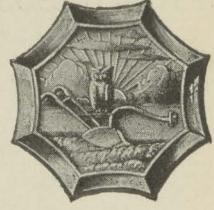


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A MOST SUCCESSFUL YEAR JUST ENDED!

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE LOCAL CHAPTERS FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1928.

Every member of the F. F. V. has a right to feel proud of his organization because of the wonderful showing made during the year just closed. An effort has been made to summarize the activities of the various local chapters, and this information is contained in the following paragraphs. We regret that this report is not entirely complete, due to the fact that about fifteen chapters have not submitted reports.

There are now 2,250 active members of the organization located in 100 local chapters. This represents a gain of about fifteen chapters during the past year.

Accomplishments on State Objectives.

1. One hundred per cent of members with savings account. The final roll call shows that thirty-five chapters reached the goal of 100 per cent of their members with savings account. In addition to this, twenty-three chapters report more than 70 per cent of their members with savings account. Approximately 1,600 of the 2,400 members have either begun or increased their savings accounts since the thrift banks have been organized. The total amount now in savings account to the credit of members is \$78,000.

2. Ninety per cent of supervised practice enterprises completed. Fifty-two chapters reached this enviable goal and fifteen other chapters report more than 80 per cent of the enterprises completed.

3. "Father and Son" banquets. Eighty-two chapters have held their annual "Father and Son" banquets. These banquets have been, in the main, very well attended, and the attendance records show an average of over fifty people attending each banquet.

4. Five dollars contributed towards defraying expenses of State judging teams to Kansas City and Memphis. At the time of last year's Rally there were eighty-five chapters in the organization, and it is quite pleasing to note that eighty-four chapters have contributed towards defraying expenses of the two teams which represented the Future Farmers of Virginia in the national contests last year. The total contributed from the chapters amounted to \$399. This amount plus the contribution from the chapters having representatives on the teams, made a sum sufficient to practically finance the

sending of these teams. Only a little more than \$100 had to be raised by the State Office in meeting the entire total expenses of \$815.

5. One hundred and fifty thousand dollars invested in farming by July 1, 1928. Forty-two chapters now have the distinction of having reached their quota of

OBJECTIVES FOR 1928-'29.

1. A thrift bank in every chapter, with 100 per cent of members with savings accounts.
2. Ninety per cent of the supervised practice enterprises to be completed during the coming year.
3. One hundred per cent of members to pay their State dues by October 1st.
4. Every chapter to hold a "Father and Son Banquet."
5. A total investment in farming and savings of a quarter of a million dollars by July 1, 1929.
6. Every chapter to hold a summer encampment or take a farm tour this summer, preferably with some other chapter or chapters.

The Executive Committee further recommends that a movement be started toward the establishment of a permanent F. F. V. camp in a suitable location in Virginia.

this big assignment. The total amount of money invested in farming by members at large is now \$130,000. Fifteen chapters have not reported their investments in savings and it is possible that the huge goal of \$150,000 may be reached when all chapters have reported.

It is encouraging to note that last fall, during the fair season, eighty chapters participated in putting on departmental exhibits at fairs. Many chapters featured the work of the Future Farmers of Virginia in some striking manner, and an untold amount of good was accomplished. Sixteen chapters also sponsored local community fairs, and in about ten of these cases the catalogues were published by the local chapters.

The summary of the year's work shows that forty-nine school-ground improvement (Continued on page 4.)

F. F. V. Tour

The Future Farmers of the Willis Chapter, Floyd County, have just completed a very interesting farm tour. The party, consisting of thirty boys, who traveled some seven hundred miles, visiting sections of historic and agricultural interest in Virginia and Maryland. The week was crammed with things of interest and of educational value.

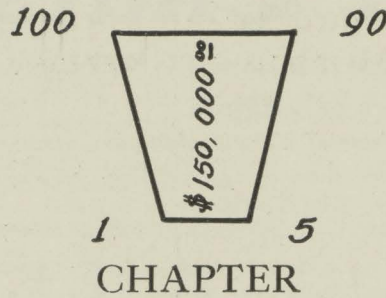
Points of special interest to the boys were Endless Caverns at New Market, and Apple Pie Ridge of Winchester. This was the first time that any of the boys had seen a commercial orcharding section. The things of interest about Alexandria and Washington were the Smithsonian Institute, the National Museum, the Capitol and Washington Monument. Some of the boys received their first big thrill in an elevator in the Washington Monument. The Potomac River was the first large body of water which most of the boys had ever seen. Floyd County is located in the western part of Virginia, a county with only a few very small towns, no railroads and no real rivers, but with a maximum of mountains and rolling land. The entire group were entertained very courteously by the authorities at the Government Experimental Farm at Betsville, Md. Most of the time was spent in studying the dairy, hog and sheep work which is being conducted there.

