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## Be A Good Presiding Officer

By M. B. Jordan

"Actions speak louder than words." How you walk, how you stand, how you control your emotions, and last, but not least, your personal appearance are all contributing factors and are most important in becoming a good presiding officer.

### You Must Be Able To Think

Most errors that are made before an audience can be easily prevented by thinking. The good Lord gave us a head on our shoulders for many uses but the most important of these, is that we may think. Nothing sets a person aside as a capable leader more than his demonstrating that his ideas and convictions are based on serious and logical thinking. If you will seek, you can find many aids and references (in the library) on how to improve your ability to think. You must work at it.

### You Must Be Adjustable

The routine of events seldom happen as planned, so it's impossible to memorize a set of routine procedure for all situations. Be able to capitalize on sudden changes. Stress the advantages and values of sudden changes rather than making excuses. A good leader will seldom use excuses. Tackle assignments with "gusto" rather than hesitation.

### Know Your Group

Always recognize that only a few people know as much about your organization or its business that you are about to transact, as you do. Assume that others are thirsty for a better understanding about your group and the workings of your program. Never fail to inform your audience about your organization and what it is attempting to do. Be a good salesman before every group on every item of business. Don't take for granted any item of business. If you don't show some enthusiasm others won't either. Often your own members need their morale boosted.

### Know the Importance of Sincere, Mature Courtesy

Recognize superiors. Age is to be respected even with close friends. You can have the satisfying and happy privilege of leading

adults, including "IMPORTANT" people, by your displaying humility of self and high esteem of others.

### Remaining Silent

Recognize controversial issues. Exercise the right to express your views with caution. Over-exuberance sometimes injures you more than someone else. A good leader controls his emotions to the extent that he is so convincing that apparently his only desire is to help others.

### Acquaint Yourself With Parliamentary Law

It is important if you are an officer to set an example for others to follow. If you use improper parliamentary procedure, it is a glaring social error and extremely bad taste. You may have all the traits of the best leaders, but there are too many simple outlines on good parliamentary practice for you to display ignorance on the subject. All of which means that you have to constantly STUDY.

### Communicate the Good and Bad

Never neglect the undesirable at the expense of the good in any issue. Be fair minded on both sides of an issue. The "goals," "purposes" and "objectives" of your organization are nothing more than you, its leader. As you preside, to display undue pressure adversely reflects on each member of your group, both in the local organization and in the national organization if you have one.

### You Have A Binding Obligation

Never slack up until every duty has been fulfilled—a slacker is a "poor officer." Attend all meetings and be on time. To be an officer it becomes necessary to sacrifice things you would like to do in order to fulfill your official duty. Sometimes it will mean foregoing a trip with the family or friends. It might mean breaking an important date or not attending a good show. When you accepted your office, you silently and publicly agreed not to let these things interfere with the duties of your office. If you didn't, you gave your members a false impression. Just remember, a successful officer always finds time to have his recreation and still serve his office well. This indicates how big he is.

### Exemplify A Generous Attitude

You "MUST" realize that your



Pictured on the Cover during the 1970 State Convention are Dale Boyett, 1969-70 State FFA President and Roe Lee, Florida FFA Representative for the Progressive Farmer Magazine.

time is being spent willingly because of the value of experience and service, not for monetary returns. At first this may not seem so enjoyable. You cannot be a successful officer until you understand the true richness of service and experience. When this is done, you will have your reward.

### You Are Only An Officer, A Servant

In no way are you to feel that you are "UP" on a pedestal. But, always show dignity. The membership of your organization may look up to you, but if any member does, it is because you are his selected spokesman, his "leader."

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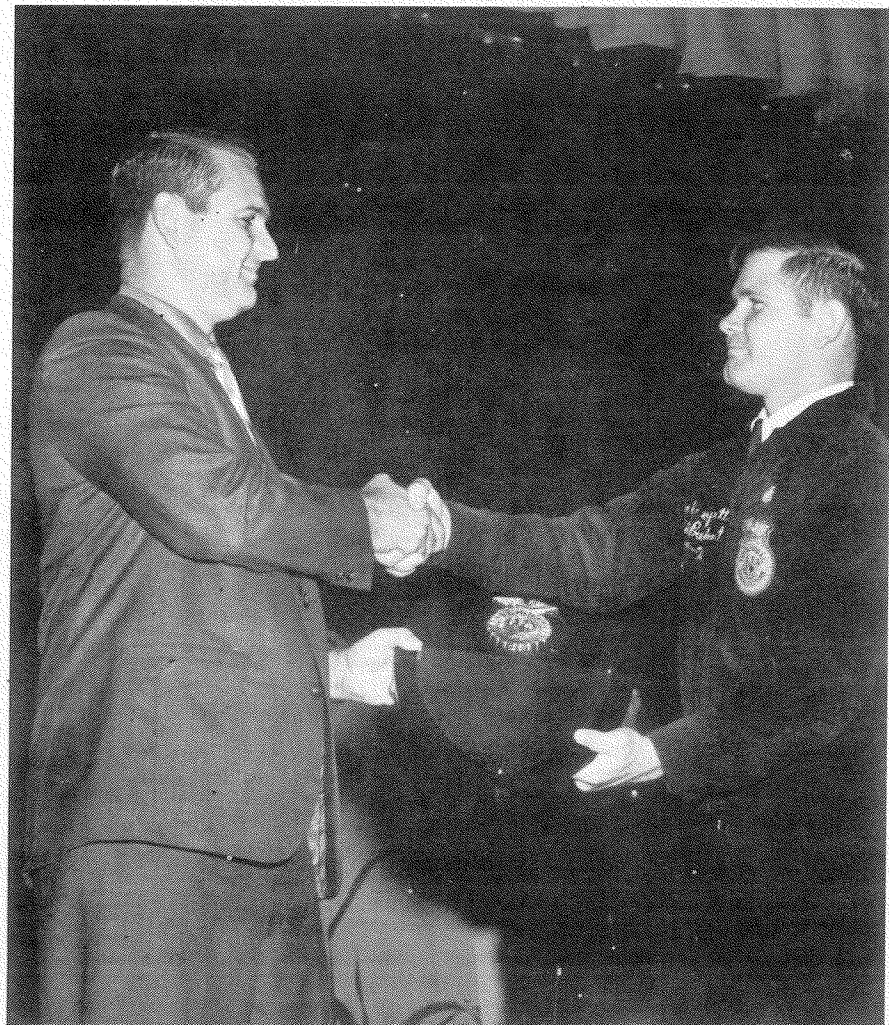
## STATE OFFICERS

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Above are shown the recipients of the State Farmer Degree during the 1970 convention. Below, President Dale Boyett presents a special award plaque to Richard Kelly.



## Florida Future Farmers Gather at Daytona Beach For 42nd Convention

Contests, awards  
banquets, shows  
and elections  
provide full  
week for Florida  
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## Convention!

FUTURE FARMERS, chapter advisers, and guests, numbering more than 1,000, attended the 42nd Annual State FFA Convention in Daytona Beach, June 15-19, 1970. Knowing that the sessions were open to the public, interested citizens from Daytona Beach and the surrounding area attended many of them.

A distinctive characteristic of this convention was the cooperative efforts of president Boyett, his fellow officers, the state staff, committee members, chapter advisers, sponsors, and contest winners. This cooperative undertaking led to the general agreement that this was indeed a most outstanding convention.

Among the many prominent guests attending included Dennis Pharris, national FFA secretary, Hillsboro, Texas, and Mike Fairless, president, Tennessee Association, Bradford, Tennessee.

Events of special interest were the election of new officers, meals sponsored by Florida Firms, tractor driving and vegetable judging contests, and presentation of awards, scholarships and honorary degrees.

### Officer Candidates Interviewed on Monday

THE CHAMBER of Commerce of Greater Daytona Beach was host to the state officers and staff members for a luncheon in the Voyager Beach Motel. A representative from the Chamber of Commerce expressed appreciation for the consideration of the Future Farmers in selecting Daytona Beach as a convention site for 20 consecutive years.

Events of the day included interviewing of candidates for state offices and registration of delegates and advisers; division preliminaries of the demonstration contests, Perry Sistrunk in charge; delegates' seat assignments, James A. Barge and FVATA directors and officers in charge; demonstration contest finals, Perry Sistrunk in charge; and judging, grading and identification contest, John Maddox in charge.

### Delegates-Advisers Lunch Climax Tuesday Morning

A BREAKFAST for Area Tractor Driving Winners and their advisers

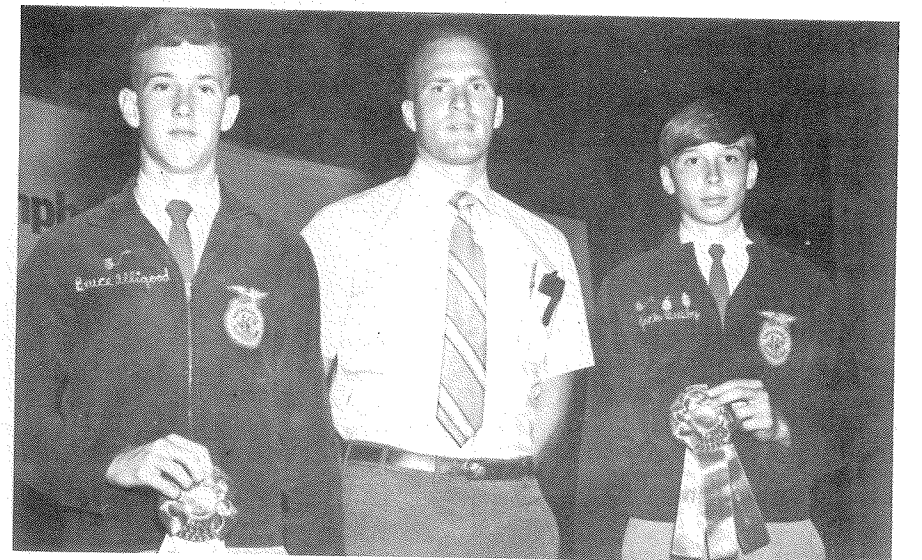
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Floyd T. Christian, Commissioner of Education, addressing State Officers Luncheon sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce of Greater Daytona Beach.

