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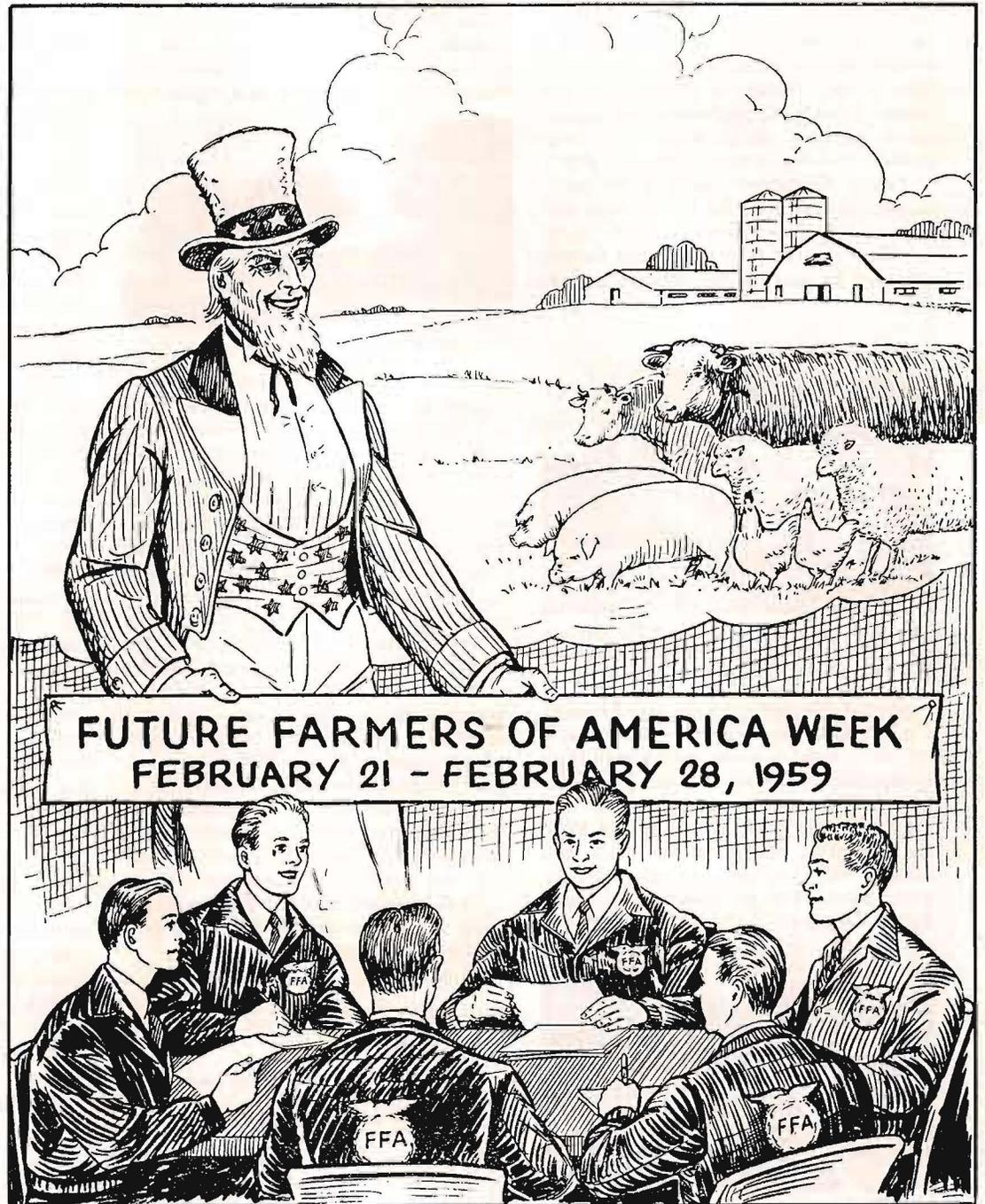
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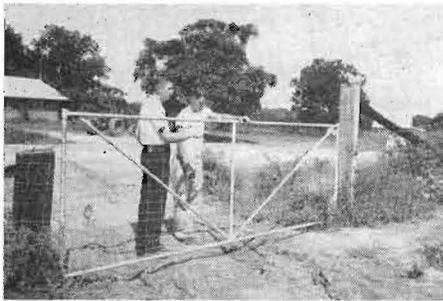
One Part of the Future He's Not Worried About

Clio FFA Member State Winner Of Farm Mechanics Contest

Joe Carpenter, a member of the Clio FFA chapter was State winner in the FFA Farm Mechanics Contest.

Joe, a member of a family of five, lives on a 445 acre farm near Clio, Alabama. The entire farm is operated by Joe, his father, and brother. Cash enterprises on the farm are beef cattle, hogs, and peanuts. The farm also consists of 154 acres in row crops and approximately 200 acres in improved pasture. It is operated on a partnership basis with him and his brother sharing equally with other members of the family in profits. He has equity in all farm machinery and equipment. Joe paid for his share of the machinery and equipment with his labor.

Young Carpenter enrolled in vocational agriculture in the fall of 1956 and immediately joined the Clio FFA Chapter. He chose the farm mechanics awards program because of his interest in that phase of the vocational agriculture program.



MR. R. J. CHANDLER, Clio FFA Advisor, and Joe looking at one of several gates that Joe built in the agriculture shop.

One of his first projects was building a new home. The Carpenter family formerly lived in a five room, poorly built farm home. Last year they decided to build a new one. In seven months they moved into a modern brick veneer home. With the exception of laying the brick and making the kitchen cabinets, all the labor involved in the building was done by the family.



JOE demonstrating tractor lift which he built in the shop. Note how it picks up plow.

Some of the experiences Joe gained in building the home were those connected with wiring, installing plumbing for two bathrooms, and planning and constructing the septic tank and sewage disposal field. According to Joe the work was long and hard, but it has been wonderful living in his new and modern home.

In addition to the experiences in farm mechanics gained in building the new home, Joe has had experience in the care, operation, maintenance, and repair of farm machinery. They have three tractors and farm machinery and equipment



THE NEW home of the Carpenters.

necessary in carrying on the farming operation. Joe has the major responsibility in keeping the machinery lubricated and making minor repairs, particularly those involving welding. He also has helped in overhauling the three tractors, and two trucks. Several pieces of farm machinery adaptable to the tractors have been constructed by Joe in the vocational agriculture shop and in the farm shop at home.

In addition to his activities in the FFA awards program, Joe served as vice president of the FFA chapter last year, chairman of the school farm committee, member of the activities program committee, member of the Father-Son banquet program committee. This year he was elected to serve as the chapter president. In other school activities he has participated in baseball, basketball, football, and is alternate school bus driver.

Joe is very active in the Baptist church being a member of the Sunday school class and Training Union.

Birmingham Plans For Alabama FFA's Annual Visit

The Magic City of Birmingham will open its doors to about 90 of Alabama's top-ranking Future Farmers on February 19 and 20. The FFA group will be guests of the agricultural committee of the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce, according to J. A. Beaty, Manager of the agriculture department.

Attending the meeting will be all state FFA officers, all county presidents, also string bands, quartets and other talented members in FFA. These farm youths will spend two days with eyes and ears open to see and learn more about the wonders of the big city life. This is truly a highlight of the Alabama FFA each year. It brings these Future Farmers together with the big business leaders of our state.

FFA state officers making the trip are: Buddy Farrington, president; Charles Turner, vice-president; Lavaughn Johnson, secretary; Herman Majors, treasurer, and Scotty Carson, reporter.

Others attending the meeting will include Dr. R. E. Cammack, State Director of Vocational Education; T. L. Faulkner, State Supervisor, Vocational Agriculture; J. L. Dailey, Assistant State FFA Advisor; H. R. Culver, and H. F. Gibson, District Supervisors, Vocational Agriculture.

The group will arrive in Birmingham by noon on February 19 and register at the FFA booth in the lobby of the Thomas Jefferson Hotel, where they will be assigned rooms. That afternoon, they will make a bus tour of the Birmingham Food Terminal and Farmers Market. Terry L. Jackson and Paul R. Moon of the Alabama Power Company will be the official guides.

That night at 6:30 the boys will be the guests of Alabama State Fair Authority at a banquet in the Thomas Jefferson Hotel. Buddy Farrington, State FFA President, will be the principal speaker at the banquet. FFA bands, quartets, and other talented Future Farmers will furnish the entertainment during the banquet with J. L. Dailey in charge. Then the group will go to the Alabama Theatre for a theatre party, courtesy of Mr. M. C. Glohon, theatre manager.

Friday morning the Future Farmers will be guests of the Standard Oil Company for breakfast at Britling's Cafeteria.

