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Lincoln, Nebraska



Professor William J. Loeffel--University of Nebraska--1919-1962



Parr Young

Nehawka, Nebraska

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DEDICATION

This year as on several other occasions in the past, the members of The Nebraska Chapter of the National Black and Bridle Club dedicate the yearbook to two individuals. They are Professor William J. Loeffel, former head of the Animal Husbandry Department at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln, and Mr. Parr Young of Saranville, Nebraska, a pioneer cattle feeder in southeast Nebraska.

He had served as superintendent of the Ar-Sar-Bon Livestock Show and was a member of the Board of Governors of the American Livestock Show in Kansas City. He also worked with the National Research Council, the Feed Industry Council, National Milk Review Committee, the American Society of Animal Production, the U.S.D.A. and a great many more agricultural societies.

Professor Loeffel's mark is indelibly imprinted in Nebraska and American agriculture. He was one to whom agriculture in general and especially that of Nebraska's livestock industry owe a great debt of gratitude. It is with warm memory and grateful thanks that the Nebraska Chapter of the National Black and Bridle Club for the second time dedicates a year book to our former honorary friend of all, and one of Nebraska's foremost educators in the field of Agricultural Science.

WILLIAM J. LOEFFEL

On May 5, 1962, with the death of Professor William J. Loeffel, the University of Nebraska College of Agriculture lost a man who had served it for 43 years. In 21 of these years he was the head of the Department of Animal Husbandry where he received national and international recognition for his contributions to meats research, teaching, and administration. In 1959 he retired as department head and since then until his death he continued to serve the college as professor of Animal Husbandry.

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PARR YOUNG

Mr. Parr Young is without any doubt one of the foremost leaders in feeding of cattle and swine in the state of Nebraska. As a little boy Mr. Young was given two calves with the understanding that if he would take good care of both he could keep one. He took care of the calves and from that time until his retirement in 1955 cattle feeding has been his life.

Mr. Young was the founder and first president of the Cass County Feeders Association and was instrumental in organizing the Nebraska Feeders Association which he served as its second president. He was one of the founders of the Nebraska Livestock Feeders and Breeders Association. He also has served on the Nebraska Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Committee. In his community, Parr has been a trustee in the Murray United Presbyterian Church, chairman of the County Fair Bureau and completed terms on the county fair board and a Cass County Commissioner.

Although Mr. Young retired from the cattle feeder business in 1955, he still lives close to the place where he fed out many thousands of hogs and beef animals.

NEBRASKA BLOCK AND BRIDLE CLUB



NEBRASKA BLOCK AND BRIDLE CLUB ROSTER

President.....George Ahlschwede
Vice President.....Daryl Starr
Secretary.....Al Jorgenson
Treasurer.....Marvin Daniels
Historian.....Jerald Loseke
Co-Historian.....David Zimmer
Ag. Exec. Representative.....Carl Jessen
Marshall.....Jay Graf
Advisors.....Prof. Vincent Arthaud
Dr. Donald B. Hudman

| | | |
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| Ahlschwede, George | Janovy, Leon M. | Smith, Ronald |
| Carlson, Keith | Jessen, Carl | Starr, Daryl |
| Carlson, Myron | Jorgensen, Alan | Uden, Vance |
| Cheney, Bruce | Jurgens, Marshall | Watkins, William |
| Christenson, Ron | Kraeger, Herb L. | Weber, Robert |
| Cool, Ron | Ladehoff, Harlan | Wehrbein, Dan |
| Daniels, Marvin | Lewis, Tom | Zimmer, Dave |
| Dunn, Douglas | Liermann, Herman | |
| Evertson, David M. | Lydie, Don | |
| Felker, Jesse D. | McClatchey, David | |
| Graf, Jay | McClure, Lane | |
| Harding, Michael | Meiergerd, Donald C. | |
| Jameson, Bruce | Minert, Lowell | |

BLOCK AND BRIDLE CLUB ADVISOR

The advisor of the Block and Bridle Club is Professor Vincent H. Arthaud. Professor Arthaud is a native of Cambridge, Nebraska. He attended the University of Nebraska College of Agriculture and received his Bachelor of Science here in 1936. In 1935 Professor Arthaud was a member of the Nebraska Livestock Judging team. He also obtained his Masters from Nebraska in 1953.

Professor Arthaud is doing work in Beef Cattle Research and Breeding. Currently, he is working with beef cattle carcass evaluation. He is a member of Alpha Zeta, Gamma Sigma Delta, Sigma xi and the American Society of Animal Science.

During the past year Professor Arthaud has spent many hours working with the members and officers of the Block and Bridle Club. On behalf of the entire Block and Bridle Club we would like to say "thanks Vince".

