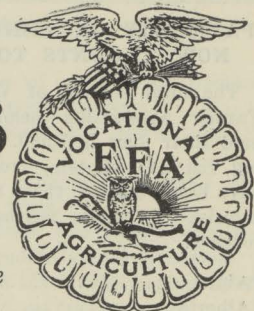


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No. 1.

State Future Farmer Officers Convene for Mid-Year Meeting

By Beverly Roller, State President.

The annual state executive committee meeting was called to order at 10 a. m. on December 22, 1942, at the state office building in Richmond. All but one of the ten members of the executive committee were present to hear and transact the business of the Virginia Association of the Future Farmers of America. Mr. Howard made a few brief remarks concerning the orders of the day after which the officers transacted and carried out their business. The officers unanimously decided to purchase two, one thousand dollar war bonds for the Virginia Association. The state association does this with the hope that the Federation and chapters will follow the example and buy war bonds and stamps to the extent of their ability.

During our meeting we were honored by having such distinguished guests with us as Dr. Dabney S. Lancaster, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, who gave some very interesting remarks and attended part of the meeting. Another great friend of the Future Farmers who attended was Dr. Walter S. Newman. Before Dr. Newman took over the position as assistant to Dr. Lancaster, he was State Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Virginia F. F. A. The other guest of the day was Dr. Alexander, head of the "Victory Corps" in Virginia. Dr. Alexander gave a very interesting talk on the "Victory Corps" in Virginia and stressed the importance of the Future Farmers cooperating with the corps in carrying out its objectives.

One of the big tasks that confronted the state officers was the F. F. A.-F. H. V. camp. There was much discussion on the improvement of the camp building and grounds. Many improvements need to be made, so the officers gave numerous recommendations to the camp committee for their consideration. It was decided that Mr. Howard should put announcements in Chap-

ter Chats in regards to chapters making lawn furniture for the camp. One of the officers suggested that the chairs be painted F. F. A. blue with chapter name on chair in gold.

Mr. Howard told the officers that the camp committee had set twenty-five dollars as the minimum fee to be charged per week-end when the camp is rented to an outside organization.

Buy War Bonds and Stamps

It was moved and carried that the seventy-two dollars worth of property purchased by the F. F. A. during the Rally be given to the camp association since the F. H. V. have contributed a good sum to the camp treasurer. It was decided to hold camp if at all possible this year. Mr. Howard is to publish an article in the Chapter Chats concerning the five dollar (\$5.00) camp fee that has not been contributed by various chapters for the improvement of the camp. Those chapters that have not contributed are urged to do so promptly.

The discussion of the 1943 Rally was brought before the committee for action. It was decided to hold a rally of some kind, since this is the "backbone" of the Future Farmers of Virginia. The date of the rally will be decided later since the definite dates of the camp have not been chosen, and likely our state convention will meet around the same date as last year. The contests of the Rally are to remain the same. The method of choosing delegates this year will be the same as last—that is choosing a specific number of delegates from each federation based on a certain per cent of its membership.

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Future Farmers in the Armed Forces.

Keep Your Records Accurate.

On June 22, 1942, a letter came out from Washington headquarters of the F. F. A. asking for information concerning the number of Future Farmers in the armed forces of the United States. Your annual report had already been mailed to the state adviser and it was decided not to ask for this information last year. Your annual report due in June, 1943, will ask for the following information:

Number F. F. A. members serving in U. S. Army? Active.... Associate.... Honorary.....

Number F. F. A. members in U. S. Navy? Active.... Associate.... Honorary.....

Number F. F. A. members in Marines? Active.... Associate.... Honorary.....

Number F. F. A. members in Coast Guard? Active.... Associate.... Honorary.....

Total members serving in U. S. armed forces?.....

Number members in V. P. F. or Minute Men?.....

Number members in Allied armed forces?.....

Number commissioned officers?.....

Number non-commissioned officers?.....

