



# 4-H Clubs Observe National Week March 1-9

## "Serving As Loyal Citizens Through 4-H"



### THE 4-H STORY

THE 4-H STORY, by Franklin M. Reck, published by Iowa State College Press; 308 pages; available from National Committee on Boys and Girls Club Work, Inc., 59 E. Van Buren Street, Chicago 5, Ill.; \$3.

ings and growth of 4-H in a factual manner, supporting all parts of the book with written evidence. He lists many persons who have made major contributions to the movement but does not give undue credit to any individual or group.

The volume carries pictures and discussion of the work of two North Carolina 4-H pioneers— I. O. Schaub, who organized Boys' Corn Clubs beginning in 1909, and Jane S. McKimmon, who formed Girls' Tomato Club a short time later.

Reference also is made to the work of L. R. Harrill, State club leader since 1926, who as 1951 chairman of the National Extension Subcommittee on 4-H Club Work was one of six signers of a roll read at the dedication of the National 4-H Club Center near Washington early in 1951.

Autographed copies of The 4-H Story were presented to delegates to the 1951 National Club Congress. It was released at that time to celebrate the 30th anniversary of Club Congress.—Extension Farm News



### Four-H Club Commemorative Stamp

This year a green and white commemorative stamp has been issued in salute to 4-H club work. This stamp will go on sale in Murphy Saturday, March 1.

This stamp is lovely in design.

Across the top is the motto, "To Make the Best Better." On one side is a farm and home scene; in the center is the four-leaf clover, with "The 4-H Club" written in order; on the other side is a club boy and girl in uniform.

### Appreciation Of Local Leaders

By EMMA JEAN SHIELDS  
Murphy Senior Club President  
Council Reporter

The 4-H clubs in Cherokee County are improving all the time. But why . . . ? The local leaders, or club advisors hold a key position in the whole 4-H program. Our leaders are outstanding men and women who are sufficiently interested in 4-H members and willing to spend time in helping us plan our own programs. Our parents, teachers, preachers, superintendents, and merchants are among our leaders. They help obtain supplies and equipment which would be hard and some impossible to get. Since 4-H club members do not know how to do everything they encounter in club work, our local leaders train us in activities. Along with their assistance they demonstrate the work to us so that we may learn how to teach others.

Directing recreation. This year our club has chosen a project, "Rural Arts and Recreation," and with the help of our leaders we plan to make it one of the very best.

In the absence of an Assistant County Agent many leaders have helped with the club meetings. They are especially a help when the club is organizing as well as with the singing, discussions, and planning for the coming months.

In 4-H club work there are a number of meetings out of the county, which all boys and girls would like to attend. Our leaders have helped with transportation to these meetings as well as the county meetings. We are especially glad they do this because at all these meetings they just help to represent Cherokee County a little better.

Four-H members really enjoy the fair because it gives them a whole week to work with their leaders. We not only help our leaders enter things in the fair, but during that time we can talk and discuss projects and programs. The fair is another case where it would be impossible without the assistance of our leaders. We just couldn't have it!

I have mentioned a number of things that our 4-H leaders make it possible for us to do. I hope that all leaders now realize that they really do hold the key position in the 4-H program.



### VARIETY OF PROJECTS

The 4-H Club is big enough to offer something worth while to every rural boy and girl. Projects, activities, and contests of every phase of farm and home living is covered. The one required project is Health Improvement because health is a necessity of life.

Many prizes, metals, scholarships, trips, and honors are available to those who do a good job in club work. The club does not require any membership fees. The rewards are given by different individuals, companies, or groups—even by the president of the United States.



Billy and Jimmy Stiles, County Winners in Swine Project.



COUNTY COUNCIL—Back row, left to right, Killian, treasurer; Emma Jean Shields, reporter; James Smith, recreation chairman. Not present are Killian, treasurer; Emma Jean Shields, reporter; leaders.

### County Council

By SHIRLEY CARVER  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Within the county there are thirteen 4-H Clubs and seventy 4-H officers. These clubs each select a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, reporter and song leaders. The officers are organized into the County Council, which meets once a month. They in turn elect from among themselves officers. These are the County Council officers, the supreme officials of the 4-H Clubs in the county. The monthly meetings are carried on according to parliamentary procedure.

The purposes of the County Council are numerous. The Council plans the 4-H Club County Program and then the members carry this information back to the Clubs.

It sponsors special interest programs and special activities, such as achievement days, exhibits, publicity, 4-H Club day, contests, field days, 4-H Church Sunday, and other recreational programs and other activities.

The present officers of the County Council are the following: president, Shirley Carver; vice president, Barbara Barton; secretary, Mable Almond; treasurer, Billy Killian; reporter, Emma Jean Shields; recreation chairman, James Smith, and music leaders, William Franklin, Mary Nell Reese, and Jerry Ruth Smith.



### 4-H Church Sunday

By JERRY RUTH SMITH

Four-H Church Sunday will be observed May 18th this year throughout the nation at churches of all denominations. This is a Sunday that all 4-H club members are looking forward to with great interest. It gives us the opportunity to worship in a body and identify ourselves as a group of young people with high ideals for the better things of life. Four-H Church Sunday gives us a better understanding of the relationship with people and God and gives us the opportunity to participate in a service that develops the Heart H.

It makes no difference to us how small or large our part on the program may be. We do it with pride and joy and a feeling of goodness in the heart as only a true club member has experienced. We learn many good things in our club work. Our motto—"To Make the Best Better"—would apply to our 4-H Church Sunday in an effort to make the best 4-H Church Sunday we have ever had.

