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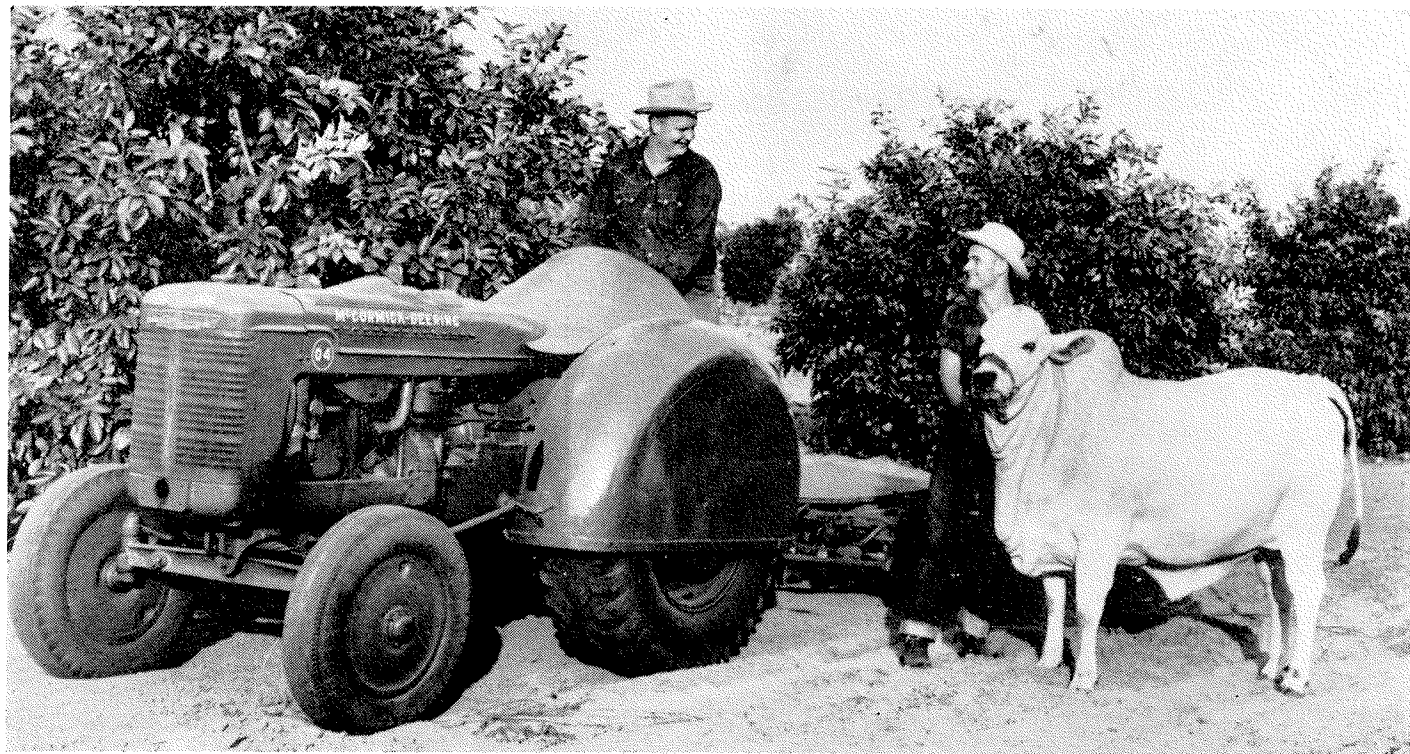
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Future Farmers like Bobby (left) and Sonny Griffin, shown above, get their tractor-driving experience working on their father's grove and ranch property. They themselves are owners of a registered Brahman herd, and have made an outstanding record in showing their own cattle. They are members of the Bartow FFA Chapter.

Future Farmers are finding out, everywhere—*by doing a job themselves*—that IH tractors and equipment are their best friends on the farm.

By Way of Editorial Comment:

FFF Has Grown Since 1928

By THOMAS D. BAILEY
State Supt. of Public Instruction

THE PEOPLE of Florida are proud of the Future Farmers.

We have watched this great organization grow and develop—and do great things for Florida—from that day back in 1928 when the first FFA chapters were formed with a handful of 653 interested vocational agriculture students to the more than 7,500 outstanding young men in 143 chapters who now make up the Florida Association of Future Farmers of America.

In the past three years, since I have had the privilege of close association with our Future Farmers, as State Superintendent of Public Instruction, I have watched our Association expand, as 1,500 young Floridians and 16 new chapters joined with us in our Future Farmer activities.

Florida's Future Farmers have come to represent an important influence in the life of both rural and urban Florida.

The people of our State are aware of your contributions to the economic and social welfare of the communities in which you live and of the many benefits now accruing to Florida because of your leadership, developed through the many wholesome activities of our Association. And the people of Florida are proud.

We, in education, are especially proud of the things you are doing for Florida.

Like other citizens, we are aware of your contribution to Florida. But more so than many others we know that Florida's vocational agriculture students are not only going to be excellent farmers and citizens, because of your activities in FFA, but we know that you are also excellent students.

Like your farming record, the scholastic achievements of the Future Farmers is admirable. Academically, as well as agriculturally, you are among the leaders of the State.

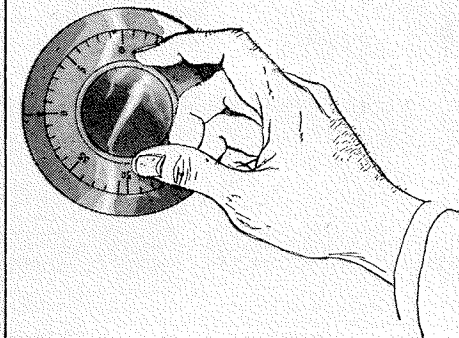
As State Superintendent of Public Instruction, I pledge to you a continued abiding interest in your activities and my fullest support and cooperation in your endeavors.

It will be under your leadership that Florida will reach its fullest potential as an agricultural state. I hope that I may be able to assist you in helping our State reach that objective.



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The Cover State School Superintendent, Thomas D. Bailey, president of the Florida Future Farmers, Copeland Griswold, and Commissioner of Agriculture Nathan Mayo at the Florida State Fair. Both Supt. Bailey and Nathan Mayo hold Honorary State Farmers Degrees.

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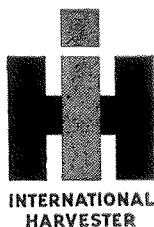
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These were FFA champions at the Florida State Fair beef show. Top panel shows the champion bulls with, left to right, Billy Ragan of Live Oak and Sonny and Bobby Griffin of Bartow. Lower panel shows, left to right, Jack Shuman of DeLand, Ben Arnold Griffin of Chipley, Ragan, and Sonny Griffin with champion females.

FFA Livestock Show Features Six Breeds at Florida State Fair in Tampa

The FFA Livestock Show consisted of a week for Dairy Cattle and a week for Beef Cattle. The FFA Show, which was the strongest yet, in the opinion of observers, featured six breeds; two dairy and four beef.

Billy Gunter, Suwannee FFA Chapter at Live Oak, showed three Guernseys, winning three first places and the FFA Grand Champion banner with one of the heifers. The Florida Guernsey Cattle Club awarded Billy a plaque for showing the Guernsey Champion.

Lloyd Harris and Joe Cochran, Bartow FFA Chapter, showed the grand Champion Jersey Male and Female, respectively, and each received a plaque from the Florida Jersey Cattle Club, which Mr. Walter Welkener of Jacksonville presented.

Other FFA members showing dairy cat-

tle were: Ken Cockrell and Herbert Duff, Kathleen; Skippy Harrison, Harry Griffin, Bartow; George Ford, Quincy; Buddy Sewell, and Arlen Wetherington, Turkey Creek; Billy Rollins, Dade City and the Benjamin Franklin Chapter had one heifer.

The Griffin Brothers, Sonny and Bobby, showed five Grand and Reserve Champion Angus and Brahms. Bobby's Angus bull was the FFA Grand Champion and won the Senior Reserve Championship against adult competition. Their Brahms were awarded grand and reserve Champion, with their bulls receiving Junior and Reserve Junior Champion and Senior Champion; and their heifers Senior and Reserve Champion and Junior Champion.

The DeLand Chapter had a good exhibit of seven Hereford from their herd of

21 registered animals. The exhibit included the Chapter Sears Roebuck bull and the bull won by the Chapter in the Sears Roebuck Bull Improved Breeding Contest and awarded through the Florida Hereford Association. Larry Calkins showed one of these animals to the FFA Grand Championship.

Billy Ragan, Williams Chapter at Live Oak, showed the Chapter Sears bull to Grand Championship. Isaac Riggs III, Ocala, and John Gordon, Ft. Meade, showed the Reserve Champion Hereford male and female, respectively. H. F. Wiggins, Jr., Williams Chapter Live Oak, showed the Champion Angus female, and Ben Arnold Griffin, Chipley, showed the Champion Shorthorn female.

The Early & Daniel Company, by again furnishing some Tuxedo Feed, free, and Kuder Citrus Company, Lake Alfred, furnishing the citrus pulp for both Dairy and Beef Cattle, enabled the FFA members to take home more prize money this year.

