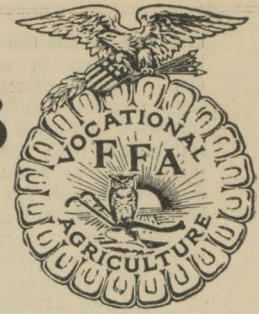


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No. 1.

The State Executive Committee Sponsors an Interesting Contest!

The State Executive Committee at its recent December meeting decided to sponsor a new and interesting activity among members of local chapters. The revised manual is just off the press and the Executive Committee felt that every member of every local chapter should have an opportunity to become more familiar with many of the details of the organization. One of the most interesting phases presented in the manual is the ritualistic work covering the initiation ceremony for the several grades of membership. It has been decided, therefore, to sponsor a contest in which it is hoped that all members of the local chapters will participate. This contest is held in order to select the best teams or individuals making up degree teams for putting on the initiation ceremony for Green Hands.

Suggestions and rules regarding this contest are listed below:

1. Every member of the local chapter should try out for one of the parts taken by the officers and conductors in the first degree initiation ceremony. The competition should not be confined to the present officers but should be open to every member in the chapter. This contest with three or four members vying with one another to represent the chapter for each position should prove quite interesting to the members.

2. When the individuals have been selected to represent the chapter for each of the officers and positions of conductors, then these individuals are to compete with individuals from other chapters within the county in order that a group of county winners may be selected. It is to be understood that this will give the county a team which may be made up of one or more members from the different chapters within the county, depending upon the number of chapters. The objective is to select the best individual

from within the county to take the part of president, the vice-president, secretary, farm watch dog, conductors, etc.

3. Individuals so selected are to participate in further elimination contests so that one group of contestants can be selected to represent each of the four districts of the State at the final contest which will be held in connection with the annual Rally at V. P. I. The manner of handling the contest from the time the



Winners of 1934 Chapter Contest.

county team has been selected until the members of the team to represent the district at the Rally are chosen, will be in the hands of the district supervisors of vocational Agriculture and details will be worked out in conformity with teachers, federations, etc.

4. Individual members to represent their district in the finals at the Rally, if not contestants in either the judging or athletic contests, are to be allowed free meals while in attendance at the Rally.

5. Individuals who shall be adjudged winners at the time of the finals of the State contest are to be awarded medals similar in character to those now awarded winners in athletic and judging contests.

It is hoped that chapters and advisers within a county will work out some plan for arranging for the county elimination

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POWHATAN WINS CLOSE RACE OVER DISPUTANTA AND GRASSY CREEK.

The Powhatan Chapter of Future Farmers of America has been declared the winner of the 1934 Chapter Contest. Scoring 855 points out of 1000, the chapter submitted a well-balanced report that showed that no phase of F. F. A. work had been slighted. Cooperative effort, community improvement, leadership training, scholarship, thrift and recreation were stressed. There are chapters in Virginia that outscore Powhatan on some one phase of activity but Powhatan Chapter leads in all-round strength.

But the contest was no walk-away for Powhatan. Disputanta was ten points behind and Grassy Creek right on Disputanta's heels. The race was so close that the State Adviser had to resort to a second score card to make sure. The North Carolina Chapter Score Card told the same story as Virginia's and Powhatan's Chapter came in a step ahead. The next five chapters and their relative standing are as follows: Disputanta, Grassy Creek, Stuart's Draft, Mt. Jackson, and Chilvallee. The Shorthorn

Chapter, last year's winner, was ineligible to compete.

Powhatan's Objectives and Accomplishments are as follows:

I. Supervised Practice.

1. To complete 100 per cent of all supervised practice programs.

First a farm survey of the pupils' home farms was made to determine the needs in supervised practice. The programs of work were then selected to suit the local conditions. Emphasis was placed on the value of supervised practice work after the boys had been selected who could meet the requirements. An effort was made whereby every boy could earn some cash from his program.

Prizes were offered by Mr. P. S. Blandford of the Virginia Indus-

trial School for the three outstanding programs in supervised practice. These prizes consisted of three pure-bred bulls. By applying improved practices and comparing the results with those in the community it was found that the production per unit for F. F. A. members exceeded that of the community. In nearly every case Chapter members received all of the proceeds from their enterprises. Proper financial arrangements were made to take care of the supervised practice programs before they were begun. Skills necessary for carrying out the programs were learned as they were needed.

2. To see that all supervised practice programs meet hour requirements.

Each member of the class informed himself as to the hour requirements and adjusted his program so that in the majority of cases the hours exceeded those required. The work program was arranged so that nearly all the F. F. A. members had some work to do on their projects throughout the year. An estimate of the number of hours required to complete certain enterprises was made and sufficient scope included to meet the hours.

II. Co-operative Activities.

1. To buy and sell co-operatively.

Fertilizer for corn, tobacco, truck and vegetable crops was bought co-operatively. Approximately fifteen tons of fertilizer were used on the enterprises with a saving of about three dollars per ton.

Those who are selling vegetables and truck are selling co-operatively. They formed an organization and a truck was secured at a saving of one-third, to go to the homes, collect the produce and deliver it. This will amount to a saving of fifty dollars during the year. Two thousand, two hundred and ninety-nine dollars worth of pickles, broilers and eggs were sold.

Baby chicks were bought collectively, saving ten dollars on 1,000. Broilers and hens were sold to special customers above market price. By the end of the year at least one hundred dollars will be realized by this practice. A spray was bought to spray home orchards and used by members of the class. Each one who used it sprayed and returned it for the next one to use.

All of the F. F. A. members who are growing tobacco are selling according to the Tobacco Growers Association contract signed by their fathers. They are supporting the Agricultural Adjustment Administration by taking their percentage of reduction with their fathers.

As before mentioned, the bulls given by Mr. Blandford of the Virginia Industrial School to boys with outstanding programs, will be kept at the home farms of the boys and used by other F. F. A. members who are convenient.

Seed for the pickle projects was bought co-operatively.

III. Community Service.

1. To write four articles for Chapter Chats.

Four articles were written for Chapter Chats. In addition to this publicity, at least twenty articles were written concerning the chapter and run in the Co-operative Citizens Club News. This paper is circulated to nearly every family in the school area. These articles included such things as Chapter organization, officers, Community Fair, Farm Tour, Minstrel, Father and Son Banquet, Project Reports, etc.

2. To help with school ground improvement.

Plans were drawn of the front yard and building. The yard was graded by moving 300 yards of dirt. Walks consisting of thirty-three yards of concrete were laid. Six hundred sets of shrubbery were planted and grass was sown. This was done at a cost of \$300.00. The Chapter saved equally as much by doing the work.

The athletic field is now being graded by plans furnished by the Chapter.

The shade trees are kept pruned by F. F. A. members and monitors keep the yard clean by seeing that children stay off the front lawn.

3. To stimulate pride in all school and public property and prevent mutilation of same.

Boys are encouraged to protect the school property and all public property by having meeting to emphasize the value of protection. Essays were written on care and protection with suggestions of how it would be brought about.

4. To improve Athletic Field.

Four acres of land were purchased adjoining the old athletic field for the purpose of making a standard size baseball field, football field and quarter mile track. The F. F. A.'s are helping to meet the payments on the land as they come due. The C. W. A. started grading but did not complete it. The Chapter is working on this job and will continue until its completion.

5. To help in County program of helping needy families.

The Home Economics Department served soup, crackers and milk to undernourished children last winter. The F. F. A. boys helped by bringing canned produce for making this soup. Members of the Chapter also helped in surveys to find needy families and to canvass for the Red Cross Roll Call.

6. To help in Conservation Program.

Information studied in class was taken home for the purpose of preventing soil erosion and to maintain soil fertility. Crop rotations were studied which included a legume in every rotation. A start was made toward timber protection, and encouraging the growth of timber on waste lands. Lespedeza was

sown on pasture lands to improve them.

