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III. County Situation Affecting the 1951 Program.

Prince George County is located between Hopewell and Petersburg on the North and has in it, Fort Lee, A Federal Prison, and Petersburg Colony for Feeble Minded Colored People. An average of one person per family work at one of these institutions or in a plant or factory in one of the cities. This affects labor on the farms, it also affects the use of the family car, and the hours it will be available. A very large per cent of the population are Romanians, and some still hold to their methods of doing things.

In 1950 "Long Time Goals" were set in connection with improving yards, porches, nutrition, health, housing, personal appearance and family life.

Work was started in 1950 on Yard Improvement and continued in 1951, with individual result demonstrations. Kitchen Arrangement was continued as individual result demonstrations, and as was work in connection with House Furnishing and Foreign Foods.

The increase in the cost of food made members interested in making their own mixes, and in the various ways of fixing waffles. The Art in Daily Life Goal which was taken in 1950 created a desire for better Picture Frames, hence a demonstration on Reconditioning Old Frames. Since the women do a large part of the farm work they needed information on Work Dresses - Controlling Weight - and attractive Appearance at Home.

The effect of a war-torn world made the members realize their need for more information on Safety, Home Nursing and First Aid.

Realizing that people need food for their souls, and can combine beauty and good flavor with everyday living the members planned demonstrations on Herbs and Spices and Winter Bouquets.

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IV. Contribution of the 1951 Program to Better Family Living

An account of the situation effecting the program has been given in III. figures will be given throughout this report on different material subjects. Perhaps the development of more real leadership in the home demonstration clubs has contributed most to Better Family Living. These women have found real joy in accomplishment, and have been encouraged to show others (and to pass information on) by the good spirit of cooperation which has developed so rapidly this past year in all parts of the county. Leadership has not been confined to the officers of the clubs, but members have reported such progress. Reports show that Leaders and Members have given 110 demonstrations with 698 attending. This compared with 34 shows real growth.

In connection with the health, the members have helped with their recreation in homes and community over 700 times. The largest joint effort was on the 4th Achievement Day.

For years the women have encouraged the use of condensed milk and 77 families have reported using more this year than ever before, 62 of these give much credit to dried milk and 19 families saved \$110.00 by using the dried milk.

House Furnishing hit a new high with 1506 improvements in 222 rooms, this gives the people more pride in their homes, the same as the 249 painted and papered walls, and 199 rooms with painted woodwork. The 12 new bathrooms and 16 other rooms built on contribute much to family living, and to work on the "Long Time Goal" on Housing.

Four members secured electricity for the first time in 1951 and 123 have improved their lighting with 233 lamps.

Yard Improvement which is one of the "long time goals" has contributed to better living with 666 better walks, driveways, fences, lawn grass and flowers, while 496 shrubs and trees were planted.

In Canning and Freezing, 18,181 quarts were canned, 3,666 quarts were frozen, 7,555 pounds of meat were frozen and 14,845 pounds of meat stored.

All of the above figures and other activities have given the members a sense of security which changes attitudes in the homes, clubs, and communities.

The 4-H work has contributed to Better Living through a Clothing program, Room Improvement, Canning and Freezing. The County winner in Room Improvement won 2nd place in the district contest, thus encouraging better work on the part of all girls.

V. Adult Work

A. Project Work:

1. Safety

Objective - "To Make Every Home A Safer Place to Live and Work"

Method - demonstrations in clubs - brief talks by club Safety

Chairman each meeting, and by special classes secured through the cooperation of the County Red Cross Field Supervisor.

"Safety" started out as a County Federation Goal and soon gained the proportions of a real project. The County Red Cross Supervisor who is actively interested in home demonstration work and who attends all County Committee meetings, served as the County Federation Goal Chairman. In December she attended each club and gave demonstrations on treating simple

Home accidents. Then when the 3 new clubs were organized she gave the demonstrations to each club. Information was sent out to the Club "Safety" Chairmen on the following subjects:

December. Making Christmas trees safer.

January. Fire Prevention.

March. Walk Safely - Play Safely.

April. Poisonous Vegetation.

May. Safety Guide - Back and Home Front.

June. A Check on Safety Guide.

July. Safe at Home.

August. Hazards in our Home Sweet Home.

September. Electricity - Friend or Foe.

October. Halloween Safety.

November. First Aid Kit for Home - Emergency Kit for Car.

In the Winter and Spring a qualified Home Nursing Instructor was secured and during the year she taught 4 classes. These classes were sponsored by the Home Demonstration Clubs but open to the public. Of the 86 women enrolled 78 were Home Demonstration members. Two more classes will be held the first of 1952. They would have been held in 1951 but for the fact that the instructor is a volunteer, working without pay, and she is most active in church affairs, in addition to caring for her own home and family, including the boys.

In the winter instructors were secured to teach a First Aid Course, open to both men and women. This class was held in the Prince George Courthouse two evenings each week until completed, 19 completed this course and of this number 9 were members the others were members husbands and brothers etc., A second First Aid class is being held at Barrowsville during November and December to date 29 people have been attending this class.

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Reports show that 166 members have used information received from the clubs in treating 446 accidents, 166 have secured equipment for emergency shelf, 48 have made definite improvement in preventing fires at home and 132 have made their homes safer from falling.

The real value of this project can not be measured in figures. The spirit of cooperation learned and the sense of security which was increased by the knowledge gained is worth much to the Home Demonstration members. Therefore, this has been reported as the first in project work. It was a real project even though not clothing, feeds etc.,

2. Food Preparation

Objective - Better nutrition at lower cost, and new ways of seasoning to make "the same old 7 & 6" taste better.

Method - demonstrations and individual help.

Five demonstrations have been given in each club, starting in January with The Homemade Winter Mix which swept the county and created more interest than any other single demonstration. The "Variations in Waffles" given in February gave regular use to waffle irons which had only been used occasionally. Women are always interested in learning how to "control weight" whether they "stick to it" or not, and the members felt this a most worthwhile demonstration. The greatest surprise was the wonderful flavor of the beans cooked with the ham hock after the fat had been drained off.

The "Cooking With Herbs and Spice" has created much interest in growing herbs another year.

177 members report having used the Homemade Mix 395 times

177 members made different waffles 422 times

177 learned about controlling weight

154 have tried to use this information

52 have used information on herbs and spices 118 times.

Members have prepared new dishes 305 times.

Members have used information on Making Meringue (Oct. 1950 Dem.) 612 times.
77 have used more milk for their families.

