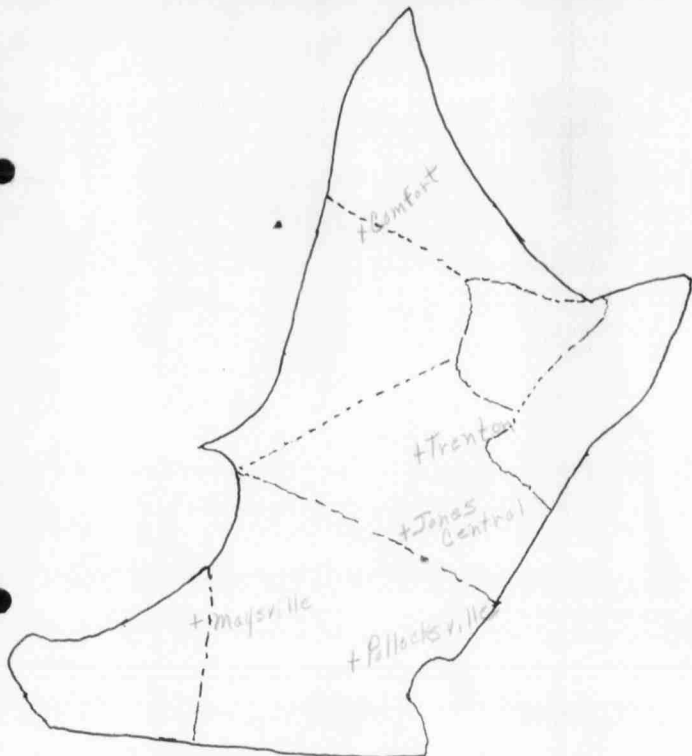


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MAP OF JONES COUNTY



11 Home Demonstration Clubs
 245 Memberships
 72 Leaders
 6 h-H Clubs
 425 Memberships
 15 Women h-H Leaders

— Home Demonstration Clubs
 + h-H Clubs

III. INTRODUCTION

There are six 4-H Clubs in the five schools in Jones County. The high schools have been consolidated and the one high school is Jones Central. There are two senior clubs there, one composed of the 9th and 10th grades and the other of the 11th and 12th grades. There is one junior club at Trenton, one at Comfort, one at Waysville and one at Pollockville.

Each Home Demonstration Club has a 4-H Club leader and there is one County adult leader. These leaders help in carrying the 4-H program to the boys and girls by assisting them in their communities their achievement days, camps, etc.

IV. ORGANIZATION

1. Procedure

The County Council suggested topics they are interested in and wanted a discussion on. The leaders were called in for a planning conference and then the Farm and Home agent, working together, made the final plan of work.

2. Number of 4-H Clubs and Enrollment

There were four junior and two senior 4-H clubs during the school year of 1951-1952 with an enrollment of 425.

4. 4-H Achievement Day

The Annual 4-H Achievement Day was held November 22, 1952 in the Court House in Trenton.

Betty Taylor, County Council vice-president, presided at the meeting. Graham Wellard, president of the 9th and 10th grades senior club, gave the devotional using a Thanksgiving theme.

Awards were presented to the girls by the home agent and to the boys by the Assistant Farm Agent.

Thirteen girls received medals for being winners in their projects. Twenty five girls received certificates of achievement for

satisfactorily completing one or more years of 4-H club work. Three of these 25 were for 7 years and and three were for 8 years work.

Mrs. Rom Mallard, Mrs. Harold Mallard and Mrs. Alex Higgins received certificates of recognition for their leadership in 4-H club work this year.

Candlelight was the setting for the installation of 1953 County Council officers, by the County Agent. The officers are as follows: president, Anthony Mallard; vice-president, Graham Mallard; secretary-treasurer, Sue Brock Jones; program leader, Bobby Johnson; reporter, Sylvia Jean Mallard.

Following the program refreshments were served in the Agriculture Building. Then everyone joined in some folk dances led by eighteen 4-H'ers and the Home Agent.