7. To help protect all game and fish.

The County Committee on game and fish protection printed a pledge card stating that signer would not hunt or fish out of season and that he would also report others who did so. Every member of the Chapter signed this pledge and helped solicit to get others to sign.

About fifty per cent of the Chapter members provided feed for birds during the heavy snows last winter. Several boys have helped to stock fish ponds. Grains were planted to provide bird feed.

8. To raise money to pay athletic expenses.

9. To give minstrel.

For several years the Chapter has been giving a minstrel to help pay its expenses. Last year a minstrel was given for this purpose. A Halloween play was given in October and the Chapter served supper to the Business Club. These three features alone netted \$119.00. Part of the proceeds went for athletic equipment and the remainder for Rally expenses, Farm Tour, etc.

The F. F. A. members also helped to build a Boy Scout Cabin valued at \$300.00. The Troop extended to them the privilege of meeting there when they so desired.

IV. Leadership Activities.

1. To organize with new officers for the 1933-34 session.

At the beginning of school new officers were elected. The secretary had been chosen at the end of the previous session to keep records throughout the summer months. Each officer learned his part and every officer was present and on time for every meeting.

2. To loyally support all organizations with which affiliated.

Members of the F. F. A. held offices in every school organization, such as class, athletic, literary society, annual, honor society, etc.

3. To encourage boys out of school to enroll in part-time work.

F. F. A. members helped send out notices and solicited for part-time work. They also encouraged others by telling about new practices, which had been learned in class.

4. To encourage alumni to attend Chapter meetings.

Alumni were informed from time to time as to when meetings would be held and a number of them attended throughout the year.

5. To send teams to Rally.

One team and a delegate to the school of leadership attended the Rally, in addition to the state secretary who was a member of our Chapter. Six judges also represented our Chapter at the State Corn and Grain Show. Funds to help pay these expenses came from the minstrel proceeds.

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RICHMOND FEDERATION SETS UP SIX OBJECTIVES FOR 1935.

The Richmond Federation of the F. F. A. met in the new high school building at Goochland, Wednesday, December 12th. The following objectives were set up:

1. To hold a basketball tournament in the Randolph Macon gym, Ashland, Jan. 19th. Each chapter will be represented.
2. To put on radio broadcast, which will probably come from Richmond during the mid-winter season.
3. To hold a track meet during April in Richmond.
4. To hold a banquet in Richmond.
5. To hold a judging contest for members of the federation.
6. To put on an exhibit at the state fair or at a Federation fair.

The first meeting of the federation, this school year, was held in the state office building in Richmond December 5. The new officers which were elected are as follows: President, Cecil Spicer, Atlee; Vice President, John Ransome, Goochland; Secretary, James Via, Ashland; Treasurer, Kenneth Davis, Powhatan; Reporter, James Stanley, Montpelier; and Adviser, Mr. A. W. Kay, Goochland. The following are to serve on the Executive Committee: Vivian Clements, Beaverdam; Thomas Hildebrand, Varina; Winston Dabney, Central; James Robinson, Hamilton; David Crosby, Varina; and Mr. H. S. Kahle, Adviser, Beaverdam and Montpelier.

The new officers immediately took their places and drew up the following regulations:

1. The fiscal year of work will begin on October 1st.
2. No officer may be re-elected to a second term.
3. Chapters not represented by an officer will have a member on the Executive Committee.
4. Two advisers will be elected—one to advise the federation as a whole and one to advise the Executive Committee.

This year three new chapters have been added to the federation—Montpelier, Beaverdam, and Ashland. The six older chapters are: Atlee, Central, Hamilton, Powhatan, Goochland, and Varina. These chapters are all working in unison to attain the federation's objectives.

JIM STANLEY,
Reporter.

SOUTHSIDE FEDERATION.

The Southside Virginia Federation held its bi-monthly meeting December 6, 1934, in Chase City. After the formal opening ceremony, a number of important business matters came before the group.

The first matter brought up for discussion was whether or not we should have a basketball tournament this year. It was decided to have this tournament at South Boston on January 30, 1935, the following counties participating: Halifax, Charlotte and Mecklenburg.

The next matter considered was the annual banquet of this organization. A committee composed of Carl Russell, Kenneth Blanks and Mr. Peck, adviser, was appointed to arrange for this banquet which is to be held at South Hill, February 22, 1935.

The State Seed Show, to be held at Hopewell, January 25, 1935, was the last matter for discussion. Each chapter agreed to send exhibits and a judging team to this show.

The next regular meeting will be held in Chase City on February 7, 1935.

CLAUDE WRIGHT,
Reporter.

CHASE CITY F. F. A.

The Legume Chapter of Chase City High School has 58 members, all farm boys. Dues for the entire class are paid up.

This chapter is keeping as its slogan the same one it has had for three years, "Improve the Soil and Live at Home." We believe that if this is followed, it will remedy a majority of our farm ills.

Every member of the Agricultural classes has in his project program the following as enterprises or supplementary farm jobs:



Legume Chapter F. F. A., Chase City—58 Members, All Farm Boys.

1. Farm crop to provide food and feed.
2. Livestock.
3. Production of field peas for seed.
4. A truck crop for home use.
5. Some soil improvement.

Here are a few objectives that we have set up:

1. Send exhibits to the Corn and Grain Show; also three boys to enter the judging contest.
2. Hold Father and Son banquet in February.
3. Send judging and track teams to the Rally.
4. Enter Public Speaking contest.
5. Help in the preservation of wild game in this section.
6. Buy and sell cooperatively.
7. Continue to improve the school grounds.
8. Do all we can to help the AAA program.

WM. LEACH,
Reporter.

Customer—"Which leather makes the best shoes?"

Shoe Salesman—"I don't know; but banana skins make the best slippers."

SHOP WORK AT GLADYS.

The members of the Gladys Chapter have just completed a very successful period of shop work. This period was begun the last week in November and ended the first week in January. Cooperation in work was splendid and every minute of the time was well occupied.

There has been 100 per cent completion of the program which included: 2 work benches (for department shop), 2 spike tooth harrows, 2 radio tables, 1 kitchen table, 3 wagon bodies, 1 step ladder, 4 costumers, 2 magazine racks, 2 lawn chairs, 2 book cases, 1 corn germinator of the "rag doll" type, 3 sets of harrow teeth sharpened, 2 picks sharpened, 2 hand saws sharpened, and the F. F. A. creed framed.

Unusual interest was shown in this work by the boys, by other students, and by patrons of the school who visited to observe the boys at work. Fathers are glad that the boy is making something

that can be used at home, that is, something practical.

As the boys find additional jobs that will help their program, they will accomplish them as they arise. A detailed plan of all work was and shall be required by the instructor. This plan is checked and discussed with the boy. If it meets with approval, the boy proceeds with the job. Such planning and cooperative purchase of materials helped greatly in the success of the program. All work was done by the individualized method.

We look forward to a larger and better program next year, since this is our first year of existence.

W. H. BLANKS,
Reporter.

FOR SALE—50 bushels certified Boone County seed corn.—Sam Land, South Hill, Va.

FOR SALE—50 bushels certified Reid's Yellow Dent seed corn.—South Hill F. F. A. Chapter, South Hill, Va.

Said parson Brown: "Salvation may be free, but you have the devil to pay."

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MEMBERS OF STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, 1934-'35.

President, William Shaffer, Maurertown.
 Vice President, George Edward Lawrence, Zuni.

Secretary, Magruder Brown, Saluda.
 Treasurer, Wesley Kessinger, Buchanan.
 Reporter, Claude Overbay, Atkins.

Executive Secretary and Treasurer, Walter S. Newman, Richmond.

Adviser, Henry C. Groseclose, Blacksburg.

Members at large:

John Ray Gee, Kenbridge.