Members of chapters should be glad to help collect data that will be a part of the history of the F. F. A. in the years to come. Your local adviser is trying to keep track of every boy who has ever belonged to your local chapter. Help him with this "follow-up" record. And by all means help with the keeping of the war record of the Future Farmers who are serving in the armed forces. Be sure your chapter has the information for the annual report due in May and for the chapter's permanent file. Future Farmers are helping make world history. Help write that history for them and their descendants.

Chase City Sets Pace.

Chase City High School has already listed its former Future Farmers who

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**PAYMENTS ON ANNUAL DUES
NOW AMOUNTS TO \$7,980.00.**

The total number of Virginia Future Farmer Association members who have paid their dues is 7,980. In the following list of chapters, from which dues have been received, those marked with an asterisk (*) made payment before October 1.

*Aldie	12	*Criglersville	18	*Manassas	25
*Alberta	16	Crozet	7	*Marion	46
*Amelia	43	Culpepper	33	*Mariott	18
Amherst	24	*Cypress	17	*Marshall	39
Andrew Lewis	36	*Danieltown	22	*Mathews	23
Appomattox	41	Dan River	43	Maywood	18
*Ashburn	9	*Dayton	23	*Max Meadows	13
Atlantic	49	*Dendron	13	Middlebrook	18
Auburn	41	*Dickinson Memorial	65	Middletown	9
*Axton	54	*Dinwiddie	34	Midway	24
*Battlefield Park	39	*Disputanta	23	*Millboro	25
Bealeton	39	*Draper	52	Montpelier	26
Beaverdam	43	*Drewryville	13	*Montvale	61
Berryville	16	Dryden	17	*Mt. Clinton	17
*Beverly Manor	28	*Dublin	51	*Mt. Sidney	25
*Blacksburg	40	*Dungannon	40	*Narrows	41
Bland	31	Eagle Rock	29	*Naruna	29
*Blackstone	21	*Edinburg	41	New Castle	32
*Blue Ridge	12	Eggleston	17	*New Hope	50
Boone Mill	34	*Elk Creek	21	New London	26
*Botetourt	23	Elkton	27	*New Market	19
Boyce	10	*Ervinton	44	Newport	19
*Boykins	12	Fairfax	55	*Newsoms	22
*Brentsville District	27	*Falmouth	42	*Northampton	48
*Bridgewater	39	*Farnham	25	*North River	72
*Broadway	27	Fincastle	27	*Oak Grove	15
*Brookneal	15	*Fishersville	34	*Oceana	24
*Brookville	32	*Floyd	42	Pamplin	13
Brosville	41	*Fluvanna County	36	Payne, John B.	20
*Brownsburg	29	Franklin	11	Pembroke	34
*Buchanan	49	*Gainesboro	13	*Pennington Gap	56
*Buckhorn	41	*Glade Hill	35	*Pleasant Hill	21
*Buckingham C. H.	48	*Glade Spring	20	*Port Republic	8
*Burkes Garden	12	*Gladys	21	*Powhatan	39
*Burkeville	29	*Goochland C. H.	38	*Randolph-Henry	35
*Callands	37	*Greendale	38	*Red Bank	12
Callao	40	Greenwood	19	Reedsville	22
Callaway	28	*Handley	16	*Richlands	26
*Calverton	20	*Hardin Reynolds	14	*Rich Valley	66
*Capron	10	Heathsville	10	*Ridgeway	31
*Caroline	29	*Henry Clay	42	Rockville	17
Carrsville	13	*Herndon	44	*Rocky Mount	55
*Carson	25	*Hillsville	96	*Rural Retreat	42
Central	25	*Hamilton	22	*Rustburg	24
Ceres	23	*Holland	37	Saluda	26
Chase City	60	Honaker	34	*Scottsburg	20
Check	43	*Isle of Wight	12	Scottsville	38
*Chilhowie	43	Ivor	17	*Shoemaker	36
*Christiansburg	39	*Jackson Memorial	34	South Hill	35
Chuckatuck	27	John Randolph	24	*Smithfield	19
Churchville	32	Jonesville	20	Spencer-Penn	36
Clarksville	17	Keezletown	22	Sperryville	32
*Cleveland (Russell Co.) ..	21	*Kempsville	37	Spottsylvania	27
*Cleveland (Washington Co.)	16	Kenbridge	21	Spottswood	35
*Climax	38	King George	33	*Spring Garden	43
*Clover	30	King William	8	*Stafford	11
Coal Creek (Sunny Oak) ..	23	*La Crosse	34	Stephens City	43
*Concord	23	Lawrenceville	15	*Stony Creek	15
*Cople	26	*Lebanon	70	*Strasburg	17
Courtland	8	*Leesburg	23	Stuart	28
*Creeds	19	*Liberty Hall	14	*Stuarts Draft	35
		*Lincoln	21	Sugar Grove	31
		*Linville-Edom	22	*Surry	21
		*Lively	14	Syringa	31
		Loch Leven	6	*Tappahannock	33
		*Lovettsville	11	*Tazewell	31
		*Louisa County	67	Temple Hill	63
		*Luray	31	*Timberville	16
		*McGaheysville	30	*Toms Brook	25
		*McKenney	28	Troutville	26
		*Madison	27		

