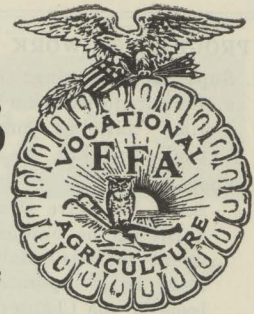




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## Streamlined F. F. A. Convention Scores Success at the State Camp

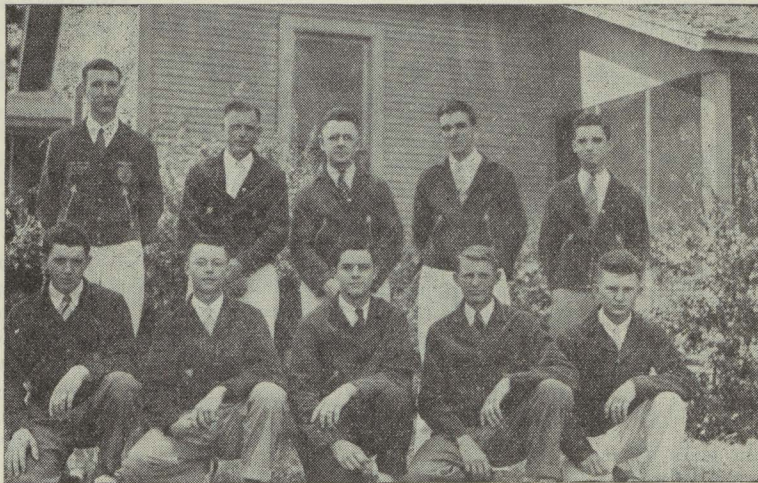
By H. C. GROSECLOSE, *State Adviser*

The Sixteenth Annual Convention of the Virginia Association of Future Farmers of America was held at the Future Farmers-Home Economics Camp at Morgart's Beach July 27-31. Approximately 250 members and advisers attended and successfully conducted the streamlined program consisting of leadership training schools, a public speaking contest, election of over 100 individuals to the State Farmer Degree, committee work out of which came a new budget and a new State Program of Work, annual election of officers and plenty of entertainment and recreation.

It was a picked crowd. Due to the lack of space only 32 candidates for the State Farmer degree attended as such, and from these the new state officers were chosen. The delegates coming from the Federations represented the very cream of the crop. Local advisers attended who had duties at the convention as leaders of groups in the schools of leadership, members of the Rally executive committee, meals committee or other important assignments. Interest was high, conduct was fine and the smaller groups felt an intimacy and informality impossible in the larger state conventions. Many members took full notes and carried back to their chapters and federations the inspiration and information they got from Art Ross, National Executive-Secretary, Carl Fought, National First

Vice-President of Ohio, their group leaders and state officers.

The State Executive Committee met on Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning to go over the records of the applicants for the third degree. Tuesday afternoon was devoted to registration,



Front Row, Left to Right—Guy Clear, Rich Valley, Reporter; Richard Chumney, Amelia, Secretary; Beverly Roller, Weyers Cave, President; Miles Smythers, Woodlawn, Vice-President; Paul Moncol, Disputanta, Treasurer. Back Row, Left to Right—David Walker, John Randolph, Member Executive Committee; H. C. Groseclose, V. P. I., Adviser; D. J. Howard, Richmond, Executive Secretary-Treasurer; Russell Sisson, Farnham, and Roland Snapp, Stephens City, Members of Executive Committee.

swimming, boating and games. Some of the boys from the mountains just sat on benches in front of the main building and let their eyes adjust themselves to the white beach and the miles of blue water stretching eastward. Jim Silver, Camp Director, put on a get acquainted program after supper that was a model for federations and local chapters to follow. Only the occasional thunder of a patrol plane or the searching fingers of light that welled up from hidden aircraft spotting stations disturbed the quiet night that followed.

Wednesday morning a powerful July sun rose out of the mists and the Future Farmers hit the beach before lining up with mess kits for a hearty breakfast. Then President David Walker called the first session to order and State Supervisor Dowell J. Howard read the names of those nominated for the State Farmer degree. The list of new State Farmers, active and honorary, is printed in full in this issue of Chapter Chats. W. R. (Winnie) Legge, new district supervisor for Northern Virginia, led the group in singing, committees were appointed and then the convention adjourned to meet in smaller groups of 15 to 25 in the schools for leadership. R. A. Wall led the presidents and vice-presidents, W. K. Lindsey trained reporters, R. D. Barham the secretaries, and W. C. Dudley the treasurers. W. A. Ross, National Executive Secretary, explained parliamentary practices to the group as a whole.

After lunch—a huge meal prepared under the direction of Mrs. Richardson and served camp style by Jim Silver, Ed Silver, Punk Lankford, Mary Frances, Dowell Howard, Jr., directed by Duke Page, L. L. Beazeley, Jesse Green and others including J. O. Hoge whose army experience did away with the bottle necks—the group again assembled for the State Public Speaking Contest. Beverly Roller, later elected State President, was the winner. While the judges were out Mr. Ross spoke to the convention on The Essentials of Public Speaking. Upon adjournment the boys sought the cooling waters of the James and some of the local advisers went fishing.

