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### III. County Situation as it Affected the 1951 Program

King and Queen County is definitely rural. According to the 1950 census there were 951 farms of which 504 were owned by white farmers. The acres farmed in the county remain about the same but in the past five years the number of farms has been reduced due to the fact that a number of small farms have been rented or purchased by larger land owners. The chief source of income is from crops and livestock. In the past forestry has been one source of income due to a near-by pulp mill.

There are around 300 boys and 300 girls under the age of fifteen and about 500 men and 500 girls fifteen years and over.

In 1950 fifty-five farms reported telephones and 236 had running water. 596 reported using electricity. A dial telephone system has been installed recently in the county which is a great advantage in reaching people more quickly than ever before.

For several years there has been a freezer locker plant in the county where homemakers could freeze meat and vegetables, but in April 1951 that plant was closed and there is no other in the county. There is a commercial cannery in Walkerton, but no cannery where homemakers can go to process a quantity of food.

About a third of the families in the county have no cow or hog. Nearly all homes have a garden which in the majority of cases is worked by the women.

There are very few fruit trees and only one commercial orchard in the county.

In King and Queen County there is no public health service, hospital, clinic, or medical doctor. In case of illness people use doctors and medical facilities in near by counties.

There are twelve churches in the county; Baptist, Methodist, Episcopal, Christian, and Holiness. The churches are in good condition. Some are in the process of adding Sunday School rooms, buying organs, carpets, etc. The people are devoted to the church and to the work of the church.

At the Court House there is a club house owned by the Senior Woman's Club which is also used by the Huritan Club, the Junior Woman's Club and occasionally for a social for young people. The young people go to other communities to the movies, to bowl, to a drug store, and to a bank since there are no such facilities in King and Queen County. Recently the schools have been opened to the young people of the county for recreation. There are two schools in the county, one in the upper end and the other in the lower end. Both accommodate grade and high school pupils. School buses transport the students to and from school. Each school has a lunch room, an Agricultural Department and a Home Economics Department. There are less than 100 high school students in each school. A very small percentage of the pupils continue their education after graduation from high school.

A new school board was elected two years ago, and there is a marked improvement in the school system. Since the Woman's Club decided on "Youth" as a club project, planned recreation is offered to the young people.

There is no public library in the county but each school has a library.

There are many problems confronting the people of King and Queen County as indicated above; in schools, organizations and homes. If ambition could be inculcated during school age, King and Queen would be a more progressive county.

IV. Contributions of the 1951 Program for Better Family Living  
(Giving Highlights of Outstanding Things Done During the Year)

House Furnishing Workshops

House furnishing work shops contributed a great deal to the program "Better Family Living". These work shops were held in homes where 8 to 18 homemakers came to repair, refinish and upholster furniture, bottom stools and chairs, and stencil chairs. The women enjoyed the fellowship of these meetings with a friendly attitude of "you help me and I'll help you". 36 chairs were flagged and 100 stools. One of the members, Mrs. Ned Eubank, did a beautiful job of upholstering a couch in leather. She tied the springs and tied and boxed springs in the cushion. Four other chairs were upholstered at this meeting. At another work shop a day bed was made into a couch and covered in leather. A chair and ottoman were also upholstered.

The agent assisted a group of women from "Old Church" in repairing, tying springs, padding and upholstering a love seat. She also assisted in refinishing chair for the pulpit and making a new kneeling pad for the church. The men as well as the women enjoyed working for the church.

The men in the Mattaponi Church sanded and refinished the floors and did a good job although none of them had used sanding machines before. Twelve families took part in this work, and I have never seen such a fine spirit of cooperation as existed on this job. After the floors were completed, the Gunnor Home Demonstration Club came in and cleaned and arranged the church and even mended the hymn books. The church was finished on Tuesday and that night about a dozen workers, including the agent, went back to admire the church. The organist was there and all gathered around the organ and sang hymns.

Two of the high school boys who had learned to use the sanding machines on this job, sanded and refinished the floors in the Woman's Club House. Although the floors were very poor, they did a splendid job.