Credit for the successful tour is given to Mr. R. A. Noell, agricultural instructor. He says that the chief benefits derived from the tour seemed to be primarily a matter of giving to the boys an idea of the bigness of agriculture and an understanding of how varying it is. They no longer have to think of farming in terms of their own local practice. They secured entirely new conceptions of how farming is done and of the place and use of machinery, what good livestock is and proper methods in its management. The second benefit seems to be that of a general broadening of the boys' education. Visits to cities, to points of historic interest, and the actual seeing of the geography of the country has made more real to them the many things which they have studied between the backs of their textbooks in the past. The entire trip cost each boy only \$8.00 apiece, including all travel, meals and lodging. Two school buses were used for travel, and costs were lowered by the use of tents and preparation of their own meals.

E. C. MAGILL.

Note: A farm tour, or summer camp, is one of our State objectives. Why not do as the Willis Chapter has done?

PROGRESS YOU HAVE MADE IN MAKING YOUR CHAPTER A



The following chapters report that they have reached the following State objectives:

100% of Members with a Savings Account

Achilles	Kenbridge	South Hill
Axton	Lebanon	Strasburg
Appomattox	Lincoln	Stanardsville
Atlee	Manassas	Stephens City
Carson	Middletown	Temperanceville
Clintwood	Montross	Toano
Dinwiddie	Nassawadox	Weyer's Cave
Disputanta	New Market	Wicomico
Elk Creek	Pearisburg	Willis
Floris	Pennington Gap	Windsor
Front Royal	Powhatan	Woodlawn
Great Bridge	Rural Retreat	Woodstock
Holland		

90% of Supervised Practice Enterprises Completed

Achilles	Floris	Syringa
Atlee	Glade Spring	Turbeville
Axton	Hardin Reynolds	Wakefield
Blue Ridge	Holland	Weyers Cave
Boyce	Kenbridge	Whaleville
Boykins	Lebanon	Wicomico
Broadway	Lincoln	Willis
Burkes Garden	Manassas	Winchester
Carson	Montross	Windsor
Chase City	Nassawadox	Woodlawn
Climax	Newsoms	Woodstock
Courtland	New Hope	Poquoson
Dan River	Oceana	Riner
Dinwiddie	Pearisburg	Scottsburg
Disputanta	Rural Retreat	Stevens City
Dublin	South Hill	Toano
Ewing	Strasburg	Varina
Fishersville		

1 "Father and Son" Banquet

Achilles	Darvills	Middletown
Apple Grove	Dinwiddie	Naruna
Appomattox	Disputanta	Nassawadox
Atlee	Dublin	Newport
Axton	Edmund Pendleton	New London
Berryville	Eggleston	New Market
Big Stone Gap	Elk Creek	New Hope
Blacksburg	Ewing	Newsoms
Boyce	Fishersville	Pearisburg
Boykins	Gloucester	Powhatan
Bridgewater	Great Bridge-Hickory	Rural Retreat
Broadway	Hardin Reynolds	Rich Valley
Brosville	Hamilton	Scottsburg
Buckhorn	John Randolph	Stephens City
Burkes Garden	Kenbridge	South Hill
Burkeville	Lebanon	Spring Garden
Carrsville	Liberty Hall	Stanardsville
Charlotte C. H.	Lincoln	Stuarts Draft
Climax	Lochleven	Strasburg
Clintwood	Manassas	Sunnyside
Courtland	Marshall	Syringa
Crozet	Max Meadows	Toano
Cumberland	McKenny	Turbeville
Dan River	Mica	Unionville

NEWS FROM THE CHAPTERS.

Achilles.

The Achilles Chapter accepted a contract to clear two acres of woodland for an athletic field. The Community League paid \$50.00 for this work, which was used for athletic equipment. The per cent of members with savings accounts has been raised from 33 1-3 to 100 per cent. Exhibits were made at both the Williamsburg and Gloucester fairs. The chapter graded the school-grounds and planted flowers and trees, which have added much to the beauty of the school.