After supper Carl Fought addressed  
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## PROGRAM OF WORK FOR 1942-43.

## 1. Supervised Farming:

- a. Encourage members to build a long time farming program around project work.

## 2. Cooperation:

State Executive Committee submit a list of the business to be taken up at the 1943 Rally in time for it to be incorporated in the May issue of the Chapter Chats.

- a. Engage in cooperative buying and selling. Goal 100% chapter participation.
- b. Chapter raise money to finance chapter activities. Goal 100%.
- c. Encourage visitation of chapters by state officers.
- d. Cooperate in sponsoring a state-wide egg-laying contest.
- e. Increase state membership. Goal, an active state membership of 8,500 by 1942-43.
- f. Encourage more cooperation with Future Homemakers of America.
- g. Each chapter exhibit F. F. A. products at some kind of fair in the home community.

## 3. Community Service:

- a. Assist at least one local community organization to reach its objective.
- b. Assist in beautifying of home, church and school grounds of the community by the use of native shrubs.
- c. Assist local school organizations in solving school problems.
- d. Advertise the farming of the community by participation in the following:
  1. Staging a community fair.
  2. Putting on an educational exhibit at some fair.
  3. Send at least five exhibits to State Corn and Grain Show.
- e. Every chapter cooperate with government by the following:
  1. Cooperate with local game wardens for the protection of game and fish.
  2. Cooperate with local fire wardens in preventing forest fires.
  3. Cooperate with local, state and national relief organizations in recommending deserving clients.
- f. Each chapter to cooperate with local county organizations in giving assistance to needy in the county.

## 4. Leadership:

- a. Each chapter to hold its annual election of officers prior to the Rally in order to send an officer to the School of Leadership who will be of greatest service to the chapter the following year.
- b. Encourage greater membership participation in public speaking contests. Goal, 100% of chapters holding local contests.

- c. Each chapter to have instructions in parliamentary procedure at least five meetings during the year.

- d. Have national officers visit annual Rally.

- e. Continue annual Rally at F. F. A. Camp for the duration, also continue public speaking contest and any other contests that advisory staff may deem possible.

- f. Continue the leadership schools parliamentary practice, reporters, secretaries, treasurers, and chorus.
- g. Have a minimum of twenty-five candidates qualify for American Farmer Degree in order to have the full state quota for this degree elected.

## 5. Earnings and Savings:

- a. Each chapter have 100% participation in thrift activities.

## 6. Conduct of Meetings:

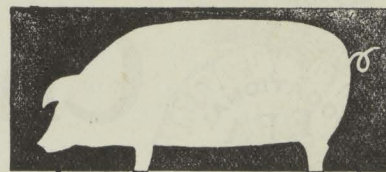
- a. Schedule at least one chapter meeting per month throughout the year.
- b. Officers of each chapter to know opening and closing ceremonies as found in F. F. A. Manual. Goal, time limited to two months after school opens.

## 7. Recreation:

- a. Each chapter to hold father and son get-together of some kind.
- b. Each chapter to conduct a camping trip, or some similar activity.
- c. Each chapter support the State F. F. A. Camp by having at least three delegates in attendance.
- d. Establish an F. F. A. motion picture library, including pictures of State Rally, National Convention, State Camp activities, and the outstanding programs of individual chapters. (F. F. A. photographer to attend national convention for the purpose of taking pictures.)
- e. State Department continue the practice of sending films of the F. F. A. activities to chapters that desire them.
- f. Each chapter in the State send to the chairman of the camping committee a contribution of \$5.00 to be used for repair of F. F. A. camp property. This money to be sent in by December 1, 1942.
- g. Confine recreational activities to the local chapters.

## 8. General:

- a. Every boy enrolled in agriculture to be a member of local chapter with 100% dues paid up by October 1, 1942, or within two weeks after opening date of school.
- b. Each chapter to set up annual objectives in September, putting the objectives for each month on the Bulletin Board on the first day of the month during which the objectives are to be carried out.
- c. Each chapter to have an up-to-date record of all former members.



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- d. Each chapter to observe National F. F. A. Day by some chapter activity during Convention Week, November, 1942.
- e. To recommend the use of one class period for the study of each issue of Chapter Chats.
- f. Encourage the use of manuals by every member. Goal, 100% of active membership own or have access to manuals.
- g. Encourage use of official chapter secretary and chapter treasurers' books. Goal, 100% of chapters.
- h. Encourage use of official F. F. A. paraphernalia and jackets.
- i. Encourage and assist chapters to build up chapter libraries.
- j. Each chapter secretary see that a complete record of the chapter activities be sent to their District Supervisor by May 1.
- k. The Executive Committee to arrange for time, place, facilities, and financing of Annual Rally.
  1. Each chapter send at least five news articles to Chapter Chats, placing emphasis on articles which will be of interest to F. F. A. members as a whole rather than articles of local interest only.
- m. One page of Chapter Chats to be devoted to federation news.
- n. Each federation put on a radio program during year.
- o. Continue radio broadcast at Rally if possible.

p. The Executive Committee to provide for and finance the trips of State officers and delegates, and continue the practice of paying mileage to state officers who visit chapters in the state.

q. We recommend that each chapter in the state order two or more of "Forward F. F. A." for their chapter library. This book was written by Mr. W. A. Ross and can be secured from the French-Bray Printing Company, Baltimore, Maryland, at \$1.00 each, postpaid.

