

JUNIOR LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

North Carolina continues to promote and offer the 4-H Junior Leadership project to its members. Emphasis in the project is placed on having members assist adult leaders in the areas of member supervision, activity supervision and project supervision. In 1966 a total of 1,835 members were enrolled in the Junior Leadership project. In late 1966 a "Guide for Extension Agents in Training 4-H Junior Leaders" and "Guide for Adult Leaders in Working with Junior Leadership" were developed. These two publications will be made available to Extension agents and adult leaders in early 1967.

Special emphasis is given Junior Leadership through the Western District 4-H Leadership Conference which is designed for club members 14-19 years of age. In addition to special classes on junior leadership there are also classes related and interrelated to junior leadership per se. These classes include such things as youth and decision making, understanding self and others, radio as a means of communication and career exploration. Participants take a very active part in this conference through group discussion and through exploring special interest activities. One hundred and seven participated in the conference in 1966.

A senior 4-H camp was held at Betsy-Jeff Penn 4-H Center. During the week members had an opportunity to participate in a special junior leadership class and were also provided opportunities to learn and practice leadership skills through discussions and in such classes as Understanding Yourself and Others, Recreation Leadership, Crafts and Record Keeping. Eighty one members participated in this senior camp.

At the North Carolina 4-H Wildlife Conservation Camp, 4-H junior leaders who were carrying the Wildlife Conservation project participated by assisting the younger 4-H members.