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4-H Club Meetings

THEME I: 4-H IDEALS

"DOCTOR 4-H"

by Mrs. Rosalind A. Redfearn

(A short stunt that is intended to emphasize the need of carrying out the ideals embodied in the 4-H Club Pledge.)

Characters:

- Dr. 4-H - A boy, with professional air
A sick club member - A boy dressed in long bathrobe
Patient's mother - A girl dressed as older woman
Nurse - Wearing white dress and cap.

Scene: Arrange a long table as a bed. Cover with large sheet, use pillow and spread. Let front of the bed linen extend to floor, so that articles for the use of the Doctor can be placed in a chair behind the table, which cannot be seen by audience. (Enter Mother and Nurse supporting sick club member, wearing bath robe, who is groaning as if in terrible pain.)

Nurse: Don't worry so, son, we will soon have you in bed and everything will be all right.

Mother: Oh, my poor boy, he is suffering so badly. I can't understand what's the matter with him. Do hurry up, Nurse, and call Doctor 4-H. I know he can help my child. (They get the patient in bed and while the mother pets him and adjusts the covers, the nurse goes to telephone and

calls Dr. 4-H, urging him to come at once. Dr. 4-H comes in, carrying a large satchel with the words "Dr. 4-H" on outside in large white letters. The satchel is equipped with a hand saw, butcher knife, long round stick for thermometer, large box of pills, brown bottle for "Sunshine" Medicine, blue bottle of "Loyalty". Doctor goes up to patient, who moans and groans.)

Doctor: There, there, son, you'll soon be all right. Let's see your tongue. (Looks at tongue and then puts stick in his mouth for thermometer. Takes out stick and looks at it in amazement.) My gracious, you do have a high temperature. Let's see what's the matter with your head. Must be something wrong on the inside. (Takes out an auger and pretends to bore a hole in side of head. Looks inside and exclaims.) Why, madam, his brain is mildewed. It has never been trained in the right way. (Shakes boy's head and pretends to get a cup of sawdust.) Well, just look, his head is full of sawdust, too. No wonder he cannot think. But we'll fix him up all right. (Rearranges boy's head on pillow. Gets out large box of pills, hands to nurse and says) Give him one of these Brain pills every morning before he goes to school and every night after supper. It will make him like to study and read, and his head will soon be trained to clearer thinking.

Doctor: Well, let's see about his Heart. (The Doctor stoops and listens at patient's heart, jumps up astonished.) Why, I can't even hear it beating! It must be stopped! He's almost gone! (At this point the Mother faints and the nurse and doctor place her in a chair fanning her. The patient groans again.)

Doctor: Well the best thing to do is to operate and find out what's wrong with his heart. (He takes a long knife, pretending to make incision with difficulty and lifts out a large red ball.)

Doctor: My, my, his heart is all wrong too.

I can't find any generosity, loyalty or truth. (Turns it around and looks at it saying) It is full of envy, jealousy and bitterness. This will never do. (Shakes head and pretends to put heart back, opens patients eyes and feels pulse to see if he still lives. Takes out large blue bottle and hands to nurse saying) This is a bottle of 4-H Loyalty. Give him a tablespoonful three times a day. It will make him smile, be happy and love everybody and his heart will grow in good deeds. (Doctor takes up patient's hands. Feels pulse, looks at hands.)

Doctor: Why this boy's hands are soft like a girl's. I don't believe he knows how to work, he has not trained his hands for service. We had better take one off, if he is not going to use his hands. (Doctor brings out his saw, and pretends to saw hand off. Mother comes up crying and wrenching her hands and says)

Mother: Oh, Doctor, please don't take it off. I know he will try to do better. Let's give him a chance.

Doctor: Well, in that case, I have some medicine here called Sunshine Tonic. I want you to be sure to give him a cup full every day. This will make him love to work and look after his projects and his hands will be trained for larger service. If he sticks to it long enough he might become a county agent some day! (Mother takes bottle and smiles happily. Nurse rearranges covers and pats boy on the head while Mother and Doctor are talking.)

Doctor: (Turns to patient and says) We must see what's wrong with his health. (Thumps his stomach and says) Why this is a terrible condition. What in the world has he been eating? Nurse, hand me my tools. (Nurse hands long knife, then stands by with pan in her hand. Doctor pretends to cut crosswise and up and down. Boy groans terribly. Doctor looks inside and says) Just as I expected, he has been eating everything he ought not to eat. (Reaches in and draws up red ball exclaiming) Candy (Draws out roll of picture wire, stretching it out) Well, just look--chewing gum. (Draws out handful of peanuts, some hot dogs. Holds up for audience to see.) (Nurse takes articles and puts in pan.)

Doctor: Well, let's see what else is wrong. (Stoops over pretending to peer into the cavity, looks up impatiently.) Don't this boy ever drink milk? All I can see is Coca-Cola and Coffee.

Mother: He just won't drink milk, Doctor.

Doctor: Well, give it to him anyhow. Make him some ice cream, boiled custard and soup. (Doctor takes long needle and pretends to sew up the incision while the nurse straightens covers and rubs patient's head.)