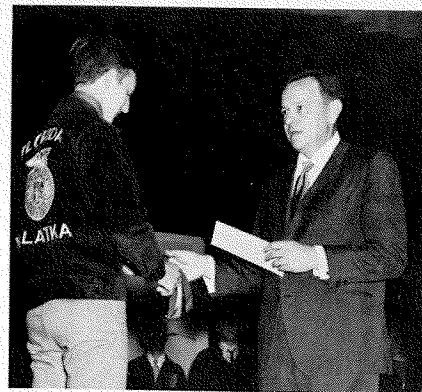


Dr. William Carroll Lamb addressing the Delegates and Advisers Luncheon sponsored by the Production Credit Associations of Florida.

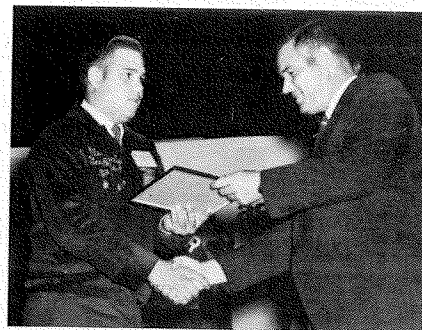


Demonstration contest winners, from left, Bruce Alligood; Bud Riviere, adviser; and Jack Busby. They represent the Santa Fe Chapter.

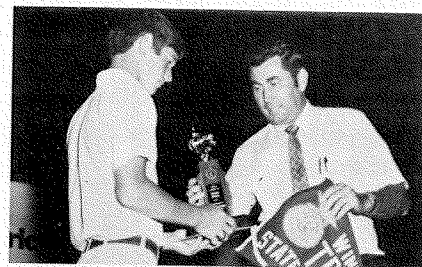




Don Adams, Florida Power and Light Company, presenting Judging, Grading, and Identification Contest awards to Palatka Senior Chapter.



Robert Allen Morris receiving Agricultural Mechanics award from Glenn Polk, Florida Tractor Corporation.



Bill Hester, Volusia Tractor Company, presenting tractor driving awards to Jerry Shelley. Ford Tractor Dealers of Florida sponsor the award.



Buddy Higginbotham receiving Dairy Farming Award from H. B. Gassaway, Sealtest Foods, Tampa.



Henry Dover, right, with the Funk's 304 Bushel Challenge Award winners

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ers was sponsored by Ford Tractor Dealers of Florida. Activities of the morning included registration and housing, and the tractor driving contest. C. J. Rogers was in charge of the tractor driving contest. The tractor was furnished by Bill Hester, Volusia Tractor Company, DeLand.

Mr. William Carroll Lamb, Executive Director, Florida Forestry Association, Tallahassee, delivered a challenging address during the Delegate and Advisers Luncheon, sponsored by Production Credit Associations of Florida, and held at the Voyager Beach Motel. President Dale Boyett, Master of Ceremonies, expressed appreciation to the Production Credit Association for their cooperation with Future Farmers.

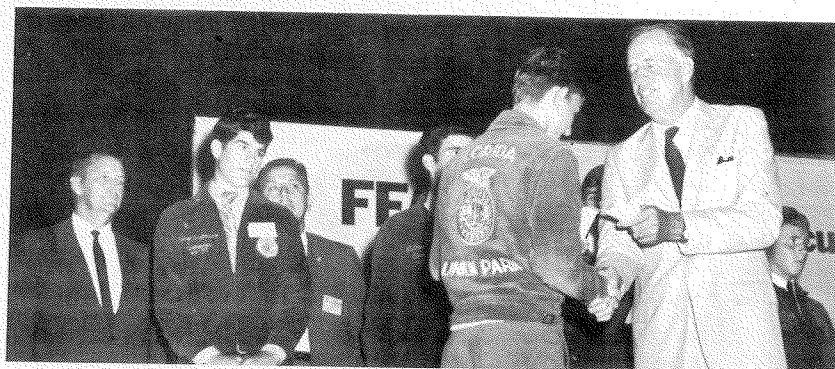
T. L. Barrineau, State FFA adviser, presented charters to new FFA chapters. They were: Dunnellon; Tomlin Junior; Gainesville Agri-Business; East Bay Junior; and Tampa-Bay Tech.

Each State vice president reported on the seating of the delegates in his area and the delegation was seated.

Dale Boyett gave the State President's message.

A motion was approved to adopt the minutes of the 41st Annual State Convention as printed in the 1969 summer issue of the *FLORIDA FUTURE FARMER*.

The crop farming award of \$100, sponsored by the Future Farmer Foundation of America, was presented to Larry S. Merritt of the South Sumter FFA Chapter at Bushnell. This award was presented by Dennis Pharris, National FFA Secretary. The other five winners, each receiving \$25 from Dixie Lime and Stone Company were: Hilton Hatcher, Malone Chapter, Area I; Johnny F. Copeland, Santa Fe Chapter, Area II; Robert D. Strong, Jr., South Sumter Chapter, Area III; Mike Roberts, Wauchula-Hardee Chapter, Area IV; and Donald Hunt, Delray Beach-Spady Chapter, Area V. Danny Cowart, Field Rep-



Charles Lykes presenting beef-breeding award to Willy Dietrich. Other winners (from left), Cary Lightsey, Richard Cochrane, Danny Hyatt, and David Downing.

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representative for Dixie Lime and Stone Company, was on hand to present these awards.

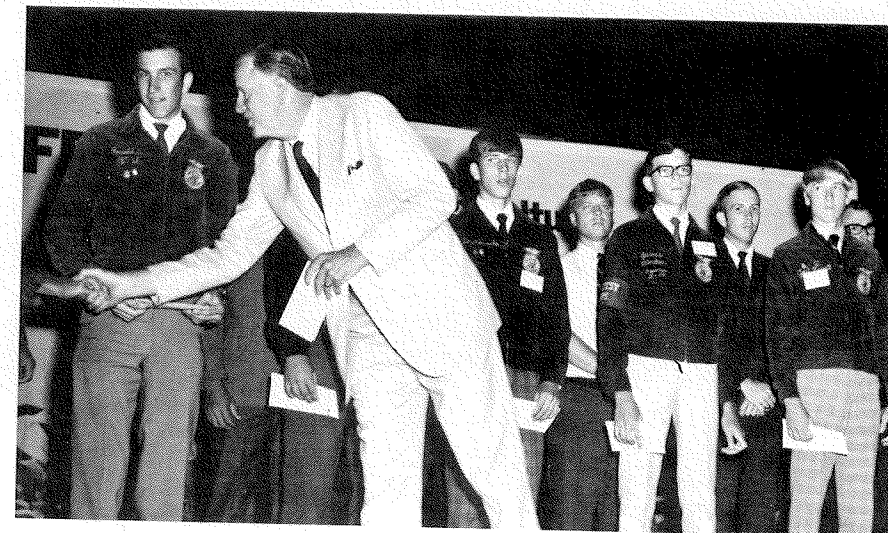
The Funk's 304 Bushel Challenge Awards of \$50.00 and trophy for first place and \$25.00 and trophy for second and third place presented during this session. Henry Dover, district manager, Louisiana Seed Company of Mississippi, Live Oak, presented the awards to the Walnut Hill Chapter, 1st place; Hamilton County Chapter, 2nd place; and Wilson Merritt, 3rd place.

Billy Woodard, state secretary, read the names of those recommended by the State Executive Committee to receive the Honorary State Farmer Degree. The list was approved. Approval was also cited when the names were read of those who had received the degree earlier in the year.

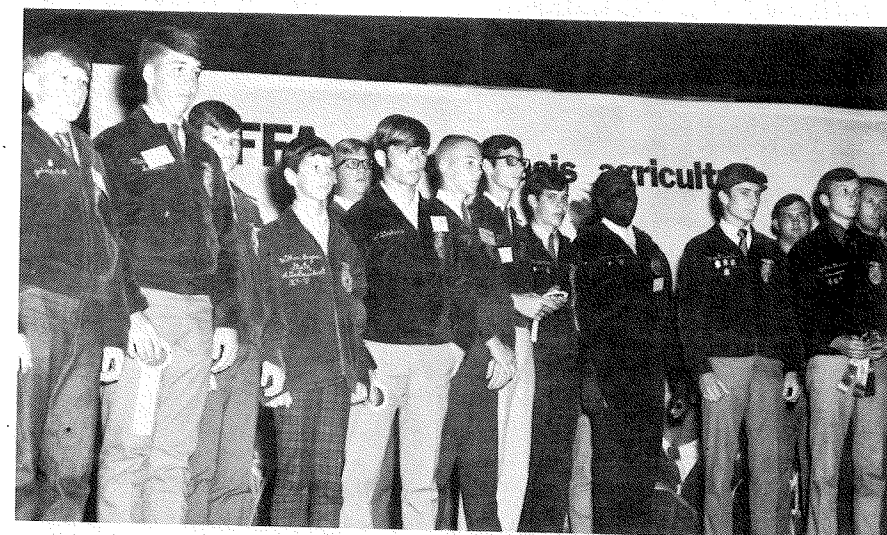
The Florida Cattlemen's Association Awards were presented by Charles Lykes, president, Florida Cattlemen's Association, Tampa. Ronald Lee, Groveland Senior FFA Chapter, received a \$100.00 check for his outstanding feeder-steer projects. This will help finance a trip for Ronald and his advisers, Freddie Garner and Robert Campell, to the National Convention in Kansas City, Missouri in October. Five other winners of feeder-steer awards received \$15.00 each to help pay their expenses in attending the State FFA Convention. They were: Connally Barnett, Fort Meade FFA Chapter; Tom Edwards, Bradford Senior FFA Chapter; James Albritton, Mulberry FFA Chapter; Joel Harrell, Winter Haven Chapter; and Larry Arrington, Plant City FFA Chapter.

Willy Dietrich, Union Park Chapter, Orlando, received \$100.00 as state winner in the beef-breeding contest. His adviser is O. M. Johnson. Four other members received \$15.00 to help defray their expenses for the state convention. They were: Cary D. Lightsey, Brandon FFA Chapter; Richard Cochrane, Fort Meade FFA Chapter; Danny Hyatt, Groveland Senior FFA Chapter; and David Downing, Wauchula-Peace River FFA Chapter.

