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## INTRODUCTION

Nineteen thirty three proved to be the poorest year for 4-H club work since 1925 due not to any fault of the agents, but rather to the circumstances and the conditions. It is difficult to make an annual report in any degree of accuracy because many of the reports from the counties have not been made. Therefore this report will cover only in part the results accomplished and enough of several reports to bring out the difference in results accomplished in counties with a good organization and the results in counties with no organizations. If there is any one outstanding result or demonstration in this year's report it is that a few counties are weathering the storm of adjustments and are coming through with a creditable program of 4-H club work, and it so happens that this is true in the counties with the community plan of organization. Invariably the best results have been accomplished in the better organized counties. It is a clear mandate that if we center our program of club work around the project that adverse conditions may obliterate it altogether. On the other hand if our program is built around the individual or the group of club members they will help us to continue the program and will find some way to make the program fit the situation.

PLAN OF WORK

The plan of club work for 1933 was similar to and a continuation of the plan adopted for North Carolina in 1927; namely, The Community Plan of Organization. In the beginning of the year interest in club work was possibly the best since 1927. Our enrollment was about 26,000. Then things began to happen - First, the seed loans, closely followed by the Cotton Plow-up Campaign. Then the tobacco reduction. From then until now club work, as well as practically all other extension activities, was allowed to suffer. Every effort was made to carry on the 4-H program. Monthly suggestions, programs and outlines, and other suggestions were sent to the Farm and Home Agents. Leaders' training schools were held in as many counties as time and interest would permit.

RESULTS ACCOMPLISHED

At the time of writing this report the annual reports of the Farm Agents have not been summarized. Therefore, it will not be possible to give any definite results accomplished, but we do know that the percentage completing records was the lowest in a number of years.

Local Leaders played a very important part in our program during the year. Their leadership in many instances was responsible for the program. As previously stated, more time than usual was given to the training of local leaders, and the time proved to be well spent.

4-H CAMP AND ACHIEVEMENT DAYS

Due to economic conditions and to the stress of reduction campaigns the Annual 4-H Short Course was not held.

The number of camps and achievement days was smaller than in previous years as was the attendance, with the exception of the State Camp at Swannanoa. At this camp the schedule was practically filled for the entire schedule.

NATIONAL 4-H CAMP

Ned Tucker of Jackson County, Larry McLendon of Duplin County, Ruby Lynch of Polk County, and Annie Ruth Raper of Davidson County represented North Carolina at the National 4-H Camp.

LEADER TRAINING SCHOOLS

With the assistance of John Bradford, of the Playground Association of America, leader schools were held in the following counties: Iredell, Alamance, Gaston, and Wilson. As a result of these schools the leaders are carrying on the work in a creditable manner and rendering much service to club work and community life.

In the 4-H camps, at achievement days and other club gatherings the leaders from these schools have been of real value.

In addition to the above named schools, as much recreation as possible was injected with every club program.

### 4-H CLUB ACTIVITIES AT THE STATE FAIR

North Carolina 4-H club members staged one of the best exhibitions of crops and livestock seen in recent years at the North Carolina State Fair, ending October 15, 1933. In addition to the exhibits club members competed for honors in the judging contests.

#### Calf Show

Always a feature of the Fair, this year's calf show was no exception. Competition was keener than in previous years. The 4-H club entries from Iredell County walked away with first honors in first prize for the best county group, the Junior Champion, the Senior Champion, and the Grand Champion animal, eight blue ribbons, four red, two white, and one pink in the 4-H club classes.

Competing in the open classes, the Iredell Club calves won three firsts, three seconds, three thirds, and three fourths.

Proud Noble Volunteer Queen, owned and exhibited by Reid Tomlin, 4-H club member of Iredell, won the blue ribbon for the best heifer calf and was made Junior Champion and North Carolina Champion female for the entire show.

In the open classes 4-H calves from Iredell won first, third and fourth prizes for the best heifer calf, second and third in Senior Yearling, fourth for Junior Yearling, second for cow 2 to 3 years, second for Get-of-Sire, and



third and fourth for produce of dam. Reid Tomlin's heifer was made Grand Champion North Carolina Female for the entire show.

Alamance County club members won second on bull 2 years and under 3, second and third for bull calf, fourth on cow over 4 years, third and fourth on heifer 2 to 3 years, fourth on senior yearling, second on junior yearling, third on graded herd, and third and fourth on calf herd.

The Alamance bull was made North Carolina Champion.

#### 4-H Corn Club Show

Wilkes County corn club members won first place with their 16 ten-ear exhibits of prolific corn. Iredell club members won second, Durham club members third, and Polk club members fourth.

The 4-H club members from Wilkes also won the blue ribbon for the best county exhibit of single ear variety of corn, the sweepstakes for the best 4-H county exhibit of corn. The Wilkes club members won nine individual ribbons including the sweepstakes award won by Jasper Hayes with his ten ear sample of prolific variety of corn.

#### 4-H Judging Contests

In the 4-H Seed Judging Contest the team from Durham County, represented by Zeb Sandling, Justice Sorrell, and

Garland Sorrell won first honors with a total score of 2060. In addition to placing first for total team score they placed first in judging corn and first in judging grasses and legumes. The team from Pasquotank, represented by Charles Savin, Alvin Sample, and Clarence Ives, placed second with a score of 2030. The team placed first in judging small grains.