After breakfast, the Future Farmers will board special buses for an educational tour of T.C.I. Division U.S. Steel Corporation with Mr. Clinton R. Milstead, Director of Public Relations Southeast Division, in charge.

FFA Honor Roll

(Membership of 100 or More)

Foley	156	Buckhorn	112
Bay Minette	134	Heflin	111
Silas	131	Alexandria	106
Stevenson	124	Arab	106
Centreville	119	Ashford	105
Brookwood	116	Vernon	102
Jasper	116	Luverne	101
		Montevallo	100

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National FFA Week

By T. L. FAULKNER
State Supervisor of Vocational Agriculture

In Alabama and throughout the Nation Future Farmers of America will celebrate February 21-28 as National FFA Week. Three hundred seventy-five thousand Future Farmers will rededicate themselves to the purposes of their organization and do their best to let their friends and neighbors know what FFA is, what it does, and why it is important to everyone.

Individual FFA chapters will conduct their own local programs which will include banquets, radio broadcasts, programs at civic club meetings, contests and games, programs in school assembly, barbecue and fish fries, tours, parades, torch-light ceremonies and many other unusual activities. National radio programs will be broadcast throughout the week.

Vocational Agriculture and the FFA constitute the most effective program yet developed for training boys to be good farmers and helping them to become established in farming and other agricultural occupations of their choice.

In view of the nation's need for NEW farmers, and since vocational agriculture is training less than half enough to fill these needs, it is fitting that recognition be given those young men who are preparing for careers in farming. Encouragement at this time will do much to stimulate them to harder work and great achievement.

National FFA Week comes every year during the week of the anniversary of the birthday of George Washington. Although usually considered first as a great general, our first president, and an engineer, George Washington's first love was the farm he called Mount Vernon. There he was one of the first in the nation to practice contour planting, crop rotation, and other soil conserving methods.

The FFA is an intra-curricular activity having its origin and root in a definite part of the school curriculum - vocational agriculture. Among other things, members learn through active participation how to conduct and take part in a public meeting, to speak in public, to buy and sell cooperatively, to solve their own problems, finance themselves, and to assume civic responsibility. The foundation upon which the Future Farmers of America organization is built includes leadership and character development, sportsmanship, cooperation, service, thrift, scholarship, improved agriculture, organized recreation, citizenship and patriotism.

FFA is a national organization with more than 375,000 members in 9,000 local high school chapters located throughout 48 states, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico. Alabama has nearly 15,000 members in 263 chapters. Just as the chapter holds regular meetings to discuss and plan its activities, the State Association holds an annual convention where official delegates from each chapter sit in the governing body to determine policies and set new plans for the association.

Each unit of the FFA - the local chapter, state association, and national organization - elects officers from the membership each year. The election of new officers is always a highlight of the local, state, and national conventions, and it is a high honor to be named to one of the offices.

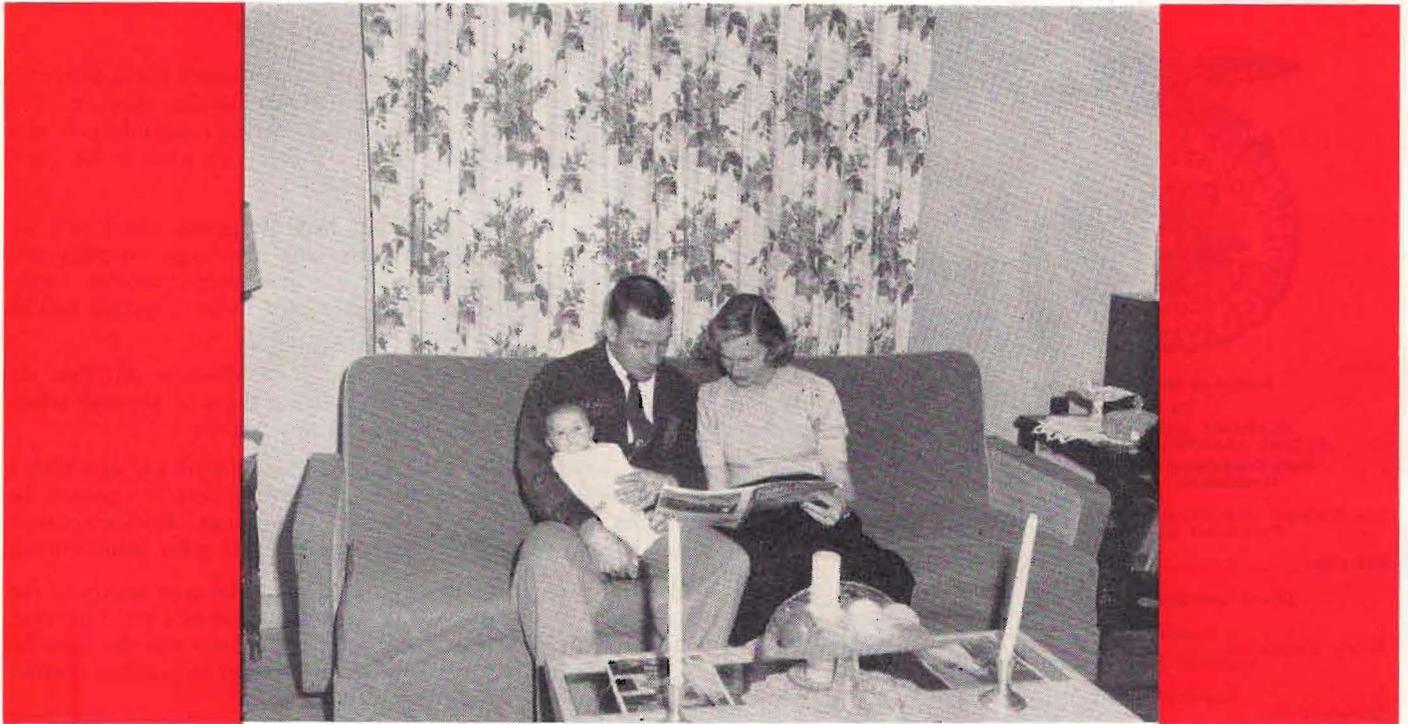
In addition to the leadership from the officers, FFA has adult guidance and supervision from people who are especially trained to teach vocational agriculture and lead the FFA. The teacher of vocational agriculture serves as local FFA advisor.

On the state level, the FFA is sponsored by the State Department of Education, with the State Supervisor of Agricultural Education serving as State FFA Advisor. Other members of his staff also help with the work.

Nationally, FFA is sponsored by the Agricultural Education Branch of the U.S. Office of Education in Washington. We give this breakdown of FFA's organizational structure to show two things: First, FFA is an integral part of the program of vocational education in agriculture, from the local chapter right up through the national organization; and, second, FFA is an organization of and for farm boys, with the advantage of adult guidance and leadership from trained, professional men who have chosen as their life's work the training of boys toward successful farming, leadership, and good citizenship.

FFA is not the largest organization in the world - although we can say that it is the largest "farm boy" organization - but every Future Farmer is an active, interested, and participating member. We have an organization that encourages its members to put their shoulders to the wheel and push when something needs doing.

Alabama's "Future Farmer of the Year"



JAMES BRINDLEY named "Future Farmer of the Year" shown with his wife Becky and son Jimmy.

Blountsville Member Named Most Outstanding

James Brindley, a member of the Blountsville's FFA Chapter, has been selected Alabama's Future Farmer of the Year. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Van Brindley of Blountsville.

For being the outstanding farmer of the nearly 15,000 Future Farmers in Alabama, James will receive the \$300 Turner E. Smith Educational Award and the special Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity trophy. These awards are given annually to the FFA boy in Alabama who demonstrates exceptional leadership in farming ability.



A VIEW of James's laying hens.

James enrolled in vocational agriculture and joined the Blountsville FFA chapter at the J. B. Pennington High School in the fall of 1953. From the very beginning he expressed a keen interest in farming and began to make plans for his supervised farming program.

James began with a modest supervised farming program which was in keeping with the small farm on which he lived. For his first year projects he had 150 laying hens, 3 acres of corn, 1 acre of cotton and 20 sheep, from which he realized a labor income of \$373.03.

From this modest beginning James has kept growing and expanding his farming program until now his net worth of land, livestock, poultry, and equipment is valued at more than \$11,000 at present-day prices. Actually, James has used all profits from his program for the purchase of land and expansion of his poultry flock, buildings, and equipment.

He now owns 100 acres of farm land which he purchased upon graduation from high school in 1957. This year's farming program will consist of 2,000 laying hens, 20 head of beef cattle, 14 head of sheep, 2 brood sows, 5 acres of cotton, 25 acres of oats, in addition to permanent pasture improvement.

