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Narrative Report and Statistical Summary of the
State Boys' Club Department.

Very truly yours,


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INTRODUCTION

This report embraces the 4-H club work done by the county farm agents of Virginia and supervised by the State Boys' Club Agent.

In preparing this report the writer has attempted to briefly and accurately report only the most tangible 4-H club activities and results. Little is said about the benefits of club work in promoting better agricultural practices and other educational advantages. Many of the phases which are developing character, efficiency, leadership, cooperation and better citizenship are not fully discussed. Those things which tend to develop the finer side of life play a most important part in the club program, but the results cannot be fully shown in a progress report.

I. THE STATE PROGRAM AND FACTORS AFFECTING ITS DEVELOPMENT

The state program for 4-H club work in Virginia has continued along practically the same lines for the past few years. The basis of the organization is the community 4-H club, an organization to which all boys and girls carrying 4-H club projects belong, without regard to the different lines of project work, or whether the work is supervised by the farm or home agent, or both. These clubs have their own officers and an adult leader and meet once a month.

The officers and local leaders of the different clubs in the county are organized into a county organization known as the County 4-H Club Council. This county organization meets from two to four times a year for the purpose of planning county programs and promoting club work. State plans and policies for community clubs and club councils are furnished jointly by the State Girls' Club Agent and the State Boys' Club Agent. The agricul-

tural projects are supervised by the State Boys' Club Agent and the home economics projects by the State Girls' Club Agent.

The selection of the projects conducted by club members supervised by the men agents are largely determined by the district and county farm agents to meet the need of the respective counties. Outlines for the projects are furnished by the State Boys' Club Agent in cooperation with the extension subject matter specialists. A special effort has been made by the State office this year to help new county agents and agents with small membership with their planning, enrollment, and organization work.

The supervisory problem of the State Boys' Club Agent was assisting with the general supervision of club work in the 98 counties employing farm agents and in giving aid to the agents, in cooperation with the district agents and subject matter specialists, in promoting club work in their respective counties. Each subject matter specialist cooperated in preparing bulletins and other subject matter literature relating to their respective departments. Each subject matter department also prepared a definite outline for a leading 4-H club project under that department. The special projects outlined were: Agronomy - crop rotation, strip cropping; Animal Husbandry - breeding pig, feeding pig, feeding lamb, and baby beef; Poultry - development of the poultry flock; Forestry - reforestation; Dairy - growing and management of dairy cows; Horticulture - truck crops, gardens, small fruit; Farm Management - farm accounts; Wildlife - benefitting wild life through soil conservation and gully control; Entomology and Plant Pathology - the study and control of insects and diseases of plants.

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All of these projects were to receive special attention by both the specialists and the agents. The factor most directly affecting the progress of 4-H club work was the lack of sufficient personnel in both the field and state office. Increasing demand was made on the agents' time in handling matters pertaining to Friples-A, Soil Conservation and their regular extension activities, which left little time for 4-H club work.

During most of the organization period, from December 1 to May 1, the county agents were busily engaged in county planning and adjusting the new agricultural conservation program. Through this vital period 4-H club work was naturally neglected and suffered greatly due to the inability of the county agents to find time to supervise the enrollment and organization. In most of the well organized counties the 4-H club members and volunteer local leaders with such assistance as the agents could give them, handled the enrollment with surprisingly good results.

The combined figures of the white and negro agents show slightly over 1 percent increase in both enrollment and completions over last year. The white agents increased 2.35 percent in enrollment and 2 percent in completions, while the negro agents decreased approximately 1 percent in both enrollment and completions. The fact that we were able to maintain our enrollment and completions with a slight increase was due almost entirely to the good work of the ten special club agents working in two or more counties and the regular assistant agents who have charge of the club program in the counties in which they are located.

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II. SUMMARY OF PROGRAM AND RESULTS

GOALS

Organization Period - December 1st to May 31st
a. Organize club work in every county employing a full time county agent.

b. Assist new counties with enrollment and organization of clubs.

c. Assist counties in planning county programs and club programs for monthly meetings.

d. Supply all counties having club work with record books, bulletins, and literature pertaining to project work.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

a. Organized club work was conducted by the county agents in 94 of the counties employing county agents.

b. During the first six months of the club year the State Boys' Club Agent visited 42 counties to help agents with 4-H club enrollment and organization. Many of these were new counties. During this period he visited 6 schools, 16 clubs, 13 extension committee meetings on organization and 10 other meetings.

c. Forty-two counties were visited in the interest of planning county programs and monthly programs for community club meetings, and 2 County 4-H Councils were attended. Material was supplied all agents to assist in building programs.

Seven Regional planning meetings were attended at which time a special club committee was appointed. This committee submitted recommendations for the club programs in the production area districts. These programs were combined into a state recommendation.

d. Record books, bulletins, and literature on project work were supplied all county agents. The subject-matter bulletins were prepared in cooperation with the subject-matter specialists for projects in their respective fields. Each subject-matter specialist prepared a special outline for the 4-H club project best suited for the development of his program. These project outlines were in most cases for projects covering a period of years and were mimeographed and sent to each agent. Some outstanding work was done with these special projects in cooperation with the specialists.

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e. Assist with leader training meetings.

f. Prepare material for monthly club paper and news articles on club work, and radio programs.

g. Secure state and county prizes and assist agents in securing prizes for county events.

h. Assist in working with the older young people.

e. Nineteen leadership training meetings were attended and leadership training material was supplied all counties requesting it.

f. Material for 4-H Club Letter was prepared monthly by the State Girls' Club Agent and the State Boys' Club Agent jointly. Material was also furnished the Extension Editor for other publications.. Radio programs were given monthly assisted by agents and specialists.

g. Cash prizes for \$4,560.00 were secured for club exhibits at the State 4-H Club Show held in connection with the State Fair. Some assistance was given county agents in securing prizes for county fairs.

h. The work with older young people in the state between the ages of 16 and 30 has given good results. Extension agents reported having 53 organized groups, with a membership of 1657. Five of these clubs were with negro groups and handled by the negro extension force. We held one district conference for older youth, one state conference and one tri-state conference, which included Virginia, Maryland and West Virginia. These conferences were each for a duration of three days each. Details are discussed later in this report.

Short Courses, Rallies and Follow-up Work - June 1 to August 31

a. Assist in preparing short course programs and also assist with supervision of the short courses.

a. Assistance was given in preparing programs for 3 state, 7 district, and 9 county short courses, with some of them having two or more counties represented. All of these short courses were under the direct supervision of the State Club Department. A detailed report of camps is given later in this report.

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b. Promote county and state contests and out-of-state trips.

c. Assist with rallies, picnics, etc.

b. County and state contests were held in correct dress, rural electrification, meat animal, farm account, use of nitrate of soda, dairy demonstration, dairy judging, livestock judging, poultry judging and crops judging. Out-of-state trips were given 38 boys.

c. Talks were given at four rally day exercises and in addition, program material was furnished from the state office to the agents to assist in recreation and other activities.

Fairs, Achievement Days and Reports - September 1 to November 30

a. Give assistance with planning Achievement Days and Fairs.

b. Cooperate with the State College of Agriculture and U. S. Department of Agriculture in radio programs.

c. Prepare special report forms for county agents' annual reports and tabulate same.

a. Assistance was given in helping to plan Achievement Day programs in a majority of the counties. Attended and spoke at 7 Achievement Day programs and 13 other meetings. The State Boys' Club Agent was in charge of all 4-H club exhibits at the State Fair. He also judged at 5 county fairs.

b. The State Club Department cooperated with the State College of Agriculture in putting on a club program twice each month. The Club Department is responsible to the college radio service for these programs. Assistance was also given agents in preparing 4-H club programs to be broadcast from Richmond, Harrisonburg, Norfolk, Bristol, Lynchburg and Danville. The Club Department cooperated with the college radio service and the U. S. Department of Agriculture in the National Radio Achievement program given over a state hookup of WRTD and WTAR.

c. Special report forms were prepared for reporting all club work by county agents. Reports were sent to the state office and tabulation is embodied in this report.

The division of time of the State Boys' Club Agent was approximately 58 percent in office preparing literature, outlines for plans and programs, preparing material for Club Letter, news articles, radio talks, subject-matter material, and special information and instructions to the agents through correspondence. The other 42 percent of time was given to field work, visiting agents, attending meetings and visiting club members.

The tabulated summary from monthly reports given below shows distribution of time between field and office and summary of major lines of work.

Number of days in field.....	124
Number of days in office.....	177
Number days annual leave.....	15
Number miles traveled.....	14046
Number of agents visited.....	71
Number of leaders interviewed.....	121
Number of result demonstrations visited.....	9
Number of leader training meetings attended.....	38
Number of 4-H clubs visited.....	36
Total attendance.....	1232
Number of extension committee meetings.....	36
Method demonstrations given.....	5
Number other meetings attended.....	34
Attendance.....	38180
Number individual letters written.....	1656
Number circular letters prepared.....	38
Number news articles prepared.....	56
Number Achievement Days and Rallies attended.....	14
Number tours conducted.....	6
Number short courses attended.....	10

The total enrollment among the white men agents showed a very slight increase over last year.

There were 99 counties employing 94 full time county agents throughout the year. Of these agents, 89 did club work in 94 counties. The total enrollment of these 94 counties was 12,433 members conducting 13,357 projects. Records show that 66.8 percent of the projects were completed, which is 2 percent greater than last year.

Five counties employing extension agents had no club work under the men agents. They were: Russell County, the only county in the state with no club program; counties with no club work under the farm agents were - Green, Carroll, Powhatan and Roanoke. These four counties had good club programs under the home agents. Roanoke County's statistical report showed 5 enrolled and 5 completing, but no report was made to the club department.

The 26 negro men agents working in 29 counties enrolled 8964 club members with 85.2 completions.

For detailed summary of enrollment and completions by projects, see summary in back of report.

Following is a table showing enrollment and completions by counties for both white and negro men agents.

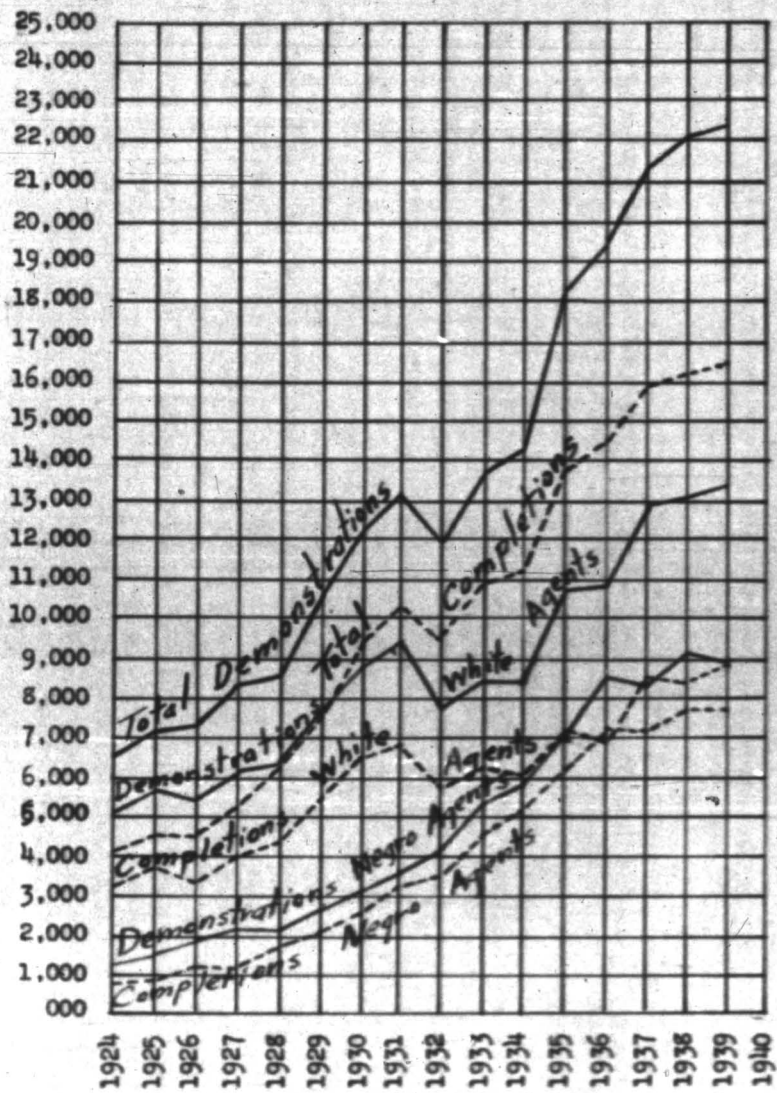
COUNTY	PROJECTS		MEMBERS	
	Enrolled	Completed	Enrolled	Completed
Accomac	815	808	815	808
Albemarle	137	66	127	66
Alleghany	151	128	128	128
Amelia	41	21	29	18
Amherst	290	172	269	172
Appomattox	154	100	127	83
Augusta	386	270	376	270
Bath	15	14	15	14
Bedford	400	315	341	271
Bland	35	9	35	9
Botetourt	47	7	47	7
Brunswick	218	197	218	197
Buchanan	61	27	61	27
Buckingham	105	66	99	66
Campbell	226	152	205	136
Caroline	64	21	62	21
Carroll	-	-	-	-
Charles City & New Kent	99	84	99	84
Charlotte	231	104	225	103
Chesterfield	106	102	89	85
Clarke	60	48	56	46
Craig	113	107	113	107
Culpeper	175	131	157	130
Cumberland	124	84	109	76
Dickenson	103	25	103	24
Dinwiddie	133	94	132	94
Elizabeth City, Warwick & York	305	245	296	236
Essex	94	53	87	53
Fairfax	187	95	173	88
Fauquier	97	11	94	11
Floyd	77	27	74	27
Fluvanna	149	133	147	133
Franklin	217	111	190	102
Frederick	75	66	65	58
Giles	155	113	123	93
Gloucester	60	54	60	54
Goochland	93	73	91	73
Grayson	7	5	7	5
Greene	-	-	-	-
Greensville	169	91	169	91
Halifax	115	71	108	71
Hanover	98	49	85	52
Henrico	100	38	96	29
Henry	191	95	155	94
Highland	67	7	65	7
Isle of Wight	61	61	53	53
James City	61	59	58	56
King and Queen & King William	181	126	177	126

<u>County</u>	<u>Projects</u>		<u>Members</u>	
	<u>Enrolled</u>	<u>Completed</u>	<u>Enrolled</u>	<u>Completed</u>
Lancaster	177	124	173	125
Lee	53	17	52	15
Loudoun	162	87	152	81
Louisa	102	23	90	23
Lunenburg	224	139	218	139
Madison	80	64	76	64
Mathews	169	151	159	141
Mecklenburg	161	103	157	103
Middlesex	204	137	199	127
Montgomery	127	93	111	81
Hansemond	82	21	79	20
Nelson	151	76	147	76
Norfolk	94	8	93	7
Northumberland	270	169	214	169
Northampton	95	74	84	74
Nottoway	142	83	125	75
Orange	78	32	76	32
Page	104	83	104	83
Patrick	591	394	515	363
Pittsylvania	409	298	326	237
Powhatan	-	-	-	-
Prince Edward	108	77	96	64
Prince George	148	127	148	127
Prince William	111	61	97	51
Princess Anne	271	271	252	252
Pulaski	272	212	247	196
Rappahannock	120	58	120	58
Richmond	96	62	96	62
Roanoke	-	-	5	5
Rockbridge	39	8	39	8
Rockingham	136	110	99	78
Russell	-	-	-	-
Scott	107	69	96	69
Shenandoah	164	154	120	110
Smyth	44	25	44	25
Southampton	114	80	114	80
Spotsylvania	390	319	390	319
Stafford and King George	120	5	119	5
Surry	93	27	89	27
Sussex	146	25	146	25
Tazewell	96	29	96	29
Warren	62	52	62	52
Washington	66	59	39	39
Westmoreland	108	101	106	101
Wise	227	97	227	97
Wythe	26	7	26	7
	13,387	8,996	12,433	8,475