D. J. BERGER,
Agricultural Instructor.

Axton.

At our last meeting, the following officers were elected for the year 1928-29: president, Steve Harris; vice-president, Boyd Bullington; secretary and treasurer, P. H. Barker; reporter, George Richardson; executive committee, Carroll Eanes, Louis Eanes, Fletcher Minter; adviser, H. T. Saville.

We decided to take our farm tour July 13th to 15th.

Dabney S. Lancaster Chapter, Blacksburg.

The first undertaking of the F. F. V.'s was an agricultural exhibit at the Radford Fair, in September. Eight agricultural high schools participated and exhibits were made in the open classes as well as the school exhibit. In the open classes, Blacksburg won five firsts and five seconds, and in the school exhibit seven firsts.

Three educational films were put on by the boys for the benefit of the chapter, the proceeds from which were applied on the "Father and Son" banquet held on December 9th. A goodly number of fathers and mothers were present, some of whom made interesting talks and took part in the contests. A number of trainees were present by invitation of the chapter, one of whom Mr. Fussell, representing the clubs of the college, presented the chapter with a silver shield mounted on polished walnut as a trophy for making the best agricultural exhibit at the show put on by the clubs of the college in October.

Two members of the chapter volunteered to construct a twelve-foot section of shelves for the library; two others volunteered to stain and varnish them, and four others stained and varnished a dozen chairs which the woman's club had given to the school for use in the library.

The chapter had as one objective the beautifying of the school ground, so under the direction of Dr. Hofmann they have set out fifty evergreens, mostly hemlock and white pine, close to the buildings. They agreed to clean up and beautify one vacant lot in the "Blacksburg the Beautiful" campaign. They have cleaned off the lot where the Blacksburg Inn was located and have planted in flowers for this when you arrive in town.)

The chapter has planned a sight-seeing tour that will be made the week before school starts in the fall. The tour will extend as far east as the Atlantic Ocean and as far north as Washington. Historic points of interest and some large grain and stock farms will be visited en route.

A. T. LEWARK.

Boykins—Newsoms.

The accomplishments of the chapter during the past nine months are as follows:

1. Laid over 200 running feet of concrete walks, as well as steps and curbing.
2. Set out shade trees on the school grounds.
3. Put on an exhibit at Suffolk Fair.
4. Financed judging team to Blacksburg.
5. Organized a thrift bank.
6. Gave a "Father and Son" banquet.

Broadway.

During the past year the members of the local chapter organized an egg-shipping association. The eggs were brought in to school on each Tuesday from the poultry projects of the group and were then graded, packed and shipped to a commission man in New York City. This was the first time that we had ever tried to sell any of our products co-operatively and it proved to be an interesting part of our work.

JOE W. MILLER,
Instructor.

Bridgewater.

Our F. F. V. Chapter is planning to hold a community fair and lawn party some time in August. Small prizes will be offered, also ribbons will be given. The boys are looking forward to these events with much enthusiasm.

We are hoping to have 100 per cent in savings by fall. The boy that kept our chapter from being perfect has pledged to have bank deposit by that time.

G. W. MILLER.

Clintwood.

The Clintwood Chapter has reached all the State and local objectives set up for the year. A great deal has been saved on chicken feed this year by buying it co-operatively. The trip to Blacksburg this spring by the track and judging teams was financed from the sale of sandwiches, cakes, pies, etc., at the county fair.

J. L. REYNOLDS.

Critz.

Building a concrete walk about one hundred yards in length, making the necessary excavations, helping haul the rock, putting in the forms and mixing the concrete compose local activities.

The "Father and Son" banquet was held the first of March. I think it was a better one than we had last year.

G. H. TODD.

Crozet.

The Crozet Chapter of the F. F. V. organized April 18, 1928, with F. M. Taylor as adviser and instructor. We elected as our officers Edwin Oneil, president; W. Y. Powell, vice-president; Fred F. Knobloch, secretary; M. P. Sadler, Jr., treasurer. We have already held our "Father and Son" banquet. Every member was present and the fathers of all but four were present.

Every member has a savings account or money invested in farm projects, and some have both. We have nearly completed plans for a camping trip to Hopewell the last two weeks in July.