**9. Adjustments Necessary to Meet War Needs:**

- a. Encourage chapters and members to buy War Bonds and Stamps. Goal, 100% participation.
- b. Each chapter conduct Salvage Campaign, consisting of materials vital for the war effort.
- c. Conserve farm machinery by encouraging chapters to repair it in their school shops.
- d. Encourage the growing of crops and livestock to meet war needs.
- e. Assist county war boards whenever possible.

Program of Work Committee:  
 Beverly Roller, Chairman,  
 Weyers Cave,  
 Ben Wheeler, Appomattox,  
 Guy Clear, Rich Valley,  
 Hunter Darden, Franklin,  
 Billy Courtney, Cople,  
 R. A. Wall, Adviser,  
 David Walker, Ex-officio.

**BUDGET ADOPTED FOR YEAR.**

The Virginia Association of Future Farmers of America take pride in the fact that they pay their own way and stay clear of indebtedness. When times are hard they cut expenses in proportion to income, and, as a result are always in a sound financial position.

The following budget was adopted at the 1942 Convention:

**Receipts.**

|                         |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| Dues .....              | \$ 8,000.00 |
| Advertising .....       | 300.00      |
| National Treasury ..... | 65.00       |
| Bank Balance .....      | 2,231.29    |

Total Receipts .....\$10,596.29

**Disbursements.**

|                                 |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| State F. F. A. Camp, Purchase\$ | 300.00   |
| State F. F. A. Camp, Operation  | 500.00   |
| Camp Insurance .....            | 50.00    |
| State F. F. A. Camp, Improve-   |          |
| ments .....                     | 500.00   |
| Moving Picture .....            | 150.00   |
| Fourth Degree Candidates....    | 200.00   |
| Delegates to Kansas City....    | 600.00   |
| Expenses of Exec. Secretary..   | 100.00   |
| 1943 Rally .....                | 1,700.00 |
| F. F. A. Manuals .....          | 500.00   |
| National Dues .....             | 825.00   |
| Chapter Chats, Publishing....   | 1,000.00 |

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Chapter Chats, Mailing .....  | 200.00   |
| Keys, Pins and Medals .....   | 600.00   |
| Chapter Contest .....         | 60.00    |
| Membership Pins .....         | 1,350.00 |
| Public Speaking .....         | 150.00   |
| Expenses of State Officers... | 200.00   |
| American Youth Camp .....     | 86.00    |
| Defense Bond .....            | 750.00   |
| Accident Insurance for Rally. | 250.00   |
| Miscellaneous .....           | 175.00   |

Total Disbursement .....\$10,246.00

**Summary.**

|                           |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Total Receipts .....      | \$10,596.29 |
| Total Disbursements ..... | 10,246.00   |

Balance .....\$ 350.29

**Budget Committee:**

Russell Sisson, Chairman,  
 Farnham,  
 Billy Webb, LaCrosse,  
 Leland Largen, Hillsville,  
 Frank Ott, Remington,  
 Letcher Craddock, Renan,  
 L. L. Beazley, Adviser,  
 K. N. Adams, Ex-officio.

**STREAMLINED CONVENTION.**

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the convention assembled under the trees and then everybody made a break for the dining hall to hear an address of welcome to Smithfield and to see the movies run off by M. F. Nuckols.

Thursday morning a dip and a hearty breakfast was followed by music and singing after which the new state officers were nominated and elected without opposition. (Get acquainted with your new state officers whose pictures appear on the front page.) Mr. Ross spoke again and this time his subject was Programs of Work.

Dr. Walter Newman, Assistant State Superintendent of Public Instruction, was a luncheon visitor known to all the boys.

The afternoon was devoted to a business session which included the president's annual address, a report of the State Executive Secretary-Treasurer, D. J. Howard, and the reports of the various committees. Some of these reports are included in this issue of Chapter Chats and should be studied and used in setting up local programs and budgets. When the business session ended there was the usual rush to the beach where swimming, boating and recreation were directed by the Silver brothers.

Winnie Legge had charge of the amateur hour that night. It was fine and the movies that followed were good or the Future Farmers would never have stayed in the hot room to see them. It was unusually warm and there was no breeze outside to drive away mosquitoes. Inside the camp, however, the Future Farmers relaxed and enjoyed themselves. When "The End" was flashed



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upon the screen the lads filed out for a breath of salt air, paused to watch the nightly electric display put on by Uncle Sam and then ran for cover as a storm drove in from the sea. The wind brought rain and relief from the heat. Blankets felt good as sleep came.