The visits made by A. S. Beecher and Mary Settle from V.P.I. will be most beneficial. They drew up most practical plans in their respective fields. Many of their suggestions have already been carried out and requests for return visits have been made.

#### B. Preparing Foods for Home Freezer

Janet Cameron from V.P.I. gave a demonstration on "Preparing

Food for the Home Freezer" to interested women in Walkerton and St. Stephens. She showed how to freeze cakes, pies, breads, cake batter, party sandwiches and other novelties. About 20 women attended and many requests have been made to the agent for additional material for friends and other homemakers.

The federation goal which is "Home and Community Improvement" has created a great deal of interest and enthusiasm. Many needed and interesting community improvements have been started. At the planning meeting this fall the same goal was chosen for the third year. This is discussed in detail under IV B.

#### C. Monthly Demonstrations

Three monthly demonstrations had a big influence toward better family living; Meat Cookery, Party Arrangements, and Table Etiquette. The agent showed a film in each club on meat cookery called "Meat and Romance". This film was excellent. It was divided into four parts showing the different cuts of meat, how to carve them and the food value of meat. The film was secured from the State Department of Education for the entire month.

The homemakers were most interested in Party Arrangements, making favors, place cards, table decorations, etc.

Table Etiquette, seating and serving guests, setting the table brought a wide response.

Through demonstrations, work shops, home visits, personal service and county programs the agent hopes she has helped to improve

the economic, social and spiritual well being of the rural people of King and Queen County.

V. Adult Work

A. Project Work

1. House Furnishing

The agent feels she has given more of her time in work shops and personal service in this field than in any other. Two couches, twelve chairs and one love seat have been rebuilt and upholstered. Thirty-six chairs have been flagged with fiber rope and one hundred foot stools have been bottomed. Seven chairs have been refinished and stenciled in simple designs of one color.

The interest in floor sanding started last year when DeBore gave a demonstration in the Home Economics Department of the Pleasant Hill High School. Since then, the Veasey and Thrifty Hardware Stores of West Point, Virginia, each gave a demonstration. As a result fifteen floors have been sanded, including one church and one club house by laymen who had no previous experience. Many persons who have had their floors sanded by professionals have insisted on penetrating floor seal for the finish.

The demonstration for September was on "Arranging Dried Flowers". The agent was trained for this demonstration in Manover at an agent's training meeting. The club members were asked to exhibit dried flower arrangements at the October meeting. The Newtown and Court House Clubs exhibited beautiful arrangements of

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wild flowers, grasses, straw flowers, cock's comb, etc. in drift wood, baskets, bowls, and pottery containers.

In February the demonstration was on making draperies and kitchen curtains. For this demonstration the agent had made three different types of draperies. She also secured a demonstration kit from Sears Roebuck which included a variety of samples of material and illustrations of draperies and curtains. Gadgets used in hanging lengths of material and in making draperies were also secured by the agent. The agent feels this demonstration was well planned and worked out, but the response was poor with only a few members making draperies and curtains as a result. XX

## 2. Rural Arts

There were more demonstrations on "Rural Arts" than any other. Approximately ninety baskets were woven by the women using four different sized bases. Some of the women made bread baskets, fruit baskets, sewing baskets and trash baskets. These were all made with a practical purpose in mind.

Forty-eight trays were stenciled. The response to this was poor which the agent thought was due in part to the fact a great deal of work must be done before stenciling and the women did not do it. Also etching trays was on the program last year and practically everybody had made several.

Many homemakers give parties for children of school age. They asked that one meeting be held on making favors and place

cards for holidays and birthdays. The agent showed them how to make nut baskets, witches, cats, hearts, shamrocks, angels, etc. and numerous place cards. *LL*

Another demonstration that received response was on setting the table and seating and serving guests. The agent has seen satisfying results from both of the above demonstrations.

### 3. Foods

Two months were devoted to foods. The agent gave a demonstration on "Summer Meal Planning". Included in her material were the following points: What constitutes an adequate breakfast, dinner and supper; how making menus in advance can be helpful; the use of a variety of vegetables according to color, texture, taste, and food value. Posters and charts were used to illustrate the above points, after which each homemaker planned meals for one day.

