

### 3. Method

The board of directors inquired into several prospects for a local technician and finally were able to secure the services of a technician. The board helped this boy financially through the inseminators' course at Rocky Mount and he was able to start work the middle of August.

### 4. Results

The services of Earnest Smith were secured as local technician. This boy was interested in some phase of dairying as he had been reared on a dairy farm. He finished high school this past spring. The dairymen were again offered the benefits of the artificial breeding association and it is hoped that this service can be offered for a long time in the future on a satisfactory basis.

## G. Farm and Home Development

### 1. Reason for Major Emphasis

It was realized some years ago, and the situation is still the same, that a definite need existed to assist some farm families in the overall planning of their farm operation. It was realized too that this planning should include the homestead as well as the farmside, thus making the farm and home one complete unit. There are quite a number of farms in this county where a little good planning could make the difference between success and failure and in some cases could increase the family income to where farming could be a very profitable business. On the other hand, there are some

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B. A meeting was planned with one feed company that offer a constant market for fresh eggs.

C. To date there has been 5,000 layers added and the market appears to be very satisfactory.

2. Assistance has been given to hatching egg producers who sell to the local hatchery. These producers operate on a contract with the hatchery financing everything except the building and labor. On some of the records we have kept the farmer is clearing \$2.00 per bird. The contract guarantees the farmer 12¢ per dozen for eggs passing hatching standards and 5¢ per dozen for those that do not.

VII. 4-H CLUB WORK

There were 22 organized boys 4-H clubs in Washington County in 1958 with a total of 449 members who carried 670 projects. A total of 281 boys completed 451 projects for a 66% project completion. In addition 10 girls carried projects which were also supervised by Joe W. Berting, Assistant County Agent.

The Bristol Chamber of Commerce contributes much to the 4-H program in this county. It sponsors an annual 4-H achievement day, the Bristol Baby Beef Show and Sale, the Bristol Junior Market Hog Show and Sale and a 4-H Leaders Banquet.

Among the awards that are presented by the Chamber of Commerce at the Bristol Achievement Day are a college scholarship to one boy and one girl, an all expense paid trip to Washington, D. C. for one boy and one girl for their outstanding junior leadership; a registered guernsey heifer to the winner of the

bags. The craft classes were taught on Thursday nights during June and July. The W. D. Club also gave a food demonstration on New Ways to Serve Potatoes. These homemakers lived in small company houses with small space for a vegetable garden.

### 3. General Interest Committee

#### A. Health

Maintaining health on reduced income was a county-wide problem. This problem was selected because of a shortage of doctors and nurses. The simple information was needed by every family.

Through cooperation of the County Health Unit, Club Leaders received instruction and materials to present on family health topics at 4 club meetings during 1958. The topics centered around "How to Care for Sick in the Home". Volunteer leaders without special educational background attended one special training meeting. They followed recommendations and outline as presented by County Health Nurse for club discussions. As a result 63.9% of home demonstration members had a complete physical examination.

### 4. Home Economics Committee

#### A. Food and Nutrition Committee

This committee was composed of 36 volunteers from home demonstration clubs. The committee was active in extending information and demonstration to other county organizations not active in extension program. General information was emphasized through radio programs and newspapers. Emphasis was placed upon balanced meals for better health. The committee sponsored three garden tours inviting the public to attend. Mr. L. E. Wilkins, State Extension Garden Specialist gave information on a well-planned and balanced vegetable garden. This information will continue to increase planning better home gardens.

#### B. House Furnishing Committee

This is a small committee of 9 home demonstration women who are especially interested and cooperative in following extension recommendations. They received previous training from Miss Ruth Jamison, State Extension House Furnishing Specialist. The committee received individual help when needed on problems in project activities. This committee followed State Extension Bulletins in helping 25 homemakers:

- (1) Select fabrics for curtains, draperies, slipcovers, and upholstery.

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221 girls were enrolled in Clothing Unit II, Make and Remake.

Results

- 149 girls completed Clothing Unit II
- They made 676 garments for self and others and remodeled 427 garments.
- There were 50 entries in the County 4-H Dress Revue and 18 4-H club girls entered garments in the Dress Revue at the Tobacco Festival.

4. Farm and Home Electric

The Farm and Home Electric project was taught by staff members of Appalachian Power Company. Club members who took the electric project came in for a two-day course on this project. 14 girls were enrolled in the Farm and Home Electric project.

Results

12 girls completed the Farm and Home Electric project. Marilyn McConnell's record placed first in the county and she attended the Electric Congress in Richmond.

Other Projects

Other projects as canning, freezing, room improvement, housekeeping were done by club members who had training in the project before; who studied the project and did the work with very little supervision or who were given individual help by the Agent or a local leader. These projects, enrollment, results, etc. were:

#### IV. 4-H CLUB PROGRAM

Enrollment in 1958 has increased over 1957 in boys club work. This increase is due in part to various activities conducted by clubs and project groups this past year. One factor was the County Share-the-Fun Contest and a series of leader training meetings on our in-school projects. The success of certain club members in district and state events has been another factor.

##### Goals

1. Publish a county year book and furnish a copy to each leader and club member
2. Have county delegates attend Short Course, Conservation Camp, District 4-H Camp and TVA Camp
3. Hold a club and county Talent program and County Achievement Day
4. Hold at least three county council meetings during the year
5. Hold three training meetings for 4-H leaders
6. Organize and train a live-stock and dairy judging team for district contests

##### Methods

1. Study similar publications from other counties and assist County Council Committee in preparing book
2. Number to be determined by quota from club department. Send 30 or more members to District Camp
3. Have at least one act from each organized club and assist County Council with Achievement Day arrangements
4. Work with Council officers and leaders in selecting meeting place and arranging program
5. Arrange for meeting and present material
6. Work with interested club members and leaders in this activity

Salads - February  
Vegetable Cookery - March  
Milk and Fruit Desserts - April

#### Special Training Meeting

In addition to the above demonstrations for girls enrolled in Meal Preparation, a two-day training meeting will be held on April 12 and 14. The two-day training meeting on meal preparation will be financed by Home Demonstration Clubs of the county and girls will serve foods prepared in the special class for the Supervisors Luncheon. Meat Cookery, do-ahead dishes and a number of things not included in the regular club demonstrations during the year will be given in the special class.

#### 2. Bread

##### Objectives

- To acquire skill and knowledge necessary to make quick bread and yeast bread.
- To understand standards of good quality quick breads and yeast bread.
- To develop a willingness to assume responsibility for helping prepare family meals.
- To learn to give a demonstration

##### Procedure

The majority of members in the following 4-H clubs enrolled in the Bread project: Glade Springs Junior, Mendota, Konnarock, Green Springs, Barrack, Meadowview Jr., Wallace Jr., William King Jr., Oak Grove, Cleveland Jr., Greendale Jr., North Bristol, and Valley Institute, Jr.

