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"The Successful Farmer of Tomorrow Is the Future Farmer of Today"
WHEREAS, the future progress and prosperity of Alabama is dependent to a great degree upon the skills and efforts of those citizens who operate the many farms of the State; and

WHEREAS, the Future Farmers of America organization is composed of boys who are studying Vocational Agriculture in public secondary schools as preparation for careers in agriculture; and

WHEREAS, the major purposes of the Future Farmers of America organization are to develop leadership, encourage cooperation, promote good citizenship, teach sound methods of farming and inspire patriotism among the members; and

WHEREAS, Alabama now has 260 active chapters of the organization, with more than 14,500 presently active members and more than 100,000 associate members; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Future Farmers of America perform valuable community services and provide important leadership in developing our agricultural economy and in building a better state:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Patterson, Governor of the State of Alabama, do hereby proclaim the week of February 17-24, 1962, as "ALABAMA FUTURE FARMER WEEK"

and urge all citizens to take notice of the many contributions of the Future Farmers to our State and to encourage in every possible way the further growth of this splendid organization for our farm youth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, done at the Capitol in the City of Montgomery, on this the 2nd day of February, 1962.

ATTEST:

Alabama Great Seal

Secretary of State
National FFA Week

February 17-24 belongs to a special group of farm youths throughout the United States, and Puerto Rico. It is "National FFA Week" and will be celebrated by members of the Future Farmers of America across the nation.

Here in Alabama more than 14,000 active members in 261 FFA chapters in local high schools take part in the festivities. Their celebrations will take different forms in the various communities. Some chapters will put on special radio and TV programs, chapel programs, hold banquets and other socials, and many newspapers are cooperating by putting out special editions saluting the organization.

Born to fill a specific need, FFA has grown from an organization of 30,000 farm boys in 1929 to over 380,000 today. It is recognized as the world's largest farm boy organization.

Though many "agricultural clubs" had been formed since vocational agriculture was first taught in 1917, FFA had its birth in 1928. It was patterned closely after the Future Farmers of Virginia because of their high ideals and purposes.

Taking a closer look at the founding of FFA, we find that the late Henry C. Groseclose left his farm home and spent a miserable freshman year at Washington and Lee University. As an upper classman, he noticed that other students from rural areas had the same trouble getting adjusted with much lack of self-confidence. He began to dream of some way of correcting this situation.

While convalescing from a long illness, he found time on his hospital bed to plan a program for rural youth that would in some way compensate for the guidance and diversified experiences of city boys. Sometimes called the "Father of FFA" he is credited with having named the organization, written the constitution, by-laws, and ritual which was first used by the Future Farmers of Virginia and now by the National organization.

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.

The Future Farmers of America Foundation came into existence in 1944 with the primary purpose of developing a better understanding between students of vocational agriculture and business and industry. One of its eleven original trustees was R. E. Cammack, former director of vocational education in Alabama.

FFA is an integral part of the program of vocational education in agriculture in the public school system. Improved agriculture, better local communities, a more satisfying farm home life, and more efficient farmer-citizens are developing as a result of the boy's experiences in FFA.
**Fairhope's Phillip Holman**

**Alabama Future Farmer Of The Year**

COMPLETE RECORDS are very important to any farming enterprise. Phillip Holman, Future Farmer of the Year, discusses his records with Mr. H. N. Lewis, vo-ag livestock specialist, left, and Mr. C. K. Grant, local FFA advisor.

Fairhope's Future Farmer of the Year in 1960 is Alabama's Future Farmer of the Year in 1961. Phillip Holman, a youthful dairyman who owns everything except the ground his dairy stands on, has been picked as the most outstanding young Future Farmer in the state.

Phillip, who received his American Farmer Degree last October in Kansas City, Mo., has interests almost as varied as his farming. He teaches a Sunday School class, is a leader in Fairhope's FFA activities, has more than a passing interest in veterinary medicine and is busy helping promote artificial breeding of dairy cattle in the Fairhope area.

On the 140-acre farm, Phillip's main investment is 61-head of dairy cows and milking equipment. However, a 5,000 broiler unit has proven to be an extra-good source of income as well as better utilize his time.

When the Fairhope Chamber of Commerce tabbed him as the most outstanding young farmer in its area, Phillip had a large herd of market hogs but the dairy and other equipment was owned by his father. Shortly after graduation, ill-health forced the elder Holman to retire. Phillip, after much deliberation between college and the farm, elected to buy the dairy and other equipment. Selling his hogs and the small herd of dairy heifers he had built up in order to finance the cows Phillip became a full-time farmer.

Searching for means of supplementing the income for the dairy, Phillip saw an opportunity in the idle broiler-house back of the dairy. He soon was operating his 5,000 broiler unit which helped him meet his $180 per month payment on his dairy cows and equipment.

