

ANNUAL NARRATIVE REPORT
HOME DEMONSTRATION WORK

ORANGE COUNTY
VIRGINIA

1934

Emma F. Bratten
Home Demonstration Agent

December 1, 1933 - December 1, 1934

TABLE OF CONTENTS

	PAGE
I. Cover and Title Page	
II. Table of Contents	
III. Personal Report Summary	1
IV. Status of County Extension Organization	2
1. County Organization giving Financial Support	2
2. County Organization Supporting the Work	
a. County Home Demonstration Advisory Board	2-3
b. 4-H Club Council	4-5
3. General Policies, including relations with other organizations.	6
V. Program of Work	
1. Map of County	6
2. Scope of Work	7
3. Women's Work	
a. Major projects	7-13
b. Minor projects	14
Foods	14
Clothing	15
Home Management and House Furnishings	15
Home Gardens and Beautification of Grounds	15-16
Home Market	16
c. Community Activities	16
d. Leader Training	17
f. State Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs	17
g. County Meetings	18
h. Market Work	18-19
i. Relief Work	19-20
k. Recreation	20

	page
4. Girls Work	
a. Major project	20
b. Minor projects	21
c. Community Activities	22
d. Program of Best club	22
e. Leader Training	22
f. Camps and Short Courses	23
g. County Meeting or Special Events	23
i. Recreation	23
VI. Progress made during year	24
VII. Plans and Goals for 1935	24

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This report of Orange County Home Demonstration Work includes the activities of service by Sallie Helen Combs for the time of 11 months and the services of Emma F. Bratten for 2 months.

III. PERSONAL REPORT SUMMARY

Sallie Helen Combs	:	Emma F. Bratten
Days in field -----228 $\frac{1}{2}$:	Days in field -----40
Days in office -----34 $\frac{1}{2}$:	Days in office -----8
Days annual leave -----12	:	Days annual leave -----11
Legal holidays -----12	:	Legal holidays -----1
Calls on agent at headquarters-2689	:	Calls on agent at headquarters - 293
News items prepared for press - 108	:	News items prepared for press -- 15
Individual letters written ----2836	:	Individual letters -----95
Circular letters written -----233	:	Circular letters written -----16
No. copies distributed -----12,569	:	No. copies distributed -----1,405
No. meetings attended -----304	:	No. meetings held -----64
Attendance at meetings -----9,437	:	Attendance at meetings -----2,144
Miles traveled -----10,569	:	Miles traveled -----1,590

IV. STATUS OF COUNTY EXTENSION ORGANIZATION

1. County Organization Giving Financial Support

County Board of Supervisors

The Orange County Board of Supervisors is composed of four members, one from each of the magisterial districts.

This organization is appropriating \$900.00 annually toward the Home Agent's salary.

At the public hearing of the budget in the spring, there was not a dissenting voice for the work in the county. When the Board made its final decision, it appropriated until December 31, 1934 without a cut provided there is not a change in personnel.

In order to present the activities of the Agent, a report, narrative and statistical, is given to the Board at each monthly meeting. This report is filed, and a duplicate is sent to the county paper for publication. Publicity of this nature has been most effective in putting before the public the activities of the agent.

2. County Organization Supporting the Work

a. Home Demonstration Advisory Board

1. The County Advisory Board is composed of the Agricultural Board and the Home Demonstration Board. The Home Demonstration Board for 1933-34 is composed of the chairmen of the 10 Home Demonstration Clubs, 59 committee members, and 19 members-at-large. The County, according to the Community Organization plan, is divided into seven communities. Two Clubs were organized

in communities somewhat removed from the center of the communities into which they were grouped.

In November the Board held its first meeting to decide on the projects of work and the setting up of goals for the year. The methods of financing the Board's activities were discussed at this time. As a follow-up of this decision, the community met in separate sessions to draw up its plan of work for the year and set the club goals.

In January the Executive Committee of the Board met to check on the progress of the year's work and to make plans for the remainder of the year. The committee, with 22 present, decided to adopt a County-Wide Thrift Campaign, and cards were distributed to be turned over to each committee for enrolling campaigners.

The question of reaching more people was discussed at length. The decision was that more personal work must be done by the committees in advertising the monthly meetings and in carrying the information to those not in attendance. The committee at this time decided to stage a County Cake Contest as a means of raising money to meet its financial obligations.

A second meeting of the Executive Committee was held in April with 12 members present. At this meeting, a report was made on the Cake Contest, showing \$24.66 cleared. The Board decided to use a part of this in encouraging 4-H Club work. They agreed to give \$7.50 toward the expenses of County 4-H Club winners to the State Short Course. They also decided to affiliate with the State Homemakers Association, to defray the expenses of a delegate

to the State Homemakers meeting, to award \$2.50 to the club having the largest attendance, to allow \$15.00 for the Kitchen Contest, and \$5.00 for the expenses for Achievement Day.

b. 4-H Club Council

1. The County 4-H Council, whose purpose it is to foster leadership in the clubs, is composed of the officers of each of the community clubs along with the leaders of each club. This year there were 11 clubs, each with 5 officers, 8 of the clubs having leaders.

In December the Council met for the purpose of formulating plans for the year's work, at which meeting there were 15 Council members present. Prior to this meeting, the Executive Committee, consisting of the officers of the Council, met with the State Girls' Club Agent and the Farm and Home Agent to compile a set of goals. These were presented to the council and duly considered for correction and adoption.

Goals and Accomplishments for 1934

Goals	Accomplishments
I. Have club initiation of new members at February meeting.	: I The clubs had initiation of new members at the February meeting.
II. Clubs have a report of the monthly meetings and other club activities in the county paper.	: II. The clubs put reports of monthly meetings and other club activities in the county papers.
III. Each club member learn the club pledge and motto.	: Most of the members have learned the club pledge and motto.
IV. Clubs take part in the County exhibit of projects.	: IV. There were 140 projects exhibited by members.
V. Have County picnic on June 28, 1934.	: V. The Clubs had one picnic with an attendance of about 275.
VI. Hold County Council meeting on morning of July 6, 1934 and County Contest on afternoon of same day.	: VI. The County Council was held and County Contest was run off

VII. Hold a County Achievement day on November 3, 1934.	:	VII. The County Achievement Day was held with 175 in attendance.
VIII. Clubs enter one or more contests.	:	VIII. All clubs entered clothing and canning contests.
IX. First, second, third, fourth, fifth, and sixth year pins be awarded by the County Council to members meeting the following requirements.	:	IX. The pins have been awarded.
(a) Completion of project or projects.	:	All projects were completed.
(b) Record books in by Oct. 20	:	(b) 180 record books were submitted this year.
(c) Take part on program at least once during the year.	:	
In addition to above requirements, 2nd year club members will take part in the contests to which they are eligible.	:	The second year club members took part in the contests to which they were eligible
3rd year members will give a public demonstration.	:	
4th year members will preside over at least one meeting.	:	
5th year members will act as a committee to arrange for special for parents and friends.	:	5th year - All but 2 clubs met the requirements.

3. General Policies, and Relations with other Organizations

Agent has cooperated with Red Cross and Relief Organizations in helping further their work. Bulletins and assistance wherever possible have been given. One beef furnished by Emergency Relief Office was canned for school lunches and relief purposes.