Winners in the FFA show, listed in order by classes, with number of entries in parentheses, were as follows:

Brahmans

Bulls six to 12 months old (6)—Cadanza 54 (reserve grand champion, junior champion), Bobby Griffin, Bartow; Imperator 525 (junior reserve champion), Buddy Sloan, Fort Pierce; DR Manso Dan, Bob Haberlandt, Fort Pierce; Daniel Gray, V. S. Underhill, Okeechobee;

Bulls 18 to 24 months old—(3)—Blue Manso (senior reserve champion), Haberlandt; Pistol Pete, Edwin Alderman, Plant City; Master Shaker's Manso, W. H. Stuart, Jr., Bartow;

Bulls over two years old (2)—Candanza IX (grand champion, senior champion), Griffin; White Bob, Bobby Sapp, Turkey Creek;

Females six to 12 months old (7)—Miss Emperor 143 (reserve grand champion, junior champion), Sonny Griffin, Bartow; DR Senorita Hopkins (junior reserve champion), Haberlandt; Miss Dandelon 108, Billy Scott, Fort Pierce; Miss Mansola 144, Bobby Griffin;

Females 12 to 18 months old (1)—Queen Epco 24th, Sapp;

Females 18 to 24 months old (4)—Echo's Queen 125th (grand champion, senior champion), Sonny Griffin; Echo's Queen 126, Sonny Griffin; Rosa Beatrice Imperator, Stuart; Penny's Empress, J. L. Watkins, Bartow;

Females two years old and over (1)—Miss Mansola 124 (senior reserve champion), Sonny Griffin;

Herefords

Bulls six to 12 months old (4)—John Daniel H (junior reserve champion), Joe Hindery, DeLand; True Domino 29, Jack Shuman, DeLand; WR Plato 2d, Luther Feagin, Bartow; Prince Domino, Kenneth Wetherington, Bartow;

Bulls 12 to 18 months old (2)—RHR True Domino 21 (reserve grand champion, junior champion), Isaac Riggs III, Ocala; Mill Iron K548, Turkey Creek FFA Chapter;

Bulls 18 to 24 months old (2)—Vern P. Domino (senior reserve champion), John Thomas, Fort Meade; Mill Iron H149, H. L. Fagan, DeLand;

Bulls 24 months old and older (8)—Mill Iron H57 (grand champion, senior champion), Billy Ragan, Live Oak; Mill Iron F576, J. L. Pate, Greenville; Mill Iron F821, G. T. Gard, Tallahassee; Mill Iron H659, Oscar Lastinger, Brandon;

Females six to 12 months old (3)—Reta Pontiac (grand champion, junior champion), Larry Calkins, DeLand; April Showers, Eugene Yancy, DeLand; WJR Royal Comet, John Gordon, Fort Meade;

Females 12 to 18 months old (1)—RF Lucile (junior reserve champion), Eddie Roberts, Summerfield; Females 18 to 24 months old (2)—Virginia Louise (senior reserve champion), Fagan; LL Mischief 10th, Feagin;

Females 24 months old and older (3)—SFR Queen Toria (reserve grand champion, senior champion), Gordon; Rosemere Patsy, Hindery; King Y. Blance, Wetherington;

Angus

Bulls 18 to 24 months old (2)—Glen Eric 11th (grand champion), Bobby Griffin; Lusamar Gen. Eric, Turkey Creek FFA;

Bulls 24 months old and older (1)—Burgess Sits, J. D. Keene, Plant City;

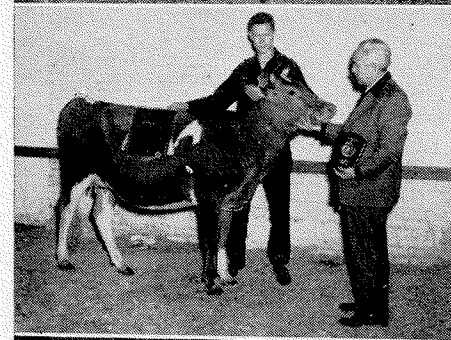
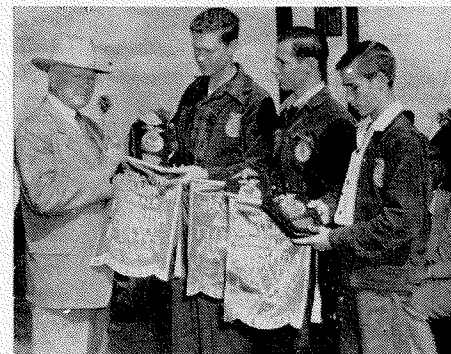
Females 12 to 18 months old (1)—Perdido Pride-mere 2d (grand champion), H. F. Wiggins, Jr., Live Oak;

Females 24 months old and older (1)—Lusamar Enchanting Miss, Turkey Creek FFA Chapter;

Shorthorns

Females 12 to 18 months old—Pine Acres Lowly II (grand champion), Ben Arnold Griffin, Chipley.

The exhibit of "Pa", "Ma" and "Son" showed the results of breeding a purebred bull to a grade cow.



Top to bottom: Mayo presents plaques and banners to Billy Gunter, Lloyd Harris and Joe Cochran, in the Dairy Cattle Show; Walter Welkener presenting plaque to Lloyd Harris, Bartow for his Champion Bull; B. R. Mills, chapter advises, holding plaque, stands with Billy Gunter and his champion Guernsey female; Walter Welkener presents plaque to Cochran, Bartow, for exhibiting champion Jersey female.

State President Issues Call

TO MEMBERS OF THE FLORIDA ASSOCIATION, F. F. A.:

BY THE POWERS vested in me as State President of the Florida Association, Future Farmers of America, I am issuing a call for all Chapters in the State to send delegates to a State Convention which will be held in Daytona Beach, Florida, June 9 through June 13, 1952.

ALL CHARTERED CHAPTERS in good standing with the State and National Organizations are entitled to select and send two delegates each from the active membership, and those candidates nominated for the State Farmer Degree by the Executive Officers' Committee of the Florida Association.

AS A STATE ASSOCIATION, we have accomplished many outstanding things this past year and at this, our 24th Anniversary Celebration, plans will be made for the very important year ahead beside the transaction of the Association's regular business.

COPELAND GRISWOLD
Florida Association,
Future Farmers of America

Over 4,000 FFA Members Attend "FFA Day" at the Florida State Fair

RECORDS were made on the annual "FFA Day" at the Florida State Fair February 9, 1952, when over 4,000 Future Farmers met for their annual event in Tampa.

There were 133 FFA Livestock Teams, 71 Fruit and Vegetable Judging Teams and 55 Hay, Grain and Forage Judging Teams, or a total of 259, with each team comprised of three members, competing for the many awards.

After the Judging Contest and visits to the Agricultural and Commercial Exhibits, the Future Farmers paraded around the race track and assembled in the grand stand for the Press Photo, while the Kathleen String Band furnished the music. J. C. Huskisson welcomed the Future Farmers to the Fair. Thomas E. Bailey, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, said that he was proud of the record that the Future Farmers had made in Florida and for being a part of the Florida School System. Billy Gunter, Suwannee Chapter, Live Oak, Lloyd Harris and Joe Cochran, Bartow Chapter, were awarded banners by Nathan Mayo, State Commissioner of Agriculture, for exhibiting the Grand Champion winners in the FFA Dairy Livestock Show.

Bartow FFA Chapter team won the Livestock Judging Contest with the team score of 1149. Members of the team were Bill Bearrentine, Joe Cochran and Billy Stuart. Advisers of the Bartow Chapter are J. A. Jackson and R. B. O'Berry. Chipley, Lake Placid, Auburndale and Quincy were the second, third, fourth and fifth place teams, respectively, in this Contest.

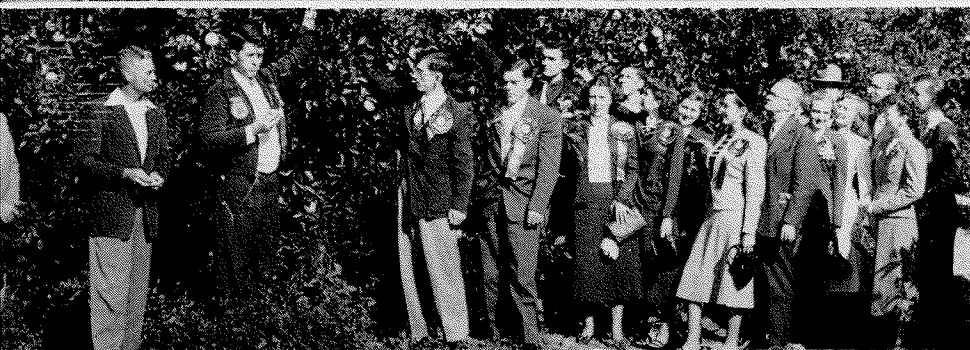
This year the high beef cattle Judging Team was the Bushnell FFA team com-

posed of Bobby Hall, Larry Cowart and Danny Cowart. The 1st place Dairy Judging Team was from Redland with the team composed of Clyde Rogers, Leroy Rogers and George Cooper. The team from Bushnell with their Adviser, Herbert Simmons, will represent the Florida FFA Association in the National Livestock Judging Contest at the American Royal Livestock Show in Kansas City next October. The team from Redland will be accompanied by their Adviser, Lansing Gordon, to represent Florida in the National Dairy Judging Contest at Waterloo, Iowa in October.

In the Fruits and Vegetables Exhibit Judging Contest, the Wauchula Chapter composed of Charles Revell, Roy Albritton and Denton Cash won first place. Advisers of the Wauchula Chapter are C. A. Platt and C. M. Lawrence. Second, third fourth and fifth place teams respectively are Apopka, Ft. Meade, Reddick and Sarasota.

In Hay, Grain and Forage Exhibit Judging Contest the Laurel Hill team composed of John F. Weekley, Robert Moore and Earl Dye won first place. Adviser of this Chapter is T. A. Hughes. Second, third, fourth and fifth place teams, respectively, Escambia Farms, Monticello, Madison and Altha.