Phillip owns everything on the farm from the pasture grass up but he cannot buy the soil itself. The land, known as "colony land" cannot be purchased but long-term leases are obtainable with all improvements belonging to the person leasing the land. The leases are almost perpetual as they are renewable yearly and although they cannot be sold they can be inherited by members of the family. The family owning the lease always has the option of renewing.

A herd improvement program has been launched by Phillip. He hopes to gradually increase the quality and size of his herd by using artificial breeding and saving the best heifers as replacements for the older cows. This program already has increased the production per cow by 2,500 pounds of raw milk.

Pasture improvement and production of silage are two other projects high on the youth's list. He has repaired a 30-foot silo standing on the farm but plans to use trench silos as his major storage places.

All of this began in 1957 when Phillip and his family moved out of the black belt to Fairhope. Since farming methods were very different in each area, Phillip enrolled as a freshman in vocational agriculture determined to learn the approved practices on the lower coastal area. He had an unsatiable interest in vocational agriculture and at the end of his first year income from his projects and net worth was almost $2,000. Helping his father with the dairy and at the

MORTALITY records show Phillip how well he is controlling disease. A good record means more chicks were saved and therefore more profit for Phillip. Mr. Grant checks this record with him.

SANITATION and milk production go hand in hand. In today's modern operation a bulk milk cooler is very essential. Phillip keeps close check on his tank to be sure that everything is well.

**THE ALABAMA FUTURE FARMER**
THE STRAUGHN FFA bull was the champion in the FFA Bull Show at the South Alabama Fair at Montgomery. He was also reserve champion of the open show. T. L. Faulkner, state supervisor of vocational agriculture, looks on as Tommy Adams, of Straughn exhibits the bull and the ribbons.

A CLOSE check on broilers show the progress made in their growth. Mr. Grant, center, and Mr. Lewis check Phillip's broilers. Mr. Lewis served on the committee that named Phillip "Future Farmer of the Year" for Alabama.

same time building a small herd of dairy cows and market hogs of his own, Phillip had more than doubled his income and investment by the time he was graduated from Fairhope high school.

A youth with a true love for the soil, Phillip credits this desire plus the confidence bankers displayed lending him the necessary money to finance his venture as two of the big reasons for his success. "To get established in farming today, a boy must first have a desire to

GOOD replacement heifers insure future milk production. Phillip saves the heifers that he thinks will make good milkers. These heifers are the product of Phillip's artificial insemination program.

learn and to use the improved farming practices, not be afraid of hard work and have available credit," says Phillip.

As Alabama's Future Farmer of the Year, Phillip will be guest of honor when Birmingham hosts the County FFA Presidents during National FFA Week, February 17-24. He also will receive a $300 educational grant from Mrs. Turner E. Smith of Atlanta, Ga., during the FFA Convention in Auburn in June.

GOOD PLANS USUALLY result in successful activities. During a recent executive committee meeting the plans were made for National FFA Week and the County President's meeting in Birmingham. Left to right, seated, are Billy Powell, state FFA treasurer; Jimmy Barnes, state president, and Jimmy Golson, state vice-president. Standing are Byron Rawls, executive secretary; Glenward Spivey, state reporter, and Alvie Smith, state secretary.
Robbie Mills, Northport

FFA Star Dairy Farmer For 1961

One dairy calf, a keen desire to be a dairymen, and interested parents were the basic ingredients that went into the program that won for Robbie Mills, of the Northport FFA chapter, the Star Dairy Farmer Award for 1961. Robbie has always been interested in dairying and when he entered vocational agriculture at Northport High School, he decided to work toward establishment in this field.

A GOOD milking machine and pipe line system makes the chore of milking a much easier one. Time saved in this operation is well spent taking care of other operations.

GOOD FENCING and fresh water are very essential in a good dairy program. Robbie cross fences his pastures with an electric fence to insure more uniform grazing. The pond in the background furnishes the water.

He and his father work and manage a 201 acre farm on which they have eighty-four head of dairy cows and heifers. About 125 acres of this farm is in pasture and hay crops for the dairy herd. Most of the feed consumed by the herd is produced on the farm. Another 60 acres of feed crops are on rented land.

By careful management, the farm has been developed into a very profitable operation. Today's operation includes ponds for water, coastal bermuda, oats, clover and rye grass for grazing, and a grade "A" dairy barn with a pipe line milking system for producing clean milk with a low bacterial count. The milk is never touched by human hands since pipes take it straight from the cow to the cooler and later into the truck. For hay and machinery, a large barn was built only a few years ago. This barn also furnishes protection for any animals not in the pastures.

HAY PRODUCED on the farm goes into the barn for use when grazing is slack. Roughage is a very important part of a dairy cow's diet.

