



GIRLS' 4-H CLUBS



Club Work Is Glorifying the Iowa Farm Girl

New Material for Leaders

Girls' 4-H Club leaders are rejoicing these days over all the interesting new material that has been printed for their use and that which is still coming. Some of the lovely new bulletins are "The 4-H Club Uniform," "The 4-H Bread Primer," "Nutrition Primer" and "The 4-H Business Primer." The latter, compiled by Mrs. Edith Barker of the State Club Department, is a very complete and clearly written primer on Parliamentary Law. Every club president and secretary particularly will find this new bulletin indispensable and the members will find it an interesting and valuable source of information on parliamentary procedure.

Club members in all projects will have interesting new record books this year. The "Initiation Ceremony" has been revised so that it is lovelier than ever. You will also enjoy the changes and additions made to the Music Memory Book. And last but not by any means least are some new and original plays by club girls and leaders from all over the state. If you have an original stunt won't you send it in to the Club Department at Ames so that we can read it? And your play may then be added to the available list of "good stunts for girls' clubs."

Champion Demonstration Team

Ruth Holt and Rachel Baker of Cerro Gordo County the state champion demonstration team in clothing for 1925 are making a splendid record on reaching a large number of people thru their demonstration. At the present they have given their demonstration, "Getting Acquainted with the Cloth Family" to the following organizations:

Organization	Place	No. present
P. T. Ass'n., Clear Lake High School		100
P. T. Ass'n., Ventura High School		150
Fall Festival, Clear Lake		400
Farm Bureau, Daugherty		150
Cerro Gordo County Annual Farm Bureau meeting, Mason City		500
Rotary Club, Mason City		80
Farmers' Institute, Daugherty		250
Retail Merchant's Ass'n., Mason City		350
Farm Bureau, Clear Lake Township		175
Club Members' Home		25
Farm Bureau, Thornton Township		175
Total attendance		2355

4-H Club Newspapers

There are now three regular Girls' 4-H County Club newspapers in the state. The "Kossuth Bubbler" is published by the club girls of Kossuth County every six weeks, and the "4-H Echoes" is edited by the club girls of Marshall County. Van Bureau County 4-H Club girls edit an attractive and newsy little club paper called "The 4-H Climber." The first issue came out in February and was full of Short Course enthusiasm and new plans for the coming year.



4-H Club Banquet, Kossuth County, January 30

A Rainbow Banquet on Saturday, Jan. 30 was the first county wide banquet ever held in Kossuth County for all 4-H club boys and girls.

A Pot of Gold at the End of the Rainbow; symbolizing 4-H Club work as the Rainbow leading to the Pot of Gold, or the reward of club work to the nation, community and home—formed the center pieces of the six large tables. At each club girl's plate was a paper miniature 4-H club girl in uniform—at each club boy's plate was a paper club boy. At each plate also was a menu and toast program in a colored folder. The folders carried out the colors of the rainbow. Two hundred four (204) 4-H club boys and girls attended this county wide banquet, and 14 different clubs were represented. The largest group of club folks came from Buffalo township. This number being 42. The total number of miles traveled by the clubbers was 7,458.

Following an elaborate banquet, Mrs. Dittmer, county club chairman as toast-mistress introduced the speakers, among whom was Mr. F. P. Reed of the club department who gave a fine talk on "Club Work in Practice." The formal program was followed by one more informal. A number of "take offs" on the Junior Short Course were given by different club members. "Mrs. Coan's Radio Talk" by Mercedes Sartor, a club girl, was a feature of the fun part of the program. "The Community Yawn" led by Catherine Downs, another club girl, resulted in more fun.

A photographer had to come from Winnebago, Minn., to take the picture so that the first banquet in Kossuth County could be held in the memory of all club folks.

Miss Marie Plath, home demonstration agent in Kossuth County is doing a splendid piece of Girls' Club work. Much of the credit for the success of this clever and beautiful banquet is due her.

Increasing the Farm Bureau Membership

Howard County Farm Bureau is giving \$1.00 to every 4-H club girl for each farm bureau membership she turns in. This plan ought to accomplish good results in two directions—first increasing the County Farm Bureau membership and second swelling the local club treasury.

State Fair Entertainment

Mr. L. B. Coddington, secretary of the Winnebago county fair and president of the Farm Bureau of that county, attended the county-wide organization training school for club leaders in Thompson on Feb. 23. Mr. Coddington made the interesting announcement that the fair board was inviting the 4-H Girls' Clubs of the county to take charge of one evening's entertainment in front of the grandstand during the county fair. The leaders and county club committee plan to have a meeting in which to work out the details of the entertainment to be given. The program will undoubtedly be a pageant, in which every club girl in Winnebago County will take part. The fair board is offering a substantial premium to the girls' organization for this contribution to the fair. This is a fine recognition of Girls' 4-H Club work on the part of the fair board and the leaders and club girls are going to work hard to put on a splendid entertainment—one that will reflect 4-H club ideals.

New Contests at the State Fair

A new feature of the Girls' Club Department at the Iowa State Fair this year will be the judging contests in home furnishing, clothing, canning and bread. The judging will be done by individuals. Each girl will make written placings on the articles in each class and will give oral reasons to the judge. The chief value of judging contests is that it gives the girl a more definite knowledge of her subject and develops in her standards of perfection.

4-H Proverbs 4-H PROVERBS

Head—	"All heads are not sense boxes." —French
Hand—	"Skill is stronger than strength." —Dutch
Health—	"He who has health has hope and he who has hope has everything." —Arabian
Heart—	"I was common clay till roses were planted in me." —Persian.

New Home Furnishing Specialist

Miss Florence Forbes who was graduated from the Home Economics course at Ames in December has accepted the position of Home Furnishing 4-H Club specialist in the state office. Miss Forbes is the first full-time subject matter specialist that the club department has had. Miss Forbes comes to us not as a stranger, but as a friend, as she is already well known over the state for club work she has done in Iowa the past four summers.

Winnebago County Farm Bureau has subscribed to the Iowa Homemaker for the coming year.