Since finishing high school he has built a thousand capacity laying house, brooder house and has begun construc-

tion of another layinghouse. He has also constructed some needed fences, installed a bathroom, completed a basement, and installed an egg grader for grading his own eggs. Other home improvements include the sheetrocking and painting of his livingroom and bedrooms. Most of the labor in all the above activities was done by James. He owns a tractor, truck, egg grader, sheep shearing equipment, in addition to his home, poultry buildings and poultry equipment.

James has carried on improvement projects and has done many outstanding supplementary farm practices over and beyond his productive projects while enrolled in vocational agriculture. He attended the National FFA Convention last fall at which time he was one of fourteen boys from Alabama to receive the Ameri-



A VIEW of James's laying house which he constructed.



JAMES and his tractor and truck.

can Farmer Degree. This is the highest award an FFA member can achieve and only one member in 1,000 can receive it.

Young Brindley credits his successful farming program to his vocational agriculture teacher, Mr. J. J. Lewis, and his father. Down through the years his father has been most cooperative, helpful and encouraging in his FFA and other school activities. James says that Mr. Lewis has been a great help and inspiration to him in planning and supervising his farming program and FFA activities.

In addition to an outstanding farming program James has been very active in FFA work. He has served as president of his local chapter, been a delegate to the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce meeting in 1956, was the local chapter's Future Farmer of the Year and served on many committees. He has also been active in other school and community work. He was an outstanding football player, served as captain of his team, president of the "P" Club in 1956 and during the same year was awarded the title of the most valuable player by the athletic club. He has served as class president, member of the student council and a member of the basketball team.

In his community he is very active in church by serving as member of the choir for a number of years, being assistant Sunday School teacher and training union director. He is also a member of the Blount County Poultry Association and a member of the National Guard. Even though he has finished high school



JAMES and his wife Becky shown grading eggs.

he is still active in the Blountsville FFA chapter.

James married Miss Becky Graves, of Blountsville, in November, 1957. They have lived in their farm home since that time and are the proud parents of three month old James Lee Brindley.

James believes that he can make a living for himself and his family from his farming program. He plans to continue expanding his farming operations until he has at least 5,000 laying hens. He has an established market in Birmingham for his eggs.

He expects to maintain a 20 cow beef herd and possibly expand his hog program. James stated that he felt when these goals were reached it would keep him and his son, another "Future Farmer," busy as well as giving them an adequate income.

James is continuing his education by attending livestock shows, agricultural meetings and being an active member of the Adult Farmer class which is taught by Mr. J. J. Lewis.



SHOWN is J. J. Lewis, teacher of vocational agriculture, Becky and James as they discuss some of James's plans.

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CHARITY ENDS

Elmer, age 12, was puzzled over his social problems and discussed them with his friend, Mortimer.

"I have walked to school with this girl three times," he said, "and I have carried her books, I bought her ice cream twice. Now do you think I oughtta kiss her?"

"Naw," said Mortimer. "You've done enough for her already."

National Convention Roundup

By SCOTTY CARSON
 State FFA Reporter

The annual National FFA Convention was held in Kansas City, Missouri, October 12-17. There were about 10 thousand FFA boys at the convention from 48 states, Hawaii and Puerto Rico.

In charge of the Alabama delegation was Mr. J. L. Dailey, Assistant State FFA Advisor, Montgomery. Assisting Mr. Dailey were 5 FFA Advisors, H. T. Pruett, Associate Professor, Agricultural Education, API; Junius Kendrick, representative of Alabama Power Company, Birmingham; and Burt Cloud, representative of Alabama REA Association, Montgomery. Forty-two FFA members from Alabama FFA chapters made the trip. They met in Birmingham, Sunday, October 12, at the terminal station, and left at 12:05 by train arriving the following Monday morning in Kansas City at 7:30 a.m.

The first day of the convention was taken up mostly by registration and a luncheon for all the officers and delegates. That night the National FFA Public Speaking Contest was held in the Municipal Auditorium. Entertainment was provided by the National FFA Band and Chorus. Tuesday and Wednesday were taken up by special luncheons and business sessions. Wednesday morning the FFA was honored to have Ezra Taft Benson, Secretary of Agriculture, speak to them.

On Thursday morning the last session was held and the closing ceremony was given by the newly elected National FFA Officers. That evening most of the boys enjoyed the special entertainment, courtesy of the Saddle and Sirloin Club of Kansas City.

Thursday night the Alabama delegation left Kansas City at 11:00 p.m. and arrived the following Friday evening in Birmingham at 7:30 p.m.

All boys agreed that this was one of the most interesting and educational trips that they could have taken. I wish that it were possible for all Future Farmers to attend a National Convention. We were all honored and inspired to do greater work in FFA since we had taken part in the greatest, the 31st National FFA Convention.

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BABES IN THE WOOD

A hunter, exhausted and weary, stumbled into the arms of a fellow nimrod. "Am I glad to see you," he gasped, "I've been lost for two days."

"Don't be too happy," the other said, "I've been lost for a week."

Waterloo FFA Members on the Move



SHOWN ABOVE is Ag I class with the chapter's registered Landrace male and Sears pig chain sow. The Florence Meat Packing Company helped the chapter buy the boar.

The Waterloo FFA chapter, 66 members strong, under the direction of W. B. Hagood, their teacher of vocational agriculture and FFA advisor, are not letting any grass grow under their feet. They are busy in chapter, school and community activities.

The Ag I boys with cooperation from the Adult class in Waterloo have begun a landscaping project for churches and homes in the vicinity. These community improvement projects are good public relations and serve a very worthwhile purpose.

Waterloo's Sears Pig Chain is a challenging project for all members. Registered boars owned by the chapter are used in the community to improve the stock of local farmers. The registered Landrace sow belonging to the chapter farrowed 13 pigs last year, of which 12 were raised, and she is due to farrow again in February. This indicates what good stock can do.



SHOWN ABOVE are the officers of the Waterloo chapter. The tractor is owned by the chapter. They also own a pick-up truck.

The Waterloo FFA chapter owns both a truck and tractor which are used in many activities. They also have a 2400 capacity broiler house and have constructed a bulk feeder which was designed to help save feed and time in their broiler operation.

We salute the Waterloo FFA Chapter for the fine program that is being carried on.



ANOTHER scene of the Ag I class as they begin to landscape a church in the community.

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WRAP IT UP

A backwoodsman strolled into the general store. "Gimme a can of talcum," he requested.

"Mennen's?" inquired the clerk.

"It's fer m' wife so make it wimmin's," retorted the rube.

The clerk shrugged. "You want it scented?"

"Nope," replied the backwoodsman, "I'm takin' it with me."

LaFayette Member Wins Cotton-Growing Title

Jackie Lamb, LaFayette FFA member, has been named state winner in the FFA Efficient Cotton Production Contest.

For winning the contest, Jackie will receive an expense paid trip to the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, Mo., this fall.

Jackie, 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lamb, produced 1,124 pounds of lint cotton and 350 pounds of seed per acre. His net profit from this acre was \$277.10.

In his first year of vocational agriculture Jackie started his supervised farming program with a Hampshire boar secured through the FFA pig chain. With the help of his vocational agriculture teacher, Bobby Jones, he purchased a purebred Hampshire gilt.

In his first year, Jackie showed his hogs at the Alabama State Fair and the Chattahoochee Valley Exposition, Columbus, Ga. His boar was grand champion at Columbus.

In addition to his hogs, Jackie also had cotton the first year. Even in the first year he decided to enter the Efficient Cotton Production contest. By following the advice of Mr. Jones and using good management practices he placed second in the state.

This year Jackie added four more Hampshire gilts, more corn, and continued his cotton.

Better Fertilization

Jackie attributes his high yield this year to better fertilization and management than last year. He also stated that this was the best yield he had ever made, but he is going to continue to strive for a higher yield as long as it is economical. He believes that the Efficient Cotton Production Contest will give him the experience to determine just how long he can produce economically.

Besides cotton, Young Lamb plans to continue his hog program and participate in various hog shows. He has been active on several committees in FFA and is a



JACKIE LAMB shown with his two bales of cotton.

FFA Code Of Ethics

We will conduct ourselves at all times in order to be a credit to our organization, chapter, school, and community by:

- ★ Dressing neatly and appropriately for the occasion.
- ★ Showing respect for rights of others and being courteous at all times.
- ★ Being honest and not taking unfair advantage of others.
- ★ Respecting property of others.
- ★ Refraining from loud, boisterous talk, swearing and horseplay.
- ★ Demonstrating sportsmanship in the show ring, judging contests, and meetings — modest in winning and generous in defeat.
- ★ Attending meetings promptly and respecting the opinion of others in discussion.
- ★ Taking pride in our organization; in our activities; in our farming programs; in our exhibits; and in the occupation of farming and ranching.
- ★ Sharing with others experiences and knowledge gained by attending national and state meetings.

member of the LaFayette High School football team.

