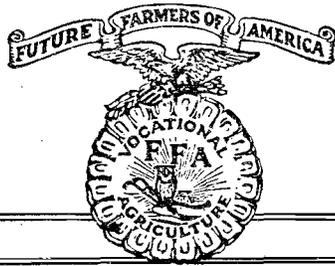


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## FFA & FHA Clubs Present \$7,366.41 To Cripple Children

### Large Check Presented By President Allen To Superintendent Keller

In the office of the State Superintendent of Education on the afternoon of March 19, at 3:00, A. C. Allen, Jr., a senior student of the Holtville High School and president of the Alabama Association of Future Farmers of America, and Miss Annie Moon, of the Clay County High School of Ashland

and president of the Future Homemakers of Alabama, presented to Supt. J. A. Keller a check for \$7,366.41 to be used in providing convalescent equipment for Alabama's crippled children at Birmingham, Mobile, and Selma.

Words of presentation spoken by Mr. Allen were to the effect that the two organizations of vocational pupils in agriculture and home economics in the State during the present year had carried out a citizenship project looking to the raising of a fund for promoting crippled children's work, a definite phase of the National Social Security Act. In well-chosen words he spoke of the joy and satisfaction that the young farm boys and future homemakers in their respective clubs had derived from efforts put forth in the project. Superintendent Keller was (continued on page 4)

### NATIONAL FFA DAY

April 13, 1936 marked the completion of the fifth year of FFA National Radio Programs on the NBC Farm and Home Hour. It was appropriate to celebrate this occasion as National FFA Day which is also in line with Objective 15 of the 1935-36 National Program of Work.

Plans were underway to have (continued on page 2)

### FFA & FHA Members Lauded for Contribution To State's Unfortunates

By J. B. Hobby, Director  
Vocational Education

The campaign launched on October 1 by Alabama F. F. A. and F. H. A. Clubs, to raise funds for equipping convalescent homes at Mobile and Birmingham and buying much needed equipment for a convalescent ward in the

hospital at Selma, was ended on Feb. 29. Total returns received to this date amount - to \$7,341.41. All honor to these fine boys and girls enrolled in vocational classes, most of which are located in rural schools!

Quotas of \$80 were accepted by each of the combined organizations in schools where the two types of work are being done. Forty-one schools raised their exact quotas; 14 schools raised more than their quota; only 23 schools of the total number offering vocational

work in agriculture and home economics did not participate in the campaign. Those clubs in the last-named group would have participated except for conditions over which they had no control.

This project has been a success in every particular. It has done (continued on page 5)



Presentation ceremony where A. C. Allen, Jr., Holtville, State FFA president and Miss Annie Moon, Ashland, FHA president, presented a check for \$7,366.41 to Dr. J. A. Keller, State superintendent of education. The money is to be used to buy equipment for Convalescent Homes for Crippled Children. (See facimile of this check on page 4.)

### MEMBERSHIP

On April 1, 136 Chapters had qualified by paying dues, submitting a program of work, list of officers, and membership list by degrees. About 3,400 high school boys enrolled in vocational agri- (continued on page 5)

## Place for Wildlife in Farm Practices

By Dr. L. N. Duncan, Pres. Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

THE new \$470,000,000 soil conservation program and organization of county conservation councils throughout Alabama offer farmers of the State an unusual opportunity to enrich farm life through game development and restoration.

Under the new farm program farmers will be encouraged and in cases of some crops paid for growing soil-improving and soil-conserving crops, such as cowpeas, soybeans, field beans, and other legumes, wheat, oats, rye, barley, and other small grains, all kinds of grasses and forest trees—all of which are ideal for encouraging wildlife growth. These crops not only provide cover for birds and other wildlife but they supply a large quantity of foods for game to eat.

Clean cultivation in the past has not only caused our lands to erode badly but it has caused our game to disappear or resort to fast diminishing forests. On the other hand, it has been observed that grain or grass fields provide food and fairly good cover which greatly increase the number of birds and other wildlife. It has also been found that farmers can greatly improve conditions for birds and small animals by providing berry patches, plumb thickets, or honeysuckles tangles near fields to provide hiding and nesting places.

