CLUB MEMBER HELPS GET APPROPRIATION

(By Evan W. Hall)

Earl Cardinal, boy president of the St. Onge Holstein club was appointed by the directors of the Lawrence County Farm Bureau as one of the members of the farm bureau committee to interview the county commissioners on January 4, for the purpose of requesting the annual appropriation for agricultural extension work. Earl called on the commissioners with the committee on this date and talked to them about the value of the live-stock club work and especially the work of the Holstein club at St. Onge.

After the regular meeting, the chairman of the county board had a personal talk with Earl and asked him a number of questions regarding his club work. Earl was very positive in his statements regarding the value of extension work in its relation to the club work in Lawrence county. The commissioners did not question the value of the work and appropriated the full amount allowed by the extension law. They felt that the training it gave the boys and girls was worth the price of the work.

The directors of the farm bureau feel that the boys and girls are a part of the directing force of the extension work in the county and must take part of the responsibility for the work and its costs. The Lawrence County Farm Bureau and the county commissioners feel that the boys' and girls' work is the most important part of our extension work in the county. We want to train the boys and girls in taking responsibility and running their own business.

DAIRY FIELD DAY

A Dairy Field Day at Forestburg proved a great success. Through the cooperation of local parties butterfat tests were made on each cow in five herds, and monthly income calculated. The highest cow returned $1.31.2 monthly over cost of feed, while some of them failed to return the value of the feed. A testing demonstration was held and a junior testing club organized. A good evening program was carried out. Local music was furnished and addresses were made by representatives of two separa-tor concerns, one creamery, one newspaper, and one bank, besides the specialist. Four reels of movies were shown. There was more cream received in Forestburg that day than on any other day since the present buyers have been on the job (about 6 years). The price was raised to 2% cents for that day. On the whole, it ought to result in more and better dairying, reports H. M. Jones, dairy specialist.

EASY TO MAKE HATS

Ten cents for wire and crinoline, 50 cents for some patent leather ribbon, some scraps of old material; result— one child's velvet hat. One yard of 23 cent gingham plus some wire; result— two school girl's hats. This is a sample of the work put on by Miss Streed, home extension agent, at the training schools in the Brookings, Moody, Lake, Kings-bury district at the March meetings.

Bleaching hats, renovating millinery materials and hat making was the order of the day at the eight March training schools. Two women chosen to go to the training schools by each of the women's clothing clubs in the district were in attendance and learned the lesson on hat making by actually making 95 hats. They in turn put on the demonstration at their own home clubs at a later date. Each of the 62 women's clothing clubs with a total enrollment of 1,000 members, was represented at the March training schools.

GARDEN CLUBS BEING REVIVED IN STATE

(By A. L. Ford)

Although the garden club enrollment is not as large as we would like it, we feel that a good start has been made toward reviving these clubs in South Dakota. To date there are about one hundred twenty members enrolled. Since the date for final enrollment has been extended to May 1, several more clubs are expected to come in.

The garden club for the boys and girls is a club that should appeal to the entire population of the state, both urban and rural. The garden is as much a part of the home as is the kitchen or the well, and yet the average home gardener pays comparatively little attention to it. There is no better way to increase the efficiency of South Dakota's home gardens than through our boys and girls. They will not only cause better gardening to be practiced, when their generation matures, but they will also show the present generation of adult gardeners how to become more efficient.

In the present financial pinch any scheme that will lower the grocery bill, and still provide for ample wholesome nourishment for the human stomach, will do its bit toward relieving the situation. Is there a better way to do this than through the home garden? Here is where the boys and girls can do a real financial asset, both to the farm and city family, through home garden clubs.

ANIMAL DISEASE MEETINGS

D. C. Jones, county agent in Kingsbury county, reports a very successful series of animal disease meetings held in his county in March with Dr. G. S. Weaver as the chief speaker. Successful meetings were held at Oldham, Mathews township, Iroquois and Esmond, and farmers were intensely interested in the round table discussions.

Statistics were given showing that 37 out of every 100 pigs that farrowed did not live until weaning time. The chief interest was displayed by the farmers in the subjects, "Care and Management of the Brood Sow Before and After Farrowing," "Hog Worms," "Hog Mange Treatment for Lice," and "Various Forms of Necrobacillosis."

One thousand six hundred Santonin capsules and five sets of worming instruments were purchased by farmers in Lawrence county communities as a result of the hog worming demonstrations held in February by County Agent Evan W. Hall.
The county shipping association, which have been assisting in working out show at Watertown this fall. Two hundred two people attended four meetings on cooperative marketing of grain. Fifteen meetings with a total attendance of 175 persons. As a result of this meeting, County Agent Hill expects to establish two or three places as demonstrations for farmstead plantings.