Doctor: I don't know what is going to become of this younger generation if they won't work, won't drink milk, and don't have any ambitions. (Turning to Mother saying) You must look after this boy's food habits better. (Hands Mother a basket containing fruits, vegetables, bottles of milk, and eggs.) Madam, see that this boy gets some of these every day. Give him a useful 4-H Club project, some chickens, a pig, an acre of corn or something useful to do, and encourage him in every way you can. He's a fine fellow and I think he will soon be all right.

(Mother takes Doctor's hand and says)

Mother: O, thank you so much, Doctor 4-H. I feel that you have saved my boy's life. (Nurse helps Doctor put up tools, Doctor tells them goodbye and departs. Patient calls Mother. Mother and Nurse rush to him as he says.)

Patient: I am going to get up. (Sits up and stretches. Jumps off of bed saying) I feel like a new person. I am glad the Dr. found out all my faults and bad habits! I have resolved to renew my club pledge and try to carry out everything it means! (Boy stands and repeats)

I PLEDGE:

My Head to clearer Thinking,
My Heart to greater Loyalty,
My Hands to larger Service, and
My Health to better Living,
for my club, my community and my country.

(All go off of stage)

(NOTE: Action in this stunt should be snappy. All articles needed for the "Operation" placed in chair behind the bed, or under the sheet.)

THEME II. THE 4-H CLUB

It is suggested that this program be given at a meeting early in the year. The setting should be simple to illustrate two club members meeting on the school campus. Where the two champions speak, it would be advisable to have outstanding club members in any project tell how they conducted their projects, kept the record, and what it means to them.

INTRODUCTION: We are all very proud of our 4-H Club and we would like to know more about it. This skit which we are presenting at our first 4-H meeting of the year will help give us some important facts about 4-H work in our county and make us appreciate the 4-H Club even more.

PLAYLET

Wade: Hello, Gloria.

Gloria: Hello, Wade.

Wade: Where are you going in such a hurry?

Gloria: I am going to the 4-H Club meeting; aren't you going?

Wade: No, I am not a member. I have heard 4-H mentioned but I just don't know what the 4-H Club is all about.

Gloria: You mean to say that you live in _____ County and don't know what the 4-H Club is all about?

Wade: That's right.

Gloria: Oh, you've missed a lot. Let me tell you a few things. 4-H Club work is that part of the Agricultural Extension Service which serves rural youth. Young people between the ages of 10 and 21 in a community organize themselves into a group with their own officers and own local program. Each member has an individual project on the farm or in the home. They raise livestock, crops, make clothing, prepare foods, etc. They have camps, plays, games, songs, exhibits, tours, hikes, and social meetings. They work and play together. They learn to cooperate with each other. The county Extension agents help to organize the clubs and supervise their activities.

Wade: Well, Gloria, that sounds all right.

Do the 4-H's in the emblem stand for anything in particular?

Gloria: Yes, the 4-H's stand for head, heart, hands, and health. I can further explain that by use of the Club pledge which goes like this:

I pledge:

My Head to clearer thinking,
My Heart to greater loyalty,
My Hands to larger service, and
My Health to better living
For my Club, my community, and
my country.

Wade: If you live up to that pledge you will be a well rounded citizen of our community.

Gloria: Yes, that is the real objective of 4-H Club work - to teach us to become better citizens. We are proud of our motto, too.

Wade: What is that?

Gloria: It is "To Make the Best Better."

Wade: That sounds like a fine organization. Do you have many members?

Gloria: Oh yes, I am glad you asked that.

We have about _____ members in our clubs in _____ County alone, and 133, 251 in the 100 counties in North Carolina. The 4-H Club is the largest rural youth organization in the world! There are 4-H members in all the 48 states, Puerto Rico, Hawaii, Alaska, and many other countries throughout the world.

Wade: I had no idea the 4-H Club organization was so large. What do you do at your meetings?

Gloria: The boys and girls usually meet jointly for a short program which we plan ourselves. We have a devotional, our 4-H pledge, some songs, and usually present a skit or program with several of the club members taking part. This may introduce the demonstration that our agents will present later in the meeting. And, of course, we have our minutes and conduct any business necessary. Then we separate and our home agent takes the girls and our farm agent takes the boys for a demonstration on how to do some job on the farm and in the home better. One of the demonstrations we have had this year that I liked very much was on home beautification. This was teaching us to make our home a more

attractive place to live by the use of shrubs and trees. Sometimes we give demonstrations ourselves. Sue Martin gave her dairy food demonstration at the last meeting.

Wade: Your meetings really sound very interesting. You mentioned awhile ago that each member has an individual project. What are some of them?

Gloria: Oh, we have lots of different ones.

The boys have livestock projects, such as baby beef, hogs, dairy cows, and chickens.

Wade: Don't the girls sometimes have one of these livestock projects?

Gloria: Yes, they do. I even have a baby beef this year myself; and it was a girl, Mary Jane Rogers, who showed the grand champion last year at the Fat Stock Show; and I know another girl who is hoping to having the grand champion this year.