Our Advisor Professor Vincent H. Arthaud

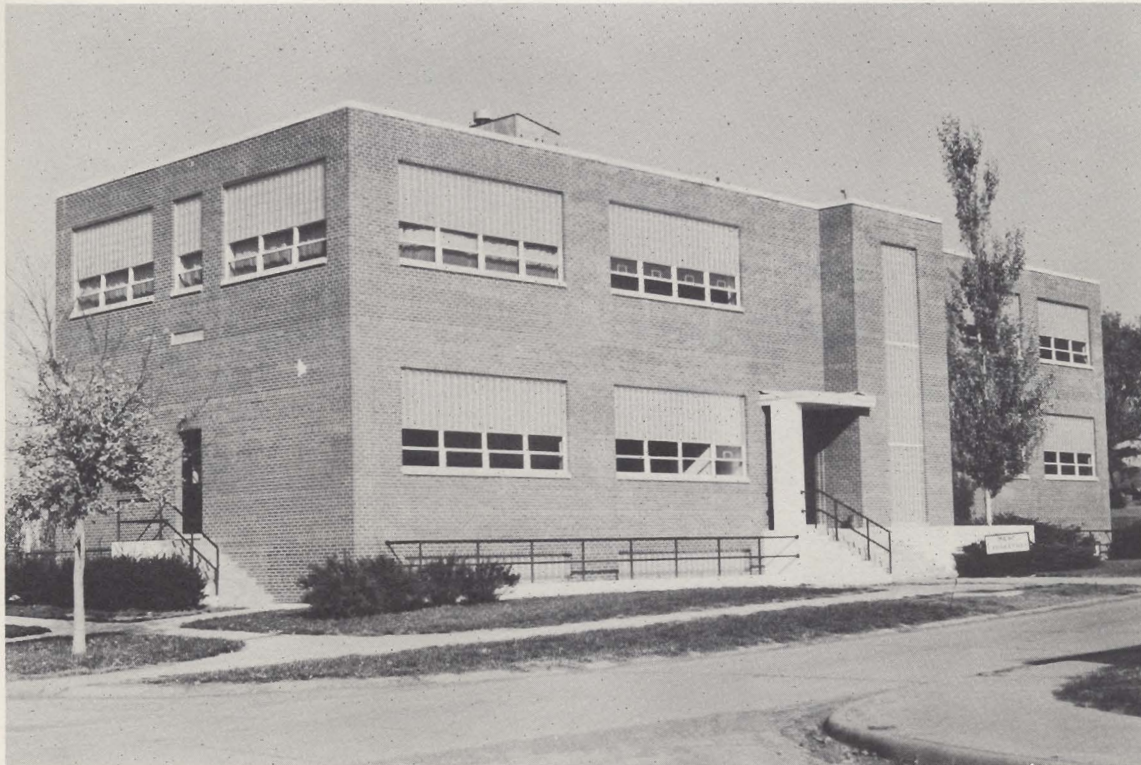


ANIMAL HUSBANDRY FACULTY

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| R. M. Koch | Chairman of Dept. of A. H. |
| C. H. Adams | Meats teaching research, Judging Coach |
| V. H. Arthaud | Beef research and teaching |
| C. T. Blunn | Small animal genetics research |
| D. C. Clanton- | Beef cattle nutrition and teaching |
| T. H. Doane | Sheep extension |
| P. Q. Guyer | Beef cattle extension |
| K. E. Gregory | U.S.D.A. regional cattle breeding |
| D. B. Hudman | Swine nutrition research and teaching |
| W. J. Loeffel | Teaching and research |
| L. E. Lucas | Swine extension |
| E. R. Peo, Jr. | Swine nutrition research and teaching |
| L. J. Sumption | Animal breeding research and teaching |
| L. A. Swiger | U.S.D.A. |
| R. B. Warren | Teaching and livestock judging coach |
| D. C. Williams | 4-H extension |
| W. R. Woods | Beef cattle nutrition research and teaching |
| D. R. Zimmerman | Reproductive physiology research and teaching |



Animal Husbandry Hall



Meats Laboratory

SAMPLE MINUTES

Ag Student Union

General

President Ahlschwede called the meeting to order with 25 members present, our Jr. Advisor Dr. Hudman, Dr. E. R. Peo, Jr., and Dr. Clanton being present. President Ahlschwede gave a short report on the National Block and Bridle Convention at which Jerry Loeske and George Ahlschwede served as our official delegates. George also told us that the annual report and club activities both received honorable mention.

Ag Exec. Report - Jessen reporting - Carl told us that they talked about ways of improving Professional opportunities conference. They also talked about the lights for the ag campus signs, but no action had been taken.

Treasurer's Report - Daniels reporting - Marv said that he had things up-to-date, but that there was a \$1,000 bill at Hormel's at the present time.

Ewe Sale - Oeltjen reporting, - John said that things went well at the sale and thanked the members for their help. John also said the club made the usual \$40 profit.

Jacket Report - Head reporting - John asked for those who were interested in purchasing jackets to see him after the meeting.

Ham Sale Report - Weber reporting - Bob told us that to date 279 hams (3,300 lbs.) had been sold. Bob also reminded the members to turn in pink slips at Vince's office, and to be sure and vote for one of the candidates. Weber further stated that the deadline for selling hams should be Wednesday, December 20. It was decided February 16th would be the date of the dance at which Miss Block and Bridle would be presented.

New Business - Ahlschwede read some dates of coming club events that should be remembered.

