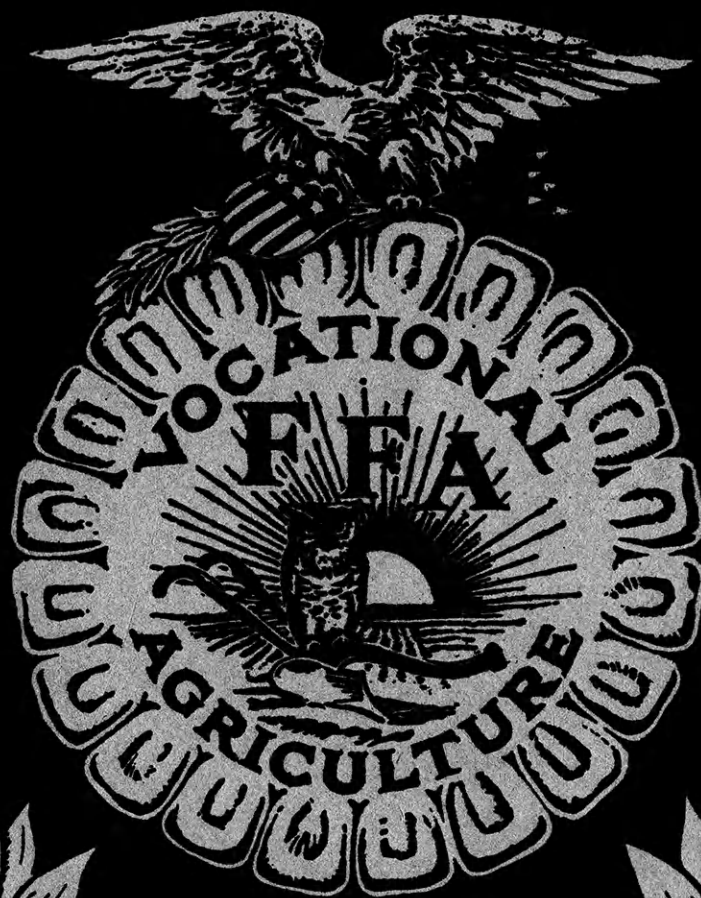


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CONGRATULATIONS

The State Association wishes to extend a welcome and best wishes to chapters numbers 107 and 108. The Osborne chapter chartered January 11, 1936, was the 107th chapter to be officially chartered, and Highland Park was chartered January 24, 1936, as chapter number 108. Roy Snyder is president, and Edwin Hodson, secretary-treasurer, of the Osborne chapter, and Rush Elmore is president, and William Winner is secretary of the Highland Park chapter.

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National F.F.A. president William R. Shaffer, in his remarks over the NBC January F.F.A. radio broadcast stated that he hoped for 125,000 members for the current year. He further stated that there would be no membership drive, that the National Organization was more interested in efficient membership than in mere numbers.

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National advisor John A. Linke, of the Office of Education, Washington, D. C., states that there are 5,100 high schools in the United States, Hawaii and Puerto Rico, offering vocational agriculture and receiving federal aid. These schools enroll 178,000 pupils in their day school classes, 23,000 in part-time classes, and 106,000 in their adult classes.

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There were 477 new F.F.A. chapters chartered during the past year, bringing the total number of chapters in the National Organization to 3,997. Since these totals were announced Kansas has added eight new chapters, and should charter at least 15 more before time for the annual report to the national office.

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1936 NATIONAL F.F.A. RADIO PROGRAM

Annual Theme: "Rural Institutions".

Monthly Themes: "Rural School", "Rural Library", "Farm Community", "Farm Press", "Farm Home", "Radio", "Cooperative Organizations", "National Farm Organizations", "U. S. Department of Agriculture", "Country Church", "Health Protection", and "Conservation".

Cooperating Agencies: "The National Broadcasting Company, the United States Army Band, State Associations of Future Farmers of America.

Dates: January 13; February 11; March 9; April 13; May 11; June 8; July 13; August 29; September 14; October 20; November 9; December 14.

April 13 (Monday) is National F.F.A. Day

August 29 (Saturday) is a coast-to-coast hook-up.

October 20 (Tuesday) is for the 1936 National F.F.A. Public Speaking Contest from Kansas City, Missouri.