John Cole, Appomattox.

Ross Minton, Smithfield.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

There was a very interesting meeting of the State Executive Committee held on December 28th at the State Department of Education in Richmond. The committee feels that every member might be interested in learning of the various matters that were discussed and, therefore, we are submitting below a copy of the minutes of this meeting. We wish particularly to call especial attention to Section 9, as this has to do with the final date of the payment of dues and the added responsibility that each chapter must submit its annual report before it will be eligible to participate in the Rally.—W. S. N.

MINUTES.

The meeting was called to order by William Shaffer, President, with the following members in attendance: Magruder Brown, Secretary; John Cole, Member at Large; George Edward Lawrence, Vice President; Henry C. Groseclose, Adviser and Walter S. Newman, Executive Secretary-Treasurer.

1. In connection with the handling and arrangements for the 1935 Rally, it was decided first that the meeting room be so divided into sections or divisions in order that the main body of members present would be clearly separated from the delegates, with the delegates seated in the front of the room. It was also decided to seat both delegates and members by districts, as has been the custom. Two (2) chairs for the delegates from each chapter are to be designated and marked with the name of the chapter, as it was thought that this would facilitate better attendance on the part of delegates at all meetings and less confusion in the matter of voting.

2. The Executive Secretary was instructed to send a copy of Chapter Chats to the State President and the State Secretary of each State Association as soon as the names and addresses are available.

3. In order to increase the interest in and familiarity with the manual, it was decided to sponsor a contest dealing

with the use of the opening and closing ceremony and the ritualistic work in connection with the initiation ceremony. This contest is to be sponsored in each local chapter carried on through the county and federations and have further elimination contests if possible so that there will be four degree teams competing at the 1935 F. F. A. Rally. These four teams are to represent the four districts of the State. Prizes of some kind, probably gold medals, to the members of the winning degree team are to be awarded from funds in the State treasury.

4. An earnest effort will be made to get from 10 to 15 third and fourth degree members from various sections in the State to attend the 1935 Rally. It was felt that the presence of these older members would exert a very fine influence on the entire group and that they can be of benefit in an advisory capacity in taking charge of certain activities and in general assisting with the Rally. It was decided that in case they could attend, that they would be given free meals and lodging and these expenses be taken out of the treasury.

5. Mr. Groseclose agreed to send out a questionnaire to the various chapters in order to find out what members could play musical instruments and what degree of efficiency they possess. After tabulating this information, an effort is going to be made with the advice of certain musicians at Blacksburg to work out a plan to bring the more talented and capable of these members together at V. P. I. during the Rally for further instruction and the formation of an F. F. A. band or orchestra. Nothing can be done about this matter until the results of the survey are secured.

6. The Executive Committee emphasized that we must continue to push chapter federations and do everything that we can towards establishing such groups. Through the pages of Chapter Chats we are to continue to call to the attention of the Members at Large the advantages of such group effort and also allow space for the publishing of interesting accounts of activities and accomplishments of federations.

7. In order to create interest among members in the use of the F. F. A. uniforms, it was suggested that we have a model dressed with the official F. F. A. uniform on display at some prominent place during the 1935 Rally. It is also the objective of the committee to see that the entire group representing the State at the next National Convention secures the official uniform.

8. The Executive Committee decided to postpone the date for the final payment of dues from January 1st, to February 1, 1935. All chapters not paying dues by this date are considered ineligible to participate in the state functions of the organization. It was further decided that in order for a chapter to be considered a bonafide chapter and eligible to participate in the functions of the state organization, that all dues must be paid up 100 per cent and that the annual report of the chapter must be in the hands of Mr. Henry C. Groseclose, State Adviser, by June 1, 1935.

The Executive Committee also feels that during the next year sufficient pub-

licity must be given to January first as the dead line for the payment of dues in order that a chapter may be considered eligible to participate in the activities of the State organization.

9. Mr. Groseclose was requested to revise the State Constitution and By-Laws of the organization by incorporating into one copy the various recent amendments and revisions. A copy of this revised Constitution and By-Laws is to be sent to each chapter and each State Officer.

10. The State Executive Committee authorized the Executive-Treasurer to purchase identification buttons and badges for members, contestants, officers and advisers for the 1935 Rally. The total amount of such expenditures is not to exceed the sum of \$50.00.

MAGRUDER BROWN,
 Secretary.

THE NORTHERN NECK F. F. A. FEDERATION OYSTER AND HOT DOG ROAST.

The Northern Neck Federation of Future Farmers of America held their first meeting of the year Wednesday, November 28, 1934 at 6 P. M. in the Agriculture building at Warsaw High School.

The chapters represented were Lloyds, Center Cross, Tappahannock, Farnham, Cople, Wicomico Church and Warsaw.

After the boys had consumed about eight bushels of oysters, ten pounds of hot dogs, and ten pounds of crackers, a short business session was held. President Averett Taylor of Lloyd presided. He asked for a report from each chapter to be made on their objectives and methods used to carry out their objectives.

This proved to be very interesting to all. It was also decided that the Federation would have its Seed and Poultry Show January 18, 1935.

Roland Northern of the Warsaw Chapter was elected Treasurer of the Federation for the coming year.

After the business session was over, several musical selections were furnished by the Lloyds Chapter.

JAS. SCHOOLS,
 Reporter.

NEW CONTEST SPONSORED.

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contest and notify the district supervisor ahead of time so that he can be making arrangements for the handling of further eliminations necessary after the winners for the county have been selected.

The new, revised manual is just off the press and can be secured from the State Office in Richmond or by writing direct to the Farm Journal, Washington Square, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The price of this, the eighth edition, is 15c per copy.

THINGS YOU'LL ALWAYS REGRET.

Trying to have the last word. Getting the best of an argument which may cost you a friend. Squandering your time foolishly. Resenting fancied insults. Doing the lower when the higher is possible. Passing the buck, putting the blame, the burden, on the other fellow. Trying to get pleasure out of such things.

:: NEWS FROM THE CHAPTERS ::

Atkins.

At its regular meeting, Monday night, November 12th, Atkins Chapter initiated eleven Green Hands, using the regular ceremony with certain additions, calculated to strengthen the reverence of the initiates for their elders.

At a called meeting held January 7th six Green Hands were raised to the Future Farmer degree. The next regular meeting is expected to be made memorable through the presence of the Future Farmers' wives of Atkins, composed of the girls who have scheduled Vocational Agriculture during the past two years, who have been invited to attend.

Class and project work, as well as chapter activities for the year, are now well under way and all bid fair to surpass the results of former years.

CLAUDE OVERBAY,
Reporter.

Axton.

The Axton Chapter F. F. A., held its ninth annual Father and Son Banquet on Wednesday evening, December 12th, in the Home Economics Cottage of the school. Covers were laid for seventy-two guests and friends of the chapter. After a four-course supper in which chicken and pumpkin pie starred against all other viands on the menu, and when the dishes had been cleared away by the Home Economics Department under the efficient direction of Miss Frances Reynolds, Instructor, the following program was carried out by the boys, with George Starling, Vice-President, acting as toastmaster.

After a few opening remarks of welcome, the toastmaster introduced Rev. W. G. Hughes, pastor of the local Baptist church, who spoke of the work of the boys in the department, and the benefits which they could obtain from working together in such an organization. The toastmaster then called upon Mr. H. L. Saville, the Agricultural Instructor, to introduce Mr. J. Foster Holifield, Division Superintendent of Henry County, the chief speaker of the evening, who gave us some good ideas, and emphasized the advantages of close contact between fathers and sons afforded in the vocational program.

Billy Martin, Secretary of the chapter, gave a history of the work of the chapter for nine years, and showed how the number of members had increased as well as the interest of the citizens and patrons of the school in the local chapter and its work.

This was followed by a few remarks by members of the local school board and advisory council.

The program was closed by Rev. W. G. Hughes.