Starr introduced our guest speaker, Dr. Clanton, who talked and showed slides on different phases of livestock production which was very enjoyable and interesting.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Al Jorgensen,

Secretary

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Receipts:

| | |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Dues & Jewelry | \$ 91.00 |
| Feeder's Day Barbecue | 350.00 |
| Ewe Sale | 40.00 |
| Ham Sale | 5,139.36 |
| Quarter Horse Show | 2,234.00 |
| Honor's Banquet | 468.00 |
| Livestock Judging Clinic | <u>25.00</u> |
| | <u>\$8,347.36</u> |

Expenditures:

| | |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| National Dues | \$ 54.00 |
| Feeder's Day Barbecue | 270.26 |
| Ham Sale | 4,438.85 |
| Quarter Horse Show | 2,125.12 |
| Cornhusker | 80.00 |
| Honor's Banquet | 518.12 |
| Ribbons and Awards | 192.37 |
| Miscellaneous | 282.53 |
| Livestock Tour | <u>342.65</u> |
| | <u>\$8,303.90</u> |
| Net Income | <u><u>43.46</u></u> |

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN FOR 1961-1962

Barbecue Committee

Jay Graf

Judging and Showmanship Committee

Lowell Minert

Honors Day Committee

Marvin Daniels

Livestock Judging Committee

Vance Uden

Membership Committee

Keith Christenson

Jacket Committee

Marshall Jurgens

Quarterhorse Show Committee

Bill Watkins

Holiday Ham Sale Committee

Robert Weber

Ewe Sale Committee

John Oeltjen

Social Committee

Dan Wehrbein

Decorations Committee

Bruce Jameson

Credentials of George Ahlschwede
 Candidate from Nebraska Chapter
 for
 National Block and Bridle Merit Trophy Award

A. SCHOLARSHIP

1. Grades

- (a) All college grade 6.000 on a 9 point system or an average of 82.0%.
- (b) Ranked in top 25% of graduating class.
- (c) Copy of transcript enclosed.

2. Awards

- (a) Sears Roebuck Scholarship - 1959 - 1960.
- (b) Ak-Sar-Ben Scholarship - 1960 - 1961 - 1962.
- (c) Wake Scholarship
- (d) Alpha Zeta

B. BLOCK AND BRIDLE CLUB ACTIVITIES

1. Initiated, Spring, 1959.

2. Offices

- (a) President, 1961-1962.
- (b) Marshal, 1960-1961

3. Committees

- (a) Chairman, Quarter Horse Show
- (b) Chairman, Jacket Committee
- (c) Co-chairman, Judging School
- (d) Co-chairman, Horsemen's Clinic
- (e) Clerk of Nebraska Breeders Ewe Sale
- (f) Feeder's Day Barbecue

4. Others

- (a) Block and Bridle Junior Judging Contest - 9th place, 1960
- (b) Block and Bridle Show - Champion Sheep Showman and Reserve Champion Overall, 1960
- (c) Block and Bridle Show - 3rd place Shorthorn Showman, 1961

C. OTHER ACTIVITIES1. Freshman

- (a) Ag Union - Publicity Committee
- (b) Circulation Manager, Ag Rag (College of Agriculture paper)
- (c) University 4-H Club
- (d) Pledged Farm House Fraternity
- (e) Student Employee - University Beef Barn

2. Sophomore

- (a) Farm House Fraternity Active Membership
- (b) University 4-H Club
- (c) Fraternity Intramural Football, Basketball and Softball Teams
- (d) Student Employee - University Beef Barn

3. Junior

- (a) Elected to membership in Alpha Zeta
- (b) Fraternity Intramural Football, Basketball and Indoor Track Teams.

- (c) Honorable Mention Player on All-University Intramural Basketball
- (d) First place University Intramural Indoor High Jump
- (e) Junior Livestock Judging Team
- (f) Third place team at Denver
- (g) Second place in Block & Bridle Judging Contest for Junior Livestock Team Members
- (h) Member of Wool Judging Team at Denver
- (i) Undergraduate Assistant - Beef Carcass Research Project
- (j) Undergraduate teaching assistant - Introductory Animal Husbandry course

4. Senior

- (a) Chronicler of Alpha Zeta
- (b) Public Relation Chairman of Farm House Fraternity
- (c) Senior Livestock Judging Team
- (d) Fifth High individual at National Barrow Show, Austin
- (e) 17th High individual at American Royal, Kansas City
- (f) Third High individual at Kansas State Judging Clinic, Manhattan
- (g) Eighth High individual at International Livestock Show, Chicago
- (h) Member of fifth place Wool Team at American Royal, Kansas City

- (i) Undergraduate Assistant - Beef Carcass Research Project
- (j) Awarded Graduate Assistantship - Kansas State University

5. Pre-College

- (a) State Farmer - F.F.A. - Local Chapter Treasurer
- (b) President - Local 4-H Club
- (c) Church Choir and M.Y.F. (Youth Group)
- (d) High School Band, Chorus, Football, Basketball and Track
- (e) Fred R. Nonavec Basketball Award for Scholarship and Sportsmanship
- (f) National Honor Society

MERIT TROPHY AWARD



Each year the Nebraska Chapter of the Block and Bridle Club selects an individual to compete for the National Merit Trophy Award. In the photo above, our club advisor, Professor Vince Arthaud, is seen presenting this year's candidate, George Ahlschwede, a plaque for being selected as Merit Trophy winner of the Nebraska Chapter.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

This year it was decided that recognition should be given to the outstanding scholars in the Club and thus, an award of a medal has been set up to give the top scholars in the senior, junior and sophomores.

Seniors who were honored are: Daryl Starr, Stapleton, first; and Bill Watkins, Arnold, second.

Jay Graf of Republican City, and David Evertson from Kimball were the two from the junior class.

Due to the slightest difference in averages, three awards were given to Sophomores. The students were: Tom Lewis, Cambridge, first; William Ahlschwede, Crete, and Douglas Dunn, Osceola, sharing the second place.



The highest scholars in the Block and Bridle Club.
Daryl Starr, Tom Lewis, Doug Dunn, Bill Ahlschwede, and
David Evertson.