V. PROGRAM OF WORK

1. Map of County

Community Lines _____

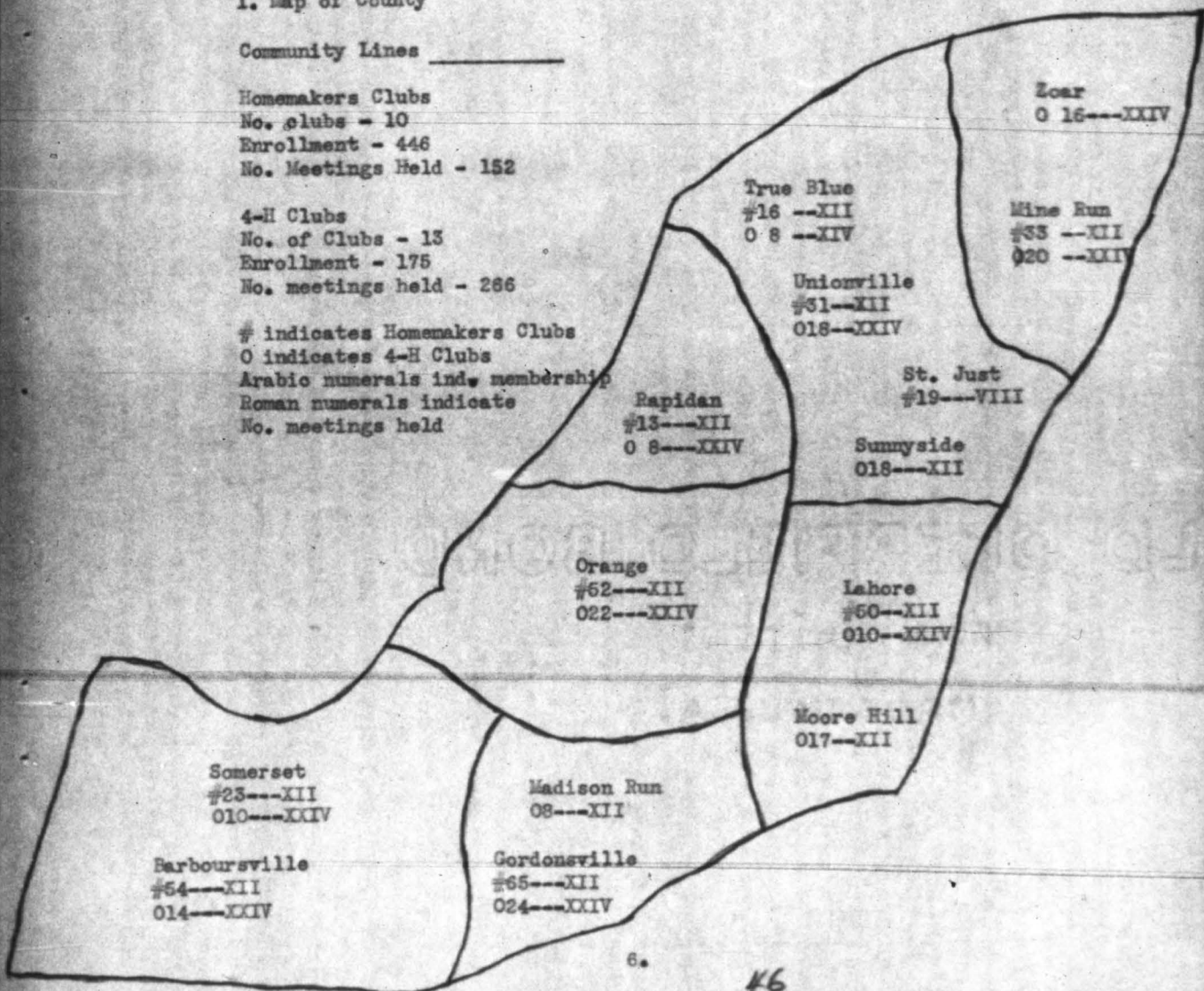
Homemakers Clubs

No. clubs - 10
Enrollment - 446
No. Meetings Held - 152

4-H Clubs

No. of Clubs - 15
Enrollment - 175
No. meetings held - 286

indicates Homemakers Clubs
O indicates 4-H Clubs
Arabic numerals ind. membership
Roman numerals indicate
No. meetings held



V. PROGRAM OF WORK cont.

2. Scope of Work

a. Enrollment for past three years:

Year	WOMEN		GIRLS	
	No. Clubs	No. Members	No. Clubs	No. Members
1932	8	244	13	145
1933	9	333	13	149
1934	10	446	13	175

3. Women's Work

a. Major project - Home Improvement - placing emphasis on care of kitchen and back yard.

In the major project, the following demonstration meetings were held: Attractive kitchens, step saving kitchens, back yard improvement, storage units for supplies and equipment, and labor savers for the kitchen.

A Thrift Campaign encouraging thrift through more canning, remodeling, and soap making in the home was sponsored by the Advisory Board. There were 150 members enrolled and these members reached 100 other members through the thrift measures. They remodeled 146 garments, and made 4878 lbs. of soap.

Summary Report of Orange County Kitchen Contest - 1934

SUMMARY REPORT OF ORANGE COUNTY KITCHEN CONTEST - 1934

Early this year the Orange County women decided to have a county-wide kitchen improvement contest to stimulate accomplishments in their major project - "Home Kitchens." The advisory council promoted this plan by enrolling contestants and offering prizes to those who accomplished the most in proportion to cost. The home demonstration agent undertook to help these contestants individually with their plans and problems and encourage them in every possible way. Arrangements were made to have the state home improvement specialist give her personal assistance also in planning low-cost improvements and in judging the results.

Three days, April 12th, 13th and 14th were spent by Miss Sally Helen Combs, home demonstration agent, and Miss Mary B. Settle, state home improvement specialist, in visiting the 46 kitchens enrolled. At this time the homemakers' plans were talked over, additional suggestions were made, and some helpful kitchen material was left with each woman. The specialist scored each kitchen on its condition before improvements were begun. During the five months period of the contest, Miss Combs visited each contestant twice, or more often if requested, to discuss work in progress and give other possible assistance.

At the time the first visits were made to these kitchens, much enthusiasm was shown by the women, good plans were made for some much needed and extensive, but comparatively inexpensive, improvements. The specialists and agent alike were encouraged to believe that the results of the contest would be unusually fine and gratifying. Perhaps the period of the contest was too long, or the weather too hot this summer, but for one reason or another with too many of the women their splendid ambitions of the spring all melted away without being carried out this year. When the specialist returned to the county September 6th to 8th for the final scoring and judging she was disappointed to find that 12 had dropped out entirely; 12 others had made only one or two small improvements

each, and five of these requested us not to re-score their kitchens. That leaves 22 kitchens in which really worthwhile improvements have been made.

The big purposes of the contest were, (1) to score improvements in a few homes by encouraging the best use of material on hand, equipment and family labor; (2) to demonstrate to other homemakers how kitchens and backdoor yards as well, can be made more convenient and attractive without large expenditures of money. Each of the 22 homemakers completing the contest has made some or many improvements which are helpful to herself but which also offer concrete suggestions for her neighbors' kitchens. Lumber on hand, paints left over from painting done in former years, and cast-off materials of various kinds, were put to good use by women and their families bent on having better kitchens. The kinds of improvements were many and varied as you will see.

One of the most noticeable changes is that of light and cheerfulness in the appearance of the kitchens. A light, sunny cream color was adopted for the walls and ceiling of all except two of the 13 kitchens painted and four papered. The woodwork was painted ivory or light green in 14 kitchens and varnished in two. Floors received their share of attention by having old linoleum rugs painted or varnished in six kitchens, and being covered with new linoleum in three others.

The rearrangement of supplies and equipment has been a means of saving steps for 16 women, who brought this about chiefly by improving or providing additional storage spaces of one kind or another, so that articles could be kept handy for use. Improvements of this type include new shelves of proper sizes and width at kitchen sinks and over or under work tables; cabinet units built under drainboards or attached to wall above table or sink; movable shelf units standing on floor; new woodboxes or old ones put on legs or rollers, or both; small racks

for knives, kettle cover racks, towels, papers etc. In one home a small pass window was opened between the kitchen and dining room so that food and dishes can be moved from one to the other at a great saving in steps. Another woman made a small service table on rollers for step saver. The heights of working surfaces have been adjusted to individuals in eight kitchens, by adding casters, wood blocks, or other extensions to legs of tables, or by replacing low work tables with higher ones.

Two women have learned the advantages of a simple barrel water system, one arranged to have water pumped direct from well by hose connection with barrel, and the other utilizing rain water from the house roof. In these two homes and one other, kitchen sinks have been installed for the first time. One of these is clever homemade model which might be copied in some form by many others. In still two other kitchens old sinks were replaced by better new ones, in one case having the old sink re-installed in the basement where it is proving a big help with laundry and much other washing.