The food leaders were trained to give the demonstration on "Making Summer Salads". Four leaders gave demonstrations to their clubs. Each leader was instructed to make at least three salads. They made an average of nine and then showed how to make salad dressings. The leaders used recipes sent from the State Office and illustrated material from farm magazines and others showing pretty and attractive salads. By including salads in meal planning the agent feels that families will get the needed raw vegetables and add color and variety to meals as well. Homemakers

reported that combination salads were effective in camouflaging vegetables which otherwise were not eaten.

4. Landscaping

There are four result demonstrations in landscaping. One has been dropped since spring and one added. Mrs. Robert South of Mattaponi, Virginia, has taken the suggestions of Mr. Beecher from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute on lawn plantings. Mrs. Franklin Parker has followed Mr. Beecher's advice to the letter in changing the driveway and parking area and in foundation planting. Mrs. R. C. Gwathmey has thinned her hedge and taken down the rail fence around the yard. Mrs. Rogers Norman had a bulldozer to clean up the front and side area around her house for a lawn but has since decided to build and has stopped work on the lawn except to keep it clean. Mrs. George Frizzell of St. Stephens, Virginia, has been added as another for a landscaping result demonstration. Mrs. Frizzell has moved into a new home and has bulldozed the lawn, seeded it, and made a start on foundation planting. She followed the suggestions given by Mr. Beecher also. Mr. Beecher placed especial emphasis on driveways, foundation planting and screening. He gave each of the above mentioned women a sketch for the lawns, showing improvements that could be done over a period of years.

A result demonstration of this type creates a certain amount of friendly competition with a neighbor; a phase of "keeping

up with the Joneses".

#### 5. Housing

Mrs. Mary B. Settle, Housing Specialist from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, visited Mrs. Rogers Norman. Numerous measurements of windows, doors, rooms, etc., were taken and Miss Settle sent plans which a carpenter could follow in building the needed rooms. The agent was very pleased to have a specialist help Mr. and Mrs. Norman with plans for an addition to their home. The family has very limited financial means with three children and many expenses. Their ideas for adding rooms were neither practical nor pretty. After much thought, the couple decided to build. Again Miss Settle looked over their plans for a house and gave suggestions which will prove most beneficial, especially in the kitchen where not enough space had been allowed for necessary equipment.

Miss Settle recently visited Mrs. S. K. Howell of St. Stephens and helped her with plans for using a hall, dining room, and kitchen to better advantage. She also visited Mrs. Ned Eubank of Little Plymouth, Virginia, who is planning to remodel an old farm house. Plans were made for tearing down two porches and adding a bath, kitchen, dining room, and garage.

These families appreciate Miss Settle's suggestions which they plan to carry out in part by spring.

V. Adult Work (Cont.)

B. Other Activities

1. Newtown Home Demonstration Club

The Newtown Home Demonstration Club is possibly the most active in the county. Every officer and leader reports at the meetings and each member makes an effort to be present and to carry out the lesson taught in a demonstration. Mrs. Howard Schools and Mrs. W. G. Turpin, members of this club, are very active 4-H Club leaders. The club has more members who are limited in education, material possessions and money than others in the county. The agent feels that Extension has meant a great deal to the homes of these people.

The club made many articles through the Home Demonstration Club for the Tidewater Fair and also put up an educational booth.

2. Federation Goal

The Newtown Club took as a part of the federation goal improving the grounds of Upper King and Queen Church. Several days were spent in clearing the yard and planning what should be done to the yard. The plan was then presented to the parish and was voted upon and approved. One hundred dollars was raised by the club to pay for chains and cement posts for the semi-circle in front of the church for use as a parking area. This money was raised by "hen parties" and donations. The club asked for and received donations of lawn seed and fertilizer from different local

business concerns. An afternoon was set aside for putting up posts and chains. This was a Home Demonstration Club family affair. The men came and did the manual labor and afterwards a picnic supper was served.

Every month some work is done on the project and reported at the monthly meeting of the club. Even though this club is limited in many ways, it is very active.

The Gunnor Home Demonstration Club served supper for the Southern States Board meeting and cleared fifty-seven dollars.