1961-62 Block and Bridle Club Calendar

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|-------------------------|--|
| September 21 | First Meeting |
| September 29 | Feed and Nutrition Conference Barbecue |
| October 12 | Smoker |
| October 26 | Initiation |
| November 9 | Meeting |
| November 27-December 15 | Holiday Ham Sale |
| December 9 | Purebred Ewe Sale |
| January 11 | Meeting |
| January 25 | Meeting |
| February 8 | Meeting |
| February 22 | Meeting |
| March 3 | Livestock Royal |
| March 8 | Meeting |
| April 7 | Judging Contest |
| April 12 | Meeting - Election of Officers |
| April 18 | Feeder Day Barbecue - Honors Banquet |
| April 25-27 | Block and Bridle Club Tour |
| May 10 | Meeting |
| May 11-12 | Quarter Horse Show |
| May 24 | Installation of Officers |

INITIATIONS

NEBRASKA BLOCK AND BRIDLE CLUB

The Nebraska Chapter of the National Block and Bridle Club follows a traditional procedure in initiating new members.

Individuals wishing to join must file an application with the membership committee. The committee then checks to see that all the applicants have met the requirements. This year the club voted to change the requirements to allow students who are enrolled in the Honor's Program to be eligible without having had the basic course in Animal Science. The club then votes on the prospective members. The candidates are then traditionally initiated at an informal ceremony and then undergo a week of pledgeship during which they must obtain the signatures of the Animal Husbandry faculty and the club officers. At the end of the pledge period they are formally initiated into the club.

This year the club initiated 27 new members. The following 12 boys were initiated in the fall:

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| Bill Ahlschwede | Oliver Holbein | Phil Menke |
| Walter Bjorklund | Dean Jacobs | Frank Morrison |
| Ron Hanthorn | Fred Krausnick | Roger Stork |
| Jerry Hoegermeyer | Bill Majors | Fred Zillich |

These 15 men were initiated in the spring:

Ed Anderson

Jim Hecox

Ed Swanson

Dean Bader

Dwain Heitshusen

Dale Travnicek

Dennie Beatty

John Hermanson

Tim Wake

Bob Breckenridge

Al Jiskra

Clark Will

Gary Goedeken

Charles Licking

Larry Wusk

PUREBRED EWE SALE

The University of Nebraska held a purebred ewe sale at the Animal Husbandry Pavilion on the Agricultural Campus on December 9, 1961. At this sale purebred sheep breeders from throughout the state consign their bred ewes.

The Block and Bridle Club members set up the necessary equipment and assist with getting sheep to and from the sale ring. They also serve as ringmen and assist the clerk. This year there were Hampshire, Shropshire, Southdown, Corriedale, Suffolk, Cheviot, and Dorset breeds represented in the sale.

The Block and Bridle Club received \$40 for their assistance with the sale.

HOLIDAY HAM SALE

The Block and Bridle Club held a Holiday Ham Sale again this year to raise money to be used for our tour in the spring. The hams were purchased from Geo. A. Hormel Company of Fremont, Nebraska. The club sold 6,280 lbs. of ham and made a profit of \$700. 51 on the project.

The hams were sold during the two weeks prior to Christmas vacation. The club was divided into teams and the team selling the most hams received a ham and the high individual received a Block and Bridle Club pin.

To aid publicity a Block and Bridle Queen was sponsored in connection with the ham sale. Five finalists were selected from candidates entered by each organization on campus. The people who bought hams were allowed ten votes per ham for their choice of the finalists to be Queen. The five finalists were: Cheryl Weik, Jo Anne Willson, Jean Brooks, Del Rae Beermann, and Judy Pump. Miss Beermann was crowned the Queen. She reigned as Queen during the 1961-1962 school year.

BLOCK AND BRIDLE SOCIAL

The members of the Block and Bridle Club enjoyed dancing and card playing at this year's Social which was held in the Ag Student Union on February 16, 1962.

The highlight of the event was the presentation of the Block and Bridle Club Queen, Miss Del Rae Beermann.



Our 1961-1962 Queen, Del Rae Beermann on the day she was elected Miss Block and Bridle.

SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

The 1962 Showmanship Contest was held on February 17 in the Animal Husbandry Livistock Pavillion.

Vance Uden of Brunning, Nebraska won the cattle division with Bernie Phifer of Mason City taking second place. The swine division was won by Don Meiergerd of West Point and Bruce Cheney of Pilger took second place. Our top sheep showman was Lyle Burton from Kearney. Russell Stolze of Emerson was in the second spot. Vance Uden went on to win the championship with Lyle Burton taking reserve champion honors.

The judges for the event were: cattle, Bob Fitzgerald, Boys Town; swine, Dick Deets, Geneva; and sheep, Harry Hart, Cozad.

Lowell Minert served as the chairman of the contest.



Vance Uden, the Grand Champion Showman
and Miss Block and Bridle, Del Rae Beermann,

BLOCK AND BRIDLE CLUB JACKETS

The members of the Block and Bridle Club decided to purchase jackets with lettering on the back showing that they are members of the club. Light beige jackets were purchased and on the back was lettered in navy blue, "Uni. of Nebr. Block and Bridle Club." The jackets are purchased by club members and the lettering is paid for by the club. These jackets have been used here for a number of years and are a very familiar sight on the Ag College Campus.



