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III. CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE 1950 PROGRAM TO BETTER FAMILY LIVING.

The 1950 program has contributed to better family living by improving skills, increasing knowledge and changing of attitudes, and through these family standards have been raised, rural leadership developed and good community life promoted. Family incomes may not have been increased as a result of the program, but definitely it has contributed to saving money on foods, clothing and house furnishings, so there would be more for other commodities and it is believed the program has helped to enlarge the vision of the rural families.

A. FOODS

The major unit in the 1950 program in in foods.

The women felt that since many homemakers were discarding their wood ranges for electric and gas, they wanted to know how to use them economically and efficiently. They also wanted to know short cuts in food preparation so they could give their families variety and nutritious meals, yet provide more time for the ever increasing demands on the homemaker's time and energy inside as well as outside the home.

B. FEDERATION GOAL

Federation Goal Activities. Increase club enrollment.

The Federation goal activities on Art in Daily Living resulted in the families having a greater appreciation for music, art, poetry, good reading, nature, the important place recreation has in one's life and various handicrafts, women get real satisfaction from things they make or create. This was proven in the interest in making the etched aluminum trays. 194 trays were made. One club had five new members because of this project.

C. HEALTH

Home Demonstration women cooperate with County Health Unit.

All of the clubs had one program devoted to "Know Your County Health Unit". These programs gave information on services available through the County Health Unit.

One hundred and thirty women reported having a better understanding of the Health Unit's program. *Information passed on to 256*

Many home demonstration women assisted in various clinics and furnished transportation.

The home demonstration women worked long and diligently to make the Health Unit a reality so were anxious that it provide the maximum service to the people. (Unit established July 1, 1949).

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D. HOME AND COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT

Home Demonstration clubs cooperate with War Memorial Highway Project. Highway Route #15 through the county has been selected to be developed as a War Memorial to the veterans of World War I and II. Focal point landscaped and dedicated. Project to carry over several years. (See other activities IV - B)

Rivanna Home Demonstration Club raised \$500 for Community House Fund. In their home and community improvement projects (a long time objective), the Rivanna Community House is nearing completion. This is a community project sponsored by the home demonstration club. Its members have worked like beavers to get it built. The club pledged and raised \$500 during the year.

Fairhope Home Demonstration Club helped furnish Veterans of Foreign Wars Community Post.

One hundred and sixty three yard improvements reported. 38-55 mailboxes and 39 entrance improvements reported. (Mailbox and entrance improvement continued from 1949.)

E. LEADERSHIP

1. Home Demonstration Leaders

Leadership was greatly strengthened in 1950. Better attendance at leader training meetings - 193 in 1950; 143 in 1949.

Leaders held 49 meetings without agent.

Project leaders responsible for 121 programs. This was an increase over last year.

Leaders have developed a stronger sense of responsibility.

Agent gave 16 demonstrations to old clubs, 4 to newly organized groups.

2. 4-H Leadership

Community project leaders show improvement.

F. COMMUNITY RECREATION

1. HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUBS

James River sponsored monthly community recreation programs.

All clubs have one or more recreational programs.

2. 4-H

Point of Fork 4-H Club continues to lead in recreational activities. County recommended for \$25.00 prize in Recreation and Rural Arts Contest.

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G. PROGRAM EXPANSION

Three new clubs organized.

4-H Club --

Membership shows decrease - 1949 - 220; 1950 - 197.

Completions higher

Percent of members completed 1949 - 95.5 1950 - 99.5

Percentage of projects completed - 1949 - 96.9 1950 - 98.9%

Seven out of ten clubs 100% completion of projects.

Point-of-Fork Club leads County in recreation activities.

IV. ADULT

A. PROJECT

1. FOODS

a. FOOD PRODUCTION - GARDENING

18 Leaders trained by specialist.

Programs by leaders 11 Agent 0

Attendance _____

Objectives:

- (1) To give the women the benefit of recent research in gardening, seed management, disease and insect control.
- (2) To increase interest in home production of foods to offset lower farm incomes and to "beat" high prices of foods.

Results: Better year around gardens.

b. FOOD PRESERVATION

This phase of foods work has been covered so completely in the past few years, no special emphasis was put on it. Much of the canning is done at the cannery.

Subject matter materials were given and assistance on request in both canning and freezing. (County-wide demonstration on freezing foods given last year.)

More home freezers have been installed and whereas, reports did not indicate such a large increase in frozen foods, the

agent feels there has been quite an increase but faulty reporting.

Canned foods - 1949 - 52,956; 1950 32,106

Frozen foods - 1949 17,437; 1950 18,621

3 Meat canning demonstrations given by agent.

1 Sulphurizing demonstration given by agent.

c. FOOD PREPARATION

Leaders trained by specialist. Attendance _____

(1) Uses of the Master Mix

_____ demonstrations given by leaders.

Objective: To teach the women that through better planning and management, short cuts are available that will give them more time for other activities, yet provide good foods for the family.

Result: The Master Mix was reported used 536 times. Comments on the Master Mix products have been excellent, and request for the recipes continue to come in from non-members.

(2) Oven Meals

13 demonstrations given by leaders

Objective: To teach women how to plan and prepare meals that will not only be nutritious, but will save time, energy and fuel; (2) to use the increasing number of electric and gas stoves more efficiently.

Result: Oven meal recipes were reported used 353 times. (This is low - again poor reporting).

One club followed through with demonstration put on by a local gas stove dealer. 25 women attended this meeting. Dealers in both electric and gas stoves very cooperative.

(3) Salads

Leader training meeting not held. It was felt that if recipes were given the leaders, they could try them out and decide which to use for club demonstration. The agent obtained recipes from food specialist, made mimeographed copies for leader and members. These went out early to the leaders, but as a whole these demonstrations were not

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up to the usual standard, so the agent plans in the future to call leaders in for training, regardless of how simple the demonstration.

Objective: To get the women out of the "salad rut", to teach them newer combinations and to prepare better and more salads since raw foods are so important in the diet.

Results: Total of 275 new salad recipes were reported used. (Many more were actually used.)

(4) Christmas Candies

Leaders were given mimeographed recipes and general instruction.

Leaders gave 10 demonstrations.

Objectives: To teach the women the important steps in candy making, arouse more interest in homemade candies by improving standards and to provide new recipes.

Result: The leaders did a nice job. Much interest was shown in this demonstration.

In several clubs members were asked to bring a sample of their favorite candy and the recipe, also in several clubs boxes of candy were assembled and sent to the sick or aged.

201 new candy recipes were reported used.

2. HANDICRAFT - ETCHED ALUMINUM TRAYS

17 leaders trained by a specialist, supplemented by training by agent.

Objective: To teach the women to make useful, attractive trays for their own use as well as for gifts which provides pleasure for them and also saves them money.

