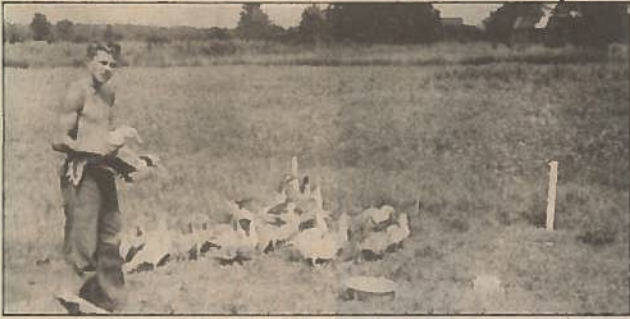


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## 4-H poultry project 1939

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The following information is taken from the annual report of the 4-H Club Department of the Orleans County Farm and Home Bureau of 1939. Last week, this column contained a story from the same report on a dress review; this week it's the boys' turn.

The photo shows Warren Morse, a Buffalo boy who lived outside Medina during the summer, with ducks he raised and sold before returning to school. Thirty-seven boys and one girl enrolled in the poultry project, with 28 boys and one girl completing it. More than 2,500 chickens were raised by the 4-H members in 1939. Gross income on all poultry projects was \$2,795.32, a net income of \$1,002.64.

One of the outstanding accomplishments was that of George Becker of Medina. He worked out and put on a demonstration entitled, "The Drawing and Trussing of a Chicken." He later placed third in a statewide contest where he won a trip to the World's Poultry Congress.

Club members were

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advised to get their chicks from nearby poultry men. Several club members go chicks through the Albion FFA department. One member sold 150 crossbred pullets at a profit of \$6,702, over costs for feed and labor. Another 4-H member with 116 Rock & Red crossbred chicks averaged 196 eggs per bird. They returned \$1.41 per bird over costs for labor and feed.

Robert Bauer of Holley raised turkeys and ended up getting 30 cents per pound, showing a nice profit.

#### Upcoming events

■ "Stories from Gaines," history program at 7 p.m. Friday at Pullman Church, Albion.

■ Tour of Mount Albion Cemetery, 2 p.m. Sunday.

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