Two of the main feed crops produced by Robbie and his family are coastal bermuda grass and oats. According to Robbie, these crops respond well to fertilizer and a large amount of feed can be produced on small acreage.

The herd at present consist of mixed holstein, guernsey, and jersey cows. Most of the replacement heifers are purebred holsteins. These should increase the volume of milk produced.

Robbie, who graduated from high school in May, 1961, would like to make a career of dairying on the farm in which he owns one-third interest.
Dr. J. J. Hicks Donates 
Fifteen Bulls To The FFA

FFA efforts to improve quality in Alabama beef herds got a boost recently when 15 Angus bulls from Briarhill Farms were added to its improved breeding program. The bulls were donated by Dr. J. J. Hicks and came from his outstanding purebred herd at Briarhill Farms near Union Springs.

Fifteen vo-ag teachers, acting as FFA chapter advisors, picked a bull from a group of 21 offered by Hicks. The bulls, many with outstanding breed champions in their pedigree, will be kept by the designated FFA chapters during the next three years.

The 15 Angus are the latest bulls to enter the FFA's improved breeding program that began in 1948 when Sears Roebuck Foundation donated money to start the program. More than 230 top purebred bulls of all breeds have been placed in Alabama communities as the result of this Sears program. The bulls remain in the community for use by the local farmers for three years, then are sold and $250 of the sale price is turned back to the state association to keep the bull-chain alive. Fifteen bulls are usually placed in the chain each year.

Hicks entered the program in 1958 with the donation of five bulls. This is the first year he has given all 15 of the bulls annually placed by the state association. Money that normally would be used to purchase the bulls will be given to the chapters receiving the bulls to cover part of the feed bill to "grow-out" and prepare the bull for the Purebred FFA Bull Show at the South Alabama Fair next fall.

In the community the bulls serve a two-fold purpose. They are examples of results possible in livestock growing when recommended practices are followed. More important, they give cattlemen in the community access to a bull that will improve the quality of their beef herds through the use of a top-purebred sire. The FFA chapters make this service available to the farmers free or at a nominal cost to cover the expense. At the end of the year the breeding records for the bulls are judged and Sears Roebuck donates registered heifers to the chapters with the best records.

FFA advisors and their chapters receiving bulls were R. O. Bugg, Highland Home; J. R. Thompson, Clanton; R. C. Hughes, Columbiana; H. S. McKay, Mellow Valley; J. M. Johnson, Union Springs; Marvin Brand, Straughn; Frank Hendrick, Chavala; Kenneth Cook, Dozier; W. D. Cornelius, Stevenson; F. J. Comelson, Ardnore; Duel Thompson, Priceville; J. A. Tucker, Excel; E. L. Dye, Suttle, and J. R. Hankins, Lexington.

JOEL SORRELL, Dozier FFA, and E. D. Kitchens, manager of the Sears Roebuck store in Montgomery, admire the Grand Champion gilt in the FFA hog show during the South Alabama Fair in Montgomery. Joel exhibited the gilt.

DWIGHT McNATT, Richard Locke, Jerry Hargrove, and Donald Black of the Elkmont FFA chapter give the victory sign before they enter the poultry judging contest at the National FFA Convention. The team won a silver emblem rating which is one of the highest ever received by an Alabama team.
Birmingham Awaits Arrival Of County FFA Presidents

The city of Birmingham will again extend a hearty welcome to the more than 85 top-ranking Future Farmers of America on February 22-23. These FFA members have been invited to the "Magic City" by the agricultural committee of the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce. Mr. J. A. Beaty, manager of the agriculture department of the Chamber, will make all the arrangements and serve as the official host while the boys are in town.

Attending the meeting will be the state FFA officers, county presidents, the 1961 "Future Farmer of the Year," FFA entertainers and other talented FFA members. The youth will spend two days seeing and learning about life in the largest city in Alabama.

State FFA officers making the trip are Jimmy Barnes, president, Sulligent; Jim­my Golson, vice-president, Autaugaville; Alvie Smith, secretary, Sparkman; Billy Powell, treasurer, Leroy; and Glenward Spivey, reporter, Blue Springs. The offi­cers will precede the delegation and assist in welcoming the other Future Farmers to Birmingham.

Also attending the meeting will be Mr. J. F. Ingram, state director of voca­tional education, Mr. T. L. Faulkner, state supervisor of vocational agriculture, and other staff members.

Plans are for the delegation to arrive in Birmingham by noon on Thursday, February 22 and register in the lobby of the Thomas Jefferson Hotel. Room as­signments will be made at the time of registration. After lunch the group will tour the city, visiting Vulcan Park, the Farmers Market, and other points of in­terest. At 6:30 the boys will be the guests of the Alabama State Fair author­ity at a banquet at the State Fair Grounds. The group will then attend a theatre party at the Alabama Theatre as the guests of the theatre.

