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**"Building The Emblem" Ceremonies**

## Historic Samford Hall, Auburn



### Site of State Convention

Pictured above is historic Samford Hall, Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Alabama, site of the State FFA Convention to be held June 7, 8, and 9th. Alabama Future Farmers, numbering over 12,000 and representing 252 chapters are looking forward to their 22nd State Convention.

Hal Davis, National 2nd FFA Vice-President, of Quincy, Florida, will speak to the delegates at the opening session of the convention.

Attending the convention will be the advisers, delegates from each chapter, State Farmer applicants, semi-final speaking and quartet winners, state officer applicants, winners in district contest eliminations, and State winners of all other FFA contests and awards.

One of the highlights of the program will be the awarding of the State Farmer Degrees and the Star Farmer Awards.

## My Trip to Washington

By WINFORD COLLIER, President  
Alabama FFA Association

President Truman called the Mid-Century White House Conference on Children and Youth to be held in Washington, D. C. December 3-7. This was the fifth in a series of such conferences, under sponsorship of the President of the United States, since the beginning of the century. The other conferences of this kind were in 1909 called by President Theodore Roosevelt; another in 1919, called by President Woodrow Wilson; another in 1930, called by President Herbert Hoover; and another in 1940, called by President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The Mid-Century White House Conference on Children and Youth based its concern for children on the primacy of spiritual values, democratic practice, and the dignity and worth of every individual. Accordingly, the purpose of the Conference was to consider how to develop in children the mental, emotional, and spiritual qualities essential to individual happiness and to responsible citizenship, and what physical, economic, and social conditions are deemed necessary to this development.

To do this the Conference:

(1) Brought together in usable form pertinent knowledge related to the development of children and indicated areas in which further knowledge is needed.

(2) Examined the environment in which children are growing up, with a view to determine its influence upon them.

(3) Studied the ways in which the home, the school, the church, the law, health, and welfare agencies, and other social institutions, individually and cooperatively, are serving the needs of children.

(4) Formulated, through cooperative efforts of laymen and specialists, proposals for the improvement of parental, environmental, and institutional influences on children.

(5) Suggested means whereby these proposals may be communicated to the people and put into action.

This was the first White House Conference to have youth participation. There were four youth representatives from Alabama. They were Nelda Stanley, State FFA President; Josephine Willis, State 4-H Club President; Douglas Lunsford, youth representative from 9th Congressional District; and Winford Collier, State FFA President. There were also youth from every state taking part in the Conference.

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**Cover Picture**

The cover picture shows members of the Auburn chapter as they present "Building The Emblem" ceremonies.

Pictured from left to right are Calvin Logue, narrator, Jim Naftel and Pat Meagher. The local adviser, not shown, is J. D. Tyler.

This program was presented to three local civic clubs and also in high school chapel during FFA Week.

This large cut-out emblem, along with the script for this ceremony, may be purchased for \$8.00 from Future Farmer

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**Wood, Wood By-Products  
Are Big Business**

Wood and wood by-products are the raw materials for plastics, explosives, chemicals, alcohol, paint, fertilizer, livestock foods and hundreds of other useful items. Ultimate consumers of these items in many cases have no idea the products they use originated in a forest.

Unfortunately, too many forestland owners are equally uninformed. This is particularly true of farmers who, together, own 30 per cent of this country's commercial timberland. There are nearly three and a half million of these landowners in the United States with timber tracts smaller than 100 acres. As a group, their woodlots constitute the worst managed forestland in the United States. In 1946 the U. S. Forest Service, in a management survey of America's timberlands, classified cutting practices on farm woodlots as 65 per cent poor, 8 per cent destructive, 23 per cent fair and only 4 per cent good.

Serious though this situation remains, it is improving. Land owners, small and large alike, are learning that in this post-war world there is money to be made in growing trees as a crop. Wood-dependent industries along with many public and private forestry organizations and associations, are doing everything possible to get the country's privately owned forestlands along the wood production comeback trail. The fast growing American Tree Farm System is proof their efforts are bringing results.

In this program the exponents of good forest management have economics on their side. Trees are a cash crop today and will continue to be in the future as this nation's and the world's demands for wood products increase.

The words "cash crops" carry the connotation of profitable timber harvests carried out at regular intervals, perpetually. Essentially, this is the heart of and the answer to our farm forestry program.

Supply Service, Alexandria, Va. It is suggested that county organizations might purchase one cooperatively with all chapters in the county.

**How to Cure Stage Fright**

FFA members who perform in public have the malady of stage fright to overcome. If you, for example, are tongue-tied at the sight of an audience before which you must sing or speak, you have stage fright. Perhaps you will be glad to know how the initiates overcome it in their lives.

The philosophy behind their practice in overcoming stage fright is that of removing the cause. This cause is simple: a deranged circulation of the blood. When you are suffering from stage fright, the blood rushes to your face. You blush. It leaves your brain and often you cannot even remember your name. In that helpless position you face your audience.

The correction of that condition is merely to control the circulation. This you do by paying attention to the breathing system. Specifically, all you need to do if you have stage fright is to put your thoughts into your breathing. Pay strict attention to that. Inhale slowly, hold your breath momentarily, exhale. Count while you inhale, count while you exhale.

After a few practices you will find that this simple treatment will make you master of circulation, and you can then overcome stage fright whenever it appears.

Another suggestion was given by a noted salesman, who spent his life calling on tycoons and making big deals. Just before he went into an important call, if he was nervous at all, he would cause himself physical discomfort, by tightening his belt or pinching his leg.

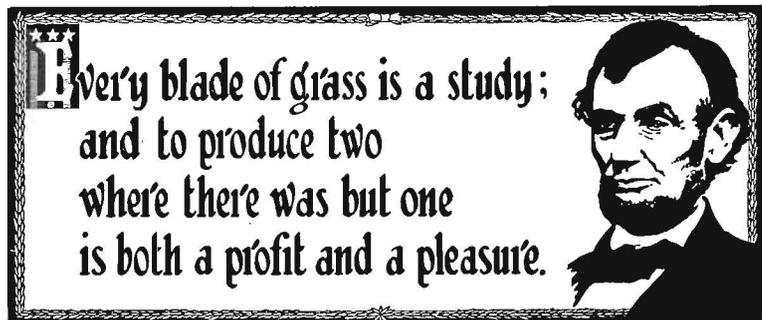
His principle was the same as the one just given you — divert yourself, take your attention away from yourself, and forget your nervousness. (From Flomaton FFA "Korny Kob.")

