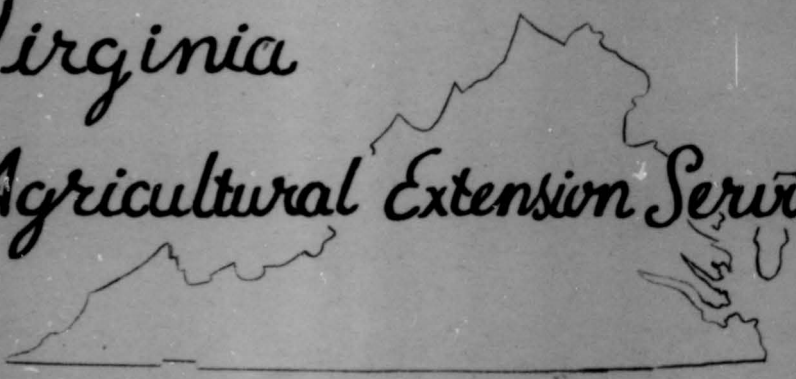


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III. County Situation.

Fauquier County is an agricultural county, with the main income derived from dairy and beef cattle. This section is well-known for the raising of thoroughbred horses and fox hunting, therefore, much of the land is used for this purpose.

The average family has been striving to improve the home and farm while high salaries are available. The homemaker is searching for ways of managing the home economically and saving time and labor.

IV. Contributions of the 1952 Program to Better Family Living.

In 1952, the Home Demonstration Program in Fauquier County reached 1507 families. These families were reached through method and result demonstrations, special interest groups, 4-H projects, news columns and radio.

The Home Demonstration Clubs have definitely made improvement in developing leadership in club members. The goal was set in 1952 for each club to conduct four (4) meetings in the absence of the Agent. Twelve (12) clubs had four (4) or more club meetings without the Agent. The project leaders and officers conducted seven (7) meetings at the Midland Club. The members showed leadership ability in planning and carrying out County activities, such as a float in the Warrenton Firemen's Parade, exhibits at the

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Fauquier Junior Fair and the Fifth Home Demonstration Achievement Program.

Four (4) clubs had special interest meetings to complete projects or develop skills that were not studied at club meetings.

The Home Furnishing Program, which is a carry-over for two years, influenced more families than any other project. There were fifty-one (51) rugs hooked due to the four (4) special interest meetings and the January demonstrations on "Preparing to Hook A Rug." Approximately fifty-two (52) homemakers refinished or made picture frames after the demonstration on "Selecting, Hanging and Framing Pictures". One hundred and thirty-one (131) chairs were reseated and fifteen (15) chairs recaned at the five (5) special interest meetings, or at their homes after attending these meetings.

In 1952, one hundred and twenty-seven (127) Home Demonstration members reported upholstering seventy-five (75), slip covering eighty-six (86), refinishing ninety-seven (97), and remodeling eighteen (18) pieces of furniture. They received this training at the special interest and method demonstration meetings in 1951.

The Food Preparation and Preservation Program has been a major project for three (3) years. There were three (3) method demonstrations that reached three hundred and twenty-four (324) homemakers by presenting ways of preparing economical salads, new methods of preparing vegetables, and attractive desserts for Christmas meals.

The eighty-eight (88) girls taking Food Preparation and Preservation Projects learned to plan, prepare, and serve nutritious meals. This was accomplished by the girls producing food at home and using low-cost foods that are nutritious, as well as appetizing.

This is the second year that we have carried Home and Community Beautification as the County Federation Goal. In 1951, emphasis was placed on individuals improving home grounds. This year, the Federation Goal Chairmen not only encouraged members to plan and landscape the home grounds, but each club had a community project and result demonstrations.

The Home Demonstration and 4-H Clubs cooperated in making the Fauquier Junior Fair a success and a great improvement over the 1951 Fair. Ten (10) Home Demonstration and four (4) 4-H Clubs had educational exhibits on projects and organizational phases of the Extension Program.

