

NARRATIVE REPORT

I-H CLUB WORK

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ORGANIZATION

The organization of 4-H Club work in Anson County for the year 1939 included 12 local 4-H Clubs, a County Federation of 4-H Clubs and a 4-H County Council with a total membership of 510 - 300 girls and 210 boys.

The clubs were organized in each High School in the county and a period was set aside by the school office for regular 4-H Club meetings. The clubs held from 8 to 12 meetings from September to June, with well conducted programs, and we were fortunate in having a local leader at each place to assist with programs and project work.

The Extension Agents appreciate the fine cooperation of the school officials and try to meet with each club promptly on dates specified with a worth while program. A program suitable for both girls and boys is always given at joint meetings.

The meetings were conducted by the local club officers and special emphasis given to correct parliamentary procedure.

Plan Of Work

In order to estimate and to conduct 4-H Club work in 1937 in a more efficient manner, the County Extension Agents prepared a County Plan of Work in which was included Goals, Month by Month Programs for Joint Meetings, Project activities and project subject matter.

The Plan of Work was put into book form and a copy given each club member. We have found that the Plan of Work has been of great value in keeping the 4-H Club program going in a systematic, orderly manner, and that it gives the individual club member a deeper insight

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ORGANIZATION AND PLAN OF WORK CONTINUED

into the real meaning and ideals of 4-H Club Work.

Letters are sent out the first of each month to all club officers, reminding them of the subjects for discussion, with suggestions for using the subject matter, and calling attention to 4-H activities. Team demonstrations, and local dramatics are stressed.

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4-H CLUB WORKSCHEDULE OF 4-H CLUB MEETINGS

Ansonville, Fourth Wednesday--2:30 P. M.--8 Meetings
 Burnsville Senior, Second Tuesday--2:30 P. M.--8 Meetings
 Burnsville Junior, Second Tuesday--1:45 P. M.--8 Meetings
 Deep Creek Senior, Third Wednesday--10:30 A. M.--8 Meetings
 Deep Creek Junior, Third Wednesday--11:15 A. M.--8 Meetings
 Lilesville Senior, Second Wednesday--10:10 A. M.--8 Meetings
 Lilesville Junior, Second Wednesday--11:00 A. M.--8 Meetings
 Morven Senior, Fourth Thursday--11:30 A. M.--8 Meetings
 Morven Junior, Fourth Thursday--10:45 A. M.--8 Meetings
 Peaphland, Third Monday--9:50 A. M.--8 Meetings
 Polkton Senior, Second Tuesday--10:30 A. M.--8 Meetings
 Wadesboro, Second Saturday--10:00 A. M.--8 Meetings
 4-H County Council, Second Saturday--10:00 A. M.--10 Meetings
 4-H County Federation--January-June--2 Meetings
 Achievement Day, November--1 Meetings
 4-H Camp, July

A-H CLASS WORK CONTINUEDA-H COUNTY COUNCIL PERSONNELAnsonville

Walter Curlee
John Howell
Margaret Hough
Craven Hough

Burnsville Senior

Gladys Edwards
Polly Carpenter
Esraitt Curran
Kenneth Smith

Burnsville Junior

Starr Carpenter
Shelly Moore
Rebecca Martin
Mary Emma Allen

Deep Creek Senior

Myrtle Brock
Hazel Beck
Billy Rayfield
Edna Jones

Deep Creek Junior

Lucy Gaddy
Fudge Flake
Billy Lowery
Mary Joe Watts

Lilesville Senior

Faye Marks
Ettie Wall
Rowena Roris
Mittie Belle Hoggan

Lilesville Junior

James Hairrell
Helen Meacham
Ida Mae McNeill

Morven Senior

Doris Gaddy
Margaret Wall
Rufus Livingston
Elizabeth Ratcliff

Morven Junior

Charles Edward Ratliff
G. W. Ratliff, Jr.
Margaret Jerman
Jess Stanly

Peachland

Ronnie Edwards
Amelia Morgan
Mary Agnes Graham
Ray Strong

Polkton Senior

Fred Fincher
Jane Dewesse
Jane Knotts
Clara Mae Collins

Polkton Junior

Myrtle Lee Sikes
Charles Hough
Annie Lee Waddell
Louise Fincher

Wadesboro

Sarah Covington
Myrtle Green
Florene Bivens
Joe Winfree

4-H CLUB WORKSUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES

Number of clubs	13 (1 new club)
Membership	596
Number of girls	300
Number of boys	296
Number of local club meetings held	96
Number of County-wide meetings held	9
4-H County Council Membership	56
Number of Health Examinations	300
Number of Team Demonstrations	16
Number Members taking part	96
Number judging teams	5
Number State Fair Exhibits	2
Number State contests entered	4
Number attending 4-H Camp	65
Number attending Recreation school	11
Number attending Wildlife Camp	2
Number attending 4-H Hort Course	19
Number completing Projects	426

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A-H CLUB WORKSUMMARY OF A-H CLUB PROJECTS

