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**FFA
CONVENTION**
June 8, 9, 10



**Alabama Past
State Officers**

TOTAL
MEMBERSHIP
12,942



STATE FFA OFFICERS WELCOME YOU TO AUBURN

Convention Set For June 8, 9 and 10

258 To Receive State Farmer Degree

Alabama FFA members are looking forward to their twenty-sixth State Convention to be held in Auburn, June 8, 9, and 10. Around 1,000 members and advisers will attend the convention. These boys will be representing 255 active chapters in the state with a total membership of 12,942.

Robert Futrelle, National FFA vice president for the Southern Region, will speak during the Convention program Thursday morning.

Some of the highlights of the convention will be the FFA Quiz, Safe Tractor Driving finals, String Band finals, Public Speaking finals, Presenting Honor Guests, Future Farmer of the Year award, Livestock Judging, Dairy Cattle Judging, Poultry Judging, Election of Officers, Business Sessions, awards of many kinds, Radio Program finals, Leadership Training, Conferring of State Farmer Degrees, Tour of API, conferring of Honorary FFA Degrees, Address by State Superintendent of Education, Quartet Finals, Star Farmer Ceremony, State president's message, and many other important activities.

Attendance at the convention will be limited to the following: advisers, one delegate from each chapter, state farmer

applicants, district speaking and quartet winners, state officer applicants, winners in district contest eliminations, and state winners of all other FFA contests and awards.

PROGRAM

Wednesday, June 8

- a.m.
8:00 Registration—Langdon Hall.
9:00 Interview State Officer Candidates by Districts (224 Thach Hall).
11:30-1:00 Lunch—Magnolia Hall.
- p.m.
1:00 FFA Quiz (Union Building)
Safe Tractor Driving Finals
Study Program for Sheep Judging Teams.
1:30 Final Interview of Officer Candidates (224 Thach Hall).
2:30 String Band Finals.
4:00 Roll Call of Chapters and Seating of Delegates.
5:00 Meeting of all Local Advisers.
5:15-6:45 Dinner—Magnolia Hall.

Wednesday Evening

- 7:15 First General Session.
Music (2nd Place Band).
Opening Ceremony.
Invocation, L. J. Howell, Reform.
Address of Welcome, Dr. Zebulon Judd, Dean School of Education, API.
Public Speaking Finals.
Music.

Presenting—Honor Guests—
Mrs. Turner E. Smith
Miss Mildred Smith.
Future Farmer of the Year Award.
Introduction of Guests.
Appointment of Committees.
Closing Ceremony.

Thursday, June 9

- a.m.
6:30 Breakfast—Magnolia Hall.
8:00 Livestock, Dairy and Poultry Judging.
Second General Session.
Opening Ceremony.
Report of Executive Secretary.
Business Session.
Address—Robert Futrelle, National Vice President FFA, Mt. Olive, North Carolina.
Election of Officers.
Awards—Chapter Contest, Farm Mechanics, Electrification, Soil and Water Management, Farm Safety, Forestry, Home Improvement, Star Dairy Farmer, Star FFA Reporter, Honor Roll Chapters.
Closing Ceremony.
10:00 Radio Program Finals.
11:30-1:00 Lunch—Magnolia Hall.
- p.m.
1:00 District Leadership Training Program.
2:30 Conferring of State Farmer Degrees.
Awards—Livestock, Dairy and Poultry Judging, Tractor Driving.
4:00 Tour of Campus and Experiment Station. (Local Advisers in charge.)
5:15-6:45 Dinner—Magnolia Hall.

Thursday Evening

- p.m.
7:15 Third General Session.
Music (1st Place Band).
Opening Ceremony.
Conferring of Honorary FFA Degrees.
Address—Dr. A. R. Meadows, State Superintendent of Education.
Quartet Finals.
Introduction of Guests.
Star Farmer Ceremony.
State President's Message.
Awards to Quartets.
Announcements.
Closing Ceremony.

Friday, June 10

- a.m.
6:30 Breakfast.
8:00 Last General Session.
Opening Ceremony.
Activity Program.
Report of Resolutions Committee.
State Officer Reports.
Installation of New Officers.
Presentation of Past Officer Pins—T. L. Faulkner, State Executive Secretary.
Remarks: J. C. Cannon, State Adviser.
Announcements.
Closing Ceremony.
New Officers and their Local Advisers meet—(224 Thach Hall).



GARLAND BOND, State FFA President, second from right, is shown with FFA officers from Ohio, Illinois, New York and Indiana while they were visiting the Indiana State Convention recently.

They are from left to right: Lawrence Earheart, Ohio; Neil Milner, Ohio; Larry Royer, Illinois; Charles Anken, New York; Ray Brewer, Indiana; Garland and Charles Jackson, Indiana president.

Garland had the pleasure of visiting with these young men and the Indiana State FFA Convention on his return trip from Chicago recently.

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Alabama's Total Membership 12,942

(Chapters Ranked According To Members)

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| 2. Montevallo 102 | 110. Wedowee 52 | 216. Central 35 | 238. Florida 28 |
| 3. Stevenson 101 | 111. Ozark 51 | 217. Danville 35 | 239. New Brockton 27 |
| 4. Heflin 100 | 112. W. S. Neal 51 | 218. Holtville 35 | 240. Eufaula 26 |
| 5. Jasper 100 | 113. Addison 50 | 219. Repton 35 | 241. Eva 26 |
| 6. W. Limestone 100 | 114. Ashland 50 | 220. Auburn 34 | 242. Five Points 26 |
| 7. Curry 85 | 115. Beauregard 50 | 221. Brilliant 34 | 243. Carlowville 25 |
| 8. Hamilton 84 | 116. Hanceville 50 | 222. Dozier 34 | 244. Elkmont 25 N |
| 9. Lexington 84 | 117. Kennedy 50 | 223. Newville 34 | 245. Goshen 25 |
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| 13. Arab 82 | 121. Ramer 50 | 227. Fort Deposit 32 | 249. Moundville 23 |
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| 15. Riverton 78 | 123. Weogufka 50 | 229. Locust Fork 32 | 251. Grand Bay 21 |
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| 17. Atmore 77 | 125. Clayton 49 | 231. Thomasville 32 | 253. Guin 20 |
| 18. Blountsville 77 | 126. Collinsville 49 | 232. Handley 31 | 254. Mellow Valley 20 |
| 19. Susan Moore 77 | 127. Lincoln 49 | 233. Monroeville 31 N | 255. Pine Apple 19 |
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| 55. Thompson 65 | 161. New Hope 42 | | |
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| 57. Falkville 64 | 163. Wicksburg 42 | | |
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| 59. Vincent 64 | 165. Autaugaville 41 | | |
| 60. Alexander City 63 | 166. Brundidge 41 | | |
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| 62. Ashville 62 | 168. Cotaco 41 | | |
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| 66. Theodore 62 | 172. Lynn 41 | | |
| 67. Oneonta 61 | 173. Red Level 41 | | |
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| 69. Cottonwood 60 | 175. Slocomb 41 | | |
| 70. Cullman 60 | 176. B. B. Comer 40 | | |
| 71. Gargas 60 | 177. Coffee Springs 40 | | |
| 72. Mt. Hope 60 | 178. Cold Springs 40 | | |
| 73. Valley Head 60 | 179. Excel 40 | | |
| 74. Hartselle 59 | 180. Hayden 40 | | |
| 75. Alexandria 58 | 181. Livingston 40 | | |
| 76. Centerville 58 | 182. Midland City 40 | | |
| 77. Greenville 58 | 183. Opp 40 | | |
| 78. Headland 58 | 184. Plantersville 40 | | |
| 79. Isabella 58 | 185. Sylvania 40 | | |
| 80. Vina 58 | 186. Thomaston 40 | | |
| 81. Berry 57 | 187. White Plains 40 | | |
| 82. Butler 57 | 188. Bear Creek 39 | | |
| 83. Fairhope 57 | 189. Camden 39 | | |
| 84. Geneva 57 | 190. Clio 39 | | |
| 85. Hartford 57 | 191. Haleyville 39 | | |
| 86. Hazel Green 57 | 192. Hayneville 39 | | |
| 87. Town Creek 57 | 193. New Site 39 | | |
| 88. Brantley 56 | 194. Prattville 39 | | |
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| 102. Reform 53 | 208. Smith Station 37 | | |
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FFA

Look At Your Letters

A leading shoe polish firm has for several years been using the slogan: "Look at your shoes — other people do!" Business men and educators are stressing a similar slogan: "Look at your letters — other people do!"