The fifth foods demonstration was given in November, therefore no results can be reported this year. The subject was "Oven Meals" showing conserving fuel.

3. Clothing

Objective - to learn to be more comfortably and properly dressed for work, and to be better groomed at home.

Method - demonstration and individual help.

Demonstrations were given on "Selecting and Making Comfortable and Suitable Work Clothes" and on "Looking Your Best At Home".

Demonstrations have been given in the past on removing stains, preventing mold, dry cleaning and dyeing. Reports show:

194 used information on selecting work clothes.

199 dresses and 84 work aprons made

46 used information on being better groomed

669 garments were made saving.....\$1,150.71

188 garments were remodeled, saving..... 485.40

by doing own work and not buying.

122 garments dry cleaned, saving..... 124.35

31 garments dyed, saving..... 19.75

167 times information used on removing stains was used.

24 molders prevented mold on leather.

A large number of members do not report except on demonstrations of the current year because they forget where they have picked up bits of clothing information.

Housing

Objective - To conserve steps, preserve property; and to give more room where needed; and to raise living standards.

Method - Individual visits and demonstrations, and use of leaders trained in 1950 etc.

Work on sanding floors which was started in 1950 was taken over by the Leaders trained in 1950. as a result:

- 40 old floors have been sanded and refinished
- 35 new floors have been sanded and refinished
- 30 other floors have been refinished
- 53 laid linoleum have been installed.
- 3 new tile floors

The members of the Middle Road Club took the Church and Parsonage as their project in addition to other regular work. They helped sand the floors of the church and 3 rooms of the Parsonage. They painted the woodwork of the Church (which included the wainscoting which is 5 feet high all around the church) and they removed all the old paint from the benches and refinished them. The Agent advised in methods used for this and the selection of the colors. This project meant much work for the members who actually did most of the work, and they deserve much credit, even though they insisted on giving the credit for the "how how" to the Extension Service.

Individual help has been given by Miss Middle, State Housing Specialist, and by the County Home Agent on remodeling rooms, and adding new rooms, selection of materials and colors.

12 new bathrooms have been built and equipped ready for use.

13 other rooms have been built new - utility; kitchens; bedrooms; dining rooms; and sewing rooms.

2 new porches have been built.

42 porches have been improved

18 have improved porch steps.

15 windows and 14 doors have been made tighter and better.

Walls have been painted in 76 living rooms; 39 bedrooms; 54 kitchens; and 23 other rooms.

Walls have been papered in 17 livingrooms; 13 kitchens; 25 bedrooms and 4 other rooms.

Woodwork has been painted in 67 living rooms; 48 kitchens; 59 dining rooms and 23 other rooms.

9 members have secured water for the 1st time this year.

9 members have completely done over their kitchens according to the suggestions of Miss Kettle. The work has done much to improving the family living in these homes, the men are as proud of this work as the women.

More work is needed along this line and plans have been made to continue remodeling kitchens etc., in 1952.

Three new houses have been built, and two other members are studying plans. All 9 of these families have borrowed the Agent's book of House Plans furnished by the State Office. Even though they have not ordered the blueprints the Agent has discussed the arrangements found in the Home Plan book, with these folks and helped with plans.

1c. House Furnishings.

Objective - "to make Home More Attractive and Livable, and to preserve good furnishings.

Method - Demonstrations, individual visits and literature.

The demonstrations on "Selections of Good Pictures" which were given in 1950 created a need for better frames, as well as more suitable ones.

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Many people needed mirrors but felt they could not afford them. therefore, each club had a demonstration on Reconditioning Old Picture Frames. Many beautiful frames were made out of old ones, and members are on the alert for all old frames they can locate. Reports show that 80 frames were reconditioned. This might be termed a part of Art in Daily Living too. As a result of individual help on collections and methods:

64 pieces of furniture have been refinished

81 painted, 41 repaired, 16 remodelled

192 pieces of furniture have been bought

22 slip covers bought, and 49 made

65 mattresses and springs bought, 10 reconditioned
(due to tour of the Mattress Factory - Petersburg)

445 curtains, drapes and shades bought, 98 made

94 pictures and 26 mirrors secured

18 cushions had springs tied in them

3 chairs " " " " "

36 improved storage for clothing

38 " " " foods

22 " " " Magazines

20 " " " other articles

Furniture has been rearranged for convenience in 57 livingrooms, 13 halls, 58 bedrooms, 50 diningrooms, 26 kitchens

The last of November 1930 the members toured the Petersburg Mattress factory and a furniture store on Route No. 1, and as a result have been able to secure mattresses and springs greatly reduced. This has been a wonderful help in raising living standards.

6. Home Management

Objective - "To save time and energy, to make the home work shop attractive"

Method - Individual visits and literature

Over 100 kitchen improvements have been made in equipment alone. The changes in construction have been reported under Housing. Most of the members securing these essential pieces advised with the Agent as to placement in the kitchen etc., so much has been discussed as to placing to save time and energy that the members requested demonstrations on time savers etc., in 1952.

15 convenient cabinets have been secured

15 electric ranges

1 gas range

12 refrigerators

6 sinks

7 home freezers

10 kitchen chairs

3 tables and 1 snack bar

3 toasters and 1 waffle iron.

In the Laundry:

13 washing machines

14 water heaters

1 ventilator

5 tubs

7. Yard Improvement

Objective - "More attractive and inviting yards, walks, and borders"

Method - Individual home visits from Agent and Specialist and literature from the State office.

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The Assistant Horticulturist spent two days in December visiting the yards of 12 members and meeting with a group at a church to plan the church yard and parking area, along with the parsonage yard. This is the same church mentioned in V. a, 4. page 8. Results of yard improvement on this project will have to be given in 1952 since the time and money in 1951 were spent inside of the building. Twenty-three visited these yards and church with Mr. Beecher and Agent and heard suggestions and asked questions about their yards.

The Agent attended an "Agents Training Meeting" held in Petersburg by Mr. Beecher, and since that time has helped a number of people with yard plans. This is one of the "Long Time Goals" and work will be continued next year.

Reports for 130 members show:

253 new shrubs planted, and 134 shrubs transplanted

34 members sprayed shrubs, and 50 trimmed or trained shrubs

19 walks and 11 garden fences were built (fences unusual in Prince George County)

21 improved driveways, while 8 others changed driveways

111 trees were planted

30 flower borders were improved and 394 new flowers planted

48 planted more grass and 51 used fertilizer to improve the grass

B. Food Preservation

Canning, Freezing and Storing

Objective - "A better year round supply of food for families"

Method - Individual help, literature and special demonstrations.