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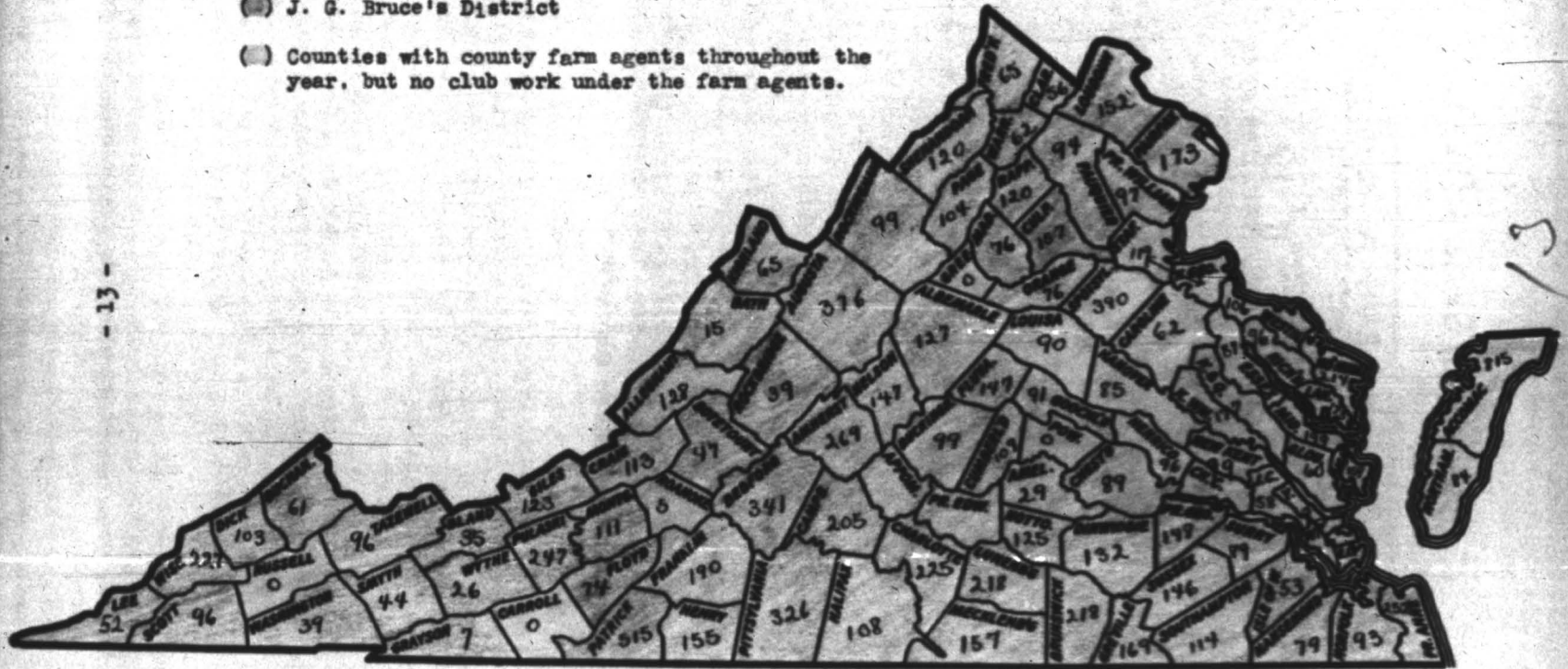
<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>PROJECTS</u>		<u>MEMBERS</u>	
	<u>Enrolled</u>	<u>Completed</u>	<u>Enrolled</u>	<u>Completed</u>
Albemarle	301	286	301	286
Amelia	160	141	160	141
Appomattox	352	332	352	332
Brunswick	245	226	245	226
Buckingham	351	242	351	242
Campbell	363	346	363	346
Caroline	354	269	354	269
Charles City and New Kent	330	189	330	189
Chesterfield and Henrico	446	442	446	442
Charlotte	280	233	280	233
Dinwiddie	401	336	401	336
Essex	176	156	176	156
Gloucester	114	102	114	102
Goochland	193	192	193	192
Greenville	566	454	566	454
Halifax	152	77	152	77
Isle of Wight	197	150	197	150
King and Queen	246	230	246	230
Lunenburg	226	157	226	157
Meklenburg	213	192	213	192
Nansemond	833	671	833	671
Powhatan	319	308	319	308
Prince Edward	457	328	457	328
Southampton	535	447	535	447
Surry and Prince George	825	792	825	792
Sussex	349	342	349	342
	<u>8,964</u>	<u>7,640</u>	<u>8,964</u>	<u>7,640</u>



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- (■) B. A. Warriner's District - Russell/and Roanoke Counties have no club work under man agents.
- (●) W. G. Shackelford's District - Green County has no club work under man agent.
- (○) J. H. Quisenberry's District
- (■) F. S. Farrar's District - Powhatan County has no club work under man agent.
- (■) J. G. Bruce's District
- (■) Counties with county farm agents throughout the year, but no club work under the farm agents.



Distribution of club work by districts in counties with white county farm agents employed throughout the year.

In order to give a complete picture of organized club work in the state, the table below gives a summary of organized 4-H club work under both the farm and home agents, white and negro. It is necessary to give this combined summary in order to show organized club work, since a big percentage of all clubs in counties where both farm and home agents are employed are organized together. The map which follows this summary also shows the total number of clubs under both agents. These two diagrams are put in in order to give a complete picture of club work in the state. No attempt is made to show any of the project work and other activities handled by the girls alone under the home agents as this is reported by the State Girls' Club Agent.

<u>State Summary</u>	<u>White</u>	<u>Negro</u>
No. counties reporting club work under farm and home agents.....	99	36
No. clubs.....	1089	430
No. members enrolled.....	25477	12238
No. older boys and girls acting as local leaders.....	591	523
No. judging teams.....	962	285
No. demonstration teams.....	833	277
No. training meetings held.....	507	263
Attendance at training meetings.....	6581	6654
No. tours conducted.....	206	11
Attendance on tours.....	6917	399
No. Achievement Days held.....	89	16
Attendance at Achievement Days.....	15107	1414
No. state, district and county camps held... white club members	23	3362
No. camps held - negro club members.....	1	233

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III. SUPERVISORY PROBLEMS, METHODS, AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

A. Relations with Counties

1. Plans for developing club work were along the same lines as have been followed for a number of years, with the State Boys' Club Agent having general supervision over all club work in the State conducted by the county agents. Our organization remains unchanged with each county agent responsible for the organization and supervision of all agricultural club work in his county. The district agricultural agent has direct supervision of the county agents in his district. The State Boys' Club Agent's relationship with the counties are through the closest cooperation with the district agent and the county agents of the different counties. Through the cooperative plan, the program for club work in each county is developed.

2. During the past few years, one of the greatest problems that has confronted us is the lack of sufficient personnel to meet the demands for club work. This has in a measure been met by the appointment of assistant agents working in from one to five counties each, who are directly responsible for the club program in the territory assigned. The fact that we have been able to maintain our enrollment through the past few years with a reasonable increase has been due entirely to the excellent work done by the special club agents. Another handicap has been the frequent change in the personnel of these men.

3. The methods used by the State Boys' Club Agent in the development of club work are largely through visits to counties, newspaper articles, radio talks, public meetings, conferences with leaders, visits to schools, clubs, and leader training meetings.

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4. The district agents are in charge of obtaining appropriations. In many counties the 4-H club program is a great aid in influencing the public in favor of the appropriations.

B. Personnel Problems

1. The selection and employment of the county agents is handled by the assistant director.

2. The State Boys' Club Agent helps to train the county agents in club methods after they are located in the counties. It is the policy of the State Boys' Club Agent to give first attention to the newly appointed agents and help them with their club plans and assist in training local leaders. In addition to special training given new agents, literature is furnished to all agents.

3. In the offices are filed all records relating to boys' club work since the establishment of the office in 1917. These records consist of correspondence, records of appropriations made by fairs and individuals for club premiums, scholarships, trips, etc. Files of the Virginia 4-H Club Letter, records of outstanding club members, club enrollment and completions by years, project outlines, plans, pictures, monthly and annual reports and other records pertaining to club work are kept in the office.

4. A full time secretary does all stenographic work and filing for the State Girls' Club Agent and the State Boys' Club Agent.

C. Assisting County Extension Agents to Determine Extension Programs

1. Obtaining and Analyzing Factual Data on Situations and Problems

It is the policy of the state office to encourage county agents to make a general survey of their county before attempting to do any club work. The information is usually obtained through school superintendents and

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other leaders in the county who are familiar with county conditions. After such communities in which clubs are to be located are selected, the State Boys' Club Agent renders such service as possible in aiding the agents with their enrollment and organization.

2. The outlook information and other data relating to the economic needs of the community are carefully taken into consideration before making the club program for the community club.

3. The State Club Department does not attempt to furnish communities with stereotyped or set programs. Helpful suggestions are furnished county agents, leaders and club officers to aid them in building their club programs. It has been the policy of the state office to encourage the club officers and leaders of the community to prepare their own programs and to build them around the needs of the club members in the communities. After club work is established in the county, the plan recommended is the organization of a County 4-H Club Council made up of the officers and leaders of each club in the county. This Council meets the early part of each year to formulate a county program of work. This program is taken back to the community club and a community program is set up. Many of the best clubs prepare programs at the beginning of the year for each monthly meeting during the year. This system is generally used throughout the state with good results. The actual preparation of the program is handled by local leaders and committee-men composed of older club members, in cooperation with the county agent and state club agents.

The state office confines its efforts largely to assisting with county planning and furnishing material to community clubs, leaders and agents on request and also to supply them with suitable demonstration outlines on

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the leading projects selected by the group. The clubs that followed this plan did more effective work than those that did not.

4. The community 4-H clubs are organized and maintained as a permanent organization in the community with certain community projects selected in which the club as a whole takes part, such as improvement of school grounds, securing and equipping club rooms, etc. Practically all of the individual projects are outlined to cover a period of years. The State Boys' Club Agent supplied the county agent and leaders with necessary material for developing their programs and outlines for their projects.

5. The club program in every county is coordinated with the general program of the specialists to the extent that the majority of the projects selected are built around the major lines of work in the county. The specialists aid in preparing material for club projects.

The state of Virginia is divided into eight production areas. In order to build the club program around the needs of the different areas, special planning meetings were held for each area with a committee made up of county agents and State Boys' Club Agent, who made definite recommendations for leading club projects and activities to be carried on within the different production areas. These recommendations were mimeographed and sent out to all agents in the areas, together with outlines of special projects prepared by the subject-matter specialists designed to fit into the plans for the area and to better coordinate the program for both juniors and adults. This plan was most successful in promoting the right type of program in the different areas and in many cases resulted in outstanding work.

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One of the best examples of results obtained can be shown with a fattening pig project. Three areas decided there was a special need for fattening pig projects. In all three a large number of club members were enrolled in this project, each carrying from three to five pigs. These were assembled at the end of the year at a suitable point within the area, where they were judged, prizes awarded, and the pigs were sold. In every case the pigs brought from one to two cents above the market price. Other projects had similar results.

Many of these projects not only received special attention by the agents and specialists, but were also liberally supported by banks and business firms. In the fattening pig project the Neuhoff Packing of Salem put up \$200 for special prizes. In the breeding pig project the Richmond News Leader, one of the leading daily papers in the state, put up \$500 to be used as a revolving fund in promoting breeding pig work in the areas where this project was selected. In other areas banks and business concerns made similar contributions to these and other projects.

D. Assistance Given Agents in Planning Work

1. Selection of Goals - The goals for club work in the county are set up by the County 4-H Club Council using the recommendations of the committee on 4-H club work for that production area as a basis. Both the State Boys' Club Agent and the district agents assist these Councils in preparing their county program and setting up definite goals to attain. The type of goals set up by the county include such things as number of clubs to be organized, number of members to be enrolled, number meetings to be held, percentage of attendance to be attained at meetings, major projects to be followed, percentage of records to be turned in, etc. These goals are turned

over to the local clubs and are used as a guide in setting definite goals for the community clubs.

2. Means and Agencies - During the early part of the club year, in cooperation with the district agent, a meeting was called for each district, with the district agent presiding, to consider definite plans for each individual county. The State Club Agent first outlined state policies, giving the definite means and agencies available for the use of promotion of club work in the counties from the state office. In turn, each agent presented his plan of work and requested such assistance as was needed from the state office in putting his plan into effect. The state club agent followed this up by supplying outlines for demonstrations, projects, contests, circular letters and by visits to the counties.

3. Selection and Use of Local Leaders - It is the policy of the Club Department that each club shall have an adult local leader who is selected by the club members. These leaders act as advisors to the club members, meet with them, assist in record keeping, organization methods, project instruction, and assume the responsibility of keeping up the interest of the club members in club work. Realizing the valuable assistance rendered by the local leaders, the State Club Department has assisted in holding leader training meetings in the counties, which are usually held during the early part of the club year.

Many of the counties have a leader organization which meets from two to four times a year for the purpose of exchanging ideas and discussing methods of unifying and improving club work in the county. In addition to the training that we are able to give in the county meetings, a special course is provided at most of the short courses and camps, which includes discussion groups for leaders.

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We also have a state leader organization which meets annually at the time of the State 4-H Club Short Course. There were 125 local leaders attending the state leaders' conference this year, representing most of the counties. The theme of their conference was "Social and Recreational Activities". Special lecturers were provided for the leaders, who met each day during the State Short Course with their own officers presiding. For details of the leaders' conference, see clipping under State Short Course.

4. Methods of Evaluating and Checking Results - The State Club Agent supplies each county with necessary forms for tabulating the results of the various projects. Each county selects their outstanding records, considering the four-fold development of the individual and submits this to the state office. In addition to this, special forms are used for a permanent record to be kept in the county agents' offices of each individual club member. This record shows the individual accomplishments by years. A financial summary is also made by projects for each county, which is submitted to the state office and combined into a state summary showing comparative yields, receipts, expenses and profits.

E. Help Rendered in Measuring Progress and Results

1. The State Club Department furnishes sufficient record forms to the county agents for the various projects conducted by individual club members. Instructions are also given in the keeping of these records.

2. The state office recommended the holding of an annual achievement day at the close of the year's work, at which time results and progress are measured and reports made at a public meeting, which is usually well attended by not only club members, but leaders and parents. At this annual

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achievement day reports are made by each club of the progress that they have made in various lines of work through the year and special recognition is given outstanding club members. The state office has assisted generally in helping to outline programs for these meetings and whenever possible has attended the meetings and addressed the assembly. These achievement day exercises have done much to popularize club work and to bring the results before the public.

3. Record of Other Activities

a. Demonstration Teams - The white and negro agents did good work in training demonstration teams in which the state office and the subject-matter specialists cooperated. Most of the teams consisted of two members each giving the demonstration methods in the project with which they were working. The training of these teams is not only valuable to the team members as a means of teaching them subject-matter relating to their projects, but it also teaches them how to get it across to others. It has proved to be one of the best methods of selling club work and extension work to the public.

Special work was done by the Dairy Department and the Poultry Department in demonstration contests. The winning team from the state in the dairy contest was Gilbert Rollins and Selwyn Smith of Prince William county. Each of these boys received a \$100 scholarship to college from the Kraft-Phenix Cheese Corporation.

There were two state contests selected in poultry, one on production and the other on consumption. The winning team in production was from Richmond county and the one in consumption was from Allegheny. Both of these

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teams represented Virginia at the National Poultry Congress in Cleveland. The expenses of the teams were cared for by the Pender Grocery Company. See next page for clippings on the demonstration contests.

b. Judging Teams - Excellent work has been done in many of the counties this year in teaching judging work to club members in poultry, dairy, livestock and crops. These teams consisted of three members each who represented their counties in the state judging contest. Many more club members received valuable training in their counties, competing for a place on their county teams. The winning county teams came together in a state contest held in connection with the State Fair. For results of the state judging contest, see clipping on next page.

Sample of Program Prepared by Local Club



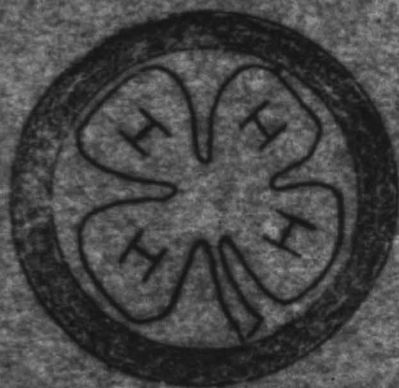
ATTEND
CLUB MEETINGS
REGULARLY



I pledge:

My head to clearer thinking
My heart to greater loyalty
My hands to larger service
My health to better living
for my club, my community, and my
country.