There are some business men and some educators who still regard courses in business communication as frills; they feel that accounting, marketing and other offerings are important but anybody can write a letter. Anybody can write a letter. The question is what kind of letter will it be?

REMEMBER — People form opinions of you and what you represent by the letters they receive from you. These opinions may be good or they may be bad. Think of this before you seal or mail your letters. Be sure they are neat and properly written.

DO YOU JUST BELONG?

Are you an active member,
The kind that would be missed?
Or are you just contented
That your name is on the list?

Do you attend the meetings
Or mingle with the flock,
Or do you stay at home
To criticize and knock?

Do you take an active part
To help the work along,
Or are you satisfied
To only just belong?

Do you ever go to visit
A member who is sick,
Or leave the work to just a few
And talk about the "clique"?

Think this over, member,
You know right from wrong;
Are you an active member
Or do you just belong?

Alabama State FFA Officers

1929-30

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Vice President
Secretary
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Reporter

Earl Solomon
Kilmer Page
Oliver Manning
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Uriah
Rogersville
Isabella
Midland City
Ozark

1930-31

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Cherokee
Ramer
Athens
Isabella

1931-32

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Evergreen
McKenzie
Holtville
Abbeville

1932-33

President
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Holtville
Uriah
Millport
Ramer
Glencoe

1933-34

President
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Reporter

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Willard Brown
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Belgreen
Glencoe
Millport
Evergreen
Isabella

1934-35

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Ennis Young
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Seals Menefee
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Jemison
Mt. Hope
Walnut Grove
Ramer
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1935-36

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Cecil Cobia
Joe Camp

Holtville
Marion
Wetumpka
Cedar Bluff
Atmore

1936-37

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William Crawford
Roger Nance
Pete Turnham
Roland Sellers

Jemison
Marion
Gurley
Milltown
Ramer

1937-38

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Reporter

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Marvin Smith
Bradley Twitty
Pete Turnham
Maxwell Lewis

Wetumpka
Fairview
Cherokee
Milltown
Ramer

1938-39

President
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Treasurer
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Dolphus Price
John B. Richardson
John Bell Knowles
Hulon Tew
Archie Gilmore

Falkville
Leroy
Headland
Slocomb
Sulligent

1939-40

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Reporter

Joe Bill Knowles
Hollis Smith
Roy T. Fuller
Albert Delgan Ash
L. C. Fitzpatrick

Headland
Green Hill
Notasulga
Odenville
Gaylesville

1940-41

President
Vice President

L. C. Fitzpatrick
A. F. Caley, Jr.

Gaylesville
Orrville

Outstanding FFA Members

From Moulton

Future Farmer Billy Bass, a member of the Moulton FFA chapter, is always one of the first members of his community to try new varieties of seed and new fertilizer, according to his vo-ag teacher and FFA adviser S. L. Canerday, who also says that Billy was the first person in his area to try Coastal Bermuda grass.

Young Bass is considered an outstanding member of his local FFA chapter. As a first year vo-ag student Billy had three beef cattle and 10 acres of corn for his supervised farming projects. He also did extensive improvement work. This included 92 acres of pasture, one acre of home ground, and one-half acre of orchard improvement. He also built or improved 16 miles of farm fence.

Billy's second year farming projects emphasized livestock. He had nine beef cattle, five acres of corn and one sow. He continued his improvement work with 160 acres of soil conservation work, 50 acres of pasture improvement, one-half acre of orchard improvement and nine-tenths acre of home garden improvement. Billy is continuing to enlarge his beef herd. At the present time he has 12 beef cattle. He owns his own livestock, but the rest of his farming is done on a partnership basis with his father.

During his first two years of supervised farming his total cash income was \$1,914.88.

Billy has served as chapter sentinel and vice president, and treasurer of the county FFA organization.

From Orrville

Future Farmers at Orrville are proud of Dudley Reynolds, a member of their FFA Chapter. Eighteen-year-old Dudley and his brothers, George 19, and Hugh 16, completely run their 240 acre, 60 cow dairy farm.

In 1951, his first year in FFA, Dudley had three dairy calves, three hogs, and two beef calves for his supervised farming projects. Since then, through the use of good farming practices and lots of hard work, young Reynolds has increased the scope of his farming projects. He now owns 30 dairy cows, 11 dairy calves, 10 beef calves, six hogs and has planted an acre of watermelons. His total net income for his first three years in FFA was \$10,572.74. He has a one-half interest in the 240 acre farm, a tractor, car, three surge milking machines, a dairy barn, hot water heater in the barn, a

hay barn, farm shop, garage, milk cooler, water pump, and a six room house.

Like all good young farmers, Dudley has done lots of improvement work. He has concentrated mostly on soil conservation, pasture improvement, use of legumes, and dairy herd improvement but has also done home, home ground and farm shop improvement work.

Dudley is a very active member of the FFA. He has taken part in the public speaking, and dairy judging contest, he has been chapter vice president, attended the State and National Conventions, won second place in the State home improvement contest, and served as Parliamentarian and treasurer in the Dallas County FFA organization.

From Boaz

Four years ago, Charles Burnett had never done any farm work; today, he is an outstanding member of the Boaz FFA Chapter.

When Charles elected to study vocational agriculture at Boaz High, he decided to plant some row crops at a farm owned by his family; this farm had not been cultivated for several years. Charles used the best possible farming methods with his first few acres of crops, and under the supervision of his vo-ag teacher, Gordon R. Powell, his first venture was very successful.

From then on, Charles expanded his farming program through re-investing his profits. He built a 5,000 unit broiler house with the profits from his first row crops. He invested the profit from his broilers in livestock. His beef cattle herd has increased from the original three head to 13 head. He has also expanded into the hog business. His main farming projects are: beef cattle, poultry, swine, cotton, oats, alfalfa and a garden.

During his years as a vocational agriculture student young Burnett has bought a tractor and equipment in addition to what he owns in partnership with his parents.

Charles has done extensive improvement work. He has cleared land for pasture, improved his beef, dairy and swine herds, and poultry flocks; repaired fences and built new ones.

This outstanding farm youth has been active in the FFA. He has taken part in the FFA quiz, public speaking and beef judging contests; served as chapter vice president and treasurer and been a member of several chapter committees.

From Kinston

Eighteen-year-old Future Farmer John Will Smith, of Kinston FFA, is mighty proud of the 160 acre farm that his family bought a couple of years ago. Since then, he has been able to expand his

Secretary
Treasurer
Reporter

President
Vice President
Secretary

Martin Ables
Leon Estes
Page Kelly

1941-42

Francis Nichols
Lloyd Burns
David Crawford
William Edwards, Jr.
Ralph Parker

1942-43

Dan Easterling
Hilton Register
Revis Hall
John Eddins, Jr.
Hudson Calfee

1943-44

Thomas Nevin
Rex Locklar
Paul Wilson
Elson Powell
Hansell Groom

1944-45

Thad Salmon
Wayne Thompson
Louie Chapman
Merrill Carlisle
Dan Powell, Jr.

