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## RIVERTON CHAPTER SEARS BULL WINS STATE SHOW —

J. D. Wigley, adviser, Jerry Allen, Manager of bull, W. C. Greenway, Sears representative, and Joe Strong, showman.

## Alabama Represented At National FFA Convention

From the time the train pulled out of Birmingham's Terminal Station with the enthusiastic Alabama FFA delegates on board, October 11, until the curtains rang down on the closing ceremony, October 15, the Silver Anniversary Future Farmers of America Convention was a rousing success.

The Alabama boys joined with some 12,000 other delegates from all over the country to pack more fun, food, fellowship, and education into the four-day convention than they had ever before experienced.

David H. Boyne, 19, of Marlette, Michigan, was elected national president of the Future Farmers of America during the closing day of the 25th Anniversary National FFA Convention that will go down in the books as the greatest activity in the history of the FFA.

Other convention highlights included a special U.S. postage stamp commemorating the 25th Anniversary of FFA introduced by Assistant Postmaster General Albert J. Robertson on October 13.

Guest speakers, besides the president, included Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby, Secretary of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, and Ezra Taft Benson, Secretary of Agriculture.

The other national officers elected for 1953-54 are Hunt Zumwalt, Artesia, New Mexico, student secretary; Walker Earl James, Middlebury, Vermont, North Atlantic Region vice president; Charles W. Rittes, Jr., Amory, Mississippi, Southern Region vice president; Harlan Rigney, Red Oak, Illinois, Central Region vice president, and John Schultheis, Colton, Washington, Pacific Region vice president.

The convention opened on October 12 with registration and tours of Kansas

City, followed that evening by the national FFA public speaking contest which was won by Phillip Anderson, Jr., Marked Tree, Arkansas, whose subject was "The Benevolent Monster."

The national FFA band and national FFA chorus made their first convention appearances at the time of the public speaking contest. Later during the week the band was called on to greet President Eisenhower when he arrived in the city, and to provide music at the American Royal Live Stock and Horse Show when the president put in an appearance there. Staying over in Kansas City until the 17th, the band provided the lead unit for the big American Royal Parade.

The FFA chorus, in addition to providing music for the convention, participated in the program of the American Royal Ball on the night of October 16. The band and chorus were featured on a nationwide Mutual Broadcasting System radio program October 16.

Highlights of the program on October 13 included the introduction of the commemorative postage stamp, presentation of awards in the national chapter contest, conferring of American Farmer degrees and Honorary American Farmer degrees, and, in the evening, the presentation of 1953 Star American Farmers.

In the National Chapter contest, Alabama had three winners as follows: Riverton, Gold Emblem; Geneva, Silver Emblem; and Montevallo, Bronze Emblem awards.

Stanley Chapman of Monroe, Washington, received the \$1,000 Future Farmers of America Foundation award as Star Farmer of America. Regional Star Farmers, who received \$500 each, were Monroe Kottwitz, Kingfisher, Oklahoma; Graydon Leo Lyons, Colebrook, New Hampshire; and Rollin Dale Blossy, Williamston, Michigan.



PRESIDENT EISENHOWER is made honorary FFA member at National Convention.

An hour of entertainment provided by the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company followed the Star Farmer Show.

The Wednesday morning convention feature was a gigantic Anniversary Pageant in which more than 600 FFA members, including several from Alabama, participated. Scenes acted out by FFA members depicted the growth and achievement of the organization since 1928, and the whole affair was climaxed by the presentation of a "birthday cake" 22 feet in diameter in which 25 boys with special caps served as "candles."

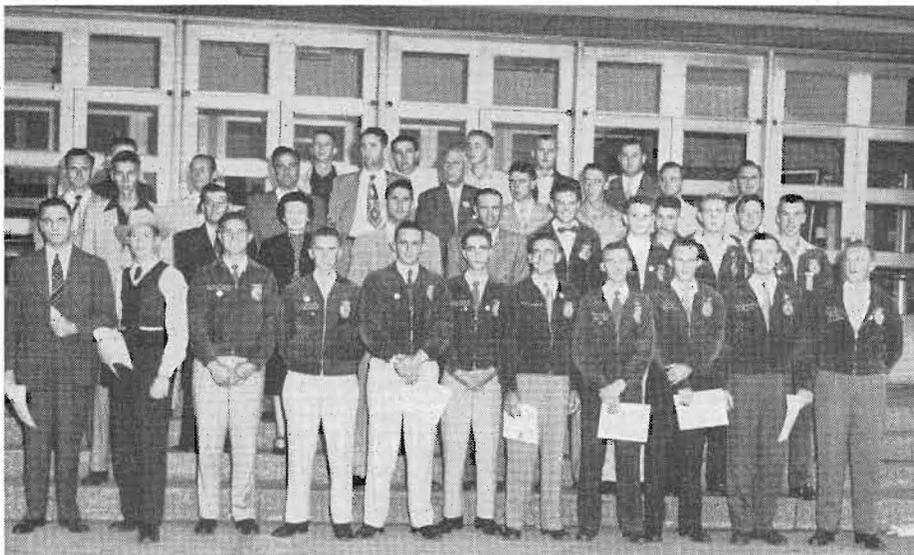
Officers and delegates worked in committee session during the early part of Wednesday afternoon while other boys went on tours of the city. Later, the delegates were hosts at a reception given for donors to the FFA Foundation.

Wednesday night's program featured the presentation of regional and national awards in Soil and Water Management, Farm Mechanics, Dairy Farming, Farm Electrification and Farm Safety. Representatives of the Foundation Donors were platform guests during the award presentations. A scientific show, General Electric's "House of Magic," closed the evening program.

It is doubtful if any other organization ever had such an eventful session as the FFA during the closing day of the Anniversary convention. Opening on Thursday with a brief business session, the delegates then heard greetings from representatives of the Future Homemakers of America, Boy Scouts, and 4-H Clubs; were addressed by Secretary Benson, then watched the Indian boys of the Browning, Montana, FFA chapter stage a Buffalo Grass Dance, complete with teepees on the stage and all the ceremonial costumes.

Mrs. Hobby's address came early during the afternoon program, followed by election and installation of new national officers. Doors for the evening program opened at 6:45 and the auditorium was soon jam-packed with Future Farmers, many of whom had waited near the doors two hours in order to get a good

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PICTURED ABOVE are most of the Alabama delegation who attended the National FFA Convention in Kansas City. Their names are listed in the write-up above.

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# Reporting F. F. A. News Is Important

By DOUGLAS RIGNEY  
State FFA Reporter

The story that Future Farmers tell, echoes familiar creeds, attitudes, and hopes cherished in our Country's traditions.

First of all it tells of democracy in education. To be a member of the Future Farmer organization is to be a student of vocational agriculture. This system of education for young farmers reaches to the grass roots of our free society. It cuts across the artificial barriers of color, creed, and income levels.

Then, too, the story is practical. Americans believe education for doing to be important, if not as an end in itself, as a means to other attainments and satisfaction.

The story radiates optimism, self-assurance, and a quality of state of mind that has come to be described by the word progress.

So it is a story worth telling and spreading — a story that American folk like because it is their own story and their own boys taking part in this news of Future Farmers of America here in our State and Nation.

We can remember back a few years ago when the word FFA was mentioned and people would say "What is FFA" and someone else says "That's something that goes on in our school." But today with every chapter with a live wire reporter doing a good job of letting the people know what the FFA is and what its members are doing with their Progress of Farming Programs and Activities, this saying of the past of "What is FFA" is becoming a distant echo, so let's work harder with news and accomplishments of our fellow members to put this distant echo out of hearing.

We are having to ask our local newspaper editors to help us with this program of telling the people our news and they are doing a great job all over the State and we hope the progress increases. Our local editors cannot report our news if we as Reporters don't notify them of the events, so Reporters and fellow members as the progress of our members occurs, let's not let it get cold before the news is spread to the people telling this story of Future Farmers and what they are doing.

## Future Farmers . . .

Be proud of what you are. Learn to stand on your own feet.  
Learn to get along happily with other people — at work and play.  
When you have a problem face it. Think out a solution. Talk it over with friends and other people you respect and trust.  
Develop your talents and use them for your own pleasure and the pleasure of others. Do things for other people.

## Important Notes

The five most important words are . . . "I am proud of you."  
Four most important words . . . "What is your opinion?"  
Three most important words . . . "If you please."  
Two most important words . . . "Thank you."  
Smallest and most unimportant word . . . "I."



**THEY'RE FUTURE FARMERS NOW**—These outstanding leaders from business, agriculture and education are shown as they receive the Honorary State Farmer Degree at the 24th Annual Convention of the Alabama Association, Future Farmers of America in Auburn recently. FFA delegates from chapters all over the state witnessed and took part in the ceremony.

These leaders were cited for this honor because of the outstanding service rendered and the many ways they are helping to advance vocational agriculture and FFA in Alabama.

Left to right, front row, are Dr. W. D. Salmon, head professor of animal husbandry and nutrition, API, Auburn; E. C. Easter, vice president, Alabama Power Co., Birmingham; Ed Driggers, farm editor, The Dothan Eagle; O. B. Hodges, principal of Lee County High School, Auburn; H. S. Gordon, Jr., State Educational manager, Chilean Nitrate Educational Bureau, Montgomery; W. R. Walker, agricultural engineer, electrical development branch, TVA, Chattanooga; C. S. Keller, Alabama Chain Store Council, Abbeville; J. F. Hixon, division agricultural engineer, Alabama Power Company, Montgomery; and L. O. Brackeen, director of publicity, API, Auburn.