Demonstrations for the bread project will be given by the Agent and by club members under the Agent's or Adult Leaders' Supervision. The schedule of demonstrations will be alternated with lessons on judging in order for club members to learn standards of good quality bread. After each demonstration club members will be asked to bring the type bread they learned to make in the demonstration to the next meeting to be judged.

The following schedule of lessons on bread is planned for clubs listed above:

How to Make Biscuit - December  
Judging Biscuit - January

More news stories were published and exhibits displayed. More individual contacts were made thru constructive home visits and personal letters.

Leaders were trained at a County planning meeting in methods which were used in recruitment of members. These methods added new members to our groups. Night meetings for working mothers helped to hold elder members and to recruit new ones.

#### Leadership

One-hundred and seventy-five leaders assisted 640 families in making some changes in home making this year. Leaders were trained by agent and specialist to give demonstrations, discussions and assist members with project work. There were 30 meetings held with 332 local leaders present. Leaders served as organizational, subject matter and program development leaders. All work and time given by leaders were voluntarily.

#### Organizational

There were 182 organizational leaders this year. These leaders served in capacities as officers of clubs, county advisory board, program development chairmen, federation goal chairman and etc.. Leaders were trained at county planning meeting and 4-H planning meetings.

#### Program Development

Twelve program development leaders were selected from the community to study the community problems, needs and interest. Reports from these leaders were brought to the county planning

## COUNTY EXTENSION PROGRAM - YOUTH

### ORGANIZATION

The 4-H Club Council, composed of 18 members, is the local organization most directly concerned with guiding and planning the youth phase of the extension program. This group is composed of 4-H club officers and two adult leaders. The major contribution of this group was in selecting 4-H club projects for the year and in providing organizational leadership for all clubs.

The County Youth Committee was appointed by the 4-H club council to plan and coordinate area and state activities. They assisted in the selection of delegates to attend the 4-H Short Course, the Wildlife and Conservation Conference and in planning and executing achievement programs.

### PROJECT WORK

#### Looking Your Best

Looking Your Best was one of the projects carried by fifty-three 4-H club members in the Peninsula Area. Of the fifty-three enrolled in this project there were thirty-nine completions. In evaluating the success of project activity in terms of the objectives set up in the plan of work, we noted definite improvements in grooming habits of enrollees. A local beautician worked with one group in giving information on care of skin, hands, and hair. Demonstrations were given during

professional County Workers, leaders from organizations and a few families who worked on Shaw Home Lighting Demonstration to discuss the problems of Home Lighting. Committee to be organized from this group to plan a Home Lighting Educational Program for Warren County. This meeting is not to be held until every person to attend first meeting has been contacted personally.

5. Home Demonstration County Committee

Objectives:

Each club take part in Home Nursing Program sponsored by local Red Cross.  
 Each club member to have family night set aside each week  
 Have leaders, officers or representatives from each club attend training meeting and take information back to club.  
 Each club have representation at District Federation Meeting.  
 Encourage attendance of non-H. D. members to all Special Interest Meeting.  
 Sponsor H-H Club events during year. Each club to have H-H leader.  
 Each club to conduct a community project.  
 Each club hold Executive Meeting at beginning of year.  
 Have 100% participation in X-ray clinic. Encourage others to clinic.  
 Review club objectives during year.  
 Attend meetings regularly and invite non members to attend and join.  
 Send representatives to Institute of Rural Affairs.  
 Each club to present radio programs and write news articles.  
 Each club to observe National H. D. Week in some way.  
 Each Club observe Safety Week.  
 Take active part in clean-up campaign.  
 Each club participate in annual Fund Raising events--Beef Cattle Sale luncheon and Bazaar.

Procedure:

Executive Meeting to be held in December to set up 1958 Budget and make plans for accomplishment in 1958. An April meeting planned (all Club officers present) to make final plans for H. D. Week Observance, and plan for Achievement Program. A fall meeting to plan 1959 program and complete plans for Achievement Program.

H. D. Clubs to be responsible for radio programs and news columns when agent is out of the county. Each club to have one program on Music Appreciation during the year.

Points are given to meet objectives. Each club strive to carry out objectives to get points for their objectives. This gives them a

Chickweed in alfalfa and/or alfalfa and orchard grass having become quite a problem in the past few years two chemical weed control demonstrations were conducted, using CIPC. As a result of these demonstrations there were 185 acres treated by fourteen farmers.

During the past few years it has become impossible to grow alfalfa without spraying to control the alfalfa weevil. To help the alfalfa growers with the successful growing of this important crop the agent conducted one result demonstration where the 2½ percent granular form of heptachlor was compared with the liquid used as a spray. The result revealed that the granular form gave a control of from 90 to 95 percent while the liquid form gave a control of from 75 to 80 percent.

As a result of this demonstration, two conducted last year; mailing all growers instructions on control measures, all the alfalfa being grown in the County was treated for the weevil with good results where properly done.

For the past several years an educational program on controlling rats and ground hogs has been conducted. While the educational program has not been as intensified this year as last year some educational follow up work was done. This included such activities as getting the two farm supply dealers to stock gas cartridges, especially for the soybean growers. In talking with these dealers it was found that they sold 1,500 gas cartridges and the sales for other rodent control materials as Warfarrin compounds and Cyannad gas has increased over the previous year by some thirty percent.

Instructions on controlling ground hogs, where the material for control may be secured, when it should be used, etc. was furnished all the farmers in the form of a circular letter, two news articles and four radio talks.

#### b. Poultry

To meet the rapid change in the poultry industry which calls for an increase in efficiency and volume in commercial egg production, the Poultry Committee set up as its 1958 goals: To increase the volume of egg production by ten percent, adding four 1,000 commercial egg production units; increase the efficiency of egg production and improve the quality.

vice-chairman of the County H. B. Clubs. This year 30 aluminum trays have been made in her community with her guidance. John, 15, the oldest boy has been very active in the h-h program carrying tractor and pig projects primarily. Lucinda, John's twin has been very active in h-h also. She entered the county Dress Revue and Meal preparation contests this year and won 1st place in both. She has done outstanding work in Room Improvement and Canning also. Margaret, 14, is a h-h member but does not have the interest in h-h as Cindy does though she has carried project in Room Improvement and Freezing. She seems more interested in caring for the 3 year old sister than other work around home. Her efforts in this direction should not be overlooked.

Tania, 10 has been attending h-h meetings for 2 years as the whole family comes. She carried the Room Improvement, Canning, and now she is taking Sewing. Even though she is young she is a very promising h-h member and I believe can accomplish a great deal.