FRED FRY KNOBLOCH,
Secretary.

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Varina
Wakefield
Weyers Cave
Whitmell

Wicomico
Willis
Windsor

Woodlawn
Woodstock
Wytheville

\$5.00 Contributed Towards Sending Teams to Memphis and Kansas City

Achilles
Amherst
Apple Grove
Appomattox
Atlee
Axton
Blacksburg
Boyce
Berryville
Boykins-Newsoms
Bridgewater
Broadway
Brosville
Buchanan
Buckhorn
Burkeville
Carson
Charlotte C. H.
Chase City
Clintwood
Cobbs Creek
Culpeper
Cumberland
Dan River
Darvills
Dinwiddie
Disputanta
Dublin
Edmund Pendleton
Elk Creek

Ewing
Fincastle
Fishersville
Front Royal
Gloucester
Great Bridge
Hickory
Holland
Hardin Reynolds
John Randolph
Ivy
Kenbridge
Lebanon
Lincoln
Manassas
Marshall
Max Meadows
Montross
Mica
Middletown
Mt. Jackson
New Market
Nassawadox
Naruna
New Hope
New London
Pearisburg
Pennington Gap
Poquoson

Powhatan
Riner
Rural Retreat
Salem
Scottsburg
Stanardsville
Spring Garden
South Hill
Sparta
Stephen City
Stuart's Draft
Sunnyside-McKenney-
Syringa
Temperanceville
Toano
Turbeville
Unionville
Varina
Wakefield
Weyers Cave
Whaleyville
Wicomico
Whitmell
Willis
Windsor
Winchester
Woodlawn
Woodstock-Strasburg
Wytheville

\$150,000.00 Invested in Farming by July 1, 1928

(The following chapters have reached their quota.)

Amherst
Appomattox
Axton
Blacksburg
Boyce
Buckhorn
Bridgewater
Buchanan
Burkeville
Carson
Climax
Carrsville
Clintwood
Disputanta

Dublin
Elk Creek
Ewing
Fishersville
Floris
Front Royal
Gloucester
Holland
Kenbridge
Lebanon
Lincoln
Marshall
Montross
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Pearisburg
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South Hill
Strasburg
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Remember our friends who are adver-
 tising in our paper.

KEYSTONE CHAPTERS.

All the year we have been working to
 reach certain definite and specific State
 goals. On many cases our efforts have
 been crowned with success. We find that
 thirty-five chapters have 100 per cent of
 members with savings accounts; fifty-two
 chapters completed 90 per cent of super-
 vised practice enterprises; eighty-two
 chapters have held "Father and Son" ban-
 quets; eighty-four groups have contrib-
 uted \$5.00 to send teams to national con-
 tests, and forty-two locals have invested
 their quota of \$150,000 in farming. These
 are remarkable accomplishments, and
 every chapter reaching any of their goals
 is to be congratulated.

To have attained the distinction of hav-
 ing reached all of these goals, however, is
 a record of real achievement and an evi-
 dence of splendid co-operation among the
 members. To be considered a KEY-
 STONE CHAPTER is the highest tribute
 that the organization can confer on any
 chapter. The following chapters have
 reached all of the State objectives for
 1926-27 and are to be awarded the covet-
 ed Keystone Chapter Certificate:

AXTON	SOUTH HILL
DISPUTANTA	STRASBURG
KENBRIDGE	TOANO
LEBANON	WICOMICO
LINCOLN	WILLIS
NASSAWADOX	WOODLAWN
RURAL RETREAT	

SUCCESSFUL YEAR ENDED.
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projects were sponsored by local chapters.
 Thirty-two chapters have been buying
 and selling agricultural produce and sup-
 plies co-operatively. Fifty-five plays, pro-
 grams, etc., have been given to raise
 money to finance the various activities
 of the local chapters.

Many of the things which have been in-
 cluded in this report are quite compli-
 mentary to the Future Farmers of Vir-

ginia. We hold the distinction of having
 been the first State in the South to form
 such an organization, and it behooves
 each loyal Future Farmer to get behind
 the organization and to support it in
 every possible way. One year is closed;
 another is upon us. The objectives for
 1928-29, appearing in this issue, demand
 our immediate attention. Let's begin

planning for and attaining the objectives
 at once.

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Getting up F. F. V. Exhibit for District Fair.