Throughout the year the Agent has given information on freezing to members and others. The recipes on freezing sent out from the State Office from time to time were copied and given to folks owning home freezers.

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In March Mt. Sinai Home Demonstration Club sponsored an all day meeting on Baking for The Home Freezer. This demonstration and a luncheon were given by the Virginia Electric and Power Home Supervisor, Mrs. Dora Guerrin, 68 members representing 11 clubs were present. This was a most successful meeting. Results of members reporting show:

7015 pounds meat frozen

540 pounds of fish

1580 quarts of fruits and 1986 quarts of vegetables

77 different kinds of baked foods frozen.

Information on canning has been given members individually, bulletins on canning and storing have been given out upon request. Demonstrations have been given in other years. Reports show:

3909 quarts of tomatoes canned

5179 quarts vegetables canned

4411 quarts fruit canned

2214 quarts preserves - 1406 quarts pickle

1581 quarts jam

538 quarts meat canned

14,845 pounds of meat stored

834 pounds fish stored

Since most of the families raise peanuts they are interested in ways of using them, bulletins on the uses of peanuts have been distributed.

Several families market eggs, vegetables, fish, chickens, and berries.

These go to regular customers, and from house to house rather than to a regular cooperative market. A large number of families have fig trees and pecan trees. They also have one or more hogs each. Almost every family have a few chickens, and a very few raise their own beef. The agent supplies information and bulletins on these subjects but makes no check

on the amount.

9. Gardening

Objective - To ~~Get~~ More of the family food supply spring & Fall.

Method - Brief discussions of gardening in the regular February meetings and Virginia Garden Plans secured from the State Office. 53 Acres were planted in gardens while potato and corn patches supplemented these gardens. 151 families report having planted 970 different vegetables in the Spring garden and 177 in the Fall.

10. Creative Arts

Art in Daily Living

Objective - "Beauty in Daily Living" Through Music, Pictures and Literature as well as joy derived from creating.

Method - Individual help, and club discussions, as well as a demonstration on "Reconditioning Picture Frames" which has been reported under House Furnishings. The County Yearbooks have 13 different songs printed in them and there have been clipped in. Members report having learned 175 new songs. The County was allowed one representative in the "Song Leadership Class" at the Institute of Rural Affairs. This County representative led the singing at the county Home Demonstration Achievement Day program which was the first time she had tried to lead any group except her own club and Sunday school class of children. She feels that the Song Leadership Class has meant much to her, and the Agent feels that the County has and will benefit by it. Members are encouraged to read and exchange magazines and books. Reports show that 190 new magazines have been secured this year, and 646 books have been read. 16 families have improved the reading material for their children and 16 have improved reading material for other members of the family.

105 have rearranged pictures

42 have used flower arrangements as suggested by agent

Arranging Winter Bouquets of dried flowers was given in October, therefore only a few members have been able to report.

II. Handicraft

Objective - To Create Something useful and beautiful

Method - Members gave demonstrations to neighbors and friends on etching trays, stenciling household linens and bottoming stools. Demonstrations in one new club on Tufting Bedspreads and individual help on bottoming chairs was given by Agent.

The members of one club gave 3 etching demonstrations to 100 people outside of club work. In their reports they listed 6 states and 2 foreign countries to which these trays had been sent as gifts. The "tray etching" has met a need no other handicraft has equalled. The stenciled household linen demonstrations were given in 1947 and members still use this work for gifts.

Bottoming stools and chairs is always needed to help with the house furnishings, to create something new or to preserve old stools and chairs. Tufting beautiful bedspreads is a real art. Teaching the beauty of line and design on solid white or "off white" instead of using peacocks and other designs was not easy at first, but the 97 made in 1949 and 50 and exhibited at the Achievement Day have sold the crown on what is really beautiful and worth the time and effort it takes to make a spread. Three of these spreads were shown the new club during their Tufting Demonstration and inspired them to do better designs.

Reports Show:

334 Aluminum trays etched

94 trays and other articles painted

74 articles of household linen sterilized

30 chairs and stools retanned

24 bedspreads lifted

46 other articles of handicraft made.

12. Health

Objective - To cooperate with the County Health Department and to achieve better health for the people of the county.

Method - Clubs were set up by the County Committee to cooperate with the County Health Department by attending the Chest Clinics, and encouraging others to do so. The members advertised the Clinics for immunizing children, the Cancer Drive, and work in connection with the Crippled Children's Clinic. They encouraged having a complete physical examination of members and their families. They encouraged visits to the dentist and oculist, and discussed health insurance for themselves and their families. This year members have become more conscious of the health of their families, because of the many things learned in the Home Nursing and the First Aid classes. These classes have been reported under "Safety" because they were the direct results of the Safety Project. Prince George has one doctor living in the county. He is over 70 years old and has been ill part of the past year. Therefore, the women feel that it is a safety measure for them to know all they can about home nursing, first aid etc., They also realize the importance of regular dental appointments, and physical examinations, as well as insurance for their families. They report:

92 members had physical examinations

183 visited the dentist

319 members of their families had teeth fixed

207 members of their families had physical examinations

91 attended the Chest Clinic

52 members had their eyes examined

107 members of their families had their eyes examined

38 members had small children immunized

92 carry health and accident insurance on themselves

95 carry health and accident insurance on their families

13. Rural Youth

Objective - To furnish entertainment for youth in the homes and community, and to encourage them to be I-H members.

Method - Members encouraged young people to come to their homes by entertaining small groups in a simple way. Members helped with community socials for youth. Agent trained individuals in leading games, and furnish directions for playing different games.

One of the greatest contributions the Home Demonstration Members has made to the youth of the county, is to hold all Home Demonstration meetings during July and August.

The President and Project Leaders take complete charge of the July and August meetings such that the Agent can give almost all of her time to the I-H Class and classes.

Another large contribution to encouraging youth is to help furnish transportation and picnic lunch for the I-H Achievement Day in August.

Members report:

Entertained youth in their homes 400 times

Helped with community parties 310 times. Improved family relationship

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by buying 95 new games

59 attended 4-H Achievement Day and carried 4-H Club members.

14. Lighting.

Objective - "To save sight with better light"

Method - Individual demonstrations on remodeling lamps, and discussions on lighting in general.

For years people have been encouraged to use larger bulbs and have lights close to their work, but each year more work has to be done along this line. Remodeling lamps has been demonstrated many times in the past.

The selection of the right choice is always helpful to members.

