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I N T R O D U C T I O N

4-H club work has been in Duplin County for over six years now. There are thirteen 4-H clubs in the county with an enrollment of 882 girls and boys, 502 of theing girls. Since the beginning of the year a great deal of improvement has been observed. These boys and girls have taken for their aim the promotion of better farm practices, better homes, and the development of leadership and citizenship among the rural people. Our 4-H clubs are founded on the basis of "Learn By Doing". Our club members learn by actual experience and by doing the job. Our aim this year was the hope that more leaders and club members have a better knowledge of 4-H club work and that more efficient and more uniform plan of work may be carried through to completion.

One of our main problems in 4-H club work is to get the club members to keep records of their projects. In many cases the members do not fill out their books correctly. Year before last a demonstration was given on the correct way to fill out record books and there was an improvement. My plans are that next year we will give the neighborhood and teacher leaders a demonstration of filling out 4-H record books, and they can assist the members when they need it.

ORGANIZATION: At the present time, there are thirteen 4-H clubs in Duplin County, with an enrollment of 882 members. 502 girls and 380 boys. Each club meets monthly having the following officers and leaders.

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| President | Food leader |
| Vice-president | Canning leader |
| Secretary | Clothing leader |
| Asst. secretary | Room Improvement leader |
| Treasurer | Garden leader |

Fig leader
Corn leader
Tobacco leader
Cotton leader
Sweet Potato leader
Poultry leader

The officers' duties are as follows:

- President:** To preside over all meetings and to call extra meetings when needed and take the lead in all activities of the club.
- Vice-pres.** To assume the duties of the president when he is absent.
- Secretary:** To keep a record of all meetings of the club and to report the same to the home or farm agent promptly after each meeting; to receive and distribute literature and supplies from the state office; to receive communications and report same to the club.
- Treasurers:** To receive and account for all funds that may be handled through the organization.
- Project leader:** The duties of the project leaders are to assist with the demonstration in their field and make project reports.

This year, these officers in each club have filled their duties very nicely and from these our County Council is made up.

Duplin County's 4-H County Council is made of a president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer, officers from each club and the local leader. The purpose of this 4-H County Council is to promote 4-H club work in all phases and for each member of the council to assume the responsibility for leadership in club work. The membership of our County Council is fifty five including the officers. There is a schedule for the 4-H clubs and County Council meetings

and are conducted as follows:

- 1- meeting called to order by the president
- 2- roll is called by secretary
- 3- reading of minutes
- 4- unfinished business
- 5- report of committees
- 6- new business
- 7- program or demonstration
- 8- adjournment

Neighborhood leaders have been very helpful in 4-H club work. They have helped us reach more individual projects, collect more record cards, assist more 4-H club members and many other things that could have not been accomplished without our neighborhood leader system. These leaders have held twelve regular meetings with 177 girls present. In lots of cases the teacher leader have call meetings before or after the regular club meeting.

The teacher leaders have done an excellent job in 4-H club work this year. Their duties are as follows:

- 1- to supervise work in the club and act in an advisory capacity
- 2- attend all 4-H club meetings
- 3- attend all leader training schools
- 4- secure record books from the members of their club
- 5- assist in the selection of club champions
- 6- send notices around announcing 4-H club meetings a day before
- 7- send notices around just before time of meeting on club day
- 8- Have club members assembled for meeting at scheduled time
- 9- carry on meeting in absence of agents (at this time they say)

(1) teach songs

- 2- teach pledge
- 3- teach games
- 4- teach parliamentary procedure
- 5- assist member in keeping records
 - (a) project
 - (b) secretary
- 10- attend Achievement Days
- 11- Attend all 4-H club camps and special 4-H events when practical
- 1- 4-H District Federation
- 2- Junior Dairy Cattle Show
- 3- Sweet Potato Show
- 4- District 4-H Pinoin
- 5- 4-H Club Short Course
- 6- Wildlife camp
- 7- Regional 4-H Camp
- 8- Regular 4-H camp

CLOTHING: For the year of 1950 127 girls were enrolled clothing with 121 completing. These 121 girls made 1000 garments and remodeled 56. There were two dress revues held this year, one in the county and a district dress revue. In the county dress revue nineteen girls participated; one or more from each club. Out of these nineteen dresses, the first place winner was chosen to participate in the district dress revue. All the dresses made were school dresses and Sarah Miller of the Kenansville 4-H club took first place. She won a red ribbon.

