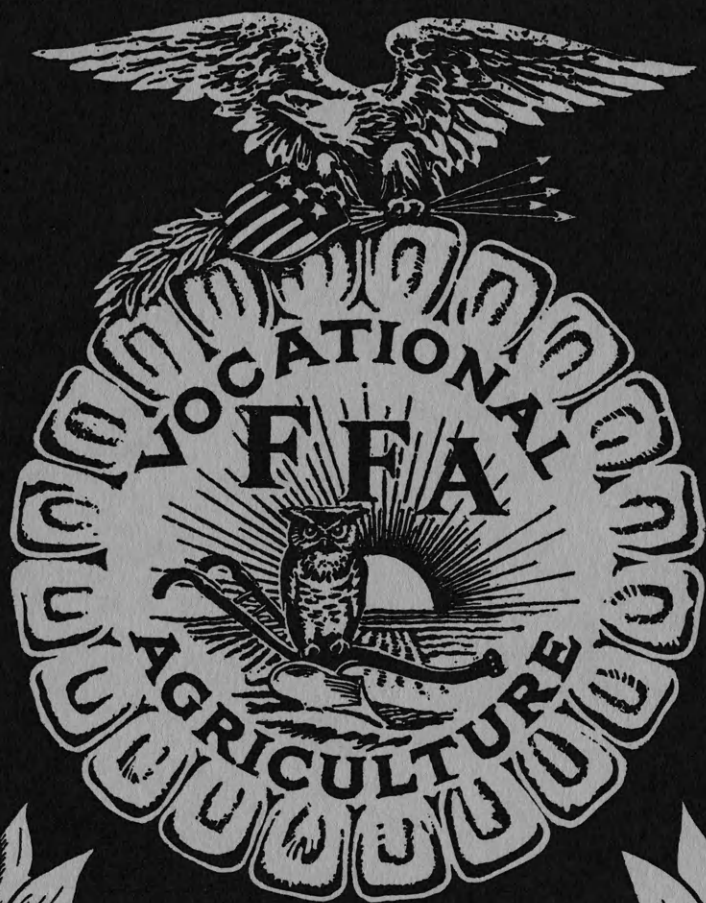


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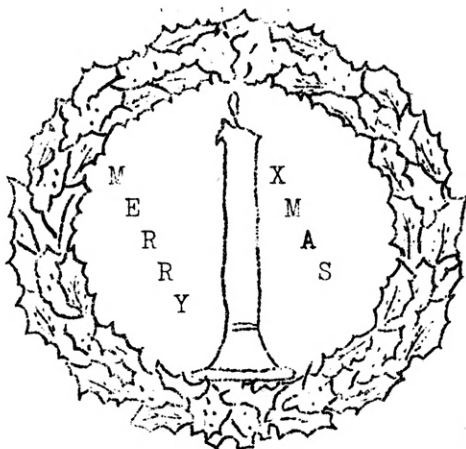
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"Not what we give but what we share;
For the gift without the giver is bare."
--James Russell Lowell

FFA

NEW CHAPTERS

The state association wishes to extend congratulations and best wishes to the following new FFA chapters: Grinnell, chartered November 3, 1936, No. 117¹²¹; LaCygne, chartered November 17, 1936, No. 120¹²⁴; and Norwich, chartered December 3, 1936, No. 121¹²⁵. Grinnell was overlooked in announcing the new chapters in our November issue of the Kansas Future Farmer. Grinnell has a membership of 15, LaCygne 17, and Norwich 21.

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FFA SUPPLIES

The September issue of the Kansas Future Farmer lists firms and prices relative to FFA supplies. The secretary's book was announced in the November issue of the Future Farmer. The Kansas Association will not handle the official secretary book this year. This book is available through the French Bray Printing Company, Candler Building, Baltimore, Maryland. The list price is 25 cents.

There will be no revision of the FFA manual until after the Tenth Annual Meeting of the National Organization which will occur in October 1937.

The recommended degree changes involving new degree emblems will receive final action at the Tenth Annual Meeting of the National Organization of FFA, therefore there will be no change in the degree emblems until next year.