4 members secured electricity for the first time this year

127 reports using electricity were effectively

46 remodeled light fixtures and lamps

25 remodeled or made choice

196 lamps and fixtures were bought

It is interesting to ^{note} here that members have 97 electric ranges (15 of these have been bought this year)

97 Electric Sweepers

75 Electric Mixers and 89 toasters. The exact number of Kew Freezers is not known, but it can be estimated at around 75 (most of these being bought in the last 18 months) a check will be made on this in 1952.

B. Other Activities.

1. A club participation in Community Projects.

The Middle Road Club chose their church and parsonage to improve as a community project and had been reported in V. 4, page 8, and V. 7, pages 11 and 12.

This is a small club and transportation has not always been easy. They are scattered. However, the fine results of their work on the inside of their church and parsonage shows such work. Because of lack of funds to pay for having the work done, the members "pitched in" and did the sanding and refinishing the floor, removing paint and repainting furniture and woodwork. They are still working on improving the yards and parking area. A field has been provided by the parsonage for ball games. More will be reported in connection with this project in 1952.

2. The Home Nursing Classes and First Aid Classes reported in V. 1, pages 4 and 5 can be considered community projects because they were open to the communities, and the community will benefit by them.

3. The County Federation Goal

Prince George County pioneered this year in the Safety Goal. It was the only county in the District taking Safety. The members feel that it has been excellent, therefore, they plan to continue it in 1952 taking up more about Civil Defense, Rab Control, and many other subjects. A full account of the 1951 activities in connection with this goal has been given in V. 1, pages 4 and 5.

4. District and State Meetings of the Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs. All 13 Home Demonstration Clubs paid their 1951 State Federation dues. Much more interest has been shown in the activities of the State organization. They collected \$11.42 in pennies for Friendship and carried them to the District Meeting. The Prince George and Dinwiddie Counties chartered a bus to take members to the District and State meetings, in addition to the bus, members attended both of them out of County Meetings in their own cars. The 34 members who attended the District meeting gave fine reports in the 11 clubs they represented.

Prince George had 14 members and I guest he attend the Institute of Rural Affairs and the State Federation meeting as compared to 8 in 1950. These members encouraged their husbands to go, and 4 took their husbands and 2 grown son with them. These have not been counted in the 15 mentioned in the first sentence of this paragraph or in any other place the Home Agent has reported. This growth in three years in women attendance from Prince George may be seen as: 3 in 1949, 8 in 1950, 15 in 1951. The speculation that R.P.T. belongs to the people of Virginia is spreading fast, thus creating more interest in attending the State Meeting.

5. Home Demonstration Achievement Day.

A most successful achievement Day program was held November 19th with about 200 attendees. This was great considering the three other meetings held in the small county. Mrs. C. B. Myers, Past President of the Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs, gave a most interesting account of the meeting of the A.C.D.M. in Denmark. The Prince George members are great proud of belonging to the A.C.D.M. The feeling seems to be a little stronger since such a large percent of the members are Southerners and their parents or grandparents came from the "old country". Mrs. Myers made the opening very good to the women. Miss Janet Cameron's talk and colored slides taken in my country, including ones taken during the A.C.D.M. in Denmark worked in beautifully with Mrs. Myers talk. The audience felt they had travelled far and seen much, through the eyes of those two fine people.

- The songs were led by Mrs. Linwood Leno, who represented Prince George in the "Song Leading Class" at the State Meeting.
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Local talent was aided with music by the Burrowsville Band (A group of folks who get together and play for the fun of it)

The awards offered by the County Home Demonstration Committee for exhibiting work, along many lines, were given at the Achievement program. A news photographer was present, and several good articles have appeared in the papers, giving good publicity to the winners of the contests etc., This program was held in the evening so that more men could attend.

6. The United Nations Flag.

This flag, which was made by the Home Demonstration Agent and Extension Secretary in 1950, has been used by different groups in Petersburg and in Hopewell in 1951.

7. Cooperation With The Red Cross

In December of each year the clubs are asked to give Christmas Boxes for the boys in Fort Lee Hospital, the 10 clubs organized at that time contributed. The Red Cross and Home Demonstration members have formed a closer bond of friendship through the County Red Cross Supervisor. As has been stated in V. 2, page 4 and 5, she is also the County Chairman of the Federation Club, and she secured the special classes for the members. Members of all clubs have served as community chairmen in the Red Cross Work, and in addition all families have contributed.

8. The American Sale for A-H Camp Fund. A full account of this will be given under A-H Club work, but it is mentioned here because the Home Demonstration members contributed articles and then came to the sale and participated. They also helped contribute to the thrift sale held at the A-H Achievement Day.

VI. A-H Club Work

A. Project Work

1. Clothing

Objective - (a) To teach the older girls more advanced methods as well

as information on selection of patterns, fabrics, and suitable color.

(b) "To teach the beginner the fundamental stitches, and seams as well as the use of simple pattern".

11 older girls had taken clothing 2 and 3 years, therefore, they selected more difficult patterns and their mothers bought better cloth for them.

One girl attempted a suit and was real proud of the results. Each girl had different problems, therefore, all were taught what they could do if such problems should arise again. These senior (older) girls completed their

clothing projects during the three summer months. In August two of the three Senior Clubs held their Style Dress Review and Clothing Achievement contests together so they could see all dresses and not just the winners. The clothing winner looks forward to the District Contest which will be held in Petersburg and to the dinner given in honor of the County Winners of all contests.

The winners for the past three years have done this and feel they profit much by this experience.

The seven Junior Clubs took Make or Repair, for the first year. They worked on aprons for their mothers (which accounts for the number of garments listed below "made for others", shirts and blouses for themselves. The aprons and shirts were made of feed bags and were very pretty. Each girl had her own blouse pattern and learned to measure and adjust it before placing it on the cloth. Reports from 77 girls show:

142 garments made for themselves costing	\$153.15
and saving	\$145.85 by doing their own work
71 garments made for others costing.....	\$54.07
saving.....	\$29.25
15 garments remodeled costing \$3.55,	saving.....\$15.00
2 garments remodeled for others costing ...	10
3 garments dyed for themselves costing.....	30

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These girls have cared for their own clothing, washed sweaters, and mended, but did not report the number of garments. They started keeping a clothing account in September.

2. Room Improvement.

Objective - "To encourage more interest in attractive rooms, showing the personality of the owner".

Method - Regular meeting with the 3 Senior Clubs (high school girls) all year. Demonstrations on "Selection of Colors"; "Arranging Furniture"; "Making slipcovers"; "Making Shag Rugs"; "Rising Lamp罩". Individual help and home visits.