<u>KIND</u>	<u>NUMBER ENROLLED</u>	<u>NUMBER COMPLETING</u>
Clothing	228	180
Food Preparation	165	132
Room Improvement	41	22
Food Preservation	90	72
Home Beautification	115	80
Handicraft	30	26
Gardening	78	58
Health	282	213
Cotton	30	26
Tobacco	1	1
Corn	36	20
Wheat	8	6
Oats	7	6
Legumes	9	9
Agricultural Engineering	56	40
Forestry	8	8
Wildlife Conservation	38	19
Poultry and Turkeys	64	56
Bees	1	1
Pigs	36	30
Dairy Calf	8	8
Baby Beef	2	2
Leadership	56	56
Total number completing 2 or more projects		426

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4-H CLUB WORK4-H COUNTY COUNCIL

A 4-H County Council was organized 3 years ago and has continued in active service through 1939, 1936, and 1937.

The membership of the Council includes the officers of all local clubs, project leaders and program committees. The purpose of the Council is to train leaders in conducting club programs; to give more emphasis to project work; to be of greater assistance to the County Extension Agents in the development of 4-H Club Work in the County.

Goals for the County Council were set up as follows:

1. A definite plan for 4-H Club work.
2. Regular meetings of the County Council.
3. A 4-H Club in every community center.
4. A Junior Club sponsored by a Senior Club girl and boy in each Club center.
5. The development of personality and leadership in the Club members.
6. Better project work and better kept records.
7. Representatives in County and State Contests.
8. Representation of each Club at State 4-H Short Course.
9. A County Achievement Day, conducted by Club members themselves.
10. Exhibits at County and State Fairs.
11. Help rural boys and girls develop desirable ideals and standards for farming, home-making, community life, and citizenship.
12. To develop habits in healthful living; arouse worthy ambitions; create a desire for more education in order that rural life may be fuller and richer.
13. To render service whenever there is an opportunity at home, out in the community and at school.

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13. The Council members to set the example in good grooming, good manners, and personal conduct.
14. Develop better reading habits and listening to good radio programs.

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4-H CLUB WORK4-H COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING REPORTEDby Frances Wimberley

On Saturday morning, September 16, the Anson County 4-H Clubs, held a County Council meeting in the Courthouse. The meeting opened with the singing of 4-H songs and repeated the 4-H Club pledge. Roll call was answered by delegates from the following clubs: Ansonville, Lilesville, Burnsville, Peachland, Polkton Junior and Senior, Deep Creek, Wadesboro, and Morven.

Julia Cameron of Polkton presented the objectives of 4-H Club work from the standpoint of the State and suggested ways in which these may be accomplished in each club. She then, told in what ways Anson County had met these objectives in 1939. Mrs. Redfearn explained the plan of a "4-H Church Sunday" to the Council, which the 4-H Clubs in each community would sponsor. The plan is that each club would select a certain Sunday, assist with the services and thus take part in the spiritual welfare of their respective communities. It was, also, urged that each club member attend Sunday School and church services each Sunday.

Cora Ledbetter of Polkton Senior Club gave an interesting talk on "You and Your Clothes" showing how it affects one's personality, bringing in good posture, grooming of hair, skin, hands, and teeth. This was followed by "You and Your Personality" by Charles Edward Ratliff of the Morven Club who cited sixteen things which would tend to develop a pleasing personality. A demonstration on a Club Member's Study Unit was given by Miss Wimberley. This was illustrated by correct types of lamps that

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could be used. The importance of a good study Lamp was stressed.

During the business session, the club members decided to elect their county officers for the incoming year at the October meeting. Plans for Achievement Day on December 9, were made. Mr. Cameron and Mrs. Redfearn urged the club members to complete the reorganization of all clubs in their respective communities and emphasized the importance of sending the membership in the County office.

The meeting was closed with a story of A-H Club songs by Betty Moore of Folkton and the singing of several of these songs.

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4-H CLUB WORKCOUNTY FEDERATION OF 4-H CLUBS

We have a County Federation of 4-H Clubs which includes every club and every club member in the county in its organization.

Our object in organizing the Federation of 4-H Clubs is to provide a point of contact between the clubs and club members of the county and to bring about a closer unity of club work.

The Federation meets twice each year with an inspirational program, at which our State 4-H Club Leaders are usually present and give the club members splendid talks on 4-H Club work and its goals and project activities.

The programs are planned at County Council meetings and are conducted by the club members themselves.

Programs include special music, readings, team demonstrations, stunts, and recreation.

One of the most enjoyable Federation Meetings we held on February 3, in the form of a 4-H Club Party. A detailed report is given on the next page.

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4-H CLUB WORK CONTINUEDFEDERATION OF 4-H CLUB MEETING

On Friday night, February 3, the Anson County Federation of 4-H clubs met in the form of a county-wide 4-H Club Party at 7 o'clock in The Wadesboro Baptist Church. Approximately 300 girls and boys were present.