—FFA—

**GLENCOE GILT HAS ACCIDENT**

The first FFA gilt in the Glencoe pig chain farrowed eleven pigs December 4.

This was only one week after she fell into a seven foot well. FFA boys pulled her out with block and tackle. Ten of her pigs are still living.





Pictured above is Annie Ruth Daniels, the LaFayette FFA Sweetheart.

### MY TRIP TO WASHINGTON

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Probably you would like to know how I received the trip to Washington. Just after being elected State FFA President in June, I received an invitation from the State Advisory Committee on Youth and Children to represent the Alabama FFA at its meetings. This I accepted and when nominations to attend the Conference were sent in, I was nominated by the state committee to represent the Alabama FFA and also to be a youth representative. The other youths received their trips about the same way.

I left for Washington, Saturday, December 2, with five other delegates from Alabama. We left Montgomery at 8:10 a.m., and changed trains in Atlanta, Georgia, arriving in Washington about 6:40 a.m., Sunday. After making hotel reservations, Douglas Lunsford and I went out to the Armory to register. As each one registered, he was assigned to a work group that he was to attend while at the Conference.

The opening General Session began Sunday night at 8:00, with Hon. O. R. Ewing, Chairman, National Committee, Mid-Century White House Conference, presiding. We also had similar sessions each night, beginning at 8:00.

On Monday and Tuesday mornings from 9:00-10:30, we had general sessions. At the session Tuesday morning we met the President of the United States. On Monday and Tuesday morning from 10:30-12:00 we had Panel Groups which to attend. Our Work Groups were held Monday and Tuesday afternoons from 2:00-5:30, with the final session being Wednesday morning from 9:00-12:30.

There was a meeting of special com-

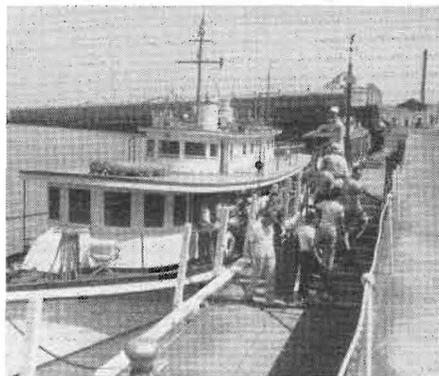
mittees Wednesday afternoon, so some of us were able to have a free afternoon. All FFA representatives, who were not on these special committees, met with the National FFA Office with the National President, Walter Cummins; National Executive Secretary, Mr. Tenney; and National Adviser, Mr. Spanton. After talking awhile we went to the Smithsonian Institute.

Thursday morning the reports of all committees were given. Instead of going to the meeting, some of us from Alabama went sight seeing. Some of the places we visited were the Washington Monument, Smithsonian Institute, Congressional Library, and Capital. To me the Congressional Library was the most beautiful building which we saw. We also saw the Lincoln and Washington Memorial, White House, Blair House, and various other buildings but we didn't get to visit any of them.

We returned to the Conference Tuesday afternoon to what was to be the final general session; but the reports of the committees had not been completed. It took until 6:15 to complete them. The last general session had to be published, since the Conference was supposed to have been over at 5:30. The Conference was officially over at the completion of the reports.

Thursday night we went to see the show "Macbeth" since there were three seniors from Alabama, and we study "Macbeth" in Literature in our senior year. I am sure this will help us in our study. Friday morning we went out to the Smithsonian Zoo, where we saw all kinds of animals.

We left Washington at 2:00 p.m. Friday, arriving in Montgomery Saturday at 10:30. I would like to say that I really enjoyed the trip and am very grateful to the Alabama Future Farmers for sending me. Washington is a very beautiful and educational city; and fellow Future Farmers, if you ever get a chance to go to Washington, go and I am sure you will enjoy your trip very much.



This is the Ashland FFA members as they visited the State docks at Mobile this past summer.

### Douglas Chapter Has New Building

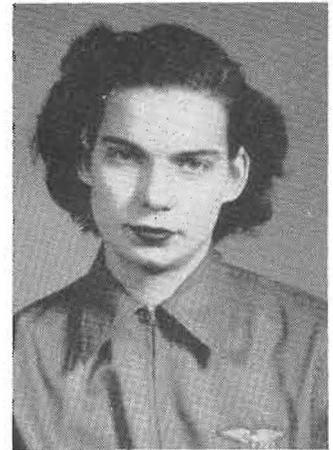
Probably the biggest event of the year for the Douglas FFA chapter was moving into their new building. Moving from a small run-down building into the new modern building was quite similar to "before and after" pictures.

The new building is modern and has nearly an all glass front which gives plenty of light. The class room is finished in two shades of green, a dark green around the bottom and base boards of the wall and a light upper wall. Magazines and notebooks are attractively displayed at the back of the class room.

A shop with a concrete floor, is being equipped now and is large enough to bring in two or more tractors for work at the same time. With windows on two sides the shop is well lighted.

To complete the "after" picture, FFA boys plan to landscape the lawn which already has a good crop of Ryegrass and clover, and to build walks soon.

—FFA—



Opal Taylor, Maplesville FFA Sweetheart.

—FFA—

### Arab Member Becoming Established in Farming

Johnnie Banister of Arab, who is a member of the Blountsville FFA chapter, has an outstanding farming program in operation. Last year he purchased two sows from which he raised fourteen pigs. He has kept six of these pigs to feed out to sell as market hogs. He sold the other eight to help finance a poultry project he is starting next month.

He plans to build a chicken house and have 150 laying hens next year. Last year he also grew one acre of cotton and two acres of corn. He is using the corn to help feed his pigs.

Last fall Johnnie sowed one acre of crimson clover and one acre of alfalfa for grazing for his hogs.

This FFA member has made a good start toward becoming established in farming.

## DeKalb County FFA Has Corn-Hog Contest

The State National Bank of Fort Payne is sponsoring a Corn-Hog Contest for FFA members in DeKalb County.