This money was made for the expressed purpose of carrying out the federation goal, improving the grounds at Mattaponi Church. Four shrubs were bought and planted by the steps of this historic church. On several occasions the club cleaned the yard, burning and raking the yard, and in summer cutting the grass. This club also gave a day to cleaning the church and arranging the pews after the floor had been sanded and refinished. The women who could not take part in this work mended the hymnals.

The Welford Home Demonstration Club, which started the establishment of a community play ground, continued to care for it through the early summer months, but as the grounds were not used, lost interest during August and let it grow up in weeds. This club sponsored a community Hallow'en Party, planning, making, and serving refreshments, directing the games and costume parade, and giving prizes. This is the second year the club has sponsored

this activity.

The King and Queen Court House Club continued to improve the triangle at the Court House. Pansies were planted around the canna beds which all of the women enjoyed picking for their homes, as well as seeing how pretty they looked growing and blooming in the beds.

The Elsom Home Demonstration Club discontinued their project of keeping the grass cut on the yard of the Pleasant Hill High School as the P-TA bought a power lawn mower and took over this project. The club then decided to improve the appearance of mail boxes. Two were painted and flowers planted around them.

The Jeannette Clifton Home Demonstration Club of the Mattaponi community worked on several means of getting their garbage collected by the near by town of West Point or if that failed, of starting a Mattaponi pick up themselves. They are still working on this. In the meantime, however, they have improved their home lawns.

The Plain View Home Demonstration Club continued to work for playground equipment for Pleasant Hill School yard. The club contributed ten dollars for this purpose.

The St. Stephens Home Demonstration Club did not continue with the improvement of the lawn at St. Stephens Church since an educational department was being added and building materials were stacked in the yard. The club then decided to make needed articles

for Sheltering Arms Hospital in Richmond. A committee went to the hospital and found that they needed bedjackets, dresser scarves, pillow cases and canned food for diabetics. The club made and gave a box of necessities to the hospital. A most appreciative note was received in return.

#### VI. 4-H Club Work

##### A. Project Work

##### 1. Looking Your Best

The project "Look Your Best" appealed to the older girls in the 4-H Club. Sixteen 4-H girls enrolled in this project and thirteen completed it. The project made the girls conscious of bad habits and stimulated a desire to improve themselves. The project included instructions on care of feet and shoes. Mrs. J. E. Courtney gave an excellent demonstration on this subject to her club. Mrs. Ben Beane gave an expert demonstration on how to shampoo and set a curl, using one of the 4-H members as a model. The agent taught hair styles for faces of different shapes. Other demonstrations were on care of hands, nails, and skin; care of teeth, and on correct posture.

For this training the agent secured material from the State Office, ordered and received samples of wildroot cream shampoo, hand lotion and face cream from Botony Manufacturers. The agent also received illustrated material from other companies. In asking for material the agent used coupons from "What's New in Home

Economics". The booklet "As Others See You", issued by the State Department was used as a text book. This booklet gives sound information in an attractive manner and the girls enjoyed discussing it.

### 2. Learn to Sew

The "Learn to Sew" project was most popular with the beginners in 4-H Club work. Thirty-two girls enrolled and twenty-eight girls completed the project. Each girl lined a sewing box and equipped it. They made baby bibs, aprons, and either a blouse or a skirt. To complete the project the girls gave two demonstrations each. Some were as simple as sewing on a button; others were putting in a hem, a band on a skirt or placket. Betty Milby of Plain View was county winner in this contest.

### 3. Make or Remake

The "Make or Remake" project appealed to the girls who had had some experience in sewing. The agent endeavored to have each girl enrolled see the actual need of different types of dresses for different occasions by listing the places each would probably go in one season. Some of the children wear flashy dresses of satin, silk or rayon to school. In some cases this is done through ignorance, but in other cases it is simply to get all of the wear possible out of a garment before outgrowing it.

Thirteen girls enrolled in the above project and ten completed it. Each girl completing the project made a dress or

pajamas and gave a demonstration pertaining to the project.