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: : NEWS FROM THE CHAPTERS : :

Volens.

The Volens chapter has been active during the summer months. Two meetings were held in the chapter room, at which it was decided that it was impossible for anyone to go to the F. F. A. camp, so we would have some form of recreation for the entire chapter. As a result of this a swimming party and chicken fry was agreed upon as the most practical thing to do. This was held at the old Meadsville mill on Banister River. Ralph Clements was elected chief cook, and fourteen chickens were fried on a makeshift stove. A number of Dads were present and everyone reported a most enjoyable time.

Our officers for the new year are: Wayland DeJarnette, president; Kenneth Booker, vice-president; J. T. Fisher, Jr., secretary; Guy Francis, treasurer; Hugh Guthrie, watch dog; Dupuy, advisor, and James Stanley, reporter.

The chapter initiated twenty-three Green Hands. The old members reported a big night.

One of the objectives for the current session is that 50 per cent of the chapter members take soy beans for an enterprise. This objective has been reached in the preliminary survey.

JAMES STANLEY,
Reporter.

Slash Cottage.

The following objectives have been adopted by the chapter for 1942-43:

1. Objectives to meet the war needs:
 - (a) Encourage 100% of members to buy war bonds and stamps.
 - (b) Assist school in carrying out scrap drive.
 - (c) Repair as much farm machinery as possible.
 - (d) Assist county war boards whenever possible.
2. Cooperative effort:
 - (a) Hold meeting each month and oftener if necessary.
 - (b) Set up ways and means of financing chapter.
 - (c) Cooperate with F. H. A. in carrying out their objectives.
 - (d) Assist local school organization with projects.
3. Self government:
 - (a) Hold a minimum of nine meetings during the year.
 - (b) Continue thrift bank.
 - (c) Pay local dues to state by October first.
 - (d) Elect new officers in May.
 - (e) Require all officers to know opening and closing ceremony.
 - (f) Keep up to date records of all former members.

4. Community service:
 - (a) Assist P. T. A.
 - (b) Assist in beautifying school grounds.
 - (c) Repair toys and fill baskets at Christmas.
 - (d) Assist Kiwanis Club in staging Charity Carnival.
5. Annual rally:
 - (a) Recommend one state planter applicant.
 - (b) Assist in any way possible during the emergency.
6. Publicity:
 - (a) Send five articles to Chapter Chats.
 - (b) Send news articles to local paper.
 - (c) Put on program before some local club.
7. Recreation:
 - (a) Hold formal initiation of Green Hands.
 - (b) Hold Father-Son banquet.
 - (c) Put on Education Pictures for the chapter.
 - (d) Assist F. F. A. camp by sending members and contribution.

ROY SOMERS,
Reporter.

Scottsville.

The Scottsville F. F. A. chapter held its initiation of Green Hands on Thursday, November 19. There were fifteen new members initiated.

