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Scope of Work

A. Home Demonstration Clubs

Number - 13 Membership - 225

225 women have attended at least one Club meeting between December 1946 and December 1947.

Other women reached by these H. D. Club Members - 200

B. 4-H Clubs

Number (in school) - 4 Membership (Girls) - 85

C. Older Youth Groups

None

D. Other Groups reached by Agent

Number - 1 Membership - 15

E. Neighborhood and Community Leaders Work

Number reached - 300

F. Other Methods used to Reach Families

a. Publicity: In Richmond County we have one newspaper published weekly. The Agent averaged about two columns a month. These were Agent's schedules, things that clubs or members had accomplished and interesting facts to homemakers.

Several of the Clubs appointed Publicity Chairmen to send in reports of their Club meetings. Several times these were sent to the News Office but because of publication difficulties, were not printed.

b. Office Calls: A total of 125 office calls have been made by women, men and 4-H club members to my office.

c. Home Visits: 530 home visits were made in Richmond County this year. 224 of these home visits were made for the first time this year.

G. County Family Statistics

- a. 1,110 Farm families in Richmond County
- b. 602 Non-farm families
- c. 750 No. families reached

II. Adult Work

1. Project Work

a. Determination of Program

The H. D. Program for our County was determined after

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Home Demonstration Clubs

Number - - 13 Membership 252

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Other women reached by these H. D. Club members - 200

A-H Clubs

Number (in school) - - 4 Membership (Girls) 82

Other Youth Groups

None

Other Groups reached by Agent

Number - 1 Membership 15

Outstanding and Unassigned Leaders Lists

Number reached - 200

Other Methods used to reach families

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Several of the Clubs appointed publicity Chairman to send in reports of their Club meetings. Several times these were sent to the Home Office but because of publication difficulties, were not printed.

b. Office Calls: A total of 122 office calls have been made by women, and 4-11 club members to my office.

c. Home Visits: 250 home visits were made in Richmond County this year. 232 of these home visits were made for the first time this year.

County Family Statistics

a.	700 families in Richmond County
b.	Non-Low families
c.	No. families reached

Other Work

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consideration of the general and county condition in relation to the people of the County. The General Conditions were:

1. Many types of new equipment on the market
2. Costs of living rising
3. Strikes for higher wages being staged in all part of the nation
4. Poor quality of material being used for clothing, yet high selling prices.

The following county conditions confront the homemakers in Richmond County:

1. Young people have little local entertainment that is wholesome
2. Purchasing and use of new equipment
3. New homes being built by returned veterans and their families
4. Very few boys and girls remain on the farms after leaving school
5. Transportation - no public conveyance within the County
6. Acute labor shortage for both farmers and homemakers

b. Subject Matter fields

The following subject matter fields were selected to help meet the problems, needs and conditions in our county: House Furnishings, Foods and Nutrition, Clothing, Household Equipment, Health & Recreation. One month was devoted to Selection and Purchasing of new equipment, one month to restyling and cleaning hats. Three months were given to House Furnishings, four months to Foods and Nutrition, one month to Health, one month to Community recreation and one month to making Xmas gifts.

c. Projects

1. Xmas Suggestions. Xmas gifts were high in December 1946 and the average or below average homemaker wanted to give Xmas gifts as always, but felt that she could not do so. Each club asked that the Agent teach them to make shell jewelry, pins, barrettes, ear ring bases and shells were ordered by the Agent - at the close of the December meeting each woman had made at least one Xmas jewelry gift.

Mrs. Maggie Beck, Farmers Fork Club, a postmistress, ordered her own supplies in 1947 and solicited orders to help supplement her income.

2. Pressure Saucepan Cooking. The objective in teaching the women the use of the Pressure Saucepan was to save them time, energy and valuable nutrients saved in short time cooking. The various types of Pressure saucepans on the market were discussed so the homemaker might be better informed on the type she would need to meet her family needs.

The Agent gave a demonstration on cooking vegetables before each H.D. Club, and also used charts on the various types of Pressure Saucepans. The women were shown how to care for their pan and pressure gauge. One fourth of the women who attended this demonstration are now using pressure saucepans and also enjoying the saved time, energy and food values.

3. Purchasing New Equipment. Homemakers have been using old equipment since before the war. Suddenly the market has become loaded with new equipment, many trade names that were never on the market - advertising has become powerful. The average homemaker hardly knew where to start in replacing her equipment.

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The demonstration on this topic explained the essential large pieces of equipment that the average homemaker needed first. The advantage of buying old reliable brands which could be repaired without too much trouble was explained by the Agent. Illustrations were shown of the essential things to look for in purchasing equipment. The women were told to purchase the big pieces they needed first in their homes and keep on looking at all the new gadgets coming on the market.

The results of this demonstration have been outstanding, as noted in the questionnaires returned. The homemakers have made refrigerators, stoves, washing machines and irons, first in their budget.

4. New Ways of Preparing Everyday Foods. Too often the homemaker has to use the same old food the same way, simply because she knows no new way to prepare it. The suggestion for this demonstration came from the Farmers Fork Club, suggesting that special emphasis be put on potatoes, pears, apples, and meat leftovers. At each Club meeting, I demonstrated and suggested two ways of preparing white potatoes, one using left over meat, a combination salad using pears and carrots, and a casserole dish featuring sweet potatoes and apples.

Over one half of the women reported that they had used at least two or more of these new ways of preparing food several times in their menu planning.

5. Slip Covering. This demonstration was to have been given by the women after they had attended a Leader Training Meeting. Due to illness of our State Specialist the meeting was cancelled and I gave a demonstration on Slip Covering to each H. D. Club. The cutting of slip cover patterns was demonstrated to each group. In the Sharps-Tidewater, Naylor's, Robley, Farmers Fork, Cahoon H. D. Clubs, slipcovers were actually constructed at the meetings.

Samples of fabric suitable for slipcovering were shown and advice given on color combinations suitable for various combinations of furniture. 29 women reported they had made 69 slipcovers this year when they returned their questionnaires. All women were given information material on How to Slipcover and Measure for material needed.

6. Refinishing Furniture. "Restore those precious pieces of furniture to their original color and finish" was the motto of our H. D. club women. In every H. D. Club a piece of furniture was actually refinished at the club meeting.