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KANSAS FFA BAND

The State Association received official notification from the national executive secretary, W. A. Ross, that Kansas would not be called upon to furnish an FFA band in connection with the Tenth Anniversary of the National Organization of FFA in 1937. Mr. Ross stated that Kansas was slated to furnish the official FFA band in connection with the Eleventh Annual Meeting of the National Organization of Future Farmers of America in 1938. May we call the attention of the local advisors to this announcement. It is hoped that advisors will encourage their members who have musical inclinations to improve their musical talents, in order that Kansas might have in 1938 an official FFA band that will be a credit to the National Organization.

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PROJECT STORY WINNER

Junior Heck of the Jayhawk chapter, Lawrence, Kansas, was the November winner in the project story contest sponsored by the American Farm Youth Magazine. Junior received a cash award of \$5.00. In 1935 Junior had the misfortune of having his 4 1/3 acre potato project washed away by the Kaw valley flood of that year. This caused a loss of \$151.27. In 1936 the same land was again planted to potatoes. The hot dry weather of June caused the crop to be harvested somewhat earlier than customary. However Junior harvested 828 bushels of Grade I potatoes, and 58 bushels of culls, making an average yield of 204 bushels per acre. He sold on a high market, receiving \$2.93 per hundred weight. His total income amounted to \$1,500.87. After subtracting his 1935 loss and the present year's expenses he had a net profit of \$1,005.00. Junior also carries a sow and litter project and a Hereford calf project. We wish to extend congratulations to Junior, and trust that many Kansas boys will be stimulated to enter this worthy contest.

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DUES

While the date of January 1st is set as the deadline for paying dues, the State Association encourages the payment of state and national dues early in the school year. Membership cards will be furnished chapters in sufficient quantities to provide one card for each active member upon receipt of state and national dues. Why not collect and pay your dues early in the school year and thereby give your members the privilege of carrying up-to-date membership cards. The largest chapter to date is the Shawnee Mission chapter with a paid up membership of 71 members as of October 2, 1936. Bill Essick, advisor for the Jayhawk chapter commenting on FFA membership in the December issue of the KVAA Newsletter remarks as follows: "All fifty members have paid local, state, and national dues amounting to \$1.00 per year....Our chapter offers the following for a paid up membership; trip to the American Royal, Christmas party for the boys and their girl friends, basketball and baseball teams, judging teams, state farmers, outings to our cabin at the state lake at Tonganoxie, debates, picture shows, the chance to take part in rural meetings, the privilege of wearing the Future Farmer pin, picnics, and regular weekly meetings where the boys may take part in the programs....these activities are attractive to high school boys....It should be a privilege to belong and maintain membership in the Future Farmer chapter....If you are having difficulty in maintaining interest in your chapter, get a pencil and check your chapter activities....Perhaps the chapter does not interest your boys because it is simply not interesting". It would seem that Bill has covered the subject adequately.

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FFA OUTSIDE THE BORDER

Montana--There were 39 vocational agricultural departments, and 39 active chapters of FFA for the year ending June 30, 1935. Delegates for the Kansas City meetings are selected on the basis of chapter rank, and individual long time farming programs.

South Dakota--The state association cooperative prints and distributes the supervised practice record books and has this year included uniform class notebooks.

Iowa--Some objectives which are receiving special emphasis this year are: (1) organization of a state FFA camp; (2) inaugurating state parliamentary procedure contest; (3) promoting wild life conservation; (4) holding preliminary district FFA public speaking contests in addition to the regular state public speaking contest.

Florida--A new FFA camp located at O'Leno on the Santa Fe river two miles off the main highway between Lake City and Gainesville, has been secured. In addition to the beautiful camp site, there is a large combination dining and recreation hall, fourteen cabins for boys, three leaders' cabins,

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and a hospital cabin. All buildings are of logs with cracks cemented and all are screened. Lights and water are furnished. The use of this camp by the FFA was made possible through the Florida Forest Service. The state association is responsible for a monthly radio broadcast over station WRUF, Gainesville, the third Saturday of each month, 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Louisiana--One thousand twenty-nine copies of Stewart's parliamentary booklets are owned by the chapters and two hundred copies are owned by individuals. Thirty chapters in the state have organized FFA bands. Four hundred eight members use the official metal markers.

