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

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.

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How to Cure Stage Fright

FFA members who perform in public may 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.”)

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.
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 had also 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 committees 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.

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.

Opal Taylor, Maplesville FFA Sweetheart.

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.

Pictured above is Annie Ruth Daniels, the LaFayette FFA Sweetheart.
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 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 trip. The hunting trip will probably be cancelled, for the safety of the boys — not the quail.

Ffyfe Chapter Earns Recorder

The Ffyfe 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.

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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.

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.

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 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.

What are some of the farm hazards existing in your community which make farming one of the most dangerous occupations? What can we do to remove these hazards?
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.

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.

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

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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.

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

COFFEEVILLE—received 7,000 pine seedlings; pruned shrubbery on school campus.

CULLMAN—plans for Father-Son-Mother banquet; held initiation social.

COLUMBIA—planted 8,000 strawberry plants; ordered FFA welcome signs; ordered 109 gals. Dixie 15 seed corn.

CENDED BAY—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 $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, held president visited individual class rooms; plan to enter 21 hogs in county fat hog show.

DOZIER—chapels 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 obtaining 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 3,900 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 gift; 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—planted 18,000 pine trees; received eight pigs from pig chain; published three 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 now which farrowed 26 pigs in two litters.

FLOMATON—held speaking contest; published two issues of Korny Kob; presented sweetheart with jacket; sold 7 official jackets; received 13,000 pine seedlings.

FLORALA—set out 4,000 pine seedlings; made hog feeder and sold it; raised $99.00 for chapter on Hobo day.

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

Jack Stiefel, President of Fyffe chapter displays wire recorder belonging to chapter.
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FRISCO CITY-entering dairy, beef cattle judging, and parliamentary procedure teams in county contest; received pine and catalpa seedling to distribute to the farmers.

GAYLESVILLE—closed $105.00 on seven cedar chests made as a project to raise money; have eight plus 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 9,000 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. Heflin 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 saw 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.

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

HAMPTON—purchased one book to add to FFA library; treated 500 fence posts; put on two radio programs.

HAYDEN—sponsored program in observance of National FFA Week; made plans for pictures 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.

PELL CITY members clean and repair tractor in farm shop.

ALABAMA FUTURE FARMER
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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.

HOLTIVILLE—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 Pat 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 and set out 7,000 pine seedlings.

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; chapter held and won county FFA Public Speaking contest.

LINDEN—eight members received jackets; pledged $18.00 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 $60.16 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.

MCADORY—member received purebred OIC gift; practicing Parliamentary Procedure; purchased and set out 2,000 pine seedlings and 225 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 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.

OP—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 mailbox; put on terracing demonstration; purchased signs for highway.

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

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-Boebuck bull, owned by the Carrollton FFA chapter.

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

RIVERTOWN—elected chapter sweetheart; sold 2 top hogs; participated in radio program; added five signs to grain plot; participated in 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 14,000 nine seedlings.

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 and calf projects; presented 90 minute program during National FFA Week; erected 14 signs of Future Farmer of Americas at the city limits of our town; four news articles published.

SAMSON—ordered 6,000 pine seedlings; entered FFA Queen In Tri-State Queen contest.

SAND ROCK—planted 8,000 pine trees; had two officers meetings.

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

SMITH—sold 5,000 worth of subscriptions to Southern Agriculturist and Holland's magazines; distributed FFA calendars; plan to have Dairy Cattle and Beef Cattle judging teams.

STEMLER—ordered four FFA jackets, metal degree pins; distributed FFA calendars; plan assembly program and program for FFA during FFA Week.

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

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WOODLAND—chapter installed venetian blinds in classroom; installed black smith shop on campus.

WORLEY—observed National FFA Week; partook in magazine and seed sale; cleared approximately $100.00 on calendar sale.

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

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

STRUGGH—planted 6,000 pine seedlings; chapter sold $40.00 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 WJO; planted four prairie strips 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.

SWEETWATER—sold 4,000 pine seedlings; organised quartet; plan to extend pig chain.

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VINCENT—started pig chain so the members can get a start providing for their own hogs; organized and practicing; radio program started; short play was presented by FFA; started pig chain with use of Poland and Boar Club.

WATERLOO—organized FFA band; published chapter newspaper; put assembly program and radio program on local station WJO; sponsored 4-H Band; published chapter newspaper.

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Last year America's poultry farmers produced one and three-quarter billion pounds of broilers. With turkeys and other poultry added, 1960's production of poultry meat equalled half of our beef production.

Not many years ago broilers were the cockerel half of replacement chickens for the laying flock ... sold for meat. Quality varied greatly. Some were light, some heavy; some young, some old; some tender, some tough. Supply was seasonal, and consumer demand feeble.

But today, broiler raising is a fast-growing, mechanized, mass-production industry with an established mass market. And a mighty efficient industry, too. Special broiler strains have been developed—plump, meaty birds that grow into 3-pound broilers in 10 to 12 weeks—and make a pound of chicken meat from 3 pounds of feed or less. In a modern broiler house, one man can handle up to 30,000 broilers, up to four times a year. Thus, one man can turn out as much as a half-million pounds of meat in one year.

Starting on the East Coast's Del-Mar-Va (Delaware, Maryland, Virginia) peninsula, broiler growing has spread all over the nation—to New England, the South— to the Midwest, the Southwest, Pacific Coast. It's still growing lustily. So long as Mrs. ConSUMER says, "More chicken, please," it will continue to grow—as long, also, as ingenious, self-reliant American producers see the possibility of profitable food production via broilers, even in marginal areas—of sharing in a business which last year accounted for four hundred and fifty million dollars of our nation's farm income.

Martha Logan's Recipe for

HUNGARIAN CHICKEN

1 chicken, cut up for frying 1 teaspoon paprika
½ cup butter or shortening ½ cup water
Salt, Pepper 1 cup cream
3 medium onions, diced Hot cooked noodles or rice
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 well 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 sauce mixture. Stir and heat thoroughly. Serve with cooked noodles or rice.

Our CITY COUSIN

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City Cousin found out on a visit last week.

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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. F. M. SimpsoN

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Chemical Control of Brush on Rangeland

by Robert M. Salter

U. S. Dept. of Agriculture

Beltville, Maryland

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Chemical control of brush and noxious

weeds can increase livestock carrying capaci-

ity by 50 to 76 percent. More livestock.

This has been proved in tests conducted by the U. S. Southern Great Plains Field Station at Wood-

worth, Oklahoma. Research workers and co-operating ranchers used planes to spray several hundred thousand acres of sagebrush. They applied low concentra-

tions 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 prac-

tical 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. Many of these are now in the develop-

ment stage. Some of them will be avail-

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