Wartime Activity Program Gets Special Attention
"Jeep Campaign" Launched September 15, Closes October 15
State Officers To Visit 100 Chapters
100 Per Cent Chapters In Speaking Contest; Better Chapter Contest

State FFA Officers elected at the June Convention to serve the Alabama Association for 1943-44 are shown above. They are, left to right, Thomas Nevin, Moundville Chapter, president; Rex Locklar, Goshen Chapter, vice president; Paul Wilson, Lexington Chapter, secretary; Elson Powell, West Point Chapter, treasurer; and Hansell Groom, Isabella Chapter, reporter. Re-elected with these officers, but not pictured here, were Mr. R. E. Cammack, State Adviser, of Montgomery, and Mr. C. C. Scarborough, Assistant State Adviser, of Auburn.
NEW CONTEST

My Project Story

RULES

1. Open to every Alabama FFA member.
2. Select your best project or projects for your story.
3. Write it yourself.
4. Get your FFA adviser to approve it.

AWARDS

2. $1.00 in War Stamps and one-year subscription to American Farm Youth magazine to each of the 5 winners.
3. These 5 stories will also be entered in The American Farm Youth magazine Project Story Contest.
4. Honorable mention in The Alabama Future Farmer for all outstanding project stories sent in.

DON'T WAIT FOR THE OTHER FELLOW, YOU ENTER YOUR PROJECT STORY!

Officers Plan Visits

In spite of travel troubles our State Officers are planning to visit about 100 FFA chapters during the year. Local officers should start now to plan for this visit. Don't wait until the banquet or some "big" affair, but have the State Officer visit when chapter officers and members can "talk FFA" with the State Officer.

To conserve travel each State Officer has an area designated nearest him. This list by counties is given here. Other chapters interested in visits by a State Officer should write Mr. Cammack or Mr. Scarborough for arrangements.

President Thomas Nevin — Hale, Tuscaloosa, Pickens, Sumter, Marengo, and Perry.
Secretary Paul Wilson — Lauderdale, Limestone, Madison, Lawrence, Colbert, and Franklin.
Treasurer Elson Powell—Cullman, Morgan, Blount, Winston, and Walker.
Reporter Hansell Groom—Chilton, Bibb, Shelby, Talladega, Coosa, Elmore, and Autauga.

Headache For The Axis

Thirty thousand baby chicks hatched and sold by the Guin FFA Hatchery during the past season is another headache for the Axis forces. Ninety-nine per cent of these chicks were sold in Marion County and all the hatching eggs were produced by FFA members. The eggs brought the members around $1800.00.

The Chapter plans to add another 17,000 capacity incubator to the present 7,000 capacity now in operation. This will give a total of 24,000 capacity. The new machine will start operation early in January.

The Chapter is very proud of the quality of chicks it has produced. "More chicks, more broilers, more eggs, more food, an earlier Victory, a lasting peace," is our motto.

Definition: An adult is a person that stops growing at each end and begins growing in the middle.—Auburn FFA.

Young couples who used to step on the gas will now have to stay home and gas on the steps.—Cotaco FFA.

"I know these boys are part of my crowd," said Dr. Hobdy as he met State President Thomas Nevin and State Treasurer Elson Powell in Montgomery recently. Such a statement is typical of Dr. Hobdy's interest in Alabama Future Farmers. He was one of the first in Alabama to receive the Honorary State Farmer Degree.

Although the vocational family has grown rather large and FFA work is only a small part of the whole vocational program, Dr. Hobdy finds time to follow our work in The Alabama Future Farmer and otherwise. As Director of Vocational Education in Alabama, Dr. Hobdy heads Vocational Agriculture, Vocational Home Economics, Trades, Distributive Occupations, Rehabilitation, Crippled Children's work, and War Production Training Classes.

Dr. Hobdy is a native of Alabama. He graduated from Auburn with B. S. and M. S. degrees and has done further graduate work at other colleges. He left Albertville as Principal of the Secondary Agricultural School in 1912 to become a supervisor and has been in the State Department of Education since that time. He became Director of Vocational Education in Alabama in 1921.