The Federation officers, President, Ada Braswell, Morven; Vice-president, Tom Dunlap, Ansonville; Secretary, Raymond Kiker, Burnsville; Historian, Jimmie Hendley, Polkton; were in charge of the program. We sang "Day is Dying in the West", which afforded a beautiful beginning for the evening's program. Mr. J. W. Cameron brought greetings to the young people, reviewing achievements of the past year and reviewed the many opportunities open to 4-H Club members during the year 1939. In response to the roll call, every club in the county answered with a splendid attendance.

The Burnsville club presented a Team Demonstration on "Little Courtesies to Remember", giving a demonstration appearing on the street, at the theater, on the train, at a hotel, and at school. This demonstration was quite effective and has later been repeated several times. A stunt by the Morven Club, "Doctor 4-H" was original and clever, showing how to overcome bad habits. At this time, Frank Northcutt of McFarland who has a beautiful baritone voice, gave several song numbers.

The Deep Creek Club next put on a stunt entitled "An Old Friend", impersonating the return of our Assistant County Agent, R. E. Davenport, who has recently been promoted to County Agent in Montgomery County. Mr. and Mrs. Davenport were present and were afterwards presented with a gift of appreciation from the Anson County 4-H girls and boys.

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Miss Ruth Eiker, introduced Miss Frances MacGregor, Assistant State Club Leader, to the group. Miss MacGregor brought an inspiring message on 4-H Club Objectives, after which she conducted an hour of delightful recreation, featured by folk games, musical games and marches.

Mrs. Rosalind Redfearn made announcements relative to 4-H activities.

Assorted fruits were served and the group joined in singing, "Sing Your Way Home", and "Taps" which brought the happy occasion to a close.

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4-H CLUB WORKTEAM DEMONSTRATIONS

During the year 1939 we have stressed Team Demonstrations as an important feature of our 4-H Club work.

We believe that the training in giving Team Demonstrations is a splendid means in developing poise, public appearance, the use of good English and the culture of a pleasing voice. In addition to these reasons we also feel that the subject matter should be of special interest to the club members, and their project work.

We find it valuable training for boys and girls to give a team demonstration together, as it helps the boys to gain more confidence and increases their interest in their club program.

Among the Team Demonstrations given this year were: "Posture and Its Relation to Health", Everyday Courtesies, "Good Grooming", Home Beautification, "Parliamentary Procedure", Good Manners, "Room Improvement", Clothing, and "Personality".

We have endeavored to have one to three team demonstrations given in each club, in this way we could give this training to a large number of club members.

This has been a special feature at our County Council Meeting, Achievement Day and special county wide meetings, in which we often use representatives from different clubs.

We were asked to present the Team Demonstration on "Posture" on the Radio, W. P. T. F., Raleigh, those taking part were: Julia Cameron, Edna Ratliff, Geneva Turner, Edwin Watts and Kenneth Smith.

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4-H CLUB WORKHEALTH

During the months of April and May we conducted our annual Health examinations of 4-H Club girls and boys--Previous to this time we had programs on health at regular club meetings, and had the groups to keep a health score for themselves. Special programs on Teeth, Posture, and Good Food habits were held and emphasis put on the importance of the Health H in 4-H Club work.

We were able to secure the help of a trained nurse from the County Health Department to assist with the examination and more than 300 girls and boys were examined.

These young people were very much interested and asked many questions about this and their conditions and how defects could be remedied. They seemed especially sensitive as to the condition of their teeth and weight.

It was interesting to note certain characteristics in certain sections. For instance in the Morven Club we found so many girls and boys with good teeth, well cared for, yet a large number of the girls were slightly over weight, and the boys were some what round shouldered. In Peachland, nearly every girl and boy had teeth already filled or needed filling, and in Polkton and Lilesville, the girls were all rather small in stature and young according to grades. Finding a perfect specimen of Health is almost impossible. However, we did have 3 boys and 2 girls in the finals that it was hard to decide between. So many of the young people between the ages of 15 and 20, are either over grown in height and underweight according to the height and weight chart or they are too fat. Another thing that enters into it, is family characteristics. It is interesting to note these points.

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HEALTH CONTINUED

On Saturday, April 29, we brought in 15 healthiest club winners to Wadesboro and they were examined again by our County Health Officer, Dr. Wallin. He seemed well pleased with the group selected and commended the young people on their good physical condition.

It was decided to take 2 boys and 1 girl to Albemarle to the District Health Contest--Joe Horton of the Polkton Club, Edmund Woodburn of the Deep Creek Club, and Reba Preslar of the Burnsville Club.

In this contest Joe Horton won the highest score from the counties represented. Later Joe was taken to Gastonia to compete with winners from the other District and lost by just 1/2 point.

We were quite proud of this record. We believe our young people are more conscious of the value of good health and are striving to build up good health habits.

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A-H CLUB WORKRECREATION INSTITUTE MAY 22-26, 1939

Eleven Anson County Club members attended the District Recreation Institute held at Millstone Camp in May.

These were: Clive Kimbrough, Tom Dunlap of Ansonville, Doris Kiker, Burnsville; Edwin Watts, Hazel Beck, Deep Creek; Faye Marks, Lilesville; Julia Cameron, Fred Caudle, Judge Cameron, Folkton; Mary Agnes Graham, J. E. Allen, Jr.; Peachland.