A big red sun came up out of the water and it was Friday. Breakfast, singing and the last session for 1942 was underway. Beverly Roller, president-elect, made another speech—not rehearsed this time—the State Farmers received their golden awards, plaques were awarded degree teams that won district contests, checks and a plaque were awarded winners in the chapter contest, resolutions were read and the 1942 Rally was over. New officers and old posed for pictures, a last sumptuous meal was served and the cars and buses turned landward toward home.

The 1942 Rally was inspiring and worthwhile. Every Future Farmer who attended should carry that inspiration to his chapter and federation. Those who could not attend should study the new State Program of Work and help to carry it out.

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MEMBERS OF STATE EXECUTIVE  
COMMITTEE—1942-1943.

President, Beverly Roller, Weyers Cave.  
Vice-President, Miles Smythers, Wood-  
lawn.

Secretary, Richard Chumney, Amelia.

Treasurer, Paul Moncol, Disputanta.

Reporter, Guy Clear, Rich Valley,  
(Chatham Hill P. O.)

Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Dowell J.  
Howard, Richmond.

Adviser, Henry C. Groseclose, Blacksburg.

Executive Committee:

David Walker, John Randolph,  
(Farmville R.F.D. 1.)

Russell Sisson, Farnham.

Roland Snapp, Stephens City.

### REPORT OF GENERAL RECOM- MENDATION COMMITTEE, 1942.

The General Recommendation Com-  
mittee hereby submits this report for  
your approval:

**First:** Have athletic contest between  
districts in sports, such as softball,  
horseshoe throwing, volleyball, and  
awards be given to winning districts.

**Second:** Some electric cooling device  
to provide for better drinking water.  
This would be for the benefit of camp  
as well as rally.

**Third:** Some type of water system  
that would improve toilet and bath fa-  
cilities.

**Fourth:** Bury anchor of float to pro-  
tect swimmers.

**Fifth:** Pier to be repaired and leng-  
thened, so as to protect swimmers from  
sharp rocks.

**Sixth:** Professor Foote, Agricultural  
Engineer of V. P. I., be asked to design  
a standard lawn chair and blueprints  
of this be mailed to local chapters.  
Each chapter contribute one chair to  
the State F. F. A. camp for improve-  
ment of lawn.

**Seventh:** Some means be provided for  
better up-keep of lawn.

M. M. Lewis, Adviser,

Rich Valley,

Geraldyn Herring, Ex-  
officio, Nokesville,

Waldo Dodson, chairman,  
Amelia,

Billy Guthrie, Dublin,

C. C. Duncan, Louisa,

Paul Moncol, Disputanta,

### ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHT RE- CEIVE STATE FARMER DEGREE.

One hundred Future Farmers received  
the State Future Farmer Degree and  
the gold key accompanying it at the  
1942 State Convention. This is the  
highest honor within the State Associa-  
tion and is awarded each year to highly  
selected members in recognition of out-  
standing work done during the time they  
have studied vocational agriculture as  
members of the F. F. A.

Honorary Degrees and keys were pre-  
sented to eight men of the State who  
in the opinion of the membership have  
rendered outstanding service to the  
F. F. A. and represent the high ideals  
of service for which the organization  
stands. Those receiving the Third De-  
gree are:

#### Middle Virginia.

Galen L. Brubaker, Callaway,  
Ralph Carlton, Scottsburg,  
Willie Averett Compton, Dan River,  
Richard Davis Chumney, Amelia,  
Letcher Craddock, Renan,  
Robert I. Cumbria, Jr., Lacrosse,  
Malcolm DeJarnette, Volens,  
James Waldo Dodson, Amelia,  
Garland Garrette, Appomattox,  
Norman Hardy, Whitmill,  
Melvin Henndan, Callands,  
Charles Keener, Amelia,  
Floyd H. LaPrade, Callaway,  
Jim Ogburn, Brosville,  
Maurice M. Moseley, Jr., Lacrosse,  
Lawson Pankey, Pamplin,  
Winfree Palmore, Powhatan,  
Emery Richardson, Axton,  
Courtice Shelton, Chase City,  
Garry James Shelton, Amherst,  
Calvin Stowe, Whitmill,  
Winfred Thompson, Callaway,  
Malvin West, Axton,  
Pete West, Axton,  
Fred Wheeler, Axton,  
Raymond P. Williams, Jr., Turbeville,  
William Hassell Wilson, Dan River,  
Coolidge Wells, Buckhorn,  
Billy Webb, Lacrosse,  
Ben Wheeler, Appomattox,  
Floyd Ramsey, Chase City.

#### Northern Virginia.

Glendon Lee Blosser, MeGaheysville,  
Earl Bolen, Bealeton,  
Harold Bolen, Bealeton,  
Hugh Dailey, Gainesboro,  
C. C. Dunkun, Louisa,  
Giles Early, Bealeton,  
M. Grayson Everhart, Lincoln,  
Harold H. Hersch, Harry Sanders,  
Fred Holm, New Market,  
Taylor Jacobs, Bealeton,  
Calvin Jordan, Massanutten,  
John Andrew Mohler, North River,  
Wm. L. Norman, Stephens City,  
Charles Osborne, Louisa,  
Frank Ott, Remington,  
James Payne, Remington,  
Louey Parrish, Fluvanna,

Harry Byrd Polk, Massanutten,  
Thos. Earl Price, Broadus Wood,  
J. W. Riley, Jr., Beverley Manor,  
Warren Saufley, Weyers Cave,  
Warren Thomas Simmons, Strasburg,  
R. Roland Snapp, Stephens City,  
Bernie Zirkel, Jr., Massanutten.