Result: The women got real enjoyment from this project. 194 trays were reported made and they continue to make them either for gifts or to sell.

A number of new members were added to the club rolls because of this project. One club had 5 added at that time.

3. CLOTHING

20 leaders trained by specialist.

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a. GOOD GROOMING AND HEALTH

Demonstrations by leaders 7 By agent 4

Objective: To create a desire for improvement of general appearance and teach the relationship of good grooming to good health.

Results: The women seemed quite interested in this project, it being a follow-up of the 1949 clothing project, which included a study of color, lines and fabric for different type figures and clothing construction.

They were impressed with the definite "tie up" of good health and good grooming.

156 reported improvements in grooming and health habits.

b. TAILORED BUTTONS AND BELTS

Demonstrations by leaders 8 By agent 5 (2 in new clubs)

Objective: To teach the women the technique of making professional looking buttons and belts, therefore saving the expense of having them made.

This was also a continuation of last year's program.

This demonstration was enthusiastically received by the women, but since it was given in October the women could not show much result, however 235 buttons were reported made, and 33 belts. (Evidently those whose meetings came early in the month got busy, also the leaders who were trained during the summer made real use of their training.)

4. HOUSE FURNISHINGS

a. LAMPS AND SHADES

17 leaders trained by specialist.

14 demonstrations given by leaders.

Objective: (1) To teach the women the fundamentals of better lighting.

(2) To make attractive and functional lamps and shades to save money.

(3) To satisfy the desire to create or make with ones hands.

Results: These demonstrations were scheduled for November and club reports were made up in October, consequently this

was not included, but will be checked on 1950 reports.

The lamp demonstrations have been received well in most of the clubs. (2 not too interested).

Leaders have been unable to get material for shades. Needs for individual clubs to be combined and ordered. Extra meetings are planned for shades.

5. HEALTH - KNOW YOUR FLUVANNA COUNTY HEALTH UNIT

7 Leaders trained by Health Unit personnel - health officer, county nurse, and sanitarian.

Agent followed through on training leaders unable to attend leader training meeting or conducted the club program.

Objective: (1) To inform the peoples of the county regarding services available through the Health Department.

(2) To make the women conscious of the need to cooperate with the unit in their effort to give the maximum service to the citizens of the county.

Results: The attendance at the leader training meeting was poor due to the fact it came early in December when the farm families were busy with butchering and meat curing and canning.

Attendance at local club meetings also poor, however, this information was passed on to 256 people.

Home demonstration women served at clinics, provided transportation for people to get to clinics or health office. One club had the county nurse give their program.

In various capacities 58 women reported cooperating with the Health Unit.

It is felt generally, however that the unit hasn't made the contribution it was set up to make due to many changes in personnel and long periods of time when there wouldn't be a nurse or health officer on the job.

6. HOUSING

Miss Mary E. Settle, House Improvement Specialist, spent one day in the county and assisted four families with remodeling problems:

- One kitchen
- One bath
- One living room and storage
- One general.

8 families have put in baths
11 kitchens remodeled

33 rooms papered or painted
20 houses painted

Work continued on Bug's Farm Project (Farm chosen in 1949
for Soil Conservation Face Lifting Project):

Roof fixed
5 rooms wallboarded and painted
Bath installed.

7. MISCELLANEOUS

a. Sewing Machine Clinic

Objective: To teach the women how to clean, adjust,
repair and care for sewing machine.

A countywide machine clinic was conducted by a member of
the agricultural engineering department at Blacksburg.

12 machines cleaned and adjusted

Attendance 16

One club had as their "club choice" program a machine
clinic. This was conducted by the agent.

Attendance 16, Machines cleaned and adjusted 8.

B. OTHER ACTIVITIES

1. FEDERATION GOAL - Art in Daily Living (Second Year)

Objective: (1) To develop an appreciation for country life in
all its phases; (2) develop an appreciation for the cultural things
in daily living.

There were 12 goal leaders. The county goal chairman was also
carried over for the second year. She was well fitted for the job,
being an accomplished singer, has a great appreciation for the finer
things in life.

Five or ten minutes of each club program was devoted to music, art,
nature or some phase of the program set up by the Federation Goal
chairman, selected from the outline in the Virginia Federation of
Home Demonstration Clubs Handbook.

Some were:

a. Love of country life --

- (1) Understand and appreciate beauties of nature -- sunset,
stars, woods, fields, gardens, wild flowers.

(2) Study of rural and other pictures. Origin, painter, meaning.

(3) Study and enjoy music. Origin, composer, etc.

b. Creative Arts

(1) Develop an appreciation of basic art principals and good taste in selection.

(a) Consider ultimate use of article created. (To prevent women from cluttering their homes, and using times to make articles that do not have real value. Result: decided decrease in the making of useless crocheted articles. Fair has done much to bring this about).

(b) Strive to achieve a high standard of workmanship.

Result: All eleven clubs were keenly interested and many interested phases of the program presented. The music appreciation part caused homemakers to better understand music. Many attended special musical programs by real artist in Richmond and Charlottesville, also attended the Spring Music Festival in Charlottesville.

One club devoted an entire program to music and opera using recordings.

Good music is replacing inferior. Several clubs had programs on beautiful architecture in Virginia. Others studied wild flowers. More women visited art museums and exhibits.

Landscaping and roadside beautification became more meaningful.

Club women became more interested in good reading. Result: 5 circulating libraries in county.

194 metal trays made. The making of the etched trays was the most interesting project of the year's calendar. The women made excellent trays and the interest still runs high. They continue to make the trays.

2. COUNTY FAIR BETTER THAN IN 1949

The 1950 County Fair sponsored chiefly by the agricultural professional workers with other groups cooperating, was larger and better than in previous years.

The school officials cooperated by giving the use of the gymnasium, grounds and other buildings to be used for Fair, also gave a school day.

There was a decided increase in quantity and quality of exhibits, the latter showing that the fairs in the past have improved standards. Over 1000 attended.

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Contests and special programs continued throughout the day and evening.

Prizes greatly increased this year. Through the generosity of local business firms and interested individuals, the only source of revenue, the prizes were greatly increased this year. This caused more and better products to be exhibited.

The Home Demonstration Fair Committee was appointed by the County Home Demonstration Executive Committee in the Fall. These met with the County Committee, then followed through with a larger committee made up of superintendents of various departments and their assistants.

Result: The Fair was better planned. Wonderful cooperation was shown which made for a successful Fair.

