1939 Public Speaking And Essay Contests

The following schools have qualified for the Public Speaking Contest: Butler, Chambers, Coosa, Crenshaw, Dale, DeKalb, Escambia, Fayette, Houston, Lauderdale, Lee, Macon, Pickens, St. Clair, Talladega, and Washington County High Schools; Abbeville, Aliceville, Ashville, Beaufort, Berry, Blountsville, Blue Springs, Carrollton, Camp Hill, Central, Cherokee, (B. B.) Comer Memorial, Corner, Daviston, Elba, Eva, Excel, Fairview, Frisco City, Fyffe, Geneva, Georgiana, Geraldine, Glencoe, Goodwater, Gorgas, Hamilton, Holtville, Isabella, Jacksonville, Jemison, Kennedy, Leighton, Leroy, Luverne, McAdory, Millerville, Millport, Mount Hope, New Hope (Randolph County), Ohatchee, Pell City, Phil Campbell, Red Level, Reeltown, Riverton, Silas, Slocomb, Southside, Smith's Station, Sulligent, Town Creek, Uriah, Vincent, Wadley, Walnut Grove, Weogufka, Wetumpka, and Winterboro.

Entries have also been sent in from Albertville, Colbert County High, Cleburne County High, Columbia, Baldwin County High, and Samson, but these schools have not yet qualified.


Successful Dairyman

George Hogg, Former FFA, Is Making $150 Per Month from Dairy

Five years ago George Hogg, of Luverne, had one milk cow which had been purchased by his father for family use. Today George, one year out of high school, is milking 17 of his own cows and delivering milk to 115 people or homes. His monthly profits average $150.

"We have tried to grow into the dairy business instead of just going into it", is George's own explanation of his dairy success. Then, too, he stresses high quality milk.

"We have raised most of our cows, but have had to buy a few, and we very soon realized a good bull would pay us", he added.

George paid $250 for a fine four-weeks-old bull calf he secured over in Georgia. The bull is now two years old and George has several calves sired by him.

But when George started out five years ago with only the family cow, his dairying business was almost a one-man job, for his father was a barber and spent most of the day away from home. The boy did all the milking and feeding of the cow and made a fine job of it. As the cow was a good producer there was a surplus of milk. His first customer was a neighbor who said she would like to get a quart of milk a day if he could furnish it.

Last year a fire destroyed the dairy barn but that did not stop George in the least. He had secured a milk cooler and new bottles, but when they were destroyed by fire, he secured new ones. He did not lose a customer because of the fire, and all the (Turn the Page)
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milk was delivered on time. He has one negro boy helping him.

George is now renting 30 acres of land for pasture and 12 acres for oats and feed land. Even this, he says, is not enough. He says he is going to move to the edge of town where he can get some good pasture land and raise more of his feed.

All the cows of the Sunrise Dairy, the name given it by George, have been tested for butterfat. Recently George joined a milk testing association and he believes a great deal of good will be gained from this membership. "I believe I can produce my milk cheaper than I am now doing," he said the other day.

His father thinks him also a good collector as only three people have ever failed to pay their milk bills. All the 17 cows are paid for, and most of the equipment. A new delivery truck was purchased last month.

George was president of the Luverne FFA last year and was a very busy boy. His dairy business kept him active from 4 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. and from 3:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Even so, he found time for school work and FFA work. Since he has finished high school he is devoting his entire time to dairying. Projects undertaken by him last year included dairying, sow and litter, poultry and hay. He hopes to enlarge each of these as demand permits.

"One thing I've found out," said George, "is that people want a quality product, and they are right." Clean milk of the highest quality, in my way of thinking, should be the aim of any dairyman.

Map of FFA Chapters

Once more the magazine "American Farm Youth" will publish a map of the United States and spot the names on it of FFA chapters that wish to visit other FFA chapters which will pass through their states on tours this summer.

Any Alabama chapter that wishes to be listed on the map (to be issued in May), is asked to write A. L. Morrison, assistant state FFA adviser, Auburn, Ala.