MURRAY KENDALL,
Reporter.

Beaverdam.

Our chapter has accomplished two objectives in one day by making up and delivering a Christmas basket to two needy families and holding a party with the

Home Economics girls. We enjoyed doing both very much. Our Christmas packages were made up of food and clothing, the party of food and lots of fun. The party was held in our Agricultural building. We used both rooms. A few bunches of holly, some spruce and some red and green crepe paper changed our shop and class room into a very lovely place. (It's wonderful what a woman's hand can do, isn't it?) The makeshift stove in place of the forge, a number of interesting games including Wink, some music, and punch and cakes complete the picture. We are looking forward to the attaining of our other objectives in the hope that they will prove as interesting.

Beverley Manor.

The Beverley Manor F. F. A. Chapter held its regular monthly meeting on Dec. 21st, to discuss a number of questions.

A Father and Son Banquet was decided upon by the chapter. The following officers were elected: Chairman, Bobby Wright, Toastmaster, Theodore Beaver. A decorating committee was also elected being composed of Luther Farley, Tracy Hazlett, Chairman, Sam Obenchain.

Reception committee: James Cleveland, William Hamilton and George Baylor. Ralph Maury was elected to send invitations to honorary members. The chapter voted unanimously to operate a thrift bank from January 1, 1935 to October 1, 1935.

HARRY SWATS,
Reporter.

Botetourt (Gloucester).

The Botetourt Chapter Future Farmers of America and the Home Economics Club sponsored two basket ball games for the purpose of collecting food, toys and money for the benefit of the unfortunate people of the county at Christmas time.

The game was played Friday, December 17th in the Botetourt gym, between the Home Economics girls and Achilles, the F. F. A. boys played the Varsity five. The final score favored Achilles 4-0, the F. F. A.'s won by a score of 11-6. The admission to this game was food, toys or money.

Door receipts for the game included the following—80 different kinds of toys, 31 cans of beans, 5 cans of corn, 30 cans of tomatoes, three-fourths of a bushel of potatoes, 4 qts. of apples, 3 qts. of snaps and a small quantity of other food, including 20 varieties. The money taken in amounted to \$10.50.

The food, toys and money were turned over to the Court House and Ware Circles of the King's Daughters for distribution.

JOHN MARBLE,
Reporter.

Carrsville.

One of our objectives this year was to play Santa Claus to at least two needy families. Some time before Christmas we started bringing in old clothes and toys we wanted to put in the boxes we were going to prepare. Several Irish and

sweet potatoes were also brought in. On Thursday night before Christmas we put on a pie sale at the high school building to secure money to help out our boxes. We cleared \$18.00 on the sale, \$8.00 of which was used to buy material for the boxes. Instead of fixing two boxes as we had planned, we fixed seven, composed of clothing, potatoes, toys, oranges, bread and beans. Friday before Christmas we dressed one of the boys in a Santa costume and took the boxes around. It certainly was a great deal of pleasure for those of us who were along to see the excitement and pleasure derived.

Our plans for this year are to start our box early, help more families and play Santa on Christmas night.

J. J. BRADSHAW, JR.,
Reporter.

Cleveland (Russell Co.).

The members of the Cleveland Chapter of the Future Farmers of America on Wednesday, December 19th, visited the Lebanon F. F. A. Corn Show. There were many exhibits of good corn, which were judged by the Cleveland F. F. A. boys.

The Cleveland F. F. A. Chapter met Friday, November 9th, at 7:00 P. M., in the Agricultural classroom. The meeting was opened by the regular ceremony, after which the initiation was directed by R. G. Guynn, Adviser, and the officers of the class. There were nine boys initiated.

Honorary guests present were: R. T. Tiller, Principal of the Cleveland High School, Ralph Fuller, and James Jessee, of the Lebanon Chapter.

After the initiation had been given, weiners were roasted.

FLETCHER FARMER,
Reporter.

F. B. Cale (Sparta).

The F. B. Cale Chapter of F. F. A.'s and the Martha Van Rennselaar Home Economics Club of the Sparta High School held a joint meeting at the school Friday evening, November 16th at 7:00 o'clock.

The meeting was opened by Miss Elma Wright, President of the girls' club. Bible reading was given by Miss Sybil Wright and minutes of the last meeting were read by Marjorie Pitts. The objectives of the club were read and discussed by Miss Margaret Ayres.

The meeting was then turned over to Wilson Wright, President of the F. F. A. chapter. A short talk was given by the president, the roll was called and minutes of the last meeting were read by Herbert Moore, Secretary. Cane Puller read and discussed the objectives of the chapter.

After this business the chapter gave a short program. The Value of F. F. A.'s in High School, Richard Gouldin. Extemporaneous Debate: Resolved that Agriculture is more important in High School than Home Economics. Herbert Moore and Lewis Fraughnaugh upheld the affirmative side of this question and Margaret Ayres and Mattie Bowler the negative side. The decision was in favor of the affirmative side.

The girls again took charge of the meeting with Miss Evelyn Penny presid-

ing. Miss Penny started the program with a talk on the Value of Home Economics in High School. An interesting dialogue was given by Miss Jean Broadus and Fuller Wright.

The following talks were made: "The Conduct of a Boy," Miss Mary Virginia Upshaw; "Good Sportsmanship in a Game," Recia Chenault; "How to Act on a Street," Catherine Turner. The program was ended by an interesting talk, "The Value of a Joint Meeting," by Mr. Sheppe.

A social hour which was in charge of Miss Callista Upshaw followed.

Charlotte Court House.

The Charlotte F. F. A. Chapter held their annual Father and Son banquet Tuesday, December 18th, at 7 o'clock. A very delicious meal was served by the Home Economics class under the direction of Mrs. Mary Finney Smith, the Home Economics teacher.

Virgil St. John, a senior, who for the past three years has been active in the activities of the Future Farmers of America, was toastmaster. Cloyce Comstock, a first year student, gave the aims and purposes of the organization. Norvell Reynolds, another senior, gave the Future Farmer's Creed. Alfred Moore livened the program with his jokes. Clyde Hailey, Sandy Dunn, and Benjamin Owens furnished string music.

Mr. R. W. Bobbitt, Superintendent of Charlotte County Schools, told in a short address how the vocational classes are conducted in the county.

Mr. W. D. Richardson, and Mr. B. M. Wright, agriculture instructors at Wyliesburg and Phenix, respectively, and Mr. John M. Hamlet, Jr., a member of the Charlotte faculty, expressed their appreciation and enjoyment of the banquet.

Mr. H. M. Collins, Charlotte agriculture teacher, gave a brief outline of the county survey which is being made by teachers of agriculture to ascertain the number of boys between the ages of 16 and 24 who are not in school.

Those present at the banquet were: Dr. A. C. Hopkins, Mr. R. W. Bobbitt, Mr. W. D. Richardson, Mr. B. M. Wright, Mr. H. M. Collins, Mr. L. H. Shepherd, Mr. H. E. McSwain, Virgil St. John, Stanhope Deaner, Mr. G. G. Vaught, Clay Roseberry, Mr. J. W. Reynolds, Albert Davis, Lelan Vassar, Taylor Dunnivant, Mr. D. D. Dunnivant, Mr. J. L. Smith, Mr. E. T. Smith, Mr. R. M. Hicks, Herbert Reynolds, Mr. E. E. Comstock, Cloyce Comstock, Marland Vaught, Jos. Hicks, Roy St. John, Romney Watkins, Hugh Vassar, Alfred Moore, Roy Gibson, Frank Smith, Norvell Reynolds, Garland Smith, Mr. J. H. Watkins, Mr. P. A. Layne, Thomas Moore, Clyde Hailey, Sandy Dunn, Benjamin Owens, G. B. Dobbins, Lawrence Vassar, Ernest Deaner, and Mr. M. W. Davis.