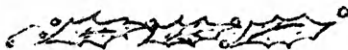
Texas--The purposes and objectives of the State Association are developed and carried out through area, district, federation, and local organizations. The state is divided into 10 areas; 50 districts; and 385 local chapters. Each area and district elects officers, sets up objectives, and has preliminary contests. FFA manuals are owned by 6,674 members. 107 chapters gave one or more radio broadcasts. A news writing correspondence course was offered for FFA reporters through A. & M. College. 8,000 participated at the FFA day at the Ft. Worth Fat Stock Show.

The Texas FFA sponsored the following contests with large chapter and member participation: Public Speaking, Debating, Chapter Conducting, One-Act Play, Extemporaneous Speaking, Livestock Judging, Dairy Cattle Judging, Milk Judging, Poultry Judging, Grain and Forage Judging, Horticulture, Cotton Classing, Farm Shop, Meat Identification, "Texas Terracer" Terracing, Star Lone Star Farmer, Chapter Contest, First Year Chapter Contest, Federation and District Contests, and Band.

Vermont--The state association conducted a hike along the whole length of the Long Trail which extends from the Vermont-Massachusetts line on the south to the Vermont-Canada border on the north. Seventy-seven per cent of the chapters participated.

Kentucky--Contests sponsored by the state association follow: Chapter Contest, Chapter Exhibit Contest, Public Speaking Contest, Impromptu Speaking Contest, Essay Contest, Vocal Solo Contest, Wind Instrument Contest, String Instrument Contest, and FFA Band Contest. Orangeburg and Lewisburg chapters visited the Centennial at Fort Worth and Dallas. They traveled 3,300 miles at a cost per boy of \$15.

Nebraska--The state is divided into eight FFA districts, each with a vice president who is a member of the State Executive Committee, acting as chairman of the district group. One instructor in each district is selected to act as district advisor and serves also as a member of the State Advisory Council.



CHAPTER NEWS

Olathe: The Olathe chapter elected the following officers at a meeting late last spring: Glenn Ewing, president; Morris Buckman, vice president; Paul Busch, secretary; Junior Tippin, treasurer; Milton Powell, reporter; Robert Gordon, watch dog; Glen Huston, program chairman.

The officers held a meeting August 20, to discuss plans for the coming year and to plan for representation at the Johnson County fair.

The following boys showed livestock at the Johnson County fair in the vocational classes: Glenn Ewing, first place on Poland China gilt; Gilbert Smith, first place on Duroc Jersey boar pig, and second place on his gilt; Morris Eastland, first place on his Angus baby beef, and reserve grand champion of the beef show; Myron Meredith, first place on Chester White sow and gilt; Milton Powell, first places on his aged ewe and spring lamb. He won third place on making the best showing in the entire fair and third place on his aged ewes, and second and third places on his spring lambs. Vance Sanger showed two pens of Rhode Island Reds from his poultry project.

The Olathe chapter had a float in the parade at the Old Settlers Day picnic here in Olathe.

Morris Eastland, Charles McCulley and John Davidson showed and sold their stock at the Mid-West. John had the only fat lambs from Kansas.

On October 5 our officers attended a regular meeting of the Shawnee Mission chapter where they raised our group from Green Hands to Future Farmers.

October 10 we attended the officers training school at Shawnee.

Our chapter sponsored a trip to the American Royal. The Ford Motor Company of Olathe furnished a truck for transportation.

November 2 our chapter initiated fifteen Green Hands.

November 14 we had our first Parent-Son banquet. There were 80 present. Professor A. P. Davidson of Kansas State College showed a reel of FFA pictures and gave the main talk of the evening. Other talks were given by Paul Busch, H. E. Busch, Junior Tippin, Morris Buckman, Milton Powell, Miss Brown, principal. The Domestic Science class prepared and served the food under the direction of Miss Arlene Johnson.

Our chapter members cut one-half mile of hedge to help finance our treasury.

We prepared and presented a program of work before November 1.

-- Milton Powell, Reporter

Chapter News (Continued)

Abilene: Our chapter elected the officers as follows: Harmond Bear, president; Norman Whitehair, vice president; John Dean Easter, secretary; Carl Baldwin, treasurer; John Cook, reporter.