Operations.	Recommended Practice.	Related Information.
I. Selling the idea to the fair officials.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Write several articles about the fair and publish in the local paper. 2. Have students help advertise fair in your community. 3. Make financial arrangements with fair officials. 4. Arrange for best space possible. 5. Secure and fill space in fair catalog. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This is a splendid way to advertise the fair and put the F. F. V. program before the people at the same time. Deal strictly with F. F. V. work. 2. By putting up signs, posters, etc.
II. Selling the idea to the students.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Show them how many prizes former students have won. 2. Tell what other boys in the State are doing. 3. Tell them of the publicity they will get. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. (a) By having their pictures shown. (b) By being on the judging team. (c) By being on the demonstration team. (d) By publishing list of prize winners.
III. Determining the nature of exhibit.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Limit the exhibit to things of most interest to the community. 2. Make every placard and every exhibit tell a story. 3. Show as many local pictures as possible. 4. Show pictures and placards of State work. 5. Give demonstrations in poultry culling, shop work, pruning, etc. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Local pictures always create interest. 4. People are more interested if they know that it is not just a local club. 5. Have the students well trained.
IV. Securing material.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Getting exhibits from boys' projects. 2. Get pictures of boys' projects. 3. Get picture machine, pictures, charts, etc., from District Supervisor. 4. Have charts and pictures to show the work of the F. F. V. organization. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This is the best way to get parents interested. 2. These are best for the picture machine. They create more interest than State pictures.
V. Putting up the exhibit.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Secure most public location. 2. Cover all chart space with cloth. 3. Display attractive banners entitled "Future Farmers of Virginia." 4. Decorate as much as possible with pictures, posters and farm crops. 5. Have picture machine in prominent place. 6. Arrange to have exhibit open all day and in evening, if possible. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Make a solid background. 3. Be sure that the public knows what the exhibit is. 5. Keep machine running whenever there is a crowd. Pictures will draw the crowd.
VI. Explaining the exhibit to the fair visitors.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Have several boys trained and on hand all the time to explain the exhibit to visitors. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This is the best means of getting the work before the public.

Making an F. F. V. Tour.

Operations.	Recommended Procedure.
1. Arrange for tour.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Time to go: Go when farm work is slack. 2. Length of tour: Two, three or four days, depending on distance. 3. Place: Visit experiment stations, public buildings, etc. 4. Arrange with officials at experiment stations, etc. Don't go to place unless definite arrangements are made and they know you are coming.
2. Financing.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lodging: If possible, get low rates at hotel. Much more satisfactory than carrying bedding. Boys will not mind \$1 per night. 2. Meals: Buy at restaurant and let each boy buy his own. 3. Transportation: Boys use own cars; other boys pay a small sum to help defray expenses of the car.
3. Arranging program.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Have definite time to be at each place (where officials are to show you around). Try to get to these places on time, as these men are glad to show you around if on time. 2. Put in some recreation—vaudeville, amusement parks, and the like. 3. Have most of day full—from 8 to 12, 1:30 to 5:30, 7:30 to 10:30. 4. Let boys have some time of their own (not too much). Have a certain time to meet at each place. Try to keep all of party together. 5. At experiment stations and the like, arrange in groups: (a) poultry, (b) hogs, (c) cattle, dairy, etc. <p>Don't try to cover everything in too short a time.</p>

NEWS FROM THE CHAPTERS.

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Cumberland.

This department has accomplished a few things worth while. First, we organized our local chapter of the F. F. V., which has improved our school-grounds by repairing the road to the school building. They also assisted in organizing an evening class for adults.

The local chapter of the F. F. V. gave great assistance in organizing a cheese factory for Cumberland County. This plant is one of the outstanding accomplishments of the department. The fac-

tory has been in operation since May 23d and has had an increase in milk every day since the doors were open.

T. A. BARRS.

Dinwiddie.

The Dinwiddie Chapter planted about three-fourths of an acre of Irish potatoes and 1,000 hills of cabbage, hoping to make sufficient money to defray the expenses of our vacation tour this summer. The potatoes and cabbage look good, but the prices of both are going down every day.

R. M. RITCHIE.

Disputanta.

Our chapter has been quite busy during the past thirty days. We laid a cement walk for the school, plowed and sowed the yard in peas, put on one play to aid in our work, conducted one tour over the entire home-practice work, and have begun plans for a display of our home-practice work at school next fall.

