Jimmy Hartsfield, Arab, with his calf, winner of Godsden Show
Winners Among 1,000's

Public Speaking Contestants Honored

CURTIS NOLEN, Susan Moore, Northeast

STACY BULLOCK, Beatrice, Southwest

PRYOR MURPHREE, Prattville, Central

On The Cover

Future Farmers showed approximately 350 fat calves in county and district shows this spring and won a number of honors.

Jimmy Hartsfield, member of the Arab chapter, won the Gadsden Show with his Angus calf. Don Wilson, Oneonta, won the showmanship contest in Birmingham and Bennie Atkinson, Clanton, capped similar honors at Montgomery.

The Sidney Lanier team won the beef cattle judging contest in Montgomery. FFA'ers also won several county shows.

Chapter Banquets Are Public Relations Medium

Many FFA and FHA chapters in Alabama have sponsored Father-Son, Mother-Daughter banquets and other outings this spring.

We commend the chapters for staging these fine public relations events. We wish space were available for a story about each but, since it isn’t, we would like to mention these chapters that have had banquets that we know of. There are undoubtedly others we have not heard of or possibly overlooked.

The chapters are Ashford, Sparkman, Linden, Rehobeth, Billingsley, Etowah, Heflin, Sulligent, Butler, Montevallo, Plantersville, Waterloo, Camden, Greenville, Jemison, Luverne.

Ashland, Greensboro, Rockford, Rogers, Suttle, Brundidge, Columbiana, Carrollville, Clio, Dadeville, Auburn, Blue Springs, Northside, Wetumpka, Leighton, Midland City, Goshen, Clanton, Reeltown, Arab, Ashville, Fairhope, Flora, Grove Hill, Jackson, McKenzie and Vernon.

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1960 Forestry Camp Set

Dates have been set and much planning has already been done on this year’s forestry camp.

The week of August 7-13 is the time selected for the camp which will again be at Camp Grist near Selma.

Approximately 100 boys will attend the camp which is sponsored by five pulp and paper companies in Alabama in cooperation with the Southern Pulpwood Conservation Association and the State Division of Forestry. Paper companies supporting the camp are Gulf States, International, Marathon, Scott, and Coosa River.

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If you really intend to make good somewhere, why not right where you are?
Report from

White House Conference

By ROB MARTIN
Wetumpka FFA'er

I consider it an honor and a privilege to have had the opportunity to attend the Golden Anniversary White House Conference on Children and Youth. This privilege is a rare but wonderful one. My thanks for this experience, I owe to the Alabama Association of Future Farmers of America, for I represented this organization, and my expenses were paid by this organization.

The Golden Anniversary White House Conference on Children and Youth was held in Washington, D.C., from March 22 to April 2, 1960. This was the sixth in a series of conferences called at the end of each decade in the 20th Century by the President of the United States for a nationwide stock-taking of the needs of children and youth.

Invitations were sent to 7,000 persons. This delegation was made up of groups of nominees from state committees and from national organizations, 900 young people, many public officials, 500 international guests, and the National Committee members.

The theme of the conference was “To promote opportunities for children and youth to realize their full potential for a creative life in freedom and dignity.” This theme was adopted by the National Committee in pre-conference planning.

The groundwork of the conference was laid by millions of citizens, together with private and public agencies, working at local, state, and national level. This great amount of pre-conference work was accomplished by governor-appointed state committees, the National Council on the White House Conference, the Council of National Organizations, and the Inter-departmental Committee on Children and Youth. This groundwork included surveys, studies, town meetings, opinion polls, and “little” White House Conferences.

The program structure of the conference had three main elements:
1. Theme assemblies which opened each day’s sessions for the development of conference themes, issues, and challenges.
2. Forums which included panel presentations and floor discussions dealing with facts, findings, and issues.
3. Work groups which provided each conferee with an opportunity for continuous participation in a group of not more than 30 persons.

My part in the Conference was that of one of Alabama’s Youth delegation. There were 14 youth delegates from Alabama coming from Auburn University, the University of Alabama, Alabama College, Florence State Teachers College, Jacksonville State Teachers College, the F.P.A., the F.H.A., the F.T.A., and Student Councils, and the 4-H Club.

We arrived in Washington on Sunday afternoon. Sunday night we had the rare pleasure of hearing and seeing the President of the United States, who spoke at our first general session. The week was spent according to the previously mentioned program structure. We had plenty of time for sightseeing and were able to visit the main points of interest in Washington. On Wednesday night we attended the Americana Ball where music was furnished by Billy Vaughn. Also, entertainment was furnished by the Fontaine Sisters and American Indian dancers. On Friday morning, we attended our closing session.