State Associations participating: States from the following list will be extended an invitation to appear:

Pennsylvania, New York, Ohio, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Louisiana, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Texas, Michigan, Illinois, Kentucky, North Dakota, Missouri, Wyoming, Utah, Oregon and California.

Regular Features: Music by U. S. Army Band; News Flashes from U. S. Daily News; F.F.A. Radio Bulletin Board.

Special Features: Music by NBC Homesteaders Orchestra; radio entertainers; interviews, talks and addresses; playlets and skits; soloists.

We hope you did not miss the February 11 broadcast. This constituted the 59th F.F.A. program, and it measured well up to the high standard set by Art Ross and his co-workers. Strickland Gilliland's recital of his experiences with the old family cow, "Ermintrude", was a masterpiece. Certainly many of the older listeners recalled their youth when he described the build up of the "Burdock War Club", and dodged a few times when told of "Ermintrude's" skill in using same.

Get the habit of listening to these programs. They are eminently worth while. Ask your folks and neighbors to listen regularly to these programs. We know of no better way of acquainting the public with the objectives and accomplishments of the Future Farmers of America.

PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

Approximately ten weeks will remain between the time you receive this issue of the Kansas Future Farmer and the date of the State F.F.A. Public Speaking Contest. We hope that every one who has decided to enter a sectional or the State Contest will utilize this time to the fullest possible degree. Ten weeks of real honest work will result in another State contest of high calibre. Kansas has an enviable record in the Central Region in the Public Speaking Contest event, and we hope the boys interested in this contest this year will "place the aim higher than their grasp". The Kansas F.F.A. Public Speaking Contest will be conducted under the rules set up for the National Contest.

The State Contest will be open only to boys less than 21 years of age who are regularly enrolled high school students successfully carrying at least three units of regular high school work, and who are active members of chartered F.F.A. chapters in good standing with the State and National Organizations at the time they are selected to represent their chapter in the State Contest. (Attention is called to the fact that boys who are still in high school as undergraduates and who have already taken all of the vocational agriculture offered in their school may be eligible.)

Each contestant's speech is to be the result of his own efforts. Training in both composition and delivery are limited to the facilities of the school from which the contestant comes, but facts and working data may be secured from any source.

Time Limit

Each speech shall be limited to ten minutes in length and five minutes additional time will be allowed each contestant in which to defend his production on questions which shall be asked by the judges.

Subjects

Contestants may choose their own subjects for their speeches. Any current subject of an agricultural character which is of general interest to the public will be acceptable.

The following list will offer many suggestions in choosing a topic for the State F.F.A. Public Speaking Contest:

Equalization of Taxes As a Farm Relief Measure
Land Use and Human Welfare
Why Cooperate?
Federal Emergency Farm Loans
Cooperation for the American Farmer
America's Export Trade As It Affects the Farmer
The Challenge of Adversity and the American Farmer
Inflation As It Affects Farm Prices

Public Speaking Contest (Continued)

Taxation and Its Meaning to American Agriculture
Inflation As It Affects Farmers' Debts
The First American Farmer and the F.F.A.
Financing the Farm Business
Large Scale Farming in the United States
Taxation, Its Value to the Rural Community
Cooperation and a Planned Agriculture
The Future Farmers of America
Federal Regulation of Public Domain and Marginal Lands
The Farm Credit Situation
The Need for Rural Leaders
The Advantages of Being a Farmer
Future Farmers Point the Way
Diversified Farming and Its Effect on American Agriculture
Young Men in Agriculture
The Future of the American Farmer
National Planning in Agriculture
What the Future Farmers of America May Mean to American
Agriculture
The Farmer of Tomorrow
What Vocational Agriculture and the F.F.A. Mean to Me
Adjustment of the Farm Tax Burden
The Reduction of Taxes As a Farm Relief Measure
A Balanced Agriculture
Does Land Utilization Hold the Key to Present Farm Problems
International Trade in Agriculture
The Restoration of Agricultural Stability
Mechanization of Agriculture
Why I Choose to Become a Farmer
The Machine Age and Its Effect on American Agriculture
Equalizing the Farmers' Tax Burden
Cooperative Farming and Marketing - A Solution to Farm Problems
Farm Machinery and the Agricultural Revolution
What is the Future of American Farming
Why Education for Life on the Farm
The Master Farmer
The Unorganized Farmer in an Organized World
The Farmer's Own Farm Relief
The Opportunities for and the Limitations of Corporation
Farming
Rural Electrification and Its Effect on Agriculture
Subsistence Farming in Relation to Rural Life
What the F.F.A. Offers to a Wide Awake Farm Boy
Why It Is a Privilege to Be an F.F.A. Member
The Need for Greater Business Efficiency on the Average Farm
The F.F.A. Creed - What It Means to Rural America