5. 4-H County Council

The 4-H County Council which is organized here in Jones County has been very active. It is composed of the officers of the six local clubs. The Council takes care of the county business of the 4-H clubs. It meets the first Monday night in every month. The first part of the meeting is a business session, then the program leader usually has a seasonal program. If not the farm or home agent gives a demonstration or discussion of interest to the Council members.

Adult leaders and parents are welcomed to the council meetings.

Each year the council gives subscription to the National 4-H News magazine to each local leader and to each school library.

6. Schedule of Meetings

School principals were contacted and the 4-H schedules worked out with them. Then copies of the schedule were sent to teacher, principals, and 4-H club presidents.

7. Leader System

This county does not have an organized leader system. We are striving for one in the future.

Now each Home Demonstration Club selects a h-H Club leader. These leaders are trained by the Home Agent. In communities where these leaders really function, we have better h-H'ers and more projects carried to completion.

V. MONTHLY PROGRAMS AS EXECUTED

1. Joint Programs

The joint meetings held this year were: May, Health Pageant and Dress Revue; September, Organization and Project Study; December, Christmas Party.

2. Project Programs

One entire meeting was devoted to project study. At this meeting each project was discussed separately, then at odd chances individual help was given.

Judging contests have been very helpful in improving standards. It seems that the more and the keener the competition, the higher the quality of the end product.

Demonstrations given were:

January - Time out for a Good Breakfast
February - Biscuit Mix
March - An Egg a Day the Right Way
April - Improving Hand Ironing
October - The Attractive Bedroom You Can Have
November - Arrangement of My Bedroom
December - Christmas Decorations

The girls showed interest in these demonstrations and asked many questions at the end of them.

VI. PROJECTS

A. Clothing

1. There were 165 girls enrolled in clothing this year with 112 completing. There were 697 garments made and 72 remodeled.

2. The county dress revue was held on May 30, 1952. There were 21 girls competing. The winners were: Junior - 1st place, Daphne Smith; 2nd place, Linda Mallard; 3rd place, Elisabeth Wells. Senior - 1st place, Alta Ann Mallard; 2nd place, Kathleen Stilley; 3rd place, Carol Ann Cox.

The stage was decorated for this occasion with a background of feed bags and a sewing machine with an unfinished feed bag garment placed on it. Background music was played on the piano. Mrs. Harold Mallard was narrator. Mrs. John Hughes Pollock and Mrs. Jack Dixon, former Home Agents, were judges.

Daphne Smith, 1st place junior winner, modeled an outfit of denim play clothes. Her outfit included a jacket, skirt, shirt, shorts, and hat. Her colors were red and blue.

Alta Ann Mallard, 1st place senior winner, modeled a street dress of beige honeycomb chambray with brown saddle stitching around the neckline and sleeves. She wore a beige and brown belt, beige gloves and beige and brown shoes.

B. 4-H Foods and Nutrition

73 girls were enrolled in foods. 32 of these completed. There were 100 meals planned and 78 served.

Carolyn Johnson won the medal by having prepared and served 25 suppers for her family. Carolyn is a 14 year old girl.

Demonstrations given in foods this year were:

January - Time out for a Good Breakfast
February - Biscuit Mix
March - An Egg a Day the Right Way

These demonstrations proved very helpful to the many junior girls who were working on their breakfast units.

C. 4-H Health Improvement

At the beginning of the year Health Improvement check sheets were given to all members. Each boy and girl was urged to check

the improvement made. These check sheets were collected in May and those boys and girls turning them in were called to the health office and examined by Dr. R. P. Jones, County Health Doctor. He picked the health king and queen for 1952 upon basis of improvement in their physical condition.

The County Health Pageant was held on May 30, 1952. County Agent, Bayland Reams, crowned the Kings and Queens. They were:
Junior - Ellen Bender, Queen; Elton Batts, King
Senior - Audrey Phillips, Queen; Jeter Taylor, Jr., King

Audrey and Jeter were in the State Health Pageant during h-H Short Course. Both of them were placed in the blue ribbon group.

In February, Jones County h-H members promoted an auction sale at the Pollocksville school for the benefit of the March of Dimes drive. A total of 180 items were auctioned for a sum of \$124.65. Most of these items were solicited from merchants by h-H members. Others were brought from home by h-H'ers.