All students have selected their enterprises for the following year. Each member has an average of three enterprises. The students of the F. F. A. Class have started studying about different enterprises.

Most of the members have closed their records of last year's work.

MERYEL STARGELL,
Reporter.

Rustburg.

We have on roll fifteen Future Farmers and eight Green Hands. Our chapter has set up its objectives for the coming year and all members have their work up to date.

We have also initiated and received into our chapter eight Green Hands. Our chapter is trying to participate in every way it can to help win this war.

We have, with the help of other school students, collected and sold over sixty-five tons of scrap metals.

The chapter, as a whole, has been shucking corn for farmers who are suffering from labor shortage.

All chapter members are participating in buying war saving stamps and bonds and the chapter has purchased one \$100 bond.

CLIFTON PHILLIPS,
Reporter.

Jackson Memorial.

Objectives:

1. Production of crops and livestock to meet government program.
 2. Buy 20 books for agricultural library.
 3. To assist farmers in pruning and spraying fruit trees.
 4. Have at least two members of the chapter on a public speaking contest.
 5. Organize a thrift club having 100% members with a savings account.
 6. Carrying out the rules of parliamentary procedure.
 7. Have all boys obtaining "S" on citizenship.
 8. Have a father and Son banquet.
 9. Have a record of former members.
- Ways and means:
1. Each member adjust his program to meet these needs:
 2. Raise funds in F. F. A. by demonstration and personal assistance.
 3. Having an elimination contest.
 4. Invest in stamps and bonds or other savings accounts.
 5. Name a committee to take charge of this.
 6. Use class period to teach this practice.
 7. Setting up a standard.
 8. Every member help.

Bridgewater.

Forty members have enrolled in the Bridgewater F. F. A. chapter.

The chapter is sponsoring a pest eradication contest which includes rats, mice, crows, blackbirds and harmful fur-bearing animals.

We are helping in the stamp drive and scrap metal collection.

We also helped to overcome the labor shortage by cutting 142 shocks of corn for nearby farmers.

DEWITT HEATWOLE,
Reporter.

Maywood.

The Maywood F. F. A. held its initiation of six Green Hands on November 26. After the meeting was closed refreshments were served and then we played games.

The chapter is now selling defence stamps in the school. Every Monday is stamp day. An average of \$12 to \$15 worth of stamps is being sold weekly.

ALTON KEFFER,
Reporter.

Axton.

The Axton chapter held its annual Father and Son banquet on December 10, 1942. The meeting was called to order by the chapter president, Eugene Roach. Following the opening everyone joined in singing "America." The invocation was given by Rev. Jesse Clay.

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 (Prince George P. O.)

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

Russell Sisson, Farnham.

Roland Snapp, Stephens City.

IMPORTANT!

Changes in National Constitution.

During the 15th National Convention a number of important changes were made in the Constitution. These changes are briefly summarized by Mr. W. A. Ross and it is very important that every Future Farmer chapter study these changes thoroughly and observe the effect on the local chapter. The changes are as follows:

1. There was a rearrangement in order and a slight rewording of certain of the eight article headings found in the constitution proper.

2. Part-time students are no longer eligible for active membership.

3. Twenty-five years of age was made the upper age limit for retaining active membership but a provision was made setting aside time spent by active members in the armed forces of the United States when computing total elapsed time for active membership status and degree advancement.

4. The designation of the second degree of active membership was changed from "Future Farmer Degree" to that of "Chapter Farmer Degree."

5. Members elected to the Degree of American Farmer must now be out of high school for at least 12 months prior to the convention at which the Degree is granted.

6. Fifty delegates from at least 25 states constitute a quorum at any national convention.

7. State associations now determine the number of delegates to State con-

ventions but not to exceed two delegates from any one local chapter.

8. National student officers are elected to serve from one convention through the next succeeding convention but are not to be reelected. If, in case of extreme emergency, a national convention is not held in any given year, the student officers already serving shall continue to hold office through the next national convention. The National Board of Trustees has the power to appoint temporary national officers to fill any offices declared vacant between national conventions, with the approval of the National Advisory Council.