We Alabama Future Farmers have a real friend in Dr. Hobdy.
**New Supervisor**

Mr. Montgomery is now District Supervisor in Central Alabama. Mr. Cammack announced September 1st. He succeeds Mr. Scarborough who is now Subject Matter Specialist and Assistant State FFA Adviser.

Mr. Montgomery is already known to all local FFA advisers and some FFA members. Before coming to Auburn as Assistant Teacher Trainer, Mr. Montgomery was teacher of vocational agriculture at Camp Hill and Riverton where he had outstanding FFA chapters. The Alabama Future Farmer carried several feature articles of their work at the time. FFA members in the 15 Central Alabama counties will be seeing Mr. Montgomery during the year. Learn to know him, you'll find he will give you some ideas to pep up your chapter.

**MONTHLY QUIZ**

1. Who is this?
2. Who is our State FFA President?
3. About how much did Alabama FFA Chapters and members invest in war bonds and stamps last year?
4. Who is our State Champion Speaker?
5. What chapter was tops in the State Chapter Contest for the past year?
   (Check with our answers.)

A Scotchman gave a penny to a blind man. He needed the pencil!—Flomaton FFA.

**These Were Sent In For JOKES**

A Western farmer who was extremely forebearing suspected a neighbor of foul play. When he could stand it no longer, he sent the following message:

"Dear Pete, please don't leave your red-hot branding irons laying around any more so my cows can lie down on them."—Ashland FFA.

City Boy—"Sis, look at that cow out there in the field. It's laying milk."

Sister—"Silly, cows don't lay milk. You have to pull their tails."—Lincoln FFA.

An Englishman was visiting this country for the first time, and as he was driving along the highway, saw a large sign: "Drive slow. This means YOU!"

The Englishman stopped in surprise and exclaimed: "That's funny! How did they know I was here?"—Town Creek FFA.

Mussolini recently left Italy in shorts.

His end was easily seen.
   —Lexington FFA.

Prof. "I have tickets for the theater."

Wife—"Fine, I'll start dressing at once."

Prof. "Yes, do. The tickets are for tomorrow night."—Oneonta FFA.

Jack Sprat could eat no fat, his wife could eat no lean—Meat shortage!—McAdory FFA.

"If you want your dreams to come true, don't over sleep."—Luverne FFA.

Sergeant—"Right legs up."

One soldier misunderstood and jerked left leg up, whereupon the sergeant yelled, "Who is that blooming idiot holding both legs up."—Cold Springs FFA.

Thanks for all the jokes, sorry couldn't print them all this time. More later. Keep 'em coming.
President’s Letter

Dear FFA members:

Fellows, we have a big job to do, a bigger one than ever before in the history of the FFA, but with everyone’s cooperation, I believe that we can do this job well.

At the Executive Committee meeting held in Auburn from August 23-26, we decided to try several things that have never been tried before. The success of these things depends upon you and me.

The first training program for State Officers was held at this meeting. I think that every State Officer will agree with me in saying that we learned much more about our jobs in two days than we would have learned otherwise in a whole year.

It was decided at this meeting that the State Association would continue to back, whole heartedly, the Forestry Program sponsored by the Alabama Tree Farms System and the State Chamber of Commerce. Every FFA member is entitled to his share of the five hundred thousand seedling pines offered at a cost of fifty cents per thousand seedlings. Almost everyone has some cut over woodlands, washing hillsides, or wasteland suitable for the planting of these pines. Be sure to get your share. In so doing, you will help the land, your country, yourself, and your FFA Chapter.

The State Association is also sponsoring a “Jeep Campaign.” It is to be the goal of every chapter to buy, by buying and selling war bonds, at least one jeep which costs $1165. I urge you to be thinking about this and making your plans, so you will be ready to “kick off” when you get all the details about this campaign.

Along with the activities that I have mentioned, we want to continue helping the war effort by increasing food and feed supplies, collecting scrap iron and rubber, by fighting when called upon, and by any other ways that we see from time to time.

There are six thousand FFA members in Alabama. You are one of those, and you have a definite part in those activities. I believe that every member will help his chapter and State Association to make this a history-making year in the FFA.