34 women reported they had refinished 73 pieces of furniture this year as a result of this demonstration according to the questionnaires returned. Mrs. C. T. Spiker of the Newland H. D. Club has started refinishing several antique pieces for her old family home which she is restoring. Mrs. T. E. Lewis, Haynesville H. D. Club, has refinished her table, china closet and sideboard in her dining room. It has lightened her room up and she considers it very valuable. The use of half linseed oil and half turpentine brought out the natural grain of the lovely old wood.

7. Health. The month of May was decided upon by the Clubs to be devoted to health talks, with emphasis on hospitalization for the family and a medicine cabinet in every home. The following speakers were secured to appear before the H. D. Clubs - Mrs. Sarah Scott, a graduate nurse, Miss Lucy Walker, Supt. of Welfare, Mrs. George T. Robins, graduate nurse and Mrs. F. N.

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A few days of preparing vegetable pieces. The often the housewife has to use the same old food the same way, simply because she does not know how to prepare it. The suggestion for this demonstration was to use the "new" way of preparing food, suggesting that special emphasis be put on potatoes, peas, apples and meat. At each of the meetings, I demonstrated and suggested new ways of preparing white potatoes, one using left over meat, a combination using dried peas and carrots, and a casserole dish containing sweet potatoes and apples.

Over one half of the women reported that they had used at least two or more of these new ways of preparing food several times in their own homes.

This demonstration was to have been given by the women after they had attended a leader training course. Due to illness of our leader the meeting was cancelled and I gave a demonstration on this topic to each of the clubs. The meeting of the club was cancelled for each group. In the future, I will have a separate meeting for each club, all of which were carefully conducted at the meetings.

Supplies of fabric suitable for slipcovering were shown and given on some conditions suitable for various combinations of furniture. Women reported they had made 10 slipcovers this year when they returned their questionnaires. All women were given information material on how to slipcover and return for material needed.

Religious pictures. These are those pictures of furniture in their original color and finish, was the motto of our N. G. club. In every N. G. club a piece of furniture was actually relinished at the meeting.

Women reported they had relinished 13 pieces of furniture this year as a result of this demonstration according to the questionnaire returned. Mrs. G. T. Dyer of the N. G. club has started relining several religious pictures for her own family home which she is restoring. Mrs. T. Lewis, representative of N. G. club, has relinished her table, chairs, chest and sideboard in her dining room. It has lightened her room up and she considers it very valuable. The use of wall lined oil and wall covering brought out the natural grain of the lovely old wood.

7. Health. The month of May was decided upon by the clubs to be devoted to health talks, with emphasis on hospitalization for the family and a meeting called in every home. The following speakers were secured to appear before the N. G. club - Mrs. Sarah Scott, a practical nurse, Miss Lucy Walker, Dept. of Health, Mrs. George T. Hobbs, practical nurse and Mrs. M. W.

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Gardner, graduate nurse. Mrs. Scott spoke to the Foneswood, Newland, Naylor's, Farmers Fork and Haynesville Clubs.

Miss Walker spoke to the Robley and Sharps-Tidewater Clubs, Mrs. Gardner to the Downings Club and Mrs. Robins to the Cahoon, Mary Lizzie and Remerton Clubs. All the speakers stressed the importance of having hospitalization. I presented several plans which they might choose from to enroll. These meetings were well attended. 75% of the women have either prepared a medicine cabinet for their home or cleaned out the one they already had.

9. Food Preservation. One of our County objectives was to save all the food we could at home. With this goal in mind we set aside the month of June to study methods of Food Preservation.

How to use a pressure cooker was demonstrated at all the Club Meetings. As well as the necessary canning equipment such as jar tongs, various type of lids, jars, racks and etc. Canning tables were revised for use until the new printed forms were received. 24,213 jars of food were canned this year by the women with whom I came in contact.

The homemakers in our county have had access to a food locker in Tappahannock for the past year. Many have taken advantage of its use. Others have purchased home freezers.

This month another locker has opened at Callao which will be of much benefit to the people in the lower end of my county.

I assembled the various types of containers available for use in packaging frozen foods to show the women. The good and bad points of each were discussed. Many questions arose from the women in regards to preparation of certain foods for the locker and locker rates.

Approximately 50 active Home Demonstration women are using frozen food lockers in 1947.

9. Cool Meals for Warm Days. When the month of July comes around each year, homemakers like to have a vacation, yet they must feed their family adequately. Gardens are in full production then. Based on these facts the clubs had for their topic "Warm Meals for Cool Days" in July. Sheets were prepared of suggestions keeping in mind those plentiful vegetables and fruits. The women brought up many questions as to how certain foods could be prepared. One thing that was stressed was the preparation of biscuit mix ahead of time and storing in refrigerator until used. This was favorably received by the women throughout the county.

10. Community Picnics for 4H and Home Demonstration. The Home Demonstration Clubs decided not to hold regular Home Demonstration Meetings in August, but where possible hold community picnics and have their 4-H delegate report on camp. The Cahoon, Farmers Fork, Naylor's Clubs held picnics individually. The Robley and Downings Club held a joint picnic. The Robley and Downings folks heard reports from five girls who attended camp on their scholarships. Iris Scott reported to the Cahoon group and Mary Lou Beck reported to the Farmers Fork Group. The Farmers Fork group met on the lawn of Mr. and Mrs. William Scott. Several of their club women had planned a recreation program. Nearly 50 men, women and children enjoyed the evening of fellowship.

11. Restyling Hats. One man said when his wife asked for the car to go to the meeting "This is the most sensible thing I've heard of in a long time".

Perhaps his thought was sound because many women have actually, ^{saved} many dollars by cleaning, blocking and restyling these old hats.

A leader training meeting was held for the county. Ten out of the 12 active clubs were represented with many other women in addition to the actual project leaders.

The Sharps, Tidewater and Robley Clubs held the meetings this month without the agent with a total attendance of 26 women.

The leaders in the Newland, Downings, Warsaw, Farmers Fork gave their decree. The agent did assist in restyling some of the hats.

An unorganized group on Kennards-Willfords road met one afternoon with a total attendance of 12 and cleaned, blocked and restyled 18 hats. None of these women had ever attended a H. D. meeting. This is a group that might become an organized Home Demonstration Club next year.

Of all the demonstration and projects during 1947, I think the subject "Restyling Hats" has drawn more interest and will serve of lasting value.

A total of 106 hats were worked on at the club meetings and many more outside of these meetings.