Our chapter takes part in school activities such as school carnivals. In our class room we had four stands. As this was a penny carnival we only took in \$7.00. We also took in more money than any other department in the school.

This year our livestock judging team represented Kansas at the American Royal. They placed sixth. The team members were: Harmond Bear, Bernard Veltman, Donald Hargeaves, and David Long and Jack Sleichter, alternates.

At the Central Kansas Free Fair judging contest our school did very good. The winners of the entire contest range as follows: 1st, Jack Steichter of Abilene high school with 404 points out of possible 500; 2nd, Lester Kohman of Abilene high school with 399.5 points. Winners of the separate divisions were: Horses: 1st, Norman Whitehair of Abilene high school, score 96.8; 2nd, Vern Holt of Abilene high school, score 96.0; 3rd, Claude Herr, Beverly, score 85.0. Beef cattle: 1st, Richard Wyott, Glasco, score 100; 2nd, Junior Stout of Miltonvale, score 97; 3rd, Ross McNeil, Miltonvale, score 95. Sheep: 1st, John Cook, Abilene, score 99; 2nd, Norman Whitehair, Abilene, score 98.6; 3rd, Lowell Wallace, Linn, score 98.4. Dairy cattle: 1st, Paul Bombardier, Miltonvale, score 92.0; 2nd, Morriss Burwell, Chapman, score 88.0; 3rd, Irwin Day, Newton, score 87. Swine: 1st, Warren Hastower, Abilene, score 88.2; 2nd, Alvin Krombetter, Hope, score 86.6; 3rd, Jack Sleichter, Abilene, score 85.2.

--John Cook, Reporter.

Howard: Ten boys of Howard chapter with their instructor, Mr. Bergsma, attended the Future Farmer summer camp at Ponca City held by the chapters of south-central Kansas.

At the regular September meeting the following boys were elected to offices: Kenneth Portenier, president; Robert Webster, vice president; Ralph Davis, treasurer; Wayne Morse, secretary; Bill Anderson, reporter; Maurice Marion, watch dog.

We conducted a book exchange selling both grade and high school books, charging a 15 per cent commission, and made approximately \$13.00.

At our regular November meeting we initiated eight Freshmen into the Green Hand degree and following the program the refreshment committee served roast wieners.

We have two class projects consisting of five beef calves and 110 leghorn pullets. The chicken project is financed by each boy who buys one share of stock at \$4.00. The beef project is financed by a Productive Credit loan and the sale of stock to Future Farmer members at \$2.50 per share.

--Bill Anderson, Reporter.

Chapter News (Continued)

Neodesha: The Neodesha chapter under the leadership of the new advisor, J. W. Taylor, initiated the following boys: Hoseld Basore, Lester Barthlemue, Geo. Harris, Carl Gray, Orty Orr and Roy Alexander, to the Green Hand degree at the October night meeting. This makes a total of fifteen members.

The members of the Neodesha chapter are sponsoring a chicken project. Each boy is buying a cash share or is bringing chickens or grain to pay for their share. The Board of Education let us use the chicken house for the repairs we put on it. We bought 80 White Leghorn pullets from the Moundview farm west of Fredonia. George Harris and Keith Fish each brought in five pullets, and we bought thirteen hens from the old projects. This makes a total of 103 birds. They are just coming into production and we hope they will make us a nice profit for the chapter and ourselves.

The boys of the chapter are planning a Parents and Sons banquet to be held on December 16. Mr. Miller, State Director of Vocational Education will be the speaker of the evening. The boys voted to pay the Home Economics class of the high school to prepare and serve the banquet. This will be our first Parents and Sons banquet, and we are looking forward to it with pleasure and hope that it will not be our last.

The Neodesha chapter is planning on a basket ball team. Last year we had exchange games with some of the neighboring chapters. We plan to have more games this year and to make a better showing as far as the score board is concerned. A basketball game with a chili feed after the game is a good way for members of different chapters to become acquainted.

--Reporter.