1945-46

Max McLaughlin
Freddie Duke
Joe Hughes
Martin Cranford
Marlin Robinson

1946-47

Edsel Thomaston
Carl Watson
Milford Bonner

Fyffe
Fayette
Hartford

Frisco City
Hartselle
Marion
Enterprise
Auburn

Clio
Slocomb
Gordo
Frisco City
Clanton

Moundville
Goshen
Rogersville
Vinemont
Maplesville

Auburn
Fort Payne
Midland City
Notasulga
Leroy

Blue Springs
Vinemont
Geneva
Arab
Susan Moore

Kinston
Georgiana
Reform



NATIONAL FFA OFFICERS SHOWN ARE (left to right): Dr. W. T. Spanton, Washington, D. C., National Adviser; Billy Gunter, Live Oak, Florida, national president; Philip Brouillette, Richford, Vermont, student secretary; Jay Wright, Alamo, Nevada, vice president, Pacific Region; Charles Anken, Holland Patent, New York, vice president, North Atlantic Region; Bobby Futrelle, Mt. Olive, North Carolina, vice president, Southern Region; Lowell Gisselbeck, Watertown, South Dakota, vice president, Central Region, and Dr. A. W. Tenney, Washington, D. C., national executive secretary.

Treasurer
Reporter

Kerna B. Tidwell
Joe Pace Palmer

Susan Moore
Leroy

farming program and do lots of improvement work.

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Reporter

1947-48

Dane Lowery
Bobby White
Ralph Etheridge
Eldred Croft
Wayne Upton

Jemison
Riverton
McAdory
Straughn
Centre

F. W. Wood, vo-ag teacher and FFA adviser at Kinston, says that John has been a great help to his family in making farm and home improvements.

John's first farming projects were two acres of peanuts, two acres of corn and four hogs. He has since added cotton as another project and has purebred hogs now too. His share of the profits from his first three years' projects totaled \$1,407.07.

President
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Secretary
Treasurer
Reporter

1948-49

Nick Lindsey
Bob Salmon
S. J. Noah
Buddy Clark
Douglas Mitchell

Orrville
Auburn
Glencoe
Kinston
Corner

His improvement projects have included soil conservation, pasture, home garden and fencing.

John's farming projects are his own; he manages them completely and gives his father one half of the profits for the use of the land and farm equipment. He also helps his father with the rest of the farm.

President
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Reporter

1949-50

Elton Pierce
Harvey Tollison
W. M. Espy, Jr.
William L. Ragsdale, Jr.
Homer Vinson

Wilmer
Pell City
Headland
Camp Hill
Red Bay

In the FFA John Will has been chapter sentinel and treasurer, and he has been a member of the chapter hog and beef judging teams. He has the "State Farmer" degree.

President
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Reporter

1950-51

Winford Collier
John Sherrer
Reuben Finney
Paul Copeland
Kenneth Landers

Wetumpka
Orrville
Five Points
Arab
Leighton

From Troy

When Esker Davis was a small boy, his father gave him a few cows. Today, Future Farmer Davis, of the Troy FFA Chapter, has 60 purebred Angus cattle and two purebred bulls.

Troy vo-ag teacher and FFA adviser, Milton L. McKeller, says that Esker has worked hard, been conservative about his spending, and used the most progressive farming methods. McKeller also says that Esker is very active in the FFA.

Beef cattle have been Esker's main farming project, but he has also had corn and peanuts for supervised farming projects. He practices good forestry management on his timber land.

He financed the purchase of his three trucks and tractor through a bank loan. His total cash income at the end of his first three years in FFA was \$6,418.44.

Young Davis has carried out many improvement projects. Forestry, pasture, and soil improvement have received emphasis, but he has also done home and farm shop improvement work.

Esker has served as FFA chapter treasurer for four years, entered the beef

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1951-52

Joe Broadwater
James Allen
Jack Lasseter
Edwin Johnson
Thomas Terry

Athens
Kinston
Gadsden
Flomaton
Moundville

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Reporter

1952-53

Winfred Davis
Millard Latham
Bob Molette
Charles Wall
Roy Sims

Milltown
Kennedy
Orrville
Warrior
Enterprise

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Reporter

1953-54

Ralph Barrett
Cameron Lyle
Bryant Byrd
Kenneth Copeland
Douglas Rigney

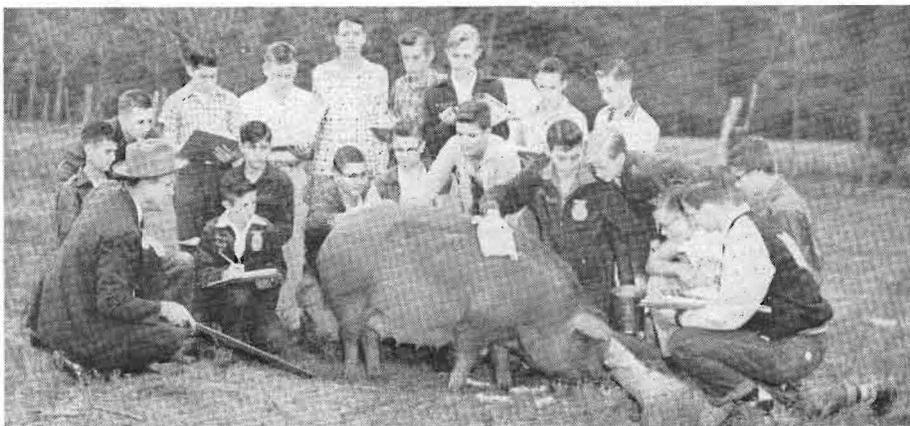
Corner
Eclectic
Beulah
Boaz
Copeland

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Reporter

1954-55

Garland Bond
Roy Boyd
Jerdan Bullard
David Wilson
George Johnson

Greensboro
Ramer
Red Bay
Grove Hill
Pell City



GENEVA FFA BOYS making a field trip to study improved methods of growing hogs.

FFA Honor Roll

(Membership)

Silas	109
Montevallo	102
Stevenson	101
Heflin	100
Jasper	100
West Limestone	100

judging contest two years, and been a delegate to the State Convention.

From Falkville

Fifteen-year-old John Knight, a member of the Falkville FFA chapter, is developing a fine farming program.

As a first year vo-ag student, he had four acres of corn, a sow and litter, 300 broilers, four cattle and one show calf for his farming projects. He financed all of these projects by himself. His father gave him a heifer calf when he was quite young, and since then it has been a matter of borrowing money and doing lots of hard work. John's income from his first year's projects was \$251.85.

His projects for this past year include two market hogs, one sow and litter, one gilt, three cattle, two show calves and 2½ acres of clover.

According to C. R. Owens, John's vo-ag teacher and FFA adviser, John upholds the standards necessary to successful farming and carries them out.

Young Knight finds time to devote to FFA, school and community works. His FFA activities have included: entering public speaking and quiz contests, serving as chapter treasurer, and attending the National Convention.

From Geneva

During the four years that Charles Pritchett has been a member of FFA, he has made great progress toward developing an outstanding farming program according to J. L. Parish, Geneva, vo-ag teacher and FFA adviser.

Parish quotes Charles as saying "In first year vo-ag, I wasn't too interested, it was just another subject until I started FFA projects and contests. I got involved and couldn't quit. I soon felt that agriculture had real meaning. It was a lifeline, something to go to school for."

Since Charles' family does not farm, he rents 360 acres of land which he hopes to purchase before too long.