Jackie hopes to receive the state farmer degree this year at the annual FFA Convention in Auburn. He also plans to continue his farming and someday receive the cherished American Farmer Degree.

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David Keasler Winner In Poultry Contest

David Keasler, Reform FFA member, was the Alabama winner in the Poultry Production Contest sponsored by the Southeastern Poultry and Egg Association, Decatur, Georgia.

For winning he will receive \$100 cash and a trip to Atlanta for himself and his Advisor to attend the annual meeting of the Southeastern Poultry and Egg Association. Also he will compete with winners in other Southeastern states for the \$500 regional prize.

From his early childhood David has been interested in poultry. After a great deal of study on the subject of poultry, David made plans for a poultry production project with his teacher, the local hatcheryman, and his grandfather, who helped finance the project. His father, Foster Keasler, helped with the construction to cut down on costs.

Since David wanted to participate in school athletics, automatic waterers were installed. David also installed an auto-



DAVID KEASLER shown checking his broilers.

matic flow medication system. His mother watches the chickens during school hours, and if he is needed, she is able to find him through the vocational agriculture department.

Sometimes young Keasler grows chickens on a contract basis, sometimes not.

His first batch of chickens netted him over \$200. Part of that he used to pay on his note, part for school clothes, and the balance was put in the bank for materials for his next batch of chickens.

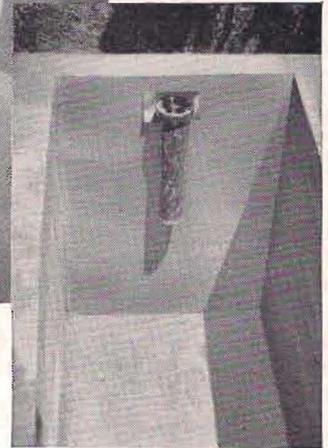
David hopes to have a poultry business and a feed store after graduating from high school.

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AND SEALED UP

A backwoodsman went to the city to spend the night and saw an electric light bulb for the first time in his life. Returning home he sank into his favorite corner on the porch and told his wife, "Don't know how them city folks catch any sleep. There was a big light burning in my room right through the night."

"Why didn't you blow it out?" asked the wife. "Gol dang it — I couldn't," he grumbled, "it was in a bottle!"



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State FFA Executive Committee Meets In Montgomery

The Alabama FFA Executive Committee met in the State Department of Education at the new State Office Building in Montgomery, January 14, 15, 16 and 17. The mid-winter executive committee meeting is always held in Montgomery. The FFA Advisory Council composed of B. C. Nix, Foley; C. S. Bazemore, Wetumpka; W. S. White, Marion; N. G. Spillers, Central; and J. D. Hardeman, Cullman met with the State Officers on the morning of the 17th.



STATE officers shown with Mr. B. B. March, Southern Division vice president, Alabama Power Company, at the Montgomery Country Club. Alabama Power Company was host to the Executive Committee for a dinner on Wednesday night.

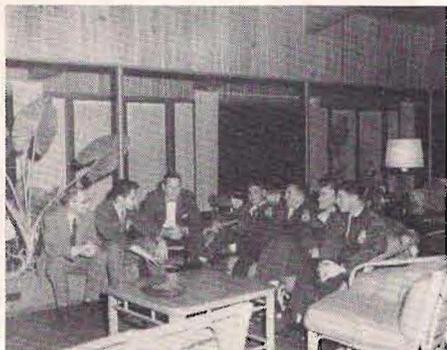
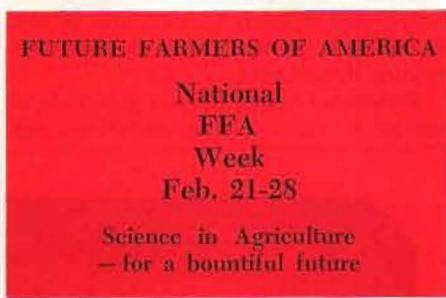
The group discussed preliminary plans for State FFA Convention, the Chamber of Commerce meeting to be held in Birmingham, State FFA Activity Program, Contests and Awards program, Leadership Training program for chapter officers, and the FFA Scholarship Program.



STATE Officers and John W. Ford, Executive Manager, Alabama REA Association. Picture made at REA office in Montgomery.

While in Montgomery the State Officers were graciously entertained by several of our commercial friends and organizations. They were guests of the Alabama Power Company for dinner at the Montgomery Country Club Wednesday night. Thursday they toured the Montgomery Chamber of Commerce and

were their guests for a luncheon at Dale's Restaurant. Thursday night they were guests of Mr. Ulay K. Wise of Spencer Chemical Company for steak dinner at the Woodley Country Club. They also appeared on television over WSFA-TV Thursday afternoon as guests of Mrs. Cathryn Wright on the "Guest Room." On Friday they toured the State REA office and were guests of Mr. John Ford of Alabama REA at a luncheon at the Montgomery Country Club.



STATE officers along with J. L. Dailey, extreme left, and Mr. Ulay K. Wise, Agricultural Sales Representative, Spencer Chemical Company, third from left, as they relax at the Woodley Country Club before eating steaks.

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NO TIME FOR TYROS

As the train emerged from the tunnel the girl said: "Herbert, you shouldn't have kissed me like that, even if it was in the dark."

"I didn't kiss you," said the boy, looking angrily around the compartment. "I only wish I knew who did—I'd teach him!"

"Herbert," sighed the girl, "you couldn't teach him anything!"

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CONSCIENTIOUS

Old lady: "Aren't you ashamed to beg?"

Tramp: "Yes, lady, but I never let my personal feeling interfere with business."

FFA ROUNDUP

CAMDEN

The Camden FFA Chapter planned its activity program for 1958-59 recently.

The second year students as a committee have been studying and planning the chapter activities for the coming year. The committee worked for two weeks making (1) a chapter program of activities, (2) calendar of events and (3) a chapter budget.

The chapter's program of activities is the proposed planned activities the chapter will conduct this year. Each activity listed has its goals and ways and means to reach them are also listed. A committee is appointed to carry out each activity. Each member will be given a program plus a calendar of events. By doing this each member will be on at least one committee and the year's work is in his notebook for reference. This committee also planned and proposed a budget for the chapter. The chapter realizes that a budget is necessary for any sound business.

Our first activity was a joint FFA and FHA educational trip to the South Alabama Fair in Montgomery. The members visited educational exhibits, beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, sheep and an enjoyable tour of the Fair was made.

The Green Hand initiation was conducted October 20.

A Chapter Farmer ceremony was conducted on November 3 and a joint FFA and FHA social was held at the conclusion of the ceremony.

The chapter officers for this year are: President, Bob Vick; Vice-President, Dickey Curry; Secretary L. C. McMurry; Reporter, David Norman; Treasurer, Bruce Strother; Sentinel, Billy Harris; and Advisor, H. A. Taylor.

CENTREVILLE

Several Centreville FFA members have forestry projects as part of their supervised farming program.

Each year the Coosa River Newsprint Company and Gulf States Paper Corporation give Centreville FFA boys pine seedlings. These seedlings are planted in woodland, pastures, and eroded lands.

The FFA boys that planted pine seedlings received prizes for their work at the Civitan Club in Brent recently. The prizes were furnished by the Civitan Club and the GM&O Railroad.



MAVIS GIDDENS elected FFA Queen for 1959 at Bay Minette FFA Chapter. She will reign over all FFA activities during this school term. She is a member of the Future Homemakers of America, Future Teachers Club and National Honor Society.

CLANTON

The boys of Clanton FFA Chapter were given the opportunity of making money by collecting pine cones for the State Department of Forestry. There were twenty-seven boys taking part in this pine cone picking. This project started on October 27, 1958. The boys collected a total of one hundred and eighty-six bushels which netted them \$279.00.

Some of the boys gathered the pine cones by going into the woods and pulling cones from standing trees, while others followed logging operations.

Toby Mayfield, Harlis Minor, James Smith, Bobby Ellison, and James Henderson gathered approximately thirty bushels each.

This project was under the supervision of Mr. Knox Davis, County Forest Ranger of Chilton County.

CARLOWVILLE

A tractor clinic was held recently in the Carlowville High School with W. H. Speir, Jr., teacher of vocational agriculture, in charge. Twenty-two boys enrolled in vocational agriculture participated.

