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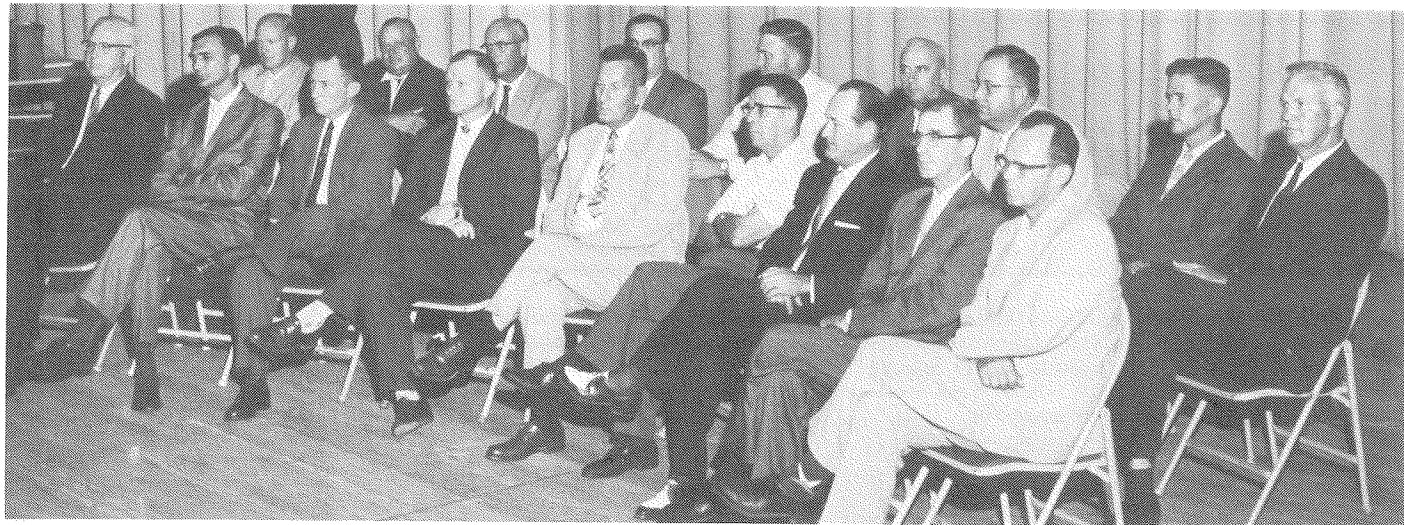
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159 Receive State Farmer Degree

159 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 \$235,409.16. 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. Also, the Star State Farmer (**) received \$200 from the Future Farmers of America Foundation.

Name	Chapter	Grade	Age	(A)	(B)	Name	Chapter	Grade	Age	(A)	(B)
DISTRICT I						William Edwin Dampier	Starke-Bradford	12	17	3	699.97
William Bennit Heaton	Allentown	12	17	5	894.35	DeRitch Green	Starke-Bradford	12	17	3	674.41
Charles Gillis Kennington	Allentown	11	18	4	846.17	James Terrell Green	Starke	12	18	4	1017.31
James Durwood Lewis	Allentown	11	16	4	542.61	TOTAL \$33,989.65					
Roland Wilkinson	Baker	11	17	4	1915.45	DISTRICT IV					
Clark Reeves	Campbellton	12	18	5	897.65	Bob Chandler	Apopka	12	18	3	766.83
James Baxley	Chipley	12	17	4	1002.95	Kenneth Gordon Etheridge	Apopka	12	18	3	652.93
Glen W. Barber	Cottontdale	12	17	3	1490.44	John Henry Odom	Apopka	11	16	3	1207.81
Raymond Syfrett	Cottontdale	12	17	3	890.67	Carl Adrian Fussell	Bushnell	12	18	4	879.52
Farrell Taylor	Cottontdale	12	17	3	1203.17	George Burton Gardner	Bushnell	12	17	3	2186.63
John Tharpe	Cottontdale	12	17	3	732.10	Robert Valentine	Bushnell	12	17	3	1304.05
Linwood E. Tharpe	Cottontdale	12	17	3	1309.95	Wayne Dicks	Chiefland	11	16	3	832.76
Major Allen Fowler	Graceville	12	17	4	580.97	Williaman Carroll McElroy	Chiefland	12	17	5	2379.31
Claude Richard Kirkland	Graceville	12	17	3	1149.63	John C. Partin	Chiefland	12	18	2	1476.00
Frank Peterson	Graceville	12	18	4	2259.82	Milton McMillon	DeLand	12	17	5	1112.86
Gary Harrell Powell	Graceville	12	18	3	904.96	James Ronald Story	Groveland	12	17	4	1835.28
Bobby Alan Boutwell	Jay	11	17	3	1598.26	Billy Peebles (*)	Ocala	12	18	4	2504.93
Earnest Earl Cartwright	Jay	11	16	3	2332.23	Milton Abe Gay	Pierson	12	17	3	1018.52
Tharon Douglas Godwin	Jay	11	16	3	3501.76	R. Jack Williams	Reddick	11	17	3	945.60
Jimmy Dale Harris	Jay	11	16	3	3149.32	Randall Degory Priest	Sanford-Seminole	12	18	4	630.84
Tommy Birk	Laurel Hill	12	17	5	2360.00	Robert William Teslo	Sanford-Seminole	12	18	4	866.12
Johnny Hughie Robinson	Malone	11	17	4	947.21	David M. Hipp	Williston	12	18	4	1953.25
Clyde Simpson, Jr.	Malone	11	16	4	1067.85	George Allen Stephens	Williston	12	17	5	937.60
Ralph Bartley Byrd	Marianna	11	16	4	1289.12	TOTAL \$23,490.84					
Jerry Glass (*)	Marianna	11	16	4	1349.66	DISTRICT V					
Herman Laramore	Marianna	11	17	4	4039.30	Bradley Harrison Crews	Auburndale	11	16	4	862.00
Robert A. Willis	Mariana	11	16	3	7765.40	Wayne Leopold	Auburndale	12	17	5	1553.95
David Earl Pittman	Munson	12	17	4	673.04	Gary Alfred Schaller	Auburndale	12	17	3	894.37
Wilmer Pittman	Munson	11	17	3	607.60	Howard H. Brogdon	Bartow	12	18	5	559.92
Lloyd Ray Stokes	Munson	12	17	4	1991.80	Percy Tillman Duke, Jr.	Bartow	12	17	3	766.70
Albert B. Von Axelson, Jr.	Munson	12	18	4	1174.41	Jesse Edward Long	Bartow	12	18	5	659.11
Billy C. Gordon	Paxton	12	18	5	842.70	Lewis Edwin Seger	Bartow	12	19	5	918.51
Donnie Simmons	Paxton	12	17	5	618.92	Larry Wayne Twomey	Bartow	12	18	5	3975.03
Kenneth Melvin Brock	Vernon	11	16	3	1186.00	Roy Pope	Bradenton	12	18	5	984.45
Donald Ray Smith	Vernon	11	17	3	505.25	Miles Keene	Brandon	12	18	4	2914.91
TOTAL \$51,705.27						Richard Salay	Brandon	12	18	4	1034.87
DISTRICT II						Tommy Watson	Brooksville	10	16	3	630.48
Kenneth Fuqua	Altha	12	17	4	538.00	Wren Credland	Crystal River	12	18	4	506.02
Lloyd Williams	Altha	11	17	3	606.02	Clifford Carlis Harman	Crystal River	12	18	4	1488.98
John Morgan Davis	Blountstown	12	17	5	629.75	Russell Harvey	Dade City	12	17	4	1419.13
Norval D. Tyre (**)	Blountstown	12	19	5	7384.43	Ralph Jackson	Ft. Meade	12	18	5	995.42
James Franklin Butler	Bristol	11	16	3	806.90	Minor S. Jones	Ft. Meade	12	18	5	516.20
Levon McCormick	Frink	12	17	5	724.49	Larry Thomas Hall	Kathleen	12	18	4	1162.93
Paul Braswell	Greenville	12	17	4	2047.80	Thomas Gerald Sherrouse	Kathleen	12	17	5	1570.79
Jerry Perkins	Havana	11	16	4	795.93	George E. Clark	Lakeland	12	18	3	1578.79
Charles Carter	Jasper	11	17	3	754.40	Robbie Martin Weeks	Lakeland	12	18	3	563.12
Hugh Eddie McLeod	Jasper	11	16	4	1414.62	Ray A. Kincaid, Jr.	Lake Wales	12	17	3	807.07
Lamar Smith	Jasper	12	19	4	2847.81	James Edward Davis	Mulberry	out	20	3	5149.71
Johnny Hewitt	Mayo	12	17	4	527.00	Robert Julian Davis	Mulberry	12	17	4	1624.76
Rudolph D. Dees	Mayo	12	18	4	1368.39	William Jerome Edson	Mulberry	12	17	4	1045.92
Robert Kennon Buzbee	Monticello	11	16	3	598.65	Tommy Portner (*)	Mulberry	12	17	4	1029.01
Mack Joiner	Monticello	11	16	3	1121.60	Donald Ray Standley	Mulberry	12	17	3	506.03
Arthur Lynwood Smith, Jr.	Quincy	12	17	4	1148.85	William Eugene Boyle	Palmetto	12	17	5	1679.71
Jimmy Waddell	Quincy	12	17	5	617.81	Allan Leonard Lippert	Palmetto	12	17	5	869.11
Ronald Griffin	Sneads	12	17	4	11799.55	Isaac F. Carlton	Pinecrest	12	17	5	1083.37
John Wilson McCallister	Sopchoppy	11	16	4	683.60	Johnny Lamar Hunter	Pinecrest	12	18	5	3090.86
Willie Ray Pigott	Sopchoppy	12	19	5	1984.87	Bill Jenkins	Plant City Sr.	12	17	4	670.16
Carl (Pete) Crandell	Tallahassee	11	17	3	549.60	Lamar Lindsey	Plant City Jr.	12	18	4	1047.03
Charles Lingo	Tallahassee	12	18	3	633.70	Donald Parrish	Plant City Jr.	12	17	4	1231.55
Ira Gene Love	Tallahassee	12	18	3	646.16	Bob Porter, Jr.	Plant City Jr.	12	18	4	801.60
Ray Ulm	Tallahassee	12	17	4	852.71	David Allen Donaldson	Tampa (Chamberlain)	12	19	3	3623.69
Warren C. Harris	White Springs	12	17	5	638.27	Frederick Earl Lee	Turkey Creek	12	16	4	620.96
Morris Morgan	White Springs	12	18	5	845.89	Don Wayne Bilbrey	Winter Haven	12	18	3	530.90
Ted W. Stormant	White Springs	12	18	5	756.81	Donnell Wayne Tate	Winter Haven	12	18	4	1748.91
TOTAL \$43,323.61						TOTAL \$52,716.18					
DISTRICT III						DISTRICT VI					
Richard Earl Bell	Baldwin	12	18	4	1734.17	Ft. Pierce	11	16	3	773.81	
Mason Bass	Bell	12	18	5	589.60	Ft. Pierce	12	18	4	1415.59	
James Irwin Terry	Branford	12	18	4	765.17	Hialeah	12	18	3	533.89	
Bobby Walker	Branford	12	17	4	1549.20	Hialeah	12	18	3	1556.25	
Samuel Johnston Bertha	Bunnell	12	17	4	1671.55	Homestead-S. Dade	12	17	4	851.00	
Thomas Bertha	Bunnell	out	20	4	601.20	Homestead-S. Dade	11	17	3	1031.45	
Johnny Carter	Callahan	11	17	4	1385.00	Homestead-S. Dade	12	18	4	1010.21	
Harold Wayne Whitten	Ft. White	12	17	3	1059.00	Miami-Edison	12	18	3	510.05	
Richard Osburn Tillis	Gainesville	12	17	3	676.03	North Miami	12	18	3	2193.39	
Mellaine Clyatt	Lake Butler	11	16	3	617.30	Okeechobee	12	17	5	2163.63	
Gordon Dale Edenfield	Lake City-Columbia	12	18	5	943.40	Pompano	12	18	5	1101.55	
Dick Bass	Live Oak-Suwannee	12	17	4	1185.93	Sebring	12	17	4	10695.75	
Allen Wallace Boatright	Live Oak-Suwannee	11	17	3	1843.51	Wauchula (Hardee)	12	17	4	532.85	
Wayne Knight	Live Oak-Suwannee	12	18	4	4153.16	Wauchula (Hardee)	11	16	3	1100.79	
Aaron Donald Tucker	Live Oak-Suwannee	12	18	4	855.57	Walchula (P. River)	12	17	4	3299.93	
William Francis Ward (**)	Live Oak-Suwannee	12	18	4	4168.60	Wauchula (P. River)	12	16	4	639.71	
Garrett Ellsworth Carroll	Live Oak-Williams	12	17	4	4201.88	Wauchula (P. River)	12	17	4	773.73	
Richard Uvon Tucker	Live Oak-Williams	12	17	4	999.63	TOTAL \$30,183.61					
George Marvin Brown	Macleenny (Baker Co.)	12	18	4	1262.77	DISTRICT VII					
Wendell Thomas	Macleenny (Baker Co.)	12	18	4	616.36	Ft. Pierce	11	16	3	773.81	
Thomas Vernon Holt	Newberry	12	18	4	718.93	Ft. Pierce	12	18	4	1415.59	
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Pictured above receiving the Honorary State Farmer Degree on Wednesday afternoon were: Edwin Browning, Coordinator of Accreditation Services, State Department of Education, Tallahassee; V. L. DeShazo, Principal, Jasper; Hugh H. Woolly, Vocational Agriculture Teacher, Graceville High School, Graceville; J. H. Hyatt, Principal, Havana High School, Havana; Dr. H. R. Wilber, Chairman Awards Committee, Florida Wildlife Federation, DeLand; Edward C. Nall, Principal, Paxton; L. J. Whitmarsh, Manager, Mid-States Steel & Wire Company, Jacksonville; Henry Gatrell, Swine Breeder, Fairfield; James S. Wershow, President, Alachua County Farm Bureau, Gainesville; Dr. F. S. Jamison, Vegetable Crops Specialist, Agricultural Extension Service, University of Florida; Don Wakeman, Professor of Animal Husbandry, College of Agriculture, University of Florida; Hon. Dewey Johnson, President, Florida State Senate, Quincy; Richard Simpson, Businessman & Farmer, Monticello; Floyd Kay, Executive Secretary, Daytona Beach Chamber of Commerce, Daytona Beach; W. C. Rhoades, North Florida Experiment Station, Quincy; E. V. Komarek, Manager, Greenwood Farms, Thomasville, Georgia; John Potter, Agricultural Engineer, Gulf Power Company, DeFuniak Springs; J. O. Pearce, Jr., Florida Cattlemen's Association, Okeechobee; not pictured: Paul C. Aebersold, Secretary-Treasurer, Florida Federation Production Credit Associations, Gainesville.