Friday morning the Future Farmers will be the guests of Standard Oil at a breakfast at Britting's Cafeteria. After breakfast, they will board special buses at the hotel for a very interesting and educational tour of TCI. Noon Friday will find them as guests of the Birмин­ham Agricultural Club at a luncheon in the Thomas Jefferson Hotel.

The meeting will end at one o'clock Friday and the Future Farmers will leave for home. It is the hope of the city of Birmingham that each one has a better understanding of the vital interdepen­dence of farmers, industrialists, and business men.

Clanton FFA Enters Sears-Roebuck Bull Show

The Clanton FFA chapter participated in the South Alabama Sears-Roebuck bull show for the fourth consecutive time recently at the South Alabama Fair. Dur­ing this time the chapter has shown two Herefords and two Angus bulls, winning one grand champion and placing in the top five the other three times.

The purpose of the program is to pro­vide the small livestock farmers with good breeding stock. It has been esti­mated by farmers using these bulls that they received as much as $25 more from the calves from these bulls than they had been receiving from the bulls used previ­ously. At the present there are over 300 calves in Chilton County that have been sired through this program.

GOVERNOR PATTERSON visited the FFA Purebred Bull Show at the South Alabama Fair. He and Larry Fullen, Clanton FFA member, pose with the Clanton bull.

Laboratory Area Provides Training Program At Jemison

An "open air" laboratory is supple­menting the vocational agriculture in­structional program at Jemison. Vo-ag students have for several years conducted a diversified farming operation on school owned and loaned land on a strictly commercial business basis. No favors are asked or received by the students as they compete on the open market.

The program provides for the practical application of knowledge gleaned from classroom lectures and text books. As a result, says vo-ag teacher R. M. Mc­Gee, the students retain more of the agricultural teachings than if they had to depend entirely on text-book examples.

McGee, in his first year at the school after former teacher L. C. Shields moved up to principal, is planning an expanded program centered around a herd of beef cattle. Trees in a peach orchard owned by the FFA chapter are being pulled up and the land converted to pasture. The trees had for many years supplied the FFA roadside fruit stands but age and disease had cut production. Mc­Gee said the chapter would purchase fruit from growers in fruit-minded Shelby County and continue the roadside sales.

First item on the vo-ag calendar, even taking priority over the cattle, is to com­plete payment on machinery used in the farming. Mc­Gee expects to use profit from the corn harvest on 30 acres, and 300 bushels of oats on hand, to make the final payment on a combine and other machinery.

Use of a tractor was obtained through a county dealer with the class guar­anteeing the agency a price well below the retail cost. If the dealer can sell the tractor for this amount after use on the school farm, the vo-ag class is not oblig­ated, Mc­Gee said.

Once the debts are cleared, Mc­Gee plans a "full steam ahead" approach on the founding of a beef herd. Present plans call for the purchase of feeder steers as a money-making venture and buying heifers to start the school herd. The Jemison FFA chapter, through par­ticipation in the improved breeding pro­gram of the state association, now has a top quality purchased bull. This bull also is available to cattlemen in the community.

Mc­Gee says next spring the class will plant six-acres of corn, 24 less than last year, for feed purposes. In preparation for the beef cattle 25 acres will be put in pasture. Five of this is already in coastal bermuda and the remaining 20 acres will be sown in bahia grass.

JIMMY GOLSON, left, state FFA vice-pres­ident, and Jimmy Barnes, state FFA presi­dent confer during a business session at the National FFA Convention. They served as Alabama's official delegates to the conven­tion.

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Corn Grower Selected In Statewide Contest

Neal Childers, Vina FFA member knows how to grow corn and he has just proved it by winning the State Corn Growing contest. This is the second year that Neal has tried for this honor. In 1960, he was winner of the Northwest District.

The champion produced 207.4 bushels per acre to top the other boys who participated in the contest as part of their supervised farming programs. Neal is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Childers, and lives on a farm at Route 1, Vina, Alabama.

For his efforts, Neal will receive a $100 check, a nice banner, and a loving cup. He will also receive medals and certificates for winning in his chapter and county.

The FFA corn growing contest is sponsored in Alabama by the Chilean Nitrate Educational Bureau in cooperation with the vocational agriculture service and the FFA. It's purpose is to encourage the use of experiment station recommendations in growing corn. Through the use of these recommendations, corn production in Alabama has increased by leaps and bounds.

Neal planted Pioneer 309A variety, on May 1 in 18 inch rows and left the plants approximately 12 inches in the drill. He applied 800 pounds of 4-12-12 fertilizer at planting time and side dressed with 800 pounds of Nitrate of Soda 30 days after planting. It is felt that more rain could have increased his yield.