The Institute was conducted by Miss Frances MacGregor and Miss Madeline Stevenson. Each day a program in folk dances, and group games, was given and each one of the four groups were scored on their participation in all activities.

The boys and girls were required to keep note books which was also scored.

The leaders attending the Institute have assisted with recreation programs in local club community and county activities.

The Recreation Institute is a splendid opportunity for the development of personality leadership, sportsmanship, comradeship and coordination. It was a delightful week.

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A-H CLUB WORKA-H CLUB CAMP

Anson and Alexander Counties held a joint camp with sixty-one boys and girls from Anson and twenty-six from Alexander County, the young people left for camp on Monday, July 17, and returned Saturday July 22.

During the week, every opportunity was given for development mentally, morally, socially and physically; from the exercise before breakfast through the three good meals per day, fine classes and recreational and vesper services stressing the 3-R's. Miss Jane Wilkerson taught copper work and leathercraft and we were delighted with the coin purses and letter opener, trays and other trinkets the boys and girls made. Mr. Baker conducted Nature Study tours each day and created much interest in the different types of trees and their characteristics; also, in the application of covers for our banquet programs which were very attractive. Mr. H. M. Ellis gave demonstrations on the hydraulic ram and simple water systems.

Swimming proved to be the most inclusive sport with the entire camp participation, under the supervision of Mr. Tom Cash and Mr. H. G. Gusley. Other sports included volley ball, box-hockey, horse shoe, ping pong, and base ball.

The camp was divided into four groups. The Head group with Julia Cameron as Captain and Mr. Leagans as advisor; the Heart group with

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Mary Agnes Graham as Captain and Miss Wimberley as advisor; the Heads group with Raymond Kiker as Captain and Mr. Earley advisor; and the Health group with Ada Braswell as Captain and Miss Williams as advisor. Each day these groups were assigned to the camp duties and performed their work well. Besides camp duties, the groups were placed in charge of vespers and stunts each evening. On Friday evening, a beautiful banquet with the tables forming an "H" was held, with the Head group making the plans; the Heart group preparing and serving the food, and all four groups participation in the program.

Following the program, the four groups each took part in or gave a stunt.

Mr. L. R. Harrill, State Club Leader was the principal speaker, and gave the girls and boys high ideals for maintaining club work in North Carolina.

Among the visitors we had during the week were: Mr. A. C. Kinsey who gave a splendid lecture on the "Importance of Milk"; Mrs. Anne Lee Harris and Mr. Choplin, Agents of Richmond County; Mr. L. R. Harrill and Mr. G. J. Weaver from State College, who made pictures of the camp. Mr. Leagens and Miss Williams, and the Alexander group were ideal co-workers and we think that a joint camp has decidedly more advantages than a one-county camp.

The beautiful candle lighting ceremony brought the evening to a close.

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4-H CLUB WORKWILDLIFE CONSERVATION CAMP

In August at Camp Millstone, on the land utilization area near Rockingham, North Carolina, ninety boys and girls have attended a Wildlife Conservation Camp conducted by the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service, with the following agencies cooperating: The United States Soil Conservation Service; the North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development and the Federal Cartridge Corporation. L. R. Harrill, State 4-H Club Leader, who was a former Anson County 4-H Club member.

Agelia Morgan of White Store and Fred Burr of Polkton won trips to the camp because they had planned and carried out the best plan of work as outlined in the 4-H Wildlife Conservation Project. Any farm boy or girl between the ages of 10 - 20 was eligible and many other good records were submitted by Anson County 4-H Club members. Their records covered a minimum period of four months.

This project included, (1) A farm survey; a sketch map of the farm showing fields, woodlands, thickets, hedgerows, pasture lands, eroded areas, fences, buildings, springs streams, and areas definitely designated for wildlife food and cover production, such as gullies, field borders, bushy areas, fence corners and steep slopes. (2). A plan for field improvement, such as project, covering food patches planted, gullies and other severely eroded areas treated to prevent erosion and provide food and cover for wild life; field borders planted to such wildlife crops; development of additional cover; the making and erecting of nesting boxes for those birds and animals using them. (3). A wildlife

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survey of the farm, which was to include game animals, particularly quail and turkey, also, doves, squirrels, rabbits, grouse, deer, bear, furbearing animal survey such as opossum, raccoon, skunk, mink, fox, weasel, otter, muskrat, wildcat, hawk and owl survey, differentiating between those that were chiefly beneficial and those that were chiefly injurious; song and insect eating bird survey, and the food that they eat; number of cats and dogs on the farm and so on.

There were similar forestry surveys to be made, with the finding, naming and identification of the forest those on the home farm, their commercial uses, how their seeds were distributed, in what way they served wildlife, which were best for shade in the community. A similar project was made of shrubs, vines and other food plants, with either leaf prints or mounted and pressed leaf specimen of each tree and shrub on the test. An insect collection of 20 different kinds gathered from the gardens, fields, woods and even those preying on livestock was required.