Thomas Nevin
State President
Rt. 2, Moundville

 Chapters Participate

Most of us think we are doing all we can to help in the war effort. But, I know, you know, and everybody knows that some could do more and better work. Some of us think when one job is done we should go fishing a couple of days and rest up before starting another job. But, we have not won and this war is not over yet.

I would like to call your attention to a few ways FFA boys can help win this war.

1. Work and save all we can at home.
2. Practice thrift and savings at home and among friends.
3. If our neighbor gets in a tight with his work, help him.
4. When we work, at home, at school, or wherever we may be, let’s make it count.
5. Plan for class to help farmers in some of their work. This not only helps the farmer and the war effort, but gives the boys actual experience.

Yeh, we want to play some too, but fellows, let’s really get a lot of work done this year.

As we enter this year’s work, let us make this our motto: “Every FFA boy a good, dependable worker.”

Elson Powell
State Treasurer
Rt. 1, Vinemont

A darky was struggling with a balky mule when a bystander said: “Mose, where’s your willpower?”

“Mah willpower am right wid me, but you oughta see dis yer animal’s won’t-power.”—Cullman FFA.

Program

1. Thomas Nevin, Moundville Chapter elected State President.
2. Reeltown String Band furnished the music.
3. State Champion speaker, Ralph Tanner, Corner Chapter broadcasting over WJHO.
5. Registration of delegates, Prof. Chesnutt, Jack Locke, and Mrs. Blanton managed to get in the picture.
6. John Eddins and Dan Easterling presenting one of the 72 State Farmer Degrees.
7. Mr. Cammack, State Adviser, talking over matters with Assistant Adviser Scarborough.
8. Jack Helms, Enterprise, Chairman of State Activity Program, presenting Wartime Program to delegates for approval.
9. Ralph Parker and David Crawford, former State Officers, talking over “old times.”
WAR TIME STATE CONVENTION SCENES

Business Meeting June 2 Featured Wartime Activity Program, Speaking Contest, National Vice President, And Awarding Of State Farmer Degrees.
HERE AND THERE

Have you learned the new word "Alayam"? It is the name given to the tasty products made from sweet potatoes by Prof. Ware and his co-workers at the Alabama Experiment Station. These products vary from a flake similar to corn flakes to a taffy, caramel-like candy. You know how good a baked, sticky sweet potato is when you get home from school hungry, well these products will be hearing lots more about it.

Mr. A. W. Tenney is now National FFA Executive Secretary. He is already known to Alabama Future Farmers as our neighbor from Florida and author of FFA activity books. We will be looking for you back down South, Mr. Tenney!

Say wouldn't it be fine after the war to have a Jeep to make FFA and field trips in?

Elba’s corn-growing project was marketed in 3 different ways, but all filled a wartime need. 1500 doz. roasting ears were shipped to defense areas, others being fed to hogs while the remainder is being dried for early meal.

Registered Duroc gilts with or without papers. 1 registered Duroc Jersey pigs for sale. Reporters still don't like them, or they'd send 'em in every month.

Registered Duroc pigs, purebred—8 weeks old.—Blountsville FFA, J. J. Lewis, Adviser.

Registered Duroc Jersey pigs at $10.00 each.—Belgreen FFA, C. R. Pate, Adviser.

Registered Duroc pigs and hogs the year 'round. $15.00 F.O.B. at 8 weeks.—Lexington FFA, Melton Thornton, Adviser.

Registered Duroc pigs for sale.—Vina FFA, Grover Morrow, Adviser.

Duroc pigs, purebred—8 weeks old.—Blountsville FFA, J. J. Lewis, Adviser.

White oak lumber for making plow beams. Seasoned and dressed, All No. 1 oak.—Leighton FFA, W. H. Steele, Adviser.

Black locust seed.—Cold Springs FFA, R. L. Yielding, Adviser, Rt. 1, Bremen.

Bias Smith Southside FFA member, had no trouble doing his part to keep their pig chain well linked. His gilt brought 12 pigs her first litter for a record in the Southside FFA pig chain. Keep 'em growing, Billy.

President Roosevelt rode in a jeep when he reviewed our troops in North Africa. Maybe one of our Alabama FFA Jeeps will carry him in Berlin and Tokyo too, huh?