My
4-H CLUB PROGRAM
FOR 1940



1940 PLAN OF WORK

MIDDLESEX COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

1. Secure 200 good active club members.
2. To secure 90% completion project work during the year.
3. Every member begin his project by April meeting.
4. Council to use the present club standard in scoring clubs for determining most outstanding club.
5. Each club to carry out a General Club Wildlife Conservation project.
6. Each club to take part in Rally Day.
7. Each club to raise money for 4-H club purposes.
8. Hold one local Social, one local picnic, one county social and one county Rally Day.
10. Council to sponsor an educational tour.
11. Each club to send one or more official delegates to State Short Course at V.P.I. and District 4-H Camp at Janestown.
12. Council to encourage exhibition on the best project work at Va. State Fair and members to attend the fair on 4-H Club Day. Council will set up rules of eligibility for attendance.
13. Council to hold two timely meetings in 1940.
14. Council to work with 4-H councils in Gloucester, King & Queen, King William and Essex Co's. on trip to the U.S.D.A. Arlington Exp. Station and interesting points in Washington, D.C. Council to give \$6.00 each towards sending 3 outstanding boys and 3 outstanding girls in their counties on the honor tour.
15. County to encourage Judging Team.
16. Each club to carry out a community project.
17. Each club to send a poultry club member as representative at the Middlesex Poultry Federation Meeting.
18. Extension Agents to visit every 4-H club project.

SYRINGA 4-H CLUB PROGRAMS FOR 1940

Meets every 3rd. Friday

1940 Officers of the Syringa 4-H Club

Pres: Vernelle Major

Vice-Pres: Harold Wilkins

Sec'y-Treas: Marjorie Mercer

Reporter: Bernard Solby

Song Leaders: Annetto Willaford

Josephino Miller

Leader: Miss Elizabeth Hudson

JANUARY

Topic: Courtesy
**Demonstration: Short Play - "Courtesy
At A Club Meeting"**

Talks:

1. Mr. Caldwell

Agent: General Comments On Program

Special Features:

Club Social - Jan. 19, 1940

FEBRUARY

Topic: Flowers
Demonstration: Transplanting

Talks:

1. Growing Annual Flowers

Josephine Miller

Agent: Value of Flowers To The Home

Special Features:

County Socials - Christchurch
Community House

MARCH

Topic: Poultry

Demonstration: Setting and Care of Hens

Talks:

1. The Value of Setting A Hen
Mr. Robinson

Agent: Starting The Baby Chicks

APRIL

Topic: Project

Demonstration: Preparing to Start Your
Project In Your Home

Talks:

1. Things To Do Before Starting A
Project - Harold Wilkins
2. How I Am Going To Start My
Project - Ethel Thomas

Agent: Proper Use Of Project Record
Books

MAY

Topic: Wild Life

Demonstration: How To Press Flowers

Marjorie Mercer

Ida Miller

Talks:

1. What to Do In Parting A Flower
For Indentification - Mr. Davis

Agent: Discuss Summer Activity

JUNE

Topic: Wild Life Conservation

Special Features:

Wild Life Tour

Picnic Lunch

Historic Tour June 17th.

4-H Club Camp - Jamostoon

Meeting at School - 3rd. Friday

JULY

Special Features:

County Rally Day

Swimming

Swimming Races

Picnic

Soft Ball

Reports

County Council Meeting

No Regular meeting this month

State Short Course at Blacksburg

Club with highest attendance at

Rally Day will receive a prize.

AUGUST

Topic: Project Tour

Special Features:

Visit Members Project

Wild Life Conservation Camp at

Jamestown

Tour to Washington - August 19th.

Meeting at School - Third Friday

SEPTEMBER

Topic: Fairs

Demonstration: Preparing Exhibits For Fair

Talks:

1. Value Of Exhibits At Fair

Mr. Hutcheson

Agent: Discuss State And County Fairs

Special Features:

Tour To State Fair, Sept. 25

OCTOBER

Topic: Reports

Demonstration: Good And Bad Record Books

Talks:

1. Why Club Members Should Turn In Record Books - Vernelle Major

Agent: Project Work Done By Club Members

Special Features:

County Fair

NOVEMBER

Topic: Election of Officers

Talks:

1. What To Consider in Election of Officers - Miss Shackelford

Agent: Comment On Election

Special Features:

Club Social - Third Friday

DECEMBER

Topic: Installation of Officers

Talks:

1. Value of the Installation Services - Miss Hudson

Special Features:

Council Meeting - Dec. 7, 1940

COMMITTEES

Program

Social

Money Making

OFFICERS OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

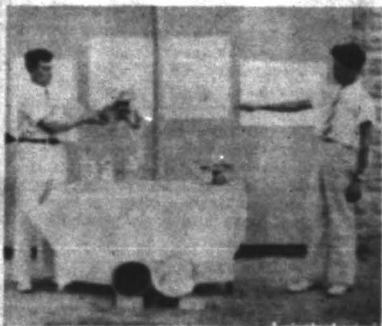
Pres:	Harold Wilkins
Vice-Pres:	Vernelle Major
Sec'y-Treas:	Margarot Wyatt
Reporter:	Muriel Clements
Choir Leader:	Gilbert Andrews
Song Leader:	Roberta Woodward

Shipping Giving Details of Demonstration and Judging Contests

Prince William Wins Dairy Demonstration

Selwyn Smith, Nokesville, and Gilbert Rollins, Wellington, members of the Prince William county 4-H dairy demonstration team, won first place in the state 4-H dairy demonstration contest held at A. Mistr and Sons' farm near Richmond September 6.

How to prevent and treat common scours in dairy calves was the subject of their demonstration. They emphasized the economic importance of calf scours in the dairy management practices that should be followed to reduce the number of cases, and showed how to treat a calf already infected with scours. The judges were E. G. Connelly, extension dairyman, and Gordon A. Elean, state boys' 4-H club agent, both of V. P. I.



1939 State Champion Dairy Demonstration Team

Left to right — Gilbert Rollins, Selwyn Smith, Prince William County.

The Prince William county team was coached by John W. Beard, acting county agent in that county.

Other county 4-H dairy demonstration teams entered in this contest were placed in the following order: John Wilkinson and Ben Dudley, Albemarle, second; Keith Oliver, coach. Bryan Alvis and George Re-pass, Henrico, third; R. B. Fisher, coach. Joe Ferrell and Roy Moon, Appomattox, fourth; J. F. Blair, coach. Roger Hall, Jr. and Henry Carter, Jr., Pittsylvania, fifth; F. L. Price, coach. Hale Gatewood and Bernard Hedrick, Chatham, members of Pittsylvania's second team, won sixth place.

The members of the first team from each county taking part in the state contest will receive gold medals and second teams from each county, silver medals.

The champion state team from Prince William county was also eligible to compete in the national contest, but the trip could not be arranged this year.

State Fair

Judging Contests

The four state 4-H judging contests, livestock, poultry, dairy and crops were also a part of the State Fair.

Livestock Judging

Eight teams participated in the livestock judging of two classes each of beef cattle, sheep and hogs. Rewards were required for the placing of the class of each species.

The Loudoun county team, Ned Tyler, Robert Donaldson and Phillip Coleman, was first with a score of 1195 out of a possible 1350. Lee, Augusta, Page, Amherst, Prince Edward and Washington counties followed in the order named.

In individual scores, Ned Tyler was first, Robert Donaldson second, and Dalton Carpenter of Clarke third. Tyler was winner of the Thomas E. Wilson scholarship award of a free trip to the National Club Congress and International Livestock Exposition, Chicago.

Poultry Judging

Of nineteen county teams competing in poultry judging the five highest county teams were: Shenandoah, with 2229 points; King William, 2190; Middlesex, 2030; Dinwiddie, 2029; Pittsylvania, and Page, tie, 2000. High individual honors went to: first, Guy Wetzel, Shenandoah; second, Elsie Marshall, King William; third, Stanley Keyser, Lancaster; fourth, Dot Robbins, King William; fifth tie, Ralph Swartz, Shenandoah, and Watson Skelton, Dinwiddie; seventh, Katharine Stokes, Lunenburg; eighth, tie, Joe Ferrel, Appomattox and Norval Showman, Shenandoah; tenth, Agnes Stokes, Lunenburg.

4-H Dairy Judging Contest

Ten county teams competed. The five high county teams and their scores: Dinwiddie, 1373½; Loudoun, 1247½; Appomattox, 1202½; Fairfax, 1200; Culpeper, 1244½. The state champion team from Dinwiddie was composed of Dan Sturt, Miles Sturt

and James Ogburn. Miles Sturt was the highest scoring individual for all breeds.

The teams ranked in order of the total scores: Holsteins—Loudoun, Dinwiddie, Fairfax and Culpeper, Loudoun being the highest scoring team judging the Holstein class will have the opportunity of holding the living cup given by the Virginia Holstein Club for their first year. Last year Fairfax county won the cup with nine teams competing. Guernseys—Dinwiddie, Appomattox, Pittsylvania, Rockingham.

Jerseys—Loudoun, Culpeper, Dinwiddie, Fairfax. The three highest scoring individuals by breeds are: Guernseys—Lawrence Miller—174½; Elwin Caldwell—171½; Miles Sturt—170; Jerseys—Edwin Skinner—159½; Robert Apperson—167½; Glen Revucumb—167; Holsteins: Ronald Blake—177½; Edwin Skinner—165½; Spencer Lee—167.

Junior 4-H Dairy Judging Contest

Frank Eppes, Loudoun, placed first in junior 4-H dairy judging contest. His total score for all breeds was 429½. Bernard Hedrick, Pittsylvania, placed second with a score of 428. Donald Button, Culpeper, third, 406½. Jimmie Tyler, Loudoun, fourth, 341½.

This junior contest is sponsored for junior 4-H dairy club members under 15 years of age and ineligible to compete in the senior contest.

Crops Judging

The crops judging contest was the first held for the state. Those in charge were very much gratified at the results. There were 29 teams, most of them well trained and making a creditable showing, from these counties: Prince Georges, Anne, Giles, Montgomery, Pulaski, Patrick, Henry, Hanover, Shenandoah, Appomattox, Campbell, King William, Bedford, Lancaster, Westmoreland, Charlotte, Prince Edward, Albemarle, Pittsylvania, Franklin, Richmond, Nottingham, Northumberland, Mathews, Culpeper, Loudoun, James City, Dinwiddie, Amherst, Powhatan. The Shenandoah team of William Walker, Herbert Walker and Austin Zirkle, won the state cup.

The four high individuals in the contest, who will constitute the state team, and who will represent Virginia at the National Club Congress, are William Walker and Herbert Walker of Shenandoah, Francis Houston of Charlotte, with Alvin Anthony of Patrick as alternate.

There were also 22 certificates of honor presented to individuals.

Three Teams Make Trip To World's Poultry Congress

Twenty county teams entered the State 4-H Club contest held in Richmond June 10 to determine the winners and delegates to the World's Poultry Congress in Cleveland, Ohio, July 28 to August 7. One judging and two demonstration teams were selected. The Pender Grocery Company of Virginia cooperated with the Virginia Agricultural Extension Division in sending delegates to the Congress by paying the costs of the trip to Cleveland.

The poultry judging team that represented Virginia was made up of Jack Myers, Samuel G. Presgraves, Jr., and Charles Rector, of Loudoun county. They were accompanied to Cleveland, where they entered the national judging contest, by County Agent William H. Cockerill.

Of the two demonstration teams at the Congress from Virginia, one stressed poultry production and the other, poultry consumption. In production demonstration—growing, feeding, fitting, or handling poultry on the farm—Robert Delano and Russel Sisson, of Richmond county, were State winners. They were accompanied to Cleveland by County Agent R. A. Farmer.

For the consumption demonstration—preparation of poultry and poultry products for human consumption—Helen Terry and Bessie Frances, of Alleghany county, were chosen. They were

accompanied by Miss Margaret Vaden, home demonstration agent, Covington, Virginia.

In addition to their judging and demonstration activities, the Virginia delegates enjoyed an excellent program especially arranged for young people by the Congress and Exposition management.

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c. Short Courses and Camps - The 4-H club short courses and camps were an important part of the summer activities. There were held 12 county, 7 district, and 4 state short courses, with a total attendance of 2783 club members and 528 leaders, with 51 special helpers. Most of these camps ran for a duration of one week. They were organized so as to develop group responsibility, to give opportunity for the development of leadership, and to provide for information and inspiration.

State Short Course - The 20th annual State 4-H Short Course held at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, July 24 to 29, was the largest and best in the history of 4-H club work in Virginia. On Monday afternoon cars and busses bringing club members and leaders from every section of the state lined the V. P. I. campus roads. At the close of the day 905 club members, 125 leaders, 86 All Stars, 43 farm and home demonstration agents, four district agents, 14 special help and 31 extension specialists had registered, making a total of 1208, representing 87 counties.

The regular schedule began Monday night with the club assembly, and closed with the Friday evening program. Each day was filled with well planned courses in agriculture and home economics and phases of rural youth development. A copy of the program and clippings from the Club Letter are presented on the next page. These constitute a more detailed report of the short course activities, including leaders' conference and All Star conference.

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Senior Conference

The theme of the Senior Conference for girls and boys 15 years old and over was "Cooperation." These young people in their discussions did some tall thinking as they tackled the fundamentals of cooperation.

Tuesday Dr. W. E. Garnett, rural sociologist, V. P. I., sounded the keynote of the conference with a thought-provoking presentation of "Society's Four Roads."—the four types of government in the world today, and pointed out some of the chief characteristics of monarchy, democracy, dictator states, and cooperative commonwealths. He cited many situations that make difficult the problems confronting us today, and challenged our young men and young women to be prepared to meet the situations intelligently. In closing he told the story of an old Negro that clasped many persons as "walk-offs"—those who walked off before the Lord put the caps on (the brains). Are you a walk-off?

These questions were discussed by the groups following his presentation. The figure given after each question indicates the number of groups discussing that particular question. There were twelve groups.

- Questions discussed by groups:
1. Voting in Virginia—Poll tax, system and attitude. 9
 2. Democracy in America. What is wrong with it? 7
 3. Is our nation headed toward dictatorship? 6
 4. What would the United States do to increase our power in Europe? 5
 5. Do we have any more problems than their neighbors? 3
 6. How can different countries establish friendly relationships when the governments are so different? 1

Wednesday B. L. Hummel, rural organization specialist, V. P. I., spoke on "The Community as a Cooperative Unit." He stated that, in a cooperative community, organizations, institutions and individuals work together for the common good, that each person contributes and each person shares. He challenged all members of the group assembled to make the following check on his or her community:

To what extent do the families of my community recognize they are dependent on each other?
 What evidences are there of cooperation?
 What can you do to strengthen community cooperation?

- Questions discussed by groups:
1. How can we get the church of the more cooperation, let us see the church of the more cooperation. 11
 2. How can we secure cooperation within this community? 6
 3. Means and types of community service. 6
 4. How can we have cooperation between 4-H and P. V. A. members and other 3
 5. Establishing rural extension centers at a church when the school is moved away. 3
 6. How can we interest more boys and girls in 4-H clubs? 2
 7. In a small town 4-H club? 2
 8. How can we solve the housing problem in a town and rural areas? 2

On Thursday Dr. Mildred Tate, associate professor of home economics, V. P. I., inspired keen interest on the part of both the young men and young women in her talk on "The Family as a Cooperative Group." She showed that cooperative happy relations among the members of the family is a fundamental in family life, but warned against cooperation when the goal is not ideal or satisfactory.

She gave the following basic principles necessary for an individual to participate successfully in a cooperative group:

1. We learn what we practice with meaning and satisfaction.
2. A thing once learned is never unlearned.
3. All learning is very, very gradual.

Dr. Tate stated that an inferiorly complex often affects an individual's cooperation and pointed out certain shortcomings that all should strive to overcome. She urged the club members to be sure they first understand themselves, then try to understand their parents and other members of the family group.

- Questions discussed by groups:
1. What can I do to make a happy family? 11
 2. How can I get along with my mother? 11
 3. What should be the attitude of the father and mother toward the boys of the children? 9
 4. How can you get along with your father and the family group? 8
 5. How do you start working or accept responsibility for the home? 7
 6. What should be done in a family when a member is absent particularly? 6
 7. How can we solve the problem of studying without receiving the problems to the home? 5
 8. What can be done to be influenced by positive cooperation in the family? 4
 9. What can we do to overcome our inferiority complex? 3

Friday's speaker was Dr. M. Ledge Moffett, dean of State Teachers' college, Radford, Va. In her address on "The Individual as a Cooperative Member in Society" Dr. Moffett showed that everything in life finally comes back to the individual and those trying to take their places in the community should ask the following questions:

1. Do I sense a personal relationship to the situation?
2. Do I have ability to sense the outcome in terms of what I would like it to be?
3. Do I get satisfaction in the processes of activity?

Dr. Moffett pointed out three great concepts in the getting of satisfaction in the processes of activity. They are:

1. Know yourself.
2. Know the strength and weaknesses of your family ancestry.
3. Remember you are moved forward by fundamental purposes—your ambitions, your ideal.