A great deal of favorable comment was received on the map last year. The host chapter usually furnishes a place for the visiting members to camp, arranges a baseball game, gets acquainted, and exchanges ideas.

Headland Chapter Gives Chicken Supper

Welcome to Alabama

W. A. Ross, subject matter specialist in agricultural education and national FFA executive secretary, Washington, D. C., will come to Alabama on March 2 to confer with officials and teachers of vocational agriculture. While here, Mr. Ross will attend a banquet Friday night, March 3, in Albertville and a barbecue luncheon Saturday morning, March 4, at Crossville, where he will speak to Future Farmers of America in that section of the State.

Chapter Trailer

This automobile trailer, constructed by members of the Carbon Hill FFA, has proved valuable for all sorts of odd jobs around the school. It has been used in chapter work for hauling shrubbery, grass sod for beautifying school campus, and to bring farm machinery into the shop where it is repaired and returned to the homes of chapter members. Three of the boys are pictured above putting on the finishing touches to the trailer in the chapter shop. They are, left to right, William Hobley, Cheslie McDade, and Brabman Sides. Dewie Griggs is repairing a kitchen sink in the background at right.
What Price America?

The national FFA organization has endorsed a radio series on conservation entitled "What Price America?" This broadcast, which is being presented by the United States Department of the Interior, started Saturday afternoon, January 28, at 5:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time. It will continue at this same time each Saturday through July 15 on stations of the Columbia Broadcasting System. If you have an opportunity through your local FFA to spread the news of this program's being on the air, it would be a genuine service to the people.

Protect the Birds!

Most of you realize the important part that wild life plays in a community. Our animals furnish sport, amusement, and education to us who are hunters or friends to them. Therefore, I consider it the duty of FFA members to do what we can in Wild Life Conservation.

Probably the best way to begin is to "clean up our own door steps," as the old saying goes. I suggest that each one of you as president of your organization be responsible for a special program dealing with the Preservation of Wild Life. You might go so far as to invite the people of the community to attend this meeting.

Now that the hunting season is nearly over, we should stress sportsmanship more than ever. Since it is the last members of a given species of animals that are usually responsible for next year's covey of birds or animals, we should guard and zealously protect these, in order that we may have a supply of birds or animals a year hence.

A good item on the program would be to have someone who knows wild life to participate, probably an outsider.—Dolphus Price, State Pres.

Central FFA

Central Chapter of Future Farmers with the help of several other students of vocational agriculture, have made extensive repairs on the vocational departments and other parts of the school. Classrooms in each department have been completely repainted and overhauled and indirect lighting fixtures are being installed in both the rooms, with plain light fixtures being placed in other rooms. FFA members have also helped repaint and repair the library.

In the near future, the chapter band will give a radio program over WMGD at Sheffield, and if it is successful, others will be given later.

FFA girls recently gave a party for members of the FFA and games and refreshments were enjoyed. Nearly all of the members of both clubs were present.

Delegates of the Central Chapter at the Muscle Shoals District FFA meeting held January 17th were Robert Haygood and Arthur Watkins. Members of the band who attended were Floyd Dowdy, G. W. Young, Ellis Robertson, and Seymore Marks. Helen Trousdale and Eulalia Fulmer were delegates from the Central Chapter of FHA.

A demonstration of raising baby chicks will be started soon by the FFA. An electric brooder has been presented the chapter by the Purina Mills of St. Louis, Mo., and the baby chicks will be raised in it.