To improve light and ventilation two kitchens have had new windows out, and one had lights put in an outside door. Windows were better screened in four kitchens. Simple, attractive window curtains were added in eight kitchens and shades improved in two others. Work tables were covered with floor linoleum or new oil cloth in 14 kitchens.

Four back porches were completely screened to considerable advantage and furniture reconditioned for each of them. While four women planned to include the back door yard in their improvements only one carried out her plans. You will hear more later of this home. In addition to the foregoing summary of improvements made in 22 kitchens, the 12 others I mentioned each put up one or two needed shelves, rearranged equipment to some advantage or improved window treatments.

The improvements in the 22 kitchens were made at very reasonable cost. We were unable to obtain cost figures on three of these, but for the remaining 19 costs varied from 20¢ up to \$75.31. The total amount spent on the 19 kitchens was only \$386.92 or an average of \$20.36 per kitchen.

In making a decision as to which kitchens had been improved the most, the judge had to consider the amount of improvement as indicated in scores, the comparative value or durability of improvements made, and quality of workmanship, as well as the amount of money spent. Because of various differences in these kitchens and types of improvements the specialist found this contest one of the most difficult she had ever attempted to judge. Having decided which contestant deserved first place, she found nine others closely competing for the second place! Since this was the case much study had to be given to the weighing of one's accomplishments against another's in order to make a fair decision. Because of this close competition the judge has decided that having selected the best five, there are five others tied for sixth place. Even if no actual prize can be awarded to the second five each deserves the distinction of that placing and very honorable mention.

I should like for you to know what each individual winner has accomplished but I will take time only to describe briefly what the first one has done. It happens that this contestant spent the largest amount of money, \$75.51, but as \$50.00 of that amount went for a much needed range, we can properly think of all her improvements, with that one exception, as costing only \$25.51. For that amount, I think you will agree that very much has been accomplished. I hope many of you can make a personal visit to that home to see it. The results have been obtained through the interested cooperative efforts of the entire family, and I am sure each one enjoys and appreciates all the improvements made.

At the beginning of the contest this kitchen was dark and inconvenient, and the back yard filled with a rather unattractive collection of all sorts of things. At the end of the contest period both kitchen and back door yard were found quite transformed. The kitchen and pantry together were made many times lighter by painting the walls light cream, and the woodwork a soft light green. New linoleum in harmonizing colors covered the entire floor of both kitchen and pantry. The windows were given new full length screens and dressed up in attractive print side drapes. A rain barrel water system was installed, the barrel being put on porch roof, and a kitchen sink was put in, at a cost of only \$2.00. A new kitchen work table was built, the correct height and proper size for available space. The door between dining room and kitchen was hung on two-way hinges. A new steam cooker and some racks for small equipment were added, as well as a new cookstove which required the largest single cash expenditure. One porch was entirely screened in, and another had furniture painted and other helpful rearrangements made. In the back yard a complete change took place in an incredibly short time. Here an old shed was removed along with parts of an old car, scrap lumber, old tires etc. The yard fence was moved and straightened, posts whitewashed, meat house moved to corner of yard, grassy lawn established, shrubs and flowers planted, and a stepping stone walk made. A place of real beauty is the result at a considerable cost in time and labor but only \$3.00 in cash.

Before announcing the names of winners, the judge wishes to congratulate all those who have this year succeeded in carrying out many of their hopes and plans for more satisfying homes. She hopes that their success may serve to encourage others to go forward to similar accomplishments.

Those who have won distinction in this contest because of the degree of improvement achieved in their kitchens are:

1st - Mrs. J. M. Dean, Barboursville

2nd - Mrs. Lelia Pritchett, Mine Run

3rd - Mrs. C. L. Eddins, Orange

4th- Mrs. Ben Datis, Mine Run

5th - Mrs. O. H. Colman, St. Just

(Mrs. C. J. Brooking, Somerset

(Mrs. D. D. Ball, Gordonsville, R. F. D.

6th- (Mrs. James Holladay, Rapidan

(Mrs. R. P. Thompson, Orange

(Mrs. E. V. Huffman, Orange, R.F.D.

b. Minor Projects - Canning and remodeling were chosen as minors.

1. Foods - preservation

Although only 3 Homemakers Clubs had demonstrations on canning, planning a canning budget was discussed in each club, and the necessity of canning abundantly was given time and thought at each summer meeting and was discussed along with the spring canning meeting.

Women have become canning conscious and are doing more of it with a greater variety of foods than ever before. To date there have been 51,483 containers of food canned. A County Canning Contest was held at Achievement Day. Winners entered the State Contest sponsored by jar manufacturing companys. Second places were taken in Ball and Kerr contests, with money prizes of \$15.00 each.

A total of 52 women enrolled in the Ball and Kerr Contests.

Two clubs included a community canning meeting for the purpose of canning soup mixture to be used in the hot lunch projects next winter. These were held with marked success. In the 4 canning days, a total of 107 qts. were canned. Vegetables were donated by anyone in the community. Members of the clubs assisted with the canning.

In November a District Meat Cutting and Canning demonstration was held in the Orange High School Cafeteria for educational purposes. Agents and relief workers from five counties attended and assisted in cutting and canning 146 qts. of meat products which will be used for school lunches and relief purposes.

A series of news articles on canning has been run in the local paper since June. A number of women have commented on canning from the recipes.

A check on the 12 meetings shows 54,671 containers canned by those in attendance.

2. Clothing

A clothing clinic was conducted in each club. Leaders assisted with the remodeling. Club members were urged to bring to the meeting a dress or dresses, ripped and cleaned, and all necessary preparation for remodeling. Remodeling problems included dresses, coats and hats. In the 10 clinics held, ideas and assistance were given for remodeling 84 garments, 185 women attending these meetings. Suggestions were given on the method of remodeling the garment, and it was cut and fitted during the day's work. These clinics presented a number of interesting problems and set the women to thinking about what might be done to make cast-away garments wearable and attractive.

A series of fall clinics was held, at which time 65 garments were remodeled. The amount saved on these was \$411.69.

3. Home Management and House Furnishings

Two different subjects, "Kitchen and Back Yard Improvement" were given on this phase.

The demonstration on "Uses of Cotton Bags" were made more interesting by being able to exhibit numerous articles made from feed bags by one of the 4-H Club girls. The uses of both feed bags and burlap bags were demonstrated. A dress and underwear made from feed bags attracted much attention and interest.

Demonstrations were given on reupholstering chairs. The women seemed very interested in the demonstrations.

4. Home Gardens and Beautification of Grounds.

News items on pest control and on fall and winter gardening were published in the local paper with good results. A number of people have commented on the aid given by these articles.

The women throughout the clubs were urged to plant dogwood and any other beautifying shrubs and plants. A total of 770 dogwoods were planted. A prize was given Achievement Day for the club planting the most dogwoods.

6. Home Market

Home Marketing in the County is fine. We have a very well organized market. There are 14 women who bring products to the market each Saturday to sell. We have a manager, she is paid \$1.75 each Saturday for her services, her salary is taken from the commission money. A prize amounting to 25¢ is given each Saturday, this is also taken from the commission money. The Marketers take turns about selling, three sell at a time. 10% is charged for commission. Sometimes we do not run a special. The market sent two delegates to Blacksburg to the Institution of Rural Affairs. The market sales for October 1934 have increased 15% over October 1933.

e. Community Activities

One of the outstanding community events was the County Cake Contest and demonstration in furniture arrangement sponsored by the Home Demonstration Advisory Board. People of the town expressed the feeling that without the strong county organization that has been built up, such a county-wide event would have been impossible. Due to an all day down-pour of rain the crowd was rather small.

The Rapidan Homemakers Club and 4-H Club had an entertainment. With the proceeds, one of the 4-H Club girls was sent to Blacksburg to the summer Short Course and part was paid on an oil stove for 4-H Club work.

