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Shown above is a group of FFA boys in Birmingham on their visit sponsored by the Agriculture Committee of the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce.

# Silas FFA Member Named State Champion Corn Grower



LEFT TO RIGHT, Wiley Allen, County Superintendent of Education, Allen Mosley, J. W. Lee, Vo-Ag Teacher, and T. L. Jefferies, District Sales Manager, Chilean Nitrate.

## Allen Mosley Wins State Championship

Allen Mosley, eighteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Mosley, Gilbertown community, Choctaw county, was named Champion FFA Corn Grower of Alabama. Allen, who is a member of the Silas FFA chapter produced 177 bushels of corn per acre to win the championship title. He won the title from over 6,000 FFA members who entered the Corn Growing Contest.

On March 7, 1958, Allen was honored at a special FFA program at the Silas High School. At that time he was presented a beautiful banner and a cash award of \$100.00 by Mr. T. L. Jefferies, District Manager, Chilean Nitrate Sales Corporation. Others appearing on the program at Silas were Mr. Wiley Allen, County Superintendent of Education, Mr. Julian E. Stephens, Principal, J. L. Dailey, Assistant State FFA Advisor and Mr. Dwight Hulan, Educational Director of the Chilean Nitrate Educational Bureau. Allen will also receive a beautiful loving cup at the State FFA Convention this summer.

Allen has been active in FFA for the past three years. He has had a good supervised farming program during the entire time that he has been an FFA

member. He finished high school last spring, but is still living and working on the farm in partnership with his father.

Allen and his father have primarily a livestock program. At present they have about 70 brood cows, 6,000 cage layers, and are selling about 190 market hogs each year. They have 5 registered Landrace brood sows and 3 Landrace boars which they are using to cross with Durocs to produce their market hogs. Allen states that he still enjoys living on the farm although he admits that it is difficult work sometime.

In addition to the State Champion Corn Grower, the following FFA members were named District Champions: Billy Allen, Riverton FFA chapter, Northeast District Champion with a yield of 128.4 bushels per acre; Binford Morgan, Camp Hill FFA Chapter, Central District Champion with 85.8 bushels per acre; Luther Childers, Vina FFA Chapter, Northwest District Champion with 143 bushels per acre; Jackson Thornton, Wetumpka FFA Chapter, Southeast District Champion with 127.4 bushels per acre.

Each of the district winners received a \$50 cash award and a district banner. The corn growing contest for FFA members is sponsored by the Chilean Nitrate Educational Bureau in cooperation with the Vocational Agriculture Service.

## Scholarships Available To API Freshmen

Sears-Roebuck and Kroger scholarships having a value of \$200 each are available to freshmen entering the API School of Agriculture.

The scholarships, financed by grants from the Sears-Roebuck Foundation and the Kroger Company, are open to graduates of Alabama high schools who are interested in some field of agriculture and who need financial help to get started in college.

Each scholarship is divided into three parts, with the winner receiving \$75 at the beginning of both the fall and winter quarters and \$50 at the beginning of the spring quarter. As gift scholarships they do not have to be repaid.

Application blanks may be obtained from vocational agriculture teachers and high school principals. Application blanks must be mailed before April 1 to Dean E. V. Smith, API School of Agriculture, Auburn.

The Alabama Feed Association is also offering a \$500 scholarship to some high school graduate who wants to study Animal Husbandry, Dairy Husbandry, or Poultry Husbandry. Applications for this scholarship were mailed to teachers of vocational agriculture. Applications should be sent to Mr. Merlin Bryant, Brundidge, Alabama, who is Chairman of the Scholarship Committee.



SHOWN ABOVE is T. L. Jefferies presenting \$100.00 check to Allen Mosley.

ON THE COVER is a group of FFA boys shown in the lobby of the Thomas Jefferson Hotel in Birmingham with the Agriculture Committee of the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce. FFA members left to right are Mitchell Upton, Etowah County; Charles McCoy, State Secretary; Bob Helms, State President; Billy Stephens, Marshall County; Bobby Hogan, Autauga County and Haniel Croft, State Vice President.

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# There's A Future in Agriculture for You

By T. L. FAULKNER, State FFA Advisor

TWENTY-FIVE MILLION people in the United States work in the following agricultural fields: Farming, Research, Industry, Business, Services, Education, Communications, and Conservation.

**OPPORTUNITIES IN AGRICULTURE** — Although farming is the foundation for our modern agricultural industry of today, agriculture has grown to be much more than that of producing food and fiber. It includes research, education, business, banking, communications, and service organizations as well as farming. Together, they provide for the alert farm boy, whatever his level of education — high school, short courses, or college — thousands of interesting and challenging opportunities in each of the eight broad fields. For example, each year there are 15,000 new jobs for college graduates majoring in agriculture.

**IF YOU GO TO COLLEGE, WHY TAKE VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE IN HIGH SCHOOL?** — Carefully planned courses in vocational agriculture provide the student with a well rounded education in the various phases of farming, which, to re-emphasize, is an experience that is basic and very valuable in all agricultural occupations. If one expects to be successful in any of the more than 500 agricultural occupations, other than farming, he will find it extremely helpful to know considerable about the business of farming.

In addition to the agriculture that the high school student can take, he needs a broad coverage of other subjects such as mathematics, science, English, and social studies to be well prepared to enter college.

**CAPITALIZE ON YOUR FARM HERITAGE** — Most of the new jobs created each year in agriculture require a working knowledge of modern farming. Nearly every farm boy in your school probably has 12 to 15 years of rich farm experience which can be a real asset to him if he uses it wisely. Whatever his interests — teaching, sales, science, business, engineering — he can capitalize on his farm heritage by staying someplace in the broad field of agriculture.



T. L. Faulkner

**SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURE** — Agriculture is a science, a business, a profession, and industry! Agriculture provides more jobs and careers in the city than on the farm . . . more jobs and careers than any other industry!

**YOU MAY WANT TO TEACH AGRICULTURE** — Each year there are positions for about 50 new teachers of vocational agriculture in Alabama high schools. For the past 10 years almost every qualified graduate, who desired to teach vocational agriculture, has been employed. These graduates are being employed at higher salaries each year.

As a teacher of vocational agriculture you enjoy many advantages. It is hard to spell out all of these advantages but experienced teachers tell us they have unequalled opportunity to be of service to rural people. They find their work interesting, practical, and enjoyable. They receive an income which provides a comfortable living.

Your work results in improving the farming of the community in which you teach. Better farming results in a more prosperous community, state and nation.

You can be a leader in your community. Alabama's modern rural schools need good teachers to provide and develop rural leadership.

Much of your time is spent out of doors in the country, working with farm people.

Your work consists of many different activities. You do not have a routine which must be followed day by day.

In Alabama, salaries of vocational agriculture teachers range from \$335 to \$435 per month. As a teacher of agriculture, you receive travel expenses in addition to your salary.

You are employed twelve months a year. Unlike most other teachers, you work during the summer. You also receive two weeks' vacation each year with pay.

You have all the advantages of the Alabama Teachers' Retirement System as well as the Federal Social Security program. After a few years of experience, the position offers the security of tenure.

One quality which will help you become a successful teacher of vocational agriculture is having been reared on a farm. As a teacher of agriculture, you will need

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to know, like and understand farm people. Your farm experience can be put to good use in teaching.

Being a good student will help you succeed in teaching vocational agriculture. It takes a good student to successfully do the college work necessary in preparing to teach agriculture.

As a prospective teacher of vocational agriculture you should be able to work cooperatively with people. A pleasing personality and a cooperative attitude will be invaluable to you in working with your students, teachers in the school and others in the community.

Qualities of leadership will be helpful to you. You need to be able to lead, help, counsel and advise boys. The ability to be a leader gains the respect of those you teach and makes your teaching more effective and enjoyable.

Your preparation for teaching vocational agriculture requires a four year college course in agricultural education.

Therefore, if you have a farm background, are a good student, possess a pleasing personality, can work well with people, and have certain qualities of leadership, you can become a successful teacher of vocational agriculture.

## Millry FFA Chapter Has Outstanding Record In Pine Seedlings

Twenty-five members of the Millry FFA chapter have set out 98,000 pine seedlings this spring. Since about 70% of the income of the boys enrolled in vocational agriculture in Millry comes from forestry or projects related to forestry, all phases of forestry are being stressed by the chapter.



C. W. CRAWFORD, above, Vo-Ag teacher and a group of FFA boys looking over a batch of pine seedlings they received.

Not only are the boys of this chapter doing an outstanding job putting out pine seedlings this year, but many of them are doing excellent work in other phases of forestry improvement. For example, Ted Brown has a forest management improvement project which he is carrying out on a thousand acres of land. Johnnie Carter is deadening oaks on over a hundred acres of forest land in order to give his seedlings a chance to grow.