Four Geraldine FFA members have made their corn production entries:

Roy Hall, 136 bu. per acre; Junior Strickland, 115 bu. per acre; Dean Strickland, 112 bu. per acre; and Hody McBrayer with 96 bu. per acre.

These boys feel that if they can do as well with their hogs as they did with their corn that they will give some other boys plenty of competition.

The Gorgas FFA has established an excellent wild-life border on their own property.

Mr. Robert E. Waters, of the State Conservation Department, says they have the first wild-life border on their own property that is found in the state.

This wild-life border consists of a 20 foot strip of bi-color lespedeza, a 60 foot strip of partridge peas and a planting of sericea lespedeza. This planting was designed to provide seed and plants for the boys to use on their home farms.

Some of the boys want to bring their guns to school and cash in on the covey of quail that has attached itself to the surrounding of the border. This hunting trip will probably be cancelled, for the safety of the boys — not the quail.

—FFA—



John Golden, of Pell City, State Forest Improvement contest winner, inspects his tree farm. John received \$100.00 to pay his expenses to the National Convention.

—FFA—

## Fyffe Chapter Earns Recorder

The Fyffe FFA chapter has earned a Webster-Chicago wire recorder by selling magazine subscriptions.

Ernest Bell, Jr., and Milborn Chesser were the two members selling the most subscriptions. They sold \$26.00 each during the week of the campaign.

This machine will be used by the chapter and by other school organizations.

# Future Farmers of America Foundation

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3. Farm Mechanics Awards.
4. Farm Electrification Awards.
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6. Soil and Water Management Awards.
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8. National Judging Contests (Dairy Cattle, Dairy Products, Poultry, Livestock and Meats.)
9. Public Speaking Contest.
10. Funds for State Initiated Projects.



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Pictured above is a group of Heflin FFA members with their local adviser, I. S. Johnson. They are shown examining some of the sweet potatoes being stored in the FFA potato curing house.

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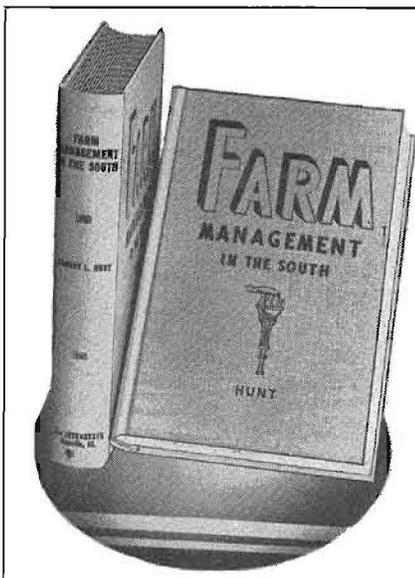
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—FFA—

### Snead Makes High Corn Yield

Wayne Snead of the Susan Moore chapter, is champion FFA corn grower in the county. Wayne won over other FFA members in the county by producing a yield of 150.20 bushels per acre.

Each year the State National Bank of Oneonta sponsors this contest. Its purpose is to encourage the FFA members to make high yields of corn per acre and to market this corn through some form of livestock.

Four other Susan Moore members also made good yields. They are: Wayne Hathorn, 92; Junior Williams, 86; Marshall Baker, 81; and Glenn Debter, 78.

Wayne Snead received a cash prize of fifty dollars for producing the highest yield. Other winners received ten dollars.

—FFA—



Pictured above is Polly Mitchell, Fayette FFA Sweetheart.

## Wetumpka Chapter Practices Motto

The FFA motto, "Learning by Doing," is being practiced by the Wetumpka FFA chapter. This chapter has taken as a project, two orchards belonging to chapter members, Henry Watkins and Daniel Weldon. These orchards consist of approximately 250 trees. The chapter has agreed to treat the trees for borers, prune, fertilize, and spray when needed, with the two boys who own the orchards agreeing to furnish all needed material for caring for the orchards.

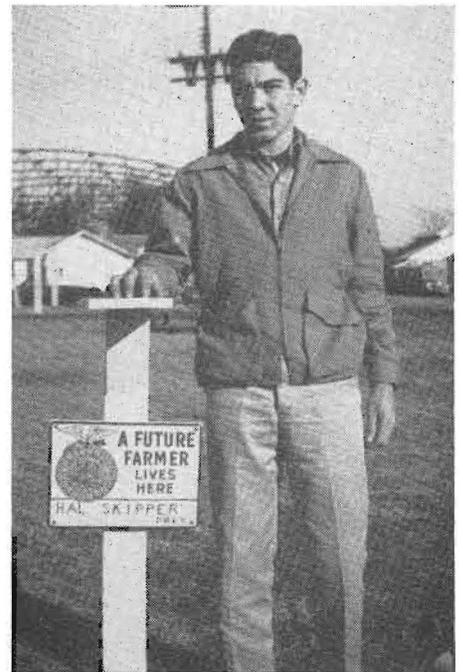
In this way all members of the chapter will have an opportunity to do all of the jobs needed to properly care for an orchard. It is hoped that more interest will be created in the community by this project carried out by the chapter.

—FFA—

## Carlowville Chapter Erecting Signs

The Carlowville Chapter members have been making and erecting a variety of signs for people of the community.

Most of the signs are "posted" signs, but plans are now underway for making a sign for each church in the community. This project enables people and organizations that do not receive mail in a rural box with one of their dressy posts, to be properly identified.



Hal Skipper, President Grove Hill chapter, displays the Future Farmer sign to be placed at his home. Other chapter members have prepared similar signs.

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## Carrollton Members Learn By Doing

The Carrollton chapter is following their FFA motto in their class work. In order to learn the latest methods of scientific farming, the chapter is now operating a farm of its own.

Plans are made in the classroom and carried out on this farm. This method of learning is popular with the students and is paying off on their own farms.

The farm has a total of eighty acres of cultivatable land, and the plans are to pasture forty acres. This will leave forty acres to produce feed and row crops.

Two acres of pine seedlings will be set this winter and a thousand bi-color plants will be planted soon. Forty acres have been established in Ladino clover, Fescue, Crimson clover, and oats. Plans are to save seed this spring and have adequate pasture for thirty cows and calves the following year.

All the responsibility of the farm is in the hands of the members who are helped by their adviser, Mr. R. E. Haygood. Each boy has his share of purchasing seeds, fertilizer, cattle and farm equipment. They are following recommendations of the Auburn experiment station.