The Barboursville Community Organization sponsored a banquet in

the new auditorium and many outside guests were invited and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

d. Leader Training

There were three leader training meetings held with the leaders in the major project, "Home Kitchen and Backdoor Yard Improvement." These were conducted by Miss Mary B. Settle, Home Improvement specialist, with the assistance of the agent. At the first meeting, 9 of the 10 clubs were represented, while only 7 were represented at the latter. There were 18 leaders present at the first meeting, 13 present at the second meeting and 16 present at the third meeting. These meetings were held at the home of Mrs. C. W. Grim.

A cheese demonstration was given by a leader. The leaders have been a wonderful to the agent during this year's work.

f. State Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs

The County Home Demonstration Advisory Board having affiliated with the State Association sent a delegate to the State meeting. She later gave a report of the meeting to the Board, which showed that she had derived much from the meeting.

There were 19 women who went from the County this summer to the Virginia Institute of Rural Affairs which was held at Blacksburg during the latter part of July and the first week in August. There are ten Homemakers Clubs in this County and nine were represented, the tenth would have been represented but the woman who planned to go lost her father.

The Orange Club made a spread. This club had four delegates present.

The Barboursville Club sold ice cream after a play in order to

make money to send its delegates to the State meeting.

The women were very much impressed by the report of the work done by the organization toward helping educate deserving girls. They enjoyed the meeting as a whole, and in addition to the benefit gained personally, they brought back much for the clubs. They especially liked the recreational feature of each program.

g. County Meetings

The Homemakers held their Achievement Day October 10th at the Presbyterian Church, Orange. It was attended by approximately 450 Or 500 people.

Dr. M'Ledge Moffet gave a most interesting talk to the homemakers. Dr. Moffett is Dean of the State Teachers College, East Radford, Virginia.

The program for the day was as follows: 10:30, reports by the chairman of the clubs, awarding of prizes, and special music. Lunch was served at the Presbyterian Church. In the afternoon the Homemakers went to the Fair Grounds where Dr. Moffett gave her address, which was followed by special music by the Fredricksburg State College Glee Club. After this Thalhimer Brothers put on a style show which was enjoyed by everyone.

h. Market Work

The Orange County Curb Market, which opened March 5, 1932 has become quite well established. Fewer women are selling on the market, the number ranging during the year from 5 to 13. There are usually around 10 selling each Saturday. The women have begun more specialization and have therefore improved the standard of the products.

The Market is open only one day each week, from 9 to 1 during the winter months and from 8:30 to 12:30 during the summer months. A window of a local hardware store is used as the place for displaying the food. The space is quite limited, but this handicap could not be avoided.

The best sellers are dressed chickens, altho cakes and pies run a close second. One woman has found that chicken and ham sandwiches are good sellers and by selling them in this way can practically double the profits. Most of the trade is repeat orders.

Since December 1, 1933, the sales have amounted to \$2,115.44 or an average of about \$45 per Saturday. A commission of 10% is charged to take care of overhead expenses. It is necessary to buy a state license costing \$10.75, and the manager is paid \$1.75 per Saturday. The sales have over doubled since last year.

The manager takes care of the advertising, acts as bookkeeper,, making change and keeping accounts straight, and meets the public.

A special is run about every 2 weeks, and a prize is given to the lucky number each other sale day. A buyer must purchase 50¢ worth before being eligible to the prize.

Sales for October 1934 showed more than 13% increase over October 1933.

1. Relief Work

This spring, through the efforts of the Agent, the R.F.C. County Committee agreed to allow all men who wanted garden seed to work two days for it. As a result, approximately 180 families received seeds. The farm and Home Agents chose the varieties of garden seed, and the Farm Agent was responsible for the distribution of the seed and the giving of information on the cultivation. This was done with the garden supervisor.

Later in the spring, the Home Agent sent to each family given seed a letter on pest control.

In June, working with the colored rural supervisor, a group of colored leaders was brought together and given training in canning and drying.

The leaders assisted in advertising the meetings, in getting vegetables and supplies, and in assisting with the demonstrations.

Demonstrations were also given to 4 different groups of white women in communities not reached by clubs.

In November a district meat cutting and canning demonstration was held in the Orange High School Cafeteria for educational purposes. Agent and relief workers from 5 counties attended and assisted in cutting and canning 146 qts. of meat products which will be used for school lunches and relief purposes

k. Recreation

A recreation leaders meeting was held more than a year ago, and leaders in each club were trained for conducting recreation. All of the clubs agreed to have 15 minutes of recreation at each meeting. Two of the clubs did this systematically. The women thoroughly enjoyed the social hour. Singing is enjoyed more than anything as a whole.

4. Girl Work

a. Major Project

Clothing was the major project for the girls this year. 175 girls were instructed in making clothing inventories and keeping accounts. Good grooming and growth work were stressed at each meeting. Representatives from each club entered the county dress contest when the representative to the State Short Course, to be held in Blacksburg was selected. Growth contestants were also selected at this time. Representatives were entered in the State Dress Revue Contest, sponsored by Chicago Mail Order House.

b. Minor Projects

1. Canning

The girls made canning budgets and canned to meet family needs. A County Canning Contest was held and winners entered State Contests sponsored by jar manufacturing companies. In Ball Contest one member won 4th place with money prize of \$10.00.

A summary report of the work done by the Better Foods Clubs, a phase of the 4-H Club work, done in the one-room schools of the county, show some excellent nutritional work accomplished. These Clubs were organized in the Sunnyside, and Moore Hill schools soon after the beginning of the school term in the fall, and the summary report shows the results of the years work.

At the time of the organization of the Clubs, the Home Agent weighed each child and checked the weight with the normal weight for the height and age of the child. Of the 36 club members enrolled who completed the club and school year, 18 were found to be underweight, ranging from 1 to 18 lbs.

The year's program was based on the relation of food to good health, and importance of the right amount of the right kinds of food. Club members were taught the value and importance of milk in the diet and of vegetables and fruits in addition to basic meat, bread and potato diet far too comonly used. Health rules were formulated and analyzed, and booklets were made to illustrate the rules. The agent also gave them some work in simple sewing. The teacher helped.

The check showed a large number of children not getting a quart of milk dailey, the required amount for every growing boy and girl. They were encouraged into bringing a bottle of milk to school to use with the all important noonday lunch.

The Sunnyside Club served milk during the winter months. The Moore Hill Club also served milk.

c. Community Activities

One club had a taffy pull and card party to raise money to send delegates to the Short Courses. Picnics and hikes were participated in by several clubs.

d. Program of the Best Club

The Gordonsville Club was the best project group in Clothing. They met each month at the project leader's home. This group of 18 girls, the most of whom were under 14 years of age, made a total of 30 dresses, 38 undergarments and 8 other garments.

They held their Club Style Dress Revue Contest, Health Contest, Correct Dress Contest and Judging Contest.

Three of the Club's members attended the State Short Course.

During the summer months, the meetings were continued. One was an all-day meeting with project work in the forenoon, picnic lunch, and in the afternoon the boys joined them for games and a club program.

e. Leader Training

The best work done by a leader was that of the Gordonsville leader. She turned her home over to the girls in their meeting day. Her assistance to them in their project work was invaluable, and she also helped them socially. Two all-day meetings were held in the summer with a picnic lunch. She worked up and sponsored a card party and taffy pull as a means of raising money to send delegates to the Short Courses. She acted as leader for the delegates going to Blacksburg.

A county Leaders' Association was organized in October. Committees appointed at this time took charge of Achievement Day, held Nov. 3rd.

f. Camps and Short Courses

Seven clubs were represented by 13 delegates to the State Short Course. One of the leaders acted as chaperone. Of the delegation, one entered the Health Contest, one the Correct Dress and one the Judging.

Two of the delegates were admitted to the All Star Chapter.

g. County Meetings or Special Events

On November 3rd in the Orange High School Auditorium the annual Achievement Day program was held.

Canning and clothing contests were run off during the morning. From 12:30 to 1:30 the national 4-H radio program was enjoyed by a large audience. Beginning at 2 P. M., a program was put on consisting of demonstrations, reports, outstanding trips, dress revue, and an address. Picnic supper was followed by a camp fire around which challenges, reports and announcements were made. A candle lighting ceremony and taps concluded the program.

i. Recreation

County Picnic

Approximately 300 club girls and boys and 50 parents and friends attended the County 4-H picnic at Fair View Beach. The day was a perfect success from every standpoint. The club members were conveyed by bus. Both morning and afternoon were given over to bathing.