To me 4-H Sunday gives another opportunity to dedicate my self in the new for the betterment of my home, church, and community, and to remember always that I am God's and have just been borrowed for a short while. To do good to all is my desire and to be able to live up to our 4-H Pledge

### Motto

"To Make the Best Better"

### Camp Builds Character

(By William Franklin  
Outstanding Boy Camper 1951  
Council Music Leader)

"The purpose of 4-H Camp is to recognize the achievement of club members and to stimulate interest in its program. It provides a week of information, recreation, and inspiration. It broadens the horizon of rural young people." It would probably surprise you to know how many friends the boys and girls of Cherokee County have made in the other counties of the state through this week of camping. The 4-H camper "experiences group responsibility," learns "to use leadership ability," study handicraft, nature, music, and "to meet and to get along with other young people and plan and work together."

Thirty-one young people from our county attended Camp Schaub last summer. We think this a good number but would like for every 4-H member to be able to attend this summer. Each one of our members who attended seemed to feel the need for self and community improvement.

There are many activities at camp. Our program included swimming, outdoor sports, contests, horseshoes and hikes. Indoor recreation consisted of contests and folk games. These activities are under the direction of a trained director; honor and sportsmanship are stressed at all times. We also have trained instructors in Nature Study, Crafts. We found this both helpful and interesting. The Cherokee boys and girls brought home many articles they had learned to make.

One of the more serious activities at camp was our Vesper Services. These are religious services planned and conducted each evening by 4-H Club Groups. The boys and girls from Cherokee County took an active part in these services and everyone enjoyed them. Our evening programs of group singing, skits, plays were much enjoyed. The groups planned the skits, plays and the singing. We gained valuable experience in this as well as having a lot of good clean fun.

We can not leave out saying that we enjoyed these things more because of the "good eats" we had in the central dining room, which was approved by health authorities. We had good medical attention available at all times.

The camp always has a good group of instructors, directors, and staff members. They are well trained and capable of helping us solve our problems. We hope you will help your 4-H club member attend Camp Schaub this summer.



DOROTHY SHIELDS

### What 4-H Has Meant To Me

By DOROTHY SHIELDS  
State Achievement Winner, Delegate to National Club Camp, State Winner in Dairy Team Demonstration, State Winner in Community Relations, Delegate to Georgia State Congress, and other honors.

The 4-H has meant more to me than I can ever express in words. It is like a lovely friendship that has followed me through high school and has made such a big place for itself in my heart that it will be a life long friendship. The 4-H is the type of friend that falls under the old saying, "once a friend, always a friend". In the beginning everything is new and different about 4-H, but as one, two, or three projects are completed one becomes acquainted with the personality of 4-H. This personality is so lively and full, one can work with it for years and still feel like they have just met. During my eight years of active 4-H work I completed several 4-H projects, yet I can see many places where I should have done more.

The phase of 4-H 'learn by doing' has meant more to me than anything else. It has given me the opportunity to take advantage of the leadership training as taught through the demonstration of better farm and home practices. The 4-H has helped me to develop ideals and standards for home-making, community life, citizenship, and a sense of responsibility for their attainment. I have appreciated the fact that the 4-H develops in its members habits of healthful living, provides them with information and direction in intelligent use of leisure time, and arouses in them worthy ambitions and a desire to learn, in order that they may live fuller and richer lives. To me these are the most important things about the 4-H Club.

It has meant much to me to carry out a 4-H project and to feel that I have successfully completed it. Through this the 4-H has taught me the importance of learning to do a job and to always "Make the best better". For this I will always be indebted to the 4-H, because now I realize how

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### Purpose Of National 4-H Club Week

### Four-H Club, As I See It

(By JOHN MORLEY  
4-H Club Leader)

Young men and women in every state of our nation are learning advanced practices in agriculture and homemaking through 4-H Club work. These young men and women are learning by doing. They are helping to set the pace in advanced practices and modern methods with individual and group projects. Often parents and neighbors have adopted some of these advanced practices. They have in cases increased the level of farm income and helped improve standard of farm and community living.

In the communities of our Cherokee County young men and women have shown initiative and creative thinking in planning their work. They have won the cooperation and respect of others. In our defense program with its demand for increased production the 4-H Club will play an important part.

4-H Club training symbolizes the high standards and ideals upon which this country was built. As long as such a large segment of our young people are living and working according to these stand-

This is a week set aside to call attention to the efforts, ideals, accomplishments of the world's largest organization for rural youth—the 4-H Club. The theme for this year is "Serving as Loyal Citizens Through 4-H". Club work offers many opportunities to rural youth. The progress of our farms and homes are essential to our nation. Everyone must have "food and fiber." Today improved scientific methods of farming and living are here to offer a challenge to youth. This week club members are given the opportunity to express how they feel about club work. These expressions you will find on this special page.

### The National 4-H 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.

ards and ideals, the future of this country will be in good hands.

### History Of County 4-H Program

The first 4-H in Cherokee County was organized in 1934 by A. Q. Ketner. During the eighteen years of Club work in the county the enrollment has progressed to over 800 members in 13 organized clubs. In the past five years the enrollment has more than doubled itself.

Our county has had 16 state project winners, 3 delegates to National 4-H Camp, two National project winners, one International Youth Exchange delegate. The first girl in North Carolina to be both the National Achievement winner and a Foreign Exchange Student was Carolyn Smith from Cherokee County.



WINNERS—Emma Jean Shields and Doris Wells, who won a blue ribbon in the State grouping of the District Dairy Team Demonstration. Doris won a trip to National Club Congress as 1951's State Garden Winner.

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