Owners of farm woodlots and other woodlands have a splendid opportunity to conserve wildlife—particularly birds and game animals. By protecting these woodlots against fires and by favoring trees and shrubs that furnish food for birds—especially in winter—farmers not only can attract and keep birds and animals but also save their forest trees.

The above facts are given to show that farmers can greatly increase their game by a little care and attention. By doing this they add beauty to their farms and derive a great deal of pleasure that comes from the presence of birds and other living things.

Since stray cats and dogs are

great enemies to wildlife, farmers and landowners should take proper steps to prevent these from destroying eggs and young of birds and small animals.

It also is possible for farmers to work out a reciprocity plan with sportsmen whereby hunting and fishing rights may be exchanged for diligence in protecting and conserving game. They may realize additional profits by providing hunters with meals, lodging, and various services. The prospects for encouraging the increase of wildlife—for profit as well as general enjoyment—seem so important that the Bureau of Biological Survey has prepared Farmers' Bulletin 1719, "Improving the Farm Environment for Wildlife," and has mimeographed recommendations on planting for wildlife in the Cotton Belt.

To develop technical and scientific facts to furnish farmers in making game and wildlife profitable, the U. S. Bureau of Biological Survey, Alabama Extension Service and the State Experiment Station and the American Wildlife Institute have launched a new cooperative game management research project in Alabama.

Headquarters for this project have been located at Auburn with Harold S. Peters of the Biological Survey in charge. Studies will be made in different parts of the State of various game birds and animals including quail, doves, turkeys, ducks, deer, and foxes. Similar projects are being conducted in Virginia, Maine, Connecticut, Iowa, Texas, Utah, and Oregon with the view of encouraging farmers to produce more wildlife.

Farmers and farm boys throughout Alabama are at present cooperating with State and Federal wildlife conservation agencies in determining how, when, and where the mourning dove builds its nest and raises its young. When they find a dove nest they report the facts regarding it to Mr. Peters.

It becomes increasingly apparent that there is a place for wildlife in general agricultural practices, although it is seldom possi-

ble for the average farmer to handle anything but small game.

However, cover, food and water are three things that any game bird or animal must have if it is to survive and propagate. There must be shelter and cover and this must be suitable for nesting, provide effective means of escape from natural enemies.

Food must be made available the year round and cover and food must be close enough for them to be utilized by the game. Water, of course, is equally as important as food and cover. Game management has real possibilities from an agricultural standpoint and farmers of Alabama would be wise to lend it their support and encouragement.

The movement to organize conservation councils throughout the State offers farmers, sportsmen, and hunters a splendid opportunity to cooperate in conserving wildlife.

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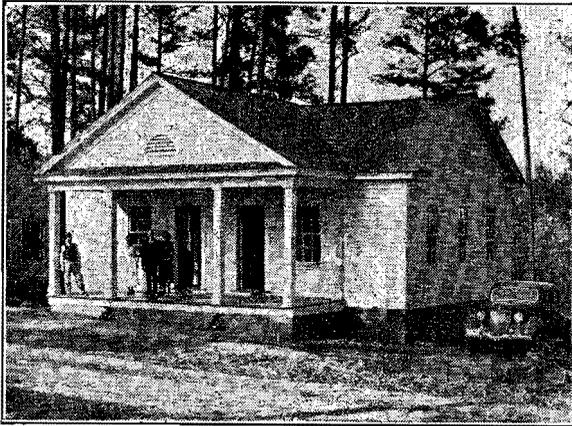
### NATIONAL FFA DAY