Highlights of the clinic was the demonstration given on how to correctly service a tractor where all boys actually performed the services themselves. In addition to the demonstration, films were shown on farm tractor safety, cooling system care, and periodic maintenance. The films were shown by J. E. Ledbetter, Agricultural Representative, Standard Oil

Company. A discussion was also held on the proper choice and use of lubricants and the importance of performing daily and periodic maintenance services.

Inasmuch as farm mechanization has become such a major factor in our modern day agriculture, the vocational agriculture department is adapting its farm mechanics program to give the students studying vocational agriculture a working knowledge of farm mechanics and preventative maintenance. The tractor clinic is a part of the emphasis that is being placed on the farm mechanics program in the Carlowville vocational agriculture department.

LEROY

Billy Powell III received top honors at the Greater Gulf State Fair held recently at Mobile.

Billy, an active FFA member at Leroy High, exhibited his Angus bull and heifer and won first place with both animals in the junior division. He also won Grand Champion of all Angus breeds exhibited.

The first-year vocational agriculture student, whose vo-ag teacher is O. D. Gissendanner, began work on his calves early in July. Billy's hard work was rewarded by a \$50 check he received as first-place and Grand Champion winner.

SWEET WATER

The Sweet Water Chapter of Future Farmers of America elected officers at its first meeting of the year recently. Those elected were: T. J. Kirkham, president; Don Huckabee, vice-president;

Wilmer Brekenridge, secretary; Marvin Glass, treasurer; Trict Little, reporter and John Singleton, sentinel.

Preceding the election of officers, the duties and responsibilities of each officer were emphasized and explained to all members.

The officers are working on a program of work for the coming year which will be presented to all the members for consideration. After completing the program of work, committees will be appointed to carry it out.

ATTALLA

Enrollment in vo-ag classes at Etowah County High School has greatly increased this year. It jumped from 43 boys last year to 73 at the present.

Since the vo-ag program has been revised over the state it is offering the opportunity for more boys to benefit from vocational teaching.

Along with the increased enrollment in vo-ag classes there has been a considerable increase in FFA membership. The membership in FFA this year is 75 as compared to 45 last year.

Earl C. Henderson is the vo-ag teacher and FFA advisor at Etowah County High School.

GENEVA

Geneva High School has three brothers, Larry, Phillip and Don Justice, enrolled in vocational agriculture this year.

These three boys are doing outstanding work in their FFA chapter. Last year, Larry and Phillip had prize winning



NATIONAL FFA OFFICERS—front row: Adin Hester, Aurora, Oregon, president; and Norman A. Brown, Temperance, Michigan, student secretary. Back row: Lee Todd, Bells, Tennessee, vice president, Southern Region; Bryan Halen, Mesquite, Nevada, vice president, Pacific Region; Thomas E. Stine, Ozark, Missouri, vice president, Central Region; and Richard Van Auken, Monroe, New Jersey, vice president, North Atlantic Region.

calves at the fat stock shows in Geneva and Dothan. This year Larry is treasurer of the Geneva FFA Chapter.

Don is a first year ag student, Larry is enrolled in Ag. III and the Ag. III class has claim to Phillip. Larry and Phillip both have the chapter farmer degree.

Mr. J. L. Parrish is the Vo-Ag teacher and FFA advisor at Geneva High School.

HIGHLAND HOME

Pig chains and a post treating plant constitute very important projects that

are being carried on by the Highland Home FFA Chapter.

The chapter has two pig chains in operation at the present time, a Duroc and a Landrace. A member of the chapter is given a gilt if he agrees to perform recommended practices in growing the gilt out and returning two gilts from the first litter to the chapter. Thus the chain grows, making more gilts available each year to incoming students. During the next year, approximately 30 gilts will be returned to the chapter.

"Learning by doing applies to growing hogs as well as many skills and abilities

required by a successful farmer," says Robert Bugg, local vo-ag teacher who adds, "this pig chain idea gives students an opportunity to gain practical experience with boys which might otherwise be unavailable."

With increased emphasis on livestock farming and soil bank practices, Highland Home FFA members realize the importance of good fencing. Several members have included fencing as an improvement project and the co-operatively owned post treating plant operated by the chapter on a non-profit basis is of major importance as members begin such projects.



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STATE officers shown with Mr. Paul Fuller, Manager, Montgomery Chamber of Commerce on left and Mr. Ed Teague, Director, Agriculture Division, Montgomery Chamber of Commerce, as they visited the Montgomery Chamber of Commerce during the Executive Committee meeting in Montgomery.

ELKMONT

The Elkmont Chapter of Future Farmers of America placed second with their booth entitled "Rural Leadership Starts in FFA" at the Alabama State Fair in Birmingham. The boys worked very hard to represent their school as well as all the FFA Chapters in Northwest Alabama. For placing second they will receive \$150.

The chapter also had three members to show their Sears-Roebuck FFA pig chain pigs at the fair. Sterling Turner's gilt placed first in its age class in the FFA Sears-Roebuck show and the Junior purebred hog show. His animal was entered for grand champion and placed third in this group. There were 90 pigs in the show. Sterling will receive \$30 in prize money for showing his two gilts.

Albert Clem's gilt placed ninth in her age class in the Junior Hog Show. Albert will receive \$4 in prize money for showing his gilts. All three boys were very much impressed with the hog show and plan to show two pigs in each age class next year.

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RANBURNE

Mr. A. L. Otts, vocational agriculture teacher at Ranburne, and his FFA boys are busy remodeling the vo-ag department. They are rewiring the building, putting up blinds, painting and refinishing the classroom tables, building new tool cabinets, and rearranging the shop.



RANBURNE FFA members erecting road sign.

This is Mr. Ott's first year at Ranburne and in addition to the remodeling of the building he is buying several small tools for the department. Welcome signs have also been placed on every road entering Ranburne. The lettering on the signs have been sprinkled with glass chips so they will reflect light and glow at night. Mr. Otts has also purchased a new arc welder. The money and request to buy a welder was left by Mr. R. W. Thompson, former vo-ag teacher and FFA advisor.

The FFA chapter purchased blackboards, bookcases and bulletin boards from Macedonia Junior High School which was discontinued this year. The blinds and wiring for their department was also obtained from the Junior High School.

JASPER

James Earl Duncan, second year vocational agriculture student at Walker County High School, Jasper, is doing an outstanding job with his supervised farming program.

James and his brother, Wayne, a first year vo-ag student, cultivate 65 acres which includes three acres of cotton, 58 acres of corn and four acres of hay. Their corn averaged 55 bushels per acre even though they had a very poor stand. They also have 40 feeder hogs, three brood sows, and a small number of beef cattle.

The boys are cutting timber from their own place and building a new home.

They work on it after school and on Saturdays. Their father helps them during his spare time but he works full time away from home. When the home is finished, the boys are going to landscape the grounds and enter it in the home improvement contest.

James Earl and Wayne started farming on their own about three years ago. Since that time they have purchased a

tractor, harrows, cultivators, planters, disk, sub-soiler, and several other farm machinery items.

In addition to school work and the farm, they also find time to take an active part in church and community activities.

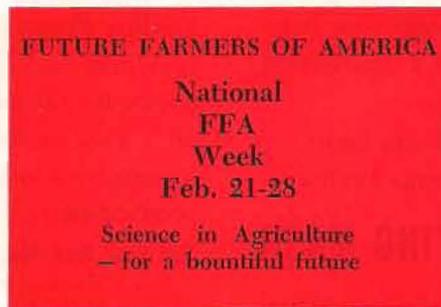
Their vocational agriculture teacher is Mr. C. R. Wynn.

SPRING GARDEN

The vocational agriculture department of Spring Garden High School is playing an important role in the Forestry Development of Cherokee County and surrounding area.

According to J. C. Hollis, vo-ag teacher at Spring Garden, farmers have received 221,000 pine seedlings through the vo-ag department. Working with Mr. Hollis in obtaining these trees was Mr. Gordon Butler, Coosa River News Representative. His company has furnished 124,000.

A large percent of these trees have been planted by a mechanical tree planter that was donated by four local banks. These are the First National Bank, Piedmont; Farmers Merchant, Piedmont;



Cherokee County Bank, Centre; and Farmers Merchant, Centre. This planter is kept by Mr. Hollis and his FFA boys at Spring Garden. It is loaned to citizens who need it.

The planter, when on fairly smooth ground, can set out more than 11,000 seedlings a day.

BRANTLEY

The Brantley vo-ag students have been operating a seven acre farm plot for experimental purposes and as a source of income for the chapter.