The \$500 donated by the State Department of Agriculture was divided among 85 of the winning teams participating in livestock, fruits and vegetables and hay, grain and forage judging contests. The State Department of Agriculture, gives \$700 to pay the expenses of the two teams in National competition.



Top picture shows the boys and girls after reaching the Tampa station; bottom scene shows the group on one of the planned tours.

ACL Entertains Outstanding Future Farmer, Future Homemakers at Fair

FOR THE second year, the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad had as their guests at the Florida State Fair, an outstanding Future Farmer and an outstanding Future Homemaker, from each of the six Southeastern States. They were: Neal Allen, Emporia, and Doris Kvasnicka, Disputanta, for Virginia; Curtis Doud, Fayetteville, and Joan Kelly, Cameron, for North Carolina; Carol Brown, Kingstree, and Shirley Slaughter, Naval Base, for South Carolina; John Hayes, and Beth Avery, both of Five Points, for Alabama; Jimmy May and DeLoyce Strickland, both of Moultrie, for Georgia; Gibbs Roland, Newberry, and Diane TeStroke, Mt. Dora, for Florida.

These boys and girls left their home stations on Thursday, February 7, and after spending a day and night on the train reached Tampa early morning of Friday the 8th. After registering at the hotel they proceeded immediately to the

Florida State Fair, where, upon arrival at the main gate, they were greeted and made welcome by Mr. J. C. Huskisson, Assistant Fair Manager. They spent most of that morning studying the many educational exhibits at the Fair.

After the lunch for the girls arranged by the Florida FHA, the party was conducted on a tour which included the unloading of bananas, manufacturing of cigars, orange groves, a strawberry farm, Vocational Agriculture and Home Economics Departments at Brandon, and Mr. Paul B. Dickman's cattle ranch, and vegetable prepacking plant farm.

Friday evening the group was entertained with a banquet at the Columbia Restaurant.

Saturday they attended the Fair for "FFA Day" visiting exhibits, the Livestock Show, and were platform guests during the FFA ceremonies in front of the grandstand.

Eight Men Receive Honorary State Farmer Degrees on FFA Day

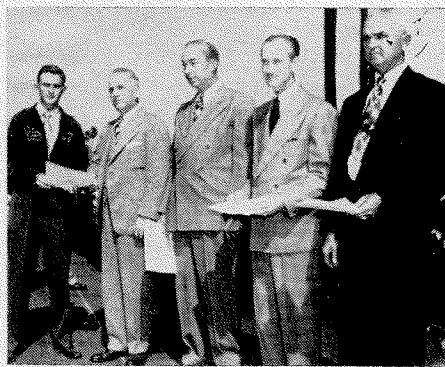
THE STATE's highest FFA Degree was conferred on eight men at three outstanding events in Florida, because of their interest in and cooperation with the Future Farmers in Florida.

During the Annual FFA Day, February 9, 1952, at the Florida State Fair in Tampa, Copeland Griswold, President of the Florida Association, FFA, conferred the Honorary State Farmer Degree on Warren T. White, Assistant Vice-President of Seaboard Airline Railroad, Norfolk, Va., E. T. Lay, Executive Director, Florida Dairy Industries Association, Jacksonville, Fla., Guy Wesley, member Florida Board of Forestry, and Manager of National Turpentine and Pulpwood Corp., Jacksonville, Fla., and R. E. Futch, Plant City, Fla., cattleman and farmer; also father of William and Alvin, holders of the American Farmers Degree.

Messrs. C. D. Johnson and G. H. Mears, County Supt. of Public Instruction, both of Quincy, were recipients of the Degree Feb. 13th during the Award Program at the West Florida Livestock Show.

At the annual Southeastern Fat Stock Show Banquet, March 6th, in Ocala, A. E. Melton, President, Florida Hereford Association and Louis Gilbreath, Manager of the Southeastern Livestock Show, received their degrees.

Other Honorary State Farmer Degree members present at the FFA Day Program in Tampa were: Honorable Nathan Mayo, Honorable Thomas D. Bailey, Honorable Doyle E. Carlton, Honorable Doyle Conner (Past State and National FFA President), J. C. Huskisson, Crockett Farnell, A. R. Howard, Russell Kay, Ed L. Ayers, R. D. Jackson, John Ford, Milton Plumb, Phil Taylor, William Fifield, Colin Gunn, Eugene Griffin, Sr., L. H. Lewis, C. L. Lacy, M. E. Coleman, James Gorman, W. R. Hancock, Ben L. McLaughlin, Floyd M. Call, W. F. Jibb.



Copeland Griswold presenting the State Honorary Degree to: from left to right, Warren T. White, Guy H. Wesley, E. T. Lay, and R. E. Futch.

News From the National FFA

by DR. W. T. SPANTON, Adviser

MR. ROGER M. KYES, Chairman of the "Foundation Sponsoring Committee" for 1952, and Vice President of General Motors Corporation, succeeded Mr. Raymond C. Firestone, of the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company, Akron, Ohio.

By action of the Board of Trustees of the FFA Foundation at their meeting on February 4 and 5, 1952, the FFA Supply Service was transferred from the Foundation to the Future Farmers of America.

By action of the Board of Directors of the Future Farmers of America, I am authorized to announce that the small emblems used on the white shirts sold by the Supply Service, may be purchased separately from the Supply Service, when ordered directly by a State Supervisor of Agricultural Education, for use at State, area or national activities. Otherwise, the sale of all emblems, except those appearing on clothing, felt goods, etc., handled by the Supply Service has been suspended.

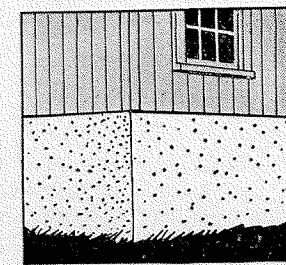
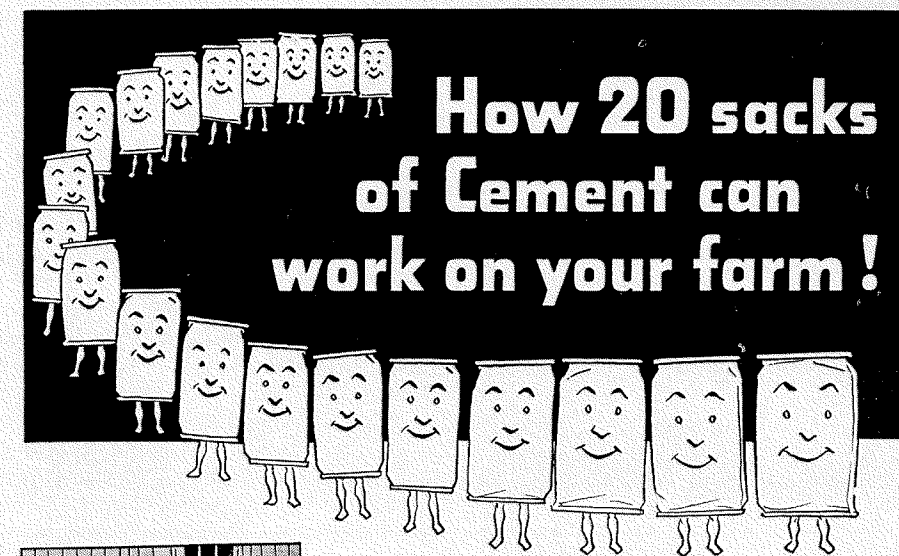
The Board of Directors of the FFA at their recent meeting authorized the publication of a National Future Farmer Magazine to be published quarterly, and appropriated sufficient funds from the FFA Treasury to finance the costs involved until the next regular meeting in July. The first issue is to begin during the second quarter of 1952 and the subscription rates were set at 25¢ per year, or 5 years for \$1.00. Further information and details will be sent to the States at an early date.

The rules for the Foundation Farm Safety Award were revised so as to prevent any one Chapter in a State from winning the award for two successive years.

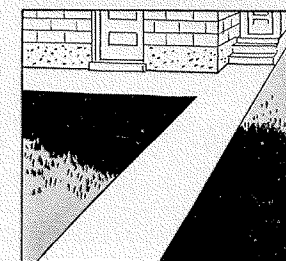
Attention is called to the desirability of giving greater consideration to outstanding men in the several States and local communities who have given generously of their time and efforts in helping to promote the best interests of the FFA on State, district, area, or local levels. Such men in a great many instances have earned the honor of receiving the Honorary State or Chapter Farmer Degree, as the case may be, depending on the scope of their efforts in behalf of the FFA. Many of them would prize such recognition more highly than is often suspected.

THE DOCTOR was advising the young parents on the care of their first-born: "Remember," he said, "Boil everything before putting it in the baby's mouth."

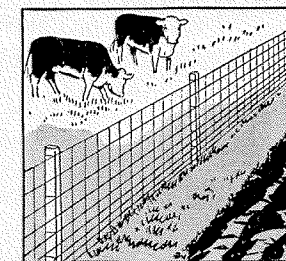
"Gosh, Honey," the new father said, "no wonder you insisted on putting Junior on the bottle."