12. Selecting Patterns and Making Braided Rugs. Two months were spent on this project. The first month each woman was shown how to plan her pattern and rug. Sample of rug wool material were shown and given address if anyone wanted to order.

Mrs. Ernest Marks, and Mrs. R. I. Bartlett of the Naylor's Club dyed feed bags and actually started making their rugs.

Mrs. E. E. Hinton, Robley Club also dyed feed bags and started her rug. Two other women of the Robley Club also ripped apart their braided rag rug they had started and were taught the proper method of sewing braids together.

2. Federation Goal

Rural youth was selected to be the Federation Goal for the Home Demonstration Club women in Richmond County for 1947. This was selected to encourage more and better 4-H membership. The total girls membership was 7 in 1946. This year the total membership was 85 with 100% completion of record books. Each club had a 4-H project leader. These Clubs gave the following scholarships to 4H camp at Jamestown:

Naylor's	-	one	-	\$4.00
Farmers Fork	-	three	-	3.50 each
Robley	-	one	-	2.50
Village	-	one	-	2.00
Downings	-	five	-	2.50 each
Haynesville	-	two	-	2.50 each

The Federation Goal Chairman, Mrs. F. N. Gardner, of Tidewater contacted her fellow club chairmen several times during the year. She also assisted in enrolling more club members.

Mrs. Virginia Casey, Mary Lizzie Club, and Mrs. John Motley, Sharps-Tidewater Club attended 4-H camp as leaders

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The 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th clubs held their meetings this month without the usual attendance of 25 women.

The leaders in the 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th clubs have their homes. The agent did maintain regular work of the date.

An unorganized group on January 4th-5th was held at one afternoon with a total attendance of 12 and cleaned, blocked and washed 12 date. Many of these women had ever attended a R. D. meeting. This is a group that might become an organized home demonstration club next year.

Of all the demonstration and projects during 1947, I think the subject "Washing Date" has drawn more interest than any other of similar nature.

A total of 100 date were worked on at the date meetings and many more outside of these meetings.

12. Selection patterns and kitchen projects were the months were spent on this project. The first month each woman was given a plan for pattern and the sample of top soci material were shown and given material upon request to order.

Mrs. Ernest Miller, and Mrs. E. I. Burfield of the Rector's Club gave last page and actually started making their tops.

Mrs. E. J. Hinton, Rector's Club also gave lead page and started her top. Two other women of the Rector's Club also started their pattern for top that had started and were taught the proper method of sewing date's together.

3. Federation Goal

Three women were selected to be the Federation Goal for the home demonstration club women in Montgomery County for 1947. This was selected to encourage more and better A-B membership. The total girls membership was 7 in 1946. This year the total membership was 25 with 10% completion of record books. There are 1-2 project leaders. These clubs have the following contributions to the camp at Washington:

Lighters	one	-	-
Pressure Iron	three	-	-
Robing	one	-	-
Willa	one	-	-
Domestic	five	-	-
Apprentice	one	-	-
	\$4.00	-	-
	\$2.00 each	-	-
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The Federation Goal Chairman, Mrs. E. M. Gardner, of Thibault contacted her date club chairman several times during the year. She also contacted in enclosing new club members.

Mrs. Virginia Gandy, Rector's Club, and Mrs. John Miller, Rector's Club, attended A-B camp as leaders.

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Mrs. Casey gave project instructions to her community group all summer in both Breadmaking and Food Preparation. She also took these girls for a picnic at the State Park.

The results have been gratifying this our first year, with Rural Youth as the Federation Goal. Women have shown more leadership and the whole county is more interested in 4-H work.

3. Other Activities.

a. Home Economic Teas

A Home Economic Teas was sponsored at both Farnham and Warsaw High Schools in the spring. The purpose to encourage more girls to **Choose** Home Economics as a life's vocation and point out the many fields it has. Mrs. Oscar Taliaferro of Essex County spoke at Farnham and Mrs. Rance Lamb at Warsaw. All girls in High School were invited. Refreshments were served by the Home Demonstration women to the girls in the Home Ec. Cottage where the teas were held.

The Home Economic Loan Scholarships that are available through the Home Demonstration Clubs were also explained.

The girls were interested in the various fields and it is the agent's belief these should become annual occasions for the schools each year.

b. Save the Children Federation

This appeal to help the foreign children was presented to all our Home Demonstration Clubs. The Farmers Fork group completed a layette and sent to the Federation. This was accomplished by each member preparing an article or garment.

c. Fifth District Meeting

The Fifth District Meeting at Tappahannock in May was well attended by the women from Richmond County. Nine of the 12 active clubs were represented with nearly 40 women. The music group of the Woman's Club of Richmond County rendered lovely music for the occasion. They were asked to render music for the meeting in 1948 at Williamsburg.

Mrs. John Motley prepared an interesting poster on giving pennies to help foreign people.

Mrs. Sarah Scott, County Home Demonstration President presented a brief county report and the women from this county

d. Executive Achievement Program

The executive committee of the Home Demonstration Clubs of the county met in September. They voted to hold an Achievement Day on October 24. When the Farm Agent was asked to appear on the program, he suggested it be made a County Executive Achievement Program, to include men and boys work along with the women and girls. From here on we planned for a county **Extension** Achievement Program.

The County Home Demonstration President and County Board of Agriculture **chr.** presided jointly. The guest speaker of the evening was Mr. L. B. Dietrick, Director of Virginia Extension Work. Other guests included Miss Sylvia Slocum,

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The Board gave priority instructions to her generally group all matters in both financial and food production. She also took these into a point at the state level.

The results have been gratifying. This our first year, with limited funds as the Nutrition Office. There have been some leadership and the whole country is more interested in food work.

Other activities

a. New Economic Year

A new National movement of both workers and women has been in the making. The purpose is to encourage more girls to attend school and to give them a better education. The girls are to be trained in various fields such as typing, book binding, and other skills. All this is being done in order to help the girls in their own homes. The girls are to be trained in various fields such as typing, book binding, and other skills. All this is being done in order to help the girls in their own homes.

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d. Executive Development Program

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5th District Home Agent and Mr. J. D. Hutchinson, 5th District Farm Agent.

The Home, Farm, and Assistant County Agent gave reports of their work. The Home Agent awarded the 4-H Girls their fair checks won on exhibits and also County contest medal winners. We considered it a program well worth while, with a total attendance of 140.

e. Benefit Suppers

The Emmerton and Cahoon club jointly served the Auritan supper one month to secure funds for their treasury. The Downings and Robley group were hostess to the Auritan Club on ladies night in June. Their proceeds were used for Federal dues and sending 4-H delegates to camp.