A good letter from Hilton Register, State Vice President last year, from his Navy Training Station at Mercer University, says for Alabama Future Farmers to stay on the farm. He believes farming is just as important as any other work in these war times.

A Trading Post

Write the chapters below at once if interested in their ads.

O.l.c. pigs for sale. Pedigrees furnished.—Hamilton FFA, I. D. Thornton, Adviser.

Registered Poland China pigs.—Grant FFA, M. L. Curvin, Adviser.

Registered O.l.c. pigs and hogs the year 'round. $15.00 F.O.B. at 8 weeks.—Lexington FFA, Melton Thornton, Adviser.

Registered Duroc pigs, purebred.—Billingsley FFA, R. L. Yielding, Adviser, Rt. 1, Evergreen.

Registered Poland China pigs. —Grant FFA, M. L. Curvin, Adviser.

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Registered Duroc pigs for sale.—Vina FFA, Grover Morrow, Adviser.

Duroc pigs, purebred—8 weeks old.—Blountsville FFA, J. J. Lewis, Adviser.

Garden plows, Little Joe harrow, Wampus turn plow.—Lyeffion FFA, L. W. White, Adviser, Rt. 1, Evergreen.

Registered Duroc gilts with or without papers. 2½ mo. old. Price $15.00 without papers. 1 registered Duroc boar at $15.00.—Leighton FFA, W. H. Steele, Adviser.

Registered Duroc Jersey pigs at $10.00 each.—Belgreen FFA, C. R. Wood, Adviser.

One Craftsman 4" jointer. Practically new. Price $15.00.—Billingsley FFA, J. L. Pate, Adviser.

White oak lumber for making plow beams. Seasoned and dressed, All No. 1 oak.—Lyeffion FFA, L. W. White, Adviser, Rt. 1, Evergreen.

Look for Ralph Tanner’s story of his trip to the Tri-State Speaking Contest in Florida. It will be carried in a later issue.

(See Next Page)
Want To Buy
One registered spotted Poland China boar.—Jemison FFA, H. H. Denson, Adviser.

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One registered Hampshire gilt about two months old.—Headland FFA, W. B. Hutto, Adviser.

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Registered Poland China gilts, 8 weeks old.—Grove Hill FFA, J. O. Cleland, Adviser.

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Purebred Jersey or Guernsey heifer. Also, purebred Duroc gilts.—Marion FFA, W. S. White, Adviser.

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Battery brooder. Give capacity, number units and price.—Auburn FFA, T. B. Hagler, Adviser.

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Film strip projector. State make, condition, model and price.—Luverne FFA, J. D. Matthews, Adviser.

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One large electric fan.—New Hope FFA, J. L. Power, Adviser.

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One-year rooted nursery stock. Lexington FFA, Melton Thornton, Adviser.

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Want To Swap
Registered Guernsey heifer for cow giving milk.—Grant FFA, M. L. Curvin, Adviser.

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Good ½ h. p. electric motor for a 2½ h. p. electric motor in good condition. Willing to give a little boot.—Pleasant Home FFA, G. W. Estes, Adviser, Rt. 5, Andalusia.

QUIZ ANSWERS
2. Thomas Nevin, Moundville Chapter.
3. $175,000 in war bonds and stamps.
4. Ralph Tanner, Corner Chapter.
5. Gaylesville FFA Chapter.

(Was your score?)

Chapter News


Bay Minette—Year's work planned on camping trip to Tensaw River. Bear Creek—100% Ag boys have paid dues. Belgreen—Gather the selling scrap iron and rubber. Blountsville—Organized baseball team; gave FHA Weiner roast. Brantley—Committees at work on annual program.

Castleberry—Money to be made selling popcorn and subscriptions to magazines. Cedar Bluff—Visited Coosa River livestock sale; repaired needed jobs about school; bought 12 hand woodworking books; selling ice cream at school. Centerville—Held training school for new officers and lemonade-ice cream social. Cherokee—Placed 2 purebred hogs, 4 gilts in community; constructed 3 fruit driers, 4 self hog feeders, 15 individual tool lockers; marked, oiled and stored tools; stacked 3000 feet of green lumber to dry for shop work; inoculated 200 hogs for cholera; cooperating with forest rangers in fire prevention.