#### Eastern Virginia.

Emmitt Bresko, Disputanta,  
John Chezek, Disputanta,  
James Cogsdale, Newsoms,  
Thomas Cogsdale, Newsoms,  
Harvey Darden, Franklin,  
Calvin Davis, Boykins,  
Rufus Drake, Jr., Newsoms,  
Stanley Keyser, Lively,  
Chauncey Krahenbill, Kempville,  
Harvey Lankford, Franklin,  
Charlie Little, Surry,  
Paul Monroe, Disputanta,  
Lem Overby, Boykins,  
Vernon Rhodes, Jr., Isle of Wight,  
William Robinson, Midway,  
Samuel Skolsky, Disputanta,  
Eddie Watkins, Midway.

#### Southwest Virginia.

Homer Lee Anderson, Cleveland,  
Jack Atwell, Greendale,  
Fred C. Bonham, Cleveland-Wallace,  
Coy Branscom, Coal Creek,  
Rufus Breeding, Jr., Cleveland,  
(Russell Co.)  
John Browning, Cleveland-Wallace,  
Guy Clear, Shorthorn,  
Jonsen Cox, Woodlawn,  
Clarence Davis, Coal Creek,  
Morris Fannon, Pennington Gap,  
Billy Guthrie, Dublin,  
Raymond Hale, Elk Creek,  
Clarence Harley, Cleveland-Wallace,  
D. L. Harley, Cleveland-Wallace,  
Deward Hill, Woodlawn,  
Paul Kiser, Cleveland, (Russell Co.)  
Leland Largent, Hillsville,  
Dale W. Larrowe, Woodlawn,  
Dawes McGrady, Hillsville,  
Moir E. Nester, Hillsville,  
Edward Phipps, Shorthorn,  
Cecil Rhudy, Tazewell,  
Eugene Sharpe, Woodlawn,  
Cary Smythers, Woodlawn,  
Lyman M. Smythers, Woodlawn,  
Miles Smythers, Woodlawn,  
Robert Whitaken, Greendale,  
Edwin Wilson, Hillsville.

#### Honorary Member Degrees.

A. C. Kilkeson, Staunton,  
J. C. Myers, Harrisonburg,  
J. J. Fray, Rustburg,  
L. L. Beazley, Disputanta,  
E. T. Batten, Holland,  
C. K. Brown, Staunton,  
John T. Kernodle, Richmond,  
M. M. Lewis, Chatham Hill.

"Jones seems to be a successful man.  
Did he make hay while the sun shone?"  
"Not only that, but he made it from  
the grass that other people let grow  
under their feet."

### SHORTHORN WINS CHAPTER CONTEST.

To the Shorthorn Chapter of the Rich Valley High School went the honor of being declared the best chapter in the Virginia F. F. A. Chapter Contest. This chapter will be the one to represent the Virginia Association in the National Chapter Contest. Second and third places in the State Chapter Contest were won by the Hillsville and Disputanta chapters respectively. The following accounts give a comprehensive picture of the outstanding accomplishments and activities of these chapters:

#### Shorthorn Chapter.

Active members 67; Honorary members 16; Associate members 6.

War Effort. Iron 22,000 lbs; Rubber 1,800 lbs; Aluminum 1,100 lbs; Repair of farm machinery 38; War bonds \$1-

Net income \$10,015.00.  
War Effort. Scrap Iron 142,000 lbs.; Scrap rubber 10,500 lbs.; Old Paper 2,500 lbs; Old rags 500 lbs.; Burlap bags 1,600 lbs; War Stamps and Bonds \$525.00.

State Grain Show, 42 exhibits, \$75.00. Southside 15 exhibits.

### THE B-A-R FEDERATION HOLDS INTERESTING MEETINGS.

The B-A-R held its regular bi-monthly meeting on May 8, 1942, at the Brownsburg High School. Three main events were scheduled for this meeting: the election of officers, the degree team contest and the public speaking contest.

The business meeting was held first with the election of officers as the main event. Each school present nominated at least one candidate for at least one

this team won the district contest at Winchester on May 16.

It has since been decided that the new officers with Lester Snyder of Churchville and John C. Layman of Brownsburg substituting for Mr. Adams attend the Rally at Smithfield as the delegates from this federation.

On June 15 the Federation held its annual livestock judging contest at Churchville. In this contest the three high teams were: Fishesville, first; Churchville, second; and Brownsburg, third. The three high boys were Russell Fry, Churchville, first; John Brown, Brownsburg, second; and Henry Eckard, Churchville, third.