The Millry chapter has been cooperating for a number of years in the pine seedling program sponsored by the Alabama State Chamber of Commerce. This



JIMMIE and Johnnie Dogget, (twins) above, with 10,000 of the 98,000 seedlings their chapter received and set out this year.



SHOWN ABOVE, left to right: Jerald Lovet, Elbert Singleton, Frankie Utsey along with C. W. Crawford, Ag teacher, observing some four year old pines set out in their demonstration plot.

year they received 61,000 seedlings through the Chamber of Commerce program. The other 37,000 seedlings were received through the cooperation of the pulpwood companies serving their area.

In addition to the pine seedling program, the Millry FFA members have participated in the Farm Woodlot Contest

## National Convention Highlights

There was a total of 62 people attending the National FFA Convention from Alabama. Mr. J. L. Dailey and Mr. D. N. Bottoms represented the Vocational Agriculture staff. There were 10 teachers of vocational agriculture, 1 high school principal and 49 FFA members who attended the Convention. Most of the group left Birmingham by train on October 13 arriving in Kansas City early Monday morning, October 14.

The Poultry Judging team from Southside and Livestock Judging team from Marion represented Alabama well. The Rogersville FFA String Band did a very fine job entertaining at several general sessions at the National Convention. They also played at several other occasions. It was a busy week for all who were in attendance. The State Officers served on several committees and a number of other FFA members served on various committees such as the Courtesy Corps and Ushers Committee. There were eleven of the 14 American Farmer Degree candidates present to receive their American Farmer Degrees. The National Convention program, consisting of entertainment, business and speaking, was well planned and arranged.

The Alabama delegation was impressed with the fine manner in which the National Officers presided over the meetings. Most of the FFA members came home enthused over the National Convention. Many were heard to say they got some good ideas to carry back to their local chapters. All in all, Alabama had the best delegation in attendance at the National Convention. The State Association has received several letters from the National Office complimenting the Alabama delegation for their fine behavior while in Kansas City. With the exception of the weather and flu bug it was a most enjoyable trip. Several of the Alabama delegation got a flu bug and were sick part of the time.

The Alabama delegation began to leave Kansas City Thursday afternoon. Those in cars leaving first and the group who went by train left Thursday night arriving in Birmingham late Friday afternoon, tired, a little bit shook-up, but with a feeling that the FFA is the greatest Farm Boy Organization in the world. As the boys left Union Station in Birmingham to go to their respective homes throughout the State they left with the determination to do a little better job for their local FFA chapters.

sponsored by the Gulf, Mobile, and Ohio Railroad Company. For the past two years they have placed third and fourth, respectively.

# Birmingham Grand Host To County FFA Presidents

## Annual Meeting With Chamber of Commerce Enjoyed By All



LEFT TO RIGHT, front row, Robert Hall, president, Birmingham Chamber of Commerce; James E. Vance, vice president, Agriculture Department; J. A. Beaty, Manager, Agricultural Department; R. H. McIntosh, General Manager Alabama State Fair; Homer A. Jackson, president, Birmingham Agricultural Club.

Back row, left to right, Charles McCay, State FFA Secretary; Bob Helms, State President; Billy Steele, State Treasurer; Roscoe Johnston, State Reporter and Haniel Croft, State Vice President.

Eighty-four Future Farmers serving as County Presidents, State Officers, and entertainment groups were royally entertained in Birmingham February 13-14. They were guests of the Agriculture Committee of the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce with Mr. J. A. Beaty, Manager, in charge.

Bob Helms, State President, and Haniel Croft, State Vice President, arrived in Birmingham Wednesday afternoon and met with Mr. Beaty at the Chamber of Commerce Building to help complete last minute arrangements. After meeting with Mr. Beaty and being interviewed by Birmingham newspaper reporters, they were guests of the Chamber of Commerce for dinner at "The Club" atop Red Mountain.

The boys began arriving early Thursday morning from every county in the State. They registered at the Thomas Jefferson Hotel and were officially welcomed to Birmingham by Mr. Beaty. Thursday afternoon the group made a tour of downtown Birmingham, the Vulcan, and the Birmingham Food Terminal and Farmers' Market. Mr. Terry L. Jackson and Mr. Paul R. Moon of the Alabama Power Company served as official guides and pointed out places of interest to the boys.

Thursday night the FFA members were guests of the Alabama State Fair Authority and the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce at a Smorgasbord in the Terrace Room of the Thomas Jefferson Hotel. Needless to say, the food was superb and all of the boys thoroughly enjoyed it. Special activities during the program, at which Mr. R. H. McIntosh, General Manager of the Birmingham State Fair, was Master of Ceremonies, included the welcome address by Mr. Robert Hall, President of the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce; a talk by Mr. T. L. Faulkner, State FFA Advisor; a very inspiring address by Bob Helms; presentation of leadership awards to the State Officers; and speeches and comments by Birmingham business and civic leaders. During the entire program the Dadeville FFA string band and quartet entertained the group. There were also special numbers by James Stanley of the Kinston FFA chapter and Waymon Carlisle of the Pell City FFA chapter. Mr. J. L. Dailey, Assistant State FFA Advisor, was in charge of the entertainment.



STATE OFFICERS admiring loving cup presented to State President at the Birmingham meeting.



SHOWN ABOVE at registration table waiting for boys to arrive for the Birmingham meeting are seated left to right: H. F. Gibson, B. P. Dilworth, Mrs. Frances Brooks, Miss Ellona Clements. Standing left to right: Billy Steele, Bob Helms, Haniel Croft and J. A. Beaty. Eighty-four FFA members from all 67 counties of the state registered for the annual two-day visit.



ABOVE ARE boys who were visiting Birmingham for the first time. Front row, left to right, Bobby Mathis, Dale County; Charles Minor, Colbert County; Mike Lee, Houston County; Morgan Winsett, Marion County.

Back row, left to right, Parker Bragg, Jr., Sumter County; Robert Davis, Mobile County; Edwin Horne, Barbour County; Larry Adams, Henry County.



SHOWN ABOVE is J. A. Beaty, Birmingham Chamber of Commerce, talking to Jerry Cruce, Fort Deposit chapter, as he registers for the Birmingham meeting, and T. L. Faulkner, State FFA Advisor. Mr. Beaty was in charge of the annual visit by FFA leaders to the Magic City.



**JAMES STANLEY** of the Kinston chapter entertained during the Birmingham meeting.



**THE DADEVILLE** String Band entertaining at the Birmingham meeting.



**WAYMON CARLISLE** of Pell City chapter entertained at Birmingham meeting.

Following this program all the FFA members were entertained with a movie at the Alabama Theater, courtesy of Mr. P. M. Russell, Jr., manager of the theater.

An early breakfast at Britling's Cafeteria, courtesy of the Standard Oil Company, started the activities on Friday. The breakfast was followed by an educational tour of TCI Division of the U.S. Steel Corporation. Mr. Clinton R. Milstead, Director of Public Relations for the Southeastern Division of the U.S. Steel Corporation, was in charge of the tour.

A luncheon at the Jefferson Room of the Thomas Jefferson Hotel as guests of the Birmingham Agricultural Club brought the exciting two-day festivities to an end. A very interesting program was also presented in connection with the luncheon. The highlight of the program was a talk by John Jay, Jr., Ala-

bama Future Farmer of the Year. In addition to John's talk, Bob Helms and Mr. Faulkner made brief talks. The FFA talent group also entertained.

For the first time in the eight years that this program has been in effect, each of Alabama's 67 counties was represented. In addition to the boys, Mr. H. F. Gibson and Mr. B. P. Dilworth, District Supervisors of the Vocational Agriculture Staff were present. Two members of the FFA Advisory Council, Mr. C. S. Basemore from Wetumpka and Mr. W. S. White from Marion, also attended.

During these two days the Magic City and farm boys from over the State got a good look at each other, with each seemingly satisfied with what they saw.

— FFA —

## State President Attends Youth Advisory Meet

Bob Helms, State President of the Alabama FFA Association, represented Alabama's Future Farmers at a meeting of the State Advisory Committee on Children and Youth. The meeting was held in Montgomery on March 10.

Bob told the committee what the Future Farmers of America are doing in Alabama to aid youth with special problems. The committee is composed of all state agencies and organizations that work with youth. Miss June Garrett, President of the Future Homemakers of America, also attended the meeting and told of what the FHA organization is doing to aid youth with their problems.