Public Speaking Contest (Concluded)

Sources:

It is not possible to list all sources of aid for those preparing to take part in the Public Speaking contest. The following standard sources should not be overlooked:

1. Books dealing with the topic chosen.
2. Readers' Guide - in public libraries and high school libraries.
3. Publications of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, Washington, D. C.
4. Publications of the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.
5. Special Reports of the Bureau of Economics, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.
6. Current National Magazines.
7. The Farm Press.
8. National and Columbia Radio Broadcasts. Study advance program schedule, listen to numbers that deal with any phase of your chosen topic. Often it is possible to procure a copy of the address in which you are interested by writing the author of it.
9. Census Reports.
10. State Newspapers.

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1936 NATIONAL CHAPTER CONTEST

Kansas Chapters Eligible: Lawrence, Winfield, Linn, Washington, Mound City, Morrowville, Ottawa, Lebanon, and Howard. These chapters are eligible for entry on the basis of having been declared outstanding in the type of program submitted and in the achievement accomplished in the State Association Better Chapter Contest in 1935.

Shawnee Mission chapter was among the ten outstanding chapters listed by the State Association, but will not be eligible to compete in the 1936 National Contest because of having won the 1935 National Better Chapter Contest.

Any or all of the nine above listed chapters may enter the National Contest. In case of more than one entry the State Association will score the reports and submit final reports on the best chapter only.

Competing chapters are expected to submit their programs of work, now in operation, to the State Advisor early enough so that they may be forwarded to the National Executive Secretary of the F.F.A. not later than March 16, 1936. Programs, when submitted by chapters in this way, constitute a bona fide entry in this contest. Entry blanks are being sent to the chapters eligible.

1936 National Best Chapter Contest (Continued)

The chapter's final report on accomplishments, including summary, and any supplementary material, should be neatly assembled and forwarded to the State Advisor upon a date specified by him. The complete packet of material submitted in connection with a chapter's final report should be limited in size to approximately 10"x12"x6". Chapters must plan to get these reports on accomplishment to the State Advisor's office early enough so that he can provide for the selection of the best chapter, and forward this report to the National F.F.A. office not later than midnight, Tuesday, September 1, 1936. The records of the high chapters from States which are forwarded to the National Executive Secretary, 1800 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., will be considered in the final scoring for prizes.

The complete report from each chapter then will include:

- (1) A copy of the chapter program of work now in operation (to be submitted by March 16, 1936, on the blank which has been provided.)
- (2) The final report (to be submitted by September 1, 1936, using the blank which will be provided) reporting on the objectives in the program already submitted, accompanied by additional information or illustrative material on chapter's activities such as kodak pictures with legends, clippings from County and State newspapers, and other publications relative to chapter activities, a scrap book of material on chapter activities (if one has been kept), together with any other evidence of accomplishment, and a recent photograph of chapter members.

The selection of the winners will be based partly on the quality of the program and partly on the actual accomplishments of the chapter in terms of the program. Emphasis is thus placed on activities organized and promoted by the chapter as a group.

Method of Selecting the Winners:

In selecting the winners of the contest, the highest scoring chapter from each of the four administrative regions shall be determined first, and these in turn rated for the capital award.

In scoring a chapter's program of activities, consideration will be given to (1) the importance and appropriateness of the items included; (2) the goals of accomplishment set; and (3) the methods and devices used to attain goals. This applies to each item on the score card.

In scoring accomplishments, consideration will be given to (1) total accomplishment of the chapter on each item of its program; (2) percentage of membership participation; (3) average accomplishment per

1936 National Best Chapter Contest (Continued)

member where such statement is feasible; and (4) the general accomplishment and progress of the chapter group.

Competing chapters are urged to exercise their initiative and originality in programs of accomplishment adapted to their conditions. The judges will be considerate of any worthy achievement in line with the objectives of the Future Farmers of America organization.