Belleville: Officers elected for the coming year are: Max Scofield, president; Rudolph Rundus, vice president; Leonard Stephenson, secretary; Merrill Abrahams, treasurer; Maynard Abrahams, reporter; Jack Swenson, watch dog; Claude Whitman, program committee chairman.

Last year's judging letters were awarded to Eldon Ullom, Harry Whitman, and Harvey Skucisus.

Chapter members who attended the American Royal were Maynard Abrahams and Merrill Abrahams.

A party was held November 11, which included the girl friends, also Mr. and Mrs. Burke and Mr. and Mrs. Wells. We attended the show, "Pigskin Parade" after which lunch was served and a short program was given at the school house.

Our chapter is holding a scholarship contest which will end next spring, at which time the losers must give the winners a party.

--Maynard Abrahams, Reporter.

Chapter News (Continued)

Silver Lake: The following were elected officers of the Silver Lake Future Farmer chapter: Cecil Phillips, president; Wilbur Tomson, vice president; Joe Helms, secretary; Herbert Whitehead, treasurer; Frank Koci, reporter; Merie Rhocles, watch dog.

The chapter had a stand at the Silver Lake fair and cleared \$21.50.

The following of the Silver Lake chapter attended the American Royal: Joe Helms, Marvin Martinek, Alonzo Beal, John David, Frank Koci, Fred Reeder, and Mr. Schrag, the sponsor.

Our chapter attended the officer's training school at Shawnee Mission.

There are 26 boys enroled in vocational agriculture 1, and six in the second year course. We plan to have a basketball team and compete with some of the Future Farmer chapters. We are planning to hold our initiation for all Green Hands at our Parent-Son banquet.

We are planning on conducting a class project if we can raise enough money to finance it.

The Future Farmers of Silver Lake hold two day meetings and one night meeting every month.

--Frank Koci, Reporter.

McDonald: The election of officers for this year were elected the first Monday in October. They are as follows: Lenard Vyzourek, president; Wayne Chance, vice president; Elmer Burk, secretary; Laddie Kacirek, treasurer; Floyd Frisbie, reporter.

New Green Hands taken in this year are as follows: Bernard Kacirek, Arthur Burk, Russel David, Lonard Wilkenson, Eldon Smith, Harold Hasting.

The agriculture boys landscaped the ground in front of the new agriculture building. We have many new jobs in shop this year such as making chicken feeders, oyster shell feeders, feed bunks and other useful jobs.

We always play volley ball at regular meetings and always have eats.

Our chapter gave a party for the Girl Reserves in return for a party given us a year ago.

The Farm Bureau ladies gave us a nice lunch at a regular meeting in return for the park bench we made for them.

Chapter members recently purchased five purebred Hereford heifers and one purebred Shorthorn heifer for project work.

--Reporter.

Chapter News (Continued)

Sabetha: The officers elected by the Sabetha chapter for this year are: Mervin Line, president; Billy Reed, vice president; Milan Lukert, secretary; Wilbur Plank, treasurer; Merlin Line, reporter, Boyd Hook, watch dog.

Our chapter held monthly meetings during the summer and also went on the annual summer fishing trip.

The active members of the chapter held a watermelon feed for prospective members at a night meeting which was held at the beginning of school.

All of our members attended the vocational agriculture judging demonstration held at the Topeka Free Fair.

Seven of our members attended the American Royal Livestock Show and also visited the packing plant of Swift & Company. Several reports of the trip were given to the chapter at their regular meeting.

Twelve Green Hands were initiated at a special night meeting in October.

The chapter plans to have three regular meetings each month. Two will be held during the activity hour and one at night.

--Merlin Line, Reporter.

Blue Rapids: The entire second year agriculture class made a trip to the American Royal October 17-21. They visited several large buildings and firms and saw the entire exhibit.

The officers of the chapter went to Clay Center October 31 to the officers training school.

The members of the chapter have been running terrace lines on the E. R. Morgan ranch south of town, evenings after school for the past two weeks. They received five cents for every hundred feet of terrace lines they ran. They received \$10.97, which went into the club treasury. This will go towards our next summers camp.

The chapter has a night meeting every three weeks and day meetings every other week during activity period. Plans are to have a basket ball and baseball team the next winter and spring. During the day meetings two of the boys lead discussions on farm problems. These discussions prove very interesting.