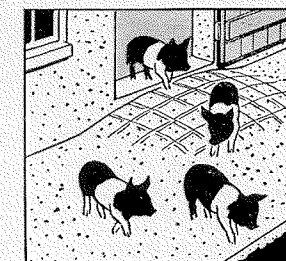
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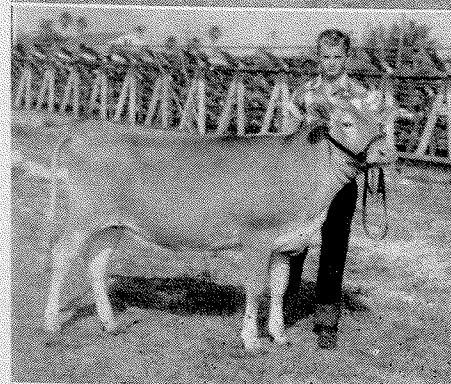
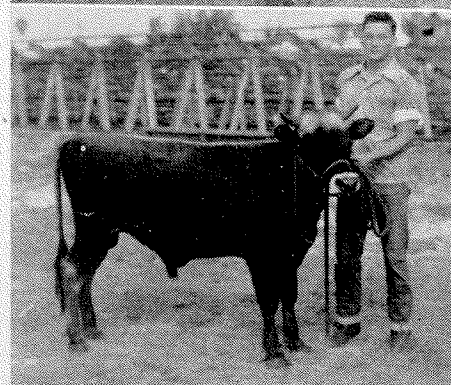
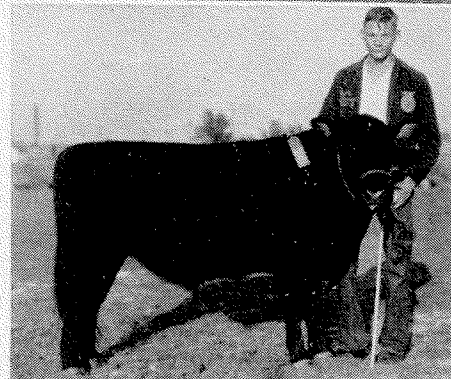
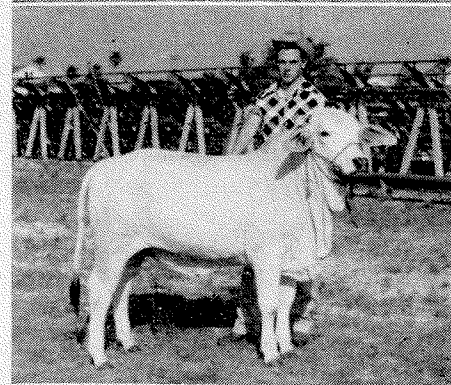
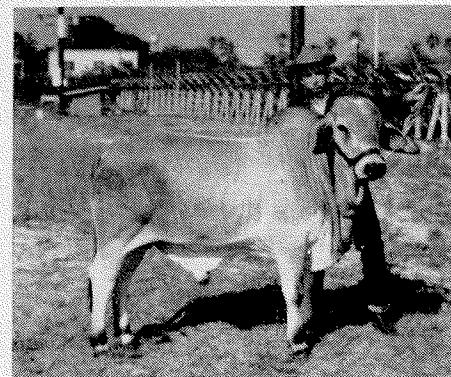
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Ft. Pierce FFA Hold Very Successful Livestock Show

THE FT. PIERCE Chapter Future Farmers of America held its fourth annual Livestock Show and Sale February 18th and 19th. This affair has grown from four animals in the beginning to forty animals in four years. Now the Show is a four County affair and has taken on the title of Indian River area Youth Livestock Show. For the FFA this livestock program, including the Show, has been one of the finest methods of attracting interest and cooperation from the people of the Community.

The entire program is one of an involved system of cooperative effort. Once started, Business and Professional men volunteer to be sponsors of animals, whereby they pay cash for the animal at the beginning of the project, and each month they pay current feed costs for the previous month. After the sale the "Sponsor" is repaid without interest all moneys he has invested and the F.F.A. member receives all profit for his labor.

The F.F.A. Chapter members do a thorough job studying types and breeds and obtain practical experience in selecting the animals. Another interesting and practical job is to secure analyses tags and prices of various commercial feeds that are available, then the Chapter members enter into another cooperative agreement with some feed concern which supplies, at discount, the feed on a monthly basis and bills the sponsors.

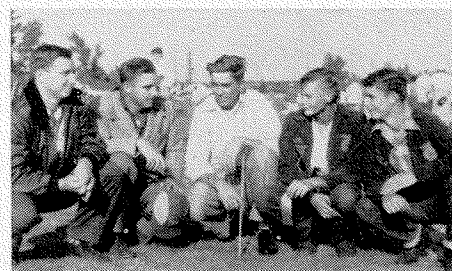
As the program progresses a unit on feed and care of animals gets thorough consideration which is culminated by a project tour among all sponsors, School Officials and other business men visiting each boy at his home, where the boy shows his animal and the facilities he has to work with. This tour ends at the F.F.A. School farm where the boys serve a sumptuous feed for their guests. With only a month left before the sale, the class-room activity receives much attention on finishing, fitting and showing. With a full set of grooming and practical film strips, the boys learn to do by doing.

As the time of the sale approaches, the local newspaper keeps the public well informed, since a reporter is assigned to this project. Just before the sale the reporter has collected a bevy of photographs and

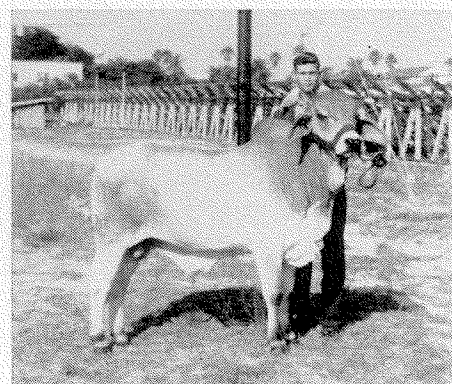
Winners at the Fort Pierce FFA show were, top to bottom: Buddy Sloan with top Brahman bull; Billy Scott with top Brahman female; John Henry Thomas with best steer; Rudy Hutchinson with top dairy bull; Buddy Fowler with top dairy heifer.

human interest stories and the daily paper carries full page pictures, stories and ads about the forthcoming Youth Livestock Show and Sale. The local wholesale meat man, who also operates an abattoir, volunteered to kill, dress, chill and deliver to any purchaser the beef steers sold at the sale. The Show and Sale has become a Community Institution. The local auctioneer volunteered his service as an Auctioneer and furnished his sound truck.

In the sale recently held, there were 11 steers sold that averaged 45.8 cents per pound, total live weight of 6,205 pounds bringing \$2850.98. Three registered beef bulls at \$600.00 each. All dairy animals and many registered beef animals were not offered for sale, since the sponsor paid the FFA boy an outright sum of money to do the same job, but not sell the animal. In the final analysis each boy has earned money. Each sponsor has gotten his investment returned for the past four years and today the number of people volunteering to sponsor animals have increased greater than it is anticipated.



Pictured above and below were special contest winners at Fort Pierce. Best junior judges above were, left to right, High Individual Robert Dickson of Clewiston, Winning team Instructor Charles J. Musgrove, and Members Austin Raulerson, John Henry Thomas and Marvin Williams, all of Brahman FFA Chapter, Okeechobee. Pictured below is Eugene Bailey with his bull, Emperor's P. Hubert, with whom he won the showmanship contest.



H. F. Wiggins, Jr., of Live Oak, came through with the reserve grand championship after showing both FFA grand and reserve champions for the third straight year. His steer brought 90 cents a pound.

Wiggins Wins Reserve Championship at Ocala

RESERVE GRAND Champion of the Southeastern Fat Stock Show and Sale was exhibited by H. F. Wiggins, Jr., Williams Chapter, Live Oak, after showing his two Angus steers as Grand Champion and Reserve Champion of the FFA Division. He also won the FFA Junior Exhibitor award which was given for the first time this year. Leroy Baldwin, Ocala Chapter, won the Showmanship Contest, sponsored by the Florida State Veterinary Medical Association, against strong competition. Leroy also won the Mayo Scholarship which was presented at the Annual Banquet by Nathan Mayo, State Commissioner of Agriculture.

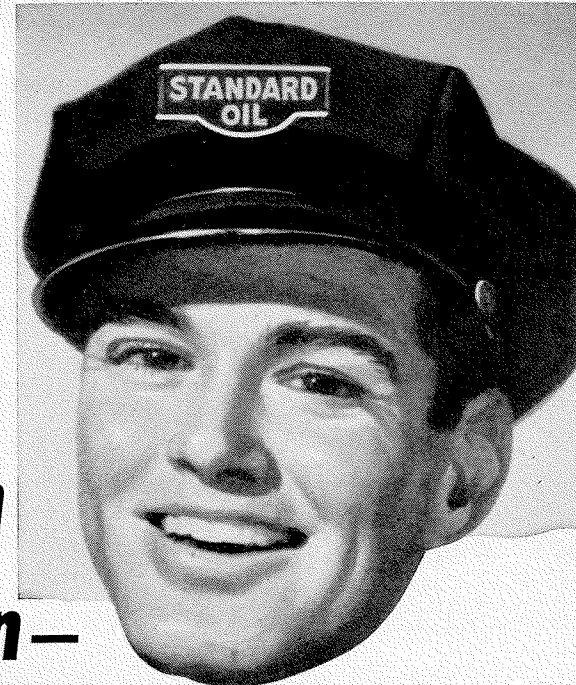
The Quincy Chapter Judging Team won first place, with Palatka, Anthony, Bushnell, Hastings and Greensboro placing in that order to receive the prize money. The Quincy Chapter team is composed of Jerry Owens, Terry Johnson and George Ford, with Desmond M. Bishop, Chapter Adviser. The high individuals were Terry Johnson, Quincy; Johnny Keen, Anthony; Ray Owens and Howard Tillis, Palatka.

