

Four-Leaf Clover Symbol Known to Millions

Most people consider it good fortune to spot a four-leaf clover. But those who find a four-leaf clover with an "H" on each leaf are even more fortunate, says County Extension Agent Marjorie Wilcoxon.

The well-known symbol of 4-H has served one out of every five adults in the United States. These 23 million alumni and some 2.2 million 4-H boys and girls currently enrolled, provide strong evidence to back the agent's statement. Here in Mor-

row county, over 300 have discovered the lucky 4-H clover, Mrs. Wilcoxon says.

With these young people, 4-H is a way of life. For boys and girls between the ages of 9 and 19, 4-H offers opportunities to develop wholesome character and leadership. They learn to work together and share responsibility. 4-H'ers explore career opportunities while gaining knowledge and skills that will be useful throughout life. But perhaps most important of all, 4-H members grow stronger together, learning to be responsible citizens and competent leaders.

Through a unique organizational structure, 4-H is cooperatively sponsored by the Extension Service at three levels of government. It is carried on at the county level by professional extension agents and a corps of volunteer leaders and advisers. Statewide, the 4-H program draws upon the State Land-Grant University for educational resources and direction. Nationally, the U. S. Department of Agriculture, administers the program as the youth phase of the Extension Service. Professional workers at all levels work with a half million volunteer adult and junior leaders in constantly adjusting the 4-H program to serve the interests and needs of youth.

The 4-H project, a highly successful educational method, is made more interesting with complementing activities. These offer variety to all boys and girls, whether they live in the country, suburbs, or the city. Some of the most popular areas are: family living, personal development, home management, conservation, engineering, horse and community beautification.

Boys and girls value their 4-H training as they participate in school, church and community groups and activities. Their lives are enriched by having found that lucky four-leaf clover with the four "H's".

Call your county extension agents at 676-9642. They have a head, heart, hands and health clover reserved for you.

Teaching new farming and canning methods to small groups of farm boys and girls back around 1906 was the forerunner of the 4-H Club program supervised by the Cooperative Extension Service.

There are an estimated 24 million former 4-H'ers in the U. S.

4-H Clubs Say Conservation Everybody's Job

It's everybody's job to help conserve the nation's natural resources, because destruction or preservation of soils, minerals, forests and wildlife will affect every man, woman and child.

Among organized groups working diligently to conserve natural resources are the 4-H Clubs and the Cooperative Extension Service. They are assisted by federal conservation agencies and private organizations as well.

The national 4-H Conservation program is supported by John Deere, of Moline, Ill. Among the benefits to the more than 260,000 boys and girls enrolled are awards provided by the sponsor.

To compete for county, state and national honors, the 4-H'er must complete a conservation project. These range from preserving wildlife to recording rainfall. Youngsters who live on farms or in rural areas are able to improve their homesteads as they learn conservation practices.

For example, one of the top 4-H conservationists in the nation last year was 18-year old Jerry Harke, who lives on a large farm near Hooker, Oklahoma. Among other things, he built a farm pond to conserve water run-off, and helped install a water pressure system for irrigating grass in his area.

Another champion of conservation who has just completed his freshman year at the University of Colorado with the aid of a \$500 John Deere scholarship won last year, hopes to make wildlife management a career.

He is Wayne Knapp, 19, whose home is in Alamosa, Colo. He volunteered his services in a waterfowl study conducted by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service by sending in duck wings to be used in a waterfowl population study affecting both the U. S. and Canada.

These are but two examples of conservation projects completed by thousands of boys and girls. Through demonstrations, exhibits, record-keeping, patience and a lot of hard work, they will try for one of several 1966 awards.

One 4-H member in the state will be named a delegate to the National 4-H Club Congress as guest of John Deere. From all the state winners, six will be judged by a special extension service committee for national honors and \$500 scholarships. Throughout the counties, hundreds will rate the conservation medal.

Project	Boys	Girls	Total
LIVESTOCK	57	41	98
HORSE	22	54	76
POULTRY	2	6	8
HORTICULTURE	4	6	10
BEEKEEPING	4	1	5
ENTOMOLOGY	0	1	1
AUTOMOTIVE	7	0	7
LEATHERCRAFT	2	0	2
CLOTHING	0	79	79
KNITTING	0	64	64
FOODS	8	78	86
HOME IMPROVEMENT	0	11	11
JUNIOR LEADERSHIP	1	6	7

4-H Girls Make Pretty Models



PRETTY girls abound in 4-H Clubs. Here is a pair, Carol Simonellis, 14, (left) and Pamela Rey, 14, two Chicago 4-H girls who are ready to model ensembles for an audience of members and leaders. Miss Eleanor Echo, 4-H fashion stylist for Simplicity Pattern Co. Inc., which has sponsored the 4-H Dress Revue program for 20 years, is checking on last minute details.

Throughout the 50 states other girls are putting the finishing touches to clothes they have made and hope to model in county and state revues. Some will wear sports outfits and casual dresses, while others will glide across the stage in glamorous formals.