HOME DEMONSTRATION EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS--
(Based on some phase of year's program)

- (1) Backyard Improvement - Fairhope Club - won first place, excellent. Before and After in Miniature - Second time club has won first place in Educational Exhibits.
- (2) Uses of "Master Mix" - Kents Store Club - won second place. Showed jar of "Master Mix" and products made from mix - cookies, cakes, muffins, waffles, etc. Had mimeographed recipes available.
- (3) Lamps from Many Things - Cunningham Club - 3rd. place winner, very good. Showed lamps made from bottles, vases, pieces of wood, etc., also materials and equipment needed for making lamps and shades including samples.
- (4) Safety Underfoot - Bybee Club - very good - clever and attractive.
- (5) Health - Know Your Health Department - very good - put on jointly by the local health department and the Central Plains Club, consequently not judged with others.
- (6) Hobbies in Art of Daily Living - Antioch Club - good. Showed the various things that affords recreation in the home, games, music, good reading, some phases of cooking (cakes, candy), handicrafts.
- (7) Oven Meals - James River Club - very good - electric stove with a prepared oven meal. Mimeographed oven meal combinations and recipes available.
- (8) Etched Trays - Troy Club - very good - exhibit showed steps in making trays, materials and equipment needed.
- (9) Christmas Gift Time - Palmyra Club - good. Showed a minimum of excellent gifts, Christmas list, calendar of work, etc.

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- (10) Good Reading, Rivanna Club - very good. Books grouped attractively under different interest headings. Excellent posters.

3. ACHIEVEMENT DAY

Approximately 200 attended supper and program. A buffet "dutch" supper was served in the county high school cafeteria at 6:30 P.M. which was attended by the old and young. Homemakers were told to bring whatever they wanted to contribute to the dinner. There was an abundance of excellent food - main dishes, salads, desserts and breads.

Everyone enjoyed not only the food but a good "get together".

At eight o'clock the program began in the auditorium, which included special music (piano solo, a double quartette, all men in the latter wearing aprons), the county report given interestingly as a skit, recognition of newly organized clubs, and highlighted by a talk by Mr. B. L. Hummel, who gave a most interesting account of his visits and observations in countries of Europe.

4. COMMUNITY HOUSES

(1) The Rivanna Community House is nearing completion, that is, completed sufficiently to use. They expect to have it ready by Christmas. This group has worked diligently on this project. All materials were gotten at cost or given. The entire community have cooperated. The entire community was solicited for funds or materials. The home demonstration club pledged \$500 in 1950. This was raised - Howl Lawn parties, bake sales, rummage sales, handicraft sales, etc. Each club member pledged \$5.00 to be earned in some way. Some members gave their Fair prize money over and above the \$5.00 pledge.

(2) Troy Community House

This project seems to be "Status Quo". The land has been donated and some money in bank, but the committee felt materials were too high at this time so interest seemed to wane. It is hoped the Rivanna Achievement will inspire the Troy group to greater effort.

5. LIBRARIES

Through the Federation Goal activities "Art in Daily Living" more women have become interested in better reading. Since there isn't a public library in the county, five clubs have the lending libraries from the State Library in Richmond. The women from nearby communities whose club does not have a library also use these. One community has access to a Bookmobile serving another county.

The women are definitely becoming more and more interested in good books for their family.

6. COUNTY-WIDE OBJECTIVES

a. Every Woman a Voter

Objective: To stimulate interest in executing the responsibilities and privileges of citizenship.

Most of the clubs had a citizenship chairman who urged the women to be registered, inform themselves and vote, but apparently with very little results. Only 59 club members reported as voters.

b. Cooperate with Fluvanna County Health Department. (See Health, page 9).

c. Study Youth Problems of the County and Decide how the Home Demonstration Clubs can be Helpful.

Objective: To have each community study its youth problems and make recommendations on being helpful. These to be pooled to give a county-wide picture and follow through with whatever plans seem best. ©

All home demonstration clubs discussed this at meetings from time to time. The Rivanna Club had one whole meeting devoted to it, having on the program, Kent Loving, an All-Star, Virginia's 1949 representative in The International Farm Youth Exchange Project, Elizabeth Hilton, All-Star, and 1948 State winner in Home Improvement, winning trip to Chicago and a member of the Older Youth or Young Adult Group organized in 1950.

© Their contributions were very interesting.

The home demonstration clubs sponsored one or more recreation party during the year. The James River Club has almost a monthly recreation party. These include all ages and provides much enjoyment for old and youth.

The home demonstration women offered to serve refreshments at the monthly meetings of the Older Youth Group, but this group seemed to disintegrate so very little was done.

The home demonstration clubs made contribution to International Farm Youth project for 1951. All funds haven't been turned in.

The home demonstration clubs made their annual contribution to the Fair prize fund.

It was decided that one of the real needs in the county was community centers and one large center where youth from the entire county could get together;

A wider variety of vocational classes available at the high school since so many boys and girls did not go to college;

More and better trained 4-H club leaders to help members in their respective community.

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d. Stimulate Interest in Home and Community

Objective: To create a desire on the part of the family for more attractive homes and surroundings, also communities.

This was a carry over from 1949 (a long time objective). The women are continuing to work on this project.

55 mailboxes were reported improved and 57 entrances. 163 reported backyard improvements.

The groups were delayed in getting the Yard Improvement Project started.

The Landscape Specialist has spent one day in the county (November) training leaders and visiting families who are setting up result demonstrations. He plans to come back for a couple of days in January or February to help demonstrators in each community.

One driving around the county can observe many improvements, homes and outbuildings painted, surroundings cleaner and more attractive.

War Memorial Highway - another long time objective that the home demonstration clubs are cooperating with is the Route #15 War Memorial Project. This highway from the points it enters the county, Zion Cross Roads on the north and Brevoort Bluff on the south, will be developed into a scenic highway as a Memorial to the Veterans of World War I and II. A county-wide committee was set up with the Home Demonstration County Committee Chairman and other club members serving on the County Committee and sub-committees.

One point, a triangle at Dixie where Route #6 comes into Route #15, has been completed - landscaped, marker and flag pole erected and dedicatory services held on November 11 with Governor John S. Battle, speaker.

In a few years with all groups working together, this project will be completed with the route landscaped throughout the county with markers at each focal point telling that it is a Memorial Highway.

e. District Federation Meeting

Forty home demonstration women attended the meeting of the Sixth District of the Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs in Fredericksburg in May. This was quite a distance for the Fluvanna group.

The group enjoyed the day of inspiration, recreation and education. Mrs. E. C. Browning, County Home Demonstration Committee

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Chairman, gave the County report. Fluvanna invited the group to meet here in 1951.

f. Institute of Rural Affairs

The Home Demonstration Committee Chairman and the three other home demonstration women attended the meeting of the Virginia Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs and Institute of Rural Affairs. These women enjoyed these meetings and have created interest in better attendance in 1951. They gave excellent reports.

g. Extending Electric Lines

49 new subscribers have been reported by the Central Virginia Electric Cooperative making a total of 207 families served by them. The agent has never been able to get figures from the Virginia Electric and Power Company.