BOYD STUART,  
Reporter.

### BEVERLY ROLLER WINS PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST.

Beverly Roller of Weyers Cave, the newly elected President, was winner of the Annual Public Speaking Contest. Richard Chumney of Amelia ranked second and J. C. Williams of McKenney won third place. Gold, silver and Bronze medals were awarded.

Beverly, as winner of the Virginia contest, will compete in the Tri-State contest to take place in Raleigh, North Carolina, on August 14. Speakers from North Carolina and South Carolina will compete with the Virginia representative for the privilege of entering the regional contest. The winner of the regional contest will have the privilege of representing the Southern Region in the National Public Speaking Contest this fall.

### AWARDS MADE TO DEGREE TEAM WINNERS.

In view of the fact that it was necessary to greatly reduce State Convention activities due to war conditions, the State Degree Team Contest was not held. Competition was, however, held on a district basis prior to the State Convention.

Plaques were awarded to district winners as follows:

Northern Virginia, Weyers Cave chapter.

Eastern Virginia, Franklin chapter.

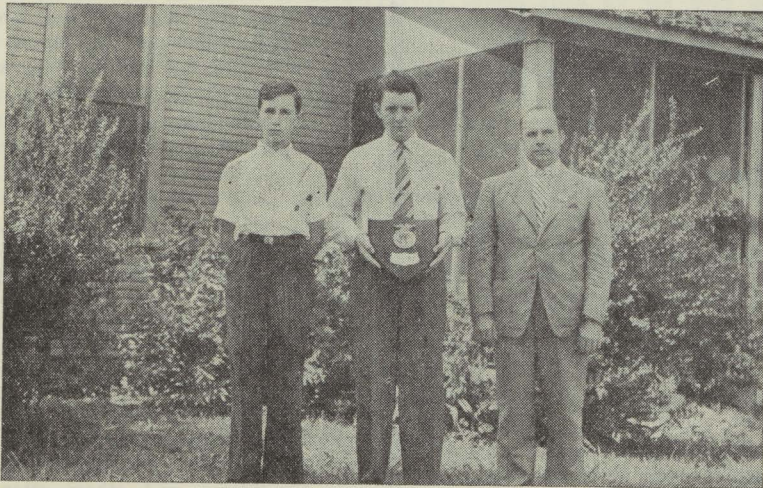
Middle Virginia, Amelia chapter.

Southwest Virginia, Blacksburg chapter.

The examination had been long, the attorney, witness and judge were all tired. "And about how far is it between these two towns?" the attorney asked. "About six miles as the flow cries," replied the witness.

"You mean as the cry flows, I suppose," interjected the attorney.

"No, no," interrupted the judge. "He means as the fly crows."



Representatives of Winning Chapter in State Contest—M. M. Lewis, Adviser, Shorthorn Chapter, Rich Valley High School, and two boy officers.

100.00 Savings \$1,250.00; Project investments \$9,000.00.

Planted (Erosion) 2,500 trees; Built 17 brooders.

Fair Attendance 3,100; Exhibits 2,700; Premiums \$625.00.

#### Hillsville Chapter.

Membership 99.

More than 165 farm machines repaired in agricultural shops.

Over \$18,000.00 income from 458 projects.

Improvement projects totaled 297.

More than 170 Victory gardens planted through work of the chapter.

Over \$1,700 invested in War Stamps and Bonds by chapter members.

County fair held through the efforts of chapter members to improve livestock and crops of this section, with more than 3,000 exhibits.

Scrap material collected 42 tons.

#### Disputanta Chapter.

Enrollment 22.

Projects per boy 3.4.

office. When the election was over the following officers had been elected; President, Richard Miller, Fishesville; Vice-President, Harper Phillips, New Hope; Secretary, Ralph Beard, Stuarts Draft; Treasurer, William Houft, Weyers Cave; Reporter, Boyd Stuart, Brownsburg; Watch Dog, L. B. McCray, Jr., Beverley Manor; Adviser, A. T. Adams, Weyers Cave.

Following the business meeting the Federation public speaking contest was held. Boys representing several of the chapters entered this event with Beverly Roller of Weyers Cave emerging as the winner to represent the federation in the Northern district meet. We are also glad to report that Beverly won the contest in Northern Virginia and will compete in the state contest at Smithfield.

The last event of the evening was the degree team contest. This contest was also won by the Weyers Cave chapter. We are also proud to report that

### REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE OF THE 1942 RALLY.

We, the members of the Resolutions Committee, of the sixteenth annual convention of the Future Farmers of America, meeting at the State F. F. A. Camp near Smithfield, Virginia, July 28-31, 1942, feel that we have experienced one of the most helpful and enjoyable meetings of the organization. We, therefore, wish to offer the following resolutions:

**First:** That we express our appreciation to Mr. Jim Silver, camp director; to Mr. Russell Joyce, the business manager; to the staff and all others connected with the camp for the excellent accommodations, their assistance, and

consideration shown us during our stay at Morgart's Beach.

