

Washington County N.Y.A. Convention Here Saturday, May 13th Well Attended

'The Outlook For Youth' Theme of Program, Well Presented by Speakers

More than 50 of the 85 enrolled in N.Y.A. work in Washington county, attended the convention held in this city Saturday, under the direction of Von B. Cottam, county project supervisor; Ann P. Robinson, instructor of vocational work for resident project girls of the Dixie junior college; Charles N. Merkeley, instructor for boys' vocational work and Leland Hafen, Dixie college faculty advisor of N.Y.A.

The theme for the day, "Outlook for Youth", was ably brought out in the addresses given by Pres. Glenn E. Snow of the Dixie college, Mrs. Roxey Romney, librarian; Mayor Albert E. Miller, and Clifford Bletzacker, state project supervisor of N.Y.A. Miss Marie Mickleson introduced the speakers.

A rousing noon banquet preceded the afternoon sports. Most of the group were guests for the tour of the city. Wallace Duncan of La Verkin acted as toastmaster at the banquet and introduced

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many interesting music and singing numbers.

The two outstanding essays written for the N.Y.A. convention, one by Miss Mickelson and the other by Miss Nellie Crookston, were read before the convention.

That the nation has at heart the interests of its boys and girls, was manifest both in the addresses of the selected speakers, and in these essays. The students working under N.Y.A. showed a wholesome attitude, an appreciation for their opportunities being given them not only in the earning of necessary school expenses and other essentials of living, but for the attitude given them regarding the prospects of the underprivileged boy and girl to build toward a sounder and happier future. Those attending were greatly pleased with the program that has been carried on and with the prospects outlined for the future.

The musical numbers given during the day were also appreciated and the film reels shown by Supervisor Bletzacker suggested many possibilities for local projects, in which N.Y.A. workers can give able assistance.

Mr. Bletzacker listed this as one of the most outstanding county conventions he has attended, and congratulated those in charge as well as the boys and girls on their fine programs.

The N.Y.A. paper, "The Banner", with Norma Koch as editor, presented its first issue to guests during the day. The evening was spent at a dance sponsored by the group.