During the week at the Wildlife Camp every day was filled with lectures, classes in handi-craft, tours, and recreation. Soil Conservation, was chosen as the topic for Tuesday's study with lectures and tours, showing the types of soil, soil erosion and methods of controlling soil erosion. Mr. J. B. Watts and Mr. J. A. Lutz of State College were in charge.

Wednesday brought forth an interesting discussion of "Game and Wildlife" by J. W. Kisler and George McCulloch, Wildlife Technician. Tours to a fish hatchery and game preserve tours were made.

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On Thursday R. W. Graber, Extension Forester and his assistant W. J. Barker of timber thinning and timber sealing. Mr. Barker also had these identification tours each day, helping the club members to mount specimens and to make leaf prints.

Daily classes in Bird House Construction. Handicraft and swimming were taught. After vespers each evening, moving pictures illustrating the topics of the day were shown, followed by a recreational program consisting of songs, games and folk dances.

Trucks and drivers for making the tours were furnished by the officials of a near by CCC Camp.

4-H CLUB WORKROOM IMPROVEMENT SCHOOL FOR 4-H CLUB GIRLS

On June 6, we held a Room Improvement School for 4-H Club girls, with Miss Rosa Elwood Bryan of State College in charge.

We were pleased to find that every club in the County was represented, we were glad to have a group from Richmond County with Mrs. A. L. Harris, Home Agent, making a total of 90 in attendance.

Miss Bryant discussed first, keeping the 4-H Record in Room Improvement, and then took up the various units in sleeping, reading, window-treatment, bathing dressing, and storage.

Miss Bryant had a splendid collection of illustrative material to show, which made the demonstration very effective and the girls were just delighted. The dressing table, the storage unit, the unit for reading and study were especially good, the curtains were lovely, and yet, not beyond the reach of any girl present. In fact it really was a lesson in using practical, inexpensive materials assembled in a convenient and attractive manner.

The janitor in the Court House was very much interested in the articles, and helped hang the curtains over the windows. He afterward went to one of the County Commissioners, and asked him if he couldn't get some curtains like them to keep in the Court House all the time!

The girls brought a picnic lunch and every one had an opportunity to meet and know each other, which also, means a great deal on an occasion like this.

Twenty one girls carried Room Improvement as a project in 1939. These projects were completed and a personal visit made to each house by the Home and Assistant Home Agent.

A-N CLUB WORK CONTINUEDROOM IMPROVEMENT SCHOOL FOR A-N CLUB GIRLS CONTINUED

We found interesting old pieces of furniture that has been repaired and refinished; dressing tables made of boxes and finished with cretonne flounces; chairs rebottomed and painted; closets improved and clothing attractively arranged; pictures selected with care and hang correctly and pretty bed spreads.

The girls are now beginning to have pretty old oil lamps wired for electricity.

We find that a room improvement project is "Contagious". something like the measles, when one room in the house is improved, it spreads all over the house! And when one girl in the club makes a pretty room for herself, all her little friends want to do likewise.

A-H CLUB WORKA-H STYLE REVIEW

On October 6, Betty Moore 4-H Club girl of Folkton went to State College in Raleigh to enter the State 4-H Style Review under the direction of Misses Willie Hunter and Julia McIver, State clothing specialists. Fifty-five girls from all parts of the state contested for the grand prize which was a trip to the National 4-H Congress in Chicago on December 1939. Each contestant has satisfactorily completed a three year clothing project and had kept their records correctly for the entire period. They had also designed and made their costume and a portion of their underwear. An accurate account of the cost of each item was kept and submitted with their record.

Betty modelled a sport costume consisting of a plaid swing skirt with a snug fitting waist-length velveteen jacket, and a little bag she had made of plaid, lined with red taffeta and fastened with a red zipper. Inside she placed a little coin purse made of plaid and velveteen.

The costumes were grouped in the following class: (1) cotton school and sport dresses, (2) wool school and sport dresses, (3) afternoon and dinner dresses, (4) evening dresses. Out of each group were picked three costumes which were the most outstanding because of their style, color, and combination, originality and workmanship. These constituted the blue ribbon group.

Although Betty was too young to enter for the grand prize she was placed in the blue ribbon group and was commended for the poise with which she modelled her costume.

After appearing before the judging committee in the Y. M. C. A.

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auditorium. Betty again modelled her costume before a large audience in Pullen Hall in the afternoon. She was accompanied to Raleigh by Mrs. Rosalind Redfearn, Home Agent, Miss Frances Winherley, Assistant Home Agent, Mrs. Floyd Moore and Miss Rebecca Napier, 4-H Clothing leader.

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4-H CLUB WORK5-H SHORT COURSE

In July nineteen boys and girls, accompanied by the Anson County Extension Agents attended the 4-H Short Course held at State College in Raleigh. With the largest group in its history, the Short Course opened with an informal meeting in Pullen Hall Monday night at which time, Col. J. W. Harrelson, Dean of Administration at the State College, Mr. L. R. Harrill, State Club Leader, and Miss Frances MacGregor, Assistant State Club Leader, welcomed them to State College. On Tuesday, the eleven hundred delegates from all over the state were formally welcomed to State College and to Raleigh by His Excellency, Governor Clyde, R. Hoey.

