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Livestock Shows



165 Receive State Farmer Degree

165 members of the Florida Association, FFA received the State Farmer Degree at the State Convention in Daytona Beach. The total labor income of these members from productive enterprises was \$282,792.77. Each received at least \$5 from the Mid-States Steel and Wire Company. The best in three districts received \$10 **, the best in two areas received \$25 ** and the Star State Farmer received \$50 *** from them. The State Farmer Keys were presented by Florida Federation of Production Credit Associations. The three area winners received \$75 (**)(***) from the Chilean Nitrate Education Bureau.

Column A shows number of years in Vocational Agriculture and Column B the amount of labor income.

Name	Chapter	Grade	Age	(A)	(B)	Name	Chapter	Grade	Age	(A)	(B)
DISTRICT I						DISTRICT II					
Singletary, James Odie	Allentown	11	17	5	1,970.33	Dubroff, Lloyd	Altha	out	18	3	1,280.35
Bass, Farris	Baker	12	19	5	545.00	Woodberry, John Edward**	Havana	11	16	3	2,189.46
Etheridge, John Virgil	Baker	12	17	5	1,579.84	Braswell, Bruce	Jasper	12	17	5	636.35
Garrett, Thomas E.	Baker	12	17	4	560.40	Jones, Clayton Arviett	Jasper	12	17	5	1,300.44
Webb, William Paul	Baker	12	19	5	1,086.36	McIntosh, Wilton Wayne	Jasper	12	18	5	734.40
Kirkland, Jack Wade	Bethlehem	12	17	5	1,237.81	Johnson, Anson Curtis	Jennings	12	17	4	786.62
Givens, Wendell	Bonifay	11	16	3	552.31	Waters, Kenneth Wilson	Jennings	12	17	4	3,396.64
Wilcox, Gerald	Bonifay	11	16	3	1,052.82	Land, William H.	Mayo	11	16	3	1,063.95
Baker, Alver Russell	Chipley	12	17	4	894.59	O'Steen, Arthur Matthew	Mayo	11	17	3	645.59
Scott, Fern	Cottondale	12	17	4	721.31	Alligood, Charles Lerbie	Monticello	12	20	4	1,748.57
Scott, Forrest	Cottondale	12	17	4	1,792.24	Downs, Roger	Quincy	12	17	4	2,177.70
Ray, Daniel Durwood	DeFuniak Springs	11	17	3	925.02	Fletcher, Jimmy	Quincy	12	18	4	3,502.41
Cunningham, Royce	Escambia Farms	11	16	4	507.90	Beauchamp, Wayne Earl	White Springs	12	17	5	764.75
Peacock, Fred E.	Escambia Farms	11	19	4	1,424.70	DISTRICT III					
Williams, Dewayne Harold	Tate (Gonzalez)	12	17	4	527.79	Beutke, Amos A.	Santa Fe (Alachua)	12	17	5	1,045.41
Summerlin, Adrain	Tate (Gonzalez)	12	18	3	734.51	Byran, Myron	Santa Fe (Alachua)	12	17	5	8,446.70
Brown, David	Graceville	12	18	4	549.07	Emerson, Charles	Santa Fe (Alachua)	12	17	5	924.60
Miles, Billy Joe	Graceville	12	17	4	872.52	Jones, Calvin	Santa Fe (Alachua)	12	18	5	1,706.00
Peterson, Charlie	Graceville	12	17	4	1,510.55	Shepherd, Glen	Bell	12	20	5	2,165.68
Duce, John Barren, Jr.	Greenwood	11	16	3	1,073.05	Roberts, Emory	Bell	12	18	5	1,632.02
Pittman, Milton	Greenwood	12	17	4	684.85	Trad, Charles Louis	Bunnell	12	18	4	1,921.78
Yarbrough, Hugh Lamar	Greenwood	12	17	4	879.24	Shaffer, James Elzie	Callahan	12	17	5	860.47
Dixon, Pearl	Jay	12	18	4	8,587.10	Strawn, William Cherry	Gainesville	12	17	3	1,309.05
Senterfitt, Ronald W.	Laurel Hill	12	17	5	4,198.07	Kight, Leo Jimmy	Hastings	12	18	5	2,372.60
Thomas, James Donald	Laurel Hill	12	17	5	744.20	Clyatt, Bobby	Lake Butler	11	17	3	1,184.88
Olive, Clinton E.	Malone	12	18	4	1,101.81	Howard, William Shands	Lake Butler	11	17	3	1,724.95
Owens, Terry Edward	Malone	12	17	4	1,877.73	Mattox, Johnny	Lake Butler	12	17	4	1,437.30
Early, James Allen	Paxton	11	18	4	1,223.41	Parrish, Marklee	Lake Butler	11	18	3	779.47
Wetherington, Eulie S. Jr.	Ponce de Leon	12	17	3	549.00	Parrish, Walter E.	Lake Butler	11	17	4	2,549.40
Hood, Oliver Clyde	Vernon	11	16	3	739.49	Waters, Harold	Lake Butler	12	18	4	827.64
Hudson, Billy Eugene	Vernon	12	17	3	2,154.63	Barrington, John Wayne	Live Oak-Suwannee	12	17	4	2,049.98
Stewart, Dwight Durwood *	Walnut Hill	12	17	4	2,470.22	Crapps, David Kenneth	Live Oak-Suwannee	12	17	3	6,988.41
45,327.87						Goff, John Leslie	Live Oak-Suwannee	12	17	4	2,266.35
DISTRICT IV						Hingson, Joseph Theron	Live Oak-Suwannee	12	17	4	4,491.67
AREA II \$139,188.57						Johnson, Larry Curtis	Live Oak-Suwannee	12	17	4	2,501.14
DISTRICT V						Avery, Travis	Live Oak-Williams	12	18	4	516.24
AREA I \$66,311.61						Flowers, Retis C., Jr.	Live Oak-Williams	12	17	4	2,474.10
DISTRICT VI						Jenkins, Perry Lamar (***)	Live Oak-Williams	12	18	4	9,573.37
AREA III \$77,292.59						Murphy, Edward	Live Oak-Williams	12	19	4	2,230.15
STATE \$282,792.77						Phillips, Marvin, Jr.	Live Oak-Williams	12	18	3	3,849.74
DISTRICT I						Ross, George Wayne	Live Oak-Williams	12	17	4	587.23
DISTRICT II						Loadholtz, Edsel	Macclenny	12	18	5	1,204.03
DISTRICT III						Raulerson, William A.	Macclenny	12	18	4	2,724.48
DISTRICT IV						Royster, Ralph Ray	Macclenny	11	17	3	712.93
DISTRICT V						Green, Allison Gabriel	Newberry	12	17	5	4,233.81
DISTRICT VI						Hart, Gary Allen	Newberry	12	17	5	3,296.35
AREA I \$66,311.61						Langford, James Leroy	Newberry	12	17	5	1,248.41
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DISTRICT I						Wright, Clyde Eugene	Newberry	12	17	5	16,445.73
DISTRICT II						Norman, Gerald Grandon	Starke	11	16	3	802.44
DISTRICT III						Sapp, Eldon Rudolph	Starke	11	16	3	589.88
DISTRICT IV						Colson, Grady	Trenton	12	17	5	5,622.35
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Youth Program Stressed

THE 29TH Annual State FFA Convention and Leadership Conference is history now, but several new marks were made in the history book. Many letters of congratulations have been received from co-operators and friends in attendance. From the standpoint of attendance by delegates, parents, co-operators and friends, it was the best Convention in the history of the Association.

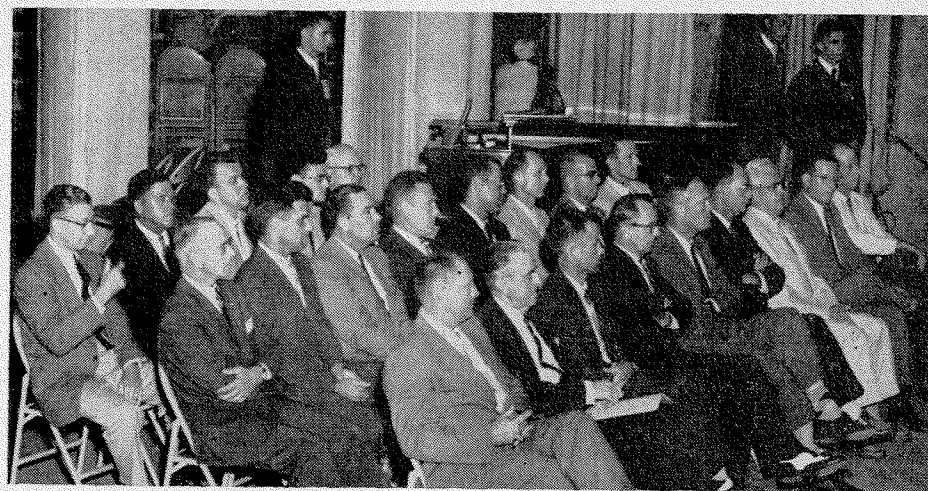
Again the beautiful and comfortable Peabody Auditorium was used for the indoor convention activities. Many honored guests were on hand for the occasion, including: James Quincey, national vice president for the Southern Region, Trenton, Florida; officers representing the Georgia and Tennessee associations in the Southern Region, and Tom Warlow from Wales, England, exchange student from the Young Farmers' Clubs of Great Britain. Their pleasing personalities and cooperation, along with those of the others in attendance at the convention, helped in carrying out the theme "A Challenging Youth Program in a Changing World."

MONDAY

REGISTRATION, housing, interviewing of candidates for state office, athletic contests and the tractor driving contest held the spotlight during the first day. Future Farmers filled their headquarters, the Princess Issena hotel, and many of the surrounding hotels. The Winter Haven chapter team won the state softball championship, defeating the Branford chapter team by a score of 3 to 0, and the state tractor driving contest was won by Jack Kirkland of Bethlehem. The state championship in horseshoe pitching was won by the Wauchula chapter team, composed of Buddy Williams and Roy Winegard.

Farm and Ranch Publishing Company of Nashville, Tennessee, were hosts at Delegate's and Adviser's Dinner, held at Princess Issena hotel at 5:00 p.m. The enjoyable event was attended by over 300 delegates, state officers, members and friends. The LaBelle String Band furnished some excellent music at various times during the program. The Invocation was given by Sam Brewer of Laurel Hill, 6th vice president, and a short welcome by P. K. Beck of Chiefland, state president, who acted as Master of Ceremonies. R. W. "Duke" Stanley, circulation director, was a very genial host in welcoming the delegates and advisers to the dinner.

The state officers presented FFA Lapel Pins to Henry DeVerner, manager of the Peabody Auditorium, John Callahan, manager of Daytona Beach convention



Receiving the Honorary State Farmer Degree on Tuesday afternoon were: (front row) Henry Chitty, Gainesville, Harold Colee, Jacksonville, Frank Commander, Trenton, George L. Crutcher, Gainesville, O. Earl Frye, Tallahassee, Paul F. Furr, Bartow, Dr. Alfred P. Haake, Largo, Edward J. Hawkins, Alexandria, Va., Lovette Jackson, Gainesville, (second row) P. R. Medland, Kansas City, Mo., John Wayne Mixon, Gainesville, L. E. Oglesby, Jacksonville, E. M. Parker, Atlanta, Ga., Stacey Quincey, Trenton, Clarence J. Rogers and C. W. Reaves, Gainesville, O. H. Rutledge, Live Oak, (third row) William B. Shenk, St. Petersburg, Horace Smith, DeLand, N. L. Storms, Brandon, George M. Talbot, Orlando, and Lacy Thomas, Groveland. George H. Cooper, Princeton, awarded in absentia.

Bureau, Harry Marshall, electrician, Peabody Auditorium, and William Nye, resident manager of the Princess Issena Hotel. Jackets were presented to M. C. Roche and Arol Hudson, members of the State Advisory Committee.

MONDAY EVENING

THE FIRST General Assembly of all delegates, advisers, and guests, was held in the Peabody Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. The state officers occupied their respective stations for the official opening ceremony. After a few brief remarks State President, P. K. Beck, introduced his fellow officers. Kenneth Moore, 2nd vice president, presided. W. T. Loftin, associate professor, agricultural education, University of Florida, Gainesville, was in charge of the Parliamentary Procedure Contest. The judges were: Professor Frazier Rogers, head, of the agricultural engineering department, University of Florida, Gainesville, H. G. Dasher, asst. conservationist, soil conservation service, Gainesville and Tom Pittard, senior counselor, vocational rehabilitation, Daytona Beach.

Chapter teams and members in the order of their final placings in this contest were: 1st, Marianna (James Pooser, Warren Scott, Raymond Sullivan, Wayne Sims, Paul Harris and Buddy Hall), was

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sented the awards and the trophy.

The Farm Safety Awards, a Certificate and check for \$100.00 from the Future Farmers of America Foundation were presented to the Quincy Chapter by R. A. Miessen, marketing assistant for the Florida Division of Standard Oil Company. Ben Betts, as chairman of their farm safety committee, accepted the award. Other awards presented by Miessen on behalf of his company were: \$50.00 to the Ocala Chapter; \$25.00 to DeLand; \$20.00 to Crystal River; \$15.00 to South Dade (Homestead); and \$10.00 to Winter Haven.

J. G. Smith, area supervisor, agricultural education, Gainesville, conducted the Quartet Contest, after introducing the following judges: John A. M. Stewart Daytona Beach; Aubrey Fowler, Live Oak and Sterling Wilson, Ormond Beach.

The awards in the Quartet Contest, sponsored by the Florida Association, FFA, were presented to the following: DeFuniak Springs (Dale Davis, Thomas Adams, George Ralph Miller, Huey Ray) —\$20. and Pennant; Sebring—\$15.; Plant City Sr. (Charles McCullers, Freddy DeShong, Bobby Roark, Jimmy McCall)—\$10; Quincy (Billy Poston, Ben Betts, Harry McCall, Roland Kincaid) —\$5.; Umatilla (David Coleman, Moreland Coates, J. L. Kicklighter, Jimmy Daugh-

S. Dade-Homestead	12	18	4	875.20
Miami-Edison	12	18	3	1,148.25
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Miami Jackson	12	17	3	635.98
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North Miami	12	17	3	939.65
Panokee	12	18	4	677.80
Pompano	12	18	4	2,140.53
Sebring	12	17	5	7,114.58
Wauchula	12	18	4	720.99
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DISTRICT VI				29,108.56
AREA III				\$77,292.59
STATE.....				\$282,792.77

sponsored by his organization: a 21 jewel wrist watch to Jack Kirkland of Bethlehem and a pennant as State winner; a 17 jewel watch to Roger Jimenez of Sanford as second place winner; and \$25.00 Savings Bonds to the following in their respective placings—Joe Ross, Gainesville; P. L. Keen, Bradenton; Bobby Hudson, Madison; Don Cooper, Hialeah. Professor Rogers and Messrs. R. O. Ivey, International Harvester Co., Jacksonville, Bob Swindler, T. & O. Tractor Co., Orlando, and Harold Parady, Florida Ford Tractor Co., Jacksonville, were the judges, and assisted in securing the necessary equipment. G. D. Porter, assistant purchasing agent, City of Daytona Beach, arranged for laying out the course, and the U-Haul-It Company of Daytona Beach furnished the trailer.

