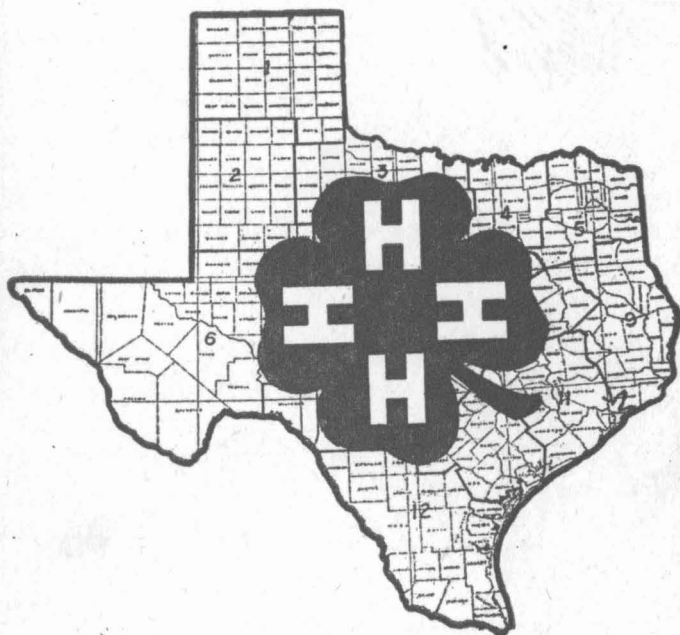


4-H CLUB WORK



IN TEXAS



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DEVELOPMENT OF 4-H CLUB WORK IN THE STATE OF TEXAS

In 1907 Tom Marks, county agricultural agent in Jack County, promoted a corn show to demonstrate better corn and better methods of raising it. The show was a failure with only three entries and 20 attending. Someone made the remark, "you cannot teach an old dog new tricks." Marks said, "next year I'll try the pups." The next year he enrolled 300 boys as co-operators in a corn growing demonstration — his corn show that fall drew an attendance of more than 2,000 people, including state and national officials of the demonstration work. This was the first Texas 4-H Club.

4-H OBJECTIVES

1. To help rural boys and girls develop desirable ideals and standards and a sense of responsibility for their attainment.
2. To afford rural boys and girls technical instruction in farming and homemaking.
3. To provide rural boys and girls an opportunity to "learn by doing."
4. To teach rural boys and girls the value of research.
5. To train rural boys and girls in cooperative action.
6. To develop in rural boys and girls habits of healthful living.
7. To provide rural boys and girls with information and direction in the intelligent use of leisure.
8. To teach and to demonstrate to rural boys and girls methods designed to improve practices in agriculture and homemaking.



4-H CLUB MOTTO AND PLEDGE

In support of the 4-H Club Motto, "To Make
The Best Better,"

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.



4-H EMBLEM

A four-leaf clover with the letter "H" on each leaflet, meaning the four-square development of Head, Heart, Hands and Health, is the accepted emblem. The emblem is protected by the United States Department of Agriculture copyright.



4-H CLUB WORK IS

The largest voluntary youth organization in the world.

For rural and urban boys and girls from 10 to 21 years of age.

Dependent on voluntary assistance and leadership from adults.

Dependent on parent support and cooperation.

Centered in the Home and Community.

DEMOCRACY IN ACTION.



1945

4-H ACHIEVEMENT SUMMARY

White Girls

45,939 Members
2,069 Clubs
2,069 Adult Leaders

1,007,197 Meals served
1,308,706 Quarts food
canned
115,201 Garments made
5,483 Rooms improved
10,682 Orchards
2,042 Yards improved
8,004 Poultry flocks

White Boys

35,572 Members
1,628 Clubs
1,628 Adult leaders

35,357 Acres field crops
745,936 Chickens
50,699 Head livestock
\$586,314 Bonds bought
\$1,078,244 Bonds sold
1,631,636 Pounds scrap
collected
5,260,857 Pounds beef
and pork sold
285,834 Dozen eggs sold
1,463 Head livestock
sold

Negro Girls

11,045 Members
552 Clubs
552 Adult Leaders
5,663 Home gardens
49 Truck gardens
443,471 Chickens
277,014 Quarts food
canned
37,937 Garments made
1,957 Rooms improved
144,873 Meals served

Negro Boys

8,840 Members
457 Adult Leaders
590 Junior Leaders
5,445 Acres field crops
1,817 Acres legumes
323 Orchards
1,254 Home gardens
318 Truck gardens
22,026 Chickens
6,106 Swine



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