--Frederick Foreman, Reporter.

Berryton: A meeting was held on October 7 for the purpose of initiating the Green Hand candidates. The following were initiated: Eugene Kimmons, Irvin Leonard, Bill Matney, Glen Porter, Bill Sowers, Floyd Wadsworth, Elmer Wood.

Twenty-five members were present at the meeting.

--George Stiles, Reporter.

Chapter News (Continued)

Kingman: The Kingman chapter sponsored a loan of \$478 for the purchase of calves from the Production Credit Association. The individual borrowers are Clifford Hansen, Gene Shephard and Harold Wilson. Five per cent interest is charged.

The vocational agriculture department purchased a new V-8 wagon. It will carry 16 students. We find this kind of carrier very servicable and convenient. It is rented to the other school departments at the rate of four cents per mile. This will bring into the agriculture department approximately \$150 in rentals.

On October 17 our chapter sponsored a combined judging contest and officers training school. Professor A. P. Davidson of the Kansas State College, was the principal speaker. Thirteen schools were represented in the judging contest. The contest was divided into two parts, a junior and senior division. Ninety-eight boys in all, participated in the contest. South Haven chapter took home the high team and high individual honors, along with \$6.00 in prize money. Harper placed second and Kingman third.

The Kingman chapter was represented at the American Royal by 17 members. We visited in Topeka and Manhattan on our return trip.

Our chapter is planning on making a crow trap, one that really gets the job done. Plans and blue prints may be secured from the Fish and Game Commission, Pratt, Kansas. One of these traps caught 5000 crows last year.

On November 30 we showed a 7-reel sound picture at our FFA meeting. The pictures were sent to us by the International Harvester Company. Considerable publicity was given to this meeting, invitations were extended especially to young farmers. At this meeting we secured our enrolment for our part time school which opened December 7. The subject of the part time school is "Conservation".

Plans are under way for our annual Christmas party December 23. Many of the boys already have their dates.

Mr. Chilcott, our advisor, is sponsoring a leather club during activity period. Lucky is the girl who gets any of these leather gifts for Christmas.

--Lloyd Meisenheimer, Reporter.

Powhattan: The following officers have been elected for 1936-37: Emmett Scheutz, president; Allan Wenger, vice president; Lloyd Bell, secretary; Burl Hinz, treasurer; Clyde Rousch, reporter; Ivan Wenger, watch dog; Harold Hildwein, parliamentarian. A finance and program committee were appointed. The finance committee plans to have a hot bed for raising early garden plants in the spring, also the classes wish to do community jobs as harness oiling, to build up the chapter treasury.

The chapter prepared and entered an educational float in the annual Halloween parade at Hiawatha, Kansas.

--Burl Hinz, Reporter.

Chapter News (Continued)

Parker: Our chapter sponsored its annual pie and box supper in the high school auditorium, Friday evening November 13. The program was put on entirely by FFA members. It consisted of three one-act plays, in which all of the lady characters were played by the boys. Elmo Alexander and Dillard Cox presented a musical program, representing broadcasting station BUNK. The proceeds were \$29.

Elmo Alexander and Dillard Cox won first prize in an amateur contest at the Kansan Theater in Osawatomie November 19. The two boys gave a musical program at the Lawrence FFA Father and Son banquet November 24.

Twelve Green Hands were raised to the degree of Future Farmer at our FFA meeting October 16.

Our chapter sponsored a Linn County leadership training school Saturday, October 31. Members from the four schools of the county, LaCygne, Pleasanton, Mound City and Parker were present. The program began at 10:00 with a general session. The Parker officers opened the meeting and conducted the Green Hand initiation ceremony. The LaCygne officers and Parker Green Hands were initiated. An hour of games and stunts was held in the gym just before lunch. The Mound City officers opened the afternoon general session, after which members of their chapter gave a very interesting and instructional demonstration on parliamentary procedure. Following the general session in the afternoon, sectional meetings were held. Mr. R. J. Tyson, school board member and state senator elect, gave an interesting talk on "The Need for Rural Leaders". Members of the Parker chapter gave talks on various topics concerning development of leadership and the activities of an FFA chapter. These talks were prepared and rehearsed before the public speaking class in our high school before being given. The entertainment part of the meetings consisted of one number from each school represented, and group singing. We feel this school was a success, and plan to have one each year. The meeting was open to all Linn County FFA members.