Left to right, second row, are vocational agriculture teachers, O. R. Dennis, Arab; J. L. Adderhold, Dothan; L. C. Stanfield, Billingsley; B. F. Rawls, Evergreen; R. L. Hartwell, Fayette; Dan C. Royal, chief forester, Miller & Co., Selma; K. A. Johnson, county superintendent of education, Tuscaloosa; H. C. Smith, assistant supervisor, Veterans Vocational Agriculture, Florence and C. W. Goolsby, Jr., assistant supervisor, Veterans Vocational Agriculture, Andalusia.

## ALABAMA REPRESENTED

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seat for the president's address. They were entertained by the national FFA band and chorus, FFA string bands, and an appearance by movie stars Duncan Renaldo and Leo Carillo (Cisco Kid and Pancho).

Following the opening ceremony at 7:30, the distinguished platform guests were introduced, including the retiring



**THE MARION CHAPTER** judging team reviews last-minute points while in Kansas City. Left to right are John Crews, W. S. White, adviser, Howard Cook, Claude Holfield and Aulton Bamberg.

national FFA officers; Secretaries Benson and Hobby, former U.S. Senator from Kansas Harry Darby, who handled many of the arrangements in connection with the Eisenhower visit; Senator Frank Carlson of Kansas who earlier in the convention had received the Honorary American Farmer degree for his work in obtaining the commemorative stamp; Senator Andrew F. Shoepfel of Kansas, and the governors of fourteen states.

Band and chorus numbers filled the time until President Eisenhower arrived promptly at 8 o'clock for retiring FFA president Jimmy Dillon's simple introduction of: "Fellow Future Farmers, Ladies and Gentlemen — The President of the United States."

He was greeted by a rising ovation from the audience, the band played "Ruffles and Flourishes," and "Hail, The Chief." As he moved forward to shake hands with Jimmy Dillon and accept the Honorary American Farmer degree from him, the battery of newspaper photographers opened up with their flashes. Television and newsreel cameras already had started recording the event.

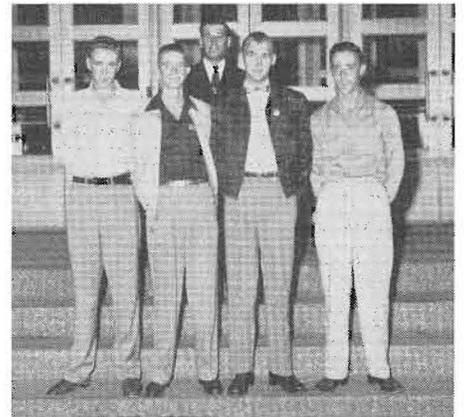
And then began the first address ever delivered by a president of the United

States before a Future Farmers of America convention. His address was well received, as indicated by applause in many instances.

Mr. Eisenhower's address was a major one delving into national agricultural policies, but many of his remarks were pointed directly at the Future Farmer audience.

"In this developing society in which you are speedily to take a leading part, you must never permit your government to indulge in the fanciful notion that work for the individual is a thing of the past," he said. "If ever this should become true, all fun in living will disappear. Your own property, your own security, your own opportunity, your own liberties, must be earned — they cannot be bestowed."

Later, he spoke of the promise of opportunity to get ahead, including the remark that: "I foresee no limits to your future. It is truly boundless. Any-



**THE RIVERTON** judging team is shown above while they were in Kansas City. Left to right are Buddy Darwin, Billy Mullins, J. D. Wigley, adviser, Charlie Strong, and Michael Coleman.

one my age who deeply believes in America sincerely congratulates you as you start the exciting and challenging journey through life, even though he cannot see and experience what you are going to see and experience. But he does know that the whole adventure will be more fascinating, more spectacular, more



**JOHN WILLIAM POE**, State Forestry winner from Suttle, shown above speaking to the Sertoma Civic Club in Kansas City, Mo. R. H. Hoskins, sponsor of the Forestry program, is shown at extreme left.

stimulating and more rewarding than the events my generation has witnessed."

And when the president's speech was over, the National Officers hurriedly brought the convention to a close. It had been the greatest convention the Future Farmers have ever witnessed. It will be long remembered by all who attended.

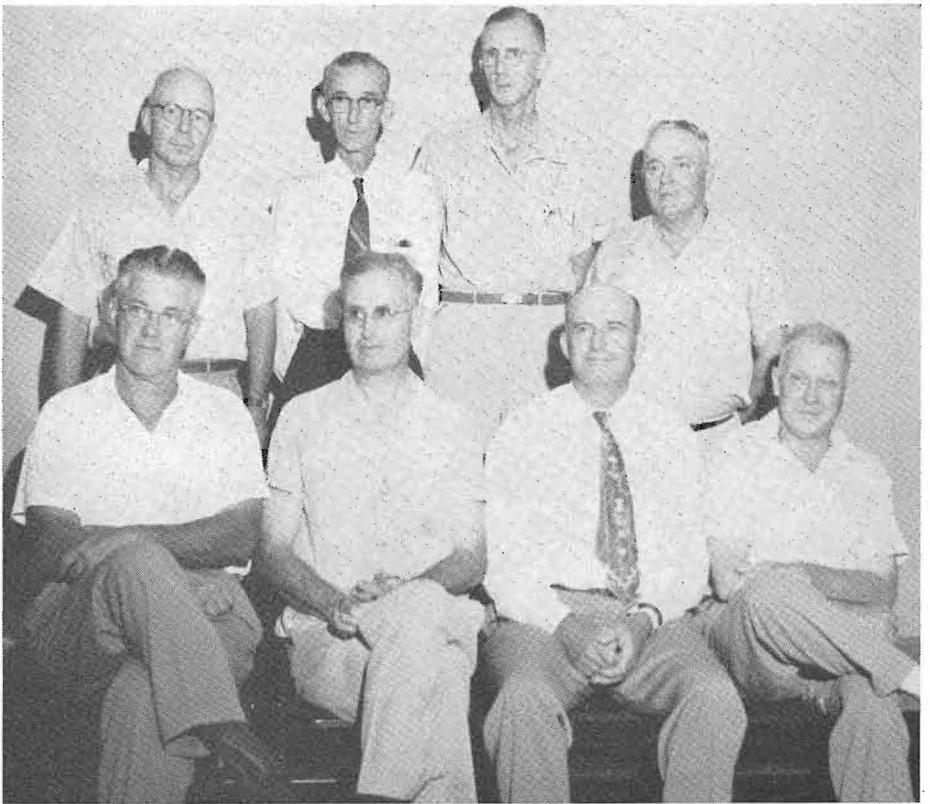
Those attending from Alabama were as follows: T. L. Faulkner, Auburn; Wilson Carnes, Auburn; Hurst Mauldin, Birmingham; Boyd Evans, Birmingham; Ralph Barrett, Dora; Cameron Lyle, Eclectic; Bryant Byrd, Blanton; Kenneth Copeland, Boaz; Douglas Rigney, Copeland; Ernest Dyess, Suttle; John Poe, Suttle; Bill Jack Loyd, Stevenson; Truman Elton Allums, Corner; Mariman Pope, Ashland; John Sanford, Spring Garden; S. E. Pate, Sand Rock; J. W. Bailey, Sand Rock.

Floyd Hopper, Thomasville; Jack Laster, Gadsden; Jerry Sims, Grand Bay; F. H. Cowen, Grand Bay; Waymon Paul, Geneva; Dudley Reynolds, Orrville; Robert Ballew, Arab; Wade Skidmore, Arab; Benny Walker, Beauford, Oscar Jones, Jr., Prattville; Glynn Debtor, Susan Moore; Mrs. Glynn Debtor, Susan Moore; Charles Pritchett, Geneva; Robert Young, Auburn; W. S. White, Marion.

Claude Holeyfield, Marion; Aulton Bamburg, Marion; Howard Cook, Marion; John Crews, Marion; Paul King, Darsie Rogers, Mr. Rogers, P. H. Alsobrook, Notasulga; W. C. Locke, Jimmy Brown, Gus McInnis, Montgomery; M. R. Browder, Roy Boyd, Ramer; Calvin Rogers, Susan Moore, Mrs. Rogers, Susan Moore; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Wigley, Michael Coleman, Charlie Strong, Billy Mullins, Buddy Darwin, Riverton; J. L. Adderhold, Merlin Martin, Rehobeth; C. R. Owens, Ray Lee, John Knight, Falkville; and Ernest Morris, Uniontown.



SHOWN ABOVE are three of those honored for working in Vocational Agriculture 20 years. They are left to right Dr. R. W. Montgomery, Auburn; J. D. Duke, Smith Station and Melton Thornton, Montevallo.