31st FFA Convention is History

A RECORD number of Future Farmers, Advisers and Guests attended the 31st Annual State Convention and Leadership Conference of the Florida Association, FFA in Daytona Beach. Registrations exceeded 900 and crowds in excess of this number attended many of the meetings and special events. President Tindel and his fellow officers have received many messages of congratulations for the fine job done in conducting the convention. 136 Chapter Advisers attended and helped to make it an outstanding convention.

Again, the Princess Issena Hotel and the Peabody Auditorium were used as Convention Headquarters. Many guests were on hand during the week, including Wm. Paul Gray, National FFA Executive Secretary, Washington, D. C., Lee Todd, National FFA Vice-President for the Southern Region, Bells, Tennessee, and Arnold Skelton, State FFA Vice-President from Ten Mile, Tennessee. They exemplified the theme of the Convention through their leadership in "Future Farmers Today—Leaders in Agricultural Science Tomorrow".

MONDAY

THE ROTARY CLUB Program was presented at the Palmetto Club, with M. C. Roche in charge. Appearing on the program were Cecil Tindel, State FFA President, as speaker, and the Munson String Band furnishing the music.

TUESDAY

REGISTRATION, HOUSING, interviewing of candidates for state office, the tractor

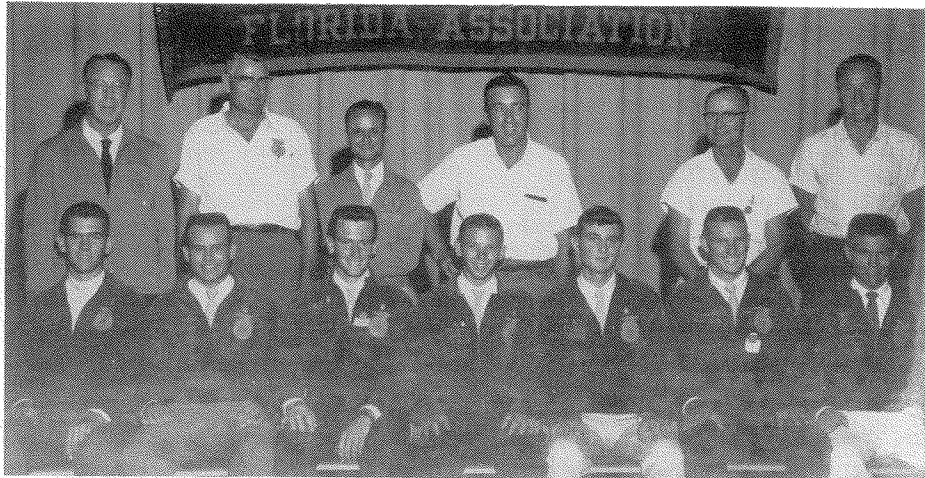
driving contest; as well as the Judging, Identification and Grading, and Demonstration Contests, had the spotlight during the first day. Future Farmers filled their headquarters, the Princess Issena Hotel, and many of the surrounding hotels.

The Hastings team, composed of Rex Knorr, Mike Thigpen, and Billy Beach won the State Judging, Identification, and Grading Contest.

The three divisional winners in the Demonstration Contest were as follows:

In Marketing, the Turkey Creek Chapter team, composed of Jack James and Lester Patrick. The Demonstration was "Marketing Quality Tomatoes". In Production, the Miami-Edison Chapter team, composed of James Cass and Mike Michelson. The Demonstration was "Mulching Vegetables". In the Fertility Division, the Turkey Creek Chapter team, composed of Dalton Leighton and Russell Barnes. The Demonstration was "Isotopes in Agriculture."

A program was presented at the Lion's



The 1959-60 State FFA Officers and Advisers, left to right, Front row: Randy Kincaid, President, Lake Wales; Carroll McElroy, 1st Vice-President, Chiefland; Ronald Nelson, 2nd V.P., North Miami; Donnie Simmons, 3rd V.P., Paxton; Gene Boyle, 4th V.P., Palmetto; Francis Ward, 5th V.P., Suwannee; Wilson McCallister, 6th V.P., Sopchoppy. Back row: Advisers J. C. Lane, P. T. Dicks, Perry Sistrunk, John Baldwin, T. P. Winters; absent, Henry Folsom, and W. E. Whaley.

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Club at the Daytona Plaza Hotel, with Arol Hudson in charge. Cecil Tindel was the speaker and the White Springs String Band furnished the music.

T. L. Barrineau was in charge of a program at the Optimist Club, with Curtis Koon, State Vice-President as speaker, and the Turkey Creek String Band furnishing the music.

The Kiwanis Club Program of the Halifax Area was given at the Palmetto Club, with D. A. Storms in charge. Horace Quincey, State Vice-President was speaker and the Kissimmee String Band furnished the music.

R. W. "Duke" Stanley, Circulation Director, Farm and Ranch Publishing Company of Nashville, Tennessee, was a very genial host in welcoming the delegates, advisers and guests to the Delegates and Advisers Dinner which was given by his Company, at the Princess Issena Hotel at 5:00 p.m. The very enjoyable event was attended by over 400 delegates, state officers, members and friends. Cecil Tindel, State President, acted as Master of Ceremonies, gave a short welcome, and introduced his fellow State Officers. The Invocation was given by Horace Quincey, 6th Vice-President from Trenton. H. E. Wood, State FFA Adviser, introduced the guests, and Wm. Paul Gray, National FFA Executive Secretary, and Dr. Walter R. Williams, Jr., State Director of Vocational and Adult Education, were speakers. Excellent music was furnished by the Melrose String Band.

TUESDAY 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. State President, Cecil Tindel, gave a welcome and introduced the other officers. Horace Quincey, 6th Vice President, presided. W. T. Loftin, Associate Professor Agricultural Education, University of Florida, Gainesville, and Richard Kelly, student at the University, were in charge of the Parliamentary Procedure Contest. The Judges were: William Reynolds, Professor of Parliamentary Procedure, University of Florida, Lee Maxwell, President, Florida Federation of Fairs, DeLand, and J. William Cowen, Principal of New Smyrna Beach High School.

Chapter teams and members in the order of their final placings in this contest were: 1st, Palatka (Glenn Register, Gregg Mathews, Jimmy Cutrer, Elmer Chesser, Gerald Roberts and Charlie Silcox), was awarded \$25, a pennant from the Florida Association, FFA, and a trophy from the Florida Farm Bureau Federation by T. K. McClane; 2nd, Bradenton (Tommy Copeland, Wayne Stokes, Tim Greenhalgh, Roy Pope, Roy Routh and Robert Homer), \$20; 3rd, Quincy (John Laslie, Joe Laslie, James Thompson, Bill Blake, Mike Munroe and Fain Poppell), \$15. Mr. Maxwell announced the results.

C. M. Lawrence, Supervisor of Agricultural Education for Area III explained

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The 1958-59 State Officers and Parents. Left to right: Mr. and Mrs. Tindel; Mrs. Koon; Curtis Koon, 1st Vice-President; Mr. Koon; W. O. Beauchamp, 2nd V.P.; Mrs. Beauchamp; Mrs. Carley, Robert Carley, 3rd V.P.; Mrs. Robert Carley; Darrell Hobbs, 4th V.P.; Mr. and Mrs. Morgan; Mrs. Quincey; Horace Quincey, 6th V.P.; Mr. Quincey.

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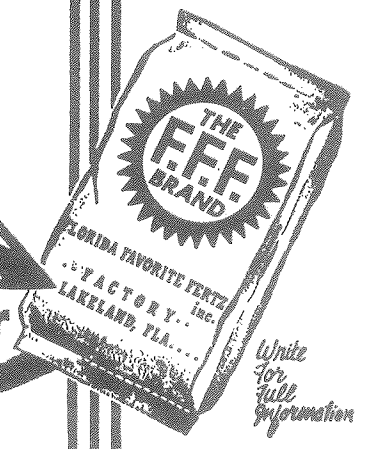
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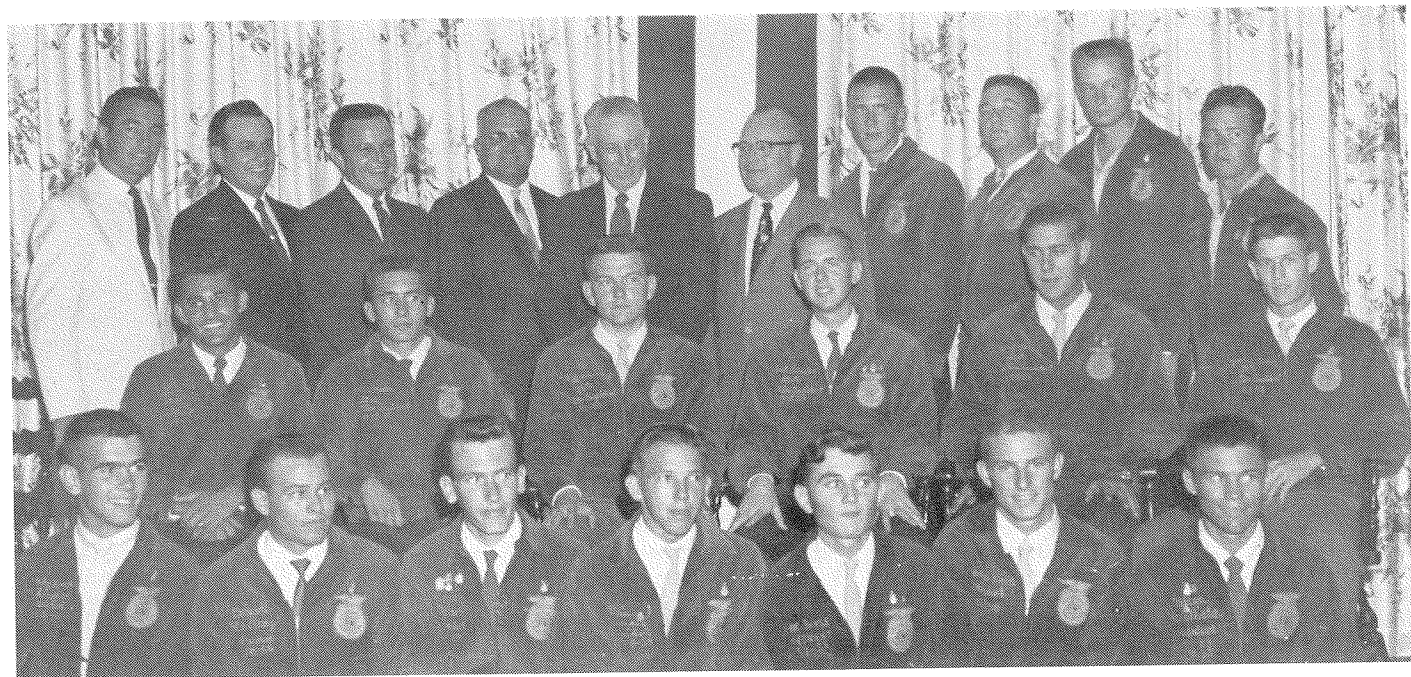
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Front row, 1959-60 State Officers, left to right: Randy Kincaid, President, Lake Wales; Carroll McElroy, 1st Vice President, Chiefland; Ronald Nelson, 2nd V.P., North Miami; Donnie Simmons, 3rd V.P., Paxton; Gene Boyle, 4th V.P., Palmetto; Francis Ward, 5th V.P., Suwannee at Live Oak; Wilson McCallister, 6th V.P., Sopchoppy. Second row, 1958-59 State Officers, left to right: Cecil Tindel, President, Graceville; Curtis Koon, 1st V.P., Mayo; W. O. Beauchamp, Jr., 2nd V.P., Chiefland; Robert P. Carley, 3rd V.P., Miami-Jackson; Darrell Hobbs, 4th V.P., Paxton; Horace Quincey, 6th V.P., Trenton. Third row: Jackson Brownlee, President, Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity, University of Florida; Hon. Doyle Conner, Past State President, 1946-47, Past National President, 1948-49; Don Adams, Past State President, 1943-44; Earl Haynsworth, Past President, 1939-40; H. E. Wood, State Adviser, FFA; M. F. Holahan, Manager, International Harvester Co., Jacksonville; State Soil Conservation winners: Robert Julian Davis, Jr., Mulberry, State Winner; Jeff Daughtry, Peace-River-Wauchula, Kenneth Fuqua, Altha, and Ted Sutherland, Bartow.

the String Band Contest, and Aubrey Fowler, Manager of North Florida Production Credit Association, Live Oak, gave the qualifications of Judges. After the contest was held, the awards sponsored by the Florida Association, FFA were presented by Mr. Fowler as follows: Munson, as State Winner (James Crain, Steve Crain, Jimmy Crain, Maxium Evers, Nickey Walker and Billy Sexton), received \$20 and a pennant; Turkey Creek as 2nd place winner received \$15; White Springs 3rd place, \$10; Melros 4th place, \$5; Arcadia 50th place, \$5; and Kissimmee 6th place, \$5. In addition to the above awards, the State winner will be awarded by the Stanley Brothers one of their most recent L.P. Albums of Country Music by King Recording Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, autographed by Carter and Ralph Stanley, and the new release of the E. P. Album. They also will be invited to appear with the Stanley Brothers in the near future on their regular Saturday evening TV Show on Channel 4, WJXT in Jacksonville, and with the Stanley Brothers on the Suwannee River Jamboree in Live Oak. The 2nd place winners will receive one of the L.P. Albums autographed and be invited to appear on the Suwannee River Jamboree in Live Oak. The 3rd place winners will receive the E. P. Album. The Judges in the String Band Contest were Aubrey Fowler, Bill Napier, Mandolinist for the Stanley Brothers, and Ralph Lougee, Daytona Beach. Jack Peters, Manager, Shippers and Membership Division of the Florida

Fruit and Vegetable Association, Orlando, presented the awards in the Contests sponsored by the Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association. These contests were conducted under the guidance of Bruce Barmby, Ass't. Vegetable Crops Specialist, University of Florida, Gainesville. Judges in the contest were T. J. Hughes, Agricultural News Editor, Florida Grower and Rancher, Tampa; Holmes Melton, businessman from Mayo; and Don Adams, Director of Agricultural Development, Florida Power and Light Company, Palatka. The Judging, Grading and Identification team from Hastings composed of Rex Knorr, Mike Thigpen, and Billy Beach, was State winner and will represent Florida in the National Junior Vegetable Growers Con-

vention in Washington, D. C., next December. The expenses will be paid by Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association. Other winners in their respective order were: Miami-Edison, Lakeland Turkey Creek, Winter Haven, Santa Fe at Alachua, Auburndale, Bushnell, Haines City and Wauchula (Hardee).