Three h-H clubs had educational exhibits on Health at the Jones County Fair. Jones Central 11th and 12th grades won second prize on their "Ladder of Health". The other two exhibits were "Eat the Right Way" and "Nutrition vs Malnutrition".

D. Food Preservation

There were 46 girls enrolled in food preservation and 23 completions. Several girls exhibited some of their canned goods at the fair and won prizes on it.

E. Frozen Foods

There were 6 girls enrolled in frozen foods this year with all six completing. There were 205 quarts and 235 lbs. of food frozen by these six girls.

Interest in freezing is increasing steadily in this county

Many more home freezers have been purchased this year. More girls are interested in how to freeze.

Betty Taylor was winner of the medal again this year but Carol Ann Cox, another senior 4-H'er ran her a close race.

E. 4-H Work in Room Improvement

Eighteen girls enrolled in room improvement projects with 7 completing. Seven rooms were improved and 25 articles made. Several of these projects are long time projects and a new unit is added each year.

I. 4-H Home Management

There were 12 girls enrolled in Home Management with 8 completing. Fifteen units were completed. Demonstration given was: April - Improving Hand Ironing.

L. Home Beautification

There were 5 girls enrolled in this project with three completions. They seeded their lawns and planted shrubbery.

M. Other Projects

1. Home Gardens

There were 15 girls enrolled in gardening with 9 girls completing. The produce from these gardens was used in helping out the family food supply.

2. Poultry

Nine girls were enrolled in a poultry project with 7 completions. 5 of these girls were in the poultry chain and had 12 of her chickens at the 4-H Poultry Show and Sale at the Fair. They averaged \$1.98 per bird.

3. Dairy Cattle

Two girls enrolled in this project with both completing. They showed their calves at the New Bern and Wilmington Dairy Cattle Shows.

h. Forestry

Three girls enrolled in this project with 3 completions.

Each girl set out 1000 cedar seedlings.

XII. SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

1. 4-H Club Week

Jeter Taylor, Audrey Phillips, and Alta Ann Mallard were delegates at 4-H Club week. Alta Ann entered the State Dress Revue. Audrey and Jeter were in the State Health Pageant and were placed in the blue ribbon group.

h. 4-H Church Sunday

Each local church had a special program given by 4-H'ers on 4-H Church Sunday. The services were very inspirational and the attendance was good.

XIV. CAMP

Junior 4-H camp was held at Camp Fisher near New Bern. Sixty two attended this camp. Classes were taught in handicrafts, forestry, and clothing, by Mr. H. M. Ellis, Mr. W. T. Ellison, and Miss Mary Em Lee. At night they enjoyed social recreation led by the Farm and Home Agents.

Leaders for the Head, Heart, Hands, and Health groups were Kathleen Stilley, Alta Ann Mallard, J. W. Gray, and Jeter Taylor, senior 4-H'ers.

Outstanding campers for the week were Jo Ann Simmons and H. L. Adams.

Senior 4-H'ers went to Camp Schaub near Waynesville. There were 21 girls and boys, two adult leaders and the Assistant Farm Agent. Many of these girls and boys had never been to the mountains before and every single one of them said they had a wonderful time and expressed their desire to go back again.

XVII. EXHIBITS

The Pollocksville Junior 4-H Club had an exhibit at the fair on "Nutrition vs Malnutrition". This was a football game with the nutrition players represented with fruits and vegetables and the malnutrition players as candy, cookies and soft drinks. The people in the two sets of bleachers were represented in the same way.

Jones Central 9th and 10th grades had an exhibit at the fair on "Eating the Right Food". This was represented with a healthy looking doll and pictures of the basic 7.

Jones Central 11th and 12th grades had an exhibit at the fair on "The Ladder of Health". This was represented with a ladder and on each step were things necessary for good health with ribbons leading to slogans for each. This exhibit won second prize.

XI. LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

The membership in 4-H Clubs has increased, but there is still room for more increase. One thing I think to help this would be to have more interesting monthly meetings with more participation by the 4-H'ers themselves. We have taken this into consideration in making our 1953 plan of work, with the hopes of having better results.

It is our main desire to get a good leader program organized in this county. This is a long, hard process but we are striving to succeed.