Outdoor Advertisers Post FFA Week Signs On Alabama Highways

You have probably already noticed that during February, Alabama's highways have been sporting some bright new billboards announcing National FFA Week. We are very proud of these signs and think they will bring more attention to the FFA.

We are very appreciative for the assistance that we received in getting these signs posted. Outdoor Advertising Agencies who posted these signs as a public service should receive the thanks of every FFA advisor and member in Alabama.


Greenway Promoted To Public Relations Director For Sears

J. C. Haynes, for 24 years director of public relations for Sears, Roebuck and Co.'s southern territory with headquarters in Atlanta, retired January 31st.

He was succeeded by W. Clyde Greenway, an associate in the public relations department for the past 17 years.

Hayes, who is taking early retirement to pursue private interests, is a native of Georgia and joined Sears mail order operations in Atlanta in 1926. He served in a number of operating and department manager positions before being appointed head of the public relations department in 1937.

In his capacity as vice president and director of the Sears-Roebuck Foundation, Haynes was responsible for the development of many of the Foundation's educational, rural and urban improvement programs throughout the South.

Greenway, also a native of Georgia, joined Sears public relations in 1944 after his release from the U.S. Navy.

In addition to his public relations duties with Sears, he has served as program director of the Sears-Roebuck Foundation, administering its programs in eleven southeastern states.

A surgeon, an architect and a politician were arguing as to whose profession was the oldest.

"Eve was made from Adam's rib," said the surgeon, "and that was a surgical operation."

"Yes," agreed the architect, "but prior to that, order was created out of chaos, and that was an architectural job."

"But," spoke up the politician proudly, "somebody must have created the chaos."

BILLY MOSELEY, Excel FFA, exhibits the Grand Champion boar at the Greater Gulf States Fair in Mobile.
Alabama Enrollment High In Vocational Agriculture Classes

Alabama ranks sixth in total vocational agriculture enrollment for the nation according to figures just released from Washington, D.C. The state has 35,080 persons enrolled in its high school, young farmer and adult classes.

Texas with 109,261 enrolled leads the nation. Other states ahead of Alabama are North Carolina, 54,461; Georgia, 43,637; South Carolina, 43,629 and Mississippi, 42,863.

Alabama is also sixth in the number of young farmer and adult members. It has 16,476 enrolled in the 369 vo-ag departments in the state. Texas again leads the nation in this category with 66,753 enrolled. Other states with enrollment higher than Alabama's are South Carolina, 30,188; Mississippi, 27,587; North Carolina, 18,735; and Georgia, 17,723.

The state, according to the latest official statistics, also ranks high nationally in enrollment for the FFA. The Future Farmers, an organization for youth, studying vocational agriculture, has 14,071 and is seventh in the nation.

Why Young Male Drivers Pay More For Car Insurance

Why is the young male driver's car insurance bill (sometimes nearly four times as much as adults pay) so high?

First, insurance companies don't determine insurance rates. Policyholders do that through the way they drive. If they have few accidents, the rates are likely to go down; if they have a high accident record, the rates probably will rise.

The insurance companies' only role is that of mathematicians - computing how much to charge for protection of certain risk groups based on that group's accident record.

Of the more than 87-million licensed drivers in the United States, about 16-million are under 25. This group, although only about 18 per cent of the driving population, has been involved in 28.8 per cent of all accidents and 28.7 per cent of the accidents in which death occurred.

Unmarried male drivers between the ages of 16 and 25 have the highest accident, injury and death rate of any driving group. In 1960 alone, 9,100 fatalities and 5,240,000 accidents were recorded by drivers in that nine-year age classification.

This means that in the next minute, ten drivers under 25 are going to be involved in an auto accident — and in the next hour, one person will die in one of these mishaps.

Never store gasoline lawn mowers, or outboard motors, in the utility room if it houses a water heater with a pilot light. Never keep gas around unless it is in a safety can. Gasoline vapors have been known to travel as far as 300 yards from the source before igniting and flashing back.

JUDY McCORQUODALE
Jackson Sweetheart

RAY POE of Albertville FFA was the showmanship winner at the dairy show during the State Fair in Birmingham. For his efforts, Ray was awarded an expense paid trip to the National FFA Convention.

TIM WALLACE, Robertsdale FFA, exhibits the Breed Champion gilt at the Greater Gulf States Fair in Mobile.

An old cowboy went to the city and registered at a hotel for the first time in his life. The clerk asked him if he wanted a room with running water.

"Heck no!" the cowboy yelled. "What do you think I am, a trout?"
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**Total Membership**: 14,071
**Total Vo-Ag Students**: 13,803

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**JIMMY LANGHAM**, Robertsdale FFA, exhibited his Duroc gilt which was Grand Champion of the show at the Greater Gulf States Fair in Mobile.

