Thirty-Seven State Officer Candidates

Thirty seven members are candidates for State offices another year. This is a record number and certainly some excellent boys will be elected from this group. From the thirty-seven applicants, five will be elected State officers for 1948-49. They are as follows:

Northeast District
S. J. Noah, Glencoe; Robert Hugh Lee, Pell City; Horace Tucker, Pell City; Joe Hunt, Albertville; Arthur Murray, White Plains; Ellis White, New Market; Jimmy Edward Tidwell, Susan Moore; Morris Couch, Falkville; Bervil Davis, West Point; Bill Drake, Collinsville.

Southeast District
Buddy Clark, Kinston; Lawrence

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National FFA Camp To Open

Plans have been completed to open the National Future Farmers of America camp on June 1st. It will be kept open until September 10. The camp is located just outside of Washington, D.C. Chapters planning to make the trip to Washington and who desire to use these camping facilities should write the State Executive Secretary for further details. Reservations should be made as far in advance as possible.

Office Candidates
(From page 1)
Bryan, Brantley; Eugene Champion, Highland Home; Arlan Brown, Enterprise; Parker Gray Moun, Ramer; Fred Cobb, Hartford; Fred Lacy, Geneva; Edward McDaniel, Straughn; Cranford Trimble, Greenville

Southwest District
Curtis Blanton, Frisco City; Maston Merriel Mims, Uriah; Nick Lindsey, Orrville; Nelson Reynolds, Chatom; Norman Scarbrough, Chatom; James Calvin Jordan, Chatom; J. T. Scarbrough, Chatom.

Central
Dan Brown, Ashland; Billy Noble, Tuskegee, Forrest Gardner, Marbury; Jack E. Hicks, Reeltown; Bobby Sharman, Beaumot; Billy Lazebny, Beauregard; Bob Salmon, Auburn.

Northwest
Frank Gravlee, Fayette; Chester Hester, Belgreen; Hester Wayne Hodge, Reform; Douglas Mitchell, Corner.

Quarter Final

Quarter Winners
Sweet Water, Red Level, Atmore, Camden, Ashford, Mellow Valley, West Limestone, Hanceville, Belgreen, Sidney Lanier, Glencoe, Clayton, Fayette, Arab, Pell City.

Quarter Final

Speaking Winners
William Schultz, Grove Hill; Melvin Kilpatrick, Straughn; Louis Lazzari, Fairhope; Nick Lindsey, Orrville; Elbert Peters, Samson; Bob Salmon, Auburn; D. R. McLemore, West Limestone; Robert McGukin, Eva; Tommy Watkins, Russellville; Forrest Gardner, Marbury; S. J. Noah, Glencoe; Dan Fitzpatrick, Midland City; Arthur Flynn, Sulligent; Jeff Smith, Greensboro; Mickey Wilbour, Riverton; Albert Dennis, McAdory.

QUARTETS IN FINAL ELIMINATION AUBURN, JUNE 10TH

Pell City quartet in State finals. Pictured above from left to right are Eugene Goss, tenor; Ray Watson, soprano; Harvey Tolleson, baritone; and Owen Gore, bass.

Other quartet winners to participate in the State finals will be Hanceville, Camden, Sidney Lanier.
Record Number Earn State Farmer Degree at Convention

The following members will receive the State Farmer degree at the nineteenth annual convention, June 9-11.


THE ALABAMA FUTURE FARMER

SOME FOLKS SAY...

"There can be no sound prosperity in America without a prosperous agriculture. The FFA is helping to train leaders of tomorrow's rural life, and as this leadership is felt, the farms of America, by scientific methods and management, will become more productive, and equally as important, more livable. We of General Electric hope to play our part in the mechanization and electrification of the American farm so that we feel that in this way life on the farm will become more prosperous as well as more satisfying. This is fundamental if the nation as a whole is to prosper."

—C. E. Wilson, President, General Electric.