Lovett's Stores of Jacksonville bought both of H. F. Wiggins' steers and paid him \$859.50 (90¢ per pound) for the Reserve Grand Champion of the Show. H. F. exhibited these steers for them in Jacksonville March 14th and 15th.

Mr. V. V. Cook, owner of VelVa Haven Hereford Ranch at Delray Beach, presented Tom Rowan, top FFA boy with Hereford steer in the show, with a watch.

Mr. Jim Gorman, Manager and Director of the Florida Chain Store Council, made awards in the Gain and Weight Contest to several FFA boys, with the highest going to Johnny West of Ocala.

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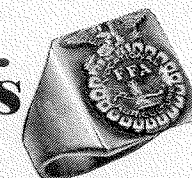
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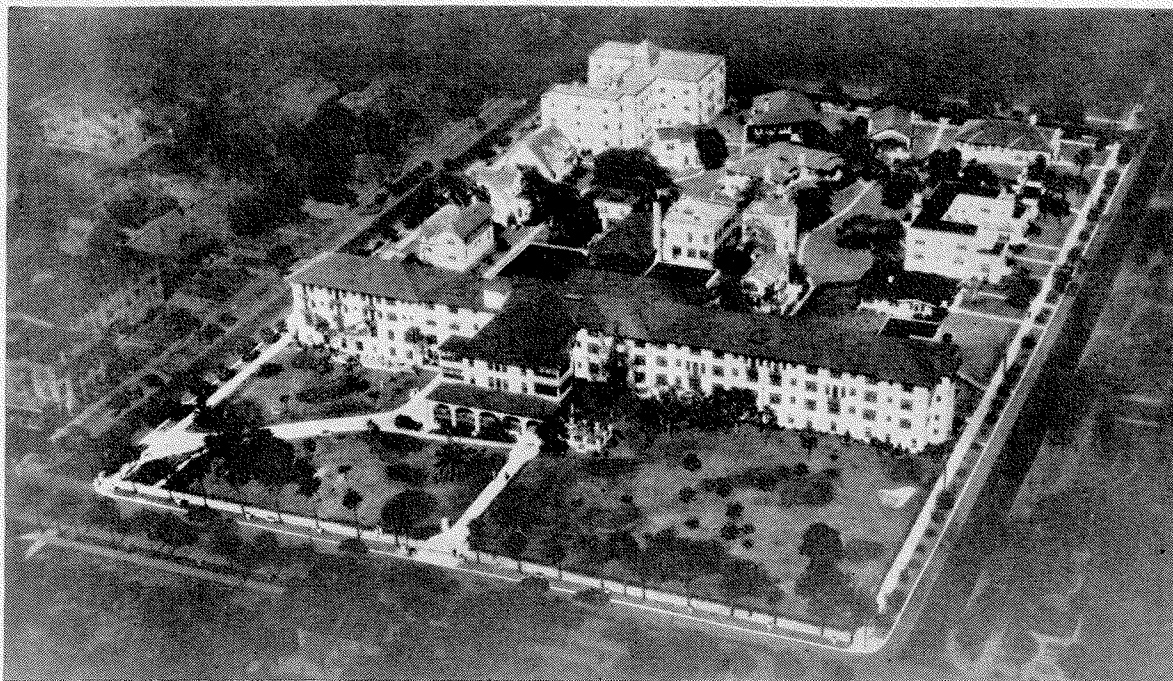
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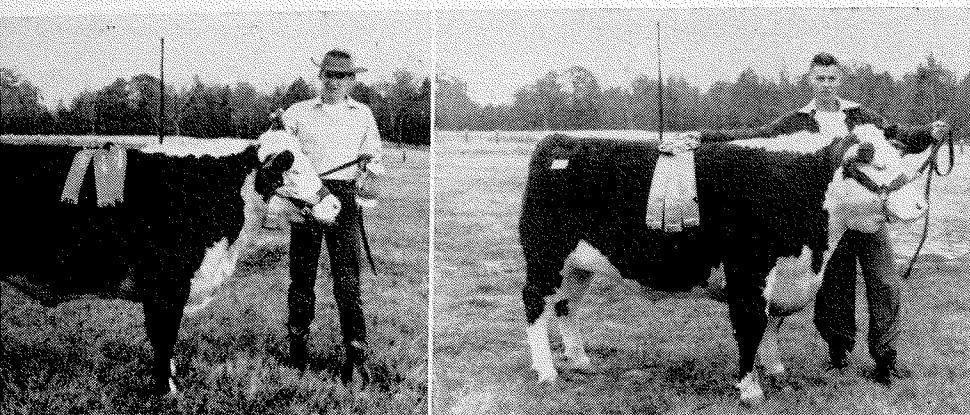
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At left is Terry Johnson with his grand champion Hereford; right panel shows Wesley Dean with his reserve grand champion.

Johnson Shows Hereford to Grand Champion at Quincy

TERRY JOHNSON, Quincy FFA Chapter member, exhibited the Grand Champion at the Eighth Annual West Florida Livestock Association Fat Cattle Show and Sale, held in Quincy, February 12-14. Terry's 1160 pound Hereford steer sold for the top price of \$.94 per pound at the sale, which was the climax of the three day event. The Florida Packing Com-

pany bought the Grand Champion.

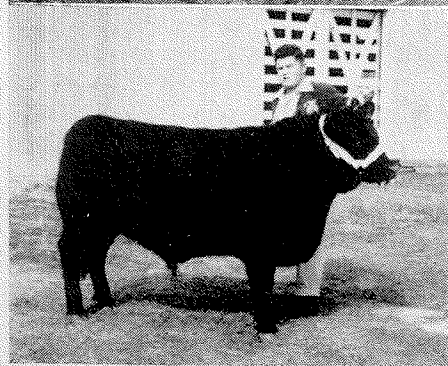
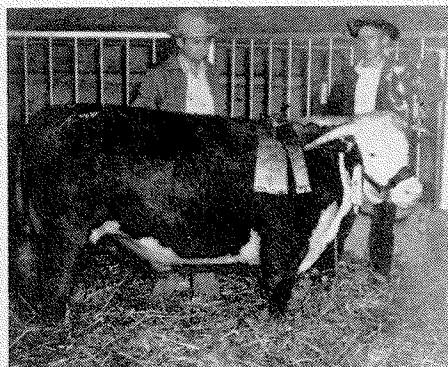
A Future Farmer, Wesley Dean, of the Greensboro Chapter also exhibited the Reserve Champion. His 1235 pound Hereford steer was purchased by Winn and Lovett Grocery Co. for \$.65 per pound.

The thirty-eight FFA animals exhibited at the show weighed a total of 35,025 pounds. They sold for an average of \$.40 per pound, or a gross of \$14,1010.00. In the FFA Judging Contest, the Madison team, composed of Bryan Wilson, Raymond Brown, and Thed Fraleigh, won top honors and a \$12.00 award, making a score of 1,029 out of a possible 1200 points. The Quincy, Lafayette, Havana, Greensboro, Chipley, Malone, Tallahassee, Sneads, and Graceville Chapters placed second through tenth in the order named. Individual winners in judging were Jerry Owens, Quincy, 1st, with a score of 370, out of a possible 400 points; Jack Agerton, Greensboro; Howard Putnal, Lafayette; Houston Hill, Sneads; and Terry Johnson, Quincy.

H. F. Wiggins, Jr., of the J. F. Williams Chapter, Live Oak, won the FFA Showmanship Contest.

Contest Held

Under the sponsorship of the Gadsden Soil Conservation Supervisors, a 4-H and FFA Contest on the identification of pasture grasses and legumes was held. This Contest created a lot of interest, and it is planned to make it an annual event in connection with the Livestock Show at Quincy. In the FFA Division, Havana won first place, with a score of 188, and an award of \$12.50. The Madison Chapter placed second, and Quincy third. The Havana Team was composed of Kenneth Hasgins, Bill Shellfer, and Sterlin Spooner.



The pictures above were taken during the Quincy Fat Cattle Show. At the top, buyer Spin Suber of Florida Packing Company with Terry Johnson and his grand champion steer which the Florida Packing Company purchased. Bottom panel shows H. F. Wiggins, Jr., of Live Oak, top FFA showman.

Cochran Shows Champion at the West Coast Show

JOE COCHRAN, Bartow FFA Chapter, showed his registered Jersey bull and cow to the FFA Championship in the West Coast Dairy Show held on the street North of the Courthouse in Tampa and the Benjamin Franklin heifer was FFA Champion Guernsey.

Cochran was first in the Showmanship Contest and top in the Cattle Grooming Contest.

The Wauchula FFA team of Dean Griffin, Ronnie Smith and Minor Bryant won the judging Contest.