Ralph Cellon, vice president, the Florida Cattlemen's Association, presented the awards sponsored by the association. Shelly Swift of the Ocala Chapter, as state winner of the Beef Breeding award received \$100.00 on the purchase of a purebred beef bull or heifer calf of the breed desired. Other winners—Jeff Daughtry of Wauchula, Ray Rhodes of Ocala, Don L. Akins of Mulberry, Bill Foster of DeLand, and Kenneth Sutton of Kathleen respectively—each received \$15 to help defray their expenses in attending the State Convention. The state winner of the Feeder Steer award, Vincent K. Milstead of Walnut Hill, was presented \$100.00 to apply on the expenses for him and his advisers to attend the National Convention in Kansas City, Missouri in October 1957. Other winners, each of whom received \$15 to help defray their expenses to attend the State Convention, were as follows: Bill Blake of Quincy,

The President's Message

Being elected your 1957-58 State President was the outstanding event of my life. I certainly thank you, the delegates, for bestowing this honor upon me, and assure you that during the coming year I shall strive to uphold the high standards of this office.

Looking forward to the coming year, may we all be conscious of our duties and responsibilities as citizens and as Future Farmers; and may we complete all our tasks successfully.

I feel confident that by exercising sound judgment and good reasoning, you will continue to place the Florida Association in the uppermost bracket of the National Organization.

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Craig Griffin of Tavares, Milton McMillon, DeLand, John Woodbery, Havana, and Leslie Goff, Suwannee at Live Oak.

Ken Moore then returned the gavel to the State President for the Closing Ceremony and adjournment.

TUESDAY MORNING

BEFORE THE official opening on Tuesday morning, delegates and guests were entertained by the Sebring Quartet. The Devotional Service was given by Reverend Vernon Brown of the First Baptist Church of Daytona Beach, and F. L. Northrop, area supervisor, led the group singing, accompanied by Mrs. Northrop.

The 29th Annual State Convention then opened officially with State President P. K. Beck, presiding. All officers except Duncan Wright, Ocala, occupied their respective stations for the official opening ceremony. P. K. introduced his fellow State Officers and H. E. Wood, state adviser of the Florida Association,

FFA, after which the roll call of delegates by districts was made by the state vice presidents, and the entire delegation was seated.

Speaking on behalf of Mayor J. Hart Long, A. M. Deatherage, personnel officer of the City of Daytona Beach, extended a most hearty welcome to the Florida Future Farmers and wished for them a very successful convention. He also extended an invitation to them to return to Daytona next year for their convention. A. F. Edmunds, director of education, Volusia County, representing County Superintendent John H. Smiley, extended greetings and best wishes to the Future Farmers.

After being introduced by J. W. Manley of Fort Meade, first vice president, P. K. Beck gave the state President's Message.

The minutes of the 28th Annual Convention were read by Kenneth Moore, 2nd vice president and approved.

A few selections were rendered by the State Champion Quartet from DeFuniak



Artilee Lowe leading the group in the "Star Spangled Banner" at the close of the bandshell program at the 29th annual state FFA convention.

Springs before the Annual Accomplishment Report of the Florida Association, FFA, for 1956-57 was given by Sam Brewer, 6th vice-president. The report was approved by the delegates.

Kenneth Moore announced that the following men were presented the Honorary State Farmer Degree during the past year:

Rex Harper, Assistant I. & E. Officer, Florida Forest Service, Tallahassee, at the State F.F.A. Forestry Training Camp.

Hon. Leroy Collins, Governor of Florida, at Tallahassee;

Tom Maxwell, Member of the State Advisory Committee for Vocational Agriculture, Quincy, and R. W. Wallace, Associate Agronomist, North Florida Experiment Station, Quincy, at the West Florida Fat Cattle Show in Quincy;

Mardi Lyles, Agricultural Program Director, Station WFLA-TV, Tampa; and M. E. Twedell, Assistant Fair Manager, Tampa, at the Florida State Fair in Tampa;

Carl G. Rose, Stockman at Ocala,



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during the Southeastern Show in Ocala.

Kenneth read the names of those recommended to receive the Honorary State Farmer Degree during the Convention and they were approved.

President P. K. Beck presented the nominating committee's selection for State President, Charles McCullers of Plant City, which was approved, and nominations were received from the floor for Donald Smith of Wauchula, Charles Posey of Hialeah, Lloyd Dubroff of Altha, Durwood Ray of DeFuniak Springs, and Edsel Loadholtz of Macclenny. P. K. then read some very fine messages from Wm. J. Harman, Jacksonville; George H. Cooper, a farmer and businessman from Princeton; J. C. Huskisson, Manager, Florida State Fair, Tampa; Mrs. Turner E. Smith, Turner E. Smith Company, Atlanta; Lewis Homer, Mayor of Clearwater and its Beaches, W. W. Brown, State Boys' 4-H Club Agent, Gainesville; Alex R. Johnson, an honorary State farmer of the Florida Association, Miami, and M. O. Watkins, Director of the Extension Service, U. of Fla., Gainesville, a former State F.F.A. officer, after which the six candidates for State President gave brief talks and the meeting adjourned with the official closing ceremony.

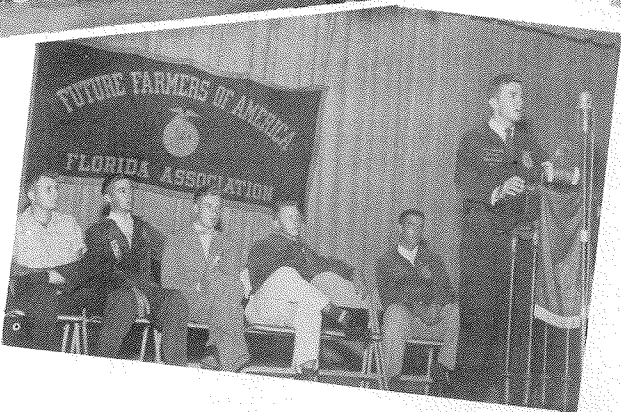
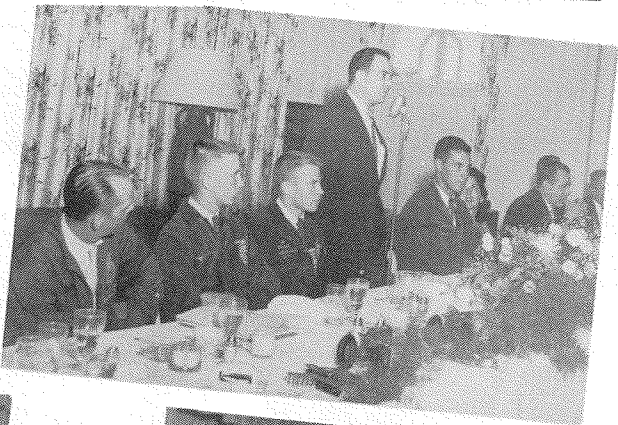
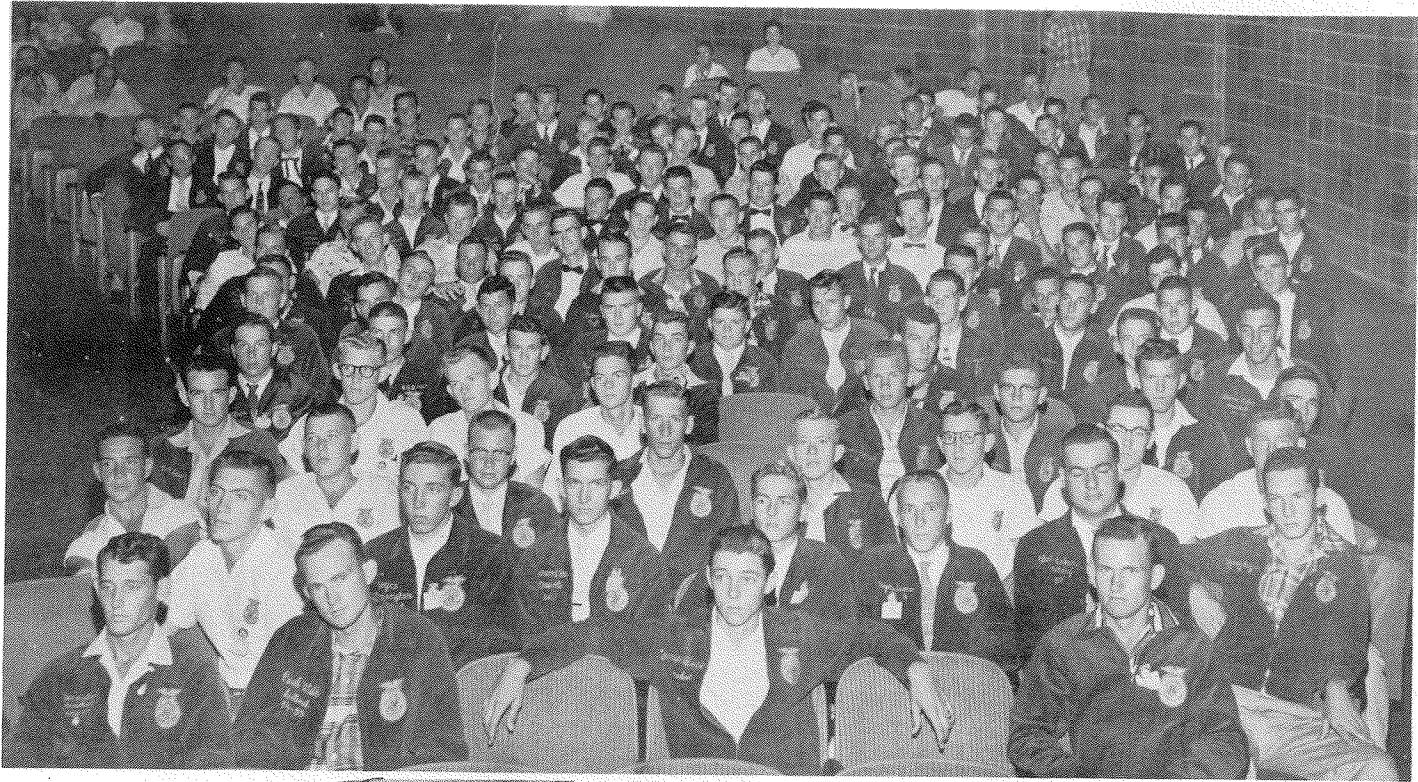
Two special luncheons were held at 11:45 a.m. in the Princess Isseena hotel. One was for the Farm Safety Winners (Chapter Advisers and Chairmen of the Committees) as guests of the Standard Oil Company of Kentucky, with R. A. Miessen as host. The other was for the District Sweethearts and their chaperones as guests of the Daytona Beach Chamber of Commerce with Louis T. Marsh, manager, and Charles Hansen, president, as hosts.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

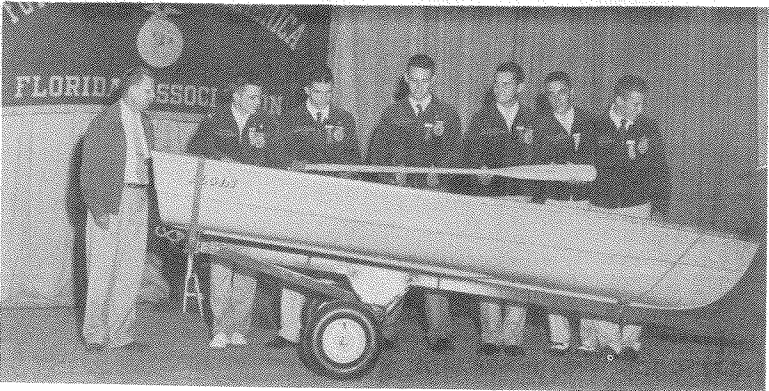
THE TUESDAY afternoon session was called to order by the President and opened with the official ceremony. South Dade at Homestead, Allentown, Tallahassee, Trenton, Edgewater at Orlando and Crystal River were presented bronze plaques with their Chapter name engraved on them, as district winners in the chapter cooperative leadership contest, from the Florida Council of Farmer Cooperatives and the American Institute of Cooperation, by Aubrey Fowler, president, Florida Council of Farmer Cooperatives, Live Oak, assisted by Al Whitmore, secretary-treasurer, Florida Citrus Production Credit Association, Orlando. The South Dade Chapter at Homestead as top Chapter in the state, was presented a check from the Council for \$500.00 to help defray expenses for their advisers and five members to attend the annual Summer Session of the American Institute of cooperation at Colorado A. & M., Ft. Collins, Colorado in August. operation, Ft. Collins, Colorado in August.

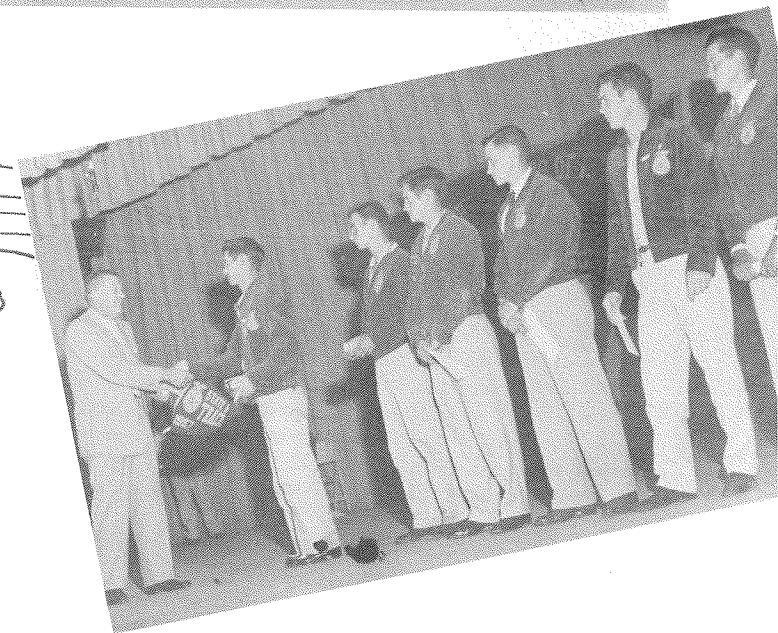
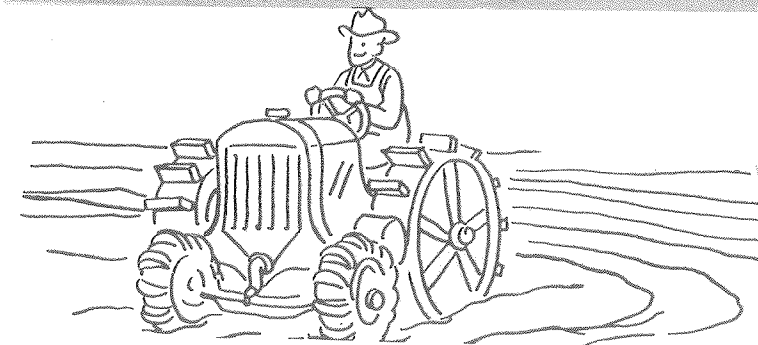
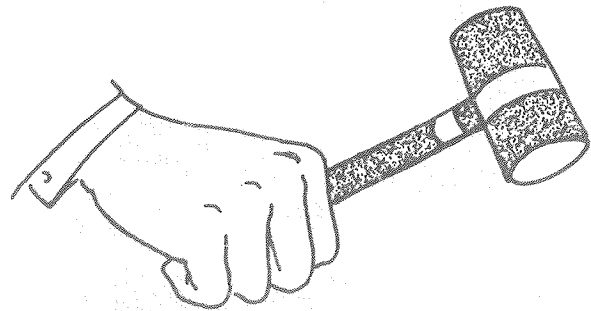
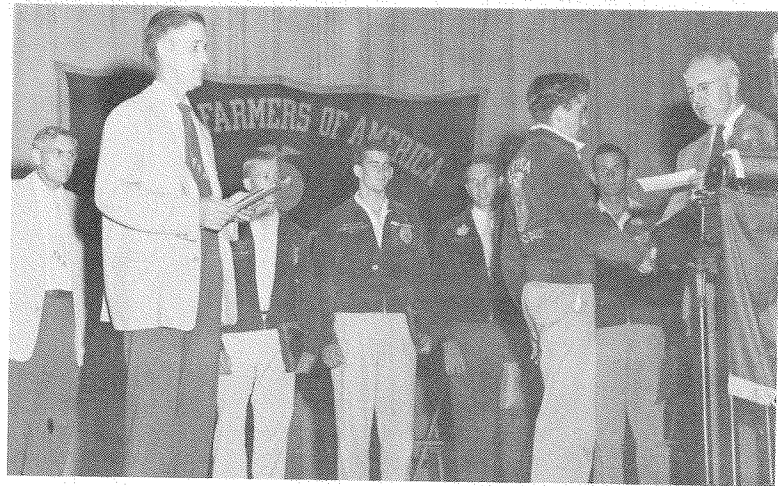
J. G. Smith, Area II Supervisor, agricultural education, Gainesville, introduced the judges for the Harmonica Contest as follows: R. A. Miesson, Wayne Mixson, and O. E. Frye.

