

NORTH CAROLINA

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All the club work done this year was conducted through organized clubs with the usual officers, such as president, vice-president and secretary. There were adult club leaders for both boys' and girls' clubs. These leaders rendered valuable assistance in their positions.

In many of the clubs programs were given with a nominal admission charge, the proceeds of which were used to purchase athletic supplies for the clubs. In many instances the club members were shown how they might help pay their way at school from funds derived from club projects.

One very valuable feature of the club work was the benefit derived from them by the parents of the children. The club meetings that were open to the public proved to be of value to the community at large.

Corn Production

The corn production was greatly reduced in yield through the central part of the State by the severe drought during the growing period of the corn, but in the eastern half of the State the crop was good. The average yield of corn in the club demonstration plats was 46.1 bushels per acre, or more

than twice that of the general average of the State.
Nearly all of the boys selected seed corn in the field.

Cotton

Cotton did well considering the unfavorable season. It was difficult for some of the members to get the seed that were recommended, and some of them had trouble in carrying out instructions, yet their yields were much above the general average.

Garden Work

Club members who had garden work for their project made good success of it. This work also proved interesting and valuable to adults.

Poultry Clubs

The poultry work was very successful. Most of the club members who did not have purebred poultry purchased purebred eggs for hatching and made a good start with good poultry in that way. Many of them realized good returns from the sale of poultry and eggs produced through their projects.

Pig Clubs

Most of the members of the pig club procured purebred pigs through the aid of their parents, who usually agreed beforehand to make the purchase. Most of the members grew either Durocs or Jerseys. Many of the pigs weighed from 200 to 300 pounds when from seven to eight months old.