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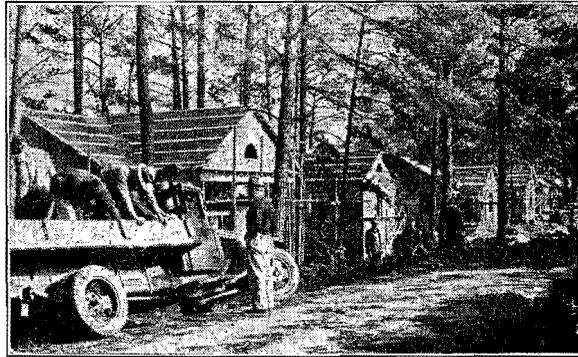
the spring meeting of the Board of Trustees in Washington at this time in order that the national officers may participate in the radio program of that date. An attempt was also made to have at least one former national president of the FFA take part along with men of national reputation in the field of radio. Theme for April 13 was "The Radio as a Rural Institution."

FFA members are realizing more and more the value of radio and many States are developing their own radio programs. I should like to encourage you to listen to other radio programs which will be given on May 11, June 8, July 13, Aug. 29, Sept. 14, Oct. 20, Nov. 9, and Dec. 14. A good habit to form is to listen to the National Radio Programs on the second Monday in each month. —A. C. Allen, Jr. Pres.

## FFA Boys Will Occupy New Camp at Auburn This Summer



First of 30 cottages completed for Auburn by the Work Progress Administration. Each cottage will be equipped with hot and cold water, screens, electric lights, gas heat, showers and comfortable beds and will accommodate a maximum of 24 farmers.



Largest WPA construction project in east Alabama is the farmers' dormitories and agricultural training camp which will accommodate 720 visitors, and includes construction of 30 houses, a large dining and recreation hall, a huge amphitheater and a swimming pool at a total cost of \$173,880.

FFA boys who attend the annual Convention in Auburn this summer will be housed in the new Farm Training Camp which is now nearing completion as a WPA project.

The camp, which includes 30 fully equipped houses, will comfortably house 720 visitors each house providing accommodations for 24 visitors. The houses will all be complete by July 1.

In addition, construction has begun on the large dining and recreation hall which will provide space for 600 persons at meal times and will seat 1,000 for meetings. The camp also will include a huge amphitheater, for outdoor meetings, which will seat 1,000 persons.

### Rooms at Premium

Each year more than 25 farm meetings and training camps are held at Auburn and the influx of visitors in the past has severely taxed the housing and rooming facilities of the town and College. The houses will provide adequate accommodations for such gatherings, and will not only be used by farmers but by their children who

attend conventions of 4-H Club boys and girls, FFA boys and other groups.

The recreational facilities will add greatly to the comfort and pleasure of the thousands who visit Auburn annually to study first-hand the findings of the Alabama Experiment Station and to hold various types of educational meetings.

Each cottage will be equipped with hot and cold running water, screens, electric lights, gas heat, showers and comfortable beds.

Location of the camp is on one of the most beautiful spots on the Auburn campus—the lovely stretch of pine woodland south of the president's mansion.

Such a camp has for many years been the dream of Dr. Duncan, Auburn's president. Its realization will be a great asset to the college in its service to the people of Alabama.

The camp was designed in the Auburn school of architecture and allied arts.

### FFA Radio Program

Get the habit of listening in on the Farm and Home Hour over radio on the second Monday of the month. The programs on these days have special features relating to FFA work, representing the cooperative efforts of the National Broadcasting Company, the United States Army Band, and the State Army Band, and the State Associations of Future Farmers of America.

Mark up these dates on your calendar: May 11th, June 8th, July 13th, August 29th, September 14th, October 20th, November 9th, and December 14th.

A number of chapters having radio sets, make it a habit of listening to these programs regularly, 12 to 1 o'clock, Central Standard time.

Special features of the programs include the N. B. C. Home-steaders Orchestra; radio entertainers; interviews, talks and addresses; playlets and skits; soloists.

The programs may be heard in most sections of Alabama from either Station WAPI, Birmingham or WSB, Atlanta.

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### A JOB WELL DONE

The fact that FFA and FHA clubs in Alabama have raised \$7,366.41 for the Crippled Children Fund makes every member proud of his or her connection with the State's program of vocational agriculture.