VI. Agent having been in County only fourteen months feels gratified at results obtained and although contented is not satisfied, feeling that more marginal families should be reached and assisted.

VII. Plans and Goals for 1935

Women and girls will major in "Foods" for 1935

Goals

1. Work with marginal families in group where possible.
2. Continue thrift measures in cheese, remodeling, dry cleaning and soap making.
3. Leaders to assume more responsibility in regard to giving demonstrations in order that agent may reach more people.
4. Encourage food preservations thru use of pressure cookers.
5. Bring in at least one outsiderspeaker during the year.

The title of this year's campaign is "Build up a More Widespread Desire For Better Living Conditions"

Co. Home Agent Reports to Board

November was a good month with the 4-H Clubs. New members were enrolled during the past thirty days, the enrollment being almost doubled. All clubs have leaders, and nearly all clubs having two leaders, all being interested in the work. The project work of the girls has been making clothing hoods and taking inventory of their clothes, making a personal account of what they spend during the year, in order that they may learn the great importance of economy.

The 4-H Club Achievement Day was held at the fair grounds with about 200 girls and boys attending, together with approximately 50 mothers and fathers, besides the club leaders. There were about 125 exhibits, and \$21.25 was given away in cash prizes. Justice George L. Browning gave a splendid talk on "Leadership. Ten out of the thirteen clubs were represented.

Marys Harris, an All-Star 4-H Club member, was the State winner of the Montgomery Ward trip. Marys is very much interested in 4-H Club work, and is a hard worker.

The Leaders' Meeting for 4-H Club Leaders was held in the Agent's office November 9th. There were four leaders present.

The Homemakers' Clubs have increased during the last two months, and there seems to be a great deal of interest among the women.

A meeting of the Agricultural and Home Demonstration Advisory Board was held during this month at the courthouse. The work was discussed and the projects of work selected for the year. It was decided by the Homemakers' Clubs that they would major in "The Home Kitchen," with the backyard improvement and remodeling of clothing, reconditioning of furnitures, gardening, including vegetable and landscape gardening, as minors. Dates for meetings in each community were set.

There have been 35,000 quarts of food canned in the County this summer. Many women said, having canned this food, they had more money to buy books for their children.

During the month, the Home Agent has spent 13 days in the field, 6 days in the office, 1 holiday, made 87 home visits, attended 45 meetings, had 304 office visits, had 90 telephone calls, prepared 7 news articles, written 68 individual letters, prepared 13 different circular letters, traveled 633 miles. Total attendance at meetings, 1,053. The market for this month is \$146.58. This was the month for the annual report of the Agent.

4-H CLUB LEADERS MEET.

Miss Crystal Taylor, Extension Specialist in Clothing, held a 4-H Club Leaders' meeting in Orange on Monday, June 11, from 10:30 to 3:00. There are eleven 4-H Clothing Clubs and two Better Foods Clubs in the county. This meeting was held for the leaders of the clothing clubs and eight clubs were represented. The extension was unusually good. Dinner for which Mrs. N. C. Bailey gave 100 cents was served at 1 o'clock. The 90 club hour was very much enjoyed.

These leaders' meetings are always interesting and helpful and we wish that more of the leaders would make an effort to attend them.

CANNING DEMONSTRATIONS.

Mrs. Irma Wallace, from the Kerr Glass Manufacturing Company, will be in Orange County Thursday and Friday, June 21 and 22, with the following schedule:

June 21, Senecot, at the home of Mrs. Garland Shuler, at 1 P. M.
June 22, Rapidan, at the school house, at 9:50 A. M.
June 22, Unionville, at the school house, at 1 P. M.

Mrs. Wallace is planning to concentrate on the canning of all types of fruits and vegetables. Members of the Homemakers Clubs and the 4-H Clubs are urged to attend one of these demonstrations.

Mrs. Irma Wallace Holds Demonstrations.

On Thursday, June 21, from 1 to 5:30 o'clock, Mrs. Irma Wallace, of the Kerr Company, held a canning demonstration in the home of Mrs. Garland Shuler, of Senecot. There were forty-six representatives from the Homemakers and 4-H Clubs of Senecot, Gordonsville and Barboursville attending this demonstration.

On Friday, June 22, from 9:30 to 12:30, Mrs. Wallace gave a demonstration at Rapidan schoolhouse for the members of the Rapidan Homemakers and 4-H Clubs. There were twenty-two representatives and three guests attending.

Friday afternoon, June 22, from 1 to 5:30 o'clock, she gave a similar demonstration at Unionville schoolhouse. There were thirty-seven representatives from the Homemakers and 4-H Clubs of Unionville, Labors and St. Just at this demonstration.

Mrs. Wallace knows her work thoroughly and gave splendid demonstrations. It means much to the women and girls of the county to attend these and learn new methods of canning. Mrs. Wallace carried a very unique advertisement of her work and her cans on the back of her car. It was an immense fruit jar filled with regular size jars of fruits and vegetables. This created quite a lot of interest. It is hoped that those who attended the demonstrations will pass on the information they received to those who could not attend.

4-H Leaders Organize.

The Orange County 4-H Club leaders met with Miss Bratton for the first time Saturday, Oct. 27, in the Cafeteria of Orange High School. The officers elected for this year are: Lulla Terrill, Chairman; Elizabeth Harris, Vice-Chairman; Miss Nan Clark, Secretary. The committee appointed for Achievement Day activities, were: Lunch, Mrs. Sanson; Mrs. Shuter and Elizabeth Harris, to receive exhibits; Mrs. Stickey, Lulla Terrill, Frances Stickey; and Decorations, Jo Sanford, Virginia Strickler and Ada Sanford.

Miss Bratton gave demonstrations to cover the next three months' work which were, fixing a school lunch, making Christmas candies, and how to use whole wheat in biscuits, muffins and as cereal.

The objectives for this year were discussed and work of past year ended up. Saturday was day voted on for holding Leaders' Training Meetings, at which we hope to have Miss Janet Carson, State Foods Agent, present.

The Grange and Community League met at the Labors School Saturday night. Owing to the weather, there was a small crowd present. The subject of the evening was "Flower and Vegetable Gardens." A number of talks were given, and the guest speaker was Mrs. Joseph Walker, of Woodberry Forest, making a splendid talk on lilacs. Mrs. Conroy, of Monticello, spoke on "Cultivation of the Dahlia," and Mrs. Viola Gibbs brought us the history of the "Chrysanthemum." Miss Conble, County Home Demonstrator, talked on "How to Beautify Farm Homes with Shrubs and Flowers."

Homemakers to Meet at Blacksburg

(By Sallie Keiser Combs)

Once again I wish to remind you of the approaching annual meeting of the Virginia Homemakers' Association in Blacksburg, July 21st-August 2. Won't you make a special effort to see that your Club is represented by a voting delegate? If you have not already selected a delegate, please plan to call a special meeting for that purpose. See that your Club's dues (\$3) have been forwarded to Mrs. Ada Wilson, E. P. D. S. Richmond, so that your Club can participate in the business of the association. This year each Club in

Virginia has a representative will be allowed only one vote, a special section of the auditorium to be reserved for official delegates. This procedure adopted last year will give all clubs an equal voice in determining association's policy, instead of allowing nearby clubs which can send large delegations, the advantage they have held in former years. If individual members desire additional votes they can still join the association as individuals by paying \$1 each.

Business to be considered Tuesday morning includes voting on the amendment introduced last year changing our name from Virginia Homemakers' Association to Virginia Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs. The biennial election of a president, two vice-presidents from Southwest and Piedmont sections) and a corresponding secretary will be held.

To date, the association has invested \$3,000 in eleven scholarships for college girls. The executive committee, meeting in Richmond this April, voted to recommend that this sum be continued as a revolving fund for worthy girls, but that in the future, new funds according to the association be used for the benefit of rural women of Virginia. More specific recommendations will be made at the general meeting. Please be prepared to join the discussion with suggestions.