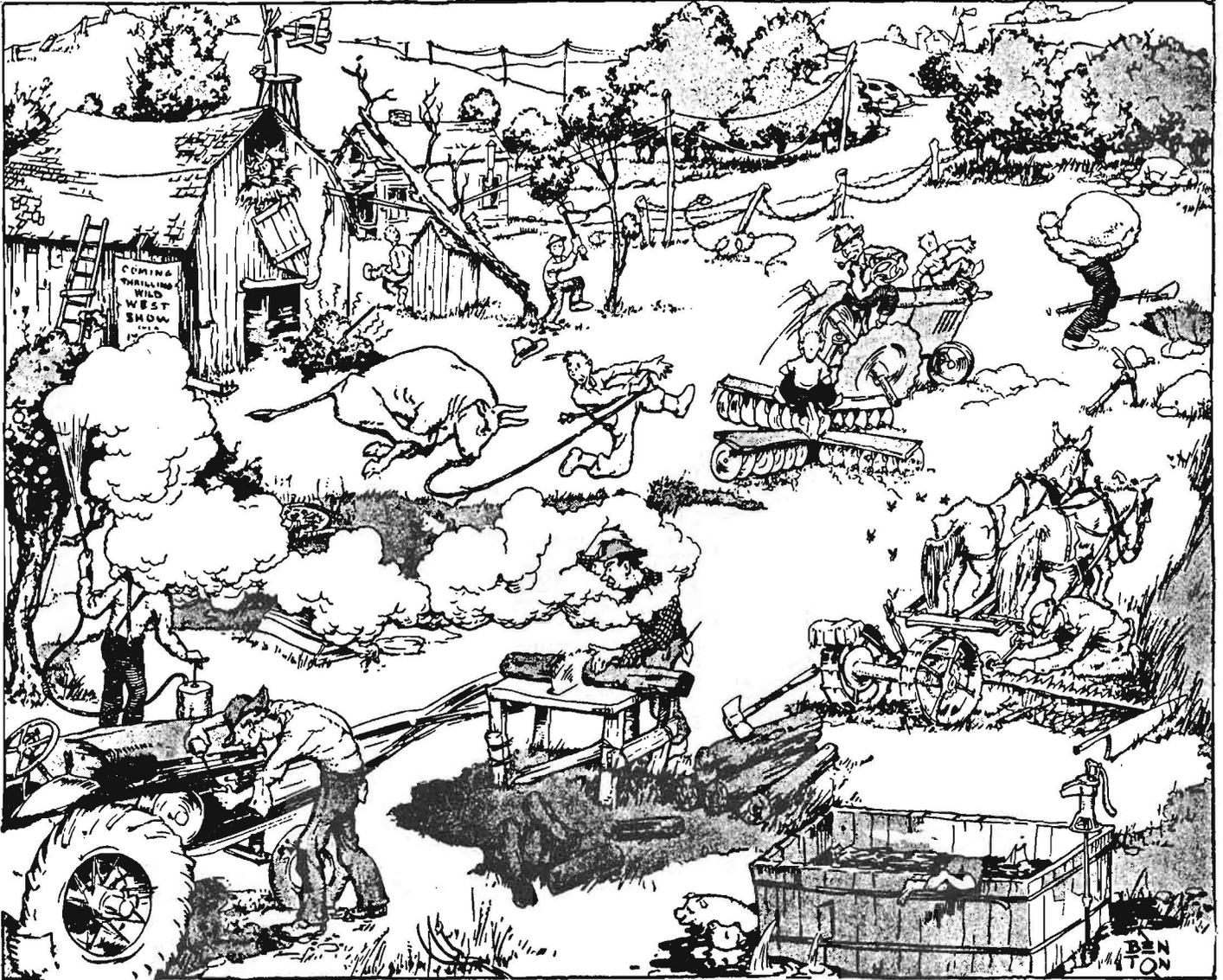


TEACHERS HONORED—Each of the eight vocational agriculture teachers shown above has rendered 25 years of service to the farm people of Alabama. They were honored at a banquet given in Auburn by the Alabama Chain Store Council. From left to right, front row, R. L. Reeder, Florence; B. A. Johnson, New Brockton; W. D. Hunt, Winfield; H. E. Phillips, Scottsboro; back row, J. W. Locke, Pell City; L. P. Ingram, Jacksonville; A. L. Smith, Orrville, and J. R. Roberson, Rogersville.



TAKING A LEADING ROLE in the program honoring the 20 and 25 year Vo-Ag teacher banquet are standing left to right John Powers of V. J. Elmore Stores, Birmingham, J. C. Cannon, State Supervisor, Vocational Agriculture, Montgomery, C. S. Keller, Managing Director, Alabama Chain Stores Council. Front row, left to right, Dr. Ralph B. Draughon, President, A. P. I., L. J. Howell, Reform Vocational agriculture teacher for 35 years and R. W. Montjoy, J. C. Penny Company, Montgomery.

# What's Wrong With This Picture?



ANSWER — WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE?

1. Failure to stop tractor when oiling.
2. Sloppy sleeves around machinery.
3. Unguarded saw.
4. Careless handling of log, endangering thumb.
5. Unbuttoned sleeves near saw.
6. Broken legs and supports on saw table.
7. Man at saw carrying sharp tools in pocket.
8. Double blade axe left unguarded.
9. Axe with broken handle.
10. Sharp pointed hay fork on ground.
11. Boy playing around water tank.
12. Unsuitable mudhole around tank — leaky water trough.
13. Unsuitable condition of well.
14. Working in front of mower.
15. Horses unprotected from flies.
16. Pick left sticking in ground.
17. Broken handle on pick.
18. Man overhitting.
19. Shovel presents tripping hazard.
20. Boy riding on tractor.
21. Turning sharply at high speed with tractor.
22. Harrowing with tractor rear wheels in narrow position.
23. Tractor driver not watching where he is going.
24. Child riding on harrow.
25. Failure to lead bull with a staff.
26. Broken fence.
27. Trees create blind entrance to highway.
28. Dangling electric wire over driveway.
29. Tree chopper let tree fall wrong way.
30. Tree chopper's axe caught in tree because he is standing incorrectly.
31. Unsafe windmill could fall on someone.
32. Fall resting on platform of windmill may fall off.
33. Stovepipe in window of home.
34. Uplifted rake near house.
35. Smoking in haymow.
36. Door of haymow may fall on someone.
37. Rattily electric wiring near barn.
38. Nails in board on ground.
39. Broken ladder.
40. Broken wheel on ground is tripping hazard.
41. Spraying against the wind.
42. Chimney on house too low.
43. Rickety barn — roof sagging and whole barn in disrepair.
44. Barn stall in disrepair.
45. Ladder leaning against rotten barn roof.
46. Man in haymow too near opening — may fall out.
47. Manure pile poorly placed in front of barn.
48. No safety blocks on saw-tractor wheels.
49. Smooth patch on outside of tractor tread.
50. Pump not braced.
51. No platform around pump.
52. Hose of fruit spray between man's legs able to trip him.
53. Spraying trees after they have borne fruit.
54. No guard rail on windmill.
55. No lightning rods on farm buildings.
57. No guards on wheels of tractor.
58. Seat missing from tractor.
59. Seat support on mower broken and inadequately repaired with wire.
60. Doubletree kingpin about to come out of mower.
61. No guards on gears of mower.
62. Reins dropped between horses attached to mower.

## Two Ag. Ed. Professors Awarded Degrees

R. W. Montgomery, Head Teacher Trainer, Agricultural Education, API, and T. W. Gandy, Associate Professor, Agricultural Education, API, have both been awarded their Doctors Degree during the past year.

Dr. Montgomery received his Ph.D. from the Ohio State University, December 17, 1952. The title of his dissertation is as follows: "Professional Needs of Teachers of Vocational Agriculture in Alabama and their Implications for In-Service Education."

Dr. Gandy received his Ed.D. from the University of Illinois October 13, 1953. The title of his dissertation is as follows: "Duties and Responsibilities of Staff Members in Agricultural Education in Colleges and Universities."

## Million Pine Seedlings Available For FFA

Alabama Future Farmers again have the opportunity to start a forestry project at a minimum expense. As in the past the State Division of Forestry and the State Chamber of Commerce are making a million pine seedlings available to FFA boys.

One million seedlings will be available for planting by FFA boys under this program for the coming season. These are divided as follows: 450,000 Slash Pine; 450,000 Loblolly Pine; and 100,000 Longleaf.

Generally speaking Loblolly Pine is best suited to North Alabama up around Birmingham north. Slash pine is best suited to central and South Alabama and the Longleaf is best suited for the southern part of the State. Pine seedlings will not be available to the following counties in the Tennessee Valley: Lawrence, Lauderdale, Colbert, Franklin, Limestone, Morgan, Madison, Marshall, Jackson, DeKalb and Etowah. Teachers in these counties may obtain pine seedlings by contacting their Forest Ranger under the cooperative program between the Division of Forestry, Alabama Extension Service, and Tennessee Valley Authority.

Orders for seedlings will be sent by the vocational agriculture teachers to the Alabama State Chamber of Commerce as heretofore. Orders should be sent in as soon as possible. All applications should be completed and returned to the State Chamber of Commerce before January 15th. The first shipment of seedlings will be made between December 1st and 10th. Other shipments will be made after January 1st. Check to help cover express at the rate of 50 cents per thousand should accompany each order.

All requests for seedlings will be filled in the order in which the completed application forms are received as far as

the supply mentioned above lasts. In sending in orders do not request more than 1,000 seedlings for any one boy. The idea is to get as many boys interested in planting a thousand seedlings each as possible. Demand for seedlings is heavy, therefore this limit. Individual

orders may be split once; that is, a boy may order 500 of one variety and 500 of another. State plainly whether Slash, Loblolly, or Long Leaf is desired. No order will be accepted for less than 1,000 for any one boy. Pine seedlings only are available.