JOSEPH HICKS,
Reporter.

Check

The Check Chapter F. F. A. met Dec. 5th, at 7:30 P. M., in the Agricultural Department of the Check High School. The meeting was opened in due form with Benford Light acting president. The applications of Sebert Sisson, Julian

Rutrough, Thornton Prillaman, Irving Yeats, Harless Carr, Lewis Perdue, and George M. Thomson for membership were voted upon and accepted. These new members were then initiated into the club, using the regular procedure together with other amusement features. At the end of the initiation, refreshments were served.

Several objectives for the year were discussed and Thursday night, December 13th, was set as the time for the F. F. A. O'possum hunt.

D. S. LUCAS,
Reporter.

Dickenson Memorial (Clintwood).

The Dickenson Memorial Chapter has put forth every effort possible to accomplish their objectives as fast as they can this year. The objectives follow:

1. Through the Literary Leagues secure additional reference books for the agriculture library.
2. Subscribe to five agriculture magazines for the classroom.
3. The local chapter sponsor a local city market for the marketing of boys' project enterprises.
4. To have F. F. A. projects marked by a sign stating the nature of their enterprises.
5. Fifty per cent of the boys plant on marginal and sub-marginal land a small grove of locust.
6. The chapter sponsor an F. F. A. judging contest at local fair.
7. That every F. F. A. boy measure the land that he uses for a project enterprise.
8. Hold an F. F. A. get-together some time during the year.
9. That each F. F. A. boy enter one or more exhibits at the county fair.
10. Enter a poultry team in the judging contest at the Rally.
11. Conduct an F. F. A. store for the purpose of financing the chapter.
12. Have refreshments at fifty per cent of the meetings.
13. Strive to have one State Farmer elected to that honor this year.
14. Post on the bulletin board the honor roll at the end of each six weeks.
15. Invite seventh grade pupils to a specially prepared program for them some time during the year.
16. Put on a high school assembly program some time during the year.
17. Have every F. F. A. boy attend seventy-five per cent of the meetings.
18. To have one boy attend the school for leadership at the Rally.
19. Assist with the improvement of the school grounds.

JAMES TICKLE,
Reporter.

Concord.

The Concord Chapter held their second meeting November 13th and was pleased to have the Rustburg Chapter to take part in the program. The Concord boys were initiated by the Rustburg boys. Mr. Cauley, the Concord Agriculture instructor, took great pleasure in presenting the F. F. A. pins to his class of seventeen members.

The boys have set up the following objectives for the year 1934-35:

1. Make the department serve the com-

munity better and have a better department.

2. Farm tour or camp. Work toward state camp.
3. Hold a Father and Son banquet.
4. Engage in cooperative buying and selling activities.
5. Chapter exhibits as local fairs.
6. Stage plays and pageant.
7. Arrange for class debates.
8. Hold joint meeting with other chapters.
9. Have refreshments served at 50 per cent of the meetings.
10. Complete 100 per cent of projects started.
11. Cooperate with other high school activities to raise standards of scholarship.
12. Hold annual summer F. F. A. picnic.
13. Frame the "F. F. A. Creed" and the local charter, and display them in the agricultural room.
14. See that the Chapter owns a stuffed owl, a plow, a rising sun, and an ear of corn.
15. Hang an F. F. A. banner in the meeting room.

CHARLIE INGE, JR.,
Reporter.

Dan River.

The Future Farmers of the Dan River High School met Wednesday, November 28th, to initiate Green Hands. The formal ceremony was carried out the following Monday at the close of which twenty-two Green Hand pins were awarded to that number of successful candidates.

This year the F. F. A. boys have set up for their program of work the following:

1. Improve the baseball field.
2. Organize basket ball team.
3. Cooperate in holding County F. F. A. Rally next spring.
4. Send judging team to State Rally.
5. Send at least four articles to Chapter Chats.
- Remove dead trees on school ground and plant new ones.
7. Improve road from school to highway.
8. Hold at least one meeting of the chapter each month.
9. Organize cooperative broiler club.
10. Organize potato club.
11. Send track team to State Rally.
12. Give a play to provide money for farm tour next summer.
13. Initiate all Green Hands.
14. All Future Farmers must learn creed before receiving pins.

JUNIOR YEATTS,
Reporter.

Dendron.

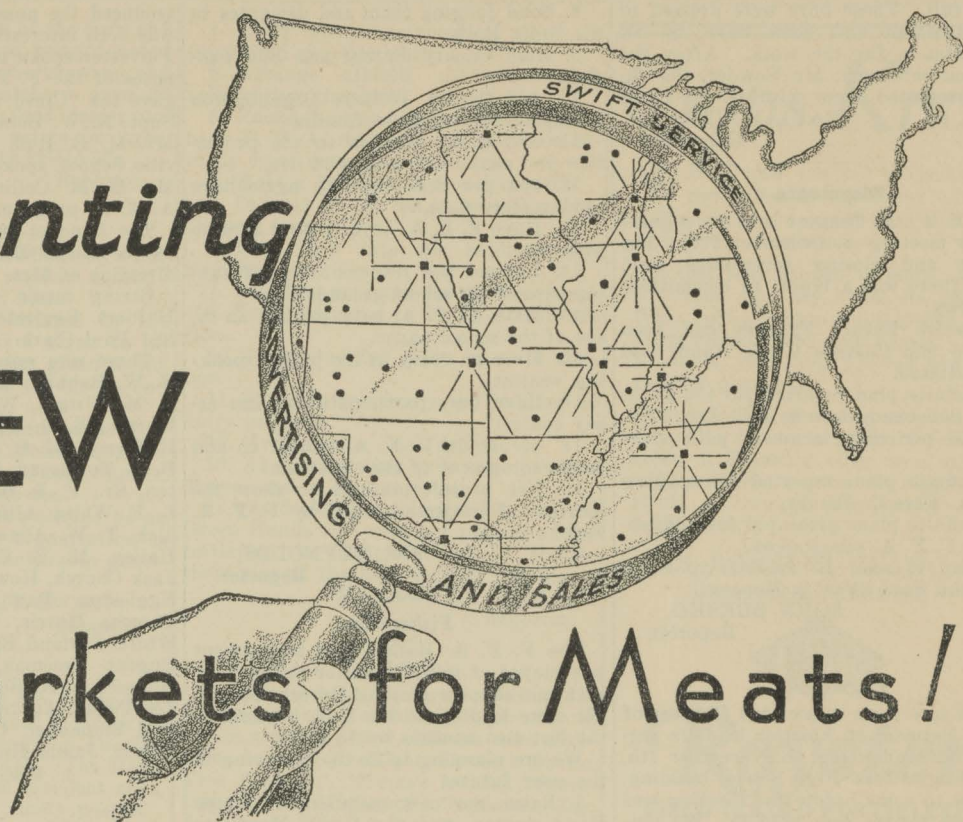
At the regular meeting of the Dendron Future Farmers of America, November 23rd, in the Agricultural class room, the following boys were initiated into the Green Hand Degree of the F. F. A.:—Shelton Stuart, Walter Bell, Lyle Pond, Robert Slade, Frederick Huber, Robert Emory, Lawrence Maynard, Clarence Clark, Willard Emory, Sterling Rives.

The meeting began with the opening ceremony and the prospective Green Hands were led in by David Riggan, the conductor. The ceremony was carried

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out in full. These boys were dressed in overalls which had been worn by all Green Hands for the week. After the initiation ceremony, Mr. Sowder, the adviser, presented them with Green Hand pins.

PAUL ROGERS,
Reporter.

Disputanta.

The F. F. A. Chapter held its regular monthly meeting on December 17th. The opening and closing ceremonies were used. There was a report of committees as follows:

1. Twelve Future Farmers had been initiated and thirteen Green Hands had been initiated.
2. Definite plan reported for the Father and Son banquet to be held Jan. 17th.
3. 100 per cent members paid state dues.
4. Definite plans reported for opening F. F. A. store in January.
5. Definite plans presented for publishing the F. F. A. school news.
6. Plan to send 10 exhibits to State Grain and Seed Show in Hopewell.