Six market hogs, two acres of corn and three acres of watermelons were Charles' first year projects. He has gradually expanded his program, and is building a herd of cattle. His farm is best suited for livestock and tree farming. Young Pritchett's total farm income has been \$2,239.35 during the time that he carried FFA projects. He has invested this money in 14 head of cattle, a tractor and equipment, a truck, farm shop equipment and his home.

Charles has had an extensive improvement program. He and his family built a new home using an old commercial broiler house and spending \$1,000.00. He has done and is doing pasture improvement work, has planted pine seed-

lings, and done other forestry improvement work and wildlife conservation.

In the FFA, Charles has entered the public speaking, won the 4th and 2nd place in the farm mechanics contest, fourth and first place in the home improvement contest, been chapter Star Farmer, twice attended the National Convention where he received the Gold Emblem for his home improvement work and played in the National FFA Band.

From Clanton

G. C. Bolton, Clanton FFA member, is following the example set by many other Chilton County farmers. The youth is including a peach orchard in his farming program.

Last year young Bolton made a profit of \$391.14 from his 500 peach trees and he is hoping for a repeat performance or better this year. His other projects, which consisted of one acre of okra, eight acres of corn, and four acres of cotton, swelled his profits to \$1,143.75.

According to J. Reed Thompson, vo-ag teacher at Clanton, G. C. is continuing with his four acres of cotton this year but increased the corn acreage to 18, added 500 broilers and one acre of tomatoes. He holds the office of chapter reporter in the local chapter.

From West Limestone

Fred Robertson, Jr., who is on the West Limestone High football, baseball, basketball and track teams, doesn't devote all his time to these sports. He has an outstanding supervised farming program according to Elmer Jackson, his FFA adviser and vocational agriculture teacher.

Since young Robertson started his FFA work, he has more than doubled his farming projects. He had 5 acres of cotton, one beef cow and one pig for his supervised farming projects during his first year. Last year, he had 5 acres of cotton, 2 acres of corn, 10 acres of wheat, 5 acres of grain sorghum, 5 acres of hay, 12 acres of oats, 2 dairy calves, and a sow and litter. The income from his first year's projects was \$566.49. Last year, his income was \$2,361.72. Fred has also done lots of improvement work. He has made furniture, used legumes to improve fields and done pasture improvement work.

Young Robertson has participated in the FFA Dairy Judging, Hog Judging, Beef Cattle Judging and Tractor Driving Contests, and has attended the State Convention twice.

—————FFA—————

All chapters should have one regular meeting each month during the summer.



SHOWN above is the Reserve Grand Champion steer of the Birmingham Fat Stock Show. It was shown by its owner, Woodham Trammell, member of the Oneonta FFA chapter. His adviser, T. E. Mann, shown at left.

FFA Roundup

ALICEVILLE

Daniel Upton is the Aliceville FFA Chapter winner in the annual Forest Essay contest sponsored by the Gulf States Paper Company, Tuscaloosa. His essay will be judged with the winners from 15 other schools to determine the 16 school winners.

Each essay was supposed to contain a statement on tree farming from a local businessman. Daniel contacted John A. Somerville, president of the Aliceville Bank and Trust Company, who made the following statement: "Tree farming is helpful in preventing erosion, building land, and preserving wildlife." Somerville also said that many farmers pay debts with money made from the sale of forest products and that if a farmer will use proper cutting methods and prevent forest fires, trees will remain one of our top cash crops.

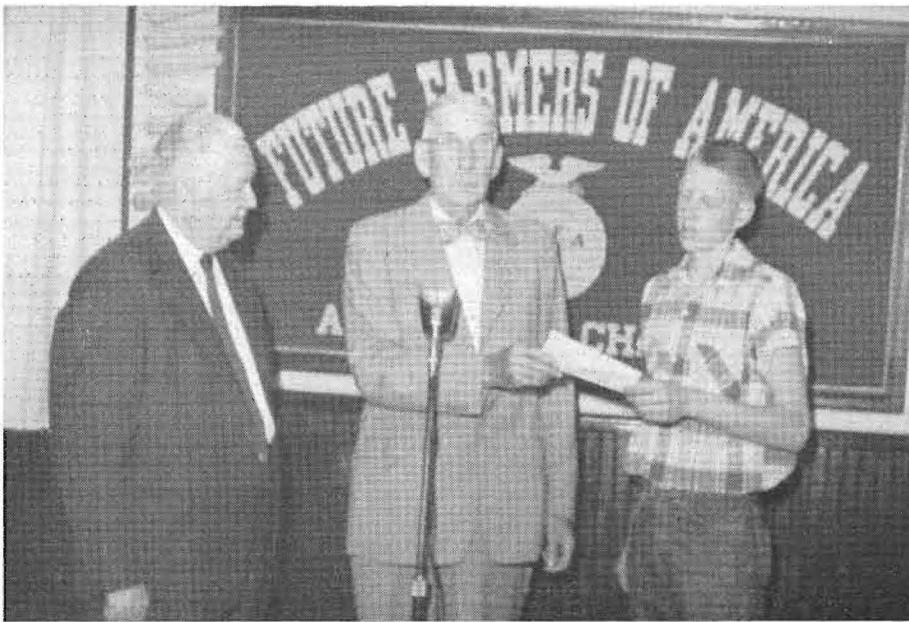
BILLINGSLEY

Billingsley's contestants in the FFA contests and delegates to the State Convention do not have to worry about how their expenses will be paid. The chapter treasury has funds marked for their travel.

The chapter has carried out a well organized fund raising program. Members made \$200 selling soft drinks and hot dogs at school football games, \$18 from the FFA Sweetheart contest, \$20 from the sale of rat poison, \$18 from the FFA basketball games, and \$160 from the sale of FFA calendar ads. At present, the chapter is feeding out 10 hogs on the school FFA plot. The sale of these hogs is expected to add an additional \$400 to the chapter treasury.

MIDLAND CITY

One hundred-sixty persons attended the annual FFA-FHA dinner held re-



J. C. CANNON (left) looks on while John A. Somerville presents a \$25.00 savings bond to Ken Eatman, winner of the Aliceville FFA Corn Growing Contest for the past year. Mr. Cannon was guest speaker in Aliceville at a special luncheon given for this occasion.

BILLINGSLEY

Two hundred forty persons attended the annual FFA-FHA Father-Son, Mother-Daughter barbecue held recently at Billingsley High School.

After the barbecue was served out of

doors, the group went to the school auditorium where the program was presented. Robert G. Davis, Billingsley principal, and Joe Turner, local Post Master, were made honorary chapter farmers in recognition of their outstanding assistance to the chapter.

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WAYNE CARR, above, from the Crossville Chapter, was FFA showmanship winner at the Birmingham Fat Stock Show.

cently at the Midland City High School gymnasium.

FFA President, William Culpepper, was the master of ceremonies and FHA President Genella Kennedy, gave the welcome address. A special program was given by members of the two chapters, and Byron Marsh, chapter corn growing champion, received a certificate and key.

PRATTVILLE

Fred Allen Gray, a member of the Prattville FFA chapter, finds that hogs are a profitable productive farming project.

He chose hogs as a productive project when he first joined the FFA in 1953. He has kept one Hampshire brood sow since then and has marketed a total of 20 top hogs from this one sow.

Fred says that to make money in the "hog business" one must produce a large part of the feed consumed. His feeding program consists of grain fed free choice and protein in pellet form.

At present, Fred plans to save the top gilt from his sow's current litter and gradually increase the number of brood sows on hand.

TOWN CREEK

Members of the Town Creek FFA chapter have elected Ussery Etheridge chapter "Star Farmer" in recognition of his outstanding supervised farming program and FFA activities.

Ussery had five beef cattle, five acres of cotton, 10 acres of corn and one gilt for his supervised farming projects during his first year in FFA. He made \$620 on these projects. He also had two improvement projects and eight supplementary projects.