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(AS OF NOVEMBER 15th)

1. Crossville	88	22. Winterboro	50	43. Milltown	34	64. Sardis	18
2. Montevallo	88	23. Brantley	48	44. Wedowee	34	65. Pell City	17
3. Lexington	79	24. Lyeftion	48	45. Falkville	32	66. Rawls	17
4. Centre	78	25. Cottonwood	47	46. New Site	31	67. Athens	16
5. Cherokee	72	26. Oneonta	47	47. Beulah	30	68. Albertville	15
6. Blountsville	68	27. Dadeville	45	48. Leroy	30	69. Eva	14
7. Clanton	68	28. Troy	44	49. Excel	29	70. Grove Hill	14
8. Haleyville	62	29. East Brewton	43	50. Gaylesville	28	71. Douglas	13
9. Greenville	60	30. Cedar Bluff	42	51. Newville	27	72. Florala	12
10. Curry	58	31. Moulton	41	52. Odenville	26	73. Liberty	12
11. Jasper	58	32. Roanoke	41	53. Midland City	26	74. Repton	12
12. Chatom	57	33. Thomasville	41	54. Cullman	25	75. Town Creek	12
13. Samson	57	34. Carrollton	40	55. Livingston	23	76. Bear Creek	11
14. Oakman	56	35. Central	40	56. Kinston	24	77. Wadley	9
15. Boaz	55	36. Sweet Water	40	57. Linden	24	78. Castleberry	8
16. Holly Pond	55	37. Orrville	39	58. Suttle	21	79. Kinston	8
17. Mt. Hope	54	38. Syvania	39	59. Vernon	21	80. New Brocton	7
18. Luverne	53	39. Baker Hill	36	60. Carlowville	20	81. Tanner	7
19. Coffeeville	52	40. Gordo	36	61. Highland Home	20	82. Baker Hill	4
20. Silas	52	41. Stevenson	35	62. Sand Rock	20	83. Brantley	4
21. Wetumpka	50	42. Ashland	34	63. Hartford	19	84. Hubbertville	1
						85. Millry	1



NORTHPORT CHAPTER received a new Ford pick-up truck from Tucker Motor Company, local dealer. Shown above receiving the keys to the truck is Sealy Park, local FFA president as Harmon Boyd of the Motor Company presents them.



NORTHPORT CHAPTER also was presented a new Ford tractor and equipment by the Rhodes Tractor Company, local dealer. L. W. White is the local adviser.

## Ten Chapters Enter Hogs In State Show

There were 10 FFA chapters with 37 entries in the Sears sponsored Hog Show during the State Fair at Birmingham. \$262.50 in cash awards was won by these chapters and individual members.

Listed below are the chapters and the number of entries from each:

Pisgah.....	6
Stevenson.....	5
Albertville.....	5
Crossville.....	2
South Side.....	5
Eva.....	1
Five Points.....	4
Millerville.....	2
Ider.....	5
Ashland.....	2

## Ashland Member Has Outstanding Program

When Bill Hallman's father died in August '49, the boy had to shoulder the responsibilities of caring for his mother, seven brothers and sisters, and himself. It meant giving up his plans of going to college, but Bill accepted this in his

stride and set to work on his farm projects.

The dairy farm program that he developed over the past five years along with his other farm activities enabled him to become Ashland's American Farmer candidate for this year. But more important to Bill than the American Farmer Degree is the fact that his work is enabling him to send his six younger brothers and sisters to school.

Bill finished high school after his father died but sacrificed a college education in order to help his younger brothers and sisters complete their schooling. He and his mother are currently sending one of his sisters to Birmingham Business College and five other brothers and sisters to Ashland schools.

"Good grazing makes for good dairy cows," says Bill. "And good dairy cows mean a steady farm income."



A cowboy wearing an enormous, flashing gem was asked by an awe-struck friend, "Is that diamond genuine?" "If it ain't," the cowboy drawled, "I sure been beat out of a dollar and a half."

A man in an insane asylum sat fishing over a flower bed. A visitor wishing to be friendly, walked up and asked, "How many have you caught today?" — "You're the ninth," replied the inmate.

Teacher—"Unselfishness means going without something you need, voluntarily. Can you give me an example of that, Junior?"

Junior—"Yessum. Sometimes I go without a bath when I need one."

Men still die with their boots on, but usually one boot is on the accelerator.

Hostess: "Are you sure you can manage to cut your own meat?"

Small Guest: "Yes, thank you. We often have meat as tough as this at home."



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## PORTLAND CEMENT ASSOCIATION

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## FFA MEMBERSHIP

(AS OF DECEMBER 2nd)

Hefin, 106	Columbia, 56	Clayton, 44	Bear Creek, 35
Hamilton, 104	Fayette, 56	E. Limestone, 44	Berry, 35
W. Limestone, 101	Frisco City, 56	Goodwater, 44	Eutaw, 35
Silas, 100	Hackleburt, 56	Pleasant Home, 44	Milltown, 35
Montevallo, 88	Leroy, 56	Prattville, 44	Reeltown, 35
Crossville, 87	McKenzie, 56	Ramer, 44	Spring Garden, 35
Evergreen, 84	Vincent, 56	Ranburne, 44	Abbeville, 34
Riverton, 83	Woodland, 56	Tuskegee, 44	Ashland, 34
Curry, 82	Addison, 55	B. B. Comer, 43	Baker Hill, 34
Moulton, 82	Gorgas, 55	Lynn, 43	Camden, 34
Centre, 80	Hanceville, 55	Millerville, 43	Eva, 34
Hartselle, 80	Oakman, 55	Town Creek, 43	Fort Deposit, 34
Jemison, 80	Holly Pond, 54	Troy, 43	Rockford, 34
Lexington, 79	Kinston, 54	W. S. Neal, 43	Sand Rock, 34
Arab, 77	Marbury, 54	Camp Hill, 42	Grand Bay, 33
McAdory, 76	Mt. Hope, 54	Douglas, 42	Wicksburg, 33
Alexandria, 75	Southside, 54	Lincoln, 42	Arley, 32
Atmore, 75	Straughn, 54	Slocumb, 42	Corner, 32
Bay Minette, 75	Wedowee, 54	Suttle, 42	Hayden, 32
Fairhope, 73	Alexander City, 53	White Plains, 42	Holtville, 32
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# FFA

## On The MARCH

**ADDISON**—new welder and welding accessories have been purchased; bought wire and materials and installed 220 volt service in shop; funds are being raised to purchase more shop equipment; ordered manuals for all members; plan to sell 220 bushels of corn from chapter crop project; planned initiation; will order 20,000 pine seedlings; 10 members ordered official FFA jackets.

**AKRON**—held quartet try-out and began practice; held tractor clinic; attended Alabama State Fair; Executive Council met and planned Activity Program; held officers meeting and two regular meetings; began trying to improve the scholarship of the chapter members by offering a \$25 savings bond to the member who showed the greatest scholastic improvement during year; purchased complete oxy-acetylene welding and cutting outfit and butane gas soldering outfit; purchased secretary's and treasurer's manuals and FFA pins for year.

**ALICEVILLE**—won first place at Alabama State Fair; visited Aliceville experiment field; selling peanuts at football games; held joint social with FHA; ordered FFA pins; publicized FFA stamp.

**ARAB**—presented radio program; sold peanuts at football games; had joint social with FHA; sold \$58 worth of subscriptions to Progressive Farmer magazine; judging team won first place in county and district dairy show.

**ARLEY**—treated 200 fence post; bought new Forney Welder for shop; increased membership over last year; plans laid for securing uniforms and other supplies for the chapter.

**ASHLAND**—built two sets of concrete steps to main building; elected chapter officers; showed two hogs in State Fair; local member went to National Convention in Kansas City, Missouri.

**ASHVILLE**—culled 3 flocks of hens; ordered 25,000 bicolor plants and made plans to put out 5,000 pine seedlings; built wagon box for a member; sponsored rat control program; vaccinated 2 flocks of hen for pox.

**AUBURN**—purchased new banner for classroom; 24 members attended State Fair; judging team participated in livestock show at Chattahoochee Valley; civic clubs financing improvements of grounds and building; held FFA Commemorative Stamp Observance program; one member attended National Convention and sang in National Chorus.

**AUTAUGAVILLE**—held two meetings; worked on Activity Program; initiated 9 Green Hands; had joint social with FHA.

**BAKER**—held one regular meeting; had 19 new members as Green Hands; planned program of activities for year; ordered 11,000 bicolor lespedeza plants and 2,000 pine seedlings.

**BAKER HILL**—held local Sears Roebuck pig chain show; entered 2 gilts and 1 boar in Columbus fair; entered Sears Roebuck bull in Birmingham Fair; harvested and sold FFA peanuts; equipped agriculture building with fire extinguishers; received new tables and chairs for classroom; published 1 newspaper article.

**BEAR CREEK**—chapter bull won 6th place in FFA class at State Fair and third place in open class; made and developed one roll of 35mm slides.

**BEAUREGARD**—initiated 18 Green Hands; sent FFA Livestock Judging Team to fair in Columbus, Ga.; FFA went to State Fair in Birmingham; have ground ready to plant 3 acres of Coastal Bermuda for seed plot.

**BELGREEN**—FFA & FHA went to State Fair; initiated 18 new members; ordered 18 official jackets.

**BERRY**—officers elected at regular meeting; chapter was promised 10,000 pine seedlings from Gulf States Paper Company; ordered 20,000 lespedeza plants; chapter voted to bring to the shop toys that could be repaired. These toys are to be repaired for distribution to underprivileged children at Christmas.

**BEULAH**—put on community exhibit at county fair; installed new chapter officers; purchased Hampshire boar for our Sears pig chain; assembled new desks for one classroom; built pen for FFA pig.

