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Report of State Convention in Daytona Beach



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170 Receive State Farmer Degree at Convention

170 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 \$329,950.16. 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					DISTRICT IV						
Hulon Crews	Bethlehem	12	17	4	850.63	Starke	TOTAL	12	18	4	522.06
Raymond E. Thomas	Bonifay	12	17	4	1595.72						\$38,461.78
Bobby Lamar Pettis	Chipley	12	17	4	674.97	DISTRICT IV					
Jerry O'Neil Yongue	Chipley	12	18	4	695.54	Anthony		11	16	4	1205.44
Rufus Godwin	Chumuckla	11	16	3	512.35	Anthony		11	16	4	915.18
Tommy Reynolds	Chumuckla	11	17	3	596.39	Anthony		12	17	5	1791.86
Edwin Davis	Cottontdale	12	18	3	1687.55	Fred Albert Rogers, Jr.	Bushnell (S. Sumter)	12	17	4	2814.26
Collis Alton Kent	Cottontdale	11	16	3	689.49	Bernard Sparkman (*)	Bushnell (S. Sumter)	12	17	5	2018.22
Wayne Morris	Cottontdale	11	16	3	801.29	James Jerry Beard	Groveland	12	18	5	638.89
London Scott	Cottontdale	11	16	3	1083.01	Julian Lafayette Story	Groveland	12	17	5	965.06
Waymond Barrow	Escambia Farms	12	17	5	703.27	William Barney Story	Groveland	12	19	4	974.29
Ray Brantum	Escambia Farms	12	17	5	953.74	David Lawrence Vorpapel	Orlando				
Gary Hue Cook (*)	Escambia Farms	12	17	5	2815.72		(Evans Pioneer)	12	18	3	1475.73
Luvert Johnson	Escambia Farms	12	17	5	1416.39	George Lee	Reddick	12	17	4	73.14
James Edward Posey	Escambia Farms	12	17	5	6271.88	Dunkey Shannon Winn	Samford (Seminole)	12	17	4	707.97
Clyde T. Creighton, Jr.	Gonzalez (Tate)	12	17	4	40242.30	Barry Albert Schmid	Summerfield				
Douglas Weaver	Gonzalez (Tate)	12	17	4	7123.24		(Lake Weir)	12	17	4	568.30
Kenneth Taylor	Graceville	11	16	3	677.67	Jim Lewis White	Wildwood	12	17	4	732.77
Sammy Ray Bruner	Graceville	11	16	3	510.16	George William Main III	Winter Garden				
James Elton Adams	Graceville	11	16	3	949.94		(Lakeview)	12	17	5	1242.69
Tommy Dale Franklin	Graceville	11	16	4	1061.81	Clyde E. Meredith	Winter Garden				
Charles Ray Miles	Graceville	12	17	4	2044.47		(Lakeview)	12	18	5	754.79
John M. Woodruff	Jay	12	17	3	4369.15	Gene Roland Murphy	Winter Garden				
Charles Cadenhead	Laurel Hill	11	16	4	3874.08		(Lakeview)	11	17	3	813.50
Jackie Crosby	Malone	12	17	4	522.76		TOTAL				\$18,355.11
Charles Olive	Malone	11	16	4	2429.82	DISTRICT V					
Willis Coulliette	Marianna	12	17	4	950.45	Paul Fussell	Auburndale	12	19	3	1148.34
Burton Fite	Marianna	12	17	3	565.11	Roy Fussell (*)	Auburndale	11	17	4	4071.63
Bob Ripley	Milton	11	16	3	513.60	Woodrow Sutton	Auburndale	12	17	3	867.89
J. C. Shofner	Milton	11	16	3	528.36	Gerald Baker	Bartow	12	17	4	394.87
Gary David Morgan	Paxton	12	17	4	662.05	Edward Cochran	Bartow	12	18	5	3087.75
Jerry Morgan	Paxton	11	16	4	1424.33	Jon-Michael Lichtenwalter	Bartow	12	18	4	1400.17
Robert Wilkerson	Paxton	12	18	5	589.35	James W. Bartels	Bradenton	12	18	5	1752.91
Murdock Leroy Gillis	Ponce de Leon	11	16	3	1486.87	Roger Craton	Bradenton	11	17	3	4168.00
Doyle Cumbie	Vernon	12	17	3	654.64	Fulton Durrance	Bradenton	12	17	3	2467.16
Kenneth Finch	Vernon	11	16	3	649.00	Robert W. Homer	Bradenton	12	17	4	1351.88
George Edward Weekly	Vernon	11	18	3	893.60	Larry Seleska	Bradenton	12	17	5	1043.47
James Earl Hall	Walnut Hill	12	17	4	1038.65	Barney E. Stewart	Bradenton	12	18	5	821.83
George Jones	Walnut Hill	12	17	4	508.38	Jasper Taylor	Bradenton	12	17	4	1474.12
Robert Gordon McGhee	Walnut Hill	12	18	4	550.73	Robert Williams	Bradenton	12	18	3	522.55
	TOTAL				\$96,168.46	Ronald Padgett	Bradenton	12	17	4	940.36
DISTRICT II						Eugene Brooks	Dade City	12	17	4	584.90
Wallace Neil Howell	Bristol	11	15	3	1152.90	Paul Pike, Jr.	Dade City	12	19	4	534.20
Houston Taff	Crawfordville	11	16	4	1014.03	Jesse Weeks	Dade City	12	17	4	631.88
Ronald Butler	Greensboro	11	16	4	896.41	William Hancock	Ft. Meade	12	17	5	1079.45
Eldridge Cross	Greensboro	11	16	4	1339.14	James R. Windham	Ft. Meade	Grad. '59	18	5	1200.51
William Walter Proctor	Greensboro	11	16	3	845.47	Richard Sullivan	Frostproof	12	17	4	901.58
Victor Butler (***)	Havana	12	17	5	47860.43	Jimmy W. Mathews	Kathleen	12	19	3	3374.58
Ervin Gregory	Havana	11	16	4	2847.15	Jimmy L. Thompson	Kathleen	12	19	5	762.53
Leon McGauley	Jasper	11	17	3	774.45	Dale Marler	Lakeland	12	17	3	503.53
Harrell Howell	Jennings	12	17	5	3303.50	Rodney Hill	Lake Wales	12	17	4	1944.54
Harrell Tyree	Jennings	12	17	5	1281.00	James Lee Holben	Lake Wales	12	17	4	1038.27
Joseph Edward Folsom	Mayo (Lafayette)	12	18	4	1270.66	Claude C. Eason	Mulberry	12	18	4	1143.94
Larry O'Steen	Mayo (Lafayette)	12	17	4	834.14	Frans Brouwer	Palmetto	12	18	5	2915.39
Harvey Reams	Monticello	12	18	4	1050.15	Gerald Groover	Palmetto	12	19	4	1000.13
Monroe Walker	Monticello	11	16	3	1153.47	Carney Cameron	Plant City	12	17	4	1464.28
Larry Edwards	Quincy	12	17	4	568.43	Dennis Diaz	Tampa Chamberlain	12	17	3	2689.50
Sterling Hanna	Quincy	12	17	4	735.51	Ronald Dyal	Turkey Creek	12	16	4	504.99
Richard Parramore	Quincy	11	16	4	1921.88	Don Maxie Hall	Turkey Creek	12	17	4	618.28
Robert Marshall Spears, Jr.	Sopchoppy	12	17	5	566.08	Hiram Saffold	Wimauma (E. Bay)	12	17	4	1039.00
Joe R. Freeland	Tallahassee (Leon)	11	16	3	1132.00	James C. Cox, III	Winter Haven	12	17	4	709.88
Marvin McKenzie	Tallahassee (Leon)	11	17	3	790.29	Glenn Dykes Hancock	Winter Haven	12	18	4	622.38
John Pippin	Tallahassee (Leon)	11	16	3	710.56	Ward Kenton Pewitt	Winter Haven	12	17	4	1439.65
Tommy Thomas	Tallahassee (Leon)	12	19	3	590.71	Lloyd N. Race	Winter Haven	12	17	4	4655.41
Tommy L. Ussery	Tallahassee (Leon)	11	17	3	704.50	Charles A. Thornhill	Winter Haven	12	18	4	668.83
Charles Mack Shaw	White Springs	12	17	5	1084.20		TOTAL				\$58,200.56
	TOTAL				\$74,427.06	DISTRICT VI					
DISTRICT III						Tommy Jones	Clewiston	12	18	4	1092.50
Albert Roscoe Green	Alachua (Santa Fe)	12	17	5	692.81	James Alfred Coker	Ft. Pierce	12	17	3	1608.21
Barney Elmer Holder, Jr.	Alachua (Santa Fe)	12	17	5	680.53	John M. Cooper (*)	Ft. Pierce	12	18	4	4864.79
Carl Eugene Bell	Baldwin	11	16	3	1295.00	Freddy Hersey	Ft. Pierce	12	17	4	762.09
Billy Ray Cannon	Bell	12	17	5	1156.60	Larry Jordan	Ft. Pierce	YF	17	4	4554.85
Jimmie Hodge	Bell	12	17	5	1184.13	Harry Kichter	Ft. Pierce	Grad. '59	18	3	882.53
Jim Burnsed	Bunnell	12	18	3	1394.25	Donald E. Lee	Ft. Pierce	Grad. '59	20	4	3923.35
Richard Wayne Crosby	Callahan	12	17	4	613.71	John McCarthy, Jr.	Ft. Pierce	12	17	4	4338.20
R. Luther Beauchamp	Chiefland	11	16	3	1533.80	Raymond Albury	Homestead (S. Dade)	11	16	3	542.50
William Larry Jordan	Chiefland	12	17	4	865.32	Donald F. Davis, Jr.	Homestead (S. Dade)	12	17	3	1154.90
Murray Cassey Teuton	Gainesville (Out-School)	18	4		3165.30	Richard Byrd	Hialeah	12	17	3	583.21
Wilford Masters	Hastings	12	17	4	1876.03	Harry Howard Samol	Hialeah	12	17	3	2255.38
Charles A. Parker	Hastings	12	17	4	1339.60	Mike Michelson	Miami-Edison	12	17	4	2199.55
Elbert Renfro	Hastings	12	18	4	2654.13	John M. Singleton	Miami-Edison	12	17	3	1022.38
Larry Ray Crawford	Lake Butler	11	17	3	536.60	Ben Franklin, Jr.	Miami-Jackson	12	17	3	1231.26
Dewey Phaben Gay	Lake City (Columbia)	12	17	3	1264.35	John Charles Heinrich	Miami-Jackson	12	18	3	852.05
Fraser Green, Jr.	Lake City (Columbia)	12	17	4	994.45	Ronald M. Anderson	North-Miami	12	19	3	1861.03
John Lewis Goff (*)	Live Oak (Suwannee)	12	17	4	1337.75	Charles Ernest Batz	North-Miami	12	19	3	640.77
Mailon Clark Hinson	Live Oak (Suwannee)	12	17	4	113.62	James Repper, Jr.	Pahokee	Grad. '59	18	4	3805.27
Billy C. Mobley	Live Oak (Williams)	12	17	4	1020.96	Glenn Sapp	Sebring	12	18	4	1111.77
James Earl Ross	Live Oak (Williams)	12	17	4	3421.77	Colin Cooper	Wauchula (Hardee)	12	17	4	674.50
MacArthur Burnsed	Macleenny (Baker Co.)	12	17	3	1716.12	James Hanchey	Wauchula (Hardee)	12	17	4	584.00
John A. Williams	Macleenny (Baker Co.)	12	18	4	503.15	Ronald Waters	Wauchula (Hardee)	12	18	4	2353.25
Melvin Smith	Newberry	12	18	4	3900.10	James Wilkins	Wauchula (Hardee)	12	17	4	699.25
Paul L. Johnson	Palatka	12	18	4	2552.67	Bill Yarley	Wauchula (Hardee)	12		4	739.60
Glenn E. Register	Palatka	12	17	4	526.97		TOTAL				\$44,337.19
GRAND TOTAL						GRAND TOTAL		\$329,950.16			

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

By Way of Editorial Comment:

Agribusiness in Florida

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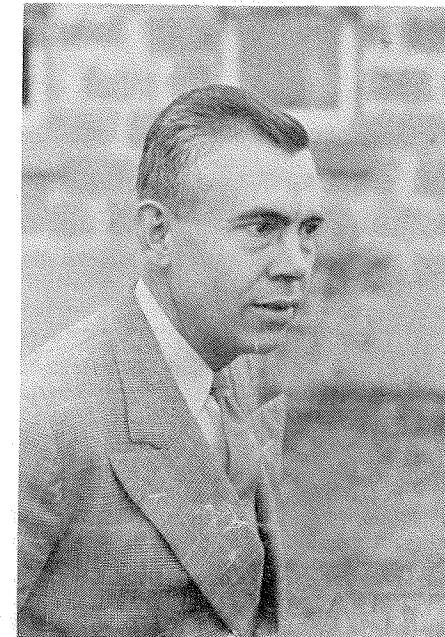
WE HEAR the term "Agribusiness" used quite often nowadays in agricultural circles. The word was coined by Dr. John Davis of the Harvard School of Business. By definition the word means all production on farms, plus all business which is primarily dependent on farming. These dependent businesses include production and distribution of farm supplies and equipment, as well as marketing, processing, storage, distribution and retailing of farm products.

We can say that "agribusiness" is a good word because it denotes the interrelationship of agriculture and industry. It ties farm and city together. Certainly farmers as a group need to improve their public relations, after all the unfavorable publicity they have received in recent years. The concept of agribusiness can help accomplish this. City folks need to think about all the allied businesses that depend on farming. They need to know that the value of farm products, on the average, is increased threefold as they pass from farmer to consumer.

So, we in Florida agriculture, just like the farm folks in other states, are talking a lot about agribusiness these days. We have done a little plain and fancy estimating on the value of Florida farm products at various levels of trade. Here's what the picture looks like for 1959.

The farm value of Florida's agricultural production, not including commercial forestry, was about 825 million dollars last year. Of this, about 348 million was citrus products, 158 million truck crops, 197 million livestock products and 122 million other farm products, mostly field crops and ornamentals.

For fruits and vegetables, there is a wider spread between producer and consumer prices than for many other products. Because such a large share of Florida's agricultural production is made up of fruits and vegetables, we believe



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that the retail or agribusiness value of our products in 1959, wherever they were sold, was at least 2 billion dollars. Due to our large and rapidly growing population, we now have to bring in from other states more farm products than we ship out. So the total agribusiness or retail value of all farm products sold in Florida (Continued on page 25)

The Cover James E. Gorman, General Manager of Florida Retail Federation, presenting the State Winning Plaque in the Chapter Contest to a representative of the Mulberry Chapter, as Advisers Eugene Doss (right) and W. H. Purcell, Supervising Principal of Mulberry Schools look on. Others in the picture are (left to right) Bradenton, 3rd place and Quincy, 2nd place.