Wade: You couldn't be thinking of a girl named Gloria Taylor, could you?

Gloria: Well - Maybe! You were asking about projects, weren't you. Besides the livestock project the boys also carry crops projects such as peanuts, tobacco, cotton, and corn. I believe I see our county corn champion coming now. Maybe Billy will tell us about his prize acre of corn.

(Corn Champion tells how he raised his corn, kept his record, and what it means to him.)

Wade: Billy certainly did well on his project didn't he? Just think, he made over 100 bu. of corn to the acre and the county average was only about _____ bushels per acre.

Gloria: Some of our girls have done outstanding work in their projects too.

Wade: What are the girls' projects?

Gloria: They are cooking, canning, freezing foods, room improvement, and sewing.

I think I see Edith Rogerson who was our county clothing achievement winner.

Maybe she can tell you a little about her project.

(Clothing Achievement winner speaks)

Wade: Gee Whiz, a girl that can sew like that will certainly make somebody a good wife!

Gloria: She can also cook, for she was county winner in food preparation too.

Wade: Did your club have any other activities?

Gloria: Surely, we had lots of other activities.

We have had several recreational nights in different communities. We attended 4-H Camp at _____ last June and are going again next summer. We usually have a county-wide picnic during the summer and we attend 4-H Club Week at State College in Raleigh. We also have a 4-H Church Sunday program when 4-H members are in charge of the service. We have a county 4-H Council which meets once each month in the Agricultural Building. It includes all the officers of each club. We help plan our local 4-H programs, have some wonderful speakers, and have recreation at every other meeting. It gives training in conducting meetings, and we get to know 4-H members from all over the county. Last year we put on an exhibit at the State Fair on the theme of Better Living through the use of Electricity. Thanks to the Kiwanis Club several boys now own purebred hogs. These boys got their start through the Pig Chain. We also have an Achievement Day each fall when the winners in the different projects receive awards.

Wade: That sounds like there is really something to the 4-H Club. I'd love to belong. I like wildlife; couldn't I take it as a project?

Gloria: You certainly can and it is really worthwhile. The county winner gets a free trip to the State 4-H Wildlife Camp, too. You can take a project in almost anything you want since boys carry farm and home safety, tractor maintenance, garden, soil conservation, and forestry, as well as the crop and livestock projects we mentioned.

Wade: I think I will go with you and join the 4-H Club, and you can bet I'll be working to be an outstanding club member.

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There is no exercise better for the heart than reaching down and lifting people up. -John Andrew Holmes

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DEVOTIONALS

Devotionals can and should be made very reverent for your 4-H Club meetings. They should be exceptionally well planned and should afford an inspiration and a challenge to everyone present.

Included may be scripture, a prayer and a story, a poem, a talk, a few worth-while thoughts, etc.

Sample I

And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and Man. --Luke 2:52

NATIONAL 4-H CLUB CREED

I believe in 4-H Club work for the opportunity it will give me to become a useful citizen.

I believe in the training of my Head for the power it will give me to think, to plan and to reason.

I believe in the training of my Heart for the nobleness it will give me to become kind, sympathetic, and true.

I believe in the training of my Hands for the dignity it will give me to be helpful, useful, and skillful.

I believe in the training of my Health for the strength it will give me to enjoy life, to resist disease, and to work efficiently.

I believe in my country, my state, my community, and in my responsibility for their development.

In all these things I believe, and I am willing to dedicate my efforts to their fulfillment.

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Give us grateful hearts, our Father, for all Thy blessings; help us to be more worthy members in our homes and more responsible citizens in our communities; make us mindful of those in need; give us strength to do our full part; relieve the suffering of the world; and grant peace in our time. Amen.

Sample II

O give thanks unto the Lord; for He is good; for His Mercy endureth forever.
Psalm 136:1

We thank thee, Lord, for many things,
For family, friends, and homes so dear,
For churches, schools, and happiness,
For peace and health all thru the year.
And as we lift our hearts we say
"We thank Thee for Thanksgiving Day."
Amen.

--by Laura B. Young

TREASURES IN LIFE'S ENRICHMENT
by Shirley Brown

(Shirley, while a delegate at National 4-H Club Camp in June 1952, gave this message to the National Camp delegates when they assembled for their Sunday morning worship in the Chapel of the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland.)

"As 4-H Club members we have always been aware of its many values, but as we look at these treasures from an over-all standpoint we find that from our participation in 4-H activities comes a way of life with equal development - mentally, socially, physically, and spiritually.

"Our mental growth is greatly increased by the study of our government at functions such as National 4-H Camp. There club members learn to think through discussion groups and to express themselves on affairs of national and international importance. They learn the part that is ours to play in building a better state, a better nation, and a better world.

"National 4-H Camp and such activities are surely important phases in the social part of club work. Most of us come to Washington knowing our own delegation, but how many of us will go home with a great many more new faces and names whom we call our 4-H friends? The ability to live, work and play together for mutual benefit is certainly an asset in all our lives.