The Plain View 4-H Club girls enrolled in "Food for Pep". However, since they could not continue to meet in the Home Economics Department at Pleasant Hill High School due to transportation problems and must meet in homes, they decided to take a clothing project instead.

#### 4. Social Graces

The agent has six project groups as described above which meet after school. The six groups are included in the two larger 4-H Clubs, Marriott and Pleasant Hill. These two clubs are composed of all boys and girls who are 4-H Club members and hold monthly meetings at night. At these meetings there is a business session, a program, and a social period conducted by the members and leaders. The officers decided to show a series of movies on "Social Graces" during January through May. This idea originated from the "Good Grooming" project. In discussing boys and girls relations, one of the girls remarked that she wished the boys took the project. It was decided to show a series of films offered by the State Board of Education and listed below:

- Dating Dos and Don'ts
- You and Your Friends
- Table Manners
- How Do You Do?
- You and Your Family
- Introductions

### B. Other Activities

The Marriott 4-H Club paid the expenses of a junior leader to Jamestown Week-end Camp and for the full week of camp. Eleven 4-H Club members, two agents, and one leader attended camp. The agent and three girls attended State Short Course at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute. Pleasant Hill 4-H Club paid the expenses of transportation.

Both 4-H Clubs enjoyed outings to Jamestown 4-H Camp. Swimming, softball, pitching horse shoes and a hike to the old camp site filled the day. The children enjoyed the hay ride in trucks and a great deal of laughter and singing. The clubs paid transportation expenses.

Both 4-H Clubs had educational booths at the Tidewater Fair. Marriott 4-H Club had an unusually good exhibit on "Table Setting". The Pleasant Hill exhibit was called "Preserve Fresh Vegetables". Individual 4-H Club members entered clothing, handicraft, baked and canned foods.

Forty-two 4-H Club members and six leaders attended the Christmas party at the 4-H Club meeting at Marriott High School. Forty-two gifts were given by the members to the County Welfare for distribution to needy boys and girls. The Christmas program was directed by Mrs. W. G. Turpin and the entertainment by Mrs. Howard Schools, both of whom are 4-H Club leaders.

The Pleasant Hill 4-H Club also had a Christmas party.

Forty-seven members and two 4-H leaders attended. The decorations were arranged by Mrs. J. F. Palmer, Mary Evelyn Carlton and Oneida Hall. Clayton Roane and Betty Lou Rogers were in charge of refreshments and decorated a beautiful punch table. One of the 4-H boys dressed as Santa Claus and gave out the presents.

The Marriott 4-H Club contributed \$4.00 to I.F.Y.E., which was acknowledged by Mr. Skelton. A club member reported on the publicity given Frank Wilson who was the exchange boy.

The Marriott 4-H Club sponsored dances and sold county license strips to raise money for club expenses and Jamestown 4-H Club Camp. The leaders and 4-H members worked together in planning for dances, food booth, popcorn stand, etc.

Marriott 4-H Club gave a radio program in December with thirty-eight children attending. Pleasant Hill 4-H Club took part in a program in February with thirty-three children attending. The Marriott 4-H Club arranged to send four 4-H members to Radio Station WRNL in Richmond twice a month to join the 4-H Club Chorus. This training improved song leadership in this club 100%, giving more pep to the songs as well as variety in choice.

Both clubs presented their respective schools with U.N. flags through the P-TA.

Marriott 4-H presented 4-H Club work to the P-TA by giving a television show. The program included group singing, radio announcer, quiz kids, 4-H news, talent, a display of project work

and ended with the Virginia reel. Four organizational leaders worked on this program with the 4-H members.

The Pleasant Hill 4-H Club sponsored the West Point, Virginia, Band as a money making scheme for Jamestown 4-H Camp. Approximately \$25.00 was sent to the Jamestown Camp Fund.

Mrs. W. G. Turpin, Mrs. C. G. Schools, and Mrs. Howard Schools, 4-H leaders provided transportation for the 4-H girls to the Keen Teen Club, sponsored by Westinghouse. Much to our delight Barbara Jean Schools won the Westinghouse electric range and Shirley Schools an electric grill. Each of the girls gave detailed reports of the Keen Teen Club to the St. Stephens Home Demonstration Club and the Owenton 4-H Club.