9. In case a local department of vocational agriculture in which a chartered chapter of F.F.A. is located is discontinued, the chapter so involved may be permitted to operate officially for a period not to exceed 12 months from date of discontinuance of the department in the school concerned, providing proper supervision and guidance can be given to the chapter work by a member of a school faculty having the approval of the State Adviser. Local chapter charters must be surrendered to the State Adviser at the end of the 12-month period indicated if vocational agriculture is not in operation again at that time.

10. American Farmer applications must be in the national F.F.A. office not later than midnight of June 30, prior to the national convention at which the application will be considered.

11. American Farmer applications not in the national office on June 30 or received from States from which all national dues for the fiscal year have not been received by the National Treasurer on or before June 30 will be rejected.

It is suggested that a thorough study of the new constitution be made by individual members, chapter groups, and advisers when the printed copies, now in press, are made available through State Advisers.

FUTURE FARMERS AID WAR EFFORT.

By Weldon Moore, Reporter White Stone Chapter.

For more than a year the shops of high school agricultural departments have been swinging open wide their doors to farmers of their respective communities, and even swinging into real action, in repairing farm machinery for the farms in cooperation with the war program.

Thousands of pieces of farm machinery which had been discarded and was about to be discarded, have been put back in use by means of the vocational agricultural shops.

It is surprising what great interest the Future Farmer boys are taking in

the defense program. In addition to the help given in repairing farm machinery they are cooperating 100% in the collection of scrap iron for the government, which is so essential in the production of materials to be used in winning the war. One of the state F. F. A. chapters has collected approximately twenty thousand pounds, and will use the receipts in getting a pig chain started.

The Future Farmers are pledging themselves in every conceivable effort in the support of the defense program. They include in their local objectives a pledge that they will increase the scope in their enterprises in the production of crops and livestock, producing more food and oil which is so necessary in the present upheaval throughout the world.

If a sum total was made of the increase in value of crop and livestock production as a result of the activity of Future Farmers of America, the amount would run into millions of dollars.

The future strength of our nation rests upon each and every Future Farmer of America.

FUTURE FARMER OFFICERS HOLD MID-YEAR MEETING.

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It was moved and carried that Chumney, Walker, and Roller were to see that the State Constitution be changed in accordance with the National one. The payment of dues was brought before the committee. Several chapters have not sent their dues in and the officers are asking for this to be done immediately, so these chapters may participate in the Rally. A suggestion was made that the quality of the articles in the Chapter Chats be improved. Most of the chapters and federations are sending in articles, but many are not as well-developed as they might be.

The committee was reminded of the former F.F.A.'s who are in the armed forces of the United States. Much discussion was held as to these boys and it was decided to publish their names in the Chapter Chats. It was moved and carried that Mr. Groseclose be authorized to write an article on "The Former F.F.A.'s in the Armed Forces."

There was discussion concerning state officers visiting various chapters and federations. Visiting of chapters was emphasized at the meeting, although transportation makes it rather difficult for officers to travel a great distance so local visiting was thought to be best.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m. with the officers hoping that the Virginia Association would be as successful this year as it has been in the past. A great deal is to be done, but with the Future Farmers working together we can accomplish any task that we undertake.

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After the invocation a delightful dinner was served by the girls of the Home Economics department under the supervision of Miss Nutter.

Following the banquet the boys put on a short program led by the toastmaster of the evening, Elmo Gravely.

The program included: Welcome Address by Alton Jones; Response by Rev. D. F. Roach; Poem by John Hariss; Talk by Mr. H. L. Saville, instructor; Chapter Accomplishments by Clarence Elliott; Jokes by Ralph Eanes; Talk by Clifford Stone; Poem by Henry Hariss; Main Address by County Agent M. L. Dalton.

RALPH EANES,
Reporter.

Montvale.