The whole family works together so well. Everyone pitches in to do the farm and household chores. They seem to get so much accomplished. Cindy and Tania were runners up this year in the number of Junior Fair exhibits. The whole family earned \$20.00 or more in prize money from the Fair.

The Sadlicks are also very active in church, P.T.A. and school activities as well as extension.

#### E. OUTSTANDING CLUB

It has sort of amazed me to see how much interest several

VIII. COOPERATIVE WORK WITH OTHER AGENCIES

The home agent and assistant home agent have cooperated with other agencies during the past year. Cooperative work with the Richland's Businessmen's Association and the Tazewell American Legion made the two fairs in the county possible. Cooperatively with the electric supplier in the county a 4-H electric school was held in three areas in the county. The home agent also gave demonstrations to the local Garden Club on Christmas decorations. A discussion of a career as a home demonstration agent was given by the home agent to a local church group. Various local civic groups cooperate with the Extension Service in sponsoring 4-H activities and awards.

IX. PROGRESS IN DEVELOPING GOOD PUBLIC RELATIONS

A. Co-workers

The Extension agents and Extension secretary in Tazewell county work together in promoting a unified county program. Conferences with co-workers were held to keep each individual informed on plans and progress made in the various phases of the program. The home agent and assistant home agent have worked cooperatively with the county workers in the county during the past year.

B. General Public

The general public was kept informed on Extension work and progress by news articles, radio publicity, fairs, exhibits and individual assistance. This also promoted good public relations with the general public.

#### Objectives Selected:

1. Develop neat, efficient habits to always follow
2. Draw a plan of room before and after improvement
3. Plan arrangement of furniture for convenience, comfort, and attractiveness
4. Discuss plans with family and agent
5. Keep itemized cost of improvement
6. Improve walls, floors, windows, slip cover or upholster furniture, if needed

#### Methods Used:

1. Leaders assisted parents in understanding objectives of selected home improvement projects
2. Leaders and agent worked cooperatively in assisting members with individual problems
3. Leaders and agent toured a furniture store showing good and bad features in furnishings to members and parents
4. Demonstration by agent on Selection of Household Fabrics For Color Harmony
5. Demonstration by 2 leaders on How to Select Interior Paints

#### Results Accomplished:

- 6 girls selected and assisted in painting 9 bedrooms
- 4 girls selected and assisted in papering 4 bedrooms
- 3 girls selected and assisted painting 3 living rooms
- 14 girls rearranged bedroom furniture for better convenience
- 10 girls rearranged living room furniture for more attractiveness and convenience
- 7 girls removed "crocheted doilies" from living room tables
- 3 girls bought new desks and pin up lamp for study center
- 3 girls removed surplus pictures from walls for greater room harmony
- 2 girls removed "what-not" collections for easier care and attractiveness
- 14 girls followed project record outlines in room improvement suggestions

### III. B. 3. (continued)

- Work your plan, keep record of time expenditure.
- Evaluate and re-plan if necessary.

Leaders were instructed to discuss time management briefly at their Home Demonstration meeting in September, to distribute the simplified form, Homemaking Time Schedule for One Week, give instructions on what to include and what not to include in their weekly schedule, page 3-7, Time Management in Homemaking, Demonstration I, HM 161 revised, to ask club members to keep a weekly time schedule and bring it to the Home Demonstration club meeting in October or November.

#### Leader Demonstration

Eighteen Home Demonstration Home Management Leaders conducted a Time Management study in local clubs during September - through November, following the plan given at the training meeting, September 12.

Results from the Home Management project, "Time Management" will not be available until after November 30.

### 4. House Furnishings

#### Objectives

- To learn principles of good design
- To acquire ability to plan home improvements for beauty and comfort that are within the family budget
- To recognize durability qualities in house furnishings

#### Methods Used

##### Agent Demonstration

home responsibility to belong to a club. A few H. D. women of these clubs have a tremendous load in order to carry their H. D. program. Some H. D. members have quit club work as they felt imposed upon. Both parents in many families work. Median income for Warren County is \$2,890.00 which is high for this area of Virginia.

The Skyline Drive, Skyline Caverns and George Washington National Forest attract many tourist into our area. Our cost of living is increased due to this fact.

There is one consolidated high school in the county, and two consolidated elementary schools. This creates a problem in reaching the youth of the county in groups that have a community spirit. By the time the children are old enough to become interested in h-h work and have developed some community spirit, they are sent into larger schools where accomplishments are much more difficult because of the size and varied interests of the groups. Primary interest of homemakers and h-h members are along the lines of landscaping, house furnishings, foods and nutrition, health and clothing.

### III. COUNTY EXTENSION PROGRAM--Adult

#### A. Organization

1. There is no Agricultural Extension Service Board
2. There is no Home Economics Council
3. Plans had called for a Youth Committee to be set up this year, but this has not been accomplished. More progress might have been made had it not been for the school

program, for the leaders best able to give programs are not the ones always available to do this. With fewer and better leaders, intensive methods training can be given. With more, but less able leaders, special attention should be given to methods at each Leader Training meeting. This way, more leaders are getting some training in methods-- rather than a few getting intensive training. The home agent has used evaluation sheets with the leaders-- having them estimate how program went across, improvements which could be made, etc. Agent was careful to ask leaders to do this to help them, or other leaders, rather than a critical survey of what had been done.

- h. Federation Program of Work Chairmen: These chairmen met in the fall and outlined, together with their city chairman, reports to be given each month-- what should be included in the May program which was devoted to safety. Mrs. Heldenfels, chairman, did a very nice and responsible piece of work on this subject-- also being our representative on the Safety Council.

In September, the program of work was changed to Home Grounds Care and work planned has been mentioned already under this heading.

Work done along Health (although not the main Program of Work adopted) has been mainly by Mrs. Edwards, our representative on the Auxiliary of Patrick Henry Hospital for the Aged. Clubs also contribute some item to the furnishings of the hospital as their Christmas project.

#### B. Growth of Leadership

1. We have no overall program leaders.
2. Home Demonstration Club Leadership: next page



### III. DEVELOPMENT OF THE 1958 EXTENSION PROGRAM

The 1958 County Extension Program was developed from meetings and ideas expressed by the following committees: Agronomy, Livestock, Forestry, Tazewell Hereford Breeders, and the Artificial Breeding Association. These groups will furnish the basis for this report. Also, contributions were made by the 4-H County Council, TVA Executive Committee, fair committees, the ASC County Committee, the Soil Conservation Board of Supervisors and the Community Clubs' program committees.

The Extension Agents plan to organize a dairy committee with the assistance of the dairy specialists.