In the Demonstration Contest the State Award was presented to the Turkey Creek Chapter team composed of Jack James and Lester Patrick. The title of the Demonstration was "Marketing Quality Tomatoes". They were the Marketing Division winner. The other Division winners were: Production winner, Miami-Edison team, composed of James Cass and Mike Michelson. Title of Demonstration, "Mulching Vegeta-

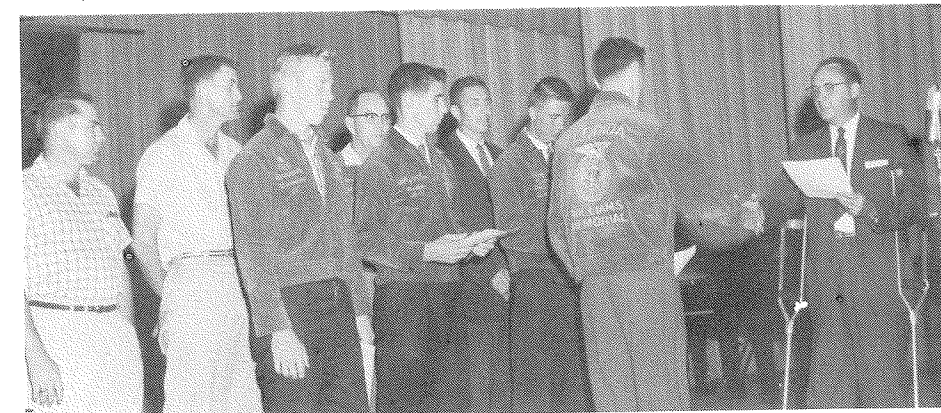
bles". Winning the Fertility Division was the Turkey Creek Chapter team composed of Dalton Leighton and Russell Barnes. Title of Demonstration was "Isotopes in Agriculture."

T. E. Hancock, Ass't. General Sales Manager, Florida Ford Tractor Company, presented the following awards to winners of the Tractor Driving Contest, which was sponsored by his company: A 21 jewel wrist watch, and a pennant for the chapter, to Tommy Thomas of Tallahassee; a 17 jewel watch to Robert Williams of Bradenton as second place winner; and \$25 Savings Bonds to the following in their respective placings—George Lee, Reddick; Larry Gordon, Ft. Pierce; Roland Wilkinson, Baker and I. J. Philman, Bell. T. E. Hancock, Clarence Rogers, University of Florida, and D. M. Castator, Zone Manager, International Harvester Company, were the Judges. The tractors were furnished by the Ford Tractor Dealer in DeLand and the John Deere Tractor Co. in Ocala. The trailer was furnished by the Jim Tew Service Station, Daytona Beach; and G. C. Norman, Program Specialist for Agricultural Education, made arrangements for the course.

J. O. Pearce, past President of the Florida Cattlemen's Association, presented the awards sponsored by the Association. Robert Willis of the Mariana Chapter, as state winner of the Beef Breeding Award received \$100 on the purchase of a pure-bred registered animal of the breed desired. Other winners—Jimmy Davis, Mulberry; Bradley Crews, Auburndale; Ted Sutherland and Gary Jones, Bartow, and Larry Stephens, Peace River Chapter at Wauchula, respectively, each received \$15 to help defray their expenses in attending the State Convention. The state winner of the Feeder Steer Award, George E. Clark of Lakeland, was presented \$100 to apply on expenses for him and one of his advisers to attend the National Con-



Cecil Tindel, 1958-59 State FFA President, presenting Mrs. R. A. Miessen and Mrs. H. E. Wood with the Certificate of Merit.



Mr. Stanley A. Taylor, President of the Florida Bank and Trust Company, Daytona Beach, presenting the Banker's Scholarships to Garrett Ellsworth Carroll, Williams-Live Oak; Paul Braswell, Greenville; Billy Peebles, Ocala; and Tommy Fortner, Mulberry. Back row are their advisers, Leverage Porter, Herman Melvin, Marion Roche, and Eugene Doss.

vention in Kansas City, Missouri, in October, 1959. Other winners, each of whom received \$15 to help defray their expenses to the State Convention, were as follows: Murray Teuton, Gainesville; Robert Wiley, Auburndale; Larry Edwards, Quincy; Bobby Lowery, DeLand and Barney Fewox, Mulberry.

At this time some guests were introduced and announcements made.

The Farm Safety Awards, a \$100 check and certificate from the Future Farmers of America Foundation were presented to the Mulberry Chapter by R. A. Miessen, Assistant to the Division Manager, Standard Oil Company, Jacksonville. Monty Koon accepted the award. Other awards presented by Mr. Miessen on behalf of the Standard Oil Company were: \$50 to the South Dade Chapter at Homestead; \$25 to Quincy; \$20 to Bartow; \$15 to Crystal River, and \$10 to DeLand, Senior.

Horace Quincey then returned the gavel to the State President for the Closing Ceremony and Adjournment.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

THE TURKEY CREEK String Band, second place winner in the state contest, entertained the delegates and guests with some very fine music. The members of the band were introduced by Chuck McIntosh. The Devotional was given by Reverend Bob McGee of the Douglas Park Baptist Church, and D. A. Storms, County Coordinator of Agricultural Education, Plant City, led the group singing.

The 31st Annual State Convention then opened officially with State President, Cecil Tindel, presiding. The officers occupied their respective stations for the official opening ceremony, after which H. E. Wood, State FFA Adviser, and the State Officers were introduced.

George Clark from the Lakeland Chapter gave a memorial to our deceased 5th Vice-President, Keyland Morgan.

In the absence of Mayor Owen Eubank, Richard Livingston, President of the Daytona Beach Chamber of Commerce extended a most hearty welcome to the Florida Future Farmers and wish-

ed for them a very successful convention. He also expressed the hope that they would return to Daytona Beach next year for their convention. John H. Smiley, Volusia County Superintendent of Public Instruction, extended greetings and best wishes to the Future Farmers.

The roll call of delegates by districts was made by the State vice-presidents, and the entire delegation was seated. Special recognition was given to our new chapters, as follows: DeLand, Junior, New Smyrna Beach, Haines City, New Port Richey, and Peace River of Wauchula.

After being introduced by Curtis Koon, 1st Vice-President, Cecil Tindel gave the State President's Message.

The minutes of the 30th Annual Convention were read by W. O. Beauchamp, Jr., 2nd Vice-President, and approved.

The State Forestry Contest Awards, sponsored by the Seaboard Air Line Railroad Company, were presented by R. N. Hoskins, General Forestry Agent, Richmond, Va. Kenneth Tanner of Calhoun, as State Winner received \$225, and his adviser, Herman Hendricks received \$125 to help cover their expenses in attending the National FFA Convention in Kansas City in October. Second place and \$50 went to MacArthur Burnsed, Macclenny; third place and \$30 went to David King, Jasper; and fourth place and \$20 to Grover Penton, Allentown.

The State Champion Munson String Band furnished some very good music at this time.

Wm. Paul Gray, National FFA Executive Secretary from Washington, D. C., was introduced at this time and addressed the delegation.

W. O. Beauchamp, Jr., read the names of those recommended to receive the Honorary State Farmer Degree during the Convention and they were approved. He then presented the nominating committee's selection for State President, Randy Kincaid of Lake Wales, who was approved, and nominations were received from the floor for Jeff Daughtry, Peace River at Wauchula; Gene Boyle, Palmetto; Kenneth Fuqua, Altha; Wayne Leo-

The President's Message

NEVER BEFORE has there been a higher honor bestowed upon me than being elected your 1959-60 State President. I certainly want to thank you, the delegates, who elected me to this highly cherished office.

We are now at the start of another year for our Florida Association of the F.F.A., and we will be depending on the cooperation of each of you, as Future Farmers, for a most successful year. With the help of the other state officers and my adult advisers, I promise that I will strive to lead you, the members, "into the glorious sunlight of brotherhood and cooperation."

Leaders in the past have built one of the best state associations in our National Organization. May we all work hard in order that we too can do our part in raising these already high standards.

Randy Kincaid



Carol Long, Orlando-Edgewater, was crowned 1959-60 State Sweetheart by the 1958-59 Sweetheart, Sallye McSwain, Arcadia. Mr. James E. Gorman, Managing Director, Florida Retail Federation, Florida Chamber of Commerce, Jacksonville, is shown presenting the trophy and pennant from the Florida Association, FFA. The cash awards were sponsored by the Belk-Lindsey Stores of Florida. Left to right are: Ellen Whigham, Marianna; Judy Woodward, Quincy; Inez Browning, Palatka; Sallye; Carol; Carol France, Dade City; Frances Fontaine, Belle Glade; and Mr. Gorman.

pard, Auburndale; John Samol, Hialeah; and Marvin Brown, Macclenny. The candidates each gave a short talk and the meeting adjourned with the official closing ceremony.

Two special luncheons were held at 11:45 a.m. at the Princess Issena 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 Craig Hotels, with John E. Leonard, Manager, and Miss Fran Cuthbertson, Sales Director, as host and hostess.

The Civitan Club Program was presented at Morrison's Imperial House. W. T. Loftin had charge of the program, with James Quincey, past National Vice-President as speaker.

The Daytona Beach Kiwanis Club Program was presented at the Peninsular Club, with Jack Millican handling the program. The Arcadia String Band furnished music and Wm. Paul Gray was speaker.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

THE WEDNESDAY afternoon session was called to order by the President and opened with the official ceremony.

C. M. Lawrence introduced the Judges for the Harmonica Contest as follows: Aubrey Fowler, Wayne Fowler, and Ralph Lougee.

Aubrey Fowler announced the results in the Harmonica Contest and presented the awards to the following in their order of placing: Harry Samol, Hialeah—\$10 and a pennant; Hal Dolan, Havana—\$8; Joseph T. Cannon, Branford—\$7; Richard Wilson, Auburndale—\$5; Larry Crenshaw, Wildwood—\$5; and N. B. Pettis, Vernon—\$5.

R. S. Maddox, Regional Manager, Public Relations Staff, General Motors, Atlanta, Georgia, addressed the delegation at this time on "Traffic Safety."

E. V. Komarek, Manager of the Greenwood Farms, Thomasville, Georgia, presented the Corn Production awards sponsored by his company, to the following: Escambia Farms—\$100 as State winner. The other winners in their order of placing were: Ponce DeLeon—\$60; Lee—\$40; and Vernon—\$25.

James Larry Jordon of Ft. Pierce 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 T. E. Hancock, Asst. General Sales Manager, Jacksonville. To each of the District winners, he presented \$50 Savings Bonds also from his company: I—Jimmy Mason, Walnut Hill; II—Don Nicholson, Quincy; III—Francis Ward, Suwannee Chapter at Live Oak; IV—Jack Williams, Reddick; V—Robert Julian Davis, Mulberry; VI—Donald F. Davis, Jr., South Dade at Homestead. 35 County Winners each received a \$25 Savings Bond from their local Ford Tractor Dealer.

Horace Quincey, 6th Vice-President, gave introductory remarks regarding the candidates for Honorary State Farmer Degree, after which the State Officers awarded the Degree to the following: Edwin Browning, Coordinator of Accreditation Services, State Department of Education, Tallahassee; V. L. DeShazo, Principal of Jasper High School, Jasper; J. H. Hyatt, Principal of Havana High School, Havana; Edward C. Nall, Principal of Paxton High School, Paxton; Henry Gatrell, Swine Breeder, Fairfield; Dr. F. S. Jamison, Vegetable Crops Specialist, University of Florida, Gainesville; Honorable Dewey Johnson, President, Florida State Senate, Quincy; Floyd Kay, Executive Secretary, Daytona Beach Chamber of Commerce; E. V. Komarek, Manager, Greenwood Farms, Thomasville, Ga.; J. O. Pearce, Jr., Florida Cattleman's Association, Okeechobee; John Potter, Agricultural

Engineer, Gulf Power Company, DeFuniak Springs; W. C. Rhoades, Head of North Florida Experiment Station, Quincy; Richard Simpson, Businessman and Farmer, Monticello; Don Wakeman, Professor of Animal Husbandry, University of Florida, Gainesville; James S. Wershow, President, Alachua County Farm Bureau, Gainesville; L. J. Whitmarsh, Manager, Mid-States Steel & Wire Company, Jacksonville; Dr. H. R. Wilber, Chairman, Awards Committee, Florida Wildlife Federation, DeLand; and Hugh Woolley, Teacher of Vocational Agriculture, Graceville. Honorable Dewey Johnson responded with remarks for the entire group, at this time.

Others receiving the Honorary Degree during the year were: Senator L. K. Edwards, Irvine, at the Southeastern Livestock Show at Ocala; Honorable Wm. C. Cramer, Congressman, George Harvey, Manager Tampa Tribune, WFLA-TV, Tampa, Roy Rogers, Beverly Hills, California, Ralph Sumner, Illinois Grain Company, Tampa, and Gilbert Tucker, Manager, A. Duda and Sons Ranch, Cocoa, at the Florida State Fair, in Tampa.

After some announcements were made, the committees received their assignments and recessed for meetings in Seabreeze High School and in Peabody Auditorium.

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

WEDNESDAY EVENING

At 8:00 p.m., a special talent program arranged by D. A. Storms, Sr., was presented in the Band Shell on the beach, with over 3,000 Future Farmers and guests in attendance. Bill Gunter, past State Vice-President and National President was Master of Ceremonies for a

full and very entertaining program. Special guests were introduced, and the Turkey Creek and Munson String Bands played; Chuck McIntosh of Turkey Creek and Inez Browning, District FFA Sweetheart of Palatka furnished piano music; the Munson and Turkey Creek Quartets sang; Elbert Hersey of Bradford FFA Chapter at Starke sang, accompanied by guitar; Carol France, District FFA Sweetheart from Dade City entertained with Baton Twirling; Hal Dolan from Havana gave selections on the Harmonica; Carole Ferlita of Hillsborough FFA, Agnes Robinson and Grey Robinson of Kathleen gave vocal selections; Judy Woodward, District FFA Sweetheart from Quincy entertained with acrobatics; Sallye McSwain, 1958-59 State Sweetheart, entertained with piano and vocal selections; and District Sweethearts Carol Long, Orlando-Edgewater, Frances Fontaine, Belle Glade and Ellen Whigham, Marianna, sang. The Program closed with the unfurling of the Flag and the audience singing the Star Spangled Banner.