Work is being continued since the close of the conference in order to carry out the recommendations adopted at the conference. The recommendations will be put into effect in follow-up workshops.

A little boy at school for the first time was sobbing bitterly.

“What’s the matter, Willy?” asked the teacher.

“I don’t like school and I have to stay here until I’m fourteen,” wailed the lad.

“Don’t let that worry you,” said the teacher, “I have to stay here until I’m sixty-five.”
STATE CONVENTION SET FOR JUNE 8-10

900 FFA’ers To Attend Meeting At Auburn

It’s convention time for the 14,770 Future Farmers of America in Alabama. Approximately 900 members and advisors will attend the 31st State Convention at Auburn June 8-10. During the three day meet the farm youths will take part in contests, hear addresses, attend business sessions, and herald announcements of awards.

State President Delmar Wiggins of Straughn will preside at the convention. Other state officers who will take part in the programs are Pryor Murphree, Prattville, vice-president; Gary Winsett, Hazel Green, secretary; Larry Williams, Jasper, treasurer, and Rich Pearson, Leroy, reporter. New officers will be installed at the closing session.

Many of the boys attending the meeting will participate in the eight statewide contests that are to be decided during the three days. These contests are public speaking, land judging, tractor driving, dairy judging, quartet, livestock judging, string band, and poultry judging.

Always a highlight of the convention is the naming of the State Star Farmer and four district star farmers. Youths receiving these honors are judged the best among the 290 FFA’ers who have been selected to receive the State Farmer Degree. The awarding of the degrees will also be done during the convention.

Youths receiving this award, the highest degree that state associations may award, must have studied vocational agriculture for at least two years, earned $500 or more from farming, and have shown leadership ability.

Individual awards will go to members who have done the best work in farm electrification, soil and water management, farm mechanics, home improvement, dairying, forestry, and reporting FFA news.

Chapters who have the best programs of work, those who have done the best job of promoting farm safety, and ones having a membership of 100 or more will also receive awards.

Alabama Future Farmer of the Year, Edward Bornholt of Foley, will receive a $300 scholarship from Turner E. Smith Company and an engraved loving cup from Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity.

Guest speakers will include Jim Thomas of Patterson, Georgia, National FFA president; Dr. Ralph B. Draughon, president of Auburn University; Dr. R. E. Cammack, State director of vocational education; T. L. Faulkner, State supervisor of vocational agriculture.

TO LEAD CONVENTION—The State officers have been busy planning this year’s convention. Left to right are Pryor Murphree, Gary Winsett, Larry Williams, Rich Pearson, and Delmar Wiggins.

The end of 31 years of vocational agriculture and FFA in Alabama will be marked by the convention. Organized in July, 1929, FFA is an organization of farm boys studying, or who have studied, vocational agriculture in high school. There are 263 chapters in the state. FFA was organized nationally in 1929 and has grown to be the largest farm-boy organization in the world.

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District FFA Winners

NORTHEAST DISTRICT

Public Speaking: 1st, Curtis Nolen, Susan Moore; 2nd, Roland Hambey, Stevenson.

Quartet: 1st, Buckhorn; 2nd, Pisgah.

String Band: Jacksonville and Ashville.

Livestock Judging: Hefflin and Danville.

Dairy Judging: Kate Duncan Smith, and Ider.

Tractor Driving: William Embry, Grant, and Floyd Williams, Paint Rock Valley.

Land Judging: Stevenson and Danville.

Poultry Judging: Cullman, Glencoe, and Southside.

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT

Public Speaking: 1st, Frank Daniel, Clayton; 2nd, Luther Collier, Wetumpka.

Quartet: 1st, Wetumpka; 2nd, Wicksburg.

String Band: Chavala and Inverness.

Livestock Judging: Luverne and Eclectic.

Dairy Judging: Rawls and Red Level.

Tractor Driving: Don Rawls, Dozier, and Jerry McWaters, New Brockton.

Land Judging: Troy and Hartford.

Poultry Judging: Rawls, Hartford, and Headland.

CENTRAL DISTRICT

Public Speaking: 1st, Pryor Murphree, Prattville; 2nd, Clifton DePriest, Speake.

Quartet: 1st, Millport; 2nd, Mount Hope.

String Band: Winfield and Waterloo.

Livestock Judging: Oakman and McAdory.

Dairy Judging: Jasper and McAdory.

Tractor Driving: Brian Wilson, Guin, and Tommy Roberts, Curry.

Land Judging: Wateree and Hatton.

Poultry Judging: Northport, East Limestone, and Elkmont.

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT

Public Speaking: 1st, Stacy Bullock, Beatrice; 2nd, Jerry Odem, Jackson.

Quartet: 1st, Citronelle.