"4-H Club work plays an important part in our physical development. Through recreational programs such as we've had at National Camp and our 4-H camps at home, our bodies grow. The close association with the great out-of-doors at 4-H Camp builds, not only our physical, but our spiritual bodies as well.

"The spiritual part of 4-H Club work is represented by the Heart H. Probably this is the most important treasure which club members receive for without it, it would be impossible to realize any of the others. We are glad that the 4-H Club gives us a chance for spiritual enlightenment.

"Through our Church Sunday programs club members are given an opportunity to take an active part in the affairs of the Church. The purpose of these programs is not to publicize 4-H Club work, but rather to broaden the influence of the church in each community.

"What could be more impressive to a 4-H'er than a sunset vesper service at camp or the beautiful glow of the many candles at a candlelighting ceremony?

"Then, too, there are the many special programs in club work, such as the opening service of National Camp or the dedication of the National 4-H Center, which will surely leave lasting impressions on us as 4-H members.

"The character building 4-H projects and activities add to the numerous life's extras which we receive. They go together to build more spiritually centered individuals, homes, and communities.

"We are fortunate as 4-H members to be able to work together and to achieve so many of life's extras.

"From these treasures may we obtain a balanced, fourfold way of life - mentally, socially, physically, and spiritually. May

we never forget the important part of the Heart H in our lives and may we always cherish the treasures in life's enrichment obtained from 4-H Club activities as lovely things, for as the poet wrote:

'Into my heart's treasury
I slipped a coin
That time can not take
Nor a thief purloin,
Oh, better than the minting
Of a gold-crowned king
Is the safe kept memory
Of a lovely thing."

Sample III

Luke 2:1-14

The Lord's Prayer in Unison

The Christmas Story (See Poet's Corner)

'1952 STATE FAIR' 4-H EXHIBITS

Two counties from each of the six Extension districts have been selected to plan and arrange the twelve booths exhibiting 4-H Club work in North Carolina. These counties with the subjects chosen are:

Gaston	- Y. M. W. Activities
Cherokee	- Handicraft
Forsyth	- Soil & Water Conservation
Mecklenburg	- International Farm Youth Exchange Project
Warren	- 4-H Organization
Graham	- Dairy Foods
Montgomery	- 4-H Chains
Martin	- Tractor Maintenance
Chowan	- Entomology
-6- New Hanover	- 4-H Adult Leaders
Yadkin	- Personal Grooming
Beaufort	- Improved Ironing

SPECIAL INTEREST ACTIVITIES

ACHIEVEMENT DAY

- A. The usual observance of National 4-H Achievement Week has been changed to that of National 4-H Achievement Day, and this observance will be held on November 8. Throughout the entire nation the year's 4-H achievements will be accented on this date.
- B. Have you evaluated the 4-H Achievement Day Program held in your county last year? Studying its good and bad points will help to make this year's program a better one.

SCORE CARD FOR MEASURING A COUNTY 4-H ACHIEVEMENT DAY PROGRAM

Items to Check	Possible Score	Score Made
1. <u>Planning</u> . Was the program planned one or two months in advance? Were plans for the program presented to the 4-H County Council? Were committees for planning the program set up at the 4-H County Council? Did the various committees meet to make definite plans for the program and do their respective duties? Was the program held at an hour that did not conflict with other county events?	20	
2. <u>Publicity</u> . Did all the club members, parents, and adult 4-H leaders know about the time, place and program of the meeting? Was it advertised by newspaper, radio, television, telephone, letter or postal card, or at other meetings? Was a news item about the meeting given to the papers after it was held? Were newspaper editors and photographers invited to the meeting? Was a report of the program given by club members at local club meetings and County Council?	10	
3. <u>Meeting Place</u> . Was the room an appropriate size for the number in attendance? Was the room properly ventilated and heated, or otherwise made comfortable? Were seating arrangements satisfactory? Was lighting adequate? Was the room decorated to portray a 4-H Club atmosphere? Were the acoustics or amplifying system good enough to enable the speaker to be heard over the entire room?	10	
4. <u>The Program</u> . Were the officers ready? Did all committees do their respective jobs - reception, refreshments, etc.? Did the meeting center around a 4-H thought? Were 4-H songs included on the program? Did the president start the meeting on time and keep it moving? Did all the officers do their respective duties? Were club members, clubs, parents, and adult 4-H leaders recognized by presentation		

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of certificates or in some other way? Were special committees thanked? Was a printed program given each person attending? Did the meeting close on time?

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5. Participation. Was there an opportunity for 4-H Club members, parents, and adult leaders to contribute to the meeting? Did those on the program know of their parts for at least a month in advance so as to allow time for preparation? Did the majority of the club members and their parents attend? Were all organized 4-H Clubs represented? Were the majority of the adult 4-H leaders in attendance? Did representatives of sponsoring or cooperative groups and agencies have an opportunity to contribute to the program? Did appointed committees of club members and adult leaders function?

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6. Education. Did each person in attendance have an opportunity to learn something of the value of 4-H Club work?