It was no easy matter to raise this money. It represents tireless effort and clever ingenuity on the part of you boys and girls and your teachers. But the benefits that through the years will result to hundreds of Alabama's unfortunate children will more than repay your effort and sacrifice.

Think of what it would mean to you to have some kindly person make it possible for you to walk for the first time in your life! Your check for \$7,366.41 will go a long way in promoting the work which does exactly that and which will result in many other benefits to Alabama's unfortunate children who would otherwise be unable to secure medical aid.

Dr. J. B. Hobby, Alabama's director of vocational education, expresses to you his sincerest appreciation for your heroic aid in this humanitarian cause. The campaign was a "job well done".

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Facsimile of check presented by F. F. A. and F. H. A for Crippled Children.

### LARGE CHECK PRESENTED

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 told that the fund was not raised through begging or soliciting subscriptions but came as a result of work of the pupils who put forth individual efforts to earn the money donated.

Superintendent Keller was presented with a communication setting forth to whom the fund was to be given and the purpose for which it was to be used. Mr. Allen, a real president in looks, bearing and speech, introduced Miss Annie Moon, State Homemakers President, who placed the check in Mr. Keller's hands with the statement that it was a gift of love from members of more than 250 chapters of their respective organizations in Alabama.

The purpose for which the fund is to be used is to purchase such items of equipment as beds, reclining cots, Bradford frames, wheel chairs, equipment for applying and removing casts, traction equipment, tables, tools for occupational therapy, training bars and other exercising apparatus for physical therapy, and X-ray equipment.

The conditions of the gift provided that the equipment should be purchased from lists provided by the surgeons at the three orthopedic centers, and that it should be given with the understanding that it will be placed where children from every county in Alabama will have the benefits. The division of the fund made by these young people was for \$1,000 to be spent in convalescent wards in Selma, there being no plan for a convalescent home at

this place; the balance of \$6,366.41 to be divided equally for convalescent accommodations at Birmingham and Mobile.

In accepting the gift, Superintendent Keller forcefully approved the type of citizenship project which the gift represented, commended every boy and girl who had had a part therein for making possible in such a fine way opportunities for recovery for those who because of their crippled conditions are less fortunate than themselves. He closed with the assurance that the money would be expended in keeping with the plan as outlined by the two organizations.

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### RAPID INCREASE RESULTS IN FFA DISTRICT GROUPS

Alabama's district FFA organizations are growing by leaps and bounds.

Since the formation of district groups in three sections of Alabama in the fall of 1934, the district idea has grown until 82 per cent of all chapters are now affiliated with district organizations. The 22 district FFA units include 114 of the 138 chapters in the State. This means that more than 3,000 FFA members are participating in district organization work this year.

It is generally conceded that the best FFA work in Alabama is done in district organizations. Training for leadership and cooperation, two of the fundamentals of the FFA since its organization, is stressed by the district leaders in a way that is impossible in the local organization.

## NEWS FROM THE DISTRICTS

### Andalusia

The Pleasant Home Chapter team defeated McKenzie 25 to 7 for the district basketball championship at the tournament held recently at McKenzie. Two hundred FFA boys witnessed the keen competition between teams of Straughn, Lyeffion, Dozier, Rawls, Red Level, and Evergreen in addition to that of the final contest.

All-District first team: Gillis and Johnson, Pleasant Home; Sellers and Griffin, McKenzie; and Lee, Red Level. All-District second team: Barrow, Red Level; J. Sellers, McKenzie; Smith, Rawls, and Tinner Lyeffion; and Smith; Pleasant Home. Asborn Johnson, Pleasant Home, with 40 tallies, was High-Point man of the Tournament. Tournament proved such a success that the Andalusia District decided to make it an annual affair.