L. L. BEAZLEY.

Elk Creek.

The Elk Creek Chapter of F. F. V. has recently constructed a mound twenty-four feet in diameter by two feet in height near the front of the high school. The boys worked out the formula, mixed and poured all the concrete. They are now planning a fountain for the grounds.

Floris.

The Floris Chapter, F. F. V., is using the words "Stick Together" this summer. They plan to meet once each month during summer and put on some form of entertainment at each meeting. They are planning a camping trip for one week during the summer. We will also be there when the fair comes around.

H. D. SEAL.

Marshall.

Our chapter has been doing splendid work since you heard from us last, and we have accomplished a good many things. The first thing was to scrape, level and drag our baseball diamond. It is now the fastest infield in the county. Next we lengthened our tennis court. Last but not least the first-year agriculture class tested seed corn brought to our school by the farmers. This will enable the farmer to get a better stand of corn and educate the members of our chapter.

DORSEY RUSSELL,
Reporter.**Nassawadox.**

Our chapter held its regular and last meeting during the session of 1927-28 on the 17th of May. At this time the first and second-year boys were the host to the third and fourth-year and particularly the senior members and the seventh grade. There were fifteen members of the seventh grade present, and all were prospective agricultural students.

The senior members were seated up front, then the seventh grade and the younger members filled in behind. Farewell talks on the following subjects were given: "What an organization such as we have means to a group of students such as we represent"; "What older members mean to an organization"; "What older members of our club have meant to us." These talks were given by Hallet Mapp, Edmund Henderson, and Sherwood Kelly, respectively.

Just before the meeting closed, every one was given the chance to say anything they desired. Mr. C. L. Wilkins, our instructor of last year, congratulated us on our splendid work this year. He also gave us many helpful hints. Frank Colona gave a brief report on the achievements of the club this year as he saw them. At the conclusion of the meeting, ice cream and chocolate cake was served, and following this we adjourned, every one in good spirits.

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Pennington Gap.

Pennington Gap Chapter voted at its recent meeting in favor of a camping trip during the month of July.

Rural Retreat.

At the present time the Cabbage Chapter is interested in the progress of its corn experiment. Mr. C. C. Catron is co-operating with us, and we hope to show some real results. The corn is all up and progressing nicely, but as yet we can see no difference. The plots are all marked off and planted.

SUMPTER GRUBB.

South Hill.

One of the newest of our activities has been testing milk for the farmers. We are keeping a record of all tests made, and some time in the near future we will help check up on the scrub cows in the community. One farmer has already sold his culls. We have also tested seed corn and helped with pruning.

J. C. TISDALE,
Secretary.

Stanardsvills.

The Spotswood Chapter is holding regular meetings every two weeks through the summer vacation, meeting last Monday night, May 11th, at the home of William Wetsel. We meet sometimes at the boys' homes, other times at the school. Some of the boys are now working and our deposits should grow much faster. We are planning to give a play during the summer for the benefit of the agriculture department. We have given up our plans for a ball team this summer, but are now arranging to take a camping trip for three or four days, and also to make the vacation tour trip along with the schools of Northern Virginia.

RAY BREEDEN,
Secretary.

Sunnyside.

Some of the things that have been done by our chapter: Held "Father and Son" banquet, improved school grounds, made two basket-ball courts for school, put on demonstration at school fair, made a tennis court, gave four moving-picture shows, sent representatives to Blacksburg, helped to defray expenses of State judging team, showed Rally film, and have planned a trip for this summer.

Weyers Cave.

The F. F. V.'s of Weyers Cave were active in helping to stage the Middle River District Fair at Weyers Cave on May 12th. About two thousand people turned out to enjoy a busy day, which featured live stock and crop judging, lamb, dairy calf and poultry shows, general school exhibits of school work, a baby clinic by county health officers, a quality cream contest, demonstration on control of diseases by State specialists, track events and athletic games. Over one hundred dollars in prizes were given away.

Galen Sanfley, of Weyers Cave, was placed first in judging, and Roy Mitchell, of Centerville, was placed second; Harry Dice, of Weyers Cave, won the lamb show prize, with Joe Driver, of Mt. Sidney, second; Charles Shuebhise, of Weyers Cave won first and second in dairy heifer show.

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