Pictured above is Jimmie Ruth Strickland, the Carlowville FFA sweetheart.

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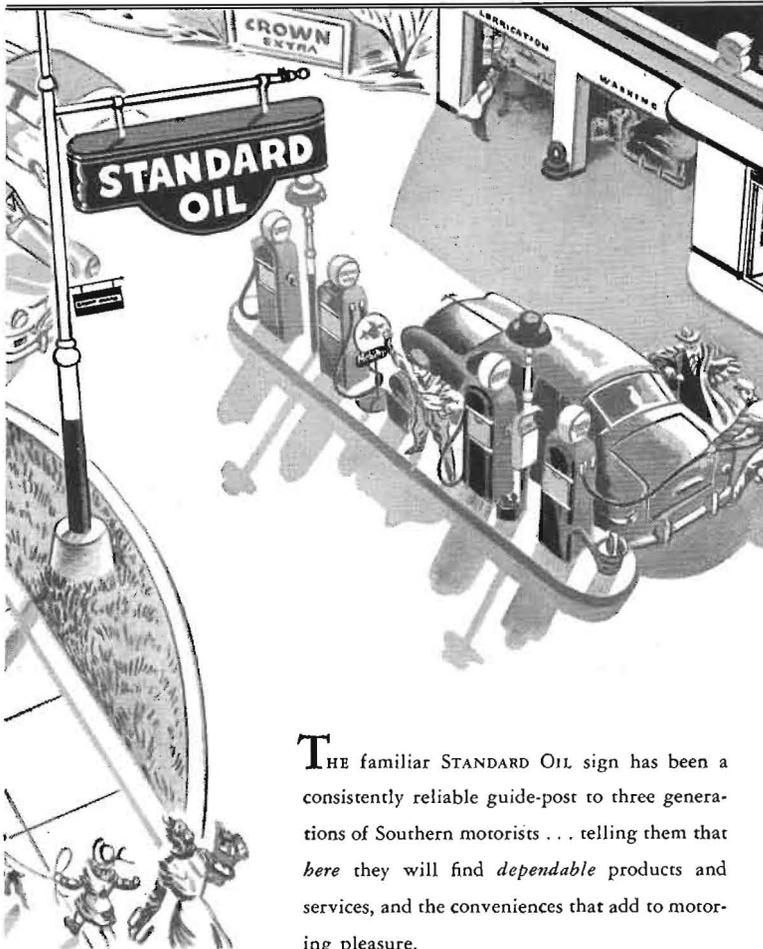
H. R. Woodward, Jr., of the Cleveland FFA chapter, is an outstanding corn producer in Blount County and especially in the immediate area. Junior won a prize with his acre of Dixie 17 hybrid corn yielding 147.68 bushels per acre.

The State National Bank of Oneonta has given two hundred dollars to be awarded in prizes to FFA members over the county. Each club member competed for a chapter prize as well as for a county prize of forty dollars. Junior won the chapter prize of ten dollars and will compete for a Registered Duroc Gilt to be awarded to the Cleveland chapter next spring.

Thirty-seven years ago the Cleveland beat had a corn growing contest and Junior Woodward's grandfather entered it and won second prize with 39 bushels of corn. It has come from 39 to 147 bushels in 37 years.

—FFA—

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Pictured above is Virginia Ann Voss, FFA sweetheart of the Heflin chapter.

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—FFA—

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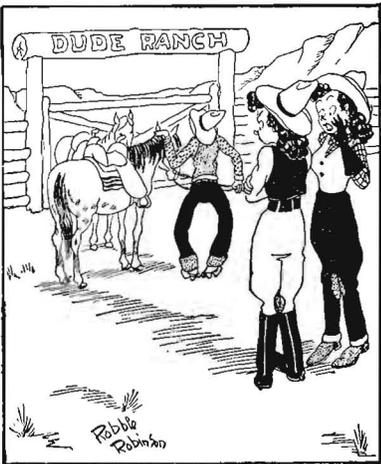
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—FFA—

"American agriculture and our country as a whole will be greatly enriched as more and more members of FFA fill places of adult leadership and apply their training in scientific agriculture and citizenship."—Dr. Robert E. Wilson.

—FFA—



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## CHAPTER NEWS

**ABBEVILLE**—Held chapter public speaking elimination contest; making plans for county achievement day program.

**ALBERTVILLE**—21 hogs to be shown at the American Legion sale barn in Albertville; During National FFA Week had fifteen minute program over radio station WAVU.

**ALICEVILLE**—Beef Cattle Judging team practicing for contest; chapter cooperated with other chapters in county in sponsoring a full page ad in the county newspaper during FFA Week; put up posters in store windows during FFA Week; selling ads for FFA calendar.

**ARAB**—Planning for annual Father-Son-Mother-Daughter banquet; held annual chapter speaking contest; held officers meeting.

**ARLEY**—setting up post treating plant; string band entertained American Legion.

**ATHENS**—Winner of county FFA quartet; put on chapel program.

**AUBURN**—Held chapter FFA public speaking contest; two gilts in pig chain farrowed; ordered fruit trees cooperatively; sold ads for FFA calendar; members set out pine seedlings; member won county FFA public speaking contest; FFA window display in local merchants window; presented program over local radio station; quartet won county FFA contest.

**AUTAUGAVILLE**—attended county FFA speaking contest; starting a project to raise money to buy a film strip projector by selling sweatshirts, "T" shirts, caps and head scarfs.



Pictured above is Marcus O'Gwynn, editor of "Korny Kob", Flomaton chapter publication, and G. M. McNider with a copy of their publication.

**BAKER**—held speaking contest; ordered and set 3,000 pine seedlings; ordered jackets for members.

**BAKERHILL**—setting out 500 pine seedlings on school grounds; purchased two more hogs for chapter to feed out with lunch room scraps; elected one Honorary member.

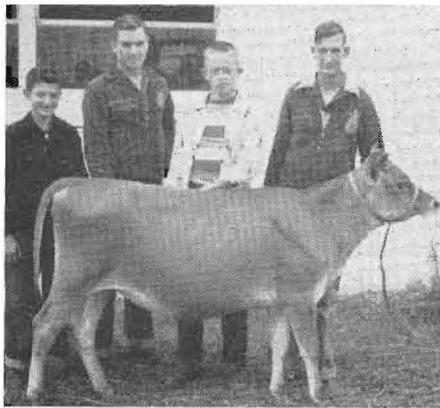
**B B COMER**—Purchased registered bred sow for pig chain; set out 2,000 pine trees as FFA project.