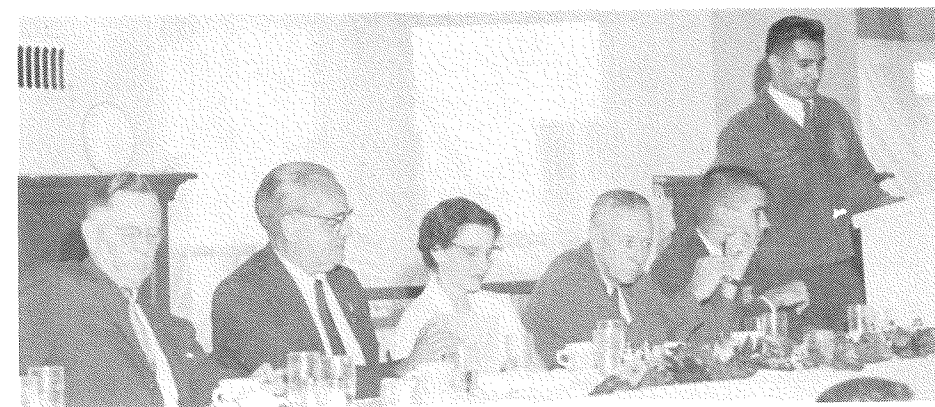
THURSDAY MORNING

THE ALPHA GAMMA RHO Fraternity, University of Florida, sponsored a breakfast at the Princess Issena Hotel, at 7:00 a.m. for all State Farmer Candidates planning to attend College. T. L. Barrineau, Supervisor of Agricultural Education in Area I had charge of the program. Terry McDavid, past State Vice-President and now a student at the University of Florida, acted as Toastmaster. Special music was furnished by the Turkey Creek String Band and Quartet.

The fourth session opened with special music by Hal Dolan, Havana, second place winner in the Harmonica Contest, and the fourth session of the convention opened with the devotional service given



Cecil Tindel, 1958-59 State President, presenting Dean R. C. Beaty, Student Personnel, University of Florida, with a special award in appreciation of his counsel and help to students regarding personal, financial and scholastic problems.



Cecil Tindel, State FFA President, addressing the group at the Mid-States Steel and Wire Luncheon honoring the District Star State Farmers.

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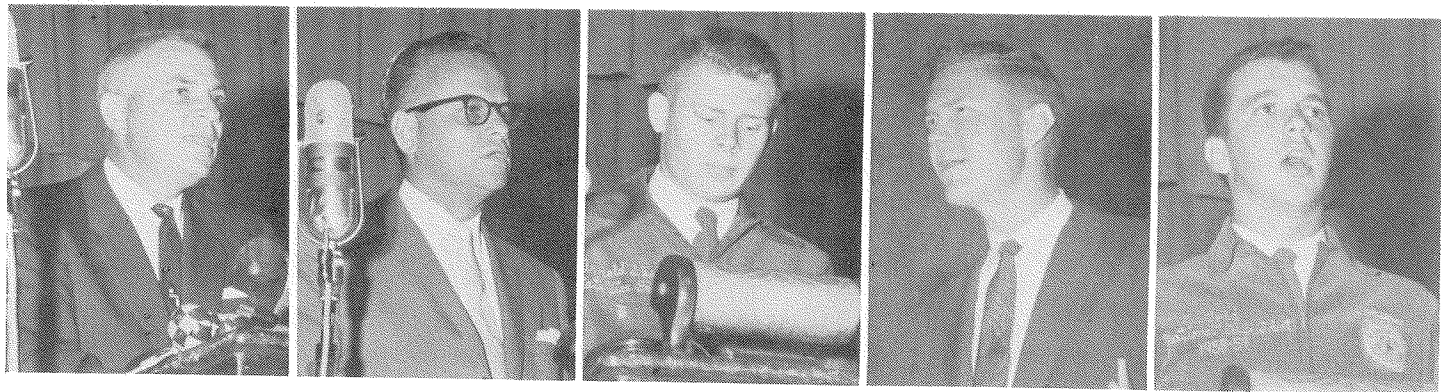
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From left to right, pictures show John H. Smiley, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Volusia County, DeLand, greeting the delegation. • Richard Livingston, President of Daytona Beach Chamber of Commerce, extending a welcome to the Future Farmers of Florida, at their 31st Annual State FFA Convention. • Arnold Skelton, Vice-President Tennessee Association, from Ten Mile, Tennessee, addressing the delegation. • Billy Gunter, Past National President, FFA, as Master of Ceremonies at the Band Shell Program Wednesday night. • Lee Todd, National Vice-President, Bells, Tennessee, honor guest at the Convention, addressing the delegation.

by Rev. Rankin L. Shrewsbury of the First Congregational Church. President Tindel called the meeting to order with the official opening ceremony, and Dr. E. W. Garriss, Head Teacher-Trainer of Agricultural Education at the University of Florida, Gainesville, gave the State Highlights for 1958-59. (Copies of this report are being distributed at the July 1959 Vocational Agricultural Teachers Conference).

Robert Carley presented the Treasurer's report for the year 1958-59, which was approved by the delegates.

At this time the State President introduced the Division Winners in the Demonstration Contest, who gave a summary of their demonstrations.

Harry Samol, Hialeah, State Champion Harmonica player gave a few selections.

The Annual Accomplishment Report of the Florida Association, FFA for 1958-59 was given by Darrel Hobbs, 4th Vice-President. The report was approved by the delegates.

President Tindel read letters of congratulations and best wishes from Honorable LeRoy Collins, Governor, Honorable Nathan Mayo, Commissioner of Agriculture, and a telegram from R. L. Hendershott, Director of the Clearwater Convention Bureau.

Richard F. Kelly, former member of the Inverness Chapter, and Wm. H. Humphreys, former member of the Miami-Jackson Chapter, now seniors at the University of Florida, were presented a \$100 J. F. Williams Memorial Scholarship by H. E. Wood, State FFA Adviser. Kelly and Humphreys are both planning to accept employment as teachers of vocational agriculture in Florida.

Curtis Koon, 1st Vice-President, introduced Melvin Vernon, Jr., Tampa-Hillsborough, 1958 American Farmer, and the following 1959 American Farmer applicants who were present: Ronald Wetherington, Turkey Creek; Grey Robinson, Kathleen; and Charles Schack, Greenwood.

Lamar Hayes, Paxton Chapter, moved that the Committee Report dealing with the Chapter Program of Work be refer-

red to the 1959-60 State Officers at their meeting in July. The motion was seconded by Thomas Vickers of Greenville and carried.

The following past State Officers were introduced and made remarks at this time: Jackson Brownlee, Trenton; Richard Kelly, Inverness; and James Quincy, Trenton.

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 Lee Todd, National Vice-President from Bells, Tennessee, and Arnold Skelton, Vice-President from Ten Mile, Tennessee. At this time Arnold Skelton spoke to the delegation.

The 1958 State Farmer Candidates were guests of Sam Kelly, President of the Loncala Phosphate Company, High Springs, at a luncheon at the Princess Issena Hotel. Perry Sistrunk had charge of the program and the Munson String Band and Quartet furnished the music. C. M. Lawrence was presented an Adviser's Jacket by the State Officers at this time.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

THE FIFTH session was called to order by the President. At this time Lee Todd, National Vice-President from Bells, Tennessee, addressed the delegation. Then, election and initiation of candidates for State Farmer Degree by the State Officers was held. The degree was conferred on 159 Future Farmers (This listing is given on page 2). The Mid-States Steel and Wire Company of Crawfordsville, Indiana and Jacksonville, Florida, sponsored awards of \$5 each for members receiving the State Farmer Degree, with \$10 going to the three top District Winners, \$25 to the two top Area Winners, and \$50 to the Star State Farmer. H. E. Nickloy, Advertising Manager, of Crawfordsville, and Jack Salt, representative from Gainesville, presented the awards.

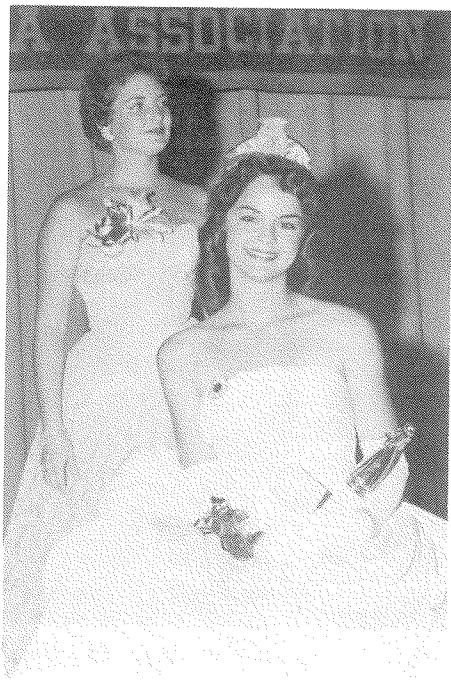
The Florida Federation of Production

Credit Associations presented a State Farmer Key to each member receiving the Degree. A. T. Race, Director of the Production Credit Association from Winter Haven, and Paul C. Aebersold, Secretary-Treasurer of the Florida Federation, Gainesville, presented the keys.

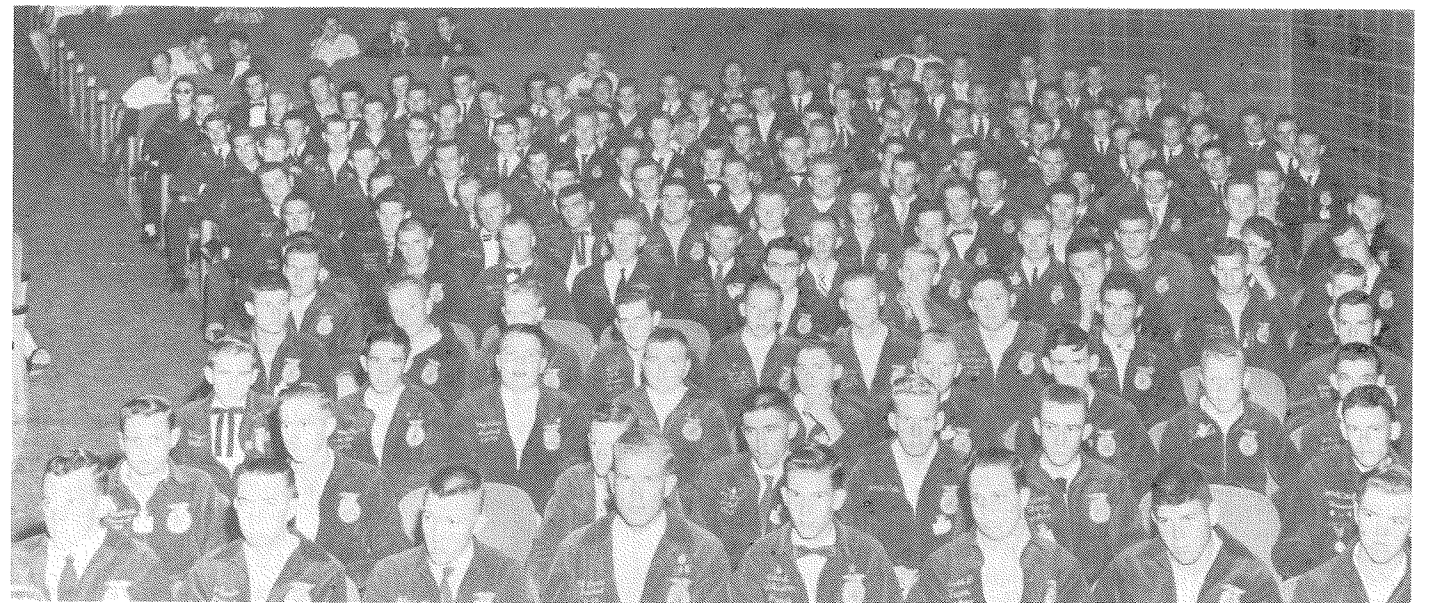
President Cecil Tindel then conferred the Honorary State Farmer Degree on Mr. Aebersold, as he was unable to be present on Wednesday afternoon.

The seven candidates for 1959-60 State President were given two minutes each to present their qualifications prior to the balloting for President. Randy Kincaid of Lake Wales and Jeff Daughtry of Peace River Chapter at Wauchula were the two high candidates and in the run-off.

"Pass-the-chicken, Pappy" Awards, sponsored by the Sears Roebuck Found-



Carol Long, Orlando-Edgewater, 1959-60 State FFA Sweetheart, Sallye McSwain, Arcadia, 1958-59 State FFA Sweetheart.



Pictured above are the 1959 State Farmer Degree Candidates at the 31st Annual State FFA Convention at Daytona Beach.

ation, were presented to 18 Chapters by Virgil Milton, Assistant Manager of the Sears Roebuck Store at Daytona Beach. First place winner in each district received \$25, second place winner \$15 and third place winner \$10. Those who received awards by District in order of placing were as follows: I-Vernon, Poplar Springs, Marianna; II-Quincy, Tallahassee, Grand Ridge; III-(Baker County) Macclenny, Baldwin, (Lake Weir) Summerfield; IV-St. Cloud, Bushnell, Chiefland; V-Bartow, Mulberry, Palmetto; VI-(Peace River) Wauchula, (Hardee) Wauchula, Sebring.

Graceville, (Leon) Tallahassee, Bell, Ocala, Mulberry, and (South Dade) Homestead were presented bronze plaques with their Chapter name engraved on them, as well as \$100, as district winners in the chapter cooperative leadership contest. The checks to the chapters in Districts I through IV were from the Cotton Producers Association, a large Farm Supply and marketing Co-operative, which has branch stores known as Farmers Mutual Exchanges located at various points in North Florida. Rosser Waller, District Mgr. of the Cotton Producers Association, Gainesville, presented these checks. Checks for Districts V and VI were furnished by the Florida Council of Farmer Cooperatives, and were presented by A. H. Whitmore, Secretary of the Florida Council, Orlando, assisted by Aubrey Fowler, past President of the Florida Council, Live Oak, J. E. Dukes, Chairman of the Youth Committee of the Florida Council, Palatka, and Dr. E. W. Cake, Marketing Economist, Agricultural Extension Service, University of Florida, Gainesville. The South Dade Chapter at Homestead as top Chapter in the State, was presented a plaque and check from the Council for \$500, to help defray expenses for at least one carload of its members and advisers to the annual meeting of the American Institute of Cooperation at the University of Illi-

nois, Urbana, Illinois, August 9-13. For the South Dade Chapter this year's honor is a repeat performance, as this same chapter was State Winner three years ago and went on to become the Southeast regional winner in the National Cooperative Activity Contest the same year. If they should become the Southeast Regional Winner again this year, the Chapter will receive another \$500 from the American Institute of Cooperation, as additional expense money for attending its meeting. In that case, the chapter would take two carloads of boys to the meeting.

The meeting adjourned with the official closing ceremony.

THURSDAY EVENING

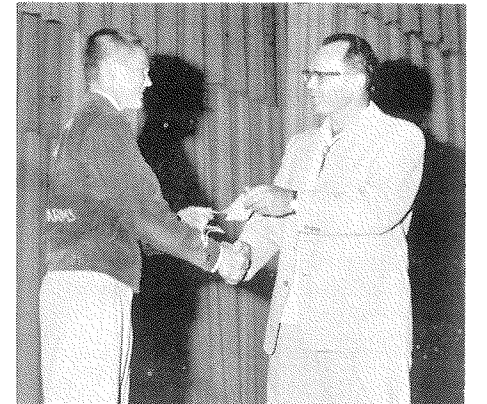
A PROGRAM was given at the Daytona Beach Junior Chamber of Commerce meeting at the Ridgewood Grill, with the Arcadia String Band furnishing the music and Sallye McSwain, 1958-59 State FFA Sweetheart giving some vocal selections.