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7. Enjoyment. Were all in attendance made welcome? Was the program entertaining as well as educational?

PARENTS AND 4-H CLUB WORK

"Leaders Kindle 4-H Flame . . .
Parents Help Keep It Burning"

1. Value of Parental Interest in and Support of Children in 4-H Projects and Activities. The wholehearted cooperation of parents is essential for continued growth and permanency of 4-H Club work. These parental traits spur the 4-H Club members on to greater accomplishments.
2. What Parents Can Do To Help 4-H. Together with 4-H Club members discuss a project before it is selected. Become familiar with the over-all 4-H program. Plan with club members time for projects and other activities, the supervision of the 4-H work, and the management of time and money involved. Furnish money to begin a project. Provide transportation to and from 4-H events. Know the projects and activities being conducted by the club members. Encourage record keeping. Help select adult 4-H leaders. Assist with 4-H planning.
3. How Extension Workers Can Help Parents Understand 4-H. Include representative parents when making 4-H plans. Visit the homes of club members. Extend invitations to parents to visit the county Extension office. Invite parents to special 4-H events as 4-H Church Sunday, Achievement Day, etc. Send circular letters to parents of all club members perhaps when club members are enrolled and again at close of the year. Hold special meeting of parents to discuss club work. Familiarize the parents with the over-all 4-H program.
4. How Adult 4-H Leaders Can Promote Parent-4-H Club Member Relationship. The following example is one definite way. A county 4-H leader for home demonstration clubs appeared before her quarterly home demonstration county council meeting and discussed "The Parents Part In 4-H Club Work." She asked a key person in each of the clubs to return and make a similar report before the 27 organized home

demonstration clubs of the county. Immediately following the council this leader wrote the following letter and mailed a copy to each of the 4-H leaders representing the 27 clubs:

"Dear 4-H Leader for Home Demonstration Clubs:

You are to give a report on "The Parents Part in 4-H Club Work" at your April home demonstration club meeting. This is very important because there are _____ 4-H Club girls in _____ County. I plan to take five minutes to present this to my club members and I plan to use the following outline as a guide:

- I. Before going to the club meeting I am going to study the two booklets -
 - a. "Parents Part in 4-H Club Work" - General Mills, Inc.
 - b. "Parents Part in 4-H Club Work" - N. C. State College, Club Series No. 13
- II. At the club meeting (talk - not read):
 - a. Ask questions and let members answer:
 1. How many of you are parents of 4-H Club members?
 2. Will all who are adult 4-H leaders for girls raise their hands?
 3. Do you know the girls in your community who are 4-H Club members?
 4. Do you know the 4-H Club work these girls are conducting?
 5. Have you invited a 4-H Club girl to your home demonstration club to give a 4-H demonstration or tell of her work?
 6. Do you know the project being conducted by your daughter?
 - b. What can parents do to promote 4-H Club Work?
 1. Know the projects being carried by the 4-H Club member.
 2. Develop a sense of ownership.
Does Mary have the money to buy the paint to refinish her room, material for a dress, a trip to camp, etc. Never let Mary's chicks become mother's hens - interest and enthusiasm in 4-H Club work can be lost from this.
 3. Encourage the girl in her 4-H Club work and assist her with her responsibilities, but do not do the work for her.
 4. Know the requirements for the completion of a year's 4-H Club work.
A girl must complete at least one project other than health improvement and submit her completed 4-H record book to the home agent's office by September 15.
 5. Provide transportation to and from special 4-H Club activities.
 6. Jointly with Mary discuss her 4-H project work with her adult 4-H leader and the extension agents.
 7. Jointly with Mary invite the adult 4-H leader and the extension agents to visit the 4-H project.

No matter how interested and ambitious Mary may be she needs the parents' cooperation and support to obtain her goal and "To Make The Best Better."

Sincerely,

Co. 4-H Leader for Home
Demonstration Clubs

This example can be applied to boys, too.

5. How Extension Workers Can Recognize 4-H Parents. Invite parents to 4-H recognition luncheons and banquets. Mention parents' names in newspaper articles and give credit to parent leadership. Invite parents to appear on radio and other programs. Give special recognition and appreciation to parents at such events as county 4-H Achievement Day. Ask parents for their ideas and use their ideas. Select a 4-H Club Mother and Father of the Year.
6. Leaflets and Bulletins on 4-H Parents.

The Parents Part in 4-H Club Work. N. C. State College Extension Service Club Series #13

Parents and 4-H Club Work. USDA, PA-95

Parents Part in 4-H Club Work. General Mills, Inc., Minneapolis 15, Minn.

"Partners In Progress" - by Thomas A. Farrell, President, Dearborn Motors Birmingham, Michigan

Parents and adult 4-H leaders were given a special invitation to attend. In fact, the evening's program was a family affair that opened with a picnic supper with the leaders in charge.