### DeKalb County

More than 350 FFA boys and their fathers and friends attended the district barbecue held at Fort Payne on March 14. Reports were made by chapter presidents from Valley Head, Crossville, Fyffe, Fort Payne, Collinsville, and Geraldine. One of the principal talks was made by Jay Lowery, chairman of the Program of Work Committee. The musical program consisted of string band and quartet selections.

Prior to March 1, the DeKalb district has held six monthly meetings, staged four radio programs, perfected a district FFA string band, and published a news letter each month since September 1935.

### East Alabama

Fourteen Green Hands have been raised to Future Farmers at regular district meetings; the district has staged a basketball tournament, the winners of which were New Hope and Wadley; and the Five Points Chapter recently gave a "rabbit hash" for the district members. Chapters are making progress reports each month in competition for a district banner which will go to the chapter carry-

ing out the most valuable program. A district fishing trip is planned for June.

### Montgomery

As a tribute to their fathers and mothers, the chapters in cooperation with the FHA's are staging F-S M-D banquets. To date such banquets have been held by Marbury, Holtville, and Wetumpka.

Wetumpka defeated Ramer for the district title at the basketball tournament held in Wetumpka on April 13. Plans are being made to organize a district baseball team to play those from various chapters.

### Muscle Shoals

In appreciation of the fine cooperation of FHA girls, the boys recently tendered them a party at the vocational teacher's home. The young ladies throughout the year have assisted the boys in successfully staging many banquets and have helped the FFA's in many ways.

The district plans to present a radio program over station WSM, Nashville, Tenn., in April. The program will consist of presentations by the New Market quartet, the Riverton string band, and the New Hope chapter will have a representative give the history of FFA work. While in Nashville, the boys are planning to visit the stockyard in order to get a few pointers on "salable cattle".

### MEMBERSHIP

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culture are affiliated with the State organization. Every Chapter from last year is in good standing. Only one new school, Pleasant Home, failed to apply for a chapter.

April 1st is the time for each Chapter to send in dues for boys that have joined since November 1 together with the \$2 fee per Chapter, voted at the last State Convention for convention, expenses. The Convention expenses include the financing of the annual watermelon cutting, pictures, band, publicity, etc. This fee should be sent in at once, along with dues for members that have recently been added to the chapter.

### FFA Boys and FHA Girls

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much to make boys and girls "crippled-child-minded", in the schools where the campaign was waged, and because of the efforts put forth by the young club members the future will find in them a better type of citizen.

The equipment, which will be purchased on recommendation of orthopedic surgeons at the three centers, will be kept intact for the use of crippled children in Alabama. As the years come and go, those boys and girls who participated in the campaign, having grown to manhood and womanhood, will have the consolation of knowing that through their personal efforts they have made possible facilities for convalescent care of many unfortunate, handicapped children of Alabama, a large number of whom will have been restored to normal condition.

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## NEWS FROM THE CHAPTERS

**AUBURN**—With aid of FHA girls raised \$80 for Crippled Children...initiated 15 Green Hands...raised 5 to Future Farmers...planted 3,000 cuttings on nursery area; planted 300 rose plants in school garden...won radio set for best demonstration in Dist. No. 1 given by Chilean Nitrate of Soda Educational Bureau...obtained necessary equipment for opening and closing FFA meetings.

**BLOUNTSVILLE**—Morris Murphy, second year ag. class, started with purebred duroc gilt & has now sold 4 litters of pigs averaging \$50 per litter...several pigs sold through County Agent at weaning age for breeding stock; others shipped & sold by Agent...4 hogs at 6 months of age brought \$69 on foot when sold through Agent...hogs fed corn & skim milk & allowed to run on small pasture fenced & planted by Murphy...small amount of supplement used to finish butchers...Murphy also has had good success with his Field Crops and Horticulture projects...he grows most of the feed for his pigs.