Other FFA winners, listed in order by Classes, were as follows:

Registered Jersey females (6-12)—Blues to Ken Cockrell, Kathleen; Herbert Duff, Kathleen; Red to Harris;

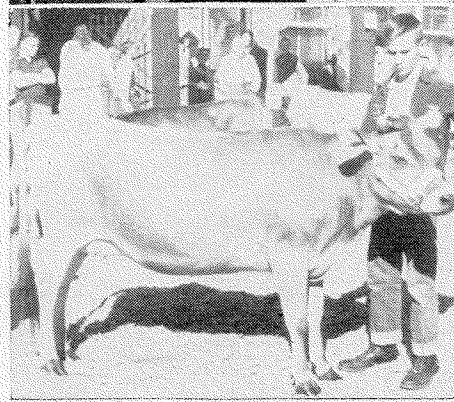
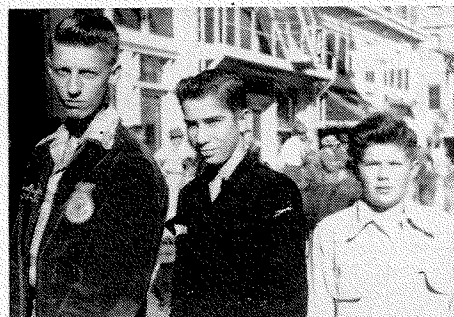
Registered Jersey females (12-18)—Blue to Harry Griffin, Bartow;

Registered Jersey cows—Blue to Cochran (Champion); Red to Harris;

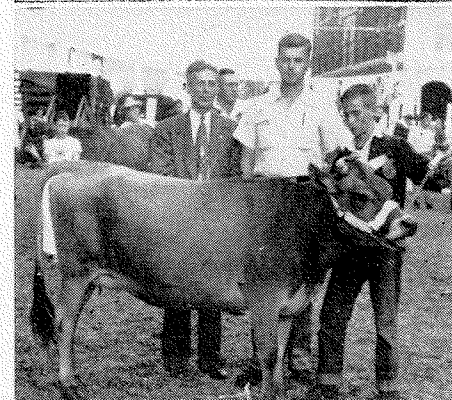
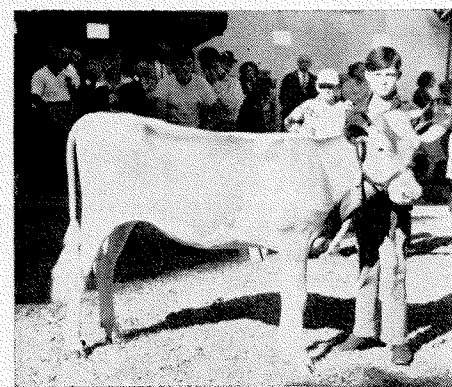
Registered Jersey bulls (6-12)—Red to Harris;

Grade Jersey females (6-12)—Red to Jimmy Deesen, Kathleen; White to Bobby Hearn, Bartow;

Grade Jersey cows—Blue to Ken Fisher,



Champion junior judging FFA team at the West Coast Dairy Show is shown at the top: from left to right, Dean Griffin, Minor Bryant, and Ronnie Smith make up the Wauchula winning team; bottom panel shows Joe Cochran of Bartow, top groomer and showman, with his champion FFA Jersey, Noble Betts Queen Ann.



Top picture shows Kenneth McRae with the champion FFA Guernsey, Dinsmore NoMax Ewell, owned by the Benjamin Franklin FFA Chapter of Tampa; bottom panel, Joe Cochran of Bartow takes pride in showing his champion FFA Jersey bull as Vernon E. Dozier, supervising principal, and R. B. O'Berry, Vocational Agricultural teacher, both of Bartow, stand by.

Kathleen; Red to Cochran; Arlen Wetherington, Hillsborough; Harris;

Registered Guernsey females (6-12)—Reds to Wetherington (2);

Registered Guernsey females (12-18)—Blue to Benjamin Franklin Chapter (champion);

Registered Guernsey females (18-24)—Red to Wetherington;

Grade Guernsey females (6-12)—Red to Johnny Firebeau, Plant City;

Grade Guernsey females (12-18)—Reds to Carroll Williamson, Plant City;

Grade Holstein females (6-12)—Red to Bill Clemons, Bartow;

Grade Holstein females (12-18)—Blue to Harry Griffin.

THE WAUCHULA Chapter received a lease on the 100 acre County Park at Zolfo Springs, from the County Commissioners of Hardee County, for the use as a cattle ranch and supervised farming projects of some of the members. The Chapter plans include operation of the swimming pool and revival of the orange grove.

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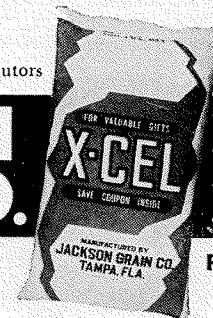
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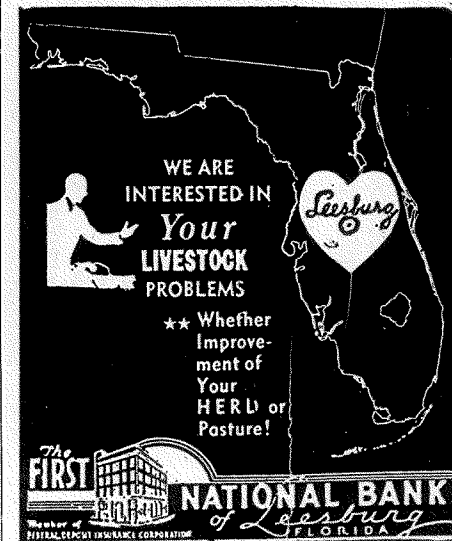
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Mixon's Cited as Successful Family Working Together

SOCIOLOGISTS TODAY bemoan the passing of the closely integrated family unit. A close check on the daily life of many Future Farmers and their families will, however, prove that there are still families that work and live together as both a family and an economic unit, and make a great success of it.

Such a family is the Gene Mixon's.

Gene is a Manatee High School student. Already he has won several prizes for his Guernsey cattle in State and County cattle shows. He is Secretary of the Bradenton FFA chapter.

William Mixon, Sr. now owns and operates 50 acres of the family groves, while his sons, Bill and Gene, own 18 and 5 acres respectively. Each of his sons runs his own farm. Fruit is sold to their father and processed and shipped from the Mixon Packing House. Bill is General Manager of all the farms and the packing house. Gene cares for his groves after school and during holidays. Some of his acreage is devoted to pastures.

Mrs. Mixon, Sr. helps with the sales

work and supervision of the farm work, while Bill's wife, Mary Collins Mixon, is company secretary.

William Sr. came to Manatee County as a boy. He attended the local school and in 1915 got his first job in an orange grove. Growing things appealed to him and he decided to learn the nursery business. For the Atwood Grapefruit Company he budded and transferred varieties, and in 1916 he budded a 40-acre nursery for Joe Varn in Laurel. In 1917, William Mixon planted his own three-acre nursery in Manatee Hammock, but, just when the trees had matured enough to sell, he was drafted and forced to sell his nursery at a crushing loss.

After the war he married Rosie Franklin and he and his brother became partners in a garage in Wimauma. In 1920, however, William became manager of the Manatee Hammock Fruit Company, a post he held until 1942 when he bought out the firm.

"How we got into the shipping business is another story", the elder Mixon related. "In 1935, while my wife was running our farm, wholesale prices were as low as 5¢ a box. We had to find our own retail business." Mrs. Mixon contacted the Hotel Dixie Grande and persuaded the management to recommend Mixon fruit to the hotel guests. The first order was so satisfactory that the hotel thereafter referred all its patrons to the Mixon Fruit Farm.

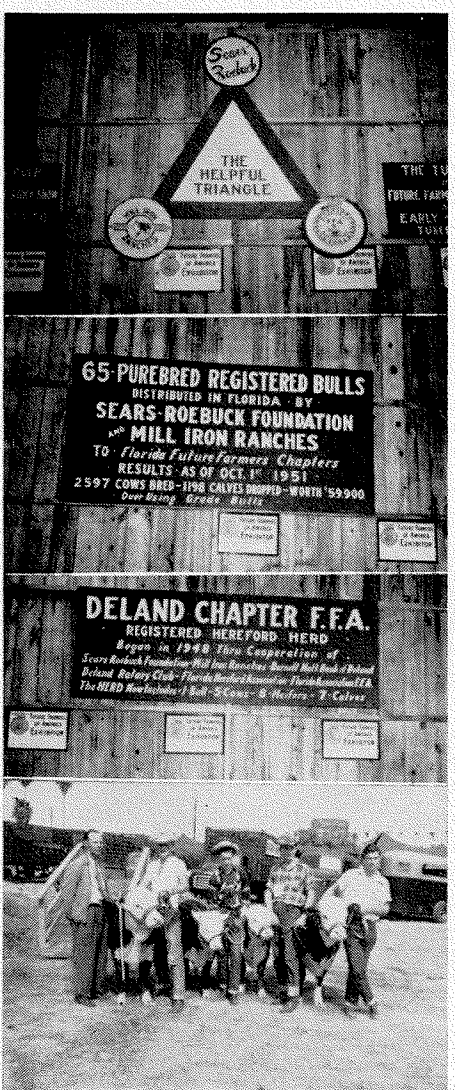
With its holdings now greatly increased, the Mixon Fruit Farm today grows and ships many varieties of oranges, grapefruit, tangelos, tangerines, lemons, and limes.

The Mixon Fruit Farm is a family set-up, on a very business-like basis, with each individual given full freedom to show what he can do.

As soon as he was old enough, Bill said, he worked in the groves and had his own farm before he was out of high school. After he graduated from high school he attended the University of Florida and Florida Southern College where he took specialized citrus courses.

While in high school, he started his own farm which included groves, truck farming, and pasturage. He managed his own business, furnished finances, and hired a man to help. When crops were ready for harvesting, he sometimes got a few days leave of absence from school.

During that period, Bill was awarded \$50.00 by the Kiwanis Club as the most outstanding Future Farmer in the Bradenton FFA Chapter. In 1946 he was awarded the State Star Farmer certificate and was presented with a \$100.00 Bankers' Scholarship. He also won a trip to Kansas City and was awarded the American Farmer Degree in 1947. He is now Secretary Treasurer of the Gulf Coast Express Fruit Shippers Association.