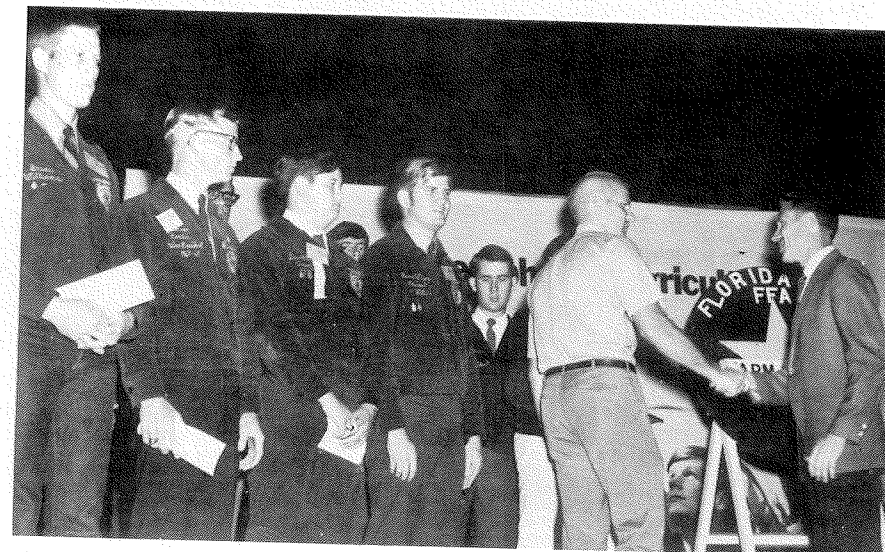
Don Selph of the Hamilton County Chapter, was presented the livestock farming award of \$100.00, sponsored by the Future Farmer Foundation of America. Mr. W. T. Loftin, Teacher Educator, University of Florida, Gainesville, rep-



Ronald Lee received the Florida Cattlemen's feeder-steer award from Charles Lykes, President of the State Cattlemen's Association. Other winners (from left), Connally Barnett, Tom Edwards, James Albritton, and Joe Harrell. Not shown is Larry Arrington.



Judging, Grading, and Identification contest award winners.



A. P. Crouch, Standard Oil Company of Kentucky, presenting Safety Awards.

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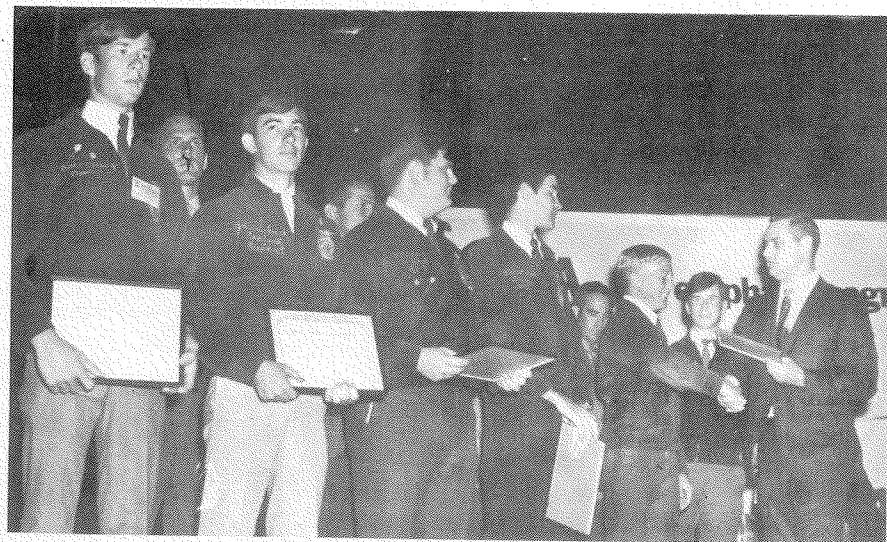




Phillip Wagner, Florida Bank and Trust, Daytona Beach, presenting Florida Bankers Association Scholarship to Jim Harvey.



Richard Kelly, Executive Assistant, Department of Agriculture, presenting Marvin Fussell with Star Greenhand Award. Pictured left is Rex Bishop.



Richard Kelly, Department of Agriculture, presenting Doyle Conner Scholarship to Jim Harvey. Other recipients (from left), Richard Rehberg, Johnny Copeland, Billy Speer, and Richard Cochrane.

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representing Doyle Carlton, Jr., presented a \$30.00 check to each of the five area winners. They were: Lester Wells, Jay FFA Chapter, Area I; Ronnie Staten, Hamilton County Chapter, Area II; Roy Dietrich, Orlando-Jones Chapter, Area III; Richard Cochrane, Fort Meade FFA Chapter, Area IV; and Thomas Scott, Fort Pierce FFA Chapter, Area V.

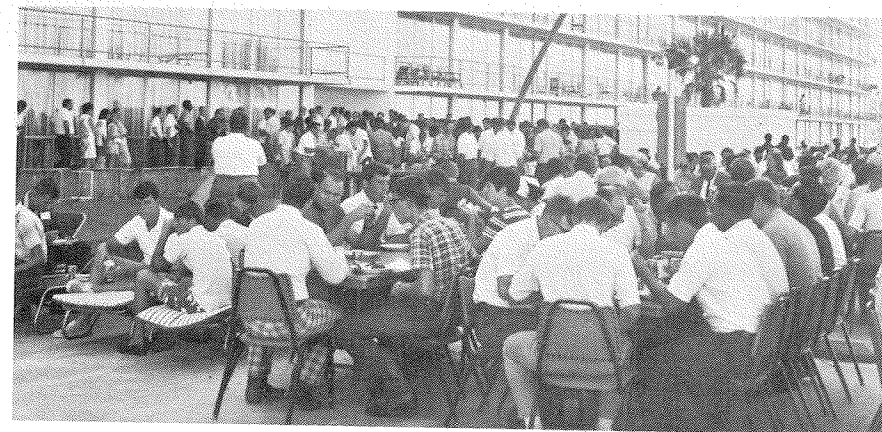
### Nominations Received For State Officers

DURING THE Tuesday afternoon session, which was presided over by Wes Hollingsworth, fifth vice president, the tractor driving awards were presented by Bill Hester, manager, Volusia Tractor and Implement Company. These awards are sponsored by the Ford Tractor Dealers of Florida. Jerry Shelley, Monticello Chapter, was awarded \$30 cash, pennant and trophy. Second through fifth place winners, receiving \$25, \$20, \$15, and \$10, respectively, were: Gary McClellan, Gainesville FFA Chapter; Billy Lawrence, DeLand FFA Chapter; Donald Wright, Dade City Chapter; and David Hazelleif, Okeechobee FFA Chapter.

Judging, grading and identification awards were sponsored by the Florida Power Corporation and Florida Power and Light Company. Awards presentation was made by Don Adams, Florida Power Corporation of Palatka. The Palatka Senior Chapter received first place; Dade City, second place; Palatka Junior, third place; Hastings, fourth place; Santa Fe Senior; fifth place; Auburndale, sixth place; Bartow Junior, seventh place; Crystal River, eighth place; Westwood (Winter Haven), ninth place; and Santa Fe Junior, tenth place. The Palatka Senior Chapter will represent Florida at the National Junior Horticulture Convention on December 6-10, 1970, in Denver, Colorado. Florida Power Corporation and the Florida Power and Light Company will pay their expenses.

Billy Woodard, State Secretary, announced the Nominating Committee's selection for State President—Jim Harvey, Okeechobee-Brahman Chapter. Nominations from the floor included: Glenn Wilson, South Sumter; David Little, Bartow Senior; Christ Bender,

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Annual Fish Fry sponsored by Daytona Beach Jaycees.

Plant City; Ric Roberts, Dade City; Robert Hinton, Turkey Creek; Dennis Scarbrough, Bethlehem; Mitch Colson, Englewood; Fred Starling, Lakeland; James Richardson, Santa Fe Senior; Terry Joe Taylor, Poplar Springs; and Guy Sims, Madison.

Billy Woodard also announced the Nominating Committee's selection for State Secretary—Mike Johnson, South Sumter Senior FFA Chapter.

Farm Safety Awards were presented by A. P. Crouch, Marketing Assistant, Standard Oil Company of Kentucky, Florida Division, Jacksonville. The Santa Fe Senior FFA Chapter received \$100.00 as state winner from the Future Farmers of America Foundation. Standard Oil Company of Kentucky sponsored awards of \$50.00, \$25.00, \$20.00, \$15.00, and \$10.00 which were won by South Sumter Senior, Bartow Senior, Baker, Fort Meade, and Walnut Hill, respectively.

H. B. Gassaway, Field Representative, Sealtest Foods of Tampa, presented the Dairy Farming

Awards which are sponsored by the Kraftco Corporation. Buddy Higginbotham, Star State Dairy Farmer, Jacksonville-Paxon Senior FFA Chapter, received a check for \$100.00 and a certificate from the National Future Farmers of America Foundation. Kraftco Corporation presented him with a plaque. The five area winners were: Wyatt O'Steen, Lafayette FFA Chapter, Area I; Jack Busby, Santa Fe FFA Chapter, Area II; Kenny Woodard, South Sumter FFA Chapter, Area III; Connally Barnett, Fort Meade FFA Chapter, Area IV; and Gary Lynn Williams, Okeechobee - Brahman Chapter, Area V. Each received a \$25.00 check. The top area winner, Eugene Yancey, Southeast-Bradenton Chapter, received a \$25.00 check and a plaque.

Each year the Florida Association, FFA, invites the state presidents and vice presidents from all State FFA Associations in the Southern Region, as well as the presidents of other youth organizations to attend its state convention. Those present were National

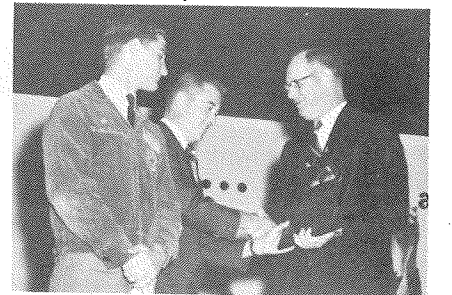


Sam Love, vice president of Sales and Marketing for the Florida Farm Bureau Insurance Companies, with the South Sumter Parliamentary Procedure Team. From left, Neil Hitchcock, Robbie Strong, Fred Rose, Larry Merritt, Glenn Wilson, and Mike Johnson.