Score Card:

Following is a copy of the score card, with the total perfect score which will be allowed on each of the items under program and accomplishment, respectively:

	Program of Work submitted by March 16.	Report on Accomplishments submitted by September 1st.
I. Supervised practice.....	50	150
II. Cooperative activities.....	40	120
III. Community service.....	40	120
IV. Leadership activities.....	30	90
V. Earnings and savings.....	30	90
VI. Conduct of meetings.....	20	60
VII. Scholarship.....	20	60
VIII. Recreation.....	20	60
Total Perfect Score	250	750

Awards:

Cash prizes will be awarded by the national organization of F.F.A. to the winning chapters as follows:

To the outstanding chapter of the United States.....	\$150.00
To the outstanding chapter in each of the other three regions.....	75.00
To the outstanding chapter of Hawaii and Puerto Rico..	25.00
To the outstanding chapter in each State not represented in the above prizes.....	15.00

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One state has begun to give publicity to a Star Farmer candidate for - possibly '37 or '38. The lad is not yet a State Farmer, so it would seem the aim is plenty long range. The plan of picking Star Farmers two or three years in advance is open to serious question. Our belief is that the best way of securing Star Farmer recognition is to keep your American Farmer standards high so that Star Farmer awards may be expected any year.

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A CHALLENGE TO PAUL LECK

International attention was drawn to the record made by our Star Farmer of America, Paul Leck, as indicated by a London dispatch published in a recent issue of the Topeka Daily Capital. The article follows:

London, Dec. 26.--(A.P.)--A challenge to Paul Leck, 18, of Kansas, U. S. A. who raised 16 pigs to a value of \$2,000, has been issued here.

The challenger is Arthur Crew, 19, son of a farmer at Hinton, Chippenham, Wiltshire.

"Circumstances alter cases," he said, "but I think if you compare the American boy's results with mine, you will find his achievement is not so very big."

Young Crew started with \$60 last February and bought 10 small pigs. "I had no expert advise and rarely went to market," he said. "I only sold two lots and bought one lot in the market, but in a year's time I made a clear profit of about \$500."

Crew is the only farm boy to answer a London newspaper's appeal for a British rival to the American champion.

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ARE YOU?

	Are you an active member, A cooperative pal; Or are you just contented With the pin on your lapel?	
IF	Do you attend the meetings And mingle with the flock,	PROMISE
YOU	Or do you always stay at home, And criticize and knock?	YOURSELF
HAVEN'T	Do you take an active part To help the work along,	THAT
BEEN	Or are you satisfied to be The kind that just belong?	YOU
IN	Do you help your fellow members To draft things out and plan,	WILL BE
THE	Or leave the work to just a few Who do the bit they can?	IN THE
PAST,	Attend the meetings often, And help with hand and heart; Just think this problem over; You know the right from wrong,	FUTURE
	Are you an active member, Or do you just belong?	

--From Colorado Future Farmer

CHAPTER NEWS

St. Francis: Our chapter had Mr. Stewart, the county agent, show the film strip, "The Farm Trail Leads On", at a recent Future Farmer meeting.

Our chapter held election of officers on January 6. The officers are as follows: Merridith Morrisson, president; Q. V. Halley, vice president; Bill Fuller, secretary; Alfred Rueb, treasurer; Ruben Zimbelman, reporter; Delmont Price, watch dog.

Several members of the livestock class are conducting ewe and lamb projects. This is the first project of sheep in the history of St. Francis vocational agriculture department.

Our chapter gave the Future Home Makers a party in December. Eats were served after the entertainment and consisted of hot cocoa and sandwiches.

Our chapter entered the poultry judging contest at Bird City, Kansas, on December 6. The members of the team were as follows: Bill Fuller, Merridith Morrisson, and Cecil Felzein. Bill Fuller ranked fourth in the contest.

In our December meeting we had an athletic program. The boys were divided into four groups and they had two games of volley ball.

- -Ruben Zimbelman, Reporter.

Concordia: The F.F.A. furnished a basket of food for the needy at Thanksgiving time, which was distributed by the Social Science department.

On December 22 we had a skating party which was enjoyed by all.

We voted to have twenty-five cents dues, five cents of which is to stay in the local treasury.

We plan to have our annual parent and son banquet the latter part of February.

About the first week in March we plan to hold a poultry judging contest.

Fifteen members went to Miltonvale February 3 for second degree initiation.