Seven New Chapters

FFA chapters have been organized at seven new departments of vocational agriculture this year; namely, Baldwin County High, Geneva County High, Washington County High, Autaugaville, Jacksonville, Livingston, and Reeltown. The addition of these chapters has increased the State Association to 179 chapters, with a total active membership of 4,840.
Chapter News

Abbeville—Planned ways to raise money for a trip to New York this summer; will purchase spraying outfit for chapter; will order pigs, proceeds to go toward tour. Adinsson—Had joint meeting with FHA; cooperated with FHA in giving F-S, M-D band; organized FHA social; cut load of wood for needy family; quartet won prize at “Fiddler’s Convention”; bought 4 pigs to be cared for in lab. area and with feed donated by members; assisted FHA girls in making Christmas toys; hauled load of manure to be used around school shrubs; purchased spraying equipment for FHA library; added $12 to treasury; purchased materials for wagon body. Albertville—Entertained FHA girls at tea dance; initiated 5 Future Farmers; presented radio program; planned ways of assisting former FFA members in getting jobs. Alexander—String band played at incoming schools; published articles in district newspapers; band played for football banquet and for several church programs. Alcoville—Landscape 5 homes; initiated 5 Future Farmers; had FFA-FHA Christmas social; organized basketball team; made cooperative demonstration; ordered 100 fruit trees; pruned shrubbery; pruned peach trees; pruned shrubbery around new vocational building. Baker Hill—Had F-S, M-D banquet; gave picture show party. Bay Minette—Organized basketball team; plan to sell peanuts at ball games. Bear Creek—Year joint despite—Had FHA; had FFA-FHA weiner roast; completed school drinking fountains; repaired cooperation of school in purchase of FFA Calendar and Handbook prepared by a special committee headed by Louis Allen; presenting “Beauregard News” with John Lawler, Jr., as editor-in-chief. Berry—Made several orders of fruit trees; setting out new orchards and improving old ones; setting out 130 guests present at F-S, M-D banquet; cleared 6 Green Hands; started beautification program; made cooperative orders for 200 fruit trees and 10,000 onion plants. Blue Springs—Paid $25 on new lab. and raise the remaining $25 in time for final payment in February; continued operating school supply store; fenced lab. area. Brundidge—Had F-S, M-D band; transplanted shrubbery; cleared $12 on sale of two hogs; painted vocational building; made cooperative orders for 200 fruit trees and 10,000 onion plants. Cullman—Had FHA-FHA weiner roast; conducted chapel program; sponsored campaign to improve home orchards in Pike County, having already placed nearly 100 trees; set out 1000 cuttings in nursery area; landscaped new Baptist Church; string band furnished music for chapel program. Butler—Initiated 5 Future Farmers; had joint meeting with FHA girls, committee from each chapter giving demonstration of table etiquette. Camp Hill—Cooperated with Reeltown Chapter in putting on a minstrel at Reeltown; organized joint FFA-FHA string band and played at several functions; gave performance of minstrel show; had social with FHA at the Camp Hill Club House. Carbon Hill—Initiated 2 Green Hands; added $6 to treasury; published one news article in local paper. Carrollton—Initiated 7 Green Hands; started beautification program; operated school candy store; initiated 1 Future Farmer; sponsored concert by radio artists. Cedar Bluff—Installed electric fixtures in classrooms; grafted plum and pear trees; presented musical numbers in chapel; sponsored “Dad’s Nite” in January; continued feeding oats; cows to be cared for in lab. area and with feed donated by members; assisted FHA girls in making Christmas toys; hauled load of manure to be used around school shrubs; purchased spraying equipment for FHA library; added $12 to treasury; purchased materials for wagon body.
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Green Hands; planned to sponsor rodeo or fiddlers' convention and field meet. **Greenville**—Sold 8 hogs for $112.72; fattening 12 hogs; sponsored Livestock Survey in all vocational departments.

**Hackleburg**—Presented one chapel program; pruned orchards; worked on campus beautification; had Christmas party with FHA; organized string band; produced. **Huntsville**—initiated 3 Green Hands; repaired and painted old toys to be distributed by Civitan Club; enlarging school nursery plot; organized string band; cooperated with FHA girls in conducting chapel exercises.

**Hanceville**—Gave a play in chapel; earned $23.30 feeding out chickens for chapter use; presented radio program; vaccinated 500 hogs. **Hejin**—Initiated 5 Green Hands; FHA and FFA chapters sponsored 30-minute radio program; building individual lockers for tools; preparing hotbeds for nursery plants.