Most of the white families of the county now have electricity.

h. Electric Range Survey and Meter Study

Fluvanna County was selected as one of the counties to make the electric range survey and meter study. The latter was to have been conducted by a power company home service workers. Since the Central Virginia Electric Cooperative did not have a home service worker, the agent was asked to conduct the meter study also. The A. L. Greene family have agreed to cooperate with this project.

i. United Nations Program

12 clubs had United Nations Program in their respective groups. These were put on by the Federation Goal leaders or the agent. One home demonstration leader gave such an outstanding program on the United Nations, she was asked to give the same program at a P.T.A. meeting, also at the Daughters of the American Revolution.

12 flags were made by home demonstration club members. These presented to schools, community houses and the local court. Local ministers were requested to give prayers for the United Nations and emphasize the hopes of the organization in all their services during United Nations Week.

j. Floor Sanding Demonstration

A Floor Sanding Demonstration was put on through the cooperation of the Clarke Sanding Company. Approximately twenty attended the demonstration. A terrific storm early in the afternoon prevented many from attending. The home selected for the demonstration was the home of a former 4-H member and a very active home demonstration club member, and has served as a community 4-H club leader for four years. Her husband is president of the Young Adult group.

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The family followed through by sanding the other floors. It has been an inspiration to others to sand their floors - making them easier to care for.

V. 4-H CLUB

A. PROJECT WORK

98.94% completions:1949 - 96.9%

Total number projects enrolled 283; Completed 280.

1. FOODS

A leader training meeting was held in April by a food specialist. 13 community leaders attended. They were trained for Food Preparation and Food Preservation - Canning and Freezing.

The agent trained 5 community leaders.

a. FOOD PREPARATION 98.5% Completion

This project was the most popular food project.

Objective: (1) To have members acquire an understanding of the preparation and combination of foods and selection of adequate diets; (2) To develop skills in planning, preparing and serving meals; (3) To acquire desirable food habits.

There were 7 community groups taking this project, some meeting each week, some every other week and two monthly. The leaders followed the outlines worked out by the food specialist for this project. Where leaders were not available, the agent sent the materials to the individual member with a letter to the mother asking her cooperation in helping her daughter with the project. The agent also visited as many of the girls as she could, check on their progress wherever she came in contact with member. She also sent out a circular letter the latter part of the summer reminding them of the requirements of completion. Older club members served as junior leaders.

Result: 68 enrolled; 67 completed.

Members taking project represented 9 of the 10 regular 4-H clubs.

Summary:

Total number of times planned family dinner 1235.
Total number of times planned and served school lunch 605.
(Most members get lunches at school).
Total number of times helped to plan, prepare and serve club meal 27.
Total number times set table 2524.
Total number times made cake 462, cookies 415.
Total number times made milk dish 876.

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Total number times made salad 1477.
Total number times cooked vegetables 2532.
Total number times helped prepare and serve club refreshments 61.
Total number times took food for judging 31.
Total number times judged food 16.

There was a decided improvement in quantity and quality of cakes, cookies and breads exhibited at the fair by club members.

b. FOOD FOR PEP - New Project 98.4% completion

Enrolled 62; Completed 61

Objective: To make members more conscious of their food habits, to teach them better nutrition by studying foods necessary for health and well being; to teach correct setting of table and washing of dishes.

This project was taken during the school year with all meetings held in school.

Five topics studied:

- (1) The Seven Basic Foods - Scrapbooks and posters made.
- (2) Measuring correctly
- (3) Washing dishes correctly
- (4) Correct table setting
- (5) Milk Drinks

This was the first year for this project. Only 3 school clubs took this project. The members who were following through with Food Preparation liked it, others didn't seem too interested.

Summary:

Number keeping record of meals eaten for a week in Winter 62,
Spring 61.
Number learning basic food groups 50.
Number of weeks milk was pasteurized 52 (1 member)
Number times milk drinks made 282.
Number who learned to wash dishes correctly 61.
Number of times dishes were washed 12,657.
Number who learned to set table correctly 61.
Number times table was set 10,266.
Number times planned and prepared own school lunch 1015, Other 262.
How many days used or drank at least one quart of milk 6,990.
(This must have been confusing as many members gave answer completely off - example 1).
Number of demonstrations given 7.

c. FOOD PRESERVATION - Canning and Freezing - 100% Completion.

Enrolled 6; Completed 6.

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Objective: To have members acquire knowledge and develop skills essential to the successful preservation of fruits, vegetables and meats; to increase well balanced diet and reduce cash expenditure for food.

County winner was area winner in Frozen Foods Contest.

Demonstrations given:

Canning - member 1 adult leader 3 junior leader 2
Freezing- member 2 adult leader 1 junior leader -

Number of jars of food canned alone 163.
Number of jars helped to can 603.
Number of people showed how to can 1; freeze 1.
Number of times judged canned products 0; frozen 0.
Number of packages of food prepared for freezing 227.
Number of packages of food helped to prepare for freezing 30.
Number of members who helped make a tomato plan of the amount of tomatoes needed 6.
Number members who helped make a plan for all canned food needed 6.

Whereas only 6 girls were enrolled in the Food Preservation Project, many girls assisted with the family food preservation program.

The exhibits at the fair were greatly increased over past years, and the quality of the products much higher.

The agent had a demonstration on judging exhibiting good and bad jars at all the club meetings before the fair.

2. CLOTHING - Largest enrollment - 98.6% completion

Enrolled 71; completed 70.

a. Clothing III "So You Want to Sew"

Objective: To get young club members started in sewing by equipping a sewing box, getting used to a thimble and making simple articles.

Some older girls took this project so they too, could have the necessary equipment and learn the fundamentals.

This project was a school term project and all instruction was given by the agent.

Demonstrations given:

- (1) Getting ready - equipping sewing box
- (2) Making wrist pin cushion
- (3) Making needlecase

- (4) Making handkerchief
- (5) Simple embroidery
- (6) Making guest or kitchen towel

Instructions and illustrative materials given in the making of other articles.

Results: The members showed real interest in this project. It was carried by 4 clubs. Exhibits were held in each school at the end of the project and prizes were given to the winners. The beginners' sewing class at the fair was very good.

Summary of articles made:

Number headscarfs	<u>11</u>	Stuffed toy	<u>28</u>
Needle cases	<u>70</u>	Wrist pin cushions	<u>66</u>
Baby's bibs	<u>8</u>	Tray cloths	<u>22</u>
Towels, kitchen	<u>57</u>	Broomstick skirts	<u>6</u>
Guest	<u>42</u>	Handkerchiefs	<u>27</u>
Aprons	<u>30</u>	Simple blouses	<u>9</u>
Laundry bags	<u>1</u>		

The members also learned to hemstitch, make french knots, lazy daisy stitch and outline stitch. Several bath robes were made from bath towels.

b. CLOTHING II - MAKE OR REMAKE - 100% Completion

Enrolled 30; Completed 30.