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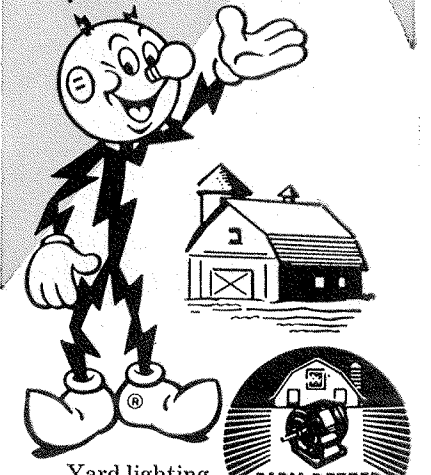
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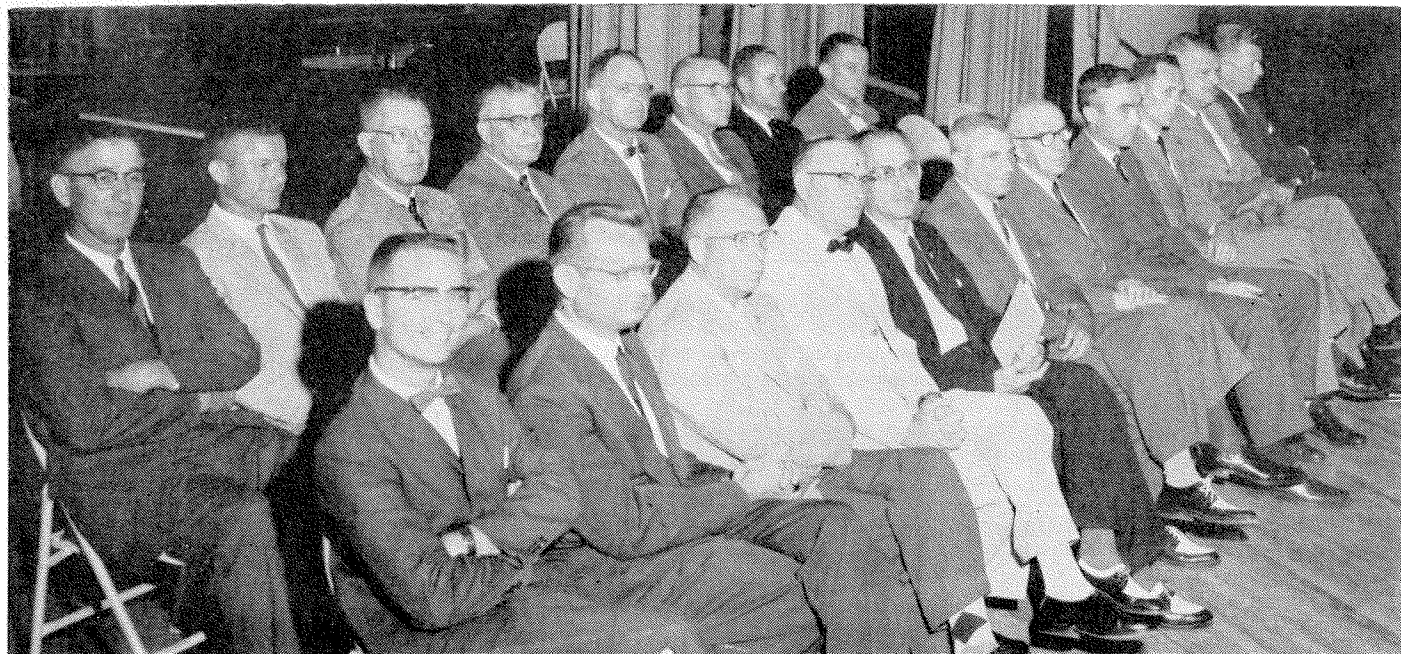
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Recipients of the Honorary State Farmer Degree for 1960 at the 32nd Annual State FFA Convention are, left to right front row: C. F. Amaden, Supervising Principal, Turkey Creek; William R. Hall, Supervising Principal, Suwannee High School, Live Oak; Collis Land, Supervising Principal, Newberry; J. G. Morrow, Supervising Principal, Kathleen; J. Hartley Blackburn, County Superintendent of Public Instruction, Manatee County; John H. Smiley, County Superintendent of Public Instruction, Volusia County; Herbert C. Brewer, Vice-President and Director of the Chilean Nitrate Sales Corporation; John W. Callahan, Vice-President, Commercial Bank, Daytona Beach; Phil Constans, Jr., Principal, Kirby Smith Elementary School, Gainesville; Joffree C. David, Secretary-Treasurer and General Manager, Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association, Orlando; Eugene B. Dodson, Vice-President, WFY Television System, and Manager of WTVT in Tampa. Back row: J. Ed Dukes, Secretary-Treasurer, Production Credit Association, Palatka; Irby S. Exley, Vice-President and General Sales Manager, Florida Ford Tractor Company; J. C. Lane, Vocational Agriculture Teacher, Lake Wales; Lee Maxwell, DeLand, immediate Past President of the Florida Federation of Fairs and Livestock Shows, and Manager of the Volusia County Fair; R. E. Norris, County Agricultural Agent, Lake County, Tavares; Dr. Alexander Nunn, Executive Editor, Progressive Farmer Company, and Editor of the Georgia, Alabama and Florida edition; Perry Sistrunk, Teacher of Vocational Agriculture at North Miami, and member of the State Advisory Council; Maynard Stitt, Public Relations Manager, St. Regis Paper Company.

The 32nd FFA Convention Story

FUTURE FARMERS, Chapter Advisers and guests attended the Thirty-second Annual State FFA Convention and Leadership Conference in record numbers. Registrations at the Convention, which was held at Peabody Auditorium in Daytona Beach June 14-18, exceeded 850. Many of the meetings and special events were attended by crowds far in excess of this number. Outstanding performances were turned in by President Randy Kincaid and his fellow officers, for which they have received many well deserved compliments from Advisers, parents, friends and cooperators. An outstanding characteristic of the Florida FFA Convention is the teamwork between officers, members, advisers and staff. This year was no exception as 124 Advisers attended and assisted with the many activities and events.

Included among the many guests of the Convention during the week were: Dr. Alexander Nunn, Vice-President and Editor, The Progressive Farmer, Birmingham, Alabama; Jim Thomas, National FFA President, Patterson, Georgia; and Marvin Gibson, Tennessee State FFA Vice-President, Maryville, Tennessee. These guests gave generously of their time and talents in helping to make the

Convention a success. It was truly a "team" effort, with each one pitching in to do his share.

MONDAY

THE ROTARY Club Program was presented at the Palmetto Club, with M. C. Roche in charge. Appearing on the pro-

gram were Randy Kincaid, State FFA President, as speaker, and the White Springs String Band furnishing the music.

TUESDAY

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



1960-61 State FFA Officers. Seated left to right: Victor Butler, Havana, President; John McCarty, Jr., Ft. Pierce, 1st V-P; Robert Wilkerson, Paxton, 2nd V-P; Dale Marler, Lakeland, 3rd V-P; Luther Beauchamp, Chiefland, 4th V-P; Harrell Howell, Jennings, 5th V-P; and David L. Vorpapel, Orlando-Evans, 6th V-P. Standing: H. E. Wood, State Adviser, and Chapter Advisers W. E. Raikes, John Baldwin, Bruce Howell, Richard Gavin, P. T. Dicks, and J. W. DeVane.

driving and softball contests, as well as the Vegetable 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.

A program was presented at the Lion's Club, with Arol Hudson in charge. Jeff Daughtry, 1959 Star State Farmer, of the Peace River Chapter at Wauchula was the speaker and the Dade City String Band furnished the music.

The Halifax Area Kiwanis Club Program was given at the Peninsular Club, with D. A. Storms in charge. Francis Ward, State Vice-President was speaker and the DeFuniak Springs String Band furnished the music.

R. W. "Duke" Stanley, Circulation Director, Farm and Ranch Publishing Company of Nashville, Tennessee, was a very gracious host in welcoming the delegates, advisers and guests to the Delegates and Advisers Dinner which was given by his company, at the Daytona Plaza Hotel at 5:00 p.m. This most enjoyable event was attended by over 400 delegates, state officers, members and friends. Randy Kincaid, State President, acted as Master of Ceremonies, gave a short welcome and introduced his fellow State officers. The Invocation was given by Wilson McCallister, 6th Vice-President from Sopchoppy. H. E. Wood, State FFA Adviser, introduced the guests, and short talks were given by Mr. "Duke" Stanley and Dr. Walter R. Williams, State Director of Vocational and Adult Education. President Kincaid presented Lou Roey of the Daytona Beach Recreation Department with a Certificate of Merit and FFA Lapel Pin for his wonderful assistance; T. L. Barrineau presented an FFA Pennant to the Bradenton State Champion Softball Team; and excellent music was furnished by the Kissimmee 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 Randy Kincaid gave a welcome and introduced the other officers. Wilson McCallister, 6th Vice-President, presided. W. T. Loftin, Associate Professor of Agricultural Education, University of Florida, Gainesville, and Richard Kelly, a student at the University, were in charge of the Parliamentary Procedure Contest. The Judges were: Charles Lucht, Speech Department, University of Florida, Gainesville, Chairman; Tom Shaddick, State Director, Farmer's Home Administration, Gainesville; Owen Love, Director of Services, Daytona Beach Junior College.

Chapter teams and members in the order of their final placings in this contest were: 1st, Palatka (Ernest Faulkner, Johnnie Cone, Gilbert Godfrey, Richard Rich, David Enzor, and Robert Nearing), was awarded \$25, a pennant from the Florida Association, FFA, and a trophy from the Florida Farm Bureau Federa-



1959-60 State Officers presenting parents; Back row left to right: Mr. and Mrs. Perry, Randy's mother and father; Mr. and Mrs. McElroy, Carroll McElroy; Mrs. Nelson, Ronald Nelson; Mr. Ward, Francis Ward; Mrs. Ward; Mr. McCallister, Wilson McCallister, Mrs. McCallister. Front row: Donnie Simmons, Mrs. Boyle, Gene Boyle, Mr. Boyle, and Randy Kincaid.

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Special Guests at the International Harvester Luncheon. Front row left to right: 1959-60 State Vice Presidents, Carroll McElroy, Chiefland, 1st V-P; Ronald Nelson, North Miami, 2nd V-P; Donnie Simmons, Paxton, 3rd V-P; Gene Boyle, Palmetto, 4th V-P; Francis Ward, Suwannee (Live Oak), 5th V-P; Wilson McCallister, Sopchoppy, 6th V-P; 1960-61 State Vice Presidents: John McCarty, Jr., Ft. Pierce, 1st V-P; Robert Wilkerson, Paxton, 2nd V-P; Dale Marler, Lakeland, 3rd V-P; Luther Beauchamp, Chiefland, 4th V-P; Harrell Howell, Jennings, 5th V-P; David L. Vorpagel, Orlando-Evans, 6th V-P. Back row: Victor Butler, Havana, 1960-61 State President; Randy Kincaid, Lake Wales, 1959-60 State President; Cecil Tindel, Graceville, 1958-59 State President; Sandy Johnson, Tavares, 1945-46 State President; Don Adams, Palatka, 1943-44 State President; H. E. Wood, State Adviser, FFA; James Quincey, Past National Vice President, Trenton; G. M. Nation, District Manager, International Harvester Company, Jacksonville; Jim Thomas, National President FFA, Patterson, Georgia; Gordon Perkins, International Harvester Company, Soil and Water Management Award winners: Roy Fussell, Auburndale; Tharon Godwin, Jay; Henry Raatama, Jr., Alachua (Santa Fe); Larry Walker, Mulberry; and James Larry Jordan, Ft. Pierce.

tion by Wayne Mixson, Director of Industry Relations, Florida Farm Bureau, Gainesville; 2nd, Marianna (Jerry Glass, David Shepherd, David Sullivan, Gilbert Roberts, D. D. Skinner and Willis Couliette), \$20.00; 3rd, Hialeah (Harry Samol, Mike Whalen Richard Byrd, Lee Watson, George Drummond and Ronnie McCranie), \$15.00. Mr. Lucht announced the results.

Francis Ward, 5th Vice-President, explained the String Band Contest, and Aubrey Fowler, Manager of North Florida Production Credit Association, Live Oak, gave the qualifications of the judges. After the contest was held, the awards sponsored by the Florida Association, FFA were presented by F. E. Breckenridge as follows: DeFuniak Springs, as State Winner (Eddie Davis, Herman Davis, Larry Bowers, Leslie Miller, Vester Hammond and Bruce Alford), received \$20.00 and a pennant; Lake City as second place winner received \$15.00; Ft. Pierce 3rd place, \$10.00; Kissimmee 4th place, \$5.00; Dade City 5th place, \$5.00; and White Springs 6th place, \$5.00. The Judges in the String Band Contest were Aubrey Fowler, F. E. Breckenridge, Gen. Manager of the DeLand Chamber of Commerce, and Ralph Lougee, Daytona Beach (Retired).

T. E. Hancock, Ass't. General Sales Manager, Florida Ford Tractor Company, Jacksonville, presented the following awards to winners of the Tractor Driving Contest, which was sponsored by his company: a 21-jewel wrist watch, and pennant for the chapter, to Lee Burk of Sanford as State Champion; a 17-jewel watch to Robert Pleas of Chipley as second place winner; and \$25 Savings Bonds to the following in their respective places: Eugene Williams, Bradenton;

Wayne Hurst, Jennings; Dennis Hart, (Santa Fe) at Alachua; and Ronald Smith, Ft. Pierce. C. J. Rogers, University of Florida, Gainesville; John Hollowell, John Deere Plow Company, Lake City; and Bill Hester, Volusia Tractor Company, DeLand, were the Judges. The tractors were furnished by Bill Hester, and the trailer was furnished by the Jim Tew Service Station, Daytona Beach, and G. C. Norman, Program Specialist in Agricultural Education, had charge of

The President's Message

The highlight of my life was the day I was elected 1960-61 State President. of this great organization.

I deeply appreciate the confidence you delegates have shown in me, and I want to say "thank you" for entrusting to me such a great honor and responsibility.

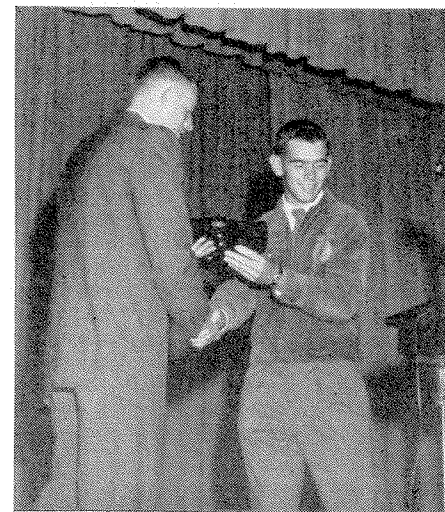
I hope that together we can make this year most successful and thus carry high the ideals of the Future Farmers of America throughout our state and nation, remembering that the future of our country is in the hands of young men striving to create an even better America.

Thank you.

VICTOR BUTLER

the Tractor Driving Contest, assisted by M. L. Bishop, Alachua County Co-ordinator of Agricultural Education.

Ted Pendarvis, Livestock Marketing Specialist, Florida State Marketing Bureau, Jacksonville, presented the awards sponsored by the Florida Cattlemen's Association in the Beef Breeding and Feeder Steer Contest, to the following: George Culverhouse of the Ft. Pierce Chapter, as state winner of the Beef Breeding Award received \$100 toward the purchase of a pure-bred registered animal of the breed desired. Other winners: Bradley Crews, Auburndale; Tom Cunningham, Lakeland; O. K. Alexander, Brandon; Larry Walker, Mulberry; and Richard Parramore, Quincy, each received \$15 to help defray their expenses in attending the State Convention. The State Winner of the Feeder Steer Award, Dewey Fussell, Auburndale, was presented \$100 to apply on expenses for him and his Adviser, R. A. Gunson, to attend the National Convention in Kansas City, Missouri, in October 1960. Other winners, each of whom received \$15 to help defray their expenses to the State Convention, were as follows: Jack Smith, Pompano Beach;



Top photo: G. Norton Wakefield, Jr., receiving a Special Award Plaque for his father, G. N. Wakefield, who was the first State FFA Adviser. Mr. Wakefield, who is now with the U. S. of America Operations Mission to Haiti, was unable to be present. • Bottom photo shows State Officers presenting Mrs. Perry Sistrunk with a gift for her help with the Convention.