Dr. Moffett said:

"Cooperation is the process of enlarging one's power for achievement through combining the energy of others with his own. Exerting some of one's energy to secure the added help of others is an investment of effort which no one can neglect and succeed in a large way. Such investments pay dividends in a proportion far greater than one's investment of his own energies alone could produce. Union of forces gives greatness of strength resulting in corresponding greatness of results."

- Questions discussed by groups:
1. What does it mean to cooperate? 8
 2. How can we help overcome selfish interests which are not the best interest of the group? 9
 3. How can I get an individual help make the standards of my community? 9
 4. To what extent does our social environment 2

5. Under whose influence are actions? 7
6. What are our responsibilities to the world? 7
7. What can we as individuals do to save our democracy? 4
8. How are we meeting the common everyday problems of the home, holding to get better facilities and better results in larger activities? 4
9. Will another war end democracy in America? 3
10. Individual cooperation in the church. 3
11. Are there any factors as cooperative as city planning? 3
12. How can we get leaders out of the group? 1
13. Is it safe to let your conscience be your guide? 1

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Junior Conference

"Our Crowd," the theme of the Junior Conference, was presented in four parts to the girls and boys 14 to 16 years of age. The cast of characters for "Our Crowd" was: Betty and Bob—dependable, not too neat, popular, a little smug, fond of running things.

Sarah and Sam—good, efficient, hard workers at home, helpful members of their families, too timid to speak out in meetings, afraid of meeting people.

Jean and John—generous, friendly, popular, not very dependable, good milkers, hard workers if sure of recognition. Herbert and Hortense—smart, capable, self-centered, show-off, like to shock people and appear different.

The scene is a rural community where farming conditions represent the average standards. There are 12 homes, 1 store, a post office, and 2 churches in the center. Within a radius of two and one-half miles there are 30 other families. The high school is 8 miles out of the center and is reached by bus. One church has 75 members and the other has 47. Some members have suggested that the two should consolidate but others object.

Tuesday Dr. M'Ladeg Moffett, dean of women, State Teachers' College, Radford, Virginia, with her usual flair for dramatics, sounded the keynote of the conference by presenting herself as Betty one of the crowd who came to Blacksburg. The subject of her talk was "Getting Along in Our Crowd." Here are some of the points which Dr. Moffett made:

1. Face people as they are: "There is so much good in the worst of us and so much bad in the best of us, that it hardly becomes any of us to talk about the rest of us." See the good—do not magnify the bad.—If you want to get along with "our crowd."
2. Give something to the crowd that they value. What do I have to give? What do they say when my back is turned? What talent do I have? Do I know when to follow and when to lead? How easily am I swayed by the crowd? Am I valuable to the crowd?
3. What could I get from my crowd? I want some service. What do I have that I can share? Our crowd has a definite responsibility. For example, the responsibility of making the community more attractive. Have we paid back for the privilege of church, school, buses, etc? Would anyone elect our community to move into?
4. What way is our crowd moving? Are we maintaining group standards? For example, we think is right and wrong? For what do we think is right and wrong? For example, how are we going to use the dance hall? Have we any enterprises that we are working on? Our crowd has to live in terms of values. Do I take all or share? What's a grand time? What did I get? What did I leave? What have I started? How am I going? Am I giving something and getting something?

The questions discussed by each group for each day are given. The number following each question indicates the number of groups discussing this. There were twelve groups.

Questions discussed by groups:

1. What our friends should be like. 6
2. How shall we pick our friends? 4
3. Who is a friend? 4
4. What characteristics shall "our crowd" have? 6
5. How to "get along" in a crowd? 6
6. Which "people" in "Our Crowd" would you like for your friend? (6 groups selected Sam and Sarah). 6
7. Can we get along without friends? 6
8. How can we get along with others? 6
9. What do you contribute to the crowd? 6
10. What do I get from the crowd? 6
11. What do I get from the crowd? 6
12. How can we get along with people we do not like? 6
13. Can you judge a person by his outer looks? 6
14. How should the crowd behave on Sunday? 6
15. How much shall we contribute? 6
16. How can we help correct our friends' faults? 6
17. What is personality? 6

Wednesday "Getting Along With Our Families" was very interestingly discussed before this group by Dr. Mildred Tate, home economist. One definition of a home that she gave was, "A place father is proud to support, mother is happy to keep, and friends like to visit."

Dr. Tate gave some grand tips for helping make the machinery for family living run smoothly. Some of these were:

1. Don't ask Dad for things when he is tired or worried about weather or crops.
2. Don't pick wretchedly when unexpected company is coming to dinner as a suitable time to make funny remarks to mother.
3. There are times, too, when you can borrow sister's hose or brother's tie and times when you can't!
4. She advised the group members to learn to recognize "stair steps" in the family and to keep the sun shining.

Questions discussed by groups:

1. How do we get along with our family? 12
2. What makes life run every home better? 12
3. How should children spend their money? 12
4. How should children spend their energy? 12
5. What words should the brothers do on the farm? 12
6. What words should the sisters do on the farm? 12
7. How do we get along with our family? 12
8. Characteristics of a happy family. 12
9. Characteristics of a happy family. 12
10. What does the family owe its members? 12
11. Any duties allowed to make their own? 12
12. Any duties allowed to make their own? 12
13. Causes for arguing and how it can be overcome. 12
14. How can we understand conditions in relation to the family group? 12
15. Is the family income fairly divided? 12
16. Do we have a family council? 12
17. What part does Christianity play in family life? 12
18. Can the family play together? 12
19. How would different characters/cases differ from these conditions? 12

One group in particular had a good time discussing why Bill James ran away from home.

Thursday Dr. Leland Tate discussed questions related to "Getting Along in Our Community." First, he defined a community as a human group living in a certain locality and described two types of communities from which we get some of the practices and traditions in present day community life.

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Dr. Tate gave this good advice about getting on in our communities:

1. Know something about your community history. Find out its customs and needs.
2. Follow advice and examples of the best community leaders.
3. Take part in community activity, safeguard its health, help to keep law and order.

Questions discussed by groups:

1. What is a community? 11
2. How can we get along in our community? ... 9
3. What does the community owe us? 9
4. Safety in the community. 7
5. Do I take advantage of the opportunities offered in my community? 10
6. Need for recreation center. 10
7. What our crowd contributes to the community? 11
8. How do Herbert and Hortense get along in our community? 8
9. Ways we can beautify our community. 12
10. How did our community start? 2
11. Religion in our community. 10
12. Place of the 4-H club in the community. 12
13. Responsibility of the crowd in regard to health. 8
14. How our crowd can improve the school. 4
15. How can our crowd make better citizens? ... 3
16. How can we make our community more prosperous? 3
17. Lists of forms of recreation that we could have in our community. 3
18. Does our community have towns and country factions? 3

Friday Dr. V. P. Bodein, pastor of the Blacksburg Baptist Church, discussed "We Are 'Our Crowd'." The crowd reflects the different personalities that make it up and Dr. Bodein defined personality as "that distinct quality of selfhood that makes you different from others." He said that the sort of personality you develop depends chiefly on your interests and whether you follow them or not. He suggested self-examination such as the following:

1. Are you cautious, retiring, like to be alone, or are you venturesome and aggressive? The answer to this tells whether you are an introvert or extrovert.

2. What are the things that bring you satisfaction?

3. What kind of life appeals to you?

An important point that Dr. Bodein made was that you shouldn't strain and make yourself and others miserable trying to do the thing for which you are not qualified.

Some hints for building a satisfactory life were these:

1. Be scrupulous about the basis or foundation on which you build.
2. Be willing to accept responsibilities.
3. Learn to make decisions.

Some questions for thought:

1. What is the difference in making a living and making a life?
2. What qualities does it take to reach the goals you set?
3. Do you have the moral courage to stand up for what you believe is right even when criticized by others for this?

Questions discussed by groups:

1. Who should choose the child's occupation? ... 2
2. What effect does environment have on our personality? 8
3. Does heredity affect personality? 1
4. What does it take to reach our goals? 9
5. Ways to improve our personality. 10
6. What can be done about people who will not accept responsibility? 9
7. How does accepting responsibility help the person? 3
8. Should we be ourselves, if that self is not an attractive personality? 6
9. What kind of hobbies should a person choose? 4
10. What makes us the "crowd"? 2
11. Which type of personality am I? 2
12. What type of work would I like to choose? ... 5
13. What can we do to improve our home? ... 2
14. What can we do about the "show-offs" in our crowd? 7
15. Why is it important to analyse our personality? 6
16. Who do we want in our crowd? 6
17. What do we want in our community?

All Stars

Over 100 All Stars gathered for their seventeenth annual conference Friday July 21 through Monday July 24.

New members had a chance to become acquainted with the old stand-bys Friday evening at the informal party in the Student Activities building. Miss Maude E. Wallace, assistant director of extension and state home demonstration agent, formally welcomed the All Stars to the V. P. I. campus Saturday morning. Miss Ella Gardner, of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, was present to lead them in singing. Miss Helen Ricks outlined the objectives of the organization and Big Chief Pat Haden the objectives of this particular conference. Miss Hallie Hughes and Gordon A. Elean outlined plans for the Short Course.

Saturday afternoon the All Stars were busy with committee meetings and later enjoyed the V. P. I. swimming pool. The Saturday evening banquet had for its theme "Home Building" which was carried out in the table decorations. Miniature homes of cardboard with picket fences and colorful shrubbery and trees were used as centerpieces. Toasts were given to "Homes our Parents Built" and "Homes We Expect to Build." Nancy Browning was toastmistress, Katherine Spencer sang "Mother Machree," and Ben Chapman presented a History of the Virginia All Star Chapter. A social hour followed which included table games played progressively amid colorful decorations. Dancing highlighted the evening.

Sunday the group attended church services at the Christian Church. The pastor, Rev. B. P. Edwards, preached. Tours to Mountain Lake and to Claytor's Dam were enjoyed in the afternoon. At Vespers in the Garden Theatre Sunday evening, Rev. V. P. Bodein, pastor of the Blacksburg Baptist Church, spoke on "What Are You Living For?" Mrs. J. H. Hillman, director of the dramatics class for the Short Course, presented a group of All Stars in a choric reading of the first Psalm.

The All Stars spent Monday attending to business of the conference and helping to register the incoming Short Course members.

Fifty girls and forty-one boys were taken into the All Star organization Friday evening.

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Assembly

At assembly Tuesday delegates who had attended out-of-state trips gave highlights of their trips. Those included members who had gone to the National Dairy Show, Rhode Island State Short Course, National 4-H Camp and Club Congress, Dean Price of the college welcomed the 4-H members to the V. P. I. campus. Mr. Egan introduced the Rhode Island state boys' agent, L. F. Kliney, who told of club work in his state.

Wednesday at assembly the Style Dress Borne was held, in which 113 boys and girls in colorful array gave many ideas for planning our wardrobes to meet various needs, such as school, active sports, work, church or street and informal party attire. Thursday at assembly Miss Maude E. Wallace and G. A. Montgomery reminded the club members of their duties as citizens. All those 21 years of age or over were asked to come up on the stage to receive the full value of the program. Miss Ruth Leonard and George Stauffer, two visitors from Maryland, gave greetings from Maryland club members and expressed their appreciation of the hospitality shown them during the week.

Friday at assembly the newly elected officers of the Short Course were installed and the Short Course officially closed by the new president, Ben Dudley.

Vespers

Under the leadership of Rev. John Schmidt, pastor of the Lutheran Church, Blackburg, vespers were held each evening from 6:30 to 7:00 on the campus. Rev. Schmidt's topic for the week was "Our Needs", which are: How can I be happy? How can I be strong? How can I be wise? How can I be successful?

4-H Tea

The annual 4-H Short Course tea and reception was held Wednesday afternoon from 4:00 to 5:30 at the faculty apartment house. At this time the club members were able to meet personally the Short Course officers, the All Star officers, officers of the leaders' organization, club agents and other members of the extension staff.

Radio Programs

Each day from 12:00 to 12:15 the radio broadcast from V. P. I. was given over to the Short Course. Discussions were given by various members of the Junior and Senior Conference and Mr. Chase presented some of his sketches on one of the periods.

SPECIAL EVENTS

The afternoon assembly and the evening entertainment programs were two enjoyable features of the Short Course. Monday evening Miss Hallie L. Higgins officially opened the Short Course by welcoming the club members to V. P. I. After seeing the movie "The River" all club members realized, as never before, the vastness of the Mississippi River and its many uses. The picture was a lesson on conservation of natural resources, for it depicted the destruction of such resources by needless and thoughtless waste bringing poverty, disaster and un-

happiness. The comedy following was thoroughly enjoyed.

Tuesday evening the All Stars presented a play "Pro Patria", a Revolutionary War story. Miss Luster showed the members how to laugh and sing at the same time. Wednesday evening the club members were thoroughly entertained by Richard Chase, who sang, danced, played his pipes, told stories, and presented Mr. Pusch and Judy and two monkeys in a delightful puppet show.

Thursday evening Mrs. Hillman's dramatic class presented a playlet, "The 1939 Awakening of Rip Van Winkle." The scene feature was different, including orchestra, tap dancing, impersonations and playlets.

Friday evening's program was preceded by the All Star consecration service on the drill field, after which Mr. Chase presented his boys and girls in an informal dance and game program. He also presented a group of boys whom he had trained in the intricate and clever sword dance. Two short movie reels were also enjoyed. After the close of the program, the beautiful and impressive candle lighting ceremony was held on the drill field. An innovation this year was the march of the club members with their lighted candles across the campus to the lake, where the candles were set astoot around the edge of the lake while all voices were raised in song. This lovely and solemn ceremony climaxed the Short Course.

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Review of Class Work at State Short Course

Social Recreational Courses

Song Leadership.—Miss Kathleen Lanter, Blackburg, instructed a group of about 60 boys and girls in this class. The song leaders from the counties profited from her instruction, since they learned new songs and were taught how to lead singing.

Four-H Club Chorus.—Miss Esther Hawkins trained nearly 100 voices for the 4-H club chorus. They presented their selections at one of the evening programs.

Game Leadership.—Game leadership was taught by Annie Williams, Norfolk, and Evelyn Walden, Scottsburg. The purpose of this class was to teach the boys and girls not only to lead games at the Short Course, but to teach their fellow club members when they return to their counties.

Party Planning.—Miss Janet Cameron, food specialist, V. P. I., and Miss Mary Johns, Maryland, were the instructors in this interesting class. Progressive parties were discussed and a booklet which contained directions for nine games suitable for a progressive game party was distributed. Complete directions were given for a Gypsy party, a graduation party and a sailor party. Appropriate invitations, decorations, games and refreshments were discussed for each type of party. Another type of party demonstrated was an outdoor supper party, held at the picnic hook on the V. P. I. campus.

The delicious food, cooked by Miss Cameron, and the enjoyable evening inspired the members to go home and build an outdoor fire-place in their own homes and communities.

Dramatics.—Those girls and boys who enrolled in Mrs. J. R. Hillman's class in dramatics had a real treat. They learned the dots and dots of the stage technique and the importance of selecting and prototyping good plays, with the emphasis on character work, enunciation and diction rather than elaborate scenery. They learned that actors and actresses must build real characters into real situations, and the importance of tempo in stage production and how to sit, walk and stand correctly on the stage. They learned that there are some notorious parts to play production; namely, the duties of stage hands, property manager, wardrobe mistress, business and advertising managers, but that these parts are necessary for the successful production of a play.

Folk Dancing.—Richard Chase, of the English Folk Dance and Song Society of America, Richmond, Virginia, presented to his class a few of the traditional dances and social games of the people of Virginia. These were easy figure-dances that the members could take back home and have fun with at their own parties and picnics. A special team was chosen and trained to dance a sword dance at an evening program; also, the figure dances were presented by his group of boys and girls on the evening

Special Courses

While many of the girls and some of the boys were profiting from the junior and senior conferences, others were getting instruction in the special livestock judging, dairy cattle judging and team demonstration work, poultry judging, crop judging and classes in gardening, and wildlife conservation.

Livestock Judging.—The livestock judging class instruction was under the leadership of Professor R. E. Hunt, V. P. I., for horses; K. E. Litton, beef cattle; Paul Swaffar, sheep; George C. Herring, hogs. The four days of instruction culminated in the livestock judging contest. Out of the 60 boys in the class, nearly 30 took part in the contest.

The group was divided into four smaller groups and worked on different classes at the same time. The classes judged were Percheron horses, Shorthorn heifers, Hampshire ewes and Duroc hogs.

Results of individual placings and scores (highest score possible was 400): first, Ned Tyler, Loudoun, \$76; second, Phillip Coleman, Loudoun, \$47; third, Morris Fannon, Lee, \$36.