**BILLINGSLEY**—5 members applied for the 3 Sears gilts which will be used to start pig chain; officers are holding a series of meetings to prepare and plan an annual program of work; have 2 new members to initiate; plan to raise money by raising fat hogs, selling concessions at ball games, constructing and selling cedar chests and lawn furniture, selling rat poison for rat control campaign,

selling magazines, sponsoring FFA basketball team, and sponsoring a movie.

**BLOUNTSVILLE**—purchased drill press and accessories and other tools for the shop in the amount of \$205.00; purchased Green Hand and chapter farmer pins for all eligible members.

**BOAZ**—State Treasurer attended National Convention; ordered ten FFA jackets; member made speech to Farm Bureau meeting; sold magazines for Progressive Farmer; had two radio programs.

**BRANTLEY**—100 per cent membership of students enrolled in vocational agriculture; constructed building on campus to keep tractor and farming tools in; increased membership this year.

**BRIDGEPORT**—built large tool chest for shop; sold popcorn at ball games; held local hog show; held election of officers.

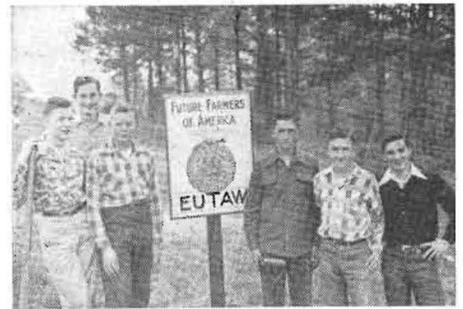
**BROOKWOOD**—called a special meeting to elect a new president; attended Birmingham Fair; plan to purchase two pigs to fatten out and are now studying the law concerning garbage fattened hogs.

**BRUNDIDGE**—held two regular meetings; appointed necessary functioning committees; plan to place FFA exhibit at fair; making plans for beautifying school grounds.

**BUTLER**—purchased new welding machine; plan to initiate Green Hands; have held 4 chapter meetings and 2 officers meetings; have ordered new band saw; conducting rat killing



**ERNEST DYESS** and boys at Suttle are shown cruising timber.



campaign; selling magazine subscriptions to help pay for new equipment.

**CAMDEN**—held first meeting and elected officers for coming year; sold FFA bull; placed 2 pigs through pig chain; operating store for school; planning chapel program; 15 new members.

**CAMP HILL**—elected one honorary member; placed 3rd in FFA Dairy Judging contest at State Fair; participated in Farm Journal subscription campaign; initiated 14 Green Hands; voted to cooperate in organizing joint county FFA and FHA association.

**CARLOWVILLE**—had reports at meeting about trips made during the summer by various members, such as, boys state, FFA forestry camp, red cross camp; painted inside of elementary school building; installed 2 school zone signs on each boundary of the campus; installing stop sign at corner of high school building.

**CARROLLTON**—initiated 17 Green Hands; presented radio program; made out program of work for the current year; planned to have 2 meetings per month; every agriculture student is a paid-up FFA member.

**CASTLEBERRY**—held two meetings; entertained FHA girls; made book cases for three classrooms; added 7 pigs to pig chain.

**CITRONELLE**—held 2 regular meetings; held 2 executive meetings; placed order for 50 chicks for 20 students — chicks are donated by local feed store; planted 2 acres of crimson clover.

**CLANTON**—held two meetings; each member subscribed to National Future Farmer; 9

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members ordered official FFA jackets; ordered 20,000 pine seedlings; gave one radio program.

**CLAYTON**—built barbecue stand for community; had float in Home Coming parade and won 3rd place; sold drinks at concession stand; planned Green Hand initiation for 20 members; ordered 20 Green Hand pins.

**CLIO**—held 2 chapter meetings; placed one boar in pig chain; made arrangements for local hog show; initiated 11 new members; 4 members building mail box posts; building post to put Sears bull sign on.

**COLUMBIA**—held first meeting and elected officers for 1953-54; also elected 5 honorary members.

**COFFEE SPRINGS**—bought film slide machine for department; sold 3 feeder pigs; president discussed FFA program before P.T.A. group; plan to get road signs and chapter room banner; conduct mail box improvement program; have radio program every 5th Saturday.

**COLUMBIANA**—initiated 21 new members; sold \$1800 worth of rescue grass seed; completed FFA concession stand; made \$100 on concessions at ball games.

**CORNER**—held regular meetings; have 2 pigs for pig chain; made \$45 at FFA stand at football games; plan initiation of new members; had FHA-FFA skating party; every eligible member paid dues for 1953-54; quartet sang in chapel.

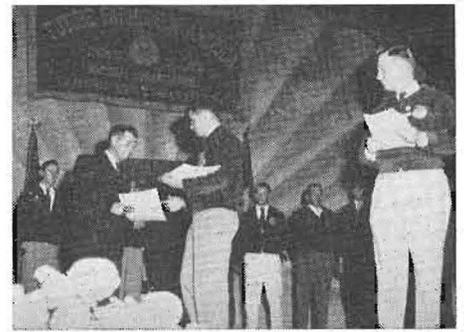
**COTTONWOOD**—ordered 33,000 pine seedlings and 21,000 lespedeza bicolor plants, also jewelry, jackets and T-shirts; initiated 29 new members; will enter public speaking contest; at least two candidates for State Farmer Degree; chapter plans to plant partage peas and bicolor lespedeza; have all new symbols for officers stations.

**CULLMAN**—selling Christmas cards and Farm Journal subscription; secured three beef calves and three purebred dairy calves; added 30 books to library; plan to initiate 36 members; secured 3 FFA welcome road signs.

**CURRY**—held initiation for 30 Green Hands; raised 35 members to Chapter Farmer Degree; sold chances on television to purchase joiner for shop; organized quartet; elected officers; ordered FFA pins; ordered and received 8 new FFA manuals, secretary's and treasurer's book.

**DADEVILLE**—livestock judging team won 4th place at the Chattahoochee Valley Exposition; quartet sang on the dedication program of the State Coliseum; 21 new members.

**DOUBLE SPRINGS**—joint weiner roast with FHA girls; plan initiation for Green Hands; placed 2 gilts with FFA members; exchanging chapter brood sow for 3 pure bred gilts.



RIVERTON chapter adviser above is shown as he is presented their 5th Gold Emblem chapter award at the National Convention.

**DOUGLAS**—put on radio program; sowed FFA pasture; had party with FHA as guest; helped with Halloween Carnival; organized string band.

**DOZIER**—presented to faculty and students of Dozier High School a very inspiring ceremony entitled "Building the FFA Emblem."

**EAST BREWTON**—initiated 18 Green Hands; selling Farm & Ranch magazines and calendar ads to raise funds; will hold Christmas party with FHA; purchased \$115 sander for the shop; ordered 10,000 lespedeza bicolor seedlings.

**EAST LIMESTONE**—ordered 20 FFA manuals; 24 members and adviser attended the Alabama State Fair on FFA day; chapter and P.T.A. co-sponsoring the installation of toilets in the school; have 100 per cent membership.

**ECLECTIC**—holding regular meetings with opening and closing ceremony; plan to have dance and Donkey Basketball game to finance chapter; selling ice cream; belong to county FFA; set up and approved the Activity Program; sponsored Tractor Clinic in cooperation with Standard Oil Company.

**ENTERPRISE**—held 2 meetings; 23 new members initiated; ordered 11,000 bicolor lespedeza plants; held joint party with FHA; ordered 11,500 pine seedlings; quartet sang on assembly; started pig chain with six gilts; repaired peanut parcher and are parching peanuts for football games; appointed committees for program of work.

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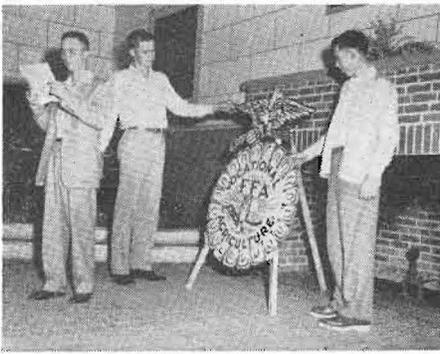
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WEIOMRKA chapter members give the FFA Emblem Ceremony during their banquet.

EUTAW—held tractor clinic with E. L. Riddick, Standard Oil Representative, in charge.

EXCEL—held initiation for 15 Green Hands; nominated new principal for Honorary Chapter Farmer; making pen for ag I's to run experiments on hogs; bought calves for pasture; bought hogs for experiment and buying new equipment for shop; held regular meeting; put out rat poison in canning plant, school store and ag building; held officer training meeting; set up activities program for year and appointed committees for year.

FAIRHOPE—enrolled 36 new members; local Kiwanis Club recently contributed 5 pure-bred Hampshire gilts to worthy FFA members to mark the birth of another FFA pig chain; plans made and the process of landscaping has begun for the vicinity of Fairhope's new, modern Vo-Ag building.

FALKVILLE—officers attended county banquet; initiated 31 Green Hands; adviser, president and 2 members attended national convention; added 2 registered hampshire gilts to pig chain.

FAYETTE—held regular meeting with 42 boys present; president appointed 7 committees; quiz contest held; presented Farm Mechanics medal to member; chapter presented radio program over local station; member received the degree of American Farmer.

FIVE POINTS—entered Hampshire hogs in Birmingham and Chattahoochee Valley Exposition and won \$218.31 prize money; ordered 6 manuals for officers and 2 records for radio program use; all members went to State Fair; initiated 7 new members; made plans for new year; won second place in District Dairy Judging Contest at Dadeville.

