All of the members attended and a number of prospective Future Farmer members were invited guests. Everyone enjoyed the recreation which consisted of swimming, boating, fishing, horse shoe pitching, and a soft ball game. We had all of the food that we could handle. The food was furnished by the members and the chapter furnished the ice cream.

--Kenneth Read, Reporter

Bird City: The Bird City chapter of Future Farmers closed their summer activities with a softball game with the Boy Scouts.

Election of officers was held last Monday at our regular meeting. The following officers were elected: Martin Busse, president; Marion Woods, vice president; Warren Burr, secretary; Pardee Woods, treasurer; Donald Blair, reporter.

--Donald Blair, Reporter

Seaman: We elected our new officers last spring. They are as follows: Benton Mitchell, president; Vern Amons, vice president; Earl Blair, treasurer; Elmer Jackson, watch dog; Mr. Farnsworth, Advisor.

We have a new work shop this year. We have 11 enrolled in the third year work and 25 in the second year work. Since the third year course is being offered for the first time we will not offer the first year course until next year.

The officers and the advisors went to the officers training school at Shawnee Mission October 5. We had a good time and learned how to fulfill our offices to the best advantage for the chapter.

--Willis Betts, Reporter

Medicine Lodge: Our chapter has elected the following officers for the coming year: Sidney McDowell, president; Charles Hall, vice president; Riley Hartzell, secretary; Lenneth Froster, treasurer; Donald Kinkaid, reporter; Wallace Kirdbride, watch dog.

This fall the chapter sponsored a community fair at Medicine Lodge. We were responsible for setting up the material used in the fair, and for the care of the livestock, grains, and other exhibits. Several of the boys entered the livestock and grain judging contest.

The vocational agriculture students with their instructor, Mr. Charles Mantz, attended the Kansas State fair at Hutchinson. The boys learned a lot and had a good time.

The Green Hands will be initiated into the chapter in the near future. We have set up a very interesting yearly program for the coming year.

--Donald Kinkaid, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

Auburn: Our chapter held its first meeting of the new school year on the evening of October 1, in the new farm shop building which is nearing completion. Seven new members were initiated into the green hand degree. The alumni members had charge of the initiation. The candidates were dressed in gunny-sack suits and given the water treatment.

The following officers were elected to fill the unexpired terms left vacant by those who graduated last year and are not where they can attend, most of whom are attending college: George Bayless, president; Paul Nason, vice president; Harold Hoy, secretary; Ed Medved, reporter; Glenn Kraemer, watch dog.

For our next meeting we are planning an open house meeting and the dedication of our new shop building.

--Ed Medved, Reporter

Linn: The following officers have been elected for the coming year: Raymond Lange, president; Arnold Lohmeyer, vice president; Lowell Wallace, secretary; Arno Fahsoltz, treasurer; Ollie Olson, reporter; John Hayes, watch dog.

The local F. F. A. milk judging team consisting of Thello Dodd, Norman Lohmeyer, Loren VanPetten, and Kenneth Rogge, alternate, placed first at the American Royal. Thello Dodd was high individual in the contest. The team won this chance by placing second in the judging of dairy cattle at Manhattan last spring.

The Green Hand ceremony was held Friday night, October 25.

At the Washington County and Banner fairs our chapter took 50 ribbons of which 20 were firsts. Our booth placed second in the county, and our judging team also placed second in the county.

--Ollie Olson, Reporter

Howard: Regular meetings are held the first Wednesday night of each month and the third Thursday of each month during activity period.

Funkin ball was one of the main activities during the summer months. The local team entered the city league with seven other teams and played a schedule of about two games per team per week.

A book exchange was conducted at the beginning of school. Grade books made up the larger part of our business due to the large number of new books in high school. Never the less we enjoyed a good business and our 15 per cent commission netted us a profit of ten dollars.

The Future Farmers are cooperating with the Girl Reserves in conducting food stands at the home foot ball games.

Chapter News (Howard News Continued)

Our membership was increased by eleven with the initiation into green hand degree of all members of the beginning vocational agriculture class.

--Reporter

Norton: The Norton chapter of the Future Farmers of America met October 1, 1935, for the initiation of Green Hands. Eleven Green Hands received the first degree: Roland Boddy, Eugene Darling, Kenneth Darling, Perry Erickson, Loyal Harper, Vernon Lee Heitman, Loyal Mapes, Learl Marsh, Harold Shulze, Clifford Tweed, Harold VanLoeman.

Last year's green hands will receive their Future Farmer degree next week; new officers will also be elected. The officers attended the officers training school at Colby for Northwest Kansas Future Farmer officers on October 12.

--Reporter

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Mound City held a parent-son banquet November 9th. Supervisor L. B. Pollom was the guest speaker. Despite an incessant downpour of rain, most of the afternoon and evening, more than 100 guests were served.

A new F.F.A. film is being planned. Work on taking representative activities of the Shawnee Mission chapter will get under way November 16. Outstanding chapter achievement and individual accomplishment will constitute the major part of the make-up. We are interested in being kept informed of high type performance on the part of individuals or chapters, in order to have the new film representative and worthy of our state association.

Miss Agnes Samuelson, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Iowa, and President of the National Education Association, spoke over the N.B.C. network during the F.F.A. radio broadcast November 11. Miss Samuelson paid a fine tribute to the work being done by the Future Farmers of America.

Director C. M. Miller, Kansas, was one of a national committee of trade and industrial educators which met in Kansas City, Missouri, at the time of the eighth national convention of the F.F.A. to formulate plans for the organization of the Future Craftsmen of America along somewhat similar lines of the F.F.A. Organization. Membership in this new organization will be open to students in trade and industrial courses of secondary level.

The Lawrence chapter held their annual father-son banquet Tuesday, November 12. Products from their projects were served. There were 125 guests present.

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