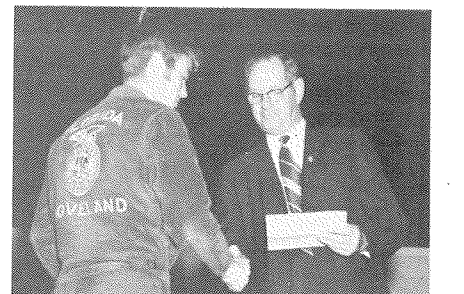
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John Barnes, West Florida Resource Conservation and Development Project, presenting Robert Strong with Soil and Water Management Award.



Dale Carlton, Director of Grower and Contract Division, Florida Citrus Mutual, presents Mike Roberts with the Citrus Production Award.



Lenn Jordan receiving area award in citrus production from Dale Carlton.



President Dale Boyett presents Outstanding District Officer Award to Mike Johnson.





1970 Honorary State Farmers.



John Blalock, Program Director, Sears Roebuck Foundation, Atlanta, with Livestock Improvement Award winners. From left, East Bay, Okeechobee, Brandon, Fort Meade, and Santa Fe.



Havana String Band, state winner.



Bob Lewis, Tampa Electric Company, addressing Chapter Farm and Home Electrification Award Winners Breakfast.

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FFA Secretary, Dennis Pharris, and Mike Fairless, president, Tennessee FFA Association.

Bart Ahlstrom presented the Poultry Farming Awards which are sponsored by the Florida Poultry Producers Association. Johnny Long, state winner, received a check for \$100.00 from the Future Farmers of America Foundation. The area winners: John Cook, Walnut Hill FFA Chapter, Area I; Warren O. Thompson, Paxon Senior FFA Chapter, Area II; Bobby Pope, DeLand FFA Chapter, Area III; Thomas Anthony Grace, Bartow FFA Chapter, Area IV; Conrad Mellin, Miami-Central, Area V; each received an award of \$25.00 and a certificate.

### Awards Highlight Tuesday Evening Session

THE THIRD session was called to order by Dale Bovett, who then introduced Billy Woodard, state secretary, to preside.

Robert Allen Morris, Macclenny FFA Chapter, was named state winner of the Agricultural Mechanics Award. He was presented a \$100.00 cash award from the Future Farmers of America Foundation by Glenn Polk, Florida Tractor Corporation, Jacksonville. Five other Future Farmers received \$25.00 each from the Florida Tractor Corporation. They were: Ronald Williams, Bethlehem FFA Chapter, Area I; Butch Hines, Santa Fe Senior FFA Chapter, Area II; Robert Strang, Jr., South Sumter Senior FFA Chapter, Area III; Milton Whitmore, Jr., Tampa-Chamberlain FFA Chapter, Area IV; and Dennis Smith, Okeechobee-Brahman FFA Chapter, Area V.

Phillip Wagner, vice president, Florida Bank and Trust Company, Daytona Beach, presented the scholarship awards sponsored by the Florida Bankers Association to Jim Harvey of the Okeechobee-Brahman FFA Chapter and Fred Starling of the Lakeland FFA Chapter.

President Dale Boyett presented Distinguished Service Awards to Hux Coulter, former State Forester, and to Ma and Pa Miessen, formerly with the Standard Oil Company. Ma and Pa Miessen were unable to attend the convention; however, the state officers will present them with a plaque in

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1970 Farm and Home Electrification winners with sponsors from electric companies.

the near future in their home. Many years were spent giving dedicated services to the FFA.

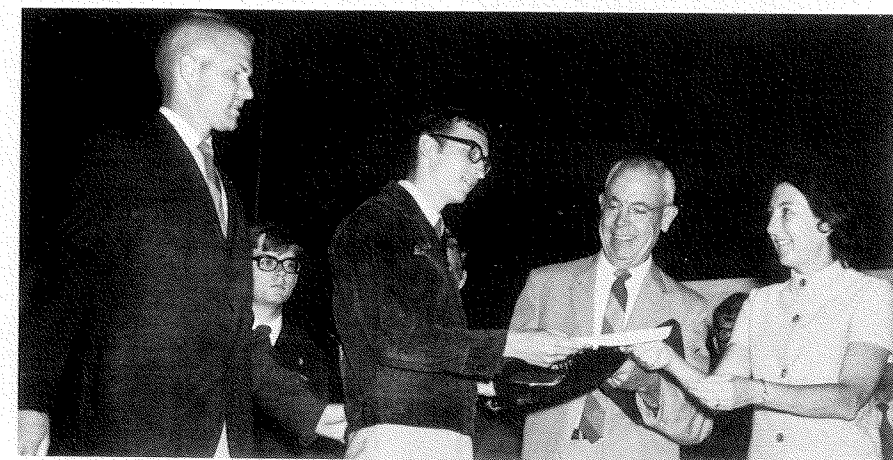
C. M. Lawrence, former teacher of vocational agriculture and state adviser, presented the Standard and Superior Awards to those chapters qualifying from the nine districts.

David Kinderdine, Belk-Lindsey Stores, Daytona Beach, presented a check for \$40.00 and a gold plaque to the Santa Fe Senior Chapter, top chapter in Florida for 1970. A Silver Plaque and a check for \$25.00 was presented to the Bartow Senior Chapter as second place winner, a Bronze plaque and \$15.00 for third place was presented to the South Sumter Senior FFA Chapter, and Santa Fe Junior Chapter received a bronze plaque and a \$10.00 check as fourth place winner in the Chapter Awards Program.

Mr. Kinderdine also presented awards of \$25.00, \$15.00 and

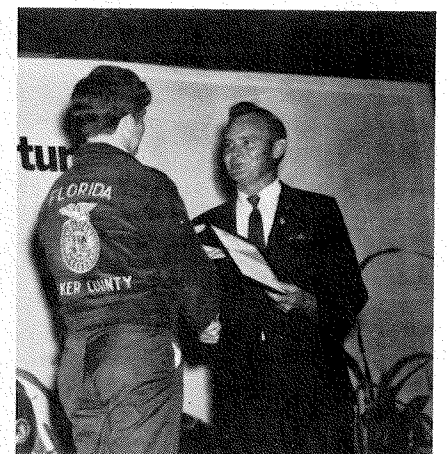
\$10.00, sponsored by Belk-Lindsey Stores of Florida to the top three chapters in each district. District I winners were Walnut Hill, Poplar Springs, and Jay. Lafayette, Madison-Gary, and Quincy Senior were the winners from District II. District III winners were Santa Fe Senior, Santa Fe Junior, and Hamilton County. District IV winners were Bradford Senior, Baker County, and Paxon Senior. Winners from District V were South Sumter Senior, Groveland Senior and South Sumter Junior. Sanford-Crooms, Ocoee, and Apopka Senior were the District VI winners. District VII winners were Manatee-Bradenton, Palmetto and Turkey Creek. Winners from District VIII were Bartow Senior, Fort Meade, and Mulberry; and winners from District IX were Vero Beach, Okeechobee-Brahman, and North Miami.

W. T. Lofton, head teacher educator, Agricultural Education,



Jean Rice and Allen Cook presenting Cooperative Chapter Awards to Santa Fe Chapter.

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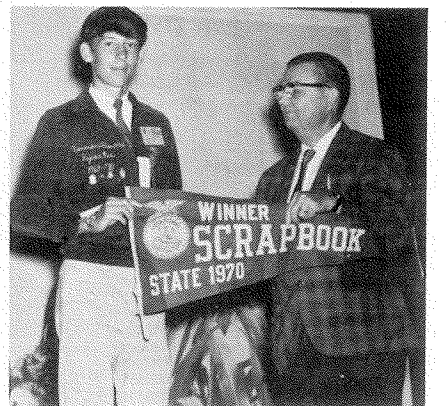
Sandy Dowling receiving Forestry Farming Award from Virgil Davis, Agrico Chemical Company.



John Hornbuckle presenting Lenn Jordan with Public Speaking Awards.

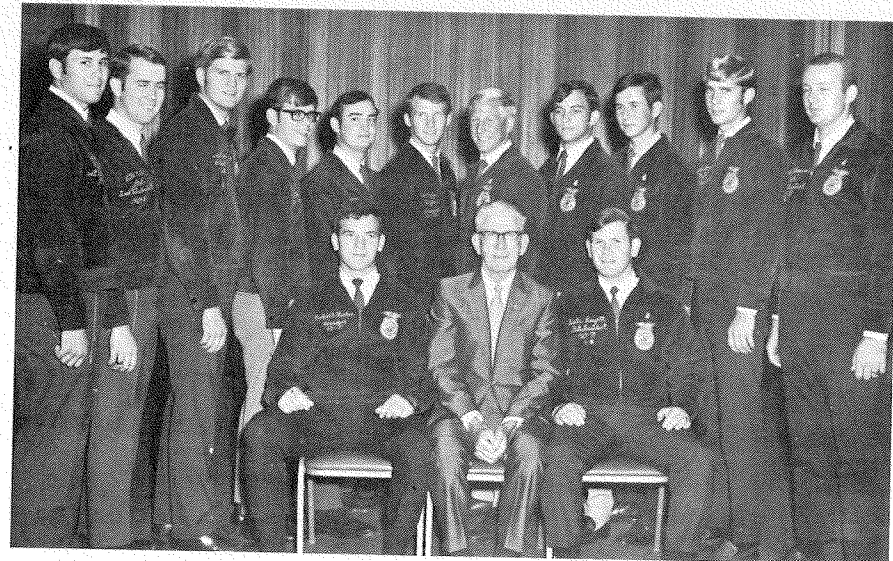


Alan Fowler, Seaboard Coast Line Railroad Company, presenting Seaboard Forestry Award to Sandy Dowling.