Mr. M. L. Carroll, vocational agriculture teacher at Brantley High School, and his FFA boys began the operation in 1954. That year they planted the entire plot in corn, using 1200 pounds of 4-10-7 and side-dressing with 800 pounds of nitrate of soda. In spite of the damage done by a storm and the very dry weather of '54, they average 70 bushels per acre. According to Mr. Carroll, people came from five counties to look at their corn.

In 1955 the chapter started making soil tests and following the procedure recommended by API. That year they made 83 bushels per acre. People again flocked

in from the surrounding areas. At times the crowd was estimated to be over 200.

Since the first year the boys have planted five acres of corn and two of cotton on their farm. They also have the edge of the fields planted in bicolor, which is used as feed for birds.

For the five-year period that they have been operating the farm, the yield of corn has average 77 bushels per acre. The county average for the five years has been less than 20 bushels. They also produced their corn at about 15¢ less per bushel than did the average farmer.

Mr. Carroll says that this has helped corn production in the area surrounding Brantley more than anything else. The chapter has also averaged over \$300 per year from their corn.

SAND ROCK

Mr. S. E. Pate, teacher of vocational agriculture at Sand Rock High School, Leesburg, has a hive of bees in his classroom window with the opening to the outside so they can come and go as they please.

They were placed there to create interest in bee production and also serve as a teaching guide. The hive is made from an old glass popcorn popper. The bees were captured wild.

As a result of this, eight boys have constructed hives in the vo-ag shop and have bees on their farm. At the present 15 more are building hives in the shop.

When the hive is robbed in the spring of the year the FFA boys have a "honey" dinner. On that day they are served all the honey they can eat. If they do not eat all the honey then the balance is sold.

CORNER

The Corner FFA Chapter believing in the second line of the FFA motto, "Doing to Learn", recently painted the interior of the Vo-Ag Department.

The boys used color dynamics in painting the building in an effort to reduce glare, make more pleasant working conditions, and promote better house cleaning.

By painting the shop themselves they learned about color selection, preparing surfaces for painting and estimating amounts needed. Mixing, tinting, and brushing techniques were also learned. R. A. Baker, local vo-ag teacher, supervised the job.

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EASY PAYMENT PLAN

An old country doctor parked his Model T on the street. When he came back a number of youths were standing around laughing at the old bus. The doctor climbed into the seat and said mildly, "The car's paid for, boys." He looked deliberately from one boy to another. "You're not - and you're not."



FFA

On The MARCH

ALICEVILLE—put out rat poison; saw educational films; studied hand and power tools; held two regular meetings; filled out project reports; held annual FFA corn banquet; presented chapter Sweetheart with jacket; received 16,000 pine seedlings; purchased new shop equipment.

BEAR CREEK—held two meetings; started new pig chain; turned in project records; had joint party with FHA.

BLOUNTSVILLE—held joint fish supper with FHA; organized FFA basketball team; selected Future Farmer of the Year for chapter; purchased \$50 worth of new tools for shop.

BOAZ—held Green Hand initiation; ordered 2 jackets; had full page picture made for annual; selected champion corn grower.

BUCKHORN—held two chapter and one officer meeting; initiated Green Hands; had chicken stew prepared by FHA; completed show calf selection; 39 members completed corn yield contest; made plans for FFA contests.

CARBON HILL—placed 2 gilts in pig chain; ordered 3 official jackets; bought official FFA pins for all members.

CLANTON—held two meetings; trained officers; sold concessions at all home ball games; worked on public speaking; made 14 FFA mailbox posts; Sr. II class working in shop; bred Sears bull eight times; received fine Sears Angus bull donated by Dr. Hicks, owner of Briar Hill Farms in Union Springs.

CITRONELLE—held two regular meetings; sold pecans from FFA orchard; initiated Green Hands; Quartet practicing; working on public speaking contest.

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CLEMENTS—ordered Green Hand pins; sold concessions at ball games to buy books for classroom and tools for shop; held FFA social; planning FFA-FHA banquet; bought equipment for shop.

COFFEE SPRINGS—initiated 21 Green Hands; joint party with FHA girls; held regular meetings; showed film on Soil Conservation; installed water in Farm Mechanics shop; ordered 60 fruit trees cooperatively; added 14 new books to library; ordered 3 official FFA jackets.

COFFEEVILLE—initiated Green Hands; held one chapter and two officer meetings; worked on program of work; each member purchased FFA Manual and Parliamentary Procedure Manual.

COLD SPRINGS—bought purebred Hampshire sow to re-establish chapter pig chain; sponsored entertainment program at PTA meeting; all members are receiving National Future Farmer magazine; conducted community pest control campaign; purchased ½ inch portable electric drill and electric power saw for shop; conducting community-wide safety campaign.

CORNER—held one regular, one officer and six special meetings; seven members purchased purebred Hampshire gilts; initiated 23 Green Hands; cooperatively purchased \$259.54 worth of agricultural supplies; each member conducted farm mechanics survey of home farm; held joint social with FHA; 85% of members participated in semi-final public speaking contest; planted 10,000 pine seedlings.

CULLMAN—initiated 45 Green Hands; ordered pine seedlings; added more pig chain members; participating in public speaking contest; sold Christmas cards for chapter funds; put up three FFA welcome signs.

CURRY—purchased 12" planer for shop; selected chapter corn growing champion; held tractor maintenance clinic; placed gilt in chapter pig chain; ordered 10,000 pine seedlings; members participated in public speaking contest; two FFA feeder calves on feed.

DADEVILLE—held one regular meeting; initiated Green Hands; assisted FHA in sponsoring a charity dance; organized quartet, adding one new member; string band won first place in talent show at Reeltown.

DANVILLE—initiated 12 Green Hands; harvested and marketed two bales of cotton on experimental plot; purchased two Landrace gilts for pig chain.

DOUGLAS—closing out project records; initiated 35 Green Hands; held regular meeting; had a party; awarded corn growing certificate.

EAST BREWTON—selected chapter champion corn grower; ordered trophy for corn champion; elected FFA Sweetheart; held assembly program on safety; ordered 10,000 pine seedlings; presented Sweetheart with jacket; entering nine state sponsored contests.

EAST LIMESTONE—initiated 23 Green Hands; held two meetings; made plans to start new pig chain; ordered official jackets; completed project records for the year; constructed lockers in the new gym; working on FFA contests.

ELECTIC—placed two purebred boars in community; made plans to enter FFA bull in breeding contest; sold FFA hogs for \$100 profit; bought nine feeder pigs; FFA and FHA sponsored barbecue to raise funds.

ELKMONT—had chicken stew dinner, proceeds are to go for buying a chapter boar; held annual Pfister corn show; selected chapter champion corn grower; received a planer and jointer for shop.

ENTERPRISE—held two chapter meetings; gave reports on program of work.

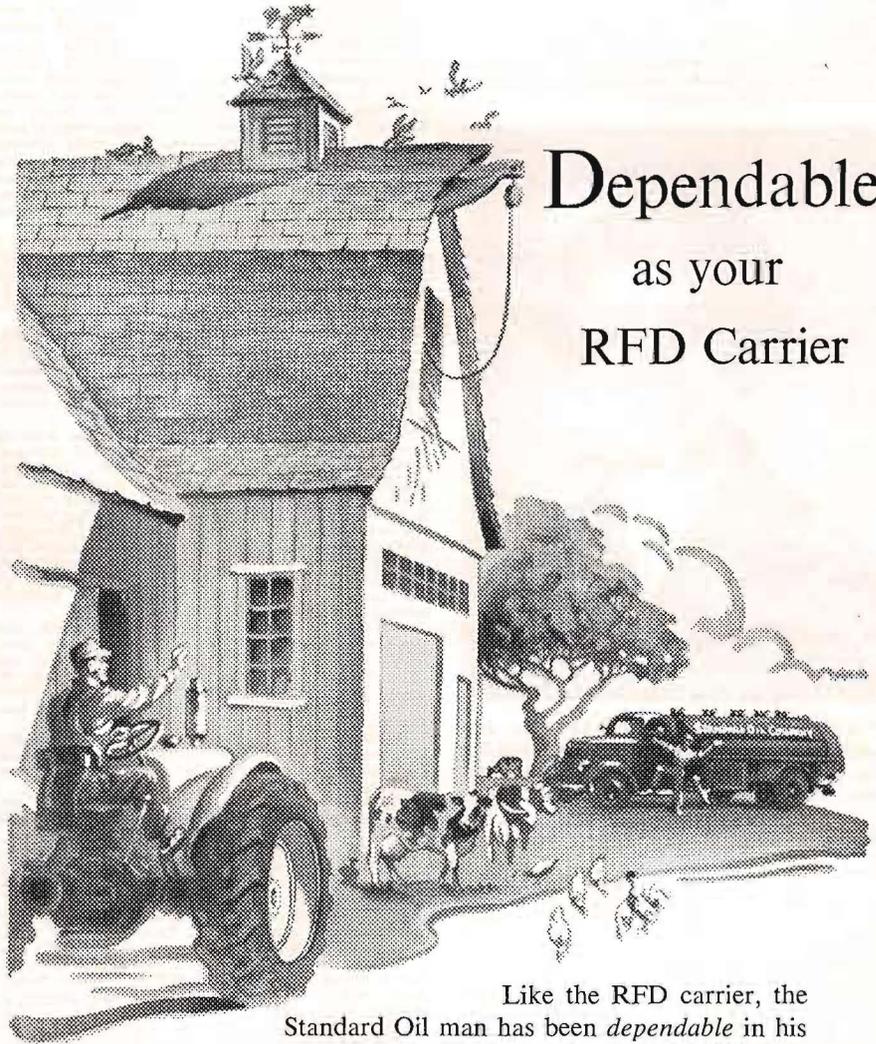
FLORALA—held two regular meetings and one call meeting; host to county FFA Association; constructing a ten by twelve foot building to use for selling drinks; made \$33.00 picking up pecans; all members participated in public speaking contest; purchased Craftsman sander, air compressor and regulator, air hose, spray gun and hoist; officers received jackets; held two regular meetings.