The Haynesville Club had a public chicken supper in February to raise money for their club treasury. The women contributed and prepared the food. The net proceeds clearance was \$25. They also used this to pay Federal dues, and to help send camp delegates.

3. Leadership

a. Organization.

The Executive Committee of the Home Demonstration Clubs is the official organization of the Home Demonstration work in the County. The major officers are:

Pres....Mrs. Sarah Scott, Farmers Fork.
V. Pres....Mrs. A. F. Scott, Cahoon Club.
Sec-Treas....Mrs. T. E. Lewis, Haynesville Club.
Fed. Goal Ch....Mrs. F. N. Gardner, Tidewater-Sharps Club.

This committee met in September previous to the County meeting. The County group, composed of three representative women from the several magisterial districts selected by the supervisors, the President of the Home Demonstration clubs during their term of office, the wives of the members of the Board of Supervisors.

b. Project

These clubs had project leaders to help with the 4-H summer project:

Farmers Fork.....	Mrs. A. P. Hall, Mrs. W. D. Edwards
Cahoon.....	Mrs. A. F. Scott
Mary Lizzie.....	Mrs. Virginia Casey
Downings.....	Mrs. John Mothershead
Haynesville.....	Mrs. Edna Bryant
Robley.....	Mrs. J. L. Jones
Emmerton.....	Mrs. Cora Lankin
Newland.....	Mrs. B. V. Madison
Warsaw.....	Mrs. J. T. Clanton, Jr.

A 4-H adult leader training meeting was held in the spring to help train the project leaders for carrying on the 4-H girls summer project work. The best job of adult leadership was carried on by Mrs. Va. Casey. The award for junior leadership was won by Miss Edna Bryant. She is an older club girl who gave project instruction to the club members of Totuskey grade school.

The leader training meeting for the demonstration on cleaning, blocking

The District Home Agent and Mr. J. B. Hutchinson, New District Home Agent.
The Home Agent, and Assistant County Agent have reports of their work.
The Home Agent reported the L-4 Club's 1934 fair checks were on exhibition and
also County contact with members. He considered it a program well worth
while, with a total attendance of 110.

e. General Support

The Executive and General Club jointly covered the District support one month
to secure funds for their treasury. The Executive and County group were contacted
for the purpose of the L-4 Club on Ladies Night in June. Their proceeds were used for
General Club and meeting L-4 delegates to camp.

The Representative Club had a public address speaker in February to raise
money for their club treasury. The women contributed and prepared the food.
The net proceeds amounted was \$25. They also used this to pay telephone bills
and to help send camp delegates.

f. Leadership

a. Organization

The Executive Committee of the Home Demonstration Club is the official
organization of the Home Demonstration work in the County. The major officers are:

- President.....Mrs. Sarah Gault, Farmers Club
- V. President.....Mrs. A. E. Scott, Cannon Club
- Secretary.....Mrs. J. M. Lewis, Representative Club
- Treasurer.....Mrs. J. B. Hutchinson, Representative Club

This committee met in September previous to the County meeting. The County
group, composed of three representative women from the several organizations
distributed selected by the supervisors, the President of the Home Demonstration
Club and during their term of office, the views of the members of the Board of
Supervisors.

b. Project

These clubs had project leaders to help with the L-4 summer project:

- Farmers Club.....Mrs. A. F. Hall, Mrs. W. D. Shivers
- Cannon.....Mrs. A. F. Scott
- Virginia Club.....Mrs. Virginia Goss
- Home Agent.....Mrs. John Hutchinson
- Representative.....Mrs. Miss Lyons
- Club.....Mrs. L. L. Jones
- County.....Mrs. Cora Jackson
- Home Agent.....Mrs. B. V. Madison
- Home Agent.....Mrs. J. T. Clanton, Jr.

A L-4 club training meeting was held in the spring to help train
the project leaders. Leadership on the L-4 club summer project work. The
best job of which leadership was carried on by Mrs. V. Goss. The next for
leader leadership was won by Mrs. Miss Lyons. She is an able club girl who
gave project instruction to the club members of former years school.

The leader training meeting for the demonstration on cleaning, planning

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and restyling hats brought excellent results. More interest was really shown by having the local women receive some training. It has been impossible for the agent alone to have completed so many hats in the same period of time. A tabulation has previously been given as to the exact results of the leaders work.

A leader training meeting was held in May for the Poultry and Garden leaders of the H. D. Clubs. Seven women from the Richmond County attended this training meeting conducted by Mr. Marshall Coe and Mr. L. B. Beaver. Manuals with suggestions as for club reports were given these women.

The poultry leaders in the Weylors, Newland, Farmers Fork, Robley, Downings, and Emmerton Clubs have been giving good reports each month. The garden leaders in the Farmers Fork, Emmerton, Robley, Poneswood, and Mary Lizzie clubs have given helpful suggestions at their club meetings each month.

c. Federation Goal

The leadership of the Federation Goal Chairman has previously been stated. There was no outside training.

B. Other means of Reaching People

1. Board of Agriculture, Community, Neighborhood Leaders.

The Board of Agriculture consists of the Neighborhood and Community Leaders. They meet in a supper meeting in January to map out plans for the years work. They are to assist us in carrying out the agriculture programs in their own community. They have contacted other women and invited them to join the Home Demonstration Clubs. These women have repeated demonstrations to those who were not present at the meetings.

2. U.S.D.A. Council

The Richmond County USDA council meets regularly the last Monday in each month. The Chairman of the County Agriculture Board serving as its Presidents and the Home agent as its secretary. All professional workers in the County are members of the council. This includes P.M.A., F.H.A., County agent, Assistant County agent, Superintendent of Welfare, County Health Unit, Agriculture instructors, Home Economic teachers, Colored executive workers, and agriculture teachers, Home Economic teachers, Soil conservation, H.D.A.

Each person makes a brief report of the important activities being carried on in his field, and ways in which the workers can assist. At a recent meeting action was taken on the "Save the Food Program."