String Band: Theodore and Semmes.

Livestock Judging: Foley and Leroy.

Dairy Judging: Butler and Fairhope.

Tractor Driving: Butch Starks, Coffeeville, and Huett Brunson, Orrville.

Land Judging: Beatrice and Plantersville.


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Ag-Ed Personnel Cited

Several members of the agricultural education staff at Auburn University were elected to offices and cited for distinguished service at the 40th Southern Regional vocational agriculture workers conference in Oklahoma City, Okla., recently.

Dr. R. W. Montgomery, head professor, was elected president of the Southern Regional vo-ag workers.

Dr. T. W. Gandy, associate professor, was elected president of the teacher trainer section and L. L. Sellers, district supervisor, was elected president of the supervisory section.

H. F. Gibson district supervisor, and Sellers received awards for 30 years of outstanding service to vo-ag.

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A. G. Parrish High Wins Wilbur Kelly Field Day

A. G. Parrish High School of Selma won first place honors in the 8th annual Wilbur Kelly FFA Field Day at the Blackbelt Experiment Station near Marion Junction.

A total of 26 points was scored by the winning FFA’ers. Second place went to defending champion Greensboro with 22 points and Plantersville was third with 18 points.

Other chapters competing in addition to the top three were Marion, 13 points, Orrville 11, Suttle 10, and Carlowville 8.

FFA National President To Attend Convention

National FFA President Jim Thomas of Patterson, Ga., will attend the Alabama FFA Convention this year and will address the Thursday morning session.

Jim, who was a student at the University of Georgia, was elected to the highest FFA office during the National convention last October. Prior to being selected, he served as State president in Georgia during which time his speech making and winning personality earned him statewide fame.

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JACKSON—Ag II class painting vo-ag building; elected officers for next year.

KINSTON—string band entertained for candidates' rally; bought new polyoid camera; sprayed peach orchards; elected FFA Queen; sponsored barbecue and sold 220 plates.

LENOX—sent articles to local papers; held annual county field day, regular chapter officers meetings; elected officers.

MONTREALLO—planted 2,500 bicolor luspedeza plants; officers for 1960-61 elected; calendar project completed with $100 profit; 2 state farmer applications sent in; plans made for State Convention.

MOULTON—placed 2 gilts in pig chain; held regular meetings; ordered fruit trees; elected FFA Sweetheart; making mailbox posts in shop; nominated officers for next year.

NEW HOPE—placed mailbox posts on road; held regular meetings and tractor clinic; quartet entertained at Paint Rock Jr. High School; placed

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PAINT ROCK VALLEY—certificate and medal awarded champion corn grower; presented medal to Chapter Star Farmer; held regular meetings.

REFORM—elected officers; held 2 meetings; sent out newsletter; put on Rotary program; sold fruit trees; published 4 news articles; making plans for welding school and for officers training school; purchased Dewalt saw.

ROCKET—bought new arc welder and film projector; making plans for annual Field day; held joint meeting with FFA; elected officers.

ROANOKE—FFA-FHA attended annual county social in Wadley; elected new officers.

ROCKFORD—held county-wide talent show; taking 5 beef calves to state contest; held two meetings; made plans for deep sea fishing trip.

SOUTHSIDE—built 6 classroom tables and 2 work benches; sold 6 market hogs; working on wall cabinets; 2 boys submitted application for State Farmer Degree.

STEVENSON—held regular meeting; one officer and one county FFA meeting; showed and sold 6 beef calves; completed 4 mailbox stands; held annual "Ag Day"; 5 boys approved for State Farmer Degree.

SULLIGENT—National FFA Student Secretary attended banquet; published 15 news articles and 5 pictures in weekly releases; held chapter forestry judging contest.

THOMASTON—toured Bush Hog Factory and Zoigler packing plant as a special meeting; elected officers; participated in county beef calf show.

THOMASVILLE—visited International Paper Company yard; landscaped rural church.

TOWN CREEK—placed gilts in pig chain; bought show equipment; tested cotton seed for farmers; remodeled lockers for new shop; submitted 3 applications for State Farmers; published 4 news articles and pictures; worked on farm safety control.

TUSKEGEE—held regular, special and officer meetings; prepared land for planting corn on the FFA farm.

WASHINGTON—sent articles to local paper; pruned fruit trees; set out 75 fruit trees.

VINCENT—built 3 trailers; bought new welder; elected FFA Sweetheart; sold one pig chain gilt; bought $50 worth of shop tools; assisting in Agricultural Hall of Fame program.

WOODVILLE—held regular meetings; purchased acetylene welding outfit; repaired and painted water cooler.

YORK—held 2 regular meetings; built woodwork projects in shop for home improvement; elected officers.

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