### IV. GENERAL PROBLEMS AND NEEDS OF TAZEWELL COUNTY

1. Better use of plant food and lime.
2. Increased acreage of alfalfa.
3. Increased use of silage.
4. Wise buying and selling of livestock.
5. Proper hay storage to prevent loss of hay to weather conditions.
6. Increased production per dairy cow on dairy farms.
7. Some type of regular cash income to help meet expenses and in turn increase total farm receipts.
8. Take steep land out of cultivation and into pasture or trees.
9. New means of creating interest in 4-H Club program.
10. Weed control in pastures.
11. Increased fertilization of permanent pasture.

c. The hardwood tree killing demonstrations will take place in February or March.

d. The Forestry Improvement Contest began in September and will close August 31st.

6. We will have the cooperation of the Forestry Committee, sawmill operators, building supply dealers, professional workers, state forestry service, extension forester, civic clubs, farm bureau, the key banker and the three agricultural community committees.

7. For the goals in 1958 see 3 under heading D.

8. Specialists help will be needed in March, April and November.

#### E. 4-H Club Work

##### 1. General Situation

In Westmoreland County there is quite a diversified type of agriculture among the farm people, this reflects directly to the 4-H members in their projects. In addition to this we have a considerable number who live in villages or built up areas and those who live on land classified as farms but the families derive a large portion of their incomes from non-farm enterprises or full time employment off the farm.

##### 2. Change in Situation

There has and is continuing to be a significant change in the population and consequently the youth in the county. The trend from an agricultural economy (1940 65.3 percent rural farm, 34.7 rural non-farm) to one less dependent or completely independent of it (1950 38.7 percent rural farm, 61.3 percent rural non-farm.) In the 4-H enrollment this change is also occurring 1950 82.5 percent rural farm, 17.5 percent rural non-farm 1957 - 48.6 percent rural farm, 51.4 percent rural non-farm members were enrolled. This has consequently led to a varied interest situation and a large number of different needs developed particularly in non agricultural projects, this also applies to the farm members who are becoming more interested in these projects. Related project fields have become very important.

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mothers plan adequate meals. The 4-H Clubs throughout the county will help with the March of Dimes and in conjunction, every boy and girl will be urged to have three polio shots.

2. So You'd Like to Sew

The club members taking this project will equip a sewing box, make a wrist pin cushion, needlecase, towel, apron, gathered skirt, and a simple blouse. These club members will also be taught some sewing standards, and helped to recognize different kinds of material. They will also learn the fundamental construction processes.

3. Looking Your Best

Members enrolled in this project will rate themselves and helped to realize their shortcomings. Proper care of the hair, nails, hands, skin and feet will be demonstrated. Correct posture and voice tone will be taught. They will rate themselves again at the close of the project and list accomplishments and improvements. This will be done in hopes that young girls will find joy in being well-groomed.

4. Make or Remake

Club members enrolled in this project will learn to take a clothing inventory and thereby plan their immediate and long-time clothing needs. These 4-H members will take body measurements, learn to select suitable patterns and material, learn to use and alter a pattern and cut material. They will be taught fitting and finishing techniques, care and storage of clothing in addition to selecting accessories. Through this instruction the girl will be able to spend her clothing dollar to the best advantage.

standardize labels and quality.

Since Newport News is so close to the Dow pilot plant for Zefran, the home agent had been able to get a sample for the women to see. Several had neighbors who worked at the plant, and were told that speakers would be available. The employees are now wear-testing many of the garments and rumors are circulating about the quality.

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*The U.S. Dept. of Commerce has a sample said would be available in 1949*  
No construction work has been done with the women in classes this year, but individual help given in several cases. The home agent has found by observation that help is needed in pattern alteration and fitting. A definite amount of construction is still being done, as evidenced by the 394 yearly reports turned in:

1268 items adult clothing made ;..... profit of \$6,800

1027 items children's clothing made ... profit of \$2,353

Some of the children's garments reported were make-overs with little reported profit.

The home agent spends a little time each summer working with a small group of girls (12-13 years old) who have not done any sewing. Putting them right to work on the sewing machine, various methods are tested and results noted. There is always more demand for this class than the agent has time for. These girls were daughters of home demonstration members and this year the agent refused to take a girl unless the mother came to a pre-meeting to know exactly what the agent expected as to supplies, "home work" and final results. None of these girls were h-H girls, but the agent wishes she could have the same cooperation with h-H mothers. Two h-H girls were invited to join the group but one mother didn't want to bother with the short transportation needed and the other girl decided she

listed above. Then based on dietary needs found to plan better meals for the family.

Some dishes which include cottage cheese will be prepared at the leader training meeting.

Leaflets and materials to be supplied to leaders in quantity to distribute to club members: Essentials of an Adequate Diet - MF 351 by Janet L. Cameron, Food and Nutrition Specialist, and publications from Pet Milk Company.

**Leader Demonstrations:**

Home Demonstration Food and Nutrition leaders will give the following demonstrations for local clubs:

- (1) December - Christmas Cookery, based on Christmas Suggestions leaflet, MF-369, prepared by Mrs. Mary L. Thompson, Extension Nutrition Specialist.
- (2) April or May - Food and Service for Groups - based on information given at leader training meeting.
- (3) June or July - Dietary Standards with Emphasis on Dairy Foods, from the leader training meeting.

**Agent Demonstration:**

**"Better Standards for Home Canned Foods"**

The Home Agent will give a demonstration on Better Standards for Home Canned Foods for all Home Demonstration Clubs in the county in June and July.

A collection of different quality canned food in glass will be used in the demonstration. Some points to be emphasized in the demonstration will be - canning at the right stage, prompt handling, good pack, prevention of mold on jelly, jams, preserves, and proper storage.

**Radio**

Radio programs to be given on food and nutrition topics during the year will, to some extent, be a repetition of information given at Home Demonstration Clubs. Some broadcasts planned at the moment on foods are:

Eat Better in '58 (will stress essentials of an adequate diet)

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Mr. A. B. Lyons, Assistant Extension Forester, VPI, Blacksburg, and Mr. Disher, District TVA Forester, spent one day in the county with the county agent locating a forestry demonstration. This demonstration was set up and Mr. Lyons and Mr. Disher spent an additional day in the county mapping the chosen demonstration of which there is approximately 30.0 acres. This demonstration of better forestry management is set up on a long time basis and we are sure it will give us some very valuable information which we can use in our forestry program.

We feel that the farmers through our very intensive forestry program are taking better care of their farm and woodlots than they have in the past. They are taking out undesirable species and ill shaped and diseased specimen of desirable species and are doing a better job of selective cutting of larger trees for farm use and marketing. The farmers are also reforesting some of their steeper land and wasteland to short leaf, white and loblolly pines. The forestry committee is also putting on an intensive tree planting program with the coal stripping operators and owners in reclaiming the stripped areas for coal. Most of the coal strip operators and landowners are very cooperative in this project. However, we have a long ways to go yet in getting the areas planted to trees.