Following is a copy of the recommendations from Richmond County:

1. Sell surplus grain
2. Advise more economical feeding of livestock
3. Ask farmers to cull poultry flocks, either put on market or in storage
4. Continue to push program of cover crops, pasture and release grain for market.
3. Press

The objective ~~of~~ using the press is to get pertinent and informative information before more people. News articles are prepared for the local paper regularly but not very often printed. The Northern Neck News has become more of an advertisement type of journalism rather than news journalism. The editor of the press is invited to attend all public meetings, but he has yet to attend one this year.

The editor did publish the article I wrote on the County Extension Achievement Program.

4. Womans Club Meeting

I have attended as many as possible of the Woman's Club Meetings. One meeting I explained what we were endeavoring to do in our program and some of the accomplishments we had made.

I was guest speaker at their spring program the topic "The American Home".

5. Southern States Meetings

I attended their planning meeting. I was invited as guest speaker at their annual meeting. My topic was "The Value of Co-ops to Rural People. I was one of the three women present at their demonstration on the use of milk equipment.

6. Questionnaire

The Agent sent out 175 questionnaires to women who had attended at least one H. D. Club Meeting during the year. 84 of these women returned their completed questionnaires. This was one method used by the agent in tabulating exact figures of certain projects accomplished for use in annual report.

III. Work with Youth

A. 4-H Clubs

1. Organization

a. County Council

The Richmond County 4-H council is composed of all officers in each of the four 4-H Clubs. From this group is chosen a County President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter and Song Leader.

This council sets up the County objective for all 4-H Clubs.

There were no meetings actually held during this year. The objectives for 1947 were set up in November 1946. Those objectives were:

1. Observe Rural Life Sunday
This was done by all four clubs
2. 100% completion of Record Books
The girls did have 100% completion this year.
3. Participate in more contests

County winners were announced in the following contests, canning, care of clothing, breadmaking, team and single leadership, best girls record, poultry and food preparation.

An article entitled Richmond County 4-H Girls Receive Contest Medals appeared in the Northern Neck News the week after the contest winners were announced at the achievement program.

4. Award to be given to the best all around club.
This was not done.

In order to highlight the article I wrote on the County Extension Achievement Program.

4. Women's Club Meeting

I have attended as many as possible of the Women's Club Meetings. The meeting I enjoyed most was the one held in our program and some of the arrangements we had made.

I was guest speaker at their spring program the topic "The Woman's Role".

5. Southern States Meetings

I attended their planning meeting. I was invited as guest speaker at their annual meeting. My topic was "The Value of Co-ops to Rural People". I was one of the three women present at their demonstration on the use of milk equipment.

6. Extension Activities

The grant sent out 175 questionnaires to women who had attended at least one W. H. H. Club Meeting during the year. 88 of these women returned their completed questionnaires. This was one of the best in the history of the grant. It was one of the best in the history of the grant. It was one of the best in the history of the grant.

III. How this Year

A. 4-H Clubs

1. Organization
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This council sets up the County objective for all 4-H Clubs.

There were no meetings actually held during this year. The objectives for 1967 were set up in November 1966. These objectives were:

1. Observe Rural Life Sunday
This was done by all four clubs.
2. 100% completion of record books.
The girls did have 100% completion this year.

3. Participants in more contests

County winners were announced in the following contests, namely, one of the following: breadmaking, team and single leadership, best club record, poultry and food preservation.

An article entitled Richmond County 4-H Girls Receive Contest Results appeared in the Northern Neck News a week after the contest winners were announced at the entertainment program.

- A. Award books given to the best all around club.
This was not done.

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5. To increase enrollment
The girls enrollment increased to 85 in 1947. This was an increase of 28 this year.

6. Sponsor the annual 4-H Club Rally Day and Picnic
Approximately 75 club members and parents from Richmond County attended this picnic. Mr. Tayloe Murphy was guest speaker.

Edna Bryant gave a report on the 4-H Short Course.

7. Have at least 20 4H Club members from county to attend summer camp.
17 girls and 2 women adult leaders attended camp at Jamestown for a week in July.

8. Encourage 4H Club members to participate in the local and state fairs.
The 4H girls won a total of \$67.75 in cash prizes for exhibits at the fair. All clubs except Newland had some members to make exhibits. First prizes for best biscuits, rolls, corn muffins, cookies, sewing box, darned socks, and many jars of canned food were won by girls in Richmond County.

Burnette Scott, Warsaw 4H, received \$25.00 for having made the most number exhibits in the 4H, Home Sc and F. F. A. Department.

9. Encourage more judging and Dem. teaching
Two classes in poultry judging were held for several girls and boys. This county did not complete a poultry team. Three girls, Faye Jones, Dolores Mothershead and Irene Clark attended the classes.

10. Set up a plan of work for 1947
This plan was not carried further other than the objectives.

2. Project Work

a. Determination of Program

• The program was determined by the 4H members in coordination with the home agent.

The girls voted on which projects they wanted to carry. This voting was based on their home relationship and needs. In making their decision they had to keep in mind that their clubs met in school during the winter months, with the exception of Totuskey Club.

b. Subject Matter Fields

During the winter months the girls took care of clothings. The girls were divided into neighborhood groups for the summer months. 65 girls were enrolled in Breadmaking, 9 Food Preservation and 22 Food Preparation, for the summer. Some of the girls carried more than one project. These projects were selected after the girl had talked with her mother.

c. Projects

Care of clothing - The objective was for each girl to get and equip a sewing box, learn to mend and darn, wash woolens, press woolens and dry clean garments.

For the first demonstration the agent demonstrated an equipped sewing box. She also gave suggestions on various materials that might be used in making attractive and useful sewing boxes.

The following demonstration each girl brought a sock to her club meeting

To increase enrollment
The girls enrollment increased to 83 in 1947. This was an increase of 28
girls over 1946.

6. Sponsor the annual A-B Club Rally Day and Luncheon
Approximately 75 club members and parents from Richmond County
attended this function. Mr. Taylor Murphy was guest speaker.

Miss Bryant gave a report on the A-B Short Courses.

7. Have at least 20 A-B Club members from county to attend summer camp.
17 girls and 2 women adult leaders attended camp of instruction for a
week in July.

8. Encourage A-B Club members to participate in the local and state fairs.
The 48 girls won a total of \$67.75 in cash prizes for exhibits at the
fair. All club members had some members to make exhibits. First prizes
for best displays, dolls, coin medals, cookies, sewing box, stained glass, and
many jars of canned food were won by girls in Richmond County.

Linnette Scott, Bureau #4, received \$27.00 for having made the most number
exhibits in the A-B fair and 1. 7. 4. Department.