R. A. Miessen, marketing assistant for the Florida Division of Standard Oil Company, Jacksonville, announced the

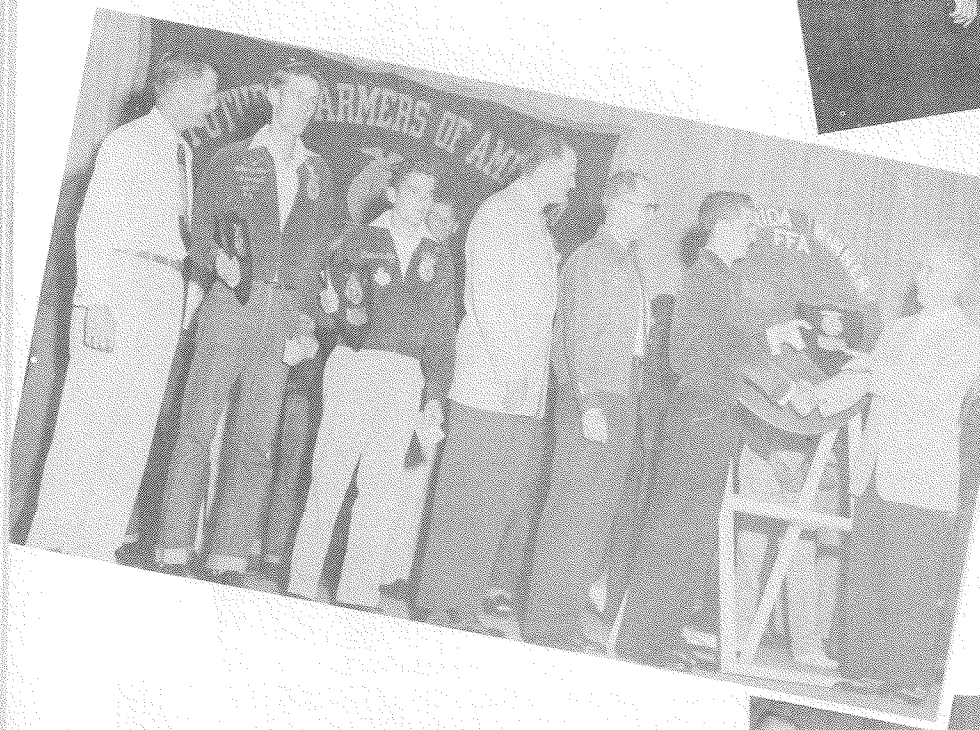


165 members receive their State Farmer degree at the 29th annual convention in the top picture. Others from left to right, top to bottom, include: Doyle Conner announcing the results of the sweetheart contest with Jim Gorman in readiness to present the Belk-Lindsey awards • Gordon Perkins, assistant district manager of International Harvester, at the special luncheon for old and new officers • James Quincey, national vice president, and other distinguished guests • A special plaque is given to Bill Jacobs former state I and E forester, now office engineer City of Tallahassee (he received State Farmer degree in 1933) • G. C. Norman with the state FFA officers and the special boat for State Adviser H. E. Wood.

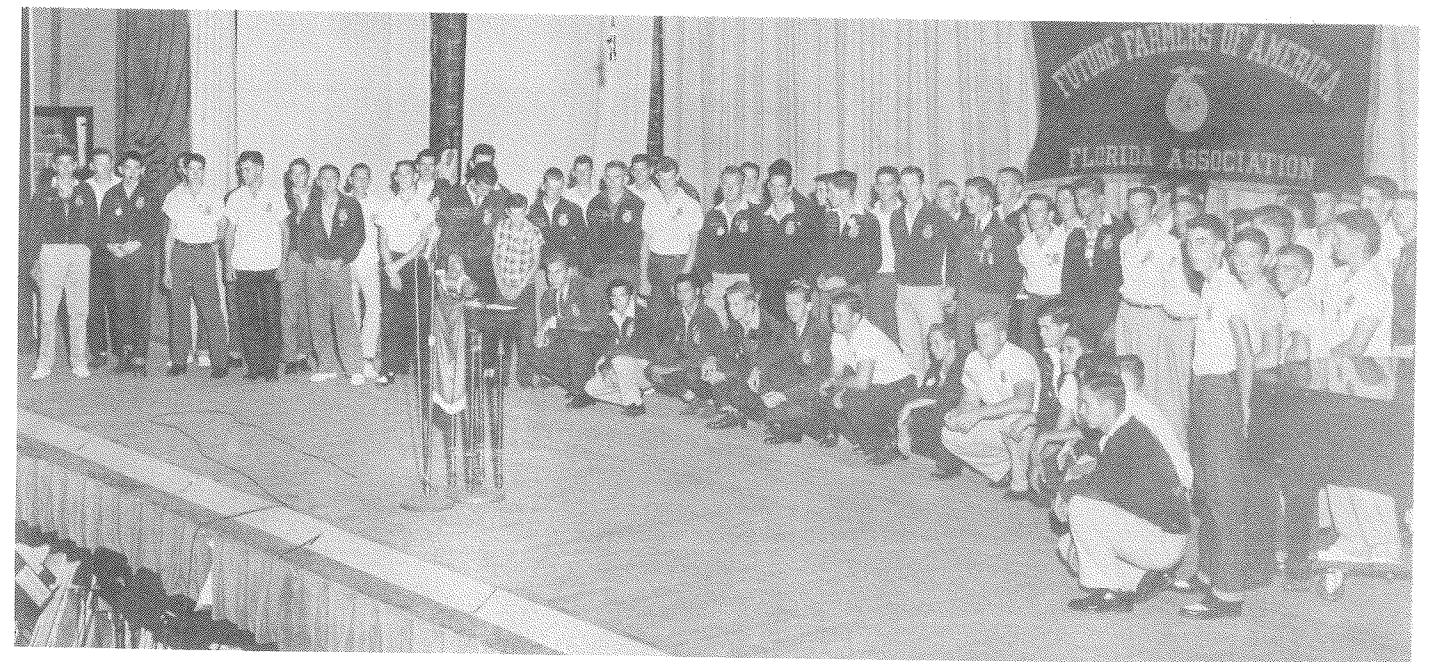
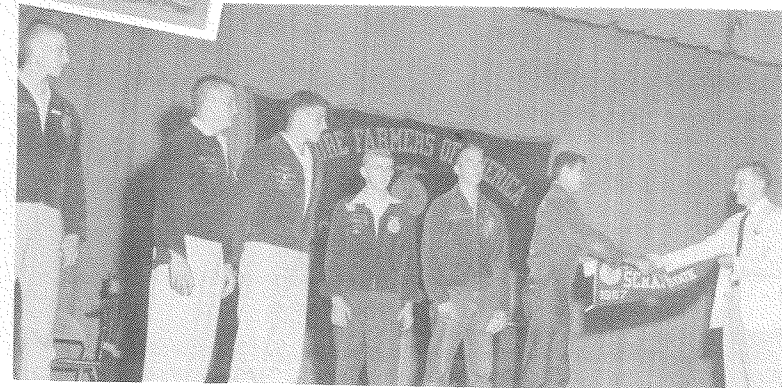


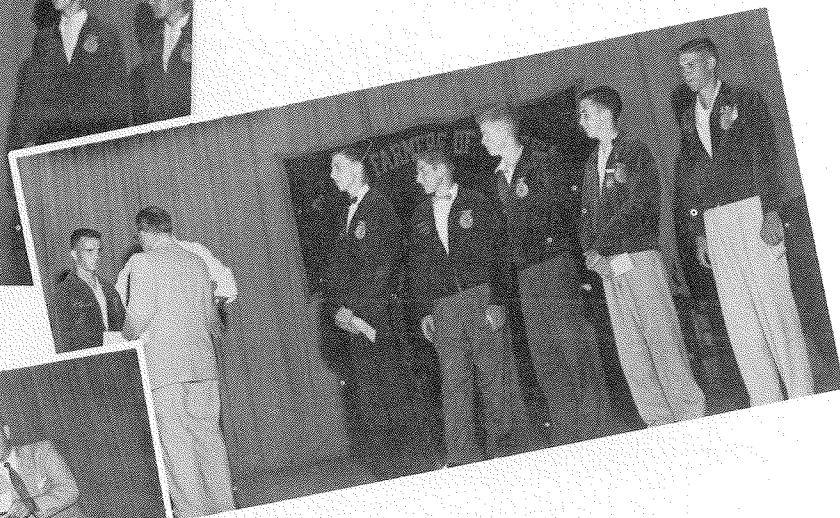


A scene from the pageant "Frontiers" put on by the Hillsborough County FFA Federation at the convention is shown at top • Winners in the tractor driving contest being presented the Florida Ford Tractor Co. Awards by T. E. Hancock, assistant general sales manager, Florida Ford Tractor Co., Jacksonville. From left are Jack Kikland, Bethlehem, Roger Jimenez, Sanford, Joe Ross, Gainesville, P. L. Keen, Bradenton, Bobby Hudson, Madison, and Don Cooper, Hialeah, who placed from first to sixth in that order • Bottom panel shows chapter representatives of winners in the "Pass the Chicken Pappy" contest sponsored by Sears Roebuck and Company. T. J. Wetherell, Daytona store manager, presented the awards.



Chapter Awards Presentations are shown in these pictures • Top picture shows Aubrey Fowler, Florida Council of Farmer Cooperatives, presenting the chapter cooperative award to South Dade • W. R. Hancock gives the parliamentary procedure trophy to Marianna • James E. Gorman, managing director of the retail merchants division of the state chamber, gives the first place chapter contest award plaque to Robert McAteer as president of the Ocala chapter. M. C. Roche, adviser and Oliver Daughtery, principal, both received honorary state farmer degree in conjunction with the award. Other winners were South Dade chapter at Homestead (second) Williams at Live Oak (third). At the left is Vincent Jones, adviser • Below Donald E. Adams, director of agricultural development of Florida Power & Light Company at Palatka, presents scrapbook award to Miami Edison (first), and district winners: Vernon, Quincy, Suwannee at Live Oak, Edgewater at Orlando, and Mulberry.





Ralph Cellon, vice president of the Florida Cattlemen's Association, presents the beef breeding award of \$100 to Shelly Swift of Ocala. Other winners (from left) were Jeff Daughtry, Wauchula, Ray Rhodes, Ocala, Don L. Akins, Mulberry, Bill Foster, DeLand, and Kenneth Sutton, Kathleen. FCA feeder steer awards of \$15 go to five district winners. State Winner Tom Maxwell of Quincy received \$100 to help pay his and adviser's expenses to National FFA convention. R. N. Hoskins, general forestry agent of Seaboard Railway, presents 1957 state forestry awards. Bobby Burnsed, Macclenny received the \$125 check along with his adviser, Alan Harvey. Kenneth Tanner, Callahan, received \$50, Eugene Lewis, Tallahassee, \$20, Robert McAleer, Ocala, \$20. \$100 check from FFA Foundation and \$100 savings bond from L. A. Johnston, promotion manager of Gulf Power Company of Pensacola are given to Adrian Summerlin of Gonzalez. District winners receiving \$500 bonds include Bobby Wagner, Gonzalez, Randy King, Jasper, David Kenneth Crapps, Suwannee at Live Oak, Shelly Swift, Ocala, Wren Credland, Crystal River, and Morris Turner, Wauchula. R. A. Meissen, marketing assistant of Standard Oil Company, presenting \$100 check and certificate to Tommy Belts. Quincy chapter was state winner; others were Ocala, DeLand, Crystal River, South Dade at Homestead, and Winter Haven. Dewayne Williams, Gonzalez, receives a \$100 check and \$100 savings bond from G. H. W. Schmidt, vice president and manager of Florida Ford Tractor Company, sponsor of the bonds. District winners, who received a \$50 bond include Roger Downs, Quincy, Donald Turner, Brandon, Shelly Swift, Ocala, Theron Hinson, Suwannee at Live Oak, James E. Posey, Escambia Farms, and Milton Lounsbury, South Dade at Homestead.

results in the Harmonica Contest and presented the awards to the following in their order of placing: Frank McDonald, Kissimmee—\$10.00 and a Pennant; Happy Roche of Vernon—\$8.00; Francis Fleming, Plant City Sr.—\$7.00; and Vasco Koon, Mayo—\$5.00.

Dr. Alfred P. Haake, consultant to General Motors, Largo, in addressing the members and guests on "Your Place in This Brave, New World" set forth the present precarious position of the world which has resulted in great uncertainty, though it offers greater possibility for both good and evil than it has for centuries. The United States' survival depends upon the individual leadership of the generation to come. If the United States survives it will be the first of 26 great civilizations that has not gone down under "collectivism." He stressed that the strength of a nation lies in the community and the strength of the community comes from the faith, enthusiasm, hard work and the responsibility that its individual citizens take for their own lives and well-being.

