

In summarizing the activities and achievements of what we believe to be our greatest year in 4-H Club Work, it will be difficult to pick out the outstanding club members and the outstanding counties deserving of achievement recognition. There are many outstanding accomplishments in North Carolina's 4-H Club Work during 1931, however, the most outstanding achievement has been and still is the renewed interest and a greater determination on the part of all the 4-H Club members in the State to make Club Work worth more to themselves and to their respective communities; and along with this interest and determination on the part of the 4-H Club members we have had a greater interest on the part of the home and farm agents and of the local leaders and others interested in Club Work. And, it is to the work of these leaders and to the interest and hard work of the 4-H Club members that we attribute the success and the achievements in 4-H Club work during 1931.

In reviewing our activities during the year, we find that North Carolina's enrollment during 1931 has reached a higher number than in any in any previous year. We find that the project work of the individual club members is superior to that of previous years. We find the organization working together in an effort to accomplish more. Worthy of mention is the fact that the 4-H Club members in North Carolina have adjusted their club projects and have worked towards the goal set up by our Governor to ^{permanently} establish a live at home program in this State. In this connection our club projects and the work of our various clubs have been adjust, and, when we have completed this year's projects, we believe that we will find the club yields

higher than they have been in many years. And, at the same time, we believe that we are going to find that the cost of production has been lower.

Aside from production records there are other accomplishments deserving of mention. During the year the club members in the western part of the State together with the leadership of the agricultural extension workers and the support of loyal friends have established a permanent 4-H Club Camp at Swannanoa, North Carolina. This Camp has served _____ counties with an attendance of _____ club members during the summer providing means for training in leadership and recreation activities, and at the same time giving to the rural boys and girls of western North Carolina an ideal vacation supervised by competent leaders. And what the 4-H Club Camp at Swannanoa provides for the club members of the western part of the State, the 4-H Club Camp at White Lake provides for the club members of eastern North Carolina.

Another achievement worthy of mention was the organization of North Carolina's first 4-H Honor Club, organized in connection with the annual 4-H Short Course held at State College. This club had for its purpose the further promotion of 4-H Club work, includes in its membership only club members who have made outstanding records in 4-H Club work. It might be this honor club, but we could not fail to say that this year's Short Course was probably the best one ever held by a group of club members in North Carolina.

Along with other group achievements, we would like to mention the activities of the 4-H Club members in connection with the North Carolina State Fair. The Fair exhibits were excellent, especially the Calf Club Show. Never before has such a splendid exhibit of animals been assembled and exhibited at a State Fair in North Carolina, Along with the various individual and county exhibits. The judging contests conducted in connection with the Fair were

unusually good. The high scores of the individuals and of the teams indicated that more interest on the part of the club members and on the part of the leaders training the teams clearly demonstrate that ^{if} this year's contests were compared to those held in previous years

As we summarize the activities and achievements of this year's work, we should not lose sight of the fact that we must use our achievements for this year as stepping stones to even greater achievements during 1932. If there ever was a time in the history of 4- H Club Work that the boys and girls of this State should give serious thought and consideration to the farm problem, it is now. We have never had an opportunity to demonstrate our usefulness as a group as we have it to do. There has never been a time when our communities need our leadership more than they need it now. Both in the production of the necessities of life and in providing a means for changing the monotony of life in the rural sections to one of usefulness, happiness, and productiveness; and in planning your program for the coming year you may find it necessary to make some changes in order to fit or in order to meet the present day demands, and if we will do this, we will prove ourselves worthy of our Club motto and our Club pledge in which we place our heads in higher learning, our hearts to greater loyalty, our hands to larger service, our health to better living for our club, our community, and our country. And, if we will do this, and, if each of us will give to our new program, the best that we have to make the best better, we will see a new day, a new life, and a beginning of a new movement which will bring happiness, satisfaction, and prosperity back to the rural people in North Carolina.

For individual honors we would mention the names of : Louise Elliott of Stanly County; Ralph Suggs, Gaston County; Lena Early, Iredell

County; and Boyce Brooks of Duplin County. These 4-H Club members were selected because of their outstanding accomplishments to represent North Carolina at the fifth National 4-H Club Camp held at Washington, D. C. This is an honor which comes to four outstanding club members in North Carolina each year. Along with these four, we would mention the name of Max Culp of Iredell County who has made one of the most outstanding records of the State, He was recently awarded a two year scholarship to State College offered by the Occidental Life Insurance Company for the ~~best~~ club member making the best record in calf club work over a period of three years or more. We could mention many other club members who have made outstanding records during the year, and there are probably others who have records equally as good as these. We mention these to remind that these same honors and these same prizes are available for you during the year of 1932.