Individual honors for the highest individual score for judging all classes was won by Zeb Sandling of Durham County. He also won first place for judging grasses and legumes. Charles Savin of Pasquotank won first prize for judging corn, while Alvin Sample of Pasquotank won first in judging small grains.

#### 4-H Poultry Judging Contest

Only one team was entered in the Poultry Judging Contest. This team was represented by Shelby Scott, John Ludford, and Ray Pritchard of Pasquotank. Shelby Scott made a score of 85 for judging Rocks, 85 for Leghorns, 70 for Reds, and 85 for Wyandottes, a total of 325 points. His teammate, John Ludford, made an identical score in each class, tying with Shelby for first honors. Ray Pritchard made a score of 85 for judging Rocks, 85 for Leghorns, 50 for Reds, and 70 for Wyandottes, bringing the total team score to 945.

### 4-H Livestock Judging Contest

In the 4-H Livestock Judging Contest, the team from Iredell represented by Joe Pou, Henry Vanstory and Price Brawley won first honors as a team for judging all classes; first for judging dairy cattle and first for judging swine. The team from Alamance, represented by Bill Allridge, Max Woods, and William Godfrey won second place for judging all classes, while the team from Pasquotank represented by Fred Brothers, Charles Hinton, and Elwood Hewitt won third place for judging all classes, and first place for judging beef cattle.

Price Brawley of Iredell County won the sweepstakes award for the highest individual score for judging all classes. He also won first prize for judging dairy cattle and the American Jersey Cattle Club medal for the best judge of Jerseys.

Joe Pou of Iredell won first prize for judging swine, and Fred Brothers of Pasquotank won first prize for judging beef cattle.

### Special Awards

Competing for gold, silver and bronze medals offered by the American Jersey Cattle Club for excellency in showmanship, Bill Allridge of Alamance County won first honors and a gold medal. Bill Godfrey won second and a silver medal, and Reid Tomlin of Iredell won third prize

and a bronze medal.

The gold medal offered by the American Jersey Cattle Club for the best fitted animal was won by Martha Culp of Iredell, the silver medal by Henry Vanstory of Iredell, and the bronze medal was won by Reid Tomlin of Iredell.

Price Brawley of Iredell won the gold medal for the best judge of Jerseys, Bill Allridge of Alamance won the silver medal and Henry Vanstory won the bronze medal. These medals were also awarded by the American Jersey Cattle Club.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

The results accomplished during the past year have further demonstrated that organization is the salvation of the club program. In counties where there was a definite 4-H organization there was less interference with club activities. As an example, the records from the records from the following counties are cited as demonstrations.

In Pender County the Farm and Home Agents report 362 club members enrolled in nine 4-H clubs. A health pageant and an achievement day were planned and carried out. The older club members organized a leader group and the club program in general compared favorably with that of previous years. The Farm Agent in Pender County has conducted Cotton Reduction, Tobacco Reduction, and Corn and Hog Reduction programs. Pender is located in the Southeastern District and has both a farm and home agent.

In Gaston County 311 boys and girls were enrolled in seven 4-H clubs, with 130 completing projects.

There has been no let up in the club program in the county. A County Council was formed, two Leaders' Schools were held, and in addition monthly meetings have been held for local clubs and for the leader group.

Gaston is located in the Southwestern District and has put on a Cotton Reduction Campaign and participated in other government adjustment programs.

In Pasquotank County, in the Northeastern District, where both cotton and tobacco reduction campaigns were conducted, 326 club members were enrolled in three 4-H clubs, with 275 completing their projects. The regular club program was carried out. Three judging teams were trained and competed in the State Fair contests.

In Durham County, where both cotton and tobacco reduction campaigns were conducted, the report covering only the farm agent's report on club work is given. There were 523 club members enrolled, with 482, or 92 per cent of the club members, completing projects. Regular meetings were held, health contests and achievement day were held, judging teams were trained and competed in the State contest. A county corn exhibit was made at the State Fair.

In Iredell County, where wheat, cotton, and tobacco reduction campaigns were conducted, 537 club members were enrolled in eleven 4-H clubs, with 337 club members completing projects. Monthly meetings were held, monthly leader meetings were held, judging teams were trained and competed in the State Fair contests, a 4-H corn exhibit and a 4-H county calf exhibit were shown at the State Fair.

The records of these counties from the various sections of the state are cited as demonstrations of the effectiveness of the community plan of organization for conducting 4-H club work.

These records indicate that club work can be carried where there is a sufficient amount of interest on the part of the agents to assist with the organization and especially with the training of leaders. It is evident that this is the best method for putting on a successful program under present conditions with the present organization.

Respectfully submitted,

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TABLE SHOWING DISTRIBUTION OF TIME

Total days of service -----	365
Holidays and Sundays -----	52
Annual Leave -----	2
Days spent in field -----	96
Days spent in office -----	215
Number of news articles written -----	53
Visits to County Agents -----	133
Number meetings held -----	74
Attendance at these meetings -----	14,532
Number of letters written -----	1,207
Number of conferences held -----	213
Number of publications prepared -----	6
Copies -----	65,000
Number of mimeographed circulars prepared ---	14
Copies -----	20,000
Number of circular letters -----	75
Copies -----	15,000
Number of miles traveled in line of duty ----	9,318