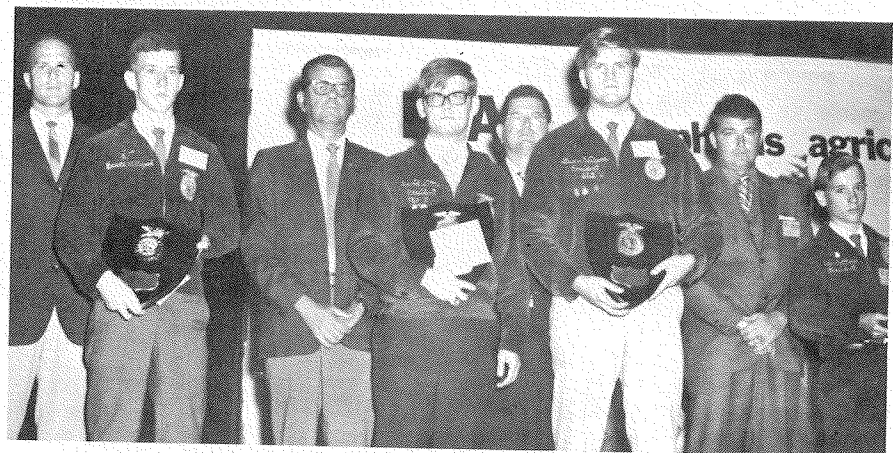


G. C. Norman presenting Scrapbook Award to Moore Haven Chapter representative.





Old and new state officers. From left: Jay Rackley, Bill Cellon, Glenn Wilson, David Little, James Richardson, Terry Joe Taylor, Jim Harvey, Mike Johnson, Billy Woodard, Milton Bryan, and Wes Hollingsworth. Seated are Bob Hinton, T. L. Barrineau, State Adviser, and Dale Boyett.



State Chapter Contest Award winners. Chapters represented were (from left), Santa Fe Senior, Bartow Senior, South Sumter Senior, and Santa Fe Junior.



Dennis Pharris presenting Home Improvement award to Dennis Scarborough.

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University of Florida, presented the J. F. Williams Memorial Scholarships to agriculture students planning to teach vocational agriculture. The recipients of the scholarships were: Willie Blackwell, Ronald Case and Stephen W. Kirkman. J. D. Brown, teacher educator, Florida A & M University, Tallahassee, presented the H. E. Wood Scholarship to Kenneth James.

Bruce Howell, executive secretary, State Advisory Counsel, Department of Education, Tallahassee, presented the Ornamental Horticulture Awards which are sponsored by Hofmann Nurseries of Miami. Rex Bishop, Jr., North Miami FFA Chapter, was named state winner of the FFA Foundation Award, and received a \$100.00 check from the National FFA Foundation. Hofmann Nurseries provided area awards of 1st place, \$25.00; 2nd place, \$20.00; 3rd place \$15.00; and 4th place, \$10.00, for the following award winners: Area I, Mike Standley, Havana FFA Chapter, and John Hall, Walnut Hill FFA Chapter; Area II, Philip Hall, Englewood FFA Chapter; James Barton, Macclenny FFA Chapter; Warren Thompson, Paxson Senior FFA Chapter and Tommy Langford, Santa Fe Chapter; Area III, Tom Burt, Apopka Senior Chapter; Jim Hardin, Sanford-Seminole Chapter; and Bill Heath, South Sumter Senior FFA Chapter; Area IV, Burns Warfield, Tampa-Chamberlain; Allen Snell, Bartow Senior FFA Chapter; and Oscar Cain, Mulberry Chapter; Area V, Tom Gladwin, Fort Pierce FFA Chapter; Conrad Mellin, Miami-Central; Eric Ross, Vero Beach FFA Chapter; and Sabie Chisolm, Delray Beach-Spady Chapter.

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

## State Farmer Ceremony Held Wednesday Morning

WEDNESDAY MORNING a breakfast was held for 1970 State Farmers going to College and their Advisers. This event was sponsored by the Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity and Florida Farm Bureau Insurance Companies, Gainesville. Allan Archey, President, University of Florida, Alpha Gamma Rho,

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was Master of Ceremonies for the breakfast.

After the Opening Ceremony, President Boyett introduced Bill Cellon, second vice president, to preside over the fourth session.

William Hingson, Production Credit Association, Live Oak, presented the Agri-Business and Agriculture Production Awards, which are sponsored by the National FFA Foundation. A member of the Santa Fe Senior Chapter, Dan Martin became the state winner of the Agri-Business Award. F. D. McCormick, Bud Riviere, and Larry Reese are his advisers. Brian Stone also of the Santa Fe Senior Chapter became the state winner of the Agriculture Production Award.

Dale Carlton, Director of Grower and Contract Division, Florida Citrus Mutual in Lakeland, was on hand to present awards in Citrus Production and Placement for experience in the citrus industry, which are sponsored by Florida Citrus Mutual.

From the Wauchula-Hardee Chapter, Mike Roberts received a check for \$100.00 for the most outstanding work with his citrus production projects. Jeffrey Daughtry and John Maddox, his advisers, received a plaque.

Receiving \$25.00 each as area winners in Citrus Production were: Lenn Jordan, Groveland FFA Chapter, Area III; and Jerry Willis of the Brandon Chapter, Area IV.

Jack Anderson from the Lake Wales Chapter was presented a \$100.00 check from Florida Citrus Mutual for the best work in the Citrus Placement Program. His advisers, James Thornhill and J. C. Lane, received a plaque.

Area winners in Citrus Placement, receiving a \$25.00 check each were: Bernie Braddy, Seminole FFA Chapter, Area III; and Daniel Dixon, Brandon Chapter, Area IV.

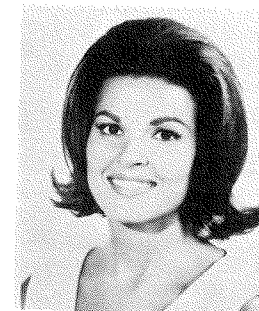
The State Farmer Degree was bestowed upon 200 Future Farmers. The Production Credit Associations in Florida presented a State Farmer Key to each member receiving the degree. William Hingson, North Florida Production Credit Association, presented the keys.

Richard Kelly, Executive Assistant, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and former FFA Executive Secretary, delivered an inspiring message to

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Tuesday, February 2, 1971

10:00 a.m. Youth Egg Judging  
5:00 p.m. National Charolais Show Bull Judging followed by  
National Charolais Show Female and Group Judging  
8:00 p.m. Anita Bryant Show—Grandstand

Wednesday, February 3, 1971

9:00 a.m. FFA Beef Cattle Judging—Youth  
10:00 a.m. Poultry Judging—Youth  
1:00 p.m. Angus Beef Show Judging  
6:30 p.m. National Charolais Sale

Thursday, February 4, 1971

9:00 a.m. Continuation of Charolais Group Judging  
1:00 p.m. Santa Gertrudis Beef Show Judging  
2:00 p.m. Rabbit Judging—Youth

Friday, February 5, 1971

4:00 p.m. Parade of Beef Champions  
6:00 p.m. FFA Poultry Team Judging

## ★ Saturday, Feb. 6, 1971

—FFA Day

8:00 a.m. FFA Annual Program and Awards  
9:00 a.m. FFA Beef, Dairy and Swine Team Judging  
6:45 p.m. WYUU Salute to Country Music Show  
8:45 p.m. WYUU Salute to Country Music Show

Sunday, February 7, 1971

6:45 p.m. WYUU Salute to Country Music Show—Grandstand  
8:45 p.m. WYUU Salute to Country Music Show—Grandstand

Monday, February 8, 1971

6:00 p.m. Arabian Horse Show Performance Classes  
Walking Horse Exhibition—Combined with Arabian Horse  
Show Performance Classes

Tuesday, February 9, 1971

9:00 a.m. FFA Dairy Show Judging  
Arabian Horse Show Championship Classes  
3:00 p.m. Jersey Dairy Cattle Show Judging—Immature Bulls  
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Ayrshire Dairy Cattle Show Judging—Combined with  
Jersey Dairy Cattle Judging, same classes

Wednesday, February 10, 1971

9:00 a.m. Ayrshire Dairy Cattle Show Judging—Females and Groups  
Jersey Dairy Cattle Show Judging—Combined with Ayrshire Dairy  
Cattle Judging, same classes  
2:00 p.m. Guernsey Dairy Cattle Show Judging  
Holstein Dairy Cattle Show Judging—Combined with Guernsey  
Dairy Cattle Judging

Thursday, February 11, 1971

9:00 a.m. Brown Swiss Dairy Cattle Judging  
Quarter Horse Show—Adult Halter, Performance and Championship  
Classes

Friday, February 12, 1971

9:00 a.m. Quarter Horse Show—Youth  
Pony of the Americas Show—Combined with Youth Quarter Horse Show  
7:00 p.m. Parade of Dairy Champions  
8:00 p.m. Bobby Lord Show—Grandstand

Saturday, February 13, 1971

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## Convention!

the young Future Farmers.

Mr. Kelly presented the Leadership Awards, sponsored by the Department of Agriculture, to five young men. These young men were selected from the State Farmers which excelled in leadership. They were: David Brookins, Malone FFA Chapter, Area I; James Richardson, Santa Fe FFA Chapter, Area II; Sherman Glenn Wilson, South Sumter FFA Chapter, Area III; David Little, Bartow FFA Chapter, Area IV; and Richard Mike McClure, North Miami Chapter, Area V.

The 1970 Doyle Conner Scholarships of \$200 each were presented by Mr. Kelly. The recipient from Area I was Richard Rehberg of the Cottondale Chapter. His adviser is Thomas Melvin. Johnny Copeland, Area II winner, is from the Santa Fe FFA Chapter. F. D. McCormick, Bud Riviere, and Larry Reese are his advisers. The Area III winner, from the Groveland FFA Chapter, is Billy Speer. Billy's advisers are Freddie Garner and T. A. Campbell. From the Fort Meade FFA Chapter, Richard Cochrane is the winner from Area IV. His advisers are Thomas Cochrane and Gary Lee. Jim Harvey, Area V winner, is from the Okeechobee-Brahman FFA Chapter and his adviser is Jim Knight.

The Greenhand Degree is the starting point in the career of each

Future Farmer. Six outstanding young men who have distinguished themselves as first year members in the FFA are presented cash awards. The five Area Star Greenhands will receive a \$50.00 cash award to defray their expenses to Kansas City in October and the State Star Greenhand and his adviser will receive \$100.00 each to help them attend the National FFA Convention in October. From Area I, Gordon Baxley of the Ponce de Leon FFA Chapter; from the Chiefland FFA Chapter is Wesley Sache, Area II winner; Willie Dietrich, Area III winner, is from the Orlando-Union Park FFA Chapter; Area IV winner, from the East Bay FFA Chapter, is Wayne Tope; and Rex Bishop, Jr., from the North Miami FFA Chapter is the Area V winner.