Nick Lindsey
Tommy Watkins
Melvin Kilpatrick

Tommy Watkins, Russellville; Nick Lindsey, Orrville; S. J. Noah, Glencoe; Melvin Kilpatrick, Straughn, winners in the semi-final public speaking contest will compete for State honors at State FFA Convention in June. The winner wins the finals will speak in the tri-state contest with contestants from Georgia and Florida.
This 1,120 pound Hereford steer, owned by Richard Kirksey, right, was named grand champion of two fat stock shows held in Montgomery and sold at auction for $1.74 per pound bringing approximately $1900. Shown with Kirksey above from left to right, J. C. Canon, State Supervisor, Vocational Agriculture, R. E. Cammack, Director Vocational Education and E. P. Geiger, Agricultural Teacher, Sidney Lanier High School.

Kirksey Wins
Richard Kirksey, member of Sidney Lanier chapter, Future Farmers of America, was owner of the 1,120 pound Hereford steer named grand champion at Montgomery Fat Stock Show April 26th and also winner in the county show April 25th.

Kirksey is 17 years old and attends Sidney Lanier High School in Montgomery. Being enrolled in vocational agriculture and doing prominent work in livestock farming, this is not his first entry in fat stock shows.

John W. Hartley, another Sidney Lanier FFA member, was first place winner of medium weight Herefords. Last year his steer won reserve champion.

Birmingham Calf Scramble Winners
Eleven FFA boys won calves in the Calf Scramble Contest held at the Birmingham Livestock Show and Rodeo. Calves will be delivered at a later date. These calves will be purchased and presented to these boys by the agriculture committee of the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce. Boys to receive the calves are as follows: Talmadge Watson, Phil Campbell; James Ray Hawkins, Sulligent; Hoyt Lee Penn, Falkville; Harold Clayton, Falkville; Hardwick Kay, Cotaco; J. W. Eubanks, West Limestone; Jimmie Campbell, Hayden; Coy Hill, Oneonta; Marvel Drummond, Curry; J. B. Bryon, Winfield; David Allison, Stevenson.
Grant Chapter Has Cotton and Corn Contest

Twenty-one FFA boys will enter the cotton and corn contest sponsored by the Grant FFA chapter. A registered Jersey heifer will be given to the boy producing the highest yield of cotton on one acre, and a pure bred Duroc Jersey gilt will be given to the boy who produces the most corn on an acre. The purpose of the contest is to encourage greater yields of cotton and corn which are the two main crops grown in the community. Goals set for the boys to try to reach are 100 bushels of corn per acre and 2 bales of cotton per acre.

The following boys will enter the contest. Charles Tucker, Bernard Kirkland, Wyley J. Randles, Charles Jones, James Campbell, James Bearden, Orville Ayers, Norman Ayers, Hurshal Smith, Clayton Bevels, Robert Kennamer, Kenneth Kenna­der, Thomas N. Jones, Eugene Kirkland, Wyley J. Randles, Charles Tucker, Bernard Kirkland, West Point chapter, from his county at the Birmingham show which won him a trip to the National Convention at Kansas City, Missouri. This is the third consecutive year a member from West Point has won this trip. Wallace Flyaw won the trip last year and Mack Hood the year before.

Bervil Davis, West Point, and his reserve champion shorthorn at the Birmingham show which won him a trip to the National Convention at Kansas City, Missouri. This is the third consecutive year a member from West Point has won this trip. Wallace Flyaw won the trip last year and Mack Hood the year before.

RIVERTON CELEBRATED NATIONAL FFA WEEK

Bobby White, State F.F.A. vice-president from Riverton chapter reports that their chapter really observed F.F.A. Week.

They were on program during a chapel period at their school and at the Hazel Green High School. They also appeared before the local P.T.A., the Huntsville Optimist Club, the Huntsville Business and Professional Women's Club, two radio programs, the Salesmen Club, and the Joe Bradley School. Their able adviser is Mr. J. D. Wigley.

Riverton is one of the many chapters that conducted such programs during National F.F.A. Week.
The Pleasant Home members have many ways of raising funds for their chapter. Their first project was to sell chances on 50 jars of canned fruits and vegetables. The members donated the jars and chances were sold at $1.00 each. $133.50 was cleared on this project.

The Pleasant Home chapter has done many other projects such as buy an electric steel guitar, a welding machine for the shop and a deep freeze to sell ice cream.

They also had a shooting match and cleared $116.00; gave away an electric refrigerator netting them about $107.00.

Plans are now being made for a summer trip to visit Key West, Florida. Their membership has increased by about 50% and their chapter funds from $10.44 to over $300.00.

