

Giving publicity through press, radio, tours, and meetings of our program emphasis. Sending reports on achievements to county representatives of outstanding meetings and problems that are in the realms of their power to aid.

IX. PLANS FOR RECORDING PROGRESS AND EVALUATING PROGRESS FOR 1958

The following means shall be used to evaluate the worth of our program: Meetings, improved attendance, methods of presenting subject matter and attitudes toward work, people and things. Work, watch for improvement in the amount of work in the various projects and standards of work: Watch for help given to unorganized families and localities and note the outside appearance of homes and churches in the organized communities especially.

X. PLANS FOR PROFESSIONAL IMPROVEMENT

Today, I can only look forward to Extension Short Course, and reading professional publications and books for self improvement.

XI. COOPERATIVE PLANS FOR TOWARDS A UNIFIED CO. EXT. PROGRAM

The Farm and Home Agents are in the process of working out a unified extension program for long time achievements.

XII. PROBLEMS IN CARRYING OUT EXTENSION PROGRAM IN THE COUNTY AND PLANS

Some problems in our county are: Off the farm employment of farm families, not enough adequately trained leaders and not enough teaching equipment.

PLAN:

To meet these situations as best we can in selection of sections where the most families are involved in off the farm jobs we are holding meetings on Saturdays and at night. We are giving some leaders training before and after the regular club meetings. More home visits will be made with leaders for training purpose this year. We shall ask for some leader training meetings with our district agent.

D. 4-H CLUB	<u>NO. IN 1957</u>	<u>GOAL 1958</u>
Number 4-H Club officers	110	115
Number adult project leaders	12	14
Number junior project leaders	9	9
Number result demonstrators	9	9
No. meetings at which leaders were trained by specialist	1	1
No. meetings at which leaders were trained by district agent	0	1
No. meetings at which leaders were trained by personnel in 4-H Department	1	0
No. meetings at which leaders were trained by agent	4	4
Attendance at leader training meetings	20	25
No. 4-H leaders trained individually	9	9
No. club meetings at which leaders assisted	62	62
No. demonstrations given by adult leaders	EST. 70	125
No. demonstrations given by junior leaders	12	45

E. YOUNG WOMEN'S CLUBS

NO. IN 1957 GOAL 1958

Number club officers	5	5
Number adult leaders or sponsors	1	2

VII. WORK WITH OTHER AGENCIES

COUNTY WELFARE

Work with the county welfare will be that of bringing these clients into our meetings where ever possible, sending out to them any and all materials they are able to use in helping to become self supporting.

Our work with these will be cooperative in ways that most likely will be worked out during the course of action:

1. County School Board
2. Home Economics Dept.
3. County Health Dept.

VIII. PLANS FOR DEVELOPING GOOD PUBLIC RELATIONS

We plan to cooperate with agencies A through E in developing and maintaining good public relations by: Having periodic conference for better understanding.

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progress. Give suggestions and conduct one community tour to the three top home.

V. SCOPE OF WORK

A. ORGANIZATION	<u>NO. IN 1957</u>	<u>GOAL 1958</u>
Number of Home Demonstration Clubs	14	14
Membership	366	376
Number of 4-H Clubs	11	11
Membership	200	214
Number of Young Women's Clubs	1	1
Membership	21	21
Number home economics committees	0	1
Number farm and home development families	1	2

VI. PLAN FOR MEMBERSHIP

B. HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB LEADERSHIP	<u>NO. IN 1957</u>	<u>GOAL 1958</u>
Number organization leaders	14	16
Number project leaders (subject matter)	40	49
Number program development leaders	14	14
Number result demonstrators	40	36
Number meetings at which leaders were trained by specialists	1	3
Number meetings at which leaders were trained by district agents	0	2
Number meetings at which leaders were trained by agent	5	8
Attendance at training meetings	29	36
No. club meetings held by leaders without agent present	16	50
No. club meetings in which leaders assisted	45	40
Total No. demonstrations given by leaders	EST. 75	85
No. talks or discussions by leaders	EST. 30	45

mentioned elsewhere: Help Family No II to recognize the possibilities of their farm well enough to set up some definite desired goals from which we will develop a plan of work for meeting said goals.

PLAN:

We shall set up a committee for helping with the work of selecting the families, keeping them motivated through assistance given in the fields of conservation of foods and other home commodities. We plan office conference where families and committee members may get better understanding of their working relations and how each may contribute to the spread of Farm and Home Development work into other areas.

IV. COUNTY EXTENSION PROGRAM - YOUTH

A. COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

The County 4-H Council shall be continued as a planning group with leadership development as an aim. Through the council we want to encourage project study and completion by offering trips awards and ribbons for achievements in this line and this year we shall hold two meetings.