V. Adult Work.

A. Project Work

1. Food and Nutrition

The objectives were:

1. To teach new methods of preparing food.
2. To assist homemakers in planning nutritious and appetizing meals.

There were three (3) method demonstrations on food and nutrition conducted at monthly meetings. The leaders were trained

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at a leader training meeting by the Home Economist from the Virginia Electric Power Company and the Agent for the September and October demonstrations. In September, the leaders demonstrated "Home Garden Salads" and made plans for a luncheon to be served at the October meeting. The members brought salads and vegetable dishes, and explained the recipes to the group. The food leaders gave the demonstration on "Putting A New Face On Vegetables". The members enjoyed and benefited by the exchange of ideas of preparing salads and vegetables. The food leaders gave twenty-five (25) demonstrations in September and October, and the Agent gave one demonstration due to illness of a leader. The one hundred and twenty-seven (127) members reported giving recipes of these demonstrations to one hundred and eighty-nine (189) homemakers.

In December, 1951, the Agent gave the demonstration on "Christmas Desserts and Candies". The members gave these recipes to approximately one hundred and fifty-six (156) other homemakers.

Three (3) clubs presented educational exhibits on these food demonstrations at the Fifth Achievement Program. Each exhibit showed the economical, nutritious and time-saving methods of preparing these foods. Recipes were available from each table for the people if they desired them.

Homemakers were interested in the newest methods of preserving foods. Four (4) clubs had the demonstration on "Preserving Foods By Freezing". The members of these clubs have secured freezers, or are using lockers at the local community plants. One hundred and twenty-seven (127) homemakers reported freezing 13,263 quarts of fruit, vegetables, and meat. Food Preservation will be a carry-over in the 1953 Program, and the clubs will have demonstrations on "Freezing Prepared Foods".

There were no demonstrations on canning or curing meat, however, the one hundred and twenty-seven (127) homemakers reported canning 18,749 quarts of food and curing 15,557 pounds of meat. In 1953, foods will be one of the major projects with four (4) demonstrations on food and nutrition.

## 2. Clothing

There were no plans set-up for clothing in the 1952 Plan of Work, as no interest had been indicated. Three (3) clubs asked for demonstrations on clothing for their club choice month. Two clubs asked for demonstrations on "Sewing Machine Attachments", and one club for "Tailoring Finishes". The Home Economist from the Singer Sewing Machine Company, Culpeper, Virginia, presented the demonstration on "Sewing Machine Attachments". She explained five attachments and gave the ladies an opportunity to practice using the attachments. Much interest was shown and three (3) clubs have asked for this demonstration at a club choice in 1953. The Warrenton Club

had the demonstration on "Tailoring Finishes". The Agent demonstrated the new method of putting in zippers and piped buttonholes.

- Members followed each step by making a sample with a needle and thread on material.

The homemakers reported making seven hundred and seventy-seven (777) garments and remodeling one hundred and ninety-five (195) garments. In 1953, the clubs will have three (3) method demonstrations and one special interest meeting on clothing.

### 3. House Furnishings

The objectives were:

1. To assist homemakers in planning color schemes for their homes.
2. To assist homemakers in selecting, framing and hanging pictures.
3. To teach techniques in making a hooked rug by using old material.
4. To assist result demonstrators in planning, buying material, and decorating their living rooms.

The leaders were trained by the Agent in January to give the demonstration on "Materials Suitable For Hooking A Rug". Seven (7) demonstrations were given at club meetings by the leaders. These leaders assisted with four (4) special interest meetings on making a rug. Fifty-one (51) ladies completed their rugs in 1952, and other

homemakers started rugs, which they will complete later. The Home Demonstration Club displayed educational exhibits on hooked rugs at the Fauquier Junior Fair and the Achievement Program. This encouraged women to make rugs for their homes. The group had many requests to teach others the steps in constructing the rug.

The Home Furnishing Specialist and Home Economist from the Sherwin-Williams Paint Company conducted a leader training meeting on "Color Schemes", and "Selecting, Hanging and Framing Pictures". The leaders conducted the above mentioned demonstrations and the Agent the other during the months of February and May. The members did not show as much interest in the "Color Schemes" as was shown in other demonstrations. This could have been due to the fact that the subject was too difficult to teach in one afternoon, or the lack of illustrative material.

Fourteen (14) homemakers served as living room result demonstrators, and tours were made of two homes. The result demonstrators explained why she chose her color schemes and what she had done to improve the room.

Members reported papering seventy-seven (77) rooms, painting one hundred and fifty-two (152) rooms, and refinishing forty-nine (49) floors.