We assisted 429 farmers and others in forestry tree seedling plantings; 86 farmers and others in timber stand improvement, 316 farmers and others in timber harvesting, 29 farmers and others in treating wood products with preservatives, 20 farmers and others in marketing of forest products, and 10,631 farmers and others in fire prevention.

We used the following methods in our forestry program:

- a. Get seedling trees from TVA nursery for farmers and landowners.
- b. Show farmers the need to preserve our woodlands and plant forests for future use.
- c. Tour of forest tree seedling plantings.
- d. One forestry management demonstration.

We used the following educational activities by meetings, personal contact with farmers and landowners by county agent in the field and office, by tours of forestry tree seedling plantings, specialists and radio.

#### VI. 4-H Club Work

Our goal was to organize two additional 4-H Clubs making a total of 21, provided we can get good leaders. We organized ten new clubs making a total of 29 active 4-H Clubs in the county.

OUTSTANDING LEADER

Mrs. Stella Avent, secretary of the Warwick Home demonstration club, chairman of the program development committee, and member of the Home Economics Club Committee, is the outstanding leader for the year. Mrs. Avent has served her group in many ways during the past year. In the various leadership capacities in which she has served she has used her influence in securing representation from her club group at all area and state extension meetings. She served on the committee for National Home Demonstration Week and was a result demonstrator in storage space.

Mrs. Avent is responsible for organizing a 4-H group of teen age girls in her community and is now serving as an adult leader for this group.

OUTSTANDING CLUB

The Pleasant Manor Club of Hampton was the most outstanding club of the year. In addition to participating in all of the adult project work and other local and state activities, this group has the highest attendance record of any of the groups.

The fact that the interest of this group extends beyond the interest of the club members is manifested in two ways. First of all, this group has contributed more than the others in furthering the district goal in health. They

The income seems to be adequate but the management of the home and the farm needs to be improved. Some home improvement is underway at the present. The children, who are 4-H Club members, painted the exterior and the interior is being painted throughout. The working relationship with the homemaker is not as easy as it is with family A, however, some progress has been made. The long time goal is to make the home more comfortable by adding a bathroom and by improving the kitchen. Plans are underway to send the children to school after high school.

V. County Extension Program - Youth

A. Organization - a brief description

1. County 4-H Council

The county council is composed of all 4-H Club officers and two adult leaders. The council holds two meetings during the year. One meeting is held for the purpose of planning a county program. The eight delegates to the 4-H Club Short Course were able to give assistance in planning a county club program for senior members. A committee from the council set up several exhibits during the year.

2. All-Stars

Because so many All-Stars, of recent years, are not in the county they have not been organized. There are several older ones who are active in the adult program; two are serving as club presidents. Fourteen All-Stars, parents and agents

#### 7. County Fairs

Two fairs are held annually in the county with a large amount of participation by club members at both. Emphasis at the Richlands Fair and Stock Show is on 4-H club work and activities. Seven 4-H clubs entered booths at the Richlands Fair. Also, record books and individual items were displayed by the club members. Six members participated in the junior dairy show and three in the purebred heifer show.

At the Tazewell Fair 4-H members took a very active part. Six 4-H booths were on display. Eight members participated in the dairy show and three in the purebred heifer show. Five pens of 4-H lambs were exhibited. Some twenty boys and girls exhibited farm crops in this department of the fair.

Several 4-H members from Tazewell county also took part in the dairy show and the market lamb show at the Bland and Russell county fairs. Six 4-H members competed in the Rich Valley Fair which has now been converted entirely to a junior show.

Club members also competed in the Atlantic Rural Exposition, Richmond, and the Eastern National Livestock Show, Baltimore, with their market lamb projects.

#### 8. 4-H Lamb Show and Sale

The annual 4-H Lamb Show and Sale was held at the Tazewell Livestock Market on June 16. Ninety-five lambs from four counties were shown and sold. Mr. George Allen was the judge for this event.

garments for members of the family

#### HOME IMPROVEMENT

Bedroom and Clothing Storage was the program topic for the month of June and July. Slide films secured from Miss Settle, Home Improvement Specialist, were used with this program. An added feature were visits to the homes of Mrs. Stella Avent and Mrs. William Green to see home made devices for storage improvement. Mrs. Avent had made a shelf unit for storing cosmetics and toilet articles. This unit was attached to the inside of the linen closet door which is next to the entrance to the bathroom. It is similar to the commercial spice rack in that the shelves are shallow with guard rails on the front to prevent items from falling off and making it impossible to store items "two deep". One of the most convenient storage improvements made in Mrs. Green's home was a storage unit for shoes. In two of the bedrooms where the roof was slanted small closets were made and equiped with "steps" for storing shoes. Leaflets on where and how to build storage were given to club members. Forty-three leaflets on this topic were distributed to non-club members.

The topic, Improving Kitchen Areas, was included in the plan of work but was not carried out in the monthly meeting as club groups spent two months in bedroom and clothing storage

## I. LOCATION OF TAZEWELL COUNTY

Tazewell County is located in the southwestern part of Virginia, its northern boundary adjoining the State of West Virginia. The county is oblong, and its greatest length is about 40 miles, between the northeast and southwest boundaries. Its width from the northwest to the southwest side ranges from about 10 to 20 miles. Tazewell, the county seat, is in the geographical center, about 20 miles southwest of Bluefield, West Virginia, 75 miles northeast of Bristol, Virginia, and 90 miles west of Roanoke, Virginia. The area of the county is 520 square miles, with 334,080 acres. The land surface comprising Tazewell County ranges from comparatively smooth valley uplands from 1,900 to 3,600 feet elevation to mountain ranges rising as high as 4,500 feet.

## II. TYPE OF AGRICULTURE

General livestock farming is the most important type of farming in Tazewell County. Beef cattle, sheep, and hogs, along with some dairying, comprises most of the farming operations. The beef cattle are chiefly of Hereford breeding with a few Shorthorn and Angus in some areas. The leading breed of sheep are Hampshire, with Burkes Garden considered "The Hampshire Throne of the World" by leading sheepmen. The sheep have replaced cattle on the steeper mountain slopes and pastures. Hogs are produced primarily for domestic use and are mainly of Hampshire breeding.

Corn and wheat are the leading grain crops. Hay, largely timothy

in Sewing." An exhibit on the same subject was displayed in a public window during this week.

#### Judging School

Three leaders attended the leaders judging school which was held at Virginia State College, Petersburg. Leaders cooperated in preparing feeds and construction of articles such as: tailored suit, better dress, boy's suit, hammered metal trays, hooked rugs, a sponge cake, an apple pie, loaf of bread, package of frozen chicken and a jar of strawberry preserves, for use at this school.

