In 1935, the Ozark Chapter awarded a young heifer to Virgil Deloney as a prize for having the most outstanding supervised practice program. This was the initial step of a plan to improve dairy cattle in Dale County. The plan provided for the return of the first heifer calf to the chapter which would in turn present it to another chapter member in recognition of exceptional achievement. Virgil's cow freshened about two months ago and is proving an excellent milker. The calf, a heifer, is now the property of the FFA Chapter, and will be awarded as a prize this year.

“A Place of Beauty”

Members of the Carbon Hill Chapter experience a feeling of pride and pleasure when they view their school's campus, which has been transformed into a place of beauty through their efforts. When the PTA discussed buying shrubbery for the high school grounds, the FFA Chapter immediately proffered its aid in carrying out the project. FFA boys hauled leaf mold, set out shrubs, and cooperated in every way possible in promoting the landscaping program.

CLAXTON RAY, of Ashland, is junior partner and manager of the Goodwill Hatchery, which his father established nineteen years ago. Mr. Ray, Sr., now being physically unable to work, Claxton has devoted his entire time since graduating from high school in 1933 to the operation of the poultry farm. He attributes his successful handling of the business to his training in high school vocational agriculture. His exceptionally fine high school record is evidence of his character and ability. He was valedictorian of his class, was awarded the State Farmer Degree in the summer of 1933, and completed high school with a scholastic average of 97.

In the three years of his supervision, Claxton has increased the capacity of the hatchery from 13,000 to 40,000, the entire hatchery being State Approved. The hatchery consists of four rooms—two 45 feet by 22 feet, one 35 by 20, and one 15 by 47—all of which have rock walls, cement floors, and...
American Farmer Candidates

Sherrod Harry

Sherrod Harry, Wetumpka FFA member, is an outstanding Alabama candidate for the American Farmer Degree. His supervised practice program this year includes 200 hens, sow and litter, 2 acres of cotton, 5 acres of corn, one acre of truck crops, a young orchard, and 200 baby chicks. During the period, November to February, he cleared $251.47 on the sale of eggs. This profit enabled him to order enough pine trees to convert three acres of marginal land into timber land. At the end of this year, Sherrod will have completed 16 different projects in his three years of vocational agriculture. His activities have not been confined to agriculture, however—he is an FFA officer, a basketball player, and a member of the Glee Club.

Ernest Shroeder

Ernest Shroeder, Foley, was named State Farmer in 1936 and is now a candidate for the American Farmer Degree. He has achieved marked success in the productive enterprises he has conducted during his three years of vocational agriculture.

Three acres of Irish potatoes, 3 acres of sweet potatoes, 250 hens, 6 pigs, and 5 acres of corn comprised his third-year supervised practice program. Due to his knowledge of crop rotation, Ernest was able to raise four crops on the same land last year. He planted Irish potatoes in February and harvested them in April, sweet potatoes followed and were harvested in July, cowpeas for hay were then planted and cut in September, and oats were planted in October and used for hog pasture.

From 5 purebred Duroc Jerseys—4 gilts and one boar—purchased in January, 1937, Ernest now has 28 pigs. Oats and rape were planted for winter pasture, soy beans will be planted for summer forage, and peanuts will be used to supplement this diet. The hogs will be ready for market in September.

Ernest and his brother operate a 40-acre farm which they are planning to enlarge to 80 acres after Ernest graduates from high school this year.

Although it has been necessary to devote a great deal of time to his productive enterprises, Ernest has maintained a high scholastic average throughout his high school career.

Headland FFA Builds Fence

THE HEADLAND CHAPTER, in cooperation with school officials, is constructing a board fence around the athletic field. Labor is being furnished entirely by FFA members, every boy enthusiastically performing his share of the work. The fence, which has been badly needed for many years, will enable athletic teams to conduct private practices and to restrict attendance at games to those spectators who are willing to pay the required fee.

Prize Steers

The two steers pictured with their owners, ROBERT AND HOWARD BECKHAM, Samson Chapter, won third prize in the Class III group and sixth prize in the Class II group at the Tri-State Stock Show at Dothan. In the Geneva County show, they were awarded second and third place.