Introductory remarks regarding the candidates for Honorary State Farmer Degree were given by Kenneth Moore, after which the State Officers awarded the Degree to the following: Henry Chitty, co-owner of Star Dust Angus Ranch near Gainesville; Harold Colee, executive vice-president of the Florida Chamber of Commerce, Jacksonville; Frank Commander, Principal of High School, Trenton; George Crutcher, Head of the Department of Visual Instruction, General Extension Division of Florida, Gainesville; O. Earle Frye, Assistant Director of the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, Tallahassee; Paul F. Furr, Jr., Principal of High School, Bartow; Dr. Alfred P. Haake, Consultant to General Motors, Largo; Edwin J. Hawkins, Manager of Future Farmers Supply Service, Alexandria, Va.; Lovette Jackson, past President of the Florida Hereford Breeders Association, Gainesville; P. R. Medland, Commercial Freight Agent for Seaboard Air Line Railroad Company, Kansas City, Mo.; John Wayne Mixson, director of organization for the Florida Farm Bureau, Gainesville; L. E. Oglesby, sales promotion supervisor of the International Harvester Company, Jacksonville; E. M. Parker, southeastern district agronomist, Spencer Chemical Company, Jacksonville; Stacey Quincey, father of James Quincey, our national vice president, Trenton; C. W. Reaves, extension dairyman, University of Florida, Gainesville; Clarence J. Rogers, associate professor, agricultural engineering, University of Florida, Gainesville; O. H. Rutledge, supervising principal of schools, Live Oak; William B. Shenk, sales promotion manager, Florida Power Corporation, St. Petersburg; Horace Smith, manager of Volusia Tractor Company, DeLand; N. L. Storms, teacher of vocational agriculture and adviser of the FFA Chapter at Brandon; George M. Talbott, manager of the production and marketing division, Florida Fruit and Vegetable

Association, Orlando; and Lacey Thomas, cattle raiser and citrus grower, Groveland. Since George H. Cooper, farmer and business man of Princeton, was unable to be present due to illness, his degree was awarded in absentia.

At this time Harold Colee presented the first Honorary Membership in the Florida Chamber of Commerce to the Florida Association, FFA.

President P. K. Beck presented Mrs. Stacey Quincey a Certificate of Merit. Mrs. Quincey is the mother of James, our national vice-president, from Trenton.

After announcements by President Beck regarding committee work, the Committees received their assignments and recessed to Seabreeze High School and in Peabody Auditorium.

TUESDAY EVENING

THE THIRD session of the Convention was called to order by President P. K. Beck, who proceeded with the official opening ceremony, after introducing Happy Roche of the Vernon Chapter, and Francis Fleming of the Plant City Sr. Chapter, who furnished music prior to the opening. Don Clemmons, 3rd vice-president was introduced as Master of Ceremonies for the session.

Professor H. P. Constans, head, speech department, University of Florida, Gainesville, Harold Colee, executive vice-president, Florida State Chamber of Commerce, Jacksonville; and Earl Faircloth, attorney at law, Miami, were introduced by W. T. Loftin as judges in the Public Speaking Contest.

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G. S. Goshorn, executive vice president of First Atlantic National Bank, Daytona Beach, presented Florida Bankers Association scholarships of \$100 each to Dwight Stewart, Walnut Hill, Clayton Jones, Jasper, John Leslie Goff, Suwannee at Live Oak, Tommy Clark, Lakeland, and Don Deadwyler, Sebring.

While Professor Constans gave the placings in the Public Speaking Contest, R. S. Maddox, Regional Manager of Public Relations for General Motors Corporation, Atlanta, Ga., presented the Future Farmer of America Foundation certificate and check for \$100 and a pennant to David Courtney of Gonzalez; and J. E. Gorman, Managing Director, Retail Merchants Division, Florida State Chamber of Commerce, Jacksonville, presented awards sponsored by Belk-Lindsey Stores to Donald Tabb of Wimauma—\$25 as second place winner and Douglas Rickles, Bushnell, \$20 as third place winner. The titles of their speeches in their respective placings were: "Vocational Agriculture—A Functional Program," "Only God Can Make a Tree," and "Soil Conservation in Florida."

Charles Schack of the Greenwood Chapter was presented a Dairy Efficiency Plaque from Southern Dairies, a certificate and check for \$100.00 from the Future Farmers of America Foundation as State Farmer by Ezra Yocum, Field Representative, Southern Dairies, Inc., Marianna, District winners receiving \$25.00 each from Southern Dairies, Inc., were Don Cooper, Hialeah; Johnny Hebb, Bartow; Robert McAteer, Ocala; John Wayne Barrington, Live Oak-Suwannee; T. S. Lambert III, Havana; and Darrel Hobbs, Paxton, Top District Winner, who also received a plaque.

At this time J. G. Smith conducted the String Band Contest. The judges in this contest were: Aubrey Fowler, T. E. Hancock and Bob O'Sheal, Daytona Beach.

T. E. Hancock, assistant general sales manager of the Florida Ford Tractor company, Jacksonville, presented the awards sponsored by the Florida Association, FFA in the String Band Contest, to the following: LaBelle, as State Winner, received \$20.00 and a pennant; Kissimmee, as 2nd place received \$15.00; Turkey Creek, as 3rd place—\$10.00; Frink, as 4th—\$5.00; DeFuniak Springs as 5th—\$5.00.

and Starke as 6th—\$5.00.

The meeting was then turned back to the State President for the Closing Ceremony and adjournment.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

THE ALPHA GAMMA RHO Fraternity, University of Florida, sponsored a breakfast at the Princess Iskena Hotel, at 7:00 a.m. for all State Farmer Candidates planning to attend College. Their host was Clyde Stevens, Noble Ruler of Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity, Gainesville.

Special music was presented by the Kissimmee String Band, and the fourth session of the convention opened with the devotional service given by Reverend E. R. Rowley, Pastor of the Highlands Presbyterian Church, Daytona Beach. State President P. K. Beck called the meeting to order with the official opening ceremony and T. L. Barrineau, area supervisor, agricultural education, gave the State Highlights for 1956-57. (Copies of this report are being distributed at the July 1957 Vocational Agriculture Teachers Conference.)

Don Clemmons presented the treasurer's report for the year 1956-57, which was approved by the delegates.

Dr. Marvin Brooker, dean of the college of agriculture, University of Fla. addressed the delegates.

For the past several years the Florida Association, FFA has invited the State Presidents from all FFA State Associations in the Southern Region, as well as Presidents of other youth organizations in Florida, to attend their State Convention. Those present this year were as follows: Jim Thomas, president, from Georgia, and Herbert Lackey, vice president from Tennessee. Both were called to the platform and spoke briefly to the delegates. Also presented for a short speech was Tom Warlow, from Wales, England, exchange student from the Young Farmer Clubs of Great Britain. Introduced at this time were past presidents William T. Aplin, Hal Davis, Don

Fuqua and Eugene Mixon.

A splendid performance of the pageant "Frontiers" was given by the Hillsborough County FFA Federation, under the guidance of D. A. Storms, county coordinator of agricultural education in Hillsborough County, assisted by the vocational agricultural teachers of Hillsborough County.

The State Forestry Contest awards, sponsored by the Seaboard Air Line Railroad Company, were presented by R. N. Hoskins, Gen. Forestry Agt. Bobby Burned of Baker County High School, Macclenny, as State Winner received \$125, as did his adviser. Second place of \$50 went to Kenneth Tanner of Callahan; third place of \$30 to Eugene Lewis of Tallahassee; and fourth place of \$20 to Robert McAteer of Ocala.

The State Champion La Belle String Band furnished some music at this time.

William Arlen Gay, former member of the Trenton Chapter was presented a \$125 J. F. Williams Memorial Scholarship by G. C. Norman, farm mechanics specialist for vocational agriculture. Arlen is a graduate in agricultural education at the University of Florida and a member of the Collegiate Chapter.

James Quincey, Honored Guest of the Convention, addressed the delegates and guests.

The 1957 State Farmer Degree Candidates were guests of the Daytona Beach Convention Bureau at a luncheon in the Princess Iskena Hotel, with Scott Piersol, President, Lou Marsh, Manager, C. of C. and John Callohan Manager Convention Bureau, as their host.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

THE AFTERNOON session was called to order by the president and opened with the official ceremony.

Wesley Patrick, the Star Farmer of America, from Quitman, Georgia, addressed the Convention delegates and guests.

Paul Allen, State D. C. T. president from Orlando was introduced and brought greetings to the delegates and guests.

State Farmer Degrees were conferred on 165 Future Farmers by the State Officers (This listing is given on page 2). This year, the Mid-States Steel and Wire Company of Crawfordsville, Indiana and Jacksonville, Florida, sponsored awards of \$5.00 each, for members receiving the State Farmer Degree, with \$10.00 going to the three top District Winners, \$25.00 to the two top Area Winners, and \$50.00 to the Star State Farmer. H. E. Nickloy, advertising manager, of Crawfordsville; L. J. Whitmarsh, manager of the Florida plant, and E. H. Nelson, sales director, both of Jacksonville, presented the awards.

The Florida Federation of Production Credit Associations, for the second year presented the State Farmer Key to each member receiving the Degree. W. C. Grainger, Bradenton, Al Whitmore, Orlando, and Charles B. Long of Miami presented the keys.

The six candidates for 1957-58 State President were given two minutes each to present their qualifications prior to the balloting for president, in which all were



G. C. Norman, farm mechanics specialist, presenting the J. F. Williams, Jr., Scholarship Award of \$100 to William Arlen Gay of Trenton.

eliminated except Lloyd Dubroff and Donald Smith.

"Pass-the-Chicken, Pappy" Awards, sponsored by the Sears Roebuck Foundation, were presented to 18 Chapters by Tommy Wetherell, manager of the Sears, Roebuck Store in Daytona Beach. First place winner in each district received \$25.00, second place winner \$15.00 and third place winner \$10.00. Those who received awards by District in order of placing were as follows: I—Marianna, Chipley, Vernon; II—Tallahassee, Sneads, White Springs; III—Baldwin, Macclenny-Baker Co., Hilliard; IV—Reddick, Ocala, Winter Garden; V—Bartow, Sarasota, Inverness; VI—South Dade, Wauchula, Sebring.

Dewayne Williams of Gonzalez was presented a certificate and check for \$100 from the Future Farmers of America Foundation and a \$100 Savings Bond from the Florida Ford Tractor Company, as State winner of the Farm Mechanics Award, by G. H. W. Schmidt, vice president of the Florida Ford Tractor Company in Jacksonville.

To each of the District Winners, he presented \$50 Savings Bonds also from his organization: I—James E. Posey, Escambia Farms; II—Roger Downs, Quincy; III—Theron Hingson, Suwannee at Live Oak; IV—Shelly Ray Swift, Ocala; V—Donald Turner, Brandon; VI—Milton Lounsbury, South Dade at Homestead. 35 County winners each received a \$25 Savings Bond from their local Ford

Tractor Dealer.

Recommendations of Committees were submitted during the remainder of the Session and were approved. These will be mimeographed and distributed to all teachers of vocational agriculture in Florida.

The session closed with the official ceremony for the annual fish fry sponsored by the Florida Ford Tractor Company. Six hundred Future Farmers, advisors and guests met on the beach at "Beach Rest," at 5:30 p.m., which was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone present.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

At 8:00 p.m., a special talent program, arranged by D. A. Storms, Sr., coordinator of agricultural education in Hillsborough

County, was presented in the Band Shell on the beach, with over 3000 Future Farmers and guests in attendance. Terry McDavid, vice president from Pompano was master of ceremonies for a full and entertaining program. The LaBelle and Kissimmee String Bands played; Chuck McIntosh of Turkey Creek played the piano; the DeFuniak Springs Quartet accompanied by Shirley Wise sang, Marie Framontana of Tampa entertained with dancing and acrobatics; David Courtney of Gonzalez gave his Winning Public Speech; Frankie McDonald of Kissimmee entertained with his Harmonica; and several of the District Sweethearts, as well as Jeanette Bloodsworth, the 1956 State Sweetheart, entertained with their special talents.

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SOUTHEAST ALABAMA, NORTH FLORIDA, AND SOUTHWEST GEORGIA AREA VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE TV PROGRAMS

THE VOCATIONAL Agriculture programs over Station WTVY-TV in Dothan, Alabama are in their second year of continuous operation. Teachers of Alabama, Georgia and Florida are cooperating in presenting a 15-minute program each Saturday. The time of the program will vary and advise that you consult the Vocational Agriculture teacher, your TV Station, or your local newspaper. The programs will be as follows:

Date (1957)	Subject	Teacher	Place
Aug. 3	Fitting and Showing Swine.....	Joe Cannon.....	Jakin, Ga.
Aug. 10	State Convention, Ga.....	J. L. Branch.....	Tifton, Ga.
Aug. 17	Community Organization.....	F. W. Wood.....	Kinston, Ala.
Aug. 24	What Voc. Agriculture Means To Me.....	H. H. Woolley.....	Graceville, Fla.
Aug. 31	The Place of Voc. Agriculture in the Total School Program.....	L. E. Willis.....	Greenwood, Fla.
Sept. 7	Farm Mechanics.....	C. M. Cook.....	Ft. Gaines, Ga.
Sept. 14	Variety Program.....	M. C. Owens.....	Midland City, Ala.
Sept. 21	What is An American Farmer.....	B. B. Baker.....	Donaldsonville, Ga.
Sept. 28	Winter Pastures.....	Harry Davis.....	Colquitt, Ga.
Oct. 5	Controlling Insects in Stored Corn.....	J. L. Adderhold.....	Chipley, Fla.

After some special introductions, the program closed with the audience joining in singing the "Star Spangled Banner."

THURSDAY MORNING

THE SIXTH SESSION opened with a few selections by Frank McDonald, State Harmonica Champion of Kissimmee, followed by a Devotional by Reverend Rhodes Thompson, Jr., Pastor of the First Christian Church in Daytona Beach. President Beck called the meeting to order, with officers at their stations taking part in the official opening ceremony.

The two candidates for state president were given five minutes each for campaign speeches, after which a ballot was taken and Lloyd Dubroff was elected for 1957-58.

Scholarships from the Florida Bankers Association were presented to Dwight Stewart, of Walnut Hill; Clayton Jones, Jasper; John Leslie Goff, Suwannee Chapter at Live Oak; Tommy Clark, Lakeland; and Don Deadwyler, Sebring, by G. S. Goshorn, Executive Vice-President of the First Atlantic National Bank of Daytona Beach.

The top three Chapters in the State Chapter Contest were presented their awards by James E. Gorman and will be entered in National Competition. State winner this year was Ocala, which received \$40.00 and a Gold Plaque; second—South Dade at Homestead, which received \$25.00 and a Silver Plaque; and third, Williams at Live Oak, which received \$15.00 and a Bronze Plaque. Increased interest was shown this year by the Chapters as indicated by their Accomplishment Reports. Those having a Superior Rating (67) were presented with a gold seal and those having a Standard Rating (47) received a silver seal from the National Organization.

The nominating committee's selections for state vice presidents were approved for the following: 1st—Lamar Jenkins, Williams at Live Oak; 2nd—John Wood-

berry, Havana; 3rd—Craig Griffin, Tavares; 4th—Donald Smith, Wauchula; 5th—Eugene Hudson, Vernon; 6th—Charles McCullers, Plant City. Nominations from the floor were made for the following: 2nd—Bill Land, Mayo; 3rd—Lenon Kenyon, Ocala, and Bill Thompson, Sanford; 4th—Charles Posey, Hialeah, Shell Williams, Clewiston, and Ed Davis, Miami Jackson; 5th—Durwood Ray, Walton at DeFuniak Springs; Lamar Jenkins and Charles McCullers did not have opposition.

At this time the retiring state vice presidents made their individual reports to the delegates and they were approved. Recommendations of committees were submitted and approved.

The session closed with the official closing ceremony.