**Hartford**—Initiated 12 Green Hands; FHA and FFA chapters sponsored 30-minute radio program; building individual lockers for tools; preparing hotbeds for nursery plants.

**Hartville**—Pruned fruit trees, completed shrubbery bed and have made cuttings; bought 4 pigs to be fattened and sold, proceeds to go toward trip to California this summer; completed magazine rack for classroom; plan to erect bulletin board; continuing campus beautification activities; hauled rich dirt for shrubs to be purchased soon. **Headland**—Initiated 12 Green Hands; FHA sponsored shrubbery program; FHA and FFA chapters held their annual F-S, M-D banquet. **Highland Home**— Held 2 joint meetings with FHA; sponsored chapel program; sponsored cooperation with shrub and fruit tree buying; making lawn furniture to sell for benefit of chapter; wrote several news articles; started scrapbook for news articles; started practice play to be given in cooperation with the FHA; sponsored free picture show. **Holly Pond**—Initiated 8 Green Hands. **Huntsville**—Initiated 8 Green Hands; started annual spraying and pruning campaign with 10 orchards to be cared for; bought new parts for power sprayer and will spray about 2000 trees for scale and fungus diseases; supervised the pruning of 1450 peach trees; received 10,000 trees—black Locust, slash pine, and longleaf pines—from Alabama State Nurseries; setting out kudzu crowns on run-down and worn out land. **Jackson**— Cleared $5 on sale of hotdogs and school supplies; will sponsor livestock survey in all vocational departments in County in preparation for a livestock improvement campaign; secured Purina demonstration chicks; 25 chicks will be started in brooder every 20 days and then transferred to homemade brooder; electric hotbed ready for planting. **Jenkins**— Held F-S, M-D banquet; had joint meeting with FHA; sold one pig; planted winter crops in lab. area; built a frame and concrete consisted for Primary department; gave one chapel program; won first place in District Public Speaking Contest. **Kinston**—Sponsored Christmas tree and program with FHA girls; constructed shrubbery cutting bed and set out 1500 cuttings; redecorated school stage; sold one hog; pruned shrubbery at Methodist and Baptist churches. **Kennedy**—Painted interior of vocational building; built drives and walks to vocational building; started hotbeds for nursery; selling chances on a purebred Jersey bull; built truck for making inspections, tours, etc.