General Poultry was taught by members of the V. P. I. poultry department and was a very interesting and profitable class. H. L. Moore gave instruction in diseases, parasites and vices, feeding and housing; R. L. Bryant in breeding and judging; and A. L. Dean in eggs and judging.

Dairy.—The dairy program was organized to give 4-H club members training in the fundamentals of dairy demonstration work and dairy cattle judging. Sixty 4-H club members enrolled for the course, representing 20 different counties.

Tuesday, R. D. Michael, assistant editor of the V. P. I. extension service, led a discussion in which he emphasized the importance of choosing a suitable subject, obtaining the proper material, and assembling the material into a talk.

Wednesday, L. E. Fuller, assistant professor of English, presented a talk on "Personal Presentation in Public Speaking." He emphasized personal habits in speech, and the timing of a subject to an occasion.

Thursday, Robert Apperson and James Marsh, Outcrop 4-H club members, who were winners of the southern section in the national 4-H dairy demonstration contest, at Columbus, Ohio, last year, presented their demonstration on "Treatment for Foul Foot," which was used as a model in training the class in demonstration work.

Friday, Delmar J. Young, assistant extension dairyman, discussed the subject matter to be presented in the demonstration—"How to Present and Treat Calf Sours." This discussion included calf feeding and management, structures of the calf stomach, physical action in the stomach, and the relationship between management practices and stomach development in the calf.

Paul M. Beavers, assistant extension dairyman, and D. J. Young discussed the principles of dairy cattle judging, dairy cattle type scoring, methods of analyzing breed types, selective and comparative judging and giving reasons on cattle after selection. Several rings of cattle were used from the V. P. I. dairy herd to give the 4-H club members practice in using the principles discussed and actual material to work with to emphasize the importance of training in selection of dairy cattle.

Garden.—A. G. Smith, V. P. I., took this class to visit the V. P. I. rose plats where they saw all the beautiful roses, including the red rose with the name "4-H Rose." Mr. Smith gave the class instruction in the use of flowering shrubs and trees.

L. C. Beamer and S. B. Fenne had charge of this class Thursday and Friday. They discussed with the 22 members the points of a good garden, which are good soil, plant food, good seed and garden crop rotation. The class included a tour of Mr. Beamer's garden and a watermelon feast.

Agronomy.—Under the leadership of members of the agronomy department, this class received training in judging corn, oats, wheat, potatoes, sweet potatoes and alfalfa hay; also, identification of crop and weed seed and certification of crops. Friday the class was taken on a field trip which included a tour of the agronomy plats.

Wildlife.—C. O. Handley, of the wildlife department, lectured on snakes, pointing out characteristics in distinguishing poisonous reptiles from non-poisonous ones and giving a full account of the habitats, food and uses of the reptile family.

C. F. DeLaBarre discussed methods of preserving wildlife on Virginia farms. C. E. Addy gave instruction on some Virginia birds. Mr. Handley presented a picture and slides on the history of the quail, impressing on the boys and girls the value of quail to human welfare. Four-H members living in the country can do much to help propagate and conserve quail.

Social Customs.—This class, under the direction of Miss Mattie Puckett, home demonstration agent, Spotsylvania county, discussed manners in the home. The background for a successful life is laid in the home, so it is essential to learn the qualities that make a gracious host or hostess in the home. Manners show one's breeding.

Leaders' Conference

The leaders met in special conference with discussions led by Mrs. J. R. Hillman, Jr., of Emory, Virginia, and Richard Chase of the English Folk Dance and Song Society of America. The theme of the conference was "Social Recreation Activities." Mrs. Hillman gave some most helpful suggestions on the presentation of amateur plays, listing some of the "do's" and "don'ts" of the stage. She also gave suggestions on how to present pantomimes and verse-reading choirs.

Mr. Chase demonstrated many old folk games in a short movie showing school children taking part in these traditional songs and dances. He also taught several songs and dances to the leaders.

Some of the highlights presented by Mrs. Hillman were: Urge the club members to write their own original plays, use more care in selection of plays to fit the people you are using than the study of your elaborate scenery. She recommended one-act plays with as little stage scenery as possible. After you decide on a play suitable

for the group, it is most important to pick characters for the parts. After the parts are given out to the good speakers, at least ten rehearsals are necessary for an average play. The director must let the characters know that he is doing the coaching and should demand promptness. She listed some of the do's and don'ts of the stage as being:

1. Be your character as to age, voice and looks.
 2. Wear correct costumes for the period.
 3. Position in society—whether hostess or maid.
 4. Get in character at least three minutes before entering stage and make exits stronger than entrance.
 5. Keep a good tempo.
- Some of the Don'ts
1. Don't make unnecessary moves.
 2. Don't walk in straight line on stage.
 3. Never move furniture when sitting.
 4. Never prompt behind stage.
 5. Never use script at last rehearsal.

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PROGRAM

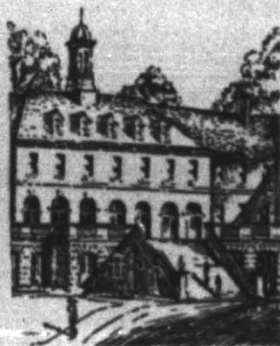


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DAILY SCHEDULE

Monday

Arrival and Registration

- 6:00 Supper.
8:00 Vespers and evening program in Auditorium, Teaching and Administration Building.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

Forenoon

- 6:15 First call.
6:45 Assembly.
6:50 Morning devotional on Campus in front of dining room.
7:00 Breakfast.
8:15-12:00 Classes.
9:30-10:30 Leaders' Conference — Student Activities Building, Room 107.

Afternoon

- 12:30 Dinner.
1:15- 2:15 Rest period.
2:30- 3:30 Club assembly — Auditorium, Teaching and Administration Building.
3:30- 5:30 Recreation — Swimming, committee meetings, county meetings, or trips on Campus with agents and leaders in charge.
5:30 Recall — Get ready for supper.
6:00 Supper.
6:30 Vespers on Campus near Library.
7:00-Dark Play hour on drill field.
Dark- 9:30 Evening program — Auditorium, Teaching and Administration Building.
9:30 Tattoo — Go to rooms and retire.
10:30 Taps — No talking after taps.

COLLEGE INFIRMARY

Dr. Woolwine in charge.
Mrs. Lake Johnson, R. N.

Office hours: 7:30 to 8:30 A. M.; 6:30 to 7:30 P. M.

The infirmary will be open at all times. Any members not well enough to conform to the regular schedule should go at once to the infirmary.

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ORGANIZATION

4-H SHORT COURSE

Brinkley Harrell, Nansemond County, President.
Louise Compton, Montgomery County, Vice-President.
Katherine Spencer, Orange County, Secretary.

STATE 4-H LEADERS

Miss Irene Gough, Campbell County, President.
Miss Almentine Rainey, Dinwiddie County, 1st Vice-President.
Mrs. Albert Rhea, Washington County, 2nd Vice-President.
Miss Helen Crouch, Loudoun County, Secretary.

ALL-STAR CHAPTER OF VIRGINIA

Pat Haden, Goochland County, Big Chief.
Earl Shiflett, Augusta County, Lesser Chief.
Vera Hansen, Henrico County, Scribe.
Mary Lee Pittman, Lancaster, County Scout.

STATE 4-H CLUB DEPARTMENT

Miss Hallie L. Hughes, State Girls' Club Agent.
Mr. Gordon A. Elcan, State Boys' Club Agent.
Mrs. Bernice Pettinger, Secretary.

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JUNIOR CONFERENCE

(Boys and Girls 14, 15, and 16 years)

Time: 8:15-10:30 A. M. daily.

Place: Auditorium of T. & A. Building.

Theme: "OUR CROWD"

Tuesday —

Getting Along in "Our Crowd" — Dr. M'Ledge Moffett, Dean of Women, State Teachers' College, Radford, Virginia.

Wednesday —

Getting On With Our Families — Dr. Mildred Tate, Head of Home Economics Department, V. P. I., Blacksburg.

Thursday —

Getting Along in Our Community — Dr. Leland Tate, Professor of Rural Sociology, V. P. I., Blacksburg.

Friday —

We are "The Crowd" — Dr. V. P. Bodein, Pastor, Blacksburg Baptist Church.

Organization —

After the presentation of each day's topic, the members will separate into small discussion groups. Each group will have an adult sponsor and a selected club member to serve as discussion leader.

Each day the sponsors and members selected to lead the discussion for the next day will meet at 10:40 A. M. in Room 111, Patton Hall, for special training.

Director of Junior Conference —

Miss Sally Guy Davis, District Home Demonstration Agent, assisted by Miss Evelyn Click, Home Demonstration Agent, Pittsylvania County, Mr. F. L. Price, Assistant County Agent, Franklin County.

Sponsors for Discussion Groups —

Group 1 — Miss Ettie Henry, Assistant Home Demonstration Agent, Augusta County, Room 201, T. & A. Building.

Group 2 — Miss Elizabeth Wall, Home Demonstration Agent, Bedford County, Room 203, T. & A. Building.

Group 3 — Miss Beverly Carper, Home Demonstration Agent, Hanover County, Room 204, T. & A. Building.

Group 4 — Miss Evelyn Click, Home Demonstration Agent, Pittsylvania County, Room 109, Patton Hall.

Group 5 — Miss Mary Land, Student Home Demonstration Agent, Mecklenburg County, Room 111, Patton Hall.

Group 6 — Miss Marie Lacy, Student Home Demonstration Agent, Halifax County, Room 113, Patton Hall.

Group 7 — Mr. J. F. Blair, Assistant County Agent, Appomattox County, Room 210, Patton Hall.

Group 8 — Mr. A. R. Porterfield, Assistant County Agent, Patrick County, Room 211, Patton Hall.

Group 9 — Mr. Guy R. Davis, Assistant County Agent, Middlesex County, Room 220, Patton Hall.

Group 10 — Mr. R. J. Copenhaver, Assistant County Agent, Southampton County, Room 215, Patton Hall.

Group 11 — Mr. F. L. Price, Assistant County Agent, Franklin County, Room 316, Patton Hall.

Group 12 — Mr. N. E. Landis, Assistant County Agent, Page County, Room 115, Patton Hall.

SENIOR CONFERENCE

(Girls and boys 17 years and over)

Time: 8:15-10:30 A. M. daily.

Place: Assembly Hall, Student Activities Building.

Theme: COOPERATION

Tuesday — Society's Four Roads — Dr. W. E. Garnett, Rural Sociologist, V. P. L., Blacksburg.

Wednesday — The Community as a Cooperative Group — Mr. B. L. Hummel, Rural Organization Specialist, V.P.L., Blacksburg.

Thursday — The Family as a Cooperative Group — Dr. Mildred Tate, Head Home Economics Department, V.P.L., Blacksburg.

Friday — The Individual as a Cooperative Member in Society — Dr. M'Ledge Moffett, Dean of Women, State Teachers' College, Radford.

Organization —

After the presentation of each day's topic, the members will separate into small discussion groups. Each group will have an adult sponsor and a selected club member to serve as discussion leader.

Each day the sponsors and members selected to lead the discussion for the next day will meet at 10:40 A. M. in Room 207, Student Activities Building, for special training.

Directors of Senior Conference —

Miss Belle Burke, District Home Demonstration Agent, assisted by Miss Pearl Cornett, Home Demonstration Agent, Goochland County, and Mr. H. E. Hutcheson, County Agent, Middlesex County.

Sponsors for Discussion Groups —

Group A — Miss Louise Morris, Home Demonstration Agent, Mecklenburg County, Room 201, Student Activities Building.

Group B — Miss Mary Walker, Home Demonstration Agent, Halifax County, Room 202, Student Activities Building.

Group C — Miss Elizabeth Sugden, Home Demonstration Agent, Prince Edward County, Room 205, Student Activities Building.

Group D — Miss Juanita Maupin, Home Demonstration Agent, Carroll County, Room 216, Student Activities Building.

Group E — Miss Eva Foster, Home Demonstration Agent, New Kent and Charles City Counties, Room 219, Student Activities Building.

Group F — Miss Pearl Cornett, Home Demonstration Agent, Goochland County, Room 221, Student Activities Building.

Group G — Mr. Henry Hutcheson, County Agent, Middlesex County, Room 224, Student Activities Building.

Group H — Mr. A. V. Watts, Assistant County Agent, Brunswick County, Room 228, Student Activities Building.

Group I — Mr. Paul Rose, County Agent, Powhatan County, Room 229, Student Activities Building.

Group J — Mr. W. W. Turner, Assistant County Agent, Bedford County, Room 207, Student Activities Building.

Group K — Mr. Carl Coiner, Assistant County Agent, Shenandoah County, Room 104, Student Activities Building.

Group L — Mr. J. W. Beard, County Agent, Prince William County, Room 230, Student Activities Building.

SPECIAL COURSES

LIVESTOCK JUDGING

Place: Judging Pavilion and vicinity.

8:15-11:30 Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, the time will be divided into three periods. The group taking this course will be divided into three sections and each section will be given instruction in three classes of livestock each day. Friday a judging contest will be held to give students experience in such contests and as an aid to county agents in selecting their teams.

Horses — Prof. R. E. Hunt Sheep — Paul Swaffar
Beef cattle — K. E. Litton Hogs — George C. Herring

SPECIAL DAIRY CATTLE JUDGING and DAIRY DEMONSTRATION TEAMS

D. J. Young in charge.

8:15-11:30 Each day.

Place: Dairy Building and Dairy Barns.

These courses are designed to give special instruction to those 4-H Dairy Club members interested in familiarizing themselves in 4-H dairy demonstration methods and in the judging of dairy cattle. The courses will be given during Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of the current 4-H short course.

The daily classes are arranged in sequence so that the 4-H club dairy members may take both courses conveniently.

8:15-9:30 4-H Dairy Demonstration Course — This course is particularly recommended to the club members interested in competing for places on county 4-H dairy demonstration teams. The course will deal with how to organize demonstrations; how to present demonstrations; public speaking; practical procedure in staging a demonstration. Dairy Building.

Tuesday: 8:15 to 9:30 — How to present demonstrations and public speaking by R. D. Michael.

9:45-11:30 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging Course — This course will deal with the principles of dairy cattle judging and will include a study of cattle type scoring; methods of analyzing breed types; selective and comparative judging; practice in giving reasons. A final judging contest will be staged to give the students practical experience for the county, state, and national contests. Dairy Barns.

GENERAL POULTRY

Time: 8:15 to 10:30.

Place: Dairy Building and Poultry Plant.

Tuesday —

8:15-8:50 Feeding — H. L. Moore.
8:55-9:40 Breeding — R. L. Bryant.
9:45-10:30 Diseases, Parasites and Vices — H. L. Moore.

Wednesday —

8:15-8:50 Housing — H. L. Moore.
8:55-9:40 Eggs — A. L. Dean.
9:45-10:30 Housing Lab. — H. L. Moore.

Thursday —

- 8:15- 8:50 Exhibition Judging — A. L. Dean.
9:00-10:30 Exhibition Judging Lab. — A. L. Dean, R. L. Bryant.

Friday —

- 8:15- 8:50 Production Judging — R. L. Bryant.
9:00-10:30 Production Judging Lab. — R. L. Bryant, A. L. Dean.
10:30 All members of this class assemble in front of Student Activities Building for special courses in recreation.

GARDEN

Place: Room 300, Agricultural Hall.

Tuesday —

- 8:15-10:30 Inspection of V. P. I. Rose Plats — A. G. Smith, Jr.

Wednesday —

- 8:15-10:30 Use of flowering shrubs and trees — A. G. Smith, Jr.

Thursday —

- 8:15-10:30 Varieties, cultural practices, identification and control of insects and diseases in home garden. — L. C. Beamer and S. B. Fenne.

Friday —

- 8:15-10:30 Garden tour. — L. C. Beamer and S. B. Fenne.
10:30 All members in this class assemble in front of Student Activities Building for special courses in recreation.

AGRONOMY

Time: 8:15 to 10:30.

Place: Crops Laboratory, Agricultural Hall.

Tuesday and Wednesday —

Training in judging corn, oats, wheat, potatoes, sweet potatoes, and alfalfa hay.

Thursday —

Identification of crop and weed seed, certification of crops.

Friday —

Field trip.

- 10:30 All members of this class assemble in front of Student Activities Building for special courses in recreation.

4-H LEADERS CONFERENCE

Time: 9:30-10:30 A. M. daily.

Place: Room 107, Student Activities Building.

THEME: Social Recreation Activities.

Informal discussion of social recreation for 4-H club events.

Tuesday and Wednesday —

"Let's Present a Play" — Mrs. J. R. Hillman, Jr., Emory, Virginia.