Speakers who will address our meetings include: Dr. Hazel Stuebeling, of the U. S. D. A. Bureau of economics, on nutrition; Dr. Fredrick Howe, of the Consumers' Council, on getting the greatest value for our dollars; Miss Mary Lohrler and Miss Florence C. Hall, Home Economists from Washington, on standards of family living. A representative from the Helena Rubenstein Company will give a demonstration on standards of good grooming. An invitation has been extended to Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt and Miss Frances Perkins to be our guests of honor.

The afternoon and evening sessions will be given over to exhibits and entertainment features, including the reception and square dance Tuesday night, which has featured the joint meeting of the Homemakers' and Institute of Rural Affairs for the past few years. If you have attended one of these annual gatherings, you know the pleasures in store for you, and the inspiration you will carry home from this interchange of ideas and pleasant contacts with kindred spirits from all sections of our great Commonwealth. I hope that your Club will be well represented by a large delegation.

TRANSPLANTING DOGWOOD

(By the Horticulturist)

The dogwood, with its masses of early spring flowers, its dappled autumn foliage and its bright-red berries, is probably our most ornamental native tree. It may be used either in mass planting or as isolated specimens, and is especially suitable for highway beautification where electric wires make the use of a low growing tree necessary. Dogwood thrives throughout the state and on a variety of soils. Its selection by the General Assembly as Virginia's State flower was both natural and fortunate.

White dogwood is often transplanted to home grounds, many have experienced difficulty in moving the trees successfully, especially where they have attempted to bring large trees from woods or fields. The best method for handling such specimens is to make preparation a year in advance by digging a trench all around the tree at a distance two feet or more. The purpose of this is to cut the long roots and encourage the formation of short branching ones. After the roots have been cut, the soil should be replaced until time for transplanting. The tree is then moved with the mass of earth and roots intact. When handled in this manner, the top pruning is necessary and growth is scarcely checked.

Most people, however, desire a simpler and less expensive method. For this, smaller trees are necessary; the smaller the easier it is to move. If moved with a ball of soil in place about the roots, success is assured. In most cases, however, this is impractical, and to insure success the following precautions should be observed:

1. Dig the trees carefully so as to avoid damage to the roots. If any are broken, trim off the damaged ends with a sharp knife.
2. Keep the roots covered with a wet cloth or moist earthball the time they are out of the ground, to prevent drying.
3. Plant the tree at the same depth it stood in its original location. If it needs support, tie it to a stake driven in the ground.
4. Spread the roots in as near their natural position as possible and pack fresh top soil tightly about them. Do not use fertilizers next to the roots.
5. Mulch transplanted trees with coarse manure, straw, lawn clippings or any suitable material, and water occasionally but thoroughly during dry weather. Always water plants when the shade is on them.

Although slight color variations are often found in the woods, the deep pink varieties are available only in nurseries, where they are propagated by budding. It is reported that the pink forms thrive best in an acid soil and gradually lose their color if grown in a soil which is rich in lime.

125 Homemakers Here Tuesday

Cake Auction Conducted By Mr. H. O. Lyle; Prize Winners Named

Approximately 125 Orange county homemakers attended Homemakers Day in Orange Tuesday.

The program began at Tappan Broca, where furnishings for a model home were on display. Miss Sallie Combs, home demonstration agent, arranged the furniture which was supplied by Tappan Broca. May-Rudisell furnished the curtains, while Modern Plumbing and Heating Co. supplied a kitchen sink. Members of Homemakers clubs from other counties have been invited to view this exhibit within the next two weeks.

Prize winning cakes in a contest sponsored by the Ramford Baking Powder Co., were auctioned off by Mr. H. O. Lyle on the courthouse porch. Ladies whose cakes received prizes were Mesdames E. O. Ed-dins, Barboursville; J. S. Buckner, Somerset; S. E. Brookings, Orange; George Reynolds, Orange; Ben Davis, Mine Run; W. L. Ware, Orange; C. C. Eddins, Somerset; Carson Shear, Somerset; Roland Clark, Unionville; Viola Gibbs, Thornhill; R. P. Thompson, Orange; R. B. Kite, Walthorn, Misses Rosa Belle Uitz, Barboursville; Willie Butler, Orange; Alice Cooper, St. Just.

Judges for the contest were Misses Myrtle Howard representatives of the Ramford Baking Powder Co., Richmond; E. Belle Burke, district home demonstration agent of the University of Virginia. Cake sales realized \$22.50 which will be turned over to the advisory board, composed of officers of the county. Lunch was served all those attending the meeting by Tappan Broca. Mr. Roland Hill, Jr., donated milk for the chocolate milk shakes included in the menu which comprised sandwiches and ice cream. The trip to the gardens was postponed because of inclement weather. However, the homemakers are planning a flapper show when a tour of the gardens will also be made.

Frances Davenport, Conway Fitzhugh, Martha and Jennie Willis, Wal-lace Robbsey and Esther Poole Sampson attended L-H Club Achievement Day in Orange, Saturday.

64

CAN TOMATOES FOR TASTE, TANG, VIM AND VIGOR

Of all the vegetables, none can surpass the popular tomato, with "ripe-red skins, brimful of health and vitamins." It is the most versatile vegetable known, yet not so many years ago tomatoes were considered actually harmful, even for grownups, and as for feeding to babies—that was thought sure death.

Now the "tomato habit" is one that every member of the family has acquired. The baby takes it instead of orange juice, Grandpa his cocktail, Grandma has hers right from the vines, while Dad insists on them to take on his fishing trip. Johnnie has them in his athletic training diet and sister Jane has found that they help her complexion, and yet have almost no calories—and they make such lovely salads.

Tomatoes are almost as popular canned as fresh and they are easy to can too. For your convenience the Home Demonstration Agent gives these directions, but you'll first hand information if you come to one of her canning demonstrations to which you are cordially invited.

Canned Tomatoes

Select firm, ripe tomatoes of medium size and uniform shape. Do not use tomatoes which are overripe, or which have spotted or decayed places. Put into trays or shallow layers in wire baskets and dip in boiling water for about a minute, according to ripeness. Remove and plunge into cold water for an instant. Drain at once and core and peel promptly. Pack into jars or cans as closely as possible. For home use, fill with thick tomato sauce, or with the juice of other tomatoes. Season with one tsp. salt per quart. Process quart and pint glass jars for 30 minutes in boiling water and No. 2 and No. 3 cans for 20 minutes.

Canned Tomato Juice

Select firm, ripe tomatoes. Wash well and drain. Cut into sections. Add a small quantity of water to start cooking and simmer until softened. Stir occasionally to prevent burning. Put through a sieve fine enough to remove seeds. Bring to boiling point, put immediately in containers. Add 1 tsp. salt to each quart juice. Process quart and pint jars 5 minutes in boiling water.

Sallie Helen Combs,
Home Dem. Agent.

Homemakers Hold Delightful Social

Affair Held in Basement of School Auditorium, Bar- boursville. Silver Offering Taken.

(Reported Especially for Orange
County News)

On Friday, October 26th, from 8 to 10:30 o'clock P. M., a delightful social meeting was held in the basement of the new auditorium of the James Barbour High School, Barboursville, with Mrs. H. J. Williams, homemakers' equipment chairman, and her committee, composed of Mrs. D. D. Ball, Mrs. W. M. Piercy, Mrs. S. D. Estes, Mrs. C. A. Utz and Miss Ethel Mundy as hostesses. A silver offering was taken. About 150 were present. Music was furnished by the Barboursville String Band, and a delightful program, including games, contests and an old-time cake walk, was arranged for the entertainment of the guests. D. D. Ball and Mrs. Weldon Miller were in charge of the Cake Walk; Mrs. W. B. Gillum and E. C. Mundy, Jr., did some fancy stepping and were winners of the first cake, and Miss Virginia Strickland and Edward Hamm, the second. The guessing contest, in charge of Mrs. C. A. Utz, was won by Weldon Miller, Jr. Mrs. Frank Rohr and Mrs. W. L. Utz entertained the children with games in the recreation room, and refreshments, consisting of sandwiches, cookies, doughnuts and coffee, were served at ten o'clock.