Objective: To have members achieve the following: (1) skills and knowledge required for planning, selecting, constructing, repairing and caring for clothing and (2) develop initiative and dress appropriately; and (3) to develop grace, poise, good posture and habits of good grooming.

This project was taken as a year around project by some of the older girls, but generally a summer project. The girls were assisted by community leaders 6, or by their parents or a junior leader.

Summary:

<u>30</u> made for themselves	<u>28</u> new garments	Cost \$135.74
<u>15</u> made for others	<u>19</u> new garments	Cost \$ 36.18
<u>12</u> remodeled for themselves	<u>28</u> garments	Cost \$ 29.38
<u>5</u> remodeled for others	<u>6</u> garments	Cost \$ 4.25
<u>8</u> dyed for themselves	<u>13</u> garments	Cost \$ 1.25
<u>5</u> dyed for others	<u>5</u> garments	Cost \$.50

Number with complete sewing kits 30

Number who owned patterns 30

Fair exhibits good.

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c. HOME IMPROVEMENT

- (1) Care and Arrangement - 100% Completion
Three clubs took this project

Enrolled 42; Completed 42.

Objective: To have members assume responsibility of helping with housekeeping jobs, learn better methods and provide better facilities for doing housekeeping tasks.

The following demonstrations were given by agent or junior leader:

- (a) Care of room - including furniture arrangement
(b) Making bed
(c) Setting the table - making table mats
(d) The tool box - repairing loose round in chair.

Summary:

42 members cared for room at least three months.
40 members improved arrangement of room
6 members improved walls and woodwork
3 members improved floors
12 members improved wood treatment
6 members made or bought rugs
11 members improved closet space
3 made, remodeled or refinished 3 pieces of furniture
17 made, renovated or refinished 20 pieces of accessory
8 bought new 16 pieces of furniture
29 made or bought 33 pieces of furniture accessories
45 different rooms improved.

- (2) ATTRACTIVE AND COMFORTABLE BEDROOM

Objective: To create in members more interest in having more comfortable and attractive bedrooms, have them learn the basic factors in developing a color scheme, and to provide necessary furnishings for comfort.

100% Completion - Enrolled 2, Completed 2.

The two girls enrolled in this project are developing the project slowly. The house furnishings specialist and the agent have helped them with their planning. Each will serve as a demonstrator.

Summary:

Number members making exhibits 2.
Number doing the following:
Care for room 2
Made color plan 2

Rearranged room 2
Cleaned, papered or painted wall 2
Number members who made, renovated or bought:
curtains 1 rug 1 Closet assessories 1
bedspread 1 dresser 1
1 refinished, upholstered or slip covered 2 pieces of
furniture.
Number different rooms improved 2
Number club tours held 1, attendance 4

Elizabeth Hilton, a former 4-H club member and the 1948 state winner, continues her home improvement work while home from college this summer. She planned and remodeled and painted the kitchen in her home.

Elizabeth, who is also an All-Star, served as 4-H leader in her community rendering a real service in helping members participating in contest with their notebooks.

B. OTHER ACTIVITIES

1. ACHIEVEMENT DAY - FAIR

"The 1950 Fair Bigger and Better".

The Fair takes the place of the 4-H Achievement Day as the Fair is principally for the youth - 4-H, F.F.A. and F.H.A.

Schools were closed and prizes were given to the school having the largest number of parents and friends register. There were contests, stunts, special programs and music to serve as drawing cards. The programs began at 10 A.M. and lasted until 9 P.M.

There was a decided increase in number of exhibits and the quality of exhibits were decidedly better.

Money for prizes was donated by business firms, home demonstration clubs and individuals interested in promoting youth work in the county.

2. COUNTY COUNCIL

The usual County Councils were not held during 1950. The home agent held two meetings with a group of older girls representing the different sections of the county and had them help plan summer project activities and suggestions for 1951 projects.

3. STATE SHORT COURSE

Five girls attended the State Short Course at Blacksburg. The girls were carefully selected so they would not only get a great deal from their experiences during the week, but would bring back to the county information and inspiration obtained there.

One girl, Linda Lee Johnson, of the Point-of-Fork Club was taken into the All-Star Chapter.

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4. CAMP

Fourteen girls attended camp at Holliday Lake 4-H Club Camp. (Others planned to go but again our camp week conflicted with church camp).

Three girls attended Conservation Camp at Holliday Lake.

5. RURAL LIFE SUNDAY

Three communities observed Rural Life Sunday during May following suggestions and materials given by Extension Service.

6. UNITED NATIONS ACTIVITIES

A part of the October meetings was devoted to United Nations. Flags were not made in grade school 4-H clubs as the home demonstration clubs decided to make flags and present them to the schools. The high school club made a flag also put on a United Nations program at chapel.

7. OUTSTANDING CLUB

Point-of-Fork continues to point the way in 4-H club activities. This group of girls twelve to fourteen girls meet one Saturday afternoon during the entire year (most of them also work in their respective school groups).

The group is fortunate in having two wonderful leaders who keep them busy planning and carrying out community projects. There is never a dull moment.

Besides carrying the Food Preparation Project this year where the girls had the opportunity of giving demonstrations planning and serving meals, they continued their excellent recreation programs - plays, skits, games, picnics, folk games, nature hunts, wild flower studies, etc. They held their annual Penny Circus in the nearby village where they also have bake sales from time to time.

They cooperate with the local home demonstration club in sending a member to 4-H camp and to State Short Course.

This group had an impressive Installation Service and Tea for the parents and friends in January, where the girls planned and executed the entire program.

This group is getting wonderful training in working in committees. They do things for the poor, sick or sadder from time to time. It is a real inspiration to work with them. The local home demonstration club and this group work wonderfully together which makes an ideal situation.

The Point-of-Fork Group's outstanding recreation program has been a challenge to other groups consequently the county has been recommended for the \$25.00 award.

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8. INTERNATIONAL FARM YOUTH EXCHANGE PROJECT

Kent Loving, a Fluvanna Youth who spent several months in Denmark last year under the International Farm Youth Exchange Project visited all the 4-H clubs in the county, gave a most interesting account of his experiences adjusting each program to the interest of the group, showing illustrative materials, maps and moving pictures taken during his stay.

As a result, the clubs are making a contribution to this project so Virginia can have a representative in 1951.

VI. OLDER YOUTH

Special emphasis has been put on getting young homemakers in home demonstration clubs which have paid dividends. In several of the club the younger women, 21 to 30, are serving as leaders and doing a splendid job.

One of the newly organized clubs is made up mostly of young homemakers, some have been 4-H club members.

A county-wide older youth group was organized in the county in December but the attendance was poor.

The Rural Youth Specialist and Extension agents met with the executive committee several times and helped work out suggestive programs. Interest picked up for a while only to wane in a few months. By the end of the year there were no meetings held and president had resigned.