A special luncheon was held at the Princess Islena hotel for the District State Farmers, their parents and advisers, by the Mid-States Steel & Wire Company, Jacksonville, with H. E. Nickloy, L. J. Whitmarsh and E. H. Nelson as hosts.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

THE SEVENTH SESSION was called to order by the President.

Vice presidents elected on the first ballot were: Bill Land of Mayo—2nd; Bill Thompson of Sanford—3rd; Donald Smith of Wauchula—4th; and Eugene Hudson of Vernon—5th.

Presentation of Farm Electrification awards were made by L. A. Johnston, sales promotion manager, Gulf Power Company, Pensacola, as follows: to the State Winner, Adrain Summerlin, of Tate at Gonzalez, a Certificate and check for \$100.00 from the Future Farmers of America Foundation and a \$100.00 Savings Bond from the Power Companies; and to each of the District winners a \$50.00 Savings Bond from the Florida Power and Light Company of Miami; Florida Power Corporation of St. Petersburg; Tampa Electric Company of

Tampa; Gulf Power Company of Pensacola; and Florida Public Utilities Company of West Palm Beach—Bobby Wagner of Tate at Gonzalez, Randy King of Jasper, David Kenneth Crapps of Suwannee at Live Oak, Shelly Swift of Ocala, Wren Credland of Crystal River, and Morris Turner of Wauchula.

President Beck introduced Hon. Thomas D. Bailey, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, stating that he is the chief state school officer, an Honorary State Farmer of the Florida Association, FFA as well as an Honorary American Farmer member of the National Organization, FFA, and always attends the FFA Day Programs at the Florida State Fair in Tampa and State FFA Convention; and is ready at all times to assist Future Farmers and give unlimited time to help further the Future Farmer program in Florida. Mr. Bailey addressed the delegates and guests at this time.

The Miami-Edison Chapter, as State Winner of the Scrapbook contest, received \$25.00 and a Pennant. Other District winners were Vernon, Quincy, Suwannee at Live Oak, Edgewater at Orlando, and Mulberry, each receiving \$10.00. These awards, sponsored by the Florida Association FFA, were presented by Don Adams, Director of Agricultural Development, Florida Power and Light Company, Palatka. Judges were R. A. Miessen, G. C. Norman, and E. M. Parker.

At this time Jeanette Bloodworth, Fort Meade, State FFA Sweetheart for 1956, gave some special entertainment, and the meeting adjourned with the official closing ceremony.

THURSDAY EVENING

THE EIGHTH SESSION of the Convention was called to order by the President after several selections by the LaBelle State Champion String Band, and the DeFuniak Springs State Champion Quartet. The meeting opened with the official opening ceremony.

L. J. Whitmarsh, manager of the Florida plant, Mid-States Steel and Wire Company, presented awards as follows: Lamar Jenkins, Williams at Live Oak, Star State Farmer—\$50.00; John Woodberry, Havana, and Charles McCullers, Plant City, top Area Farmers—\$25.00 each; Dwight Stewart, Walnut Hill, Craig Griffin, Tavares and Don Deadwyler, Sebring, top District Farmers, \$10.00 each.

Parents and advisers of the winners who were present were introduced to the delegation. FFA lapel pins were presented to the parents of the winners.

Chilean Nitrate Educational Bureau Leadership Awards were presented to John Woodberry of Havana, Lamar Jenkins of Williams at Live Oak, and Charles McCullers of Plant City, Area Star Farmers of Florida for 1957, by J. F. Bazemore, State Educational Manager from Orlando. Each was awarded \$75 toward his expenses for attending the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, Missouri, in October, 1957.

Hon. Thomas D. Bailey presented a certificate and check for \$100 from the Future Farmers of America Foundation

to the Star State Farmer and Foster Marshall of the Florida Times Union presented him with the Florida Times Union Trophy, after which the State President presented Lamar's father with the Honorary State Farmer Degree and his mother with the Certificate of Merit.

Terry McDavid, 5th vice president, as Master of Ceremonies, introduced the Judges and Conducted the State Sweetheart Contest. Miss Pat Cossin of Edgewater at Orlando was selected State FFA Sweetheart of the Florida Association for 1957-58. The judges were: Doyle E. Conner, Starke, past state and national FFA president, and speaker of the house of representatives in the Florida Legislature; W. V. Chappell, Ocala, Marion County, and Emory Cross, Gainesville, Alachua County, members of the Florida Legislature.

Pat was crowned by Jeanette Bloodworth, 1956 sweetheart, and Doyle presented her with a trophy and for her Chapter a pennant, from the Florida Association, FFA. The cash awards, sponsored by the Belk-Lindsey Stores of Florida, were presented by J. E. Gorman—\$100 to the State Sweetheart and \$20 to each of the other contestants, who were: Glenda Chancey, Palatka, Betty Edenfield, Ft. Myers, Linda Edwards, Mayo, Shirley Wise, DeFuniak Springs, and Peggy Sue Glasscock, Auburndale.

FRIDAY MORNING

THE NINTH and final Session of the convention was called to order by the president, after group singing which was led by F. L. Northrop. The devotional service was given by Reverend John L. DuRant, Pastor of the Flomich Avenue Baptist Church, Holly Hill. The president then proceeded with the official opening ceremony.

The following movies were shown: "Vocational Agriculture in Florida," which is about the experiences in Vocational Agriculture of Bill Gunter, past National FFA President from the Suwannee Chapter at Live Oak. This film is available through the Department of Visual Instruction, General Extension Division, University of Florida; and "F.F.A. Here and There," a Venard production, Peoria, Illinois. Mr. Venard hopes that this film will be available for showing at FFA Chapter meetings etc., this next year.

J. Gordon Perkins, asst. district manager of the International Harvester Company, Jacksonville, presented the winners of the Soil and Water Management Awards. The State winner, William Carvel Brown, of the Walnut Hill Chapter, received a certificate and check for \$100 from the Future Farmers of America Foundation and a \$100 Savings Bond from the International Harvester Dealers of Florida. To each of the District winners was given a \$50.00 Savings Bond for first place, \$25 Savings Bond for second place, and \$10 check for third place also from the International Harvester Dealers of Florida. These winners in their respective placing by districts were as follows: I—Gary Hue

Cook, Escambia Farms; Max Pridgen, Paxton, Lorenzo Stewart, Chumuckla; II Waddie Howard Fletcher, Greenville, Sammy Miller, Jasper, C. C. Sellers, Tallahassee; III—David Crapps, Suwannee at Live Oak, Myron Bryan, Alachua, C. V. Jones, Jr., Trenton; IV—Ronnie Merritt, Groveland, Edward Lee Yowell, Kissimmee, Gregg F. Bailey, Bronson; V—Edward Kirkland, Mulberry, Donald Sutton, Winter Haven, David Glisson, Crystal River; VI—James F. Brandenburg, South Dade at Homestead, Shelby Farr, Sebring, Don Cooper, Hialeah.

A special plaque in appreciation of outstanding service to the Florida Future Farmers was awarded to William Jacobs, office engineer, City of Tallahassee.

G. C. Norman received a fiber glass

boat and trailer to be delivered to H. E. Wood, the state adviser, from the members and Advisers in Florida as a token of appreciation for his many years of outstanding guidance and leadership.

The following parents were presented to delegates and guests by the State Officers, after which President Beck presented each father with the Honorary State Farmer Degree and each mother with a Certificate of Merit: Mr. and Mrs. A. F. McDavid, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar L. Brewer, Ray Clemmons, and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Beck.

Constante A. Luna, instructor of agriculture in the Philippines, was introduced and gave a short talk to the delegates and guests.

On behalf of the Florida Association,

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WEST FLORIDA AND SOUTHERN ALABAMA AREA VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE TV PROGRAMS

THE VOCATIONAL Agriculture programs over Station WEAR-TV, Pensacola, are being continued for the second continuous year. The credit for this belongs to the boys and girls, teachers and their Coordinator for Florida, V. T. Sewell, Tate High School in Gonzalez, and for Alabama, B. C. Nix, Foley, Alabama. The programs on Saturday at 10:15 A.M. C.S.T. are at follows:

Date (1957)	Subject	Teacher	Place
Aug. 3	Place of Voc. Agriculture in the Total School Program	V. T. Sewell	Gonzalez
Aug. 10	Variety Show	Elton Wallace	Munson
Aug. 17	What Voc. Agriculture Has Meant To Me	Alton Harrison	Jay
Aug. 24	Planting Winter Pastures	C. D. Griffith	Escambia Farms
Aug. 31	Civil Defense	George Stone	Walnut Hill
Sept. 7	Planting a Fall Garden	T. V. Bishop	Robertsdale, Ala.
Sept. 14	Breeds of Dairy Cattle	A. P. Hughes	Milton
Sept. 21	Farm Shop Safety	Edward Morse	DeFuniak Springs
Sept. 28	Planning a Chapter Exhibit	George Stone	Walnut Hill
Oct. 5	Fitting and Showing Livestock	Gordon Walther	Baker

FFA, boxes of candy were presented to Mesdames Doris Cox, Autie McCallum, Caroline Langston, and Miss Joye Malone for their assistance during the convention.

The new State Sweetheart entertained with several selections and the 1st vice president introduced President Beck who gave his retiring report, which was unanimously approved.

The new officers of the Florida Association, Future Farmers of America for 1957-58 were officially installed with the appropriate Future Farmer Ceremony and escorted to their respective stations by the retiring officers. Retiring President P. K. Beck turned the gavel over to President Lloyd Dubroff, who then assumed his duties as president. President Dubroff talked to the delegation very

briefly and presented outgoing President Beck with a gavel.

A. R. Cox, executive secretary, Florida Association, presented each of the retiring officers with a past state officers pin and after a few announcements, the 29th Annual convention, Future Farmers of America, was declared adjourned by President Dubroff.

International Harvester Company of Jacksonville has sponsored a luncheon for the past several years, which is a most enjoyable climax to a very eventful week. This year was no exception. The 1956-57 and 1957-58 State Officers, several past State Presidents and special guests, members of the supervisory staff and guests attended this luncheon which was held at the Princess Issena Hotel.

Guest Editorial

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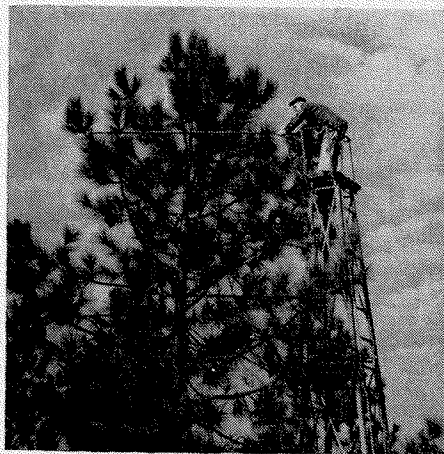
agricultural education today. Many of them are teachers or county agricultural agents. Some of them are now owner-operators or are managers of land tracts. Many of them have not followed farming as a career but an improved public attitude generally toward forestry and fire protection is evidence that even they profited by the instruction.

Interest in forest farming as a land use is pressing today almost to the point of demand—a demand that is not being too adequately met. The old—or earlier—agriculture teachers who participated in the earlier and intensively promoted program have pretty well faded from the picture. Many of the teacher replacements have had a college course in farm forestry but no field or practical experience. The greatly expanded FFA program would make far heavier demands on the personnel and funds of the Florida Forest Service if it were to attempt to provide the degree of cooperation that once existed. In the meantime, the growing program of the State forestry agency strains its personnel and funds to the limit.

A full time supervisor of forestry teaching, either on or attached to the staff of the supervisor of agricultural education, would go a long way toward meeting the need. He would need to be a technical forester, preferably with a farm family background, with some professional experience, and with a demonstrated ability to work effectively with youths. Even so, his job would be largely teaching teachers and providing them with the tools and skills to do the job.

The financing of such a position, under the joint supervision of the Department of Education and the Florida Forest Service, is well worth consideration by the pulp mills and the wood-using industries of the State who are even now putting substantial sums into forestry scholarships, prizes and the like to promote forestry education and sound practices.

CHARLES SCHACK, Greenwood, was first place winner in the Pasture Essay Contest sponsored by Florida Dairy Association. He received \$25. Don Shaw, Miami-Edison won second place, \$15; T. J. Lambert Jr., Havana, third place, \$10.



One way of gathering slash pine cones.

Gathering Cones Can Be Profitable Part-time Hobby

YES THERE IS, TOO, money on trees! And if you want to stretch a point, it's growing on trees!

This year you can make a big chunk of spending money from trees right in your neighborhood.

There's no catch. It's simple. All you have to do is collect Slash pine cones.

The work is easy—and profitable. You can do it on your own, with a buddy, or you can make it a chapter project.

You get \$1.00 a bushel for the cones just selling them to your neighborhood store. Or, if you want to get a group together and act as a dealer, you can clear \$1.15 a bushel.

And it's mighty easy to collect dozens of bushels of Slash pine cones. They're plentiful all over Florida—probably some, in your back yard.

And remember this: By collecting cones, you'll also be doing a favor for your state and a growing forest industry. Without the seeds gathered from pine cones, there will not be enough trees for wood, lumber, turpentine and other products so necessary to Florida's economy.

Cone collecting is a regular business for some people. It's easy to make as much as \$20 a day collecting cones.

The time of cone collecting is important because the seeds are useful only at certain times of the year. You also must get the cones before they open. The season usually is between the 1st and 20th of September.

Interested? Well, here's what to do.

First contact your chapter adviser and handle this as a chapter cooperative project.

Start now to scout your area for cones. Estimate the number you can collect—and the cash you will receive.

Be sure to get permission from landowners before collecting cones on their property. Most of them will be glad to

let you get the cones. Just remember to respect their property—you may want to go back again next year.

Look at the cones on the trees carefully. They're ready to collect when they turn brown and will float in 20 weight motor oil.

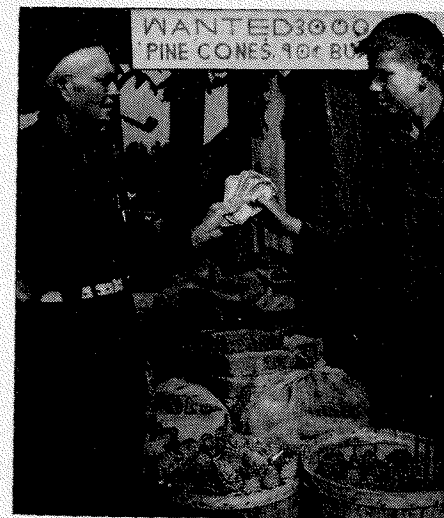
Trees with a diameter of from 8 to 16 inches, with healthy looking tops, produce the best cones.

Don't bother with diseased cones, they're worthless. Pick the ones that are firm and have a deep brown color. If they have sticky gum on them, they're probably not any good.

Here's how you can distinguish slash pine cones from others: They measure from 3 to 6 inches long, are glossy brown, with thin, prickly scales. Longleaf cones are 6 to 10 inches long, slightly curved with thick, prickly scales. Loblolly cones are from 3 to 5 inches long with short, sharp spines.

Here's all the equipment you'll need for cone collecting:

A light ladder, a light pole about 10 to 12 feet long with a prong on one end and several crocus sacks.



Reward—for gathering slash pine cones. Note that the reward has been increased.