In addition to making short talks, Bob and June answered questions asked by representatives of the various organizations present. The theme of the Advisory Committee on Children and Youth for 1958 is **SPECIAL PROBLEMS WITH YOUTH — OUR CHALLENGE.**

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### YOUR TEMPER

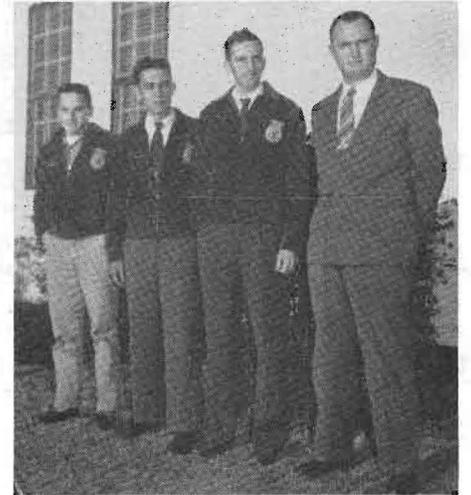
When People "lose their temper"

It doesn't always stay  
In just the place they lost it,  
But travels miles away;  
And when they find and bind it,  
It may be it has done  
A mischief never to be healed  
Unto the farthest sun.  
When people "lose their temper,"  
It runs and rages far.  
It strikes at friends as well as foes,  
Not caring who they are;  
And when its cruel force is spent,  
Its words and deeds go on  
Down many ways through many days,  
Unreckoned and unknown.  
When people "lose their temper,"  
It never stays that way —  
Its owner always finds it  
To use another day.

## Top Future Farmers Win Trip To Dallas, Texas

First place winners in the Rural Electric Achievement Contest sponsored by the Pea River and Southern Pine Electric Cooperatives enjoyed an all-expense-paid trip to Dallas, Texas on February 3-5. The winners attended the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association's annual meeting held in that city.

The first place winners in the contest in the area served by Southern Pine Electric Cooperative were Benny Shumack, Excel Chapter; Darryll Elliot, W.



**SHOWN ABOVE** are winners in the Southern Pine Electric Co-Op area. Left to right: Oren Dozier, Evergreen chapter; Darryll Elliott, W. S. Neal; and Benny Shumack, Excel. James Tucker, Vo-Ag teacher at Excel, also shown, made trip to Dallas as guest of the Co-Op.

S. Neal Chapter; and Oren Dozier, Evergreen Chapter.

First place winners in the area served by the Pea River Electric Cooperative were James Porterfield, Baker Hill Chapter; Rex Woodham, Midland City Chapter; and Billy H. Steed, Abbeville Chapter.



**ABOVE ARE** winners in the Pea River Electric Co-Op area. Left to right: James Porterfield, Baker Hill chapter; Rex Woodham, Midland City; and Billy H. Steed, Abbeville. Shown congratulating the winners is Mr. T. E. Land, Manager of Pea River Co-Op.

In addition to these FFA members Mr. James A. Tucker, Vocational Agriculture teacher at Excel and Mr. C. H. Hillestad of Baker Hill received an all-expense-paid trip to the NRECA meeting in Dallas.

All of the boys have done an outstanding job in the Rural Electric Achievement Contest. The four main purposes or goals of the contest are: (1) To provide training for young people in knowledge in the operation of rural electric Co-ops for future service to the Co-op. (2) To recognize outstanding FFA members, their accomplishments and achievements. (3) To encourage young boys in the development of leadership and to do outstanding project work in farming, home improvement, etc., which will make them more useful citizens tomorrow. (4) To promote the safe and economical use of electricity in the home and on the farm.

This is the first year that this contest has been sponsored by these two electric co-ops. However, all indications are that it is a very popular and worthwhile program and that the participation will be increased next year.

—FFA—

## Leadership Developed By FFA

A Future Farmer today — a leader tomorrow, the boys become well versed in several phases of farm life, improving the farm home and its surroundings, learning new and better conservation methods, and developing easier and safer ways to operate farm machinery.

The blue and gold colors of FFA create an everlasting impression and the purpose for which they stand is expressed in the smile of the Future Farmer himself. With a keen determination to better himself and his fellows, he lives up to the FFA motto, "living to serve." He is interested in the progress of his neighbor at home and abroad, for he realizes that in today's world we must be on good terms with all nations and countries. The Future Farmer, through learning good citizenship and brotherly relationships, looks to tomorrow for a new and better world. And with the work he is doing today through the FFA, tomorrow should bring him the world he wants. To accomplish such a goal is the purpose of the FFA.

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Terminal Manager: "You're thirty minutes late again. Don't you know what time we start work in this establishment?"

Freight Checker: "No sir. They're always working when I get here."

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## For A Bountiful Future

# Science In Agriculture

By T. L. FAULKNER  
State FFA Advisor

The place of science in modern agriculture was emphasized by Future Farmers of America chapters during National FFA Week, February 22 to 28.

Future Farmers and others in the field of agriculture have recognized for a long time that successful farming involves knowledge and application of science, as well as good management and mechanics. Although today much emphasis is being given to the need of science and mathematics education in our public schools, it should be remembered that the boy who studies agriculture is in fact a student of science and mathematics.

The story will be told that even though we have agriculture surpluses at the present time, our future well-being depends upon an uninterrupted flow of farm products that can only be maintained by educated, industrious farmers who use accepted scientific practices in the management of their business.

Future Farmers will not be directly in-

involved in the production of earth satellites, guided missiles, and the other glamorous gadgets that today grab the newspaper headlines. However, directly they will be depended upon, by more and more people as population increases, for the supplies of nutritious foods and other agricultural products that will keep our people healthy, comfortable, and strong. They will help supply our nation and allied nations with food and fiber during peace and war.

Abundant agricultural production has always been the backbone of America's national strength. Activities of National FFA Week, and other FFA programs throughout the year, will serve to remind the public of its dependence upon agriculture and of the need for continuing the program of vocational education in agriculture which is doing so much to supply the well-trained farmers and rural leaders for our future of plenty.

"Science in Agriculture—For a Bountiful Future" was the theme of the Future Farmers of America this year in celebrating National FFA Week

## Are You A Safe Driver?

- Do you always observe and obey highway signs and markers?
- Do you always use the proper signals for turns and stops?
- Do you always slow down, look and listen before crossing railroad tracks?
- Is there good two-way vision where your own driveway enters the highway?
- When forced to stop, do you pull completely off the traveled portion of the road, or at least to the safest spot available?
- Do you always have a light, front and rear, on any vehicle you drive on a road at night?
- Do you keep your arms inside when driving or riding in a truck or other vehicle?
- Do you always stay at least one car length for each 10 miles per hour behind another vehicle that you do not intend to pass?
- Do you have your vehicles checked periodically to keep them in good condition for safe driving?
- Do you go down steep or slippery grades in low gear?
- Do you avoid passing another vehicle near the top of hills, on curves, or any other place where vision is obstructed?
- Do you always make sure that no one is in the way when you reverse?
- When walking on a road do you always face traffic, in other words, keep to the left?

## State FFA Convention

THE ANNUAL State FFA Convention dates have been set by the Executive Committee for June 5, 6, and 7. It will again be held in Auburn.

Each chapter will have one delegate and others to attend will be candidates for State Farmer Degree, state officer candidates, local advisors, award winners, and those participating in contests and other programs at the convention.

# FFA ROUNDUP

## GENEVA

The Geneva FFA Chapter is buying feed cooperatively and mixing it for their members to use in feeding show calves. By buying feed for the FFA members in this manner it can be purchased at wholesale price. Also, the boys have found that they can get a much better balanced feed. They have found that it is a very good teaching device in that they are learning how to correctly mix balanced rations.



SHOWN ABOVE is a group of Geneva FFA members weighing feed for mixing.

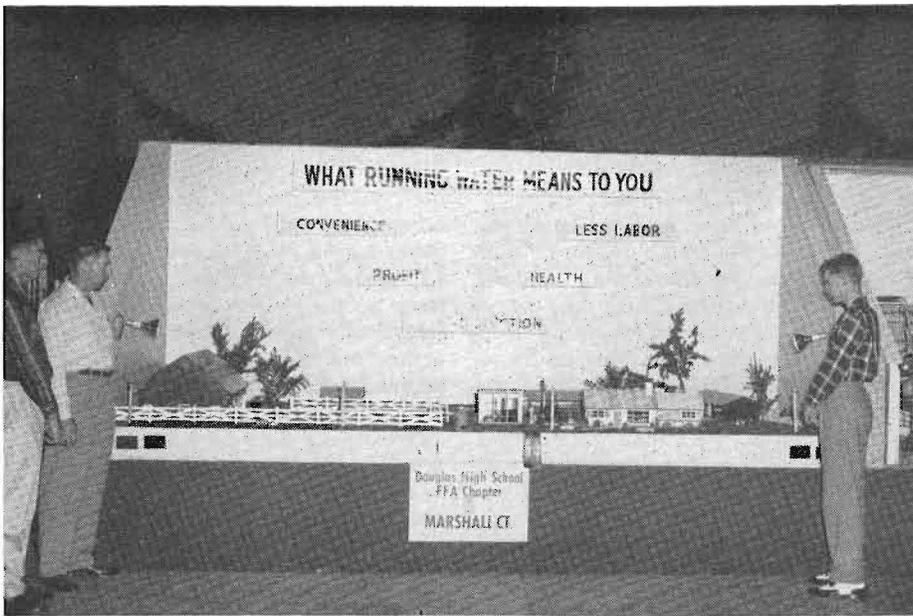
In addition to the feed project the chapter has set out 27,000 pine seedlings this year, are re-working their vocational agriculture building to provide for more storage space and are planning for entries in most of the state-sponsored contests.