The Kents Store Community still has parties, dances, etc. in their Recreation Center every month or so, but do not have set dates or meetings.

VII. SCOPE OF WORK

	1948	1949	1950
Number of Home Demonstration Clubs or Groups	12	12	14*
Membership	278	300	305
No. 4-H Clubs	7	10	10
Membership	197	220	197
Number Older Youth Groups	2	1	2
Membership	60	30	70

Number of other families reached 1948 500 1949 620 1950 650

Total number families reached 1948 1000 1949 1070 1950 1245

* 1 club disbanded at the end of 1949. Some of the members joined other clubs. 3 new clubs organized in the Fall of 1950.

VIII. OTHER ORGANIZATIONS FUNCTIONING IN THE 1950 PROGRAM

A. COUNTY BOARD OF AGRICULTURE - COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD LEADERS

There hasn't been any meetings of this group as County Board of Agriculture but the former members of this organization are now active

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in the home demonstration program which has expanded into three new communities this year. The leaders get their information through these meetings and pass information along to others. 253 families were reached through this method.

B. COUNTY HOME DEMONSTRATION COMMITTEE

Membership 1949 27; 1950 21

The committee held two meetings Spring and Fall, preceded by an Executive Committee Meeting. At the Spring meeting a check was made on program to date, plans made for changes, program planning chairman trained and various county committees appointed.

At the Fall meeting the 1951 program was set up. The program development chairman had a better understanding of their job.

The committee recognizes and assumes its responsibilities more and more, and has certainly strengthened the home demonstration program during 1950.

Mrs. E. C. Browning has made a very fine committee chairman. She is definitely responsible for organizing one of the new clubs.

She has worked diligently with all committees and because of her position was asked to serve on many county committees of cooperative activities.

C. COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

No meetings of the regular council. Agent held two meetings of older girls representing the different sections of the county in making plans for summer activities and planning the 1951 program calendar.

D. ALL-STARS

The Fluvanna County Chapter of the Virginia Chapter of All-Stars has worked more closely with the agents in promoting 4-H club work.

Since most of the All-Stars are in college, they meet during holiday leaves and several times during the summer.

This year they drew up a questionnaire to be filled out by high school 4-H club members and kept on file in the county agent's office, so they will have access to their records easily.

One All-Star, Virginia Lee Pace, goes to the State All-Star Meeting each year and stays over to help with the State Short Course.

Elizabeth Hilton, a state winner in Home Improvement, worked with one of the county winners this summer helping her get her record book ready for the Area Contest.

The agent feels these outstanding young women can and will greatly strengthen the 4-H club and rural youth work in the county.

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Kent Loving's achievements have been a real inspiration to 4-H members as well as those of other All-Stars.

IX. LEADERSHIP

A. ADULT

1. ORGANIZATION LEADERS - Number 1949 74; 1950 104
(Club president, vice president, Federation Goal chairman, Program Development Chairmen, County Home Demonstration Committee, Fair Committee and Achievement Day Committee)

Organization leaders were trained at the Spring and Fall meetings of the county Home Demonstration Committee and individually by the agent. They also studied the Virginia Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs Handbook.

These leaders have shown an improvement each year. They have assumed more responsibilities and initiative.

a. OUTSTANDING CLUB PRESIDENTS

Mrs. John Glass of the Fairhope Club, Mrs. T. J. Loving of the Rivanna Club, and Mrs. A. L. Greene of the Troy Club have showed outstanding in their leadership as club presidents.

Mrs. Glass led the discussion at the Fall training meeting on making club meetings function smoothly and interestingly.

Secretaries are keeping better minutes, but they have requested a leader training meeting and this is planned for new year.

b. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT CHAIRMEN

The program development chairmen improved very much during the year (last year it was too new, they weren't sufficiently trained). They seemed to be alert during the entire year to find out the needs and desires of their respective group and community and during the summer they led discussion on program planning at two meetings breaking up the group into "buzz sessions" and got complete club participation.

c. OTHER ORGANIZATION LEADERS

- (1) The Fair Chairman and her committee did a splendid job. Took much of the planning and work off the agent and were an important part of the "whole". That resulted in the best Fair we've had in the county.
- (2) The Achievement Day Committee worked very cooperatively - planned and carried out the entire program.

2. PROJECT LEADERS - Number 91 1949 96

Attendance at leader training meetings 193.

Club representation at leader training meetings was very good. (Health Training by Health Unit personnel - poorest attendance - came at a time homemakers were busy with butchering.)

If a club's leaders do not get to a leader training meeting, they usually get other club leaders to give their club's demonstration. The agent has given a few demonstrations when leaders did not attend the leader training meeting, but mostly when something prevents the leader from attending the club meeting.

Number of project leaders show slight decrease - explanation of this is one club disbanded at end of 1949 and three new clubs were not organized until October and November.

The club's attitude toward the agent vs. leaders giving demonstrations has changed. They used to think they couldn't hold the interest of the members unless the agent gave the demonstrations. They understand that with the program expansion, it is impossible for the agent to attend all meetings and work up demonstrations.

The Rivanna Club has held eight meetings without the agent, (some of these were planned, others unavoidable), agent attending 4-H Short Course, workshops, leader training meetings, etc.), and the club has had a most successful year.

The home demonstration clubs are still furnishing 4-H community project leaders. The home demonstration committee, after an appeal from the agent, set up as one of their objectives to "Have More Home Demonstration Women Serve as 4-H Leaders."

Growth of H.D. Club Project Leadership	1948	1949	1950
No. project leaders and goal chairman	79	96	91
No. training meetings held by Specialist	6	6	9
Agent	6	20	9
Attendance at all training meetings	102	143	193
* No. club meetings held by leaders without agent present	56	68	49
No. Club meetings at which leaders assisted	8	5	2

*Agent attended many of the summer club meetings for the benefit of an apprentice agent she was training, that otherwise she wouldn't have attended.

B. 4-H CLUB LEADERSHIP

1. ORGANIZATION LEADERS

a. ADULT - Number 1949 8; 1950 11

The adult organization leaders with the exception of Point-of-Fork Club are teachers, one for each group since the clubs meet in consolidated schools. These leaders are responsible for meetings, membership drives, help in training officers and members in parliamentary procedure, helping with fair exhibits and collecting reports. (The agent would like them to do a better job of the latter).

b. JUNIOR ORGANIZATION LEADERS - Number 1949 24; 1950 40

These leaders are trained by adult leaders and agents. Breaking up large clubs into two groups has helped train more boys and girls in leadership.

2. PROJECT LEADERS

a. ADULT - Number 1949 14, 1950 10

Seven of the leaders have served as leaders for a year or more so did not require as much training. The food leaders were trained by the food specialist.

The agent trained the others after attending workshops in both home improvement and clothing.

b. JUNIOR LEADERS - Number 1949 12; 1950 14

These girls are very helpful in assisting the agent and adult leaders in giving demonstrations, helping club members with projects and completing records, but the agent has found that adult leadership is necessary to get girls to meet regularly.