JOHN BRESKO,
Reporter.

Eagle Rock.

The Eagle Rock Associated Chapter of Future Farmers of America held its regular monthly meeting on November 7th, in the Eagle Rock High School building. Business to come before the meeting was objectives for the year 1934-35. We considered the objectives adopted by the Fincastle Chapter and after the objectives were explained decided to adopt the same objectives as the Fincastle Chapter, and in some cases to unite with the Fincastle Chapter in reaching these objectives.

EARL MARTIN,
Reporter.

Earlsville.

The Earlsville Chapter of the Future Farmers of America held its first regular class period after the Christmas holiday January 4, 1935. Nine of the members were present.

With the help of Mr. Davis, the agricultural instructor, the students made calendars of the jobs that they plan to work up during the month of January.

The class is very glad to say that it has one member who has been present every class period thus far.

FLORENCE WALKER,
Reporter.

Fincastle (Painter-Patrick).

The Painter-Patrick Chapter of the Future Farmers of America held its regular monthly meeting in the agricultural room at the Fincastle High School building on Wednesday, November 7th, at 11:00 A. M.

2. Engage in cooperative buying and selling.
3. Send at least five news articles to Chapter Chats.
4. Hold F. F. A. Camp or Tour.
5. Exhibit at the County Fair.
6. Exhibit at the State Corn and Grain Show.
7. Send judging team to State Corn and Grain Show if such a contest is held.

8. Send judging team and delegates to the State Rally.

9. Hold County Father and Son banquet.

10. Aid County Welfare Organization in caring for destitute families.

11. Aid Game Warden in the protection and conservation of wild life.

12. 100 per cent boys in agriculture paying state dues.

13. Have F. F. A. boys sponsor a radio program.

14. Assume the responsibility of taking care of the school grounds.

15. Have F. F. A. boys publish an issue of the school paper.

16. Have an entry in the public speaking contest.

17. Have boys participate in some essay contest.

18. Secure an F. F. A. banner to add to the equipment of the classroom.

19. Use project markers to show the location of projects carried by F. F. A. boys.

WM. REYNOLDS,
Reporter.

Fisherville.

The F. F. A. Basket Ball tournament was played at Beverly Manor high school, with our chapter playing Beverly Manor. We were leading at the half, but lost in the last two minutes by 18-21.

We are planning to do the following in the near future:

1. Raise the new members to Green Hand degree, and the Green Hands to Future Farmers, the second week in Jan.
2. Have a social the 17th of January.
3. Hold Father and Son banquet the early part of February.

OLIVER BOSSERMAN,
Reporter.

Haysi.

The accomplishment of objectives as set up at the beginning of school has been very good so far. The objectives which have been completed to date are as follows: laying of water line from the high school to the agricultural building; putting concrete floor in shop room; holding an old fiddler's contest; holding an agricultural show; sponsoring a judging contest for the county F. F. A. boys and also for local farmers and former agricultural students; purchasing window shades for class room and office; purchasing film strips; and procuring film strip projector.

The old fiddler's contest was held to finance the agricultural show and judging contests. It was the first time that the contestants have been strictly local players, and for this reason it was enjoyed more than those held in the past.

TIVIS TILLER,
Reporter.

Keysville.

The Keysville F. F. A. Chapter held their Annual Father and Son banquet, Thursday evening, November 15th, in the Home Economics cottage. Twenty-three vocational agricultural students were hosts to twenty-eight visitors.

The impressive opening ceremony of the Future Farmers of America was used with Robin Robey, chapter president, presiding. Wister White as toastmaster in-

troduced the numbers of a program that was both interesting and varied. Charles Forrester spoke on "The Aims and Purposes of the F. F. A." and Robin Robey gave the "Creed of the Future Farmer." Supt. R. W. Bobbitt, Mr. L. W. Morton, Mr. M. B. Bull, principal of the Keysville School, spoke on appropriate topics. Mr. H. M. Collins spoke briefly of the A. A. A. program.

The banquet was prepared and served by the Home Economics class under the direction of Mrs. Winifred Garner.

String music was furnished by Mr. Herbert Eggleston, Howard Eggleston, and Paul Clark.

Those who were present included: Mr. R. W. Bobbitt, M. B. Bull, L. P. Bland, B. M. Wright, W. D. Richardson, L. W. Morton, S. G. Eubank, B. W. Amos, A. B. Mason, M. S. Forrester, J. L. Farrar, B. B. Townsend, H. H. Clark, J. K. Burton, Sr., F. I. Hamner, H. H. Hamner, L. P. White, Allie Eggleston, J. E. Riddick, T. W. Adams, A. P. Robey, W. E. Hailey, M. E. Church, Edward Hayes, Jack Church, Howard Eggleston, Herbert Eggleston, Paul Clary, Robin Robey, Thomas Harris, Lester Pollard, Wister White, Garland Eggleston, Harlan White, Eugene Freeman, Bob Hamner, James Hamner, J. K. Burton, Jr., Hugh Tuggle, Joe Vaden, Aubrey Townsend, Ben Ward, Bud Shumaker, Chas. Forrester, Harold Mason, Jamie Hughes, and Sam Eubank.

REGINALD PETTUS,
Reporter.

La Crosse.

The La Crosse Chapter is planning to sponsor a Valentine carnival to make money to finance their Father and Son banquet. This is a new experience for the chapter and we shall let you know how we come out in the next issue.

JACK RAINEY,
Reporter.

Lincoln and Lovettsville.

On November 23rd the members of the Lincoln and Lovettsville Chapters combined to reach one of their most interesting and worth while objectives of the year in the form of a corn, potato and egg show. Due to the fact that we have more new members in our organization this year than old members, who have not yet had an opportunity to produce a project exhibit, we offered two sets of classes. One set of classes made up of project products while another set of the same classes was offered in which the entries could be selected anywhere and were judged on the basis of selection. The classes shown were white corn, yellow corn, potatoes, brown eggs and white eggs. A special class offered was a corn-shelling contest, the prize being offered for the ten ears of corn which shelled out the most pounds of sound corn. The exhibit which won first place in this class of 16 entries weighed 11.53 pounds after shelling and shelled almost 85 per cent of its gross weight.

A student judging contest was also held in connection with the show in which every member of the two chapters competed. The classes judged were corn, eggs, wheat and potatoes.

The prizes offered in the show consisted of one bushel of certified seed corn

and seed potatoes in each of the corn and potato classes, these prizes being donated by our leading seed corn growers and potato dealers. One hatchery gave 25 certified chicks while a feed dealer donated laying mash for prizes on eggs.

EDWARD MARSHALL,

Reporter.

Middlebrook.

The president of the Middlebrook F. F. A. Chapter called the regular monthly meeting to order on Nov. 27th.

The Freshmen were initiated by the F. F. A. Class pins were given to all members. Bronze pins were given to the freshmen and gold pins to the second and third year members.

The following pupils became members: Tommy Clemmer, David Bowman, Allen Arehart, Carlyle Beard, Jack Palmer, Glen Bartley and Billy Harris.

Galen C. Crawn was also elected as an honorary member. The organization is hoping to increase its membership greatly next year.

HARRY SWATS,

Reporter.

Montpelier.

The F. F. A. boys and the Home Economics girls gave a banquet in honor of their Mothers, Fathers and the Faculty. Friday night, December 7th. The Home Economics class served an excellent meal, of three courses, to over ninety people.