This year Ussery is planning to expand his farming program.

In FFA, he has been chapter sentinel, a member of the winning district livestock judging team and has applied for the "State Farmer" degree.

REHOBETH

The leading forester in the Rehobeth FFA chapter is Donald Cobb. Donald is gradually developing his timber stand. He planted 2,000 seedlings three years ago and planted 2,000 more in January. He received some of these seedlings through the FFA chapter.

This year the chapter received 10,000 seedlings from the State Chamber of Commerce. These seedlings were distributed to members; each member could receive not more than 1,000 seedlings.

SUTTLE

The Suttle FFA chapter and Wilbur Kelley, supervisor, Black Belt Experiment Station, sponsored this year's FFA Field Day at Marion.

More than 200 Future Farmers from the Orrville, Marion, Suttle, Linden, Selma and Plantersville chapters participated in the day's activities.

C. C. Moore and Aubrey Smith judged the dairy judging contest; Kay Latham, the sheep contest; and Wilbur Kelley, the beef animals. These judging contests were among the day's activities which also included field events and a tour of the station.

The Selma chapter won first place in three of the day's events and second place in five of them. The chapter received a trophy, presented by the Suttle chapter and possession of the revolving trophy for one year. The Cahaba Wood



SHOWN above is a group of Sr. II FFA boys participating in an electrical demonstration being conducted by Bert Cloud of the Alabama REA.

An Important Message To Future Farmers of Alabama



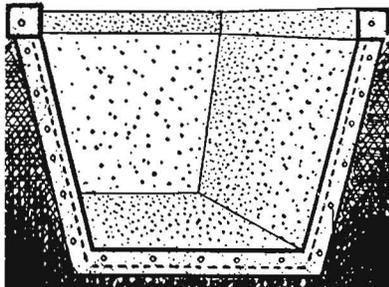
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BRANTLEY

FFA members are striving for 100 per cent participation in the annual FFA Corn Growing Contest. They are also having a chapter contest. In addition to the standards to be met in the State contest, the chapter competition has added requirements. Local merchants will award prizes to the three boys with the highest yields per acre.

For the past two years, members have stressed corn as a cash crop. Despite the dry weather, the Future Farmers' corn yield has been increased by more than 10 per cent.

SLOCOMB

Sixteen Slocomb High vo-ag students have entered an annual cucumber growing contest. They have signed contracts for the sale of cucumbers and are ready to go. The cucumbers offer the boys an opportunity for an early income before other crops are ready.

Students who will participate in this contest are Ray Bush, Huey Lee Brannon, Wayland Childs, Jimmy Rex Gilley, Billy Miller, Wallace Bradshaw, Harold Barber, Phillip Borland, Lloyd Coker, Harry Joe Phillips, Jimmy Highes, Dan Peterson, Clayton Cox, James Carroll, Wallace Killingsworth and Kenneth Dean.

PRATTVILLE

Future Farmer Murray Lipscomb has compiled an enviable record during his three years in FFA and vo-ag work according to his teacher and adviser H. Y. Grooms.

Murray's farming program shows diversification and balance. His projects include beef cattle, corn, oats, wheat, and



"I was scared the first day until I found out the new teacher was more scared."

hogs. Young Lipscomb has also done improvement work in soil conservation, forestry, pasture, home and home ground.

He has a record of leadership in the FFA. He is chapter vice president, county FFA quiz winner, and a member of the Livestock Judging team. Last year he was a member of the chapter hog judging team that won the district championship.

ALEXANDER CITY

Vocational agriculture students made a tour of fellow students' home farms recently to study the various methods used in carrying out supervised farming projects. Vo-ag teacher M. L. Curvin says that the boys found that what their fellow students were doing was most interesting.

Alvin Tate's projects were considered outstanding. He had 4,500 broilers ready for market, and a sow with a litter of ten

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pigs. Alvin is president of the Alexander City FFA chapter.

Charley Childers' major project is hogs. He got started in hog production when he received a pig chain gilt during his first year as a vo-ag student. He now has three brood sows and a boar.

LAFAYETTE

The three FFA chapters in Chambers County met recently at the Five Points vocational agriculture building and formed a county organization. The chapters participating in the new organization are Milltown, Five Points and LaFayette.

The officers elected by the newly organized group are: Henry Lovelace, Jr., president, LaFayette; James Kendrick, vice president, Five Points; Jim Buford, secretary, Milltown; Gene Hayes, treasurer, Five Points; LeRoy Talby, reporter, Five Points; and Paul Holley, LaFayette, vo-ag teacher, adviser.

In addition to regular meetings, the county organization plans to hold a field day at the LaFayette chapter before the close of the school year.

RAMER

The Ramer chapter is well on its way to having an active pig chain. The bred Duroc gilt which the chapter purchased farrowed a litter of nine.

Male pigs in this litter will be sold to chapter members and gilts will be given to members on the basis of their supervised farming program. Members who receive gilts from the chapter will return two gilts to the chapter when the first litter is farrowed. These gilts will then be redistributed.

If the hog market continues at its present level, the chapter will have made money from the project in addition to establishing a pig chain and introducing better hogs in the community.



THE Clanton Chapter FFA Sweetheart, at left, is shown with one of the FFA members during peach blossom time this past Spring. The picture was made before the freeze.

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Avoid Hunting Accidents

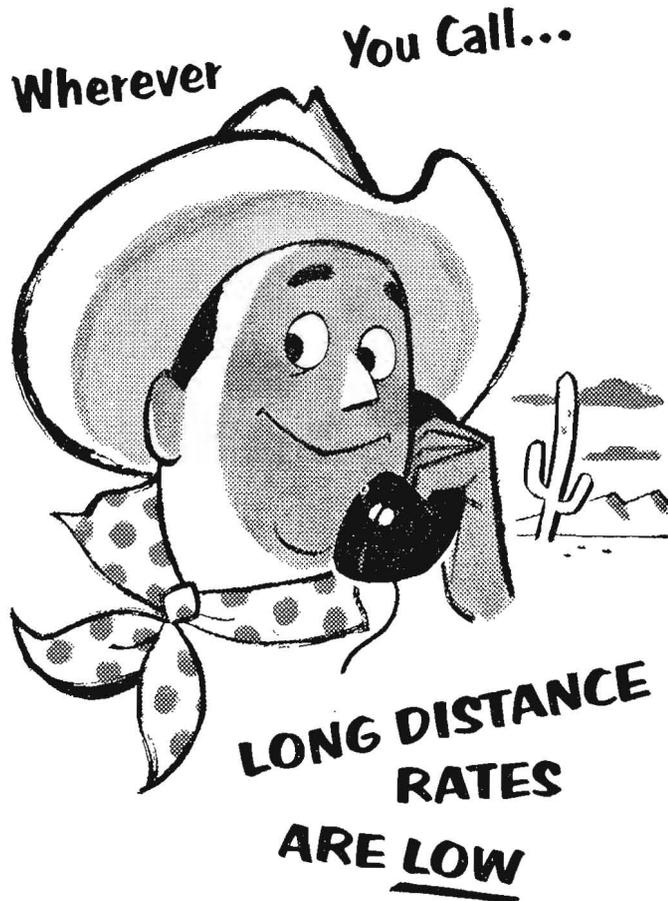
Guns should never be loaded until you have reached the hunting area. A gun becomes a source of much enjoyment if carefully used, but it may also be the source of much grief and sorrow if, through accident, a hunting pal or member of the family is killed or permanently injured.

The National Safety Council reports three causes which lead to almost two-thirds of the accidents reported during the hunting season, namely: humans in the line of fire, mistaking humans for

game and hunting with the safety catch off.