A good idea is to follow logging crews picking up the cones from felled trees.

Top Three Chapters Chosen

FOR THE FIRST time in seven years, the state contest has two new chapters in the top three. Ocala, South Dade at Homestead, and Williams at Live Oak were selected as the best in the state for 1957.

Presentation of awards were made by J. E. Gorman, Managing Director, Retail Merchants Division of the Florida State Chamber of Commerce, as follows: Ocala Chapter \$40 and a gold plaque, South Dade Chapter \$25 and a silver plaque, and Williams Chapter \$15 and a bronze plaque. Previously he presented them \$25 each for being top in their respective districts. Other District winners were: Tate at Gonzalez, Quincy, and Bartow.

The Ocala Chapter had 94 members participating in increasing the size and quality of their farming programs. They attended cattlemen's school, took field trips which included visiting other members' farms, livestock shows and auctions, and meat plants. The average member had 2 productive enterprises with an average income of \$243.05, 8 improvement projects and 9 supplementary farm practices.

The members were provided with experience in cooperative buying (\$12,407.50) and selling (\$15,750.00). Members received \$12,150 in loans & agricultural service consisting of the use of: tractor, truck, registered boars and bulls, plants from nursery, and the repairing of tools and equipment. Other organizations with which they cooperated were: Farm Bureau, Soil Conservation Service, School classes and clubs, Forest Service, Chamber of Commerce, Lion's Club, Extension Service, FHA, Cattleman's Association, American Legion, County School Board and Commissioners, Health De-

partment, and Churches.

They assisted in sponsoring shows and fairs; improving livestock, poultry, forestry, pasture; and improving agriculture in the community. Activities to conserve the natural resources in the community received emphasis through a safety and fire prevention program, wildlife conservation, planting of pines, and many programs presented before different organizations.

Members received leadership training through public speaking, parliamentary procedure, judging livestock, poultry, meats, and meat products. Many members participated in and received awards in each of the following: Dairy Farming, Farm Electrification, Soil and Water Management, Farm Safety, Farm Mechanics, Public Speaking, and Chapter Farmer.

To finance chapter activities, they earned over \$1500 by planting pines, operating ball game concessions, selling fence posts and pulpwood from the chapter forest, and producing hay cooperatively.

A variety of meetings were planned and held during the year, the records of which were kept in the official FFA Secretary and Treasurer's book.

Each member participated in several activities sponsored by the chapter to improve scholarship. These were: keeping record of grades in their notebook, awards for the highest grades, posting of the honor roll, with high grades being required to attend forestry training camp, FFA Day at the State Fair, and State and National Conventions.

The chapter had a very active recreation committee, 82 of the members participating in one or more of the following sports (softball, horseshoe, and swim-

But don't take the cones from trees that were cut BEFORE the cones had a chance to ripen.

Some tips: Get the cones only from trees cut after September 1, and remember, get to work early as the cones will stay fresh only for about two weeks after the trees are cut.

You can get plenty of good cones from standing trees also. Open-grown trees with heavy tops will be the best, and easiest bet. Be sure to choose straight, well-formed trees.

Use your ladder to get into the tree crown, then use your pole to snap off the cones. However, don't try to beat the cones off the branches because you'll knock off a lot of small cones that will ripen for you to pick a year from now.

You can get more done if you have a buddy gather the cones in sacks as you break them off.

One final note: Get the cones to a dealer as soon as possible. Don't keep them in the sacks more than a day or two. If you have to keep them over two days, spread them out in a dry place.

Happy hunting to you all.

ming); picnics and parties; musical contests; and tours.

During the year the public relations committee was kept busy in reporting chapter events, with members taking part in two TV and ten radio programs, Civic Clubs and other public programs.

Much credit for the chapter accomplishments during the year is due to the support of the individuals, companies and businesses in the community, and through the interest and assistance of parents and school officials.

The chapter accomplishment reports were rated standard and superior, and the chapters received certificates from the Future Farmers of America Foundation. The top 4 Superior chapters in each district received awards of \$25, \$20, \$15, \$10, and the top 3 chapters in the State \$40, \$25, \$15, and a plaque from the Retail Merchants Division of the Florida State Chamber of Commerce.

Winning Chapters by Districts:

District I—Tate at Gonzalez, Allentown, Jay, Chipley. Superior Chapters: Allentown, Bonifay, Chipley, Cottondale, DeFuniak Springs, Gonzalez, Jay, Malone, Marianna, Paxton, Vernon. Standard Chapters: Baker, Bethlehem, Campbellton, Chumuckla, Escambia Farms, Graceville, Greenwood, Milton, Munson, Ponce deLeon, Poplar Springs, Walnut Hill.

District II—Quincy, Tallahassee, Monticello, Havana. Superior Chapters: Havana, Jasper, Mayo, Monticello, Quincy, Tallahassee, White Springs. Standard Chapters: Blountstown, Frink, Jennings, Lee, Pinetta, Sneads, Sopchoppy.

District III—Williams at Live Oak,

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1957-58 OFFICERS

LLOYD DUBROFF President

18 YEAR old Lloyd Dubroff from Altha, newly elected President of the Florida Association, farms with his father on a five hundred acre farm. Their main crops are beef cattle and tung trees. He and his father and a younger brother do most of the work, with extra help in the spring and at harvest seasons.

As Mr. Dubroff teaches Science, Lloyd has sometimes carried a large responsibility for the home farm. He has also worked for other farmers and had outside jobs for cash to enlarge his program.

One summer he worked for the Chipola River Soil Conservation District and became so interested in his work that the next year he began using his knowledge of soil conservation gained from the experience as the topic for his participation in the Public Speaking Contest. His senior year in school he won the State Contest and last fall placed second in the Natinal Competition. He also participated in Debating at Florida State University. He has served as President and Vice-President of his FFA Chapters, is an Air Scout, was Secretary of the Cooperative Living Organization at F.S.U. last year, and is a member of Tau Kappa Alpha, honorary speech fraternity.

LAMAR JENKINS First Vice President

LAMAR JENKINS of the J. F. Williams Chapter, Live Oak, is the new 1st Vice-President. He became interested in agriculture when he was ten years old, at which time his Mother and Father gave him one sow and one cow. He visited the Vo-Ag Department before he became a student in the fall of 1953. His program for the first year included 9 hogs for cash, 1 breeding cow, 8 acres of corn, 10 acres of sweet lupine, 4.5 acres of peanuts and 3 show barrows.

The second year of Lamar's program he purchased 100 acres of land from his parents for \$600. The terms of this purchase were that he would work on the home farm free of charge, plus the profits he made from his Supervised Farming Program. In his fourth year he purchased another 160 acres with equipment from his father. Then in 1955 his father gave him 1/3 interest in 997 acres of land.

His farm program for 1956-57 included 30 acres of corn, 3 show steers, 65 acres of peanuts, 20 acres of rye, 2 acres of tobacco, 25 acres of Pensacola Bahia Grass, 20 acres in forestry plots, 8 acres of watermelons, 5 breeder hogs, 3 show barrows, and 50 head of meat hogs. During his three years in Vocational Agriculture Lamar completed 30 Improvement Pro-

jects and 43 Supplementary Farm Jobs. Some of the Improvement Projects included breed improvement of livestock and poultry, building fences, constructing farm buildings, installing waterworks and lights, and planting soil improvement crops. Some of his Supplementary Farm Jobs included repairing and improving fences and gates, repairing, painting and storing farm machinery, constructing general equipment and home conveniences, repairing and improving farm buildings, constructing poultry equipment, proper first-aid treatments for sick and ailing animals and poultry, improving fertilization of crops, and immunizing livestock and poultry to diseases.

Lamar's labor income of \$9,573.37 is evidence of his efforts in his farming program.

Lamar served his local FFA Chapter in the capacity of Vice-President and President. He also represented his Chapter in the various FFA contests, and participated in many school and community activities.

BILL LAND Second Vice President

NEWLY ELECTED 2nd Vice-President, Bill Land, represents District II and is a member of the LaFayette Chapter at Mayo. Bill lives on a small farm about six miles east of Mayo.

Bill began taking Vocational Agriculture in 1954 and became a member of the FFA Chapter the same year. His first projects were a Hampshire male pig, which he purchased in 1955, and a Hampshire gilt, given him by his Mother. With these projects he represented his Chapter at several Stock Shows in and near his area, and at the same time won prizes amounting to \$60.80.

Bill's improvement project which helped him to receive the State Farmer Degree included such items as repairing and improving fences, gates, farm buildings, home equipment, building hog-lot equipment, improving breed of livestock, planting soil improvement crops, planting new cash crops, protecting Forest lands from fire, and planting permanent pastures. His farming program consists of corn, watermelons, hogs and cows.

As President of his FFA Chapter, he demonstrated leadership ability which will be put to further use in his present State Office. He was outstanding in many school activities. He plans to continue to participate in Agriculture.

BILL THOMPSON Third Vice President

BILL THOMPSON, newly elected 3rd Vice-President representing District IV, hails

from Sanford where he is a member of the Seminole Chapter. He began taking Vocational Agriculture in 1953. In 1954 he won the Chapter Farmer Degree and in 1957 the State Farmer Degree.

Bill's parents do not live on a farm but he became interested in farming and ranching, and made a rental agreement with various farmers for the use of their pastures by agreeing to keep up fences, fertilize pastures, and prevent outbreak of fires. He began his program with two calves which he later sold and used the money to buy more, until in 1956-57 he owned 7 meat hogs; 22 breed cows; and 12 beef cattle.

In addition to his ranching project, his program in 1956-57 included building fences, beautifying the home, rearranging fences and fields, and repairing and repainting farm buildings. Supplementary farm jobs included constructing poultry equipment, culling poultry, propagating fruit trees, controlling rats and other rodents, and dehorning livestock. His total labor income for four years was \$1,598.88.

He was very active in school and community activities. At the Chapter Parent and Son Banquet this year he received the Leadership Award. Bill plans to lease a place from money earned from his projects and go into a farm and ranching occupation and continue to participate in Vocational Agriculture and FFA activities as a Young Farmer.

DONALD SMITH Fourth Vice President

REPRESENTING THE Florida Association, FFA as 4th Vice-President during the coming year is Donald "Duck" Smith, who lives in Wauchula and is a member of the Hardee FFA Chapter. Donald has always had the desire to become a State Officer.

He began taking Vocational Agriculture and became a member of the FFA Chapter in 1953. He used a 5-acre pasture owned by his father to begin his project, which consisted of two head of cows which he purchased from money made by working on the ranch of Doyle Carlton, Jr., State Senator. During the past four years he has increased his project to 6 cows and a citrus seedbed.

Some of his improvement projects included building and rearranging fences, repairing and painting farm buildings, terracing farm land, and planting permanent pasture. His supplementary farm practices for 1956-57 included repairing and sharpening farm tools and equipment; concrete construction; landscaping school grounds; controlling rats and other rodents; dehorning cattle; improved feeding of livestock; and controlling insects and diseases on crops. His total labor in-

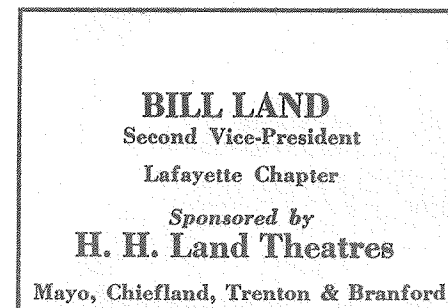
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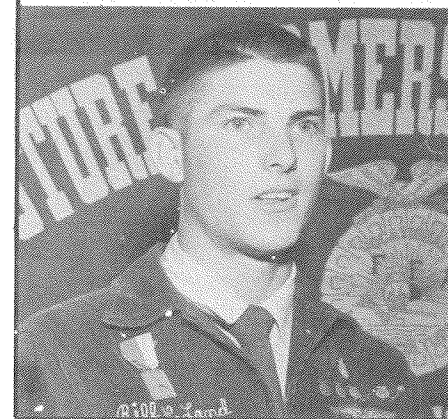
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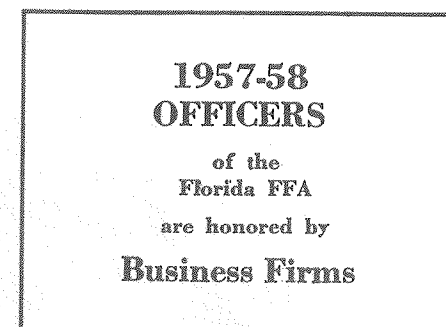
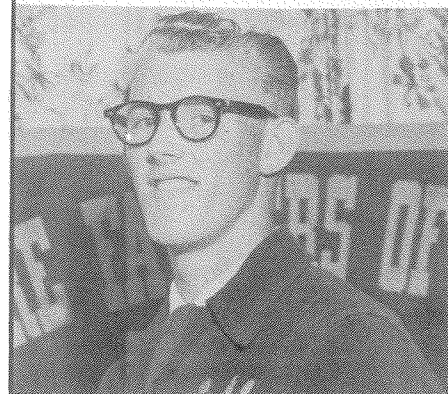
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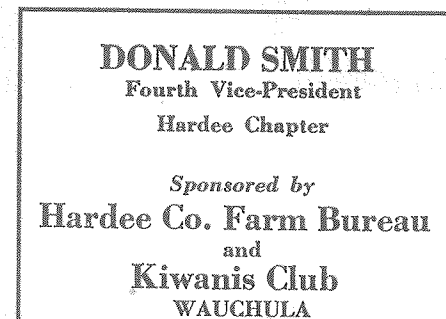
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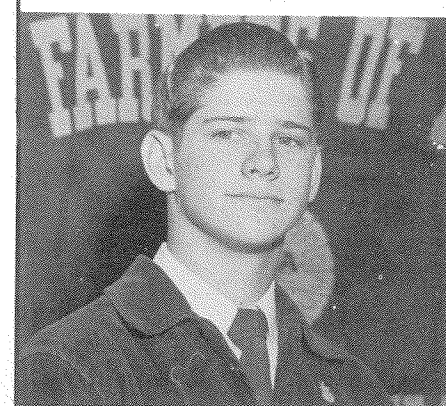
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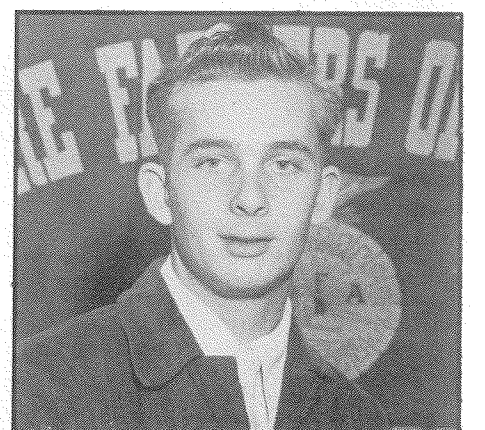