The girls have been learning about fabrics, patterns, accessories, care of wardrobes, and how to wear clothes attractively. They also are coached in modeling, grooming and poise.

Miss Echo, a former 4-H'er, travels about the country working with local leaders and extension personnel who supervise dress revue projects. At the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago she will narrate the 20th annual dress revue featuring girls from 50 states and Puerto Rico, all winners of state honors and the congress trip provided by Simplicity.

4-H Canine Pets May Reward Masters

Your canine pet can send you on a free trip to Chicago, help pay your way in college, and provide the right time of day, says the National 4-H Service Committee.

There is one requirement, however, and that is membership in the 4-H Dog Care and Training program. Since the program was first offered in 1961 by the Cooperative Extension Service, enrollment has increased from 9,256 to 47,398 in 1965.

gram is due in part to the fact that any boy or girl who has a dog can participate. Members learn how to take care of their pets, keep them healthy, and make them better behaved.

Rewards for doing an extra good job are given by Ralston Purina Company. To the boy or girl having the best project in the entire state goes a handsome engraved wristwatch. Eighteen high ranking state winners will be named for the Chicago trip as delegates to the National 4-H Club Congress.

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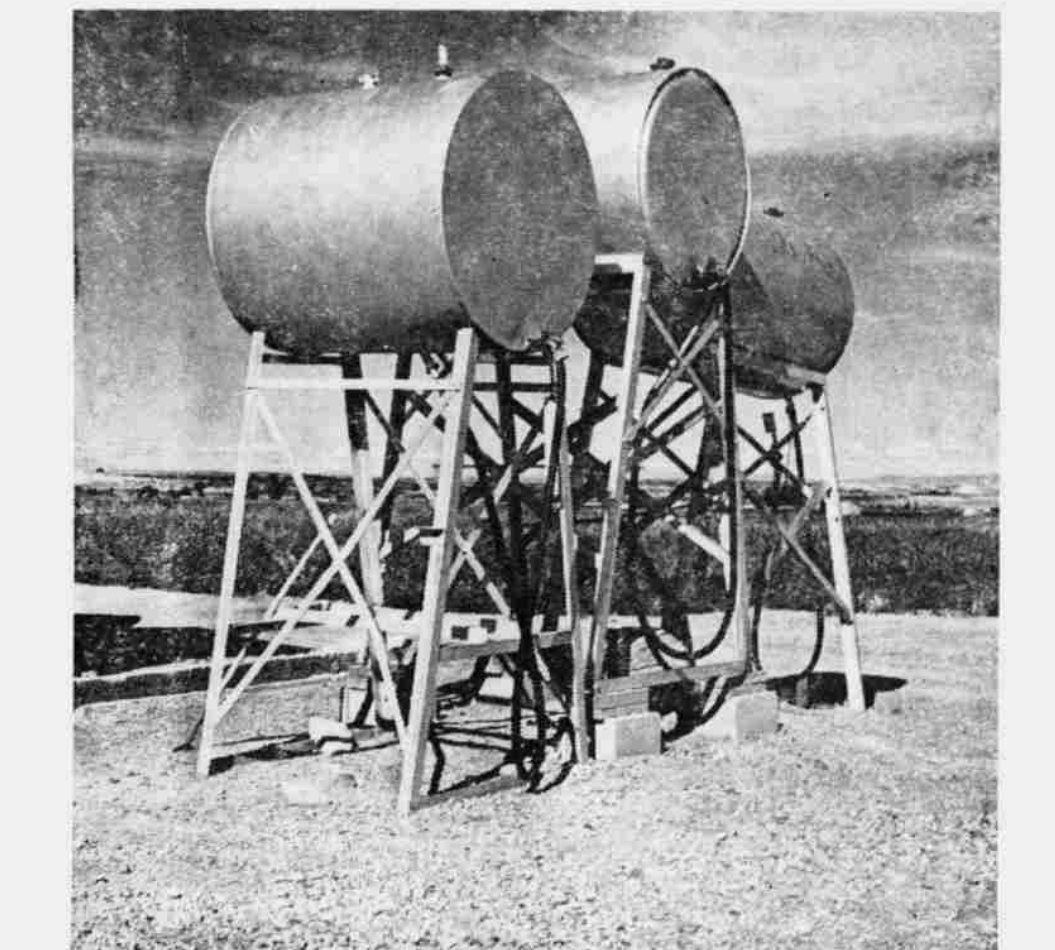
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2. Joining with Friends for Work, Fun and Fellowship.
3. Learning to Live in a Changing World.
4. Producing Food and Fiber for Home and Market.
5. Choosing a Way to Earn a Living.
6. Creating Better Homes for Better Living.
7. Conserving Nature's Resources for Security and Happiness.
8. Building Health for a Strong America.
9. Sharing Responsibility for Community Improvement.
10. Serving as Citizens in Maintaining World Peace.

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