Mr. Douglas Oswald, Vice President Commercial Bank and Trust Company, Ocala, is shown presenting Florida Bankers Association Scholarships to (left to right): Gary Hue Cook, Ecambia Farms; Harry Samol, Hialeah; Bernard Sparkman, South Sumter at Bushnell; and Harrell Howell, Jennings.

Bobby Trott, Wauchula (Peace River); Jim Busby, Alachua (Santa Fe); Jimmy Thompson, Kathleen; and Jerry Maxwell, Quincy.

At this time some guests were introduced and announcements made. Also, a telegram from Thomas J. Hughes, Florida Grower and Rancher, Tampa, expressing his regrets for not being able to be present, was read.

The Farm Safety Awards, a \$100 check and certificate from the Future Farmers of America Foundation were presented to the Bartow Chapter by R. A. Meissen, Ass't. to the Division Manager, Standard Oil Company, Jacksonville. Charles Waller, Chairman of the Farm Safety Committee, accepted the award. Other awards presented by Mr. Meissen on behalf of the Standard Oil Company were: \$50 to the Quincy Chapter; \$25 to Hialeah; \$20 to South Dade at Homestead; \$15 to DeLand Sr.; and \$10 to Lake Weir at Summerfield.

Wilson McCallister then returned the gavel to the State President for the Closing Ceremony and Adjournment.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

THE COLUMBIA Chapter String Band of Lake City (Frasier Green, Stafford Cowart, Johnny Wilcox, Johnny Hall, and Gilbert Larramore), second place winner in the state contest, entertained the delegates and guests with some very fine music. The Devotional was given by Reverend Vernon Brown of the First Baptist Church. Then D. A. Storms, Hillsborough County Co-ordinator of Agricultural Education, Plant City, introduced J. Ed Langley, Director of Glee Clubs, Daytona, who led the group singing, accompanied by Chuck McIntosh of Turkey Creek at the piano.

The 32nd Annual State Convention then opened officially with State President Randy Kincaid presiding. The officers occupied their respective stations for the official opening ceremony.

Mayor Owen Eubank then extended a hearty welcome to the Florida Future Farmers and wished 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.

At this time H. E. Wood, State FFA Adviser, and the State Officers were introduced. Mr. Wood read letters of congratulations and regrets for not being present from Senator George Smathers, and Dr. M. D. Mobley, Executive Sec'y, American Vocational Assn., Washington, D. C.

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: Gainesville (Buchholz), Ocala (Silver Springs), Orlando (Evans Pioneers), Orlando (Colonial), Orlando (Oak Ridge), Bradenton (Southeast), St. Petersburg, and Bushnell (South Sumter).

After being introduced by Carroll McElroy, 1st Vice-President, Randy Kincaid gave the State President's Message.

The Minutes of the 31st Annual Convention were read by Ronald Nelson, 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. MacArthur Burnsed of Macclenny, as State Winner received \$275, and his Adviser, Alan Harvey received \$225 to help cover their expenses in attending the National FFA Convention in Kansas City and visiting other cities in October. Second place and \$50 went to David King, Jasper; third place and \$30 went to Houston Taff, Crawfordville; and fourth place and \$20 went to Roy Messer, Columbia Chapter at Lake City.



James E. Gorman, General Manager, Florida Retail Federation, presenting award to the 1960-61 State Sweetheart, Tillie Smith of Quincy. The cash awards were sponsored by the Belk-Lindsey Stores of Florida. Others shown in picture, left to right, are: Patsy Neel, DeFuniak Springs; Janie Hagle, Baker Co. Chapter at Macclenny; Carol Long, 1959-60 State Sweetheart; Francean King, Lake Weir Chapter at Summerfield; Bobby Lou Kaminis, Tampa-Hillsborough; and Martha Brent, Belle Glade.

The State Champion DeFuniak Springs (Walton) String Band furnished some very good music at this time.

Gene Boyle, 4th Vice-President, gave the Annual FFA Report, which was approved by the delegation.

Ronald Nelson read the names of those recommended to receive the Honorary State Farmer Degree during the Convention and they were approved. He also read the names of those who had received the Degree during the year.

Secretary Nelson then presented the Nominating Committee's selection for State President, Victor Butler of Havana, who was approved, and nominations were received from the floor for MacArthur Burnsed, Baker County Chapter at Macclenny; Gary Hue Cook, Escambia Farms; Roscoe Green, Santa Fe Chapter at Alachua; Charles Olive, Malone; Harry Samol, Hialeah; Melvin Smith, Newberry, and Jim White, Wildwood. Each candidate gave a short talk.

President Kincaid read a telegram from the State 4-H Girls Council, and then the meeting adjourned with the official closing ceremony.

Two special luncheons were held at 11:45 a.m. at the Daytona Plaza Hotel. One was for the Farm Safety Winners (Chapter Advisers and Chairmen of the Farm Safety 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, A. K. Every, Resident Mgr., and Miss Nona Cooper, Sales Director, as host and hostess.

The Civitan Club Program was presented at Morrison's Imperial House, with W. T. Loftin in charge of the program. Curtis Koon, past State Vice-President from Mayo was speaker, and the Turkey Creek Quartet furnished the music.

The Daytona Beach Kiwanis Club Pro-

gram was presented, with E. L. Douglas having charge of the program. Former State President Cecil Tindel from Graceville was speaker, and music was furnished by the Kissimmee String Band.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

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

Francis Ward introduced the Judges for the Harmonica Contest as follows: Aubrey Fowler, F. E. Breckenridge, and Ralph Lougee.

After the harmonica contest was held F. E. Breckenridge announced the results and presented the awards to the following in their order of placing: Larry Bowers, DeFuniak Springs, \$10.00 and a pennant; Stafford Cowart, Lake City, \$8.00; Hal Dolan, Havana, \$7.00; Bobby Stevens, Kissimmee, \$5.00; and Ronnie Smoak, Pompano, \$5.00.

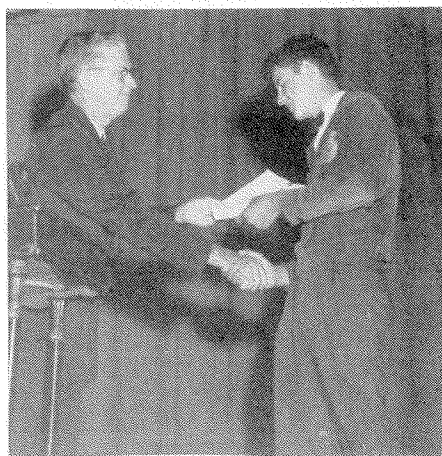
Ronald Nelson, 2nd Vice-President, gave introductory remarks regarding the candidates for Honorary State Farmer Degree, after which the State Officers awarded the Degree to the following: C. F. Amaden, Principal of Turkey Creek High School; William R. Hall, Principal of Live Oak Senior High School; Collis Land, Principal of Newberry High School; J. G. Morrow, Principal of Kathleen High School; J. Hartley Blackburn, Manatee County Superintendent of Public Instruction, Bradenton; John H. Smiley, Volusia County Superintendent of Public Instruction, DeLand; Herbert C. Brewer, Vice-President, Chilean Nitrate Educational Bureau, New York; John W. Callahan, Vice-President, Commercial Bank, Daytona Beach; Phil Constans, Jr., Principal, Kirby Smith Elementary School, Gainesville; Joffre C. David, Secretary-Treasurer, Florida Fruit & Vegetable Association, Orlando; Eugene B. Dodson, Vice-President, WFY Television System, Tampa; J. Ed Dukes, Secretary-Treasurer, Northeast Produc-

tion Credit Association, Palatka; Irby S. Exley, Vice-President, Florida Ford Tractor Company, Jacksonville; J. C. Lane, Teacher of Vocational Agriculture, Lake Wales; Lee Maxwell, Manager, Volusia County Fair, DeLand; R. E. Norris, County Agricultural Agent, Lake County, Tavares; Dr. Alexander Nunn, Executive Editor, Progressive Farmer, Birmingham, Ala.; Perry Sistrunk, Teacher of Vocational Agriculture, North Miami High School, Miami; Maynard Stitt, Public Relations Manager, St. Regis Paper Company, Pensacola.

Others receiving the Honorary Degree during the year were: Congressmen Dante Fascell, A. S. Herlong, Jr., and Paul G. Rogers, at the National Leadership Training Conference in Washington; G. L. Lyle, Vice-Pres., A. & P. Tea Company, Jacksonville, H. E. Ellis, Manager, Sears Roebuck & Company, Tallahassee, and Waldo Carroll, Manager, Chamber of Commerce, Pensacola, during the State Officers Goodwill Tour; Otto David, during the Special Breakfast for Forestry Winners at the National Convention in Kansas City, Mo.; Paul B. Dickman, President, P.B.D. Farms, Inc., Ruskin, W. N. Elam, Program Specialist, Agricultural Education, Washington, D. C. (in absentia), Howard Frankland, President, First National Bank, Tampa, W. C. McInnes, President, Tampa Electric Company, Tampa, E. A. Sindecuese, Director, Vocational Agriculture Service Division, Ralston Purina Company, St. Louis, Mo., and Fred J. Woods, President, Gulf Fertilizer Company, Tampa, at the Florida State Fair; Kenneth Durance, Ass't. Animal Husbandman, Agricultural Extension Service, University of Florida, Gainesville, at the West Florida Livestock Show in Quincy; and Ellis Clark, Agricultural Consultant, First National Bank, Miami, at the Miami Federation Banquet.

At this time Dr. Alexander Nunn, Vice-President and Editor of the Progressive Farmer, Birmingham, Alabama, gave a very inspiring address to the delegation.

Don Nicholson of Quincy was presented a certificate and check for \$100 from the Future Farmers of America Founda-



Mr. T. L. Barrineau, Area Supervisor, presenting Charles Olive of Malone the Flint River Mills Award.

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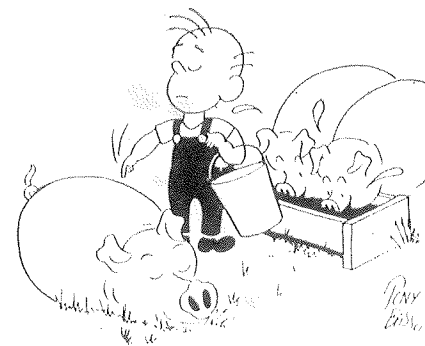
tion and a \$100 Savings Bond from the Florida Ford Tractor Company, as state winner of the Farm Mechanics Award, by Irby Exley, General Sales Manager, of Jacksonville. To each of the District winners, he presented \$50 Savings Bonds also from his company: I—Roland D. Wilkinson, Baker; II—Mack Dunn, Quincy; III—Charles Parker, Hastings; IV—George Lee, North Marion Chapter at Reddick; V—Harvey Owen Ford, Auburn-dale; VI—Donald F. Davis, Jr., South Dade Chapter at Homestead. County Winners each received a \$25 Savings Bond from their local Ford Tractor Dealer.

At this time President Kincaid read a telegram of congratulations from past State Vice-President Robert Corley of Miami. After some announcements were made, the committees received their assignments and recessed for meetings in Seabreeze High School and in Peabody Auditorium.

The annual fish fry sponsored by the Florida Ford Tractor Company was attended. 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. G. C. Norman had charge of the fish fry.

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. Gene Boyle, 4th Vice-President, was Master of Ceremonies for a full and very entertaining program. President Randy Kincaid introduced special guests, and the DeFuniak Springs and Lake City String Bands played; and singing and other entertainment was furnished by the following: Bobbie Lou Kaminis, Hillsborough FFA Sweetheart; Susie Counts, Peace River Chapter Sweetheart at Wau-chula; Janie Hagle, Baker County Chapter Sweetheart from Macclenny; Patsy Neel, Walton Chapter Sweetheart at DeFuniak Springs; Ellen Whigham, Marianna; Tillie Smith, Quincy Sweetheart; Carol Long, 1959 State FFA Sweetheart, Orlando-Edgewater Chapter; Larry Barrington, Soloist; Marlin Register, Graceville, singing with guitar; Francean King, Lake Weir Chapter Sweetheart at Summerfield, Hawaiian Dance; Martha Lynn Brent, Belle Glade Chapter Sweetheart, Pantomime; Vester Hammond, singing with guitar; Harry Samol, harmonica se-



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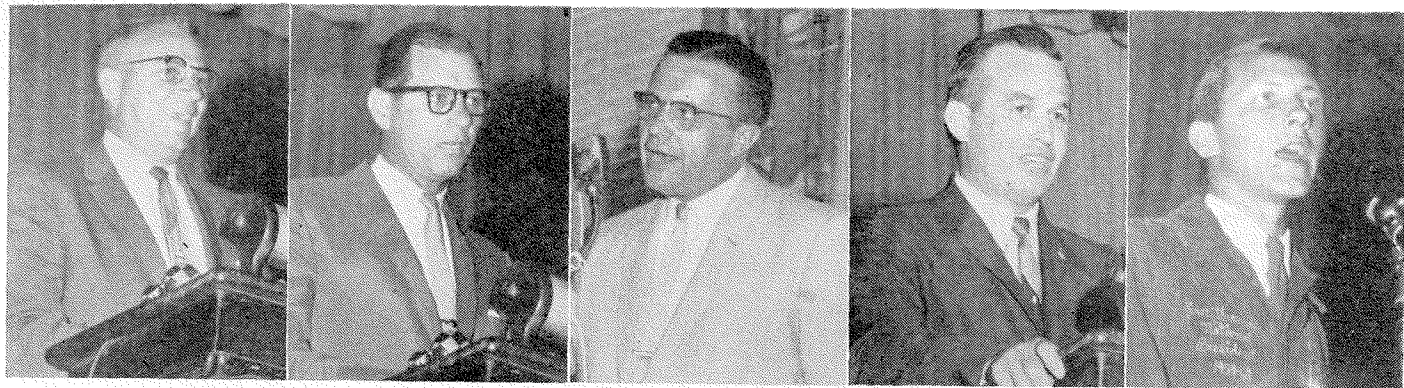
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From left to right, pictures show Mr. John H. Smiley, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Volusia County, DeLand, greeting the delegates at the 32nd Annual State FFA Convention. • Mayor Owen Eubank, Daytona Beach, welcoming the delegates and guests to Daytona Beach. • Dr. Walter R. Williams, Jr., State Director, Vocational and Adult Education, addressing group at the Delegates Dinner sponsored by the Farm and Ranch Publishing Company, Nashville, Tenn. • Hon. Doyle E. Conner, State Commissioner of Agriculture elect, addressing the delegates and guests. • Honor Guest, Jim Thomas, National President FFA, from Patterson, Georgia, addressing the delegates at the 32nd Annual State FFA Convention.

lections; and Chuck McIntosh at the piano.

The Program closed with the audience singing the Star Spangled Banner.

THURSDAY MORNING

The Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity, University of Florida, sponsored a breakfast at the Daytona Plaza Hotel, at 7:00 a.m. for all State Farmer Candidates planning to attend college. T. L. Barribeau, Supervisor of Agricultural Education in Area I had charge of the program. Bernard Lester, President of the Fraternity, acted as Toastmaster. Special music was furnished by the Dade City String Band.