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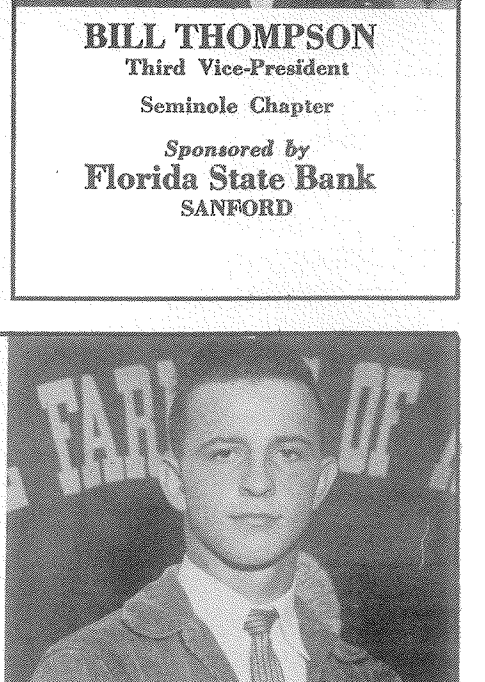


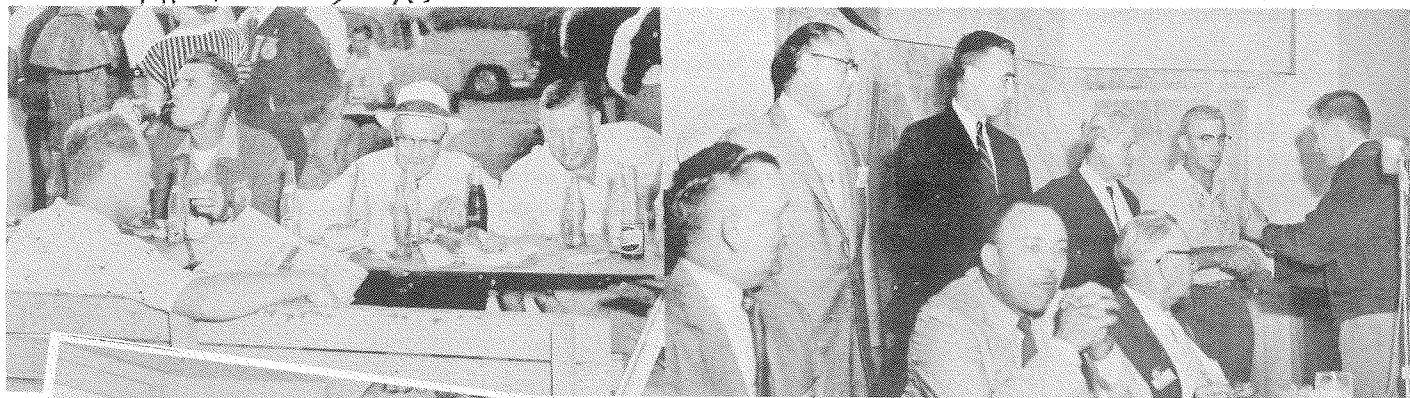
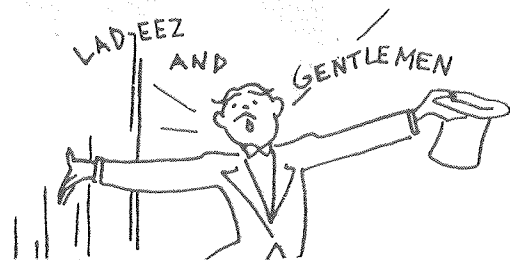
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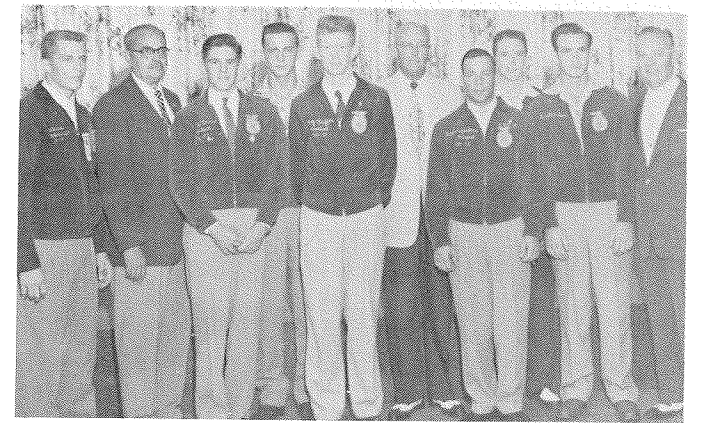


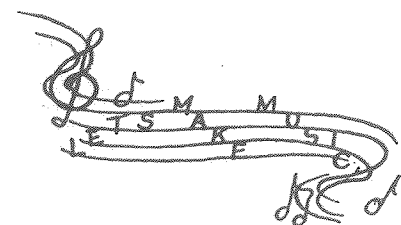
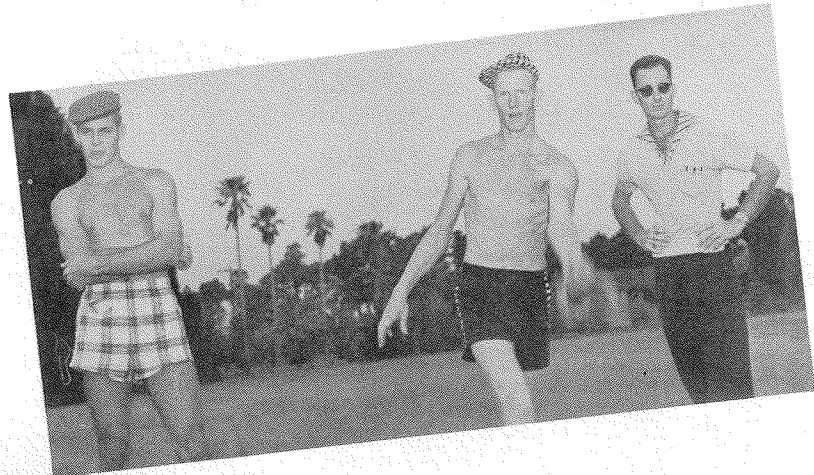
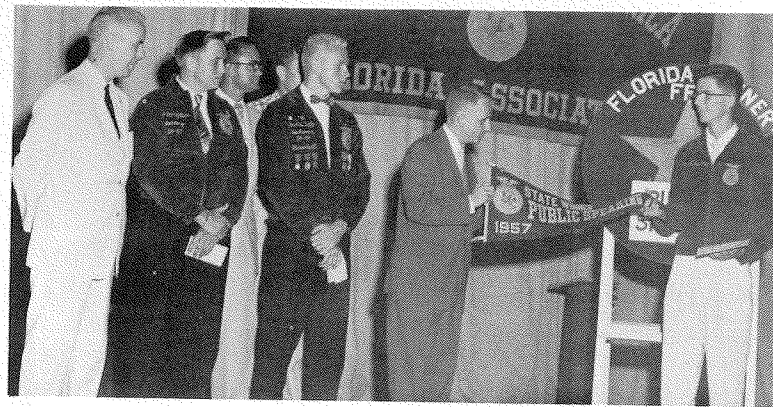


Top panel (left) Florida Federation of Production Credit Associations representatives presenting State Farmer Keys, and (right) Lou Marsh and Scott Piersol receiving FFA Lapel Pins at the State Farmer Luncheon • Dr. Alfred P. Haake, Consultant to General Motors, featured speaker at Convention and R. A. Miessen, Marketing Assistant of Standard Oil Company, at the Farm Safety Luncheon • above (left) G. H. W. Schmidt, Vice President and General Manager, Florida Ford Tractor Company, along with G. S. Sanderson, J. F. Bazemore, and T. E. Hancock at the annual Florida Ford Tractor Company Fish Fry • at left Harold Colee, Executive Director of Florida Chamber of Commerce, speaking at Sweetheart Luncheon sponsored by the Daytona Beach Chamber of Commerce • across the bottom (from left) speakers at the Convention: Earl Faircloth, former State President and now a Lawyer in Miami; Wesley Patrick, Star American Farmer from Quitman, Georgia; and Dr. Marvin Brooker, Dean of the College of Agriculture, University of Florida.

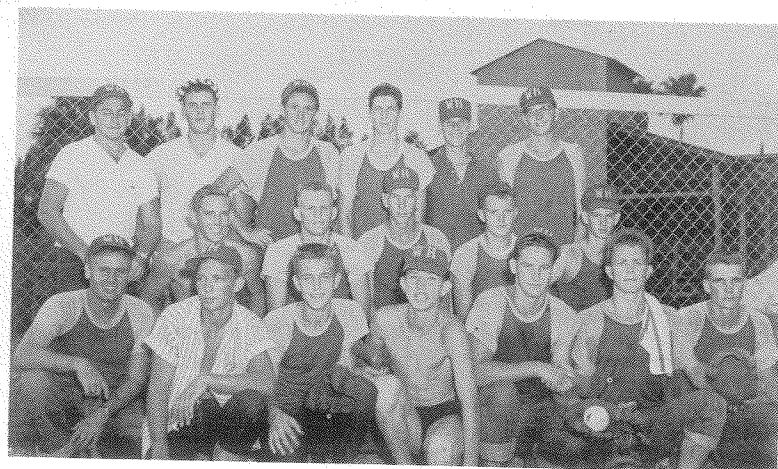


Daytona Snaps • District state farmers (right) at the Mid States Steel and Wire Co. luncheon, with H. E. Nickloy, L. J. Whitman and E. H. Nelson • J. F. Bazemore (below) presents the Chilean Nitrate leadership awards • Gordon Perkins and the soil and water management awards presented from the Future Farmer Foundation and the International Harvester Dealers of Florida • Lower left panels show (top) T. D. Bailey and Foster Marshall presenting the Star Farmer awards and (lower) music at the Alpha Gamma Rho breakfast • New state president receives the Mid-States Steel and Wire Co. award.





FFA recognition went to many at Daytona
 • Above, R. A. Miessen, marketing assistant of Standard Oil Company in Jacksonville, presents state harmonica winner Frank McDonald of Kissimmee with pennant
 • At right above R. S. Maddox, regional manager of General Motors, presents the FFA Foundation \$100 check and certificate to the state champion public speaker, David Courtney, Tate • Horseshoe pitching honors went to the Wauchula team • DeFuniak Springs chapter presented the state championship quartet, accompanied by Shirley Wise • Bottom picture shows the state champion softball team representing Winter Haven, and photographed with Adviser Warren Harrell.



Cellon Presents Beef Breeding Feeder Steer Awards for FCA

RALPH CELLON, vice-president of the Florida Cattlemen's Association, attended the State FFA Convention and presented the Beef Breeding and Feeder Steer Awards, which have been sponsored by the Cattlemen for many years.

Feeder Steer

VINCENT K. MILSTEAD of the Walnut Hill Chapter won the first place Feeder Steer Award, and will receive \$100 to apply on the expenses of himself and his adviser to attend the National F.F.A. Convention in Kansas City. The strong part of his program was in his use of home grown feeds to grow out and fatten his steer. He had 5 acres of corn, 5 acres of wheat, 3 acres of oats and 2 acres of millet for grazing, leaving his animal on the millet for 59 days. Vincent wrote that he used the following practices on his steer:

- Fed crushed corn, steer supplement, cotton seed meal, peanut hay and salt, feeding once in the morning and once at night;
- Watered three times each day;
- Cleaned water and feed troughs daily;
- Brushed steer at least twice a day;
- Washed steer twice a week;

Worked steer once a day, training him to lead and stand;
 Cut and trimmed steer's hair once a month.

He is in his second year of vocational agriculture. He won first place in the middle weight class at the Interstate Fair at Pensacola, and second place in that class at Quincy. He won fifth place in the gain-in-weight contest.

Other winners of awards, each of whom received \$15 toward his expenses in attending the State F.F.A. Convention, were: Bill Blake of the Quincy Chapter, Craig Griffin from Tavares, Milton McMillon of DeLand, John Woodbery of the Havana Chapter and Leslie Goff from the Suwannee Chapter at Live Oak.

Beef Breeding

SHELLY SWIFT of the Ocala Chapter was the winner of the 1st place Beef Breeding Award. This award is \$100 to be used toward the purchase of a purebred beef animal of his choosing.

He has been a consistent winner in shows at the Southeastern Junior Livestock and Poultry Show, and at the Florida State Fair. He has two registered

purebred Shorthorn bulls, six cows, five heifer and three bull calves, and one grade heifer. For feeding his animals, he used 13 acres of oats, 8 acres of corn and 10 acres of mixed hay. His stock was pastured on 13 acres of pangola for 100 days, on 23 acres of Bahia for 156 days, on 13 acres of oats winter pasture for 88 days, and on 8 acres of lupine for 73 days. Shelly knows what meat should look like too. He rated as high individual at the meat judging and identification contest held in connection with the Southeastern Fat Stock Show and Sale last March.

Shelly has, during the past two years, won at the Southeastern's Junior Livestock and Poultry Show, two Grand Championships with his bulls, and one with a heifer, as well as two Reserve Championships with his bulls. One of his bulls won Reserve Champion in the F.F.A. show at the Florida State Fair.

In addition to his cattle, Shelly has, in his supervised farming program this year, 50 head of poultry for meat, 15 acres of improved pasture, and 13 acres of oats. He also has carried out numerous improvement projects and supplementary farm practices, including planting soil improvement crops, starting a home fruit orchard, and providing a home milk supply.

Other award winners were Jeff Daughtry of Wauchula, Ray Rhodes of the Ocala Chapter, Dan L. Akins from Mulberry, Bill Foster of DeLand and Kenneth Sutton from the Kathleen Chapter. All of these boys received \$15 to help defray their expenses in attending the State F.F.A. Convention.

Farm Electrification Awards

ADRAIN SUMMERLIN, 18 years old and a senior in the Tate High School at Gonzalez and a member of the Tate F.F.A. Chapter, was the State Farm Electrification Award winner for 1957. He received \$100 from the Future Farmer of America Foundation and a \$100 Savings Bond from the five cooperating electric companies: Florida Power & Light Company, Florida Power Corporation, Tampa Electric Company, Gulf Power Company, and the Florida Public Utilities Company. The six district winners received a \$50 Savings Bond from the electric companies. They are: Bobby Wagner, Tate F.F.A. Chapter, Gonzalez; Randy King, Jasper; David Kenneth Crapps, Suwannee Chapter at Live Oak; Shelly Swift, Ocala; Wren Credland, Crystal River; and Morris Turner at Wauchula.

Adrain is very thankful for electricity being available to farmers today as he believes this has brought about more changes in our way of life than anything else. Now, people want to move to the

TAMPA BAY AREA VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE TV PROGRAMS

THE VOCATIONAL Agriculture Programs will be resumed on Wednesday mornings 6:30-7:00 on RFD-Florida over WFLA-TV, Channel 8, Tampa, the first part of September and with then be seen on a bi-weekly basis during the next school year. Mardi Lyles, Farm Service Director, WFLA-TV, will be contacting teachers in the near future in making schedules for the third year of operation.

Top Three Chapters of State Selected for 1957

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Trenton, Suwannee at Live Oak, Newberry, Superior Chapters: Santa Fe at Alachua, Bell, Bunnell, Callahan, Gainesville, Hastings, Suwannee at Live Oak, Williams at Live Oak, Newberry, Starke, Bradford at Starke, Trenton. Standard Chapters: Baldwin, Branford, Hawthorne, Hilliard, Melrose, Palatka.

District IV—Ocala, Winter Garden, DeLand, Reddick. Superior Chapters: Anthony, Bushnell, Chieffland, DeLand, Groveland, Kissimmee, Ocala, Ocoee, Reddick, Tavares, Winter Garden. Standard Chapters: Bronson, Leesburg, Boone Pioneers at Orlando, Edgewater at Orlando, Pierston, Sanford, St. Cloud, Webster.