Sportsmanship is good manners, as every hunter knows. It includes using the right gun for the right game, hunting only in season and not taking the limit unless he can use the meat. For bird hunting, the hunter takes a trained dog to retrieve cripples. He puts out cigarettes and campfires carefully, breaks matches before dropping them, and in general, tempers his action with reason.

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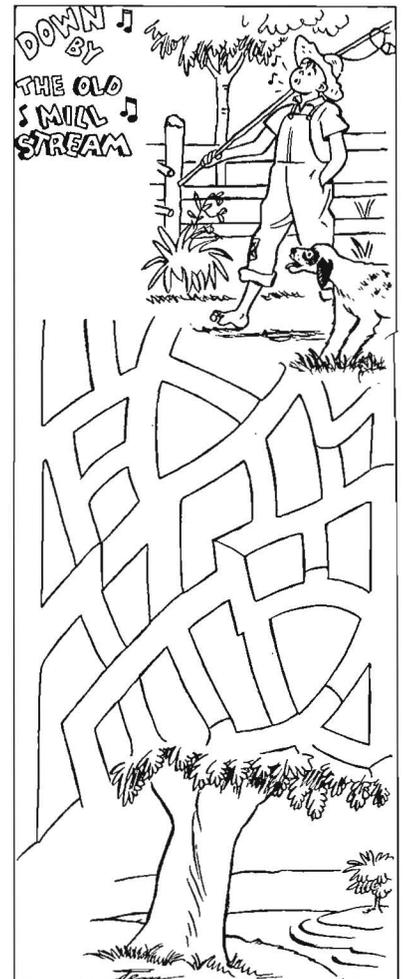
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Other Soul: "Son, this ain't Heaven."

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"How long have you worked in the bank, Freddie?"

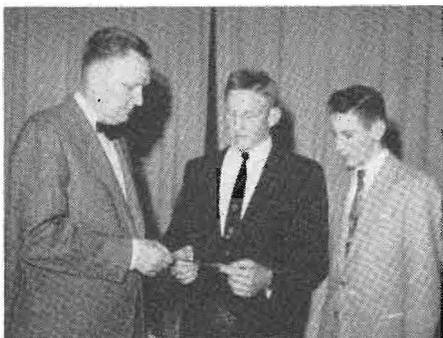
"Ever since they threatened to fire me."

"Do you hold your boy friend's hand in the movies?"

"I try to."

Teacher: "Johnny, where is Brazil?"

Johnny: (stalling) "Where do you think it is?"



HIRAM DAVIS, president of the Bank of Gordo, at left above, is shown presenting checks to the Pickens County FFA Public Speaking winners. Roy Bain of the Carrollton chapter won 1st place and received an \$18.00 check. Bill Wilbourne, of the Aliceville chapter received \$10.00 for second place. Not shown was James Burkhalter of the Gordo Chapter who received \$5.00 for 3rd place and Howard Cornelius of the Liberty chapter who received \$3.00.

These awards were sponsored by the four banks of Pickens County.

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Teacher: "I don't think—I know."
Johnny: "I don't think I know either."

John L: "This girl is fresh from the country, and it's up to us to teach her what's right and wrong."

Henry B: "Okay, John, you teach her what's right."

Policeman: "Do you have a warning sign on the front of your car?"

Driver: "Yes, sir. There's a little sign up there that says Dodge."

Dad: "There seems to be something wrong with my shaving brush."

Son: "That's funny, it was all right yesterday when I painted my bicycle."



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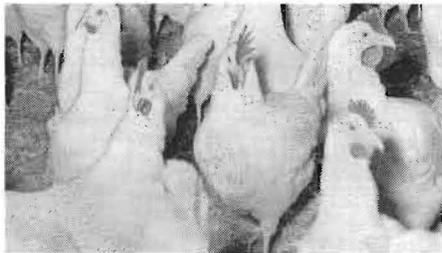


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 Boss: "No, they get a month; two weeks when I go on my vacation and two weeks when they go on theirs."
 JOHN KNIGHT, JR., Falkville

The doctor asked the little moron what would happen if one of his ears was cut off.
 "I would only hear half as well," he replied.
 "That's right," said the doctor. "And what would happen if both of your ears were cut off?"
 "Then I couldn't see."
 "How do you figure that out?"
 "Well, then my hat would fall over my eyes."

"Been fishing, haven't you? Catch anything?"
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 Boy in back of room: "Yeah, teacher, tell us more about Rosie."



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FFA

On The MARCH

AKRON—added air compressor to department; conferred Honorary Chapter Degree upon Nell Livingston in recognition for her assistance in training the quartet; members of 11th grade completed Home Ground improvement; attended Field Day exercises of the Hale-Green county FFA-FHA.

ALEXANDER CITY—had project tour; put on radio program; working on judging of livestock; made study of pastures in community.

ALEXANDRIA—held Tractor Driving contest; installed play ground equipment; working in the shop repairing lawn mowers, disk harrows and some lawn furniture.

ALICEVILLE — ordered FFA "T" shirts; teams in District Field Day; sponsoring Forest Fire Slogan Contest; presented Radio program; sent articles to newspapers; working on shop program; elected 3 honorary members; enlarging Pig Chain; completed official scrapbook.

ARAB—elected officers for 1955-56; held joint social with FHA; participated in District Radio contest; livestock and beef judging contest.

ARLEY—held two regular meetings and one officers meeting; sold 10 gallons of penta for termites; had all-day picnic with FHA; elected officers for 1955-56.

ASHFORD—held a study of electricity conducted by REA and State Electric Co-op representatives; had annual FFA-FHA banquet; awarded gift to Chapter Sweetheart; discussed plans for FFA trip; selected committee for nominating officers for next year; bought new portable sander for shop.

ATHENS—repairing and painting farm equipment; made screens and did other shop jobs.

AUBURN—entered Lee County tractor driving contest; elected officers for next year; host for District eliminations; won district quartet contest; planning camping trip for next month.

BAKERHILL—held two regular meetings; annual FFA-FHA banquet; completed several shop projects and 4 signs.

BERRY—received 12,000 bi-color lespedeza plants; won second place in district Dairy Judging.

BEULAH—constructed and planted hot bed of tomatoes; ran terrace lines for farmer; culled hens and treated flock of hens for lice for farmer; entered county Tractor Driving Contest.

BLOUNTSVILLE—58 chapter members present at chicken barbecue; elected officers for 1955-56 school year; purchased pop corn machine for concession stand and 2 electric drills for shop; made 4 ornamental iron columns for church.

BLUE SPRINGS—set out 2,000 pines and 6,000 bicolor seedlings; made plans for fishing trip and banquet.

BRANTLEY—held annual FFA-FHA barbecue; made bait boxes for county rat control program; elected FFA Sweetheart; constructed 5200 ft. of parallel terraces on farm.

CARBON HILL—erected FFA road signs; gave chapel program; landscaped new Methodist parsonage; purchased "Future Farmer Lives Here" signs for members; built trailer.

CARLOWVILLE — pruning shrubbery on campus; planned tractor clinic; making 18 screens and 12 blinds for farmer's home and selling ice cream to raise funds.