The Star State Greenhand is Marvin Fussell from the South Sumter FFA Chapter. His advisers are John Stephens, Carey Lee, and Carl Williams.

The state president and state secretary candidates, 1970-71, were given three minutes each to present their qualifications prior to the balloting for president and secretary. President Boyett called on Mr. George Busby, Area III Supervisor, who explained the method of voting. The delegates voted immediately after the meeting adjourned.

State Farmers of 1970 and their advisers were guests of Chase and Company of Sanford at a lunch-

eon in the Voyager Beach Motel. Wes Hollingsworth, fifth vice president, was Master of Ceremonies.

## Honorary Farmer Degree Awarded

THE FIFTH session of the convention was called to order by President Boyett who introduced Jay Rackley, sixth vice president, to preside.

L. Warren Harrell, Area III Program Coordinator, conducted the parliamentary procedure contest.

The South Sumter FFA Chapter team received the first place award of \$75.00, a pennant, and a trophy from the Florida Farm Bureau Federation. Sam Love, vice president of Sales and Marketing for the Florida Farm Bureau Insurance Companies, presented the awards as John B. Mattingly, Chairman of the Judges, announced the results. The second place winner was the Santa Fe Chapter team, receiving \$50.00. Receiving \$40.00 as the third place winner was the Havana Team. Fourth place, LaBelle FFA Chapter team, received \$30.00.

Honorary State Farmer Degrees were awarded to the following people: Dr. Charles B. Browning, Dean of Instruction, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, University of Florida, Gainesville; Dr. Barney Harris, Associate Dairy Nutritionist, University of Florida, Florida Agricultural Extension Service, Gainesville; Glynn Key, Vo-Ag Instructor, Ernest Ward High School, McDavid; Virgil Davis, Forester, Land Development, Agrico Chemical Company, Pierce; Edward L. Douglas, Director of Public Relations, Sumter Electric Cooperative, Sumterville; L. Bruce Tyndall, Director of Vocational, Technical, and Adult Education, Polk County, Bartow; Erwin Bryan, Jr., President, Central Packing Plant, Center Hill; Charles E. Stolz, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction, Polk County, Bartow; William Duncan, Principal, Lake Wales High School; Gene Witt, principal, Southeast High School, Bradenton; Kyle Scott, assistant principal, Pahokee Jr-Sr High School; Clyde Townsend, member, Gilchrist County School Board, Bell; James McKay, principal, Ernest Ward High School, McDavid; and Don Camp, vice president, H. S. Camp & Son, Camp Packing

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Vice president Jay Rackley asked all American Farmers to introduce themselves and their guests. The 1970 American Farmer Degree candidates present were Michael L. Carter, Laurel Hill; Van G. Long, Macclenny; Ellis Adams, Plant City Senior, and Donald Elliott, Sebring.

Awards were presented to the second through fifth place winner in Natural Resources Development for the second consecutive year. The Agrico Chemical Company is sponsoring these awards of \$60.00, \$40.00, \$30.00 and \$20.00 for second through fifth places, respectively. Virgil Davis, Forester, Agrico-Chemical Corporation, presented the awards to Leslie Green, South Sumter, second place; Ricky Keene, Santa Fe Chapter, third place; Wayne Emerson, Santa Fe Chapter, fourth place, and Ronald Lee, Groveland FFA Chapter, fifth place.

The state winner, George Hollingsworth from the Walnut Hill FFA Chapter, received a certificate and \$100.00 from the National Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc.

The Livestock Improvement Awards were presented by John H. Blalock, Program Director, Sears Roebuck Foundation, Atlanta, Georgia, to the top chapters. The top two chapters, receiving \$300.00 each to use toward a registered heifer were: Fort Meade and Santa Fe Senior Chapter. Other winners were: Brandon, \$60.00; Okeechobee, \$50.00; and East Bay, \$30.00.

A second ballot for president was held after the Closing Ceremony. Mike Johnson became State Secretary without opposition.

Over 1,000 Future Farmers, advisers, and guests met on the beach behind the Voyager Beach Motel at 5:30 p.m., for a fish fry sponsored by the Daytona Beach Jaycees.

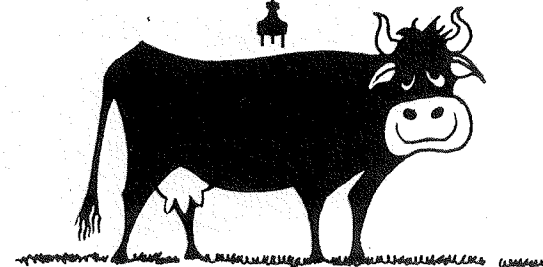
## Bandshell Entertains All Wednesday Night

EMCEE for the Annual Bandshell Program on Wednesday night was the former national FFA president, Senator W. D. "Billy" Gunter. He explained and conducted the musical contests. N. L. "Nat" Storms was producer for the event and F. D. McCormick was assistant producer.

David Stalnaker of the Bradford

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Senior Chapter was named State Champion Harmonica player and was awarded a pennant and \$15.00. The second place winner, Mitchell Marsh, of the South Sumter FFA Chapter received \$8.00; Duane Ashe of the Chipley Chapter, placing third, received \$7.00; Alan Flowers of Moore Haven FFA Chapter, placed fourth and received \$6.00; and Andy Register of the Turkey Creek Chapter received \$5.00 as fifth place winner.

Winning the State Quartet Contest was the Fort Pierce Chapter Quartet, composed of Mike Jenkins, Steve Jenkins, Robbie Jenkins, and Allen Jenkins.

The Groveland FFA Chapter Quartet placed second and received \$20; third was the Turkey Creek Quartet, receiving \$15; fourth was the Monticello Quartet, receiving \$10; and fifth was the West Nassau Chapter, receiving \$10.

The Havana Chapter String Band was named winner of the State String Band Contest. Band members were: Tommy Brock, Buck Gregory, Bo Butler, and Phil Boney. The band was awarded a pennant and a \$25 check by the Florida Association, FFA.

The Suwannee Chapter String Band placed 2nd and received \$20 and the Fort Meade Chapter String Band placed 3rd, receiving \$15.

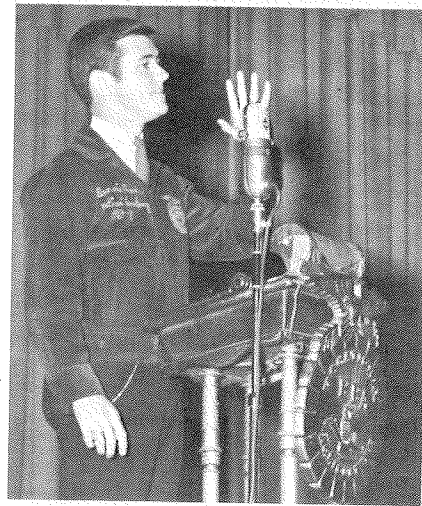
Special entertainment between contests was provided by Billy Speer, Groveland FFA Chapter, Milton Bryan, fourth vice president, and Randy Scott and his Country Gentlemen.

Chairman of the Judges for the musical contest was Forrest Breckenridge.

### Farm Electrification Winners Honored

A BREAKFAST for Chapter Farm and Home Electrification Winners and their advisers was held Thursday morning in the Voyager Beach Motel. This event was hosted by: Tampa Electric Company; Florida Power and Light Company, Gulf Power Company; and Florida Power Corporation. Toastmaster for the event was Bob Lewis.

Presiding over the Thursday morning, sixth convention session, was Milton Bryan, fourth vice president, from Bartow.



Dennis Pharris addressing delegates during Thursday session.

President Boyett presented the Chapter Forestry Awards. The chapter winners were presented certificates from the St. Regis Paper Company. Cash awards are presented at the Agriculture Teachers Conference in August.

Walnut Hill was judged State Winner and first place winner in Area I. Second place winner from Area I was the Tallahassee-Leon Chapter; first place winner from Area II was Starke, second place winner was Palatka; and Area III, first place, Brooksville Chapter.

During this session, the nominating committee presented their recommendations for the vice presidents for 1969-70, and the floor was opened for nominations for each of the offices.

Dennis Pharris, National Student Secretary, from Hillsboro, Texas, and honor guest at the convention, presented an enthusiastic address.

John Barnes, Project Coordinator, West Florida Resource Conservation and Development Project, Soil Conservation Service, presented the Soil and Water Management Awards.

Robert D. Strong, of the South Sumter FFA Chapter, was named State Winner and received a \$100.00 check from the National FFA Foundation.

Area awards of \$25.00 each were presented to: Wayne Hurst, Lafayette Chapter, Area I; Gene Wynn, Hamilton County Chapter, Area II; George Wilkins, DeLand Chapter, Area III; Connally Barnett, Fort Meade, Area IV; and Thomas T. Scott, Fort Pierce Chapter, Area V.

The Seaboard Forestry Awards, sponsored by the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad Company, were presented by Alan Fowler. The 1970 State Winner is Sandy Dowling, of the Macclenny FFA Chapter. His adviser is Jack Williams. Sandy received a check for \$320, and Mr. Williams was presented a check for \$125 to attend the National FFA Convention.

The Chapter Scrapbook Awards were presented by G. C. Norman, Area II Supervisor. These awards are sponsored by the Florida Association, FFA. The Moore Haven Chapter was named State Winner and was awarded \$50 and a pennant. Area awards of \$20 for first place and \$10 for second, in each Area, were presented to:

Area I—Quincy and Vernon; Area II—Santa Fe and Hamilton County; Area III—DeLand and Groveland; Area IV—Dade City and Tampa, Buchanan Junior; and Area V—Okeechobee-Brahman and South Dade.

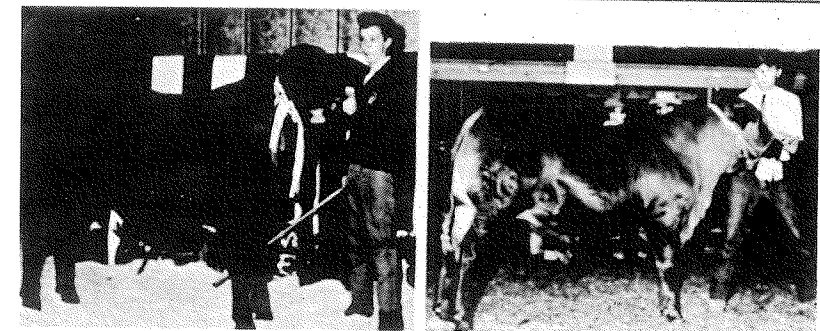
Winner of the State Forestry Farming Award sponsored by the National FFA Foundation was Sandy Dowling of the Macclenny FFA Chapter. Virgil Davis, Agrico Chemical Company, presented the award. Mr. Davis also presented awards sponsored by Agrico Chemical Company to the second through fourth place winners in the contest. Winners were: Carl Redmon, Ponce de Leon, 2nd place, \$40; James W. Stephens, Santa Fe, 3rd place, \$30; and David Parrish, Baldwin, 4th place, \$20.