District V—Bartow, Winter Haven,

Crystal River, Bradenton. Superior Chapters: Auburndale, Bartow, Bradenton, Brandon, Crystal River, Dade City, Fort Meade, Kathleen, Lakeland, Palmetto, Plant City, Sarasota, Turkey Creek, Winter Haven. Standard Chapters: Walker Jr. at Bradenton, Frostproof, Inverness, Lake Wales, Mulberry, Pinecrest, Plant City Jr., Chamberlain at Tampa, Franklin Jr. at Tampa, Hillsborough at Tampa.

District VI—South Dade at Homestead, Pahokee, Hialeah, Ft. Pierce. Superior Chapters: Arcadia, Fort Pierce, Hialeah, South Dade at Homestead, Edison at Miami, Jackson at Miami, North Miami, Okeechobee, Pahokee, Pompano, Sebring, Wauchula. Standard Chapters: Clewis-ton, Lake Placid, Moore Haven, Stuart.

ORLANDO AREA VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE TV PROGRAMS

THE VOCATIONAL Agriculture programs over Station WDBO-TV in Orlando will be completing their second continuous year and are receiving National recognition. The credit for this belongs to the boys, girls, teachers and their Coordinator, J. B. Johnson of the Orlando Boone High School. Programs are on Saturdays at 12:00 noon:

Date (1957)	Subject	Teacher	Place
Aug. 3	Place of Voc. Agri. in the School	H. E. Wood	State Supervisor
Aug. 10	Pines as a Money Crop	Larry Gillespie	Wildwood
Aug. 17	Second Birthday FFA Program	J. Bates Johnson	Boone

country where they can have all the conveniences plus plenty of room, fresh air and quiet.

His interest in electricity was increased by his Vocational Agricultural Teachers and having the opportunity to use the equipment and facilities in the Agricultural Shop at school.

For a supervised farming program this year he has: 5 acres of truck crops, 200 head poultry and 2 head of hogs for meat.

His knowledge of electricity has earned and saved him money thru making minor repairs on the home farm and for neighbors. He has assisted in wiring houses, installed attic fans, electric stoves, motors and equipment.

Repairing electrical equipment and appliances at home and on the farm, such as: motors, fans, pumps, lamps, and saws has been a great help.

He agrees with his father that "the good old days" were great and his father agrees with him that "today is even greater."

L. A. Johnston, sales promotion manager, Pensacola, also presented each District Winner with a \$50 Savings Bond from cooperating electric organizations. These were:

District I—Bobby Wagner, Tate at Gonzalez; District II—Randy King, Jasper; District III—David Kenneth Crapps, Suwannee at Live Oak; District IV—Shelly Swift, Ocala; District V—Wren Credland, Crystal River; District VI—Morris Turner, Wauchula.

Soil & Water Management

WILLIAM CARVEL BROWN, 16 year old junior from the Walnut Hill Chapter at the Ernest Ward High School was the recipient of the 1957 State Soil and Water Management Awards, \$100 from the Future Farmers of America Foundation and a \$100 Savings Bond from the International Harvester Tractor Dealers of Florida. His chapter advisers are George Stone and Glynn Key. William has been farming in partnership with his father for several years. It is his belief that if they had not used soil and water management practices, the farm would be only half as productive as it is today. The practices they used include: planting pine trees in gullies and areas not suitable to crops; planting lespedeza to stop erosion and for wildlife; planting cover

crops; planting permanent pasture, kudzu, clover, peas, and vetch for grazing; testing soils and then fertilizing; constructing fire-breaks; using crop rotation and strip cropping to stop erosion and save the soil and water on the farm.

Gordon Perkins, assistant district manager, Jacksonville, also presented District Winners with a \$50 Savings Bond. These were:

District I—Gary Hue Cook, Escambia Farms; District II—Waddie Howard Fletcher, Greenville; District III—David Crapps, Suwannee at Live Oak; District IV—Ronnie Merritt, Groveland; District V—Edward Kirkland, Mulberry; District VI—James Brandenburg, South Dade at Homestead.

Second place District Winners received a \$25 Savings Bond:

District I—Max Pridgen, Paxton; District II—Sammy Miller, Jasper; District III—Myron Bryan, Alachua; District IV—Edward Lee Yowell, Kissimmee; District V—Donald Sutton, Winter Haven; District VI—Shelby Farr, Sebring.

Third place District Winners received a \$10 check:

District I—Lorenzo Stewart, Chumuckla; District II—C. C. Sellers, Tallahassee; District III—C. V. Jones, Jr., Trenton; District IV—Gregg F. Bailey, Bronson; District V—David Glisson, Crystal River; District VI—Don Cooper, Hialeah.

These awards are sponsored by the International Harvester dealers.

Farm Mechanics Awards

DEWAYNE WILLIAMS, 17 years old, of the Tate F.F.A. Chapter at Gonzalez, a senior in the Tate High School, was the State Farm Mechanics Winner. He will receive \$100 from the Future Farmers of America Foundation and a \$100 Savings Bond from the Florida Ford Tractor Company.

Through his interest in farming and farm mechanics and the guidance of his advisers, O. R. Farish and V. T. Sewell, he has received the State Farmer Degree, built and equipped a home shop that saves time in repairing equipment and machinery.

In the school shop he learned to operate, use and service such equipment as: a tractor, electric welder, grinder, drills, and motors. Many of these are now in his home shop.

He has built, reconditioned or serviced: trailer, harrows, mowing machine, combine, tractor, self-feeders and waterers. In all his work in the school and home shop, he has made safety a number one item. *Accidents can be avoided!*

The top Farm Mechanics applicants in each district receive a \$50 Savings Bond from the Florida Ford Tractor Company.

G. H. W. Schmidt, vice president, Jacksonville, also presented each District Winner with a \$50 Savings Bond from the Florida Ford Tractor Company. These were:

District I—James E. Posey, Escambia Farms; District II—Rogers Downs, Quincy; District III—Theron Hingson, Suwannee at Live Oak; District IV—Shelly Ray Swift, Ocala; District V—Donald Turner, Brandon; District VI—Milton Lounsbury, South Dade at Homestead.

Each county winner has received a \$25 Savings Bond from the Florida Ford Tractor Co.

Farm Safety Awards

THE QUINCY CHAPTER, Future Farmers of America was named the top Florida Chapter in Farm Safety for 1957. Ben Betts was Chairman of the Farm Safety Committee. The Gadsden County Farm Youths won the award of \$100 from the Future Farmers of America Foundation as a result of their Chapter Farm Safety program growing out of the work in vocational agriculture classes taught by Grindle E. Bishop and J. C. McCall.

"Farm Safety is a year round business," has become part of the motto of the Quincy Chapter since they won the State Farm Safety Award in 1950, the first time. Safety is stressed not only among the students of vocational agriculture, but to others in the school and adults in the community. This is done by use of posters, displays, farm safety surveys, safety exhibits in fairs, speakers at Civic Club luncheons, and the stressing of using safety measures and practices in the farm shop and in the homes and on the farms throughout the community.

They cooperate with other agencies in health improvement, testing and training cattle, and sanitation practices.

Farm Safety is a part of the overall program of the Quincy chapter and its practices in order to reduce the number of farm accidents and the number of lives lost on farms each year.

R. A. Miessen, marketing assistant, presented the following chapters with awards as shown, which are sponsored by the Standard Oil Company of Jacksonville:

Ocala \$50.00; DeLand \$25.00; Crystal River \$20.00; South Dade (Homestead) \$15.00; Winter Haven \$10.00.

Dairy Farming Awards

CHARLES SCHACK, 17 year old senior from the Greenwood High School's FFA Chapter received the 1957 State Dairy Farming Awards, \$100 from the Future Farmers of America Foundation and a special Dairy Efficiency Plaque from Southern Dairies.

Charles and his Chapter Adviser, L. E. Willis, report that from his start in Vocational Agriculture as a freshman with one heifer, he has progressed to ownership of 3 Registered, producing cows. Value of his animals is over \$1,000.

The Schack herd is "Certified Bang's Free Herd" and all the cows are put on DHIA and HIR Records. Twice each year the cows are classified by an official classifier from the American Jersey Cattle Club.

Charles has shown his animals in the West Florida Dairy Show, the Jackson County Fair and the Florida State Fair, winning Grand Champion honors in the West Florida and Jackson County shows.

Among his improvement projects and supplementary farm jobs are: breed improvement, building fences, planting permanent pasture, growing feed crops, controlling rodents, painting and repairing buildings, and controlling insects and diseases.

Ezra Yocum, Field Representative, Marianna, also presented the Southern Dairies awards of \$25 each and a Dairy Efficiency Plaque to the top District Winners, as follows:

District I—(top) Darrell Hobbs, Paxton; District II—T. S. Lambert III, Havana; District III—John Wayne Barrington, Suwannee at Live Oak; District IV—Robert McAteer, Ocala; District V—Johnny Hebb, Bartow; District VI—Don Cooper, Hialeah.

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come for four years was \$984.35.

Donald has been very active in his local FFA Chapter, serving in the capacity of Treasurer, Vice-President, and through taking care of and showing of the chapter bull purchased through the Sears, Roebuck Foundation in exchange for the use of the chapter pasture. He plans to lease some pasture land and continue his livestock project and hopes some day to own his own farm.

EUGENE HUDSON

Fifth Vice President

EUGENE HUDSON, 5th Vice-President representing District I, a member of the Vernon FFA Chapter lives on a 212 acre farm with 70 acres under cultivation, 35 acres in pasture and the rest in woodland. Gene became a student of Vocational Agriculture in 1954 and a member of the Vernon FFA Chapter during the same year.

Gene's farm program this year consisted of 40 acres of corn, 2 head of hogs, and 1 cow. His improvement projects were building fences, growing feed crops, growing a home garden, planting soil improvement crops, stumping land and improving roads. His supplementary farm projects included repairing fences and gates, repairing and painting equipment and buildings, constructing poultry yards, building hog-lot equipment, controlling



P. K. Beck, President, presented the Honorary State Farmer Degree to M. E. Twedell, Assistant Florida State Fair Manager, and Mardi Lyles, Agricultural Program Director of WFLA-TV.

rats and other rodents. His total labor income for three years was \$2,154.63.

Gene served his chapter this past year as President and in addition to this he has been very active in the various FFA contests. He is also very active in Church and community activities. He plans to attend a Junior College in Mississippi this fall.

CHARLES McCULLERS

Sixth Vice President

CHARLES McCULLERS, 6th Vice-President representing District V, a member of the Plant City, Sr. FFA Chapter plans to make farming a career. Charles started in Vocational Agriculture and FFA in 1953.

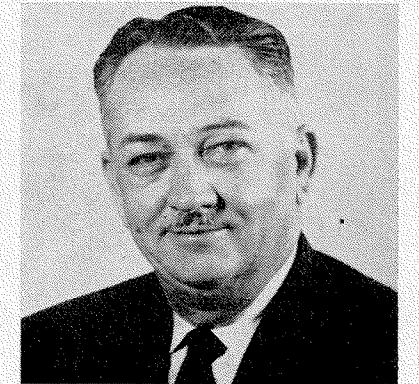
His projects for 1956-57 were 2 beef and 4 dairy cows, 2 acres beans, 1 acre peas, and 1/2 acre hot pepper. His improvement projects included building fences, constructing farm buildings, growing feed crops and beautifying the home. His supplementary farm practices included constructing general equipment and conveniences, concrete construction, home plumbing, laying pipe lines, propagating fruit trees, testing seed varieties and improved feeding of livestock. His total labor income for four years was \$1,280.47.

Charles has been very active in his chapter, serving as treasurer and vice-president. He has participated in the various FFA contests such as quartet, parliamentary procedure, and Beef and Swine Judging. In addition to his FFA projects he has also worked in school and community activities.

MR. AND MRS. ALEX JOHNSON, 1930 South Hibiscus Drive, North Miami, a former Vocational Agriculture Teacher and FFA Adviser in Florida, have just returned from Thailand. He is working with the International Cooperation Administration in developing the dairy industry in that country. Also, he served two years in Libya, North Africa.

After a short visit with family and friends, they are planning to return to Thailand.

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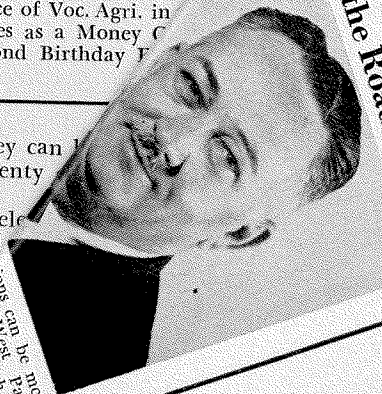
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ORLANDO A VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE

The Vocational Agriculture programs of completing their second continuous year. The credit for this belongs to the J. B. Johnson of the Orlando Boone 12:00 noon:

Date (1957) Subject
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Eleven Chapters Participate In Two Livestock Shows

Two FFA Cooperative Livestock Shows and Sales sponsored by J. D. Odom were held in Live Oak and Gainesville. In both sales, the employees donated labor and commission fees from all the livestock sold during the sales to the chapter participating.

In the third annual show and sale in Live Oak, eleven Chapters participated. A 1075 lb. Angus steer owned by Lamar Jenkins, Williams Chapter at Live Oak, was elected as Champion and sold to the T & T Grocery for \$709.50. Also, Lamar won individual showmanship honors.

Horace Quincy, Trenton Chapter, sold his Reserve Champion 1,000 lb. Angus steer to Kent's Grocery and Market for \$490.00. Also, they bought the Light-weight Champion owned by David Crapps, Suwannee Chapter at Live Oak, for \$371.70.

The J. F. Williams Chapter at Live Oak won the Judging Contest, Trenton second, and Bell third. Other Chapter placings were in the following order:

Mayo, Suwannee at Live Oak, Like City, Jennings, White Springs, Jasper, Branford and Fort White.

Leslie Goff, Suwannee Chapter at Live Oak, won high individual honors.

The sale average for 51 steers weighing 43,380 lb. was \$30.45 per hundred weight, totaling \$13,445.20.

The Suwannee County Chamber of Commerce was host at a barbeque for FFA members, advisers and guests.

In Gainesville at the second annual show and sale, the buyers, sellers, members and fathers attended a banquet the night prior to the sale.

Harold Waters; (Lake Butler Chapter) 880 lb. steer was bought by Setzers Super Market for 51¢ per pound. The Reserve Champion owned by Murry Teuton, Gainesville, was purchased for 40¢ per pound by Brownlee Feed & Seed Store.

Showmanship honors were won by Teuton; Tommy Kroeger, Gainesville, and Waters.

Gain-in-Weight Contest Champion was Myron Bryan, Santa Fe Chapter, Alachua, with a steer that averaged 2.268 lb. per day over a period of 119 days.

Ten Chapters participated in the show and sale, which brought \$7,289.65 for the contestants.

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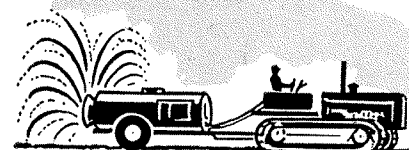
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