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We are privileged to live in the mightiest nation in the world. In large measure agriculture has contributed to this strength. In the FFA we hold that "Agriculture, the most basic industry of the nation, is the most important occupation of civilized man." It is a proud and noble calling. The industry of agriculture, through the abundance it has produced, has helped to make possible the highest standard of living the world has ever seen.

Vocational Agriculture has played a key role in the application of modern technology, and making available a considerable work force to increase the total output of goods and services. Thus, agriculture has doubly contributed to making our country strong and free.

The Future Farmers of America takes its place among the vital forces which seek to improve agriculture. The FFA will continue to help keep American agriculture strong through the development of competent leaders and people trained for careers in agriculture. FFA aids in bringing the many facets of agriculture closer together as it practices cooperation. Our organization serves the nation in preparing its members for more responsible citizenship. The fulfillment of this aim is indeed an "inspiring task."

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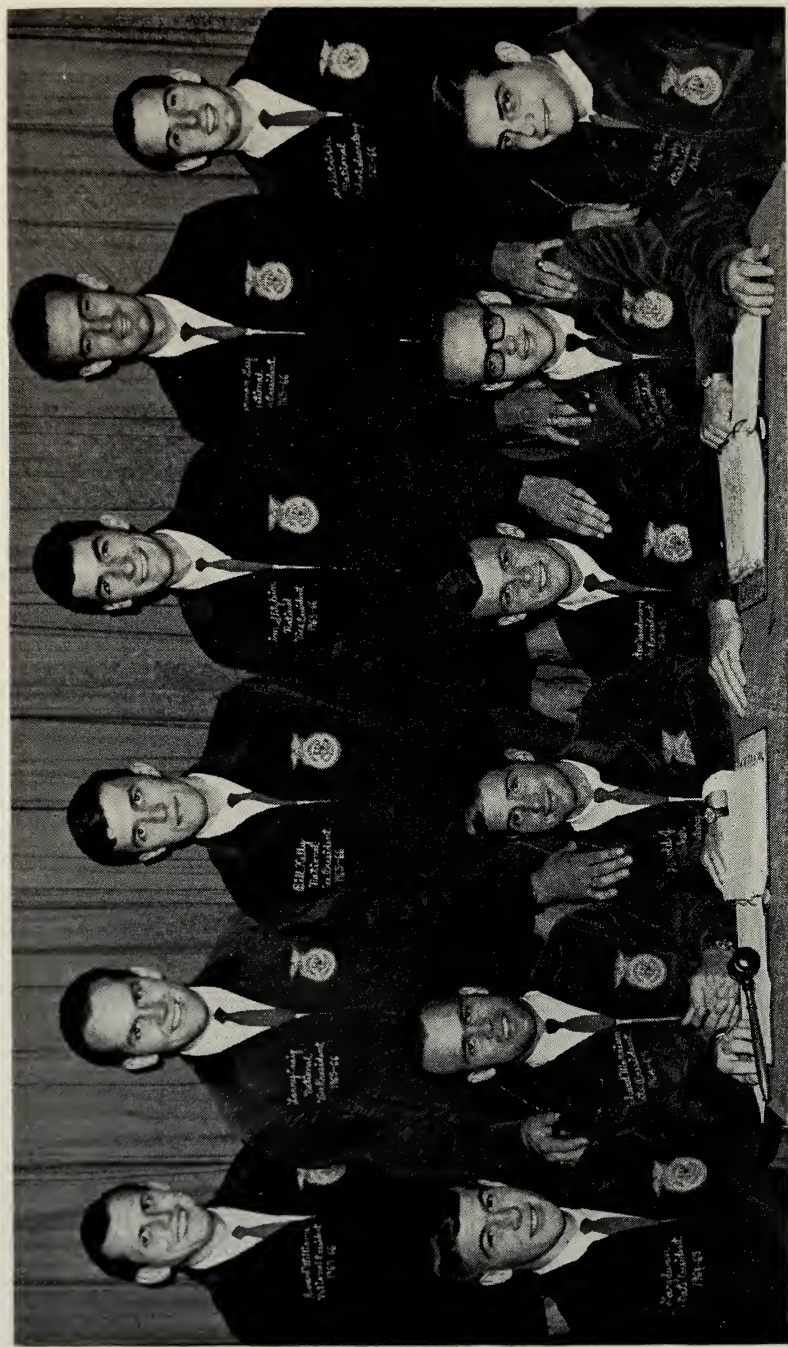
INTRODUCTION

The Future Farmers of America, an organization of students enrolled in vocational agriculture, has taken its place with other groups interested in the upbuilding of agriculture and the improvement of country life. National Headquarters of the Future Farmers of America is located in the Office of Education, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, Washington, D. C. National conventions are held annually at Kansas City, Missouri.

The Thirty-Ninth National Convention was held at the Kansas City Municipal Auditorium, October 12-14, 1966. Final count showed over 11,600 FFA members registered from all State associations.

The convention proceedings constitute a yearbook on organization activities. The complete minutes of the convention sessions are included, along with certain other important material which supplement or explain the convention activities. Press releases, as well as certain newspaper accounts, were used in compiling parts of this publication. Thanks are due many persons whose leadership and work led to a successful convention and made the publication of this booklet worth while.

WM. PAUL GRAY,
National Executive Secretary



1965-66 NATIONAL OFFICERS 1966-67

Seated left to right: Gary Swan, President, Jasper, New York; Richard Morrison, Vice-President—Pacific Region, Gilbert, Arizona; Harold Brubaker, Vice-President—North Atlantic Region, Mount Joy, Pennsylvania; Keaton Vandemark, Vice-President—Central Region, Elida, Ohio; Monte Reese, Vice-President—Southern Region, Mooreland, Oklahoma; Paul Tarpley, Secretary, Trout, Louisiana.

Standing left to right: Howard Williams, President, Olin, North Carolina; Larry E. Craig, Vice-President—Pacific Region, Midvale, Idaho; William M. Kelly, Jr., Vice-President—North Atlantic Region, Winchester, New Hampshire; James Stitzlein, Vice-President—Central Region, Ashland, Ohio; Norman Gay, Vice-President—Southern Region, Sumner, Georgia; Joseph B. Detrixhe, Student Secretary, Ames, Kansas.

Call For National Convention

TO MEMBERS OF THE FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA:

As your national FFA president, I am issuing a call for all state associations to send delegates to the 39th National Convention, which will be held in the Municipal Auditorium, Kansas City, Missouri, October 12-14, 1966.

The convention will have a fitting introduction with a Vespers Program Tuesday evening, October 11. Offering many highly-respected personages and inspirational speakers, the convention sessions are planned to execute business, recognize outstanding achievements, demonstrate and promote leadership training, elect new officers for next year, set new goals, and to leave every FFA member and adult with a renewed dedication to the aims and purposes of vocational agriculture and the FFA. Each session will be very meaningful, therefore, I urge attendance at all sessions.

All chartered state associations in good standing with the national organization are expected to send two official delegates and two alternates from the active membership. Official delegates should arrive in Kansas City for the 10:00 a.m. delegate registration, which will be followed by the Officer-Delegate Luncheon at 11:45 a.m. on Tuesday, October 11. A short briefing session on organizational matters will follow with convention committees meeting that afternoon. State associations should also have in attendance at the convention those candidates recommended for the American Farmer Degree, candidates for national office, those members who are to receive awards, and others who have official business at the convention.

Local chapters are encouraged to send representatives to the national convention. Chapters are entitled to a maximum of six (or ten percent of the total membership, whichever is greater) carefully selected members to attend the convention, provided they come to Kansas City with properly completed official registration cards. This number does not include national or regional award winners, ushers, or special participants. When you receive your brochure "You and Your National FFA Convention," I encourage you to review it with your advisor. To many people, the FFA jacket is a symbol of our organization; I encourage each representative to wear his jacket properly at all official convention activities.

The 39th Annual Convention will be the high light of our FFA year. I urge all FFA members who attend the convention to be present at all sessions from Wednesday morning through Friday evening, October 12 through 14. With the help and cooperation of all present, our convention will be a great success. I look forward to seeing you in Kansas City.

Sincerely yours,
HOWARD WILLIAMS
National FFA President

The Future Farmers of America

THE FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA is the national organization of, by and for farm boys studying vocational agriculture in public secondary schools, which operate under the provisions of the National Vocational Education Acts. It is an educational, non-political, non-profit, farm youth organization of voluntary membership, designed to develop agricultural leadership, character, thrift, scholarship, co-operation, citizenship, and patriotism. Its members learn through participating experiences how to conduct and take part in public meetings, to speak in public, and to assume civic responsibility. The FFA is an intra-curricular part of vocational education in agriculture in the public school system of America. It constitutes one of the most effective devices for teaching through participating experiences.

The Future Farmers of America was organized in 1928, in Kansas City, Missouri. Thirty-three official delegates representing 18 States were present. Leslie Applegate of New Jersey was elected National President, C. H. Lane of Washington, D. C. became the first National Advisor, and Henry Groseclose of Virginia, the first National Executive Secretary-Treasurer. Ten members received the American Farmer Degree. Annual national membership dues at that time were set at 10 cents per member per year and remained the same until 1965 when they were increased to 50 cents per member.

Sixty-four delegates from 33 States attended the second convention. Twenty-nine members received the American Farmer Degree and Carlton Patton of Arkansas was selected as the first Star Farmer of America. The selection of the organization's colors of national blue and corn gold, the first National Public Speaking Contest, the performance of the Ohio FFA Band, and the adoption of the Official FFA Creed highlighted the third convention. A year later W. A. Ross became the first National Executive Secretary. "Hail the FFA" became the official FFA song in 1931. J. A. Linke became National FFA Advisor in 1933.

About 6,000 members, advisors and friends registered for the 10th National Convention, held in the new Kansas City Municipal Auditorium. A pageant featured ten years of progress and growth by 100,000 members representing 4,000 chapters in 49 chartered State Associations. The National Constitution was revised for the third time to permit the nomination of American Farmers on a basis of one boy per 1,000 or major fraction thereof.

In 1939 the organization purchased 35½ acres of land which was part of George Washington's estate and established the National FFA Camp. Two years later, W. T. Spanton became the National Advisor of 245,830 members from 7,542 chapters. In 1944, the Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc. was founded. The 1946 Victory Convention celebrated the end of World War II, and featured a memorial program honoring FFA members who served in the Armed Forces.

Highlights of the year 1947 were the organization of the National FFA Band, under the direction of Henry S. Brunner, establishment of the Future Farmers Supply Service, and the Official FFA Calendar. A year later, the National FFA Chorus was organized but was discontinued in 1959. In 1948 National FFA Week was established and the annual National FFA Officers' Good-Will Tour was started to visit donors to the FFA Foundation, and to promote a better understanding between agriculture, business and industry, farm organizations and the public.

The Educational Exchange Program between the FFA and the National Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs of Great Britain was initiated in 1948 and continued until 1957, however was reactivated in 1965. Rhode Island became the 50th State Association in 1950. A year later the National Congress passed Public Law 740, which granted the FFA a Federal Charter. The delegates at the 1952 convention adopted the Official Code of Ethics and gave final approval for the establishment of The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine. In 1953, a special postage stamp was issued by the U. S. Post Office Department to commemorate the founding of the FFA. A spectacular pageant at The Silver Anniversary Convention featured the many accomplishments of the FFA. The highlight of this convention was an address by Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States.

A special resolution, adopted at the 1955 convention, pledged the FFA to help develop better understanding between nations. Since then, programs and assistance given to friendly nations has resulted in organizing Future Farmers in Japan, Philippine Islands, Thailand, Peru, Colombia, Costa Rica, and Mexico. Cooperative work with the Peace Corps began in 1963 with an FFA/NFA project in West Pakistan, but was discontinued in 1966.

Former President Harry S. Truman addressed the 1957 convention. In 1959, a four-day National Citizenship and Patriotism Conference for State officers was held in Washington, D. C. Many outstanding Government leaders, including President Eisenhower spoke to the group. The dedication of the new FFA headquarters building on the land formerly used as a National FFA Camp was a fitting climax to the conference.

FFA Day at the American Royal as a part of the national convention began in 1960. A year later a special convention program honored W. T. Spanton upon his retirement as National Advisor.

A. W. Tenney, who served as National Executive Secretary from 1943 to 1957 and National Advisor from 1961 to 1965 was succeeded by H. N. Hunsicker at the 1965 National Convention.

In 1965 over 50,000 former NFA members became members of the FFA. Membership in the national organization is now approximately 445,400 in nearly 9,000 chapters. These boys are preparing for leadership in agriculture.

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INDIANA.....	Stan Metzger Route 3, N. Manchester	Henry Branscum Route 1, Ridgeville
IOWA.....	Barrie Swinbank Route 2, Jesup	Eddie Wiederstein R. R., Audubon
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KENTUCKY.....	Gene Warren Route 1, Henderson	Billy Timcher Versailles
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MAINE.....	Alton W. Wedberg Rt. 1, Box 151, New Sweden	Milton E. Smith Box 200, Presque Isle
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MINNESOTA.....	Tom Schulz Route 1, Box 140, Sebek	Ronald Pesek Canby
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MISSOURI.....	Terry Heiman Glasgow	Kenneth Becker Route 1, Box 115, Augusta
MONTANA.....	James Beardsley Ismay	Robert Anderson Route 2, Lewistown
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OHIO.....	Route 3, Rugby Gerald Pope	Leeds R. Kirby Barrick, Jr.
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(Listed Alphabetically by States)

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Jim Bryars
Willie Graves
Tommy Mims

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Douglas Roger
Rogert Short
David Wilmoth

FLORIDA

Willie Cummings
Maurice Wynn
Joseph Youngblood

GEORGIA

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Larry Green
Roosevelt Johnson
J. O. Luster
Allen Stripling

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Dale J. Fesser
Lonnie Hillard
Thomas E. Martin

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Rusty Carter

IOWA

Bryan Anderson

Jim Baumler
R. Dean Brand
Steve Cook
Craig Metcalf
Jim Scheppele
Jonathan P. Steege

KANSAS
Dennis Ballard
Dale Carter
Warren Lyerla
Danny Smith

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Darrell Anderson
Walter Bremer
Walter Dibbern

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Wayne Rowe
David Rozell
Virgil Sullins

MONTANA
Robert Beck
Elvin Smith

NEBRASKA
Roger Benjamin

NEW YORK
Bruce Knapp

NORTH DAKOTA
Keith E. Bullock

OHIO
Theodore Frost
Wayne James
Bill Ross
Terry Snyder

OREGON
Gordon Dakin

PENNSYLVANIA
Dale E. Greiner
Barry McHugh
Robert Yoder

SOUTH CAROLINA
Johnny Frieson
Melvin Frieson
Steve Fulmore
Milbert McKenzie

SOUTH DAKOTA
Kenneth Schumacher
Ed Siemonsma

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Paul Baskerville
Gary Brown
Posey D. Jones
Wallace Menefee
James McCoy Mills

WEST VIRGINIA
Gay Graham

WISCONSIN
Edward Chura
Daniel Heike
Robert Wolgram

WYOMING
Hans L. Kummerfeld
Ronnie Whetstone

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Listed Alphabetically by States)

ARKANSAS
James Douglas
Alexander II
Roger Buresh
Wayne Ruthven

CALIFORNIA
Michael M. Costa
Gary Edde
Mario A. Grossi, Jr.
Richard Suniga

FLORIDA
Robert L. Hudson
Eddie W. Johnson

GEORGIA
John Beasley
Douglas Wayne Carter
James McBath
Robert Odum
Charlie W. Strickland
Carl Wright

IDAHO
Glade T. Powell
Larry D. Sorenson

ILLINOIS
James Brown
Jim Fitzpatrick
Larry Glass

Lawrence McPherson
Timothy Rapson
Barry R. Riskedal
Ron Schneider
Jim Theobald

INDIANA
Richard Donner
Kenneth Ray Fisher
Karl Herman
Bill Montgomery

IOWA
Dennis M. Bunting
Reginald Clause
David Gersuch
Gerald Goble
Rodney Jordan
Greg Kaiser
Lowell Peters
Lanny Lynn Seebeck
Mike Serovy
Sam Urfer
Fred Wright
Ray Crammond

KANSAS
Dennis Fisher
Ronny Haack
Stephen James Miller
Roger Russell

Jim Schraeder
Jim Wineland

KENTUCKY
Jerry Don Adams

LOUISIANA
Billy Ray Fisher
John V. Narretto, Jr.

MAINE
Richard Stanley Elliot
Terrance Plissey

MICHIGAN
Ray Damon Huffman
Donald Johnson
Scott Risch
Rich Welch
Tom A. Winkleman

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Ted Hammer
Craig Keller
Marc R. Sather

MISSOURI
Ed Armstrong
Dennis Barnard
David McCarthy
Ronald Rennick
John S. Williamson, Jr.

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Dennis Honrud
Rick Kuntz

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Robert F. Brandt
Jay Schluckebier
David J. Socher

NEVADA
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NEW HAMPSHIRE
Roger David Ells

NEW JERSEY
James Wolfe

NEW MEXICO
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Charles Teigen

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Barry Ulrich
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Mike Christensen
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Dan Krewson
Bill Montero

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Aaron D. Cooper
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SOUTH DAKOTA
Lyle Anderson
Merrill S. Larson

TENNESSEE
Ronald Weldon Martin

TEXAS
George A. Fulton
Ronny Knox
Kenneth Williams

UTAH
Clint Harwood
Keith L. Smith

VIRGINIA
Jim Shields

WASHINGTON
James Arthur Hanger, Jr.
Joal Kirk

WEST VIRGINIA
Thomas R. McConnell
Larry W. Smedegar

WISCONSIN
Paul Johnson
David Pakiz
Dennis Sargent

WYOMING
Irv Petsch
James Allen Williams

Minutes of the Convention

Wednesday, October 12, 1966

Morning Session

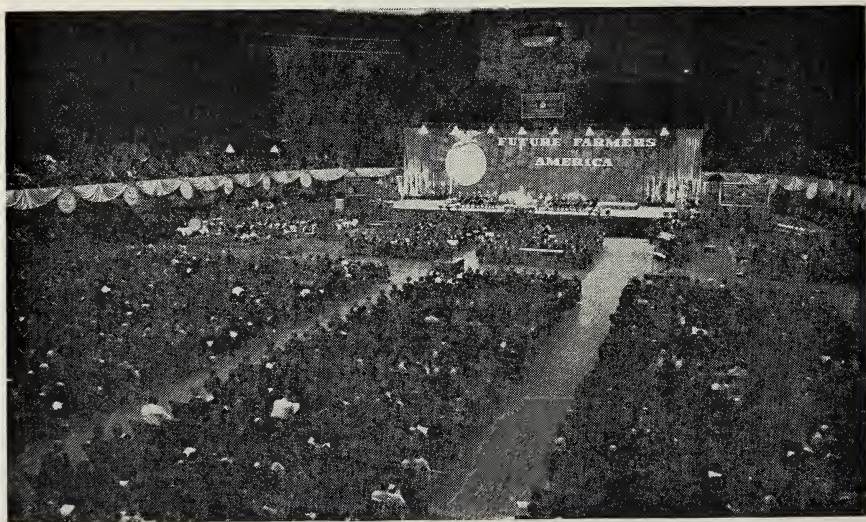
The 39th National Convention of the Future Farmers of America convened in the Main Arena of the Municipal Auditorium, Kansas City, Missouri, at nine o'clock. National President, Howard Williams, of Olin, North Carolina, presiding.

The Posting of the Colors was performed. Greg Bamford, of Colorado, sang The National Anthem, accompanied by the National FFA Band.

The invocation was pronounced by Darryl Eastvold, National FFA Vice President, 1961-62.

The report on delegate credentials was called for and Student Secretary Detrixhe reported 100 official delegates present from 50 chartered associations. The roll call of States and seating of delegates followed. There were two representatives from the Virgin Islands present.