Leaders were trained in judging rural art, clothing and feeds. This training helped leaders judge garments and exhibits this fall at the Fair, club meetings and dress revue. Official Fair Association judges were assisted by these local leaders.

#### Home Demonstration Achievement

Home demonstration clubs held a county-wide dinner meeting this fall. The program emphasized the nutritional phase of our work. Miss Doris Smith, International Foreign Youth Exchange delegate presented slides and a discussion of her experiences while in Brazil.

Our community <sup>center</sup> drive report of \$383.95 was realized from county-wide contributions. Report of achievement activities were given by club leaders and Mr Henry Blackwell, Advisory Board member.

#### Urban Work

Objective: To reach more non-farm families and urban families with home economic information through individual and group contacts.

The methods used for reaching the 88 urban families were: community

E. Planned Educational Trips

Will take advantage of such trips whenever possible.

XI. Cooperative plans made toward a unified county extension program

No definite plans have been made.

XII. Problems in carrying out the Extension Program

The greatest problem is lack of leadership in all phases of the work. To meet this problem, more leader training meetings will be conducted.

## XII. COUNTY EXTENSION PROBLEMS

1. Lack of permanent meeting place for volunteer leadership training. A stronger program could be established if adult and junior leaders could always have permanent facilities. These training meetings are conducted in all types of buildings under adverse circumstances not conducive to good extension teaching.
2. Due to separation of offices and scheduled secretarial assistance, the program is often handicapped and retarded.
3. Developing people to recognize county mutual problems and needs, and responding effectively of doing something about these needs.

## VII. LEADERSHIP

### A. Leader's Contribution to the Program

#### 1. Organizational

Organizational leaders in Home Demonstration Clubs, 4-H Clubs and Community Improvement Clubs have carried out duties customary to their particular office. Home Demonstration Club Presidents have in several cases attended leader training meetings or found some club member who could attend when the leader was unable to be present.

Seventy 4-H club officers were trained for duties of their office in the County 4-H Officers training meeting to help them understand parliamentary law and duties they were expected to assume.

#### 2. Program Development Leaders

Program Development Leaders in Home Demonstration Clubs held a buzz session in local clubs in June to get an expression from club members as to what demonstrations they wanted in the 1958 program. In July a vote was taken in local Home Demonstration clubs on demonstrations club members considered important enough to include in the years program. Each club sent in to the Home Agent three suggestions for demonstrations and one topic for a special interest meeting.

Program Development Leaders, local club presidents and County Committee officers worked together for one day

is really obtained from the masses. It is very hard to evaluate. While some jobs can be done in mass some have to be done on an individual basis. I hope to leave more responsibility to the leaders in order to give me more time for special work.

One of my biggest problems in the 4-H program is to have the leaders carry a 4-H meeting without the agent. If I could get leaders together to train them in groups it would save a great deal of time. This has been an impossibility almost in the past but I hope to work on it in the future. Perhaps this can give more time for individual work.

Some of the Specialists have been setting up kits of helpful demonstration materials which have proven helpful. I hope this can be continued and that even more kits can be prepared. It would help me to have a list of all kits available on one sheet for me to refer to.

Another plan I hope to put into action for next year is to send out semi-annually frozen food notes to freezer owners in the county. I hope I'll get some help on this from VPI too.

There are many places in which my efforts can go in 1959 to educate the Warren County homemakers. May God grant me the strength and wisdom to do the job.

the club because of this interest.

The demonstration on using accessories has helped members to use their crafts in their home decorating.

Front Royal and Bentonville Clubs have held workshops on arranging their dried material to put their knowledge to better use. Agent has worked with 2 school groups on collecting and arranging dried materials.

A study of Wild Flowers, Needlepoint, Ceramic Tile Painting, Shell Jewelry are other club choice topics studied this year.

355 Handicraft articles were reported by 96 H. B. members this year which shows better than 3 articles per member. These little extras are in many instances the major portion of recreation for some of these homemakers which is an excellent reason for their interest.

There have been requests for help in teaching crafts to physically handicapped which I feel sure the club leaders will gladly render.

#### 7. Garden

Objectives: To keep gardeners up on latest information and practices in vegetable and fruit growing. To emphasize need for a wisely planned garden to meet nutritional needs of family.

Procedure: Held open County Garden meeting in April conducted by Mr. Beamer from VPI. This meeting was a field visit to a nicely planned garden here in Front Royal. Use of sandust mulch and compost was emphasized. Gave timely information

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## F. Farm and Home Development

### 1. Situation

Farming today is a highly competitive business. As such there is a great need that it be treated as such. To do this it requires a well planned program for both the farm and home, a program which has been given much thought in planning on the part of the farm business, the farm family and the home.

To help meet the needs in this farm and home development program the agent will continue to work with the present five families that we have been working with for the past two years and will add three additional families.

These families will be worked with on the individual basis, that is by having them to come in the office and going out on the farms and in their homes.

To help with this program we will get specialists to help whenever possible and when needed.

### G. Minor Projects

1. Treating with chemicals will be mailed to those concerned and six spraying demonstrations will be conducted. Information will be mailed out on what rotation to follow in order to keep the Johnson grass down to the minimum.

2. More efficient tomato production and marketing; emphasize importance of a year-round home garden.

a. Tomatoes for processing and greenraps play a most important part of the income of a large number of small farmers. In fact, this crop was the main cash crop.

Both the yield and quality of production needs emphasis as both have been declining during the past five years.

b. To meet these needs the following objectives for 1958 have been set up by the three Community Agricultural Committees:

- (1) To hold two outlook and recommendations meetings in February.
- (2) Try to get at least four canners to buy raw fruit on the US graded basis.
- (3) Conduct two fertilizer demonstrations.

Center. The talk on mental health tied in with the Federation Program of Work, Health. Club reports were given by the Baptist Valley, Bluefield, Boissevain, Crockett's Cove, Falls Mills and Raven home demonstration clubs. Club activities and accomplishments for the past year were given in these reports by the presidents. Mrs. J. S. Wright, county representative to the Institute of Rural Affairs, gave a report on the State Federation meeting and the Institute. Reading certificates were awarded to 19 club members who had read at least five approved books. A summary of county home demonstration activities was given by the home demonstration agent and the Achievement Trophy was awarded to the Raven Home Demonstration Club. This club's activities are reported in another section of this report.