**CAMDEN**—Conducting 2 1-2-acre demonstration with fertilizer on pasture legumes...areas divided into 10 lots on which various amounts and kinds of fertilizer were used along with check plots with no fertilizer...pasture legumes used include Black Medic, White Dutch, Burr, Korean Lespedeza, Kobe Lespedeza, Tenn. 76, Lespedeza, Common Lespedeza, & Jopan Clover...principal grasses are Bermuda, Dallas, Carpet...great interest shown in demonstration by farmers & FFA boys. 150 fruit trees grown in nursery in addition to shrubbery...project so successful that boys are propagating peaches, figs, & apples for planting next year...9 types of shrubs in nursery for future planting. **CARROLTON**—12 boys submitted essays; 11 entered public speaking contest...2 1-2-acre plot rented by Chapter for nitrate of soda demonstration; land will be planted to cotton and proceeds will be used for trip this summer

...plans for district organization underway. **CENTERVILLE**—Majority of Chapter attended State Fair in B'ham in group...initiated 12 Green Hands immediately thereafter...with cooperation of FHA, \$85.75 raised for Crippled Children by giving box supper, selling candy, peanuts at picture shows...2 pruning & spraying demonstrations given...erected slat-covered propagating bed with capacity for 3,000 cuttings...arranged for running water on bed & nursery area adjoining.

**DANVILLE**—Beef cattle project was distinct success...Herdford grade calves purchased by 7 boys & \$4 prize went to boy whose calf made largest gain...balanced ration was worked out by Animal Husbandry class, consisting of home-grown feeds, cotton seed meal, shelled corn, legume hay. After 90-day feeding period sale and show was held...best calf brought 7 1-2 cts. per lb. on foot; other calves 7 cts...5 calves weighed 500 lbs. each...prize won by James Tomlinson...after show calves were paraded through sts. of Decatur with big sign advertising Danville Club. Project demonstrated to boys & farmers that producing baby beef is valuable undertaking.

**ENTERPRISE**—100 per cent voc. ag. enrollment in FFA...39 Green Hands. Chapter projects include campus beautification, rearranging tennis courts, building parking area, construction of drive way, concrete walk and grading school grounds which are ready for shrubbery plantings. 30 members enjoyed weiner roast on evening of March 12...guitar music & singing added to pleasure of occasion.

**FORT PAYNE**—32 paid-up members at this new chapter which has raised chapter fund of \$75; \$40 donated to Crippled Children; \$12 for chapter equipment; \$16 in treasury. Given half hour radio programs in Gadsden, organized 5-piece string band, & long-time project program set up.

**YAYLESVILLE** — 41 paid-up

members... conducted 2 chapel programs; continued school-ground improvement project; staged several socials; held regular meetings every two weeks; first in Gadsden District to raise \$80 for Crippled Children in cooperation with FHA; two musical entertainments netted \$25; received \$100 from refreshment sales at football and basketball games; cooperated in presented several radio programs; chapter properly equipped for conducting meetings; installed running water in Voc. Bldg. & placed 2 drinking fountains in main bldg. at cost of \$250...raised money with donations of \$25 each from FFA & FHA chapters, \$25 from PTA. & \$75 from County and State. 3 members in Barrett Co.'s public speaking contest; 6 entered Chilean Nitrate Co.'s essay contest. 125 parents & friends present at F-S M-D banquet on March 18... program included play by boys and girls, music by string band, short talks by Supt. W. L. Little & members of County Board of Education.

**GLENCOE**—Sent delegates to all district meetings; Gave radio program; chapter was host to district meeting; several members in essay contest; 23 members enrolled...12 members raised to Future Farmers...2 members plan to apply for State Farmer Degree this summer...will hold Green Hand initiation soon.

**LINCOLN**—This year best since organization in 1932...finance committee raised \$180 by entering exhibit at State Fair, beauty contest, sponsoring picture show & sale of plants from laboratory area...\$40 donated to Crippled Children; balance to be used for educational tour this summer. Constructed propagation bed for rooting 3,000 shrubs for beautification of school grounds & homes of members...20 members entered essay contest; sponsored barbecue for parents & friends—150 present—Congressman Hobbs main speaker...organized string band; member of district; initiated 10 Green Hands. Fishing trip planned this spring.