B. PROJECT WORK
FOODS AND NUTRITION
OBJECTIVES:

To teach 4-H club members the principles of meal planning and how to prepare a few simple nutritious and attractive foods.

PLAN:

The method demonstration in club meetings held in the homes of the participating members shall be our major teaching tool. We shall set up one county exhibit for judging purposes of members and leaders. Continue team demonstrations and judging of foods on competitive basis.

CLOTHING (LOOKING YOUR BEST)
OBJECTIVES:

To help club girls take better care of themselves and their clothing, as a means of developing poise and self confidence that they may become more useful members of society.

PLAN:

Method demonstrations in club meetings on body care. Each member will keep a rate yourself chart on which her progress in each line will be recorded. Awards will be given for greatest progress. Three parades will be held, club, district and county.

ROOM IMPROVEMENT
OBJECTIVES:

To arouse interest in younger club girls in caring for and doing simple jobs that will improve their rooms.

PLAN:

To give method demonstrations in club meetings, make home visits to note

PLAN:

1. Method Demonstrations; in one leader training meeting; in every local club meeting. 2. Tour, one visit to a Shoe Factory. 3. Exhibit or Revue of garments and articles giving points used in purchases.

2. FOODS & NUTRITION

OBJECTIVES:

To reach four-hundred families with our teaching program on "Time Savers in Food Preparation.

PLAN:

Organize and use club discussion groups on: Family Food Preparation habits, give method demonstrations in all club meetings, train leaders and members to give method demonstrations in club and county meetings, hold one public meeting where the health value in our foods program will be emphasized through--talks and exhibits.

3. HOME MANAGEMENT

OBJECTIVES:

To help fifty club members improve methods of work and working conditions.

PLANS:

Get agent training through agent group meetings, conferences and study; Train four local leaders to give and assist with giving two method demonstrations in six Home Demonstration Club Meetings, and check for results.

4. HOUSE FURNISHINGS

OBJECTIVES:

Continued emphasis on the selection and use of furnishings that will be best suited to home types and to make arrangements of furniture accordingly.

PLAN:

Get one leader training meeting with our specialist for four-teen local leaders. Give method demonstrations in regular club meetings. Hold one house tour or room tour where a good example can be seen.

III.

FARM & HOME DEVELOPMENT

The one family, Mr. & Mrs. James Smith live on a medium size tobacco farm in Southern Halifax County. They with their six children live in a four room framed house. Mrs. Smith completed the 7th grade and Mrs Smith completed the 4th or 5th grade. Our plans based on their decisions provide for expansion of crops, gradual increase in swine, gradual increase in garden and home poultry production, and conservation. Profits realized from these to be invested in better and bigger house and some basic farm and home equipment.

In 1958, we plan to add one other family to our program, and also select a working committee for the program.

Our objectives are: Continue work with Family No I on the program planned and

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COUNTY

I. THE COUNTY SITUATIONS

Halifax County is located in the South Central part of Virginia. It is one of the state's largest counties with an area of 814 square miles. One fourth or more of the total area is in forest, which accounts for the mills and lumber plants. Two thirds of the county's 42,000 people are engaged in general farming with bright tobacco as the main cash crop.

Within the last ten or twelve years, manufacturing industries have moved into the county. This situation has changed the rural living patterns considerably. Farmers have found part-time employment in these plants thus earning additional income which has been and still is being interpreted into better living standards. Electricity is available to more than 90% of the county farms and homes. In many areas during this period telephones have become available to quite a few of our rural farm homes. 1957 tobacco acreage was cut greatly on all farms. These situations and problems figured mainly in our planning for 1958.

II. COUNTY EXTENSION PROGRAM

A. ORGANIZATION
1. COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD

The Advisory Board is made up of two or more representatives of the following: Home Demonstration Clubs, Community Clubs, Interested Extension Cooperators, and Business Leaders. This year, this board will help select and set up objectives from our over all program for emphasis during 1958. Subject matter committees for carrying on the work will be members from this board. The State Advisory Board obligations shall continue to be assumed by this board.

4. HOME ECONOMICS COMMITTEE

January 8th is the date for the organization of one such committee, ~~meeting~~. We hope to be able to get this committee familiar with its objectives through study of the situations, regarding the phase of home economics we select.

5. COUNTY HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB COMMITTEES

This committee, ~~the program development chairman~~, will be continued as a planning group for Home Demonstration Club Program of the county. It will study the work of other committees, and use such information in its planning. The achievement activities will also be the responsibility of this committee.

B. PROJECT WORK
1. CLOTHING SELECTION

OBJECTIVES:

To teach club families how to select clothes and clothing articles for health, durability and attractiveness.

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PLAN OF WORK
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