We have 21 Green Hands this year. They have their own officers and hold a Green Hand meeting once a month. They are conducting part of the activities of our program of work. Wednesday November 25, the Green Hand officers conducted the Green Hand initiation ceremony for those Green Hands who were not present at the time of the regular initiation. They memorized the initiation ceremony. The Green Hand officers are: Dale Woolsey, president; Byron Boydston, vice president; Lloyd Burcham, secretary; Roscoe Morrison, treasurer; Philip Singer, reporter; Robert Whybrew, watch dog.

We are conducting two class projects this year. We have 22 ewes and a registered Shropshire ram. We sowed six acres of wheat for winter pasture for them. The ewes are housed in the barn built last year by the agriculture class. We have also rented ten acres for a corn project next spring. We plan to grow seed corn and feed the remainder of the crop to livestock class projects.

We are holding our first Parent-Son banquet, December 15.

--Marion Barnett, Reporter.

Chapter News (Continued)

Wakeeney: The FFA held their first meeting September 23, 1936, at the vocational agriculture building for the purpose of deciding the year's activities. The chapter had a watermelon feed in which seventeen members took part and they had a very fine time.

Business of the second FFA meeting was the election of officers. The following members filled offices: David Rhoades, president; Mason Sandstoe, vice president; Harold McCall, treasurer; Cecil McAtee, secretary; Claude Hough; Thomas Rhoden, watch dog.

The chapter is also sponsoring a horseshoe tournament, which is open to any student wishing to take part providing he pays a five-cent entry fee. This fee will go for the purpose of buying a medal to be presented to the winner. This tournament is causing plenty of excitement and has many interested students taking part.

--Claude Hough, Reporter.

Garden City: Garden City FFA members and vocational agriculture boys attended the Kansas State Fair, September 21.

The FFA members and vocational agriculture classes had a mother and son banquet October 11, the first one of its kind held in Garden City. There were about sixty mothers and sons present. The program consisted of several speeches given on agriculture subjects.

Eleven new members have been admitted and initiated into the FFA.

The election of officers was held October 28, and the following officers were elected: Raymond Marmon, president; Bernard Olomom, vice president; Ralph Greathouse, secretary; Eugene Quakenbush, treasurer; Fred Biernacki, reporter; Harry Lightner, watch dog.

The first year class served the Kiwanis club on November 12.

--Fred Biernacki, Reporter.

Greensburg: The Greensburg chapter of Future Farmers held its organization meeting on October 8, and elected officers to serve during the present school year. The meeting was attended by 24 members, who elected officers as follows: Donfred Banta, president; Wilber Koehn, vice president; Abe Williams, treasurer; Walter Smith, secretary; and Henry Parkin, reporter. After the election of officers the president appointed two standing committees as follows: a program committee and an entertainment committee. A temporary committee was also appointed to work out an annual program of activities for the chapter. Our membership includes 24 students, 20 of whom are first year boys.

Our officers attended the officers training school at Kingman October 17, and obtained many pointers with regard to the work and its direction.

--Henry Parkin, Reporter.

Chapter News (Continued)

South Haven: Our chapter is continuing with our five acre class project in wheat growing. This year we planted Chief Kan, a variety developed by Earl Clark, the man who developed Blackhull. Another cooperative project consists of renting an additional acre of land, and on this land we have a variety test plot of 18 different varieties of wheat.

The new officers for 1936-37 were elected in the spring of 1936 and were installed in May at the Mother-Son reception. They are: Manley McGregor, president; Howard Bacon, vice president; Theodore Nelson, secretary; Ivan Mason, reporter; Glenn Barber, treasurer; Lloyd Martin, watch dog; Mr. Harold Kugler, advisor. Ten Green Hands came into the organization October 26, and we also initiated three new honorary members.

The ranking of our judging team follows: Fourth at Winfield, second at Harper, and first at Kingman. Five dollars in winnings have been added to the FFA treasurer. Howard Bacon won \$1.00 for ranking high in the Kingman contest.