#### VII. Young Men and Young Women's Work

The objective of the Youth Organization, as set up by the Junior and Senior Women's Clubs of which the agent is a part, is to give the youth of the county some type of recreation and social life. The outlets for recreation and social life are quite limited in the county since there are no theaters, drug stores, bowling alley, nor, until this committee started to work, was basketball played in the schools. Basketball is now played and games are scheduled in each school. Football is played in one school and the Jeannette Clifton Home Demonstration Club contributed \$20.00 toward football uniforms. After the basketball season, monthly programs of square dancing, games, crafts, etc. were planned for

the young people. Some parents attended and took part and some boys and girls who had finished high school. One of the local men called figures for the dances and other supplied the music. The club bought a few records including the Mexican Hat Dance which the young people enjoyed very much.

VIII. Scope of Work

	1948	1949	1950	1951
No. Home Demonstration Clubs	8	9	8	8
Membership	165	183	134	135
No. 4-H Clubs	9	10	8	9
Membership	109	65	58	61
No. Young Men and Women's Groups	0	0	1	1
Membership			150	127
No. Other Families Reached	37	14	22	11
Total No. Families Reached	361	238	323	357

IV. Give a Brief Statement as to How the Following Organizations Functioned in the 1951 Program

A. County Home Demonstration Committee

The County Home Demonstration Committee is composed of the officers of the home demonstration clubs. Officers of the committee are elected from this group. This committee meets twice a year; once in the spring and once in the fall. The spring planning meeting is really to check on the goals set up and to appoint committees for compiling the year book, planning achievement day

program, planning for the Tidewater Fair and money making schemes.

This year the County Home Demonstration Committee worked as county chairman with King William County to entertain the District Federation of Women's Clubs. King and Queen was responsible for serving lunch to the guests. This committee was responsible for the seven mattress covers that were made for Jamestown 4-H Club and presented at the meeting.

A very interesting Achievement Day was planned. The program included 4-H reports from Marriott and Pleasant Hill 4-H Clubs and reports from each Home Demonstration Club. Miss Janet Cameron gave an illustrated talk on "Home Life in Germany" which the women enjoyed very much.

The committee urged participation in the Tidewater Fair. Many women help register and return exhibits and some act as hostesses during the week and a number of them exhibit in open classes.

In the spring the county chairman appointed a committee to set up a budget. At the fall planning meeting the following was presented and accepted:

County dues (\$2.50 each club).....	\$ 20.00
Federation dues (\$3.00 each club).....	24.00
Year Book.....	30.00
Institute of Rural Affairs.....	15.00
Agent's Supplies.....	40.00
Achievement Day Refreshments.....	10.00
Pennies for Friendship.....	1.65
Jamestown 4-H Camp.....	40.00
	<u>\$180.65</u>

It was decided at the fall planning meeting that the lower

end of the county, with Mrs. J. E. Courtney as chairman, work together to raise money for the above purposes and that the upper-end of the county with Mrs. George Frissell as chairman, follow the same plan. The county chairman appointed the Walkerton Home Demonstration Club to compile the year book. In the past each member has paid ten cents toward the year book and the county committee the balance, but under the new budget the county committee will pay the total amount.

B. 4-H Club Council

The 4-H Club Council is composed of the officers of the Marriott 4-H Club, the president of St. Stephens, Owenon, and Walkerton groups, and the 4-H Club leaders. They met in August and the following program was set up for 1952:

RESULTS FROM THE 4-H CLUB PLANNING MEETING FOR 1952, AUGUST 1951  
4-H Project for Marriott 4-H Club. Demonstrations Listed Monthly

Rural Electrification 4-H Club Project

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|---------------|---|
| October 1951  | Film - How Electricity Gets to You                    |
| November 1951 | Film - Correct Lighting for Study Area - Use of Fuses |
| December 1951 | How to Make Service Cords                             |
| January 1952  | Work Shop on Repairing Frayed Cords                   |
| February 1952 | How to Make a Chick Brooder                           |
| March 1952    | Lamp Made for Study Area                              |
| April 1952    | Visit the Substation at Dunbrook                      |