9. Encourage more judging and new teaching
The classes in judging sewing were held for several girls and boys.
This county did not participate in a judging team. Three girls, Mrs. Jones, Dolores
Hutchinson and Irene Clark attended the classes.

10. Set up a plan of work for 1947
This plan was not carried further other than the objectives

2. Project work

a. Determination of Program
The program was determined by the 48 members in consultation with the home
parents.

The girls voted on which projects they wished to carry. This voting was
based on their own relationship and needs. In making their decision they had
to keep in mind their clubs met in school during the winter months, with the
exception of January Club.

b. Project Matter Plans
During the winter months the girls took care of planning. The girls were
divided into neighborhood groups for the summer months. 53 girls were enrolled in
Project work. 9 had preparation and 22 had preparation for the summer. Some of
the girls carried more than one project. These projects were initiated after the
girls had talked with their mothers.

c. Projects

Plan of clothing - The objective was for each girl to get and give a
sewing box, learn to knit and darn, wash clothes, press clothes and dry clean garments.
For the first demonstration the girls demonstrated in a planned sewing box.
The girls gave suggestions on various materials that might be used in making ac-
tresses and sewing cones.

The following demonstration each girl brought a sack to her club meeting

and was taught to darn. The leader gave a demonstration on darning and each girl was given illustrative material to follow.

The other demonstration consisted of washing and pressing woollens and dry cleaning garments. These demonstrations were given in community groups where possible.

The Totuskey Club had all their demonstrations given out of school by a Junior Project Leader, Edna Bryant, with the help of the agent.

At the April meeting each girl brought her sewing box to be judged for the best sewing box. The agent awarded a 4-8 notebook in each club for the best sewing box.

Food Preservation - This project was selected by nine older girls who share in the family canning program at home. A total of 1095 jars of fruits and vegetables were canned. These girls exhibited many jars of canned products at the fair, winning prizes. Burnette Scott of Warsaw Club exhibited 30 jars and won prizes on 23 jars. This is an excellent record.

Food Preparation - 22 girls enrolled in this project to learn new and better ways of preparing food. Project instruction was given in neighborhood groups during the summer. The girls were taught how to cook eggs, root and green vegetables, prepare sauces, gravys, soups, cookies and milk dishes. The girls in this project prepared the following:

custards	-	70	times
gravy or sauces	-	58	"
green vegetables	-	135	"
root vegetables	-	101	"
eggs	-	233	"
cake or cookies	-	57	"
Total	-	674	

Breadmaking - The exhibits of bread at the Northern Neck Fair proved that the girls had really learned to make bread in Richmond County. The first prize for best biscuits, corn muffins, and yeast rolls being awarded girls in Richmond County.

Neighborhood demonstrations were given to all the neighborhood groups with the exception of Farnham Community. The Adult leaders and Home Agent gave demonstrations in making biscuits, corn muffins and cinnamon rolls.

The making of yeast breads were taught the older girls.

Sixty-five girls enrolled in this project and all completed.

Many favorable comments have been made in regards to the girls bread projects. One father said, "He had always likes corn muffins and he was glad his 10 year old daughter had learned to make them". She was Betty Vanlandingham.

Such comments as these were heard "Since Dolores has learned to make bread, it gives me more time for other jobs", said Mrs. John Mothershead.

"Mary Lou's biscuits and cinnamon rolls are delicious and it helps with the family cooking load", said Mrs. Maggie Beck, Secretary of a Home Demonstration Club.

Two girls of the Luttrellville neighborhood, Joyce Winstead and Marjorie Headley entered the district contest. Although these girls were not experts

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and was taught to dance. The leader gave a demonstration on dancing and each girl was given illustrative material to follow.

The other demonstration consisted of working and pressing woolens and dry cleaning garments. These demonstrations were given in community groups where possible.

The January Club had all their demonstrations given out of school by a Junior Project leader, Edna Bryant, with the help of the agent.

At the April meeting each girl brought her sewing box to be judged for the best sewing box. The agent awarded a 1st ribbon in each class for the best sewing box.

Food preservation - This project was selected by nine other girls who share in the Family Savings program at home. A total of 1000 jars of fruits and vegetables were canned. These girls exhibited many jars of canned products at the fair, including pickles, cranberry sauce, green beans, etc. This is an excellent record.

Food preparation - 22 girls enrolled in this project to learn how and better ways of preparing food. Project instruction was given in relationship groups during the summer. The girls were taught how to cook eggs, roasts and greens, vegetables, prepared soups, gravies, soups, cookies and other dishes. The girls in this project prepared the following:

70 jars	-	pickles
25 "	-	green or sauce
122 "	-	green vegetable
101 "	-	root vegetables
212 "	-	eggs
27 "	-	soup or cookies
624	-	Total

Broadering - The exhibits of bread at the Northern Neck fair proved that the girls had really learned to bake bread in quantity. For the first time for past exhibits, corn muffins, and yeast rolls were awarded ribbons in Howard County.

Neighborhood demonstrations were given to all the neighborhood groups with the exception of Landon Community. The adult leaders and the agent gave demonstrations in making biscuits, corn muffins and cinnamon rolls.

The making of yeast breads were taught the other girls.

Sixty-five girls enrolled in this project and all completed.

Many favorable comments have been made in regards to the girls' bread project. The father said, "We had always liked corn muffins and we was glad to see 10 year old daughter had learned to make them." The Mrs. Betty Vandenberg.

Such comments as these were heard "I love biscuits and learned to make bread. It gives me more time for other jobs," said Mrs. Jean Vandenberg.

"My son's biscuits and cinnamon rolls are delicious and it helps with the family cooking load," said Mrs. Marie Beck, secretary of a local demonstration club.

The girls of the individual neighborhood, Upper Wintwood and Harford Heights entered the district contest. Although these girls were not experts

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at giving a demonstration, the material and information they gained by attending this meeting has served as enthusiasm in their club work. This was their first year in this project. They were declared the County winners in the Dairy Foods contest.

The training of these girls received was given by Mrs. Virginia Casey. She is an adult project leader. Never did she let her girls go home from a meeting without having gained something.

Poultry - The club girls in Richmond County are given an opportunity without cost to secure 25 cockerels from Hodgson's Hatchery for home use. These day old chicks are delivered by the agents in their home. Their only cost is feeding the fowl to proper eating size.

3. Other Activities

a. 4-H Camp.