Cold Springs—Made $55 during summer sponsoring picture show, plan to buy movie projector; growing out victory hogs; lined out shrubs in FFA nursery; initiated 7 Green Hands. Cotaco—Placed 2 registered gilts with members. Cullman—Sold drinks at teacher's conference; won county softball championship; completed tomato bed project, making $22.50; collecting pictures members in service. Curry—Helped nearby farmers pick cotton.

Dozier—Distributed 100 tomato plants to each member for late tomatoes. Elba—Harvested corn grown by members and sold meal; constructed 2 hot beds; planted cabbage seed for plants for members and farmers. Curry—Sold popcorn; Excel—Made "Honor Scroll" of members in armed forces; sponsoring local boxing cards.


Gaylesville—Operating school store; deposited $93.00 in bank since school started July 12; initiated 10 Green Hands. Glencoe—Cleared $20.00 on 1/20 acre of okra. Grant—Organized string band; put on choral program. Greenville—100% members either on defense jobs or producing food and feed. Grove Hill—Placed 2 gilts in pig show.


Jemison—Bought 7 new books for FFA library and 5 copies of "Helps in Mastering Parliamentary Procedure." Kennedy—Committee working on Activity program. Kincaid—4 members getting registered pigs. Leighton—State Farmer degree charms ordered by 2 members; erected bulletin board on campus with names of all former students now in armed services.

Leroy—Bought Evergreen—Manuals, and other FFA equipment. Enlarging lab area; making plans to enter calf show next year. Lexington—Attended district meeting; holding regular executive meetings, committees working on activity program; built 4 farrowing houses; bought official advisers owl and FFA banner.

Luverne—Sent regular news let-
ter to all members. Lyeflon—All members repaired farm machinery; chapter building own popcorn popper.

Marbury—Vaccinated hogs for cholera. Marion—Held meeting on Cahaba river planning year’s work; ordered chapter banner. FFA program helps. Mellow Valley—Initiated 10 Green Hands, 11 Chapter Farmers; parliamentary procedure feature of program.

Millerville—Bought hog wire to be used on chapter pasture; secured Poland China boar to be kept by chapter. Millport—Officers met to plan year’s work; placed 1 registered Jersey bull in community.

Milltown—Planning activity program; fishing and camping trip.

New Brockton—Working up chapter programs. New Market—Sponsored radio program for raising money; bought slide projector; joined picnic with FHA. Oneonta—Sponsoring sale of war bonds and stamps; appointed committees, went on camping trip. Pell City—All members and Co. Supt. present at “get acquainted” barbecue for new and prospective members; officers held chapter meetings during summer by communities; feeding out 2 hogs; FFA members acting as labor leaders in community. Pleasant Home—No hits, no runs, no errors.

Ranburne—Initiated 11 Green Hands; repairing and conditioning shop tools. Red Bay—Placed 3 purebred Poland China gilts with new members; to sell 2 purebred Poland China males, use money to buy war bonds. Reeltown—Two FFA members went to Ohio to help labor shortage; planted fall garden. Riverton—Operating school store with FHA.

Slocomb—Completed plans for operating FFA store. Southside—Entertained our dads with ice cream supper at regular FFA meeting.

Straughn—Increased purebred pig chain by 2 pigs to 2 Greenhand members. Susan Moore—Planted fall garden according to plans; initiated 21 Green Hands, followed by swim, then met FHA girls and faculty for social with 85 present.

Tanner—Six members bought gilts; chapter planned pig chain, buying 5 gilts as a beginning.

Town Creek—Initiated 8 Green Hands; bought frames for the 5 members’ State Farmer certificates and displayed them in chapter room.

Uriah—Making plans for FFA year, revising By-Laws.


West Limestone—FFA chapter repaired Mason’s Lodge hall to make money for chapter. West Point—Committees working on activity program. Woodland—Learned FFA songs; planned ball game with Ranburne, after game will have initiation. York—Officers planning next year’s work.

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