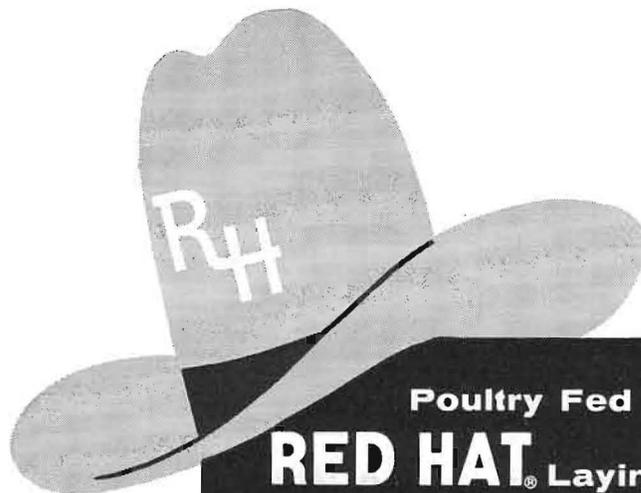
CARROLLTON—entered county tractor driving contest; set out 20,000 pine seedlings and 7,000 bicolor plants; took three cooperative fruit tree orders; seeded area around town waterworks with bermuda grass; elected officers for next year; had skating party.

CLAYTON—held Father-Son, Mother-Daughter banquet with 250 present; purchased FFA classroom banner and owl; selected 4 honorary FFA members; elected officers for the coming year; repaired windows in high school; held Tractor Clinic at school.

COFFEE SPRINGS—had Father-Son, Mother Daughter banquet; participated in livestock and dairy cattle judging; poultry judging team to compete in Auburn during State Convention.

COFFEEVILLE—elected new officers; presented chapel program and PTA program.

COLUMBIANA—built one work table for shop and finished painting the shop; held 4 regular meetings; sent three news articles to local paper; sponsored variety show to raise funds; placed three gilts with boys in pig chain; selected judging teams; planning Father-Son,



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Maintains High Egg Production
For Long Periods

C. M. Johnson, of Vernon, Ala., is one of thousands of successful poultry growers who has found RED HAT Laying Mash ideal for keeping laying hens at top production levels. During the first six months of laying, Mr. Johnson's present flock of 500 birds averaged 80-85% production, reaching a peak of 91%. At age one year, the flock was still maintaining well over 75% egg production, and had a very low mortality rate. In the poultry business for 25 years, Mr. Johnson has used several different brands of feeds, but he says he has consistently had the best results from his hens when he feeds them RED HAT. This Alabama grower reports equally good results from raising his pullets on RED HAT Starting Mash and Growing Mash. For example, of 950 replacement pullets recently grown out on RED HAT Starting Mash, Mr. Johnson had lost only 17 at six weeks of age. All of these birds are extremely well-developed, uniform and healthy.



C. M. Johnson, left, looks over his egg production records with Kenneth Galloway, who is associated with Roy D. Couch, RED HAT dealer in Fayette, Ala.

H. G. Aycock, of Kennedy, Ala., is another veteran poultryman who testifies to outstanding records from hens fed high quality RED HAT Laying Mash. Mr. Aycock, who has been in the commercial egg business for 20 years, has been a regular user of RED HAT Feeds for the past seven years. His present flock of 525 one-year-old White Leghorns has maintained an average of



H. G. Aycock and his daughter are shown with some of Mr. Aycock's flock of 525 White Leghorn layers.

75-80% production. Mortality during the laying period has been only 2%. Mr. Aycock uses RED HAT FEEDS exclusively because he has found that with RED HAT (1) he gets a high percentage of top quality eggs; (2) his hens regularly come into full production at an early age, and (3) he has had an exceedingly low mortality rate in his growing and laying flocks.



ALABAMA FLOUR MILLS, Decatur, Alabama

Mother-Daughter banquet; host for central Alabama district eliminations.

CULLMAN—had our Father-Son, Mother-Daughter banquet; made plans for annual FFA camping trip.

CURRY—participated in district contests; sent in one American Farmer application; sold subscriptions to Farm and Ranch magazine; exchanged classes with Home Economics department for two weeks; planning chapel program.

DADEVILLE—string band practicing; held Mother-Daughter, Father-Son banquet; held annual Tallapoosa County Field Day.

DOUBLE SPRINGS—bought and installed a 5KVA Amp. Welding Machine in shop; set out Norway maple and pink dogwood in front of vocational building; sold Farm and Ranch magazine for 620 flash bulb camera for chapter.

DOUGLAS—had FFA party; entered string band contest, dairy judging, farm mechanics and home improvement contest; wired FHA building; finishing up work in shop; held regular meeting.

EAST BREWTON—practiced with judging team; put on radio program over local station; sent off FFA jewelry order; quartet presented program at school; poultry judging team practicing for state contest; ordered officer pins for retiring officers; nominated officers for next year.

EAST LIMESTONE—entered district livestock and dairy judging contest; organized poultry judging team; received 1000 pounds fertilizer donated by Southern Cotton Oil Company for chapter use; sponsoring corn growing demonstration.

ELKMONT—held regular monthly meeting; entered quartet, quiz, public speaking and won county tractor driving contest; 14 boys entered Pfister 10 ear sample growing contest; obtained new material for library; raised \$1.-121.62 to buy equipment for shop; planned fishing trip; studied poultry judging; plan to elect new officers.

ENTERPRISE—held one meeting; had FFA-FHA banquet; planned trip to Lake Geneva.

EUTAW—4 members and adviser attended District Eliminations in Auburn.

FALKVILLE—16 members attended District eliminations; distributed 4 gilts in Pig Chain; entered 3 calves in County Fat Calf Show; elected and installed officers; held 2 local meetings.

FORT DEPOSIT—held 2 meetings; nominated officers for next year; attended district meeting.

FRISCO CITY—held Father-Son, Mother-Daughter banquet.

GENEVA—held monthly meeting; elected honorary members; planning joint social with FHA; held annual Parents Night program; planning week-end trip to the Gulf; elected two honorary members; placed two pigs in pig chain.

GERALDINE—held regular meetings; put on radio program; elected committee to plan educational trip; entered 10 hogs in county hog show; elected new officers for 1955-56; bought seed corn cooperatively; built several mail box stands in shop.

GREENSBORO—held tractor driving contest; attended FFA-FHA field day; elected new officers and chapter sweetheart; ordered sweetheart jacket, 2 identification signs; added 2 books to library.

GREENVILLE—discussed annual fishing trip and square dance; pig chain increased by 4 more purebred gilts; planned FFA-FHA picnic.

GOSHEN—held annual banquet with 150 attending; elected 2 honorary members; started operating school farm by preparing land and now ready to plant.

GROVE HILL—held 2 chapter and 2 officers meetings; 2 practice teachers in department; presented sweetheart with chest; made plans for Father-Son banquet; placed 2 gilts in pig chain; sent 2 articles to local paper; sold 5 meat hogs.

HACKLEBURG—held FFA-FHA banquet; elected officers; selected State Convention delegate.

HALEYVILLE—3 participated in District Dairy Judging contest; mock trial held in FFA program; boys participated in magazine contest.

HANDLEY—constructed electric hotbed; plan to sell 100,000 sweet potato slips; had 3 gilts to farrow in pig chain; held annual FFA-FHA banquet; elected sweetheart.

HATTON—held Father-Son, Mother-Daughter banquet; awarded certificate membership to 6 honorary members; assisted in dispersing surplus farm commodities; entered county tractor driving contest.

HAYNEVILLE—cut worthless hardwood trees in FFA Forestry Plot; judging team getting ready for contest; selling "T" shirts to members; painted shop; ordered electric welder; entered 5 calves in calf show.

HEFLIN—2 regular meetings; electing new officers; had speaking contest.

HIGHLAND HOME—bedded potatoes in electric hotbed; allotted one regular Duroc pig; purchased stand for band saw; ordered replace-

ment parts for electric equipment; held one regular meeting.

INVERNESS—FFA-FHA plan to have Father-Son, Mother-Daughter barbecue; entertained PTA group; elected officers.

JASPER—groomed calves for Fat Stock Show; held 2 regular meetings; operating drink machines; electing officers for next year.

JEMISON—rented land for tomato project; made plans for fishing trip; had FFA party; added another gilt to pig chain.