A. D. Ellison—(Butte county): Seventy boys and girls attended 12 club meetings during the month. The Vale pig club was given a demonstration on how to treat young pigs for necrobacillosis. Thirteen people attended four orchard pruning demonstrations. Eleven cars of first grade alfalfa were shipped in Minnesota as a result of the assistance given the farmers in marketing their surplus hay. Assisted the county fair board in outlining preliminary plans for the 1923 fair. Arranged three clothing-demonstration meetings where Miss Kiehl, clothing specialist of State college, gave the demonstrations.

J. Bland Hill—(Clay county): Garfield township was organized into a community organization. A committee meeting was held to draw up a program of activities relative to the various sources of income upon which the farmers in that township were particularly interested. One week later the general community organization meeting was called and the committee reported a program of work. Two leaders were assigned each project. Twenty-six members in two girls' canning clubs. Twenty-five people attended one pruning demonstration. One new sow-litter club was organized. Two sow-litter clubs held regular meetings at which time the general care and feeding of the brood sow was discussed. One herd was tested for butterfat production.

A. W. Tompkins—(Hamlin county): An effort is being made to organize a cow testing association in connection with Kingsbury county. Dr. Stewart, potato expert of the Department of Agriculture, spent two days in the county. George Valentine, assistant agronomy specialist, assisted in the organization of boys' potato clubs in the county. Three hundred two people attended four meetings on cooperative marketing of grain.

—Have been assisting in working out plans for holding a Duroc Jersey futurity show this fall.

Alfred M. Eberle—(Clark county): Fifteen meetings with a total attendance of 680 people were held during the month. The county shipping association, which shipped out three trainloads of stock last year, has reorganized for operation this year. Two meetings of the directors were held and arrangements made for the annual meeting. A new manager will be appointed. One hundred bushels of new Kota wheat will be tried out in the county. One boys' and girls' poultry club was organized. Several emergency calls on animal disease were answered.

**STATE NEWS**

Items of Statewide Interest as Taken From Specialists' Reports

Three days were spent in Clay County on spraying and pruning work. Two pruning demonstrations were conducted and nine orchards visited where instructions on spraying were given and pruning demonstrated. One general meeting on landscape gardening was held, attended by 175 persons. As a result of this meeting, County Agent Hill expects to establish two or three places as demonstrations for farmstead plantings.

A. L. Ford

Up on request of the bankers and influential farmers of Platte, I was called there for chinch bug work. C. N. Ainslie, a federal entomologist was also there. Held a mass meeting at Platte on the 22nd which was attended by fully 250 farmers. The following day a inspection tour was made to determine the chinch bug situation. A schedule was made at the night meeting and each farmer visited was told to call his neighbors up and have them there at the scheduled hour. At this field meeting the wintering places of the bugs were demonstrated, also best methods of burning. Eight of these field meetings were held that day with a total attendance of 125. It was agreed that much good was accomplished in a very short time.

A. L. Ford

During March, I attended two county meetings; one in Beadle and one in Faulk. The chairmen of the women's clubs and the leaders of the girls' clubs attended. Some interesting things came out of these meetings. Both groups were unanimous that the date for closing the registration for women's clubs should be November 1. They also wanted to send different demonstrators into the training center each time. The minimum number of women in a club was 10, no maximum, but the best working number in a club about 15. They also decided that a training center should not be larger than six clubs. Most of the women want, and are reading and saving the circulars, binding them in special notebooks. All the clubs are anxious to continue their clubs another year.

Azalea Linfield

Organization was started in Charles Mix county in the vicinity of Lake Andes. This is new territory for any club work. The people in the town back up the work in good shape. The program is conducted by the Smith-Hughes agriculture instructor. A number of days were spent to good advantage in this work.

Geo. H. Valentine

A number of days were spent in visiting potato producing areas with Dr. Wm. Stuart of the Department of Agriculture. During this time plans were made for a certain amount of potato improvement work among both men and boys.
day was spent in meeting with the South Dakota Potato Growers' association and plans of cooperating with them at their potato show were perfected. A number of potato clubs were organized in Hamlin county. The aim in these particular clubs is to instruct the club members of learning potato disease control and hill selection of seed. —Geo. H. Valentine.

Met with three junior clubs and gave subject matter demonstrations. We now have 21 junior farm management clubs with an aggregate enrollment of 1228 boys and girls. Members of these clubs keep a financial record on their home farms and study the programs in farm management at their monthly meetings. —H. D. McCullough.