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230 at F-S M-D Banquet

Two hundred and thirty people attended the annual F-S M-D banquet given by the FFA and FHA chapters of Lineville. Welcome addresses were delivered by the presidents of the two organizations, and Elvin Hill, FFA president, acted as master of ceremonies. F. N. Farrington, Tallapoosa County agent, was principal speaker, his subject being "Conservation." Other features of the program were talks by FFA and FHA members who discussed their supervised practice programs and gave a summary of the year's accomplishments by the two chapters. During the evening, FFA members initiated three honorary chapter members.

Chapter Enjoys Pictures

C. C. Scarborough, teacher of vocational agriculture at Beauregard, writes: "Not only has picture making become an interesting hobby with me, but it also adds much interest to my work. We have a picture gallery in our classroom. Pictures of my boys at work and play are rotated in the gallery."

40,000 Eggs

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40,000 metal tops. Claxton is now working on an additional hatching room and intends by next season to increase the capacity of the current hatching department by 7,000 and to add 1,000 heavy breed hens to his flock.

Life is not learning, nor is life for working, but learning and working are for life.—Herbert Spencer.

The secret of success in life is for a man to be ready for his opportunity when it comes.—Disraeli.

To learn anything we must somehow practice that thing.—Kilpatrick.

The greatest function of the Future Farmers of America is the development of an intelligent and aggressive leadership among farmers.—Dickinson.

Prosperity is the fruit of labor. Teach economy. This is one of the highest virtues. It begins with saving money.—Abraham Lincoln.

State Farmer applications are due at State Adviser's office May 2.
Lyeffion's Vocational Building represents community organization and cooperation. In 1934, a committee of patrons met for the purpose of formulating plans for financing the construction of a vocational building. The complete lack of capital for the enterprise made it apparent from the outset that it would be necessary to erect the building with FFA and community labor, using material bought with community donations. An appeal for assistance to members of the community resulted in the donation of various farm products. Syrup, corn, hay, beans, and hogs were collected by agricultural students and exchanged for lumber, hardware, and other building materials.

By June, 1937, enough lumber had been acquired and construction was begun. Two hundred men of the community contributed their labor, giving from one to 50 days each, and FFA boys were always on the job. Under the direction of L. W. White, vocational teacher, who supervised the project from beginning to end, the Lyeffion FFA boys spent hundreds of hours in the construction of the building. Ninety-nine and one-half per cent of the farmers in the school area contributed something toward the construction of the building, labor and marketable produce being donated by practically every family in the Lyeffion territory. The building was ready for use in September, 1937, and Lyeffion's vocational department now ranks among the best in the State.

REPORT OF CHAPTER ACCOMPLISHMENTS ARE TO BE SENT TO BRADLEY TWITTY, CHEROKEE, ALABAMA, BY MAY 15.

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Ft. Payne Chapter Increases Library

The Fort Payne chapter recently added twenty two new books to their FFA library. Several good books have also been donated by our chapter members, and these along with the new books make a total of twenty eight books added this year. These, with the books which we had already, make a total of sixty-six library books now accessible to our FFA members.

Members of the chapter are very proud of these books, and are taking a great deal of interest in reading them, as indicated by the number of books being checked in and out.

Books from the library are checked out only on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week, and are issued by the library committee, which is composed of one boy from each class.

DeKalb FFA Presents Six Radiocasts

In accordance with their Program of Work, the DeKalb District FFA has been very successful in sponsoring a series of six radio programs which were presented last fall. One program was presented by each of the six local chapters of the DeKalb District FFA, and were presented on Thursdays of each week from 11:00 to 11:30 o'clock over station WJBY, Gadsden.

Another series of six programs are forthcoming, and will be presented this spring in the same order as the first six.

Has your chapter established a chapter calendar setting specific dates to work on certain chapter, district, and state objectives?

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Report of Chapter accomplishments are to be sent to Bradley Twitty, Cherokee, Alabama, by May 15.

It is well for a man to respect his own vocation whatever it is, and to think himself bound to uphold it, and to claim for it the respect it deserves.

—Charles Dickens.

To Beautify Their Homes

FORT PAYNE FFA BOYS, members of the Junior III Class, are shown setting cuttings in the nursery bed. These cuttings will be rooted this spring and summer and then transplanted to the nursery plot in the laboratory area where the chapter has about 400 one- and two-year old plants. FFA members will use the shrubs in landscaping their homes.