The fourth session opened with special piano music by John Douthat of Wildwood. The Devotional was given by Reverend Gerald C. Smith of the Peninsula Christian Church. President Kincaid called the meeting to order with the official opening ceremony, and Dr. E. W. Garis, Head Teacher-Trainer of Agricultural Education at the University of Florida, Gainesville, gave the State F.F.A. Highlights for 1959-60. (Copies of this report will be distributed at the Vocational Agricultural Teachers Conference in September.)

Donnie Simmons, 3rd Vice-President, presented the Treasurer's Report for the year 1959-60, which was approved by the delegates.

At this time the State President introduced Don Adams, Director of Agricultural Development, Florida Power and Light Company, Palatka, who gave a summary of the Demonstration Contest, and announced the Division and State Winners; and George Talbott, Manager of the Production and Marketing Division of the Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association, Orlando, who presented awards in the Judging, Grading and Identification Contest, and the Demonstration Contest, as follows:

For the second year, a Hastings team, composed of Cecil Turlington, Charles Parker and Melvin Lands, was State Winner in the State Judging, Grading and Identification Contest, and will represent Florida in the National Junior

Vegetable Growers Convention in Denver, Colorado, next December. The expenses will be paid by the Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association. Other winners in their respective order were: Second, a tie between Lakeland and Turkey Creek; Miami-Edison, Winter Haven, Hialeah, Sanford, Auburndale, Santa Fe at Alachua, Bradenton and Hardee at Wauchula received ribbons.

In the Demonstration Contest the State Award was presented to the Winter Haven Chapter Team composed of Bill Cable and David Brengle. The title of the Demonstration was "Improving Plants With Radiation." Also they were the Production Division Winner. The other Division winners were: Use Division, Miami-Edison, composed of Johnny Drake. The title of the Demonstration was "Freezing Beans." Winning the Soils Division was the Turkey Creek Chapter Team, composed of Russell Barnes. The Demonstration was "Isotopes in Agriculture." The Winter Haven Team received expenses to attend the N.J.V.G.A. National Convention in Denver, Colorado, in December, from the Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association.

Division Winners in Demonstration Contest gave their Demonstrations at this time.

Larry Bowers, Walton Chapter, DeFuniak Springs, State Champion Harmonica Player gave a few selections.

Louis E. Smith, former member of the Groveland Chapter, and James A. Culligan, former member of the Miami Jackson Chapter, now seniors at the University of Florida, were each presented a \$100 J. F. Williams Memorial Scholarship by H. E. Wood, State FFA Adviser. Mr. Smith and Mr. Culligan are both planning to accept employment as teachers of vocational agriculture in Florida.

President Kincaid introduced the following 1960 American Farmer applicants who were present: Lamar Jenkins, Williams Chapter at Live Oak, and Amos Beutke, Santa Fe Chapter at Alachua.

The State President announced at this time the death of Mr. Will Poston, the father of Billy Poston of the Quincy Chapter, who was also an applicant for

the American Farmer Degree, and expressed sympathy to Billy and his family from the Florida Association, FFA.

The following past State Officers were introduced and made remarks at this time: Cecil Tindel, Graceville; James Quincey, Gainesville; Richard Kelly, Inverness; Curtis Koon, Mayo; and C. M. Lawrence, Wauchula.

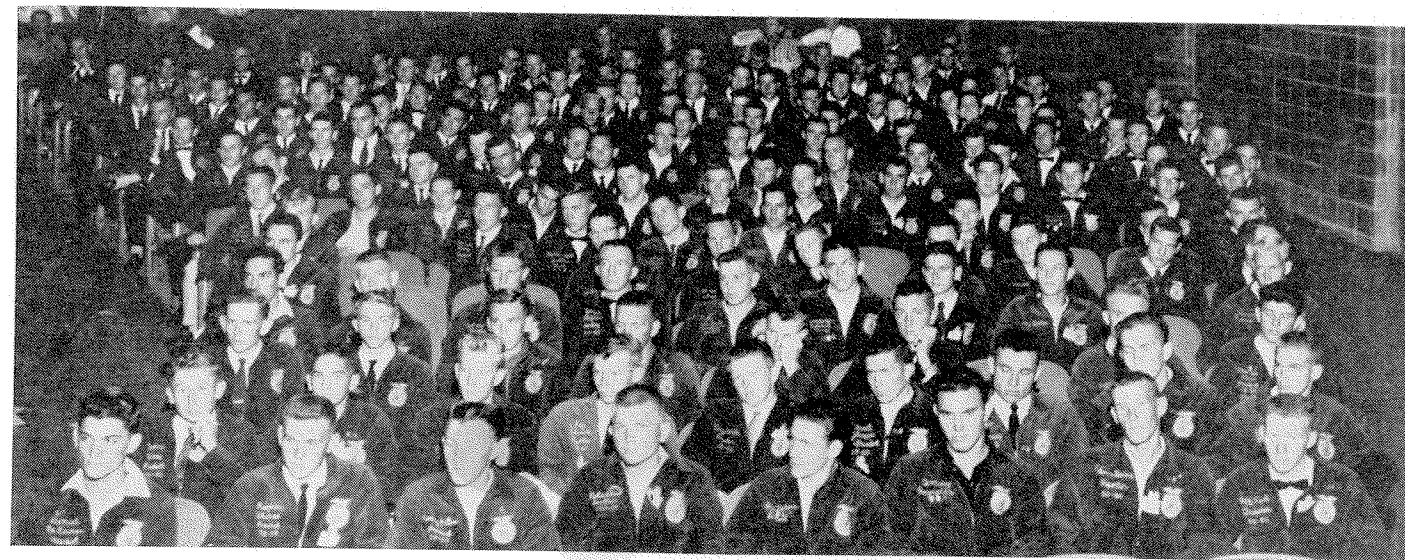
For the past several years the Florida Association, FFA has invited the State Presidents from all FFA State Associations in the Southern Region, as well as Presidents of other youth organizations in Florida, to attend their State Convention. Those present this year were Jim Thomas, National President, from Patterson, Georgia, and Marvin Gibson, Tennessee State Vice President from Maryville, Tennessee, who were introduced at this time.

President Kincaid read telegrams of congratulations, and regrets for not being present from the State Boys 4-H Club



Johnny Suber, a member of the Quincy FFA Chapter, presenting State Sweetheart, Tillie Smith, Quincy, with the State Sweetheart Pennant.

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Shown in the above photo are the 170 candidates for the 1960 State Farmer Degrees

Council; past FHA President, Lake Wales; Harold Goforth, Exec. Vice-Pres. of Fidelity Federal Savings and Loan Assn., Ocala; and letters from Representative Wm. V. Chappell, Jr., Ocala; and Senator E. W. Gautier, New Smyrna Beach.

After some announcements, the meeting adjourned with the Closing Ceremony.

The 1959 State Farmer Candidates and their Advisers were guests of the Loncala Phosphate Company, High Springs, at a luncheon at the Daytona Plaza Hotel. Due to the absence from the state of Sam Kelly, President of the Company, E. H. Kellogg, Director of Research, Soft Phosphate Research Institute, Ocala, was host. Leon Sims had charge of the program and the Fort Pierce String Band furnished the music. Randy Kincaid, State President, was Master of Ceremonies.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

The fifth session was called to order by the President. At this time Jim Thomas, National FFA President from Patterson, Georgia, addressed the delegation. Then, election and initiation of candidates for the State Farmer Degree by the State Officers was held. The degree was conferred on 170 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 and a certificate for members receiving the State Farmer Degree, with \$10 going to the three top District 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. Howard V. Lee, President of the Federation, East Lake Weir, and A. H. Whitmore, Sec.-Treas. of the Florida Citrus Production Credit Asso-

ciation, Orlando, presented the keys.

The eight candidates for 1960-61 State President were given two minutes each to present their qualifications prior to the balloting for President. Victor Butler of Havana won on the first ballot.

"Pass the chicken, Pappy" Awards, sponsored by the Sears Roebuck Foundation were presented to 19 Chapters by T. J. Wetherell, 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, Laurel Hill; II-Tallahassee, Greenville, Quincy; III-Macclenny (Baker County), Chiefland; IV-Bushnell (South Sumter), St. Cloud, Ocoee; V-Bartow, Mulberry, New Port Richey; VI-Wauchula (Hardee), Wauchula (Peace River), Sebring.

President Randy Kincaid then conferred the Honorary State Farmer Degree on Mr. Wetherell, as he was unable to be present on Wednesday afternoon.

Malone, Jasper, Bell, Ocala, Turkey Creek and Ft. Pierce 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. Checks for Districts V and VI were furnished by the Florida Council of Farmer Cooperatives. The checks this year were presented by Dr. E. W. Cake, Marketing Economist, Agricultural Extension Service, University of Florida, Gainesville, and J. E. Dukes, Chairman of the Youth Committee of the Florida Council, Palatka.

The Jasper Chapter 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

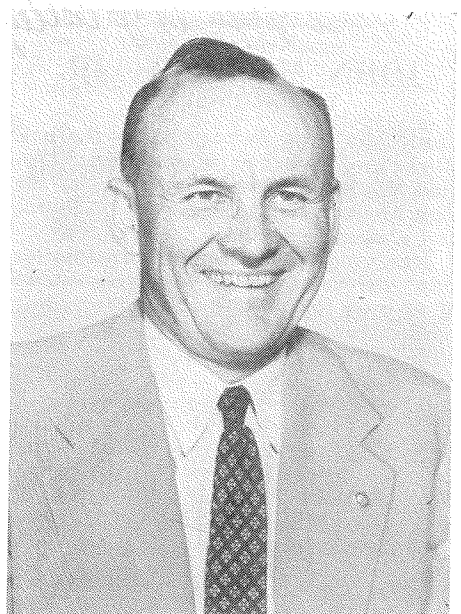
of its members and advisers to the annual meeting of the American Institute of Cooperation at the University of California, Berkeley, California, August 6 to 11.

After some committee reports were read and approved, 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 Princess Isseena Hotel, with the DeFuniak Springs State Champion String Band furnishing the music, and Larry Bowers, State Champion Harmonica Player, also from DeFuniak Springs, playing some selections. Jim Thomas, National President gave the address.

The sixth session of the Convention was called to order by the President, and Donnie Simmons, 3rd Vice-President (Continued on page 14)



Dr. Alexander Nunn, executive editor, The Progressive Farmer, Birmingham, Alabama, addressed the delegation.

1960-61 Officers

VICTOR BUTLER President

VICTOR BUTLER, a recent graduate of Havana High School and a member of the FFA Chapter, is the newly elected President of the Florida Association. He is also the Public Speaking Champion for the State and Star State Farmer. He is 17 years old and the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Butler. Victor considered being elected State President as the highlight of his life.

He has been President, Vice-President and Secretary of his Chapter, delegate and representative to the State and National Convention; Chairman of many committees; participated in Parliamentary Procedure; Leadership Schools; Chapter Banquets; Judging Teams; and has received many awards.

Victor's outstanding leadership activities included being a member of the High School Band, basket ball and baseball teams; Counselor of Junior Church Camp; Secretary and Vice-President of the Youth Fellowship in his Church; President of his Freshman Class and Vice President of his Sophomore Class.

His farming program consists of 100% ownership in 1 beef cow, 25 acres of corn, 15 acres of shade tobacco; and 25% interest in 400 head of beef cattle, 300 acres corn, 81 acres shade tobacco, 100 beef breeding animals, and 75 hogs for meat.

Some of Victor's Improvement projects included constructing farm buildings, beautifying home, irrigating land, rearranging fences and fields; planting soil improvement crops, growing feed crops.

JOHN McCARTY, JR. 1st Vice-President

JOHN McCARTY, JR., age 17, is the new First Vice-President representing District VI. He is a recent graduate of the Dan McCarty High School at Ft. Pierce and a member of the FFA Chapter.

John's supervised farming program for this year consisted of 100% ownership of 42 cows for beef breeding; 1 breeding horse; 2 breeding hogs; 5 acres millet; and 10% interest in 50 acres of pasture improvement.

He has served as Vice-President, Treasurer and Reporter of his chapter and has been a member of the Supervised Farming Committee. He has participated in Parliamentary Procedure, several Fairs and Shows, Chapter Banquets, Horseshoe Pitching, Tractor Driving, and Public Speaking. He was a delegate to the State FFA Convention, the Southeast Safety Conference, and attended the State Fair; was a member of the Beef Judging Team, and State Winning Chapter in Farm Safety in 1958.

John's other leadership activities consisted of being Vice-President of his Freshman Class, President of his Home Room, member of the Key Club, Letterman's Club, Scholastic Club, St. Lucie Cowboy's Club, J.V. and Varsity Football teams, and an Acolyte at Church.

His improvement projects consisted of building fence, draining land, keeping farm records, beautifying the home, planting permanent pasture, stumping and improving land, construction of farm buildings, growing home garden, rearranging fences and fields, breed improvement of livestock, protecting forest land from fire, improve roads.

ROBERT WILKERSON 2nd Vice-President

ROBERT WILKERSON, newly elected Vice-President representing District I, is a member of the Paxton Chapter. He is 18 years old and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ira C. Wilkerson.

During the last year he had 50% ownership in 10 acres of corn and 2 acres of peanuts.

Robert's leadership activities included being Treasurer and Reporter for his Chapter; delegate to State Forestry Camp; State FFA Convention; Public Speaker on Soil Conservation; participant in Chapter Banquets, Corn Contests; a member of the Farm Bureau and Basketball Team.

His improvement projects included beautifying the home, repairing and sharpening farm tools and equipment, planting soil improvement crops, protecting forest land, growing feed crops and home garden.

DALE MARLER 3rd Vice-President

DALE MARLER, newly elected Third Vice-President representing District V, is the 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Marler, Jr. He is a recent graduate of the Lakeland High School and a member of the FFA Chapter.

His supervised farming program this year consisted of one steer and 1/4 acre of mixed vegetables.

Dale has been very active in his chapter, having served as President; and Reporter for the Polk County Federation. He has served on many committees, was delegate to the State and Chapter representative to the National Conventions and Sub-District Contests; participated in Public Speaking, acted as Toastmaster in Sweetheart Contest; member of the Parliamentary Procedure, basketball, softball, Jr. Varsity football, and track teams; Student Council, Jr. Lions Club, Inter-Club Council; L Club, Campus Patrol. He was also an officer in the Sunday School; participated in

several Fairs and Shows, Chapter Banquets; was a member of the Vegetable and Livestock Judging Teams.

His improvement projects consisted of building and rearranging fences, installing water works, beautifying homes, draining and irrigating land, stumping land, keeping farm records, renovating groves, repairing farm buildings, planting soil crops, conservation of soils, and growing feed crops.

LUTHER BEAUCHAMP 4th Vice-President

LUTHER BEAUCHAMP, Fourth Vice-President, represents District III and is a member of the Chiefland Chapter. He is the 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Beauchamp, Sr., and will be a senior in high school next year.

His farming program this year consists of 100% ownership of 2 head of cows and 50% of 20 acres of watermelons.

Luther has served as President and Secretary of his Chapter; on Scholarship Committee; Chairman of Banquet Committee; alternate on Parliamentary Procedure Team in Sub-District Contest; delegate to the State Convention; a member of Livestock Judging and Softball teams.

He was President of his Freshman Class and the Letter Club; Vice-President of the Student Council; also President of his Sunday School Class and Superintendent of Youth Week in the First Baptist Church; Reporter for the Future Teachers Association; Co-Editor of Sports on the School Annual Staff; a member of the Beta Club, and the Boy Scouts of America.

Luther's Improvement Projects consisted of Breed Improvement of Livestock, building fences, growing feed crops, growing home gardens, beautifying home, repairing and painting farm buildings, stumping and improving land and roads, growing new cash crop.