**LINEVILLE**—Chapter has full set of equipment for proper ceremonies at meetings...stands for

officers made in workshop; chapter also has gavel, charter, creed, secretary's book, treasurer; purchasing six manuals for officers... FFA emblem cut being used over all news items in local newspaper... each member has Green Hand or Future Farmer pin.

**MILLERVILLE**—With aid of FHA raised \$80 for Crippled Children; had several socials; increased lining out stock — 4,000 cuttings in propagating beds... gave chapel programs; raising money for educational tours to increase library... will raise all Green Hands to Future Farmers... attending all meetings of Clay County District.

**MILLPORT**—40 members... this year sponsored F-S M-D banquet attended by 175 people; raised \$80 for Crippled Children with aid of FHA; increased number of cuttings in FFA nursery; entered public speaking and essay contests—organized district FFA composed of Vernon, Sulligent, Millport & planned program of work centering around those of chapter & State... stressing importance of each members carrying out 3-year project program.

**MT. HOPE**—Chapter exhibit won first prize at Lawrence County Fairs at Moulton & Courtland... Utah Campbell, chapter pres., won \$5 for himself & \$5 for Chapter in Nitrate of Soda contest... popularity contest netted \$56.06 for Crippled Children... used fair prize money to buy over \$20 worth lining-out stock to start nursery... put on social with FHA's.

**NEW BROCKTON**—Put out 6,000 shrubbery cuttings for later beautification of school grounds and homes of members... \$80 raised for Crippled Children—\$40 made on box supper... large attendance at F-S M-D banquet on March 19 given with aid of FHA—parents & educational leaders present... plans made for educational tour.

**ODENVILLE**—110 people at F-S M-D banquet on Dec. 19—FHA aided... 10 per cent chapter income to go for library improvement—60 books in library to be doubled... 30 in essay contest; Oscar Mitchell won first, Mack Blocker, second... Hugo Whitley won first in public speaking contest; Willie Mize, second; Oscar

Mitchell, third... nursery started with 1,000 shrubs; other nursery stock ordered... raised quota for Crippled Children on basketball game with Pell City... to give "play night" to raise funds for FFA pins for Green Hands initiated next year.

**OHATCHEE**—Organized baseball game... raised funds for equipment by raffling off pig... selling fertilizer & giving play with FHA aid, raise chapter fund.

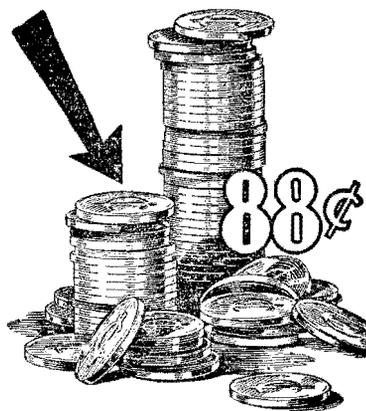
**ORRVILLE**—Busy last 6 weeks making wagon beds to sell to raise funds for trip to coast... 2 wagon beds now complete... expect to make money for same purpose by selling Irish potatoes from half-acre now planted & fertilized with 1,500 pounds fertilizer... set out shrubbery on school grounds.

**OZARK**—Gave regular broadcast over WAGF, Dothan; cooperated with Slocomb, Enterprise, Midland City, New Blocton in forming Wiregrass District; awarded prize to boys having best supervised practice programs—James Jernigan, chapter & district president, awarded loving cup for first prize. Pearson Baker, purebred heifer, second; Foch Bruce, purebred gilt, third... held barbecue last fall & netted \$25; first chapter in district to send in money for Crippled Children; entered public speaking contest; started nursery; worked on beautification of school grounds; paved driveway at Baptist Church; aided in beautification of two other churches.

**PHIL CAMPBELL**—School grounds being improved & new shrubbery being added; assisted in making landscaping plans for 2 junior high schools... all eligible members raised to Future Farmers... majority of those taking ag. have planted crotalaria this spring.