Tuesday's program, also, brought forth many interesting classes to both boys and girls. Among those offered were: Dairying, Leathercraft, Parliamentary Procedure, Broomcraft, Song Leadership, Home Beautification, Animal Husbandry, Crop Production, Food Conservation, Foods and Nutrition, Room Improvement, and Clothing.

It was difficult for the Anson group, bringing back more helpful information to the county not only for their own personal use but, also for their clubs and communities, to choose which subject to take because all of them were under the direction of such capable teachers. They all chose different subjects, thus, enriching themselves and the club too, to which they belonged.

The Honor Club Program on Wednesday night proved to be of the most impressive event on the 4-H Calendar. The new members were tapped during the evening assembly in Pullen Hall by the old members and brought to the stage where they installed into membership of the club in the

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traditional "Wheel Ceremony".

The 4-H leaders at State College formed the hub of the wheel, the old members of the club--the spokes, and the new members of the club the rim of the wheel. Miss Eunice Griggs of Anson County, President of the Honor Club, presided. Among the eight new members elected was Ada Braswell of Wadesboro, Rt. 3. Membership in the club is based on outstanding project activity and leadership and the members are selected from their records and recommendation of Farm and Home Agents. Miss Ruth Kiker of Route 2, Polkton is a former president of the Club and her brother Raymond Kiker was tapped last year at the Short Course.

An outstanding feature on the program was an address by Dr. Jane S. McKimmon, Assistant Director of the Extension Service, and often called the mother of 4-H Clubs in North Carolina. Mrs. McKimmon spoke on the needs of farm youth today. She listed qualifications needed for success in cultural rural life and those needed for the business, professional or industrial world. Among those she deemed important were: The use of good English, pleasant manners, the ability to meet the public, pleasing personality, and becoming and appropriate dress. She remarked upon the opportunities presented by the 4-H Club program to meet all these needs.

Probably the outstanding event of the week was scheduled for Thursday night at 8:00 o'clock at Riddick Stadium, when a Pageant of

4-H CLUB WORK CONTINUED4-H SHORT COURSE CONTINUED

Progress depicting the 29 year growth and history of 4-H Club work in North Carolina in pantomime, song and dance, was presented.

More than 200 club members participated, including 100 voices trained and directed by Dr. Fredrick Stanley Smith, Director of Music in Raleigh Public Schools. The Pageant showed how club work has grown from the original corn club of 13 members in 1909, to an organization of nearly 1500 clubs with about 50,000 members today.

Anson County presented two scenes: one on poultry and the other on gardening. The Poultry scene showed the progress since the old coops made of slate, open to the rain and wind, was used to house a hen and chicks in comparison with the modern methods of brooding. The scene also showed the method of preparing and packing dressed poultry for market.

In the garden scene the pantomime showed planting, cultivation and dusting plants; gathering vegetables, and saving the surplus by canning.

Those taking part were: Mary Grace Covington, Julia Cameron, Flewe Trexler, Bryson Trexler, Sarah Upchurch, Edward

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Northcott, Edwin Watts, Peggy Wall, Helen Coit Redfearn, Nettie Grace Cameron, W. B. Winfree, Rufus Livingston, and Judge Cameron.

On Friday afternoon, Mrs. Elyde R. Hoey entertained all delegates at a lovely tea at the Governor's mansion. The boys and girls were delighted with her hospitality and will remember for a long time her graciousness in according them this invitation.

Tours were conducted each day over the State College Campus and to interesting spots in Raleigh. Mr. Harley and Miss Wimberley of Anson County assisted with these tours. Special buses were used to carry the delegates back and forth from the College.

Three members of the Anson group: Julia Cameron, Helen Coit Redfearn, and Peggy Wall were members of the editorial staff of the Tar Heel News, the Club's official newspaper. Nettie Grace Cameron and Ada Braswell were councillors in the dormitories and assisted the House Mothers in their duties.

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At the State Fair in Raleigh in October, a 4-H Club Exhibit, was prepared and arranged by Anson County 4-H Club leaders, entitled "The 4-H Clubs", showing an actual club meeting in progress. Dolls dressed in the official 4-H Club uniforms were seated in chairs around a small table, at which the president and secretary are presiding. On each side were placards showing the "Program For Today", and the aims of the 4-H Club Program. Covering the back of the booth was a large map of the State of North Carolina, showing that there are 4-H Clubs organized in each county in the state, the number of clubs, and members. The map was made more attractive by the use of colored lights, in the rear, which illuminates each dot representing the clubs in the various counties.

We were quite proud of this exhibit and the many visitors commented on the remarkable growth of club work in North Carolina.

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We now have 13 4-H Clubs in Anson County, 8 Senior Clubs, 5 Junior Clubs, with a total membership of 596, 300 girls, 296 boys; a 4-H County Council and a 4-H Federation of Clubs.

The clubs meet once each month in their local schools. Programs relating to club projects, farm and home life, community activities, and personal development are given by the club members under the supervision of the County Extension Agents and local leaders.