The sixth session of the Convention was called to order by the President, after several selections by the Munson String Band. W. O. Beauchamp, Jr., 2nd Vice-President was introduced as Master of Ceremonies for the session, after the official ceremony.

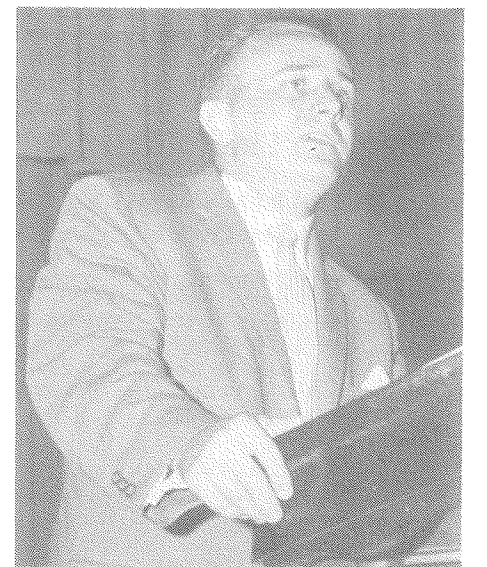
W. T. Lofton explained the procedure for the Public Speaking Contest and introduced the following Judges: Dr. Leland L. Zimmerman, Ass't Professor of Speech, University of Florida, Gainesville; R. C. Beaty, Dean of Student Personnel, University of Florida, Gainesville, and Jesse L. Hammett, State Director, Soil Conservation Service, Gainesville.

In the absence of Colin Lindsey, Manager of the Belk-Lindsey Stores, Tampa, R. S. Maddox, Regional Manager, Public Relations Staff, General Motors, Atlanta, Ga., presented the awards. The Future Farmers of America Foundation certi-

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E. V. Komarek, Manager of Greenwood Farms, Thomasville, Georgia, presenting the Corn Production Awards to a representative of the Escambia Farms Chapter-State Winner.



R. S. Maddox, Regional Manager, Public Relations Staff, General Motors, Atlanta, Georgia, addressing the delegation on Traffic Safety.

1959-60 Officers

RANDY KINCAID President

RANDY KINCAID, a recent graduate of the Lake Wales High School, and a member of the FFA Chapter, is the newly elected President of the Florida Association. He is 17 years old and the son of Mrs. Allison Perry, Jr.

Randy has been parliamentarian, reporter and president of his chapter, delegate and representative to the State and National Conventions, participant in public speaking, Youth Fair, chapter banquets and leadership schools. He is a member of the Key Club, Latin Club, Student Council, and President of the Methodist Youth Fellowship.

His Farming Program consisted of one steer, 5 beef breeding animals, 15 dairy calves, 4 hogs for meat and 1/4 acre of garden.

CARROLL McELROY 1st Vice-President

CARROLL McELROY, recently elected 1st Vice-President representing District IV, is a member of the Chiefland Chapter. He is 18 years old and the son of Mrs. Ethel McElroy.

During the last year he had 4 hogs for meat, 2 steers, 5 acres corn and 20 acres watermelons.

Carroll has been Secretary, Vice-President and President of his Chapter, delegate to the State Convention, participant in public speaking contest, member and chairman of many of the program of work committees. He was President of his Junior and Senior Class, Student Council and Beta Club, and Secretary of his Sunday School Class for three years.

RONALD NELSON 2nd Vice-President

RECENTLY ELECTED 2nd Vice-President, Ronald Nelson, representing District VI, is a member of the North Miami Chapter. Ronald is 18 years old and is the son of Mrs. Violet Nelson. He is kept quite busy with his 10,000 nursery plants, along with working as an assistant nurseryman.

He has served as Sentinel and President of his Chapter, delegate to the State Convention, member of the Courtesy Corps at the National Convention, Chairman of many committees in his Chapter, Co-chairman of the Dade County Youth Fair, Officer in the League of his Church and a member of the school football team.

DONNIE SIMMONS 3rd Vice-President

REPRESENTING THE Florida Association, FFA as 3rd Vice-President during the coming year, is Donnie Simmons of the Paxton Chapter, representing District I. Donnie is 17 years old and the son of Mrs. Mary Alice Simmons.

His project program this last year included 7 steers, 20 acres of corn, 1/2 acre of truck crops and 1/2 interest in 500 hogs for meat.

He served as President of his local chapter, Chairman of several committees of the Program of Work, delegate to the State Convention, and participated in many of the contests, such as Public Speaking and Parliamentary Procedure. He served as Secretary and Treasurer of many of his classes in high school, Vice-President of the Math Club, Reporter of the Student Council and a member of the Beta Club.

GENE BOYLE 4th Vice-President

GENE BOYLE of the Palmetto Chapter is the newly elected 4th Vice-President representing District V. He is 17 years old and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Boyle.

Gene's farming program includes 6,000 ornamentals of his own and 1/2 interest in 100,000.

He served as President of his chapter and delegate to the State Convention for 4 years; Toastmaster at chapter banquets; participated in Public Speaking and Parliamentary Procedure, Secretary and President of his Youth Fellowship, Secretary of the DeMolay Chapter, and a member of the Student Council.

FRANCIS WARD 5th Vice-President

REPRESENTING THE Florida Association, FFA as 5th Vice President during the coming year is Francis Ward, who lives on a general type farm in Suwannee County. Francis is 18 years old and a graduate of the Suwannee High School in Live Oak. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Ward.

At the State Convention, he was also honored by being acclaimed the top District and Area Star Farmer and received \$25 from Mid-States Steel and Wire Company, and \$75 from Chilean Nitrate Educational Bureau.

Francis' supervised farming program last year consisted of 100% ownership of 5 acres of watermelons, 100 acres of corn, 1 acre of tobacco, 100 acres of in-

digo, 4 steers, 20 head of hogs, one beef cow, 4 dairy cows and 1 acre of peanuts.

He served as President of his local chapter for two years. He also represented the chapter in various contests and activities, such as Judging Teams, Parliamentary Procedure, State and National Convention, Forestry School, and chairman of many of the Program of Work Committees. He was Secretary, Vice-President and President of his Sunday School Class, and Parliamentarian of the Senior Class.

WILSON McCALLISTER 6th Vice-President

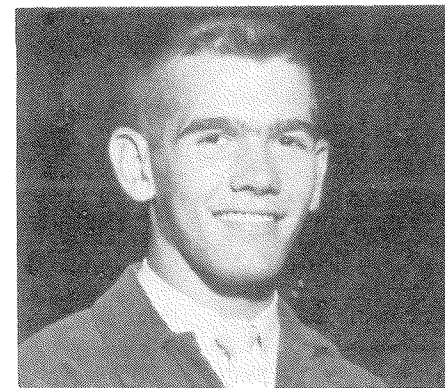
WILSON McCALLISTER, who will be a senior in the Sopchoppy High School next year, is the newly elected 6th Vice-President representing District II. He is 16 years old and the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McCallister.

His farming program included 2 sows, 4 hogs for meat, 1/2 acre of general truck crops and 20 head of turkeys.

Wilson served two years as President of his local chapter and delegate to the State Convention. His participation in chapter activities included Public Speaking, Toastmaster at banquets, chairman of many contests, judging teams and his chapter pig chain. He has been President of the Beta Club for two years, a member of the Student Council, basketball and baseball teams.



Mr. H. E. Wood, State Adviser, Florida Association FFA, presenting Richard Kelly and William H. Humphreys, seniors at the University of Florida with \$100 J. F. Williams Memorial Scholarships.

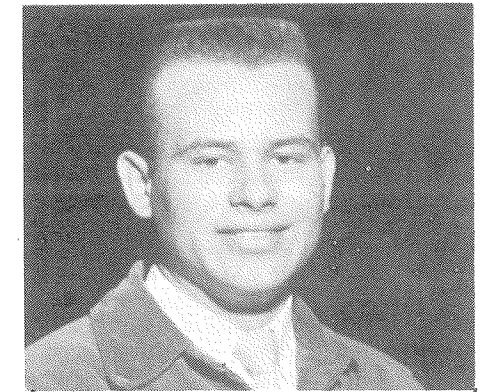


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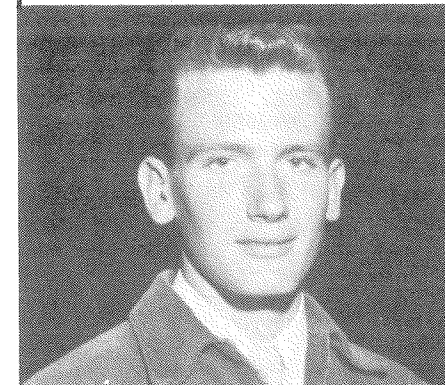
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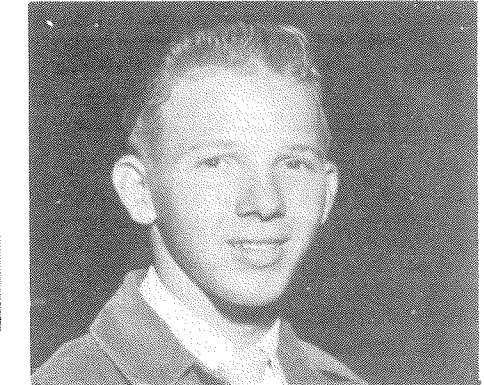


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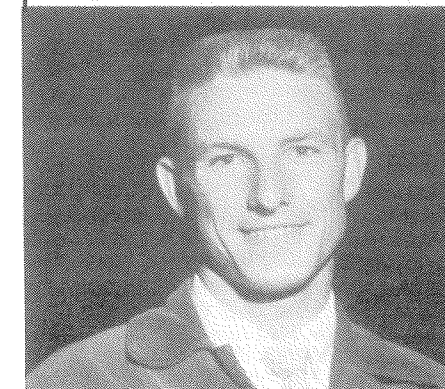
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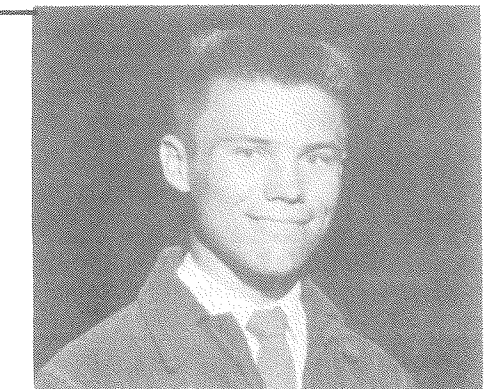


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cate and check for \$100 and a pennant went to first place winner Charles "Chucky" Beck of Chieffland; and awards sponsored by Belk-Lindsey Stores to Howard Barnes of Pinecrest—\$25 as second place winner, and Victor Butler of Havana—\$20 as third place winner. The titles of their speeches in their respective placings were: "Conserving Florida's Wildlife Through Soil Conservation Districts", "The Place of Vocational Agriculture in Our Course of Study", and "From the Dust of the Earth". The state winner in this contest will represent Florida in August in the Tri-State

Public Speaking Contest to be held at the Georgia FFA Camp.

C. M. Lawrence explained the State Quartet Contest, and introduced the following Judges: Aubrey Fowler, Wayne Fowler and Ralph Lougee.

The awards in the Quartet Contest, sponsored by the Florida Association, were presented by Ralph Lougee to the following: Sebring (Harold Jackson, David Whatley, Ronnie Sauls, Errol Lannier, and accompanied by James Thompson)—\$20 and Pennant; Turkey Creek (Earl Lee, Clavie Allen, Chuck McIntosh and Charles Creech)—\$15; Palatka (Wayne Donaldson, Larry Massey, Thomas Willis, Elmer Chesser, and accompanied by Davis Long)—\$10; Munson (Maxium Evers, Billy Sexton, Wayne

Cooley, Norman Evers, and accompanied by James Crain with a guitar)—\$5; and Webster (J. C. Woodward, Paul Stuart, Bernard Sparkman, John Douthat, and accompanied by Frances Wall)—\$5.

Johnny Carter of the Callahan Chapter was presented a Dairy Efficiency Plaque from Southern Dairies, Inc., a certificate and check for \$100 from the Future Farmers of America Foundation as Star State Dairy Farmer by Ezra Yocum, Field Representative, Southern Dairies, Inc., Marianna. District winners receiving \$25 each from Southern Dairies, Inc. were Clyde Creighton, Jr., (Tate) Gonzalez; Kenneth Fuqua, Altha; Henry Raattama, Jr. (Santa Fe) Alachua; Gary Alfred Schaller, Auburndale; and Roger Nickerson, (Hardee) Wauchula. Fuqua received a Special Dairy Efficiency Plaque as top district winner.

T. L. Barrineau, Supervisor of Agricultural Education for Area I presented the Softball Awards as follows:

Pinecrest, State winner, a pennant. Second place went to the Mayo Chapter.

At this time some introductions were made, and telegrams of congratulations and best wishes were read from the following: Lloyd Dubroff, Tallahassee, immediate past State FFA President; Tom Peter Chaires III, Oldtown, President of State Boys 4-H Council; Albert Ernest, Jacksonville, Vice-President of St. Regis Paper Company; and Allan and Barbara Alexander, Australia. Allan was a former exchange student to this country.

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

FRIDAY MORNING

THE SEVENTH session of the Convention was called to order by the President. After a couple of selections were given by the Turkey Creek Quartet, second place winner in the State Contest, Rev. Norman Bennett of the Cavalry Baptist Church gave the devotional. The President then proceeded with the official opening ceremony.

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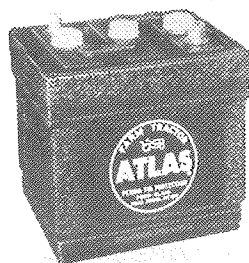
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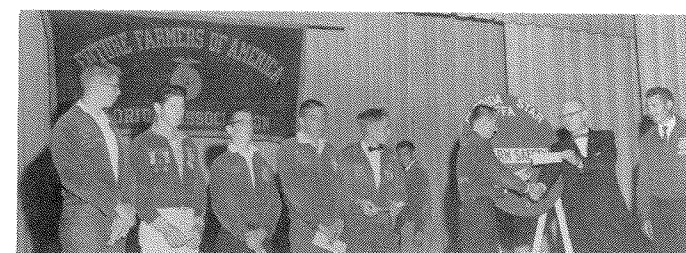
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Representatives from the winning chapters in the Chapter Cooperative Leadership Contest, sponsored by the Cotton Producers Association and the Florida Council of Farmer Cooperatives, from each district with their advisers and representatives from the two organizations who made the presentation. Seated are: Ira Creel, Graceville; Tommy Fortner, Mulberry; Walter Butler, South Dade—State winner; Pete Crandall, (Leon) Tallahassee; John Schnelzer, Ocala; Jimmy Hodges, Bell; Standing: Aubry Fowler, Live Oak; Hugh H. Woolley, Adviser-Graceville; Eugene Doss, Adviser-Mulberry; Russell Waller, Atlanta; Lansing Gordon, Adviser-South Dade; A. H. Whitmore, Orlando; O. Z. Revell, Adviser-Leon; J. E. Dukes, Palatka; Marion Roche, Adviser-Ocala; E. W. Cake, U. of F., Gainesville; and Donald C. Hurst, Adviser-Bell.