Thomasville FFA Chapter Promotes Beautification

The newly organized Thomasville Chapter reports that chapter activities are well underway. During the month of March, FFA boys planted 10 dogwoods, 52 red buds, and 148 rose cuttings on the school campus and rooted 800 cuttings in the propagation bed. All members have started supervised practice programs and hope to be able soon to report much progress in carrying out their projects.
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section of a great State a better place in which to live.

Rogersville FFA Poisons Rats

The Rogersville FFA Chapter recently sponsored a rat-control campaign with the hope of completely ridding the town of rats. Red Squill, "delectably seasoned" with hamberger meat, oat meal, and corn meal was prepared by the boys to tempt the rodent appetites. The mixture was then distributed to farmers in the community who placed it in easy access to the rats. FFA boys distributed the poison in the town's stores and empty buildings. And, believe it or not, Rogersville is now almost free of rats.

Timely Suggestions

An FFA Chapter should be live and active during twelve months of the year. This is the time of year to check on the program of work and make plans for the summer and fall. Questions as to the spring and summer activities of your Chapter are listed below.

1. Has your chapter activity program been checked and plans made for attaining objectives that have not been accomplished? Remember that the annual report on the accomplishments of your chapter is to be sent to Bradley Twitty, State Secretary, Cherokee, by May 15.

2. Has your Father-Son banquet been held?

3. Does your Chapter have an activity program committee planning summer activities?

4. Are you planning for next year’s officers to be elected before school closes?

5. Have all boys qualified for Future Farmer Degree been initiated?

6. How many boys are making application for State Farmer Degree? Applications must be sent to R. E. Cammack, State Department of Education, Montgomery, Ala., by May 2.

7. Do you have a boy making application for American Farmer Degree?

8. Do you know the qualifications for each degree?

9. Are your Chapter reports being mailed to Kirtley Brown, Auburn, Ala., on time each month by your reporter?

10. Is your Chapter having regular news articles printed in your local papers? Are you mailing feature articles with pictures to H. F. Gibson, Auburn, Alabama?

11. Has your Chapter planned for a scrapbook with copies of news articles, pictures and other interesting information about the Chapter?

12. What has your Chapter done about its FFA library? About thrift?

13. Are you and your chapter doing your part in your district organization?

14. Do you have a chapter or district string band? Do you have a Chapter quartet?
Members of the Foley Chapter recently welcomed to their organization Harold D. Hansen, a transfer FFA member from the Nebraska Association. President of his district in Nebraska and a winner of many agricultural awards, Harold is a valuable addition to the Foley Chapter.

In writing of the work being done in Nebraska, Harold says that emphasis is placed primarily on livestock and corn projects. He carried one hog project, one poultry project, one corn project, and tested his father’s dairy herd during his two years of FFA membership at West Point, Nebraska. Harold brought two of his best gilts to Alabama with him and hopes to improve his stock here. The chapter feels that the new room will be planted in corn and cultivated for feeding Hampshire brood sow and boar recently purchased by chapter; fenced one-acre lot for pigs; initiated 4 Green Hands; organized softball team; ordered 11 new books for FFA library. Billingsley—Initiated 4 Green Hands; attended cattle show in Monticello; cleared $14.06 from sale of 210-pound hog. Blountsville—Gave “tacky” party and awarded two prizes—one couple and one individual prize; distributed shrubbery cuttings among agricultural students. Blue Springs—Completed fencing of lab. area; one member won prize on steer entered in livestock show at Dothan. Brilliant—Worked on camp cabin; held joint FFA-FHA meeting and planned banquet; made profit of $12 on sale of seed; plan to sell scrap iron to help pay for lumber being used in construction of cabin. Brundidge—Appointed committee to decide on educational tour; conducted chapel program; assisted adviser in organizing a one-variety cotton association.

Wetumpka’s Chapter Room

Members of the Wetumpka FFA Chapter are rapidly transforming an old, unused dressing room into a wall-papered, well-furnished chapter room. The Stowe Lumber Company presented the chapter enough lumber to finish the ceiling, and the Wallrite Paper Company of Texas donated moisture-proof wallpaper. Plans have been made to secure strip burlap from the local Alabama Cotton Mill to be used in making a rug; a desk from the County Board of Education; and a reading lamp from the Alabama Power Company. Chairs will be bought by the chapter.

Two large emblems have been painted for the end walls. A metal file will be purchased for the chapter records and for those of O’Neil Sewell, State President. The FHA girls will select curtains, make the rug, and do whatever else is necessary in the way of decorating the room. In recognition of this assistance, the FFA Club will be invited to use the room for meetings.