## FOLEY

Members of the Foley FFA chapter are renting twenty acres of land on which they plan to operate a small farm. They are renting land near the school in order that it can be used as a laboratory in connection with their class work. In addition to services as a laboratory, they plan for the farm to be used for community services, especially for FFA members.

Services rendered by the farm will be the use of purebred Hampshire, Duroc, Berkshire, and Landrace boars, and purebred Hereford and Angus bulls. It is felt that this will be a very good way in which livestock can be improved in the community. Two brood sows will be kept on the farm from which a pig chain will be started by giving gilts to FFA members. The barrows will be fed out for market hogs.

The Foley City Council donated bleachers from the old ball park to the FFA chapter. Material from these bleach-



THE ABOVE EXHIBIT on "What Running Water Means to You" won first place for the Douglas FFA chapter at the Alabama State Fair in Birmingham.



THE ABOVE EXHIBIT on "The Farm Factory" won first place for the Clanton FFA chapter at the South Alabama Fair in Montgomery.

## *Sing While You Drive*

At 45 miles per hour—Sing: "Highways are Happy Ways"

At 55 miles—Sing: "I'm but a Stranger Here Heaven is My Home"

At 65 miles—Sing: "Nearer My God to Thee"

At 75 miles—Sing: "When the Roll is Called up Yonder, I'll be There"

At 85 miles—Sing: "Lord, I'm Coming Home."

*or in other words; Drive Carefully, don't insist upon your RITES.*

ers is being used for constructing a barn, farrowing house, weather sheds, loading chutes, etc. The FFA chapter will operate the farm, and accurate records of all expenses and income will be kept. Some feed crops and pasture will be grown on the farm.

The members feel that they really are learning by doing in this type of program.

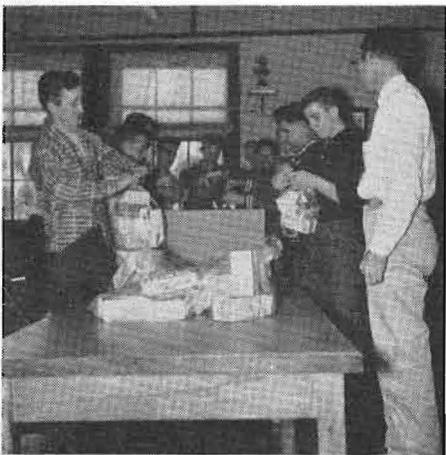
### ROGERSVILLE

The Rogersville FFA pig chain is aiding members to improve the hog program in their community. Forty-five members of the chapter have been helped in getting started in a good hog program in this manner. The chapter has twenty-two gilts in the chain at the present time. Four registered Landrace gilts were purchased in February of this year, and plans are being made to purchase a Landrace boar in the near future.

The Rogersville members feel that this type program not only aids them in getting better quality hogs, but that it also is a good lesson in cooperation for them.

### VERNON

The Vernon FFA chapter recently held a tractor clinic sponsored by the Standard Oil Company. Mr. Mack Jones, Agricultural Representative of the Standard Oil Company, was in charge. The purpose of the tractor clinic was to emphasize the importance of tractor safety on the farm, proper care of the cooling system of the tractor, and how to lubricate and change oil. Several movies were shown demonstrating tractor safety, care of cooling systems, and the value of petroleum products to the modern farmer. After a discussion of the movies, the students cleaned and lubricated a tractor, thus putting into practice what they had discussed.



### COFFEEVILLE

Members of the Coffeerville FFA chapter have as one of their projects this year the improvement of lighting systems in the homes in the Coffeerville community. Shown above are some mem-

bers of the chapter packaging light bulbs. Each package contains the proper type bulbs recommended for good lighting.

### CARROLLTON

Carrollton FFA members recently completed a short course in electricity conducted by Mr. John Spence, Rural Service Engineer of the Alabama Power Company. They studied the procedure for installing switches — single post, three way, and four way switches. The switches were assembled to boards that represented the wiring of a house.

This type program is very helpful to FFA members giving them a better understanding of electricity and its uses in their homes and on their farms.

### HIGHLAND HOME

Members of the Highland Home FFA chapter are learning a short cut to higher profits from their hogs simply by saving more pigs from each litter farrowed. Through the cooperation of Mr. Calvin Head, REA Rural Electric Advisor, a work shop was held with all the FFA members on how to properly use and install heat lamps in farrowing pens. A number of the boys have already installed heat lamps in their farrowing houses.

Another project the boys are working real hard on this year is the FFA mailbox program. They have also recently built hotbeds for growing sweet potato plants for all FFA boys and will sell any surplus to the farmers in the community. The bed is heated by electric cable.

### BAY MINETTE

A better home for Baldwin County quail is one of the objectives for the Bay Minette FFA chapter this year. Members are accomplishing this objective by planting bicolor lespedeza. More than one hundred borders of bicolor lespedeza, with each border consisting of about  $\frac{1}{8}$  of an acre, have been established during the last six years. More than fifteen more borders will be added this year.

—FFA—

If there's a dish  
For which I wish  
More frequent than the rest,  
If there's a food  
On which I brood  
When starving or depressed,

If there's a thing that life can give  
Which makes it worth our while to live  
If there's an end  
On which I'd spend  
My last remaining cash.  
It's sausage, friend,  
It's sausage, friend,  
It's sausage, friend, and mash.

By Sir Patrick Herbert



### GREENSBORO

The Greensboro FFA Chapter members believe that it is good to have chapter pennants for FFA members who receive the American Farmer Degree. The picture above shows the type pennant that is being used by that chapter. They feel that with the American Farmer Degree being the highest award available to FFA members, recognition should be given in the chapter room. They believe that it will help stimulate other members to work toward this coveted award and will also be attractive to visitors in the department.

—FFA—

## GET IN SWING WITH SPRING

IT'S SPRING AGAIN! . . . and once again the land takes on a fresh clean look. For springtime is nature's clean-up time . . . a time when winter's bleak landscape is displaced by the soft green of renewing life.

Let's help nature by cleaning up around the farm and in the farm home. Give the farm a new look, and make it a safer and easier place to live and work.

Pick up broken glass, rusty tin cans and loose boards with nails in them.

Get rid of the trash that's accumulated all year and clean up that old lumber piled back of the barn.

Give the farm shop a good housecleaning, too; put tools in neat order and assign a place for every tool.

Inspect broken and worn steps and stairs for repairs.

Spread a little paint to brighten up the place; and trim the shrubbery and plant some flowers.

Give everything a place and keep everything in place.

Get in the swing — clean up for spring!

—FFA—

If you take responsibility on your shoulders, it will leave no room for chips.

—FFA—

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## BUILDINGS AND FARMYARD

1. Are ladders and steps well built and kept in good repair?

2. Are ladder openings and stairways handrailed; are hay chute openings properly protected?

3. Do you avoid storing loose materials overhead?

4. Are haymows adequately lighted, with switches located conveniently, or hooks provided for lanterns?

5. If buildings have lightning rods, are points, conductors, and metal parts of the building properly grounded?

6. Are ladders kept where they are quickly accessible in case of fire? Are they long enough to reach roof of highest building?

7. Are nails promptly removed from loose boards?

8. Do you protect water tanks, cisterns, wells or pools, hazardous to the lives of children?

9. Do you keep the farmyard clear of garden tools, forks, rubbish, waste, etc.?

## ANIMALS

10. Are you careful not to surprise animals when approaching them?

11. Have cattle been dehorned and boars tusks cut short?

12. Are small children kept away from pens and barns?

13. Do you use special care in handling animals with new-born young?

14. Do you avoid handling the bull by providing a safe bull pen?

15. Are horses securely tied before leaving them? Is the harness in good repair?

## MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT, AND HAND TOOLS

16. Do you keep tractor wheels spread when possible to reduce tipping hazards?

17. Do you check haying equipment before haying season for worn or unsafe rope, pulleys, etc.?

18. Do you keep guards in place on power shafts, belts and chains?

19. Do you turn off the power before adjusting or unclogging machinery?

20. Do you keep children away from machinery?

21. Do you see that the tractor is out of gear with the brake set before attempting to crank? Do you avoid gripping crank with your thumb around it?