Since the minutes of the 38th National FFA Convention had been distributed to all of the delegates, it was agreed to dispense with their reading.



THE NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION

This outstanding event is held annually in the Municipal Auditorium, Kansas City, Missouri during the month of October. It attracts over 10,000 FFA members from all 50 states and Puerto Rico. They conduct regular business sessions, practice leadership, exchange ideas, present awards to outstanding members and elect new officers. Prominent leaders in business, industry, government, and foreign countries are always present to pay tribute to "the boys in the blue jackets."

President Williams announced the appointment of the Constitutional Committees.

Following music by the National FFA Chorus, the Kentucky association presented a demonstration on "Wearing Your FFA Jacket Correctly and Proudly."

The Honorable Ilus W. Davis, Mayor of Kansas City, Missouri, then gave the address of welcome.

Student Secretary Detrixhe presented the "Report of Activities of the Retiring Officers." It was moved by Gemmill of Arizona to accept this report; motion seconded by Shurtz of Kansas and carried.

Honorary American Farmers

- Harold M. Byam, Professor and Chairman, Agricultural Education, College of Education, Secondary Education, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan
- Ralph W. Canada, Professor of Agriculture Education, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado
- R. W. Cline, Head, Department of Agricultural Education, College of Agriculture, University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona (Posthumously)
- James Durkee, President, The National Vocational Agricultural Teachers' Association, Inc., Laramie, Wyoming
- T. L. Faulkner, State Supervisor, Agricultural Education, State Department of Education, Montgomery, Alabama
- C. T. Grable, Assistant Supervisor, Agricultural Education, State Department of Vocational Education, University Park, New Mexico
- R. D. Hagan, District Supervisor, Agricultural Education, State Department of Education, Jefferson City, Missouri
- C. W. Hill, Professor, Agricultural Education, College of Agriculture, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York
- Thomas H. Kerrey, Consultant, Agricultural Education Service, State Department of Education, Lansing, Michigan
- L. H. Lebo, Area Supervisor, Agricultural Education, Office of County Superintendent, Lebanon, Pennsylvania
- W. Howard Martin, Associate Professor of Education, School of Education, University of Connecticut, Storrs, Connecticut
- Byron J. Nichols, Vice President, Chrysler Motors Corporation, Detroit, Michigan
- Wayne O. Reed, Associate Commissioner for Federal-State Relations, U. S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C.
- Len Richardson, Associate Editor, The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine, Alexandria, Virginia
- Floyd J. Ruble, Assistant State Supervisor, Vocational Agriculture, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio
- Marshall L. Williams, Olin, North Carolina
- A. J. Detrixhe, Route 2, Ames, Kansas
- Elvin O. Craig, Midvale, Idaho
- F. H. Gay, Route 1, Sumner, Georgia
- William M. Kelly, Sr., Winchester, New Hampshire
- Walter E. Stitzlein, Route 4, Ashland, Ohio
- Frank Albert, Stanwood, Washington
- Adolph H. Diehl, Madison, New York
- Clarence Higginson, McLeansboro, Illinois
- Ralph R. Smith, Booneville, Mississippi
- Gilbert M. Butler, Sylvania High School, Sylvania, Alabama
- E. W. Underwood, Carver High School, Eutaw, Alabama
- Paul Albert Bell, Agua Fria Union High School, Avondale, Arizona
- Dino A. Petrucci, Madera Unified School District, Madera, California
- Rex Davis, Platte Valley High School, Kersey Colorado
- Oswell Smith, Patterson High School, Patterson, Georgia

James Guilinger, Williamsfield High School, Williamsfield, Illinois
 Jack M. Pedigo, Matcalfe County High School, Edmonton, Kentucky
 Leonard E. Tolley, Damascus High School, Damascus, Maryland
 Stephen A. Douglass, West Plains High School, West Plains, Missouri
 James M. Schultz, Fergus County High School, Lewistown, Montana
 Herman Larson, Leeds High School, Leeds, North Dakota
 Howard F. Fox, Laurel High School, New Castle, Pennsylvania
 Cecil Forrest Boreing, Sulphur Spring High School, Jonesboro, Tennessee
 Walter Hunt, Jr., Peabody High School, Trenton, Tennessee
 Herman Woody, Meigs County High School, Decatur, Tennessee
 William B. Holsonbake, Hughes Springs High School, Hughes Springs, Texas
 R. E. Johnson, Winnsboro High School, Winnsboro, Texas
 John E. McAnelly, Hondo Independent School, Hondo, Texas
 Wilson M. Millican, Cuero High School, Cuero, Texas
 Robert A. Nielson, Millard High School, Fillmore, Utah
 Marvin C. Huff, Woodlawn High School, Woodlawn, Virginia
 H. P. Jennings, Floyd County High School, Floyd, Virginia
 Charles Earl Tilson, Dublin High School, Dublin, Virginia
 Charles M. Vaughan, Jr., Rural Retreat High School, Rural Retreat, Va.

Guy Martin, of Junior Achievement; Linda Settle, National Grange Princess and Susanne Michele Hand, Future Homemakers of America, were introduced and each gave a brief greeting.

Following organ music by Jim Wallrabenstein of the Ohio Association, John C. Foltz, FFA Information Specialist, gave a brief report on "Careers in Agriculture." He introduced representatives of the national trade associations and professional societies having educational exhibits at the convention.

Vice President William Kelly presented an address on "The Meaning of Service." Moore of New Hampshire moved that Vice President Kelly be commended for his outstanding year as a national officer and for his very inspiring address; motion seconded by Miller of Connecticut and carried.

J. M. Campbell, National FFA Treasurer, presented his report. Warren of Kentucky moved its acceptance; motion seconded by Boehm of Wisconsin and carried.

H. N. Hunsicker, National FFA Advisor, presented the names of the following persons who were considered and recommended by the Boards of National Officers and Directors to receive the Honorary American Farmer Degree and the Distinguished Service Award:

Distinguished Service Awards

EDWARD R. CAMERON, Pacific Northwest Regional Director, Sears-Roebuck Foundation, Seattle, Washington
 M. J. CLARK, Itinerant Teacher-Trainer, Agricultural Education, Southern University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana
 PAULINE D. COINER, Secretary to J. M. Campbell, Woodstock, Virginia
 JAMES L. COPEMAN, Agricultural Counselor, Monongahela Power Company, Fairmont, West Virginia
 D. R. CRANDALL, Special Assistant to General Manager, Dodge Truck Operations, Chrysler Motors Corporation, Detroit, Michigan
 LEROY DONALD, Chief Agronomist, Agricultural Division, Monsanto Company, St. Louis, Missouri

A. O. DUNCAN, Associate Professor, Agricultural Education, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia
 A. H. HOLLENBERG, Facilities Specialist, Program Planning and Development Branch, U. S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C.
 VERONICA A. HORAN, Secretary to John J. Farrar, Future Farmers of America, U. S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C.
 PERCY KIRK, State Director, Agricultural Education, State Department of Education, Capitol Building, Cheyenne, Wyoming
 EUGENE B. MANGELSDORF, Vice President, Rudy-Patrick Seed Company, Kansas City Missouri
 L. A. MARSHALL, Assistant Area Supervisor, Agricultural Education, Florida A. & M. University, Tallahassee, Florida
 ROBERT F. MCLEOD, Vice President—Corporate Feed Products, Corn Products Company, New York, New York
 VIRGINIA NICHOLSON, Program Assistant, Agricultural Education, U. S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C.
 H. M. OLSEN, Executive Secretary, Washington State Council of Farmer Cooperatives, Seattle, Washington
 JAMES L. PATRICK, Program Analyst, Rural Community Development Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.
 MARVIN J. RUSSELL, Editor, Nebraska Farmer and Colorado Rancher & Farmer, Lincoln, Nebraska
 ANNA MARIE SCHMALL, Clerk-Stenographer, Municipal Auditorium, Kansas City, Missouri
 IRENE W. SHAFER, Secretary to Wm. Paul Gray, Future Farmers of America, U. S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C.
 FRANK C. THOMANN, Superintendent of Schools, Eaton, Colorado
 GEORGE E. TOBEN, Professor of Agricultural Economics, West Virginia University, Morgantown, West Virginia
 MARVIN VINES, Farm Service Director, Radio Station KAAV, Little Rock, Arkansas
 GEORGE L. ZEIS, Director of Public Relations, Farm Credit Banks of St. Louis, St. Louis, Missouri

It was moved by Graeber of Texas, seconded by Deason of Oklahoma and carried that the Honorary American Farmer Degree and Distinguished Service Award be conferred upon the individuals whose names were read.

Leslie Fry, National Commander-In-Chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and 1930-31 National FFA President, addressed the convention, after which President Williams presented him with a Distinguished Leadership Citation.

The meeting adjourned with the closing ceremony.

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Afternoon Session

The second session of the convention was called to order with the opening ceremony at two o'clock by President Williams. Vice President Kelly assumed the chair.

Vice President Craig presented an address on "The Sum of All Things." Naylor of California moved that Vice President Craig be commended and congratulated for his year of service as a national officer; motion seconded by Shurtz of Kansas and carried.

President Williams resumed the chair.

The Honorary American Farmer Degree was then conferred upon a number of individuals by the national officers. Mr. James Durkee, President of the National Vocational Agricultural Teachers' Association, gave greetings on behalf of the vocational agricultural teachers receiving the Honorary American Farmer Degree.

Service plaques were then presented to T. L. Faulkner, Charles W. Hill, Percy Kirk and Harold M. Bryam, who served either on the National FFA Board of Directors or Foundation Board of Trustees.

Vice President Kelly assumed the chair.

E. J. Hawkins, Manager of the Future Farmer Supply Service, gave a report on the Supply Service. Naylor of California presented the report of the Supply Service Committee and moved its adoption; motion seconded by Broeckelman of Kansas and carried.

Jones of New York presented the report of the Auditing Committee. Freiberger of New Jersey moved that the report be accepted; motion seconded by Berger of North Dakota and carried.

Vice President Gay presented an address on "Opportunities Through the FFA." It was moved by Shurtz of Kansas to commend Vice President Gay for his outstanding service as a national officer; motion seconded by Boehm of Wisconsin and carried.

President Williams resumed the chair.

Wilson Carnes, Editor of The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine gave a report on the FFA Magazine. Gemmill of Arizona then gave the report of The National FFA Magazine Committee and moved its acceptance; motion seconded by Bordelon of Louisiana and carried.

Ken Cheatham, Assistant Director, Program Development Division, American Farm Bureau Federation and 1948 Star Farmer of America was introduced and addressed the convention. President Williams presented him with a special citation for his outstanding leadership and service on behalf of his efforts for youth of agriculture.

Robinson of New York moved that the following candidates receive the American Farmer Degree; motion seconded by Eagles of North Carolina and carried; the ceremony followed.

Alabama

Tommy Baxley, Route 4, Graceville,
Florida
Roy Phillip Campbell, Route 1, Box
193, Huntsville
Frank T. Dearman, Jr., Route 2,
Millry
Ronald William Glass, Route 5,
Russellville
James Eddie Harrison, Route 2, Grove
Hill
Charles A. Herfurth, Route 1, Vine-
mont
Mickey N. Humphries, Route 1,
Notasulga
Tommy Jones, Route 1, Chancellor
Enoch Logan, Jr., Route 1, Berry

Stephen Royce, Route 1, Box 261,
Grove Hill
Curtis Gene Mitchell, Route 2, Fort
Payne
Charles Rodney Oliver, Route 2,
Pisgah
Charles David Patterson, Route 1,
Kinston
W. E. Rainer, Jr., Union Springs
Johnny Rowe, Route, Falkville
David Ruf, Jr., Route 4, Athens
Gerald Seay, Route 5, Boaz
Gervis Smith, Route 1, Lawley

Arizona

Ismael Gonzalez, P. O. Box 5, San
Simon

Richard Neely Morrison, P. O. Box
464, Gilbert
Roddy N. Riggs, Route 2, Box 87A,
Chandler

Arkansas

Leon Crittenden, Box A, Cotton Plant
Horace Alan DeRamus, Jr., Cherry
Hill
Merle R. Gross, Huntington
Gerald Wayne Henley, Route 1,
Mansfield
Danny Kennett, Leachville
Carl D. Madar, Route 3, Carlisle
Thomas H. Martin, Route 1, Hartford
William D. Martin, Route 1, Hartford
Kenneth Joe May, Rose Bud
Larry Wayne May, Delight
Ray D. Patton, Route 1, Barber
Larry Person Ragsdale, Route 1,
Dardanelle
Gerald Alvin Schaal, Mineral Springs
Stephen Ernest Spurlock, Huntsville

California

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burg
Thomas Craig Cissell, 46705 N. 70th
Street, East, Lancaster
Roger William Cook, Route 1, Box
284, Clarksburg
Henry Peter Corda, 833 Chileno Valley
Road, Petaluma
Donnie Dale Crum, Pittville Route,
McArthur
Russell P. Gunlund, 2763 W. Mt.
View, Caruthers
Chris F. Heer, 101 Creston Road, Paso
Robles
Robert E. Laffranchi, Box 17, RFD,
Ferndale
John B. Laxague, Jr., Cedarville
Douglas Eugene Mattes, Route 1,
Box 180, Lathrop
Larry Roberts, 6143 W. Mt. Whitney,
Riverdale
George A. Salsa, Jr., 1302 Hales Drive,
Gustine
Ralph L. Sartori, 120 Casa Grande
Avenue, Petaluma
Anthony John Silva, Route 1, Box 90,
Los Banos

Colorado

John Kelsey Hardwick, Jr., Vernon
Ken Ochsner, Route 4, Fort Collins
John Delbert Parmley, Route 1, Box
114, Dolores
William Sheldon Trampe, Route 3,
Gunnison

Connecticut

Raymond J. Manning, Chapel Road,
Lebanon

Paul Miller, Jr., Box 208, South Wood-
stock

Florida

David W. Bridges, P. O. Box 63, Polk
City
Joe Earl Busby, Route 3, Box 18,
Gainesville
Donald Glenwood Cook, Route 1,
Box 204, Chipley
George Larry Ford, P. O. Box 206,
Malone
David E. Fugate, RFD 1, Alachua
James Harper, Chiefland
Jerry Charles Lawrence, Route 2, Box
136, Bowling Green
Joe Bowyer Race, P. O. Box 45, Winter
Haven
John Edward Royster, Route 2, Box
16, Williston
Charles Richard Sargeant, P. O. Box
17, Lakeland
Marcus Dow Shackelford, 121 East
Main Street, Wauchula
Eldridge Clyde Thornhill, Route 2,
Box 287, Groveland
James Frank Veal, Box 337, Canal
Point
Charles Douglas Waller, Route 5,
Box 160, Lakeland

Georgia

Carson Jackson Bass, Warwick
Roger Black, RFD, Millen
Delmer Ray Bullington, Route 1,
Sycamore
Clifford Dollar, Jr., Route 3, Bain-
bridge
Gene Green, Route 1, Forsyth
Hurby L. Johnson, Box 109, Donalson-
ville
Larry T. Johnson, Kathleen
Melton Thomas Jones, Tennille
Bernard Lucas, Route 2, Hahira
Quinton L. Mincey, Route 1, Manassas
David Ray Moorman, Route 1, Omega
John Cleve Newton, Millen
J. B. Odom, Jr., Route 1, Warwick
Byron Lamar Oliver, Route 2, Albany
Calvin Orr, Route 1, Valdosta
John Pierce Parks, Route 3, Jefferson
Wayne Pope, Route 2, Sumner
Julian Tillman Segars, Route 1, Winder
Larry Stephens, Route 4, Lyons
Marion Amos Thompson, Jr., Route 1,
Pinehurst
Charles F. White, Route 1, Byron
Lenton Williams, Route 2, Box 153,
Valdosta
Jefferson Daniel Willis, Route 3, Pavo
Larry Wayne Wynn, Route 1, Sycamore

Idaho

Gary L. Cook, Route 1, Box 118, Paul
Dwight W. Horsch, Route 1, Aberdeen
Michael John Quesnell, Route 1, Twin
Falls
Bruce L. Tiegs, Route 1, Melba

Illinois

Lyn Gale Ash, Danforth
Bill Barr, Route 1, Manhattan
James R. Brumitt, Route 1, Wolf Lake
John Dittmer, Bowen
Dale Ray Edge, Route 1, Chandlerville
Richard S. Groezinger, Route 1,
Elizabeth
Allen Grommet, Route 1, Belleville
Lyle M. Hopkins, Route 3, Dixon
Robert L. Jeckel, Hartsburg
Eddie McMillan, Box 42, Bushnell
John R. Miller, Route 1, Brimfield
Ray C. Olson, Route 2, Galva
Gary L. Organ, Route 4, McLeansboro
Warren L. Owenga, Route 2, Manteno
Floyd Alvin Schultz, Route 2, Plain-
field
Larry L. Summers, Route 2, Waverly
Richard Ray Wax, Pine Lawn Farm,
Newman

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Dean Beer, Route 2, Berne
James L. Bradley, Route 2, Trafalgar
Philip R. Brechbill, Route 3, Auburn
Bruce Stewart Corya, Route 4, Greens-
burg
George Fredrick Fox, Michigantown
Larry Eugene Friedrich, Route 1,
Kewanna
Edward H. Heckman, Route 1, Lagro
Allen D. Holman, Route 1, St. Joe
Arthur Lee King, Route 6, Rochester
Robert Allen Martin, Route 1, Box 25,
Bourbon
John A. Nigh, Route 6, Greenfield

Iowa

Jerry Wayne Anderson, RR, Elberon
Wayne Dennis Anderson, Postville
Richard Terry Beaver, Route 2, West
Liberty
Andrew Charles Booheister, Rutland
Roger Paul Christensen, Kimballton
Marvin Earl Ehret, Montezuma
David L. Ferneau, Route 1, Malcom
Gary M. Hoskey, Montour
Kenneth Carl Johnson, Route 3,
Marengo
Kenneth P. Petersen, Hartley
Dennis Carl Theesfield, Armstrong

Kansas

Dale Austin, Severy
Dennis Bodenhausen, Lancaster

Steven L. Cox, Long Island
C. David Farber, RR 1, Box 29, Derby
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Donald McLaughlin, Stockton
Roger Lee Teter, Route 1, Buhler
Stephan Foster Westermann, Everest

Kentucky

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Green
Robert Blakemore, Route 1, Smithfield
Gene Paul Bruce, Route 3, Fulton
Dale Calendar, Ledbetter
Raymond Thomas Chilton, Route 1,
Salvisa
John Elliott, Jr., McKinney
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Alvin Ray Hannah, Kings Mountain
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David H. Lee, Route 1, Mt. Sterling
Robert Earl McKee, Route 2,
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S. C. Shepherd, II, Route 1, May's Lick
Eck Snowden, Jr., Route 1, Clay City
Stassen Thompson, Route 1, Eddyville
Rondall Dixon Ward, Route 1, Upton

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boro
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Samuel Smith, Jr., P. O. Box 205,
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Paul A. Tarpley, Route 1, Box 26-B,
Trout
Travis Lynn Taylor, Route 2,
Goldonna
Ernest Eugene Wilkerson, Route 1,
Doyleine

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 Larry Lee Becker, Route 1, Fairmont
 William V. Binger, Cambridge
 James Brogan, St. Charles
 Ronald R. Cline, Route 1, Browerville
 Duane Helmer Gran, Route 3, St. Peter
 Richard Hedde, Buxton, North Dakota
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 Walter Leo Wetzol, Route 2, Faribault

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 Charles Larry Patton, Route 2, Duck Hill
 Jerry Phillips, Route 4, Morton
 Dewey Marcus Savell, Route 4, Union
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 Richard Hubert Bloss, Route 2, Sarcoxie
 James Richard Burns, Anabel
 Donald Dean Dawson, La Belle

