

## 1961 Iowa Master Farm Homemakers Guild Inductees

Each year Wallaces Farmer honors a few Iowa farmwomen who are doing an outstanding job as homemakers and community workers. In recognizing these women, we hope to honor all farm women who spend much time and energy to make Iowa a better place in which to live.

Here are the judges who made the final selection for 1961: Miss Louise Rosenfeld, Assistant Director of Extension, Iowa State University; Mrs. Margaret Yoder, District Home Economics Supervisor, Iowa State University; Mrs. Lester Rankin, Marion County, Master Farm Homemaker (1950), and Mrs. Zoe Murphy, Homemaking Editor, Wallaces Farmer.

### Mildred Altman - IMFH Class of 1961

#### Humboldt County

Mrs. Altman and her husband have lived on the same 320-acre farm since their marriage 26 years ago.

They have five children: Karen and Mardell, married; Douglas, a student at Iowa State; Paul, a senior in high school; and David, in the 6th grade. The young people have been active in various 4-H Club projects and have received special recognition.

Douglas and Paul are members of the FFA. Mrs. Altman has been Girls' 4-H Club leader and has served on the county 4-H committee.

The family is active in the Methodist church in Humboldt.

### Gladys Burns - IMFH Class of 1961

#### Henry County

Mrs. Burns has spent all her life in the community where she now lives. She takes an active interest in the farming operation and helps her husband, Clark, on their 133-acre farm. Mr. and Mrs. Burns have one son, Warren, and one grandson.

Because she enjoys working with young people, Mrs. Burns has been a 4-H Club leader and has served on the county 4-H Club committee. She is a member of the County Extension Youth Committee.

Mrs. and Mrs. Burns are active members in the nearby Prairie Glenn Methodist church where Mrs. Burns serves as Superintendent of the Sunday School.

### Aletha (Gibson) Ruble - IMFH Class of 1961

#### Clarke County

Mrs. Gibson and her family, which consists of her husband, Don, Bonnie, 17, and Phil, 14, maintain a busy schedule both at home and in community affairs.

The Gibsons live on a 500-acre general farm that is owned and operated in partnership by Don and his brother. Interested in young people, Mrs. Gibson is co-leader of the youth organization in the United Presbyterian church in Osceola where the family members are all active.

Mrs. Gibson has been a Girl's 4-H Club leader for 5 years, and has served on the Extension Council.

She has chaperoned girls' basketball teams. Her other activities include Red Cross, PTA, and PEO.

Erma Langlas- IMFH Class of 1961

Iowa County

Mrs. Langlas, a former teacher, has continued her interest in music, schools and education. She substitutes in the schools in Marengo when needed and has given music lessons in her home for many years.

Mr. and Mrs. Langlas own and operate a 400-acre farm. They are the parents of three children: Charles, 19, attends Iowa State University; Ann, is a senior, and Linda, a freshman in high school. They all share their parents' interest in music.

Mrs. Langlas has served on the Extension Family Living Committee for 5 years and at present is a member of the Extension Council. Last year she helped organize a local Girls' 4-H Club.

She and her family are active members of the Presbyterian Church.

Ruth Viggers - IMFH Class of 1961

Washington County

Mrs. Viggers and her husband farm 320 acres near Washington. Previous to her marriage, Mrs. Viggers served as extension Home Economist in the county for 10 years. During these years she helped found the International 4-H Youth Exchange (IFYE) program in this country.

Since she came to the farm she has conducted her own youth program. For the last 5 years Mr. and Mrs. Viggers have had foreign students in their home.

She helps sponsor the youth club in the United Presbyterian church where she and her husband are members. She works with 4-H Clubs, has served on extension Family Life Committee, the PTA, and Red Cross.