**Leighton**—Initiated 4 Green Hands; cooperated with county agent in assisting with Crop meetings; cleared $36.46 for F-S, M-D banquet from FHA-FIDDER'S contest; have placed 4 registered bulls and 6 registered gilts in East Colbert; gave chapel program emphasizing protecting forests from fires caused by carelessness; cooperating with county agricultural committee in demonstration of farm beautification program for model homes in East Colbert. **Leroy**—Continued selling candy; building tables for temporary school building used since school burned. **Lexington**—Presented joint assembly program with FHA; sold drinks and candy at ball games; sent news article to county paper each week. **Liberty**—Chapter Manual; published a new pamphlet and a copy of a book on Parliamentary procedure and each of the officers a copy of the Manual; Jr. III FFA's and FHA's set out 575 shrubbery cuttings in the propagation bed and each carried 75 cuttings home. **Madison**—Had Christmas party with FHA; purchased record of PINS - RINGS - FOBS BELTS and BUCKLES - MEDALS CUPS - PLAQUES and TROPHIES WRITE FOR OUR CATALOG Official Jeweler by Contract to the Future Farmers of America L. G. BALFOUR COMPANY Manufacturing Jewelers and Stationers, Attleboro, Mass. store; had joint program with FHA chapter; held two district band practices. **Lineville**—Initiated 3 Green Hands and 2 Future Farmers; made $25.08 on cotton; conducting chicken-raising campaign and keeping chicks in electric brooder in agricultural department for observation; sponsoring town clean-up program and mosquito control plan. **Livingston**—Studying wild life; planning to start pheasant project in the spring; initiated 20 Green Hands; assisting farmers in selecting fruit trees; purchased 7000 lining out stock of various shrubs; purchased all FHA equipment. **Lyfeffin**—Completing landscape campus with shrubs grown in school nursery; planning to landscape homes, churches, and other buildings in community; setting pecan trees and shade trees on school grounds. **Manasa**—Built cold frames and hotbeds for growing early plants for the home gardens of chapter members; netted $20 on play; assisted advisor in evening school work; planted cabbage and lettuce in cold frame; continued campus beautification. **Marbury**—Gave play to raise money for F-S; trimmed and pruned shrubbery in school building; treated corn for weevils; pruned trees in community; terraced for farmers in section; cleaned out nursery. **Marion**—Moved 300 rooted shrubs to nursery and made 3000 more cuttings; held meeting on prevention of forest fires; asked representatives of local offices of various governmental agencies to speak at chapter meetings. **McAdory**—Ordered Manuals; worked in lab. and made 3000 more cuttings; held pruning demonstration; purchasing an electric brooder; sold magazine subscriptions; put up pipe railings for Home Economics kitchen; FHA and FFA members transplanted shrubbery around Home Economics building. **McKee**—Had Christmas party with FHA; purchased record of "PFA March" and "Hail the FFA;" added 200 shrubs to nursery; bought fruit trees cooperatively; planning tour of New York this summer. **Midland City**—Completed trailer; obtained a mounted owl for use in meetings. **Millport**—Discussed plans for building house at Auburn at Device.
trict business meeting; sponsored picture show. 

\textbf{Milltown} — Attended Southern Exposition in Atlanta and visited points of interest while there; issued shrubbery to ten third-year boys to be used in landscaping their homes; put out 500 shrubbery cuttings; had joint meeting with FHA; completed landscaping church; made arrangements to sell fertilizer; ordered broom; selling drinks at ball games; FHA band put on 2 radio programs.

\textbf{New Brockton} — Presented radio program; had Christmas party with FHA; cleared $55 on fiddlers' convention.

\textbf{New Hope} — Attended district meeting; sold drinks and candy at ball games. 

\textbf{Notasulga} — Added $5 to thrift bank; sponsored sale of fruit cake for Christmas; repaired old projects; had joint class meeting with the Home Ec. girls; sold garden seed; plan to purchase 5 pigs.

\textbf{Oakman} — Raffled off turkey; made plans for money for chapter. 

\textbf{Oden ville} — Had joint meeting with FHA; had joint meeting with FHA; had joint meeting with FHA; made plans for money for chapter. 

\textbf{Ozark} — Initiated 5 Green Hands and 5 Future Farmers; sold sherry; netted $28 on FHA-FIA play. 

\textbf{Rawls} — Initiated 3 Green Hands; finished propagation bed; visited soil conservation project at Greenaville; set out 3,000 cuttings in propagation bed; planned landscaping projects. 

\textbf{Red Bay} — Had F-S, M-D banquet, about 225 guests attending; string band assisted in evening school; continued pig feeding project. 

\textbf{Redcliff} — Added $4 on Negro minstrel sponsored in cooperation with Camp Hill Chapter; applied $30 to vocational fund and $15 to Chapter treasury; members donated shrubs to be used in landscaping vocational building; purchased 1000 shrubbery cuttings; placed 150 fruit trees; landscaped church, principal's home and 2 members' homes; sold 2 pigs; bought $37 worth of shrubbery.

\textbf{Reelftown} — Cleared $45 on Negro minstrel sponsored in cooperation with Camp Hill Chapter; applied $30 to vocational fund and $15 to Chapter treasury; members donated shrubs to be used in landscaping vocational building; purchased 1000 shrubbery cuttings; placed 150 fruit trees; landscaped church, principal's home and 2 members' homes; sold 2 pigs; bought $37 worth of shrubbery.

\textbf{Rockford} — Had social with FHA; enlarging nursery area; put out 200 cuttings in bed; sold 5 pigs; landscaping gymnasium.