Johnny Hammond, Harris
 Drew Jackson, Route 4, Marshall
 Robert L. Kerperin, Route 3, Jefferson City
 John Eldon Kutz, Wentworth
 Rayburn John Mein, Lockwood
 Gordon Nickels, Barnett
 Dale Charles Ridder, Bay
 Keith Ora Schnarre, Route 1, Foristell
 Jinks Wynn, Route 3, Alton

Montana

Robert Allan Andersen, Route 2, Lewistown
 Larry B. Arnold, Absarokee
 Bruce Alan Eckert, Red Lodge

Nebraska

Harvey A. Langrehr, Route 1, St. Libory
 Buddy Lee Lashley, Route 1, Curtis
 LaMoyne Bruce Niemeier, Holbrook
 Wayne Larry Petersen, Mead
 Darrell Roland Quaring, Shelton
 Royal D. Walther, Saronville

Nevada

Nelson Arthur Carter, Lund
 Peter Michael Tomera, Waysack, Elko

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 Jimmy Davis, Route 1, Waxhaw
 Harold Ray Draughon, Route 1, Box 232, Fayetteville
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 Gary Michael Slate, Route 4, Kernersville
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 James Staton, Route 1, Flat Rock
 Dennis Strickland, Route 1, Box 276, Godwin
 David Lee Tyre, Route, Williamston
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 Randall Melaas, Maddock
 Eugene Joseph Nicholas, Bisbee

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 Darvan Wayne Schoenberger, Route 3, Upper Sandusky
 Joe David Shook, Route 1, Bloomville
 Keaton Dean Vandemark, Route 2, Elida
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 James Lee Walta, Route 4, Kingfisher
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 Leroy R. Bupp, Route 2, Seven Valleys
 Marvin Dale Carr, Route 6, Mercer
 J. Harold Herr, Route 1, Millersville
 Dwight R. Hunter, Route 1, West Alexander
 Marvin Larue Waltz, Route 1, Salladasburg
 Larry R. Weaver, Route 1, New Holland

James M. Williams, Route 1, Bangor
Leon Jay Zimmerman, Route 1, Pine Grove

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Jorge Luis Bermudez, La Plata
Joaquin Rodriguez Quinones, Rosario Poblado, Rosario
Ramon Nieves Rivera, Rural Box 169, Quebradillas

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Wayne Ackerman, Islandton
Miller Floyd Coggins, Reidville
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Thomas Marion Fisher, Greer
William David Humphries, Route 3, Box 154, Lake City
David L. Keisler, Box 55, Gilbert
John Thomas Meehan, Jr., Route 1, Pendleton
Robert Tripp Merritt, Route 4, Easley
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Ronald Derksen, Route 3, Huron
Kent E. Frerichs, Box 45, Route 2, Wilmot
Kenneth A. Seefeldt, Clark

Tennessee

Edward Bettis, Route 2, Philadelphia
Levin Keith Billings, Route 7, McMinnville
George Chester Brooks, Jr., Route 2, Mt. Pleasant
David Arlie Chester, Route 2, Clarks-ville
Harold E. Corum, Route 1, Corryton
Rex Miles, Route 5, Lawrenceburg
Billy Smith Pruitt, Route 6, Lebanon
Charles Kenneth Saylor, Route 2, Jonesboro
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Arthur Osbron Simmons, Route 2, Philadelphia
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Billy Joe Wiley, Route 6, Fayetteville
Billy Joe Williams, Route 4, Lawrenceburg

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Ronald Colburn, Route 4, Winters
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Gary Wayne Johnson, Llano Route, Mason
George Holton Johnson, Route 1, Odalou
Jerry Keys, Box 27, Mexia
Courtney King, Blackwell
Joe P. Kinnard, II, Route 4, Sherman
Don Wesley Lagow, Route 2, Box 56, Anahuac
Bill McCluer, Route A, Graham
Lonnie McGaughy, Box 268, Bowie
J. B. McQueen, Route 4, Sulphur Springs
Bob McWhorter, Box 674, Throckmorton
George Keith Mitchell, Jr., Box 116, Ozona
William Joe Mumme, Tarpley Route, Hondo
Floyd E. Ormsby, III, Route No. 2, Cleburne
Gary Parr, Route 3, Grandview
Richard Ball Rooney, Box 328, Breckenridge
Wilford Charles Schneider, Route 2, Box 146, Georgetown
Charles W. Schramme, Route 4, Box 203, Brenham
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Delwin Mills, Corinne
Ronald Redford Zollinger, Route 2,
Tremonton

Vermont

Arthur Neal Thomas, Black Mt.
Road, Brattleboro
Steven Duane Torrey, Route 1,
Vergennes

Virginia

James Walter Crigger, Box 453, Dublin
James Jackson Dunford, Route 1, Box
129, Max Meadows
Phillip L. Grady, Route 1, Mt. Solon
James Ronald Millner, Route 1,
Appomattox
Wayne Lee Palmer, Route 1, Box 53,
Nathalie
Carroll Rowland, Route 2, Ringgold
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Toppenish
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269-A, Battle Ground
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Sequim
Karl R. Salzsieder, Route 1, Winlock
Raymond R. Woodside, Issaquah

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Keith Edwin Brotherton, Route 1,
Given
Millard E. Carper, Box 446, Spencer
Walter Lloyd Rinehart, Route 1, Box
163, Jane Lew
Jerry E. Starcher, Nebo
Curtis Wimer, Cherry Grove
David S. Zinn, Reedsville

Wisconsin

Terry Abraham, Route 2, Plymouth
Eugene Arthur Binversie, Route 2,
Kiel
Byron Melvin Boettcher, Route 2,
Bloomer
Larry W. Breuer, Mt. Hope
Gerald Raymond Brines, Shullsburg
Stephen L. Digman, Route 3, Monroe
Glen S. Dreier, Route 1, Norwalk
Fredric W. Moseley, Hixton
Alan L. Olson, Route 5, Sturgeon Bay
Larry Burton Seguin, Route 1, Eleva
Roger C. Seitz, Route 2, Black Creek
Leon M. Thiede, Route 3, Columbus
Scott A. Traynor, Route 1, Milton Jct.
Paul L. Veum, Westby
Clark Vilter, Route 1, Box 1, Hartland
Russell Zastrow, Route 1, Markesan

Wyoming

Willard R. Binning, Box 68, Pinedale
Lloyd Cashman, General Delivery,
Cheyenne
James LeRoy Miller, Albin

The meeting adjourned with the closing ceremony.

Wednesday, October 12, 1966**Evening Session**

The third session of the convention was called to order by President Williams with the opening ceremony at seven thirty o'clock.

A concert by the National FFA Band was held, followed by an explanation of the National FFA Public Speaking Contest by Student Secretary Detrixhe. Contestants then drew for speaking order and the contest followed.

Special citations were presented to representatives of the Future Homemakers of America, National 4-H Clubs, Boy Scouts of America, National Vocational Agricultural Teachers' Association, Inc., and the National Grange.

Brief greetings were than made by George Stephens, President, National Association of Farm Broadcasters, Harold Joiner, President, National Association of Newspaper Farm Editors and Herschel D. Newsom, Master of the National Grange.

The National FFA Chorus presented several numbers.

Following the introduction of the FFA Convention Advisory Committee, the presentation of Gold Emblem Chapter Awards was made by the national officers to sixty-one chapters.

Wayne O. Reed, Associate Commissioner for Federal-State Relations, U. S. Office of Education, gave greetings on behalf of the Office of Education.

The results of the National Public Speaking Contest were announced and awards presented by Student Secretary Detrixhe.

The meeting adjourned with the closing ceremony.

Thursday, October 13, 1966

Morning Session

The fourth session of the convention was called to order with the opening ceremony at nine o'clock by President Williams. Vice President Craig assumed the chair.

The presentation of the Silver and Bronze Emblem Chapter Awards was made by the national officers.

Vice President Stitzlein presented an address on "Proud Heritage Pledge to the FFA." Wills of Illinois moved that Vice President Stitzlein be commended for a job well done as a national officer and for his outstanding address; motion seconded by Skrinde of Washington and carried.

The presentation of the FFA Foundation Agricultural Proficiency Awards was made by the national officers.

Schlipf of Illinois presented the report of the Leadership Training Committee and moved its adoption; motion seconded by Perry of Colorado and carried.

Crigger of Virginia presented the report of the Program of Activities—Local Guide Committee and moved its adoption; motion seconded by McCorgary of Kansas and carried.

President Williams resumed the chair.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray L. Cuff were then introduced to the convention delegates.

The delegates reviewed the report of the Special FFA Ad Hoc Committee item by item and made their recommendations for approval or disapproval. Such items as were accepted by the delegates

will be incorporated in the National FFA Constitution and Bylaws in the 1967 Revised Edition of the Official FFA Manual.

The Distinguished Service Awards were then presented to those individuals recommended by the delegates at the first session.

Following music by the National Band, a pageant entitled "Old Glory" was presented.

The meeting adjourned with the closing ceremony.

Thursday, October 13, 1966

Afternoon Session

The fifth session of the convention was called to order with the opening ceremony by President Williams at two o'clock.

The first item of business was a continuation of the Ad Hoc Committee Report. After considerable debate the delegates voted to accept the variety of Constitutional changes recommended by the Ad Hoc Study Committee, except two—the proposal for reapportionment of delegates to the national convention according to State membership, and the recommendation to drop the word "male" from the Constitution. Naylor of California moved that the Ad Hoc Committee be commended for their help in developing a better National FFA Constitution; motion seconded by Russell of Oklahoma and carried.

Boehm of Wisconsin moved that the National FFA Board of Directors set up a committee to study in detail the possibility of establishing a new award on the national level for young men in achieving excellence in related fields of agriculture, and that this committee report back to the 1967 convention; motion seconded by Timcher of Kentucky.

Vice President Gay assumed the chair.

Brownton of Oregon presented the report of the National Program of Activities Committee and moved its adoption; motion seconded by Wiederstein of Iowa and carried.

Mrs. Diana MacArthur, Coordinator of the National Youth Conference on Natural Beauty and Conservation, was introduced and gave a brief greeting.

Barrick of Ohio gave the report of the National Foundation and Awards Committee and moved its adoption; motion seconded by Casteel of South Dakota and carried.

Jack Pitzer, Associate Editor of The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine, and Manager of the Official FFA Calendar, gave a report on the Official Calendar. Hadden of Wyoming gave the report of the Official FFA Calendar Committee and moved its adoption; motion seconded by Holbrooks of Georgia and carried.

Ralston of Arkansas gave the report of the Public Relations Committee and moved its adoption; motion seconded by Naylor of California and carried.

President Williams resumed the chair.
The meeting adjourned with the closing ceremony.



Judges for the National FFA Speaking Contest must have a broad understanding of agriculture and public speaking. The judges for the 1966 contest were Wayne O. Reed, Associate Commissioner for Federal-State Relations, U. S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C.; John A. Stearns, Producer, AGRICULTURE—U.S.A., Pacific Palisades, California and Richard J. Babcock, President and Publisher, FARM JOURNAL, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Thursday, October 13, 1966

Evening Session

(At seven o'clock the FFA Talent Show was held.)

The sixth session of the convention was called to order with the opening ceremony at eight o'clock by President Williams.

Donors to the FFA Foundation, Inc. were called to the platform and introduced. Special plaques were then presented to seven fifteen-year donors to the Foundation.

American Oil Foundation
Chemicals Department—Gulf Oil Corporation
Dairymen's League Cooperative Assn., Inc.
International Minerals and Chemical Corp.
AVCO New Idea—Farm Equipment Division
The Pillsbury Company
Quaker Oats Foundation

Byron J. Nichols, Vice President, Chrysler Corporation and 1966 Chairman of the Foundation Sponsoring Committee was introduced and presented with a special plaque in appreciation of his services as Chairman of the Sponsoring Committee. After a brief address the Honorary American Farmer Degree was conferred upon him. M. G. O'Neil, President of the General Tire and Rubber Company, was introduced and gave a brief greeting. Mr. O'Neill will serve as the 1967 Chairman of the Foundation Sponsoring Committee.

The 1966 Regional Star American Farmers were introduced and the movie "The 1966 Star Farmers" was shown.

Following the Massing of State Flags by the Star State Farmers, the Regional Star American Farmer Awards were presented. The parents of the Star Farmers were appropriately recognized. After the introduction of the Star Farmer judges the 1966 Star Farmer of America was announced.

The meeting adjourned with the closing ceremony.

The FFA Talent Show was then continued.



Naming the Star Farmer of America is one of the highlights of the National Convention

Friday, October 14, 1966

Morning Session

The seventh session of the convention was called to order with the opening ceremony at nine o'clock by President Williams. Vice President Stitzlein assumed the chair.

Moss of Tennessee presented the report of the Official FFA Manual Committee and moved its adoption; motion seconded by Spencer of New Jersey and carried.

Metzger of Indiana presented the report of the Resolutions Committee and moved its adoption; motion seconded by Allman of West Virginia and carried.

Cole of Rhode Island presented the report of the Convention Proceedings Committee and moved its adoption; motion seconded by Perry of Colorado and carried.

John Lacey, Program Specialist, Agricultural Education, U. S. Office of Education, announced the national judging winners in livestock, meats, poultry and dairy.

Student Secretary Detrixhe presented an address on "How Long Have I Got." McCorgary of Kansas moved that Secretary Detrixhe be commended for the inspiration he gave during his year as a national officer; motion seconded by Beardsley of Montana and carried.

Foreign guests in attendance were introduced. An interview was then held by Lennie Gamage, Advertising Manager of The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine, with participants in the international youth exchange between the Future Farmers of America, The National Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs of Great Britain and the Scottish Association of Young Farmers' Clubs.

Arthur Godfrey, star of stage, TV, radio and movies, presented greetings after which Vice President Stitzlein presented him with a special plaque for his interest in farm boys and his efforts extended in behalf of the Future Farmers of America.

President Williams resumed the chair.

Branscum of Indiana moved that the National FFA Dues remain at fifty cents per year, which will include a subscription to The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine; motion seconded by Robinson of New York and carried.

Schlipf of Illinois moved that the Boards of National Officers and Directors be given authority to take action on any unfinished business or business in interim between conventions; motion seconded by Tjaden of South Dakota and carried.

Skrinde of Washington moved that the National FFA Constitution be amended by adding Article X, concerning the seating arrangements of the delegates at the national convention, stating that the seating arrangements rotate yearly, on the even years seating alphabetically starting in front, and on the odd number years seating alphabetically in the rear; motion seconded by Freiburger of New Jersey. After considerable discussion the motion was defeated.

Doud of Oregon moved that the National Board of Directors appoint a new committee to review the financial requirements for boys with agricultural occupation experience programs applying for the American Farmer Degree with the intent to raise the requirements and/or make provisions for a new and/or special degree; motion seconded by Boehm of Wisconsin. Doud of Oregon moved to amend

his motion by striking out "that a new committee be appointed" and insert "that the committee already doing research on this matter be standing and be given the convention delegates support"; motion seconded by Allman of West Virginia and carried.

Waters of Texas moved that the Boards of National Officers and Directors take action on the improper use of the FFA emblem that has been carried on in front of the Municipal Auditorium; motion seconded by Shurtz of Kansas and carried.

Skrinde of Washington moved that the Boards of National Officers and Directors at their January meeting determine a fair method for the rotation of the seating of the delegates at the convention; motion seconded by McCorgary of Kansas and carried.

Following organ music, Walter Harrison, Manager of the Georgia Electric Membership Corporation addressed the convention.

Rish of South Carolina presented the report of the Nominating Committee. It was moved by Russell of Oklahoma to accept this report; motion seconded by Nemec of Nebraska and carried. There being no further nominations from the floor, it was moved by Barrick of Ohio that the slate of candidates submitted by the committee be elected by acclamation from the delegate body; motion seconded by Henry of Delaware and carried. The newly elected officers were introduced.

Skrinde of Washington recommended that the delegate body go on record as commending the Nominating Committee for their outstanding work in selecting the 1966-67 national officers.

The meeting adjourned with the closing ceremony.

Friday, October 14, 1966

Evening Session

(At 6:30 p.m. the FFA Talent Show was held.)

The final session of the convention was called to order with the opening ceremony at seven o'clock by President Williams. Vice President Kelly assumed the chair.

Warren of Kentucky gave the report of the National Convention Committee and moved its adoption; motion seconded by Naylor of California and carried.

President Williams presented an address on "The Blue and the Gold." Sink of North Carolina moved that President Williams be commended for his outstanding work as a national officer and for his inspiring address; motion seconded by Waters of Texas and carried.

President Williams resumed the chair.

The Honorary American Farmer Degree was conferred upon the fathers of the national officers and special certificates presented to their mothers. Local advisors of the officers were introduced and Advisor Hunsicker then presented the officers with their special service plaques.

The newly elected officers were installed by the regular ceremony. National officer pins were presented to each of the past officers. Gary Swan, newly elected president presented Howard Williams with the gavel he used to open the convention. The new president extended greetings.

The final session of the convention adjourned sine die at nine o'clock with the closing ceremony by the new officers.

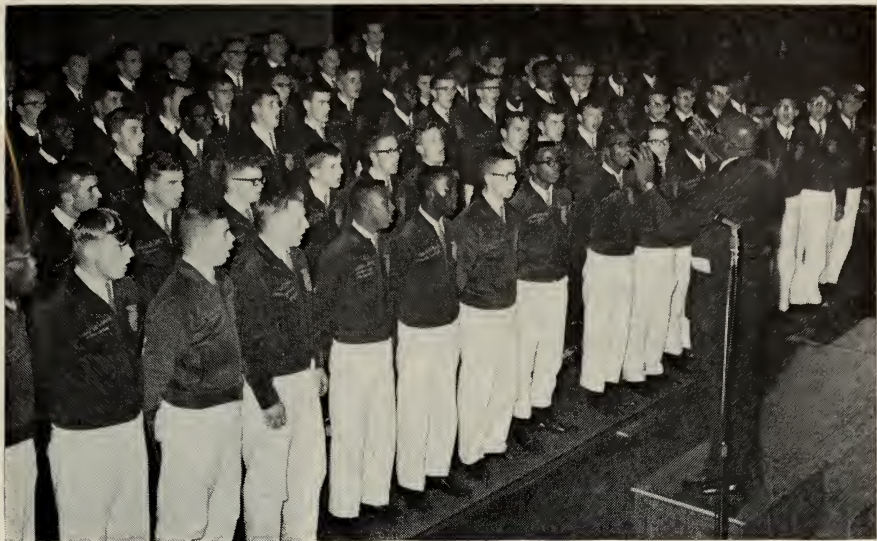
Following the closing ceremony, special entertainment was furnished by the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company.



Twenty-five teachers of Vocational Agriculture receive the Honorary American Farmer Degree



Recognition of Foreign Guests in attendance at the Convention



The 1966 National FFA Chorus, Directed by I. S. Glover



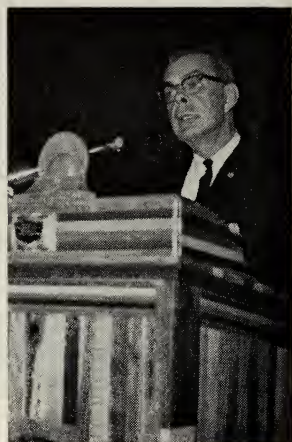
The 1966 National FFA Band, Directed by R. Cedric Andersen

Quotations from Convention Addresses

LESLIE M. FRY

Commander-In-Chief, Veterans of Foreign Wars

I know of no other organization that has developed more responsible leaders in every field than the Future Farmers of America . . . The lessons to be learned on a farm, and as part of this wonderful organization, can be stepping stones to positions of leadership in your communities, within this nation and in this troubled world. The farm boy becomes aware of the value and dignity of labor in a way that few other experiences can teach him. As a Future Farmer he is a small businessman and he learns what "free enterprise" means as he conducts farm projects which he plans himself and which depend on him for their success.