The 4-H County Council composed of the officers and project leaders of each club, meets each month of the year in the County Extension Office. The object of the County Council is to train leaders in project activities and in program planning.

The entire membership of the various clubs is, also, organized into a County Federation of 4-H Clubs. The Federation meets two to three times each year in the form of a picnic, a party and achievement day.

Our plan of work for 1939 included the following month by month programs

- January.....Projects
- February.....Home Beautification
- March.....Rural Electrification
- April.....Health
- May.....Good Grooming
- June.....Room Improvement
- July.....Camps and Short Course

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August.....Recreation
September.....The Study Unit - School Clothes
October.....Personal Development
 State Fair Exhibits
November.....Parliamentary Procedure
December.....A-H Club Party

We believe that a well planned and properly conducted club program is a valuable means towards reaching the following objectives:

1. Training Leaders
2. Furnishing Information
3. Promoting Friendship
4. Cultivating Better Health Habits
5. Coordinating Activities
6. Achieving Definite Standards
7. Developing a Spirit of Cooperation
8. Giving Recreational Guidance
9. Encouraging Higher Education
10. Fostering Ideals of Good Citizenship
11. Promoting the Spirit of Service
12. In Making the Best Better.

4-H CLUB WORK CONTINUEDRESUME OF 4-H CLUB WORK CONTINUEDJANUARY

January found us well organized with the year before us in 4-H Club work. At each meeting, the agents discussed the various 4-H projects and explained the County, State and National Contests. The club secretaries prepared a list of members and projects of each club for the Extension files. Plans for making the surveys for the Rural Electrification project were explained and we urged that each home represented sign up when they were called upon.

FEBRUARY

For February our subject was Home Beautification. We asked each club to make a poster showing a rural home with attractively arranged shrubbery, walks, drives, trees, and outbuildings. We had a delightful time inspecting these charts and hearing the demonstrations given by a boy and a girl at each club.

The Morven Club Demonstration Team prepared an excellent chart and demonstration which was later presented at the County Council meeting which was held on February 28th.

Miss Hunter met with the County Council at the February meeting giving a wonderful talk and demonstration on Posture and its effect on Personality and Appearance. A team demonstration was also given on Good Grooming at the Council meeting.

On February 3, we held a County-wide 4-H Club Party. The meeting was held in the Sunday School Department of the Wadesboro Baptist church. The Federation officer, Ada Braswell and Raymond Eiker pre-

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sided over the program. A demonstration on "Everyday Courtesies" was given by the Burnsville Club which was splendid. Readings, stunts, and special music were, also, included in the program. Miss Frances MacGregor made an inspirational talk to the group and afterwards led them in a period of delightful recreation. A round 300 girls and boys were present.

MARCH

March program on poultry and turkey projects were given and the campaign for our educational work on the REA project was continued. Miss Pauline Gordon from State College spent five days with us and meetings were held at every school and 4-H center. The young people were very much interested in the demonstrations on a adequate wiring, correct placing of outlets and fixtures and in every home we have seen results of the educational work with the girls and boys. We suggested to the girls especially, to wire the lovely old oil lamps and gave demonstrations on how this could be done.

APRIL

During April, we conducted our annual 4-H Health examinations. We were fortunate in having the help of a trained nurse from the County Health Department.

Three hundred girls and boys were examined and the fifteen highest scoring individuals were again examined by the County Health Dr.

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The two highest were then taken to Albemarle, judged again in a District Contest and the Anson boy won. He was then entered in another District Contest at Gastonia, where he lost by 1/2 point.

We explained the Health Score Card at all club meetings and has special programs on good food habits. A team demonstration on "Posture and It's Relation to Health" was prepared and presented at the County Council meeting. On April 15, the demonstration was given over the Radio. The girls and boys thoroughly enjoyed the experience of making the broadcast and appreciated, also, the trip to the State Capitol and to State College.

During April, we assisted the girls in planning commencement dresses.

MAY

In May we started the Wild Life Conservation project and, also, sent eleven leaders to the Recreation Institute, at Camp Millstone.

In all the clubs the question of wiring the home correctly for electricity was discussed. We carried a chart showing a house floor plan with switches, outlets and receptacles placed properly. We feel that having these meetings with the 4-H girls and boys has helped a great deal in putting over our Rural Electrification program in a successful way.

JUNE

On June 6, a school for 4-H girls on Room Improvement was held. Miss Rose Elwood Bryan conducted the school which was attended by ninety girls and leaders.

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Demonstrations in the storage unit, bed unit, work unit, study unit and curtains were given. We feel that this was a most excellent 4-H Club project and since that time, 21 girls have completed Room Improvement projects and 20 others have completed curtain units in their rooms.

At the Council meetings, plans for holding our 4-H Camp were discussed. Camp clothes was one of the main topics of discussion and, also, a demonstration in using the 1939 4-H uniform pattern was given.

JULY

In July we held a very successful 4-H Camp at Camp Millstone in Richmond County in cooperation with Alexander County, attended by 65 girls and boys from Anson County. A splendid camp program was carried out day by day, with recreation features at night in charge of the 4-H organized groups.