Thursday and Friday —

"Traditional Virginia Folk Games" — Mr. Richard Chase, the English Folk Dance and Song Society of America, Richmond, Va.

Leaders will have an opportunity, following this conference, to observe the classes in recreation.

SOCIAL RECREATIONAL COURSES

Time: 11:00-12:00 daily.

Each member will enroll in one of these courses or in one of the Special Courses described on next page.

SONG LEADERSHIP

Place: Room 107, Student Activities Building.

Miss Kathleen Luster, Blacksburg, Virginia. Club and county song leaders should enroll in this class.

4-H CLUB CHORUS

Place: Assembly Room, Student Activities Building.

Miss Esther Haskins, McKenney, Virginia.
New songs and training in group singing will be given this class.

GAME LEADERSHIP

Place: Second Academic Building, Rooms 22, 27, and 29.

Group will assemble in Room 27.

Miss Annie Williams, Norfolk, Virginia, in charge.

Miss Evelyn Walden, Scottsburg, Virginia.

New games and how to conduct group play will be taught this class.

PARTY PLANNING

Place: Auditorium of Patton Hall.

Miss Janet Cameron, State Food Specialist, Blacksburg, Virginia.

Miss Mary Jenkins, Blacksburg, Virginia.

Instructions will be given for planning and directing four informal parties adaptable to any community.

DRAMATIC PLAY

Place: Auditorium of T. & A. Building.

Mrs. J. N. Hillman, Jr., Emory, Virginia.

Membership will be limited to 75 persons. Members will participate in a one-act play. Instruction will be given for organizing, casting, and producing.

FOLK DANCING

Place: War Memorial Building.

Mr. Richard Chase, The English Folk Dance and Song Society of America, Richmond, Virginia, in charge.

Miss Adis Mantiply, New Glasgow, Virginia.

Mr. Ned Crawley, Prospect, Virginia.

The members of this class will have the opportunity of learning traditional folk games of Virginia and of assisting with folk games during the play hour each evening.

SPECIAL COURSES

Time: 11:00-12:00 daily.

SOCIAL CUSTOMS

Place: Patton Hall, Room 211.

Miss Mattie Puckett, Spotsylvania County Home Demonstration Agent.

WILDLIFE

Snakes, Game Birds, Song Birds, and Conservation.

Place: Dairy Auditorium.

This class will assemble in front of Student Activities Building at 10:45 and go from there to the Dairy Auditorium.

Tuesday —

Common Virginia Snakes — C. O. Handley, Biology Department, V. P. L., Blacksburg.

Wednesday —

What farm boys and girls can do for conservation — C. F. DeLaBarre, Biology Department, V. P. L., Blacksburg.

Thursday —

Quail Rearing — C. O. Handley.

Friday —

Some Virginia Birds — C. E. Addy, Biology Department, V. P. L., Blacksburg.

GROUP DISCUSSION LEADERSHIP

Time: 10:40-11:20.

Junior Conference — Discussion Leadership — daily.

Place: Room 111, Patton Hall.

Miss Sally Guy Davis, District Home Demonstration Agent.

Senior Conference — Discussion Leadership — daily.

Place: Room 207, Student Activities Building.

Miss Belle Burke, District Home Demonstration Agent.

SPECIAL EVENTS

4-H CLUB CORRECT DRESS REVUE

Presentation at Club Assembly Wednesday 2:30 P. M., Auditorium of T. & A. Building.

Judging will take place Tuesday afternoon immediately following club assembly in the T. & A. Building. Contestants will report to these places:

Girls: Farm and home and church or street Room 204
School and active sport class Room 203
Afternoon or informal class Room 201
Boys: Remain in auditorium.

Each person entering must bring "Itemized Statement" for judging (Form 23,191 for girls; 23,191-2 boys) on Tuesday.

Pictures of correct dress revue will be made immediately following Wednesday's assembly just outside auditorium. Please take right exit (next to Patton Hall).

CLUB TEA

Time: Wednesday 4:00 to 5:00 P. M.

Place: Faculty Apartments.

Social hour for the State Short Course delegation and other guests of the college.

MOVIE

Time: Immediately following club assembly.

On Thursday afternoon the Lyric theatre is presenting a special matinee. The picture will be "Man About Town," starring Dorothy Lamour and Jack Benny. Admission will be 25 cents.

ELECTION OF STATE SHORT COURSE OFFICERS FOR 1940

Nominations will be made at club assembly on Thursday. The polls will be opened as soon as possible after assembly and will close at 6:00. Each club delegate is urged to vote during this time.

PICTURES

New officers of the following groups will meet just outside the auditorium, following Assembly, on Friday to have pictures taken:

The 4-H State Short Course
The State Leaders Association
The All-Star Organization

Will these officers please leave by way of the right side exit (next to Patton Hall).

SWIMMING

The college pool will be open to Short Course delegates on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday afternoons. Girls will use the pool from 3:30 to 4:30; boys from 4:30 to 5:30.

ROSES

In the rose plats of the Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station there are about 5000 rose bushes. The blooms are not to be cut but anyone may visit these plats between 3:30 and 5:30 in the afternoons.

RADIO PROGRAMS

Short course delegates will give interesting events of the Short Course in a series of broadcasts at 12:00 to 12:15 p. m. Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday over the V. P. I. station. Write the home folks to tune in. Miss Sallie Hamilton and H. E. Hutcheson in charge.

ANNUAL ALL-STAR CEREMONY

Friday, 7:00 P. M. — Drill Field.

All members are requested to sit together by county delegations. Reception and initiation of new All Stars will follow immediately after the ceremony.

DAILY EVENTS

CLUB ASSEMBLY

2:30 to 3:30, Auditorium of T. & A. Building.

Brinkley Harrell, president, presiding; Katherine Spencer, secretary.

This is the club members' own assembly. Club activities of special interest to all members will be featured daily.

VESPERS

Time: 6:30 to 7:00 P. M.

Theme: FOUR NEEDS.

Speaker: Rev. John Schmidt, Lutheran Church, Blacksburg, Virginia.

Monday —

How can I be happy?

Tuesday —

How can I be strong?

Wednesday —

How can I be wise?

Thursday —

How can I be successful?

PLAY HOUR

7:15 until dark — Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday on Drill Field.

Directed by Miss Esther Haskins and Mr. Richard Chase.

EVENING PROGRAM

Auditorium of T. & A. Building.

Louis Compton, Vice-President, State Short Course, presiding.

Special features of each evening's program are:

Monday — 8:30 P. M.

Vespers.

Welcome — Brinkley Harrell, President State Short Course.

Short Course Plans.

Movie — "The River" and Comedy "Thugs with Dirty Mugs."

Tuesday — From dark until 9:30.

Program in Charge of All Stars.

Play "Pro Patria," and colonial music and dances.

Wednesday — From dark until 9:30.

Mr. Richard Chase and his puppets "Mickey Mouse," "Punch and Judy."

Thursday — From dark until 9:30.

"The 1939 awakening of Rip Van Winkle."

Friday — Following All-Star Ceremony.

"The Wedding of Homer Economics and Aggie Culture."

Wildlife Conservation Camp - The state wild life conservation camp, held at Jamestown 4-H club camp grounds. August 14-19, was one of the outstanding camps held during the year.

State Wildlife and Conservation Camp

The Jamestown 4-H camp was opened in mid-August to the state 4-H wildlife and conservation club members for their annual encampment. By the close of the day there were registered 53 boys, 38 girls, 4 leaders and 11 agents, a total of 106 outstanding wildlife conservationists representing 41 counties.

Eighty of the members attending received scholarships of full registration, provided by Charles Horn, president of the Federal Cartridge company, Minneapolis, Minnesota, who is interested in wildlife conservation among 4-H club members.

The program for the week was built around conservation of soils, wildlife and our natural resources. The following special courses were given each morning:

Tuesday - Soils and Birds.

Wednesday - Plants and Insects and Diseases.

Thursday - Forestry and Game Birds.

Friday - Game Management and Rearing of Game Birds.

The afternoons were given over to competitive games, swimming, tours of Williamsburg, Jamestown, and Yorktown, and other recreational and special educational features.

This annual State 4-H Wildlife and Conservation Camp is the only one in the state where the delegates are selected on the bases of their accomplishments in one special line of work and the program built around that special interest. The delegates are limited to club members 15 years old and older who have done outstanding work in wildlife and conservation. Many favorable reports have been received from those attending the camp this year.

Negro Short Course - The annual short course for negro 4-H club members was held at the Virginia State College, Ettrick, Virginia, June 7 to 10, with 233 delegates present, representing 36 counties. This short course was under the direct supervision of the district agents John L. Charity, and Lizzie A. Jenkins. The general program followed by the negroes was similar to the white short course in the state.

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Negro Club Folks Hold 15th Annual State Short Course

The fifteenth Annual State Short Course of 4-H clubs, conducted under the supervision of the V. P. I. Extension Service and the U. S. Department of Agriculture, cooperating, was held at Virginia State College June 7-10. There were 93 boys, 82 girls, 24 local leaders, and 34 farm and home demonstration agents present, representing 36 counties of the state.

The group was welcomed to the college by Dr. J. M. Gandy, president, and Dr. John L. Lockett, director of agriculture.

"Training for Service" was the theme of the course. Devotions were conducted each morning and vespers each evening on the college campus. The girls wore green uniforms and the boys, white with black ties. With the beautiful campus and ideal weather for a background, they made an unusually attractive picture.

Recreation was a daily feature of the program. Dr. James A. Moore and Thomas Verdell supervised the play activities. These included games, stunts, and folk dances. Group singing was directed each morning by Miss N. E. Jennings, Mrs. Pitman, and Woodrow Odom. Many new 4-H club songs were learned and old ones reviewed.

The club members were divided into groups for instruction according to ages for the following subjects: "How to conduct method demonstrations," "recreation," and a discussion and demonstration of "social customs." A group of fifteen county and farm and home demonstration agents had charge of these groups as instructors and advisers.

A demonstration and lecture was given by Harold Perkins, of the agricultural staff, on flower arrangements for the home, school, church, parties, and banquets.

The identification of legume and grass seeds was demonstrated by M. T. Carter, also of the agricultural staff. After instructions had been given Mr. Carter gave a test on material covered. The counties that made an outstanding showing in this phase of the work were Mecklenburg, Buckingham and Halifax.

A talk on "thrift" was given by District Agent T. B. Patterson. He pointed out the importance of thrift in one's physical being as well as along financial lines.

During the evening sessions various features were presented by county delegates in attendance. Playlets were given by Southampton and King and Queen counties; group singing by Albemarle and Amelia; method demonstrations in handicraft by Nelson county; demonstrations in table manners, Hanover county; club meeting demonstration, Chesterfield; demonstration, introductions, Pittsylvania; salad making, Halifax; and stunts by Hanover and Lunenburg.

A 4-H candle lighting ceremony was led by the King William county delegates after vespers on the last evening. The meaning of the 4-H's was symbolized in a very impressive manner by this group.

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d. Fairs, Exhibits, and Premiums - The 4-H club exhibits at community, county, district and state fairs were good this year. All of the fairs held maintained their club department in the show. At the Virginia State Fair some of the principle exhibits were put on by club members. The State Fair, through the cooperation of the State Club Department, maintained a special 4-H club department for the white club members and also a special one for the negro club members, with the second day of the fair set aside as a special Club Day, at which time all club members were given free passes. The exhibits were excellent in both the negro and white classes. Attention is called to the clippings concerning the exhibits which follow.

4-H club members also took an important part in the Baltimore Livestock Show, where they exhibited 130 choice baby heaves and 36 fat lambs. They won the championship in the 4-H club classes of Hereford, Angus, and Shorthorn and the reserve grand championship in the open class at the Baltimore show. The fat lamb classes brought the grand championship in the 4-H club classes, and the grand championship in the open classes. Details of the show are given in the clippings below.

Club Show at State Fair Draws Crowd

The annual Virginia 4-H club and show judging contests were held in connection with the Virginia State Fair at Richmond, Sept. 25-30. The 4-H club exhibits of corn, potatoes, peanuts, garden baskets, baby beeves, dairy, sheep, hogs, and poultry were of excellent quality and attracted much attention from the thousands who visited the fair grounds. Club exhibits comprised an important part of all crop and livestock exhibits at the fair.

September 26 was set aside by the Fair management as 4-H Club Day. Members, agents, and leaders from every part of the state visited the fair on that day and took part in the special club events. Many counties brought large delegations in buses chartered for the day. Thousands of club members participated in the day's events.

Around the judging rings a large crowd of 4-H club members and friends eagerly watched the judging of various competitive exhibits and the placing of ribbons on the winners. The crowd frequently cheered the friendly competitors as they led their prize animals about the ring.

Another important event of the day was the annual judging contests in dairy, poultry, livestock and crops, in which champion county teams came together to compete for the state championship. The winning state team in each of these contests became eligible to compete in the national contests.

The activities of 4-H club members were not confined to one day only, since many attended the other days of the fair.

Baby Beef

The baby beef exhibit consisted of 130 choice entries, divided into four classes: junior calves, in which all three breeds competed; and three senior classes by breeds—Angus, Hereford, and Shorthorn. The baby beef exhibit was probably the best ever shown by club members at the Virginia State Fair. The first three winners in each of the baby classes were:

Junior Class—first, Sam Eades, Washington; second, Tom Dobyys Jr., Pulaski; third, Nina Mae Getz, Rockingham. **Angus**—first, Lucile Fenton, Clarke; second, Bob Crigler, Madison; third, Henry Kinser, Tazewell. **Hereford**—first, George Perry, Tazewell; second, Grant Bowen, Tazewell; third, Cleon Cowden, Scott. **Shorthorn**—first, Jennings Lockhart, Tazewell; second, Ned Tyler, Loudoun; third, Robert Addington, Scott.

The grand champion baby beef of the 4-H club show was the Shorthorn shown by Jennings Lockhart of Tazewell. The reserve grand champion of the show was the Angus shown by Lucile Fenton, Clarke.

The counties winning the class of best ten calves from any one county were: First, Tazewell; second, Montgomery; third, Clarke.

At the close of the fair all the baby beeves were shipped to the Baltimore Livestock

Virginia Club Members Sweep Baltimore Show

At the close of the Virginia State Fair the entire baby beef exhibit and fat lamb exhibits were shipped to the Baltimore Livestock Show and sale. The Virginia club members entered 130 baby beeves and 56 fat lambs in competition with similar exhibits from West Virginia and Maryland.

Virginia baby beeves and lambs won a large proportion of the prizes offered. In Department D—4-H trio of baby beeves—the first five places were won by Virginia 4-H club calves. The counties winning in this class were Tazewell, Montgomery, Madison, and Clarke, Tazewell county winning first and third places.

Department F—4-H baby beeves weighing 950 pounds and over: Class 1—Herefords. Virginia club members won all ten places except the second place, which was won by Maryland. Class 2—Shorthorn. Virginia won the first eight places. Class 3—Angus. Virginia won all ten places with the exception of the second place, which was won by Maryland.

Department G—4-H club baby beeves weighing under 950 pounds: Class 1—Herefords. Virginia club members won the first eight; Maryland, ninth place, and Virginia, tenth. Class 2—Shorthorns. Virginia

won all ten places with the exception of the sixth place which was won by Maryland. Class 3—Angus. Virginia won 1st, 2nd, 4th, 6th, 7th and 9th places. Maryland won 3rd, 5th, 8th and 10th.

Win Open Reserve

In the championship competition, the grand champion 4-H club trio was won by Tazewell county club members. The grand champion 4-H club baby beef award was won by Avery Absher, Montgomery county. Avery's baby beef was also the reserve grand champion individual fat steer of the Baltimore Show, competing against all 4-H club calves and open class steers fed by some of the best feeders and breeders of the three states.

Lambs Place Well

Department K: Class 1—Fat Pig class. Maryland club members won all prizes except the 7th, which was won by Virginia. In class 2, open only to Virginia, Loudoun county club members won all of the money.

Department M: Class 1—Trio of Fat Lambs. All 8 moneys offered were won by Virginia club members. Class 2—Individual Fat Lambs. Virginia won the first ten places and Maryland won the 11th to 20th places. The championship in the individual fat lamb class was won by Robert Berger, Bland. Robert also had the grand champion pen of three lambs.

In the livestock sale, the grand champion club calf and reserve grand champion fat steer of the Baltimore Show, owned and exhibited by Avery Absher, and weighing between 1000 and 1100 pounds, sold for 20 cents a pound. The entire baby beef sale of Virginia calves averaged between 12 and 13 cents a pound.

In the fat lamb sale, the grand champion fat lamb sold for 35 cents a pound and the grand champion pen sold for 16 cents a pound. The Virginia lambs in the sale averaged about 12 cents a pound.