The following are the objectives for the year:

1. State and local dues paid by October 1, 1943.
2. Cooperate with Federation activities.
3. To engage in cooperative buying.
4. Help 12 farmers harvest their crops due to labor shortage in this area.
4. Improve school grounds.
6. Two educational tours.
7. Have F. F. A. basketball team.
8. Cooperate in buying war stamps and bonds regularly.
9. Send a report to Chapter Chats.
10. Send two members to camp Morgart.
11. Collect scrap iron.
12. Have one meeting each month.

The regular monthly meeting of the Montvale High School Future Farmers was held in the chapter room, with the opening and closing ceremony. Approximately 12 tons of scrap metal was collected. Many farmers in this section have been helped by our services while harvesting corn, soybeans, etc

RALPH HATCHER,
Reporter.

Honaker.

The Honaker chapter of Future Farmers of America held its monthly meeting on December 15, 1942, to discuss the objectives on giving assistance to the needy in the community.

It was suggested that the chapter make up at least two bushel baskets for the needy. Each member contributed to these baskets.

They were delivered to the homes on December 17.

Each basket contained the following: ¼ bushel potatoes, 1 gallon apples, 1 dozen oranges, 1 pound nuts, 1 pound candy, 2 heads cabbage, 1 pound of butter, 4 pounds beans, 4 cans of fruit or vegetables.

ALLEN COMBS,
Reporter.

Boyce.

On Wednesday, November 18, the Boyce chapter of F. F. A. elected the following officers: Helge Anderson, president; Eugene Longerbeam, vice-president; Delmer Larrick, Secretary; Amory Sommaripa, Treasurer; Ray Dodson, Reporter; Curtis Cooper, watch dog.

In setting up the objectives for the coming year, emphasis was given to the winning of the war. Everything possible will be done in the gathering of scrap, and the buying of war stamps and bonds.

We had the initiation of Green Hands on Friday, November 27, which was lots of fun for everybody except the Green Hands who were worried about the things they had to do.

RAY DODSON,
Reporter.

Stuarts Draft.

The Stuarts Draft F. F. A. chapter held a meeting on December 11, 1942. At this meeting we discussed the buying of a war bond. We decided to buy a \$25 bond now and later on in the session buy another. The buying of this bond was put into the hands of our treasurer, Ralph Beard.

The chapter has organized a basketball team which will hold intermural games with the high school students who do not belong to the chapter. At the December meeting we elected the captain, Charles Crummett, and the manager, Charles Tyree, of our team.

Our Agriculture Shop Class is building hurdles, rope climbs, and other equipment needed in the school's physical Fitness Program plus repairing old farm machinery which was set up as one of our objectives for the year.

JACK CRUMMETT,
Reporter.

Royal Oak.

The Royal Oak chapter of Future Farmers of America initiated 19 Green Hands at the regular weekly meeting, and raised 10 Green Hands to the degree of Future Farmer the following week.

The chapter took first place in a Federation Crops Judging Contest at Chilhowie, Sam Vaught second, John Pennington third.

Members of the chapter have been getting some experience in butchering by helping farmers in the communities.

At the December Federation meeting Junior Oldham of Royal Oak chapter, won the heavyweight boxing championship and the featherweight championship was won by Rex Greer, also a member of the chapter.

JAMES SNAVELY,
Reporter.

**A THRIFTY MAN BUYS
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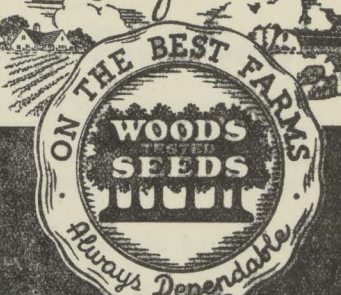
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Port Republic.

The boys of the Port Republic chapter won a fifty dollar war bond in the scrap drive contest. The chapter placed second in the state among the agricultural youth organizations. The boys hired a truck from the local foundry and hauled the scrap in to the school. The foundry was given the cast iron for the use of the truck.

The farm machinery repair course is in progress now. The boys are busy checking the machinery on the home farms and bringing it in for repair.

The boys have been busy this fall in community service work. They have

been assisting the farmers in the vaccinating of cattle for blackleg, culling hens, castrating pigs and calves, and similar work. This gives the boys training in this type of work and assists the farmers in their production.