Before Mr. Hamilton left Minnehaha county he arranged with the specialist to carry out a series of what he termed "shows" in regard to the minor diseases of hogs. A similar series of meetings was held in Lincoln county and some of the people from Minnehaha county spread the news in Minnehaha and, as a result, the Farm Bureau board requested Mr. Hamilton to put on 24 of these meetings in Minnehaha county. It was finally agreed to carry out nine of these meetings and this was done during the third week in March. At each of these meetings a discussion on mange, rickets, necrobacillosis and care and management of the brood sow was given. The lecture was followed by the showing of two reels on round worms in hogs. —Gilbert S. Weaver.

The meetings in Hand county on hog house ventilation were fine. They were held right in the houses. The subject was discussed with the air meter and Circular No. 31 was distributed to all who were interested —and practically every person there was interested as the weather was not good. —R. L. Patty.

CHANGES IN PERSONNEL

Dr. A. T. Evans of the agronomy department of State college has been employed at the request of the potato organizations of the state as potato specialist. Dr. Evans has been in touch with the potato problem in South Dakota for several years and will be in a position to render efficient service to the growers, both in production and marketing.

The Lincoln County Farm Bureau has employed W. E. Dittmer, Iowa State College graduate, as county agent. Mr. Dittmer comes to his new position highly recommended. For a considerable time he has been connected with the extension division of Iowa as bee specialist. He was brought up on the farm. Mr. Dittmer succeeds A. W. Palm in Lincoln county. Mr. Palm having gone to Codington county as county agent. Mr. Dittmer has also a great deal of practical experience in poultry marketing.

SOUTH DAKOTA EXTENSION REVIEW, BROOKINGS

CLUB NOTES

Items of general interest to club folks. Edited by Paul J. Scarrow

Club Work—What It Is

Boys' and girls' club work is a nationwide movement which gives rural boys and girls an opportunity to develop themselves educationally, economically and socially.

It is a movement which demonstrates the better practices in agriculture and home economics.

It makes play out of work. It promotes industry and thrift. It applies business methods to farming. It develops self-reliance, ambition and aggressiveness.

It fosters individual ownership, a love of nature and the things in the open country; it makes farm life attractive.

Through contests it brings out the best effort and thought. It stands for the four-fold development of the head, heart, hands and health.

Its slogan is, "Make the Best Better." And above all, it develops the highest type of manhood, womanhood and American citizenship.

G. I. Christie, director of extension, Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana, says, "The boys' and girls' club work is meaning more and more in the life of our people. Some excellent results are being secured."

Director H. Umberger, of Kansas, commenting on the value of club work says, "The boy or girl is more susceptible to new information and when once committed, the period of usefulness is much longer than in the adult and usually is much more permanently established."

The Calf Club News, edited by Earl J. Cooper, junior extension leader of the Holstein-Friesian Association of America, is a splendid club paper and of real value to dairy club members. Mr. Cooper is sending complimentary copies to all South Dakota dairy club members.

Dairy Team To Syracuse

At least three dairy club members in South Dakota will have an opportunity to visit Syracuse, New York, next October, to take in the National Dairy exposition and participate in the national junior judging contest. The selection of the team will be made at the State fair in September and is open to all dairy club members who have their work up to date. This means that before being eligible to compete in the state tryouts all candidates must have all of their club work up to date, including records. This is open to members of milk testing clubs, dairy calf clubs and dairy cow clubs. The State Dairy association is the principal sponsor of this trip.

Fitting Baby-Pork Necessary

Observations during a recent visit by Paul P. Banker to Lien Brothers' purebred Duroc Jersey ranch, at Platte, have suggested a few facts which should be of interest to pig club people. The market hogs on this ranch had just been gone over thoroughly with a preparation similar to crude oil for the extermination of the external parasites, and they were out on good alfalfa and automatic waterers and automatic feeders were all provided. As a matter of fact, these breeders are aiming to be just as efficient in producing market hogs as they are in growing out the big, stretchy, breeding animals.

When we observe most of the breeders as being dependent to quite an extent on their ability to grow out pork hogs efficiently, in conjunction with their breeding operations, we are led to feel that sow-litter club work has overlooked the necessary emphasis on pork production. If our club members do not pull closely and fit their pork pigs efficiently, we feel that they are neglecting a very important phase of their project.