FLORALA—put on an exhibit at county fair; purchased lumber for shop; was host to County FFA meeting; purchased secretary and treasurer books; held 2 chapter meetings; initiated Green Hands; bought jitterbug sander for shop.

FORT DEPOSIT—held 2 FFA meetings; organized 2 string bands; ordered 15,000 lespedeza bicolor plants.

GENEVA—gave 2 fifteen minute radio programs; presented one public program at Geneva Post Office in honor of our commemorative stamp, it was taped and played over Radio Station WGEA in Geneva; started rat eradication campaign in community; chapter received Silver Emblem in National Chapter Contest; initiated 21 Green Hands.

GLENCOE—met twice last month; discussed paying of dues; taking an educational tour in the summer, the main point of interest being Washington, D. C., discussed ways of raising money; had a chicken supper before one ball game and cleared \$182.24; replaced 2 of-



GREENSBORO members inspecting border strip of bicolor lespedeza set by Ronald Clements, center.

ficers that failed to return to our school this year.

GOODWATER—increased FFA membership; elected officers; appointed committees; ordered new treasurer and secretary books and pins and decals for each member; program of work committees appointed and started; bought a new 10-inch saw for the shop; got the county Board of Education to match \$100 for buying hand tools for shop; FFA judging team participated in the judging at Dadeville.

GREENVILLE—initiated Green Hands; set date for next square dance; ordered pins for Green Hands and Chapter Farmers; boys got pigs from pig chain; discussed rates of charge for the FFA tractor.

GROVE HILL—ordered 10,000 pine seedlings and 8,000 bicolor lespedeza; initiated 19 new members; held 2 officer training periods; placed 4 gilts; published article in local paper; bought shop supplies; placed every member in school on committee.

HACKLEBURG—chapter is 100 per cent in Ag boys membership; making plans for chapel program; some boys ready for 100 bu. corn check; sent one news article to local paper; planned to rework classroom chairs.

HALEYVILLE—ordered 8,000 pine seedlings; 27 Green Hands; held two meetings; treated

800 post; appointed committees and they are working on Program of Work.

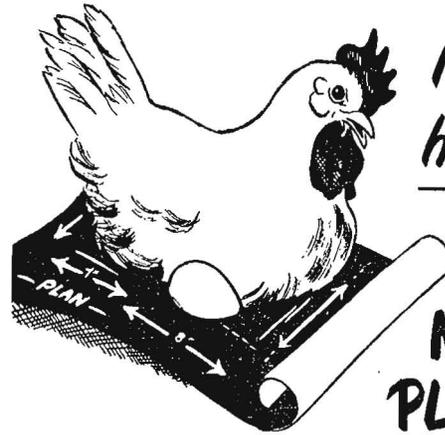
HAMILTON—held annual FFA-FHA supper; 2 local citizens awarded Honorary Chapter Farmer Degrees; Sears bull placed 4th in South Eastern Show at Atlanta; started selling popcorn to raise money for department.

HANDLEY—reconstructed vo-ag department; won \$50 1st place winner at County Fair for exhibit; purchased 30 new books for library and new sander for shop; ordered FFA jackets and T-shirts; chapter has made over \$200 on concession stand at football games.

HATTON—initiated 21 Green Hands; made plans for Annual Fish & Chicken Supper; guest to FHA Halloween party; established chapter corn growing champion.

HAYNEVILLE—plan to order bicolor and pine seedlings; ordered T-shirts and pencils and other FFA equipment; elected chapter sweetheart and candidate for Harvest Queen; ordered cedar chests and other cedar items; operating concession stand jointly with FHA; ordered 8 FFA rings.

HEADLAND—met and elected officers; chapter bull taken to State Fair in Birmingham and won 4th place; co-sponsored Homecoming banquet and made \$105; have concessions at all home football games and so far have made



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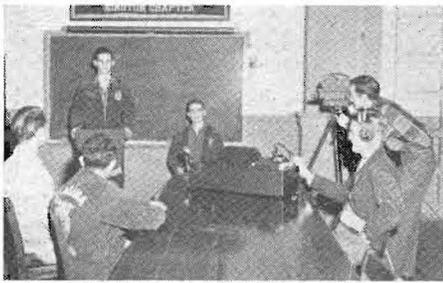
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\$60; made \$54.75 on "Mike and Ike"; plan to have social with FHA.

HEFLIN—attended State Fair; plan to have a parade in honor of the FFA's 25th anniversary stamp.

HOLLY POND—held initiation for 20 Green Hands; held three regular meetings; continuing pig chain; outlined program of work for the year; still maintaining bus for making field trips; members ordering pine seedlings and bicolor plants.

HUBBERTVILLE—initiated 30 Green Hands; treated 800 fence post; ordered 9 FFA jackets; all boys taking vo-ag are FFA members; completed 57 productive projects.

IDER—elected chapter officers; co-sponsored community fair with Garden Club; entered 3 hogs in Chattanooga Sears show and showed grand champion gilt and grand champion boar; entered 6 hogs in Birmingham Fair; initiated 26 new members.

JACKSON—elected chapter FFA sweetheart;

initiated 11 Green Hands; installed new officers; helped put on school halloween carnival; worked out chapter program of work; appointed FFA committees.

JASPER—purchased belt sander; ordered 14 official FFA jackets; placed two FFA feeder calves on feed for May show; purchased 2 registered Hampshire pigs for chapter; gave program at Rotary Club; received one pure-bred Hereford brood cow on junior calf program.

JEMISON—organized county FFA and our chapter is to furnish the President; made plans to attend State Fair; put on FFA chapel program; initiated 24 Green Hands; held FHA and FHA party.

KINSTON—18,000 bicolor lespedeza plants ordered; 8 boys ordered 1,000 pine seedlings each to put out on their home farms; gave a party and invited the FHA girls.

LEROY—placed one pure-bred sow in pig chain; 5 members purchased purebred gilts; selling magazines to raise chapter funds; initiated 21 Green Hands; installed lavatory and commode in ag department; ordered pine seedlings; added books to chapter library.

LINCOLN—added 40 new books to library; elected officers; held initiation with 42 boys joining; FFA and FHA had a joint social; pruned and treated 4 orchards for borers; landscaping 2 FFA members homes.

LIVINGSTON—approved and initiated 8 Green Hands; raised 12 Green Hands to degree of Chapter Farmer; planned and adopted activity program for the year; appointed committees for the year; plans made for entering state sponsored contests; purchased official secretary and treasurer books; presented new Green Hand members with a copy of the official manual; added 20 new books to ag library; presented new members with Green Hand degree pins; held two regular meetings and one officers meeting.

LYEFFION—held annual FFA party; purchased 4 additional calves making a total of 12 in the chapter; with the aid of the County Veterinarian the boys vaccinated 26 hogs for cholera, using state-free serum.

LYNN—officers attended State Fair; members ordered FFA jackets; plan to initiate 14 new members; ordered 25,000 bicolor seedlings.

McADORY—9 members purchased T-shirts; sold 19 additional subscriptions to Progressive Farmer; activity program planned and accepted.

McKENZIE—two news articles; helped build float for homecoming; visited 4 corn projects; elected officers; visited mechanical cotton picker; planted three acres of crimson clover.

MAPLESVILLE—new members ordered 7 jackets; completed selling subscriptions for "Farm Journal"; studying wiring for electricity;

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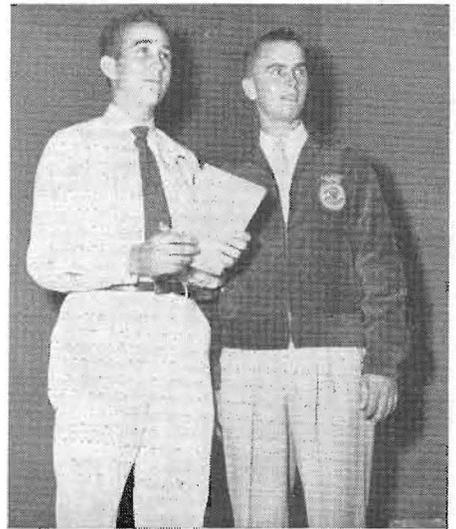
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held drawing for pig on pig chain; held sweetheart contest; entered corn yield contest.

MIDLAND CITY—selling rat poison; sponsored hay ride; appointed chapter committees; held Halloween carnival; completed 21 typing tables for high school; ordered 6,000 pine seedlings; bred FFA gilt.

MILLRY—added new electric arc welding machine to shop; ordered FFA jackets; erected new road signs; held joint social; participated in county FFA meeting; entering in state FFA

sponsored contest; built and erected FFA mail box post at every new members home; all students taking vo-ag are FFA members.

**MONTEVALLO**—75 attended State Fair; had special meeting of all members; enrolled 34 Green Hands; working with two practice teachers; made \$50 on concessions at ball games.

**MUNFORD**—attended State Fair; ordering FFA manuals; treated peach trees for borers; placed 2 gilts in FFA pig chain; assisted Lions Club in erecting road signs; repaired playground equipment.

**NEW BROCTON**—sponsored a concert with FFA, proceeds went to the two chapters; gave a play honoring United Nations Day.

**NEW HOPE**—elected new officers; four show calves; rat killing campaign; initiated 24 new members.

**NEW SITE**—FFA and FHA went to the Alabama State Fair; judging team went to Chattahoochee Valley Exposition; elected officers; 15 Green Hands to initiate.

**NEWVILLE**—elected officers; discussed contests; planned to practice parliamentary procedure; will order bicolor plants.