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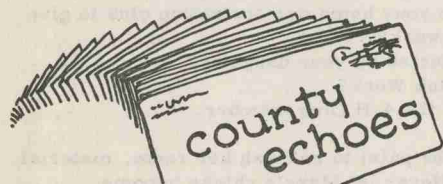
ORANGE

PENNY CARNIVAL: The 4-H County Council sponsored a penny carnival at the St. Marys Grange. The Grange Hall was divided into booths consisting of "penny pitching," "go fishing," "bob apples," "fortune teller," "buy chances on cakes," "house of horror," "bingo," and square dancing. Each person was given a number on arrival and numbers were called at the end of the evening for door prizes. Cakes and pies given by 4-H Club members, leaders, and parents were auctioned off. Bingo was one of the highlights of the evening. The games were divided between games for children and games for adults. Prizes were donated by local firms. Approximately 200 persons came during the evening to enjoy the fun, fellowship, and recreation.

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CHOWAN


4-H COUNTY COUNCIL: Chowan County in an attempt to attach more importance and



GRANVILLE

ACHIEVEMENT DAY PLANS: Granville County 4-H Club members and adult 4-H leaders assisted with the planning of the annual county 4-H Achievement Day program plans last year. Ann McIntosh of the Senior Creedmoor club wrote the county 4-H report as a skit. It was very educational and was interestingly presented by Ann and several 4-H Club boys and girls. William Shackelford, 1948 IFYE delegate to Great Britain, was guest speaker. A 4-H atmosphere prevailed throughout the program. Club members who appeared on the program were dressed in uniform, the printed programs featured a 4-H idea, and the room in which the event was held was decorated to carry out the 4-H motif. 4-H Club members led the group in recreation following the recognition of the county winners and adult 4-H leaders.

honor to being a member of the 4-H County Council has come up with a unique idea. The following is a sample pocket-size card that identifies each member of the council. This is, in another small way, something that will add to the prestige of attaining a greater honor in 4-H Club work. It tends to build interest for the responsibility that is attached to being a member of the Council.

 <p>TO MAKE THE BEST BETTER</p> <p>This is to Certify that</p> <hr style="width: 30%; margin: auto;"/> <p>is a member of the <u>Chowan County 4-H</u> Council for the year 19<u> </u>.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Agent</p>
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ANSON

THE 4-H COUNTY COUNCIL in Anson County is making a special effort to assist the county and home agents in securing project records for the 1952 club year. The Council members voted on August 6 to give a weiner roast and square dance for club members from the school that turns in the largest number of completed records. This, they feel, will certainly encourage some club members to turn in records who have not been submitting them in the past.

IREDELL

4-H FOOD BOOTH: The Iredell County Fairgrounds just outside Statesville is slated to come up with a new look very soon.

Assistant County Agent Rowe McNeely says that the local 4-H'ers are busy now trying to raise money enough to pay for a 28'x11' shed on the end of the judging arena and a 11'x12' screened-in kitchen. This new kitchen will be complete with hot and cold running water, sink, stove, plenty of shelves and counter space. They have even planned space for a refrigerator which they hope to add to the kitchen before too long.

For many years now the Iredell 4-H'ers

have been serving sandwiches and drinks at many functions held at the Fairgrounds but they have been hampered by the lack of equipment. The new food booth will be a boon to their business. They plan to raise the money to pay for the booth, in addition to helping to raise \$3,000 for other arena improvements.

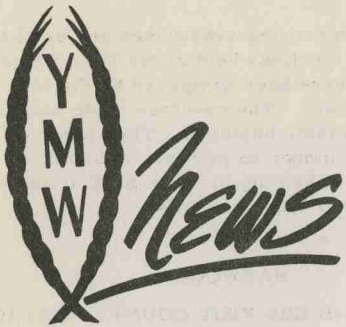
HAYWOOD

TEXAS 4-H'ERS VISIT COUNTY: July 10-17 was devoted to a series of activities entertaining 44 Denton County, Texas 4-H Club members and leaders who were completing the intersectional exchange started in July, 1951. Boys and girls were placed in the homes of 4-H Club members, assignments being made from information presented by the Texas Extension leaders in order to pair off the groups as satisfactorily as possible. The seven days were filled with tours, picnics, and different forms of recreation.

In evaluating the exchange the people of Haywood County continue to feel that this is an excellent means whereby boys and girls are given an incentive for better project work and superior sportsmanship and citizenship in order to be included in these activities. The exchange offers excellent educational opportunities and firsthand information as to how the other part of the country lives. Also, there is that final appreciation for your own home county. They feel that such projects as these are excellent means for seeking cooperation and interest from local civic organizations, without whose assistance the exchange could not have been so successful.

They say that God is everywhere, and yet we always think of Him as somewhat of a recluse.

- Emily Dickinson.



ANNUAL CONFERENCE IS HELD AT MILLSTONE 4-H CAMP

Those of you who were unable to attend the annual YMW Conference missed a weekend of fun, fellowship, and inspiration. It was not a large group of young men and women that met at Camp Millstone on the afternoon of August 29, but a more wide-awake group of farm youth could not be found. Delegates and extension agents from Carteret in the east to Buncombe in Western North Carolina, with delegates from 18 other counties dotted over the state, met together there. Buncombe County's Barnardsville YMW Club led in number of delegates with seven club members and an agent.