The Catlett Home Demonstration Club had a special interest clinic on upholstering furniture. This has been a

carry-over project for several years. The ladies reported upholstering seventy-five (75) pieces of furniture, and slip covering eighty-six (86) pieces.

In January, 1952, plans were made to have two special interest meetings on reseating chairs. The interest shown was so great that there were four (4) special interest meetings. The ladies attended an all-day clinic and learned the process by each one reseating a chair. The members also resealed other chairs at home, and many taught their neighbors the process. There were one hundred and thirty-one (131) chairs resealed at the clinics.

One clinic on recaning chairs was held, with ten (10) homemakers recaning their chairs. The Delaplane Club had this project as one of their monthly demonstrations and finished five (5) chairs. The total number of chairs recaned in 1952 being (15) fifteen.

#### 4. Housing

The objectives were:

1. To obtain nine (9) result demonstrators in housing, which would include kitchen, storage space, or planning to build or remodel a home.
2. To use these demonstrators in teaching new and improved methods in some phase of the home.

The method used was for the Housing Specialist to visit each home and assist the family in making plans. The individual then

made additions or remodeled their home. We have not completed any result demonstrations in housing, therefore, a tour has not been made of these homes.

Our goal was to have nine (9) result demonstrators and there are only eight (8) in the County. The 1953 goal is to add three (3) housing demonstrators. //

#### 5. Rural Arts

The objectives were:

1. To teach art principles that can be carried out in other phases of the home.
2. To make one (1) good article before starting on another craft.
3. To help homemakers select a hobby.

The craft leaders were trained by the Rural Arts Specialist at a County leader training meeting in May. The leader prepared an etched tray to show her club the finished product. Only homemakers interested in etching trays came to the June demonstration, with all members attending the business meeting. The leaders gave all the metal etching demonstrations, as the Agent took a month's sick leave. The club leaders ordered the metal supplies at the May meeting, in order to have the material by June.

The Rural Arts leaders reported four (4) special interest meetings on etching metal, since the June demonstration. These leaders reported etching one hundred and fifty-five (155) pieces of metal at the June meeting. Not only have the ladies enjoyed making the trays, but they have learned art principles in designing patterns, and mastering

the skill of painting designs. Several have benefited by selling the trays at gift shops and to friends.

The County Planning Committee realizes that only a few people are interested in crafts, therefore, they strive to have only one craft a year. Their aim is to master one craft before starting another. In 1953, the ladies will have the opportunity to learn basket weaving.

#### B. Other Activities

##### 1. An Outstanding Family

Mrs. Cleon Meadows and her daughter, Barbara, are a very cooperative and interested family in the Extension Program. Mrs. Meadows is the County Chairman of the Fauquier Home Demonstration Clubs for 1952-1953. She reached her goal of attending the fourteen (14) Home Demonstration Clubs by the District Home Demonstration Meeting on May 1, 1952. At the Spring Planning Meeting, she encouraged each club to pay one delegate's expenses to the Virginia Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs. Nine (9) delegates attended this meeting.

In May, 1952, Mrs. Meadows and her committee planned and conducted a County Government Meeting to encourage members and families to register and vote in the past National Election. The theme of the program was "Why You Should Vote". Approximately seventy-five (75) home demonstration members and families attended this meeting.

Mrs. Meadows is a very efficient Chairman in organizing and conducting a program. She participates in her local club and county projects.

Barbara has been a member of the Remington 4-H Club for two years. She has worked on several committees in exhibiting 4-H work for National 4-H Week and Achievement Day. Her Mother served as a project leader for two years and encouraged Barbara to enter 4-H contests and County Fairs.

The Meadows family is planning to remodel their home in the spring of 1953. They will use suggestions given by the Extension Service and Agent.

## 2. Federation Goal Activities.

In 1952, the Home Demonstration Clubs selected "Home and Community Beautification" as the Federation Goal. The objectives were:

1. To teach basic rules in landscaping home grounds.
2. To assist homemakers in planning and developing the outdoor living area.
3. For clubs to conduct a county-wide campaign to encourage people to improve home grounds.
4. To have fifteen (15) yard improvement result demonstrators.

The clubs had two demonstrations on "Home and Community Beautification", as follows: (1) Basic Rules in Landscaping and Planning the Federation Goal, and (2) Planning and Development of Outdoor Living Area.