BLOCK & BRIDLE CLUB TOUR

The members of the University of Nebraska Block and Bridle Club decided to take a tour on April 25, 26, 27, and 28. Twenty-seven members of the club, eight students from an Animal Husbandry class, our advisor, the Animal Husbandry Department chairman, and the judging coach made the trip along with a photographer from the University of Nebraska Publicity Department.

After leaving Lincoln at 5:00 a.m. we made our first stop at the Oscar Scheer swine operation at Arlington, Nebraska. After a tour through the operation, the bus left for the Morgan Rasmussen feedlot in Herman, Nebraska. Here they explained how they consistently top the market with high quality cattle. To be able to compare the different type of cattle being fed, the next stop was at the Wyler and Pring feedlots where they were feeding plainer cattle and Holsteins.

The last stop for the morning was with Leon Rathke of Beemer, Nebraska where he showed us his registered Landrace hogs and his extensive operation.

After lunch we stopped at Elman Eggers' farm at Tilden where he has quite a large herd of Charolaise cattle. Being able to get first hand information on this type of little seen cattle was very interesting. Our last stop for the day was the Lynn Keith swine feeding operation at Neligh, Nebraska. He showed us through his new farrow house which had heated pipes in the floor. After

this stop we had supper and drove to Bassett, Nebraska--on the edge of the Nebraska sandhills, where we spent the night.

After an early breakfast, the club toured the Frank Reece ranch. Mr. Reece runs a commercial herd of more than 700 Angus. It was interesting for many of the members to see the operation since Mr. Reece's son, Bud, was a member of the Block and Bridle Club while he was at the University of Nebraska.

After the Reece ranch, we stopped at the Pybread Hereford ranch and the Fairway ranch both in the Valentine area. Both of these ranches were producing high quality registered Herefords. At the Dybread ranch they are using the 1962 National Western Grand Champion Bull--King Husker 1962. This bull was purchased in Denver for \$32,000.

After a roast beef dinner in Valentine, we drove across Cheny county, Nebraska's largest and stopped at Frank Carver ranch. Here we inspected his commercial Hereford herd and about fifty head of his registered Quarter Horses of particular interest which was won. Here we were served punch and cookies by the wife of the county extension agent and Mrs. Carver.

The last stop of the day was at Bob Johnson's ranch in Merriman. Mr. Johnson has a large commercial herd of Herefords which are bred by the use of artificial insemination. He is also doing extensive production testing for Armour and Company. Feeding tests are also being run with Aureomycin. To see his herd, the bus that we were traveling in had to travel over 15 miles of sandy trails. The driver was glad that he had a load of men--after

We had pushed the bus out of the sand when it got stuck two times.

After eighteen hours on the road, we spent the night in Chadron, Nebraska.

Friday morning we stopped at the Pilster and Campbell ranch where we saw a sheep operation. We drove across the range to see the main herd. Of particular interest here was the soil--which we were told had a water permeability of one inch per twenty four hours.

The rest of the morning was spent at the Fort Robinson Beef Cattle Research Station. Here the club saw the experimental breeding herd, the cattle that are in a heterosis experiment, the extensive feeding and reproduction test. It was felt that this was the highlight of the trip. Here we saw how the combined efforts of the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the Nebraska College of Agriculture are improving the billion dollar cattle industry.

In the afternoon we inspected the Messensmith ranch which is producing purebred and commercial herefords. As a side line the Messersmiths have a herd of registered Arabian horses. Many members were suprised at how small a foal is.

That evening we went through the Brand office and the Cattleman's Association offices in alliance. They explained their function and then provided a delicious beef dinner.

On the fourth and final day of the trip our first stop was

at the ranch of Orvil E. Kuhlman in North Platte. Here we inspected a herd of 100 registered polled Herefords of Gold Mine, Advance Domino and Choice Domino Breeding. The present herd sire Deamond made the Register of Merit this year.

Also in North Platte we visited the ranch of Wes Hansen who runs a purebred and commerical herd. His cattle were of particular interest since the University of Nebraska has purchased Hansen calves for experimental lots for many years.

The third stop that was made in North Platte was the University of Nebraska U.S.D.A. Experiment Station. Here we saw what is being done with crop and animal research. After an interesting lecture we were taken out to the plots to get a first hand view.

After lunch we stopped at Armour and Company feedlots in Cozad. After looking at the feeding arrangement, we saw about 2,000 calves that are on Armour's Beef Cattle Improvement Research Program. This program hinges on the successful employment of artificial insemination to spread the use of top-notch sires.

The final stop of the trip was at Cornland Dressed Beef Packing Plant. This is a new \$750,000 plant that is owned and operated by local feeders. They figure that by selling carcass instead of cattle they can realize a larger return on their investment. After touring the plant we boarded the bus and started back to Lincoln.

After more than 90 hours and 1,150 miles we arrived in Linclon a bit tired but with a good deal more knowledge about our vocation-- Animal Husbandry.



This is a picture of the entire group that went on the tour. This was taken at the University of Nebraska, North Platte Experiment Station.



The club is hearing the history of the Beef Cattle Research Experiment Station, Fort Robinson, Nebraska.



The tour took to the pasture here to see part of the Heterosis Cattle Herd at Fort Robinson.



This is Orvil Kuhlman and his herd sire Golden Diamond.
From left to right, Mr. Kuhlman, Oliver Holbein, Roger
Mertens, Bill Majors, and George Haussler.