<u>Growth of 4-H Club Project Leadership</u>	<u>1948</u>	<u>1949</u>	<u>1950</u>
No. adult project leaders	12	14	10
No. junior project leaders	9	12	14
No. training meetings held By specialist	0	0	1
By Agent	8	10	5
Attendance at leader training meetings	40	53	33
No. 4-H leaders trained individually	7	12	3
No. club meetings held by leaders without agent present	33	28	36
No. club meetings at which leaders assisted	12	15	6
No. demonstrations given By leaders	46	57	63
By adult	36	42	45
By junior	10	15	18

X. WORK IN COOPERATION WITH OTHER AGENCIES

A. CHURCHES

The agent has continued to cooperate with church groups when called upon for assistance on redecorating, landscaping, planning for bazaars, special dinners, etc.

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B. SCHOOLS

The agent has at all times cooperated with school officials improving attendance, dental work, lunch projects, etc. The agent belongs to the local P.T.A. and serves on various committees.

C. RED CROSS

The agent has cooperated with Red Cross drives to raise funds, also to get 4-H and home demonstration members to do Red Cross sewing.

D. HEALTH

The agent has not only worked with the County Health Unit but has urged others to do so, and through her influence the home demonstration women worked in a number of capacities during the year.

E. NEGRO HOME DEMONSTRATION AGENT

The agent has worked closely with the negro agent, inviting her to leader training meetings, workshops, and has assisted her in organization and project work and planned county-wide projects with her.

F. HOME ECONOMICS TEACHER

The agent and home economic teacher work together in planning the Fair and all projects of mutual interest.

G. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

The agent and Welfare Superintendent work closely together in nutrition and child welfare and family relation problems.

The welfare superintendent often requests that I visit certain families and help them on some specific problem.

H. COUNTY AND ASSISTANT COUNTY AGENT

The agent has attended conferences almost weekly with the farm agent and assistant agent in planning and executing a well rounded farm and home extension program.

I. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The agent makes a brief monthly report to the Board of Supervisors along with the other agencies paid by local funds. A certain time has been set aside for these reports. The purpose is not only to acquaint the members of the board with what the various agencies are doing, but that the agencies will be more familiar with each others program and cooperate more closely with each other.

J. The agent had the responsibility of training an apprentice agent for eight weeks during the summer.

K. The agent attended the State 4-H Short Course, assisted with Vespers each evening and worked with game leadership each day.

L. 4-H CAMP

The agent attended 4-H camp at Holliday Lake - Planned and developed Vesper Services for the week and assisted with handicraft.

M. PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

1. HOME ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION

The agent attended the State meeting of the Virginia Home Economics Association in Richmond.

2. HOME DEMONSTRATION AGENT'S ASSOCIATION

- a. The agent served as district treasurer of this organization, collecting dues and forwarding to State Treasurer.
- b. Served on several committees.

XI. SIGNIFICANCE OF YEAR'S WORK

The following evidences were recognized in evaluating the 1950 program.

- A. Changes in Attitudes
- B. Pride of Accomplishment
- C. Appreciation
- D. Changes in practices
- E. Do the homemakers have more leisure time or time to devote to other activities?
- F. Attitudes toward Program
- G. Leadership Development
- H. Contribution to Community

The expansion of the program into three new communities shows not only the approval but a desire on the part of the homemakers in these communities to have the benefits of the program.

The home demonstration program has continued to gain prestige in the county. It is recognized as a truly democratized organization - one whose purpose is to make for better family and community living.

The agent feels that the 1950 program has made a definite contribution to better living by improving skills, increasing knowledge, bringing about a desirable change in attitudes and through these family standards have been raised, rural leadership developed and good family living promoted, and it is

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believed that the vision of the rural families have been enlarged.

A new resident of the county, coming from an urban community in another state, paid a real compliment to the county and to the creed.

She and her husband after living in their new home and community some weeks commented on the fact they had heard none of their neighbors being "taken to pieces" or gossiped about. Soon the homemaker came to the local home demonstration club with a neighbor and joined the group. She was impressed with the club creed. When she went home, she remarked to her husband - "Maybe this is why we haven't heard our neighbors taken to pieces".

It is believed all of those responsible for the success of the 1950 program made an earnest and effective effort to live up to the Homemaker's Creed:

As homemakers we will strive to:

Have our organization foster the highest ideals in home, church, school, and public life.

Have our homes reach out in service to the communities and help unite the people.

Have cooperation and progress the leading forces in our communities.

Study the best way to do every day's work that we find joy in common tasks well done.

Be kind beyond the standards of charity; avoid thoughts and words that condemn; be more thoughtful than love requires; maintain the highest ideals of Christian life.

XII. PUBLICITY

News articles from the Charlottesville Daily Progress and Louisa Central Virginian which covers Fluvanna County.

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Countries Abroad Sketched In Talk By B. L. Hummel

PALMYRA—B. L. Hummel, rural sociologist at V.P.I., was guest speaker at the annual Achievement Day program of the Flannan County Home Demonstration Clubs on November 8.

Mr. Hummel gave sketches of the European countries he visited while serving on the Agricultural Committee of the United Nations.

In making the trip by plane, Mr. Hummel said, one gets the feeling of being "nowhere, merely out in space." This experience, he said, made it possible for him to study and analyze the people of the different countries more objectively, as well as realize that things happening in Europe are only hours and minutes from our country.

Mr. Hummel spoke of Ireland as being one of the most delightful countries he visited. The British he found to be self-disciplined people determined to rebuild their country at the cost of austere living and much volunteer work.

In Denmark, he noted that churches are very important to the people, who are not so divided, as in America. He mentioned a determination that all people should be good people as a Danish characteristic. He referred to Norway as a cooperative country and Belgium as being financially well off.

Mr. Hummel gave an interesting account of how the Dutch reclaimed land when the population made it necessary. They went out into the sea, typed the soil, planned and laid out farms, making blue prints before building dykes and pumping out the water. These people are called pioneers, pioneering on the bottom of the North Sea.

He also spoke of the Peace Palace in The Hague as being one of the most beautiful buildings in the world, built by fifty countries to represent peace throughout the world.

Paris, Mr. Hummel said, could be called the cultural center of the world, and is a beautiful city surrounded by beautiful scenery.

Mr. Hummel got the impression that Italy was unstable both politically and economically. However, the farmers in the Po Valley would put ours to shame, he said. "Americans are not the best farmers but the luckiest," he explained.

Conditions in Germany were found to be poor, the people overcrowded and buildings still showing effects of bombing.