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**HARTFORD FFA chapter exhibited many fine hogs at the fairs this fall. Here you see the chapter gilt which was grand champion at the State Fair in Birmingham.**

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**SHIRLEY CRAFT**

Millerville Sweetheart

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**JANE BROWNING**

Coffeeville Sweetheart

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"Ever had a serious illness?" asked the examiner.

"No," was the reply.

"Ever had an accident?"

"No."

"Never had a single accident in your life?"

"Well, no, I ain't. But last spring when I was out in the meadow, a bull tossed me over a fence."

"Well, don't you call that an accident?"

"No, I don't. That durn bull did it on purpose."
To lime or not to lime soil is the question studied by the Ag I class at Red Bay High School during the past week. According to C. T. Pounders, vo-ag teacher, the research conducted in Alabama and throughout the world shows that a dollar spent for lime for acid soils returns many fold that amount in increased and more efficient production.

For example, lime increased the gross return from cotton in a field at Brewton, Alabama by $36 an acre. Putting on the necessary amount of lime cost approximately $10 an acre and an application lasts 3-5 years which indicates that a farmer may get up to $15 return for each dollar spent for lime.

SUTTLE

Clarence Poe, State FFA Forestry winner from the Suttle chapter, and his advisor, Mr. E. L. Dyess have just returned from an extended tour of the east coast and mid-western part of the United States. For his outstanding accomplishment in his forestry project, Clarence was awarded an expense paid trip by the Seaboard Air Line Railroad along with his advisor who accompanied the State winners from the six southeastern states served by the railroad.

LUVERNE

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One reason for the corn growing success, Carroll pointed out, is that the class plants only varieties recommended for this section of the state and follows recommended fertilizer practices. Four varieties of corn were planted this year with the yield from each averaging about the same.

COLUMBIA

A shortcourse in welding for farmers in this area ended recently at the Houston County High School here. The shortcourse, under the direction of H. H. Montgomery, had 15 men enrolled. During the five-weeks of instruction the farmers were taught various methods of welding mild steel and cast iron. They also learned methods of soldering and brazing with an electric arch torch.

The welding workshop is one of a series being conducted throughout the state by vocational agriculture teachers.

FORT DEPOSIT

Vocational agriculture students at the high school here are doing their part for the community recreation program. The youths are building basketball backboards in the vo-ag shop. The goals will be hung in the National Guard Armory and be used in the community recreation program.

Woodrow Wilson, vo-ag teacher, said the boys at the same time they are building the wooden goals are adding to their skills in carpentry. Wilson said every boy in the vo-ag program receives practical training in shop work and the projects may range from building basketball goals to self-feeders for hogs.

Material for the goals is being furnished by the local Guard unit and the basketball court in the Armory will be open for public use. Wilson said several of the vo-ag students are members of the guard unit.

MOULTON

Roster of the Lawrence County high school's FFA chapter here was lengthened recently when 38 new members were initiated into the organization for students of vocational agriculture. L. H. Hamilton, vo-ag teacher and advisor to the chapter, said the new members were added to the membership roll in a "Green Hand" initiation at the high school vo-ag department.

The traditional initiation ceremony for new members was conducted by Jack Alexander, president of the chapter. The new members will remain "Green Hands" for one year. The second year, the members will be made Chapter Farmers.

FAYETTE

Apples are in the eye of 17-year-old James Miles of Fayette. Young Miles is taking over the 100-tree family apple orchard with the intention of converting it into a profitable commercial crop.

A senior at the Fayette high School and secretary of the FFA chapter, Miles has the backing and assistance of vocational agriculture teacher R. L. Harwell in the venture.

Harwell, a veteran of more than 10 years of teaching in the county, maintains, "there is a good market here for commercial apple growers if we can get the product good enough."

NOTASULGA

FFA members here have plans to put rats and mice on the run. The FFA chapter at the high school is opening an extensive rat extermination program as part of its community service program.

P. H. Alsabrook, chapter advisor, said the Future Farmers will sell at slightly above cost of rat poison and demonstrate to the householders proper methods of placing it for effective rodent control.

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MILLERVILLE

Plans are being completed at the Millerville FFA chapter for a community wide beautification program. This job means more than adding new gadgets to the various areas; however, there are many new ones to be added in such areas where new homes have been built or construction of various types have been carried out. This program will consist chiefly of removing, remodeling, remodeling, cutting, destroying, repairing, replacing, rebuilding all eye sore spots in and around the Millerville community.

AKRON—held talent night and cleared $64; initiated 7 Green Hands, Buy Gauche, Warrior Land Timber Co. representative issued 8,000 pine seedlings to members; ordered fruit trees for home orchards.