KEN CHEATHAM

**Assistant Director, Program Development
American Farm Bureau Federation**

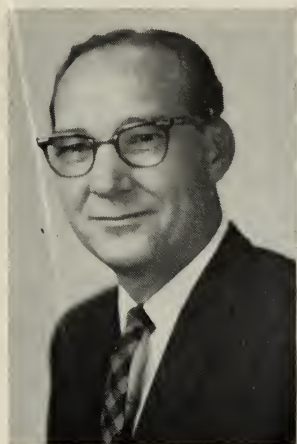


The greatest regret today is all the talk we hear about farmers and agriculture being a minority. We may be a minority, but what a magnificent minority. You, the American Farmer candidates, your four, five or six years of hard work and effort has brought you to this dramatic moment of achievement in your life. You represent the elite, in leadership and leadership potential; in the scope of your farming programs and in service to others. Yet, you are only a minority—a small percent of the total enrollment in FFA—but what a magnificent minority. Thus, my challenge to you today, American Farmers, Future Farmers and adults is, be a minority that is sound and influences majorities.

WAYNE O. REED

**Associate Commissioner for Federal-State Relations
U. S. Office of Education**

Tonight I cannot help thinking how fortunate this Nation is . . . to have, coming up out of this organization, young men with the potential for leadership we have just heard promise of. This Public Speaking Contest tonight is in the finest tradition of agricultural education. One hundred and ten years ago, the first State agricultural college in this nation was dedicated . . . went about the business of educating the prospective farmer. They (educators) would have him study many useful subjects: chemistry, physiology, mechanics and veterinary medicine. They would teach him how to keep his accounts and survey his land. But first, the farmer must be a man before he can be a farmer. Morally, physically, intellectually . . . and to be able to execute the duties of highly responsible stations with self-reliance and intelligence . . .



The future holds danger, but it also holds hope, and it holds enormous possibilities. As we have never needed leaders before, we need leaders now—leaders who can hold to that hope and see those possibilities. Leaders who seek to build up rather than to tear down, to create rather than to destroy, and to reduce our dangers and guide our course.

SUSANNE HAND

FHA NATIONAL PRESIDENT

You know as Future Farmers that when you plant an orchard, you must fertilize and spray each tree if you want it to grow straight, strong, and yield fruit. If we want our society to prosper, we must cultivate each individual. Every citizen has a special contribution to make to his society, and in order for him to contribute best, he must be educated. Our national program of work stresses "Individuality counts."





LINDA SETTLE

National Grange Princess

I would like to bring you the Centennial greetings of the National Grange, coming especially from the National Master, Brother Herschel Newsom, and from the youth program team.

The Grange is proud to be the first organization beginning in 1881 to legislate Vocational Agriculture in the high schools of America. We are happy for the friendship which exists between the two organizations, the FFA and the Grange.

ARTHUR GODFREY

Star of Radio, TV, Stage and Movies

How wonderful it is to be in a room containing this many promising young Americans, all of whom have been to the barbershop . . . In your hands lies the future of this country, men like yourselves all



over the country. With the erosion of our soil, the pollution of our streams, the extinction of so much of our wildlife, the contamination of the very air we breathe, frustrating hopelessness of our nationwide traffic jams, the frightening invasion of our personal, private lives and liberties by countless cancerous do-gooder groups . . . We Americans should take heart. We should try to throw off the sense of guilt that oppresses us when we contemplate the great gulf that separates us from the poor status of Africa and Asia. We feel guilty because we read somewhere that we ought to feel guilty, and yet, what is there to feel guilty about in a nation that has done more for ordinary human happiness than any other in the history of the world? There are guilty

men but no guilty nations, and if ever a country was entitled to feel some proper pride in what it has done for the world, what it has stood for consistently down through the years, it is, if I may be permitted to recoin an almost forgotten phrase, the good old U. S. A. . . . I have great faith in our country because of folks like you. I am honored, indeed, to have this opportunity to greet you.

WALTER HARRISON**Manager, Georgia Electric Corporation**

My short stay in Kansas City has already reduced my age tremendously and my enthusiasm for your program is at its highest . . . As a matter of fact, I am thinking of dropping my Medicare coverage.



From the decisions made now and in the immediate future, will evolve the blueprint of our future . . . You will soon be the key people on the farms and in the homes, in the businesses, schools, churches, laboratories and professional offices. Farming today is becoming "less of an art and more of a science." Today's farmer is a businessman-manager, a chemist, a soil scientist, a genericist, a mechanic and a biologist to mention a few. Only those highly trained; willing to accept change; willing to think and work will be able to stand the competition. Thus young men you can readily see that you are important and necessary people.

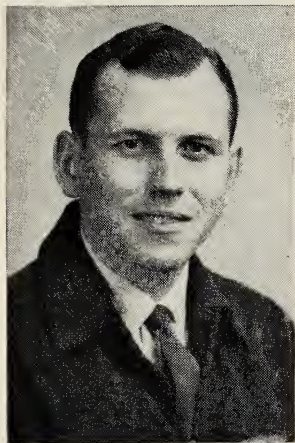
National Student Officer Addresses

THE BLUE AND GOLD

HOWARD WILLIAMS, *National FFA President*

As this convention draws to a close, I am fully aware of the fact that another voyage in my life has been completed, and I wish to thank all those who have made it possible. For with the passing of the gavel, a new door is opened and an old one closed.

I stand now and look out into this auditorium, I see the Blue and the Gold.



I am reminded of the time this summer that I stood on the sand dunes of Lake Michigan and gazed in wonder at the setting sun. The evening was clear and the sun was a great golden ball sinking slowly into the horizon, surrounded by the colors blue of the sky and the waters.

Blue is one of our primary colors and is a base which is used to make many other colors. Agriculture, our chosen area for study of all future farmers is very similar. For agriculture is the base of all our strength and prosperity in America. The blue which covers the shoulders of thousands of young men, to me denotes the strength of character, and the backbone of courage which we have in the FFA and American Agriculture. Blue is the foundation of these prized qualities just as the FFA is a foundation. For through our many worthwhile experiences, we gain wisdom, self-confidence, leadership, cooperation, thrift, and citizenship, all foundation stones for us.

Also as I look throughout this vast structure, I see small sprinklings of gold. Gold has always stood for things that are precious and most high. As I see it, the FFA offers us still more than a solid foundation, yes, it offers us "Golden Opportunities". For me these opportunities have passed—many untouched. For most of you, a state office, the American Farmer degree, or a national office lies ahead. Begin now, plan your course for you cannot sit beside the road as does a hitch-hiker, waiting for someone to come and invite you to ride. An old Arabian proverb says that four things never come back:

The spoken word.

The sped arrow.

The past life.

The neglected opportunity.

Francis Bacon said, "The wise man will make more opportunities than he finds." We have opportunities, our forefathers in the FFA have seen to that, our task now is to grasp each one and make use of it. I have attended a camp which has as its motto, "My own self, at

my very best, all the time". This is a tall order, but I promise you only success if you can live up to it.

These colors, blue and gold, are rich and cheerful, deep in heritage and the sign of a live, "up and coming" group of young men willing to accept the challenges life has to offer. Two colors which are as much a part of our organization as any one symbol—the colors which your national officers have lived in this past year. Soon each one of us will remove, for the last time, the jacket we have worn so proudly this year. As our "blue and gold" gathers dust, yours will be working, with more enthusiasm, more purpose, more desire to achieve and more willingness to serve.

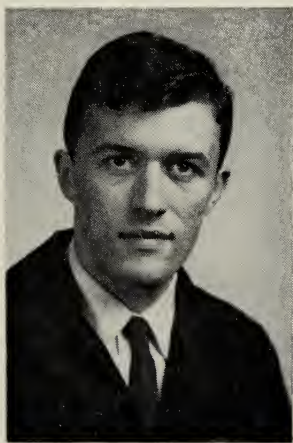
Robert Browning said, "My business is not to remake myself, but to make the absolute best of what God made." All of us have talents or abilities. Remember the parable of the talents in the Bible. We must not hide our abilities, as did the one servant, but we must multiply our abilities. As we strive for improvement, and await the opening of our door of opportunity our rewards will be according to our labors. But remember as a door shuts, a window is open. May this year be the one in which you make yourself into the best Future Farmer there is.

May God bless.

The Meaning of Service

BILL KELLY, *National FFA Vice President*
North Atlantic Region

This year, while serving as a National Officer, I have met many wonderful people who have contributed much to the success of our organization. Senators, Congressmen, Governors, Commissioners of Agriculture, and leaders of business and industry and outstanding Agriculturists and Future Farmers. All claim a great deal of their success to the training they received in vocational agriculture and the FFA.



Until recently the United States has been burdened with a so called "tremendous surplus of agricultural commodities." However, these have dwindled so that at the present time there is the need for greater agricultural production in basic food commodities.

The late John F. Kennedy said, "War against hunger is truly mankind's war of liberation. There is no battle on earth, or in space, more important; for peace and progress cannot be maintained in a world of half-fed and half-hungry."

Vocational agriculture since its beginning in 1917 has provided our country with the competent, educated young men that are needed to fill this role of feeding our people.

To become a member of the Future Farmers of American one has to learn the FFA "motto" and its meaning. The last line of the FFA motto "Living to Serve" has many and varied interpretations. You are familiar with the story of the man who decided to question three workmen busy chipping away at rough blocks of stone to be used in the construction of a magnificent cathedral. The man's question was simple, direct and to the point—"What are you doing?" The replies, however, were as varied as the attitudes of the three workmen. The first one merely answered "I'm cutting stone;" the second one said, "I'm making a day's wages;" but the third workman, with a smile of assurance reflecting pride in his job replied, "I'm building a Cathedral."

Only one of the three workmen had the ideal total picture of what he was doing clearly in mind; only one had real purpose and was visualizing the ultimate goal; only one realized his part in something of value and beauty beyond the block of stone on which he was then at work.

I hope that you as FFA members realize your true potential. But just realizing your true potential is not enough, you must challenge yourself to a four-square life. A wise leader of youth once said, "My own self, at my very best, all the time." Living this motto is a tremendous challenge; just as was the building of the Panama Canal. During the building of the canal, DeLesseps the famous Frenchman had failed. The world said, "It can't be done." President Theodore Roosevelt appointed Colonel George Goethals to build the canal. He had a reputation of never quitting. One report showed that several hundred young engineers and workers came from France to Panama and many did not live to draw their first month's pay. Before the canal could be built man had to conquer the disease carrying mosquito, that had spread malaria and yellow fever for four hundred years in the Panama. The greatest triumph of preventive medicine was won by William Gorgas, an American Army doctor, who waged the campaign, and wiped out the disease carrying mosquito. Without the courage and determination of these men, the Panama Canal would never have been built.

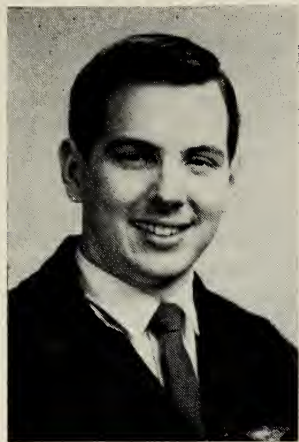
History records the successes of men with objectives and a sense of direction. By developing yourself physically, mentally, spiritually and socially, you will be creating a better organization in the Future Farmers of America, and a stronger America in which to live, work and serve.

How Long Have I Got

JOE DETRIXHE, National FFA Student Secretary

Distinguished friends and fellow members of the Future Farmers of America: I agree with the Roman emperor Marcus Aurelius, who said, "Time is a sort of river of passing events, and strong is its current . . ." This year of service to you as your National Student Secretary has swept by me with a great rush. Strong, indeed, is time's

current; still stronger is my feeling of gratitude for this glorious opportunity you afforded me as a national officer. But, strongest of all is my belief in the continuing capability of FFA through vocational agriculture to shape the best kind of young Americans.



The question "How long have we got?" comes up so frequently in hurried conversations among men rushing to beat a summer thunderstorm in the race to complete a harvest or bring in a hay crop. The meaning of the question is coldly real: Will we finish soon enough to prevent failure or loss?

This question became a personal one for me for the first time late in my junior year in high school, for I was witnessing the quicksilver quality of time—how it has a way of slipping through one's fingers and vanishing like a dust devil swooping out of sight across a dry Kansas field. Then I looked at myself and asked, "How long have I got?" To this day, I put that question up against my record, scrutinizing both and striving for eventual equality like a boy with a balance in a chemistry lab.

Getting down to those worn "brass tacks," I answer my own question at least with an estimate. "How long have I got?" The Bible mentions that man can hope for "three score and ten" years. Seventy years—some folks pass that prescribed time by another twenty years or more; and some, like boys my age in Viet Nam as their fathers died at Iwo Jima, will miss that mark tragically by nearly fifty years. Yet, what is seventy years when evaluated against the age of the earth (four and one-half billion years) or against five thousand years of recorded human history? Perhaps not much numerically, but just "rise and look around you" as the song "On a Clear Day" advises.

There are tremendous, stirring things to do. For example, you and I hear that we, as agriculturists, must feed twice today's population by 2,000. But don't be afraid of making a small beginning. To raise a fat steer may be a start to becoming a successful rancher, an animal nutrition specialist, a veterinarian, a Secretary of Agriculture. Just to learn the FFA Creed is a step toward becoming a community leader, a farm broadcaster, a United States Senator. It's pleasant and useful, at times, to dream. Why, some day your home town may erect a statue of you, but, as Aunt Em said to the farm hand in THE WIZARD OF OZ: "Don't start posing for it now." First, you must work, study, read, think, observe—and then do more work.

As a well-loved George M. Cohan tune proclaims, "There are battles to be won, to be won; there is work to be done, to be done." That kind of aggressive attitude has moved this old earth for good and for bad. We can take warning from the bad and encouragement from

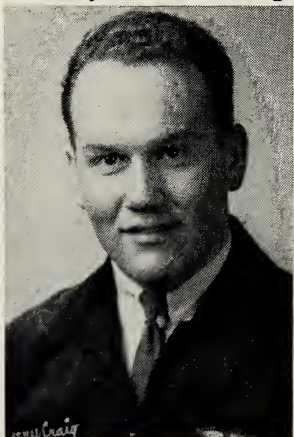
the good. From 1933 until 1945, in his fiendish way, Adolf Hitler changed human destinies; he plotted the enslavement of millions and ordered the murder of millions; he left us, in MEIN KAMPF, the scheme for his reign of terror. Next, consider a great and gifted leader named John Kennedy, who, in one thousand days, too, changed human destinies with the Peace Corps, the Alliance for Progress, the Test-Ban Treaty; compare his shining legacy to the bloody one of *der fuerher*, and read without fail his book PROFILES IN COURAGE, a Pulitzer Prize winner that will inspire new generations of Americans to new deeds of courage.

So, it matters not to ask "How long have I got?" Rather, the question of towering importance is "How will I use what I have got?" For, most of us do not possess that which made John Kennedy unforgettable and good, but sadly, it is within us to waste as totally what we have as an assassin chose to do in November of 1963. And that waste of human potential through ignorance or inactivity is the most piteous waste of all.

The Sum of All Things

LARRY E. CRAIG, *National FFA Vice President*
Pacific Region

In beginning this address I must realize this will be the last time I will be given the opportunity to talk with you as one of your national officers. Yet no tear of sorrow or sigh of regret will appear. I stand before you with strong convictions that some aggressive young Future



Farmer will be selected to take my place and assume the reins of leadership. This young man will then come to know and love the FFA as never before. He will be given the opportunity to serve and be served by some of the finest people in the world.

This organization which I have come to know so well in twelve short months and of which it has taken thirty-eight long diligent years to build started here in this city not far from this spot in 1928. From an *Editorial Comment from the Kansas City Star* dated November 21, 1928; I quote:

"A national organization to be known as the Future Farmers of America will be launched in Kansas City this week. Its purpose is to advance vocational education in agriculture through the public schools and to create and develop interest in agriculture and country life. Out of the vast number of high school students now studying agriculture,

under trained instructors, the Future Farmers will be selected. From this select group will come a body of men thoroughly grounded in their profession. They will be capable not only of maintaining American agriculture as a business, but as an occupation which will attract the most competent to it."

From a humble meeting of 33 boys from 18 states in 1928 came the spark that was to ignite into being the largest youth organization of its kind, which today stands almost half a million strong.

Young men, rural youth from all over American have gained skills and knowledge of agriculture that has resulted in the FFA being hailed as one of the greatest and most dynamic forces behind the development of modern agriculture.

During this wonderful year I have seen Future Farmers at work from California to Virginia and from Wyoming to Texas participating at the local, state, and national level for the development of themselves in citizenship, character, thrift, scholarship, the fostering of patriotism, and the furtherance of FFA. I have never ceased to be amazed at the quality of leadership and fellowship that was so obviously present at all of these gatherings.

I heard a swell of enthusiasm that was in the voice of the young Freshman as he won the Green Hand Creed Contest.

I saw the spark that glowed in the farmer's eye at a state convention when he said "hello, I'm an American Farmer of 1935."

And my eyes moistened when I heard a local chapter advisor who had served FFA for so many years, say as he received the Honorary State Farmer Degree, "there is nothing in this whole world that means more to me than this gold charm."

Therefore, I have stopped to wonder during this past year just what makes this organization, Future Farmers of America, mean so much to so many.

It is the Green Hand in the chapter, a local advisor working diligently, a state officer leading wisely, an American Farmer farming successfully, an educational program offering such an abundance of knowledge, or all of these things put together in one grand group, cooperating and working for the betterment of all.

This, I think, is the answer. This is truly the success of the Future Farmers of America.

It has been said,

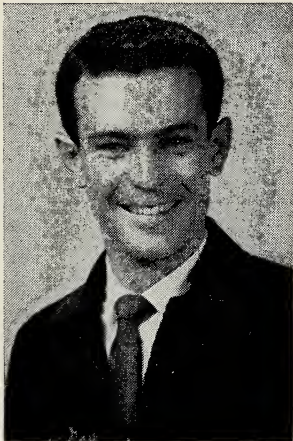
Success is the sum of small efforts
Repeated day in and day out,
With never a thought of frustration,
With never a moment of doubt.
Whatever your cherished ambition,
Begin now to make it come true,
Through efforts repeated, untiring,
Put faith in the things that you do.

So I believe FFA is the sum of many people's efforts,
 Working hard in their chapter, with their state,
 With never a thought of selfishness
 With never a moment of hate.
 Whatever their cherished ambition
 They begin and they make it come true,
 Through efforts repeated untiringly
 They've put faith in the things that they do.

Our Responsibilities As Americans

NORMAN GAY, *National FFA Vice President*
 Southern Region

Fellows, the dream of a life time is about to come to an end. This past year while serving you as a national officer, I was privileged to travel over much of the United States. This provided me with priceless experience which I shall long remember. Among these, were visits to Williamsburg, Virginia, the State of Liberty, the Golden Gate Bridge, slum areas of our large cities, and other places that reminded me of Our Responsibilities As Americans.



All of us cannot be doctors or lawyers, but if we can work toward a goal more than to benefit ourselves, America shall always remain the great country that we know today. I have learned that each of us has the same opportunity to become a success or to become a failure and achieving such an opportunity may affect thousands of other Americans.