The 16 Senior girls who have taken this project have become very interested in other rooms of their homes as well as their own. They have brought many problems to the meetings, and the discussions held during the meetings have touched every room in the house.

These girls have been especially interested in storage spaces, dust ruffles and rugs, as well as other things mentioned below.

On August 11th, girls from two of the clubs made a tour of the members' rooms and judged them to select the county winner. The other clubs did not complete the rooms enough for a tour, they brought their curtains, rugs, and bed linens to be judged. The county winner looks forward to the District Contest.

16 girls cared for their rooms 12 months each.

16 girls made color plans for rooms

16 girls rearranged furniture

16 cared for the floors in their rooms

13 made curtains for their rooms

6 made bedspreads.

12 made bed ruffles

3 made accessories for the closet

11 made pillowcases or blanket protectors

2 secured new mattresses and springs

4 secured new pieces of furniture

8 remodeled or converted lamps

7 made slip covers

72 people have visited these improved rooms during the year

3. Food Preservation

Objective- "To teach the value of home grown foods and the amount needed for their families during the months they cannot be gathered fresh from the garden".

Method - Individual help to 10 girls interested in taking this project. This has meant help in canning and in freezing. The interest in frozen foods has grown fast. Two of the 4-5 girls have prepared almost all the foods for the home freezer. One has a mother crippled with arthritis, and the other's mother works out in the fields leaving the older girl (13) to procure the food and the younger girl (10) to mind the baby. In August canning judging was held in 3 clubs, at which time all the points of "good canning" were reviewed. The frozen foods scores were discussed and reports made. 10 girls canned 278 quarts by themselves, they helped can 992 quarts; they prepared 640 quarts for freezing alone, and helped prepare 725 quarts for freezing. 10 helped plan amount of tomatoes needed; 3 helped plan amount of frozen foods needed. Of the figures given above, the reports show:

- 289 quarts tomatoes canned
- 345 quarts vegetables canned - 612 frozen
- 471 quarts canned - 903 frozen

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265 quarts milk canned - 250 pounds frozen

A. Food Preparation and Meal Planning

Objective - "Better Planned Meals for A-H families with emphasis on milk and better breads"

Method - Individual help to 9 girls who wished to continue this work for the 3rd year.

Three of the five girls certifying this project had won in club and county demonstration contests and were interested in trying again so that they would be eligible for the District Contest.

The Agent visited the homes, helped, and made suggestions, as well as furnished literature.

These girls took complete charge of setting the tables and washing dishes. They helped plan the family dinner 124 1/2 times during the year, cooking the vegetables and making salads and desserts. They learned to make 10 different salads, and 6 kinds of cookies. They made pies and cakes. One girl cert of specialism in making birthday cakes for her big family. This has meant a great deal to her mother who is called upon to do many things as a leader in her community, also as her Home Demonstration Club Leader.

B. Other Activities.

1. Auction Sale of White Elephants - Jamestown A-H Camp Fund.

For three years the Club Members of the county have been trying to raise money for the Jamestown A-H Camp Building Fund. The Extension Secretary read about a White Elephant Sale and thought "It could work here", so she formulated a plan and presented it to the Agents. She wrote letters, the Agent talked, the Home Demonstration members and their families along with the A-H members talked and worked. Soon old farm machinery, kitchen utensils, radios, tables, childrens furniture and toys started rolling in. Then the Secretary got permission from the Hopewell Chamber of Commerce to contact

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merchants in Hopewell and Petersburg for donations. The Secretary and Agri. Agent contacted the stores and individuals. Many stores contributed in both Hopewell and Petersburg. By the 26th of April sides of meat, eggs and canned goods were added, and on the morning of the sale (April 28) goats, rabbits, live hogs and purebred pig were brought in. The A-H Club members sold drinks and sandwiches (furnished by Home Demonstration Committee) for lunch, and the sale went on into the afternoon. Everybody had a wonderful time and \$372.29 was cleared. After the sale other donations came in.

2. A-H Gift Sale for Jamestown Camp. Since all the articles were not sold at the Auction Sale the Extension Workers decided to have a Thrift Sale during the A-H Achievement Day in August. Again the members of the H.D. and A-H Clubs were asked to contribute, this time clothing was accepted. The sale was held during the noon hour with a committee from the A-H Council in charge. \$15.26 was cleared which brought the amount Prince George County has contributed to the A-H Camp Fund in the last 3 years up to \$900.00. This is excellent for such a small county with limited ways of raising money.

3. A-H Achievement Day

The 1921 Achievement Day marked the 5th year this annual event has been held. Each year the attendance and interest has increased, and each year the program improves and the interest in A-H Club work spreads. August is the month best suited for this day in Prince George County. In 1920 the Home Demonstration Clubs held a joint Achievement Day with the A-H. The picnic lunch and the contact with the county officials (guests to achievement day and picnic) was an interesting and helpful toward spreading the information about Extension Work, that the H. D. Committee offered to furnish the picnic lunch for the 1921 program (for the A-H. they had no part in the program) but attended all day and enjoyed the activities of the A-H members.

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About 120 men, women, 4-H members and friends attended. A program of 4-H activities was held in the morning with reports of State Short Course, 4-H Camp, Interstate All-Star meeting and awards to club winners. Perfect attendance awards were given to 29 girls who had not missed a single meeting in 1951. 3-year perfect attendance awards were given to 7 members, certificates of merit for 4-years perfect attendance were given 4 members and 2 members were awarded for 5-years of perfect attendance. In addition to the County officials and secretaries, the 4-H members and friends, the H. D. members served the Chesterfield Extension Agents, Secretary and 4-H members on the ball team in the afternoon Chesterfield and Prince George 4-H ball teams played, while the adults heard an interesting illustrated talk on Yard Improvement by the Extension Associate Horticulturist.

4. National 4-H Week.

The County 4-H Council planned a 30 minute Radio Program to be given in celebration of National 4-H Club week. All Council members were urged to take part so that all clubs in the county would be represented. The clubs advertised this program by putting up posters in every store, filling mailboxes and back in the county. The posters had pictures of 4-H girls and boys and urged people to listen to W H A P in Hopewell. Announcements were made in school assemblies during National 4-H week and the program was given on Saturday at 1:30. Fifty-four members took part, seventeen of these had speaking parts while the others sang.