**Second:** That we wish to express our appreciation to the Supervisory Staff, to the Teacher Training Staff; to the Rally Committee; and to the Executive Committee for planning the rally. We realize the rally has been held under adverse circumstances due to the war, but we feel that the results of this skeleton rally have been satisfactory, and in this way we can keep our state organization functioning.

**Third:** That we wish to compliment Mrs. Richardson and her staff for the excellent meals and efficient service.

**Fourth:** That we express our sincere

thanks to Mr. W. A. Ross for his interesting and instructive talks on Parliamentary Procedure, Public Speaking, The Program of Work, and Budget and Finances. We feel that his presence with us at the rally has been pleasant and inspirational. We hope that he can be with us again next year.

**Fifth:** That we wish to compliment Mr. W. R. Legge and his assistant, Mrs. Richardson, for their efforts in directing the music at the rally.

**Sixth:** That we wish to express our deepest regret for the loss of Dr. W. S. Newman and to wish him success in his new position as Assistant State Supervisor of Public Instruction. We feel, however, that we have been very fortunate in securing Mr. D. J. Howard as his successor.

**Seventh:** That we wish to offer our regrets to Robert L. Copenhaver, former State President, whose physical condition rendered him unable to attend this rally. We wish him a speedy recovery.

**Eighth:** That we enjoyed the interesting and instructive talk made by Carl A. Fought, National First Vice-President. We are delighted to have him and appreciate his coming.

**Ninth:** That we regret the loss of a number of agricultural instructors to the army and trust that they will be back soon.

**Tenth:** That we express our gratitude to the Ruritan, Mrs. Bunch, and all others who have helped to house the group at the rally.

**Eleventh:** That we express our appreciation to the Delegates, Third Degree Candidates, and others attending the rally for their splendid conduct and cooperation.

**Twelfth:** That we recognize the services rendered by the Virginia Press Association, broadcasting companies, chambers of commerce, civic clubs, seed and fertilizer companies, the Richmond Times Dispatch and other business concerns, which have in any way aided our program during the past year and the rally.

Respectfully submitted:

Earl Bolen, Chairman,  
Bealeton,  
Gary Shelton, Amherst,  
Donald Starnes, Honaker,  
Lem Overby, Boykins,  
Floyd Ramsey, Chase City,  
J. W. Myers, Adviser,  
David Walker, Ex-officio.

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: : NEWS FROM THE CHAPTERS : :

### D. S. Lancaster Chapter Meets.

The D. S. Lancaster chapter of the Future Farmers of America held its last regular meeting of the school year in the chapter room of the Agriculture Building Friday, May 29, with Harrison Harmon, President, presiding.

The chapter elected the following officers for the next school year: President, Ernest Jennelle; Vice-president, James Arrington; Secretary, Jack Hungate; Treasurer, Frank Johnson; Reporter, Clinton Graves; Watchdog, Ted Glenn.

The outgoing president, Harrison Harmon, stated that the chapter had carried out most of the objectives set up at the beginning of the year, and that the special defense objectives were in the process of being carried out. He also expressed his thanks for the splendid cooperation given him by the members and officers of the chapter.

Ted Glenn, acting chairman of the Executive Committee, stated that the chapter degree team competed in the Southwest Virginia contest held at Wytheville, Virginia, on May 16, 1942. The Blacksburg team won this contest and each member will receive a medal, he said. The members who competed were as follows: President, Harrison Harmon; Vice-President, Ted Glenn; Secretary, Walter Brown; Treasurer, Kenneth McCauley; Reporter, Bruce Scaggs; Watchdog, James Arrington; Conductors, Ernest Junelle and Clinton Graves; Candidates, Tommy Stump and Dick Adams, Jr.; Adviser, J. C. Love.

The new president, Ernest Junelle, presented, on behalf of the members, a Sheaffer fountain pen and pencil to Mr. Love. Mr. Love will leave for the army during the summer. Mr. Love expressed his appreciation and stated that he hoped he would have the privilege of working with the group again.

The chapter will hold a summer meeting in the chapter room on Saturday, July 11.

Ice cream was served the members by the refreshment committee.

CLINTON GRAVES,  
Reporter.

### Brownsburg Chooses Teams.

The Brownsburg chapter of the Future Farmers of America held their regular chapter meeting in the agriculture room on the morning of June 3, at 10:00 a.m. The meeting was opened with the regular opening ceremony after which the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. During the roll call each member was asked to answer pres-

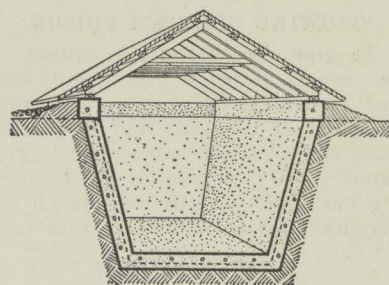
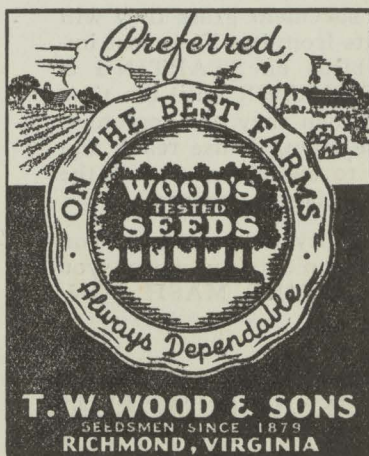
ent by stating the amount of money he had invested in defense stamps and bonds to date. By adding this up it was discovered that the boys of the chapter now own \$255.55 in defense stamps and bonds. It was also reported that the amount of stamps and bonds sold by the boys had reached nearly \$500.00.