\textbf{Rogersville} — Built walks on campus; removed old paint and repainted interior of vocational building; drawing plans for landscaping boys' homes; held terracing school.

\textbf{Samson} — Had joint classes with Home Economics girls; assisted farmers in terrace; eight members bought FHA emblems; landscaped 2 boys' homes; propagated 1000 shrubbery cuttings; placed 230 fruit trees; sponsoring musical entertainment.

\textbf{Sardis} — Appointed committee to make a survey of present occupations of old FHA members; secured rising sun emblem for Chapter room. 

\textbf{Slocomb} — Initiated one Green Hand; fattening calf for barbecue; initiated 12 Green Hands of Geneva Chapter; bought official book for secretary.
added 9 new books to library; put on radio program. **Smith’s Station**—Attended party given by FHA; planted lab. at school; sold drinks at school; put on radio program; built new tables for vocational building; entertained FHA at party; sold shrubbery. **Southside**—Built storage place for candy; built hog pen and bought 2 hogs; initiated 1 Green Hand. **Strasburg**—Initiated 10 Green Hands; had F-S, M-D barbecue with over 200 guests present; ordered 700 fruit trees for farmers of community; decided to buy and feed out 4 hogs. **Sulligent**—Initiated 3 Green Hands; landscaped 2 homes; sold 900 fruit trees; made trip to Russellville to study farm financing by Production Credit Association. **Sweetwater**—Had joint program with FHA; attended district meeting. **Tanner**—Initiated 3 Future Farmers; set out rose bushes around cemetery near school; planted shrubs around school building. **Thomasville**—Initiated 8 Future Farmers; planted locust trees on campus; made playground equipment for school; ordered 500 baby chicks; planted lab. area. **Town Creek**—Practiced Parliamentarian law. **Uriah**—Earned $8.31 by picking up pecans; bought FFA Handbook and official secretary’s book; ordered FFA pins; practicing Negro minstrel. **Valley Head**—Initiated 8 Green Hands; had Christmas party with FHA; initiated one Future Farmer; built hog lot and will soon buy 2 pigs. **Vernon**—Cooperating with Fayette Chapter in operating picture show in local auditorium to raise money for District FHA house at Auburn; cleared $15 on candy and peanuts; constructing electric brooder for project of 150 broilers. **Vincent**—Made tour of Florida; sponsored local community fair; highest FHA membership in history of school. **Wadley**—Had FHA-FHA Christmas party; built foundation for iron shop; landscaped several homes; members received enough shrubbery from nursery area to start landscaping their homes. **Walnut Grove**—Had auto party; assisted teacher in conducting an evening school; closed magazine-selling contest; initiated 2 Green Hands; had F-S, M-D banquet. **Ward**—Had 2 joint meetings with FHA; barbecued 2 hogs for F-S, M-D banquet. **Waterloo**—Initiated 8 Green Hands and 4 Future Farmers; had joint social with FHA; barbecued 2 hogs for F-S, M-D banquet. **Waterford**—Initiated 8 Green Hands and 4 Future Farmers; had joint social with FHA; bought 2 hogs to be used in feeding demonstration; members bought registered pigs for breeding; presented chapel program and made principal an honorary member; appointed new committees. **Wetumpka**—Selling magazines and candy; have propagation bed full of rooted cuttings; had weiner roast; increased nursery stock. **West Limestone**—Initiated 4 Green Hands; obtained mounted owl; bought banner; set out shade trees; prepared bed for shrubbery around vocational building; attended terracing school. **West Point**—Painted 4 additional shuffleboard courts; 16 members visited Milky Way Farm in Tennessee; landscaping principal’s home. **White Plains**—Entertained by FHA at party; participated in publication of District News Letter; string band playing at meetings. **Winterboro**—Organized District band at District meeting; completed shower house containing three head showers and 42 lockers, materials being furnished by County; FHA and FHA chapters erected flagpole on campus.

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