**BEAUREGARD**—14 entries in speaking contest; ordered parliamentary procedure manuals; members planted 20,000 lespedeza plants.

**BILLINGSLEY**—members building FFA mail box posts; elected FFA sweetheart; participated in county public speaking contest; sold FFA fat hog; elected chapter officers.

**BLOUNTSVILLE**—buying 50 baby chicks to grow out for FFA-FHA banquet; constructing thirty lamps for Alabama Power Company Lamp contest; purchased 2000 board feet of lumber for members to use in the shop.

**BLUE SPRINGS**—bought official FFA jackets; sold \$75.00 worth of kudzu crowns; organized pig chain; participated in fat calf show;



Pictured above are the members of the Thomaston FFA judging team.

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operated post treating plant; practiced forest management in school forest.

**BOAZ**—chapter presented radio program; quartet won county contest; speaker won county speaking contest; placed FFA signs at city limits.

**BRANTLEY**—held public speaking contest; organized quartet and judging team; helped with the March of Dimes; made an order for fruit trees, shrubbery, berry plants and vines for members.

**BRIDGEPORT**—entering sweetheart in Tri-State FFA Queen contest; received and erected FFA signs.

**BROOKWOOD**—In observance of National FFA Week metal signs leading into the community were erected; planted 2,000 pine seedlings on campus plot.

**BUTLER**—held two regular meetings; pruned shrubbery on school campus.

**CAMDEN**—received 7 FFA jackets; one member received a purebred poland china gilt pig through the Camden FFA Coop Pig Club.

**CAMP HILL**—33 members have planned 96 productive projects and 78 improvement projects for 1950-51.

**CARLOWVILLE**—making signs and mail box posts; making frame and installing a chain hoist in the shop; selling Coca Colas to raise money; selling Southern Agriculturist to earn a wire recorder.

**CEDAR BLUFF**—have eleven official jackets; organized quartet; have eight fat hogs and five pigs.

**CHEROKEE**—Arbor day was observed by setting out 25 pine seedlings.

**CITRONELLE**—sold chapter hogs; initiated green hands; held initiation social.

**CLAYTON**—members set out approximately 6,000 pine seedlings; joined Sears, Roebuck pig chain and will receive 5 Duroc Jersey gilts and 1 pure bred boar.

**COFFEE SPRINGS**—purchased and set out 3,000 pine seedlings.

**COFFEEVILLE**—received 7,000 pine seedlings; selling magazines to raise money for chapter; reporter now assures chapter that all reports will be in on time.

**COLUMBIANA**—Planning to buy welcome signs with FFA insignia and putting at each side of town. Planning annual Mother-Daughter-Father-Son banquet.

**COTTONWOOD**—planted 2,000 strawberry plants; ordered FFA welcome signs; ordered 100 gals. Dixie 18 seed corn.

**CORNER**—making a point to have an article in local paper every week; have entires in nearly every FFA contest; cattle judging teams practicing; planning a financial program to keep chapter on sound financial basis.

**COTACO**—selling garden seed for a money making project.

**CULLMAN**—plans for Father - Son - Mother - Daughter banquet; held chapter FFA speaking contest; selling magazines to raise money; en-



Sherrill Smith and Ann Martin, King and Queen of the Douglas FFA and FHA chapter.

tered judging team at Decatur hog show and sale.

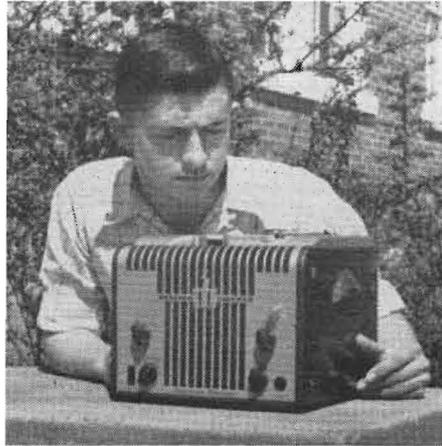
**DADEVILLE**—sold \$79.00 worth of magazine subscriptions; received chapter sweetheart and adviser's jackets; observed FFA Week by having article in paper, quartet and speaker appeared on Civic Club program, and had all members who owned "T" shirts and jackets wear them.

**DOUGLAS**—making mail box post, bookcases, and many other useful articles for home and farm; celebrated FFA Week by presenting chapel program, radio programs, members met with adult groups on community development program, local president visited individual class rooms; plan to enter 21 hogs in county fat hog show.

**DOZIER**—chapel program planned for National FFA Week; purchased new books for library.

**EAST BREWTON**—first and second year classes went on field trip to practice beef cattle judging.

**EAST LIMESTONE**—celebrated National FFA Week by presenting assembly program, FFA social, maintained 100% membership by obtain-



Jack Stiefel, President of Fyffe chapter displays wire recorder belonging to chapter.



C. E. Teague, Adviser, Cotaco chapter at left observing pig project belonging to Charles Johnson at right.

ing membership of 2 new members; ordered official FFA sport shirts; organized beef and dairy cattle judging teams.

**ECLECTIC**—ordered 14,000 pine seedlings; held public speaking contest; treated 3,000 posts ordered FFA jackets; added to library; bought black-out curtains for department.

**ELBA**—purchased four FFA jackets; initiated thirty green hands; placed pig chain gilt; sold magazine subscriptions for wire recorder; put out 9,000 pine seedlings.

**ENTERPRISE**—members planted 21,000 pine trees; won county speaking and quartet contest.

**EUFAULA**—ordered equipment for FFA meetings; held county speaking contest.

**EUTAW**—added 10 new members to our chapter during membership drive week.

**EVERGREEN**—planting 18,000 pine trees; received eight pigs from pig chain; published stories in Evergreen Courant about National FFA Week; put exhibits in store windows; had Mayor proclaim FFA Week in Evergreen.