Last year during inspiring massing of the flags for the Star Farmer Ceremony, I say watching the American Flag waving in the spotlight its voice seemed to cry out, "I am whatever you make me, nothing more. I am your belief in yourself, your dream of what a people may become. I live a changing life, a life of moods and passions, of heartbreaks and tired muscles. Sometimes I am strong with pride, when workmen do an honest days work. Sometimes I droop, for then purpose has gone from me, and cynically I play the coward. Sometimes I am loud, garish, and full of that ego that blasts judgment. But always, I am all that you hope to be, and have the courage to try for. I am song and fear, struggle and panic, and ennobling hope. I am the day's work of the weakest man, and the largest dream of the most daring. I am the farmer, the lawyer, doctor, cook, counselor,

and clerk. I AM THE CONSTITUTION: I am the battle of yesterday, and the mistake of tomorrow. I am the mystery of the men who do, without knowing why. I am the clutch of an idea, and the reasoned purpose of resolution. I am no more than what you believe me to be, nothing more. I wave before your eyes as a bright gleam of color, a symbol of yourself, the pictured suggestion of that big thing which makes this nation. My stars and my stripes are your dream of your labors. They are bright with cheer, brilliant with courage, firm with faith, because you have made them so out of your hearts."

There are many things that go hand in hand with our American way of life; if we are to perpetuate the American ideal, the free enterprise system, the prosperity which is its natural by-product, then we must maintain our old-fashioned constitutional integrity, keep our strength, be vigilant and make no compromise with evil. When it is brought to our attention that only 7% of the earth's people enjoy individual freedom today, we know that these few must heed this warning and hold on to his last vestige of individual liberty, if not, then to us will come the dropping of the iron curtain as it has come to many parts of the once free world.

Now is no time to weaken or compromise; we must stand firmly on our convictions to maintain our liberties intact, and by so doing through concerted effort we will emerge victorious in this great global fight for freedom.

As example of what happens to our lives when we quit serving is given in *Lesson from a Clay Aqueduct* by William C. Kerley.

Early in the second century after the birth of Christ, Spain was conquered by the Romans. With conquest also came many of the advantages the Roman Empire had to offer.

For example, a little village in Spain had very little drinkable water. The Romans solved this predicament by building an aqueduct from the mountains to the little village. The aqueduct was built without the aid of intricate equipment or advanced materials. Although made out of clay, it provided a method for transporting cool water from the mountains to the little village miles below.

At the turn of the last century the same village decided to replace the old clay aqueduct with iron pipe. As soon as the clay aqueduct went out of use, it began to deteriorate. Without water running through it, keeping it moist and strong, the clay dried out. The sun and wind took their toll.

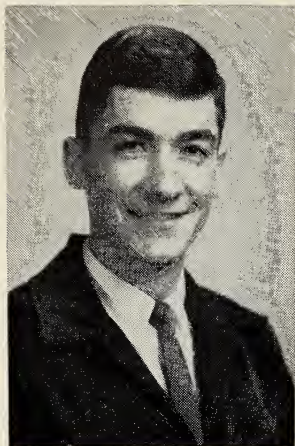
Soon the old clay aqueduct fell to the ground, a pile of dust. For almost eighteen centuries the aqueduct was useful and usable. As soon as it was put out of service, its usefulness was destroyed.

Our lives are a lot like that. Work, exercise, action, and labor keep us useful and usable. It's when we quit serving that we destroy our usefulness. Therefore, fellows, let up put to work those practices we've learned in vocational agriculture; let us always exemplify the qualities of leadership, know how of working together and pride of responsible citizenship we have gained through FFA as we fulfill our purposes and responsibilities of American citizenship.

A Proud Heritage Pledged To The Future

JIM STITZLEIN, *National FFA Vice President*
Central Region

"The FFA is a family affair for the Stitzlein's of Ohio". This is the statement I so often used to introduce my story as each of the national officers related bits of our FFA experiences throughout the year. "My dad was a charter member in one of the first ten chapters in Ohio in 1929, and each of my three older brothers has received the State Farmer Degree. So you can see, it was only natural that I enroll in vocational agriculture and join the FFA when I entered high school."



And so you can see, it is only natural that I should choose to speak to you this morning on this topic—A Proud Heritage Pledged to the Future. As I look back some seven years ago, I was probably more unaware than proud of my particular heritage and thought little about the future; but, now as I reflect upon my experiences of those seven years and particularly of the last twelve months, I hope that I am much more appreciative of the wealth of yesterday and of the promise of tomorrow. Today

I have the opportunity to share with you the sights I saw, the thoughts I thought, and the feeling I felt as a national officer—but more importantly, these are the sights, the thoughts, and the feelings of a Future Farmer who is proud to be an American.

As my thoughts travel again the several thousand miles over which this blue and gold jacket carried me, I see once more the rugged, rocky seashores of the Atlantic and Pacific. I see rolling plains covered with grass and grain and cattle; rich green valleys with trickling brooks and rushing rivers. I see mountains of rock and earth as majestic and strong as the nation that they united and divide at the same time. I see small towns and large cities with people working hard and hurrying to work harder because they are free to work, to hurry, and to pray. This is the America that is as old as Bunker Hill and as modern as Viet Nam. This is the America that answers a roll call with the names of Washington, Lincoln, and Kennedy; the America that shoots fireworks on the Fourth of July and boasts of free enterprise and capitalism. This the America to which we are all heirs, and this is the America to which we must pledge our future.

As Future Farmers we are certainly aware of the rich heritage given us by "the past and present generations of agriculturists," and we are certainly aware of the challenges of tomorrow. Increased agricultural proficiency has largely made possible the high standard of living enjoyed by our society. The American farmer has made the United States a world wide symbol of abundance. Nations everywhere

seek the knowledge that has made our country the world's greatest agricultural producer. With tremendously increasing world population, more and more hungry eyes will be turning to the United States for food and assistance. The free world must be prepared to help and to answer their pleas. You and I must take full advantage of the opportunities that are ours in vocational agriculture, in the FFA and in America. Dag Hammarskjöld said, "Life only demands from you the strength you possess," and "only life can satisfy the demands of life."

A father and his small son were romping together in the autumn leaves that had fallen in their backyard. In the spirit of rapport that was established between them, the boy turned to his father and said, "Daddy, when I grow up, I want to be just like you." Suddenly the young father became very serious and said, "No my son, you must be a better man than I or you aren't worthy of bearing my name." The father was trying to express to his son the obligation that goes with every heirloom. To be worthy, we must constantly strive for improvement. You must be a better Future Farmer, a better American, a better person; or else you are not worthy of being one.

This is the challenge I leave with you. *Be* the best and *do* the best you can. Take advantage of every opportunity that is yours. Then, and only then, will the FFA remain as it has always been—A Proud Heritage Pledged to the Future.

National Officers' Summary

JOE B. DETRIXHE, *National Student Secretary*
1965-66

As your national officers for 1965-1966, we want you to know how much we appreciate the opportunity to have served you. A demanding but always rewarding year is now a chapter in the FFA "book of history"; truly we six were not the sole authors, for we had the spirited and excellent assistance of many individuals: the first we shall always think of is Mr. Wm. Paul Gray, your National Executive Secretary, who gave us and will continue to give the Future Farmers of America his all. Next we extend our heartfelt appreciation to Mr. H. N. Hunsicker, your National Advisor, who works hard for agricultural education and FFA and who seeks unceasingly to keep the FFA "of, by, and for" our 445,000+ members. During this year, for the unnumerable people who opened their homes and their hearts to us, we are thankful. A vast debt of gratitude which we six can never repay is owed to our parents and brothers, who cheerfully and frequently made sacrifices to permit us to fulfill our responsibilities.

What a proud day it was when we carried the banner of the National Organization at the head of the American Royal Parade! From that experience we began to see the enormous respect felt for FFA; and subsequent sessions of concentrated leadership training in

Kansas City made clearer the role we, as national officers, were to play in nurturing that respect.



Howard withdrew from North Carolina State following his return from the national convention in order to meet the extra demands placed upon your national president. Our universities and draft boards cooperated fully with each of us, after we informed them of the nature of our responsibilities and of our intentions to return to school following this convention. The NVATA Convention, the AVA Convention, the American Farm Bureau Federation Convention, and the National Future Homemakers of America Convention are some of the outstanding events at which you were ably represented by National President Howard Williams.

In November, I represented you and expressed our good wishes to the Patrons of Husbandry assembled in Topeka, Kansas, for the 99th National Grange Convention, where I was honored to assist in the selection of the National Grange Prince.

Just prior to arrival in Washington, D. C., on January 16, your National Vice President from the Pacific Region Larry Craig attended the National Western Livestock Show in Denver. As we gathered in Washington we listened with interest to President Williams' account of his experiences as the FFA representative to the London Student Conference, held in England, December 27 through January 10.

As a conclusion to a week of leadership training with Mr. Gray, interspersed with a visit to the National FFA Center where we were welcomed cordially, we helped conduct a leadership training workshop involving state officers from 8 states. Our Congressman and Senators were splendid hosts at a luncheon in the Capitol Building. When we visited his office, Secretary of Agriculture Orville Freeman, an Honorary State Farmer in the Minnesota Association, discussed FFA

and its importance to continued agricultural progress. National Master of the Grange, Herschel Newsom, fielded our questions skillfully after a fine meal at National Grange Headquarters.

Nothing can replace experience in developing working knowledge; that is why our Joint Meeting with the National Board of Directors was such a pleasant, challenging time. Chairman of the Board, Mr. Hunsicker, like the other Board members, was patient, wise, and willing to give the Board of Student Officers the appropriate range of expression and action.

One of the most unique and most exacting segment of our term as national officers commenced February 1 in Philadelphia. This was the Annual National Officers' Good-Will Tour on which we visited over one-fourth of the donors to the National FFA Foundation in twenty of this nation's major cities *from coast to coast*. Our tour moved smoothly because of the aid of adults from the national office, members of state staffs and state FFA presidents. On several occasions we were honored to have either Byron J. Nichols, Chairman of the Foundation Sponsoring Committee, or his assistant Dave Crandall to assist us in our donor meetings. The theme of National FFA Week—1966 was "Agriculture—More than Farming: Production, Processing, Distribution, and Servicing," which was the core of the program we six national officers gave during the Tour. All Future Farmers are appreciative of the interest and support donors provide and can feel confident that agriculture has numerous partners that will help us meet the snowballing world food and fiber needs.

The national officer team separated following the termination of the Good-Will Tour in Los Angeles on March 6. I took a jet to Minneapolis, Minnesota, to be on the program of the 20th Farm Forum, sponsored by the agriculturally-minded Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce. The Forum's featured speaker was Secretary of Agriculture Freeman, who expressed optimism about the agricultural front in the war in Viet Nam.

National officers perennially and rightly feel that state conventions highlight their terms; beginning in March and ending in August, forty-eight conventions were attended by one or more national officers. The high caliber of leadership shown at these state conventions was extremely impressive. For their advance planning and friendly cooperation, state staffs earned the gratitude of us national officers, who sought to help our fellow members to see, with new clarity, the terrific opportunities offered through FFA.

In late June, delegates representing the ten major youth organizations in the United States convened in Washington, D. C. for the National Youth Conference on Natural Beauty and Conservation. Howard, Norman, and I joined Mr. Gray to serve as consultants with the FFA delegates, who impressed other conferees as being well-informed, capable, and gentlemanly. Both President and Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson addressed the Conference; Mr. Johnson, in speaking to the delegates about the appearance on the "Today" television program highly commended the FFA past State Officer who was Co-Chairman

of the Conference. He further said that he had never been prouder of this nation's young people. All FFA delegates visited the National FFA Center before returning home with fresh ideas and stirring challenges to promote conservation of our precious resources and of Nature's beauty.

In July, the sub-regional leadership conferences got underway with these stated objectives: to provide state officers a better understanding of vocational agriculture's relationship to FFA, to inspire state officers to do a more effective job, to insure the exchange of ideas about successful programs in order to strengthen participating state associations, and to develop leadership abilities in state officers. Jim Stitzlein and I worked with state officers in Kansas City; Larry Craig and I in Bozeman, Montana; Howard Williams, Bill Kelly, and I in Hathorne, Massachusetts; and Norman Gay and I in Cherry Grove, South Carolina. We sincerely hope that the state officers and state staffs that worked so hard on these conferences will benefit from them. Several states also invited national officers to take part in state level leadership conferences which were well conducted. In addition, we national officers were deeply honored to be speakers at parent-son banquets and agricultural events around the country.

Much of the crucial business to be considered by these delegates came out of the Joint Meeting of the Board of Directors and Board of Student Officers that started July 28. The day before, all Future Farmers were honored by the largest number of Foundation donor representatives ever to assembly in Washington, in spite of a severe airline strike, to discuss current Foundation developments. That week, Speaker of the House John McCormack, House Majority Leader Carl Albert, Congressman Don Fuqua, Senator Fred Harris, other distinguished members of Congress honored the FFA and important personnel of the U. S. Office of Education at a luncheon in the Capitol Building, which we toured extensively with former FFA member Congressman Fuqua. We were deeply touched by the all-faiths prayer room the Congressman showed us, where those men of tremendous responsibility can meditate.

August 1 and 2 we concluded the Good-Will Tour officially by visiting Richmond; Baltimore; New Holland, Pennsylvania; and Valley Forge. The East Coast "blizzard of '66" had forced us to bypass these friends of FFA in January. Central Region Vice President Stitzlein spoke at the American Institute of Cooperation, held in Fort Collins, Colorado, and also October 4 at national cooperative week in Washington; your Southern Regional Vice President Norman Gay represented the FFA at a meeting on post-secondary school organizations at Cobleskill, New York. In September, North Atlantic Region Vice President Bill Kelly and National President Williams appeared at the Eastern States Exposition after visiting Donors, friends and FFA members in 5 New England States. Bill and Howard worked in many areas of responsibilities at the National Dairy Cattle Congress in Waterloo, Iowa. The National President attended the Mid-South Fair and, along with fifty fellow FFA members, had two worthwhile weeks in Michigan's Camp Miniwanca. After the Na-

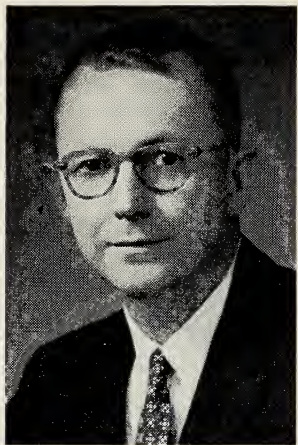
tional FFA Convention, Howard will speak for FFA at the National Safety Congress. Finally, all six of us represented you at our last joint meeting with the Board of Directors in the week prior to this.

Though our year soon culminates, we six cherish the FFA as the great source of our opportunities, knowing that the vital source of FFA's energy and growth is you and thousands like you "from Washing to Puerto Rico and from Maine to Hawaii." If the FFA is to flourish there must be more young people, many additional teachers of vocational agriculture and professional people dedicating their efforts to the FFA, as we six fellows have tried to do. Tell the FFA story, certainly; but, more importantly, *live* the FFA story, letting "your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

Report of the National Treasurer

1966

As National Treasurer of the Future Farmers of America, it is my pleasure to report to you on the financial status of your Organization. The Convention Proceedings carries a detailed audited report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1966. We have prepared a statement of Receipts and Expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, an interim statement on the FFA for the period July 1 through September 30, and a report on the FFA Foundation account for the period January 1 through September 30, 1966. Copies of these statements have been distributed in the delegates' section.



The report I give now will be a brief summary of the financial status and operation of your FFA Organization.

The Total FFA program is divided into four major areas which are as follows:

1. The Future Farmers of America
2. The Future Farmers of America Foundation
3. The Future Farmers Supply Service
4. The National Future Farmer Magazine

The income of the FFA is derived from dues of FFA members, royalties on merchandise bearing the FFA emblem, and rent on the FFA Building, which houses the Future Farmers Supply Service, and the National Future Farmer Magazine. This income is used to defray the expenses of the National Office, travel of national officers and Board of Directors, maintenance of the FFA Building, and your national convention.

Contributions from business organizations and individuals represent the main source of income of the FFA Foundation. From January 1 through September 30 of this year, we have received \$212,135.00 in contributions from some 400 donors. Twenty of these are contributing for the first time this year. Each year there are new donors participating in this program. Since the Foundation was started in 1944, a total of \$3,421,217.67 has been contributed by these organizations and individuals which is an indication of their genuine interest in your Organization.

Less than 9% of the expenditures of the FFA Foundation is used for operating expenses. The remaining 91% is used for awards recognizing achievement of vocational agricultural student members of the FFA.

Since the FFA Foundation originated, these achievement awards total more than 2½ million dollars.

The Future Farmers Supply Service realizes its income from the sale of merchandise to FFA members.

The cost of the merchandise, operation of the Supply Service, rent of the FFA Building, where the Supply Service is housed, and royalties to the Future Farmers of America, make up its expenses.

The National Future Farmer Magazine receives its income from advertising, subscriptions, and its expenses consist of editing, printing, mailing, and rent of office space in the FFA Building.

The total net worth of your Organization is \$2,039,293.23. This includes the FFA, the FFA Foundation, the Supply Service and the National Magazine.

The FFA Treasurer's office is located in Woodstock, Virginia, where books and records of the FFA and the FFA Foundation are kept by Mrs. Pauline Coiner.

There is a separate set of account books kept for the FFA and the Foundation. The major portion of the funds is maintained in separate accounts in the Shenandoah Valley National Bank in Winchester, Virginia. At present, in this Bank and other Banks and Savings Associations, we have a total of \$257,239.12 of FFA funds, and \$367,237.96 of Foundation funds, earning interest from 4—5%. We also have \$150,771.01 of FFA Foundation funds in Government Bonds.

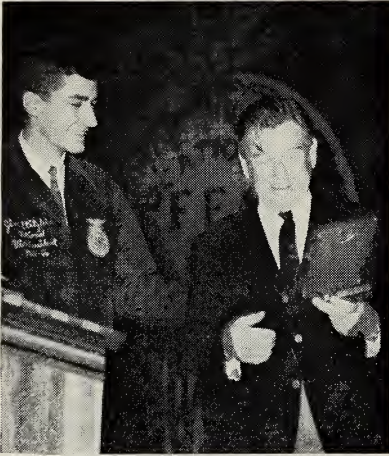
The FFA Foundation is operated on a calendar year basis, extending from January 1 through December 31. The fiscal year of the FFA starts on July 1 and extends through June 30 of the following year.

To assure protection of the funds in our care, both Mrs. Coiner and I are bonded in an amount sufficient to protect your interests. An audit of each account is made annually by Certified Public Accountants. These audits are furnished to Directors and Trustees of both the FFA and the FFA Foundation, the Board of Student Officers and also reviewed in detail during Board meetings. Your FFA Auditing Committee also reviews these records and they are available for review by any individual member. Every safeguard is exercised in handling the funds of your Organization.

We wish to assure you that your Organization is in sound financial condition. This is a tribute to your program and policies as directed by your National Board of Student Officers, Directors, and Trustees, and the guidance of H. N. Hunsicker, National Advisor, and Wm. Paul Gray, your Executive Secretary.