A most delightful time was reported by everyone present, and the hope was expressed that Mrs. Williams and her committee would have a similar meeting in the near future.

The Homemakers are deeply appreciative of the entertainment and of the silver offering, which will be used to help equip the Homemakers' new kitchen.

Girls' Four-H Club Meets.

The Gordonsville 4-H Club had a called meeting Friday for the purpose of making plans for Achievement Day, which will be held at the Orange School on November 3rd. Mr. Blair reminded the club members that all of their record books have not been turned in, and they must do so if they want a win this year.

Miss Brattan, the new home demonstrator, was introduced to the club and she told the girls about the new project they were to take up this year. The subject of challenges was discussed and also how the club members were to get to and from Orange on Achievement Day. It was decided that if enough went, the club members could hire a truck. The meeting was closed with the club pledge and motto.

Co. 4-H Clubs Hold Annual Contests

Program Presented in Or- ange High School Audi- torium.

The winners of the various clubs of the County meet on the morning of July 6th in the Orange High School auditorium to compete for the final County honors. There were three different contests held with the 4-H Club girls—Growth and Health, Correct Dress and Judging and Scoring. Keen competition was shown. These contests are planned to stimulate interest.

Growth and Health Contest.

The 4-H growth work is planned to teach the club members standards for their own development. These contestants were scored on nutritional conditions, posture, chest, head and throat, feet, hands, stability of nerve and general appearance. Winners were as follows: 1st, Maiba Terrill of Orange Club, with a score of 97; Frances Garnett and Jo Sanford, also of the Orange club; tied with a score of 96 1-2 for second place; Marilyn Fauloner, of the Unionville Club, placed third, with a score of 94. Richard Willis, of the Gordonsville Club, won first place in the boys' health contest.

The club members and leaders wish to take this opportunity of thanking Dr. Elliott, who willingly gave his time and service to the thorough scoring of the health contestants.

Correct Dress Contest.

The purpose of this contest is to teach all 4-H Club members what it is to be appropriately dressed, and to select their clothing for comfort, health, simplicity, attractiveness and economy. The winners in the three classes were as follows:

In the home, Frances Anne Gooch, of the Unionville Club, first; and Adelaide Willis, of Rapidan, second. In the sport and school class, there was exceptionally keen competition shown between Marvin Faulconer, of the Unionville Club, and Frances Stickle, of the Lahore Club. After much thought, the judge placed Marilyn Faulconer, of the Unionville

(Continued on page five)

4-H Club Meeting.

The Gordonsville 4-H Club held its monthly meeting on Friday. The program was short, as there was important business to discuss. The 4-H Club members decided to have their pictures in the Gordonsville High School annual, and each would contribute fifteen cents. The Club boys received their pins.

A taffy candy pull is anticipated in the near future by the members. The new members were initiated, and the meeting was closed with club pledge and motto.

Homemakers' Day At Orange May 29

Tappy Brothers Will Stage Exhibit and Serve Lunch.

Homemakers' Day will be held in Orange May 29th, beginning at 10:30 A. M. The program will begin at Tappy Brothers' with an exhibit of a home furnished by Tappy Bros. This exhibit, it is hoped, is going to be most helpful and interesting to the homemakers. They are not interested in an exhibit of expensive, elaborate furniture, but are interested in having an exhibit of furniture which is in good taste and arrangement. Tappy Bros. have gone to quite a lot of trouble to put this exhibit on for the Homemakers' Clubs of Orange County, and it is hoped all women who belong to the clubs will take this opportunity of celebrating Homemakers' Day.

After the exhibit, homemakers will adjourn to the Court House, where a cake contest will be held. This contest is put on by the Rumford Baking Powder Company. There are a number of attractive prizes given for the best cakes, and so far fifty-five women have entered the contest. Mr. Barton Mason will sell the cakes after the judging to the highest bidder. All housewives of Orange County are urged to come and buy a cake. Real bargains will be presented. The money from the cake will go to the Advisory Board. All cakes must be in by 10:30.

After the contest, the homemakers of the clubs in the County are invited to Tappy Brothers for lunch and they are preparing for all the members of the Homemakers' Clubs.

After lunch, all are invited to visit the beautiful and most artistic gardens of Mrs. Joseph G. Walker, of Woodberry Forest, and Mrs. Willie Browning, of Orange. Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Browning will speak on "Flower Gardening."

St. Just Club.

The St. Just Homemakers' Club met Thursday, May 10th, with eight members present. The subject was "Back-door Yard Improvement." The women stopped first with Mrs. A. W. Biscoe, and Miss Combs gave her much information about improving her yard; then to Mrs. W. K. Reynolds', and ended at Mrs. G. W. Wright's. These demonstrations are very interesting and informative, and we should try to improve and beautify our surroundings with as little cost as possible. Flower plants were exchanged.

The following women entered the cake contest to be held at Orange, May 29th: Mrs. A. W. Biscoe, Mrs. B. P. Thompson, Mrs. G. W. Wright, Miss Ruth Tinder, Miss Alice Cooper and Miss Inez Lumsden.

GORDONSVILLE HOMEMAKERS CLUB.

The Gordonsville Homemakers Club had a very interesting meeting on May 16th at the home of Mrs. E. M. Spencer. A large crowd attended. The demonstration was the Back-door yard. Mrs. Spencer has a very attractive backyard. Miss Combs gave a very interesting talk on the backyard, and made some suggestions to Mrs. Spencer in regard to the arrangement of flowers and shrubbery. Several brought flower plants to be planted and told how they should be planted. We also visited Mrs. V. H. C. Goodwin's backyard, which was very much complimented. From here we were invited to visit Mrs. B. H. Cameron's and Mrs. Flora Zinn's flower gardens. These gardens are beautiful and so interesting to go through.

Those who did not attend this meeting, and visit these gardens, have missed a great treat.

Miss Combs discussed the Homemakers' Day at Orange, May 29th and twelve ladies entered the cake contest.

There were twenty-six dogwood trees reported as having been set out this spring.

Miss Lambert, from Staunton, gave a talk about the Fresh Air children and asked that the community open up their homes to these children.

Our club is growing very fast, and we have new members each meeting. Will you not come next time and urge a friend to come?

Secretary.

Gordonsville Home- makers' Club.

The Gordonsville Homemakers' Club held its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Richard Perkins on Wednesday, June 13th, at 2:30 P. M. The demonstration was "Storage Units." There was a good crowd out and everybody had a good time. Miss Combs and Mrs. Perkins gave us some good ideas to make the kitchen a more convenient place in which to live. We visited the kitchens of Mrs. J. B. Adams and Mrs. E. M. Michie, Jr. Both of these kitchens are very attractive. You missed something when you did not visit these homes with us. After visiting these kitchens we went to Mrs. Frank Allman's backyard. She has a very attractive little yard. Now, if you want to spend a pleasant, as well as profitable afternoon, join our Home Demonstration Club, and go around with us. Our club has grown just lots and everybody seems so enthusiastic. Come next time and see if you don't like it.

—Secretary.

ST. JUST HOMEMAKERS.

The St. Just Homemakers Club met Thursday, July 5th, in the home of Mrs. G. W. Wright, with twelve members present. A very interesting demonstration of "Cleaners in the Kitchen" was put on by Miss Combs showing how to clean silver, brass, aluminum, etc., and how to make the cleaners of things in the home.

The Club is planning to give a play in the near future, the time and place to be published later.

After singing "Down in the Valley," the ladies left for their various homes, having spent a very pleasant and profitable afternoon.

Secretary.

St. Just Homemakers' Club.