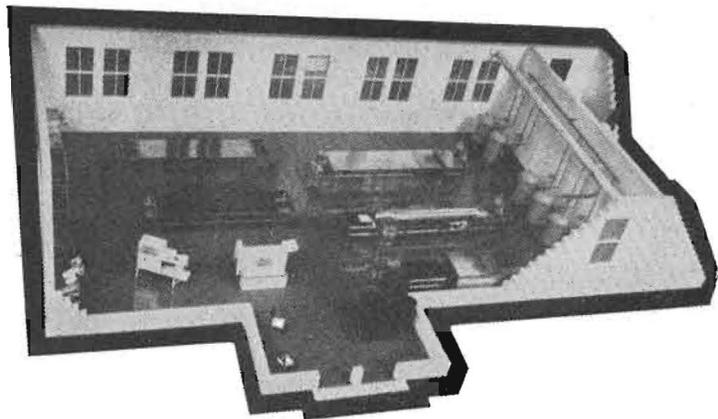
**FAYETTE**—elected chapter sweetheart; member has sow which farrowed 28 pigs in two litters.

**FLOMATON**—held speaking contest; published two issues of Korny Kob; presented sweetheart with jacket; sold 7 official jackets; received 13,500 pine seedlings.

**FLORALA**—set out 4,000 pine seedlings; made hog feeder and sold it; raised \$69.00 for chapter on Hobo day.

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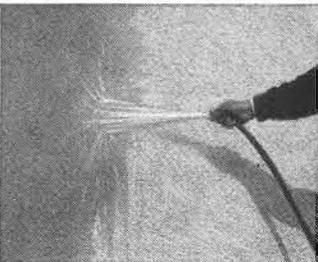
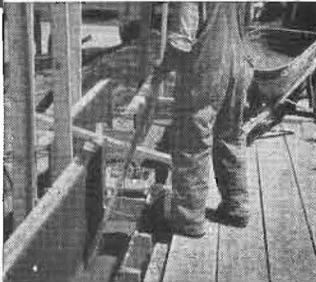
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**FRISCO CITY**—entering dairy, beef cattle judging, and parliamentary procedure teams in county contest; received pine and catalpa seedlings to distribute to the farmers.

**GAYLESVILLE**—cleared \$105.00 on seven cedar chests made as a project to raise money; have eight pigs on our FFA pasture that are feeding out as a project; elected chapter sweetheart; planning to buy a new FFA banner for our chapter clubroom.

**GENEVA**—planted 9,000 pine seedlings; made plans for observing national FFA Week; purchased three road signs; completed planting 9,500 pine seedlings.

**GERALDINE**—planned to have corn husking; attended county public speaking contest at Crossville—adviser and three members.

**GORDO**—won county speaking and quartet contest; participated in chapel program during FFA Week; secured "Welcome" signs for town of Gordo.



Winford Collier, State FFA President, at center, presents his father with an honorary chapter Farmer Degree during the local banquet. Hefin Nolen, at right, is local President.

**GOSHEN**—made plans for Mother-Daughter-Father-Son banquet; two gilts on the pig chain farrowed 18 pigs; obtained officers drapes and made officers stands.

**GRAND BAY**—planted 1,000 pine seedlings; additional trees were planted to enlarge the scope of the forestry project.

**GREENHILL**—held assembly program honoring FFA Week; FFA sow farrowed nine pigs.

**GROVE HILL**—awarded official jacket to sweetheart; ordered 4 small metal signs "A Future Farmer Lives Here" and one large sign; sold 2 hogs; entered and won county FFA public speaking contest.

**HACKLEBURG**—Held Father-Son - Mother-Daughter banquet; won district speaking and quartet contest; built markers for each local church, school and for the community.

**HALEYVILLE**—presented 2 radio programs; program in chapel in observance of National FFA Week; gave program at Haleyville Civitan Club; gave out copies of the Alabama Future Farmer to Civitan Club members.

**HAMILTON**—Purchased one book to add to FFA library; treated 350 fence posts; put on two radio programs.

**HATTON**—sponsored program in observance of National FFA Week; made plans for pictures



Pell City members clean and repair tractor in farm shop.

of boys and their projects to be put in local paper.

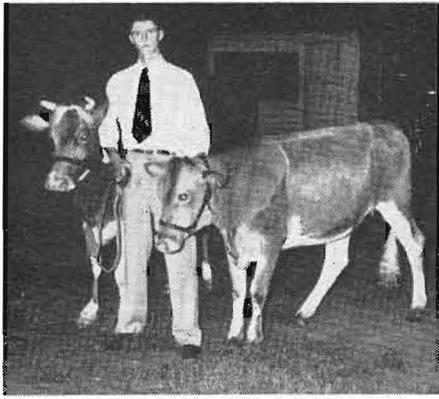
**HAYDEN**—making plans for annual barbecue; plan initiation of new members.

**HAYNEVILLE**—met during the National FFA Week and had a program on "Why We Have FFA Week." At this time the Alabama Future Farmer was given out; sold chances on a FFA jacket at twenty-five cents a chance, the jacket was given away at last meeting; sold a total of five jackets.

**HEADLAND**—members bought registered Duroc gilts.

**HIGHLAND HOME**—bought one jacket; ordered welcome signs.

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Tommy Morton, Pell City, with his registered Guernsey cow and heifer which he won in the St. Clair County Dairy show.

**HOLTVILLE**—set out 10,000 pine seedlings; ordered peach trees; plan Father-Son-Mother-Daughter banquet.

**HUBBERTVILLE**—placed three pigs on pig chain; wrote special news articles to newspapers and had a radio program during National FFA Week.

**INVERNESS**—plan to attend Fat Stock Show in Montgomery; selling subscriptions for farm magazine.

**ISABELLA**—planted 14,000 pine seedlings; voted to sell FFA Sears bull and replace with young bull.

**JACKSON**—added two mail box posts; members planted 5,000 pine seedlings; distributed FFA chapter calendars; all classes reviewed and took test on "Know Your FFA".

**JASPER**—planted 16,000 pine seedlings, ordered two FFA jackets; received slide and film strip projector; ordered 19 FFA identification bracelets; bought 100 apple trees cooperatively.

**KINSTON**—sold hogs and made \$60.00; sold peanuts and drinks for profit of \$30.00; received and set out 7,000 pine seedlings.