Roe Lee, Florida FFA Representative for the *Progressive Farmer* Magazine, presented a special award to President Dale Boyett. The award was a portrait of President Boyett in recognition of his dedicated service and outstanding leadership as Florida Association, FFA President.

G. Pierce Wood, vice president, Tampa Electric Company, presented the Foundation Award of \$100.00 and an award of \$100.00 from the privately owned electric companies of Florida to Michael Skirvin, Santa Fe FFA Chapter, state winner. His advisers, F. D. McCormick, Larry Reese, and Bud Riviere, received \$100 to attend National FFA Convention.

Area winners received awards sponsored by the electrical organizations as follows: 1st place, \$75; 2nd place, \$25; 3rd place, \$15, and 4th place, \$10.

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## CONGRATULATIONS To These WINNERS!

Tom Hiatt (left) of Sarasota showed this Santa Gertrudis Steer to Reserve Grand Champion honors at the Sarasota 4-H & FFA Fat Steer Show & Sale, March 21. The steer was bred by the Harley Watson Ranch, Arcadia, and competed in a field of 37 animals.

John Brenneman (right) of Lakeland showed this Santa Gertrudis Steer to Grand Champion at the Polk County Youth Steer Show at Bartow, March 12. Bred by K. D. Eatmon, Pompano Beach, the steer competed against 69 steers of all breeds, one of the largest shows in Florida this year.

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Area II—Richard Taylor, Paxton Senior, 1st; Robert Rosier, Bradford, 2nd; Mickey Huggins, Santa Fe Senior, 3rd; and Stewart Williamson, Baldwin, 4th.

Area III—Jerry Tarrents, Groveland Senior, 1st; Kenneth Woodward, South Sumter Senior, 2nd; Rickey Shirley, South Sumter Senior, 3rd; and Leslie Green, South Sumter Senior, 4th.

Area IV—Perry Knight, Wauchula-Peace River, 1st; Amos W. Hill, Jr., Mulberry, 2nd; James Albritton, Mulberry, 3rd; and Donesia Holton, Tampa-Middleton, 4th.

Area V—Earl Gibson, Moore Haven, 1st; and Gerald Baggett, Okeechobee-Brahman, 2nd.

### Chapter Cooperative Winners Announced

THE SEVENTH session on Thursday afternoon was presided over by second vice president, Bill Cellon Alachua.

Chapter Cooperative. Awards were presented by Allen Poole, president, Florida Council of Farmer Cooperatives and Jean Rice, Cotton Producers Association.

A check for \$500 was presented to the Santa Fe FFA Chapter at Alachua. The money is to be used by chapter advisers F. D. McCormick, Bud Riviere, and Larry Reese to help defray their expenses while attending the American Institute of Cooperation Meeting.

Area awards were as follows: first place, \$50; second place, \$35; third place, \$25; and fourth place, \$10. Award winners were:

Area I—Walnut Hill, first place; Poplar Springs, second place; Ponce de Leon, third place; and Bethlehem, fourth place.

Area II—Hamilton County, first place; Bradford, second place; Bell, third place; and Palatka Senior, fourth place.

Area III—South Sumter Senior, first place; Groveland, second place; South Sumter Junior, third place; and DeLand, fourth place.

Area IV—Bartow Senior, first place; Bradenton (Manatee), second place; Mulberry, third place;



Mack R. Douglas, President Master-Mind, Inc., addressing delegates during closing session.

and Fort Meade, fourth place.

Area V—Indian River (Vero Beach), first place; Miami-Central, second place; Okeechobee, third place; and Immokalee, fourth place.

Dennis Pharris, National Student Secretary, gave a report on the National FFA Center and FFA activities on the national level.

Committee reports were presented by representatives from the various committees and were duly approved.

Unfinished, old, and new items of business were presented, discussed and taken care of. The State Executive Committee revised the State Constitution in order to make it correspond with the National Constitution and presented it to the delegates. A decision was made to accept the entire Constitution as amended.

District Meetings were held during the session. Each District met and elected officers for the coming year.

President Dale Boyett presented an attractive plaque to Michael Johnson of the South Sumter Senior FFA Chapter as the Outstanding District Officer for 1969-70. Mike served as Secretary of District V.

The members of the Courtesy Corps were honored for their outstanding contribution toward making the Convention a success.

A dinner was held Thursday evening for members and advisers of the winning chapters in the Chapter Cooperative Contest. The event was sponsored by the Federal Land Bank Association of Florida. Homer Thompson, Federal Land

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Bank Association of Tampa, was the speaker.

### Present Public Speaking and Home Improvement Awards

THE THURSDAY evening, eighth session, was presided over by State Secretary Billy Woodard from the South Sumter Senior FFA Chapter.

The State Final Public Speaking Contest added to the enjoyment of the evening session. Lenn Jordan of the Groveland FFA Chapter received a check for \$100 and a penant. Lenn will represent Florida in the Tri-State Public Speaking Contest in Gainesville, Florida, July 13.

Ric Roberts of the Dade City Chapter placed second in the contest and received \$25.

John Hornbuckle, Lykes Packing Company of Dade City, presented the Public Speaking Awards. Dr. Dan Spinks, University of Florida, acted as Chairman of the Judges for the contest.

Dennis Pharris, representing Jan Long and Mid-States and Wire Company, presented the Home Improvement Awards, which are sponsored by the National FFA Foundation and Mid-States Steel and Wire Company.

Dennis Scarbrough of the Bethlehem Chapter was presented a check for \$100 from the National Foundation as State Winner.

Awards of \$25, \$10, and \$5 were presented to the first, second and third place winners respectively. Winners are:

Area I—Verdell Barrington, Jr., Howard Academy, first place; Tony Smith, Godby, second place; and Alexander Power, Carter-Paramore, third place.

Area II—Robert Rosier, Bradford Senior, first; Richard Douglas, Bell, second; and Woodrow Beville, Santa Fe, third.

Area III—Larry Merritt, South Sumter, first; Rickey Shirley, South Sumter, second; and Jim Harden, Sanford-Seminole, third.

Area IV—Danny Sheppard, Brandon, first; Bill Webster, Tampa-Chamberlain, second; and Fletcher D. Holt, Jr., Dade City, third.

Area V—Alexander Ginton, Delray Beach-Spady, first; Barney Cherry, Okeechobee-Brahman, second; and Conrad Mellin, Miami-Central, third.

A plan was introduced during this session to give proper recog-

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nition to all past state officers for their dedication and outstanding service to the FFA. This awards program is the first of its kind in the Nation. FFA and NFA State Officers from 1929 to 1933 were recognized and given a certificate. The highlight of this program will come in 1978 when the original set of state officers will become charter members of the Golden Gavel Club. This is a great addition to the State Conventions!

Richard Kelly, former FFA Executive Secretary, and C. M. Lawrence, former State FFA Adviser, were each presented a beautiful plaque in recognition of their dedicated service to the Florida Association, FFA.

### New Officers Installed At Final Session, Friday

THE FINAL session of the 42nd Annual Convention Friday morning was presided over by President Dale Boyett.

The State Officers presented a challenging message expressing gratitude to those who have helped Future Farmers develop and realize their goals and challenging Future Farmers themselves to always set their goals high and look toward the future.

Hilton Hatcher, Malone, was named 1970 Star State Farmer. Hilton is a member of the Malone Chapter where his adviser is Charles Saunders. Dennis Pharris presented a check for \$200 and a certificate to Hilton from the National FFA Foundation. Bruce Hutchcraft, Farm Reporter, WTVT, Tampa, presented Hilton with a beautiful Star State Farmer Trophy sponsored by WTVT, Channel 13 Television, of Tampa.

Area Star Farmers were: Area II, Robert Allen Morris, Macclenny; Area III, Sherman Glenn Wilson, South Sumter Senior FFA Chapter; Area IV, Robert Hinton, Turkey Creek; and Area V, Richard Mike McClure, North Miami. Each of the Area Farmers was awarded \$75 by Aubrey Fowler, North Florida Production Credit Association, and an Area Star Farmer pin by T. L. Barrineau, State Adviser.

Mr. Barrineau also presented District Star Farmer Pins to the District Star Farmers and Mr. Fowler presented \$25 checks to

each winner. They were as follows: Wyatte O'Steen, District II, Lafayette; Johnny Copeland, District III, Santa Fe Senior; Stanley Harris, District VI, Apopka; and Fred Starling, District VIII, Lakeland.

President Dale Boyett gave his report as retiring president.

Parents of the 1969-70 State Officers were presented Certificates of Merit and Honorary State Farmer Degrees. Those honored were: Mrs. Veretha Boyett; Mr. and Mrs. Mark Woodard; Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph J. Rackley; Mrs. Vera Cellon; Mr. and Mrs. Milton W. Bryan, Jr.; and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn W. Hollingsworth. The delegates showed their appreciation of the parents by giving them a standing ovation.

The past state officers were recognized and several spoke for a few minutes, offering congratulations for such a successful convention.

President Bob Hinton presented outgoing President Dale Boyett a gavel on which the names of his fellow officers for 1969-70 were engraved.

T. L. Barrineau, State Adviser, presented each of the outgoing officers with a past state officer's pin.

President Dale Boyett presented gifts from the State Officers to T. L. Barrineau, Joe Kirkland, Carol Wilkes, and Donna Vickers in appreciation of their assistance during their year as officers and during the convention. Other staff members and State Executive Committee members were also recognized.

President Bob Hinton then gave brief remarks and introduced the guest speaker, Mack R. Douglas. Mr. Douglas, President, Master-Mind, Inc., gave an inspiring address, "How to Make a Habit of Succeeding."