The project leaders were trained for the demonstrations by Mr. Albert Beecher, Assistant Horticulturist, at a County leader training meeting. The County Federation Goal Chairman and the Agent conducted a leader training meeting to assist the leaders in making plans for their club activities. Mr. Albert Beecher, Mrs. J. Elaine Gwin, and the Agent visited the eighteen (18) yard improvement result demonstrators to assist in making plans for landscaping their home grounds. We succeeded in securing three (3) demonstrators over our goal of fifteen (15).

Each member was given the check sheet on home grounds at the March club meetings. The leaders encouraged the members to check the yard improvement they hoped to accomplish in 1952. Mrs. Henry Sanders, County Federation Goal Chairman, requested the club chairmen to collect the check sheets in October, and, in turn, send them to her. Only eleven (11) clubs reported to Mrs. Sanders, with only ninety (90) home demonstration members reporting. This is where the clubs have failed to secure a true picture of the accomplishments of the past year.

One of the County Federation Goals was for each club to have a community project. This goal was reached by each club. The club projects were as follows: (1) Flower Show (2) Opening and Improving Community Bumps (3) Planting Shrubs at Churches and Schools (4) Contest on Improving Home Grounds (5) Park Development (6) Playground Development (7) Members assisted in keeping cemetery grounds free of trash (8) Improving lighting system in library of school (9) Signs were

distributed in the community urging people to use the community dump.

The committee did not have a county-wide tour of result demonstrations, however, two clubs visited two yard result demonstrators to see the new methods in landscaping. Approximately forty-three (43) Ladies visited these homes. "Home and Community Beautification" will be the Federation Goal for 1953.

3. The Fauquier Home Demonstration Objectives for 1952 were:

1. President and leaders hold at least four (4) meetings without Agent.
2. Each club secure one or more volunteer helpers with 4-H project work.
3. Each club increase membership at least 10% of enrollment as of December 1, 1952.
4. Vice-President of each club be Chairman of a committee to increase the membership of the club.
5. Each member carry information to non-club members and members who were not able to be present.
6. Each club be represented by at least two members at County or Leader Training Meetings.
7. The reporter in each club be responsible for reporting activities through the Homemakers' monthly news column.
8. Each club have at least one result demonstration a year.
9. Each club take five (5) minutes each month, under

leadership of President and Program Development Leader, to check the objectives and individual accomplishment sheets.

The clubs that reached these objectives would be recognized as a standard club. Most of the clubs have improved in the past year on the objectives reached. The clubs have reached these objectives as follows:

- (a) Twelve (12) clubs held four (4) or more meetings without the Agent.
- (b) Eight (8) 4-H project leaders were secured through the Home Demonstration Clubs.
- (c) Ten (10) clubs had representatives at each County or Leader Training Meeting.
- (d) The fourteen (14) club reporters sent in items pertaining to club activities, and, in turn, the Agent compiled the Homemakers' column twice a month.
- (e) Nine (9) clubs had result demonstrators in 1952.
- (f) Most of the clubs set aside five (5) minutes each month at their meetings to check the objectives and individual accomplishment sheets.

4. The Fifth Achievement Program.

The Fauquier Home Demonstration Clubs celebrated their Fifth Achievement Program on Thursday, November 13, 1952, in the Warrenton High School. It was estimated that three hundred and seventy-five (375) members, and friends, attended this meeting. Mrs. Cleon Meadows, County

Chairman, gave a report on County, District, and State activities. Mrs. Rush Boyer, Secretary-Treasurer of the Home Demonstration Committee, gave the history of Home Demonstration work in Virginia and Fauquier County. The clothing stores in Warrenton cooperated with the Home Demonstration Clubs in presenting a Winter Fashion Show. Each club had an educational exhibit on a project completed in 1952. Each member contributed a gift to be sold at the annual gift counter, from which \$78.00 was realized. This money went into the County Home Demonstration Treasury.

5. Float in Firemen's Parade.

Mrs. Rush Boyer and her committee decided to emphasize the Federation Goal of "Home and Community Beautification" in decorating the float for the Firemen's Parade. They displayed a community on a tractor wagon by the use of a miniature church, school, and homes. Signs were used to encourage people to help keep the community clean and attractive. Mrs. Dorothy Hopkins, a member of the Remington Home Demonstration Club, drove the tractor which carried the float. This is one way the clubs have of publicizing the Home Demonstration Program. The County newspaper stated that approximately three thousand (3000) people eye-witnessed this parade.