Covington Co. Field Day Held at Straughn

Future Homemakers Field Day was attended by 400 Covington county citizens at Straughn, February 14th.

Outstanding features on the field day program were the county F.F.A. public speaking contest, parliamentary procedure contest, F.H.A. clothing contests, also quartet contest, hog calling contest and harmonica contests.

Taking part in field day activities were members of F.F.A. and F.H.A. at Straughn, Red Level, Rawls, Pleasant Home, Florala; and F.H.A. from Andalusia and Opp city schools.

Some of the visitors present were as follows: Dane Lowrey, State F. F.A. president; Louise Moorer, State F.H.A. president; Bobbie Ruth Dunn, State F.H.A. parliamentarian; Mr. R. E. Cammack, State Director, Vocational Education; Mr. J. C. Cannon, State Supervisor of Vocational Agriculture; and Mr. L. L. Sellers, Associate Supervisor, Vocational Agriculture.
HIGHEST HONOR AMONG ALABAMA FFA'S

Twelve Alabama Future Farmers apply for American Farmer Degree. This degree is the highest honor award that can be earned by an F.F.A. member, and only one boy for each thousand members in the state can win this honor. The following boys are applicants for this degree, and deserve much credit for making it their goal:

Winters F. Thomas, Florala; Louis Hatchett, Grand Bay; Joe Wayne Johnson, Grand Bay; William Linn Clotfelter, Arab; Harry Ellis, Castleberry; Hosiea Justice, Florala; George F. Reynolds, Chatom; James Adams, Straughn; Hudson Calfee, Isabella; Malcolm E. Davis, Lexington; James Garner, McKenzie; A. J. Newton, McKenzie.

Planting of hybrid seed corn is being promoted by Winterboro F.F.A. after two year trial plantings have proved profitable to several of its members.

Some of these boys are planting hybrid corn exclusively on their own farms. Thus they are pioneering in this effort to prove the value of hybrid corn in Talladega county.

Orchids to Pell City
Chapter Reporter

Harlan Smith, reporter, Pell City chapter certainly deserves highest praise for the splendid way in which he has handled his duty as chapter reporter.

A steady stream of well written, typed news stories and plenty of good pictures of chapter activities have been received as a result of his good work.

The Corner chapter of F.F.A. and F.H.A. paid a visit to the State Capitol recently where they were allowed to "try out" the Governor's chair, "Big Jim", being out of town.

Greenville Sweet Potato program proves success. FFA members above are making seed bed for certified plants.

Vina Boys Make Articles

Numerous useful articles that can be made in the farm shops are being demonstrated by members of Vina Chapter F.F.A. Such things as step-ladders, self feeders, hog feeders, wagon jacks, broom holders, ironing boards, double trees, and clevices for double trees, book shelves, etc., are being made.

Equipment constructed in shop work can be used in carrying out supervised practice programs, or used in their homes.

In addition to this and other regular classwork, including good livestock program, these boys are doing some outstanding work on community orchards, having pruned and sprayed fruit trees and grapes in seventeen different farm orchards.

FFA Trading Post
Want To Buy
2 registered Hampshire sires or bred guilts—Beatrice FFA, Claude Hardie, adviser.

Want To Sell
Certified Porto-Rice sweet potato plants, $2.75 M. P. F.—Holly Pond FFA, D. P. Holcombe, adviser.
2 guilts, 4 barrows, and 2 pigs (cross between O.I.C. and spotted Poland Chine); 1 male and wagon (2 horses), mule 1190 lbs.

A certified sweet potato seed bed project is a source of sweet potato plants for farmers and F.F.A. members at Greenville.

The project has been operating successfully for the past four years. This year plants are being produced in electrically heated bed which replaces the flue heated bed used up until this time.

Arrangements are being made for one member of the chapter to grow seed for the project. The plants and fertilizer are to be furnished by the chapter, and seed selected from the chapter's share of seed grown for this purpose.

CHAPTER NEWS

Arab bought new equipment for the shop; won quarter final quartet contest at Albertville. Ashland held annual FFA-FHA Mother-Daughter, Father-Son banquet, 180 members, parents, and guests attended; visited Camp Hill Experiment Sub Station along with all other chapters in the county.