HARRELL HOWELL 5th Vice-President

HARRELL HOWELL, newly elected Fifth Vice-President representing District II, is the 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Dorian Howell, and a recent graduate of the Jennings High School.

Harrell's supervised farming program this year consisted of two cows for beef, seven hogs for breeding, 3 acres corn for grain, and 4 1/2 acres of tobacco.

His leadership activities in the FFA included being President and Reporter for his Chapter; a member of the Supervised Farming, Recreation and Television Program Committees; participation in Chapter Banquets, cooperative projects, tractor driving and softball in

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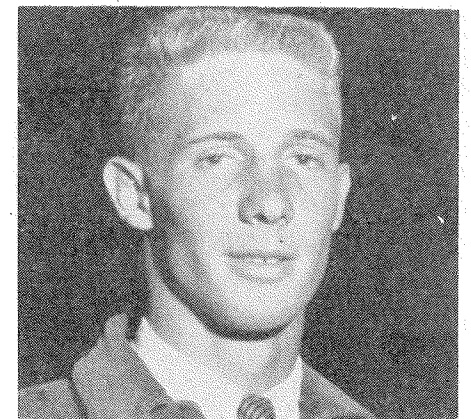
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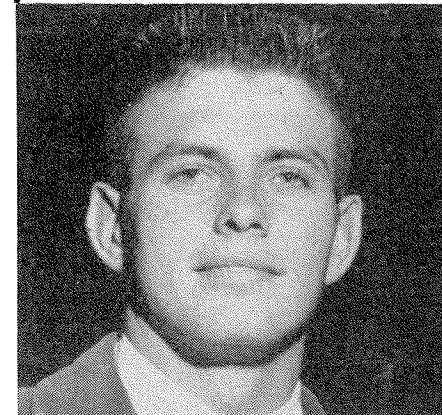
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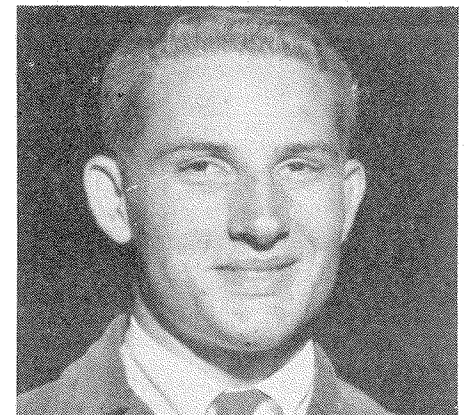
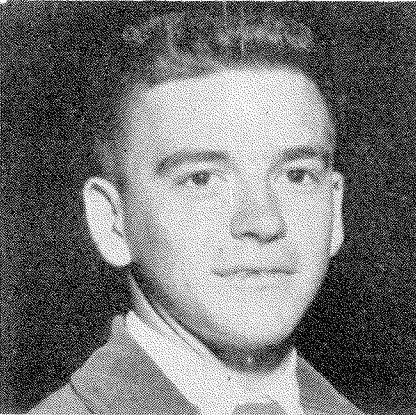
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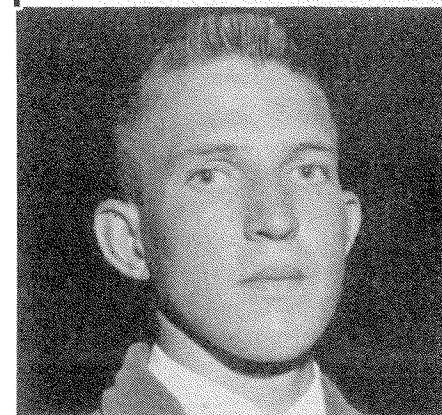


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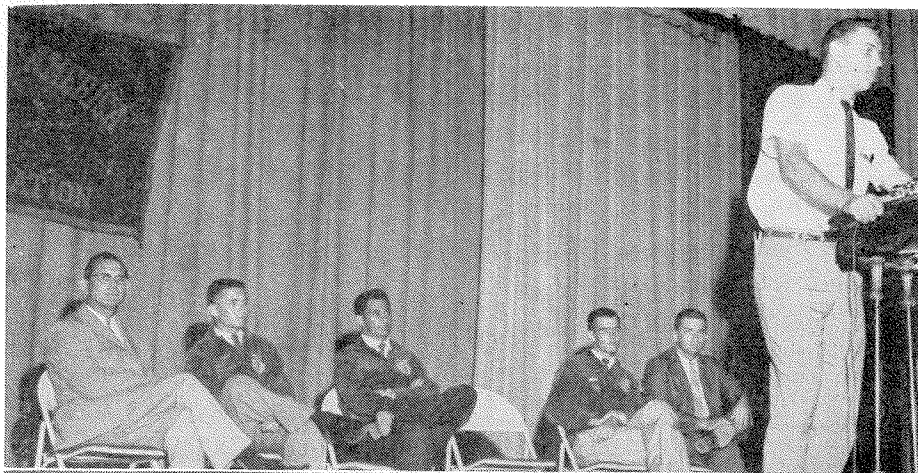


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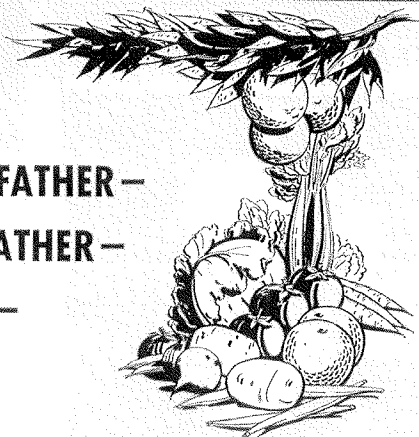
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Top photo: Presentation of Past State Officers; left to right, C. M. Lawrence, Area Supervisor; Curtis Koon; Cecil Tindel; Randy Kincaid, Present State President; James Quincy; at mike, Richard Kelley • Bottom photo: Candidates for the American Farmer Degree and their advisers. Leon Sims, Adviser, Santa Fe; Amos Beutke, Santa Fe; Lamar Jenkins, Williams (Live Oak); and Luther Tucker, Adviser.

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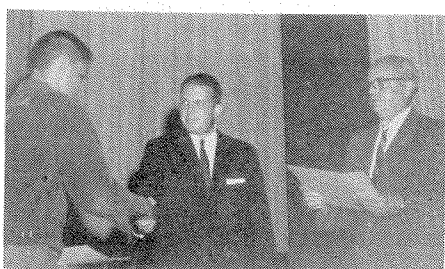
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was introduced as Master of ceremonies for the session, after the official ceremony.

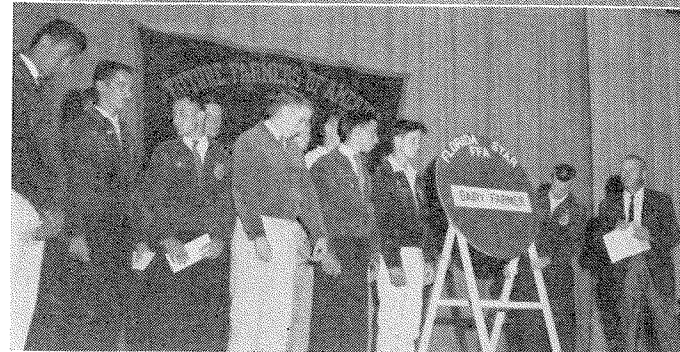
W. T. Lofton explained the procedure for the Public Speaking Contest and introduced the following Judges: Prof. H. P. Constans, Head, Speech Department, University of Florida, Gainesville; Dr. Alexander Nunn; Robert Jones, Administrative Assistant, Florida Chamber of Commerce, and former National FFA President.

In the absence of Colin Lindsey, Manager of the Belk-Lindsey Stores, Tampa, James E. Gorman, General Manager of the Florida Retail Federation, Jacksonville, represented him and Dr. Alexander Nunn presented the Future Farmers of America Foundation Award. The Future Farmers of America Foundation certificate and check for \$100 and a pennant went to first place winner, Victor Butler of Havana; and awards sponsored by Belk-Lindsey Stores to Gerald Roberts of Palatka—\$25 as second place winner, and Paul Mabry of Turkey Creek—\$20 as third place winner. The titles of their speeches in their respective placings were: "How Green is Your Valley?", "The Promise of Agriculture," and "Agricultural Chemicals." The State Winner in this Contest will represent Florida in the Tri-State Public Contest to be held in Auburn, Alabama, July 21, 1960.

Francis Ward, 5th Vice-President, explained the State Quartet Contest, and introduced the following Judges: F. E. Breckrenridge, Ralph Lougee, and Aubrey Fowler. The awards in the Quartet Contest, sponsored by the Florida FFA Association, were presented by F. E. Breckrenridge to the following: Turkey Creek (Clavie Allen, Chuck McIntosh, Charles Creach, and Lynwood Simmons, accompanied by Chuck McIntosh at the piano)—\$20 and Pennant; Baker (Ferrell Courtney, Ronnie Courtney, Chad Wilkinson, and Floyd Parker, accompanied by Chuck McIntosh)—\$15; Wauchula (Peace River) (Lynn Revell, Marcus Shackelford, Hugh Bradley, and Larry Terrell, accompanied by Mrs. H. C. Patterson)—\$10; Bushnell (South Sumter) (Carvin Brown, Bernard Sparkman, (Continued on page 18)



H. E. Nickloy, Advertising Manager, Mid-States Steel and Wire Company of Crawfordsville, Indiana, and, center, Jack Salt, Representative from Gainesville, presenting the State Farmer Certificates and Awards.



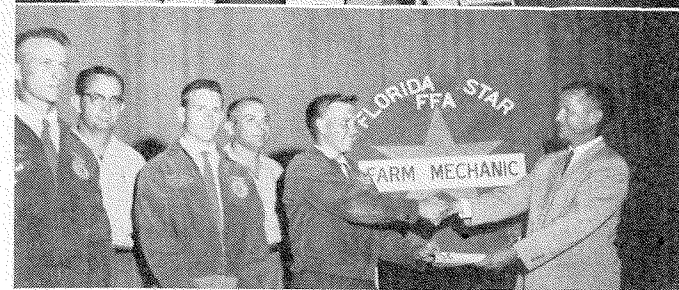
Top photo shows Mr. G. M. Nation, District Manager, International Harvester Company, and Mr. Gordon Perkins, Ass't. Manager, Jacksonville, presenting the Soil and Water Management Awards • Bottom photo shows Mr. H. B. Gassaway, Field Representative, Sealtest Food Plant, Tampa, presenting the State Dairy Farming Awards. Left to right: District Winners Ray Albury, South Dade at Homestead; Charles Waller, Bartow; Gerald Bauer, Lake Weir at Summerfield; Buddy Hull, Gainesville; Joe Freeland, Leon at Tallahassee; Sam Steel, Jr., Escambia Farms; and State Winner Clyde Creighton, Jr., Tate at Gonzalez.



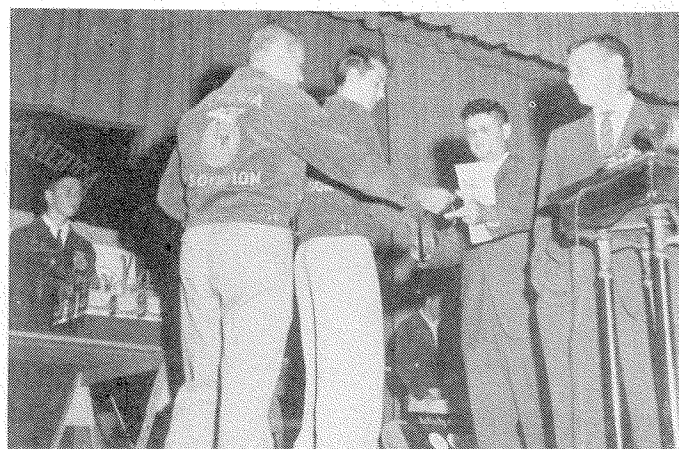
E. W. Cake, Marketing Specialist, Florida Agricultural Extension Service, and J. E. Dukes, Chairman, Youth Committee, Florida Council of Farmer Cooperatives, Palatka, presenting the Chapter Cooperative Awards. The State Winning Chapter was Jasper. District Winners were Ft. Pierce, Turkey Creek, Ocala, Bell, and Malone.



Mr. Wayne Mixson, Director of Industry Relations, Florida Farm Bureau, Gainesville, presenting the Parliamentary Procedure Trophy and Pennant to the State Winning team from Palatka.



Top photo: Mr. R. A. Miessen, Assistant to the Division Manager, Standard Oil Company, Florida Division, Jacksonville, presenting the Farm Safety Awards. 1st place—Bartow; 2nd place—Quincy; 3rd place—Hialeah; 4th place—South Dade; 5th place—DeLand Sr.; 6th place—Lake Weir (Summerfield) • Middle photo: Mr. Irby Exley, General Sales Manager, Florida Ford Tractor Company, Jacksonville, presenting the Farm Mechanics Award to State Winner, Don Nicholson, Quincy; others in picture left to right: George Lee, Reddick; Carl H. Rehwinkel, Adviser, Reddick; Mack Dunn, Quincy; Mr. J. C. McCall, Adviser, Quincy. • Bottom photo shows County Farm Electrification Award Winners.



Mr. George Talbott, Manager, Production and Marketing Division, Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association, Orlando, and Mr. Don Adams, Director of Agricultural Development, Florida Power and Light Company, Palatka, presenting the Demonstration awards to Johnny Drake, Miami Edison, for the Use division, title "Freezing Beans" and Russell Barnes, Turkey Creek, for Soils division, title, "Isotopes in Agriculture." In background State Winners from Winter Haven, David Bringle and Bill Cabbie with their Demonstration "Improving Plants with Radiation."



International Harvester Luncheon for the Incoming and Outgoing Officers, Past State Presidents, and other guests.



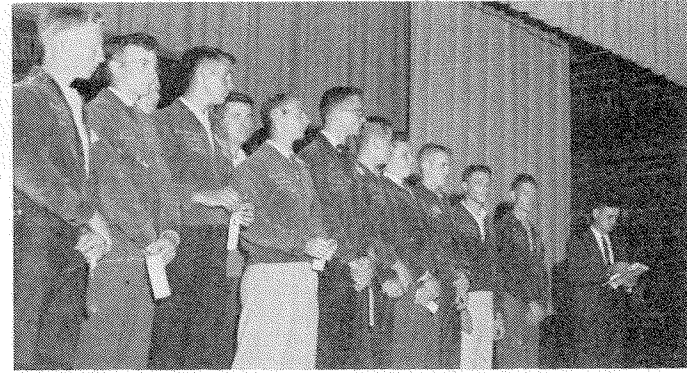
Mr. J. T. Wetherell, Maanger, Sears, Roebuck & Company Store in Daytona Beach, presenting the "Pass-the-chicken, Pappy" Awards.



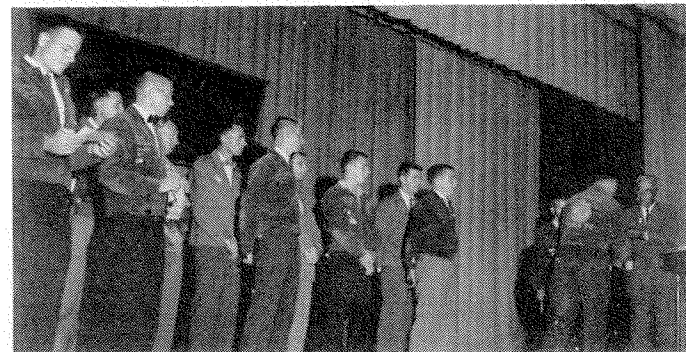
Mr. F. E. Breckenridge presenting String Band pennant to the State Champion String Band from DeFuniak Springs.