6. District and State Meetings of the Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs.

The District VII meeting of the Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs was held on May 1, 1952. Mrs. Cleon Meadows, County Chairman, entered in a panel discussion of accomplishments of various counties. Over ninety (90) Fauquier Home Demonstration members

attended the District Meeting in Nokesville, Virginia.

There were nine (9) delegates and the Agent that attended the Virginia Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs in August at Blacksburg, Virginia. The convention was very beneficial to the delegates. They have given ideas and suggestions to their clubs and county.

VI. 4-H Club Work.

A. Project Work

1. Food and Nutrition

The Food Projects in 1952 were "Food Preservation", "Food For Pep", and "Meal Planning and Service". The objectives for these projects were as follows:

1. To teach canning and freezing methods in the preservation of food.
2. To develop skill in giving a demonstration.
3. To help girls plan nutritious and appetizing meals.
4. To teach girls to prepare and serve a variety of food.

The "Food For Pep" project was taught during the school months at five (5) Junior Clubs. Only two leaders attended the Leader Training Meeting in January. These leaders gave three (3) demonstrations in the absence of the Agent. The method used was to have the leader or Agent give the demonstration, then a girl would repeat this demonstration

at the following club meeting. The girls gave demonstrations on salads, milk drinks, setting the table, and the correct way of washing dishes, making a total of thirty-six (36) demonstrations.

Two Senior Clubs took "Meal Planning and Service" for the year's project. The Agent gave the demonstration on one dish for a meal, and a member would repeat the demonstration at the following meeting. Each club planned and prepared a meal in July. The girls' mothers were invited to the luncheon as guests. The nine (9) girls completing the "Meal Planning and Service" project planned one hundred and eight (108) meals and assisted in preparing two hundred and sixteen (216) meals.

There were two girls enrolled in the "Food Preservation" project, with one girl completing. Peggy Wilson of the Marshall 4-H Club canned seventy-eight (78) quarts of food and froze six hundred and thirty-four (634) quarts of food.

## 2. Clothing

The objectives were as follows:

1. To encourage the girls to plan their wardrobe according to their family allowance.
2. To create a desire to make their own garments.
3. To teach basic rules in clothing construction.
4. The Senior girls will be taught tailoring construction.

The projects taken in clothing were "So You'd Like To Sew" and "Make and Remake". The Junior Clubs took "So You'd Like To Sew"

during school months and finished the project in July. The Senior group took "Make and Remake" at the night project meetings and at two all-day meetings held in July.

The methods used in these projects were lectures and demonstrating clothing construction techniques. Each group had club exhibits in May or July. The four (4) leaders in "So You'd Like To Sew" conducted twenty (20) demonstrations without the assistance of the Agent. These leaders were trained individually in October, 1951, and January, 1952. Two clubs were given project meetings twice a month, in order that the girls would receive more assistance in making each article. The seven (7) girls completing the "Make and Remake" project constructed twenty-four (24) garments and remodeled two. It is estimated that the girls saved \$50.00 by making these garments.

○ 3. Room Improvement

Under the Room Improvement Program, the Senior girls completed "Sleeping, Dressing, Study and Reading Units". The objectives were as follows:

1. To teach the girls time-saving methods in cleaning and caring for their rooms.
2. To teach girls to make articles, in order to save money, for their room.
3. To teach older girls to make slip covers, refinish furniture, and the newest methods in floor care.
4. To teach older girls to give demonstrations, which will benefit them when they enter the County and Area Contests.

Mrs. Graham Wilson, the 4-H leader, was glad to report 100% completion on the Room Improvement project. Mrs. Wilson and the Agent taught the girls to make the articles by demonstrating each step, and the girls would repeat this step on their own articles. They completed each goal, except slip covering, which will be taken up in 1953.

The nine (9) girls taking this project improved thirteen (13) rooms by refinishing furniture, papering rooms, painting walls, and sanding floors. Mrs. Wilson and the girls visited three (3) homes to see the improvements that had been made. This group is taking the same project for 1953 and plans have been made for the slip covering and upholstering furniture demonstrations.