Baker FFA and FHA had box supper. Beatrice sponsored a forestry demonstration tour. Billingsley purchased film strip machine; starting film library; elected officers for 1948-49; treating cotton seed for farmer in community. Blountsville constructed 2 electric brooders for a crippled woman.

Camp Hill bought 2 ba. Dixie 11 hybrid seed corn for FFA corn growing contest; completed plans for financing pig chain; or...
Chapter News (cont'd.)

dered 3 new corduroy FFA jackets; had joint social with FFA; appointed nominating committee to nominate new officers for 1948-49; mixed and distributed white arsenic rat poison to business houses in town.

Citronelle landscaped school campus; sold three hogs and made profit of $144.23; Clio bedded 26 boxes of certified sweet potatoes; gave radio program over WTVF. Caffo added 7 new books to library; attended fat stock show; planted sweet potatoes to save seed for next year; sprayed 23 head of cattle with D.D.T.; selected officers for 1948-49; chapter to pay dele-
gates’ expenses to state convention; plans for chapter to meet once a month during summer. Cullman had P.S.-M.E. ban-
quet with 210 people attending; selling fountain pens and pencil sets.

Enterprise held annual Father-Son, Mother-
Daughter banquet with 256 present. Euf-
taw chapter attended the livestock show in Demopolis; entertained the Hale and Green County FFAAers. Excel purchased hybrid seed corn to be tried in this area by FFA

members.

Falkville organized “More Corn Per Acre Contest;” chapter to give a cash prize to the member growing the most corn per acre. Yancey helped in landscaping new stadium; held opening day for post treating plant; had joint party with FFA; won second in semi-final Fat Stock contest. Foley members purchased 98 pigs, 19 rings. 2 bolts and buckles. I watch for 1948.

Grove Hill held Mother-Daughter, Father-
Son banquet, 258 present.

Jackson made a field trip to the Sub Station at Winfield; elected officers for new year; elected delegates and alternates to State FFA Convention. Highland Home added this-four feet worth of books to the FFA library; secured six registered pigs to start chapter. Holly Pond had Father-Son, Mother-Daughter banquet, elected officers for another year.

Jackson distributed 21 bushes hybrid seed corn and 8 bushes Wheelers Prolific which for chapter to meet once a month; had members in the chapter; 7 members had calves in the fat calf show.

Leighton won 3rd place in quarter final FFA public speaking contest; rented across for demonstration for FFA purposes; presenting a Negro minstrel—made $4. Niles added 200 shrubs to landscaping on campus. Leroy bought paint, sanded floors and painted ed classroom; added four guilts to pig chain; set out 36 Azaleas and 70 other shrubs on campus; Louisville purchased 16 new FFA T shirts for members; purchased paint, sanded floors and painted classrooms.

Moultonville planning FFA scrapbook of new and old. Pell City worked on forestry contest by setting up cross sections of one of the trees in the Green Hand Farmers’ farm; will have vocational agriculture building wired with money made from Negro minstrel.

Red Bay added 2,000 shrubs and set out for American Legion; earned $100; bought new living room holder for shop; ordered 25 new FFA T shirts for members; purchased rip saw and jointer; planning fishing trip. Red Bay chapter had a Mother-Daughter, Father-
Son banquet with 100 people attending; participated in community clean-up campaign. Straughn held “Fun Night” with FFA in Straughn High School auditorium March 4, and cleared $44.74; purchased school shrubbery and set out 500 cuttings; had Mother-Daughter, Father-Son banquet; elected new officers for 1948-49; sponsored “Harmony Boys Quartet.” April 21, cleared $35.50. Sulligent won state quarter-final speech contest added $90 from trophies to community orchard.

Thomasville landscaped church at chap-
er’s expense; worked and fertilized roses at the school for rose time in Thomasville.

Waterloo started pig chain; bought two 8.7 pigs; elected new officers. Point set 700 shrubbery cuttings in bed, shrubs to be used next year at FFA members’ homes. We Town made a trip to ex-
periment station at Auburn; visited Carne-
tion Mill plant at Dadeville; held P.S.-M.
E banquet, state president attended banquet; attended stock show in Montgomery awarded $85 prizes to outstanding members. While Plains elected officers for next year.

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