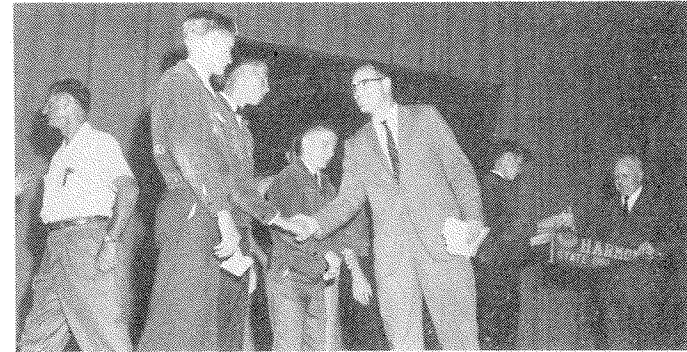
Mr. Ted Pendarvis, Livestock Marketing Specialist, Florida State Marketing Bureau, Jacksonville, presenting the State Feeder Steer award to Dewey Fussell, Auburndale and his adviser, R. A. Gunson.



Mr. George M. Talbott, Manager, Production and Marketing Division, Florida Fruit & Vegetable Association, Orlando, presenting the awards in the Vegetable Judging, Grading and Identification Contest.



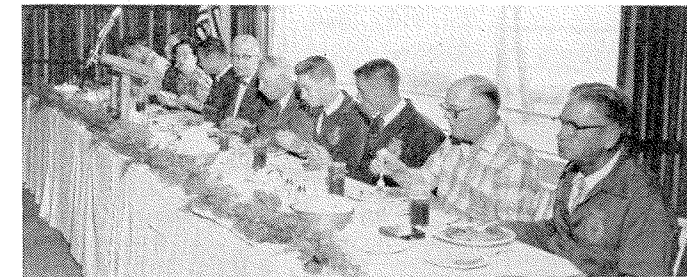
Mr. Ted Pendarvis, Livestock Marketing Specialist, Florida State Marketing Bureau, Jacksonville, presenting the Florida Cattlemen's Association Feeder Steer Awards, left to right: Jerry Maxwell, Quincy, 6th; Jimmy Thompson, Kathleen, 5th; Jim Busby, Alachua (Santa Fe), 4th; Bobby Trott, Wauchula (Peace River), 3rd; Jack Smith, Pompano Beach, 2nd; Dewel Fussell, Auburndale, 1st. Standing back of them are their advisers.



Mr. Aubrey Fowler, Manager, North Florida Production Credit Association, Live Oak, presenting the State Champion Pennant to Larry Bowers, DeFuniak Springs, in the Harmonica Contest; Mr. F. E. Breckenridge, General Manager of the DeLand Chamber of Commerce, presenting awards to other winners (left to right): Ronny Smoak, Pompano, 5th; Bobby Stevens, Kissimmee, 4th; Hal Dolan, Havana, 3rd; and Stafford Cowart, Lake City, 2nd.



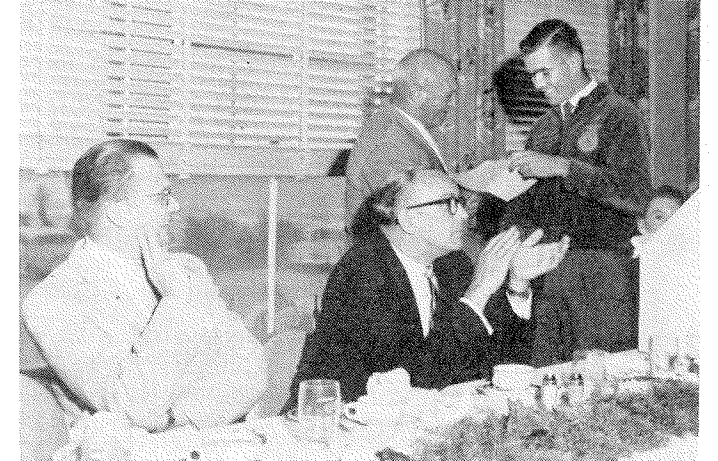
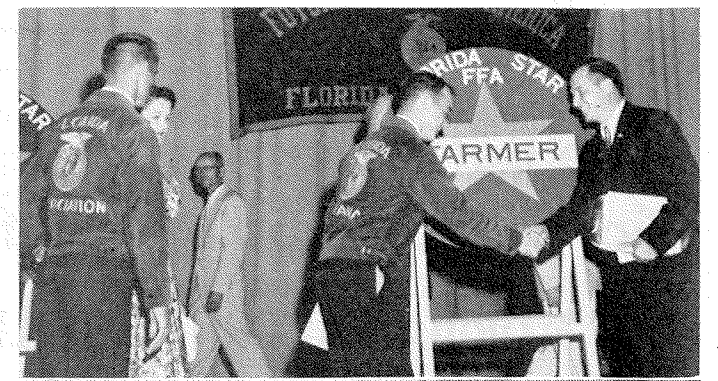
Fish fry at "Beach Rest" sponsored by the Florida Ford Tractor Company, Jacksonville.



Top photo: Head table at the Farm Safety Luncheon sponsored by Standard Oil Company of Kentucky, left to right: Dr. T. W. Strickland, Educational Materials Specialist, State Department of Education; Jim Thomas, National FFA President, Patterson, Georgia; Mrs. Miessen; Randy Kincaid, State FFA President; Mr. Miessen, Assistant to the Division Manager, Standard Oil Company of Kentucky, Jacksonville; Mr. H. E. Wood, State Adviser, FFA; Marvin Gibson, Vice President FFA Tennessee Association; Wilson McCallister, 6th Vice President; Dr. E. W. Garris, University of Florida; Mr. F. L. Northup, Area Supervisor. ● Bottom photo: James E. Gorman, General Manager, Florida Retail Federation, addressing the group at a dinner for the Presidents and Advisers of State Chapter Winners.



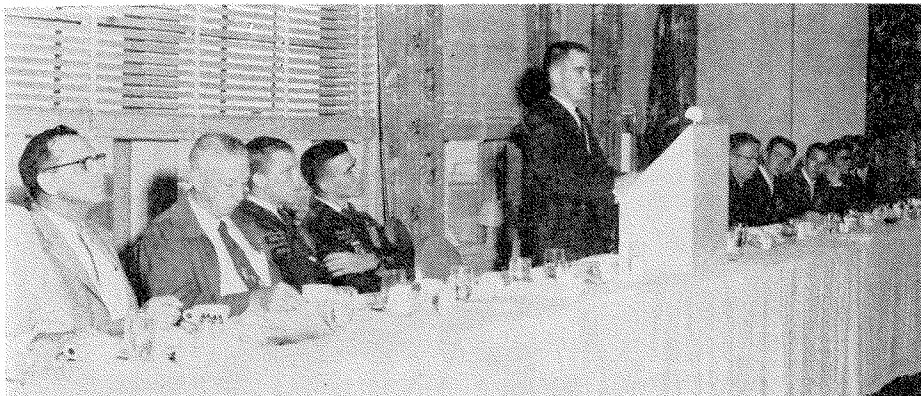
Mr. T. L. Barrineau, Area Supervisor, presenting the Softball Pennant to representatives of the Bradenton Chapter, State Winners, at the Delegates Dinner sponsored by Farm & Ranch Publishing Company, Nashville, Tennessee. Mr. "Duke" Stanley, host.



Top photo: Hon. Doyle Conner presenting Victor Butler, Havana, the Star State Farmer Award. ● Bottom photo: Randy Kincaid, State FFA President, presenting Mr. Lou Roey of the Daytona Beach Recreation Department with a Certificate of Merit and FFA Lapel Pin, at the Delegates Dinner sponsored by the Farm & Ranch Publishing Company.



Sweetheart Luncheon sponsored by the Craig Hotels, John E. Leonard, General Manager.



Alpha Gamma Rho Breakfast for 1960 State Farmers going to college. Bernard Lester, President of the Fraternity addressing group.

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Billy Lewis, Freddy Rogers, accompanied by Bobby Giddens)—\$5; Monticello (Lawrence Reeves, Ernest Reeves, Alvin Hagan, and Donald Hagan, accompanied by Joyce Johnson)—\$5; Trenton (Francis Akins, Ronnie Mikell, Donald Polk, and Buddy Vickers, accompanied by Helen Turner)—\$5. The Turkey Creek State Champion Quartet will represent Florida in the Tri-State FFA Quartet Contest to be held in Auburn, Alabama, July 21, 1960.

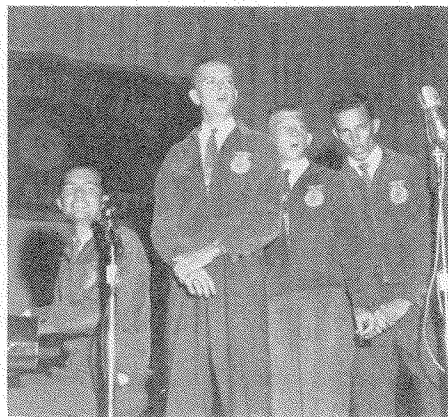
Clyde Creighton, Jr., of the Tate Chapter at Gonzalez was presented a Dairy Efficiency Plaque from Sealtest Foods, Inc., and a certificate and check for \$100 from the Future Farmers of America Foundation as Star State Dairy Farmer, by H. B. Gassaway, Field Representative of Sealtest Foods, Tampa. District winners receiving \$25 each from Sealtest Foods, Inc., were Sam Steel, Jr., Escambia Farms; Joe Freeland, Leon Chapter at Tallahassee; Buddy Hull, Gainesville; Gerald Lawrence Bauer, Lake Weir Chapter at Summerfield; Charles Waller, Bartow; and Ray Albury, South Dade Chapter at Homestead; and Buddy Hull received a Special Dairy Efficiency Plaque as the top district winner.

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 Baker Quartet, second place winner in the State Contest, Rev. Glenn E. Smith of the Christian Missionary Alliance Church gave the devotional. The President then proceeded with the official opening ceremony.

\$100 scholarships from the Florida Bankers Association to assist them in attending Florida State University or the University of Florida, were presented to Gary Hue Cook, Escambia Farms; Harrell Howell, Jennings; Melvin Smith,



State Champion Quartet, Turkey Creek, participating in contest. Left to right: Chuck McIntosh, Clavie Allen, Charles Creach, and Lynwood Simmons.

Newberry; Bernard Sparkman, South Sumter Chapter at Bushnell; and Harry Howard Samol, Hialeah, by Douglas Oswald, Vice-President of the Commercial Bank and Trust Company of Ocala.

At this time several numbers were rendered by the Turkey Creek State Champion Quartet.

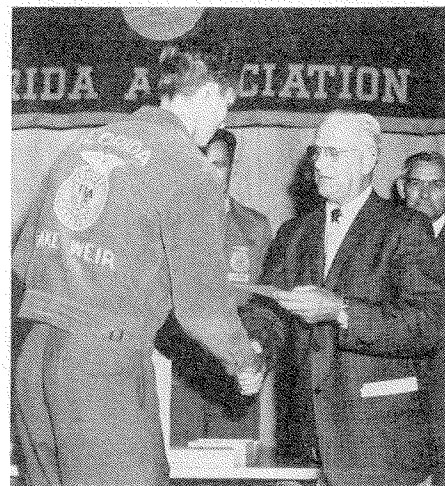
The Nominating Committee's selections for State Vice-Presidents were approved for the following: 1st—Richard Byrd, Hialeah; 2nd—Robert Wilkerson, Paxton; 3rd—Dale Marler, Lakeland; 4th—Luther Beauchamp, Chiefland; 5th—Harrell Howell, Jennings; 6th—David Vorpagel, Orlando (Evans Pioneers).

Nominations from the floor were made for the following: 1st—John McCarty, Jr., Fort Pierce; 2nd—Gary Hue Cook, Escambia Farms; Charles Olive, Malone; 3rd—Allen Hancock, Fort Meade; Larry Seleska, Bradenton; 4th—MacArthur Burnsed, Macclenny (Baker County); Roscoe Green, Alachua (Santa Fe); James Earl Ross, Live Oak (Williams); Murray Teuton, Gainesville; 5th—Richard Parramore, Quincy; Marshall Spears, Sopchoppy; Monroe Walker, Monticello; 6th—Jim White, Wildwood.

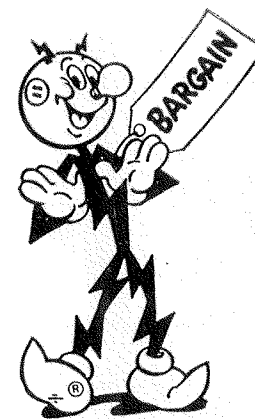
The Mulberry Chapter, as State Winner of the Scrapbook Contest, received \$25 and a Pennant. Other District winners were Miami-Edison, Jennings, and Vernon, each receiving \$10. These awards, sponsored by the Florida Association, FFA, were presented by Dr. T. W. Strickland, Educational Materials Specialist, State Department of Education, Tallahassee. Judges were Dr. Strickland and M. L. Bishop.

President Kincaid then presented Dr. Strickland with an official FFA Paper Weight and Official FFA Tie Pin as a token of our appreciation for his interest in our program and assistance during our Convention.

Presentation of Farm Electrification Awards was made by J. R. Saunders, (Continued on page 21)



Mr. H. V. Lee, President Florida Federation of Production Credit Associations, East Lake Weir, and Mr. Al Whitmore, Sec. Treas. Florida Citrus Production Credit Association, Orlando, and John Maddox, Adviser, Peace River, presenting State Farmer Keys.



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Top photo: Presentation of the District Star Farmer Awards. Left to right: Donnie Simmons, 3rd VP; Gary Hue Cook, Dist. I Star Farmer, Escambia Farms; C. D. Griffith, Adviser; Wilson McCallister 6th V-P; Mrs. C. V. Butler, Victor Butler, Dist. II Star Farmer, Havana; C. V. Butler; O. E. Yearty, Adviser; J. H. Hyatt, Principal; Francis Ward, 5th V-P; Johnnie Goff, Dist. III Star Farmer, Live Oak (Suwannee); Henry Folsom, Adviser; Carroll McElroy, 1st V-P; John L. Stephens, Adviser; Bernard Sparkman, Dist. IV Star Farmer, Bushnell (South Sumter); Mrs. Curry; Gene Boyle, 4th V-P; Mrs. Fussell, Roy Fussell, Dist. V Star Farmer, Auburndale; Mr. Fussell; R. A. Gunson, Adviser; Ronald Nelson, 2nd V-P; Mrs. Cooper, John Cooper, Dist. VI Star Farmer; and Edward Raikes, Adviser. Presenting the awards are: H. E. Nickloy and Jack Salt, of Mid-States Steel and Wire Company. Bottom photo: Presentation of the Area Star Farmer Awards. Area I—Victor Butler, Havana, with him: Mrs. Butler, Mr. Butler, O. E. Yearty, Adviser, and J. H. Hyatt, Principal. Area II—Johnny Goff, Live Oak (Suwannee), with him: Francis Ward, 5th Vice-Pres., and Henry Folsom, Adviser; Area III—John Cooper, Ft. Pierce, with him: Ronald Nelson, 2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. Cooper and Edward Raikes, Adviser.