#### B. Other Activities.

##### 1. Camp

The Fauquier 4-H members attended 4-H Camp at Powell's Fort Valley in August, 1952. The goal was forty (40) members, however, only thirty (30) attended Camp. Mrs. Graham Wilson served as 4-H leader for our County. Our group camped with Clark and Frederick Counties. Jimmy Wilson and Peggy Wilson of the Marshall Sr. 4-H Club were Big Chief and Big Scribe of the Camp. Members attending Camp gave reports on camp activities at their respective club meetings in September, and the County newspaper reported activities of our Camp.

##### 2. County and Area Contests.

The 1951 winners attended the Area Contest held in Culpeper, Virginia, in February, 1952. Those entering contests were: Earleen Poe, Style Dress Revue; Peggy Wilson, Frozen Food; and Bonnie

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Williams and Lucy Grohs in Dairy Food Team. Earleen Poe placed first in the Area Contest, but lost in the District Contest.

The 1952 County winners will compete in the Area Contest on December 6, 1952. They are as follows: Peggy Wilson, Clothing Achievement; Earleen Poe, Style Dress Revue, and Bernice Cornwell, Food Preparation. An invitation will be given to 4-H members and leaders to attend the Area Contest, in order to interest girls in participating in future contests.

### 3. Rural Life Sunday

The County 4-H officers planned to have two church services to observe Rural Life Sunday. The Hume 4-H Club planned and conducted the program at the Hume Methodist Church on May 11, 1952. They invited the Marshall and Upperville 4-H Clubs to attend this program. The Remington 4-H members conducted the Rural Life Sunday program for the clubs in the lower section of the County at the Remington Baptist Church on May 18, 1952.

### 4. National 4-H Achievement Day

The County Council planned and conducted the First 4-H Achievement Program on November 15, 1952. The 4-H members dramatized a Camp Fire Circle and held a panel discussion on the State 4-H Short Course. Miss Anne Adams and Mr. Clarence Putnam, 4-H Leaders, gave reports on 4-H Club work in Fauquier County. Mr. G. H. Clark, Northern Virginia Farm Agent, concluded the program by awarding project and leadership medals. One hundred (100) members and parents attended this program.

Each club celebrated Achievement Day by having exhibits in a local store window. These exhibits were on projects, organization,

motto, and pledge.

5. National 4-H Week

Seven (7) clubs displayed exhibits during National 4-H Week. The theme of the exhibits was to obtain new members for the 4-H Clubs. Three (3) clubs presented programs at the Parent Teachers Association in their respective school.

6. State 4-H Short Course

There were seven (7) girls, two (2) boys, and Mrs. Graham Wilson, 4-H Leader, who attended this convention in June, 1952. Each delegate had classes in project work, recreational leadership, and 4-H organization. Miss Earleen Poe was selected to become a member of the All Star organization.

7. Fauquier County Junior Fair

The 4-H, F.H.A. and F.F.A. members were eligible to exhibit project work at the Fair. There were twice the number of entries made by 4-H girls this year, as in 1951. Peggy Wilson of the Marshall 4-H Club won the girl's trophy for the high score of awards. Pete Russell of the Marshall 4-H Club won the boy's trophy as high scorer.

Four (4) clubs entered 4-H educational exhibits. The Marshall 4-H Club placed first, with the Calverton Junior Club winning second place.

The Home Demonstration Clubs were invited to enter exhibits at the Junior Fair. There were ten (10) clubs that participated by having exhibits on project work. The Midland Home Demonstration Club won first place with their exhibit on Braided Rugs. The Hume Club placed second with their exhibit on hooked Rugs, and Remington third on

Refinishing Furniture.

VII. Young Women's Activities.

The Agent assisted two Home Economics teachers in conducting classes in upholstery and food preservation. There were thirty-seven (37) girls between the ages of 18 and 20 that participated in the classes.

For the past year, the Agent has worked with thirty-one (31) Home Demonstration Club members between the ages of 18 and 30. These ladies have attended monthly meetings, participated in special interest meetings, and assisted in club and county activities.