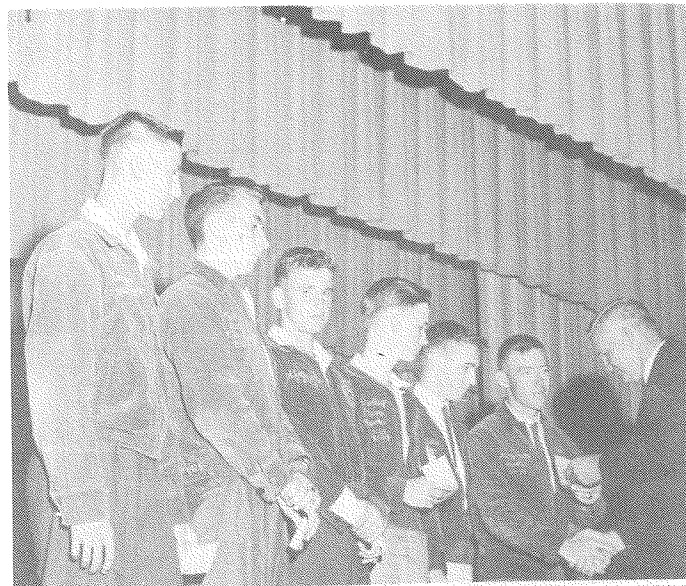
Top photo: Presentation of the Soil and Water Management Awards was made by M. F. Holahan, Jr., Manager, International Harvester Co., Jacksonville, Florida. Left to right are: Front Row, William Oliver Lee, Groveland; Ted Sutherland, Bartow; Roy Fussell, Auburndale; William Lyle, Winter Haven; Jeff Daughtry, Peace River-Wauchula; Don Weber, Ft. Pierce; Claude Daigle, Jr., South Dade at Homestead; Robert Julian Davis, Jr., Mulberry—State Winner; Mr. Holahan; Eugene Doss, Adviser-Mulberry. Back Row are: Leon Wilson, Bartow; Robert Gunson, Auburndale; Warren Harrell, Winter Haven; W. E. Raikes, Fort Pierce. ● Bottom photo: Ezra Yocum, Field Representative, Southern Dairies, Inc., Marianna, is shown presenting the Dairy Farming Awards. The State Dairy Farmer Plaque was presented to the winner, Johnny Carter, Callahan Chapter. District winners were: Clyde Creighton, Jr., Tate; Kenneth Fuqua, Altha; Henry Raattama, Santa Fe.



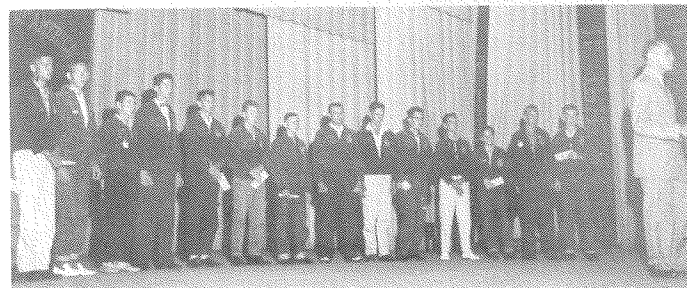
Top photo: R. E. Miessen, Marketing Assistant, Standard Oil, Jacksonville, presenting the Farm Safety Award to Monty Koon of the Mulberry Chapter, State Winning Chapter. Other Winners, sixth through second, left to right are: DeLand, Crystal River, Bartow, Quincy and South Dade at Homestead. ● Center: Presentation of the State Farm Electrification Award to James Plant, Auburndale. Left to right are: Front row: District I—Bobby Gibson, Walnut Hill; II—Mack Dunn, Quincy; III—Joe Stephens, Santa Fe; V—Tommy Fortner, Mulberry; IV—Joe Strano, South Dade at Homestead; and James Plant—State Winner—Auburndale. Back row are their advisers: Glenn C. Key, Walnut Hill; James C. McCall, Quincy; Henry Lunsford, Santa Fe; Leon Sims, Santa Fe; Eugene Doss, Mulberry; Robert Gunson, Auburndale. ● Bottom: Mr. T. E. Hancock, Assistant General Sales Manager, Ford Tractor Company, presenting the State Champion Farm Mechanics awards to James Larry Jordon, Ft. Pierce. Other winners are: Don Nichulson, Quincy; Francis Ward, Suwannee, Live Oak; Jack Williams, Reddick; Robert Julian Davis, Mulberry; Donald F. Davis, Jr., South Dade at Homestead; Jimmy Mason, Walnut Hill.



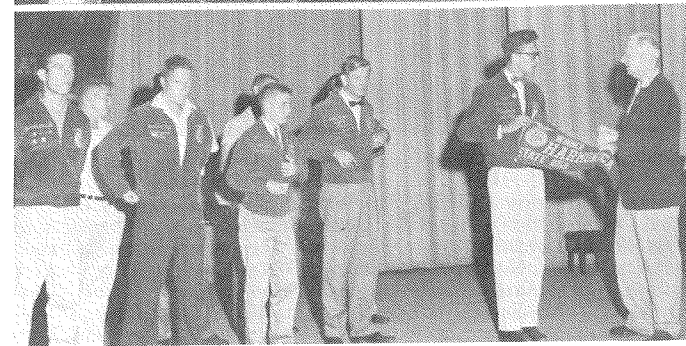
T. K. McClane, Executive Vice-President, Florida Farm Bureau, presenting the State Winning Palatka Chapter the Farm Bureau trophy, FFA Banner and \$25 check for Parliamentary Procedure. Members of the team are: Glenn Register, Jimmy Cutler, Gregg Matthews, Charlie Silcox, Elmer Chesser, and Gerald Roberts.



At top: J. O. Pearce, President of the Florida Cattlemen's Association is presenting the State Beef Breeding award to Robert Willis, Marianna. Other winners are: Larry Stephens (Peace River) Wauchula; Jimmy Davis, Mulberry; Ted Sutherland, Bartow; Bradley Crews, Auburndale, and Gary Jones, Bartow. ● Bottom picture shows Mr. Pearce presenting the Feeder Steer Award to George E. Clark, Lakeland. Other winners are: Barney Tewox, Mulberry; Bobby Lowery, DeLand, Murray Teuton, Gainesville; Robert Wiley, Auburndale; Larry Edwards, Quincy.



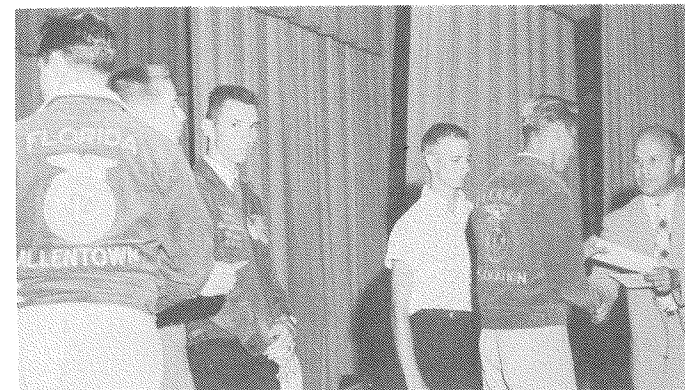
"Pass-the-Chicken, Pappy" awards sponsored by the Sears Roebuck Foundation, were presented to 18 chapters by Virgil Milton, Assistant Manager of the Sears Roebuck Store at Daytona Beach. First place winner in each district were: I—Vernon; II—Quincy; III—(Baker County) Macclenny; IV—St. Cloud; V—Bartow; IV—(Peace River) Wauchula.



Top picture: State Champion String Band for the Munson Chapter and their Adviser James Cook. Left to right are: Nicky Walker, Jimmy Crain, James Crain, Maxium Evers, Steve Crain, and Billy Sexton. ● At bottom: Aubrey Fowler, Secretary-Treasurer of North Florida Production Credit Association, Live Oak, presenting the State Champion Harmonica Player, Harry Samol, Miami-Hialeah, with the pennant. Other contestants are: Hal Dolan, Havana; Joseph Cannon, Branford; Richard Wilson, Auburndale; Larry Crenshaw, Wildwood; N. B. Pettis, Vernon.



Jack Peters, Manager, Shippers and Membership Division of the Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association, Orlando, is shown presenting awards in the Demonstration Contest to Lester Patrick, Jack James and their Adviser James L. Simmons of Turkey Creek, and the State Judging, Grading and Identification Contest to Billy Beach, a member of the Hastings team.



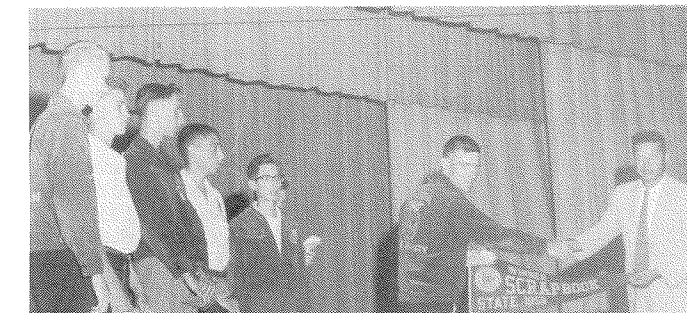
R. N. Hoskins, General Forestry Agent, Seaboard Air Line Railroad Company, is shown presenting the State Forestry Contest Award to Herman Hendricks, Callahan; other winners are: 2nd place, MacArthur Burnsed, Macclenny; 3rd, David King, Jasper; 4th, Grover Penton, Allentown.



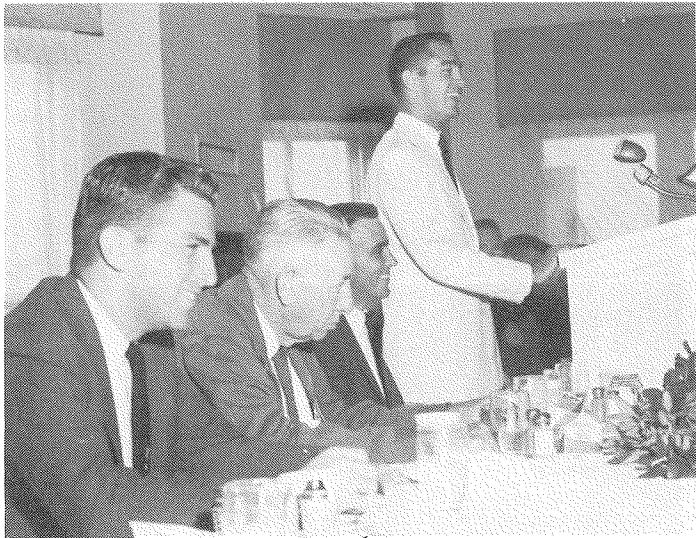
Top picture taken at the Sweetheart Luncheon sponsored by the Craig Hotels. Cecil Tindel, 1958-59 State FFA President from Graceville, presenting Miss Fran Cuthbertson, Sales Director, with the FFA Key. ● Middle picture: Farm Safety Luncheon, guests of Standard Oil Company of Kentucky, R. A. Miessen, Assistant to the Division Manager, Jacksonville, Florida, host. ● Bottom picture: Florida Retail Federation, Florida State Chamber of Commerce Dinner honoring the Presidents and Advisers of the State Chapter Contest Winners. Left to right are: Mr. C. M. Lawrence, Area III Supervisor, Mrs. H. E. Wood, Mr. H. E. Wood, State Advisor, Mrs. J. E. Gorman, Mr. Gorman, Managing Director, Florida Retail Federation, State Chamber of Commerce, Jacksonville; Mr. Eugene Doss, Adviser-Mulberry, Miss Gorman; Tommy Fortner, Mulberry.



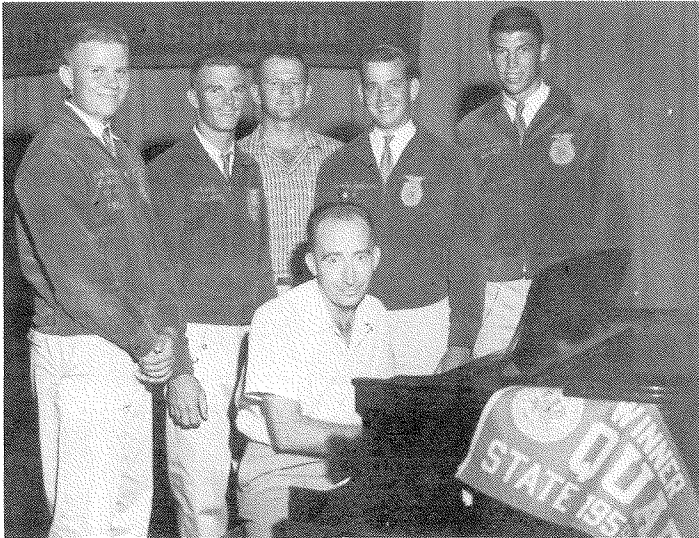
Top picture: presentation of the Star State Farmer Award to Jeff Daughtry, Peace River-Wauchula. Left to right are shown Mr. and Mrs. Daughtry; Jeff; Cecil Tindel, 1958-59 State President; John Maddox, Adviser—Peace River-Wauchula. ● Middle picture: presentation of Area Star State Farmer Awards. Left to right are: Curtis Koon, 1st Vice-President; Norval Tyre, Blountstown; Lamar Jones, Adviser—Blountstown; Horace Quincey, 6th V.P.; Francis Ward, Suwannee-Live Oak; Henry Folsom, Adviser—Suwannee, Mr. J. F. Bazemore; Jeff Daughtry, Peace River-Wauchula; Mr. and Mrs. Daughtry; Mr. John W. Maddox, Adviser—Peace River; and Cecil Tindel, 1958-59 State President. ● Bottom picture: presentation of District Star State Farmer Awards. Left to right are: Darrell Hobbs, 4th Vice-President; Jerry Glass, Marianna; R. F. Toole, Adviser—Marianna; Curtis Koon, 1st V.P.; Norval Tyre, Blountstown; Lamar Jones, Adviser—Blountstown; Horace Quincey, 6th V.P.; Francis Ward, Suwannee-Live Oak; Henry Folsom, Adviser—Suwannee; W. O. Beauchamp, 2nd V.P.; Mrs. Peebles, Billy Peebles, Ocala, Mr. Peebles; H. E. Nickloy; M. C. Roche, Adviser—Ocala; Tommy Fortner, Mulberry; Mr. and Mrs. Fortner; Eugene Doss, Adviser—Mulberry; Jeff Daughtry, Peace River-Wauchula; Mr. and Mrs. Daughtry; C. A. Platt, Adviser—Peace River; John W. Maddox, Adviser—Peace River.