#### 5. Fairs

The Extension Service in Tazewell county cooperated with two groups in sponsoring two fairs. Along with the Richlands Businessmen's Association, a three-day fair was held in Richlands, June 18-21. Homemaking and 4-H exhibits were entered in this fair. Seven 4-H clubs placed 4-H booths in the fair. Blue sward winners for booths were Busy Bee, Green and White, and Raven 4-H Clubs. Mrs. Leslie Nuckolls and Mrs. Ralph Miller, home demonstration club members in Richlands and Raven, made plans for ladies to assist with the fair. A total of 349 individual 4-H and homemaking exhibits were entered in the fair. Ladies from Russell county judged the fair.

The Tazewell County Fair, in cooperation with the American Legion, was held August 12-16. A large display of items

Alternative Solutions

2. Plan follow-up as result of meetings.

IV. Improve office management and assistance.

Alternative Solutions

1. Full-time clerical assistance
2. Audio visual aids for teaching.

Consequences

- :  
:1. Announce monthly  
: demonstration and  
: discussion topics.  
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:  
:1. Recognition of out-  
: standing work done by  
: 4-H or H. D. clubs.  
:  
:2. Hold more special interest  
: work-shops, clinics and  
: meetings.  
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Consequences

- :  
:1. More publicity and mass  
: contacts could be made.  
:  
:2. Agent would have more time  
: for field work.  
:  
:3. Reach more people with  
: specific interest.  
:  
:4. Individual contacts thru  
: general office services.  
:  
:5. Survey, tabulation, records  
: and reports kept up-to-  
: date.  
:  
:6. Mimeograph machine  
:  
:1. Slide projector to show  
: pictures of county program  
: success stories.  
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:2. Tape-recorder for field  
: and radio work.  
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:3. Film and bulb service  
: continued from supply office.  
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## B. Club meetings

With the varied interests of the members whose backgrounds are agricultural, seafood, industry and others plus the fact that boys and girls meet together, the council decided the club meetings were to be timely and seasonal topics as they apply to the needs of members and projects. With added emphasis to farm and home lighting several meetings were devoted to this topic. Other topics included planting forest and ornamental trees, a safe Christmas and the use of native material for decorations, values of a home garden and the planting of same, parliamentary procedure and how to conduct meetings and discussions on personality development, safety and farm cooperatives.

Wherever possible demonstrations were included in each of the meetings as it relates to the topic or as needs develop. Flannel graph presentations were also given. One especially good presentation by the members dealt with the "American Enterprise System", which came from the American Institute of Cooperatives.

It is hard to measure the results of these meetings. A need was there and met, especially so since a large participation by members was possible. Interest was high and subject matter and general information gained.

## C. Activities

We have found a definite need for activities other than project work. The members themselves selected these in most cases. It joins members from various clubs as well as out-of-county members in a common goal or endeavor. These activities in the main were to assist these young people to a more satisfactory rural life.

### a. National 4-H Club Week

During this week posters in the schools and a window display was made. A "Salute to Parents" feature was added to the local newspaper for this week where articles devoted to club work and 4-H parents was presented. Many comments were made about these articles and undoubtedly did much to educate the people about 4-H work. It gave excellent opportunity to recognize parents, so vital to the success of 4-H work. A countywide social was also held.

VI. OTHER PROJECT ACTIVITIES

A. AGRONOMY

1. CROPS

The agronomy letter sent to all farmers included the latest recommended varieties of crops and the rate of planting along with time of planting. Newspaper and radio programs have been used to inform farmers of the latest crop information.

A silage tour was held in Freestone Valley this year and there have been three silos built in that community. Throughout the county there have been eight silos built for storage of crops and two new field harvesters have been purchased.

2. Forage Crops

The agronomy committee suggested that the local newspaper publish a forage crop edition. The agents have worked with the agronomy committee and have collected news articles for this edition of the newspaper; this information is now in the hands of the printers.

B. Livestock

1. Sheep

This year approximately 3,000 sheep have been dipped throughout the county in the portable dipping vat. The securing of this vat has reduced the number of flocks having sheep scab and also has provided a means of getting the diseased ones dipped rapidly after the parasites have been identified. Two farmers have

Procedure--Hold method demonstrations by agents and power representatives on electrical terms.

How to determine electric bill, how to read meter, correct use of fuses, importance of proper home wiring.

Club members to give demonstrations to show what they have learned by taking project.

Your local power plant.

#### 4. Looking Your Best

To be carried by 1 group in Front Royal

##### Objectives:

To teach basic ways of caring for themselves and clothing for better appearance.

To instill pride in the appearance of the members.

To teach the importance of proper food toward making a person attractive.

##### Procedure:

Method demonstrations to be presented by agent and 4-8 members on:  
 Proper Eating for Beauty  
 Caring for Your Hair and Hands  
 Selection of Clothing and Accessories  
 Washing and Pressing Your Clothing  
 Making repairs and proper way to hem.

#### 5. Your Room Pep It Up

To be carried by 1 school club and 2 Senior Groups.

Objective: To develop pride in home surroundings particularly members' room.

To develop skills in choosing furnishing and accessories for room and home.

To teach good color schemes for the member's room.

To teach proper lighting for study and other tasks performed in girl's room.

Procedure: Agent and leaders to present demonstrations on ways for

## MARKETING, DISTRIBUTION, AND FARM AND HOME SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

## 32. Assistance given to FORMALLY organized cooperatives (those incorporated under State law):

Kind of cooperative	Cooperatives assisted	Members in county	Cooperatives in column A given educational assistance with--			
			Organizational problems	Financial problems	Operational problems	Public-relations and membership problems
			C	D	E	F
	A	B	C	D	E	F
	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number
a. Marketing and purchasing	1	560	1	1	1	1
b. Farm and home service	3	260	3	3	3	3

## 33. Assistance given to INFORMALLY organized groups (other than those reported under item 32) with organizational and operational problems:

Type of activity	Groups		Members	
	A	B	A	B
a. Marketing and purchasing	2	2	250	
b. Farm and home service	2	2	180	

## 34. SURVEYS made during the year on specific problems of--

	Number
a. Marketing	4
b. Service facilities	3

## 35. Farmers, homemakers, and other individuals assisted in marketing products through roadside or other farm retail markets:

a. Agricultural products	3
b. Home products (arts, crafts, etc.)	-

## 36. Buyers, sellers, handlers, processors, and transporters of farm products assisted with marketing problems:

a. Grain, seed, dry beans and peas, etc.	3
b. Hay and other forage crops	1
c. Cotton: (1) Cotton ginner	-
(2) Other	-
d. Tobacco	-
e. Oil crops (soybeans, flax, peanuts, etc.)	2
f. Sugar crops	-
g. Dairy and dairy products	2
h. Poultry and poultry products	4
i. Meat animals and meat products	3
j. Fruits and nuts	10
k. Vegetables including potatoes	1

## 37. Food retailers assisted with merchandising problems

	1
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## 38. Persons assisted with CONSUMER information on agricultural products..... estimated total

	20
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The County 4-H Council has been active this year by holding two training meetings; one in the fall, for officer training; and one in the spring for recreation training.