INTRACOLLEGIATE JUDGING CONTEST

The Annual Block and Bridle Judging Contest was held on April 7, 1962 in the Animal Husbandry Livestock Pavilion. The contest was divided into a junior division for students who have not yet taken Animal Husbandry 103 and a senior division for students who have taken the course. The junior division was organized into teams comprised of the five high individuals from each organized house. There were eight classes of livestock for the junior division to judge and twelve classes for the senior division. A plaque was awarded to the top team with medals and ribbons for individual winners.

The winners were announced at the Honors Banquet on April 18. Don Meiergerd of West Point was the winner of the senior division and was awarded a gold watch presented by the Nixon and Company of Omaha. Roger Wilshusen of Schuyler was second while Bob Weber of Dorchester placed third, and Harlan Ladehoff of Dodge placed fourth.

Winners of the individual classes in the senior division were: cattle - Harlan Ladehoff, 1st; Bob Weber, 2nd; swine - Don Meiergerd, 1st; Bruce Jameson, 2nd; sheep - Don Meiergerd, 1st; Bruce Jameson, 2nd; quarter horses - Russ Jackson, 1st; Harlan Ladehoff, 2nd.

Top honors in the junior division went to Bill Ahlschwede of Crete, Nebraska. Bernie Phifer of Mason City was second and Larry Nippert was third. The class winners were: cattle - Bernie Phifer, 1st; Tom Lewis, 2nd; swine - Mich Wilkins, 1st; Dick Drueke, 2nd; sheep - Bill Ahlschwede, 1st; Larry Nippert, 2nd.

The team competition was won by Alpha Gamma Sigma; second place went to Burr Hall. Independents were third, Farm House fourth, and Alpha Gamma Rho in fifth place.

FEEDERS DAY

This year the Department of Animal Husbandry celebrated the 50th anniversary of its first Feeders Days which was the first to be held in this country.

The theme of the Golden Anniversary was basically the same as the original one--to bring the results of experimental cattle feeding to the stockman.

This year's theme was Beef Cattle, Past, Present and Future. In line with this theme were beef animals representing the past one hundred years.

At the close of the Feeders Day program the Nebraska Breeders and Feeders Association held a business meeting. A special program was presented to the wives of the men attending Feeders Day on one hundred years of progress in home economics, plant science, animal science and education. A forecast of new trends in meat cuts was also given.

Feeders days was climaxed by the Block and Bridle Club's Annual Honor's Banquet.

HONORS BANQUET

The 1962 Block and Bridle Honors Banquet was held on April 18 in conjunction with the 50th anniversary of Feeders Day. Mr. Parr Young was honored and his portrait was presented to the Animal Husbandry Department to hang in its hall of fame along with the 23 other men so honored.

Many friends and relatives of Mr. Young's were present in the banquet hall of the Nebraska Union to honor him. Everett Spangler of the Production Credit Association of Omaha told of Mr. Young's achievements in a talk entitled "Citizen and Neighbor". Melvin Todd, feeder from Union, Nebraska, told about Mr. Young's life in a speech which he called "Fork and Feed Bucket".

Topping the list of Block and Bridle awards was the presentation of the Chapter Merit Trophy to George Ahlschwede as the outstanding club member of the year.

Keith Christenson served as a toastmaster for the evening.



Pictured above is the presentation of the portrait of Mr. Parr Young which was hung in the Animal Husbandry Hall.

From left: Mrs. Parr Young, Mr. Young, Dr. R.M. Koch (chairman, Animal Husbandry Dept.) and George Ahlschweede (President of Club).



Parr Young on his farm with some of the cattle that he has become famous for.



Showmanship winners who were honored at the banquet.
Left to right are Arden Algerter, Vance Uden, Lyle Burton,
and Don Meiergerd.

DISPLAY AT SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURE DAY

The Block and Bridle Club prepared a display depicting their club purposes and activities for the annual Science in Agriculture Day in April, 1962. This display was visited by juniors and seniors from surrounding high schools who were invited to the Ag College Campus to acquaint themselves with educational opportunities.

Block and Bridle club members discussed club activities and college work with these visitors from a student's point of view.