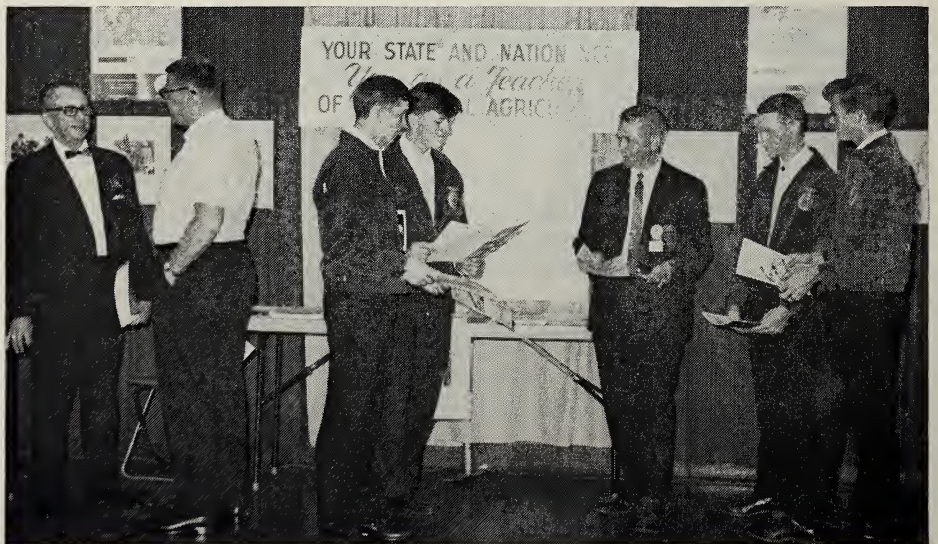
FFA Talent Show performers



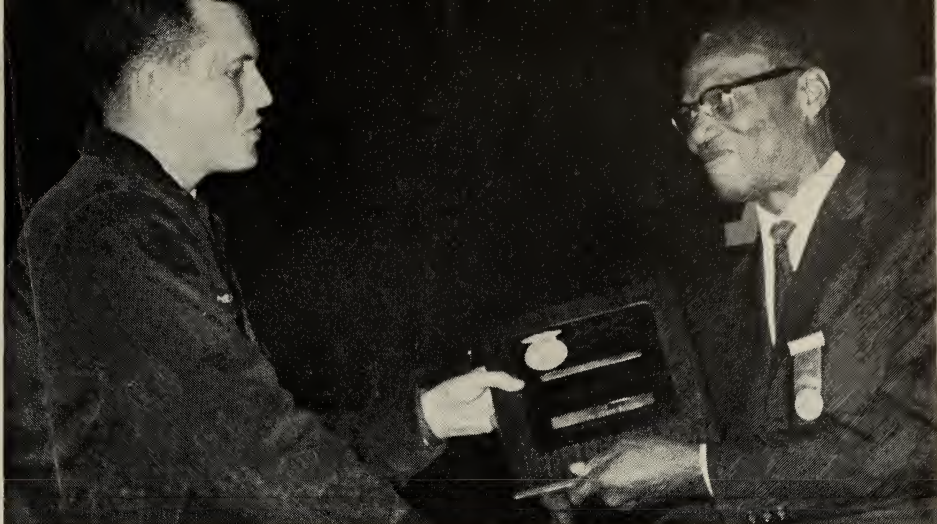
Arthur Godfrey receives a
Special Citation



National officers "cut u



Many FFA members visit the "Careers in Agriculture" exhibits



Many adults were recognized for outstanding service



on Firestone Show



Future Homemakers of America and Other Organizations Receive Special Citations.



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July 22, 1966

Officers and Directors,
Future Farmers of America,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

We have examined the balance sheet of Future Farmers of America, Washington, D. C., as of June 30, 1966, and the related statements of income, cash receipts and disbursements, and revenue and expenditures (cash basis) for the fiscal year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. Our examination did not include the operations of Future Farmers Supply Service or "The National Future Farmer" both of which are audited by other certified public accountants.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheet and statement of income present fairly the financial position of Future Farmers of America at June 30, 1966, and the results of its operations for the fiscal year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied, except as indicated in Notes 1 and 3 of notes to financial statements, on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year. Also, in our opinion, the statements of cash receipts and disbursements and revenue and expenditures (cash basis) present fairly the recorded cash transactions and the revenue and expenditures resulting from cash transactions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1966.

Respectfully submitted,

LEACH, CALKINS & SCOTT
Certified Public Accountants

Balance Sheet

June 30, 1966

ASSETS

GENERAL FUND:

CURRENT ASSETS:	
Cash in bank (Exhibit "C").....	\$224,239.39
Account receivable.....	2,949.69
Prepaid insurance.....	3,726.06
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TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS.....	\$230,915.14

OTHER ASSETS:	
Loans receivable:	
"The National Future Farmer":	
Cash advances.....	\$ 36,786.20
Expenses paid in prior periods.....	7,713.80
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Peace Corps.....	10,000.00
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TOTAL OTHER ASSETS.....	\$ 54,500.00
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PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT (at cost):				
	Cost	Accumulated Depreciation	Net Amount	
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Land.....	\$ 30,483.96		\$ 30,483.96	
Paving and landscaping	21,023.78	\$ 5,771.22	15,252.56	
Fencing.....	2,520.90	983.14	1,537.76	
Buildings.....	409,287.96	58,566.21	350,721.75	
Office and other equipment.....	10,154.74	4,331.87	5,822.87	
Construction in process— warehouse addition.....	3,034.00		3,034.00	
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TOTALS.....	\$476,505.34	\$ 69,652.44	\$406,852.90	406,852.90
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				\$692,268.04
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DEPRECIATION RESERVE FUND:

CURRENT ASSETS:	
Cash in bank.....	\$ 11,152.44
Savings certificates.....	18,500.00
Certificates of deposit.....	40,000.00
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TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS.....	\$ 69,652.44
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LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS

GENERAL FUND:

CURRENT LIABILITY:	
Account payable.....	\$ 3,278.97
SURPLUS:	
Balance, July 1, 1965.....	\$918,443.64
Add:	
Excess of income over expenses (Exhibit "B").....	\$ 19,929.58
Grant from Future Farmers Supply Service for construction of warehouse.....	31,000.00
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(Forwarded).....	\$50,929.58
	\$918,443.64
	\$3,278.97

(Forwarded).....	\$50,929.58	\$918,443.64	\$3,278.97
Capitalization of equipment items purchased from Future Farmers Supply Service prior to July 1, 1964.....	\$ 3,678.41		
Less: Accumulated depreciation on above items prior to July 1, 1964.....	1,407.86	2,270.55	53,200.13
Less:			\$971,643.77
Removal from records of appreciation on land and buildings (Note 1).....	\$257,763.75		
Less: Accumulated depreciation on appreciation.....	6,127.49	\$251,636.26	
Transfer from General Fund to Depreciation Reserve Fund (Note 2).....		31,018.44	282,654.70
Balance, June 30, 1966.....			688,989.07
			<u>\$692,268.04</u>
DEPRECIATION RESERVE FUND:			
SURPLUS:			
Balance, July 1, 1965.....		\$ 38,634.00	
Add:			
Transfer from General Fund (Note 2).....		31,018.44	
Balance, June 30, 1966.....			<u>\$ 69,652.44</u>

Statement of Income

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1966

INCOME:			
Membership dues.....		\$ 44,538.60	
Royalties:			
Future Farmers Supply Service.....	\$107,141.37		
The Fair Publishing House.....	325.00	107,466.37	
Other income:			
Rent:			
Future Farmers Supply service.....	\$ 20,000.00		
"The National Future Farmer".....	10,000.00	30,000.00	
Interest.....		7,189.43	
TOTAL INCOME.....			\$189,194.40
EXPENSES:			
TRAVEL:			
National officers.....	\$ 20,681.86		
Board of directors.....	1,837.36		
Special.....	1,264.42		
Study committee on FFA organization	3,606.31		
Development of regional and national programs.....	518.75	\$27,908.70	

EXPENSES—(continued):

NATIONAL CONVENTION:

Delegate expense.....	\$ 5,448.29	
National band.....	2,282.90	
Reception.....	530.00	
Pageant.....	137.50	
Printing.....	7,640.09	
Talent.....	1,273.45	
Exhibits.....	700.00	
Leadership training demonstration	516.55	
Stenotypist.....	483.02	
Photographs and publicity.....	970.20	
Rental of equipment and supplies.....	1,247.03	
Communications.....	187.48	
Secretarial travel and expense.....	1,116.27	
Decorations and new equipment	1,694.86	
Express on trunks.....	117.33	
Labor.....	1,802.45	
Miscellaneous.....	1,876.35	28,023.77

AWARDS:

American Farmer keys.....	\$ 3,577.68	
Certificates and awards.....	2,418.29	5,995.97

PRINTING:

Stationery and brochures.....	\$ 4,711.35	
Miscellaneous.....	507.98	5,219.33

NATIONAL OFFICE:

Secretarial salaries:

Executive secretary's office.....	\$ 6,850.00	
National treasurer's office.....	3,307.50	\$ 10,157.50

Director of Public Relations:

Salary.....	\$ 14,175.00	
Travel.....	1,730.53	
Secretary—salary.....	6,430.00	22,335.53

Information Specialist:

Salary.....	\$ 10,513.65	
Travel.....	2,055.61	12,569.26

Estimated allowance for

salary increases.....	2,148.30	
Telephone and telegraph.....	140.54	
Bond premium.....	34.91	
Subscriptions to professional journals....	86.49	
Reference handbooks—		
National officers.....	153.98	
Insurance—National officers.....	180.00	
Stenographic expense—		
National officers.....	599.75	
Clothing and equipment—		
National officers.....	752.19	
Brochures.....	52.50	
Repairs of equipment.....	92.00	
Postage, express, etc.....	340.00	
Public relations.....	1,050.16	

EXPENSES—(continued):

Supplies, equipment, and rents.....	1,529.48	
Calendars.....	526.05	
Legal and auditing.....	1,410.00	
Photographs.....	1,653.35	
Complimentary subscriptions to		
FFA magazines.....	840.50	
National FFA week material.....	2,270.29	
Health insurance.....	196.00	
Social security tax.....	1,358.20	
Board meetings.....	94.60	
FFA Foundation meeting.....	7.43	
Miscellaneous.....	507.70	61,086.71
JUDGING EXPENSE.....		502.11
RETIREMENT PLAN.....		441.61
FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA		
BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:		
Maintenance, fuel, power, and upkeep \$	24,064.95	
Depreciation.....	9,313.26	
Insurance.....	442.54	33,820.75
INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES:		
Travel.....	\$ 5,567.39	
Printing.....	52.60	
FFA brochures, manuals, etc.....	175.05	
Incidentals.....	66.00	
Miscellaneous.....	404.83	6,265.87
TOTAL EXPENSES.....		169,264.82
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENSES.....		<u>\$ 19,929.58</u>

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

General Fund

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1966

BALANCE, JULY 1, 1965.....		\$209,862.61
RECEIPTS:		
Membership dues.....	\$ 44,538.60	
Royalties.....	107,514.50	
Future Farmers Supply Service:		
Rent.....	\$ 20,000.00	
Retirement plan.....	14,103.88	34,103.88
National Future Farmer Magazine:		
Rent.....	\$ 10,000.00	
Retirement plan.....	7,164.19	17,164.19
Federal income tax withheld from employees.....	6,179.11	
Virginia income tax withheld from employees.....	912.08	
Employees' old-age benefits.....	1,357.09	
Employees' retirement contributions.....	1,960.12	
Interest on savings accounts.....	7,189.43	

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Expense refunds:		
Travel.....	\$ 1,374.42	
National office.....	8,104.39	
Convention:		
Tours.....	\$ 1,951.25	
Printing, etc.....	300.00	2,251.25
F. F. A. grounds and buildings.....	50.20	
Printing.....	2,009.80	
Judging.....	59.19	
International activities.....	310.56	14,159.81
Grant from Future Farmers Supply		
Service for construction of warehouse.....		31,000.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS.....	266,078.81
	<u>\$475,941.42</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:

Travel.....	\$ 29,114.37
National convention.....	30,829.02
Awards.....	5,995.97
Printing.....	7,106.48
National office expense.....	69,663.58
To increase Depreciation Reserve Fund	
(Exhibit "A") (Note 2).....	31,018.44
Judging.....	558.72
International activities.....	6,576.43
Retirement.....	23,669.80
F. F. A. grounds and buildings.....	35,686.94
Withholding tax remitted to Federal Government.....	6,179.11
Withholding tax remitted to State of Virginia.....	912.08
Employees' social security taxes paid.....	1,357.09
Construction in process—warehouse.....	3,034.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS.....	251,702.03
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BALANCE, JUNE 30, 1966 (Exhibit "A").....	<u>\$224,239.39</u>
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Above balance composed as follows:

Unrestricted:

Checking account:

Shenandoah Valley National Bank, Winchester, Virginia.....	\$ 76,929.53
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Savings accounts:

Shenandoah Valley National Bank, Winchester, Virginia.....	\$ 10,836.50
First Federal Savings and Loan Association, Richmond, Virginia....	11,630.15
Franklin Federal Savings and Loan Association, Richmond, Virginia....	11,630.17
Winchester Savings and Loan Association, Winchester, Virginia....	11,279.64
Richmond Federal Savings and Loan Association, Richmond, Virginia....	10,779.95
Security Federal Savings and Loan Association, Richmond, Virginia....	10,779.95
Peoples Bank and Trust Company of Fairfax, Alexandria, Virginia.....	10,559.33
Shenandoah County Bank and Trust Company, Woodstock, Virginia.....	10,718.20
	<u>88,213.89</u>

Certificates of deposit:

Commercial and Savings Bank, Winchester, Virginia.....	\$ 10,000.00		
The Bank of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia.....	10,000.00	20,000.00	\$185,143.42

Special land account:

Checking account:

Shenandoah Valley National Bank, Winchester, Virginia.....	\$ 1,595.97		
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Certificates of deposit:

The National Bank of Woodstock, Woodstock, Virginia.....	\$ 10,000.00		
Massanutten Bank of Strasburg, Strasburg, Virginia.....	10,000.00		
The First National Bank, Strasburg, Virginia.....	10,000.00		
Shenandoah Valley National Bank, Winchester, Virginia.....	7,500.00	37,500.00	39,095.97

TOTAL.....			<u>\$224,239.39</u>
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Membership Dues Collected

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1966

ASSOCIATIONS:

Alabama.....	\$ 2,207.00
Alaska.....	1.20
Arizona.....	215.10
Arkansas.....	1,798.40
California.....	1,274.60
Colorado.....	253.40
Connecticut.....	64.40
Delaware.....	41.40
Florida.....	1,278.70
Georgia.....	2,308.40
Guam.....	2.50
Hawaii.....	144.40
Idaho.....	333.90
Illinois.....	1,619.60
Indiana.....	962.40
Iowa.....	1,008.20
Kansas.....	655.20
Kentucky.....	1,381.40
Louisiana.....	1,137.90
Maine.....	68.40
Maryland.....	273.30
Massachusetts.....	81.70
Michigan.....	1,019.80
Minnesota.....	1,383.00
Mississippi.....	1,335.60
Missouri.....	1,187.40
Montana.....	198.80
Nebraska.....	549.20
Nevada.....	51.00
New Hampshire.....	28.50
New Jersey.....	87.20
New Mexico.....	239.70
New York.....	655.80
North Carolina.....	3,015.00

North Dakota.....	326.60
Ohio.....	1,232.70
Oklahoma.....	1,679.30
Oregon.....	403.60
Pennsylvania.....	951.00
Puerto Rico.....	355.00
Rhode Island.....	34.80
South Carolina.....	1,322.50
South Dakota.....	291.20
Tennessee.....	1,822.00
Texas.....	4,883.10
Utah.....	325.20
Vermont.....	51.10
Virginia.....	1,301.00
Virgin Islands.....	4.10
Washington.....	556.70
West Virginia.....	484.90
Wisconsin.....	1,496.20
Wyoming.....	155.10
TOTAL DUES COLLECTED.....	<u>\$ 44,538.60</u>

The National Future Farmer
Statement of Income and Expense
Year Ended June 30, 1966
INCOME

Advertising.....		\$327,321.84	
Less: Space Discounts.....	\$ 10,418.65		
Agency Commissions.....	46,462.07	56,880.72	\$270,441.12
Subscriptions.....		130,917.48	
Less: State Association Discounts.....		11,116.15	119,801.33
Single Copy Sales.....			52.85
Total Income from Magazine.....			390,295.30
Calendar Sales.....		83,544.35	
Less: Returns and Allowances.....	833.97		
State Association Discounts.....	1,545.96	2,379.93	81,164.42
Binder Sales—Net.....			74.69
Total Income.....			471,534.41

EXPENSE

MAGAZINE PRODUCTION COST:		
Printing.....	\$133,730.22	
Magazine Postage.....	10,876.24	
Engraving.....	6,045.69	
Articles, Photos and Cartoons.....	3,048.35	153,700.50
ADVERTISING:		
Salaries.....	30,549.19	
Travel.....	12,339.46	
Advertising Representatives' Commissions	4,491.07	
Advertising Salesmen's Commissions.....	4,556.06	
Promotional.....	9,509.26	
Miscellaneous.....	318.74	61,763.78

EDITORIAL:			
Salaries.....	15,114.97		
Travel.....	740.88		
Miscellaneous.....	188.83	16,044.68	
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CIRCULATION:			
Salaries.....	26,631.89		
Promotional.....	2,245.21		
Fulfillment Costs.....	32,196.56		
Travel.....	365.66		
Miscellaneous.....	203.76	61,643.08	
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CALENDAR:			
Printing.....	35,187.49		
Sales Commission—FFA Chapters.....	17,882.06		
Salaries.....	15,887.47		
Promotional.....	5,679.50		
Unsold Calendars.....	461.01		
Art and Photographs.....	1,050.00		
Travel.....	857.80		
Direct Postage.....	289.13		
Postage Allowance.....	460.24		
Miscellaneous.....	352.86	78,107.56	
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ADMINISTRATIVE:			
Salaries.....	33,747.14		
Rent.....	10,000.00		
Telephone and Telegraph.....	2,203.08		
Postage and Express.....	2,165.37		
Depreciation.....	3,253.00		
Travel.....	1,892.73		
Social Security Expense.....	3,401.42		
Employees' Retirement Expense.....	5,261.35		
Stationery and Supplies.....	2,718.05		
Printing Supplies.....	487.73		
Audit and Legal.....	1,036.00		
Insurance.....	504.87		
Group Hospitalization Insurance.....	519.44		
Expired Due Bills.....	542.19		
Repairs to Office Equipment.....	527.65		
Miscellaneous.....	217.97	68,477.99	439,737.59
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Net Excess of Income from Operations.....			31,796.82
OTHER EXPENSE:			
Cash Discounts—Advertisers.....	5,085.44		
Bad Debts.....	144.87		
Shortage.....	.40	5,230.71	
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OTHER INCOME:			
Interest.....	653.40		
Miscellaneous.....	1,629.32	2,282.72	2,947.99
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Net Excess of Income for the Year.....			<u>\$ 28,848.83</u>

Future Farmers Supply Service Statement of Income and Expense

Year Ended June 30, 1966

	Stockroom	Drop Shipment	Total
Sales.....	\$893,395.14	\$637,196.00	\$1,530,591.14
COST OF GOODS SOLD:			
Inventory, July 1, 1965.....	177,206.06		177,206.06
Purchases.....	477,398.08	463,367.47	940,765.55
Lettering Cost.....	41,070.11		41,070.11
Freight-In.....	4,972.10		4,972.10
Shipping Charges.....		20,879.87	20,879.87
	<u>\$700,646.35</u>	<u>\$484,247.34</u>	<u>\$1,184,893.69</u>
Less: Inventory, June 30, 1966.....	136,276.91		136,276.91
Cost of Goods Sold.....	564,369.44	484,247.34	1,048,616.78
Gross Profit.....	<u>\$329,025.70</u>	<u>\$152,948.66</u>	<u>\$481,974.36</u>
EXPENSE:			
Salaries.....		\$168,600.35	
Royalties.....		107,141.37	
Freight and Postage.....		50,757.92	
Advertising.....		10,018.38	
Printing, Stationery and Supplies.....		6,214.00	
Wrapping and Shipping Materials and Supplies.....		8,391.40	
Rent.....		20,000.00	
Legal and Accounting.....		4,100.00	
Depreciation.....		7,988.54	
Taxes and Licenses.....		1,751.12	
Insurance.....		2,578.18	
Group Hospitalization Insurance.....		1,190.46	
Disability Insurance Expense.....		1,067.05	
Social Security Taxes.....		6,552.07	
Telephone and Telegraph.....		2,215.21	
Travel.....		2,637.87	
Truck and Auto Expense.....		866.56	
Merchandise Losses.....		1,437.55	
Discontinued and Obsolete Merchandise.....		4,894.45	
Office Expense.....		1,630.10	
Retirement Expense.....		9,067.19	
Miscellaneous Expense.....		159.57	419,259.34
			<u>\$62,715.02</u>
OTHER INCOME:			
Interest Income.....	5,612.50		
Discounts Received.....	902.64		
Miscellaneous Income.....	2,367.13		
Gain on Disposal of Equipment.....	1,339.80	10,222.07	
OTHER EXPENSE:			
Discounts and Allowances.....	3,545.16		
Bad Debts.....	356.23	3,901.39	6,320.68
Net Excess of Income for the Year.....			<u>\$ 69,035.70</u>