Free Club Camp at Lennox

County Agent Dittmer and Paul J. Scarrow met with the Commercial club of Lennox at the Thursday luncheon, April 26, and assisted in making definite plans for boys' and girls' club camp for Lincoln county. The club members of the county will be the guests of the Commercial club on June 6, 7, and 8. All club members whose work is up to date will have the privilege of the camp. Professor Martin, superintendent of Lennox schools, will direct the camp. Professor Coleman, Smith-Hughes instructor, will assist with the demonstration work. This is the only camp in South Dakota or in the United States, that we know of, which is made free to the club members. The business men of Lennox are to be commended on their progressive business policies.

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Leonard L. Ladd—(Pennington county): A meeting of the county wool growers' association was held and contracts were signed to pool at least one car of wool. The association voted to handle sacks and twine for members at cost.—A 160 acre prairie dog town was given the first poison treatment. Four small prairie dog towns previously poisoned were re-checked and only one dog was found.

With the assistance of H. M. Jones, dairy specialist, 64 cows in ten herds were tested for butterfat production. Twelve dairy meetings with 103 in attendance were addressed by Mr. Jones.

Four boys' and girls' club meetings were held.—One meat cutting and curing demonstration was given.

E. H. Aicher—(Hand county): A carload of certified seed potatoes will be shipped in and distributed. Fifty-nine farmers have listed requests in amounts ranging from one to forty bushels. Two local merchants will handle the surplus left from the carload and have agreed to sell them at the same price plus drayage.—As a result of the work of R. L. Patty, agricultural engineering specialist, 10 farmers are installing ventilation systems, one farmer a hog house building demonstration, two farmers water systems, and two farmers septic tank demonstration.—Ten farm groups totaling 577 people voted to handle contact with the tuberculosis eradication movement through moving pictures and discussions during the month. Seven herds were listed and tested under the accredited county tuberculosis program, and a forty tuberculin cattle were found in the 400 cattle tested. An ordinance in Miller requiring all cattle to be tested by people selling milk is a result of the tuberculosis campaign.

Deane G. Davis—(Stanley county): Two boys' and girls' corn clubs held their final meeting of the year. The method of planting corn breeding plots was explained. Seed testing, methods of planting, kind of seed and similar problems were under discussion at four other corn club meetings. Seventy-nine boys are enrolled in the corn club work in Stanley county.—Fifteen percent of the resident freeholders of Stanley county signed a petition and secured an appropriation of $1,500 for prairie dog eradication work to be done under the supervision of the county agent's office.

—Five hundred seventy-five persons listed attentively in 12 meetings to Dr. Weaver's talk on swine diseases.—Miss Sutter, poultry specialist, gave interesting talks at two poultry meetings. Four poultry club boys tried out the blue ointment treatment for lice as a result of her work.

V. D. Basart—(Clark county): Thirty-four boys have entered the Silver King Corn Club project, many of whom are on their second year's work.—Four cooperatives were secured in Kota wheat demonstrations.—The Clark County Breeders' association was assisted in holding its twelfth semi-annual spring sale.

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George S. Hansen—(Potter county): A list of livestock and seed for sale was mailed to every farmer in the county on March 1. To date 2,500 pounds of sweet clover seed, 700 pounds of alfalfa seed, 10 bushels seed corn, 70 bushels seed wheat, and 1 Herford bull has been sold through this medium, according to office shorthand records. The definitive method of checking up on exchange transactions, undoubtedly many more sales have been made.—The County Fair association organized a year ago through the efforts of the county agent is meeting for the first time this year. Investigation regarding suitable grounds had been made previours to the meeting and the board decided on purchasing the grounds if suitable terms of purchase could be made. It was decided to incorporate and prepare to issue stock.

A meeting was held with a committee of teachers of schools of the county in connection with holding county school contest at the fair. The county commission, in cooperation with the teachers of schools of the county, was voted to appropriate the funds necessary to secure mounting material for the school exhibits and pay premiums on exhibits which was a result of the tuberculosis campaign.

Lewis M. Woodruff—(Sully county): Seed was distributed for 50 boys in a one acre corn club. Pruning and proper methods of planting were demonstrated before 100 people at a community meeting on fruit and tree growing. Six cooperators enrolled in strawberry growing. One shelter belt demonstration was arranged for. Two hundred swine growers attended eight community meetings on swine diseases. Six cooperators on the McLean system of hog sanitation were tested for butterfat production. Secured orders for 15 tons of tankage and turned them over to a local marketing association. This is partly a result of our swine meetings in March where the value of tankage as a supplementary feed was discussed.—One new cooperative for raising the 7000 acre prairie dog town was given the first poisoning treatment. Miss Sutter, poultry specialist, gave interesting talks at two poultry meetings. Four poultry club boys tried out the blue ointment treatment for lice as a result of her work.

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