May 1952 Visit a Farm and Home Well Electrified  
 June 1952 Summary of Work Done. Complete Record Books

Special Activities Listed Monthly:

September 1951 Dress Revue by Gwenton Club  
 November 1951 Dance at Marriott to Raise Money for Club\*  
 December 1951 Supper Meeting. Exchange Gifts. Present Stuffed Animals to Underprivileged Children.  
 Contribute 10 cents per member to I.F.Y.E.  
 January 1952 "Men Party" - To Raise Money for Club  
 February 1952 Home Economics-4-H Club Contest  
 March 1952 Observe National 4-H Club Week  
 May 1952 Observe Rural Life Sunday  
 August 1952 Annual County Picnic  
 September 1952 Tidewater Fair. 4-H Membership Drive

Budget:

Christmas Party	\$10.00
Transportation to Short Course	10.00
Expenses for Leader at Camp	15.00
Membership Party	5.00
	<u>\$40.00</u>

C. All Star Chapter

King and Queen does not have an All Star Chapter as there are only two All Star members in the county. However, these boys participate in the program when called on to serve on committees.

\*3/4 of Proceeds from Dance Goes to Jamestown 4-H Camp.

D. County Mobilization Committee

The agent attended the County Mobilization meeting. The plan to present the work of all agencies to find out if they were functioning in the best way to benefit the people was carried out. The response was poor as only a small proportion of the county was covered.

X. Leadership

A. Describe Briefly the Contribution of the Volunteer Leaders to the Program

The organizational leaders served on committees, such as, installing officers, P-TA program, radio program, etc. The leaders also assisted with transportation, in planning recreation for the groups.

Six leader training meetings were held for the home demonstration women during the year with sixty-one women attending. Helen Alverson, Home Management Specialist from V.P.I., trained leaders in keeping home accounts. Catherine Perry, Rural Arts Specialist, held a training meeting on making Christmas gifts and stencil painting trays. Mrs. Betty Kyle, district leader, assisted in training the program development leaders and the agent trained leaders to give food demonstrations. The leader training meeting conducted by Helen Alverson in November was for the December meeting so no response is recorded here for these sixteen leaders.

Program development leaders and the agent trained leaders to give the foods demonstrations. These trained leaders conducted thirteen meetings without the agent. 159 women attended.

There were two training meetings for 4-H Club leaders. The training meeting for November, given by Thalhisers in Richmond, for the clothing project leaders has not been put into practice.

Since it was difficult to have the leaders meet together for training, the agent worked with them individually. Ten meetings were held by the leaders without the agent and twenty-three other demonstrations were given. Sixteen talks or discussions were made to 4-H Club groups.

B. Growth of Leadership over Period of Years

Growth of Home Demonstration

<u>Project Leadership</u>	<u>1948</u>	<u>1949</u>	<u>1950</u>	<u>1951</u>
No. Project Leaders and Goal				
<u>Chairmen</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>40</u>
No. Training Meetings Held by				
<u>Specialists</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
<u>Attendance at all Training Meetings</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>61</u>
No. Club Meetings Held by Leaders				
<u>Without the Agent Present</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>13</u>
No. Additional Club Meetings held at				
<u>Which Leaders Assisted</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>12</u>

Growth of L-H Club Project Leadership	1948	1949	1950	1951
No. Adult Project Leaders	8	7	7	7
Junior Project Leaders	0	0	0	0
No. Training Meetings Held by Specialists	0	0	4	2
Attendance at Leader Training Meetings			22	7
No. L-H Leaders Trained Individually	2	7	11	7
No. L-H Club Meetings Held by Leaders				
Without Agent	2	21	15	10
No. Additional Club Meetings at Which Leaders Assisted	2	13	4	16
No. Demonstrations Given by Adult Leaders	0	13	11	23

C. Tell of the Activities of Some Outstanding Leader and Her Activities (Owenton L-H Club Leaders)

The agent feels that Gene Moody of V.P.I. has expressed the activities of the Owenton L-H Club leaders fully in the following story:

"There is a boom on in L-H Club project work in King and Queen County. Primarily responsible for it are some active, interested adult L-H Club leaders. Take, for instance, Mrs. W. G. Turpin, Mrs. Howard Schools, and Mrs. Clifton Schools, who tutor the 13 members (ages 10 to 16) of the Owenton L-H Club, in such subjects as good manners, appropriate clothing, and such projects as "Learn to Sew" and "Make and Remake".