**Future Farmers of America—General Fund
Future Farmers Supply Service
The National Future Farmer
Consolidated Statement of Income and Expense**

Year Ended June 30, 1966

INCOME:

Sales.....	\$1,530,591.14	
Less: Cost of Goods Sold.....	1,048,616.78	
Gross Profit.....		\$ 481,974.36
Advertising Income—Net of Agency Commissions and Discounts.....		270,441.12
Subscription Income—Net of State Association Discounts.....		119,854.18
Calendar Income.....		81,164.42
Membership Dues.....		44,538.60
Interest Income.....		13,455.33
Miscellaneous Income.....		5,336.25
Discounts Received.....		902.64
Royalties.....		325.00
Binder Income—Net.....		74.69
Total Income.....		1,018,066.59

EXPENSE:

Salaries—General and Administrative.....	\$245,771.94
Magazine Costs—Production Department.....	153,700.50
—Advertising Department.....	61,763.78
—Circulation Department.....	61,643.08
—Editorial Department.....	16,044.68
Calendar Costs and Expense.....	78,107.56
Freight and Postage.....	53,263.29
Travel.....	36,225.44
National Convention.....	28,023.77
Maintenance and Utilities.....	24,064.95
Depreciation.....	20,554.80
Retirement Expense.....	14,770.15
Printing, Stationery and Supplies.....	14,151.38
Social Security Taxes.....	11,311.69
National Office—Miscellaneous Expense.....	10,159.38
Advertising.....	10,018.38
Discounts and Allowances.....	8,630.60
Wrapping and Shipping Supplies.....	8,391.40
Legal and Accounting.....	6,546.00
International Activities.....	6,265.87
Awards.....	5,995.97
Discontinued and Obsolete Merchandise.....	4,894.45
Telephone and Telegraph.....	4,558.83
Insurance.....	3,705.59
Health Insurance.....	2,972.95
Taxes and Licenses.....	1,751.12
Office Expense.....	1,630.10
Merchandise Losses.....	1,437.55
Truck and Auto Expense.....	866.56
Repairs.....	619.65
Expired Due Bills.....	542.19
Judging Expense.....	502.11
Bad Debts.....	501.10

Printing Supplies.....	487.73	
Miscellaneous Expense.....	377.94	
Total Expense.....		900,252.48
Net Excess of Income for the Year.....		<u>\$117,814.11</u>

Future Farmers of America—General Fund
Future Farmers Supply Service
The National Future Farmer
Consolidated Analysis of Accumulated Excess of Income

June 30, 1966

Balance, July 1, 1965.....		\$1,235,108.64
Add: Excess of Income for the Year (Exhibit B)	\$117,814.11	
Capitalization of Equipment Purchased from Future Farmers Supply Service Prior to July 1, 1964, by the General Fund. Net of De- preciation.....	2,270.55	120,084.66
		1,355,193.30
Less: Transfer to Depreciation Reserve Fund.....		31,018.44
Balance, June 30, 1966.....		<u>\$1,324,174.86</u>

Budget

Future Farmers of America

JULY 1, 1966—JUNE 30, 1967

BALANCE ON HAND—July 1, 1966..... \$ 48,963.53

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Dues.....		\$226,000.00	
Royalties.....		100,000.00	
Rent:			
Future Farmers Supply Service.....	\$ 25,000.00		
National FFA Magazine.....	10,000.00	35,000.00	
Interest:			
Earned on Savings.....		6,000.00	
Miscellaneous.....		50.00	
Total Estimated Receipts.....			\$367,050.00
To be Appropriated From Surplus.....			28,840.00

TOTAL AMOUNT BUDGETED..... \$395,890.00

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES**I. NATIONAL OFFICE EXPENSE**

Salaries.....	\$ 48,000.00	
Travel—Director of Public Relations.....	2,000.00	
Travel—Information Specialist.....	2,000.00	
Equipment.....	1,200.00	
Supplies.....	900.00	
Telephone and Telegraph.....	200.00	
Postage and Express.....	360.00	
Repair and Adjustment.....	200.00	
Legal and Auditing.....	1,300.00	
Board Meetings—Coiner.....	100.00	
Subscriptions to Professional Journals.....	100.00	
Stenographic Expense for National Officers.....	700.00	
Clothing and Equipment for National Officers....	800.00	
Brochures.....	100.00	
Insurance.....	900.00	
Social Security Tax.....	2,010.00	
Membership Magazine Subscriptions.....	180,800.00	
Miscellaneous.....	500.00	\$242,170.00

I(A) PUBLIC RELATIONS

National FFA Week Material.....	\$ 2,500.00	
Complimentary Subscriptions to Magazine	900.00	
FFA Calendars.....	800.00	
Photographs.....	1,750.00	
Special Publicity and Promotion.....	1,500.00	
Special Activities.....	800.00	8,250.00

II. TRAVEL

National Officers.....	\$ 20,000.00	
Board of Directors.....	2,500.00	
Special Travel (National Staff).....	3,000.00	
Development of Regional and National Programs	2,000.00	
Special Study Committee on FFA.....	3,000.00	30,500.00

III. NATIONAL CONVENTION		
Delegate Expense.....	\$ 5,500.00	
Printing.....	8,500.00	
National Band.....	2,800.00	
National Chorus.....	2,000.00	
Secretarial Travel and Expense.....	1,200.00	
Pageant Program.....	600.00	
Talent.....	1,000.00	
Exhibits.....	1,000.00	
Leadership Training Demonstration.....	500.00	
FFA Donors Reception.....	600.00	
Stenotypist.....	450.00	
Photographs and Publicity.....	1,000.00	
Communications.....	200.00	
Rental of Equipment, and Supplies.....	1,200.00	
Decorations.....	3,000.00	
New Equipment.....	500.00	
Express on Trunks.....	120.00	
Labor.....	2,000.00	
Miscellaneous.....	1,500.00	33,670.00
IV. NATIONAL FFA CENTER		
Buildings—Maintenance, Fuel & Repair.....	\$ 30,000.00	
Taxes.....	2,400.00	
Center Study Committee.....	15,000.00	
Depreciation Reserve Fund.....	5,000.00	\$ 52,400.00
V. PRINTING		
Stationery, Application Forms, and Brochures....	\$ 10,000.00	
Handbooks and Reference Material.....	350.00	
Miscellaneous.....	500.00	10,850.00
VI. AWARDS		
American Farmers Keys.....	\$ 4,200.00	
Certificates and Awards.....	2,000.00	6,200.00
VII. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE.....		
		1,500.00
VIII. JUDGING CONTEST EXPENSE.....		
		700.00
IX. INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES		
Travel and Subsistence.....	\$ 8,000.00	
Printing FFA Materials (Foreign).....	500.00	
FFA Brochures, Manuals, Etc.....	200.00	
Color Slides of FFA Activities.....	100.00	
Incidentals (Medical, Insurance, Etc.).....	100.00	
Miscellaneous.....	500.00	9,400.00
X. CONTINGENT.....		
		250.00
TOTAL AMOUNT BUDGETED.....		<u>\$ 395,890.00</u>

Committee Reports

Report of the Nominating Committee

We, the Nominating Committee, do hereby submit the following candidates for the National FFA Officers for the year 1966-67. After having given careful and deliberate consideration to all applicants, we offer the following slate of candidates for the delegates' consideration:

President.....GARY SWAN, New York
Secretary.....PAUL A. TARPLEY, La.
Central Vice President.....KEATON VANDEMARK, Ohio
No. Atlantic Vice President.....HAROLD BRUBAKER, Pennsylvania
Pacific Vice President.....RICHARD MORRISON, Arizona
Southern Vice President.....MONTE REESE, Oklahoma

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Rish, South Carolina (*Chairman*)
 Wayne Smith, Vermont
 David Zinn, West Virginia
 Jerry Scarborough, Florida
 Bruce Teal, Alabama
 Barrie Swinbank, Iowa
 Dale Nye, Michigan
 Michael Quesnell, Idaho
 Dee Thomsen, Utah

Report of Auditing Committee

We, the members of the Auditing Committee, have inspected the general records of the National Organization of the Future Farmers of America. We found that the accounts kept by J. M. Campbell, National Treasurer, and Mrs. Pauline Coiner, his secretary, for the fiscal year July 1, 1965 through June 30, 1966, were in sound financial condition. We also reviewed the audit of Leach, Calkins & Scott, Certified Public Accountants.

We wish to commend Mr. Campbell and Mrs. Coiner for their fine job in keeping the FFA accounts.

Respectfully submitted:

Richard Jones, New York (*Chairman*)
 Kent Barber, Colorado
 Rudy Bordelon, Louisiana
 Tom Schulz, Minnesota
 Bobby Richardson, New Mexico
 Joaquin Rodriguez, Puerto Rico

Report of Convention Proceedings Committee

We, the Committee on Convention Proceedings for 1966, recommend the following:

1. That the major sections of contents of the 39th National FFA Convention Proceedings be arranged in much the same manner as last year's Proceedings.
2. That colored pictures be used in the Proceedings to depict convention highlights.
3. That the names of participants in the talent show be included in the Proceedings.
4. That the Public Speaking Contest winner's speech again be printed in the Proceedings.
5. That more substantial covers be used on the Proceedings.
6. That a copy of the Proceedings be sent to the following:
Donors to the National FFA Foundation
Convention speakers
Each local chapter
More copies should be made available to chapters, if needed, through the Future Farmers Supply Service or the National Executive Secretary. Chapter officers and advisors should interest younger members in the Convention Proceedings and keep a copy or copies on file in the chapter library.
7. That committees and committee advisors be better informed as to the specific function of that committee.

Respectfully, submitted,

BRUCE COLE, Rhode Island (*Chairman*)
Dennis Grumbine, Pennsylvania
Gerald Spencer, Georgia
Robert Anderson, Montana
William A. Eagles, North Carolina
Rod Smith, Wyoming

Report of the Future Farmers Supply Service Committee

Having reviewed last year's Committee report and the current Official FFA Supply Service Catalogue, we the Supply Service Committee recommend the following:

1. Any chapter desiring additional supplies, or changes in supplies, in the Supply Service Catalogue should submit in writing their recommendations before January 1, in order that the suggestions may be considered at the January meeting of the National Board of Directors and Board of Student Officers.
2. Chapters aware of their annual supply needs should send orders early to avoid the seasonal rush during the last quarter of each calendar year.

3. When placing rush orders, the date the order is needed, should be stated for the benefit of both the Supply Service and the person desiring the order.
4. The catalogue order form should have space for indication of a rush order.
5. When filling form, members should print neatly, including the proper lettering, and state the size of the article desired. In return this order should meet the approval of the chapter advisor before forwarding it to the Supply Service.
6. Continue making available the recording of the National Public Speaking Contest.
7. That consideration be given to the development of a portable speaker's stand complete with the FFA emblem, which could be used by FFA officers and others for FFA events.
8. That an identification sign stating, "A Future Farmer Lives Here" be offered by the Supply Service in addition to the present sign stating, "FFA Member Lives Here" which is found on Page 40 of the current Supply Service Catalogue.

We, the members of the 1966 Future Farmers Supply Service Committee commend Mr. Hawkins and his dedicated staff for the excellent and prompt service they have provided for FFA members during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Naylor, California (*Chairman*)
Keith Berger, North Dakota
Mike Waller, Tennessee
Jerry Bates, Alabama
Terry Heiman, Missouri

Report of the Leadership Training Committee

We, the members of the Leadership Training Committee for 1966, strive to fulfill the goal of encouraging leadership through the following recommendations:

1. Encourage officer leadership training by the following means:
 - a. Hold a national leadership conference involving State officers that will be conducted by the national officers under adult guidance.
 - b. Conduct sub-regional leadership training involving all State officers in all regions.
 - c. State associations be responsible for the leadership training of chapter officers.
2. Encourage further individual leadership training through the following means:
 - a. Conduct an extemporaneous speaking contest on a State and National level.

- b. Each State conduct programs for local chapters which have proved successful in certain States such as:
 - (1) Parliamentary procedure contest.
 - (2) Creed Contest
 - (3) Agricultural forum
- c. Encourage more active participation by all FFA members in chapter leadership training activities.

Respectfully submitted,

Enid Schlipf, Illinois (*Chairman*)
Johnny Haggard, Arizona
David Tutak, Michigan
Allan Warnick, Utah
Tommy Waters, Jr., Texas
Bennie C. Rogers, Jr., Mississippi

Report of the National FFA Calendar Committee

In order to further promote the distribution of the Official National FFA Calendar, and realizing that the calendar is one of the most important FFA public relations activities, we make the following recommendations:

- 1. To bring about increased participation on the chapter and State level, we suggest:
 - a. That the local chapters and State associations form an official FFA Calendar committee.
 - b. That local advisors use the material received from the calendar department to inform the chapter committee concerning the calendar program.
 - c. That all State officers and/or other State officials stress the importance of the official calendar program at all State leadership camps and officer training sessions, preferably during public relations sessions and that State officers include comments about the calendar program during chapter visits.
 - d. That State advisors and executive secretaries provide information to the new State officers and calendar committee that will emphasize the importance of the National FFA Calendar Program.
 - e. That the calendar department provide appropriate informative articles to be included in State FFA publications to familiarize each chapter with the three plans of the calendar program.
 - f. That chapters be encouraged to use official FFA calendars rather than using a local fund raising calendar.
 - g. That chapters be encouraged to assist their sponsors in distributing the calendar.
 - h. That all chapters be encouraged to provide interesting action pictures to their State reporter for possible publication on the

FFA calendar, and in The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine.

2. To increase the number of calendars being distributed we suggest:
 - a. Chapters impress upon prospective sponsors the benefits and advertising values of the calendar to his business.
 - b. Chapters and sponsors be encouraged to include non-FFA homes in calendar distribution.
 - c. Chapters provide the Official FFA Calendar as the room calendar for all classrooms in their local school system.
 - d. Local chapters and State calendar committees be familiar with Plans A, B, and C of the Official Calendar Programs and encourage participation in Plan A.
3. The encouragement of distribution of all three calendar styles (booklet, indoor poster, desk) should be continued.
4. Chapters should be encouraged to place all orders by September 1, of the preceding year, to facilitate a more efficient calendar program.
5. Distribution of calendars where they will accomplish the greatest public relations benefits for the FFA should continue to be encouraged.
6. The Official Calendar Program be included in the national, State and local programs of activities as a separate sub-heading under the Public Relations Section, and the goals be to have the State association and local chapters participate more actively in the calendar program, possibly by utilizing Plan B of the Official Calendar Program.

We commend the FFA Calendar staff for the excellent manner in which the calendar program is being developed and promoted, and encourage them to seek new ideas for continued improvement.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Hadden, Wyoming (*Chairman*)
John Kilby, Vermont
Richard Fink, New Hampshire
Kent O. Warner, Idaho
Tom Teigen, North Dakota
Glenn Byrd, Florida

Report of the National Foundation and Awards Committee

On behalf of the National FFA Organization, we, the National Foundation and Awards Committee of the 39th annual National Convention, express our appreciation to the many donors whose aid has made it possible to develop the aims and purposes of our organization, inspire members to reach high goals and be recognized appropriately.

We extend our sincere gratitude to Mr. Byron J. Nichols, Vice President and General Manager, Dodge Division, Chrysler Motors Corporation for his services as Chairman of the 1966 Foundation Sponsoring Committee.

We submit the following recommendations to the Boards of National Officers and Directors for their consideration:

1. Give appropriate recognition to the National FFA Foundation at the local level by:
 - a. Explaining the National Foundation Awards Programs at chapter banquets and meetings.
 - b. Including in the National Chapter Award Program application a requirement that 100% of the Foundation award winners send a letter of appreciation to the National FFA Foundation Sponsoring Committee Chairman.
 - c. Including in the annual chapter report of accomplishments the percent of Foundation award winners sending a letter of appreciation.
 - d. Inviting national donors to local chapter functions.
 - e. Encouraging chapters to recognize the National FFA Foundation during National FFA Week activities.
2. Recognize the National FFA Foundation on the state level by:
 - a. Inviting national donors to the state convention for appropriate recognition.
 - b. Inviting a national officer or other qualified person to explain the activities of the National Foundation at the state convention.
 - c. Stressing participation in Foundation awards programs by state officers during local chapter visits and at leadership conferences.
3. Gradually upgrade the requirements for Standard and Superior chapter ratings. Agricultural Proficiency Awards, and Chapter awards.
4. More chapters participate in the National Chapter Awards Program through:
 - a. Encouragement by state associations by setting a goal of 100% participation by chapters in the National Contest and at least 75% attain the superior rating.
 - b. The National and State Future Farmer magazines feature special articles on the merits of receiving the Superior chapter rating.
5. Local chapters use the National Chapter Award application as a guideline in preparing a program of activities.
6. Continue the support of the new and developing awards programs in the various state associations.

We also commend the Boards of National Officers and Directors for recognizing the National Foundation donors through the

donor reception, during the National Good-Will Tour, and we recommend that these activities be continued.

Respectfully submitted,

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Report of the National Future Farmer Magazine Committee

We, the members of the 1966 National Magazine Committee, submit the following recommendations for consideration:

1. Encourage members, advisors and parents to write letters to the editor giving personal views on the magazine and/or suggestions for improvement.
2. Suggest FFA chapters set up a committee for the National Future Farmer Magazine to handle local complimentary issues and follow up correspondence with the magazine when members fail to receive their copies.
3. Suggest the continued use of inspirational articles by or about the National Officers, National Award Winners and their outstanding Future Farmers.
4. Encourage members, local chapters, collegiate chapters and state associations to submit unusual articles and/or pictures to the magazine for use in "FFA in Action", "From the Mailbag", "Photo Roundup", and the "Joke Page". All members, chapters or associations submitting articles and/or pictures which are published will be reimbursed. All articles and/or pictures should conform to the standards set by the FFA organization (see Manual).
5. Encourage local chapters, state associations and the National Organization to give complimentary subscriptions of the magazine to friends of the FFA (honorary members) and have the magazine made available in as many public places (school library, business office, etc.) as possible. We suggest the continuation of a letter designating from whom a complimentary copy is sent.
6. Encourage former members and others interested in FFA to subscribe to the magazine.
7. Suggest the state officers to mention the National FFA Magazine in chapter visits, point out the value of the magazine, and ways to encourage members to take full advantage of the magazine.
8. Suggest this report be published in the magazine and/or newsletter by the magazine.
9. Encourage the magazine to use its resources to properly portray the image of agriculture in America today.

- 10. Encourage broader use of pre-convention and post-convention articles in appropriate issues.
- 11. Encourage chapters and state associations to set an early deadline for payment of dues to assure new members of earliest possible delivery of magazine.
- 12. Members to use their correct full name, proper address and zip code when submitting subscriptions.

We commend the staffs in the National FFA Office and the National Future Farmer upon the continued revolution from a quarterly with less than 100,000 receiving the first copy in 1952, to a bi-monthly publication with a circulation approaching one-half-million. We are impressed by the calibre of individuals on the magazine staff and wish them equal success in the future.