The above pictures show signs that were posted above the Herefords in the FFA Livestock Show at the Florida State Fair. The Helpful Triangle of The Sears, Roebuck Foundation, Mill Iron Ranches, and the Florida Association, FFA, have distributed 65 pure bred registered bulls since 1948. These bulls have bred 2597 cows with 1108 calves dropped worth \$59,900 over using grade bulls; bottom picture shows H. L. Fagan, Adviser, and four members of the DeLand Chapter, with four Herefords exhibited at the Fla. State Fair.

Wood Receives Award

THE STATE ADVISER of Florida Association, FFA, Mr. H. E. Wood, was named "Man of the Year in Service to Florida Agriculture" by *The Progressive Farmer*.

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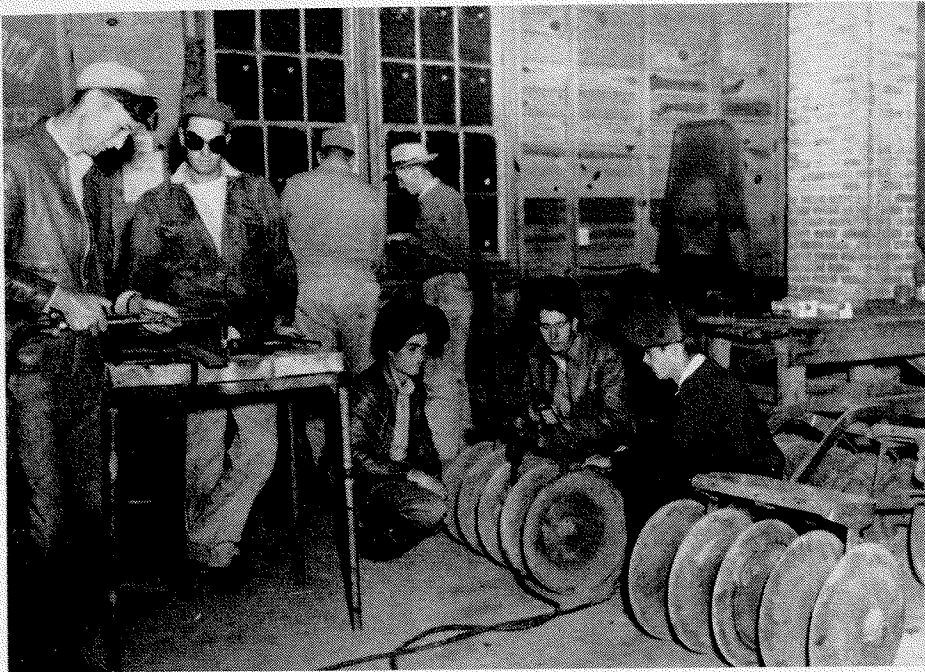
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Shown working under the Quincy Veterans' Shop Training program are left to right, E. P. Conrad, W. W. Smith, J. W. Cox, A. F. Johnson, J. J. Vowen, G. P. Hanna, Jerold Johns.

Quincy Veterans Have Complete Work Shop Training Program in Operation

By BASCOM MAHAFFEY, Instructor

DURING THE last few months, the Quincy Veterans class had a series of shop classes. Most of the jobs were taught in the regular night class sessions.

Our objectives in this shop program were: (1) to learn new skills, (2) to apply our skills for practical farm shop work, and (3) to encourage each man to build up and maintain his own farm shop.

The first job covered in our shop program was caring for and sharpening hand tools. As a follow-up for the class, each man used his own tools in becoming skilled at the job. Altogether there were 8 cross cut saws, 195 handsaws, 6 plane irons, and many chisels, knives, wood bits, twist drills and hatchets cleaned and sharpened.

The second shop job was that of adjusting and operating power equipment in the shop. The machinery covered in this job included rip saw, jointer, drill press, portable power drill, wood lathe, and power grinders.

Our third shop job was that of turning and threading with the steel lathe. Our lathe is a South Bend 9", one of the smallest made, but we used it successfully in several farm shop jobs.

Much interest was taken in our fourth job of welding with electricity. None of the men knew how to weld before but now there are quite a few who are very good welders. Nearly every man has used

the electric welder successfully on his own machinery and equipment, and several are planning to install their own electric welders in the future.

We had a slight turnabout on our fifth shop job. One of the veterans who had in the past worked with the acetylene welder, planned and carried out a very successful demonstration on welding and cutting with acetylene.

During the next several classes we had a general shopwork program. Each man brought his own equipment to be repaired and used the shop in a very practical way. During these classes there were 18 items built, and 31 repaired.

For our sixth job, a member of our class who had experience in the more difficult construction work, planned and carried out the following demonstrations: cutting common rafters, squaring and leveling a building site, and cutting hip and valley rafters.

We planned other shop jobs such as tractor maintenance and bending, shaping and tempering metal in the forge, for the first classes of the new year.

Our shop program, we think, has been very successful and we have accomplished our objectives. We believe that shop training is just as valuable as any other training that can be offered and that it has a definite place in the Veterans on-the-farm Training Program.

Leon County Vet Profits by Farm Training Program

THE success of any program can be measured by the success of its participants. The Leon branch of the Institutional-on-the-farm Training Program is proud of its progress and the success of its individual farmers. Both the teacher, John B. Herndon, and class, attribute their good results to the teacher-student planning which is practiced. Here every trainee is a vital part of the organization and each one realizes his responsibility.

The farm visits made by the instructor are one of the most important factors as it gives the teacher and the trainee a chance to discuss his individual problems. It also furnishes the opportunity for a lasting friendship and a feeling of cooperation to develop between the two.

As an example, here is the story of Wilbur Wallace, one of the veterans training on the farm. Wilbur began his farming under most undesirable conditions. When he entered the Institution on-the-farm training class in July, 1950, his family (wife and 2 small children) were living in a dilapidated house on 35 acres of rented land. The land was sandy and hilly and the buildings were badly in need of repair. To make things even worse, the rent of this land was costing \$300 per year.

When he entered the training class he estimated his investment in this property as \$1,500.00. This included his plowing equipment which consisted of one mule, a bottom plow, and a Georgia straight stock. In the field he had planted corn but had not fertilized it. Up to this time Wallace had not used any soil conservation practices, but instead, planted crops in straight rows up and down the sandy hills.

At the time he entered the training class there were no cover crops planted, nor did he have any pasture for the mule and the three or four razor-back hogs which made up his livestock. No milk cow was present to provide the family with one of the most important foods and also a costly item to the family budget. Another thing which was hard on the budget was that the family had no living plan in practice. Hence—most of the food had to be bought. The farm was six miles out of town and the family had no private means of transportation.

This was a very depressing, but true, situation. The main cause of this was poor management due to the fact that the farmer had no instruction, help, or encouragement in planning a successful program.

Now, let us look at this same farmer a year-and-a-half later, after he had embarked on a new farming program with technical assistance. He now cultivates the original 35 acres, plus 40 additional acres, on the same site and he now pays \$600.00 per year. He has recently purchased a tractor, 1 additional mule, and a horse to help with the plowing. The new cultivator is also of great value. It is astonishing to see how his livestock has increased to 2 mules, 1 horse, 8 Poland China Duroc boars, and a milk cow. These animals feed and fatten themselves on 20 acres of pasture and are also fed supplementary feeds. This is a far cry from the 3 or 4 razor-back hogs that had to shift for themselves.

A family living plan is being practiced which provides the fresh garden vegetables for the family to can and preserve for the winter months. In addition to the garden, Wallace has planted numerous crops, some of which are: velvet beans, peas, and soy beans. From his own experience he has come to realize the importance of soil conservation practices such as plowing on the contour.

Improved management and planting enabled this progressive farmer to buy and completely pay for such improvements as a truck and a tractor. He did this by feeding and fattening his hogs during the first year of training. His investment has miraculously grown from \$1,500.00 to \$4,000.00 in only one and one-half years. Listed below are some of his yields from 2 years, to be used as a comparison:—

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| Corn | \$215 | 600.00 | |
| Pecans | \$ 86 | 148.00 | |

This proves that Wilbur Wallace has learned the hard way the advantages of future planning. The family is now in the process of moving to a new and better farm. His ambition is to eventually own his own farm; a farm on which he can become a prosperous and successful member of his community.

W. J. CROWLEY, Adviser of the Sarasota FFA Chapter, was presented a plaque by the Sarasota Exchange Club, honoring him for "efforts beyond the normal call of duty."

Willie lit a rocket
Which his dad had in his pocket.
Next day he told his cousin Dan
"My daddy is a traveling man."



Pictured above is Tom Baxter, a veteran who has greatly improved his land.

Baxter Improves Farm Since '49

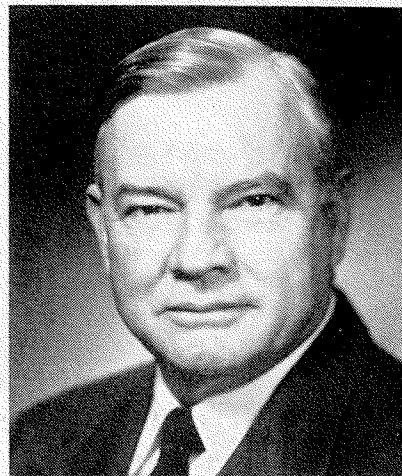
TOM BAXTER entered The Institutional-on-The-Farm Training Program in the Williston Center June 1, 1949. He entered training with a title to 334 acres of land with a mortgage against it, a house to live in, an automobile, and a few hogs.