5. January 4-H Camp.

Eighteen Prince George 4-H members, and leader attended the Camp in 1951, all participated in all activities, serving meals, working on handicraft, games, recreation, music leadership, tribal pow-wows and all programs. One girl was made Camp Scribe, and 2 others served as Lesser

Chief and people of their tribe. The girls who attend camp must have their work up to date, and at least one project completed and checked by Agent and members.

An account of the money raised to assist with building this 4-H Camp has been given under VI. B, 1. pages 25 and 26. The Camp plays a very vital part in the County 4-H program, and is worth all the time and effort spent planning and conducting it.

6. District Contest.

The Senior (High School) 4-H members look forward each year to the District Contests. Six girls entered the contest, and one other (a junior and first year member) played the piano throughout the dinner meeting.

Prince George members have been very proud of Mankie this member because she played for every camp program and for the 4-H Achievement Day club songs. The Agent has furnished her with 4-H song books and encouraged her by working with her on the songs.

On the demonstrations and exhibits Prince George girls won the following: Room Improvement tied for 1st, and because the other girl had a longer record she entered the State Contest.

Canning won a 2nd place.

Clothing Achievement won a 2nd place.

Food Preparation won 3rd place.

Dress Review won 3rd place.

The 4 girls who went to the State Short Course brought back information and suggestions for girls entering the 1952 District Contests.

7. State Short Course

Four very outstanding Senior 4-H members and a Leader attended the 1951 State Short Course. They took as many different classes as possible and brought many helpful suggestions back to the county.

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They have given glowing reports in their clubs and at the 4-H Achievement Day program. This is the first time in 4 years that girls have attended the Short Courses from Prince George County. These girls and others plan to go back in 1952. One member was taken into the State All Star Chapter.

6. County Fair.

Prince George 4-H members were urged to attend the Chesterfield County Fair since the club exhibits there are excellent. Fourteen members reported that their families took them. Seeing the exhibits and booths put up by 4-H and H.O. members is most educational. The Home Agent has judged some part of Chesterfield Fair for the past 3 years, each year she has urged members to attend. Interest has grown and perhaps in 1952 a bus may be secured. The real aim of this activity is to show the girls how they could put up exhibits at their own County Achievement Program. This is a goal for 1952 or '53.

VII. Young men and young women's work.

The County All Star Chapter is the only elder youth group ever organized in the county. Because of scattered membership, all with full time jobs, it is difficult to meet. One meeting is held each year to discuss the records of the outstanding girls and to select the one to be recommended to the State All Star Chapter for membership.

Perhaps this one meeting a year does a great deal for both the All Star members and the County 4-H Work.

Individual help has been given 8 young women who work during the day and can not attend the meetings. They are scattered too far to have a regular meeting. Literature and demonstrations have been given these folks on foods, housefurnishings and home management. They have been encouraged to bring their problems to the Home Agent.

VIII. Scope of Work

	1948	1949	1950	1951
No. Home Demonstration Clubs - - - - -	9	10	10	13
Membership - - - - -	160	169	184	198
No. Club Clubs - - - - -	6	6	6	10
Membership - - - - -	77	77	77	98
Number Older Youth Groups - - - - -	1	1	1	1
Membership - - - - -	8	8	8	9
No. other families reached - - - - -	600	750	810	950
Total number families reached - - - - -	760	919	994	1146

The members carried information about demonstrations and project work to people outside of the club and answer the roll call each month with the number of people they have contacted. A place is provided in the yearbook for recording this information, and each month the club secretary and the Home Agents record the members in their books. During 1951 information was carried 5974 times as compared to 2955 in 1950, an increase of 3019 times. Therefore, perhaps almost 1000 people are being reached even tho their names are not on the club rolls.

IX. Brief statement as to function of the following organizations, in 1951
 programs

A. County Board of Agriculture.

In Prince George County the women are not represented on this Board.

B. County Home Demonstration Committee.

The Prince George County Home Demonstration Committee is made up of 13 club presidents and three lay women. In addition to the regular officers

A County Federation Club Chairman is elected to plan for and work with the Club Federation Club Chairman. The Committee serves as an executive

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body for the Home Demonstration Clubs. It studies the needs of the county; holds a meeting to set up the program of work. It selects the State Federation goal to be stressed during the year by the clubs; makes County objectives; plans ways of financing the program; plans the County Festivals; sets standards for the awards; plans special events, such as: Home Demonstration Achievement Day, Tours, Exhibits etc., The Committee selects county delegates to the State Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs, and urges each club to send delegates; urges members to attend the District Meeting each spring; and makes decisions in promoting all Home Demonstration work in the county. Three regular meetings are held each year in January, May and October. In 1951 the committee paid half the expenses for one of the delegates to the State Meeting. These women made fine representations and have given good reports to the committee and clubs. The 1951 delegates inspired seven more to go this year, maybe the county will have 21 come next year.

The Program Development Chairmen have attended all County Committee meetings in 1951, the attendance has been between 22 and 25 each meeting. The May meeting was used to help the Committee and Program Development Chairmen to get a better idea of conditions in Prince George County and in the State and nation; to check on developments in the past and future possibilities; to check long time goals and plan to next steps; and to help the members to know how to present these facts, stimulate interest in county needs and plan with club members drawing out their needs and wishes.

The October Committee Meeting was the County Program Planning meeting. Twenty-four members representing 12 clubs attended. All members had the lists of demonstrations and special subjects their clubs had selected, and all took active part in the discussion which was led by the District Agent. A very interesting and timely program was worked out for the county. This

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These are different because of different subjects were requested for regular demonstrations, and 12 subjects requested for special interest groups. This shows real thinking and a realization of what the H. D. Clubs can mean to the members.

The Goals set up for 1951 have been kept and results have been shown under Health, Yard Improvement and Safety. The increased membership goal was kept when three new clubs were organized in January. The Leaders held the regular meetings thus allowing the Agent more time to spend with unorganized groups. This is expected under County Committee because it was planned in the 1950 meetings.

The County Committee offers awards for perfect attendance, outstanding work of project leaders, and club reporters, also for individuals who carries the most project information to people outside of the club, and to the member securing the most new members. A club award is offered to the club keeping the most goals (as printed in the yearbook).

6. County 4-H Program Planning Committee.

The county did not set up a separate committee. The Senior 4-H Members served in the capacity of discussing possible 4-H work and plans in their June meetings, and pooling their thinking for the Agent. The work selected for next year was considered again after the 4-H girls and Leader returned from the 1951 State Short Course, and these older girls had the "final say" in the plans made for 1952.