Out of 60 money prizes offered in the baby beef class, Virginia club members won all but 8. Including in these were the first place and breed champion in all three breeds weighing over 950 pounds, first and breed champion for all three in weights under 950 pounds, and the grand champion baby beef. In the fat lamb show, out of 20 moneys offered, Virginia club members won the first ten places, including the grand champion individual lamb and the grand champion trio.



First Prize Guernsey Heifers at State 4-H Dairy Club Show

Show where they competed against calves from Maryland and West Virginia and were sold at public auction.

Dairy Cattle Show

Seven different counties were represented in the 4-H dairy cattle show at the State Fair this year with a total of 39 animals, including Guernseys, Jerseys, and Holstein breeds. The 4-H dairy club Guernseys ranked first in the show with 24 entries. The Jerseys ranked second with 9 entries, and Holsteins last with 6 entries. These animals were shown by 30 different 4-H dairy club members from Henrico, King & Queen, King William, New Kent, Charles City, Culpeper, and Rockingham counties.

Henrico county ranked first in the number of animals exhibited with a total of 20 individual entries and one entry in the county group class of two Guernsey Junior yearling heifers and two Guernsey senior yearling heifers.

Three counties entered the 4-H dairy club show this year for the first time in several years. New Kent county entered 4 Guernseys; Charles City county entered 3 Guernseys, and Rockingham county entered 1

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Negro Exhibit at State Fair

The Negro 4-H club exhibit building on the Virginia State Fair grounds was filled with excellent exhibits from the Negro 4-H boys and girls. Miss Lizzie Jenkins, district agent, was in charge of the girls' exhibit and the home demonstration women's exhibit. The women's exhibit consisted of classes which were practically duplicates of the 4-H classes listed here, for which the first prize winner in each is given:

Four-H Book: Jean Crawford, Louisa.

Canned Foods: Canned vegetables—Mary L. Goode, Halifax; canned fruit—Ann Jessup, Halifax; canned meat—Jessamine Crawford, Louisa; soup mixture—Annie Jackson, Nelson; jam—Luella Coleman, Halifax; preserves—Juanita Liggon, Nelson; canning contest for 4-H clubs—Dorothy Quarles, King William.

Clothing: Wash dress—Margaret Murrell, Nelson; national 4-H uniform—Addie Jackson, King William; house coat—Orelia Thomas, Hanover; pajamas—Lauretta Johnson, Nelson; smock—Georgia Davis, Bedford; apron—Juanita Liggon, Nelson.

Home Improvement: dresser set—Mary Wynn, King William; runner—Olivia Murphy, Halifax; curtains—Evelyn Baker, Louisa; laundry bag—Vivian Jackson, Nelson; shoe bag—Mary Jones, King William; pillow cases—Beatrice Morton, Halifax; towel—Elizabeth Taylor, Hanover; luncheon set—Henrietta Coleman, Halifax.

The negro home demonstration agents and their district agents are to be congratulated on the good exhibits by both the women and girls.

The crop exhibit by the negro 4-H boys was of excellent quality and the district agent in charge, John L. Charity, and his co-workers, deserve credit for their careful supervision. Below is given the first prize winner in each class:

Corn—Adult exhibit: Purebred white—Carl Walton, Powhatan; pure bred yellow—William Harris, Chesterfield.

Corn—4-H club exhibit: Casey's Purebred—John Bell Jr., Powhatan; Boone County—William Walton, Powhatan; Virginia White Dent—P. D. Vann, Southampton; Reid's Yellow Dent—Ralph Miller, Albemarle.

Eggs: Brown—F. O. Lewis, Sussex; white—Jack Davenport, Gloucester.

Sweet Potatoes: Any variety—Raymond Deshazo, King and Queen; Porto Rico—Fred Bedford, Charles City; Nancy Hall—James Grey, Caroline.

Irish Cobblers: Burlin Banks, Sussex.

Collection of Root Vegetables: Herbert Johnson, Carolina.

Cotton: T. M. Harrison, Sussex.

Peanuts: Spanish—Harry Brown, Surry; large variety—A. W. Parham, Sussex.

e. Out-of-State Trips and Special Prizes - During 1939 out-of-state trips were won by 38 boys and 8 girls who excelled in 4-H club work. These trips were: to the National 4-H Club Camp, Washington, D. C., 2 boys and 2 girls; to the World Poultry Congress, Cleveland, 17 boys and 2 girls; to the National 4-H Club Congress and International Livestock Exposition, Chicago, 2 girls and 17 boys. Other out-of-state trips won by club members were: one boy and one girl represented the Virginia All Star Chapter and assisted in recreation at the Rhode Island State Short Course; one boy and one girl attended the National Leadership Training Camp along the shores of Lake Michigan.

Among the special prizes won in the state this year in connection with the various state and national contests were: in the Farm Account Contest, 14 club members won a total of \$150.00 in cash prizes for keeping farm account records; in the Meat Animal contest there were 42 county winners, the state prize of a 17-jewel gold watch going to Sophia Holland of Fluvanna county; in the Rural Electrification contest, 6 county winners were awarded medals, the state prize of an \$85.00 scholarship to the National Club Congress going to Elizabeth Sours of Pittsylvania county. In the Barrett Nitrate of Soda contest, Elgin watches were presented to the county winners and the state prize of a \$100.00 scholarship to college was awarded Thomas Thore of Patrick county. In the Chilean Nitrate of Soda contest there were forty \$10.00 scholarships to the State Short Course awarded 40 county winners. The state winner was awarded a \$100 college scholarship. In the Dairy Demonstration contest, the state dairy team composed of Selwyn Smith and Gilbert Rollins of Prince William county were each awarded a \$100 college scholarship in lieu of the trip to the National Dairy Show. In the

Livestock Judging contest the state winner was awarded an \$5.00 scholarship for an educational trip to the Club Congress. In addition to the above special prizes, the Virginia State Fair awarded \$125.00 each to the winning dairy, livestock, poultry and crops judging teams. This money was used to defray expenses of these teams to the National Club Congress. Clippings below will give an example of a few of the out-of-state trips.

National Congress Is Big Week for Va. Club Members

Four Judging Teams Attend

The eighteenth 4-H Club Congress was held in Chicago December 1 to 9. This is an annual event in which special recognition is given to outstanding members in the various states through the cooperation of the National Committee on Boys and Girls Club Work and the Extension Divisions of the states. Those attending the Club Congress from Virginia were:

The champion state poultry judging team, made up of Guy Wetzel of Shenandoah, Stanley Keyser of Lancaster, Watson Skelton of Dinwiddie and Ralph Swartz of Shenandoah. This team was accompanied by Carl Coiner, assistant county agent of Shenandoah. The trip was financed by the Virginia State Fair, the Virginia Poultry Federation and the team members themselves. The team competed in the National Poultry Judging contest.

The livestock team, made up of Ned Tyler, Phillip Coleman, Robert Donaldson and Walter Duncan, all of Loudoun county. This team was accompanied by assistant county agent W. H. Cockerill and competed in the international non-collegiate livestock judging contest held in connection with the International Livestock Exposition. Financing this team were the Virginia State Fair, Thomas E. Wilson of Chicago, and the team members.

The crops judging team, made up of William Walker and Herbert Walker of Shenandoah, Francis Bloxton of Charlotte and Alvin Anthony of Patrick. This team was accompanied by J. D. Guthrie, assistant agronomist, Virginia Agricultural Extension Division. It competed in the national crops judging contest in connection with the National Club Congress. The team was financed by the Virginia State Fair, the Chilean Nitrate Educational Bureau and personal contributions of the members.

The dairy judging team, composed of Miles Sturt, Dan Sturt and James Ogburn of Dinwiddie county. They were accompanied by D. W. Lanford, club agent, Lancaster; and their trip was financed in part by the State Fair Association.

Others who attended the Club Congress were Elizabeth Sours, Pittsylvania county, state winner in the rural electrification contest, whose trip was sponsored by the Westinghouse Electric Manufacturing Company; and a girl and a boy from Washington County, whose trip was financed by the Bristol Chamber of Commerce, which selected them as the two outstanding members in club work in that county this year. Accompanying the two girls was Miss Evelyn Click, home demonstration agent, Pittsylvania county.

CHILEAN NITRATE WINNERS

Forty club boys, who were outstanding in their crops project, were awarded \$10 scholarships to the Short Course by John F. Watson, educational director of the Chilean Nitrate Company. The state winner in this contest is awarded a trip to the National Club Congress at Chicago in December. The lucky boy is Gilbert Rollins, of Prince William county.

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F. Virginia Chapter of 4-H All Stars - The 4-H All Star Chapter is a state honor organization of older club members who have made outstanding achievements in leadership and project work. The membership is selected from active 4-H club members 15 years old and older who have been in club work three years, and is limited to one boy and one girl from each county each year. The recommendations are submitted to the All Star organization in their annual conference and must receive unanimous approval before they are accepted. The motto of the All Stars is "Service".

The chapter was organized in Virginia in 1922 with 12 charter members selected from the 800 members attending the annual State Short Course that year. Each year since it was organized the chapter has selected from 20 to 80 members. The total membership is now 586 of the most outstanding club members in Virginia.

The All Star organization provides a means of recognition for leading club members and has stimulated 4-H club members generally to greater effort. It has held high the 4-H club ideals and is rendering a real service to club work throughout the state. In addition to the state chapter the All Star members in the various counties have banded themselves together for the purpose of promoting 4-H club work in their communities and counties. They are taking a leading part in enrolling members, helping to prepare programs, and providing song and recreational leadership. The organization is also active in assisting in county, district and state 4-H club events such as rallies, achievement days, short courses and fairs. They are also rendering an excellent service in helping to promote the organization of older youth, by furnishing leadership and nuclei for the county organizations.

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8. Older Rural Young People - The work with older rural young people between the ages of 16 and 30 is under the supervision of the state 4-H club department. This work is carried on in very much the same way as the regular club program. That is, the state club department is responsible for the work in cooperation with the farm and home agents and specialists. Reports show that this year we had 53 organized groups in the state with a membership of 1657, five of these groups being under the supervision of the negro extension agents.

The programs for these groups of older young people were built around discussion meetings, with topics which they selected. Many of the groups made community surveys and enlisted the cooperation of adults. The club department furnished subject-matter material for these discussion groups and in many cases representatives from the Rural Sociology department and the club department aided the county groups in their discussions. The principle subjects selected by the young people were: family relationships, choosing a vocation, personal development, recreation, citizenship responsibilities, handicraft, health, and related subjects. In every case the young people handled their own meetings with the guidance of the county extension agents and specialists. The procedure usually followed was first a short talk by some well qualified person on the subject selected by the group, followed by a discussion period, which the young people conducted. A period of social and recreational activity usually followed. The interests of these groups are gradually growing and the club department is doing what it can, with limited help, to aid in the organization and in helping with programs.

(1) Institute of Older Rural Youth - A state conference for older rural youth was held at Blacksburg, with 67 in attendance, representing about 20 different local organizations. Cooperating in this conference were the

directors of vocational education in agriculture and home economics. The theme of the conference was "My Responsibility." Among those addressing the conference were: Dr. Lapsley of the First Presbyterian Church, Roanoke; Dr. Carl Taylor of the U. S. Department of Agriculture; Dr. John E. Hutchinson, Director of Extension, V. P. I.; Dr. Walter Heman, director of state vocational education; and other members of the state extension department and vocational education department. The conference was in session for a duration of three days with excellent response from the young people.

(2) District Conference of Older Rural Youth - A district conference for older young people was also held in eastern Virginia, with about 20 young people in attendance, representing eight counties. The program of this conference was similar to the state conference.

(3) Tri-state Conference of Older Rural Youth - A tri-state conference of leaders working with older young people from Virginia, West Virginia and Maryland was also held. Those assisting, other than the representatives of the three states, were Dr. Kirkpatrick of the American Country Life Association; Mr. Eugene Merritt, U. S. Department of Agriculture; and Miss Ella Gardner, U. S. Department of Agriculture. This conference was more in the form of a training meeting for workers with older youth and to exchange ideas by the leaders from the three states. This leader training conference lasted for a duration of three days.

The state boys' club agent and the state girls' club agent have attended a number of committee meetings of the different organizations working with rural youth in the state for the purpose of trying to coordinate the program in a way so as to render the greatest possible service to the older rural youth. The directors of vocational education and the club department are cooperating in an effort to promote the work in four selected counties in the state for next year. The plan is to enlist the cooperation of all

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agencies working with rural people and to make these four counties demonstration counties with the right type of cooperation and program building for older young people. The two departments are also cooperating with the Rural Sociology department in a study being made in certain sections of the state on the number of rural youth of these age groups in relationship to employment outlets and what educational preparation they have for the employment available.

H. Reports - All reports on individual demonstrations are collected by the clubs and turned over to the county agent. The county agents are supplied with tabulation forms on which the project activities are tabulated by projects. These reports are sent in to the state office and summarized. Each county agent is furnished with a statement showing the progress which is being made in his county. The tabulated results of these reports are embodied in this report.

IV. PROJECT ACTIVITIES AND RESULTS

For stories relating to project activities refer to the Club section of the county agents' narrative reports. The following tabulated summaries give general and financial results of projects conducted under the supervision of the county farm agents.

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Summary of White Agents Reports

Crop Summary Project	:Counties:		Enrollment		: Completions :			: Acres
	:Enrolled:	Total	:Boys:	:Girls:	Total:	Boys:	Girls :	
Beans	16	30	27	3	19	18	1	13.75
Conservation	33	257	168	89	190	125	65	
Corn	80	1377	1369	8	935	931	4	1221.00
Cotton	6	14	14	-	11	11	-	15.50
Cucumber	6	16	15	1	9	9	-	7.00
Farm Account	11	62	31	31	35	18	17	
Flowers	44	1832	140	1692	1340	101	1239	15.9
Forestry	6	25	13	12	16	6	10	15
Fruits (small)	16	40	36	4	31	28	3	11
Garden	77	1627	1245	582	960	675	285	238
Melons	10	19	19	-	13	13	-	5
Miscellaneous	9	36	23	13	20	14	6	-
Peanuts	13	106	105	1	75	74	1	85.75
Potatoes (Irish)	52	471	410	61	334	281	53	103.50
Potatoes (Sweet)	14	38	38	-	34	34	-	23
Tobacco	30	410	400	10	271	265	6	240.2
Tomatoes	22	125	113	12	73	67	6	64
Wheat	17	28	26	2	22	20	2	92.5
Total	462	6513	4192	2321	4388	2690	1698	2151.1

Crop Summary Continued -

Project	Yield	Value	Cost	Profit	Prizes
Beans	-	\$281.05	\$92.04	\$189.01	\$.50
Conservation	-	-	-	-	-
Corn	45269 bu.	36782.70	16317.13	20465.57	400.65
Cotton	5532	421.30	288.25	133.05	6.50
Cucumber	860	321.51	140.00	181.51	-
Farm Account	-	-	-	-	-
Flowers	-	88.50	70.75	17.75	40.55
Forestry	-	-	-	-	-
Fruits (small)	-	1079.45	498.54	580.91	5.35
Garden	453	27360.40	7351.18	20009.22	276.10
Melons	3527	219.23	78.45	140.78	.50
Miscellaneous	-	337.80	205.24	132.56	-
Peanuts	-	4489.82	1434.31	3055.51	49.75
Potatoes (Irish)	7422	5988.17	2763.15	3225.02	190.25
Potatoes (Sweet)	2716	1679.77	646.62	1033.15	88.00
Tobacco	300706	27697.86	10,157.92	17539.94	22.50
Tomatoes	9965	2624.39	1324.00	1300.39	-
Wheat	1737.5	1663.49	1029.69	633.80	5.00
		111035.44	42397.27	68638.17	1085.65

Livestock Summary

Project	:Counties :		Enrollment :		Completions		: Total No.	
	:Enrolled	:Total	:Boys	:Girls	:Total	:Boys	:Girls	:Animals
Baby Beef	38	266	247	19	217	199	18	301
Bees	9	20	19	1	13	13	-	-
Colts	7	12	11	1	7	6	1	8
Dairy Calf	60	460	419	41	292	258	34	356
Dairy Heifer	14	82	75	7	66	61	5	81
Cow and Calf	24	90	78	12	69	58	11	130
Breeding Pig	29	201	179	22	157	139	18	718
Sow and Litter	38	186	181	5	147	143	4	1144
Fat Pig	86	2049	1878	171	1342	1217	125	2542
Poultry	87	3370	2034	1336	2141	1236	905	169806
Rabbits	9	12	12	-	8	8	-	79
Sheep	36	126	109	17	89	75	14	640
Total	431	6874	5242	1632	4548	3413	1135	175905