**OAKMAN**—held meeting and elected new officers; had square dance with FHA to raise money; all members subscribed to National Future Farmer; held county officers meeting;

calves; bred two gilts of pig chain; added 4 books to library; made plans for FFA party.

**PELL CITY**—sold \$57.75 worth of popcorn and candy at two football games; sowed 105 pounds of ryegrass seed on football field; initiated 26 Green Hands; ordered 10,000 pine seedlings; held FFA manual study at three meetings; purchased 39mm slide projector; added 23 books to library and four banners to chapter classroom; organized photography club and made over 400 slides.

**PINE APPLE**—held two meetings; initiated 6 Green Hand members; have added 7 more registered gilts to pig chain; have planted FFA pasture in oats; have made plans and started the registered bull breeding contest; organized string band; planning FFA-FHA square dance.

**PINE HILL**—sanded and finished classroom floors; elected chapter officers for year; attended county meeting and elected county officers; built new classroom tables; purchased hogs to feed out.

**PISGAH**—held regular meetings; held local FFA hog show; entered 2 gilts and 1 boar in interstate fair; built a trailer for tractor; made plans for banquet; rented popcorn machine to raise money for chapter; repaired bench saw.

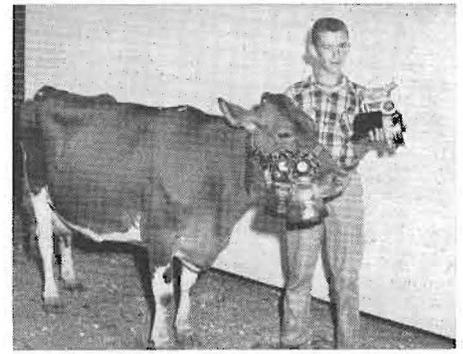
**PLANTERSVILLE**—built "Prevent Forest Fire" sign; sponsored Harvest Queen contest; exhibited shop work at Halloween carnival; bought materials for walk lights around building; had 500 FFA calendars printed.

**PLEASANT HOME**—held 2 meetings; completed membership drive; planned "rat campaign" on 100 farms; received registration papers on 8 purebred pigs from "pig chain"; have signs and other materials to erect 2 road-side signs.

**RAMER**—made field trip to Stock Yards; peeled post to raise funds; sponsored demonstrations in forestry, post treating, pond construction; won first place in tree marking contest; visited by advisers and members from 3 other chapters.

**RAWLS**—sold Farm Journal subscriptions; ordered FFA supplies through Farm Journal; held regular meeting; planned to initiate 16 Green Hands; placed pig with member.

**RED BAY**—repaired football stadium; landscaping school campus; initiated 18 Green Hands; elected officers for year; attended Mid-south Fair; growing out four hogs to raise funds for chapter.



**PRIZE WINNER**—Perry Branyon of the Fayette chapter shows off one of his prize dairy animals and some of his ribbons and trophies won at the dairy show.

**REFORM**—initiating 17 Green Hands; put on radio program; held 2 regular meetings each month; sold subscriptions to Progressive Farmer to raise money for the chapter; planned activity program for year and each member planned his supervised farm practices; every member placed on a standing committee.

**REELTOWN**—held 2 regular meetings; adviser attended county FFA meeting; operating pop corn machine; completed chapter Activity Program and plan to enter State Chapter Contest; organizing quartet; built 6 new shop tables, 9 new wall lockers and organizing shop into areas.

**RIVERTON**—showed Sears Roebuck bull at State Fair where he was judged grand champion; dairy judging team entered contest at State Fair and won 1st place, and was awarded a 6-day free trip to Chicago to the International Dairy Show; livestock judging team won the Gold Emblem rating in the contest in Kansas City. Two members won individual Gold Emblems and one won a Silver Emblem; won Gold Emblem in the National Chapter Contest for the 5th consecutive year; put up



**SHOWN ABOVE** is John Jay, FFA member from Greensboro showing his turkey project to local adviser, T. C. Smith.

20 members entered bicolor seedling contest; ordered 4,000 pine seedlings; seven boys feeding out fat calves; placed 2 pigs from FFA chain.

**OHATCHEE**—initiated 17 Green Hands; held regular meetings; made out program of work; presented a flag to the school; ordered necessary FFA supplies; ordered 2,000 pine seedlings and 2,000 bicolor plants.

**OPP**—planned joint social with FHA; ordered pins for officers and Green Hands; ordered 6,000 pine seedlings and 10,000 lespedeza plants; sent bull to State Fair; made plans to start new pig chain; members building signs for Safety Committee; plan to buy a Hampshire gilt for chapter.

**ORRVILLE**—selling pecans; Green Hand initiation; made FFA hand book; John Sherrer, associate member advanced to American Farmer; building grease rack in back of shop; making plans to start jug band again.

**OXFORD**—elected new officers; planned picnic; organized finance committee; help land 2 acres of school area; set up activity program; reworked farm mower; plan to order jackets; selling subscriptions to Progressive Farmer; initiated Green Hands.

**OZARK**—members busy with farm shop work; 3 boys entered products in county fair; \$19.00 won in prize money; boys doing very well getting projects started; all first year members learning to keep accurate records; chapter sow brings 8 pigs.

**PAINT ROCK VALLEY**—purchased 4 show





STATE CHAMPION Dairy Judging team from Riverton are as follows: Billy Mullins, Donald Sublett, Benny Lasseter, and Jan White. They won 1st place at the State Fair.

two new fire extinguishers; gave chapel program.

**SAMSON**—won first place agriculture exhibit at the County Fair; held 2 regular chapter meetings; operating concession stands at football games; planning chapter activity program; members have purchased 16 pigs as part of their farming program.

**SAND ROCK**—furnished county representative to National FFA Convention.

**SIDNEY LANIER**—had three representatives at the Kansas City Convention; attended opening of Coliseum; exhibited 4 sheep at opening of Coliseum; ordered \$9 worth of FFA stamps; held one officers and two regular meetings; initiated 15 Green Hands; ordered \$145 worth of official merchandise which included jackets, bracelets, manuals, secretary, treasurer and scrap books; elected new reporter; installed new officers; working with Chamber of Commerce to erect metal identification signs at all boys homes.

**SLOCOME**—held Green Hand initiation; ordered FFA jackets; chapter now has two honorary members; held FFA and FHA peanut boiling.

**SMITH'S STATION**—initiated Green Hands; selling drinks at ball games; planning FFA barbecue; elected officers; set up activity program; conducted officer and member training

program; plan to put up FFA signs along highway going into Smith's Station.

**SOUTHSIDE**—had 5 Duroc pigs to enter in State Fair; chapter feeding out a total of 9 hogs at school; entered a judging team in the county dairy judging contest and won second place; one boy's pig chain gilt farrowed 17 pigs; operating concession stand at ball games.

**SPRING GARDEN**—attended Birmingham Baron ball game; attended Alabama State Fair; fenced and seeded one acre of hog pasture for Sears gilt; ordered 4,000 pine seedlings and 6,000 bicolor plants; started pig chain with a pig from Sears gilt; held joint FFA and FHA tacky party; operating FFA Store; one member attended National FFA Convention.

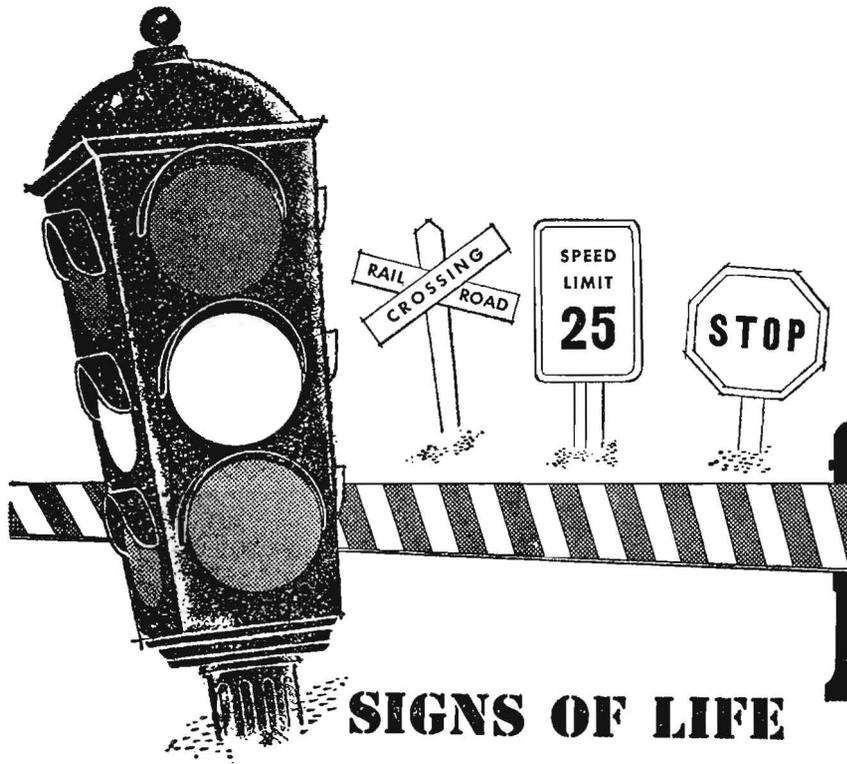
**STRAUGHN**—held two regular meetings; held joint peanut boiling with FHA, having new Green Hands come dressed as girls and the new FHA members come dressed as boys; string band played for Masonic supper and peanut boiling; sent two articles to local newspapers.

