

September      State Advisory Board meeting  
Fair plans and participation  
Winter pasture seeding  
4-H club reorganization  
Advisory Board meeting

October          Plan and hold 4-H Council meeting  
Get all 4-H records in  
4-H club meetings  
Community Club meeting  
Assemble data for annual reports  
Annual agents Conference

November        Annual Agents Conference  
Check winter pasture demonstrations  
Annual statistical reports  
Annual Narrative reports  
Plan for winter pasture field meetings  
4-H club meetings  
Complete live at home community scores

December        Plans for 1955  
                  4-H club work  
                  Adult work  
                  Community live at home work  
Winter pasture field meetings  
Evaluation of the years work

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

January	Live at Home first Scores Live at Home plan of work Complete soil samples Plan 4-H officer and leader Tr. Mtg. Get Farm and home unit plans for 1955 Plan Adv. Bd. Meeting 4-H club meetings	Also: landscaping
February	Advisory Board meeting Community club meeting Leader, 4-H officer tr. mtg. Soil sample, fertilizer recommendations Plan for Poultry work	
March	Corn recommendations, variety, planting, fertilizer Alfalfa and pasture seeding Community club meeting 4-H club meetings State Farmers Conference Plans 4-H Enrollment	
April	State farmers conference Rural life Sunday plans Sweet potato bedding Reminder of corn recommendations 4-H Club meetings and project visits Community club meeting	
May	Tour or field meetings plans Short course attendance plans Rural life Sunday 4-H club meetings Community club meetings	
June	Tour or field meeting 4-H short course Project and demonstrations visits Part vacation, four or five days	
July	Check corn demonstrations Plan corn field meeting Advisory Board meeting 4-H club visits Wildlife Conference plans	
August	Plans for State Adv. Board meeting 4-H visits for record book help Corn field meeting Wildlife conference Plan 4-H schedule and activities for 55-56 Part vacation, four or five days	

AREA	OBJECTIVES	METHODS-ACTIVITIES
Corn	Increase yields to 75 bu. per acre on 10 farms	Select 10 demonstrators Provide information Field meetings
Landscaping	Have 2 grounds landscaped in different communities, either church, home, or school.	Create interest by contacts, and letters. Have specialist give plans and recommendations
Swine	Get purebred boars in at least two herds	Handle on an individual basis Help farmers locate desirable breeding stock
Tobacco	Have two hotbeds prepared properly	Handle on an individual basis

The above are to receive our major attention during 1955.  
Minor objectives will be attempted when there is interest and need for that particular phase of work

DEMONSTRATIONS PLANNED

Corn Fertilizer	10
Permanent Pasture	8
Winter Pasture	4
Summer Pasture	3
Forestry	1
Poultry	2
Farm and Home Unit	1

COUNTY WIDE ACTIVITIES

Advisory Board meetings	March, June, September and December
4-H Council Meetings	February, April, November
Pasture and Gen Interest tour	May or June
Corn Field Meeting	August
4-H Leader Training Mtgs.	February, May, October
Winter Pasture Field Mtg.	December

Specialist Help Needed

Local Agents	Feb. Apr. Nov.	Train 4-H officers and leaders
M. T. Carter	August	Corn Field Meeting
A. Vernon Watts	Various	Sweet potatoe project activities

COUNTY POPULATION

In King William County there are nearly 4000 Negro residents. Of this number, 218 are full time farmers. These farmers can be classified as follows:

Owners	159
Tenants	32
Share Croppers	27

In addition to the above number of full time farmers, there are about 200 part time farmers. These men produce mostly truck crops, poultry, swine, and grain in that order. They work in local and nearby industries and do their farming on evenings, week ends and days off. A considerable portion of their crops and livestock are sold on the Richmond market.

PROBLEMS TO BE ATTACKED DURING 1955

During 1955, we propose to give major attention to the following areas as selected from our long time program.

1. Corn            Better varietal selection  
                      Better fertilization
2. Home and  
   church ground Landscaping
3. Swine            Pure bred boars
4. Tobacco        Plant bed management

COUNTY SITUATIONS

Nestled rather snugly between the Mattaponi and Pamunkey Rivers, King William County is located in the upper Tidewater area of Virginia. The York River on the Southeast, Hanover and Caroline Counties on the Northwest complete the boundaries.

The component parts of the County's sociological structure are definitely rural. This gives rise to the usual folkways, mores and superstitions that can hinder and impede an Extension program. These factors of limitations are taken into consideration when planning methods and approaches.

Soils are of an alludial nature with sands and clays as the parent materials. With the exception of deep phase Rumford and Caroline, the soils have an ideal texture and are suited to a wide variety of crops, Sassafras and Kempville being the better soils. However, due to soil variances, the type of agriculture is various. It is not uncommon to find a community doing almost exclusively truck farming and an adjoining community devoted to grain and livestock.

Cash crops are small grain, corn, soybeans, tobacco and truck crops. Beef cattle, sheep, hogs and poultry comprise the livestock enterprises. Livestock and livestock products account for slightly over 65% of total farm income in the County. Forestry, fishing and oystering as well as industries, public and private comprise the activities of the non and part time farmers.

The average annual farm income appears to be about \$2,500.00. The extremes on Negro operated farms falls between \$250.00 and \$10,000.00

COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD

President	Thomas Jackson	Enfield
Vice Pres.	Augustus Edwards	Sweet Hall
Secretary	Jeanette Moore	Falls
Treasurer	W. H. Berkley	Aylett

COUNTY JUNIOR 4-H COUNCIL

President	Larry Neale	Sweet Hall
Vice Pres.	Queen Harris	Buelahville
Secretary	Mearl Washington	Mangohick
Treasurer	Yvonne Braxton	Mangohick

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE WORK  
IN  
AGRICULTURE AND HOME ECONOMICS

Virginia Polytechnic Institute &  
U. S. Department of Agriculture,  
Cooperating

EXTENSION SERVICE  
County Agent Work

PLAN OF WORK

COUNTY KING WILLIAM

YEAR 1955

Name M. T. POLES  
(Local Farm Agent)

Date Mailed Dec. 23, 1954