- - Stanley Ostrom, Reporter.



Chapter News (Continued)

Colby: Our regular F.F.A. meeting for November was held in the annex of the high school building. The yearly plans were read and accepted by all members present.

The contents of the Future Farmer magazine was reviewed for the group of 31 by the reporter. Discussion was offered about the poultry show. The meeting was then closed.

The regular December meeting was held in the annex. Twenty members were present. Gilbert McLean acted as president in the absence of Marion Boyer. A motion carried by the members gave the president the power to appoint a committee to draw up a program for all regular meetings the rest of the year. It was also decided that we would elect officers twice yearly. A report was given on the play sponsored by the F.F.A. A profit of \$29 was reported. After several project stories were given, the meeting was closed.

Friday, December 7, a special F.F.A. meeting was held with 32 members present. Tryouts for the Future Farmer degree were held for Gilbert McLean and Ray Zoberst. Both were successful.

Wednesday, December 18, a farewell date party was given in the auditorium by all F.F.A. and Agriculture members for Mr. Fort. Games were played the first part of the evening, and later Mr. Fort was presented with a very nice gift and was asked to make a short talk. Refreshments were served. The guests spent a very enjoyable evening.

The regular January F.F.A. meeting was held in the annex for the purpose of electing officers. Those elected were: Gilbert McLean, president; Hubert Adams, vice president; Lloyd White, secretary; Vernon Jones, treasurer; Ray Zoberst, reporter; Edward Bremenkamp, watch dog. The meeting was closed in duo form.

Tuesday, January 28, the Colby chapter sponsored a program to make money for taking judging trips. The program consisted of the "Dixie Melody Masters". This was a negro quartet who sang songs of plantation and slavery days. A good audience attended, and enjoyed the program very much. It was also successful from a financial standpoint. The committee for this program was Glen Larson and Ray Zoberst.

Mr. Fort, our former vocational agriculture instructor, was talking to Edward Bremenkamp in Agriculture class.

Mr. Fort: "Edward, what method would you use to get rid of the stubble after a heavy crop?"

Edward: "Plow it under".

Mr. Fort: "Well, what if you raised another big crop the next year?"

Edward: "I'd retire."

- -Ray Zoberst, Reporter.

Chapter News (Continued)

Cottonwood Falls: Our annual Father-Son banquet was held November 26. Thirty-four plates were served at the banquet. The main speakers of the evening were Mr. L. B. Pollom, State Supervisor, and Mr. N. M. Bee-ler, Associate Editor of Capper's Farmer. After the main program the group assembled in the auditorium for a picture show, featuring, "A Century of Progress", at the World's Fair, and one reel on "Modern Power Farming". These films were furnished through the courtesy of The Good Year Tire and Rubber Company, Akron, Ohio.

On the evening of January 13, 1936, the chapter initiated the following candidates as Green Hands: Robert Archer, Dean Brown, Keith Brown, Raymond Butcher, Arthur Burton, Billy Cooper, Carl Herrick, Bill Herrick, and Ray Sherffius. All of the above boys purchased Green Hand buttons.

Six of the Freshmen boys who were initiated as Green Hands have purchased new union-alls, with the inscription of C.C.C.H.S. Voc. Ag. on their backs, which they wear while working in shop. The boys are really proud of their new outfits.

The latest development now under way in the Chase Chapter is plans for an F.F.A. cabin to be constructed of native lime-stone rock, which we plan to use for summer camps and hikes throughout the year. The problem now is to pick a suitable site, where boating, fishing and swimming may be enjoyed.

- - Bill Wilson, Reporter.

Lincoln: The Lincoln F.F.A. chapter held its annual Christmas meeting December 19 and the members exchanged gifts.

The vocational agriculture boys attended a meat cutting demonstration and also a soil erosion school early in January.

The F.F.A. boys played basketball with the Beverly F.F.A. boys Friday night January 24. The score was 13 to 29, in Beverly's favor. They are going to return the game in the near future.

On January 19 three members were initiated as Future Farmers: They were: Oscar Bird, Loun Bryan, and Kenneth Markley. Seven members were initiated as Green Hands, they were: Merle Sprague, Robert Crawford, Robert Lyons, Dee Hughes, Virgil Michelson, Charles Garner, and Herbert Howe.

- - Reporter.