The boys have been assisting in the relief agencies. They gave five dollars to Chinese relief and two dollars and a half to the Red Cross.

The boys are planning to do some cooperative buying in the near future. They will buy certified Maine grown potatoes, garden seed and plants cooperatively through the Rockingham Federation.

H. B. ALEXANDER,

McGaheysville.

The boys of the McGaheysville chapter have received much practical training and experience in their agricultural work by doing personal service work for the farmers of the community. Field trips have been taken, and demonstrations have been given on vaccination of cattle for blackleg, culling hens, castration of pigs before weaning and docking and castration of lambs. The demonstration is given by the instructor and then each boy is allowed to participate in the job to be done.

Since one of the major enterprises of the county is poultry the boys decided to concentrate their efforts to culling

of hens. This would help the war effort by increasing the number of eggs for market and for hatching purposes, and improve the quality of the home flocks. Several demonstrations were given on culling and then each boy agreed to cull his home flock as a supplementary farm job. As a result of this practice several thousand hens have been gone over by the boys.

Demonstrations on vaccinating for chicken pox and caponizing will be done later in the spring.

The boys feel that these improvement practices are of great educational value to themselves and the farmers, especially when poultry and livestock products are so badly needed in the war effort.

FRANK BONTZ,
Reporter.

Rocky Mount.

There are 55 active members in the Rocky Mount chapter this year.

A well planned program of work is being carried out. Some outstanding features are:

1. Each boy should have one field crop, one annual project, one cash crop and a poultry project.
2. Each boy should have at least four supplementary farm jobs.
3. Every boy endeavor to organize a farm shop.
4. Each boy try to have a pure bred animal project.
5. Aid farmers in testing seed corn and soil.
6. Testing milk for farmers.
7. Every boy endeavor to repair at least one piece of farm machinery.
8. Conduct a chick feeding experiment.
9. Scrap iron drive.

The chapter initiated 37 Green Hands in the high school auditorium before the rest of the school, Friday, November 6. The regular opening ceremony was used.

Five members not present are to be initiated by the Green Hands later.

The meeting adjourned with the regular closing ceremony, to meet again at the next appointed time.

CARLTON GOODE,
Reporter.

Beverly Manor.

At its last regular meeting held on November 29 in the chapter room the Beverly Manor chapter decided to conduct its annual pest eradication campaign from November 29 to January 4, 1943, in order to take advantage of the Christmas holidays. The president, Bill Curd, and the vice-president, Robert Riley chose sides and the two teams will compete for points. The winning team will be treated to a social with the losers giving the treat.

F. F. A. JEWELRY

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The chapter is still collecting scrap metal and since school started has collected a total of 28,235 pounds which is an average of a little over 1045 pounds per member.

The Beverley Manor Crop Judging team composed of Douglas Davis, Paul Kesterson, Billy Cox, Leroy Buckner and Paul Obaugh won the banner in the B. A. R. Federation Crop Judging contest held at New Hope on Saturday, December 5. Beverley Manor boys came through also with the highest and second highest individual scores. Paul Kesterson, sophomore in agriculture, was high with a total of 580.1 points and Billy Cox another sophomore, ran close second with a total of 579 points.

The chapter and its members have purchased to date a total of \$863.80 in war bonds and stamps, besides the \$100 bond owned by the chapter. This amounts to over \$28 per member.

WELTY KLINE,
Reporter.

Chilhowie.

The Chilhowie chapter of F. F. A. was reorganized early in September.

The program of work for the year was adopted and to date, twenty out of a total of thirty-nine objectives have been reached in whole or in part. The following merit emphasis:

Additional books for the chapter library have been ordered.

Members played an important part in the recent scrap drive.

Sponsored a square dance to raise money to help finance chapter activities.

Two hand looms have been completed and delivered, and another one is in the process of construction.

The chapter sponsored the Smyth-Wythe F. F. A. Federation Crops Judging Contest which was held at Chilhowie on November 12th.