22. Do you avoid stepping over or under moving belts?

23. Do you avoid wearing loose fitting, torn clothing or ragged gloves around moving machinery?

24. Do you avoid operating the tractor on dangerous inclines or near treacherous banks?

25. Do you avoid attempting to push a running belt from a pulley with your foot?

26. Do you keep tractor speed under four and one-half miles per hour for off-the-road operations?

27. Do you do all pulling from the draw bar and avoid hitching to the axle?

28. Do you avoid climbing over or around farm machinery when operating?

29. Do you avoid getting in front of the mowing machine to make adjustments while the machine is in gear?

30. Are hammer and axe heads secure, handles in good condition?

31. Do you have a definite place for every tool when not in use?

32. Do you stroke from behind when whetting tools to avoid cutting the hand if blade moves too far forward?

## ELECTRICITY

33. Are all electric circuits equipped with proper size fuses or circuit breakers? (Light circuit fuses should not exceed 15 amperes.)

34. Do you cut off current when working on an electrical conductor?

35. Do you use moisture proof cords for outside weather conditions; heavy rubber cords for motor and motor driven appliances?

36. Are you using an approved electric fence controller?

37. Are all electrical appliances in proper condition; are they being properly operated?

38. Do you know how to treat electric shock cases?

39. Do you avoid replacing burned out fuses with coins, wire, or other metal?

40. Are electric motors kept clean and free from trash accumulation?

## FARM HOME

41. Are stairways clear of boxes, mops, brooms, tools, etc.? Are they adequately lighted?

42. Do your stairs have at least one strong handrail?

43. Do you keep steps, porches, and stairways in good repair?

44. Are sharp knives kept in a rack or separately from other knives and tableware?

45. Do you keep handles of cooking utensils on the stove turned back from the front?

46. Do you immediately mop up spilled grease or water?

47. Do you use a safe step ladder instead of makeshifts?

48. Does the power washing wringer have an easily operated hand release?

49. Do you avoid placing vessels of hot water or hot fat where they may be overturned?

50. Do you provide special containers for broken glass, etc.?

51. Is there a definite place for bicycles, wagons, scooters, skates and other playthings?

52. Do you avoid leaving small children alone in the bath tub?

53. Do you have an enclosed play area for children under 18 months?

54. Are matches kept out of the reach of children?

55. Do you disconnect electric iron when not in use? Do you have a metal or asbestos stand for your iron?

56. Are small rugs securely fastened at the head and foot of stairs and from landings so as to prevent slipping? Is stair carpeting securely fastened?

57. Do you have electric cords repaired, or discarded when they become frayed or worn?

58. Do you keep medicines properly labeled and out of reach of children?

59. Do you do all dry cleaning out of doors when using flammable materials?

60. Are guns kept unloaded and locked up?

61. Do you have a light switch or lamp near your bed which you can reach safely in the dark?

62. Do you follow directions carefully when canning food? Do you have the pressure gauge on the pressure canner checked annually?

#### SANITATION AND HEALTH

63. Do you avoid over exposure to sun, and avoid heat collapse by drinking plenty of water and taking plenty of salt?

64. Have you a first aid kit? Do you know first aid?

65. Do you avoid starting and running gasoline equipment in buildings with closed doors?

66. During an electrical storm, do you avoid standing under a lone tree or near wire fences?

67. Is there drainage away from the well, and a distance of at least 100 feet to septic tank or other sewage disposal? Is the well sealed from contamination by surface water?

68. Have you learned to apply artificial respiration?

#### HIGHWAY

69. Do you always observe and obey highway signs and markers?

70. Do you always use the proper signals for turns and stops?

71. Do you always slow down, look and listen before crossing railroad tracks?

72. Is there good two-way vision where your own driveway enters the highway?

73. When forced to stop, do you pull completely off the travelled portion of the road, or at least the safest spot available?

74. Do you always carry a light, front and rear, on any vehicle you drive on a road at night?

75. Do you keep your arms inside when driving or riding in a truck or other vehicle?

76. Do you always stay at least one car length for each 10 miles per hour behind another vehicle that you do not intend to pass?

77. Do you have your vehicles checked periodically to keep them in good condition for safe driving?

78. Do you go down steep or slippery grades in low gear?

79. Do you avoid passing another vehicle near the top of hills, or curves, or any other place where vision is obstructed?

80. Do you always make sure that no one is in the way when you reverse?

81. When walking on a road do you always face traffic, in other words, keep to the left?

82. When walking on a road at night, do you always carry a light or wear something white?

#### FIRES

83. Do you have an emergency water supply available? (Pond, barrels in buildings, or hose attachment to water system.)

84. Do you have boxes of sand in buildings to supplement other equipment in fighting oil or gasoline fires?

85. Do you avoid leaving oil-saturated or paint rags lying around?

86. Have you eliminated weeds, brush, old lumber, and other similar fire hazards from around buildings?

87. Are lanterns hung on convenient hooks or wires?

88. Do you avoid using kerosene to start a fire?

89. Is your gasoline stored in one of the following ways: under ground, or in an isolated tank at least 40 feet from buildings?

90. Are all gasoline containers painted bright red?

91. Are all tractor or truck motors stopped before refueling?

92. Have you approved type of fire extinguishers at building entrances and are they checked at regular intervals?

93. Are brooder houses at least 100 feet from other buildings and from each other?

94. Are cars, trucks, and tractors kept in buildings separate from barns?

95. Do you avoid burning rubbish on a windy day or near buildings or hay stacks?

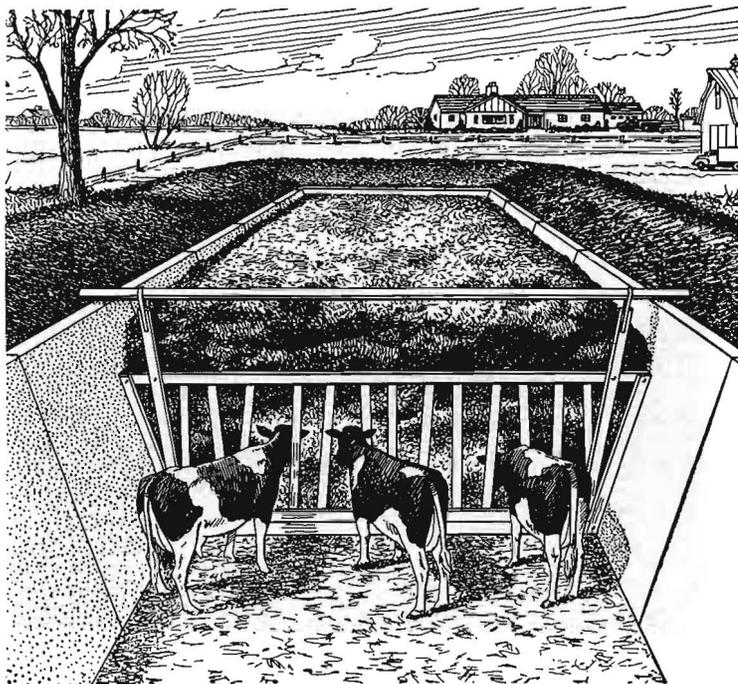
96. In the absence of an organized rural fire department, do you have definite arrangements with neighbors to come with tools and ladders in case of fire?

97. Do you have chimneys and stovepipes inspected and cleaned regularly?

98. Do you avoid carrying loose matches in your pockets?

99. Do you avoid smoking in and around farm buildings?

100. Do you watch the temperature of newly stored hay?



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# CLEAN-UP FOR FARM SAFETY

By KENNETH V. FISKE  
Agricultural Engineer  
National Safety Council

Did you know that disorder ranks second only to poor judgment as the cause of accidents? A recent study of hospitalized home accident cases disclosed that one out of every five was put there by disorder. Accidents happen more often in cluttered, untidy surroundings.

Let's review a few hazards that can be eliminated by a good clean-up of the farm home, yard and out-buildings.

Fire finds a breeding place in paper, rags and rubbish, tucked into closets, attics, or corners. Even when not a fac-

tor in starting a fire, trash will feed the flame, and make it harder to control. Volatile fuels, paint, cleaners, and insecticides should be properly stored — and proper storage is not in the house. Look over your electrical wiring. Check for overloaded circuits and frayed or damaged insulation. Lubricate electric motors, appliances. While you have them fresh in mind, correct any difficulties or dangers in your home heating system.