"Mrs. Turpin and Mrs. Clifton Schools are former 4-H Club members themselves, but Mrs. Howard Schools 'never heard of it until a few years ago, but now I think I'm more carried away with it than anyone else'.

"Under their friendly direction, the club members are learning quickly and are turning in some of the best records in the county," says Alice Wooding, home agent.

"The Owenton Club is one of three neighborhood or project groups in the larger Marriott 4-H Club. Betty Schools, an Owenton Club member, is song leader for Marriott and Shirley Schools is vice-president.

"Three of the Owenton members, Betty Schools, Shirley Schools and her sister, Barbara Jean, are members of the 4-H Chorus which sings every Saturday on the 4-H Hour on Station WRNL, Richmond.

"The club has novel ways of making money. For instance, "Hen Parties" when everyone brings a chicken to be sold. "We can almost always find a chicken", they say. Recently, money from the club funds has gone into camp funds (almost \$70.00 for Janestown 4-H Camp) and into International Farm Youth Exchange Project Fund.

"Always community conscious, the club habitually gives Christmas packages to the County Welfare Department for distribution to needy families.

"One of their more unusual activities was a television show, given before the P-TA. Some of the features of the show were a

quis on 4-H Club work in the county, a discussion of project work and exhibits of articles of clothing made by the girls, and as a special number, the Virginia Reel danced by six 4-H couples in colorful costumes. The 4-H leaders made this program possible by their loyal support and effort. They rehearsed with the club members and arranged for transportation.

"Evidence of the adult leaders' abilities is the interest shown by the club members. During the past year every girl in the junior group has been present at every club meeting. Now they are enthusiastically discussing, "What will we do next?"

The above leaders attended the planning meeting and helped make up the 1952 program. They promote 4-H Club work in every way they can. The club members admire them, respect them, and appreciate what they do for their club.

## II. Work in Cooperation with Other Agencies

### 1. Junior Woman's Club

The agent has served on the Youth Conservation and Educational Committees in this club. Has helped plan and carry out benefits for the club and is now on the costume committee for a play.

### 2. Senior Woman's Club

The agent worked with the Senior Woman's Club in preparing suppers for the Ruritan Club. She was asked to help with a community project in King William County in connection with the National Contest "Building Freedom for Youth". The agent also

helped to re-upholster furniture.

### 3. Health Committee

The agent assisted a health committee in showing a film on "Self Breast Examination for Cancer". The film was followed by a discussion period led by a doctor.

### 4. Tidewater Fair

The agent worked with professional workers in making plans for carrying on the Tidewater Fair.

## XII. Make Brief Appraisal of the Year's Work

### 1. 4-H Club Work

Like last year the Marriott and the Oventon 4-H Clubs show noticeable progress in attendance, project completion and enthusiasm. Each officer presides with more poise and conducts meetings in an orderly manner. Each member listens more attentively and is more willing to take part in the programs when asked. The agent is convinced that this progress is due largely to the fact that the members have attended Short Course, Conservation Camp, and Jamestown 4-H Camp and thus inspired to do better work. Having regular meetings and programs also contributes to the improvement. An added incentive comes from having the members work out a complete program for the year.

Pleasant Hill 4-H Club does not show such progress due to the lack of leadership and interest among the members and their parents. Transportation in this end of the county presents a

difficult problem and as yet has not been worked out satisfactorily.

2. Home Demonstration Club Work

The agent feels that the demonstrations and work shops in house furnishings have been of most benefit to the women and more results in this field can be seen.

The visits made by Mary Settle and A. S. Beecher of V.P.I. have proven most satisfactory to families, each of which is carrying out suggestions made as time and money allow.

Extension covers a large field, but to the women of King and Queen County it means improvements in family living.