Forty youngsters including 18 boys attended 4-H camp from Warren this year. As usual they had a wonderful experience of camping and fellowshipping together with the 4-H girls from Warren, Frederick and Page Counties at Powells Fort Valley Organizational camp.

On July 22, the Warren County 4-H picnic was held at the Country Club starting at 10 a.m. and lasting til late in the afternoon. Drinks were furnished by the County Council and the Royal Dairy of Front Royal supplied ice cream for the entire crew. This was probably one of the most successful and enjoyed picnic held in years with more than 80 members and parents attending.

The Sears Duroc Pig Chain boys had rather bad luck this past year with one boy's pig coming down with piles and had to be sold before farrowing and another boy's pig lost all 10 of her litter at birth. Five new pigs have now been placed at new homes and a boar purchased from Carpenter in Winchester has been placed in the community. This year the pigs are scattered around the Browntown community with Lloyd Smelser, Junior Clegg, Wally Hamel, Larry Seal and Richard Jenkins. The boar was placed with Mr. U. J. Clegg. The winners of last year's contest are as follows: Boicy Frye, Charles Grove, Jimmy Stephens, Martin Johnson and Wesley Hancock placing in this order. A banquet was not held this year.

IX. 7. (continued)

school and the beginning of a new million dollar high school. The program this year stressed community service. One excellent suggestion made by the club was that communities receive contest points for organizing new community clubs.

X. THE STORY OF A COUNTY FARM FAMILY

The major problem confronting our county farms over the past five years has been maintaining a good standard of living during a cost price squeeze. One family in our county has been able to over-come this problem. The family is the Robinson Orr Family, of Glade Spring, Virginia.

Mr. Orr obtained his farm under the tenant purchase program during the early forties. He became associated with the Agricultural Extension Service in 1941 when he was taken on as a Unit Test Demonstrator for the five year program and he was later added as a long time demonstrator. His initial major enterprise was beef cattle and sheep. In the late forties he changed his enterprise from beef and sheep to producing manufactured milk and he also added turkey production.

Mr. Orr improved his farms producing capacity almost 100% by using the recommended fertilizer practices; however, the low return from turkeys caused him to switch to broiler production on a contract basis in 1955. In 1953 a neighbor gave his son two pet lambs to carry as a 4-H club project. Since that time Jerry has re-invested all money received from the two pet lambs back into his sheep project until now he has a flock of 50 grade ewes. In addition he has started a registered

## VII. 4-H CLUB PROGRAM (cont'd)

### A. Organization and Activities

May and June were Lamb Show months. Gene Horney of the Rural Retreat 4-H Club exhibited the Champion Single lamb in the first District Show held in Abingdon in May. This was Gene's second year to have this honor. The lamb was a 115 pound Hampshire and was sold for \$35 per hundredweight. Hayden Horney, Gene's brother, a member of the Speedwell 4-H Club, had the Champion Pen of 3 at this Show. This was a pen of Hampshire lambs and sold for \$27 per hundredweight. In the second Spring Lamb Show held in Tazewell, Hayden Horney exhibited the Champion Single Lamb.

The week of June 17th found sixteen club members attending District 4-H Camp at Hinton, West Virginia.

State Short Course was held the week of June 23rd with seventeen club members and two leaders attending from Wythe County. Each member attended on a scholarship donated by county organizations and business firms. While at Short Course, Charles Porter and Glenda Sue Miller were accepted for membership in the State All Star Chapter. Bill Dalton placed in the red award group in the Forestry demonstration.

In July, four club members and one leader attended Conservation Camp at Virginia Beach. Also in July, the County Short Course delegates, parents, and leaders held a picnic at Hungry Mother Park with thirty in attendance. This was another first in club work for the county.

The District All Star Key Award program was held in Abingdon at the Martha Washington Inn on August 6th. The ten club members and leaders attending from Wythe toured the site of the Southwest Virginia 4-H Center en route to the meeting.

In September the County All Stars held an organizational meeting. This was a pot luck picnic at R. G. Williams' recreational area. Officers were elected and plans made for a Christmas party.

other family life problems. The number of families adapting improved practices continued to increase. Problems solving methods were practiced in the meetings and on home visits. The results indicated that more families made wise decisions during the year.

This program has served to bring about better rural living through training, wherever possible for useful work in the communities. It has promoted social and economic adjustments of homemakers, farmers, young adults and youth of all ages. It has encouraged family security, which is centered around the welfare of each individual.

A cooperative approach to county problems was widely used to broaden the scope of Extension, by working with all agencies and individuals concerned with public affairs and individual welfare.

#### The County Situation

Westmoreland County is located in Northern Virginia, between two rivers, the Potomac and the Rappahannock. There are 151,040 acres of farm land in this county. The pattern of farming is on scattered individual farms. The farm sizes range from 1 to 1,000 or more acres. The average farm size is 64.5 acres. According to the 1955 census, there are 681 farm operators living on their farms, while 42 operators lived away from their farms. There are 443 white farm operators and 299 Negro operators, one farm manager and 65 tenants, white and Negro.

There are 4,615 rural farm,(non-white) population and 1,963 non-farm,(non-white) population. The total Negro population is 8,578

## MARKETING, DISTRIBUTION, AND FARM AND HOME SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS (USA 1958)

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	Number	

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- (2) Other .....
- d. Tobacco .....
- e. Oil crops (soybeans, flax, peanuts, etc.) .....
- f. Sugar crops .....
- g. Dairy and dairy products .....
- h. Poultry and poultry products .....
- i. Meat animals and meat products .....
- j. Fruits and nuts .....
- k. Vegetables including potatoes .....

## 37. Food retailers assisted with merchandising problems .....

## 38. Persons assisted with CONSUMER information on agricultural products .....

.....estimated total.....

Camp Summers, West Virginia.

2. Achievement Day

Plans will be made to have the first Wise County 4-H Achievement program in the fall.

3. Club Contest

Plans will be made to enter eligible members in county and district contests.

4. Rural Life Sunday

Agent will encourage clubs to observe Rural Life Sunday.

5. National 4-H Club Week

4-H Clubs will make exhibits. A county wide 4-H Talent Program will be held.

6. State 4-H Short Course

Plans will be made to send county quota to Short Course.

V. Scope of Work

A. Organization	<u>No. in 1957</u>	<u>Goal 1958</u>
Number of home demonstration clubs	8	12
Membership	153	175
Number of 4-H Clubs	11	20
Membership	197	250
Number of young men and women's clubs	-	-
Membership	-	-
Number community improvement clubs	1	1
Membership	72	72