**PINE APPLE**—Rise of hog prizes caused boys to center efforts on hog raising... Byron Hale sold one hog for \$13; D. Stoff-worth sold two for \$55; Charles Beard sold five for \$77.50; several others have gilts, brood sows and pigs... Dan Collins has a joint project with his father on 21 Poland and China pigs; feeding them corn & tankage... members of Livestock and poultry Class observing feeding practices used by

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**PINE HILL**—All officers & FFA basketball team attended district meeting at Sweet Water on March 4... basketball tournament held between Pine Hill, Magnolia, Dixons Mills, & Sweet Water Chap-

ters...program at meeting included music by string bands, discussions of district radio broadcasts, crop outlook for 1936, soil erosion, one variety cotton community, baseball team for district, etc.

**PISGAH**—2,000 shrubbery cuttings added to nursery; several hundred ready for replanting; many already planted at homes of members...conducted orchard spraying & pruning demonstration to show value of such practice in improving quality of fruit.

**REFORM** — Cooperating with Farm Bureau & other agencies in effort to improve fertilizer practices...Chapter adopted Stoneville No. 5 as single variety of cotton for community...other varieties; entered essay & public speaking contests; vaccinated several for cholera; pruned orchards; trimmed hedges & base plantings at homes; with FHA aid raised \$80 for Crippled Children ... practically all members have 3 projects underway...Chapter is using 200 lbs. Chilean Nitrate of soda per acre on two acres corn in hopes of winning radio set in contest.

**SILAS**—Raised \$50 for library by selling candy & peanuts, & sponsoring picture show, making articles in shop .. raised \$80 for Crippled Children...rooted 4,000 shrubs for nursery. .. devoted chapter meeting to fire control & first aid.

**SLOCUMB** —Chapter making thorough study of methods for control of worms in hogs; all available literature assembled; reports made by 2 members who visited similar projects in Moultrie, Ga.; by putting into practice latest information on subject, members expect to produce parasite-free hogs which will make greater & faster gains & increase efficiency of hog-production in community.

**SMITH STATION**—Last summer raised \$30 on barbecue for trip to Florida coast; active member Lee County District...raised \$80 for Crippled Children...90 per cent voc. ag. membership in FFA...large number present at F-S M-D banquet.

**SWEET WATER**—100 per cent voc. ag. membership in FFA... F-S M-D banquet success ... \$80 raised for Crippled Children... planning big summer program.

**RED LEVEL** — 42 members; raised \$80 for Crippled Children; holding regular meetings; started propagation beds for beautification of boys' home and school campus; sponsored town "Clean-Up" campaign; raised hogs cooperatively; attended all district meetings; raised \$31.50.

**RIVERTON**—Took 10-day trip to Washington, D. C. in FFA bus on each side of which was painted name of chapter...now renting bus to transport workmen to and from school where they are working on our gymnasium...will use bus for educational tour this summer to Dallas, Tex., where centennial of Lone Star State is being celebrated...had article in local paper almost every week on chap-

ter activities...helped form district organization & plan trip to Nashville, Tenn., where broadcast will be put on over WSM... Riverton & New Hope have good string bands... helped conduct evening schools...sent delegate to recreational school; now conducting one at Pulaski Pike School ...22 in essay contest; 12 in public speaking contest...have average of slightly more than 3 projects per boy; keeping accurate records.

**WALNUT GROVE** — Initiated 6 Green Hands & Future Farmers; held regular meetings every two weeks; sponsored F-S M-D banquet; planted propagation beds to cuttings; gave radio program; gave district picnic at Sardis on April 4; held district meeting.

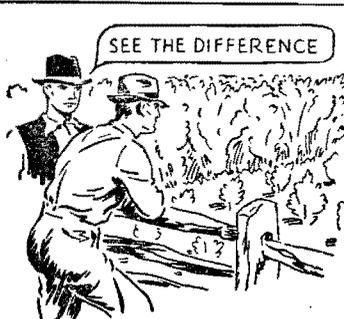
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