Westmoreland: Our chapter has planned to make a hot bed which is to be sponsored by the group. The plants raised are not to be sold for profit, but are to be used at home by the members.

Our chapter basket ball team has played several games with other F.F.A. teams.

- - Reporter.



Chapter News (Continued)

Washington: The sixth annual F.F.A. banquet was held January 22. This year the fathers and mothers of the boys were guests. This banquet was made possible through the splendid cooperation of the Washington Chamber of Commerce. There were 245 people who attended this occasion, including F.F.A. members, their mothers and fathers, members of the Chamber of Commerce, and out of town speakers. The honor guest was Paul Leck, Star Farmer of America. Paul was presented with a life membership and a ring by the Chamber of Commerce. The principal speaker was Mr. W. A. Cochel, editor of the Kansas City Weekly Star. Other speakers were Mr. C. M. Miller, Mr. A. P. Davidson, and Mr. L. F. Hall, of Kansas State College. Motion pictures were shown of agricultural activities in Russia by Superintendent F. E. Hewitt. In contrast to European agriculture, motion pictures were shown by Mr. Hall of the activities of Paul Leck and of the Shawnee Mission and Lawrence chapters.

As a means of collecting dues and to make some extra money, our annual roller skating party was held December 20. The plan carried out is to charge F.F.A. members 30 cents, which includes 20 cents dues. Others not belonging to the chapter are charged 20 cents. This usually shows an income above expenses as well as provides an effective way of collecting dues. The present paid up membership totals 44.

The 25 boys enrolled in the Freshman and advanced classes have the following projects: Beef, 10; Dairy, 2; Swine, 6; Poultry, 8; Potato, 3; Garden, 8; Crops, 10.

A part time class of 15 members has been organized by our out of school members and others of about the same age.

- - Reporter.

Clay Center: A Green Hand initiation was held at Clay Center November 5. A small number of boys were present due to the weather conditions. Another initiation is to be held in the future for those who were unable to attend the November meeting. The degree was given to the following: Woodrow Brown, Melvin Crawford, Bob Davis, Earl Fowles, Dorsey Gibbs, and Joe Gingrich.

The Future Farmers entertained the Green Hands and their parents November 25. After the program the parents were given an opportunity to visit the shop. The aim was to show what is being done in the vocational agriculture department and its value.

The Future Farmers enjoyed one-hundred per cent the entertainment given by the Home Economic girls on December 1.

On December 17 a Christmas party was given and a basketball game furnished entertainment.

A skating party was held by the Future Farmers on January 2.

- - Arthur Fowles, Reporter.

Chapter News (Continued)

McDonald: Several new Green Hands will be taken in this semester. We intend to hold the initiation in the near future.

We are now running germination tests on sorghum seed. We are charging 25 cents a sample and are running check tests so that the tests will be as accurate as possible.

Selling popcorn, candy, etc., at all home football and basketball games has proven very successful. We take in from three to five dollars every game.

Three members of the vocational agriculture classes won scholarships last semester. Those members were Leonard Vyzeourek, Wayne Harper, and Hubert Sramek.

Harold Hastings, Hale Conor, and Joe Kyte purchased pure-bred Shorthorn heifers for use as projects in vocational agriculture. The heifers were purchased from the Conor herd.

Wayne Harper purchased a Chester White gilt from the Gould herd at Rexford, Kansas.

Mr. Frisbie, our instructor, is closing projects carried on last year and reports that many of the projects were a financial success in a big way. We intend to have a report of a summary of all the projects soon.

A medal will be awarded by the Future Farmers to the Freshman Agriculture student making the best school record this semester.

The members of the McDonald chapter of the Future Farmers of America held their annual date party at the high school gymnasium Saturday evening, January 25. The boys appeared in overalls while their "dates" wore gingham gowns. The young farmers under the direction of their instructor, Mr. Frisbie, planned and carried out a very unique and clever program which was enjoyed by all.

Starting the program was a humorous one-act comedy, "Bill Perkins Proposin Day", played by Hubert Sramek, Wayne Harper, Joe Kyte and Hugh Chance. Each member of the cast played his part pre-eminently. Hubert and Wayne did justice to the feminine parts. Following this part of the program were a series of athletic stunts by Boxing Glove Ike and Handle Bar Pete, The Bull's Eye Special, Homemakers Contest, and the Match Box Medley. Two reels of football pictures were shown.