Marion Bishop, County Coordinator, Alachua County, presenting the Scrapbook pennant to a representative of the Winning Chapter—Vernon. Other winners were: 2nd—Lakeview (Winter Garden); 3rd—Branford; 4th—Quincy; 5th—Miami-Edison; 6th—Mulberry.



Above: Jackson Brownlee, President of the University of Florida Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity, addressed the group at the A.G.R. Breakfast for the State Farmer Degree Candidates planning to attend college.



Shown above is the State Champion Quartet, Sebring Chapter. Left to right are: seated, James Thompson, Accompanist; David Whatley, Erroll Lanier, Adviser-Olin T. Stoutamire, Harold Jackson and Ronnie Sauls.

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The two candidates for State President gave a few remarks and then the second ballot was held, Randy Kincaid from Lake Wales being elected.

\$100 scholarships from the Florida Bankers Association to assist them in attending Florida State University or the University of Florida, were presented to Paul Braswell, Greenville; Garrett Ellsworth Carroll, (Williams) Live Oak; Billy Peebles, Ocala; Tommy Fortner, Mulberry; and Donald E. Weber, Ft. Pierce, by Stanley A. Taylor, Vice-President of the Florida Bank and Trust Company of Daytona Beach.

At this time we had some special music by the Sebring State Champion Quartet.

The State President presented Dean R. C. Beaty, Student Personnel, University of Florida, Gainesville, a trophy in grateful recognition of his loyalty and



A. T. Race, Director of the Production Credit Association, Winter Haven, and Paul C. Aebersold, Secretary-Treasurer Florida Federation, Gainesville, presenting the State Farmer Keys.

service as an Honorary State Farmer since 1936. The entire delegation rose in honor of Dean Beaty.

At this time the State President read a telegram of best wishes from the State Girls 4-H Council.

The top three Chapters in the State Chapter Contest were presented their awards by James E. Gorman, Managing Director of the Florida Retail Federation, Jacksonville, and will be entered in National competition. The State winner this year was Mulberry, which received \$40 and a Gold Plaque; second—Quincy, which received \$25 and a Silver Plaque; and third—(South Dade) Homestead, which received \$15 and a Bronze Plaque. Increased interest was shown this year by the Chapters as indicated by their Accomplishment Reports. Those having Superior Rating (74) were presented with a gold seal, and those having a Standard Rating (35) received a silver seal from the National Organization. The State Chapter Awards are sponsored by the Future Farmers of America Foundation and Florida Retail Federation of the State Chamber of Commerce.

At this time the Honorary State Farmer Degree was presented to Eugene Doss, Teacher of Vocational Agriculture at Mulberry, and A. E. Choate, Principal of Mulberry High School.

The Nominating Committee's selections for State Vice-Presidents were approved for the following: 1st—Robert Ballentine, Bushnell; 2nd—Ronnie Nelson, North Miami; 3rd—Jerry Glass, Marianna; 4th—Tommy Fortner, Mulberry; 5th—Francis Ward, (Suwannee) Live Oak; 6th—Wilson McCallister, Sopchoppy.

Nominations from the floor were made for the following: 1st—Carroll McElroy, Chiefland; Billy Peebles, Ocala; 2nd—Jeff Daughtry, (Peace River) Wauchula; John Samol, Hialeah; Don Weber, Ft. Pierce; 3rd—Ronald Wilkinson, Baker; Donnie Simmons, Paxton; 4th—George

Clarke, Lakeland; Gene Boyle, Palmetto; Earl Lee, Turkey Creek; Wayne Leopard, Auburndale; 5th—Richard Bell, Baldwin; DeRich Green, Starke; Marvin Brown, Macclenny; Mellaine Clyatt, Lake Butler; 6th—Jerry Perkins, Havana; Paul Braswell, Greenville; Kenneth Fuqua, Altha; Norval Tyre, Blountstown.

The Munson String Band furnished some entertainment at this time.

State Adviser H. E. Wood read a telegram from Hon. Billy Matthews, Congressman. Further recommendations of committees were submitted and approved at this time. A motion was made by Victor Butler of Havana, seconded by Harry Samol of Hialeah, and carried, that the Executive Committee decide on



R. S. Maddox, Regional Manager, Public Relations Staff, General Motors, Atlanta, Georgia, is shown presenting the Public Speaking Award to the State Winner—Charles "Chuck" Beck, Chiefland. He received a check for \$100 and pennant from the Future Farmer Foundation. Second place winner—Howard Barnes of Pinecrest received \$25 from Belk-Lindsey Stores and Victor Butler of Havana received \$20 as 3rd place winner.

whether or not the election of the President and Vice-Presidents should be set as one of the very last things of the State Convention for next year. 3rd Vice-President Robert Carley gave a few remarks on the disadvantages of this procedure. However, it will be referred to the Executive Committee.

A special luncheon was held at the Princess Issena Hotel for the District State Farmers, their parents and advisers, and the office staff, by the Mid-States Steel and Wire Company, Crawfordsville, Indiana, and Jacksonville, Florida, with H. E. Nickloy and Jack Salt as hosts. T. L. Barrineau had charge of the program.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

THE EIGHTH session was called to order by the President.

The candidates for Vice-President were introduced and each given time to make a short speech, after which the first ballot for Vice-President was held. Earl Lee and Gene Boyle were in the run-off for 4th Vice-President, and Kenneth Fuqua and Wilson McCallister for 6th.

A motion was made by James Posey, Escambia Farms, seconded by Charles Barwick, Sopchoppy, and carried that the Florida Association send R. E. Bass, National Treasurer, a telegram wishing him a speedy recovery from a recent illness.

President Tindel introduced Hon. Thomas D. Bailey, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, stating that under his leadership Florida has developed one of the finest school systems in the nation. He not only is a loyal friend of the Future Farmers, but is recognized as one of the outstanding educators in Florida and in our nation. The entire delegation rose in honor of Superintendent Bailey, and he made an address at this time.

Harry Samol gave a few selections on the Harmonica.

Presentation of Farm Electrification awards was made by J. R. Saunders, Agricultural Engineer, Florida Power Corporation, St. Petersburg, as follows: to the State winner, James Plant of Auburndale, a Certificate and check for \$100 from the Future Farmers of America Foundation and a \$100 Savings Bond from the Florida Power & Light Company of Miami, Florida Power Corporation of St. Petersburg, Tampa Electric Company, Tampa, and Gulf Power Company of Pensacola: I—Bobby Gibson, Walnut Hill; II—Mack Dunn, Quincy; III—Joe Stephens, (Santa Fe) Alachua; IV—Randall Priest, (Seminole) Sanford; V—Tommy Fortner, Mulberry; VI—Joe Strano, (South Dade) Homestead.

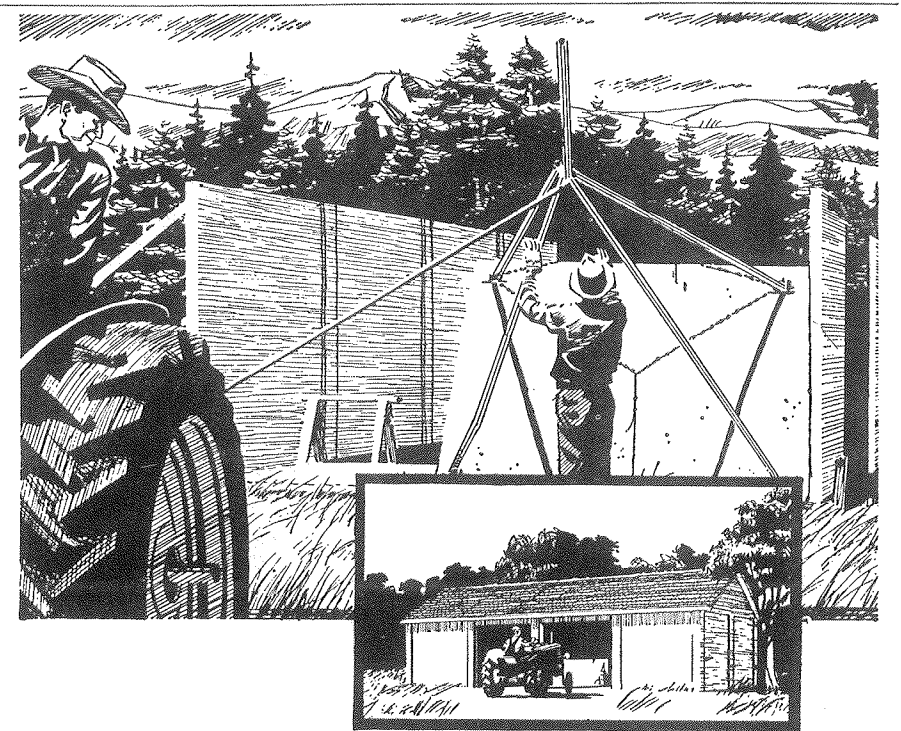
At this time the retiring State Vice-Presidents made their individual reports to the delegates and they were approved.

Second ballot for Vice-Presidents was held and the following were elected: 1st—Carroll McElroy, Chiefland; 2nd—Ronald Nelson, North Miami; 3rd—Donnie Simmons, Paxton; 4th—Gene Boyle,

Palmetto; 5th—Francis Ward, (Suwannee) Live Oak; 6th—Wilson McCallister, Sopchoppy.

The Mulberry Chapter, as State Winner of the Scrapbook Contest, received \$25 and a Pennant. Other District winners were Miami-Edison, Quincy, Brad-

ford at Starke, Lake View, and Vernon, each receiving \$10. These awards, sponsored by the Florida Association, FFA, were presented by M. L. Bishop, Alachua County Coordinator of Agricultural Education, Gainesville. Judges were M. L. (Continued on page 21)



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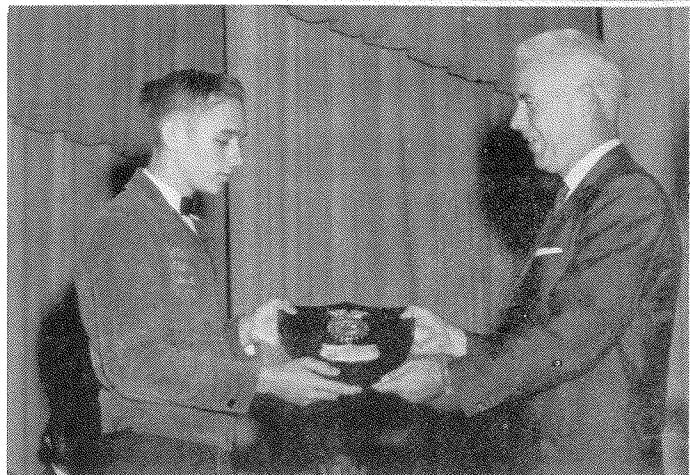
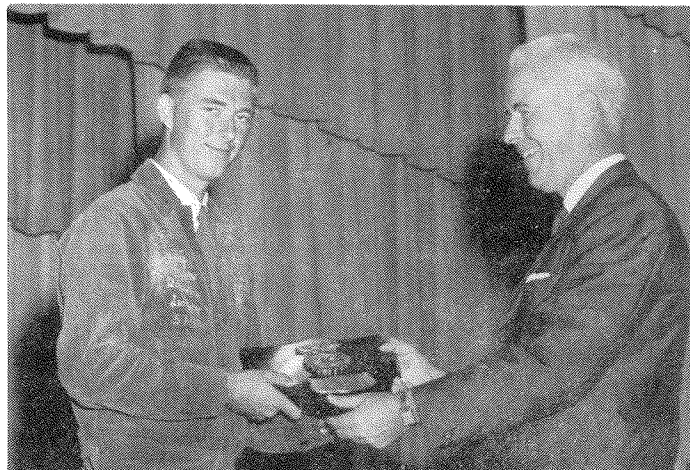
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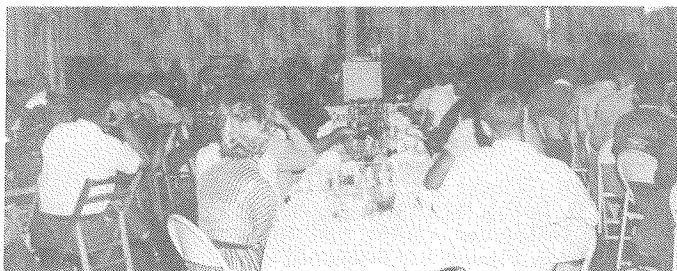
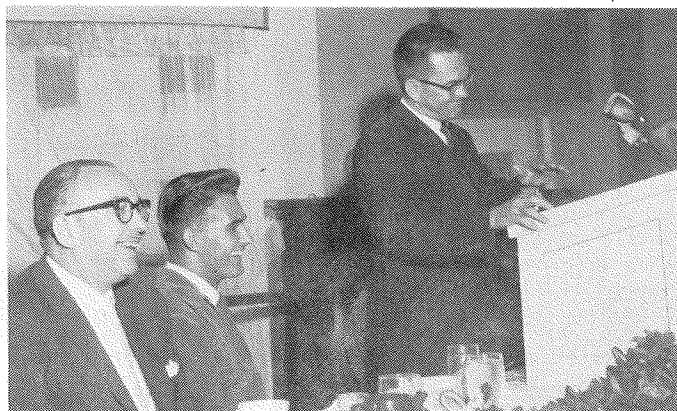
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Top photo shows Mr. James E. Gorman, Managing Director, Florida Retail Federation, Florida State Chamber of Commerce, Jacksonville, presenting the Chapter Contest Award to Tommy Fortner, Mulberry, State Winner. • Middle photo: presentation of award by Mr. Gorman to Don Nicholson, of the Quincy Chapter, the 2nd place winner. • Bottom photo: Mr. Gorman is shown presenting Walter Butler, South Dade, Homestead, the 3rd place Chapter Contest Award plaque.

Right top was taken at the Delegates Dinner at the Annual State FFA Convention sponsored by the Farm and Ranch Publishers, Nashville, Tennessee. • Bottom: the Annual Fish Fry sponsored by the Florida Ford Tractor Company at the 31st Annual State FFA Convention.



At top: Mr. William Paul Gray, National Executive Secretary, FFA, is shown as he addressed the delegates and guests at the Delegates Dinner, sponsored by the Farm and Ranch Publishers, Nashville, Tennessee. • Center picture shows Sam Kelly, President, Loncala Phosphate Company, High Springs, addressing the group at the State Farmer Candidates Luncheon sponsored by the Loncala Company. • Bottom picture shows M. F. Holahan, Jr., Manager, International Harvester Co., Jacksonville, addressing the group at the International Harvester Luncheon.