Immediately after the meal, Mr. Jack Chewning, toastmaster, started the entertainment by calling for some special music from the girls. This was followed by more music from the girls and two of our boys: Franklin and Owen Pollard. Mr. Kahle, our instructor, in a brief talk, defined the term "Vocational Agriculture," for our parents. Jim Stanley, our vice president, told of the aims and purposes of the F. F. A. and Mr. Hall, our school superintendent, made an appropriate talk. The program was concluded by a talk by Mrs. Harper, who spoke to the girls.

BROWN PLEASANTS,

Reporter.

New Hope.

The New Hope F. F. A. Chapter held its regular meeting the evening of January 3rd at the school house. We conducted the following business: A report by the chairman of the Father and Son banquet committee; appointment of other committees; decided to hold meetings at night instead of day.

After the business we played games in the gym, and were later divided into three teams and played several short games of basket ball. Refreshments were then served and the meeting adjourned.

We initiated five boys to the Green Hand degree on December 20th. The thrift bank we started this year is well under way.

CHARLES WAMPLER,

Reporter.

Oakton.

The Oakton Chapter held its regular monthly meeting December 5th, 1934. Some of the objectives for this year were set up as follows:

1. Every member to complete all of his supervised practice work.

2. Arrange athletic contests with neighboring chapters.

3. Each officer and majority of class to have F. F. A. manuals. (15 members already have manuals.)

4. Hold a Father and Son banquet.

5. Chapter to go on a camping trip or farm tour.

6. Set exact date for holding each meeting.

7. Schedule program for each meeting.

8. Send delegates to F. F. A. convention.

10. Enter judging team in state contest.

11. Practice frequently the judging of dairy products.

12. Arrange for class debate.

13. At each meeting have some member discuss one of his projects.

It was decided at this meeting that all Green Hands who were not present at the initiation in November would receive their pins at the next regular meeting.

CHAUNCY BUTLER,

Reporter.

Powhatan.

Powhatan held its first meeting for this season on Wednesday, September 9, at the activity period. Officers were elected as follows: President, Kenneth Davis; Vice President, Thomas Maiden; Secretary, Albert McConnell; Treasurer, Jas. A. Tilman, III; Adviser, Jesse C. Green; Reporter, Robert Adkins.

Plans were discussed for the year and objectives set up. It was decided to sponsor a Brunswick Stew on October 1. This was a great success with about 100 in attendance.

Plans are under way now for the Annual Minstrel, which will be staged about the first of February.

ROBERT ADKINS,

Reporter.

Riner.

The Riner Chapter F. F. A. held the last regular meeting for the year 1934 in the classroom Tuesday, December 18th.

Rev. A. Wagoner of the Methodist Church was the chief speaker.

Other numbers on the program were: A Christmas story by Kyle Bishop, jokes by Douglas Altizer and a Summary of Supervised Practice Work for the year by Lincoln Reed.

Ways of raising chapter money were discussed by the president and others.

KYLE BURK,

Reporter.

Rose Hill.

The agriculture boys of Rose Hill have contributed some to the poor and needy families of their respective communities. Hugh Chance has given some clothes to a poor family and contributed some to the Baptist Orphanage. Carl Maness has given some to the Orphans Home and to the Red Cross. He gave some clothes, food and shoes to some deserving families of his community. Robert Edens gave three bushels of potatoes to the Mountain Industrial Institute, Grundy, Va. These potatoes would have graded U. S. No. 1 and were of the Green Mountain variety. Don Clark has worked for

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HENRY JONES,

Reporter.

Rustburg.

There are seventeen boys taking Vocational Agriculture at Rustburg High School this year. Five of this number are Future Farmers and the remaining twelve are Green Hands. All of the boys however, show an interest in the work and enjoy the monthly meetings of the Rustburg Chapter of the F. F. A.

The delegates recently elected to attend meetings of the Hub Federation of Future Farmers are Grady Wright, Pres., Roy Hamner, Program Committee, Chairman; and Cecil Scrogam, Reporter.

After mid-term examinations, the boys expect to start shopwork. They have quite a variety of tools and machines to work with; over a hundred dollars worth of new tools having been bought for the use of the students at the beginning of this session.

CECIL SCROGHAM,

Reporter.

South Hill.

The Agriculture Class and the Athletic Association of South Hill High School gave a Halloween Party Wednesday, October 31st.

The F. F. A. boys donated about thirty pounds of sugar and under the able man-

agement of Miss Anna Cassel this was made into delicious candy. Patrons also donated home-made candy and the candy booth went over in a great way. The popularity contest for the older children and the fish pond for the youngsters were also great money makers.

This is the second year these two organizations have cooperated and this year they cleared \$72.80.

FENTON WILBURN,
Reporter.

Spencer Penn.

The Spencer Penn Chapter of the Future Farmers of America held its first meeting of the year 1934-35 in the agricultural building on Monday afternoon, September 30th. Milton Lester, the president, made a brief talk summarizing the work of the chapter during the past fiscal year. After the president's talk the following officers were elected for the new year. President, Percy Marshall; Vice-President, John Joyce; Secretary, Billy Taylor; Treasurer, Bernard Pigg; Reporter, Taylor Pigg; Watch Dog, Martin Lester. After the election of officers the following objectives were set up for the year:

1. Send judging team to the Rally.
2. Hold Father and Son Banquet.
3. Hold F. F. A. Picnic or Farm Tour.
4. Engage in cooperative buying and selling.
5. Hold chapter exhibits at the local Henry County Fair.
6. Make and arrange card filing system for the agricultural library.
7. Take charge of decorating agricultural classroom.
8. Fifty per cent of members have a savings account.
9. Landscape new agricultural building.
10. Frame F. F. A. creed and membership certificate.

TAYLOR PIGG,
Reporter.

Sperryville.

The Sperryville Vocational Agriculture class organized an F. F. A. chapter on October 4, 1934. This is a new chapter with 13 members on roll.

The following officers were elected: President, Jack Miller; Vice President, Lee Thornton; Secretary, Billy Kilby; Treasurer, Frank Sheaffer; Reporter, Lester Hawkins; Adviser, Mr. Huffman; Watch Dog, Ray Cannon.

Our F. F. A. pins were awarded by our adviser, Mr. Huffman. The meeting was adjourned. Our F. F. A. meeting was decided to meet on the second Thursday of each month.

LESTER HAWKINS,
Reporter.

Spring Garden.

On the night of November 15th, while a cold drizzling rain and intense darkness prevailed on the outside, the members of Spring Garden F. F. A. Chapter assembled for the purpose of initiating new members.

The regular ceremony was used, at the close of which bronze emblems were awarded each successful candidate by the

adviser. Those taken into the chapter were Billy Carter, Thomas Jones, Ray East and Irvin Taylor.

A. B. WOODSON, JR.,
Reporter.

Surry.

The Surry Chapter of Future Farmers of America held its regular monthly meeting, Friday, November 23rd, in the Surry Agricultural Building. After the opening ceremony, the following objectives were presented by Kempter West, chairman of the objective committee:

1. Improve classroom.
2. Raise money for chapter expenses.
3. Exhibits at Surry County Picnic.
4. Exhibits at District Seed Show to be held at Emporia.
5. Exhibits at State Seed Show at Hopewell.
6. Send judging team to State Seed Show.
7. Improve Farm School Shop.
8. Send judging team to State F. F. A. Rally.
9. Send next year's president to leadership school in Blacksburg.
10. Hold Father and Son banquet.
11. Hold Green Hand initiation.
12. Every member pay dues before November 1st.
13. Hold F. F. A. meeting once every month.
14. Hold F. F. A. outing next summer.
15. Organize F. F. A. baseball team.
16. Organize thrift bank with 100 per cent members.
17. 100 per cent completion of supervised practice program.
18. 100 per cent completion of shop jobs.

OTHO M. COCKES, JR.,
Reporter.