**LEROY**—ordered pine seedlings, hybrid seed corn; held chapter public speaking contest; selling seed to raise money for chapter; planted 2,000 pine seedlings for a man for \$16.00; chap-

ter held and won county FFA Public Speaking contest.

**LINDEN**—eight members received jackets; pledged \$10.00 on stage curtain.

**LIVINGSTON**—set out 9,000 pine seedlings; purchased black out shades for classroom; presented FFA Sweetheart with official jacket; selling subscriptions to Southern Agriculturist and Holland's magazine; made \$60.10 operating FFA store.

**LOCUST FORK**—sold tangerines, popcorn, and peanuts during county tournament; members building table lamps for the contest sponsored by Alabama Power Company.

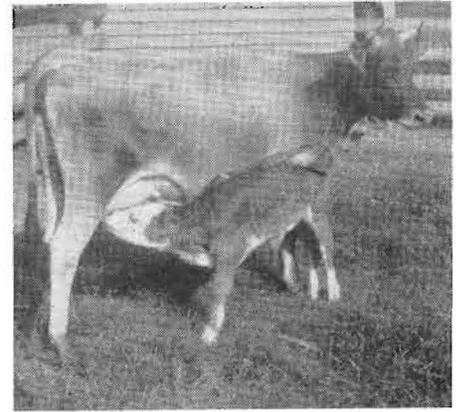
**LYNN**—made road markers; put on assembly program; drive for new members; ordered 4,000 pine seedlings.

**McADORY**—member received purebred OIC gilt; practicing Parliamentary Procedure; purchased and set out 8,000 pine seedlings and 222 fruit trees.

**McKENZIE**—set out 4,000 pine trees; published one news article; members are placing for 100 bushel corn club.

**MAPLESVILLE**—set out 6,000 pine seedlings; paid dues; had FFA-FHA banquet.

**MIDLAND CITY**—initiated fellow students, now all have met qualifications for membership in chapter; received FFA jacket; elected Star Farmer for year; received medal to present



Pictured above is Judy with her seven day old calf by her side. This is one of fifty-four cows bred by Mill Iron 696 Sears-Roebuck bull, owned by the Carrollton FFA chapter.



Carlowville FFA members working in their farm shop. C. A. Harris, at right, their local adviser.

to Star Farmer; made plans for annual Father-Son-Mother-Daughter banquet.

**MUNFORD**—planted 10,000 pine trees; presented a chapel program; plan to have Father-Son-Mother-Daughter banquet; start pig chain.

**NEW MARKET**—set out 2,000 pine trees; cut fence posts for school yard; bought wood lathe and joiner for ag department and table set radio for chapter.

**NEWVILLE**—visited Alabama State Hatchery and Dothan Eagle printing press; showed a film on farm safety.

**OAKMAN**—gave three honorary chapter farmer degrees; held special meeting to observe national FFA Week; gave ribbon to winner of the chapter speaking contest.

**OPP**—ordered fruit trees for members; made rooting bed for shrubbery; made plans for the Plow Horse Derby; distributed six pigs to chapter members.

**ORRVILLE**—purchased official ties, official jackets, and metal signs for mail boxes; put on terracing demonstration; purchased signs for highway.

**OZARK**—received 9,000 pine seedlings and FFA jackets; ordered certified tomato plants;

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won county speaking contest; attended hog school at Community House.

**PAINT ROCK VALLEY**—held party with FHA; entered FFA Queen in Tri-State Queen contest.

**PELL CITY**—beef and dairy judging teams organized and practicing; radio program started; scrapbook organized with pictures, writeup, etc.

**PINE APPLE**—planning pig chain; received degree pins; distributed FFA calendars; plan to enter 100 bushel corn club; members of hog, beef and dairy cattle judging teams practicing; quartet won county elimination.

**PINE HILL**—ordered 5 FFA jackets and 2 "T" shirts; received 2,000 pine seedlings; held public speaking contest.

**PLEASANT HOME**—bought 5 more hogs to fatten and sell; ordered four FFA jackets, metal blinds for the classroom; sold subscriptions for Southern Agriculturist and Holland's magazines; ordered 13,000 pine seedlings.

**PRATTVILLE**—held joint social with FHA and chapter farmer initiation; held chapter public speaking and quartet contest; conducted FFA Queen contest.

**PRINCETON**—initiated 15 green hands; raised 8 Green Hands to Chapter Farmers; started a Hampshire Pig-Chain; received and planted 14,000 pine seedlings.

**RAMER**—purchased and erected 4 FFA road signs; won county speaking contest; secured nursery stock.

**RANBURNE**—re-set area with 4,000 long leaf and slash pine seedlings; planning to sow grazing for hog project; elected new reporter.

**RAWLS**—elected Star Chapter Farmer.

**RED BAY**—removing old shrubbery and replacing it; won county public speaking; put on three radio programs observing National FFA Week.

**RED LEVEL**—received 5 official jackets; planted 23,000 pine seedlings; three hogs bought to fatten out on scraps; official FFA calendars distributed to members and business men; had spot announcements on radio during National FFA Week; put posters up town announcing FFA Week; selling magazine subscriptions for a wire recorder and radio.

**REHOBETH**—placed pigs with boys who wanted them; planning annual Mother-Daughter-Father-Son banquet; plan to sell tangerine trees to make money for chapter funds.



Brookwood members erect WELCOME signs at entrance to their town.

**REELTOWN**—had donkey basket ball game and cleared \$52.00; made hot bed to raise tomato plants.

**RIVERTON**—elected chapter sweetheart; sold 2 top hogs; participated in radio program; added five pigs to grazing plot; participated on Civic Club program and two school programs.

**ROANOKE**—Green Hand and Chapter Farmer pins distributed; two new members; elected chapter sweetheart; had chapel, radio, Lions Club, and Rotary Club programs during FFA Week; awarded Honorary chapter Farmers degree; FFA-FHA social planned; write-up in local and school newspaper.

**ROGERSVILLE**—added 75 new books to library; bought new radio for classroom; distributed 14,000 pine and locust seedlings; ordered FFA emblem to be used in assembly program during National FFA Week; 24 boys with beef cow and calf projects; presented 30 minute program during National FFA Week; erected 3 signs of Future Farmers of America at the city limits of our town; four news articles published.