After considerable debate it was decided to call off for this year the annual weiner roast with the home economics girls. This is usually held the week after school closes. One of the main items of business was the announcing of the judging teams to represent the chapter this year. The livestock judging team which will compete with the teams in the nearby counties consists of five boys chosen from all the boys in the chapter after a day's judging on nearby farms. This team consists of the following: Jimmy Cobb, John Brown, Joe Fitzgerald, Leonard Tolley, and Stanley Firebaugh. This team will compete at Churchville on Monday, June 15, for honors in the Bath, Augusta, Rockbridge Federation of chapters.

The shop team was chosen after all boys competed in a local contest consisting of handling hardware, tools, identifying lumber, and figuring simple bills of materials. This team is composed of Boyd Stuart and Richard Beard. They will compete for Federation honors at Beverly Manor high school on July 8.

The agriculture instructor announced that the shop would be open each Saturday morning and any F. F. A. boy or any defense shop boy could come at that time and make use of the shop for their own work. After which the meeting was closed with the closing ceremony which includes the salute to the flag.

STANLEY FIREBAUGH,  
Reporter.



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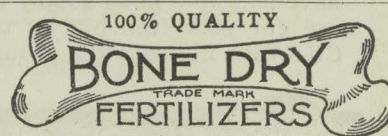
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found in Jamaica and Mexico which have specific insecticide value. These must do heavy duty when the rather large stockpile on hand is used up.

But pyrethrum is one of those things we can grow at home, though we have long imported them. It is a matter of cheap labor. A field of pyrethrum looks like a field of daisies, and there was a

300-acre field of it in California in 1886. It is a native of Yugoslavia, but since World War I we have been getting our ground flowers of pyrethrum from Japan, taking something over \$1,500,000 a year. The Japs, working for a few cents a day, stripped the flowers by hand.

But now the Department of Agriculture has developed a mechanical harvester which can reap four acres a day. The yield is from 300 to 800 pounds an acre, and the price has ranged from 22 to 24 cents a pound. Another start has been made in California, but it can be grown in many states. It is a perennial and can be propagated by seed or by crown division. It is best to set it out in rows, and the planter must wait until the second year for a substantial harvest. In good, well drained soil and proper cultivation excellent production will continue six or seven years. Right now the bulk of our supply is coming from Kenya, Africa.

—Pathfinder.

## SOUTHERN STATES COOPERATIVE FARM BULLETIN



### Eggs Next Fall Means Feed Now

Getting the maximum number of eggs from hens is a matter of **FIRST**, building a flock capable of laying all the eggs the birds inherited the ability to lay. And **SECOND**, managing and feeding layers in a way to encourage the largest production.

The chicks you put out this spring should be fed the best feed and handled carefully with a view to having an outstanding flock of layers next fall. This does not mean that you have to over-feed them or spend unnecessary amounts of money on feed.

A good grass range will help you cut down on the feed bill. If birds are turned loose in succulent grass they will get some of their feed requirements from it. The most important thing is to keep these birds on **STARTING & GROWING MASH** or **CHICK STARTER** until the time they go into the laying house. When they are beginning to drop eggs on the range get the laying house ready and put them in. Then is the time to switch to one of the good Southern States open formula laying mashes.

If you have raised a good quantity of grain or if you have laid up a good supply of government feed wheat, you can cut your feed bill by using **LAYING MASH CONCENTRATE** with the ground grain.

### IT'S KOK-SAGHYZ TIME.

Excited scientists have recently harvested crops of Russian dandelion seeds at 23 state agricultural experiment stations, and reported the condition of the plants from which the feathery seeds had been collected to the Department of Agriculture at Washington.

Kok-saghyz looks somewhat like the American dandelion, but it contains considerably more rubber in its lactiferous roots. It has been grown by Russian agronomists for 15 years, and this breeding has further increased the natural rubber percentage.

Rubber experts acknowledge that they have found no satisfactory way for making heavy duty tires entirely of synthetic rubber, and a certain amount of natural rubber is absolutely necessary. Guayule will yield 350 lbs. of rubber per acre compared with a maximum yield from the dandelion of 60 lbs., but the dandelion has the advantage of being a quick grower. It can be planted in the spring, a seed crop harvested in the summer, and the root (or rubber) crop in the early fall. Guayule requires four years before it can be harvested economically, and a rubber tree requires six or seven years before it even begins to bear.

Sweet corn, green string beans, green peas, pumpkins, squash, celery and greens are best vegetables for home drying. Apples and berries are best adapted to drying in the home among fruits.

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