17 girls attended 4-H camp at Jamestown the second week in July. Girls were enrolled in classes on handicraft, making metal coasters, Folk Dancing, weaving stools and swimming. On Friday evening Richmond County was in charge of vespers. Dolores Mothershead led the program with Alberta Pitts giving the main address. It was a challenge to hear a 10 year old girl ask the other boys and girls to pledge themselves to "better living" in their everyday life.

b. 4-H Short Course

Edna Bryant - Warsaw 4-H club and Suzanne Gardner - Twin Cedars 4-H club attended the State Shortcourse at V.P.I. in June. These girls were selected because of their outstanding records in club work.

c. Northern Neck Fair

It has been previously stated about the fine showing of exhibits and cooperation given by the 4H club at the fair.

This fair affords an opportunity for the girls to show what they have done in their project during the year, as well as receive cash awards.

d. 4-H Contests

Girls entered in all contests that they were eligible for, according to their projects.

e. 4-H Rally Day

Approximately 75 club members and parents from Richmond County attended this program at Westmoreland State Park.

f. 4-H Achievement Pins

In 1946 the first achievement pins were awarded to 4H members based on their number of consecutive years of completion in club work. This year the same awards are being made. 43 girls will receive first year pins, 27 girls second year pins, 4 girls third year pins, 5 girls fourth year pins, 5 girls fifth year pins, and 6 girls sixth year pins.

The financing of these awards is made possible through the County Council treasury.

These pins are awarded because we felt that all club members need some

at giving a demonstration, the material and information they gained by attending this meeting has served as a stimulus in their own work. This was their first year in this project. They were directed the County officers in the early weeks.

The training of these girls received was given by Mrs. Virginia Gray. She is an adult project leader. Never did she let her girls go home from a meeting without having gained something.

Industry - The club girls in Richmond County are given an opportunity with out cost to secure 25 coupons from Virginia's Bakery for home use. These are all things are delivered to the agents in their homes. Their only cost is feeding the loaf to proper eating time.

3. Other Activities

a. 4-8 Camp
17 girls attended 4-8 camp at Lakeside the second week in July. Girls were enrolled in classes on handcraft, making metal containers, folk dancing, sewing, needle work and painting. On Friday evening Richmond County was in charge of the program with the program girls. This day the girls had a challenge to beat a 10 year old girl and the other boys and girls to finish "Batter Living" in their everyday life.

b. 4-8 Short Course

Short Course - between 4-8 club and members Gardner - John Carter 4-8 club attended the State Short Course at V.P.I. in June. These girls were selected because of their outstanding records in club work.

c. Northern Neck Fair

It has been previously stated about the fine showing of exhibits and cooperation given by the 4-8 club at the fair.
This fair affords an opportunity for the girls to show what they have done in their project during the year, as well as receive cash awards.

d. 4-8 Contests

Girls entered in all contests that they were eligible for, according to their projects.

e. 4-8 Self Day

Approximately 75 club members and parents from Richmond County attended this program at Westoverland State Park.

f. 4-8 Achievement Day

In 1946 the first achievement day were arranged to be members based on their number of consecutive years of completion in club work. This year the same awards are being made. 25 girls will receive first year pins, 17 girls second year pins, 6 girls third year pins, 3 girls fourth year pins, 2 girls fifth year pins, and 6 girls sixth year pins.

The financing of these awards is made possible through the County Council's generosity.

These pins are awarded because we felt that all club members need some

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recognition at the end of the year for having completed his 4H work.

g. 4-H all stars.

Edna Bryant became an all-star in the state ceremony held on the V.P.I. campus at the close of the shortcourse. Edna has been in club work for five consecutive years. She has served as president, secretary and reporter for her own club in addition to Jr. project leader for the Totuskey Club. This year she also received the County award for best individual demonstration in the Dairy Foods Contest.

4. Leadership

a. Adult leadership

This topic was reviewed in the H. D. program. There was one leader training meeting held in the Spring, conducted by Miss Cameron for all 4-H adult and junior leaders. Seven women attended the meeting to receive project instruction in Breadmaking and Food Preparation.

b. Junior Leadership

Only one girl, Edna Bryant of Haynesville, a member of the Warsaw Club served as a junior leader. She assisted the agent with the winter project instruction in care of clothing. Her demonstration of equipping a sewing box, darning socks, washing sweaters and pressing woolens.

The girls in Totuskey club, which number 10, of an approximate age of ten years, carried breadmaking for their summer project. Edna instructed these girls in making biscuits, corn muffins and cinnamon rolls.

B. Honor Club

There is not a club in Richmond County.

C. Older Youth

Miss Hallie Hughes met in a conference with Mrs. J. R. Allin and Mr. Kenneth Fallin and myself to help plan a Rural Youth Program for our county. The committee plans to work out a program for all youth in the County early in 1948.

Suzanne Gardner entertained 15 girls and boys in her house this month as one of the first steps in getting some type of recreation started for the youth.

6. Other Work

A. R.E.A.

The agent in cooperation with the R.E.A. held classes in the form of a 4-H electric school for older 4-H members in the spring.

The agent attended the Annual Board of Directors and Employees dinner this month.

The R.E.A. manager, Mr. J. R. Allin, contributed some valuable booklets and illustrations materials for distribution by the Home agent. Through distribution of the material, homemakers have received help on wiring their houses and repairing electric appliances.

recognition at the end of the year for having completed his 40 work.

4. 4-8 All others.

Don Bryant became an all-star in the state circuit held on the 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

5. Leadership

a. Adult leadership

This topic was reviewed in the N. D. program. There was one leader training meeting held in the spring, conducted by Miss Cameron for all 4-8 adults and Junior leaders. Seven women attended the meeting to receive instruction in bookkeeping and food preparation.

b. Junior leadership

Only one girl, Don Bryant of Minneapolis, a member of the Senior Club served as a Junior leader. She assisted the agent with the winter instruction in case of fire. Her demonstration of making a sewing box, sewing socks, making sweaters and pressing sweaters.

The girls in Tolson club, which number 10, of an approximate age of ten years, carried on their winter project. They included these girls in making sweaters, work mittens and cushion toiles.

6. Senior Club

There is not a club in Holman County.

7. Older Youth

Miss Lillian Hester met in a conference with Mr. J. B. Hilling and Mr. Kenneth Hilling and agreed to help plan a Rural Youth program for our county. The committee plans to work out a program for all youth in the County early in 1938.