Washington

The F. F. A. Chapter of Washington, Va., met in the High School Auditorium on October 4, 1934 and elected officers for the coming year. The officers are as follows:

President, J. E. Keyser, Jr.; Vice President, Randall Partlow; Secretary, Gibson Wharton; Treasurer, Thomas Eastham; Reporter, Russell Kendall; Adviser, J. C. Huffman; Watch Dog, Conrad Eastham.

The meeting adjourned until November 8, 1934, when we had our second meeting of the year.

Eleven objectives were set up for the coming year. These are as follows:

1. Hold Father and Son Banquet.
2. Decorate and arrange the classroom to comply with the F. F. A. regulations.
3. All members pay dues before October 15, 1934.
4. Send judging teams to V. P. I. Rally.
5. Care for school ground summer and winter.
6. Enter a judging team from each school in the county fair or F. F. A. fair.
7. Have F. F. A. basket ball team.
8. Establish a thrift bank.
9. Organize a shop.
10. Have F. F. A. stand.
11. Have summer camp or tour.

R. H. KENDALL,
Reporter.

Whitmell.

Forty-two farm boys enrolled in the agricultural courses at Whitmell Farm Life School have completed plans for their home practice work for 1934-35.

The Whitmell Chapter of the F. F. A. held its annual party in the Agricultural Building of the Whitmell Farm Life School. The school faculty and the Home Economics Club were invited.

Each boy has a written business agreement with his parents, whereby he gets a definite percentage of the profits of his enterprises, and likewise furnishes a definite amount of the labor, materials and equipment.

The boys will keep accounts on all enterprises conducted, which will include man and horse labor, use of land and fertilizer, use of equipment and cost of marketing. In each case the home practice is supervised by the boy's parent and the agricultural instructor.

Mr. Pullen gave the rating of our club for the past year, stating that it had increased approximately twenty per cent over the year before.

The program was then turned over to Miss Katherine Harvey. Several games were played and contests held, after which refreshments were served by the members of the chapter.

After a few words of thanks by our president, Claude Swanson, the program was concluded with everyone reporting a very enjoyable evening.

REUBIN PAYNE,
Reporter.

Walter S. Newman (Windsor).

The Windsor Chapter F. F. A. sent a judging team, Friday, December 14th, to the Eastern Virginia Seed Show held at Emporia. The members of the team were: Andrew Jenkins, Willie J. Griffin, and William C. Garrison, Jr. The team won first place with Andrew Jenkins and William Garrison ranking as Individual and Third High men.

After the judging contest, we assembled in the high school auditorium and several interesting talks were given. Mr. Godwin of Windsor, Mr. Emmons of Boykins, and Mr. Bryant of Ivor, were appointed on a committee to select a place to hold the next show.

J. G. ROBERTS, JR.,
Reporter.

Woodlawn.

On Friday night, November 23rd, the F. F. A. boys, their fathers and friends assembled at Woodlawn for the purpose of holding a Father and Son Banquet and a corn show.

The banquet was a huge success in attendance and other respects. Wayne Larrowe, our president, acted as toastmaster with grace and dignity.

One of the largest corn shows ever put on at Woodlawn was put on this year.

A group of the F. F. A. boys and Mr. Creasy, our adviser, went to Blacksburg December 21st to give a radio program through the V. P. I. studio. The program consisted of farm numbers and a musical program presented by the Woodlawn F. F. A. band.

FRILL ALDEMAN,
Assistant Reporter.

EXCELLENT RECORD IN PAYMENT OF DUES.

The payment of dues by members has exceeded the record of any previous year and the State Executive Committee wishes to express its deep appreciation to all members for their cooperation and support. The information supplied below on the number of paid-up members in each chapter includes those chapters who have sent in funds through January 10, 1935.

An asterisk indicates those paying dues on or before October 1, 1934:

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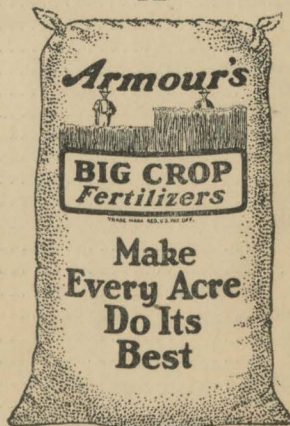
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6. To hold Community Fair with every member exhibiting something.

The Annual Community Fair was held in October. The exhibits came from the supervised practice programs of the F. F. A. members, with the exception of freshmen who were allowed to exhibit anything from the home farm. The display was made in the shop room. Committees were formed and each was responsible for his part of the exhibits or program. In the afternoon a program was held in the auditorium which featured some of the achievements of the year. The recreational features consisted of games of basketball for both boys and girls.

7. To send at least five exhibits to the State Corn and Grain Show.

These exhibits were selected exclusively from products grown in the supervised practice programs. They were brought to the school and prepared for exhibition before being sent to the show. These demonstrations in preparing exhibits not only served in preparing for this show, but were instructional for future shows.

8. To organize a Chapter Association.

The Richmond Federation of Future Farmers was organized in March. The membership consists of the Chapters of John Randolph, Cumberland, Atlee, Varina and Powhatan. The main features of the year consisted of a banquet held at Hotel John Marshall in which the Richmond Chamber of Commerce gave financial assistance; a field day at Powhatan; and a radio broadcast over WRVA.

V. Earnings and Savings.

1. To organize thrift bank and encourage thrift.

The thrift bank encouraged the members of the F. F. A. to bank co-operatively. An effort was made to have a regular time for banking and a trip was made to the local bank by the Chapter members. The Cashier gave information as to the various phases of banking. Records of Chapter finances were kept to encourage systematic banking. Many of the members invested their money in livestock, poultry and farm improvement. Some was also invested in life insurance as the statistical report will show.

VI. Conduct of Meetings.

1. To meet at least once each month.

Twelve regular meetings were held for each month throughout the year, and extra meetings were called for special occasions. Some of the meetings were held at the activity period; some in class period with special permission from the principal for all members to be present; and some at night. The night meetings provided time for the regular business session, at the close of which recreational features were held, and usually refreshments were

served. The meetings were opened and closed with the regular ceremony, and the Chapter Creed was repeated together. The initiates for Green Hands and Future Farmers were put through the regular ceremony. Special programs were planned to give every member a chance to take part during the year. The Chapter has all of the standard equipment.

2. To put on Radio Program.

The Powhatan Chapter assisted the Richmond Federation in putting on a Radio Program on May 4th, over W. R. V. A.

VII. Scholarship.

1. To encourage scholarship in all of the classes taken by F. F. A. members.

An effort was made through the organization to encourage high scholarship, not only in Agriculture, but in all the other classes taken. Help was given for those who were failing in classes.

VIII. Recreation.

1. To hold Father and Son Banquet.

The annual Father and Son Banquet was held the third Thursday in March. There was 100 per cent attendance of members besides fathers and other guests. The total attendance was 103. Each member furnished some food, which was prepared by the Home Economics girls. The cost per boy was very small.

2. To take Farm Tour.

The annual Farm Tour was taken at the close of school. One of the school busses was used. Food and cooking utensils were provided by each member, thereby keeping the cost at a minimum. Places of historical and farming interest were visited in six States and Washington, D. C.

3. To be willing to assist in all plays and entertainments given for the benefit of school and community.

F. F. A. members gave a play and also a minstrel, besides being represented in all the class plays presented during the year. They also helped in the Boy Scout play presented for the benefit of the Boy Scout cabin.

4. To encourage true sportsmanship in all interscholastic athletics.

F. F. A. members were on the basketball, baseball and track teams of the school, besides participating in class football. A Four-County Athletic League was formed in which Powhatan tied for the baseball championship and took second place in track.

5. To secure a kodak for the purpose of taking pictures of interesting programs.

The Chapter secured a kodak, and pictures were taken of supervised practice programs that were worthy of it. This was financed through Chapter funds.

Respectfully submitted,

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Powhatan Chapter, F. F. A.