KINSTON—entered several district contests; made plans for summer trip; sponsoring barbecue to raise funds for trip.

LEROY—David White, State Treasurer, guest for Father-Son, Mother-Daughter banquet; sent story to local newspaper of one of our past members; visited local farm and studied shearing of sheep; placed 2 pigs in pig chain.

LINDEN—visited milking parlor, stock yards, saw mill, Shiloh Forestry tower and Forestry

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Send us a good joke along with your monthly FFA Report. Name of Reporter will be printed with each joke published. In case of duplication, first one received will be used.

Demonstration plot; entered 3 district contests; attended county beef cattle show; showed 2 films.

LOCUST FORK—held Mother-Daughter, Father-Son chicken fry, grew chickens in shop for the supper; painted 6 farm tractors; built 1 set of side boards for pick-up; painted 4 sets of boards and several disc harrows, break plows and many other repair jobs in shop; built a set of 4 swings and a see-saw for the grammar school with new electric welder in shop.

LYNN—repaired high school sidewalk; went on fishing trip to Cypress Creek; elected officers for 1955-56.

MIDLAND CITY—held 2 regular meetings; got new 3' x 6' banner, pictures of Washington and Jefferson and new plow for chapter room; held Father-Son, Mother-Daughter banquet.

MILRY—held one officer meeting; participated in organized athletics; carried out community service; built 6 farm signs representing FFA; placing 2 pigs in pig chain; adding books to all members home library; planned summer fishing trip.

MILLTOWN—held 2 regular meetings; elected new officers and installed them at our Father-Son, Mother-Daughter banquet; operated candy store during year.

MONTEVALLO—20 members went with honorary members to Grand Ole Opry in Nashville; poured concrete walks at school; attended Village Fair in Auburn; elected officers for 1955-56; planned annual rodeo; operated concession at baseball games, plans being made for social with FHA.

MOULTON—elected new officers for next year; painting covered walks on school campus; sowed bermuda and blue grass on school grounds; one member registered 11 Duroc pigs from his gilt's first litter.

MOUNDVILLE—held two monthly meetings; added one new member; sold Farm and Ranch magazines; elected new officers.

NEW BROCKTON—made plans for Father-Son, Mother-Daughter barbecue; made FFA mailbox stands; built biddy brooder for one member; FFA gilt farrowed 13 pigs; repaired automatic hog feeder.

NEW MARKET—put down 100 ft. of drain tile on school campus; several members made a week's tour of Washington, D. C.; all members started project records for coming year.

NEW SITE—dehorned cattle; surveyed terraces; had subscription drive for Farm and Ranch magazine and won a flash-bulb camera for the chapter.

NEWVILLE—Sr. I and Sr. II boys visited Sanitary Dairy in Dothan; attended District Judging contest; Jr. III boys cleaning grounds around lunch room.

OAKMAN—held 2 meetings; planned picnic with FHA; elected new officers for 1955-56; showed 3 educational films; castrated 6 bulls and 22 pigs; dehorned 12 cows; placed 2 gilts from pig chain.

ONEONTA—put out shrubbery around football field and high school; nominated officers for next year; planned annual fishing trip.

ORRVILLE—went on field trip to learn about sheep; continued to stress farm safety in shop; no accidents in 7 years in shop; worked with tin and metals in shop and continued woodwork in shop; built drinking fountain; preparing for horse show and barbecue at high school; studying use and care of hand tools.

PELL CITY—entered 4 contests at Gadsden; purchased a 16mm projector for use in chapter activities; shown 6 films so far.

PINE HILL—planted two and one-half acres hybrid corn as chapter project; sold 3 hogs for \$115 and plan to purchase shop tools with it; planned FFA-FHA social; appointed nominating committee to select next years officers.

REFORM—held regular monthly meeting and class group meeting; had representatives in Pickens County FFA Association meet; planned Father-Son banquet; all members completed project plans for year.

RIVERTON—held 5 chapter meetings and 1 officers meeting; conducted Tractor Safety Driving contest; 6 members attended sheep shearing school; repaired desk for school; gave radio program and 2 chapel programs; assisted farmers with livestock problems.

SAMSON—entertained over 325 people at FFA-FHA parents night; received chapter banner; practiced livestock judging; held a two-day REA electrical school; bought sander and mortising attachment for shop.

SIDNEY LANIER—had 2 meetings; made two field trips; plan to have barbecue; sold over 600 barbecue tickets; showed 6 fat calves in calf show.

SMITH STATION—planning for chapter fish fry; sold magazine subscriptions; erected play ground equipment for grammar school.

SOUTHSIDE—stocked post treating vat; planning trip to Grand Ole Opry; reworked water pump at school; treated 43 fence post; weaned and sold 6 pigs from chapter.

STRAUGHN—held ceremony for 2 Honorary members; received tractor from Ferguson Tractor Company; built tractor shed 20' x 36'; held Father-Son, Mother-Daughter banquet; sold \$63 worth of hogs; placed 3 pigs in chain; held joint meeting with FHA.

SULLIGENT—delivered 100 fruit trees; had Father-Son banquet; running weekly column in county paper and monthly column in REA news; published 16 news articles; 5 pictures and 500 copies of newsletter in color distributed.

SUTTLE—held Father-Son, Mother-Daughter banquet with FHA; elected officers for coming year; refurnished tables and painted chapter room; planning to plant corn in chapter demonstration plot; planning fishing trip.

THEODORE—bought purebred boar for chapter members use; added 6 gilts to pig chain; held Father-Son, Mother-Daughter banquet; elected 1 Honorary member; sold 3 chapter hogs; will elect officers for next year before school is out.

THOMASTON—held regular meeting; elected officers for next year; had report from finance committee; voted to get new FFA manuals for chapter and equipment for shop.

THOMASVILLE—held FFA banquet; gathered scrap iron to raise chapter funds; entered 3 State FFA contests; visited local farm machinery dealers; making plans for summer meetings; trimmed shrubbery and cleared up campus.

TOWN CREEK—painted and repaired all equipment at city park; erected sign at city park; sold \$107 of magazines; sent 2 members to Birmingham to entertain for Fat Stock Show; went on FFA camping trip; elected officers for 1955-56; distributed more rat poison.

TROY—raised and sold 50 chicks and money was put into treasurer; fertilized school grounds; final plans made for FFA-FHA parents banquet.

TUSKEGEE—bought new joiner for shop; held joint weiner roast with FHA; nominated new officers; planned chicken fry.

URIAH—had FFA-FHA banquet; sold FFA hogs; finished bookcases for elementary school; plan to have a fish fry; took part in county tractor driving contest.

VERBENA—learning to use arc welder; planned annual trip; sold tickets on a Duroc gilt; presented chapel program; went on field trip; put on rat killing program; worked in shop; planned summer trip; planned to elect officers.

VERNON—held social with about 35 members attending; held regular meeting twice month; making plans for Father-Son banquet.

VINA—plan to go on fishing trip; placed 2 registered gilts; elected new officers for 1955-56; held officer training school.

WEDOWEE—held annual Father-Son banquet; continued work on ground improvement project for shop; organized livestock and dairy judging teams; held 3 meetings; installed new officers; planned summer recreation; selling home-made ice cream to raise money for chapter.

WEOGUFKA—attended county FFA meeting; selected livestock and dairy judging teams; helped PTA set up play ground equipment; held demonstration on water pumps assisted by Alabama Power Company.

WETUMPKA—painted classroom; had barbecue for all members; played soft ball games; 26 boys entered corn contest; elected officers for next year.

WHITE PLAINS—had a pump demonstration; held one regular meeting; entered dairy judging and quiz contest.

WINTERBORO—one member entered tractor driving contest; 6 members attended county FFA meeting; held county eliminations.