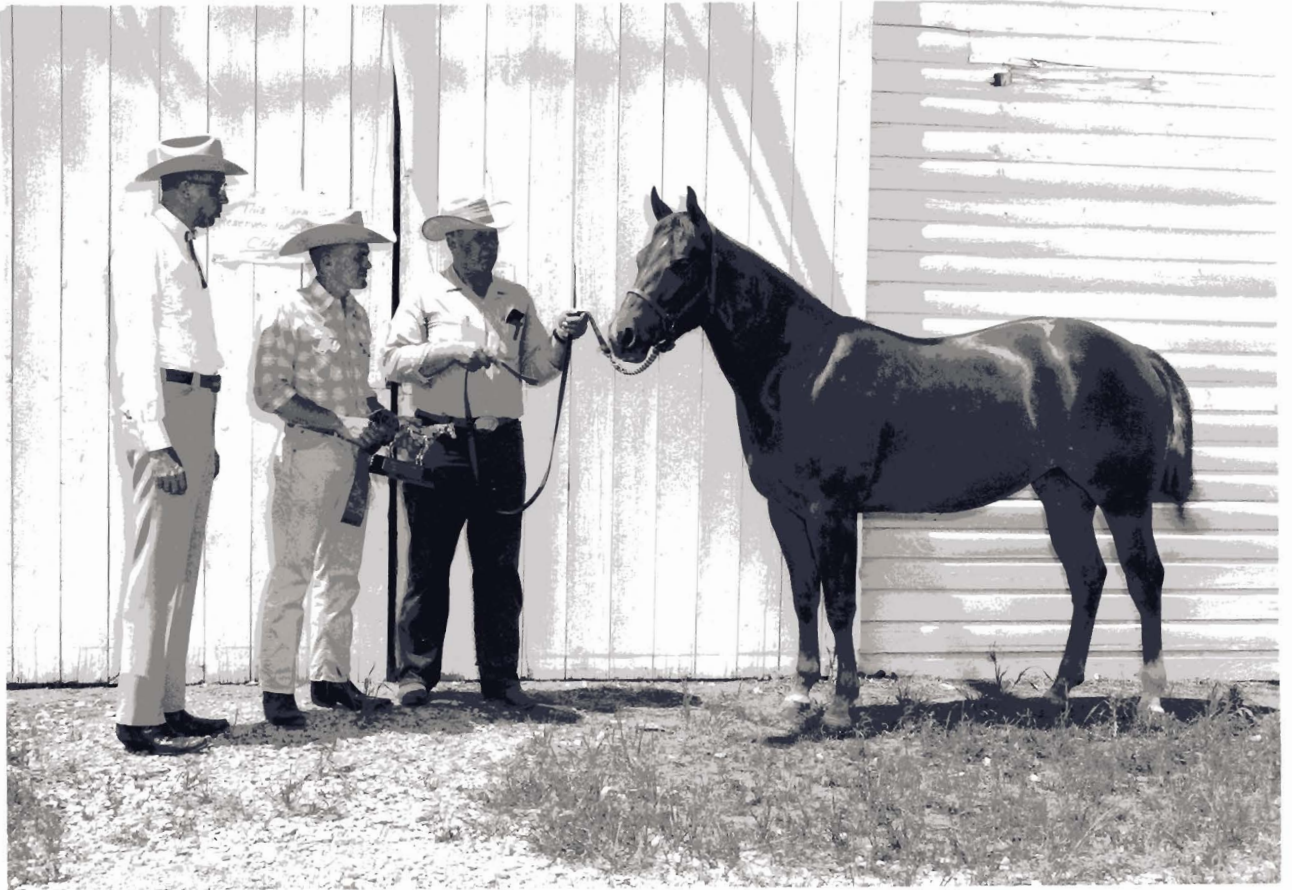
QUARTERHORSE SHOW

The Seventh Annual Block and Bridle Quarterhorse Show was held on May 11-12 at the coliseum on the Nebraska State Fair grounds. It was held jointly with the Rodeo Club's annual rodeo.

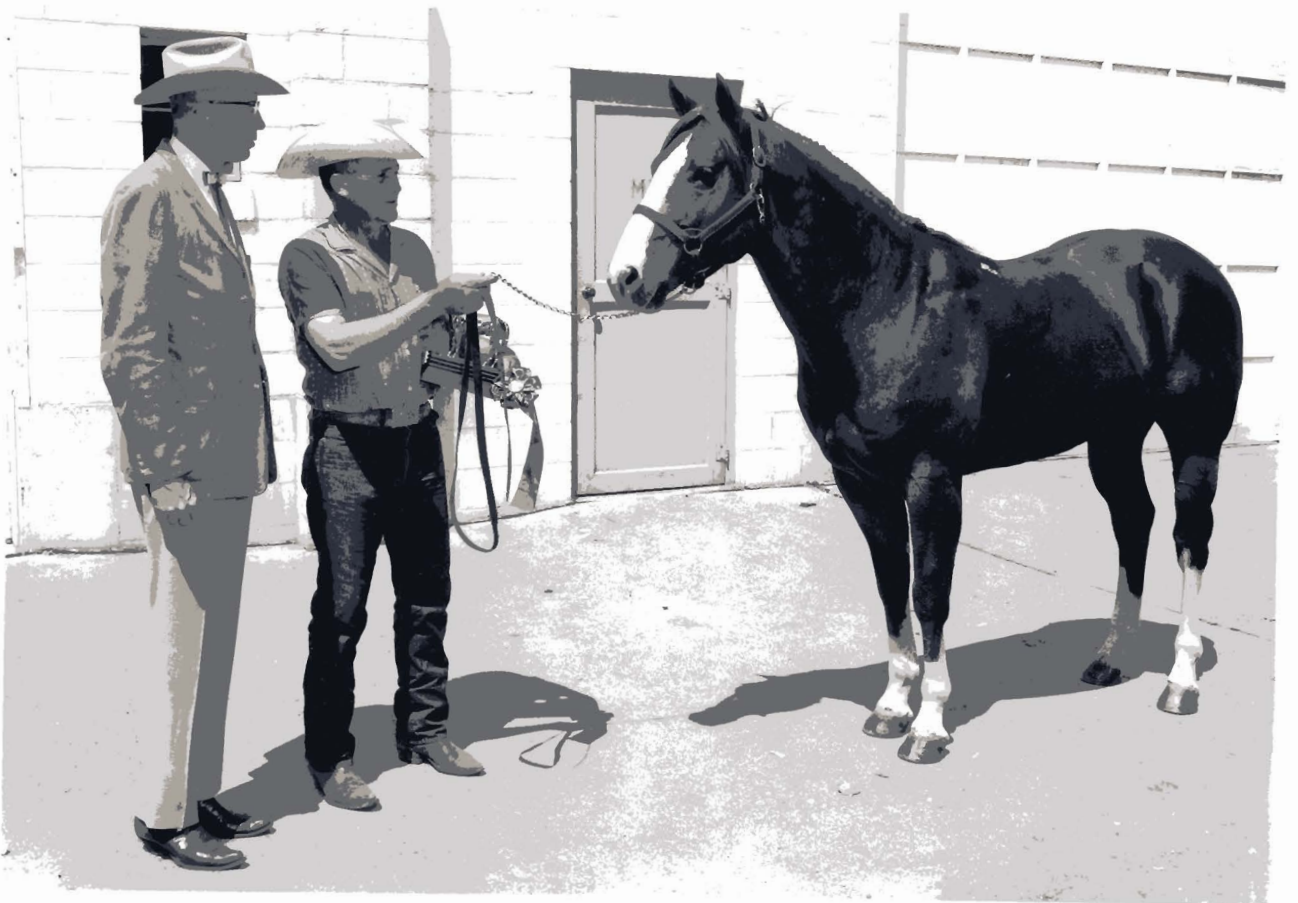
The show was held on May 11 and 12. More than 250 entries from 9 states were present.