Tom planned to be a cattle farmer and started immediately to fence and develop his land. Today he has the entire border of his farm fenced and an excellent system of cross fences, of which all are hog proof fences. He has cleared, planted, and has in grazing 200 acres of improved permanent pasture consisting of Pangola, Pensacola Bahia, Love grass, Alyce clover, and Indigo. In addition to the 200 acres he has improved, he has 100 acres of native pasture which he plans to develop into improved pasture in 1952. He also has a long-time lease, with an option to buy, on 160 acres bordering his farm. He is using this land for temporary pasture. He is cooperating with the Soil Conservation District and is receiving payment from the P. M. A. for his improved soil conservation practices.

Tom's herd now consists of eighty-eight head of good quality grade cattle. He is building up his herd by using a purebred Brahman bull and a purebred Red polled bull.

Tom has purchased a Ferguson tractor and all necessary equipment including a rotary tractor mower, a 1951 pickup truck, and a windmill and tank which provides water for four pastures. He has constructed an equipment shed.

Tom fertilized his pasture this summer, but he plans to fertilize twice each year in the future. He limed 100 acres this year at the rate of one ton per acre and plans to lime the rest of his pasture during 1952. He controls his grazing, so as not to overgraze. This winter Tom's cattle are in a thrifty condition wintering on a combination of Love grass, dead pangola and Pensacola Bahia grass, Alyce clover hay, and cottonseed meal.



Alto Adams, former chief justice of the Florida Supreme Court and candidate for governor, is a native Floridian born on a small farm in Walton County. A prominent Ft. Pierce rancher, Adams knows the needs of Florida's cattlemen and farmers.

What Alto Adams Says About . . .

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TAXES

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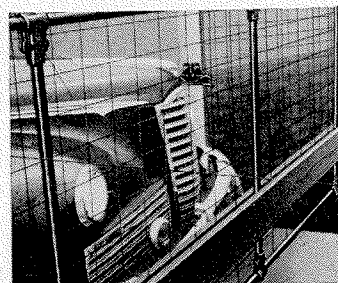
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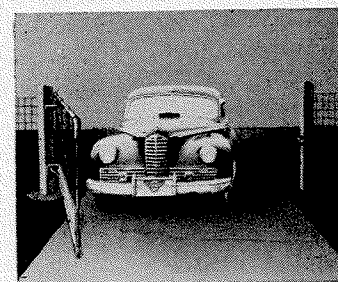
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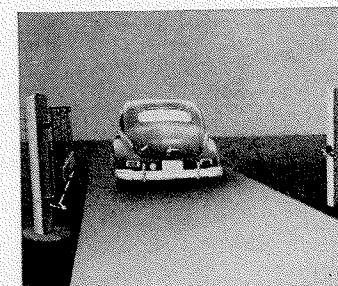
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DeLand Adopts Ten Year Program

A TEN-YEAR program to develop an up-to-date Hereford Ranch has been adopted by the DeLand Chapter. Approximately 500 acres of land covering the developed land North and West of the DeLand Air Base, was leased by the City of DeLand to the DeLand Chapter for ten years.

The Future Farmers will make three projects of the improvement of the area, according to the Chapter Adviser, H. L. Fagan. The first two years will be devoted to improving the first 100 acres. The chapter will meet the responsibility for maintaining all fences around the property and the establishment of permanent pasture on the land. The boys will also construct necessary cattle pens needed for their herd. To protect the City from damage, they will carry liability insurance on the cattle.

The second part of the project, comprising approximately 160 acres, will be developed during the third and fourth year, along the same lines as the first. The last plot of about 240 acres will be developed during the latter part of the lease period.

The DeLand Chapter now has 21 purebred Hereford animals and one purebred Brahman bull which will be placed on the property. Plans for the development of an up-to-date Hereford ranch using the best methods of pasture work available are being made.

Vets Visit Two Poultry Farms in Nassau County

THE MCCLenny Veterans Class under the leadership of C. W. Webb visited the two leading poultry farms in Nassau County.

They visited Mr. Henry Smith's farm near Hilliard, on which he has a flock of white leghorns and incubators with a 40,000 egg capacity. He stressed the importance of beginning with quality chicks and then giving them proper management throughout the life of the bird. Clean, dry houses, plenty of fresh water, and good feed are three essentials in the poultry program.

Mr. Smith has a small herd of purebred Angus cattle as a sideline to his poultry business. They were originally purchased just to keep the grass mowed. They proved practical and profitable and now are a part of the over-all program.

The trip through the Pine Breeze Poultry farm near Callahan was well worth the time. Mr. Lawrence Irvin, owner of the 15,000 white leghorn farm, also has an outstanding herd of cattle.

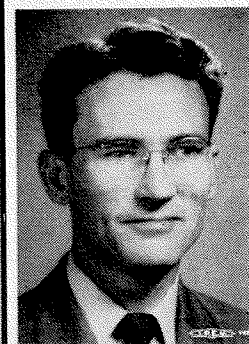
Vet Teacher Imports Two Livestock Breeds

F. R. EDWARDS, Veterans' Teacher at Plant City, has recently imported from England a new breed of cattle and a new breed of hogs. He secured one Sussex bull and three females. The Sussex is one of the largest European breeds, having the dark brownish red coloring and a white switch on the end of the tail. Since they are noted rustlers and withstand heat well, he plans to cross them with Brahman in an attempt to develop a new breed somewhat similar to a Santa Gertrudis.

The Wessex saddleback breed of hogs was imported from Southern England, where it was developed. According to Mr. Edwards, the Wessex breed is prolific, quiet and of a gentle disposition, and will produce the most high quality pork from the least amount of feed. The sows make splendid mothers, producing plenty of milk, and it is a rare occasion when they crush or injure one of their young. The pigs are reported to be ready for breeding in six to seven months. He said that he had received an average of ten pigs per litter and that they were good grazers, thus reducing the amount of high priced grain and concentrates needed in the feed.

The markings on the Wessex are similar to the Hampshire, though they produce a larger portion of bacon and loin, both high priced and desirable cuts, and the meat does not have a thick outer covering of fat, thus producing more lean meat.

MR. HERRING said, "Yes, the fish was too small to bother with, so I got a couple of guys to help me throw it back in the lake."



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Lawyer
Legislator
Judge
Wife and Five Children
Farm Background

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HALLEY B. LEWIS
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Thursday and Friday

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Thursday, April 10

9:00 a. m. Deadline for Entry of Cattle at Barn
10:00 a. m. Judging of Breeding Classes Begins
Aberdeen-Angus, Brahman, Hereford, Santa Gertrudis, Shorthorn
11:00 a. m. 4-H and FFA Junior Judging Contests
11:30 a. m. Judging of Breeding Classes Resumes
1:00 p. m. Judging of 4-H and FFA Steer Classes

Friday, April 11

10:00 a. m. Beef Cattle Showmanship Demonstration
10:30 a. m. 4-H and FFA Showmanship Contest
1:00 p. m. Introduction of, and comments by, Distinguished Guests
1:30 p. m. Sale of Fat Cattle

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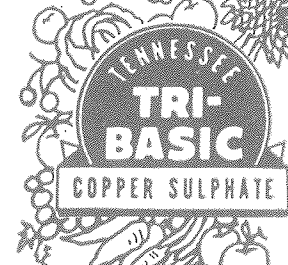
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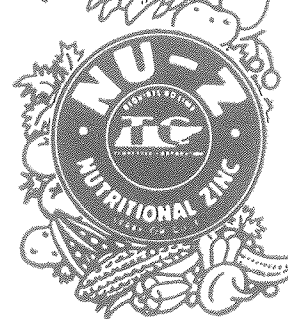
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14 Year Old FFA Earns Profit in Gum Farming

WHEN HENRY LITTLETON, husky 14 year old, 8th grade, FFA boy from Pinetta Chapter, began helping his brother, Billy, start his gum-farming operation last spring, he didn't realize that in a very short time, Billy would be off "in the wild blue yonder" and he would be chipping, dipping, and scraping some 650 faces of pines.

However, the fact that he was drafted when Billy volunteered hasn't seemed to hurt Henry's feelings a bit. Why should it when he cleared something like \$200.00 last spring and expects to clear even more this year?

"Since I already have my hack, spray gun, and other equipment, my expenses this year will be way down", Henry said, "giving me more net profit for my gum".

To begin his operation, Billy Littleton spent a total of \$61.74 for installation and equipment, not counting his own labor. Henry dipped about 1 and 3/4 barrels of gum every month and sold the season's total for over \$250.00. This year, his costs will only run about \$10.00. His net profit, if the gross stays the same, will be about \$240.00.

"One nice thing about it was that I could let it go for a short spell and help Dad with the tobacco without losing much", Henry said. Wyman Garland, Florida Forest Service farm forester who helped Henry and Billy get started, said that Henry had done an excellent job on streaking the faces.

The use of the sulphuric acid stimulation bark chipping method instead of the standard chipping process helped save the lumber in the trees and made the job easier for Henry to handle. The faces now streaked will be good for another 3 or 4 years and then can be back-faced or cut for good money, according to forester Garland.

This year, Henry plans to make the 15 acre gum farming operation his vocational agriculture project. "After all", he said, "what else can you spend so little actual labor on and make as good money?"

Live Oak FFA Honored

BILLY GUNTER, FFA member at Live Oak, who had a championship Guernsey, at the State Fair, and is president of his school council, has been honored by selection as a congressional page for March by Congressman Bennett. Billy, a fine speaker and Commissioner of Agriculture at the last Florida Boys State, is a pupil of B. R. Mills, Vocational "Ag" teacher at Suwannee High in Live Oak.