The 1952 officers, J. B. McLawhorn and Kay Sugg from Greene County, Marion Britt of Bladen, and Mildred Rhyme of Gaston, did a splendid job of conducting the meetings. The discussion leaders could not have been better. These leaders included Mr. Lonnie Powell of the N. C. Recreation Commission; the Reverend J. H. Overton, Jr., Director of the State College Wesley Foundation; and Mr. G. L. Carter, Youth Editor for Farm and Ranch. Mr. George Foster from the USDA in Washington also attended a part of the conference. And, of course, Mr. Harrill and all the assistant state 4-H leaders were there to ably assist in every way possible. The Millstone 4-H Camp staff stayed to help with recreation and swimming, and the kitchen staff provided good meals three times a day.

The following officers for 1953 were elected: President - D. R. Lineberger, Gaston; Vice President - Jack Boswell, Columbus; Secretary-Treasurer - Kay Sugg, Greene; Historian - Marion Britt, Bladen.

The RURAL YOUTH TALK MEET on Monday afternoon attracted much attention. Seven delegates competed for the honor of representing North Carolina at the National Rural Youth Talk Meet to be held in connection with the National Farm Bureau Convention in Seattle, Wash. in December. Winner of this talk meet and the free trip to Seattle was Hugh Griffin, Jr. of Reidsville. The topic this year, "Who Shall Speak for Farmers," is a challenging one.

Very soon suggestions which have come out of this conference for YMW organizations will be mimeographed and sent to agents.

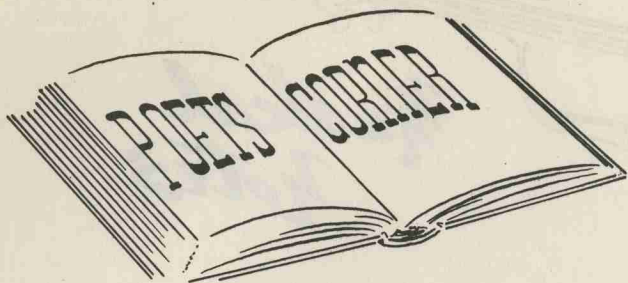
Every YMW Club in the state and every county now planning the organization of a new one should put in their plans for next year a trip to the annual Conference.

NORTH CAROLINA DELEGATES ATTEND VIRGINIA LEADERSHIP TRAINING CAMP

State YMW officers J. B. McLawhorn, Kay Sugg and Marion Britt, and Beulah Collier, president of the Bladen County YMW Club, accompanied by Dan F. Holler, assistant State Club Leader, attended the Virginia Leadership Training Camp for young men and women which was held at Camp Farrar, August 13-17.

The conference included instruction in parliamentary procedure, the part of youth in the community, YMW program plans, program methods, song leadership, hobbies and crafts, recreation leadership, and photography. As a part of the recreation swimming was available at Virginia Beach and tours to local points of interest and a deep sea fishing trip were arranged.

The N. C. delegates represented the state well and picked up ideas which may be used in planning next year's North Carolina YMW Conference.



FOR A DAY PROGRAM

The 4-H Club has lots to do.
We set our aim and go right through.
We meet, we work, we play, and try
to do better day by day.

Our creed names honor, allegiance, too.
There are always good things for us
to do.

A cheering word, a helpful hand,
Help to make a better land.

We strive to make our heads think
clearer,
And train our hearts to be much
purer.

So with your help and loyalty,
We hope to prove what you'd like us
to be.

--by Carolyn Powell, Maryland

THANKSGIVING

Not for the richer things of life
Do we give thanks
But for those sweet simple joys:
The holy gifts of friendship;
The smiles and love of those dear
ones who care and understand
And tho our thanks are given
For fruitful lands,
The harvest's golden yield
Yet our deepest gratitude
Is felt for simple joys,
For kindly home folk
And friends who understand.

--Violet Thomas Hartmann.

THE CHRISTMAS STORY

I will tell you a beautiful story,
One that is ever new
Of our Saviour's birth in Bethlehem,
We all love the story, too.

The town with pilgrims was crowded
When Joseph and Mary appear.
The innkeeper cruelly told them,
"There is no room for you here."

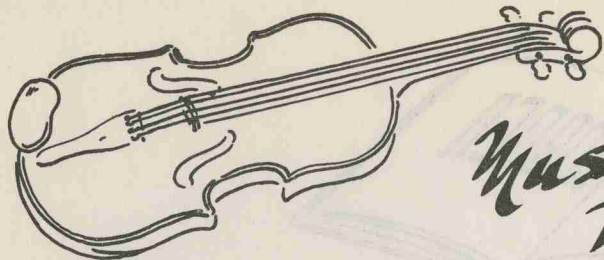
Nearby was a shelter for Cattle,
A place quite dismal and old.
And there in a manger so humble
The Christ Child lay, we are told.

Then arose that night in heaven,
A star so bright and clear,
It guided the steps of the Wise Men
With their gifts both precious and
dear.