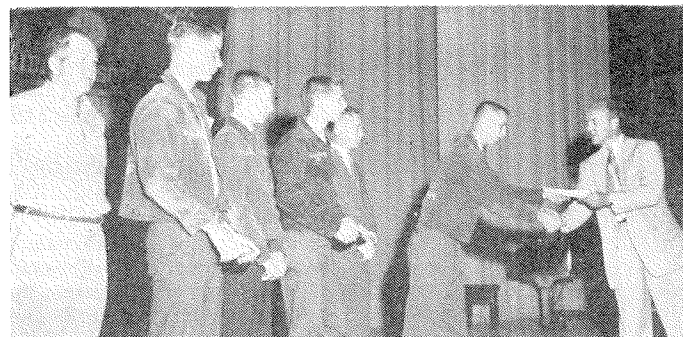


Top photo: James E. Gorman presenting the State Winning Plaque in the Chapter Contest to a representative of the Mulberry Chapter, as Adviser Eugene Doss (right) and W. H. Purcell, Supervising Principal of Mulberry Schools, look on. Others in the picture are (left to right) Bradenton, 3rd place and Quincy 2nd place. Bottom photo: Members and Advisers of Chapters who received Plaques for Superior Rating in Chapter Contest.

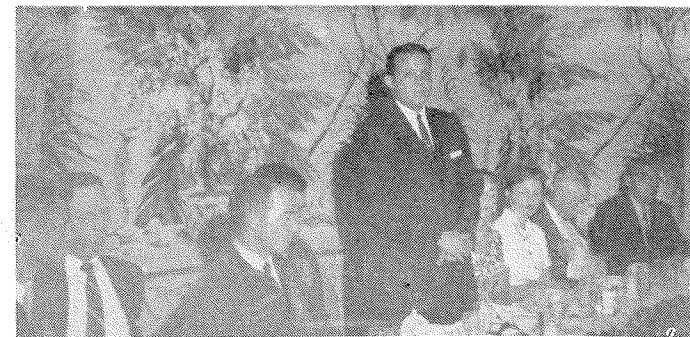


Top photo: Dr. T. W. Strickland, Educational Materials Specialist, State Department of Education, presenting Scrap Book Award to the State Winning Chapter at Mulberry; District winners were Miami-Edison, Jennings and Vernon. Bottom photo: Mr. Ted Pendarvis, Livestock Marketing Specialist, Florida State Marketing Bureau, Jacksonville, presenting the State Department of Agriculture Awards. Left to right: Robert A. Gunson, Adviser, Auburndale; Roy Fussell, Auburndale; James Earl Ross, (Williams) Live Oak; C. D. Griffith, Adviser, Escambia Farms and Luvert Johnson, Escambia Farms.

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Mr. R. N. Hoskins, General Forestry Agent, Seaboard Air Line Railroad, Richmond, Virginia, presenting the State Forestry Awards. Left to right: Terry White, Adviser; Roy Messer, Lake City, 4th place; Houston Taff, Crawfordville, 3rd place; David King, Jasper, 2nd place; Alan Harvey, Adviser, Macclenny; MacArthur Burnsed, State Winner; and Mr. Hoskins.



Mr. Jack Salt, Representative, Gainesville, Mid-States Steel and Wire Company, addressing the group at the Top District State Farmers Luncheon sponsored by the Mid-States Steel and Wire Company.

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Corporation, St. Petersburg, Don Adams, Director of Agricultural Development, Florida Power and Light Company, Palatka, and Bob Potter, Gulf Power Company, Pensacola, as follows: to the State Winner, Claude Eason of Mulberry, 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. The following District Winners were awarded \$50 Savings Bonds by the electrical organizations: I—Bobby Gibson, Walnut Hill; II—Edwin Smith, Jasper; III—Frazier Green, Jr., Columbia Chapter at Lake City; IV—Jack Williams, North Marion Chapter at Reddick; V—Woodrow Sutton, Auburndale; VI—Donald Davis, Jr., South Dade Chapter at Homestead. Each of the winners previously had received County Farm Electrification Awards of a \$25 Savings Bond from one of the electrical organizations. Several County winners that had not been presented, received a bond and certificate.

Several committee reports were read and approved at this time.

After some announcements, the meeting adjourned.

A special luncheon was held at the Daytona Plaza Hotel for the District

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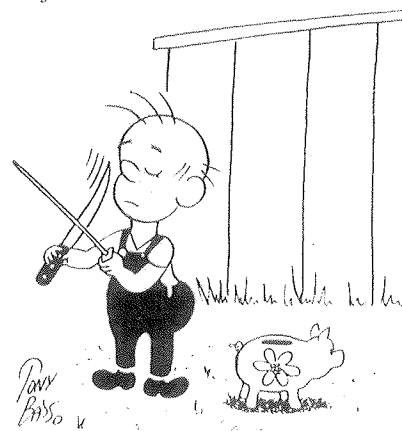
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State Champion Softball Team from the Bradenton Chapter at the 32nd Annual State FFA Convention.

State Farmers, their parents and advisers, and the office staff, by the Mid-States Steel and Wire Company, Crawfordville, 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. Charles Olive and Robert Wilkerson were in the run-off for 2nd Vice-President, and Harrell Howell and Marshall Spears for 5th.

President Kincaid 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, before and after his address.

Larry Bowers gave a few selections on the Harmonica.

The three winning Chapters in the State Chapter Contest were presented their awards by James E. Gorman, General Manager 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—Bradenton, which received \$15 and a Bronze Plaque. First place winner in each District received \$25, second place winner \$20, third place winner \$15, and fourth place winner \$10. Those who received awards by Districts

in order of placing were as follows: I—Escambia Farms, Jay, Vernon, Malone; II—Quincy, Havana, Tallahassee (Leon), Mayo; III—Alachua (Santa Fe), Macclenny (Baker County), Starke (Bradford), Chiefland; IV—Ocala, Reddick (North Marion), Inverness (Citrus), Anthony; V—Mulberry, Bradenton, Auburndale, Turkey Creek; VI—Homestead (South Dade), Miami-Edison, North Miami, Fort Pierce. Increased interest was shown this year by the Chapters as indicated by their Accomplishment Reports. Those having Superior Rating (87) received plaques bearing the name of their chapter. The State Chapter Awards are sponsored by the Future Farmers of



Installation of New Officers for 1960-61 by the 1959-60 State Officers. Left to right the 1959-60 Officers are: Wilson McCallister, Sopchoppy, 6th VP; Francis Ward, Suwannee (Live Oak), 5th VP; Gene Boyle, Palmetto, 4th VP; Donnie Simmons, Paxton, 3rd VP; Ronald Nelson, North Miami, 2nd VP; Carroll McElroy, Chiefland, 1st VP; and Randy Kincaid, Lake Wales, State President. The 1960-61 Officers are left to right: Victor Butler, Havana, State President; John McCarty, Jr., Ft. Pierce, 1st VP; Robert Wilkerson, Paxton, 2nd VP; Dale Marler, Lakeland, 3rd VP; Luther Beauchamp, Chiefland, 4th VP; Harrell Howell, Jennings, 5th VP; David Vorpapel, Orlando-Evans, 6th VP.

America Foundation and Florida Retail Federation.

At this time the Honorary State Farmer Degree was presented to W. H. Purcell, Supervising Principal of the Mulberry Schools.

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

The second ballot for Vice-Presidents was held and the following were elected: 1st—John McCarty, Jr., Fort Pierce; 2nd—Robert Wilkerson, Paxton; 3rd—Dale Marler, Lakeland; 4th—Luther Beauchamp, Chiefland; 5th—Harrell Howell, Jennings; 6th—David L. Vorpapel, Orlando (Evans).

Carol Long of Orlando (Edgewater), State Sweetheart for 1959-60 entertained the delegation with several songs, at this time.

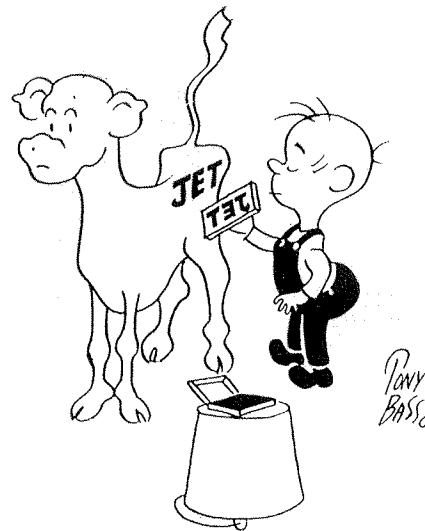
The President read a telegram of congratulations from H. D. England, Manager of the George Washington Hotel in West Palm Beach, and made some announcements, after which the meeting adjourned with the official closing ceremony.

A special dinner was held at the Daytona Plaza Hotel for the Presidents and Advisers of State Chapter Contest Winners, by the Florida Retail Federation, with James E. Gorman, General Manager, 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 Walton Chapter String Band of DeFuniak Springs. The meeting opened with the official opening ceremony.

Ted Pendarvis presented the State Department of Agriculture Awards of \$50.00 and transportation to the National Convention of Future Farmers of America



to the following: Area I—Luvert Johnson, Escambia Farms; Area II—Earl Ross, Williams Chapter at Live Oak; Area III—Roy Fussell, Auburndale.

At this time the State President conferred the Honorary State Farmer Degree on Harold Goforth, Executive Vice-president of the Fidelity Federal Savings and Loan Association, Ocala, as he was unable to be present at the Wednesday afternoon session.

H. E. Nickloy and Jack Salt of the Mid-States Steel and Wire Company, presented awards as follows: Victor Butler, Havana, Star State Farmer—\$50; John Lewis Goff, Suwannee Chapter at Live Oak, and John M. Cooper, Fort Pierce, Star Area State Farmers—\$25 each; Gary Hue Cook, Escambia Farms; Bernard Sparkman, South Sumter Chapter at Bushnell; and Roy Fussell, Auburndale, 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 Victor Butler, John Lewis Goff, and John M. Cooper, Area Star State Farmers of Florida for 1960, by J. F. Bazemore, State Educational Manager from Orlando. Each was awarded \$75 toward his expenses in attending the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, Missouri, in October 1960.

Honorable Doyle Conner, State of Florida Commissioner of Agriculture Elect, 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 Publishing Company, to Victor Butler, the Star State Farmer, after which the State President presented Victor's Father and his Adviser, O. E. Yearty, with the Honorary State Farmer Degree and his Mother with the Certificate of Merit.

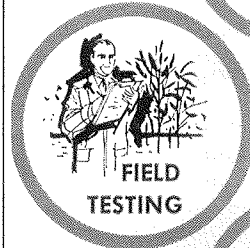
The President turned the meeting over to Ronald Nelson, 2nd Vice-President, who acted as Master of Ceremonies.

Ellen Whigham of Marianna was introduced and gave a couple of vocal selections at this time; after which the DeFuniak Springs String Band played a

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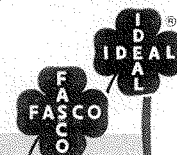
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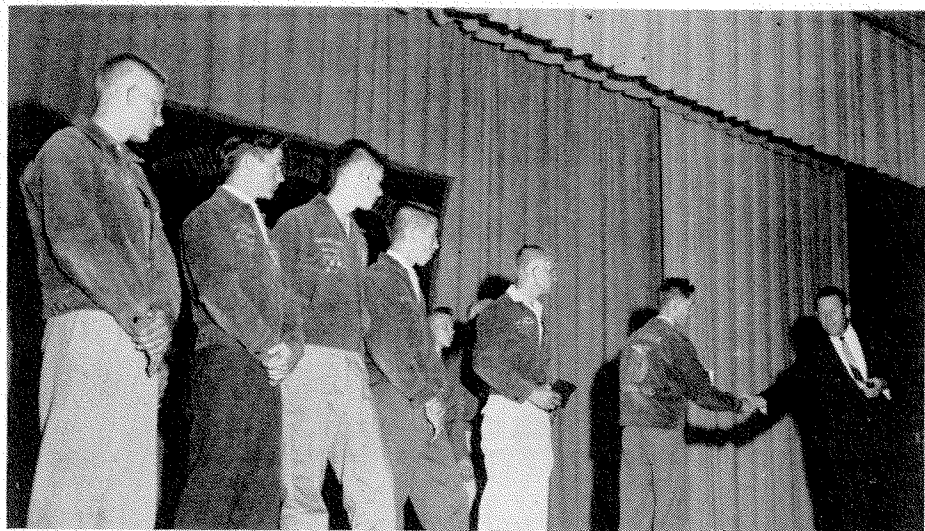
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Mr. T. E. Hancock, Ass't. General Sales Manager, Florida Ford Tractor Company, Jacksonville, presenting the award to State Winner, Lee Burk, Sanford. Others who placed from sixth to second, left to right: Ronald Smith, Ft. Pierce; Dennis Hart, Alachua (Santa Fe); Wayne Hurst, Jennings; Eugene Williams, Bradenton; and Robert Pleas, Chipley.

selection.

A. R. Cox, Executive Secretary, Florida Association, FFA, made some announcements concerning the Sweetheart Contest, then James E. Gorman introduced the following Judges for the Sweetheart Contest: Senator J. Emory Cross, Chairman, Gainesville; Lee Maxwell, President, Florida Association of Fairs, DeLand; and Jack Salt, Representative of Mid-States Steel and Wire Company, Gainesville.

Tillie Smith of Quincy was selected State Sweetheart of the Florida Association, FFA for 1960-61. She was crowned by Carol Long, 1959-60 Sweetheart, while the Turkey Creek Quartet sang "When I Grow Too Old to Dream," with Chuck McIntosh at the piano, 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: Patsy Neel, Walton Chapter at DeFuniak Springs; Janie Hagel, Baker County Chapter at Macclenny; Francean King, Lake Weir Chapter at Summerfield; Bobby Lou Kaminis, Hillsborough Chapter at Tampa; and Martha Brent, Belle Glade.

SATURDAY MORNING

THE TENTH and final session of the convention was called to order by the President. The Devotional was given by Dr. Frank Carwithen of the First Methodist Church.

At this time Honorable Doyle Conner addressed the delegation.

G. M. Nation, District Manager, International Harvester Company, Jacksonville, assisted by Gordon Perkins, Ass't. District Manager, presented the winners of the Soil and Water Management Awards. The State Winner, Roy Fussell, of the Auburndale Chapter received a certificate and check for \$100 from the

Mayo Chapter, and their Adviser, J. M. Everett, were recognized: Leland Murray, Jim Murray, Ezra Folsom; Alternate, Ira Zipperer. Sponsors of the Land Judging Contest are Station WTVT, Tampa, Cartledge Fertilizer Company, Cottdale, and the Florida Association of Soil Conservation District Supervisors.

T. L. Barrineau, Area Supervisor of Agricultural Education for Area I, presented the Flint River Mills Award of \$100 to defray expenses in attending the National F.F.A. Convention to Charles Olive of Malone, as being the outstanding F.F.A. exhibitor in the F.F.A. Hog Show at the North Florida Fair in Tallahassee.

Special Award Plaques were presented to George Wakefield, first State FFA Adviser, who is now with the United States of America Operations Mission to Haiti, at Port-au-Prince, Haiti; and J. T. Diamond, past Secretary of the State Board of Control, Jay, Florida. Since neither of the men could be present, a special tape recording was played with a message from Mr. Wakefield, and his son, G. Norton, Jr., accepted the Plaque for him. A. A. Harrison, Adviser, and a member of the Jay Chapter accepted the Plaque for Mr. Diamond, which will be presented to him in a local ceremony.