Ribbon and trophies were provided by the club through the American Quarterhorse Association. The judge of the show this year was Dr. Jim Kisen, professor of Animal Husbandry, Iowa State University.

Bill Watkins was the superintendent of the show.



Jim Kaiser, the judge, Bill Watkins, show chairman,
and Howard Pitcher look at Howard's grand champion mare.



Jim Kaiser, the show judge, looks on with Dave Mortin at his horse that was named champion stallion.

BLOCK AND BRIDLE MEAT JUDGING CONTEST

The Block and Bridle Meat Judging Contest was held on May 4. Since this was after the Honors Banquet the results of the contest were read to the Club in its last meeting of the year and the plaques and ribbons were then handed out. The contest winner was Tom Lewis of Cambridge; Larry Nippert from Carleton was runnerup. Each of these men received a plaque which were presented by the Union Stockyards Company of Omaha.

Winners of the individual classes were: Beef--Tom Lewis, first; Harlan Ladehoff, second; Pork--Phillip Zimmerman, first; Tom Lewis, second; Lamb--Larry Nippert, first; Tom Lewis, second.

The contest was held in the University Meats Laboratory and was conducted by Professor Charles H. Adams.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Donald Meiergerd of West Point, Nebraska was elected the 1961-63 president of the Block and Bridle Club on May 17, 1962.

Retiring president, George Ahlschwede, installed the new officers on May 24.

The other officers elected were:

- Jay Graf.....Vice President
- Bruce Jameson.....Secretary
- Marshall Jurgens.....Treasurer
- Bruce Cheny.....Ag. Exec. Board Representative
- David Zimmer.....Historian
- Keith Carlson.....Co-Historian
- Bill Ahlschwede.....Publicity
- Dr. Donald B. Hudman.....Advisor
- Dr. Lavon J. Sumption.....Advisor

BLOCK AND BRIDLE PICNIC

In conjunction with the installation of officers the club held a picnic and baseball game at Pioneer's Park outside of Lincoln. The entire club and the Department of Animal Husbandry staff had a good time. After the officers were installed, slides of the Spring tour were shown.

This was the last meeting of the year.

SENIOR LIVESTOCK JUDGING TEAM

The 1961 Senior Livestock Judging team at the University of Nebraska was coached by Professor R. B. Warren. The team members were Jerald Loseke, Vance Uden, George Ahlschwede, Herbert Kraeger, and Ronald Christenson.

The first contest of the season was the National Barrow Show at Austin, Minnesota, where the team placed third out of ten.

At the American Royal Livestock Show in Kansas City the Livestock Judging team placed fifth out of 24. Jerald Loseke was high individual in the contest.

In the American Royal Wool Judging contest, the team placed fifth out of eight teams.

The next contest was the Midwest Livestock Clinic held at Kansas State College where they finished first out of five. Team members placed second, third and fifth high individuals in the contest.

At the International Livestock Exposition in Chicago, which is the final contest for the team, they placed second out of 38.

Four of the team members were among the top ten individuals in the contest.



The 1961 University of Nebraska senior judging team.
From left to right are Dr. R. Koch, A. H. Dept. Chairman;
Don Kmock; Melvin Riley; Marvin Daniels; Coach R. B. Warren;
Vance Uden; Keith Christenson; Jerald Loseke; Herb Kraeger;
and George Ahlschwede.

JUNIOR LIVESTOCK JUDGING TEAM

The Junior Livestock Judging Team's season consisted of competing at the National Western Stock Show in Denver, Colorado and the Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa.

At the National Western the team placed fourth in 18 teams and Don Meiergerd was second high individual in the contest.

At the Iowa State Judging contest the team placed second in six teams.

The University Junior Livestock Judging team was coached by Professor R. B. Warren of the University of Nebraska Animal Husbandry Department.

MEAT'S JUDGING TEAM

The University of Nebraska Meat's Judging Team, coached by Professor Charles Adams and Mr. Robert Dannert Consisted of Karen Edeal, Donald Meiergerd, John Oeltjen, and Roger Wilshusen.

In competition at the American Royal, the team placed 14th out of 17.

At the International Meat's Judging Contest in Chicago the team placed 16th out of 24.