Our chapter sponsored a Fitting and Showing contest October 20. Arnold Sawyer and John Welsh constituted the committee in charge. The contest was open to any boy in high school or grade school. There were thirty entries. There were five divisions: sheep, hogs, horses, beef and dairy. Melvin Walcher was first in beef, Lee Wise was first in dairy, and Leonard Deets was first in sheep, and his entry was declared the Grand Champion. Forty-four dollars in prizes was furnished by the local merchants and the fair board association. School was dismissed, the attendance was good, and a loud speaker made it possible for all to hear. FFA members who did not have entries in the show sold hot dogs and candy, clearing \$2.50 for the chapter treasury.

We have organized a German band this year consisting of five members with an instrumentation of two clarinets, 1 trumpet, 1 trombone, and 1 bass. We have already made one appearance and have had several invitations to play in the near future. Each member goes by a German name and dresses like the typical German street musicians. All talk with a German accent.

On November 2, at 2:00 p. m. our chapter broadcast over the Coffeyville station. The following members put on the broadcast: Leonard Deets, Ivan Mason, Glenn Barber, and Advisor Kugler. The subject of the broadcast was, "Third Year Agriculture in High School." The boys who made the trip seemed to encounter the thing called "mike fright".

Our annual sparrow catching contest was held November 2 to 13. Joseph Gile and Rex Wise were the captains. The goal was set at 500 sparrow heads. After counting the heads which were brought to the agricultural classroom, it was found that Joseph Gile's side won with 1242 sparrow heads, while Rex Wise and his group captured 742, making a total of 1984 sparrow heads. George Strickland won the cash prize with the largest individual catch, a total of 260 sparrows. The losers furnished chili for the next regular meeting.

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South Haven: The FFA chapter is sponsoring an adult farm mechanics school which began November 23, and will continue to meet every Monday night for the ten weeks following.

--Ivan Mason, Reporter.

Arkansas City: The following members attended the FFA camp at the Wentz pool near Ponca City, Oklahoma: Pat Somers, Eugene Kenny, Lloyd Cochran, Jack Craig, Lee McKimson, Harold Mueller, Robert Swain, Walter Baird, Delbert Higbee, John Childs, Bill Post, Melvin Thomson, Archie Gage, Hampton Barton, Gordon Musson, Dwight Deckelheimer, Berlyn Baird, Bill Hardin, and advisor T. C. Farris. Eighty-five boys attended the camp representing six chapters as follows: Arkansas City, Argonia, South Haven, Winfield, Howard and Mulvane. Advisor L. B. Pollom attended the camp. The Newkirk chapter, Oklahoma, visited the camp for one evening and furnished several musical numbers. The principal activities at the camp included tennis, baseball, swimming and golf. Our team placed second in both baseball and swimming.

--Reporter.

Miltonvale: New officers elected for the 1936-37 are: Wayne Hauck, president; Warren Condray, vice president; Henry Haist, secretary; Edmond Hebert, treasurer; Carl Lister, reporter; Paul Bombardier, watch dog.

Summer activities included a fishing party and a party for all eighth grade boys.

At the Miltonvale fair we made \$5.00 on our Future Farmer booth and helped build an agriculture booth, which won first prize.

We also held our initiation of the Green Hands October 27, 1936, and initiated ten new members into our chapter.

--Carl Lister, Reporter.

Mound City: The officers of the FFA chapter who were elected May 1, are as follows: Carl Ellion, president; Gordon Paddock, vice president; Cecil Troth, reporter; Willis Clark, treasurer; Merle Cox, secretary; Russell Schasteen, watch dog.

There were sixteen Green Hands raised to the Future Farmer degree on November 10, and thirteen Green Hands were initiated October 14.

The officers and several other members attended the officers training school at Parker, and presented a demonstration on parliamentary procedure.

The seventh annual Father-Son banquet was held Saturday November 14. There were 108 fathers and sons present, the largest banquet in history of the chapter. Dr. Miller, State Director of Vocational Education was the main speaker of the evening.

--Robert Dunavan, Acting Reporter.