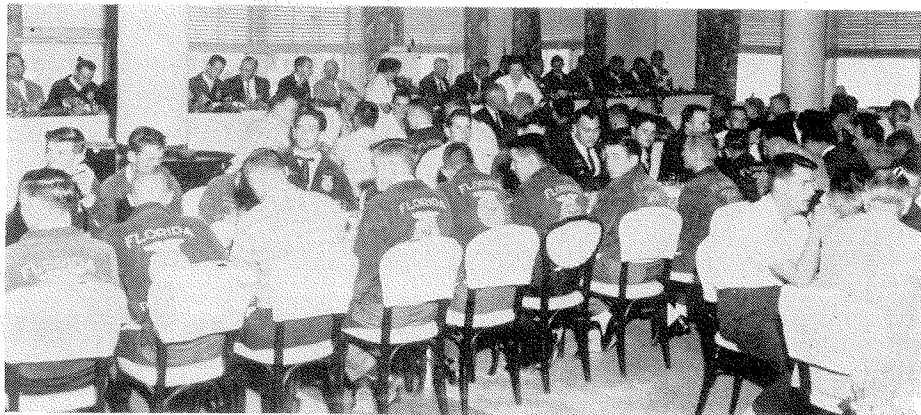
Certificates of Merit were presented by President Kincaid to Mesdames A. R. Cox, Autie McCallum and Caroline Langston.

On behalf of the Florida Association, FFA, boxes of candy were presented to Mrs. Cox, Mrs. McCallum, Mrs. Langston, Mrs. Callahan, Mrs. Eugene Doss, Mrs. Perry Sistrunk for their assistance during the Convention.

H. E. Wood, State Adviser; A. R. Cox, Executive Secretary, and Perry Sistrunk, retiring member of the State Advisory Committee were presented gifts as a token of appreciation for their outstanding guidance and leadership during the past year.

The delegates recommended Lamar Jenkins, Williams Chapter at Live Oak, for regional Star Farmer awards.

Motion was seconded and passed to refer the "Program of Work" Committee Report to the new Executive Committee. A motion was also made, seconded and passed that the date of the 1961 Conven-



State Farmer Candidates Luncheon, sponsored by Loncala Phosphate Company, Mr. E. H. Kellogg, Director of Research Institute, Ocala, host.



Dr. Alexander Nunn, Editor of the Progressive Farmer, Birmingham, Ala., presenting the State Public Speaking Award to Victor Butler, Havana. Others in picture (left to right): James E. Gorman, General Manager, Florida Retail Federation, Jacksonville; Paul Mabry, Turkey Creek, 3rd place; not pictured is Gerald Roberts, Palatka, 2nd place.

tion be left up to the incoming Executive Committee.

The new State Sweetheart, Tillie Smith, entertained with piano and vocal selections at this time.

The State President requested that the delegation stand for a moment of silent prayer in memory of our friends and loved ones who have died since the 1959 Convention.

At this time, President Randy Kincaid gave his Retiring Report, which was unanimously approved.

The following parents were presented to the delegates and guests by the State Officers, after which President Kincaid presented each father with the Honorary State Farmer Degree and each mother with a Certificate of Merit: Mr. and Mrs. Allison Perry, Jr.; Mrs. Ethel McElroy; Mrs. Violet Nelson; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Boyle; Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Ward; and Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McCallister.

Marvin Gibson, Tennessee FFA Vice-President, gave a brief talk to the delegation.

Victor Butler, State President for 1960-61 was then introduced.

The new officers of the Florida Association, Future Farmers of America for 1960-61 were officially installed with the appropriate Future Farmer Ceremony and escorted to their respective stations by the retiring officers. Retiring President Randy Kincaid turned the gavel over to President Victor Butler, who then assumed his duties as President. President Butler talked to the delegation briefly and presented outgoing President Kincaid with a gavel, on which was engraved the names of the 1959-60 Officers.

H. E. Wood, State Adviser, presented each of the retiring officers with a past state officers pin and after a few announcements, the 34th Annual Convention, Future Farmers of America, was declared adjourned by President Butler.

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International Harvester Company of Jacksonville has sponsored a luncheon for the past several years, which is a delightful climax to a very eventful week. The 1959-60 and 1960-61 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 Isseena Hotel. Grady M. Nation had charge of the luncheon, assisted by Gordon Perkins.

Editorial

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regardless of where produced was about 3 billion dollars last year.

Florida ships a large share of its fruits, vegetables and other products out of the state. So, same say that agriculture should not ask credit for value added to the state's farm commodities after they leave the state. As a result, we have figured on agribusiness value within Florida. By this we mean the value of our products as they cross the state line for that part shipped out. For the remainder sold in the state, the retail value is figured.

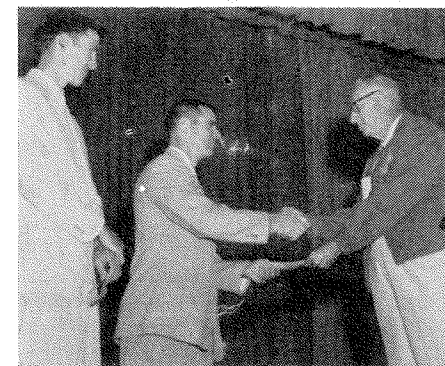
On this basis, the agribusiness value, within the state, of Florida produced farm products was about 1-1/3 billion dollars in 1959. This means that agribusiness is about on a par with "tourism" or with manufacturing as a generator of income in Florida. We in agriculture want to continually remind our city cousins and our legislators of this fact.

Farm Value and Agribusiness Value

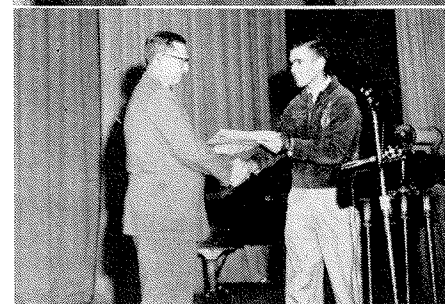
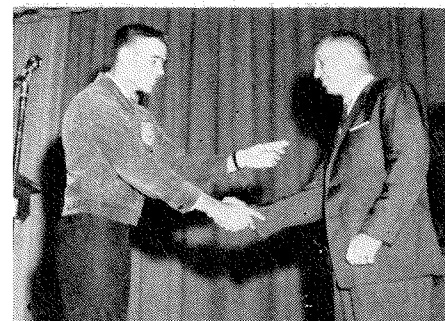
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Citrus	348	500	895
Truck Crops	158	285	460
Livestock	197	325	350
Other	122	225	450
Total	825	1,335	2,155

* This is the estimated agribusiness value of Florida's crops either at the time they cross the state line as they are shipped out, or their retail value if sold in Florida.

** This is the approximate retail sales



H. E. Wood, State Adviser, Florida Association, FFA, presenting Louis E. Smith and James A. Culligan, seniors at the University of Florida with \$100 J. F. Williams Memorial Scholarships.



Top photo: Mr. Harold W. Goforth, Executive Vice-President, Fidelity Federal Savings and Loan Association, Ocala, receiving the Honorary State Farmer Degree from Randy Kincaid, State President, FFA. Bottom photo: Mr. T. J. Wetherell, Manager, Sears, Roebuck & Company, receiving the Honorary State Farmer Degree from Randy Kincaid, State President, FFA.

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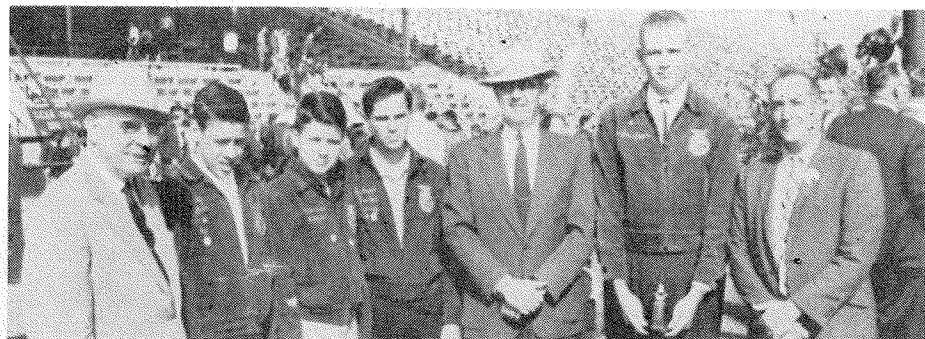
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Strawberries were exhibited and sold by the Turkey Creek Chapter at the Strawberry Festival. Eddie Simmons and Douglas Pope were two of the members that helped take care of the booth during the Fair.



Nat Mayo, Supervising Inspector, State Department of Agriculture, and the Ocala Champion Poultry Judging Team; Jerry Arthur, Warren Payne, Richard Perry, and Adviser M. C. Roche. Also pictured are Douglas Sipple, Hillsborough Chapter, Tampa, Winner of the State Poultry Association Trophy and Sam Bush, Chairman, Florida Egg Commission.—Bill Hodges Photo



Farm Safety Luncheon sponsored by Standard Oil Company of Kentucky for Chairmen of the Chapter Farm Safety Committee and Advisers.



SEE THE February 1959 issue of Journal of Florida Education Association for the story by J. J. Cox, Information Specialist with the State Board of Conservation "Sea Going High School Farmers." These are members of the Crystal River High School FFA Chapter.

Jack Ford Quincy FFA Chapter, received the Florida Dairy Association Rotating Trophy for having the outstanding FFA Exhibit at the Florida State Fair. With him are H. E. Wood, State Supervisor, Agricultural Education, Tallahassee, and J. C. Huskisson, Manager of Florida State Fair Association, Tampa.—Bill Hodges Photo

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the sub-district contests; livestock shows; farm judging; and livestock judging at State Fair.

His other leadership activities included being President of 4-H Club and County Council, Vice-President of Sunday School and Training Union, and Church Usher.

His improvement projects included building fences, growing feed crops, beautifying home, keeping farm records, rearranging fences, irrigating land, constructing farm buildings, and growing home garden.

DAVID VORPAGEL

6th Vice-President

DAVID VORPAGEL, 18, a recent graduate of the Orlando-Evans High School and a member of the FFA Chapter, is Vice-President representing District IV. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Vorpagel.

This year, David's supervised farming program consisted of 1/3 interest in 300 laying hens.

He has been President and Secretary of his Chapter, has served as Chairman of many committees, Parliamentary Team, TV Programs; on Chapter Ban-

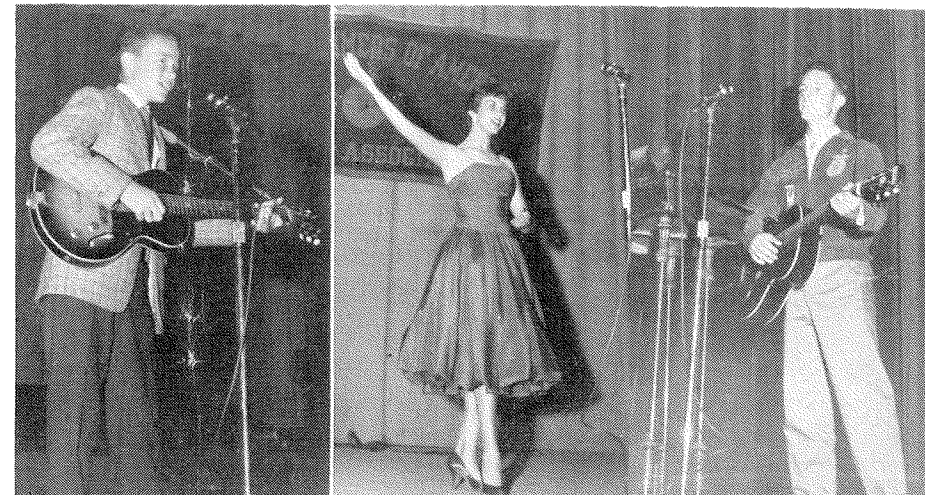


Photo at left: Vester Hammond, Turkey Creek, singing and playing guitar at the 32nd FFA Convention. ● Center photo: Martha Brent, Belle Glade, participating in the State FFA Sweetheart Contest. ● Photo at right: Marlin Register, Graceville, entertaining delegates at the 32nd Annual State FFA Convention.

quets, leadership school; sub-delegate to the State Convention; a member of the dairy judging and softball teams, and tractor driving in Sub-District Contest.

He has also served as Vice-President of his class, Chairman of Recreation in Youth Organization of his Church, Treasurer and Publicity Chairman in his home room at school, and a member of the

Senior Honor Society.

David's improvement projects consisted of building fences, growing feed crops, keeping farming records, beautifying the home, growing home garden, installing modern conveniences, draining land, installing water and lights in brooder house, repairing and painting farm buildings.

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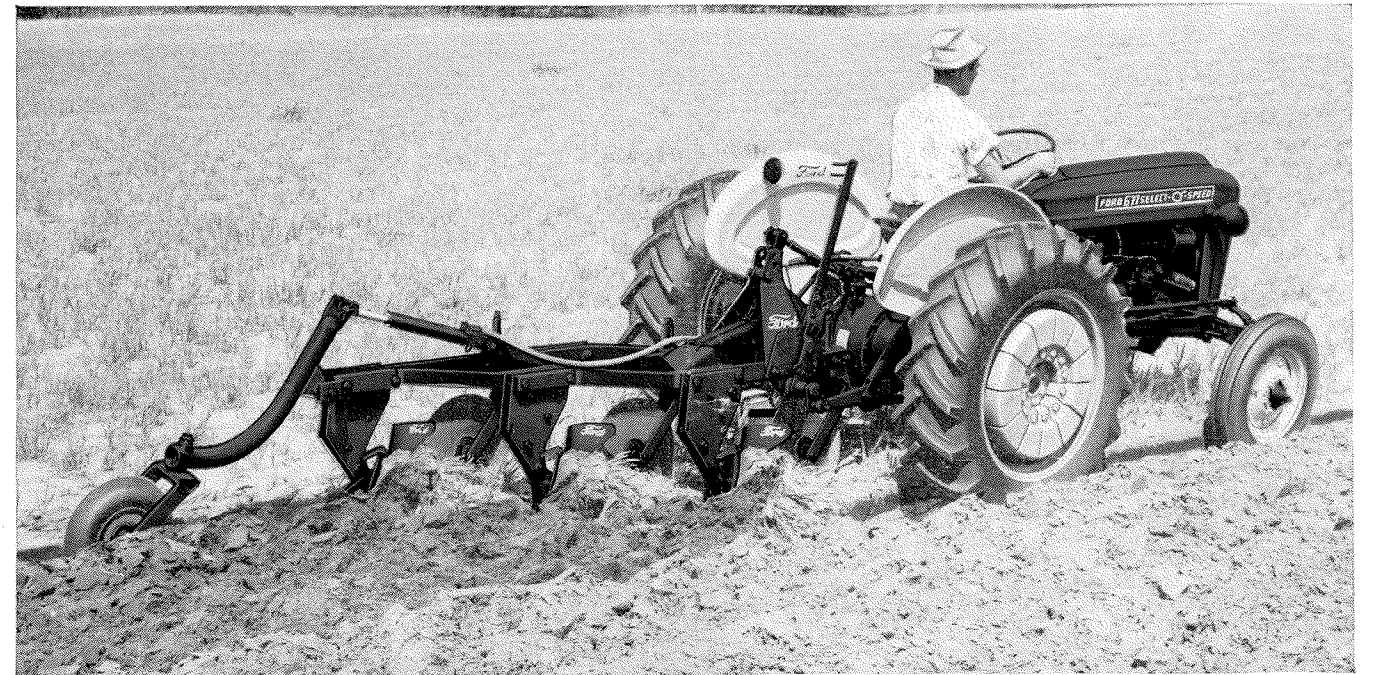
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