Falls rank high among fatal farm accidents. Cluttered stairways, unsafe ladders, lack of handrails (whether in the hayloft or house,) loose wires, et cetera, contribute to the toll. Eliminate these

hazards. Keep stairs, halls and alleyways free and clear of obstructions. Check your light bulbs and clean the lamp shades. Good light makes stairs and hallways safer.

Poison often claims children as victims. Any old unlabeled or half filled bottles in the medicine cabinet? Dispose of them **where the youngsters can't get their hands on them.** Put insecticides and other chemicals out of reach, preferably under lock and key.

Foot injuries to humans and livestock are often the result of careless clean-up practices. Remove nails from used boards. Pick up broken glass and junk. Don't leave wire laying loose.

Cutting and stabbing injuries again occur most often to children at play. Keep knives and sharp utensils stored in orderly fashion and out of reach of little fingers. The same goes for shop tools. And don't leave pitchforks, spades or rakes where they can cause an injury.

Rodents don't like a clean farmstead. For them it means fewer hiding places and less food. They may even move on to a less tidy neighbor. With them will go dangers of disease, fire, and deterioration of farm buildings, as well as a completely unprofitable feed bill.

Paint should be used for safety as well as appearance. It can outline or accentuate hazards so that they may be avoided. It can help lighten dingy stairs and encourage neatness throughout the year. After you clean-up, paint up.

Appearance goes with performance. A clean, orderly farm produces more at lower cost.

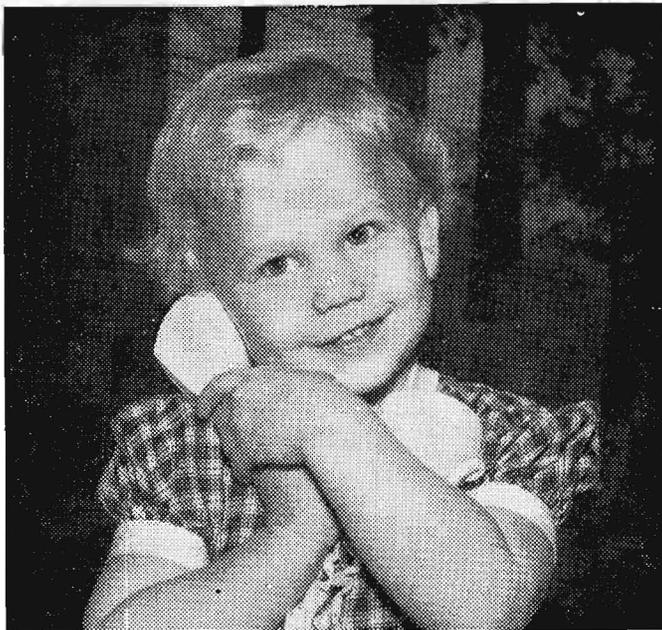
Let's start the season right with a spring clean-up for efficiency and safety.

—FFA—

## Use of FFA Jackets

The blue and gold jacket has come to be recognized by all as the symbol of a truly great organization and the high ideals for which it stands. Let's take pride in wearing it in such a way as to continue to merit the respect our organization has attained. The following policies concerning wearing of the FFA jacket should be observed:

1. Should always be clean and neat.
2. Should be worn only by active members and **only** when representing the FFA.
3. Should not be worn while working, grooming livestock, etc.
4. Should not be worn in pool halls, etc., where it brings disgrace to the FFA.
5. Additional emblems or letters should not be sewn on. Only the FFA pin representing the highest degree held by the boy should be worn on the jacket.
6. Should not be worn with sleeves rolled up or unbuttoned.
7. When badly worn and faded, emblems should be removed.



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## Pine Seedling Program Successful

One million pine seedlings were planted this year by Alabama's Future Farmers, according to records released by the Alabama State Chamber of Commerce. A total of 1,001 boys from 68 chapters in 40 counties participated in the program.

The ultimate goal of this tree planting program for FFA, which is sponsored by the State Chamber of Commerce and the Forestry Division of the State Department of Conservation, is one million seedlings planted annually . . . or at least a thousand boys planting a thousand seedlings apiece each year.

The FFA'ers do the planting, the Forestry Division supplies the seedlings and the State Chamber of Commerce processes all the applications and partially pays the express charges on the seedlings. The only cost to the boy who receives the seedlings is fifty cents a thousand and to help defray express charges. A thousand seedlings will plant approximately an acre.

Since the plan was started in 1942 more than eleven million seedlings have been planted by FFA members. Because of the shortage of seedlings during some years, the average for the period since the plan was begun is slightly under the desired annual goal. More seedlings will be available for the program in the future since the state opened a new nursery a couple of years ago.

To be eligible to receive the seedlings an FFA member must have the approval of his vocational agriculture teacher. Each Future Farmer who participates in the program must agree to practice sound forestry procedures and also agree to regular inspection of his project.

—FFA—



# FFA

On The MARCH

**ALEXANDRIA**—initiated 55 Green Hands and presented them with Green Hand pins; Chapter Farmers received pins; ordered pins for all officers and Advisor; have new paraphernalia for holding meetings; plan to enter various contests; plan trip to Smoky Mountains this summer.

**ALICEVILLE**—selling magazines and rat poison; secured pickup truck; gave medals to boys in various contests and presented certificate and pin to champion corn grower; observed FFA Week with posters, radio program, news articles and local merchants paid for full page ad in local paper about FFA Week; held tractor clinic; working in shop.

**ASHFORD**—appointed all committees; elected FFA Sweetheart and will present her with a gift at banquet.

**ATTALLA**—gave 17 Chapter Farmer Degrees; elected one honorary member; planned summer trip to Guntersville; presented awards in various contests; received 100 salt and pepper shakers to sell; made \$60.00 for chapter; planning soil judging and tractor driving contests; set out 10,000 pine seedlings; made 25 mailbox posts; held 2 regular meetings; put banners on display during FFA Week.

**BERRY**—held 2 meetings; presented show on livestock production; distributed 10,000 pine seedlings; built 8 mailbox post stands; presented medal and certificate to champion corn grower; making pans to raise money to buy new equipment for shop.

**BLUE SPRINGS**—held 2 meetings; 17 boys participated in public speaking contest; plan to sell calendar ads to make money for chapter; working on program to present to PTA; submitted news articles and pictures to REA.

**BOAZ**—gave radio program; distributed calendars; elected FFA queen; soil conservation man assisted with land judging; held monthly meeting.

**BRANTLEY**—planned FFA-FHA banquet; built mailbox posts; members participated in public speaking contest.

**CAMDEN**—passed out official calendar of FFA; made plans for annual banquet; members to show two calves in local fat calf show; made soil test of local ag plot; ordered fruit trees cooperatively; conducted chapter public speaking contest; planned tour of member projects; put out 16,000 pine seedlings.

**CASTLEBERRY**—held regular monthly meetings; member won 2nd place in REA Area Contest; committee working on chapter winners in various

contests; competing in land judging contest; reporter wrote 4 news articles.

**CHAVALA**—held regular meetings; building large flower bed in front of high school.

**CITRONELLE**—held regular meetings; purchased new 10 inch saw for shop; held FFA-FHA student night; made 8 mailbox posts; distributed 37,000 pine seedlings; held tractor driving contest; placed new books in Ag library; purchased ditto machine, 16mm movie projector, combination record player and film-strip projector for shop; making plans for annual FFA-FHA banquet; nominated candidates for FFA Sweetheart and ordered gift for winner; presented program to Kiwanis Club during National FFA Week; had charge of assembly program.

**CLEMENTS**—held chapter elimination in various contests; presented program to local PTA; placed purebred pigs with new members; ordered peach trees for school orchard and books for FFA library.

**CLIO**—held 2 chapter meetings; sold one hog; members attended Southeastern Duroc Congress in Dothan; held chapter public speaking contest.

**COFFEE SPRINGS**—held regular meeting; entertained by members of 9th grade; made plans to hold Father-Son, Mother-Daughter banquet with

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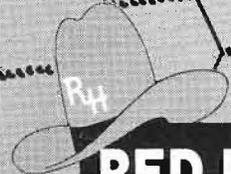
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MISS FAY IVEY, above, Clio FFA Sweetheart being presented a sweetheart jacket by Joe Carpenter, vice president of the chapter.

FHA girls; selling hats to make money for chapter.

**COFFEEVILLE**—held 2 meetings; made \$106 from sales; working on FFA contests; held social with FHA; planned summer trip; added new equipment to chapter room; celebrated FFA Week.

**CORNER**—planted 10,000 pine seedlings; presented school assembly program; selected chapter land judging team; held one regular and one officer meeting; officers appeared on local TV program during National FFA Week; presented radio program during FFA Week; erected three road signs.