VIII. Scope of Work.

	1949	1950	1951	1952
No. H. D. Clubs or Groups	11	13	14	14
Membership	294	329	376	376
No. 4-H Clubs	10	10	10	11
Membership	164	166	163	179
No. YHW Groups	-	-	-	-
Membership	-	-	-	-
No. other families reached	312	378	398	368
No. different families reached	822	1107	1483	1497
No. community clubs	-	-	-	-
Membership	-	-	-	-

IX. Function of County Organizations

A. County Home Demonstration Committee

This is the County organization of club presidents, Program Development Leaders, Federation Goal Chairmen, and charter members. There are two planning meetings, which are scheduled in Fall and Spring.

The Spring Meeting of the County Home Demonstration Committee was held in May, 1952. The morning session was devoted to

training the Program Development Leaders in securing information on needs and desires of the club members for the 1953 Program. The afternoon session was devoted to business of the County Home Demonstration Committee. The group decided to participate in the following: (1) Have a float in the Warrenton Firemen's Parade (2) Send two County delegates to the Virginia Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs (3) Have an Achievement Program and (4) Enter exhibits in the Fauquier Junior Fair.

Mrs. Cleo Meadows, County Chairman, held the Fall Planning Meeting in September, 1952. The objective of this meeting was to plan the 1953 Program according to the needs of the homemakers. Each Program Development Leader gave a report on the needs of her club. Suggestions were given to the Calendar Committee on monthly topics, Federation Goal, special interest groups, and result demonstrations. The Calendar Committee studied these suggestions and made a tentative program. The Home Demonstration Committee discussed and approved the program for 1953.

#### B. County 4-H Project Planning Committee

Each 4-H club discussed the projects that were available, and made a first, second, and third choice at the May and June meetings. Representatives from each club planned the 4-H projects to be conducted in 1953 at a meeting held on Saturday, August 23, 1952. A report of projects desired by the clubs was given, discussed, and a final decision was made on the projects to be conducted in 1953. The Junior Clubs were given a choice of three projects, and the Senior Clubs were given a choice of two, with individual members carrying other projects at home.

C. Fauquier County 4-H Club Council

The County Council is composed of officers of each club, All Stars, and leaders. The purpose of this organization is to set-up objectives for the 4-H Clubs, plan and conduct county activities, and build a stronger 4-H Program in Fauquier County.

The Council holds two meetings a year and schedules other meetings, when necessary. At the Fall County Council Meeting, new officers were elected, goals established, and activities planned for the coming year. At the Spring Meeting, plans were made as follows: (1) to have a float in the Warrenton Firemen's Parade (2) to have a County picnic in July (3) to send delegates to the State 4-H Short Course, and (4) to have an Achievement Program.

X. Leadership.

A. Contributions of the volunteer leaders.

1. Organizational

There were fifty-two (52) ladies serving as officers of the Home Demonstration Clubs. These leaders have shown development in their ability to assume responsibility in planning and conducting the business meetings.

The Agent does not assist the clubs in making money for their treasuries. In 1949, the clubs would wait until the Agent could plan and direct the money-making activities. The members realize now that the Agent cannot devote her time to this activity, if she is to assist in enlarging the Program.

The leaders assist the 4-H club officers in planning

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and conducting the business meetings. Each President presided at the business meeting, with leaders and Agent giving suggestions when necessary.

## 2. Program Development

There were fourteen (14) Program Development Leaders in the Home Demonstration Clubs. These leaders were trained at the Spring Planning Meeting for discussion on needs and desires of club members for the 1953 Program. Each leader led the discussion at the June, July, and August meetings on needs for the 1953 Program. The club suggestions were given at the Fall Planning Meeting in September, 1952. A Calendar Committee made a tentative program, with the planning group making final approval of the 1953 Program. Each Program Development Leader presented the 1953 Program to her club, changes were made by the club if necessary. Other responsibilities of these leaders were to secure result demonstrators, obtain a list of ladies interested in each special interest meeting, and collect the accomplishment sheets from members.

## 3. Subject Matter

There were eighty-five (85) subject matter leaders in 1952. These leaders gave seventy-six (76) demonstrations, which is an increase of thirty-two (32) over 1951. The Subject Matter Specialist or Agent conducted Leader Training Meetings to train the leaders for the particular demonstration. The leader was given an opportunity to practice the demonstration at home before presenting it to the clubmembers.