The 42nd Annual Convention of the Florida Association, Future Farmers of America was adjourned by President Bob Hinton.

A luncheon was held at the Voyager Beach Motel for Incoming and Outgoing Officers and State FFA Award Winners following the adjournment of the 42nd Annual Convention. The event was sponsored by Wilson and Toomer Fertilizer Company, Jacksonville. President Bob Hinton was emcee and William Stone, President, Wilson and Toomer Fertilizer Company, was the speaker.

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## Exit The Man With The Hoe

For the past 20 years agricultural workers have been leaving the farms and crowding into the cities looking for jobs which were non-existent or for which they were unprepared.

They saw no future for themselves because farming in America had become more and more industrialized. Machines costing hundreds of thousands of dollars began doing the work more economically.

They had neither the land nor the money to be farmers themselves and they could see little profit in farming, even though prices were subsidized and the government was paying farmers to take land out of production.

The growth of population at home and the need for feeding more people overseas is changing all this. Even the machines need someone to operate them. Every farmer, however big he may be, needs experts in soils, nutrition, botany and agronomy to advise him. Farming has become big business, grown far beyond the land owner and his sons and offering jobs for a rapidly growing number of skilled workers.

"As students in vocational agriculture, you are in for some exciting days," Doyle Conner, Florida's commissioner of agriculture, told members of the Future Farmers of America the other day. "I believe in the future of agriculture, with a faith born not of words but of deeds, achievements won by the present and past generations of agriculture; in the promise of better days through better ways, even as the better things we now enjoy have come to us from the struggles of former years."

One thing about it, people have to eat and there is a growing number of mouths that have to be fed, and the American farmer has been the most progressive in the world, using the most advanced technologies to produce more food and fiber per acre of land with less manual labor and at less cost.

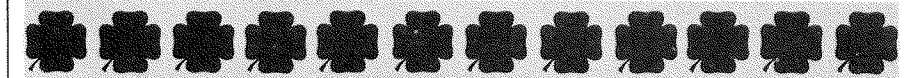
Today's farmer is no longer the man with a hoe or one who walks behind a plow.

He is the skilled mechanic who keeps the machines working, the scientist with his test tubes seeking ways to kill nematodes or plant pests without pollution.

It is indeed an exciting future.

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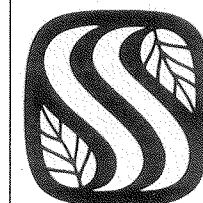
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More progress in food production has been made in the past 30 years than all previous years of man's history. One farm worker in 1940 produced enough food and fiber for himself and nine others. Today he produces enough for himself and 41 other people. A recent report of the Food and Agricultural Organization of the U. N. states that the single most important thing underdeveloped countries can do to increase needed food production is to expand the proper use of pesticides.

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## Hilton Hatcher is Star Farmer

HILTON HATCHER, 17, of the Malone FFA Chapter was named Star State Farmer June 19 by the Florida Association, Future Farmers of America, during the 42nd annual State FFA Convention in Daytona Beach. Pictured above is Hilton with his parents and chapter adviser.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy F. Hatcher of Route 1, Greenwood, Hilton was recently graduated from Malone High School where his adviser was Charles Saunders.

Hilton's receiving the outstanding award was based on the merit of his supervised experience projects, including livestock, peanuts, watermelons, and corn.

Hilton began in vocational agriculture and FFA in the eighth grade. He confesses that his second year (1966-67) as an FFA member was his best year. His supervised experience program consisted of two Duroc sows, four Spotted Poland China sows, twenty acres of watermelons and three acres of peanuts. Hilton's

profit during 1966-67 was \$5,570.00 Hilton gives much credit for the large profit to his father and vocational agriculture teacher.

In his third year in FFA he served as Chapter Sentinel, member of the dairy, land, swine, beef, forestry judging teams and participated in parliamentary procedure. It was also during this year that he was named Star Greenhand of his chapter and district.

The experiences of attending a National Convention are ones never to be forgotten. Hilton had this opportunity in 1968-69. The influence of attending affected his thinking of the future in agriculture and the FFA.

Hilton has had many experiences in vocational agriculture which provided additional experience, skill, and efficiency in agricultural activities. Some of these included: constructing farm building, building fences, building and repairing electrical equipment, planting and pruning trees and shrubs, construction and maintain-

ing fire lines, planting cover crops, selecting and using balanced rations, etc.

Hilton has shown 45 head of swine at various shows in North Florida. He has won 17 blue, 7 red, and 14 white ribbons, with 7 Grand Champions.

Upon receiving the award, Hilton said, "To sum things up, I would like to say that it is indeed an honor for me to belong to the greatest youth organization in America, the FFA. I will always remember and uphold the Pledges and Creed of the FFA."

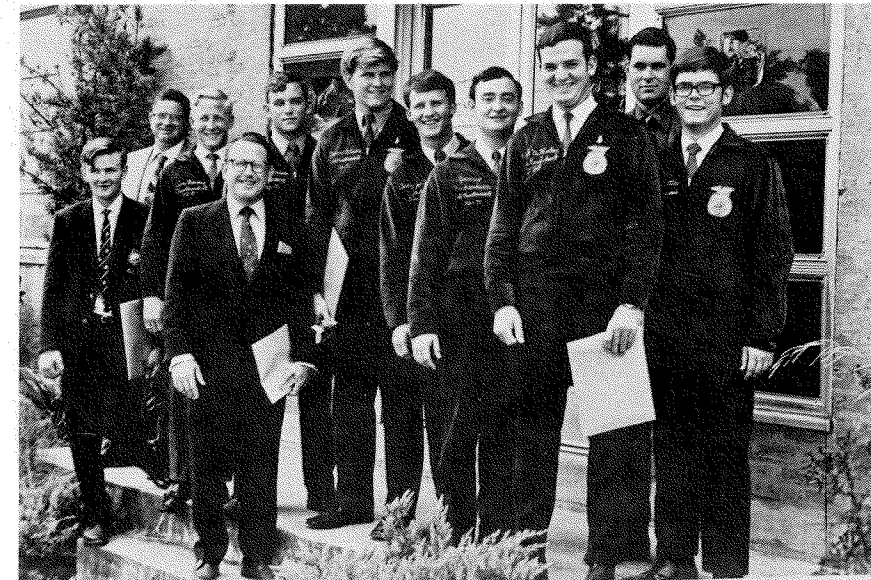
The State Star Farmer presentation was made by Dennis Pharris, National FFA Secretary, FFA Foundation.

The Star State Farmer Award is a citation given once yearly in Florida to the FFA member and vocational agriculture student who has evidenced outstanding ability in leadership, and in chapter and community activities, even while a high scholastic rating is maintained.

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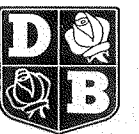
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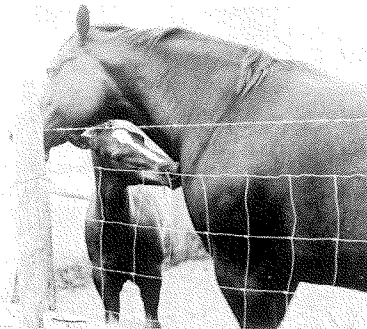
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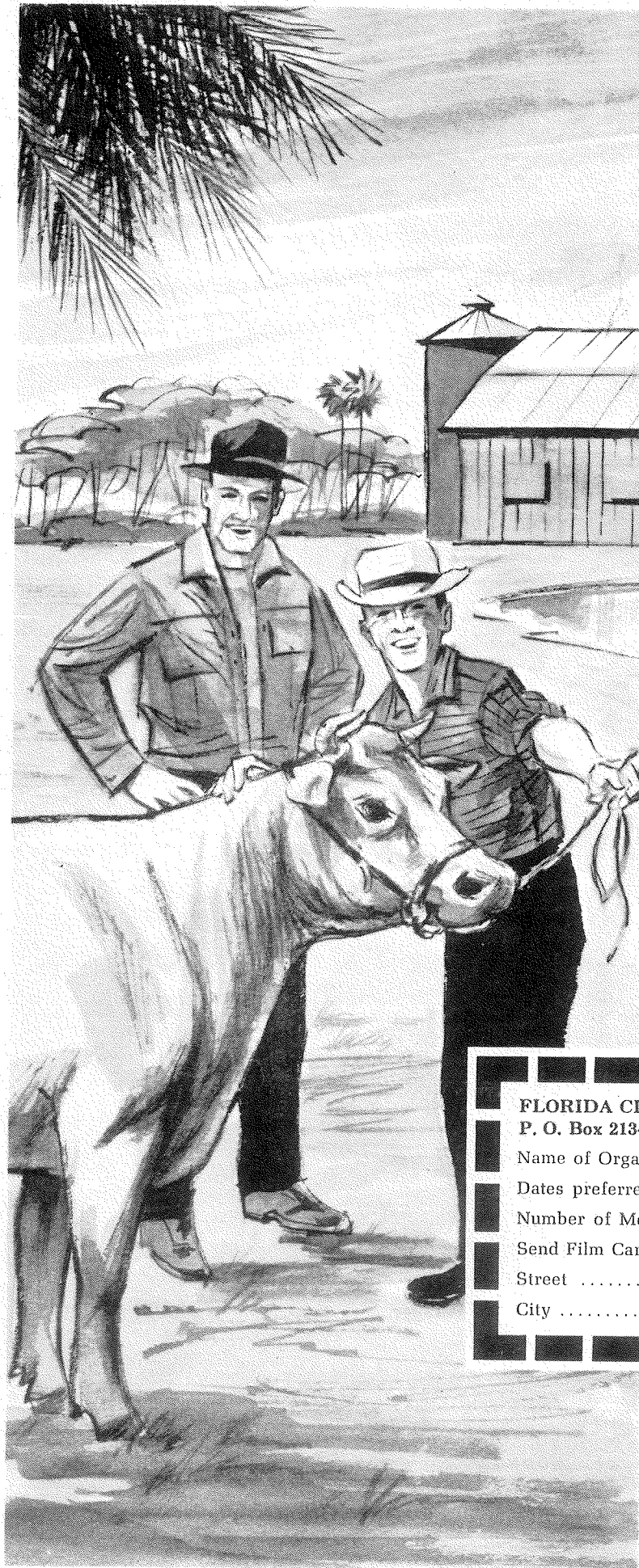


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