FORT DEPOSIT—held two meetings; sold pecans off project; ordered FFA jackets; built officer stands; working on speaking contest; sold Christmas cards for project.

GLENCOE—held monthly meeting; discussed chapter speaking contest; took orders for 6,000 pine seedlings; Advisor reported on State Forestry Camp; membership cards were distributed; selected chapter corn growing champion.

GREENVILLE—held regular meeting; all members and Advisor attended Forestry Field Day; completed painting outside of v-o-ag building; finished project records; ordered 10,000 pine seedlings.

GROVE HILL—held two officer and two chapter meetings; submitted champion corn grower; published outstanding supervised farming program;



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sold meat hogs to buy shop equipment; sponsored beauty for annual; ordered 5 official FFA jackets; added space for banners won last year; presented chapter corn growing champion with certificate and key; put out 29,000 pine seedlings.

HATTON—held one meeting; operating concession stand to finance chapter; selected chapter champion corn grower.

HAYNEVILLE—sold \$133.40 worth of broilers; held Green Hand initiation; sold peanuts at ball games.

HEFLIN—held two regular meetings; received educational demonstration on arc welding; studying castration of bulls and hogs; went on field trip; studied butchering hogs; bought new welder; selling rat poison to make money for chapter.

HOLLY POND—selling popcorn at ball games; raising money for welders for shop; working on contests; ordered 7,000 pine seedlings.

IDER—installed gas heat in ag building; feeding out hogs for chapter; bought new FFA paraphernalia; bought band saw for shop; two members made over 100 bushels of corn per acre.

INVERNESS—completed FFA calendar drive; FFA-FHA held joint social; secured six registered Duroc gilts and placed with boys in pig chain; plans are being made for Mother-Daughter, Father-Son banquet; working to get a tractor in vo-ag department.

JACKSON—received 13,000 pine seedlings; entered FFA-FHA float in Christmas parade; representative from Clarke-Washington REA presented program on home lighting; erected swings, and saws for School for Retarded.



NINA KINGRY recently elected the Re-hobeth FFA chapter Sweetheart for 1958-59. Nina is a Senior, secretary of the Student Body, cheerleader and an honor student.

KINSTON—FFA-FHA held joint social; elected chapter "Future Farmer of the Year" at regular monthly meeting; entered float in homecoming parade; two FFA boys rode horses in the parade; vo-ag classes pruned shrubs and helped clean up town; held a three day electrical short course; ordered fruit trees for farmers and 8,000 pine seedlings for FFA members.

LaFAYETTE—held regular meeting; placed last feeder calf; planning joint social with FHA; ordered fruit trees for several members; elected FFA Sweetheart; ordered 13,000 pine seedlings; presented TV program on WRBL; selected chapter "Future Farmer of the Year."

LERROY—host for county fun night; initiated 29 Green Hands; held two regular and one officer meeting; cooperating with FHA to make money for annual Father-Son, Mother-Daughter banquet; published three news articles.

LUVERNE—ordered and received 11 official FFA jackets; sponsored donkey basketball game and made a net profit of \$90.00; sold first top hog; have five bred gilts, one registered Duroc, one purebred Hampshire, one purebred Duroc, two cross between Hampshire and Chester white in chapter; feeding seven feeders; built two farrowing pens and one self feeder.

McKENZIE—bought registered gilt for pig chain; bought shades for classroom; began work with electric welder; bought a jig saw for shop.

MONROEVILLE—will schedule films for future meetings; plan to meet qualifications for Standard Chapter Award; discussed plans for banquet; had committee reports.

MOULTON—initiated 37 Green Hands; members went to Wheeler Dam on fish fry; sold eight cases of rat poison; made two field trips; bought new hand tools for shop; held three regular meetings.

NEW BROCKTON—held one meeting; initiated 21 Green Hands; ordered and delivered nut and fruit trees.

OAKMAN—held two meetings; ordered four jackets; placed 12 calves on feeder program for Fat Calf Show; initiated 23 Green Hands; held one chapel program; ordered 32,000 pine seedlings and getting 14,500 free ones to be set out by chapter; placed one gilt in pig chain; bought a \$100 herd boar into community; placed chapter sow with member; determined corn growing champion; placed three mailbox posts on rural route.

ODENVILLE—handing in project reports; outlined and started work on new projects; working in shop; selling candy, cold drinks and hot dogs at ball games to raise money for chapter; held regular monthly meeting with all officers present; enjoyed party held at FFA cabin on Sportsmen Lake.

ONEONTA—held two regular meetings; had FFA-FHA Mother-Daughter, Father-Son banquet; purchased tractor; landscaped grounds using new tractor; constructed lawn mower; organized basketball team.

ORRVILLE—held two regular meetings; four pigs have been placed in pig chain, two more will be given out when they are weaned; social with FHA very successful; sold \$48.00 worth of pecans.

PISGAH—featured two pages of FFA accomplishments in school yearbook; entered all possible FFA contests; held regular meetings; built mailboxes for community; bought new saw and sander for vo-ag department; purchased five hogs; encouraged members to carry out improvement projects for improving attractiveness of their homes.

PLEASANT HOME—held one regular meeting; ordered Green Hand and Chapter Farmer buttons; sold \$245.00 worth of hogs; distributed 500 fund raising FFA calendars; helped build basketball backboards.

RAMER—initiated Green Hands; eliminations in public speaking contest completed; new chalk boards have been installed and new cabinets built in the vo-ag building; purchased new clock for department; Mr. V. C. Martin donated 45 bales of hay for the FFA cows.

RANBURNE—made and erected 12 mailbox posts; rewired classroom; bought welder; wired for new gas heaters; got complete set of paraphernalia; plan to erect Future Farmer signs; sponsoring donkey basketball game; pruned shrubs around school.

RED BAY—ordered Green Hand pins; awarded past officer pins; ordered 25 official manuals; selling popcorn at basketball games; purchased additional supplies for shop; held joint party with FHA; held two chapter meetings; working on public speaking and quartet contests; selling popcorn and candy at basketball games; awarded first place corn champion \$15 and second place winner \$10.

ROGERS—entering quartet contest; elected FFA Sweetheart; bought 10 new books for library and plan to buy more; planning FFA-FHA banquet; adding one new pig to pig chain.

ROGERSVILLE—contributed \$500 for shop equipment; added two gilts to Landrace pig chain; Green Hands furnished stew for teachers and other members of FFA; held regular meeting; discussed and adopted program of work; plan to show steers in Fat Cattle Show in Birmingham next spring.

SAMSON—put exhibit in county fair; had float in homecoming parade; ordered new manuals; initiated 25 Green Hands; ordered several new reference books.

SELMA—elected FFA Sweetheart; held two monthly meetings; organized FFA quartet; sold calendar ads; organized FFA basketball team.

SMITH'S STATION—raised eight Green Hands to Chapter Farmers; held regular meeting; received 4,000 pine seedlings; went on field trip to Wells Dairies.

SOUTHSIDE—held one regular meeting; holding recreation once a week; building tables to use in school library; built one new hog house.

SPEAKE—held monthly meeting; appointed Green Hand initiation committee; making mailbox posts; selling rat poison; making a hog pasture for chapter hogs; plan to put signs of FFA on highways; ordered coats, pins and chapter banner.