Following the evening's entertainment a delightful lunch was served with Instructor Frisbie acting as head waiter. Members of the eats committee were Audrey Klepper, Wayne Harper, and Joe Kyte, and needless to say the boys outlined a very tempting ration consisting of hot dog sandwiches, cocoa, apples, and cookies. Those in charge of the entertainment were Hugh Chance, Dale Moreland, and Leonard Sramek, all of whom were "right in the buggy" from the standpoint of entertainment.

Chapter News (McDonald chapter concluded)

The State Board of Vocational Education recognizes our department as being one of the strongest and best in the state, and needless to say the enthusiasm and effort displayed at this and other times is worthy of such recognition. Our F.F.A. ideals have become manifested in some of the successful farmers of our community.

- - Leonard Sramek, Reporter.

Fairview: Our F.F.A. chapter now has a swine project of 21 mixed shoats weighing about 80 pounds per head. We are feeding as a carbohydrate part of the ration, soft corn. This corn is being bought either as a payment on a member's shares or if none is available among the members, it is bought from an outsider who has soft corn for sale. We are using tankage for the protein part of the ration. We sold shares in this project for .50 cents per share. We did not make it compulsory to buy shares in the project, but we are very glad to report that we have almost 100 per cent of our members taking shares in the project.

We held a Christmas party in addition to our regular meeting of December 20. Five cent gifts were exchanged at this party and with each gift came a poem about the person to whom it was given. Quite a few laughs were raised upon the reading of some of the poems.

We are glad to report that we are making plans for our annual Father and Son banquet. The following committees have been appointed by our president, Dale Schaible: program committee, menu committee, and reception committee. The Green Hand members of our chapter always act as the clean-up committee.

- - Hillary Cyphers, Reporter.

Newton: At the meeting on December 19, the following Green Hands were raised to the degree of Future Farmers: Olin Eby, Larnob Philipps, Kenneth Moulds, David Orphin, Maurice Gates, Tipton Lantis, and Albert Martins.

The chapter is slowly acquiring all the regalia necessary for chapter meetings and initiations. We have seen fit to require the boys to do something for the chapter prior to their initiation as Green Hands. The contributions have been a stuffed owl by Gale Williams, a mounted ear of corn by Olin Eby, a flag staff by Irvin Doy. John Dart framed the Creed, and Elvin Jones made a mount for the plow. The gavel and block was made by Walter Andres. In the near future we will have a large emblem which is to be oil painted and piped so it can be illuminated with an electric light.

Twelve boys of the chapter enjoyed a skating party at Lake McKee Saturday evening, January 25.

- - Reporter.

Chapter News (Continued)

Beloit: Last month the F.F.A. members met in the high school for the initiation of the new members. Eight Green Hands were taken through the run-down farm and shocked with a magneto as they climbed over a board fence. After the initiation the F.F.A. members were treated to candy bars. Basket ball, volley ball, and boxing were played during the evening.

The F.F.A. received \$4.46 which was ten per cent of the proceeds that were taken in at the concession stand at the football games.

Lyle Dodd will try-out for the Union Pacific scholarship in vocational agriculture. Charles Jordan, president of the F.F.A. 1934-35, was one of the seven who won the national 4-H health contest last year.

- - Clarence Scoggan, Reporter.

Reading: This chapter sponsored a grain and hay show on November 14 and 15. Prizes were awarded for first and second places, 50 cents for first, and 25 cents for second. The show was so large and so well conducted that we are planning to hold another.

Sixty persons attended our parent-son banquet held December 10. Our speaker was M. M. Beeler, of the Capper Farm Publications. A very nice time was enjoyed by everyone present.

At the last meeting plans were discussed for basket ball games .

- - Reporter.

Shawnee Mission: The Shawnee Mission chapter held its seventh annual parents banquet November 21. A fine program was enjoyed by everyone. The banquet was held in the school auditorium. The guest speaker was Mr. Ernest Tucker of the Kansas City Star. Other guests were Mr. A. P. Davidson of the Kansas State College, Manhattan; Mr. A. L. Cross, the principal of our school; our F.F.A. coach, Mr. Hugh McLane; Mr. Clyde Curry, clerk of the school board; and Mr. Lester B. Pollom, state supervisor. Twenty Green Hands were raised to the degree of Future Farmer.