7. County 4-H Council

The Prince George's 4-H Council which was organized in December 1947 has strengthened 4-H Club work in the county more than any other organization has done. Each year it grows stronger and assumes more of the responsibility of planning 4-H activities.

The officers of the 4-H Clubs make up the County 4-H Council. Regular meetings are held 3 times each year and call meetings when necessary. All County 4-H Goals, plans for celebrating National 4-H Week, 4-H Camp, and Achievement Day are made at the County Council.

This County Council serves as the only organization in the county which draws the girls and boys together as a county unit, and helps them to think and plan in terms of the county as a whole. Since the County seat is not a shopping center, and since the county is divided between two shopping centers and many churches it is hard to teach folks young (or older) to think in terms of county planning. The 4-H Council took responsibility of giving the entire Radio Program reported in VI, B, A, page 27. The council planned the program for the evening of the 4-H Achievement Day and appointed committees to take charge of the Thrift Sale, the sale of drinks for lunch. The preparation for the Ball Game, and a clean up committee. Results of these plans are shown in VI, B, 3, page 26.

Each year the Council determines which club has won the County 4-H Plaques for the most outstanding work in keeping the County Goals. The name of the club and the year is engraved on the plaques and the club keeps it for one year. If won 3 consecutive years by the same club it becomes permanent property of the club. The council serves as judge for this award. The Goals are made in the first council meeting for the year, and checked at the first Council Meeting the following year. The Goals for 1951 follows:

1. The Club having the highest percent attendance at 10 meetings.
2. The Club having the highest percent of project work reports turned in on time.
3. The Club having 100% members to serve on projects during the year.
4. The Club having highest percent attend council meetings.

5. Club having the highest percent of members to win in the County contests for 1951.
 6. Club having highest percent attendance at Achievement Day.
 7. The Club having the most and the best news articles published in 1951.
 8. The club participating most actively in the National 4-H Club Week program.
 9. The club having the highest percent attendance at 4-H Camp and State Short Course.
 10. The club raising the most money for the advancement of 4-H work.
- The December 8th Council Meeting will determine the winning club. The competition is very strong and the points may be won by only a tenth of a point.

2. County 4-H Honor Club.

Prince George County does not have such an organization.

3. County Chapter of 4-H All-Stars.

An account of this organization has been given in VII under Young Men and Women's Work.

4. Other Organizations.

(1) U.S.D.A. Council and Professional Workers.

The Prince George U.S.D.A. Council, and Professional Workers are one and the same organization. The Council has 13 members who represent the following agencies: Extension Service (Agricultural and Home Agents, both white and negro, Farm Home Administration Supervisors, Vocational Agricultural and Home Economics Instructors (white and negro), Supervisor of Soil Conservation, Clerk of Production and Marketing Administration, the Superintendent of Schools. Programs were held on the following subjects:

- "The County School Program"
- "Social Security as it Applies to Rural People"
- "The Rehabilitation Program of the Department of Justice"
- "Vocational Agricultural Program for Department of Justice"

and at different times each Agency, white and colored, gave reports and plans concerning their programs. These were informative and interesting

as well as timely.

(a) County Teachers Association.

The Home Agent is a member of the County Teachers Association (by special invitation) and attends meetings of this organization. The agent gave a report on 4-H Club progress to the association. Through the better understanding by the teachers of the extension work, and the agent of school plans, complete cooperation has been achieved. The teachers have encouraged more girls to become 4-H members. They report having kept up with club publicity, and called it to the attention of others. When the home agent asked to use the school projector for the Home Demonstration Achievement Day, she was first told that it was only to be used by teachers because it was school property and should not be moved. Then the Principal thought a moment and said "but you belong to the County Teachers Association, of course you can use it" so the agent carried it from the Woodlawn School to the Prime George Auditorium, feeling that it had paid to plan her busy days so that she could attend the County Teachers Association Meetings.

X. Leadership.

A. Contribution of Volunteer Leaders to the Program.

1. Organizational - "Club Officers" for H. D. Clubs.

All 13 Home Demonstration Clubs have the following Officers:

President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, Federal Goal Chairman, and Chairman of the "Cheer Up" committee. The Vice-president acts as Program Development Chairman. The agent held training meetings to teach these officers the duties of their respective offices. Parliamentary procedure has been followed in all clubs, during the meetings. In September 1952 officers were elected to take office in December. This was done in order that the 1954 officers could attend the County Committee Planning meeting in October. All officers have been interested in performing their

duties correctly. Seldom does a club meet without the minutes of the previous meeting etc., The members have learned to be able to substitute what needed. More interest has been taken by all members in knowing how to carry on the responsibilities of each office. The Club Federation Club Challenge has been given five minutes to ten minutes of every meeting, and have given the members interesting information on the subjects mentioned in V, A, 2 Page 4 and 5. Each club was asked to be responsible for two advertisements to help pay for the County Yearbook. The members took complete charge of this. The Agent met with the 1952 Yearbook Committee and worked up the 1952 Yearbook with 30 pages. The Yearbooks were printed and given to the members at the November meeting. These Yearbooks serve as a program of work, a song book, a directory, a report form, and a notebook, because all of these are included. The committee which was composed of organizational officers worked hard to make it a creditable book.

2. Program Development for H. D. Clubs.

Program Development Leaders are only 2 years old and have had to be helped more because of the "roughness" of their type of office. However, the vice-presidents have served well in this capacity, they have attended all 3

County H. D. Committee Meetings in 1951, and have functioned well back in their own clubs. In planning the 1952 program they revised the "Long Time Goals" set up by the Program Development Leaders at their organizational Meeting February 1950. An account of the work of these Leaders has been given in IX, B, Pages 30, 31 and 32. because they work so closely with the County H. D. Committee.

3. Subject matter for Home Demonstration Clubs.

All 13 clubs have two Project Leaders and the two largest clubs have 3, making a total of 28 subject matter leaders for the H. D. Clubs. During 1951 2 leaders conferences have been held with 50 attending, which is

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a very high percent indeed. The leaders have enjoyed giving the demonstrations more than ever before, and their work has received the full cooperation of their members. The growth in leadership in H. D. work is very marked and almost remarkable. In 1951 they have given 42 of the club demonstrations as compared to 24 in 1950, and 18 in 1949. In addition to the regular meetings they have held extra ones giving demonstrations learned in past years to the new members or new clubs, and giving present years work to outside groups. These were not reported until the club reports were filed in the agents office. Therefore, they have not been on monthly report forms. The total number of demonstrations given by present leaders and members has been 110 demonstrations with 698 attending. The agent has given 127 Home Demonstration club demonstrations with 1139 attending, and has held 132 4-H meetings.