HD Clubs Study Yard Improvement

Albert S. Beecher, specialist in Ornamental Horticulture and Landscape Design, will help the members of the Home Demonstration Clubs carry out one of their 1951 goals, Yard Improvement, by giving them information on landscaping at a meeting scheduled for Friday, No-

vember 10th, at the Courthouse in Palmyra at 2 p. m.

Representatives of all the clubs are urged to attend; however, it is an open meeting and everyone interested is invited to attend. Result demonstrations will be set up in the different communities, and visits to these homes will be made.

Mr. Beecher will also meet with the landscaping committee for beau-

tifying the Courthouse lawn during his visit to the county. Members of this committee are: P. H. France, chairman; Mrs. S. P. Harland, Mrs. Ellis Sneed, Miss Edith Farrar, Mrs. Frank Crockett and Mrs. N. J. Perkins.

Each day brings thousands of people across the border to make the section still more congested, he said.

Mr. Hummel spoke of the fact that Europeans take time to live. They take more vacations and holidays than we do, sometimes closing their businesses for a week or months.

Like others, Mr. Hummel found that the Europeans do not have the impression of Americans that we would like them to have. Unfortunately, many tourists do not make good representatives in foreign countries, he said, and radio programs and magazines are not a credit to us.

Preceding Mr. Hummel's talk, the following program was given: A piano solo, Chopin's C Sharp Minor Waltz, by Ralph Stoughton, a number of selections by Captain G. R. Edgerston and his Double Quartette, and tap dancing by Miss Gale Edgerston.

The county Home Demonstration report was given with a humorous skit by Miss Mary Alice Ankers, Miss Louise Boggs and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shepherd.

Earlier in the evening the group enjoyed an informal buffet supper in the school cafeteria.

Home Demonstration Leaders Hear Garden Specialist

Twenty-five leaders and guests attended the Fluvanna County Home Demonstration Clubs, leader training meeting on "Gardening" Friday in the county office building, conducted by H. Bruce Aroian, horticulturist from V. P. I.

Much interest was shown by the group, which indicated that their respective clubs are interested in promoting a better garden program during 1950.

Each leader was given a gardening manual, which was explained month by month.

Mr. Aroian also emphasized the importance of a perennial such as asparagus and rhubarb and small fruits included in the garden plan.

Do paper gardening first, suggested the speaker. Plan the garden on paper based on family needs and likes. Next, order seed early and from a reliable seed firm.

Mr. Aroian also included recommended varieties for freezing, recommended fertilizers, insecticides and fungicides in his talk.

The leaders attending this meeting will be responsible for the program on gardening at their respective club meetings during February.

Fluvanna Clubs Report Activities

PALMYRA—The Bybee Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Curtis Richardson on Wednesday for a luncheon meeting and auction sale.

The food leaders, Mrs. Richardson and Mrs. Elias Loving, demonstrated the use of the master mix and oven meals.

Eighteen members were present at the meeting, which was followed by a luncheon and the sale of handmade articles, cakes, jams and preserves.

The Troy club met Monday in the home of Mrs. H. B. Hasher, with Mrs. Edward Jones, hostess. Mrs. Hasher, club food leader, gave a demonstration on the use of the master mix, which is proving a real boon to busy homemakers.

J. A. Waller Jr., agricultural engineer from VPI, conducted a workshop on cleaning, repairing and adjusting sewing machines on Tuesday in the basement of the Palmyra Methodist Church. Twelve machines were cleaned, adjusted, and minor repairs made where necessary.

4-H Club Sets Up Objectives

Joe France, chairman of the Objectives Committee, presented the 1950 club objectives at the monthly meeting of the Fluvanna County High School 4-H Club on Thursday. They are as follows: Increase membership, create more interest through varied activities, have 100

per cent completion of records, participate in our of school contest, cooperate with the Fluvanna Fair, contribute to charity.

The membership drive which was to have ended with this meeting was won by the girls. The boys are to furnish refreshments at the next meeting. It was decided to extend the membership campaign to March 31 at which time the group voted to have a box supper.

Jean Thomas and Joe France were appointed to plan the box supper, which will be open to all high school students.

The president, Harriet White, welcomed the new members into the club.

Center Hill 4-H Girls Show Work

PALMYRA—The Center Hill 4-H Club girls had an exhibit of articles made in their beginners clothing project at their regular monthly meeting Tuesday morning.

This is a group of mostly ten year olds and their first year in club work.

"Best equipped sewing box" winners were: Barbara Ann Carver, first; Minnie Dabney, second; Orene Burton, third. Awards for best kitchen towel were: Christine Burton, first; Barbara Ann Carver, second; and Gloria Payne, third.

For embroidered handkerchiefs, Mary Proffitt took first, and Christine Burton was second. In "shoe bags," Minnie Dabney was first, Barbara Ann Carver, second, and Orene Burton, third. Best embroidery was done by Minnie Dabney, first, Mary Proffitt, second, and Orene Burton, third. Awards were also made to Minnie Dabney, for hemstitching, and to Doris Hicks, for a pincushion.

This group of girls will divide into community groups for the summer and will have local leaders work with them. They chose food preparation and serving for their summer project.

**Fluvanna 4-H Campers
Leave for Holiday Lake**

Twenty-five boys and girls, members of the Fluvanna 4-H Clubs, left Monday for their annual week of camping at Holiday Lake. The campers will include 4-H Club members from Goochland, Bedford and Fluvanna Counties.

P. H. France, County Agent in Fluvanna, is director of the camp for the week. Mrs. Eva Foster, Home Demonstration Agent in Goochland, is assistant director in charge of the girls, and E. C. Truett, Jr., County Agent in Goochland, is assistant director in charge of the boys. Miss Katherine T. Omohundro, Home Demonstration Agent of Fluvanna, will be in charge of vespers.

The program for the week will include classes and various forms of recreation. Instruction will be given in swimming, handicraft, insect and nature study, table etiquette, and electricity and safety on the farm and in the home. The evening program includes vesper services, music, and games. One of the highlights of the week is the candlelighting service by the lake on Friday evening.

The Fluvanna group is accompanied by P. H. France, County Agent; R. O. McCormick, Jr., Assistant County Agent; Miss Katherine Omohundro, Home Demonstration Agent; Miss Virginia Roller, Home Demonstration Agent in Training; Miss Anna Preston Shepherd and Miss Harriet White as leaders.

Representatives of the following 4-H Clubs attending are:

Center Hill: Barbara Ann Carver, Minnie Dabney; Columbia District: Cary Bell, Jeanette Norcross, Betty McGuinn, Alan Dillard; Cunearl Browning, Steve Bowers, Lee

Roy Johnson, Ronald Strack; Fork Union: Betty Fleming, Paula Goss, Beatrice Johnson, Jane Minter, Beverly Jane Tiltman, Jo Ann Turner, Paul Goss, Stuart Sned, Gerald Turner, Jimmy Walker, Tommy Wilkerson, and Dick White; Palmyra: Luther Higginbotham.