A new lathe has been added to the shop equipment which was paid for in part by chapter funds. The stand for the lathe was built in the shop. Several additional hand tools have also been added.

Eighteen Green Hands were initiated on November 17; seven 1941-42 Green Hands were raised to the degree of Future Farmer, and each given the silver pin of that degree.

RICHARD WALKER,
Reporter.

SMYTH-WYTHE FEDERATION HOLDS JUDGING CONTEST.

The Smyth-Wythe F. F. A. Federation Crops Judging Contest, sponsored by the Chilhowie chapter, was held at Chilhowie on November 19th. Six Federation chapters participated in the contest, judging one class each of wheat, white corn, yellow corn, and potatoes. The three highest teams were:

1st Royal Oak (Marion chapter).
2nd Chilvallee (Chilhowie chapter).
3rd Sugar Grove.

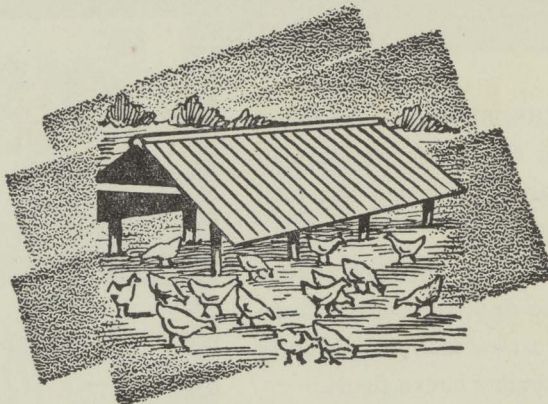
The three highest individuals in the contest were as follows:

Edgar Grinstead 380 points (Chilhowie).

Sam Vaught 375 points (Royal Oak).

John Pennington 365 points (Royal Oak).

SOUTHERN STATES COOPERATIVE FARM BULLETIN



Eggs Next Fall Means Feed Now

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

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

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

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have been or now are in the service of their country. This list, say Messrs. Tilson and Brame, agricultural instructors, is most likely incomplete and they

state that any further information regarding it will be appreciated. We give the list below:

- Adams, Joe; Adams, Clarence; Atkinson, James; Atkinson, O. T.
- Butler, Clyde; Bradsher, Woodrow; Bradsher, Harold; Boldin, Max; Boldin, Ernest; Bugg, John; Brankley, John;

- Boyd, Robert; Bollinger, Edward; Brame, Clifton; Crowe, Johnnie; Chewing, Ernest; Crowder, Hanson; Duckworth, Carlton; Duckworth, Wagner; Duckworth, Odes; Driggs, Otey.

Estes, Robey; Falls, Edgar; Fulp, Eugene.

Greenwood, Boyd; Gregory, George; Garland, Edward.

Herndon, Clarence; Herndon, J. C., Jr., Hubbard, Allan; Hubbard, Emmett; Hubbard, Sam; Huntley, Jim; Hoyle, Calvin; Hoyle, Quentin; Hodges, Cecil; Hutcheson, Charlie.

Jones, Pendleton; Jones, William; Jones, Alpheus; Jones, Edward; Johnson, Clifton.

Kizer, Roy; Kizer, Walter.

Leach, William; Love, Henry Mason; Lawson, Thomas.

McCall, John; Moss, Robert, Jr.; Mullins, J. D.

Norwood, Edward; Owen, Garland; Owen, Gordon.

Price, John B.; Perkinson, "Dick".

Robertson, Raymond; Richards, Fleet; Rutledge, Emmett; Reese, Alson.

Smith, Thomas; Smith, Raymond; Smith, Gibson; Smiley, Norman.

Turner, William; Turner, Claude.

Wortman, Sidney; Wilson, Harvey; Wilson, Albert; Wilson, Thomas; Wilson, Ollie; Wagner, Herbert; Willis, Russell; Whitten, Alvin; Woodyard, Howard; Wilkerson, James; Wilkerson, Billy; Wagstaff, Joe.

Younce, Joe.

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