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Bishop, R. A. Miessen and Clarence Rogers.

Lee Todd, National Vice-President from Tennessee made a brief talk at this time. Then we were entertained by Sallye McSwain from Arcadia, State Sweetheart for 1958-59, who sang several numbers.

After some announcements were made, the meeting adjourned with the official closing ceremony.

A special dinner was held at the Princess Issena Hotel for the Presidents and Advisers of State Chapter Winners, by the Florida Retail Federation, State Chamber of Commerce, with James E. Gorman, Managing Director, as host. C. M. Lawrence had charge of the program.

FRIDAY EVENING

THE NINTH session of the Convention was called to order by the President after several numbers by the Munson String Band. The meeting opened with the official opening ceremony.

H. E. Nickloy and Jack Salt of the Mid-States Steel and Wire Company, presented awards as follows: Jeff Daughtry, Peace River Chapter at Wauchula, Star State Farmer—\$50; Norval D. Tyre, Blountstown, and Wm. Francis Ward, (Suwannee) Live Oak, Star Area State Farmers—\$25 each; Jerry Glass, Marianna, Billy Peebles, Ocala, and Tommy Fortner, Mulberry, Star District State Farmers—\$10 each.

Parents and Advisers of the winners who were present were introduced to the delegation.

Chilean Nitrate Educational Bureau Leadership Awards were presented to Jeff Daughtry, Peace River at Wauchula, Wm. Francis Ward, (Suwannee) Live Oak, and Norval D. Tyre, Blountstown, Area Star State Farmers of Florida for 1959, 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 1959.

Honorable Thomas D. Bailey presented a certificate, Star State Farmer pin and check for \$200 from the Future Farmers of America Foundation, and a beautiful trophy from the Florida Times Union, to the Star State Farmer, after which the State President presented Jeff's Father and his Adviser, John W. Maddox, with the Honorary State Farmer Degree and his Mother with the Certificate of Merit.

The President turned the meeting over to Robert Carley, 3rd Vice-President, who acted as Master of Ceremonies.

At this time, Mayor Owen Eubank made a few remarks to the delegation.

A. R. Cox, Executive Secretary, Florida Association, FFA, made some announcements concerning the Sweetheart Contest, then Hon. Doyle E. Conner, Representative from Bradford County made a short talk and introduced the following Judges for the Sweetheart Contest: Representative Fred Karl, Day-



"Miss Gum Spirits of Turpentine." Lovely Flo Ann Milton, 18, of Macclenny, Florida, was crowned queen of the turpentine industry at the AT-FA convention in Valdosta, April 15. She is a niece of Congressman Billy Matthews, who holds the Honorary State Farmer Degree. (Times photo).

tona Beach, and Representative A. H. "Gus" Craig, St. Augustine. Representative Conner also served as one of the Judges, and conducted the Sweetheart Contest.

Carol Long of Orlando-Edgewater High School was selected State Sweetheart of the Florida Association, FFA for 1959-60. She was crowned by Sallye McSwain, 1958-59 Sweetheart, and James E. Gorman 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: \$100 to the State Sweetheart and \$20 to each of the other contestants, who were: Inez Browning, Palatka; Frances Fontaine, Belle Glade; Carol France, Dade City; Judy Woodward, Quincy; and Ellen Whigham, Marianna.

The Sebring Quartet sang "Let Me Call You Sweetheart", after which Harry Samol played a selection on the Harmonica, and Chuck McIntosh played the piano.

SATURDAY MORNING

THE TENTH and final session of the convention was called to order by the President. The Devotional was given by Rev. James D. Groves of the Church of Christ, and then group singing was led by Jimmy Northrop, Teacher of Vocational Agriculture at Orlando-Edgewater High School, and Carol Long, newly elected State Sweetheart.

The President then proceeded with the official opening ceremony.

M. F. Holahan, Jr., District Manager

of the International Harvester Company, assisted by D. M. Castator, Zone Manager, presented the winners of the Soil and Water Management Awards. The State Winner, Robert Julian Davis, of the Mulberry 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 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; Kenneth Fuqua, Altha; II—Don Nicholson, Quincy; Kelly Koon, (Lafayette) Mayo; Charles Tompkins, Jasper; III—Murray Teuton, Gainesville; Winfield Masters, Hastings; Billy Ray Cannon, Bell; IV—William Oliver Lee, Groveland; George Stephens, Umatilla; Wilmer Lee Beasley, Bronson; V—William H. Lyle, Winter Haven; Roy Fussell, Auburndale; Ted Sutherland, Bartow; VI—Claude Daigle, Jr., (South Dade) Homestead; Don Weber, Fort Pierce; and Jeff Daughtry, (Peace River) Wauchula.

Additional committee recommendations were read and approved by the delegation.

H. E. Wood, State Adviser, was presented a deep sea fishing rod, and A. R. Cox, Executive Secretary, was presented a box of cigars, as a token of appreciation for their outstanding guidance and leadership during the past year.

Mrs. H. E. Wood and Mrs. R. A. Miessen were presented Certificates of Merit for the tremendous help they have given the FFA.

On behalf of the Florida Association, FFA, boxes of candy were presented to Mesdames Autie McCallum, Caroline Langston, Mrs. A. R. Cox, and the Secretary for the Peabody Auditorium, for their assistance during the convention.

At this time we were entertained by Carol Long, State Sweetheart, accompanied by Chuck McIntosh at the piano.

The delegates recommended Ed Norfleet as a candidate for the Star Farmer of America and P. K. Beck as a candidate for a National Office.

The following parents were presented to delegates and guests by the State Officers, after which President Tindel presented each father with the Honorary State Farmer Degree and each mother with a Certificate of Merit: Mr. and Mrs. Stacey Quincey, Mrs. Claudia Mae Carley and Mrs. Jeanette Carley, mother and wife of Bob; Mrs. W. O. Beauchamp, Sr.; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Koon; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Tindel; and Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Morgan, mother and father of our deceased 5th Vice-President.

Several other introductions were made at this time. The President then asked if there was any further business to be taken care of.

Robert Homer, Bradenton, after stating that he noticed that Softball was not included in the official list of FFA Con-

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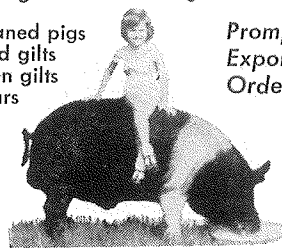
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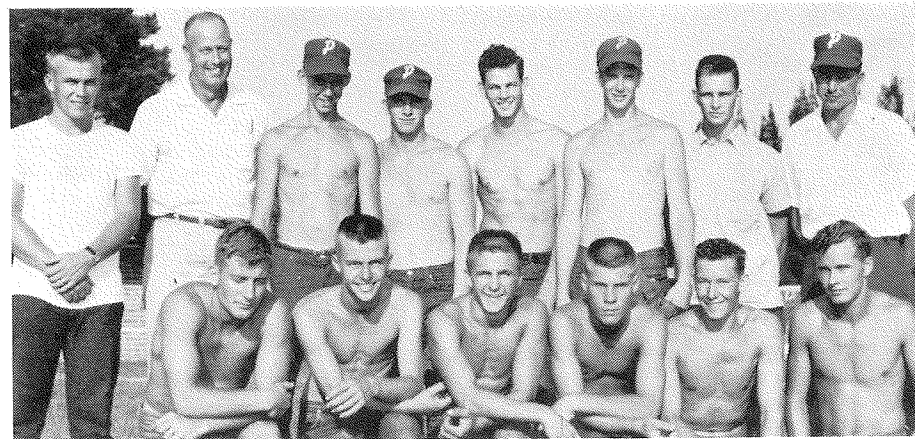
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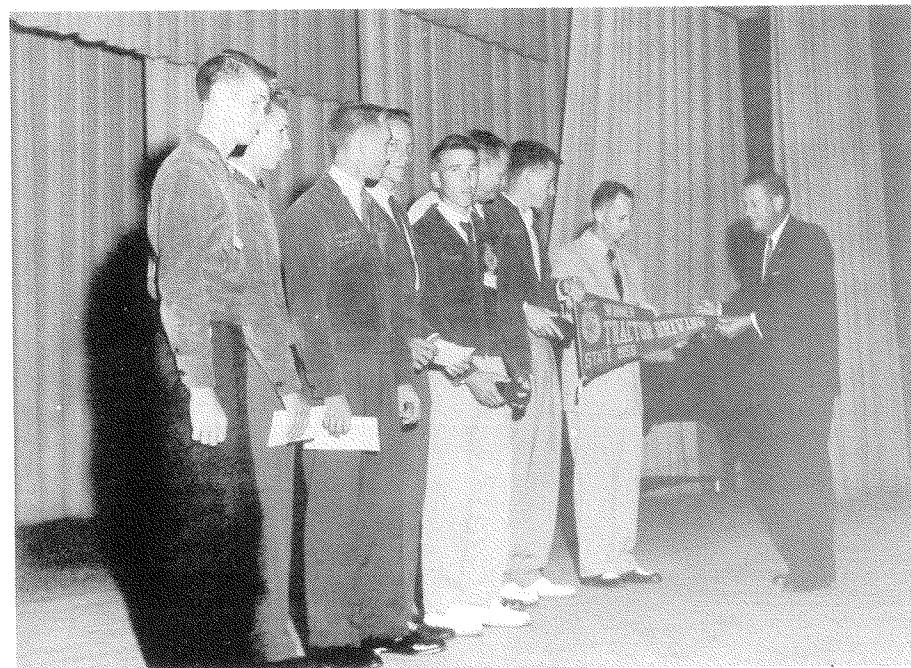
tests published in the May 1959 News Letter, moved that Softball be put back on the list of Contests. Seconded by J. L. Holland. The President then called on A. R. Cox to explain why Softball was omitted from the list. After the explanation, and after being assured by President Cecil Tindel that Softball would be included as an official contest for 1959-60, Robert withdrew his motion.

Our 1959-60 State President, Randy Kincaid, was then introduced and the new officers of the Florida Association, Future Farmers of America for 1959-60 were officially installed with the appropriate Future Farmer Ceremony and escorted to their respective stations by the retiring officers. Retiring President Cecil Tindel turned the gavel over to President Randy Kincaid, who then assumed his duties as President. President Kincaid talked to the delegation

briefly and presented outgoing President Tindel with a gavel, on which was engraved the names of the 1958-59 Officers.

H. E. Wood, State Adviser, presented each of the retiring officers with a past state officers pin and after a few announcements, the 31st Annual Convention of the Florida Association, Future Farmers of America, was declared adjourned by President Kincaid.

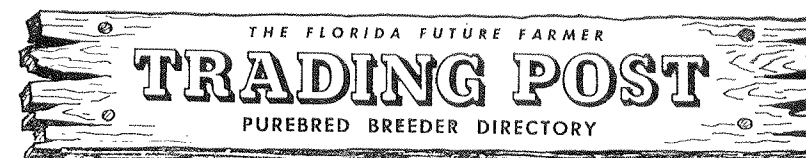
International Harvester Company of Jacksonville has sponsored a luncheon for the past several years, which is one of the highlights of the Convention. The 1958-59 and 1959-60 State Officers, several past State Presidents, visiting Officers from other states, some special award winners, members of the supervisory staff and guests attended this splendid luncheon, which was held at the Princess Issena Hotel. M. F. Holahan, Jr., was Master of Ceremonies.



T. E. Hancock, Assistant Sales Manager, Florida Ford Tractor Company, Jacksonville, presenting the Tractor Driving Contest awards to Tommy Thomas, Tallahassee, and his adviser, O. Z. Revell. Others who placed from sixth to second, left to right, are: I. J. Philman, Bell; Ronald Wilkinson, Baker; Larry Gordon, Ft. Pierce; George Lee, Reddick; and Robert Williams of Bradenton.



SOIL SAMPLES—Suwannee County FFA members are playing a vital part in the county-wide liming program. Here we see (left to right) Jerry Fletcher, Gene Morgan and Vo-ag Teacher Lewis Tucker securing a soil sample for analysis by the Florida Agricultural Experiment Station. Lime is applied if recommended by the Experiment Station to bring the soil pH to proper level for maximum production.



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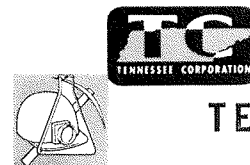


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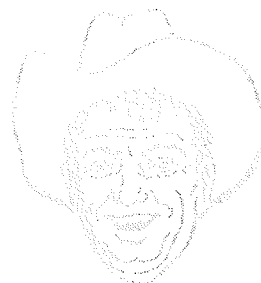
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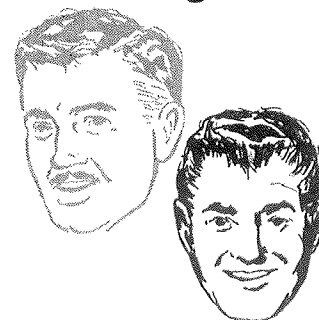


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Convention Impressions

Mr. Cecil Tindel, State President
Dear Cecil:

I have been thinking about you and the recent convention of Future Farmers of America ever since I left Daytona Beach last week. I cannot help but think that your convention is very high among that number of organizations which represent Florida at its very best.

I was deeply impressed by the fact that the Vocational Agricultural Program is a form of education in Florida which sets a wonderful example in giving to the students the type of training that, not only will make school a most joyous experience, but will also actually prepare them to meet the test of democratic society in adult life.

I feel that it would be extremely difficult to over-estimate the beneficial effects of your program upon the students and adults in the areas of cooperation, leadership, scholarship, facing the tests of life on a practical basis—as well as strengthening the State's economy.

I certainly wish to point out also the wonderful impression that was made upon me by the character of the members of your organization. I never saw a finer group of young people assembled throughout the span of my entire life. They were clear-cut, clean, courteous, helpful and, I think, typified the very highest ideals of culture.

Back of all this, of course, is many years of sound planning and sound leadership from the people in the State Department and in our institutions of higher learning. They have worked well and they have worked with good material. The result is something of which Florida as a state has every reason to be proud.

Now I want to say a word directly to you. It has been my pleasure to preside over a number of large bodies in Florida. This includes the Florida Education Association, a number of large religious, and fraternal bodies. In the years when I was in good practice, there were times when I thought that I had accumulated a fair degree of skill in the handling of deliberative bodies.

I want to say most pointedly to you, that I never saw the day when I could preside over a body with as much skill and grace as you presided over the recent session of the State Convention of Florida Future Farmers. I further confess that in my humble judgment I do not know of any person in Florida whose skill as a presiding officer surpasses yours.

I am thankful to you and your associates for the Honorary Degree of State Farmer and shall treasure it and your kindness through all the years to come.

Most cordially,
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