A beautifully planned and conducted banquet followed by the candle lighting ceremony closed the Camp program.

In July nineteen girls and boys attended the 4-H Short Course at State College. They participated in all activities and, also, presented two pantomimes in the Pageant depicting "Twenty-eight years of 4-H Club Work in North Carolina." The subjects assigned the Anson County group were Poultry and Gardening.

AUGUST

In August two club members attended the Wild Life Conservation Camp at Millstone Camp. We wanted very much to send more but the space was limited. However, these two representatives, Amelia Morgan of the Peachland Club and Fred Burr of the Polkton Club, brought back much enthusiasm

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and inspiration to their fellow club members and gave most interesting accounts of the daily program at camp.

During August and September quite a large number of our older 4-H Club members were preparing to enter college, some for 4 year courses, some for one year and several from the county entered the Wadesboro High School to take the 12 grade. We endeavored to help these girls and boys in choosing vocations, in selecting and remodeling their clothing, in arranging their finances. Others were seeking employment in various types of work and we were so gratified that we could help place them in a satisfactory positions.

At all our community picnics, the 4-H boys and girls assisted with the recreation, programs and lunches.

SEPTEMBER

During the September month we met with all the clubs and started the reorganization for the school term. Our new Junior club was organized and one other has asked for organization.

We find these Junior Clubs fine mediums for beginning 4-H Club work. Their originality in giving their parts on the programs and in conducting project work is a constant source of inspiration to the Extension Agents.

At the September County Council meeting, a team demonstration on "You and Your Personality" was given by a group from the Polkton and Morven Clubs. The assistant Home Demonstration agent gave a demonstration on "The Study Unit", showing how a simple table could be arranged or made at home, the placing of books, etc., and emphasis placed on correct light for study. This demonstration has been given since that time in every club in the county.

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We are urging the use of the I. E. S. lamp for study, reading, sewing or any work that requires close use of the eyes. We are so pleased with the numbers of this type of lamp that are being brought into use by our rural families since electricity is now available in the home.

During September, we also prepared a 4-H exhibit for an educational booth at the State Fair, assisted 4-H girls in clothing projects and visited all the Room Improvement projects. Betty Moore of the Polkton Club, the County Clothing Winner, made her dress for the State Style Show and which was held on October 6, at State College. Two club boys, Fred Gaudle and Henry Martin, Jr. prepared their baby beef calves for the State Fair, where they were exhibited at the Baby Beef Calf Show. Henry Martin won first place in the light weight class and the total value of his project after selling his calf at 17¢ per lb., together with prizes won, was \$163.30. This was the first year Anson County had been entered in this contest and were quite proud of the outcome and believe it will stimulate a greater interest in livestock among the club boys.

OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER

During October and November at all club meetings, we have given training and presented team demonstrations on Parliamentary Procedure. The demonstration included, How to Conduct Meetings, Make Motions, Elect Officers, Write Minutes, Present Old and New Business, and other items.

We find these young people quite responsive, making questions and showing a desire to become leaders.

Plans for holding Achievement Day on December 9, were completed.

We feel that the out look for 4-H Club work for 1940 is very promising. With the addition of the Assistant County and Home Agents, we hope to make 4-H Club work more efficient and worthwhile project work than ever before.

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H-H CLUB WORKWORK WITH OLDER YOUTHBy Frances Kimberley, Assistant Home Agent

Coming to Anson County as an Assistant to the Home Demonstration Agent, Mrs. Rosalind A. Redfearn, in July 1939, many things impressed me, but none more than the constant calls made upon Home and County Agents by both older girls and boys who were desirous of continuing their education and choosing vocations.

The majority of these girls and boys were unable to continue in school without help of some kind, one girl in particular, had had three years in college and without help from some source could not return in the fall. Up until September 1 she has been unable to find an opportunity of returning. As she had been taking a course in Grammar Grade subjects, preparing herself as a teacher, it looked as if the three years work already done would be lost, as she was not equipped for an office position and would not get a teachers certificate for teaching.

The mother and daughter were both very much distressed and almost in despair, when they could not get help, but when they called to see Mrs. Redfearn--by a fortunate chance and a good word here and there, funds were secured, which with N. Y. A. work at the college would give her the opportunity for graduation.

Many other girls and boys wanted to enter school in special departments, others desired help in taking the business course in the Wadeboro High School. N. Y. A. girls and boys wanted a chance to work in an office to gain experience.

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By Frances Wimerley

To all these the Home and County Agents were sympathetic, giving practical advice, helping to secure loans, scholarships, and work in offices. Advising them in regard to clothing, books, N. Y. A. application and other duties.

Through Civic organizations such as the Rotary Club, D. A. R. Chapters, U. D. C. organizations, which have established loan funds, and also through individuals becoming interested in the young people, a large number have been assisted, and are now in school at State College, Woman's College, Eastern Carolina Training College, Mars Hill, Wingate Junior College, and in the local High School.

It is evident that both the County and Home Agents have been doing this type of work for a long number of years, and we know of nothing finer that they could do than help these young people in furthering their education, choosing vocations, and becoming established as fine individual citizens.