**SULLIGENT**—had party with FHA; entered Sears Bull in state contest; feeding 9 calves for spring fat stock show; emblem heading weekly round-up column in county paper; Progressive Farmer published chapter article; installed Bendix washer in gym; ordered official FFA scrapbook.

**SUSAN MOORE**—member awarded American Farmer Degree; adviser and the American Farmer Degree winner attended the National FFA Convention; planned chapel program and FFA-FHA social; bought a chapter room banner; ordered 17 official FFA jackets and 5,000 lespedeza bicolor seedlings; purchased official FFA manuals, treasurer's and secretary's books; bought official stationery for advisers use; plan to order several thousand pine seedlings; rat control program for community planned; secretary gave out new membership cards and FFA decals to be placed on automobiles.

**SUTTLE**—held one meeting; gave two gilts to boys to add to pig chain; practiced string band; initiated 12 Green Hands; put on radio program; planted vetch on FFA plot; adviser and John William Poe, State Forestry winner, attended National FFA Convention.

**SWEET WATER**—held officer training classes and two regular meetings; purchased 5 hogs to be used as a source of income for



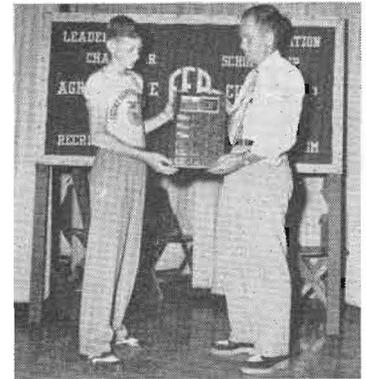
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ROY BIGHAM at left displays his trophy won for planting bi-color seedlings last year. Holland Legg, his adviser, is at right.



chapter activities; purchased paint to repaint shop and class room; ordered additional materials; program committee met and made plans for the years work; ordered secretary's material necessary for business transactions.

**SYLVANIA**—ordered six FFA jackets; ordered chapter and Green Hand pins; won first place in showmanship in the Chattanooga hog show, Sears Roebuck Foundation; bought 5 hogs to top out; ordered 25 manuals; all members entering one or more FFA contests; held

officers training school; elected county FFA president.

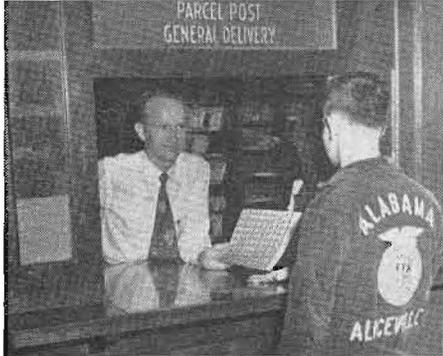
**THEODORE**—initiated 20 Green Hands; sold 2300 commemorative FFA stamps; held 3 regular meetings; showed 4 calves in Mobile County Dairy Show; ordered 3 road signs for the chapter; elected officers; feeding out 10 head of hogs.

**THOMASTON**—every eligible boy in high school is FFA member; dairy cattle judging team judged in Birmingham; all FFA members attended State Fair; held officers training school; had weiner roast; had demonstration on "Care of Tractor"; elected and installed one new officer; continuing steer project in lab area; initiated 12 Green Hands.

**THOMASVILLE**—held tractor clinic; treated three peach tree orchards for borers; ordered official T-shirts; initiated 15 Green Hands.

**TOWN CREEK**—ordered 36,000 bicolor lespedeza seedlings; established new purebred pig chain; attended county FFA meeting; boys selected contest they are going to enter; selected chapter corn growing champion; ordered FFA pins; planning rat campaign.

**TROY**—a total of 11 FFA jackets ordered; submitted one news article to local newspaper by reporter; ads for calendar have been sold netting the chapter approximately \$175.00; selling football programs at all home games.



ALICEVILLE member purchases first FFA stamps sold at their local post office.

**TUSKEGEE**—won \$250 award at the Chattanooga Valley Fair for placing 4th in the Community Exhibits Division; held joint initiation party with the FHA; purchased venetian blinds for agriculture classroom and teachers office; made \$101 by selling concessions at football games; held four regular meetings.

**URIAH**—held chapter meeting; elected officers; started work on Program of Work.

**VALLEY HEAD**—held community fair; painted vo-ag building; gathered and sold FFA corn; presented one radio program over WFFA; planning for community fair; selling magazines.

**VERBENA**—bought additional equipment for shop; planned trip to State Fair; sold concessions at football games to help pay for shop equipment; initiated 25 Green Hands.

**VERNON**—held marshmallow roast for FFA and FHA members; placed 2 Hampshire pigs in chain; initiated 14 Green Hands; working on Activity Program.

**VINCENT**—gave blackleg serum to 36 head Hereford cattle; wormed 15 calves and tattoo them; sowed two acres of Micus clover and three acres of Ball clover as club projects; chapter voted to get \$600 worth of shop equipment; had social; received 5 FFA jackets and have money to order 4 more; initiated 22 Green Hands.

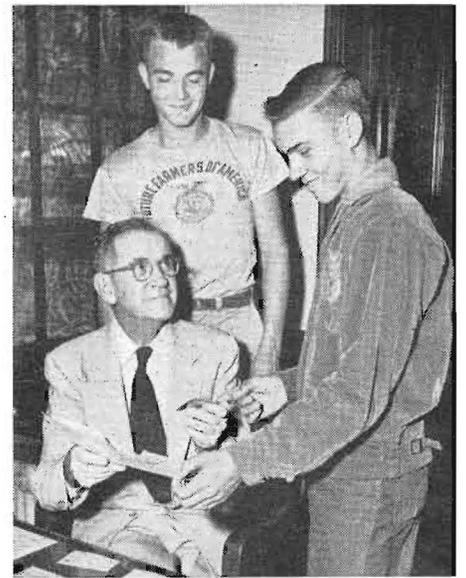
**WEDOWEE**—held one FFA meeting; purchased \$500 worth of cedar products; castrated 12 pigs; butchered 1 pig; showed one film on Sulmet.

**WEOGUFKA**—held officers training school; planned chapter Activity Program; initiated 14 Green Hands; held two chapter meetings; bought 50 new FFA manuals, 20 chapter farmer and 30 Green Hand pins; plan to use official secretary and treasurer books; planned FFA and FHA social.

**WEST POINT**—Sears Roebuck gilt has six pigs; chapter members will draw for the 5 gilts very soon; chapter members made application for 5,000 pine seedlings and 12,000 bicolor lespedeza plants; chapter champion corn grower made 85 bu. of corn.

**WETUMPKA**—showed FFA bull at State Fair; entire chapter attended State Fair; dairy judging team won second place in state judging; one member received American Farmer Degree; initiated 19 Green Hands; sold drinks and peanuts at ball games; ordered official jackets.

**WHITE PLAINS**—elected new officers; attended Southeastern Fair in Atlanta; 5 mem-



ALBERTVILLE members purchase first FFA stamps sold by local postmaster.

bers purchased official jackets; program of work complete; sold Progressive Farmer subscription.

**WICKSBURG**—attended Wiregrass hog show; elected officers; held officer training school; drafted and ratified local constitution.

**WOODLAND**—planned to have FFA chicken barbeque; sold \$91 worth of magazines for which members have received jackets, shirts, socks, and other articles; initiated 24 Green Hands; had one ice cream supper.

**WINTERBORO**—went to the Alabama State Fair; elected officers; sold magazines to get official clothing; made out program of work for the year.

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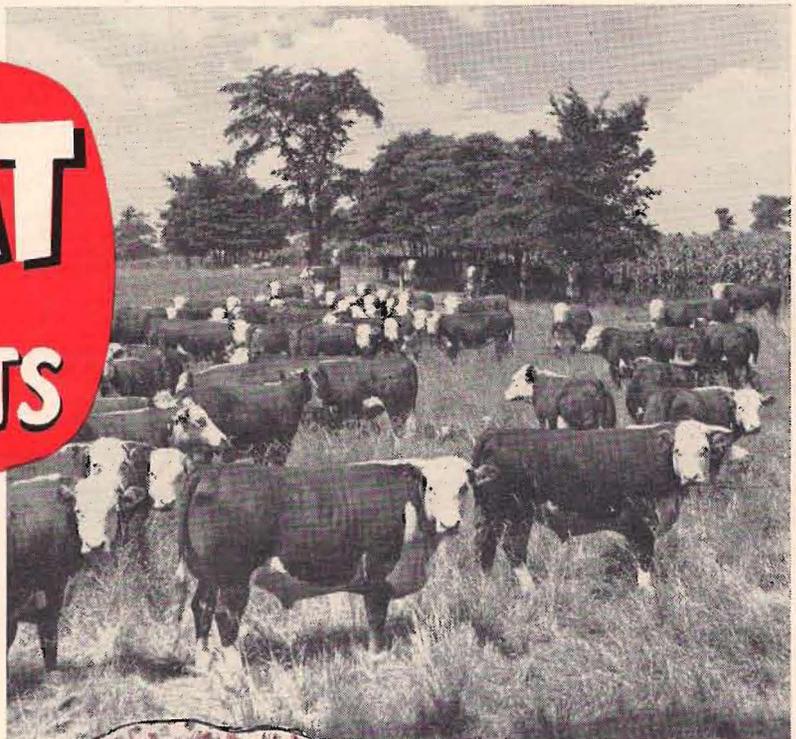
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