ALEXANDER CITY—met twice during month; elected Sweetheart; appointed committee to plan programs of work and FFA initiation.

ALICEVILLE—initiated 35 Green Hands and 5 Chapter Farmans; presented pins and membership cards; bought peanut parcher; sold concessions at football games; elected Sweetheart; studied gun safety; visited local newspaper editor; 13 members bought official FFA jackets; sold magazines and rat poison.

ALEXANDER CITY—held FFA-FHA social with Cullman officials as guests; sold subscriptions to local paper; Ag I class building beds for boys learning woodwork; bought new welder for shop.

ALMA—purged a skill raw and new 180 amp welder; held one meeting to discuss different FFA contests; judging teams organized.

AMITY—held one meeting at Elba Farm; one key to be held; planned for father-son banquet; initiated Green Hands; 15 members initiated to 160 hands; initiated to shop; plan to have a pig chain program; started making saddles and sales campaign was initiated.

AUBURN—bought new welder for shop; reached deal with bank to get membership; membership好看的 high membership; FFA-FHA officers participated in Chattahoochee Valley fair; initiated 20 Green Hands; gathered pecans on campus; ordered 5,000 pine seedlings.

BOAZ—held regular monthly meeting; Jesse Cullman gave report on FFA chapter activities; invited state officer from our district to plan program.

BUCKHORN—showed film "Green Gold" to joint meeting of FFA-FHA; gave an assembly program on Safety, 7 boys entered 12 calves for calf show; selected Future Farmer of the Year.

CAMDEN—held two chapter meetings and one county meeting; Ag I class started building lamps in shop; planning chapal program to be presented during FFA Week; held officer meeting; selected champion cows; crowned one;

CARROLLTON—sold FFA calendar ad; held tractor clinic; ordered 2 jackets; champion corn grower selected, set 10,000 pine seedlings; held special meeting with guest speaker on Forest Conservation.

CHAVALA—held a turkey shoot; FFA-FHA will sponsor a banquet; held regular meetings.

CITRONELLE—held 2 regular meetings; operating coke and milk machine to help finance chapter activities; appointed committees; had program on forestry; ordered 2 jackets and 1 rug; purchased new black oak curtains for classrooms; held initiation; bought new equipment for shop; elected Sweetheart; bought new sander, router, and 26 books for department; sold pecans from FFA orchard.

CHETOPEE—sold concessions at ball games to finance chapter activities; sponsoring chapter calendar; purchased additional welder and sander for shop; ordered 5 FFA jackets, 24 T-shirts and other supplies; making plans for FFA-FHA banquet.

COLUMBIA—settled in our new ag building; ordered 5 FFA jackets; received new Angus holt; held regular meetings; had FFA-FHA party.

COLLINSVILLE—held 2 meetings; got new light fixtures and classroom tables; painted classroom.

COLUMBUS—held regular meeting; selling rat poison; FFA-FHA officers invited to Arab to meet their members; elected new secretary.

CUMBERLAND—initiated 18 Green Hands; raised 15 chickens; sold school; started building lamps in shop; raised corn; included chapter work; set 10,000 pine seedlings; held special meeting with guest speaker on Forest Farm.

CURRY—initiated 18 Green Hands; raised 15 chickens; sold school; started building lamps in shop; raised corn; included chapter work; set 10,000 pine seedlings; held special meeting with guest speaker on Forest Farm.

DIBOLL—held 2 regular meetings; decided to start working.

DILCO—had some problems; had initiation and presented pins to chapter.

DOVER—held regular meeting and sale; the boys had the representative to the forestry camp.

DURANZA—held a turkey shoot; FFA-FHA will sponsor a banquet; held regular meetings.

EAST BREWTON—elected Sweetheart; initiated 40 Green Hands; constructed tables for kindergarten; received 8 jackets; selected chapter's "Outstanding Future Farmer"; presented Sweetheart with jacket; made award to chapter champion corn grower.

ELBA—held regular meetings; adopted program of work; sold peanuts at football games; members entered hero show and parade; making plans for reworking pig chain; sent to county FFA meeting; had the representative to the forestry camp.

ELDRED—sold four meat hogs; held 2 regular meetings; sold out their sheep.

ELKTON—initiated 35 Green Hands; copied machine to help finance chapter activities; appointed committees; had program on forestry; ordered 2 jackets and 1 rug; purchased new black oak curtains for classrooms; held initiation; bought new equipment for shop; elected Sweetheart; bought new sander, router, and 26 books for department; sold pecans from FFA orchard.

FAIRFIELD—initiated 12 members.

FAYETTE—initiated 12 members; set up prizes for chapter winner of Public Speaking contest; set out 550 slash pine seedlings; had the representative to the forestry camp.