We are now holding our class recitation in our shop, due to the building of our new school building which will be completed in September.

- - Charles Christian, Acting Reporter.

Effingham: Our basketball team played the Lawrence F.F.A. Cagers, January 15. The score was 18 to 11 in our favor. A return game was planned for February 11. The following boys made the trip: J. R. Foster, Bernard Kelly, Louis Olson, Walter Sutter, James Clark, Earl Ridgon, Chas. Taliferro, A. J. Hamon, John Stuckert.

We initiated the following Green Hands at our January meeting: Bernard Kelly, Paul McLenon, and Howard Montgomery.

- - John Stuckert, Reporter.

Chapter News (Continued)

Winfield: Director C. M. Miller was the principal speaker at our parent-son banquet held February 12.

The chapter has borrowed \$1000 through the Howard Production Credit Association to finance the cooperative sheep project.

The financial summary of the F.F.A. five acre Junior seed potato project follows:

<u>Receipts</u>		
719 bags of potatoes sold	\$	868.58
160 bags of potatoes on hand		145.00
110 bags potatoes (junior seed) planted Inv.		210.00
1 Demming irrigation pump		50.00
	Total Receipts	\$1273.58
<u>Expense</u>		
Kaw valley bags (new)	\$	66.80
Sewing twine		1.00
Freight on sacks		1.75
Freight on potatoes shipped		110.55
Commission and reserve		25.13
Labor to others		74.79
Labor paid F.F.A. members		89.88
Irrigation well and pump		110.00
Northern Certified seed to start project		140.00
Use of digger		5.00
Storage charges on junior seed		57.00
Fertilizers for two crops		32.00
Junior seed to plant two crops Inv.		210.00
	Total Expense	\$ 923.90
	Net earnings of Project	\$ 349.68
	(Not counting use of land and equipment)	

A special F.F.A. news sheet was issued by our chapter under date of February 12.

- - Reporter.

Bazine: Seventeen of the nineteen Freshmen eligible for Green Hand degrees were initiated November 15.

The local chapter is cooperating with the Home Economics department and are putting on a play, the proceeds will be distributed equally between the two departments. We wish for good luck.

The Sophomore shop class has just completed two tables for the Home Economics department.

Our president Ralph Klowono, completed a two wheel stock trailer just before the Christmas holidays.

- - Reporter.



Chapter News (Continued)

Vinland: The Vinland chapter was the second chapter to receive their charter this school year.

Every boy in school who has taken vocational agriculture, or who is taking agriculture is a member and the treasurer reports 100 per cent paid up membership.

The following officers were elected: Raymond Randal, president; Miles Cleland, vice president; Bruce Holcom, treasurer; Ralph Madl, secretary; Melvin Edmonds, reporter; George Newman, watch dog; E. R. Button, advisor.

We held our first Father and Son banquet Friday evening, January 17. Every member, with the exception of one, was present and brought a guest. The Lawrence officers were present. The regular opening ceremony was given, followed by a program. Mr. L. B. Pollom was to make the main address, but was unable to be present due to weather conditions. Dr. Guest of Baldwin, was asked to take his place. Mr. Wilson Counts, director for the Production Credit Corporation explained how F.F.A. loans could be secured. The boys donated the foods and the sisters cooked and served.

- - Melvin Edmonds, Reporter.

Ellis: The Ellis chapter has been holding their regular meetings. At our weekly meetings we have a short educational program. Following the program we transact our business.

Our monthly night meetings consist of two parts, educational and entertainment. The educational part is about one-half hour long. After it is over, we do whatever the program committee has planned for us. We practice basket ball, go skating, or stay in the agriculture building and play games.

We added a new book to our library, entitled "Fun and Work for Future Farmers". This book gives us suggestions for our programs. It is also a good book for amusements for programs.

For one monthly night meeting we held our annual skating party. Those who did not skate stayed at the agriculture building and played various games. We had two alumni visitors at this party, Bob Johnson of Ellis, and Floyd Pierce of Wichita. After we quit skating, refreshments were served.

For a class project we are having 100 broilers, which will be sold for the Easter market. This project will be supported by the F.F.A. boys who buy shares at \$1.00 each. When the chickens are sold and the expenses are paid, we will divide the net profit according to the number of shares bought. If there is a loss, each boy will assume a pro-rated share.

- - Harry Walz, Reporter