B. Growth of H. B. Club Project Leadership

	1949	1950	1951	1952
No. project leaders (subject matter):	66	77	96	86
No. goal chairmen	11	11	12	14
No. training meetings held by Special Agent <sup>189</sup>	6	5	5	4
by Agent	1	-	-	4
Attendance at all training meetings:	109	84	100	164
No. club meetings held by leaders without agent present	42	43	44	76
No. additional club meetings at which leaders assisted	26	35	60	36

Growth of 4-H Club Project Leadership

No. adult project leaders	11	10	10	10
No. junior project leaders	-	-	12	11
No. training meetings held by Special Agent <sup>189</sup>	6	1	-	-
By Agent	-	5	6	4
Attendance at leader training meetings:	34	25	29	9
No. 4-H leaders trained individually	5	12	7	11
No. club meetings held by leader without agent present	14	20	21	52
No. of additional club meetings at which leaders assisted	35	40	11	57
No. demonstrations given by leaders	11	45	51	21
by adults	14	-	-	-
by juniors	-	-	3	38

C. Accomplishments of Leader

Mrs. Rush Boyer is Secretary-Treasurer of the County Home Demonstration Clubs, and will be President of the Midland Club in 1953.

Mrs. Boyer had not been a member of a Home Demonstration Club until she moved into the Midland community in 1949. She has proven her ability in leading people by serving as Chairman of County committees, and being elected President of her club.

After the members had seen Mrs. Boyer's braided rug at the Fauquier Junior Fair, they asked Mrs. Boyer to assist in giving a demonstration on braided rugs at two club meetings.

Mrs. Boyer works very faithfully in her club and devotes time in assisting the ladies in her community.

In 1951, Mrs. Boyer, with the assistance of her husband, was Chairman of exhibits for the Achievement Program. They made signs of the topics of the exhibits and the club's name to be used for the various exhibits.

In 1952, she spoke at the County Government meeting on the subject, "Why I Should Vote", and again at the Fifth Achievement Program on the subject "The History of Home Demonstration Work in Virginia and Fauquier County". Mrs. Rush Boyer is excellent in planning and presenting information to a group.

The County Chairman appointed Mrs. Boyer to decorate the float for the Warrenton Firemen's Parade in 1952. Mrs. Boyer and her committee planned and arranged the float without the assistance of the Agent.

## XI. Cooperation With Other Agencies.

### A. Home Economics Teachers

The Home Economics teachers and Agent cooperated by assisting one another. In 1952, two teachers judged at Fairs and contests for the Agent. In turn, the Agent conducted an Upholstery

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Clinic and a class in the use of pressure cookers for two Future Homemaker Associations.

We had committee meetings in planning and assuming responsibilities of the Fauquier Junior Fair. This was the second year of the Fair, and the total number of entries was doubled that of 1951.

B. The Cancer Committee

Two representatives from the Home Demonstration Clubs attended the Tri-County Cancer Clinic in Middleburg, Virginia. These representatives sent information to each club in Fauquier County on the needs of the Cancer Committee. Every club contributed bandage material and financial assistance to this committee.

C. Red Cross, and Blood Donor Drive

Each club presented a talk on the Red Cross at their meetings. Several clubs contributed money to this organization. Approximately fifty (50) members gave a pint of blood when the bloodmobile was in their community.

XII. Appraisal of Year's Work.

In 1952, the Home Demonstration Program contributed to better homemaking by teaching new methods and skills in home furnishing, home and community beautification, food and housing.

Homemakers have acquired skill in home furnishing by re-finishing picture frames, hooking rugs, and applying the principal of color schemes to their homes. In these ways, homemakers have re-decorated their homes more economically and attractively.

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This is the second year the Home Demonstration Clubs have taken "Home and Community Beautification" as the County Federation Goal. The Federation Goal Chairmen continued to encourage individuals to improve home grounds, and each club had a club project, such as developing playground areas, planting shrubs at schools and churches, etc. With the assistance of the Specialist and Agent, eighteen (18) yard result demonstrators have a plan for landscaping their home grounds.

The homemakers have learned new methods of preparing salads and vegetables. This has assisted them in preparing attractive and economical meals.

The 4-H Club Program has developed leadership ability by members planning and conducting the business meetings. Girls have acquired skill in clothing, room improvement, and food projects.

The Home Demonstration Program in 1952 has developed in leadership, as well as contributing to better homemaking.

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