The chapter feels that the new room will pave the way to one of the best years of activity in the history of the Wetumpka Future Farmers.
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-Held annual chapter fish fry; completed 2 rock walls at elementary school and leveled school grounds.

Cotaco — Raising broilers, proceeds from which will be used in making summer tour; gave FFA-FHA banquet; FFA band furnished music for high school program and for banquet.

Crenshaw County—Secured posts to be used in fencing lab. area; terraced school grounds. Curry—Initiated 1 Green Hand; added $25 worth of lining-out plants to nursery; constructed new shop tables; landscaped 1 home; reconditioned seats for auditorium. Dills — Cooperated with adviser in holding community farm meetings; sponsored soil conservation demonstration; added material to library; organized softball team; furnished refreshments for vocational teachers at district conference.

Elba—Initiated 1 Green Hand; cooperated with FHA in giving F-S M-D banquet; published 4 news articles in local paper; painted trailer; planted grass at homes of 4 boys; landscaped 5 homes; purchased 300 chicks for farmers; presented radio broadcast.

Eva—Initiated 2 Green Hands; grafted 300 apple trees. Felix—Cooperated in FFA-FHA amateur program and cleared $40, which will be used to defray expenses of F-S M-D banquet. Five Points—Initiated 7 Green Hands; gave FFA-FHA banquet; participated in district radio broadcast over WAPI, Birmingham; made tour to Montgomery; ordered spray for orchards in community; plan to attend district FFA-FHA banquet. Floomaton—Established propagation bed; organized softball team; held joint FFA-FHA social; ordered new stock for nursery.

Foley—Won 14-inch loving cup in Junior Independent Basketball tournament at Summerdale; gave party. Frisco City—Organized softball team; attended fox hunt; organizing cooperative association for purpose of buying corn and cotton seed.

Gaylesville—Host to district meeting; presented radio and chapel program; increased membership by 7; paid convention dues. Geneva—Graded grounds, built circular driveway and made plans for landscaping new vocational building; presented program to raise money for summer tour, cleared $20; received charter; organized school store. Georgiana—Set out shrubbery on school campus; sodded lawn around vocational

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building; sold advertising space on FFA page in local newspaper to raise money for F-S banquet. Geraldine—Initiated 4 Green Hands; painted workroom on new brick vocational building; enlarged nursery; have 2 hogs ready for sale; organized softball team. Glencoe—Transplanted bedded plants; presented play, proceeds being used in building new fence around lab. area. Gorgas—Presented FFA-FHA play; sodded lawn in front of vocational building; paid convention dues. Grant—Entertained FFA girls at social; had FFA-FHA chapel program. Hanceville—Conducted program at district meeting with 2 members of Jefferson County Health Department as principal speakers; studied New Farm Program; cooperated with FHA in giving F-S M-D banquet; entertained by FHA at party. Heflin—Sodded lawn around vocational building; made wagon beds in shop. Holley Pond—Constructing cement poultry houses on campus to be used in raising broilers; made wagon beds in shop; aided physics class in installing a telephone in vocational building; received electric brooder from Purina Company. Isabella—Bought fertilizer cooperatively with boys and farmers of community; awarded seven-tube radio as prize in Chilean demonstration contest; have 250 chickens in brooder house. Jackson—Entertained guests of members at dance; participated in soil conservation program; 2 members won pigs in Sears, Roebuck Essay Contest; paid convention dues.

Kennedy—String band and quartet presented radio program over station WJDR, Tuscaloosa; cooperated with FHA in giving F-S M-D banquet; basketball team won district tournament; elected officers for coming year. Kinston—Initiated 3 Green Hands; sponsored minstrel show; conducted electric fence demonstration. Midland City—Held F-S M-D banquet; worked on drive for campus; made slat house for propagating shrubbery. Millville—Sold chapter hogs, cleared $16.50; entertained by FHA girls at social. Mignon—Worked on school grounds; completed popularity contest. Monticello—Initiated 2 Green Hands; operated candy store; built wagon body; made new shrubbery bed; transplanted 100 shrubs in lab. area and set out 200 cuttings. Moundville—Sprayed orchards in community; gave F-S M-D banquet; presented program in chapel; continued operating candy store. New Brockton—

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