**CURRY**—State Treasurer attended Executive Meeting in Montgomery; participated in county FFA contest held at Jasper; building mailbox posts; planning program for FFA Week.

**DADEVILLE**—held 2 meetings; Hampshire pig chain growing, one boy received gilt this week; in charge of assembly program; quartet and string band played in Birmingham; Ag II and III working on shop projects; had program during FFA Week at local Kiwanis Club; ordered 2 FFA jackets.

**EAST LIMESTONE**—dairy and livestock judging teams practicing; organized soil judging team and they are studying and practicing; held safe tractor driving contest; completed project plans for year; members applying for State Farmer Degree; constructing mailbox posts for each Ag I member.

**ECLICTIC**—set out 108 shrubs on high school lawn; attended Pest-O-Rama; ordered chapter officer pins; made plans to elect FFA Sweetheart; made plans for fishing trip; reconditioned welder for welding school; gave assembly program for FFA Week; installed steam coil in post treating plant.

**ELKMONT**—held one meeting; renewing mailbox drive; presented program to local Kiwanis Club; working on string band contest; held recreational meeting; ordered Pfister corn; held tractor driving contest.

**FAIRHOPE**—held FFA square dance; built barbecue pit; elected FFA Sweetheart; started pig chain with three bred gilts and a boar; elected 2 honorary members; planning program for school entertainment.

**FALKVILLE**—attended county FFA meeting; 54 entered public speaking contest; member will receive corn growing award; presented Sweetheart with jacket at assembly program; 50 grape vines given to chapter members; put up signs on all leading highways; working in shop; held 2 meetings; bought tools for shop.

**FOLEY**—selected dairy and livestock judging teams; a Berkshire boar donated to chapter; placed 2 gilts in pig chain; held 2 meetings; received 11 FFA jackets; had fish fry; working on land judging; received electronic PH tester.

**FORT DEPOSIT**—each member presented a copy of John Deere Farm Machinery books and Ford almanac for 1958; news articles sent to Pioneer Electric Co-Op for special FFA issue in February.

**GENEVA**—organized chapter quartet; established chapter honor roll; conducting pine seedling demonstration; held regular chapter meeting; selected chapter Sweetheart; 5 members presented program over television station WTVY; presented 6 radio programs over WGEA; selecting livestock judging team; feeding 13 calves to show; buying feed cooperatively; entertained Chamber of Commerce; selecting applicants for State Farmer Degree and winners in various chapter contest; promoting Farm

Safety; preparing for annual Parent's night program.

**GERALDINE**—initiated 28 Green Hands and presented them with pins; presented pins to 17 chapter farmers; sold pop-corn at basketball games; presented pins to all officers; selected chapter Sweetheart; ordered 1 official FFA jacket; made 20 mailbox posts; held 2 meetings.

**COSHEN**—held Father-Son, Mother-Daughter banquet; two regular meetings; prepared chapel program; had charge of bulletin board for week; placed 3 purebred gilts in pig chain; plan to rifle off purebred gilt; set out 7,000 pine seedlings.

**GROVE HILL**—bought 7 head of meat hogs; placed 5 mailbox posts; set out 21,000 pine seedlings; held 2 officer and 2 chapter meetings; sold 2 meat hogs; elected FFA Sweetheart; gave radio program on National FFA Week; chapter program on National FFA; two news articles on FFA Week.

**HATTON**—held 2 meetings; presented official FFA jackets; gave chapel program in observance of National FFA Week; plan to enter dairy, livestock and soil judging contests; planning educational tour for spring.

**HAYNEVILLE**—raising chickens; plan banquet to observe FFA Week; distributed FFA calendars; elected FFA Sweetheart; selected honorary members; sold Farm and Ranch magazines.

**HIGHLAND HOME**—built 40 mailbox posts; bedding 14 bushels of potatoes in electrically heated hot bed; planned joint party with FHA; sold light bulbs to finance chapter activities; growing out 2 hogs for annual FFA barbecue.

**IDER**—entered Tri-State FFA queen contest; elected chapter Sweetheart; sponsoring donkey basketball game; topping out 12 hogs for chapter; building mailbox posts; practicing judging teams.

**INVERNESS**—every boy in vo-ag gave a speech in public speaking contest; preparations being made for Father-Son, Mother-Daughter banquet; made chicken brooder in shop; string band entertained Collegiate chapter at Auburn.

**JACKSON**—held chapel program; planning FFA-FHA Sweetheart Ball; Ag II class working in farm mechanics; planted 26,500 pine seedlings; member won trip to Cuba with Farm and Ranch magazine sale; working on FFA mailbox posts.

**KINSTON**—fruit tree order delivered to FFA members and farmers; building mailbox posts; put on program in chapel during FFA Week; set out 6,000 pine seedlings.

**LaFAYETTE**—string band made personal appearance; conducting magazine selling campaign; fitting 12 calves for fat calf show; selling rat poison; put on radio program; completed magazine sales; held first adult class meetings; planning joint FFA-FHA social.

**LEROY**—sent news articles to local papers; initiated 20 Green Hands; held regular chapter meeting and one officer meeting; selling light bulbs to raise chapter funds; one FFA sow farrowed 8 pigs; received 37,000 pine seedlings for members.

**LIVERNE**—second year ag student has an outstanding poultry project; Ag II class built two self feeders for adult farmers; Ag III boys welded pump for adult farmer; added \$34.50 to bank account; rented 8 acres of land to be used in corn production this year; gave assembly program featuring National FFA Week; enrolled 2 new members.

**McKENZIE**—built 16 mailbox posts; plan for land and livestock judging contest; plan to buy fruit trees.

**MARBURY**—representatives from Alabama Power Company put on a demonstration of electricity; delegate to Birmingham; selling Progressive Farmers; entering livestock, dairy, poultry and tractor driving contests; putting out FFA paper; starting Sweetheart contest; painting shop; getting new equipment in shop; studying auto mechanic work in shop.

**MONROEVILLE**—held 2 meetings; had basketball game; made tentative plans for community service project; received and planted 5,000 pine seedlings.

**MONTEVALLO**—40 members made trip to Grand Ole Opry, honorary members furnished transportation; 10,000 pine seedlings set by members; sold ads for chapter calendar and made \$100.00; planned annual chicken fry; working with State and Federal representative on fire ant control; Chapter farmers plan visit to Tuscaloosa trade school; exhibit shown in windows during National FFA Week.

**MONTGOMERY**—held regular meeting; made plans for rodeo; ordered Sweetheart jacket; visited forestry plot to study thinning pines; improving shop equipment.

**MUNFORD**—initiated 25 Green Hands; ordered cedar and built cedar chests; held concessions at football games to raise money for chapter; plan to raise broilers for FFA-FHA Father-Son, Mother-Daughter banquet; selling light bulbs; 3 members promoted to Chapter Farmer Degree.

**NEWVILLE**—Jr. III and Sr. II boys participated in TV program; Jr. III boys making radio tables; selling pencil sets, made \$20.00; tractor clinic conducted by Mr. Mack Jones of Standard Oil.

**OAKMAN**—held 2 meetings; set 25,000 pine seedlings; placed 3 gilts in pig chain; elected 3 honorary members; participated in FFA Week; sold magazines for Progressive Farmer; built bookcase for library; tattooed calves for fat calf show; making plans for recreational tour.

**ONEONTA**—sold \$200.00 Farm and Ranch magazines; ordered station markers for officers; sold warfarin rat poison to raise money for chapter; attended John Deere Day at local theatre; pur-



MISS ERNESTINE RICHEY is 1957-58 FFA Sweetheart of the Suttle chapter. She is a member of the Sr. II class.

chased fruit trees; ordered \$250.00 cedar material; published 2 news articles in local paper; planning assembly program and barbecue for Father-Son Mother-Daughter banquet.

**ORRVILLE**—had tractor driving and public speaking contests; sold peanuts at ball games; Ag III made 5 cedar chests; elected FFA Sweetheart and FHA bear.

**OXFORD**—organized land judging team; set 86 fruit trees; preparing for poultry judging contest; played game of basketball.

**PELL CITY**—tree planter operated every day; made 22 tree planting dibbles; ordered 27 official FFA jackets; quartet practicing; 3 new members; set out 13,000 pine seedlings; purchased new Bell and Howell tape recorder; 7 articles in local newspaper; elected 4 honorary members; held 1 meeting; showed 4 pictures; all members entering one or more contest; had posters up during National FFA Week.

**PRATTVILLE**—dairy and livestock judging teams practicing; organized new quartet and held weekly practices; had chapter banquet; set out pine seedlings; put on exhibit during National FFA Week; started mailbox post program.