The leaders of the St. Sinai club live several miles from the St. Sinai neighborhood, and they felt a club could be organized in their own neighborhood. These leaders talked with their neighbors and then contacted the agents. When they were not to discuss organizing these two leaders offered to serve as leaders for the new club, as well as the St. Sinai club. The Cumningsville Club has been a real addition to the county, and much of it's success is due to these two leaders, Mrs. Clifford Cole, and Mrs. Reid Smith. Since they have finished their obligation to the St. Sinai club by completing the year as leaders, they will resign from St. Sinai and devote all their time to the Cumningsville Club.

4. 4-H Leadership.

A. Organization.

The 4-H Clubs have: president; vice-president; (program chairman) secretary; treasurer; reporter, cheer leader and song leaders. The officers are in charge of all meetings and observe strict parliamentary rule.

The one project leader is a teacher and can not attend the business part of the meeting, therefore, the club officers deserve all credit for good work and good program. All organization leaders have attended at least 2 County Committee Meetings this year, and have been responsible for good attendance at the County Radio Program, and the A-M Achievement Day.

E. Project Leaders

For the 1951 club year Caron A-M Club had the only project leader in the County, and she teaches school. Therefore, she can only attend the last 15 minutes of each club meeting during the school months. In the summer she helps with the entire meetings, and this year held a meeting alone. She would do more but has an invalid father who demands much of her time. She helps with transportation to some of the county meetings, and furnished the transportation for A-M girls to the State Short Course. She served as their leader during the Short Course week. She was not able to attend camp but helped secure a N. D. Member to serve as leader at camp.

In November 1950 the Woodlawn Senior Club secured the mother of one of its members to serve as project leader, she attended the two meetings of the club which were held in her home, and made no apparent effort to help further. She cooperates heartily with her own daughter in A-M club work, but her reasons just stated was dropped from the monthly reports as a leader.

In October 1951 a new concentration member of the Woodlawn club, who lives near the school, was secured by the agent to help with the three Junior Clubs in Woodlawn. She has attended the October and November meetings of these three clubs and helps a great deal with their sewing. She is a woman between 55 and 60, living alone, and without transportation, therefore, she will not be able to attend the County Council Meetings, or help in many ways other than regular project work. However, this is a

great improvement because the clubs are large and only allowed 45 minutes each.

The Agent has discussed this plan through part of the County program with Home Demonstration Clubs and has presented the grant need to the County Committee, a few other Home Demonstration members have said they would help, they have to be notified of meeting dates, and have been visited by the agent in connection with these meetings but to date other things have prevented their attendance at L-H meetings.

The Agent will continue to try to find leaders in 1952.

Growth Over Period of 4 Years

Growth of Home Demonstration Club Project Leadership

	1948	1949	1950	1951
No. project leaders and Club Chairmen	28	32	32	42
No. training meetings held by specialists	4	2	3	2
No. " " " " Agent	1	1	0	0
Attendance at all training meetings	56	90	58	90
No. Club meetings held by leaders without agent present	21	18	34	62
No. Club meetings at which leaders assisted	12	20	20	13

*Agent trained leaders individually, but not at meetings.

Growth of L-H Project Leadership

	1948	1949	1950	1951
No. adult project leaders	2	3	2	2
No. junior project leaders	0	1	1	0
No. training meetings held by specialist	0	0	0	0
Attendance at training meetings	0	0	0	0
No. L-H Leaders trained individually	2	3	2	3
No. Club meetings held by leaders without agent	2	1	1	1
No. club meetings at which leaders assisted	14	17	2	18

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XI. Work In Cooperation With Other Agencies.

A. Red Cross.

The County Red Cross Supervisor is a member of the County Home Demonstration and has served as County Federation Club Chairman. In August 1931 the home agents office was moved into half of the Red Cross Office. Therefore, the Home Agent has worked very closely with the Red Cross Supervisor, and has encouraged all members to support this organization. Each year the clubs have cooperated with the Red Cross in furnishing Christmas boxes for the men in Fort Lee Hospital. Members in all communities help with the membership drive, or serve on committees.

B. Health Department - T. S. Association - Cancer Drive - Crippled Childrens Association.

The agent has attended the county T. S. Association meetings, and has explained plans for the Chest Clinics to the clubs. In addition the Agent has cooperated with all of the associations mentioned in the title, in carrying timely information to the clubs. The club time is consumed in keeping members informed and in urging all members to cooperate in every way possible, and to carry this information to people outside of the club who do not have an opportunity to hear plans explained.

C. Welfare Department

The Agent has discussed club activities with the Welfare Supervisor and urged her to encourage her clients to attend meetings. She has made seven visits into clients homes. The daughters of welfare clients are 4-H members. In January the mother had to go to a sanitarium, so the Agent helped the members plan for their meals and care for themselves while their mother was away. She returned in August and was justly proud of what her girls had done.

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XII. Brief Appraisal of Year's Work.

The interest and enthusiasm of all members has grown by " leaps and bounds ". Perhaps this is due to a better understanding of the purposes and possibilities of the home demonstration program, and the joy of seeing good things accomplished.

The members are proud of the work of their leaders (organizational, program, and project) and have made the leaders happy by telling them how much they have enjoyed their help, and about bragging to others about them. The improvement in attitudes and enthusiasm is contagious and has been noticed in all phases of the county program. Attendance at all meetings, club and county has increased. More reports have been turned in showing good work. More information has been carried about demonstrations to people outside of the club. Progress has been made on the " long time goals " on nutrition, yard improvement, housing and personal appearance. Plans have been made to stress the " family life " along with continued work on the Health, Housing, Nutrition, Youth and Yard Improvement goals.

To the casual tourist driving through Prince George and perhaps to a large number of folks who live in the county, perhaps little change may be seen. The Agent's visits to 419 different homes have given her a real opportunity to observe definite improvements in equipment, furnishings, abilities and interest.

The 4-H Clubs have strengthened their programs greatly through 100% participation in all activities. There are weak spots in all programs, the Agent feels that more should be accomplished in the way of leaders for the 4-H Clubs and in the rural youth program. If leaders can be secured for the 4-H Clubs this work will progress rapidly.

In 1952 more will be done toward securing such leaders.

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The work done in 1951 has contributed largely to raising standards of living and encouraging working together for the good of individuals, communities and the county as a unit. While much has been accomplished still more remains to be done. May the program make even greater strides of improvement in 1952.