**SAMSON**—ordered 6,000 pine seedlings; entered public speaking and quartet contest.

**SAND ROCK**—got 3,000 pine trees; had two officers meetings.

**SIDNEY LANIER**—ordered fruit trees; planned Father-Son-Mother-Daughter banquet; ordered FFA jewelry; gave Green hands a manual; placed two gilts in hog chain.

**SMITH STATION**—held magazine selling campaign and program for PTA during FFA Week.

**SOUTHSIDE**—write-up and pictures in Gadsden Times; presented Green Hand pins to 15 members and Chapter Star Farmer Award to



Kenneth Fike, of the Jasper chapter, displays one of his prize hogs.

member; sold two top hogs for \$90.00; purchased 4 shoats to feed out at school; grooming hereford steer to show at Fat Stock Show at Gadsden.

**STRAUGHN**—planted 6,000 pine seedlings; chapter sold \$45.00 worth of subscriptions to Farm and Ranch and Holland magazine.

**SULLIGENT**—Charles Gilmer won chapter Star Farmer award; secured one new member; for FFA Week put on radio program over WSGN; placed four news articles in Lamar Democrat and The Sulligent News; arranged display on bulletin boards in the department and in the high school.

**SUTTLE**—Planned Mother-Daughter-Father-Son banquet; put on chapel program.

**SWEET WATER**—sold four hogs; have five more pigs to fatten out as money making project.

**THOMASTON**—began chapter sweetheart contest; appointed financial and recreational committees; plan to have Dairy Cattle and Beef Cattle judging teams.

**THOMASVILLE**—planted 2,000 pine seedlings; organized quartet; plan to extend pig chain.

**TROY**—Troy Kiwanis Club has financed the buying of identification signs for members. These are to be put out along with the mail box improvement project; two additional members have purchased jackets; date for Mothers and Fathers night set; mail box improvement projects are under construction and being put up.

**URIAH**—began plans for landscaping new school building; made plans for Mother-Daughter-Father-Son banquet.

**VERNON**—organized string band; members attended social; had Green Hand film on program; placed 3 registered OIC pigs with members; to start a Hampshire pig chain with Sears Roebuck gilt fund.

**VINA**—FFA-FHA had joint meeting, a short play was presented by FHA; started pig chain with use of Poland China hogs.

**VINCENT**—started pig chain so the members can get a start growing purebred pigs.

**WATERLOO**—organized FFA band; published chapter news letter; put assembly program and radio program on local station WJOI.

**WEDOWEE**—held quartet practice session and quartet appeared on two programs at churches; received 10,000 pine seedlings; working on judging teams.

**WEST POINT**—quartet practicing for state contest; selling popsicles for fund raising; set out 1,000 pine seedlings.

**WETUMPKA**—held Father-Son-Mother-Daughter banquet; gave chapel and Lions Club program; officers had pictures made with city mayor at Welcome signs; awarded medal to speaking winner and Star Chapter Farmer and a gilt to corn contest winner; presented honorary member with certificate; articles in local paper.

**WOODLAND**—chapter installed venetian blinds in classroom; installed black smith shop in voc. ag. shop.

**YORK**—observed National FFA Week; participated in magazine and seed sale; cleared approximately \$100.00 on calendar sale.



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Rinse chicken pieces in cold water and dry. Melt butter in heavy skillet; season chicken pieces and brown on both sides. Remove from skillet. Add onions to skillet and fry slowly until tender. Return browned chicken pieces (skin side up) to skillet and sprinkle with paprika. Add water and cover. Cook slowly for 30 to 40 minutes or until tender. Remove chicken pieces to platter. Add the cream to skillet mixture. Stir and heat thoroughly. Serve with cooked noodles or rice.

OUR CITY COUSIN



When Biddy is broody, she's sharp with her beak. City Cousin found out on a visit last week.



### Production vs. Price Controls

Meat price controls are aimed at helping to curb inflation. We can all sincerely hope that they will succeed in this.

Swift & Company will abide by these controls.

On the other hand, I think there's a better way of doing our part in controlling inflation. I refer to the program worked out together by farm and ranch organizations, various meat packers, and others. This broad plan was presented to the government. It aims directly at curing the *cause* of inflation—too much money bidding for too little produce. Here's what our livestock-meat industry proposed:

*First, encourage an increased supply of meat.* What we need is more livestock, not less. Do everything possible to induce ranchers and farmers to raise more and better meat animals. Encourage them, also, to produce more feed and to use it efficiently. Reduce livestock death and injury losses. All those things can be done. They all mean more meat.

*Second, take steps so there won't be so many inflated dollars around bidding up prices.* That, too, can be done. By pay-as-we-go taxation. By cutting down on too-easy credit. By encouraging savings. By holding down the expansion of the supply of money. And by strict economy—in government, business and individual spending. All those are strong checks against inflation.

*The results would be certain.* More meat, fairly distributed. The efficiency of maximum production—which we need. No loss of precious medicines and other by-products. Normal, above-board business instead of black market graft and waste. *And a safe and sound economy for our nation both during and after this emergency.*

I would like to know what you think.

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### Chemical Control of Brush on Rangeland

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Chemical control of brush and noxious weeds can increase live-stock carrying capacity by 50 to 75 percent. This has been proved in tests conducted by the U. S. Southern Great Plains Field Station at Woodward, Oklahoma. Research workers and co-operating ranchers used planes to spray several hundred thousand acres of sagebrush. They applied low concentrations of the chemical 2,4-D to the sage when it was in vigorous growth in the late spring. The cost ran about \$2.50 an acre and the results were effective.

Mesquite, one of the most spectacular range brush pests, does not appear to be affected by 2,4-D. However, studies at Spur, Texas, indicate that another new chemical—2,4,5-T—may be used effectively on mesquite and other brushy pests. Extensive field tests are needed to determine the proper treatments and whether they are practical from an economic standpoint.

Getting rid of the brush and weeds is only a part of the research story on range improvement. A second part, equally important, is the creation of improved varieties of grasses and legumes for seeding the cleaned land.

Forage breeders are now focusing attention on species that will supplement native grasses, extend the grazing season, persist through weather hazards, yield high quality feeds, and then produce larger amounts of viable seed than the present commonly grown varieties. Many of these are now in the development stage. Some of them will be available in the next few years.

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