**RAMER**—several boys won prizes in magazine contest; plan to purchase two registered cows and registered Landrace gilt to start a Landrace chain; getting ready to make mailbox posts; set out 20,000 pine seedlings; plan initiation for 2 Chapter Farmers and 4 Green Hands; visited Union Stock Yard; had assembly program during FFA Week; secured pecan seedlings; held 2 regular meetings and 2 officer meetings; planning Father-Son banquet; showed film at regular meeting; member purchased registered Landrace boar.

**RED BAY**—selling agriculture magazines to raise chapter funds; working on livestock judging contest; purchased new camera for chapter; bought new sander for shop.

## FFA HONOR ROLL

(Membership of 100 or more)

Foley	121
Robertsdale	115
Stevenson	110
Vernon	109
Lexington	105
Moulton	105
Ashford	104
Heflin	103
Bay Minette	100
Dadeville	100
Jasper	100
Montevallo	100
Sulligent	100

**REELTOWN**—held first meeting of year; elected chapter Sweetheart; chapter champion corn grower presented with pin and certificate.

**REFORM**—elected FFA Sweetheart and presented her with a jacket; published 4 news articles and three pictures; quartet sang at Carrollton; purchased adding machine for department; repaired department's camera; held 2 meetings; working on quartet and string band contests; had assembly for FFA Week; working on land judging.

**REHOBETH**—fattened out and sold 6 hogs, made \$95.00; purchased 6 hogs to be fattened out; held weaner roast; ordered 15,000 pine seedlings; attended Duroc Congress in Dothan; officers attended Pest-O-Rama; purchased a purebred Duroc gilt for pig chain.

**ROGERS**—held FFA banquet; member won grand prize in magazine sales; studying land judging; starting FFA Sweetheart contest; working on dairy judging contest.

**ROGERSVILLE**—studying judging contests; made plans for chapter tractor driving contest; organized string band; purchased 4 registered Landrace gilts to start purebred pig chain; put on television program for FFA Week; three news articles in local paper with 2 pictures; making arrangements to purchase Landrace boar.

**SLOCUMB**—ordered officer pins; purchased 5 welcome signs to put on highways leading into city; ordered complete set of paraphernalia; voted to have FFA-FHA banquet.

**SMITH STATION**—received 22,000 pine seedlings; made dibbles to plant seedlings with; had fish fry; received fruit trees; working on various state contests.

**STRAUGHN**—set out 12,000 pine seedlings; raised Green Hands to chapter farmers; received official FFA calendars; working on land and poultry judging contests; made pictures for calendar; practiced string band and quartet.

**SULLIGENT**—awarded corn growing awards to chapter and county winners at assembly program; set out 5,000 pine seedlings; published 16 news articles, sent stories to 4 publications; ordered 5 new books for library; working on public speaking, land judging, dairy and livestock judging contests; planned banquet program and ordered supplies; State Treasurer, Billy Steele will attend banquet; continuing sale of fruit trees and shrubs; operating school supply store.

**SUSAN MOORE**—members pruning, thinning and planting pine trees; presented radio program; tuning up tractor motors in shop; planning concrete mailbox post program; setting out fruit trees.

**SUTTLE**—planted 2,000 pine seedling and 1,000 Christmas trees; purchased 5 feeder hogs; bred Landrace sow; selling chances on cedar chest.

**THEODORE**—string band won talent show; purchased new welding machine; seeded football field; feeding out 8 hogs; visited packing plant; held tractor clinic; building electric board.

**THOMASTON**—received 14,000 pine seedlings; placed 3 pigs in pig chain; awarded medal to chapter and county champion corn grower; planning land judging contest and field day at experiment station; held regular meeting; observed National FFA Week; two new members; framed and hung Creed and Purposes of FFA.

**THOMASVILLE**—elected FFA Sweetheart; set out 25,000 pine seedlings; made 14 dibbles in shop; bought jacket for president; held meeting; showed films and had demonstration on judging soils.

**TOWN CREEK**—bought car for vo-ag department; initiated Chapter Farmers; studying contests in FFA; ordered 7 rings and manuals for members; placed 5 pigs in pig chain; awarded chapter cotton growing award.

**VERNON**—8 members set out bicolor seedlings; all members made speeches in public speaking contest; had 10 pictures and articles in local paper; ordered fruit trees for 25 members and 10 farmers; built and put out 10 mailbox posts; put posters in store windows during National FFA Week; held special program for school on FFA Week; put on campaign to increase membership in FFA chapter.

**VINA**—made preliminary project report; set out 125 fruit trees; making plans for play to raise chapter funds; made awards to chapter, county and district champion corn grower; selected outstanding FFA member of chapter.

**VINCENT**—planted 7,500 pine seedlings; built 2 farrowing jackets; elected FFA Sweetheart; started individual shop projects; visited Coosa River Nursery; marked pines for selective cutting; entered public speaking contest; ordered 3 FFA jackets; culling home flocks; presented medal to champion corn grower, public speaker and chapter farmer; preparing for land judging contest.

**WALNUT GROVE**—presented radio program at Albertville; constructed hog house; interviewed chapter farmers; placed 20 Duroc gilts in pig chain.

**WETUMPKA**—sold \$316.00 worth of magazines; held public speaking contest; made plans for annual banquet; distributed official FFA calendars; pruned peach orchard.

**WICKSBURG**—elected FFA Sweetheart; made mailbox posts, presented 1 to school; members making cedar chests; planning Father-Son banquet; officers received pins and will present Green Hands with their pins at initiation.

**WOODVILLE**—held 2 meetings; had program at PTA meeting; selling magazines to make money for chapter; studied FFA manual; discussed tractor driving and land judging contests; continued study of FFA Constitution.

# \$1,000.00 IN FFA SCHOLARSHIPS ANNOUNCED

## The Alabama FFA Association Is Offering Five FFA Scholarships This Year Valued At \$200 Each

Scholarships, having a value of \$200 each, are available to high school FFA graduates who desire to enroll in Agricultural Education as freshmen at the Alabama Polytechnic Institute this September. These scholarships are financed from funds of the Alabama FFA Association and are open to FFA graduates of Alabama high schools who are interested in careers of FFA advisors and teachers of vocational agriculture and who need some financial help to get started in college.

Each scholarship is divided into three parts, with the winner receiving \$75 when registering at the beginning of both the fall and winter quarters and \$50 at the beginning of the spring quarter. As gift scholarships, they do not have to be repaid.

All applications must be mailed before May 1, 1958.

### WHAT DETERMINES THE AWARDS

Four points are considered in making the awards. These are (1) scholastic ability, (2) leadership qualities, (3) interest in teaching vocational agriculture, and (4) financial need.

**SCHOLASTIC RECORD.** An effort will be made to award the scholarships to boys who will be good students in college. Considerable weight will be placed on the applicant's high school record. In addition to this, however, each applicant, if requested by the FFA Executive Committee, will be expected to come to Auburn for screening tests and interviews during the State FFA Convention.

**LEADERSHIP QUALITIES.** Another important point that will be considered is the applicant's record of activities in FFA, school, and community. In filling out an application a boy should enclose a *list of his activities and achievements in FFA and vocational agriculture, other school and community activities*, as well as his *participation in church programs*. The list should show any offices or honors held by him.

**INTEREST IN TEACHING AGRICULTURE.** The application must include a *statement of about 200 words* stating the applicant's interest in teaching vocational agriculture and his plans for such a career.

**FINANCIAL NEED.** Although financial need will not be the most important consideration in making the awards, special consideration will be given to those applicants who have an actual need for financial help. A statement relative to financial needs should be enclosed with the application.

### HOW THE SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AWARDED

The FFA Executive Committee will study all applications. A committee will also interview top applicants who are invited to come to the State FFA Convention. The scholarships will then be awarded to those who, in the opinion of the committee most nearly meet the qualifications for the scholarship.

### HOW TO APPLY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP

If you want to enter Auburn this fall; if you have a good high school record; if you have taken an active part in FFA, school, and community activities; if you are interested in a career as a teacher of vocational agriculture; and if you need help to get started in college:

- (1) Fill out the application.
- (2) Attach a copy of your high school transcript of credits. (No application will be considered if it is not accompanied by a transcript of all high school work complete.)
- (3) Attach a statement explaining your financial needs.
- (4) Attach a list of your activities in FFA and vocational agriculture and other school, community, and church activities.
- (5) Attach a statement describing your interest in becoming a teacher of vocational agriculture.
- (6) Mail application, along with the other items listed above, before May 1, 1958, to:  
MR. T. L. FAULKNER  
State FFA Advisor  
State Department of Education  
Montgomery 4, Alabama
- (7) If requested, make arrangements to come to Auburn during the State FFA Convention for screening tests and interviews.

(Application forms have been mailed to all FFA Advisors)