STRAUGHN—held joint executive council meeting with FHA; visited steam plant at Gantt; four officers visited Rotary Club for dinner; nominated corn growing champion; held two meetings; took pictures of members and officers for calendars; purchased new tilting arbor saw for shop; Jr. 11 boys learning to use electric arc welder; ordered 20,000 pine seedlings.

SULLIGENT—initiated 23 Green Hands and presented pins; elected Sweetheart; held finals in public speaking contest; harvested bicolor seed; ordered 21,000 pine seedlings; 100% vo-ag students are FFA members and all subscribe to National Future Farmer magazine; ordered Sweetheart jacket; set 6,000 pins with planter for adult farmer; making cooperative order for fruit trees and shrubs; published 16 articles and 4 pictures in two publications.

SUSAN MOORE—held officer elections and training school; ordered jackets; played basketball games; initiated Green Hands; started mailbox program; added equipment to shop; ordered pine seedlings.

SUTTLE—placed four Landrace and two Duroc gilts in pig chain; feeding out 11 hogs on school grounds for chapter treasury; entertained county

FFA-FHA chapters with a social; purchased 6 jackets for officers; Ag 1 members building mailbox stands.

THOMASTON—held regular meeting; purchased and placed Sears bull; received FFA jackets and rings; 15 boys set pine seedlings; all boys in vo-ag entered public speaking contest.

TOWN CREEK—established Landrace pig chain; placed four gilts in Duroc pig chain; initiated 44 Green Hands; landscaped two homes in community; placed 12 new books in library; elected chapter Sweetheart; nominated chapter corn grower; selling popcorn at ball games; plan to enter 10 FFA contests; ordered five jackets.

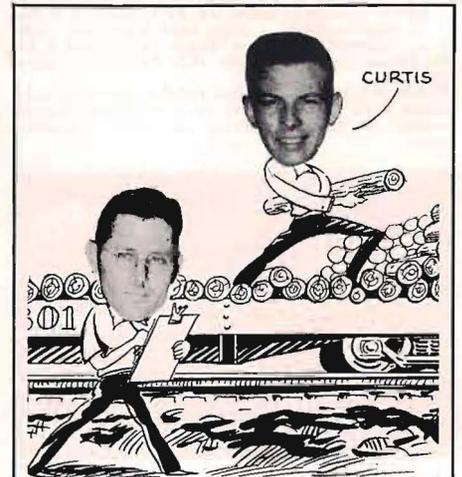
TROY—received 38,000 pine seedlings from International Paper Co.; completed pulling corn; received purebred Angus bull from Briar Hill Angus Farm in Union Springs; made picture frames for lunch room; distributing FFA calendars.

VERNON—elected FFA Sweetheart; 11 members purchased jackets; ordered fruit trees for farmers and FFA members; weekly news article in local paper; 27,000 pine seedlings ordered; presented jacket to Sweetheart.

WALNUT GROVE—selected chapter corn growing champion; 30 pigs farrowed by two sows; ordered five jackets; sold school sweatshirts.

WICKSBURG—initiated 12 Green Hands; made exhibit for Education Week; built mailbox post for school; held two meetings; elected FFA Sweetheart; sold brooms and mops; operated school store.

WOODVILLE—elected chapter Sweetheart and plan to enter her in Tri-State Contest; prepared hot-beds to raise plants for members; studied methods of pruning fruit trees and pruned several different kinds.



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- Hardwood control 60 acres
- Constructed 15 mi. fire breaks

Products harvested:

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- 6,000 fence posts
- 116 cords pulpwood
- 50 cords fuelwood
- 250 cross ties

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A Message to High School Boys and Girls and Their Parents

If you have a liking for the scientific and engineering field and apply yourself during your college years, there should be little doubt about your ability to get a job when you graduate. If your funds are limited, your student advisor, science teacher or principal can tell you about the attractive scholarships available to promising students.

Even when the first institution of higher learning was founded in Alabama more than a hundred years ago, there was recognition of the demand for people educated in some field of science or engineering. The need has grown year by year. It has mushroomed in the last 25 years. New inventions, new methods, new uses in this modern world call for more professionally trained men and women than ever before. The shortage of trained personnel that exists today is expected to continue for a number of years, because the advance of science will not slow, but rather will grow, in the fields of research,

industry, agriculture, ground, sea and air transportation, atomic energy, electric power, chemistry, industrial production, human comfort and health.

If you have an interest in what makes things work, in how things grow, find mathematics and "puzzle" problems interesting, it might be worth your while to seriously consider specializing in some branch of engineering, science or physics when you enter a college.

Many top-flight engineers and other graduates in scientific subjects have been graduated from the University of Alabama, Alabama Polytechnic Institute, and other Southern colleges and universities. Many of them have found employment with Alabama Power Company and other electric power companies in the South, and now hold responsible positions. Others have found eager acceptance for their talents in various Southern industries, as well as elsewhere in the nation.



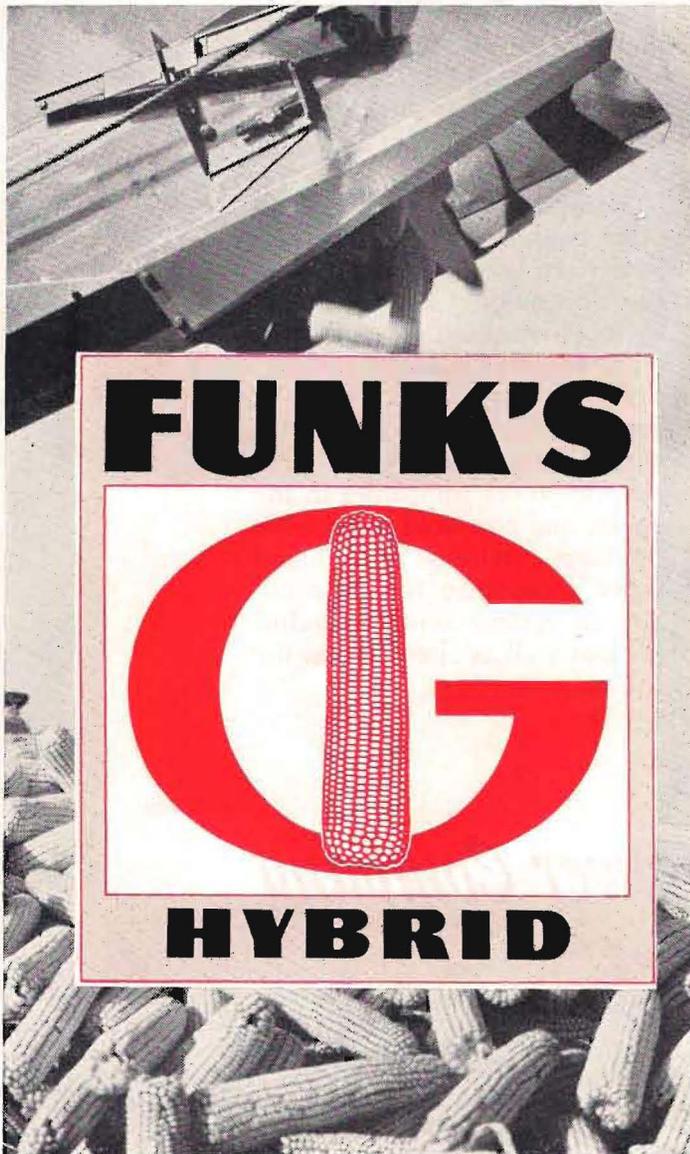
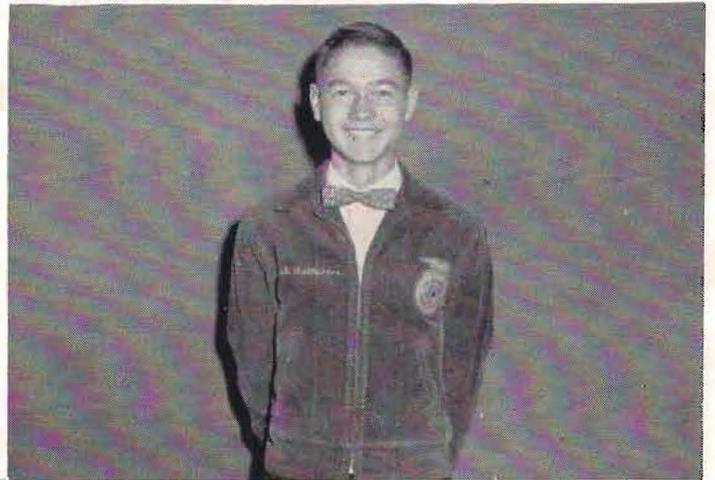
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