Through the efforts of Mrs. A. W. Biscoe and Miss Churchill Wright, a group of women from the St. Just community met with Miss Sallie Helen Combs, Home Demonstration Agent, and Mrs. Chester Hazard, chairman of the Somerset Homemakers' Club, at the home of Mrs. A. W. Biscoe on Thursday, March 1, 1934, at 2:30 P. M., for the purpose of organizing a Homemakers' Club. The following women were present: Mrs. Etas Reynolds, Mrs. W. K. Reynolds, Mrs. R. I. Brown, Mrs. C. O. Brown, Mrs. F. P. Webb, Miss Inez Lumsden, Miss Gladys Tinder, Miss Ruth Tinder, Miss Alice Cooper, Miss Churchill Wright, Miss Janie Wright, Mrs. G. W. Wright, Mrs. C. B. Wright, Mrs. A. W. Biscoe, Mrs. A. M. Biscoe, Mrs. V. H. Coleman.

The meeting was called to order by Miss Combs, who discussed the purpose and advantages of having Homemakers' Clubs in the County, and the need of co-operation in homemaker work as in all other work. She outlined the duties of the officers of a homemakers' club, and then asked Mrs. Hazard to take charge of the meeting for the election of officers for the new club.

The following officers were elected: Chairman, Mrs. A. W. Biscoe; Vice-Chairman, Mrs. W. K. Reynolds; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Inez Lumsden; Leaders, Mrs. C. O. Brown, Miss Churchill Wright.

Miss Combs explained the Virginia Homemakers' Creed and the aim of home demonstration work, and helped the members of the club to make out a monthly calendar for the first six months of the year. It was decided to let the members think over what work they would like to take up during the next six months, and finish making out the calendar later. Miss Combs also gave out charts on which to keep a record of work done during the year. She asked the chairman to appoint a committee to work on attendance, and get new members for the club.

It was decided to hold the regular monthly meetings of the St. Just Homemakers' Club at the home of Mrs. A. W. Biscoe for the time being, as that is a central point and more convenient to many of the members. No definite date was set for the monthly meetings, as Miss Combs would have to arrange a schedule for the new club.

Co. 4-H Clubs Hold Annual Contests

(Continued from first page)

Club first.

In church and informal party class, Martha Willis, of the Gordonsville Club, placed first. Frances Garnette, of Orange Club, and Geraldine Payton, of Mine Run Club, both received honorable mention.

Judging Contest.

As a part of the project work in Clothing Club work, the girls are taught as to quality of workmanship, materials used, suitability of fabric, colors and styles to the garment made, and to be able to place the garments. This is planned to make the girls better buyers and to raise their standards of workmanship. In this contest, the girls were scored on the way they judged and their reasons for placing the garments as they did. Dot Peyton, of the Unionville Club, won first, with a good score.

The first winners in each of these contests will compete in the State Contest held in connection with the State Short Course at Blacksburg, July 23-28.

Others who will attend are: Mary Elizabeth Mills and Frances Stickley from the Lahore Club; Alice Beshm, Residan Club; Katherine Spencer, Hettie Sampson and Mrs. Tom Sampson, leader, Gordonsville Club; Ada Sanford, Jo Sanford and Margaret Eutaler, Orange Club; Marye Harris, Dorothy Peyton and Frances Gooch, Unionville Club; Frances Graves, Barboursville Club. Boys—Bernard Thompson, Lahore Club; Cary Crafton, Orange Club; John Hopkins, Unionville Club; Buel Douglas, Barboursville Club.

Council Meeting.

On the afternoon of July 6th, the second meeting of the County Council was held in the Orange High School auditorium. The meeting was called to order by the president. The secretary then read the minutes and called the roll. As there were no corrections, the secretary read the goals

that had been set up by the Council in its last meeting. The members of the different clubs got together and checked as the secretary read the goals or standards that the different clubs have accomplished.

Mr. Curtis discussed the State Short Course as to delegates, transportation, etc. He also told the Council of the part the 4-H Clubs were to play in the County Fair to be held in connection with the bi-centennial.

The president put it to a standing vote as to whether the club members of Orange County wanted to go to Jamestown, as the Club Camp will be held one week for the Northern Virginia District Short Course. The club members decided not to go.

The Achievement Day program was discussed. The council officers and agents will complete the plans for the program.

Mr. W. L. Blair, the assistant County Agent, was introduced by Mr. Curtis, after which the council adjourned.

A large per cent. of the members of the Mine Run Home Makers' club met at the home of Mrs. L. W. Talley on Monday afternoon. The Home Demonstration Agent, Miss Sallie Helen Combs, gave the demonstration on candy making and Christmas gifts. The whole crowd seemed in an especially jovial humor while Miss Combs utilized an enormous quantity of energy these homemakers had in storage for the Xmas holidays. The results however were most gratifying when several kinds of delicious candy were sampled.

HINTS FOR THE HOUSEWIFE

By Miss Sallie H. Combs, Orange County Home Demonstrator

1. Put a sour apple in your cake box. It will keep your cake moist.
2. To prevent pie and cake pans or tins from rusting. Before using the first time grease entire surface with lard and heat thoroughly in the oven.
3. Celery leaves dried and stored in glass jars are good to flavor soups, etc. Or dried crushed into a powder and mixed with equal amount of salt.
4. Cotton crepe makes excellent dish towels, is not linty.
5. To freshen vegetables, let them stand in water for an hour to which lemon juice has been added.
6. Apply gasoline with a sponge or brush to your carpets will keep moths away.
7. Try grinding oatmeal when using in cakes, muffins, etc. Measure before grinding.
8. When making candy try adding 1/2 tablespoon corn starch to each cup sugar.
9. Try camphor to remove fruit stains from linen.
10. Before extracting juice from lemons place them in warming closet for a few minutes.
11. A circle caused by cleaning with emerys may be removed with or by holding over steam. A good cleaning fluid now on the market is Mineral Spirits.

MISS FLORENCE SANFORD NAMED CHAIRMAN ALL-STARS

At a meeting held in the County Agent's office Thursday night July 12, Miss Florence Sanford was elected chairman of the "All-Stars."

There are at present five members of this "All Star" chapter in Orange county. These boys and girls are 4-H club members who have done outstanding work with their projects and have excelled in leadership in their respective clubs and communities.

Each year the outstanding boy and girl in 4-H club work are recommended for the "All Star" chapter by the County and Home Agents and the 4-H club members who have been elected members in former years. These recommendations are passed on at the meeting of "All Stars" held during the annual 4-H club week at Blacksburg.

The object of the local organization is to further 4-H club work and be of assistance in leadership training.

Those present at the meeting were: Miss Sallie Helen Combs, home agent, Florence Sanford, Marye Harris, Buel Douglas and Leonard Blair, jr. assistant county agent.

Other Orange county members of the "All Stars" chapter are Lalla Terrill and Ralph Racer.

4-H Members to Observe Achievement Day

4-H Club members of Orange County will observe annual Achievement Day on Saturday, November the 3rd. The program will include exhibits of 4-H Club Girls' project work in sewing and canning, demonstrations on winter storage of vegetables and culling the laying flock. A dress review by the Club girls and a talk by Professor W. L. Lord, of Woodberry Forest School.

The program, beginning at 2:30 o'clock will be held in the auditorium of the Orange High School. Cary Crafton, President of the Club Council, will preside and Miss R. Belle Burke will judge the exhibits.

Unionville 4-H Club.

The Unionville 4-H Club will hold a meeting at the Unionville school-house Friday, June 29th, at 1:30 P. M. The purpose of this meeting is to elect health delegates, judging delegates and correct dress delegates to represent the club in Orange July 6. It is hoped that all the Unionville 4-H Club members will be present at this meeting.

March 4-H Club Meeting.

The Orange 4-H Club held its March meeting in the Grade School Building. Due to bad weather, the meeting was not held in the Fire House as was scheduled. The Club failed to elect cheer leaders at the

Continued on back of page

time of the election officers, so Ada Sanford was elected for that office at this meeting.

A committee was appointed to go to see Mr. Coons about being the boys' leader on account of Mr. Hill's resignation. The new members stood and recited the club pledge and motto. Andrew Colvin gave an interesting talk on his garden project, telling of the vegetables necessary to make up a good garden.

After games, the meeting adjourned with the pledge and motto.

Faint, illegible text in the upper right quadrant of the page.

STEEB

EAT

ORN

Size A Specialty

Dear Friends, We are
Over 100 years old

7/1

WA