There they knelt at the feet of Mary,
Humble and true and still,
To offer their tribute to Jesus,
Who bringeth us peace and
goodwill.

May that star send its glad tidings,
To all in 4-H Club this year
With the Message the Christ Child
has given
Peace to all, love and good cheer.

---Author unknown.



Musical Notes

DIXIE LAND

I wish I was in de land of cotton, Old times dar am not forgotten,
Look a-way! Look a-way! Look a-way! Dixie Land.
In Dixie Land whar I was born in, Early on one frosty mornin',
Look a-way! Look a-way! Look a-way! Dixie Land.

CHORUS

Den I wish I was in Dixie, Hoo-ray! Hoo-ray!
In Dixie Land I'll take my stand, To lib and die in Dixie,
Away, A-way, A-way down south in Dixie
A-way, A-way, A-way down south in Dixie.

Young Dan Emmett was "end-man" in a minstrel show which, long before a comedy film made people laugh, was the funniest show anywhere to be seen.

But one season Dan Emmett just couldn't be funny. He had come up from a trip through the sunny south and the cold of the north was getting on his nerves. He was doing his best to amuse his New York audience and, what was more important, his manager.

On one stormy Saturday night, when Emmett was feeling particularly low, the manager came to him and said, "Dan, we'll have to have a new hooray song right away. You get one ready for rehearsal Monday morning."

Monday morning! It was then late Saturday night. But the manager was not to be put off. "Monday morning for rehearsal," he insisted.

Downhearted, Dan Emmett turned toward his lodging house. The wind of the street set him shivering. With a disgusted shrug he exclaimed, "New York! Oh, I wish I was in Dixie!" As he hurried along he repeated the wish over and over to himself until without knowing it he was half singing the words in time to his hurrying footsteps.

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THE SPIDER SONG

Along came a spider and climbed up the spout
Down came the rain and washed the spider out
Out came the sun and dried up the rain
and the tency little spider,
Climbed up the spout again.

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GIVE ME THAT NEW 4-H SPIRIT

(Tune: The Old Time Religion)

It is good when we are working
It is good when we are working
It is good when we are working
Its good enough for me

(Chorus)

It is good when we are playing
It is good when we are playing
It is good when we are playing
Its good enough for me

(Chorus)

It is good for our club
It is good for our club
It is good for our club
Its good enough for me

Chorus:

Give me that new 4-H spirit
Give me that new 4-H spirit
Give me that new 4-H spirit
Its good enough for me

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WE BELIEVE IN THE SOUTH

(Tune: Revive us Again)

We believe in the South, we believe in her strong,
We will talk her and praise her and boost her along,
Carolina, shout her out now,
Carolina, again.
Carolina, whoop her up now,
You club boys and girls.

Carolina sure smiles, there is pep in the air,
'Tis because they are doing the great big things there,
Carolina shout her out now,
Carolina, again.
Carolina, whoop her up now,
You club boys and girls.



JUST ONE WORD

Place the following letters in any order, on the wall or floor. D E J N O O R S T U W.
Ask the players to re-arrange the letters to spell "just one word." If they give up,
arrange the letter to spell the three words. "Just One Word."

APPLE PEELING CONTEST

Give each contestant an apple and a knife. Let two leaders choose sides and see which
teams can peel their apples first not breaking the peeling.

THE BALLOON BUSTER

Two contestants, each with a balloon, face each other. One is to blow his balloon as long
as the other talks. As soon as the latter pauses, the reverse is true. Game continues
until one breaks his balloon. Talk on such topics as: Are red-headed men quieter than
red-headed women?

GHOST COAST

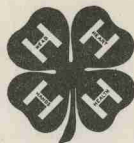
In a circle at one end of the room set half as many unhusked ears of corn as there are
guests. Each ear is balanced on the floor on its outspread husks, and is numbered. Girls
and boys draw from a large hollow pumpkin slips of paper numbered in duplicate, and
meet each other as partners at the ear of corn bearing the corresponding number.

ORIGINAL SANTA CLAUS

Divide your guests into two groups. In front of each group place an armless and legless
Santa Claus drawn on heavy cardboard. The members of both teams are supplied with all
the various parts to complete their Santa Claus - such as eyes, nose, feet, arms, ears and
so forth. On a signal, the first person in each is blindfolded; both are given their parts of
the Santa Claus and told to pin them where they belong. When number one returns, number
two in each team carries on. The judges decide which group has done the better job of
completing their Santa Claus.

CHRISTMAS POEM

Write out the well-known poem, "The Night Before Christmas," on slips of paper, one line
to a slip. Separate the odd lines from the even lines, and give the odd slips to the men,
and the even ones to the women. Announce that each player is to find the person holding the
line that rhymes with his. It may be a good idea to have the poem posted, so reference
may be made to it.



THE CLUB PLEDGE

I PLEDGE:

My Head to clearer thinking;

My Heart to greater loyalty;

My Hands to larger service; and

My Health to better living for

My Club, my Community, and my Country.

THE CLUB MOTTO:

"To Make the Best Better."

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