Livestock Summary continued

Project	Value	Cost	Profit	Prizes
Baby Beef	\$25853.84	\$21604.27	\$ 4249.57	\$ 2484.91
Bees	287.70	124.81	162.89	-
Colts	685.00	403.05	281.95	-
Dairy Calf	19437.09	11261.67	8175.42	280.85
Dairy Heifer	5270.61	3838.25	1432.36	128.00
Cow and Calf	11065.63	7488.17	3577.46	101.00
Breeding Pig	8599.68	5197.65	3402.03	317.00
Sow and Litter	10714.78	6262.49	4452.29	245.75
Fat Pig	44283.85	30966.98	13316.87	610.05
Poultry	151843.65	107452.86	44390.79	790.47
Rabbits	305.47	132.80	172.67	-
Sheep	5642.72	3794.91	1847.81	428.30
Total	283990.02	198527.91	85462.11	5386.33

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Summary of Negro Agents' Reports

Crop Summary

Project	: Counties:		Enrollment		: Completions			: Number
	: Enrolled	: Total	: Boys	: Girls	: Total	: Boys	: Girls	: Acres
Beautification	9	212	10	202	186	5	181	-
Corn	29	1485	1479	6	1271	1266	5	1314
Cotton	7	105	105	-	98	98	-	103
Gardens	28	2863	678	2185	2463	546	1917	816
Peanuts	11	446	445	1	422	421	1	438
Potatoes (Irish)	15	192	178	14	177	164	13	61
Potatoes (Sweet)	15	176	151	25	152	129	23	48
Soybeans	1	2	2	-	2	2	-	2
Tobacco	8	65	65	-	53	53	-	46
Total	123	5546	3113	2433	4824	2684	2140	2528

Crop Summary continued

Project	Yield	Value	Cost	Profit	Prizes
Beautification	-	-	-	-	-
Corn	41529 bu.	\$34422	\$ 15310	\$19112	\$ 80
Cotton	63778	2725	1584	1141	20
Gardens	14202	32194	13013	19181	30
Peanuts	537660	19905	8132	11773	20
Potatoes (Irish)	5689	5023	1734	3289	20
Potatoes (Sweet)	2888	2876	1017	1859	30
Soybeans	52	104	21	83	-
Tobacco	26810	2986	1056	1930	-
Total	-	100235	41867	58368	200

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Livestock Summary

Project	: Counties :		Enrollment		: Completions			: Number
	: Enrolled :	Total :	Boys :	Girls :	Total :	Boys :	Girls :	Animals
Dairy Calf	7	13	13	-	12	12	-	13
Fat Pig	26	755	726	29	683	655	28	812
Poultry	29	2650	587	2063	2121	431	1690	56491
Total	62	3418	1326	2092	2816	1098	1718	57316

Livestock Summary continued

Project	Value	Cost	Profit	Prizes
Dairy Calf	\$ 315	\$ 183	\$ 132	\$ -
Fat Pig	10304	4502	5802	10
Poultry	30516	14099	16417	15
Total	41135	18784	22351	25

COMPILATION OF TOTALS OF ALL PROJECTS

	: Total :		Project Demonstrations :		Project Completions		
	:Members:	Total :	Boys :	Girls :	Total :	Boys :	Girls
White	12,433	13,387	9,434	3,953	8,946	6,103	2,833
Negro	8,964	8,964	4,439	4,525	7,640	3,782	3,858
Total	21,397	22,351	13,873	8,478	16,586	9,885	6,691

	Total Value :	Total Cost :	Total Profit :	Total Prizes
White	\$395,025.46	\$240,925.18	\$154,100.28	\$6,471.98
Negro	141,370.00	60,651.00	80,719.19	225.00
Total	536,395.46	301,576.18	234,819.47	6,696.98

V. WORK IN COOPERATION WITH OTHER AGENCIES

The h-H club program with the men agents is worked in close cooperation with other agencies. In soil conservation, work was done in many of the counties in terracing, crop rotation and gully control. Use was made in financing many of the livestock projects through the farm credit with good results. With the farm security some work was done in enrolling club members in submarginal families and plans are under way for special club projects for members enrolled from the submarginal families. Definite work was done in rural electrification in about six counties. Club members assisted in surveys and did special work in outlining the use of electricity on the farm. Cooperation with the Tennessee Valley authorities was largely in the keeping of farm accounts on demonstration farms by h-H club members. This project has proved very satisfactory to both the Tennessee Valley people and as a club project.

The work with all of these organizations has had a good influence on the extension program. A number of meetings have been held on both a county and a state level in trying to work out closer cooperation.

VI. FOREGAST

The outlook remains good, and with national programs becoming more stable the hope is that the agents will have more time to give to club work. The interest in and the demand for h-H club work is greater than at any time in the past. The determining factor is the necessary appropriations to employ sufficient workers to meet the demand for the work and to get the clubs organized in time to put on a good program. Plans for developing

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4-H club work during the year will be along the same lines as has been followed for the past few years, based on good project work and the community 4-H club organization, with a program each month built around the needs and interests of the young people in the community.

A special effort will be made to do more work with older boys and girls, especially those who have dropped out of school. Special attention will be given newly appointed agents, and agents in counties with a club enrollment of less than 100 members. We plan to continue our leader training work and make a special effort to have at least one leader training meeting in each county.

VII. ASSISTANCE DESIRED FROM THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

1. To print a national 4-H club manual for general use with leaders.
2. To supply state with copy of outstanding material from other states.
3. Field assistance in recreation and group discussion, leadership training, photographer, etc.

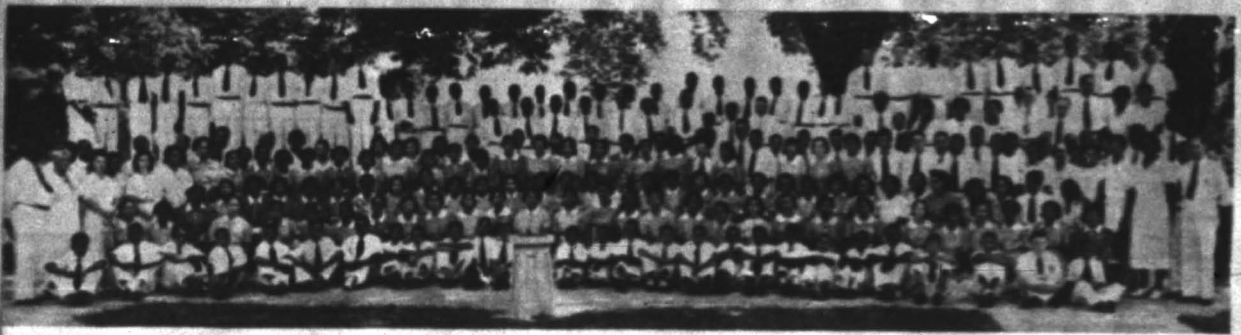
PICTORIAL SECTION



Vesper Services at the State 4-H Club Short Course on the V.P.I. Campus near the Library.



Learning folk games.
Note: Mr. Chase is teaching the same game to four different circles.



Delegates attending the State 4-H Short Course for Negroes, Virginia State College, Ettrick, Virginia, July 7-10.

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**Members Receiving
Blue Ribbons in the
Correct Dress Revue
Top, Informal; Mid-
dle, School; Bottom,
Church and Street.**





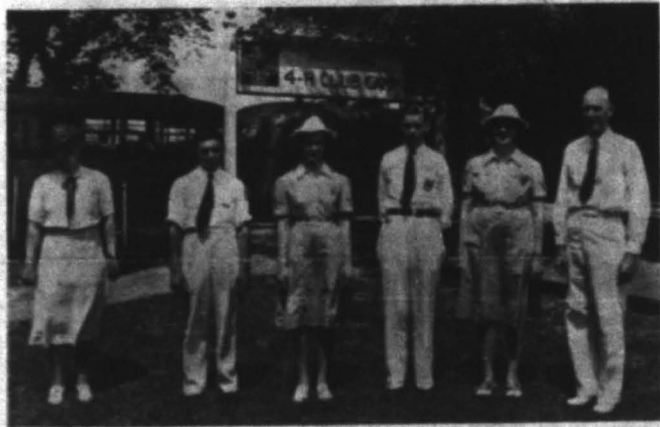
All Stars attending the Seventeenth Annual All Star Conference.



Newly elected officers.

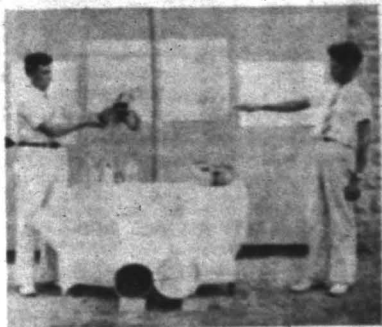
Short Course.—President, Ben Dudley, Albemarle; Vice-president, James Coyner, Augusta; Secretary, Muriel Wheeler, Fairfax.
All Stars.—Big Chief, Jack Ferguson, Henrico; Lesser Chief, Francis Turner, Patrick; Scribe, Mary Alice Turman, Loudoun; Scout, Maria Bowman, Augusta; Medicine Man, Gordon A. Elcan.
Leaders.—President, Mr. Edward Russel, Prince William; First Vice-president, Mrs. James Kelley, Washington; Second Vice-president, Mrs. F. S. Robertson, Amelia; Secretary, Miss Louise Louis, Appomattox.

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NATIONAL 4-H CLUB CAMP — VIRGINIA GROUP
Miss Hallie L. Hughes, Calvin Reynolds, Ann Valentine, Alvin Anthony,
Pauline Reynolds, and Mr. Gordon A. Elean

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1939 State Champion Dairy Demonstration
Team
Left to right — Gilbert Rollins, Selwyn
Smith, Prince William County.

Shows Father How to Raise Hogs



Edwin Hunter, a member of the Cypress Chapel 4-H Club of Nansemond County, had two fat pigs as his club project for 1939. Edwin purchased his two pigs from his father; they were out of a farrow of eight and were eight weeks old when he bought them. At the end of five months and one day, Edwin's hogs weighed 234 pounds each, while his father's hogs from the same farrow weighed between 90 and 100 pounds each. It cost Edwin \$17.43 to raise these two hogs and he sold them Saturday, September 16, to Joel Harrell, a meat packer in the Suffolk vicinity, for \$33.93. Edwin and his father are thoroughly convinced that it pays to feed pigs well, even though it requires a great deal of attention.



First Prize Guernsey Heifers at State 4-H Dairy Club Show

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This picture shows 4-H club members at play during the Tri-County Rally of Giles, Montgomery and Pulaski County 4-H clubs on the V. P. I. campus May 20. The building in the background is the East Stone Dormitory, near the main entrance to the oval, in which many of the delegates to the State Short Course will be quartered. The building at the extreme upper right is a new dormitory just being completed.

A companion picture (on page 1) taken at the Rally shows the members and leaders grouped on the steps of the Teaching and Administration Building.



Tri-County Rally

The 4-H club members in Giles, Montgomery and Pulaski counties combined their efforts and held a tri-county 4-H Rally in Blacksburg on the V. P. I. campus May 20 with 440 club members, leaders and parents attending. This was the first attempt by these counties to hold a joint program; however, those who attended expressed a desire to make it an annual event.

The program started at 10:30 A. M. in the college auditorium following a 15-minute prelude of organ music by Dr. Fred Haynes. This one-hour program consisted of group singing led by Mrs. Dennett Guthrie; reports by each county council president; inspirational talks by John E. Hutcheson, Miss Maude Wallace, C. A. Montgomery and G. A. Elcan; introduction of other extension workers; and a solo by Miss Kathleen Luster.

Other features of the day's program were: games on the drill field, led by the members of the V. P. I. Alumni 4-H Club; a joint radio program with the V. P. I. Alumni 4-H Club; a picnic lunch at the college picnic grounds; and tours of campus.

The tours included an agronomy tour led by Dr. T. B. Hutcheson; dairy tour led by C. W. Goldaway and P. M. Reaves; home economics tour led by Dr. Mildred Tate; and a poultry tour led by H. L. Moore.

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Luray 4-H Club Members and Officers

First row (left to right): Bobby Shirley, Louis Brubaker, Hassell Brumbach, vice-president; Mary Shirley, reporter; Richard Long, president; Marie Sedwick, secretary; Mae Strickler, treasurer; Jimmy Sedwick, Jimmy Strickler.

Second row: James Gander, Robert Huffman, Eugene Mauck, Frances Montgomery, Gladys Bailey, Elizabeth Modisett, Ruth Bailey, Elmo Abbott, Richard Winsbro.

Third row: Dale Shaffer, Robert Winsbro, Paul Printz, Wallace Judd, Joe Miller, Tommy Shirley, and Otis Spittler.



Smiles Win in Nelson County

Members of the Rockfish Valley 4-H Club. Officers are: President—Thomas Lee Foster; vice-president—Margaret Land; secretary—Susie Hughes; treasurer—Catherine Foster; reporter—Billy Brown; pianist—Mary Rhodes; song leader—Viola Lowe; cheer leader—Wilbur Fox; artist—Dorothy Phillips; leader—Miss Mary E. Hankla (behind banner in center.)

4-H Club Members of Lee County Study Soils



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V. P. I. 4-H ALUMNI CLUB

Front Row (left to right): F. H. Dobbins, Professor E. R. Price, Earl Shiffett, Jo Sanford, Cecil Smith, Philip Reading, Bill Thompson, Kermit Cline, Charles Wood, Jimmy Howe, Gordon A. Elcan.

Second Row: Ada Sanford, Jane Allen, Ray Shiffet, Mary Owens, Johnny Hooker, Mildred Aigner, Elizabeth Abbott, Willard Miller, Lillian Wimmer, Russell Childress, Johnnie Gillespie, P. A. Tate, Mary Jane Gillespie, J. W. Armstrong.

Third Row: Louise Hankla, A. B. Johnson, Grace Covey, Hazel Whittaker, O. D. Turner, W. F. Hale, Margaret Fitchett, H. C. Clower, J. C. Moore, Harriet Adams, R. O. McCormick, M. J. Armstrong.

Fourth Row: R. W. Kash, Jr., T. H. Sydnor, D. T. Rogers, H. M. Blair, W. H. Claypool, William Skelton, Mary Land, Calvin Wisman.

Officers of 1939 State Short Course, All Star Chapter and Leaders' Organization



Here they are, fellow club members! The officers of the All Star Chapter, reading left to right — Pat Haden, big chief, Goochland; Vera Hansen, scribe, Henrico; Earl Shiffett, lesser chief, Augusta. Presiding officers of the Short Course — Katherine Spencer, secretary, Orange; Brinkley Harrell, president, Nansemond; Louise Compton, vice-president, Montgomery. Officers of the leaders' association — Helen Crouch, secretary, Loudoun; Irene Gough, president, Campbell; Almentine Rainey, first vice-president, Dinwiddie; Mrs. Abner Rhea, second vice-president, Washington.



Well-built, but firebox should be raised nearer cooking surface.



Attractive spot, but firebox much too big. Firebox may be raised by putting loose stones in the bottom. Cooking surface low even for children.



The class in party planning with an outdoor supper party under way at the V. P. I. picnic nook.

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What the Well-Dressed 4-H Clubber Should Wear



The group of 4-H club members pictured above won blue ribbons in the correct dress revue of the annual meeting of the state clubs held yesterday at Blacksburg. Pictured are: Virginia Lasky, Beaupine Miller,

Luken Levis, Louise Waters, Gertrude Moyer, Lila Marshall, Nancy Lee Harbough, Bessie Haden, Doris Cline, Tom Howard, and Franklin Conner. (Times Staff Photo—Hammersley).

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Win Blue Ribbons



These 4-H club members won first prizes in the sportswear class of the correct dress revue of the 4-H clubs held at V. P. I. yesterday afternoon. They are (front to back): Mabel Wall, King William; Janice Meredith, Radford; Louise Williams, Turbeville; John Calvin Reynolds, Woodstock, and John Williamson, Esmont. (Times staff photo—Hammersley.)

Win Blue Ribbons in 4-H Correct Dress Revue



Members of this group were among winners in the 4-H club dress revue yesterday afternoon at V. P. I. This group was in the proper dress for street and church division. Left to right, they are: John Slovenaki, Occuquam; Jansy Wingfield, Naruna; Marjorie Fitzpatrick,

Lexington; Etta Mason Sneed, Etna Mill; Helen Wilson, Ivy; Thelma Wingo, Amelia; and Phillip Calhoun, Sterling. (Times Staff Photo-Hammersley).

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