Sumner Gardner entertained 12 girls and boys in her home this month as one of the first steps in getting some type of recreation started for the youth.

8. Other work

a. N.E.A.

The agent in cooperation with the N.E.A. held classes in the form of a 4-8 electric school for 4-8 members in the spring.

The agent attended the Annual Board of Directors and Engineers dinner this month.

The N.E.A. manager, Mr. J. B. Hilling, contributed some valuable books and illustrations regarding the distribution of the N.E.A. Through distribution of the material, farmers have received help in wiring their houses and repairing electric appliances.

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b. Visiting teacher

The agent and the visiting teacher the late Mrs. Nora S. Griffith have worked together in trying to keep more children in school.

The agent collected clothes for her distribution and also visited certain families encouraging 4H membership where possible. For instance one family the agent helped in planning a garden and preservation of the food.

Mrs. Griffith met sudden death last week in an automobile accident, but where someone else replaces her, again more work will be done.

c. Supervisor of Education in School

The agent has work with the Supervisor, Mrs. Taylor in two schools. A library has been planned and started in Newland School. The agent giving suggestion on lighting, color combination, arrangement, curtain and etc. This school has never had a library before, and we hope this project will prove of benefit to the students.

At Totuskey School the agent is working in connection with the 4H girls in covering a mattress, and pillows for use as a school emergency bed. Feed bags have been secured and the girls will use these for the covers.

d. Welfare Department

The Supt. of Welfare and Home Agent have worked with families in rehabilitation, employment, food preparation, food preservation, garden planning and clothing construction.

The two visited one family one day to consider storage of root crops, canning vegetables, planting late garden, better pig pen and places for chickens.

Each month we have been following through with this family and will soon make another visit to help the family plan better meals.

c. P.T.A's

The agent was guest speaker at the Totuskey P.T.A. in January. I was asked to explain the 4H and Home Demonstration program to the patrons. Education movies were also shown.

The 4H Club members gave the program for one of the P.T.A. meetings at Newland School. The program was rendered by the club members after planning with the agent.

V. Evaluation of 1947 Home Demonstration Program

Our Extension Achievement Program was one way to prove that the folks are interested in the Home Demonstration program. Even with six other meeting of county wide interest being held at the same time, our attendance of 140 proved the folks were interested. More exhibits were made at the fair than even before. Women and girls both participated. Home Demonstration women helped in preparation for the fair and then during the fair week. The attendance has been good throughout the year at the regular monthly meetings. Once a woman comes she continues to attend the meetings. The fine attendance at the leader training meeting proved that the woman wanted training as leaders for their own clubs.

3. Visiting teacher

The agent and the visiting teacher the late Mrs. Mary B. Griffith have worked together in trying to keep more children in school. The agent collected clothes for her distribution and also visited certain families encouraging in membership where possible. For instance one family the agent failed in planning a garden and preservation of the food. Mrs. Griffith met sudden death last week in an automobile accident, but when someone else replaces her, again more work will be done.

4. Department of Education in school

The agent has work with the supervisor, Mrs. Taylor in two schools. Library has been planned and started in Newland school. The agent giving suggestion on lighting, color combination, arrangement, curtains and etc. This school has never had a library before, and so hope this project will prove of benefit to the students.

At Tolson school the agent is working in connection with the 4th grade in covering a notebook, and giving for use as a school emergency bed. Beds have been secured and the girls will use these for the covers.

5. Welfare Department

The Dept. of Welfare and Home Agent have worked with families in re-education, equipment, food preservation, food preservation, garden planning and building construction. The two visited one family one day to consider storage of root crops, canning vegetables, planting late garden, better pig pen and place for chickens. Last month we have been following through with this family and will soon make another visit to help the family plan better meals.

6. I.T.A.'s

The agent was guest speaker at the January I.T.A. in January. I was asked to explain the 4H and Home Demonstration program to the parents. Education movies were also shown. The 4H Club members gave the program for one of the I.T.A. meetings at Newland school. The program was rendered by the club members after planning with the agent.

7. Evaluation of 1937 Home Demonstration Program

Our Education Improvement Program was one way to prove that the folks are interested in the Home Demonstration program. Even with six other meetings of county wide interest being held at the same time, our attendance of 120 proved the folks were interested. More exhibits were made at the fair than ever before. Men and girls both participated. Home Demonstration women helped in preparation for the fair and then during the fair week. The attendance has been good throughout the year at the regular monthly meetings. Once a woman comes she continues to attend the meetings. The fine attendance at the leader training proved that the women wanted training as leaders for their own clubs.

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Four of the 12 clubs were represented at the Fall planning Meeting of Home Demonstration work. The reports made by the Presidents showed thinking had been done by the clubs as to their next years program.

All of the executive offices were present for the executive committee meeting previous to the County meeting.

Every Home Demonstration club participated in helping with the Home Economic Teas in the spring.

The women are more able to carry on their own meetings without the agent. Some of the club meetings the agent did not attend this month and the women report good meetings and attendance.

4H club enrollment has increased and this year we had 100% project completion. This was due partly to the Home Demonstration Clubs having taken Rural youth as their Federation Goal this year.

Parents attended the 4H Rally Day with their children. This proved they were interested also.

Last winter the clubs asked for a yearbook. The agent prepared one, her first and the first for the county. The women used these at their monthly meetings. Again they asked for them this fall. Two women, Mrs. George Schools and Mrs. Cora Lamkin were appointed to work up the devotion as for each month.

Mrs. Guy Balderson and Mrs. W. G. Bowen were appointed to work out the thoughts for each month.

These were sent the agent and she prepared a 1948 yearbook. This is truly an achievement for our county.

All the clubs paid their Federation dues by March 1st, a tribute to them.

The Home Demonstration Program in Richmond County is of real interest to the women and men as well. Next year will bring even bigger and better accomplishments since the main ground work has been laid in 1947.

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The club enrollment has increased and this year we had 1000 project completed. This was due partly to the Home Demonstration Clubs having taken rural youth as their rotation goal this year.

Agents attended the 42 club day with their children. This proved they were interested also.

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There were sent the agent and she prepared a 1928 yearbook. This is truly an achievement for our county.

All the clubs held their rotation dues by March 1st, a tribute to them.

The Home Demonstration program in Blount County is of real interest to the women and men as well. Next year will bring even bigger and better accomplishments since the main growth work has been laid in 1927.

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