FRISCO CITY—elected officers; executive committee met and planned program to explain the meaning and purposes of the FFA; made field trip to visit demonstration where hybrid seed corn is grown.

GEORGETOWN—developed safety thought for each day; nominated Future Farmer of the Year; planned rat control campaign; distributed Green Hand and Chapter Farmer pins; held 3 regular meetings; added 8 films to film library; published 16 news articles; preparing for welding workshop for farmers; members participating in chapter public speaking contest; planning special features for FFA Week; 2 members ordered pine seedlings.

GOSHEN—put walls and roof on pig parlor; dug well for pig parlor; received 2 signs from pig chain; held Green Hand initiation and presented pins to 18 members.

GREENVILLE—sponsored for 2 magazines; bought Saber saw for shop; finished up project books; held regular meetings; started building wedding booths; 5 boys ordered order of the Black.
THOMASVILLE—held monthly meeting; committee appointed for year.

HEFLIN—officers and members got pigs; worked with BEES; started construction on sidewalks; taught good welding practices; held one meeting.

JACKSON—presented Sweetheart with jacket; special program on forestry; received 15,000 pine seedlings; completed magazine sale with Farm and Ranch.

RATE DUNCAN SMITH—made 2 cedar chests, 2 gun racks, 1 cocktail table and 12 porch chairs for Harvest festival; finished selling our was; elected vice-president.

KINSTON—bought 14 ton truck for use of local chapter, 7 members are feeding out beef calves for the county and district feed stock shows; bought 12 new shop sprockets; sold 9 hogs for profit of $60; conducted chapel program.

LEROY—held regular chapter meeting; selling candy and pen-pan sets to raise chapter funds; elected Future Farmer of the Year.

LINDEN—members learning all types of welding; 9th grade members making mailboxes; plan to initiate Green Hands soon; ordered fruit trees; held annual FFA-FHA mother-daughter father-son banquet; will plant 3,000 pine seedlings.

MIDLAND CITY—initiated 26 Green Hands; held monthly meeting; joint social with FFA; checked corn yields; elected Sweetheart; ordered pine seedlings; selected chapter champion corn grower.

MOULTON—initiated 35 Green Hands; held 2 regular meetings and 1 officer meeting; entered tractor driving contest; selected champion corn grower; placed 2 pigs in pig chain; ordered fruit trees; presented chapter fanners and officers with pins; purchased new air compressor and skill saw for shop.

NEW BROCKTON—held regular meetings; initiated Green Hands; had a barbecue to raise money for the shop; purchased 3 new electric welders; W. O. Rice, Standard Oil representative, held a tractor clinic.

NEW SITE—entered judging team in livestock judging contest; plan to enter several State sponsored contests; have 100% membership and subscriptions to the National Future Farmer, have made and set up 300 mailbox posts since the program began.

PELL CITY—entered welding contest; all members have learned how to weld; one member set out 1,000 pine seedlings; held regular meeting; gathered corn.

PLEASANT HOME—held 2 officer meetings and 1 regular meeting; champion corn grower received award from Covington County bank; initiated 14 Green Hands.

REEDS—initiated 26 Green Hands; elected Sweetheart; sold 8 hogs for $25 profit; purchased 7 pigs to fatten out.

ROGERS—Mr. Joseph D. Thompson, soil conservationist, gave us some pointers on land judging and general information on soil conservation; finished a unit on electric welding.

SAND ROCK—held 2 regular meetings and 5 officer meetings; overhauled FFA bus; held recreation every Saturday night.

SILAS—have 4 classes of agriculture and from each class a complete set of officers has been elected; elected Sweetheart; studying welding and lasers are offered to men of the community; Chuck Szaplak, Scott Paper Co., showed some slides and spoke to us about our forests. He presented 10,000 pine seedlings to us; entered in International Pinewood Derby. Wood Co. also gave us 3,000 pine seedlings.

SANDERSTON—held regular meetings; initiated 10 new members; placed 3 purebred gilts in pig chain; wired shop for welding school; elected program chairman.

SUTTLE—sold 9 bogs; placed 1 Landrace gilt; presented 34 officers with awards; members got pigs; initiated 26 Green Hands; selected chapter champion corn grower.

THOMASVILLE—made 32 cement mailbox posts; bought 4 jackets and 24 T-shirts; held regular meetings.

WALNUT GROVE—held regular scheduled meetings; initiated 31 Green Hands; selected champion corn grower.

WEENEKA—sold drinks and peanuts at ball games; sold over $300 worth of fruit trees; have 12 calves to feed for fall show; checked corn yields; initiated 27 Green Hands.

WOODBINE—held regular meeting; enrolled 3 new members; placed 3 purebred gilts in pig chain; wired shop for welding school; elected program chairman.

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