

FATHER AND SON BANQUET

Giddings FFA Chapter Boys Stage Excellent Banquet

It is a far cry back to the time that the editor as a boy on a Lee County farm and when the family cow could be turned out with the dry cattle and no attention paid to her until she came back to the pen, full of ticks and a young calf trailing after her. Today the same cow must be given close attention for now there are milk fever, tick fever and germs. The same may be said of other advances in the sciences.

The FFA (Future Farmers of America) boys are studying other advances of agriculture science which may be as valuable as the curing of milk fever, the eradication of ticks and knowing the value of vitamins. Perhaps some boy in his work will get an idea which, if pursued to its completion, would make him as prominent as Babcock who was the most noted Professor in the University of Wisconsin for the invention bearing his name.

The banquet staged last Friday evening was provided by the boys of the Chapter who had sold Christmas trees and other items to raise the money to pay for the banquet. The Band Mothers did the serving assisted by some of the girls who play in the high school school band.

The boys' fathers, members of the school board, some of the high school teachers and other invited guests took part and made impromptu remarks appropriate to the occasion. The program was opened by Norfleet Emmrich, president of the Chapter, with the usual ceremony which is given at every chapter meeting. As the roll was called, each member presented his father. The chapter's sweetheart, Miss Allyne Marburger of Lincoln, was presented.

Tom G. Cherry, high school instructor in vocational agriculture told of some of the accomplishments of the boys in class room, work shop and their projects. Hereford cattle are the most popular, with poultry second in popularity.

Each boy's project is visited frequently by the instructor and the members. They also attended the Houston Fat Stock Show in the Fedor, Lincoln, and Giddings school buses and two automobiles. They also hold special social events at various times during the school year, earning their own money and also help to provide some needy articles in the work shop. There were almost 100 plates served.

This is the third year that vocational agriculture has been offered in the Giddings high school and it is proving a most popular subject. With the changes, some few mentioned above, there is a need for practical agriculture as well as any other subject in the high school curriculum. Incubators, cream separators, farm power, milking machines, and other such improved farm equipment require study as no haphazard procedure can profit today.

The officers of the Giddings Chapter besides the president and the instructor, are: Vice-president, John Broemer; secretary, Geo. Lee Prouss; treasurer, Monroe Karcher; reporter, Clarence Tschatschula. There are 50 members in the class.