In clothing, the 4-H girls have improved very much. Here are some of the

many things they have improved on:

- 1- selection of pattern as to size, style and personality
- 2- use of patterns
- 3- selection of individual color
- 4- sewing
- 5- gathering
- 6- repairing old garments
- 7- planning a wardrobe
- 8- hems and seam finishes
- 9- selection of school shoes
- 10- zipper plackets

Some of these girls made their 4-H uniforms, dresses for school and in some cases they sew for the entire family.

There were two demonstrations given this year on clothing. They were "Pattern Study" and "Making A School Dress". In the demonstration Pattern Study it was emphasized that they buy a pattern and then go directly by the guide sheet. In the demonstration on Making A School Dress, a pattern was fitted on a club member and cutting was completed.

This year at the Annual County-wide Achievement Day Educational Exhibits were placed. Three were placed in the line of clothing which were "Appropriate Dress For High Schools Boys and Girls", "Appropriate Dress For High School Banquet" and "Light on Your Feet". The exhibit Light On Your Feet was a blue ribbon and the other two were red ribbon exhibits.

FOOD AND NUTRITION: There were two demonstrations given on Food and Nutrition this year. They were Vitamin A Making A Salad and The Importance of Milk in The Diet. In the demonstration on making a salad, it was emphasized how we can get more color in meals with green and yellow vegetables and these vegetables

and these vegetables could be combined to make nice raw salads. Two salads were made, one of grated carrots, diced apples and shredded cabbage, and the other from grated raw carrots, diced apples and raisins. The food and nutrition leaders gave report on the correct way to set a table. In the demonstration on "The Importance of Milk In The Diet", it was emphasized that milk is our most perfect food. The girls were given helpful information on the many uses of milk, care of milk, composition of milk and why it is needed for the human body. A malted milk shake was prepared in the demonstration.

An exhibit was placed at Achievement Day on "A Good Breakfast," which was a red ribbon.

FOOD CONSERVATION: In Duplin County this year were 112 girls enrolling in Food Conservation and 109 completing. These girls canned 3330 quarts of canned goods.

There was a demonstration given them on canning vegetables. In this demonstration, we included the canning of acid and non-acid foods, and explanation on the different types of jars and covers used, the operation of a pressure canner and food spoilage.

Marguerite Miller of Kenansville 4-H club took first place in the county Canning Contest. An exhibit was placed at the Achievement Day on "Canning For The Family"

ROOM IMPROVEMENT: There were 58 girls enrolling in home beautification and 50 completing. These girls have done wonders with bedrooms, other rooms and yards. In their rooms they learned to remodel their old furniture. These are some of the things they have done:

- Made lovely dressing tables from old dressers
- Painted paint worn furniture
- Made book cases

made stools for dressing tables from nail kegs
sowed grass
made lawn chairs
planted flowers

The Kenansville 4-H club placed an exhibit at the county Achievement Day on "A Girl's Bedroom".

The team demonstration this year was on "Window Treatment", which came second place in the group elimination.

RECREATION : In June there was a District Picnic given at Jones Lake, where over 125 of our 4-H girls and boys attended. Every one had a lovely time. The county-wide picnic was held at South Carolina at Atlantic Beach, with 225 4-Hers and leaders attending. There is recreation at all 4-H club meetings.

4-H CLUB ACHIEVEMENT DAY: Thursday, November 30, 1950 the Sixth Annual 4-H Achievement Day was held at Douglass High school in Warsaw with 750 boys and girls attending. An inspiring program was presented, which was in the form of a club meeting with Bernice Whitehead of Chinquapin 4-H club, presiding. Mr. J. E. Belton, Principal of Duplin County Training school was guest speaker. Mr. Belton reviewed the history of the 4-H club, its objectives and its program. He pointed out the practical ways in which 4-H club work enriches the lives of rural boys and girls.

Each of the clubs placed educational exhibits, with Faison, Magnolia and Warsaw Sr. taking top honors, Calypso and Little Creek Jr. clubs made up the second place winners, while Wallace, Chinquapin, Rose Hill, Beulaville, Branch, Warsaw Jr., Kenansville and Teachey composed the third place winners.

Individual prizes for county championship projects were calf, Alex L. Judge of Chinquapin; sweet potatoes, Robert Smith, Rose Hill; and corn Ben Miller, Kenansville; champions in girls projects were for canning,

Marguerite Miller, Kenansville; food preparation, Ella Mae Batts, Rose Hill; and clothing, Lucy Mae Green, Branch.

Kenansville was credited as having turned in the highest number of record books, and Faison with highest number of delegates attending.

Featured also on the program was an exhibit on highway safety, placed by Mr. Gates T. Matthews, District Supervisor for the North Carolina Highway Safety Division.

Mrs. Edna B. Gray, Sampson County Home Agent and Miss Smith home economics teacher of Douglass High school did the judging.