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NATIONAL PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES
1966 - 1967

Activity	Goals	Ways and Means
I. SUPERVISED FARMING AND/OR OCCUPATIONAL EXPERIENCE		
1. Awards for Achievements In Agriculture	Cooperate in administering the FFA Foundation Awards Program to provide appropriate awards for agricultural achievements by FFA members.	a. Administer and give Achievement in Farming Awards to FFA members.
		b. Distribute to local chapters appropriate Foundation medals.
2. Publicity of Achievements	Give recognition for outstanding achievements Cooperate in making films in the following areas: 4 Star Farmers; Farming Today; Agriculture — Dynamic — Challenging	c. Present awards at appropriate ceremonies.
		d. Revise and distribute forms as necessary.
		a. Prepare and distribute news releases about national award winners.
		b. Publicize achievements of award winners.
		a. Make records available to producers.
		b. Assist in showing of film at national convention.
		c. Make film available at local, State and regional levels.
		d. Make an off-farm occupational experience film available at local, state and national levels.

Activity	Goals	Ways and Means
II. COOPERATION		
1. National Farm Organizations	Cooperate in appropriate activities with all national farm organizations	a. Have annual meetings of National FFA Officers with officials of American Institute of Cooperation, National Council of Farmer Cooperatives, National Grange, American Farm Bureau, Farmers Educational & Co-operative Union, Farm Institutes and others. b. Have an officer attend and take part in the program of national farm organizations when requested.
2. Dairy Cattle Congress	Participate in Congress	a. Hold National Dairy Cattle Judging Contest and National Dairy Products Contest. b. Confer National Dairy Farming awards. c. Arrange for public appearances by award winners and officers. d. Make national officers available for programs and public relations activities.
3. American Royal Live Stock Show	Participate in American Royal	a. Have National Livestock Judging Contests held at the Royal. b. Have National FFA Band march in American Royal Parade. c. Provide time in the national convention program for FFA representatives to participate in the American Royal FFA Day. d. Exhibit livestock at the American Royal by FFA members.
4. Farm Expositions or Fairs	FFA to be represented at Eastern States Exposition, NEPPCO, Mid-South Fair, Denver National Western, and other State, regional or national expositions	a. Arrange for FFA National Officers to attend and participate. b. Assist with exhibits, exposition, pageants, etc. c. Provide assistance to State associations on all programs and exhibits which stress the activities of the FFA.
5. International Educational Exchange Program	Coordinate and assist State Department in training program with Future Farmers from other countries	a. Continue training program for trainees and coordinate programs with State associations. b. Continue to have the exchange students attend important FFA events, such as Dairy Cattle Congress, National Convention, Eastern States Exposition, etc. c. Arranged for a national officer and staff member to participate in the exchange program when desired by State Department.
6. American Vocational Association	Participate in AVA	a. Arrange for a national officer to attend if requested. b. Consider having an exhibit by a local chapter, State association or the national organization.

Activity	Goals	Ways and Means
7. National Safety Council	Participate in National Safety Congress	a. Have a National FFA Officer attend and participate in the NSC meetings in Chicago. b. Cooperate with the State associations and the NSC in the development of both programs and materials to promote farm safety.
8. Farm-City Week	Participate in Farm-City Week	a. Use national officers or other personnel to assist in promoting and conducting activities in Farm-City Week.
9. Business, Industry and other Organizations	Foster better understanding of business and industry to agriculture, and encourage service to the FFA	a. Assist in the development of motion pictures, filmstrips, and pamphlets for use by the FFA. b. Encourage cooperation with State associations and local chapters.
10. Youth Organizations	Participate in worthwhile activities	a. Provide national officer representation at national meetings of other youth organizations when invited. b. Invite representatives of other youth organizations to national FFA convention. c. Encourage State Associations to provide State officer representation at State meetings of other youth organizations when invited. d. Encourage State Associations to invite representatives of other youth organizations to State FFA Conventions.
11. Civil Defense	Cooperate with civil defense agencies in programs related to rural areas, agriculture, etc.	a. Provide local chapters and State associations information on fallout shelters, civil defense needs, etc. b. Encourage local chapters and State associations to contact appropriate civil defense agencies concerning the distribution of information on fallout shelters, civil defense, etc.
12. Peace Corps	Cooperate and assist Peace Corps in recruitment activities and overseas operations	a. Use national officers and other personnel to assist Peace Corps in leadership activities. b. Arrange for the national office to prepare and distribute current information on FFA Peace Corps projects. c. Encourage State associations and chapter advisors to inform FFA members about FFA Peace Corps projects and agricultural opportunities in the Peace Corps. d. Encourage FFA chapters to devote one meeting per year to a program on "opportunities in international agriculture through the Peace Corps."
13. National Youth Conference on Natural Beauty and Conservation	Cooperate on a National and State Level with Conference officials	a. Provide national officer/s at National Youth Conference on Natural Beauty and Conservation. b. Each State provide one or more representatives to the National Youth Conference on Natural Beauty and Conservation if requested.

Activity	Goals	Ways and Means
		c. National FFA Organization promote ideas and goals of National Youth Conference on Natural Beauty and Conservation.
III. SERVICES TO STATE ASSOCIATIONS, LOCAL CHAPTERS AND MEMBERS		
1. National Officers	To make maximum use of National FFA Officers	a. Have each State convention attended by one national officer. b. Participate in other important State FFA leadership activities, i.e., State officers training, etc. c. Participate in other activities where and when of value to the FFA.
2. Future Farmer Supply Service	Make available official FFA supplies from one source	a. Administer operation of Future Farmers Supply Service. b. Maintain high quality of merchandise sold through the Supply Service. c. Have staff members of the Future Farmers Supply Service attend State conventions.
3. The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine	Provide a National magazine for members	a. Administer publication of magazine. b. Keep States and local chapters informed of FFA activities and events. c. Have staff attend State activities, or regional meetings. d. Members and State submit articles for publication. e. Complimentary copies be given to honorary members. 100% of all FFA members to subscribe to magazine a. Magazine subscription rate be collected with FFA membership dues on a chapter level.
4. Official FFA Calendar	Make available an Official FFA Calendar	a. Administer publication of calendar. b. Keep States and local chapters informed on how to use calendar. c. States and chapters to use calendar for effective public relations as well as a money-making activity.
5. Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc.	To make maximum use of Foundation awards	a. Acquaint State associations and local chapters with Foundation. b. Prepare and distribute appropriate information about awards available from Foundation. c. Administer the selection of regional and national Foundation award winners. d. Direct the distribution of Foundation Awards to State associations.
	Recognize emerging agricultural occupations All State participate in Public Speaking, Chapter Award Program, Agricultural Proficiency Awards and Judging contests	a. Develop a program of awards to stimulate interest in the emerging agricultural occupations. a. Acquaint State associations and chapters with awards programs. b. Prepare, simplify, and distribute forms. c. Supervise Public Speaking Contest, Judging Contests, National Chapter Award Program and Agricultural Proficiency Awards.

Activity	Goals	Ways and Means
6. FFA Building and Property	Supervise, operate and maintain real estate, building and equipment owned by the FFA	d. Make available appropriate plaques, awards, certificates, etc. a. Administer operation and maintenance of FFA Building. b. Landscape and maintain beauty of building grounds. c. Rent basement and 1st floor to Supply Service. d. Rent 2nd floor to The National Future Farmer Magazine. e. Keep adequate insurance. f. Build and maintain adequate facilities.
7. Publications	Build appropriate FFA marker Provide State associations and chapters with needed publications	a. Use State stones, large emblem, etc. a. Prepare and distribute Proceedings of National FFA Convention. b. Revise and keep up to date through the FFSS an information booklet on Vocational Agriculture and the FFA, that can be used by lay people and prospective students of vocational agriculture. c. Revise and keep up to date a Handbook for National FFA Officers and this be published by July 1 for use in training of State officers. d. Prepare and distribute a Handbook on Collegiate FFA Chapters. e. Revise and keep up to date the Official FFA Manual. f. Assist with the preparation of FFA Foundation publications.
8. FFA Filmstrips	Produce filmstrips and colored slides which provide general information on FFA, National FFA Convention, Good-Will Tour and Proper Use of the FFA Jacket	a. Slides and filmstrips to be used by FFA members and others when speaking before groups. b. Have filmstrips and slides sold by Future Farmers Supply Service.
9. FFA Tape Recordings	Produce tape recordings of National Public Speaking Contest and highlights of National FFA Convention	a. Recordings to be used by FFA members and local chapters. b. Have recordings sold by Future Farmers Supply Service.
10. Correspondence	Provide information on FFA	a. Acquaint State associations and chapters with new developments pertaining to FFA. b. Acquaint others with important activities of the organization. c. Handle correspondence in relation to FFA problems by chapters, State associations and others.
IV. LEADERSHIP		
1. Leadership Training	Emphasize training in citizenship	a. Encourage program on citizenship at national convention. b. Provide materials on citizenship to State associations and local chapters.

Activity	Goals	Ways and Means
	Hold Regional Leadership Conferences for State Officers	a. Assist and cooperate with State associations. b. Assign national officers to participate. c. Furnish material, personnel, etc., as needed for conferences. d. Encourage 100% of State officers to participate in a Sub-Regional Leadership Conference.
	Provide leadership training at national convention	a. Provide financial assistance for State leadership demonstrations. b. Provide time on program for leadership training.
2. Citizenship Training	Provide training in Citizenship	a. Include in leadership training at national convention and also at the regional training conferences. b. Make citizenship material available.

V. CONDUCT OF MEETINGS

1. National Meetings	Administer FFA affairs	a. Hold three meetings annually of National Board of National Officers and National Board of Directors. b. Attend and assist with the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of FFA Foundation.
	Hold National Convention in Kansas City	a. Conduct the National FFA Convention in cooperation with State associations, Kansas City Chamber of Commerce and others. b. Continue to organize a Courtesy Corps and Usher Committee to assist in the national convention activities. c. Continue to use the National FFA Band at the national convention and participate in the activities of the American Royal Live Stock and Horse Show. d. Continue to use National FFA Chorus at National Conventions.

VI. EARNINGS AND SAVINGS

1. Budget	Carry out authorization of convention delegates and Boards	a. Prepare a budget. b. Expend funds as authorized.
2. Finance	Adequately finance FFA	a. Receive National FFA dues. b. Collect royalties from official calendar. c. Collect royalties from companies that are authorized to sell official FFA items. d. Receive portion of funds earned by Future Farmers Supply Service and National Future Farmers Magazine. e. Receive rents from the Future Farmers Supply Service and the National Future Farmer Magazine.

VII. PUBLIC RELATIONS

1. Good-Will Tour	Plan and conduct	a. Visit donors to FFA Foundation. b. Visit other companies, organizations and individuals who should know about FFA.
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Activity	Goals	Ways and Means
2. The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine and Official FFA Calendar	Distribute magazine and calendar to those who should be kept informed about the organization	a. National organization make subscriptions available to donors, influential individuals and organizations. b. Chapters and State associations to provide complimentary copies for appropriate offices and individuals. c. Use the Official FFA Calendar for public relations.
3. FFA Speakers	Prepare national officers and make them available for speaking	a. Schedule officers to speak before national and State groups, farm organizations and service clubs when requested.
4. Radio and TV	Participate in radio and TV programs	a. Schedule radio and TV programs in connection with National FFA Convention and other special activities. b. Schedule radio and TV programs at other appropriate times during the year, such as National FFA Week. c. Encourage networks to present State and local programs featuring the FFA. d. Prepare suggested scripts and other material for use by radio and TV. e. Attend meetings of National Association of Farm Broadcasters.
5. Newspapers and Magazines	Provide information on FFA activities, outstanding members and Foundation Award winners	a. Make available information on FFA to writers for magazines and press. b. Prepare appropriate news releases and stories for use by magazines and the agricultural press. c. Provide "suggested stories" for use by State associations. d. Maintain FFA photographic file in national office. e. Attend national meetings of American Agricultural Editors' Association.
6. Informational materials	Keep and distribute informational materials	a. Maintain a supply of materials about the FFA. b. Provide such materials to give to people desiring information about FFA. c. Keep up to date a mailing list of people who should receive information about organization. d. Cooperate with the State Department making FFA information available upon request.
7. Educational Exchange with Foreign Countries	Develop understanding of FFA among foreign countries Sponsor Foreign Educational Exchange Programs	a. Cooperate with the International Education Division of the USOE in working with foreign visitors. b. Provide informational material to these people. c. Invite visitors from foreign countries to attend the National FFA Convention. d. Help foreign visitors schedule visits to State associations. a. Cooperate with the Department of State in educational programs with friendly countries.

Activity	Goals	Ways and Means
8. Exhibits	Make available exhibit materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. Make national officers and other personnel available to serve upon request. a. Provide pictures, charts and other materials and information for the FFA exhibits. b. Arrange for exhibits to be used at national meetings, educational conferences, agricultural fairs and other occasions. c. Exhibits at national convention should conform to National FFA Week theme.
9. National FFA Week	Emphasize FFA nationally	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Prepare aids for State associations and chapters, including suggestions for radio and TV scripts, news stories, mats, seals, speeches and chapter activities. b. Arrange for materials to be purchased through the Supply Service by State and local chapters. c. Have material for FFA week on display at national convention. d. Sell outdoor billboard posters through the Future Farmers Supply Service.
10. Promote Agriculture	Emphasize the importance and also the opportunities in agriculture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Develop and use publicity on a national level. b. Solicit the support of national magazines and newspapers. c. State associations work with their State colleges and/or universities of agriculture.
11. Recognition of Outstanding Contributions to the FFA	Suitable awards on the national, State and local levels to be given to individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the FFA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Confer the honorary degree upon those earning award. b. Use appropriate and impressive ceremony. c. Make appropriate plaques and other awards available for presentation. d. Confer appropriate plaque for service to the organization.
12. Honorary Degree	Award to persons whose contributions to the FFA have been outstanding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Confer the honorary degree upon individuals who have served FFA and have helped advance vocational agriculture. b. Use appropriate and impressive ceremony.
VIII. RECREATION		
1. FFA Talent Program and Recreation	Provide good talent and entertainment at the national convention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Use adult assistants. b. Audition musical units and talent numbers for program. c. Provide for talent show on convention program.

- d. Provide for financial assistance for talent members.
- Provide recreation
 - a. Organize tours to points of interest.
 - b. Use Kansas City Advisory Committee to assist with tours.

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Report of the Program of Activities (Local Guide) Committee

After studying the Guide for Local Chapters to use in developing a Program of Activities, the committee feels that the present guide, as printed in the 1966 Official FFA Manual is complete and accurate, except for the recommendations in the following divisions:

1. Division 3, Activity 2, Goal 3, along with its ways and means be removed.
2. Division 3, Activity 3, to read, "Improving the Community through beautification." The first Goal be Goal 3 that we removed from Activity 2. The Ways and Means reads the same with D. Added which reads "Sponsor school assembly on 'Beautification begins at home'."
3. The second Goal to read "Chapter sponsor community clean up day." Its Ways and Means read as follows:
 - a. Cooperate with other community organizations and officials.
 - b. Work in groups and teams for more efficiency.
 - c. Begin with home improvement, then school campus and the community.
 - d. Cooperate with Youth Conference on Natural Beauty.
4. Under Division X, Activity 7, which reads "Promote State and national beautification" be added: Goal 1 "Chapter have application for home beautification award." Ways and Means to read as follows:
 - a. Provide information and application forms.
 - b. Submit application to State office on time.
 - c. Obtain and present home beautification award.

Goal 2 to read "Participate in National Beautification Week." The Ways and Means to read:

- a. Chapter construct display on beautification.
- b. Have mayor proclaim local beautification.
- c. Have school assembly on beautification.
- d. Include suggested Activities from Youth Conference.

Goal 3 to read "Beautification to be a year around activity."
The Ways and Means to read:

- a. Individual chapter members keep home and surroundings clean the year around.
- b. Keep chapter and farm surroundings clean at all times.

The committee would like to go on record as being in favor of changing the title in the Official Manual to read "Program of Activities" instead of "Program of Work." It is the feeling of the committee that each of these recommendations be carefully considered as we consider them pertinent additions and changes to our Program of Activities—Local Guide.

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Report of the Public Relations Committee

We, the Committee on Public Relations for 1966-67, go on record as recommending the following:

1. That the national officers continue, and even expand the Good-Will Tour with the possibility of visiting more States in different areas of the nation. State associations and local chapters are also encouraged to conduct more of these tours.
2. That the FFA educational exchange programs between the United States and foreign countries be greatly expanded and supported at all levels.
3. National officers be effectively used at a State convention, and that every State association encourage the exchange of officers with other States in regard to State conventions.
4. That each Future Farmer be required to know the "Code of Ethics" prior to receiving the Green Hand Degree, with special emphasis on proper use of the FFA jacket.
5. That special public relations training be provided for officers of all levels of the FFA.
6. That local chapters select outstanding representatives to speak before farm organizations, business, civic and youth groups, emphasizing a Farm-City Youth Week, Youth Beautification and Conservation and Farm Safety Week. That cooperative activities with other youth organizations be encouraged at all levels.
7. That outstanding farmers, businessmen and others who are helping to promote the FFA, be given appropriate recognition

at the State convention, and local banquets in order to promote a better working relationship between them and the FFA.

8. That all levels of the FFA provide publications, including The National FUTURE FARMER Magazine for distribution to the membership, Foundation donors and other parties or groups supporting FFA.
9. That delegates, award winners and individuals at the national, State and local functions, express their appreciation to the sponsors and donors by a personal note of thanks, that donors be properly recognized at State conventions and local functions.
10. That State associations and local chapters make good use of films pertaining to agriculture, agricultural business and the FFA by showing them at clubs, banquets and assemblies.
11. That the FFA continue to express appreciation by presentation of honorary degrees and certificates of appreciation on the local, State and national levels to worthy individuals who have contributed to the FFA.
12. That all levels of the FFA make a special effort to observe National FFA Week by the increased use of newspaper coverage, display aids, advertisement folders, billboard signs, radio and television, and by speaking to farm, business, civic and youth groups. That each State recognize the National FFA Week by having the Governor an official proclamation declaring the week as National FFA Week, and that local chapters make some public presentation to familiarize the local community with the FFA.
13. That more interviews, speeches and planned programs be presented on radio and TV stations to inform and create more interest in the FFA.
14. That the local chapters and State associations be encouraged to use more exhibits and "FFA Children's Barnyards" at local and State fairs and that those on display be improved.
15. That the State and "Careers in Agriculture" exhibits at the National FFA Convention be continued and expanded, and that those in attendance be encouraged to view them.
16. That State reporters send lists of their States' public relations activities to the national office, and that a report of these activities be prepared for the use of the State associations.
17. That the following theme be considered for National FFA Week in 1968:

FFA—BACKBONE OF TOMORROW'S AGRICULTURE

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Report of the Official FFA Manual Committee

After reviewing the 1966 Official FFA Manual and the report of the 1965 Manual Committee, we recommend the following changes for the 1967 edition:

We would like to compliment the National FFA Executive Secretary for the improvements in the Official Manual over the past years, and suggest the following be done, if possible:

1. A definition of the proper FFA dress be put in the Manual.
2. Have pictures illustrating the proper wear of the FFA jacket and the proper appearance of the FFA member wearing the jacket.
3. Pictures regarding the wearing of the Official Jacket (Page 67) be reviewed and corrected.
4. The Code of Ethics be put in a more obvious place and in such a way that more attention be drawn to it.
5. On Page 15, in the diagram of the delegate box, revise the chart to include Hawaii as a State Association. (This would make 98 State delegates and two from the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.)
6. Edit and make all other necessary changes to be included as a result of convention business, especially pertaining to Ceremonies and Rituals.

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Report of the Resolutions Committee

For the outstanding success of the 39th National Convention, the Future Farmers of America express appreciation and sincere thanks to those who participated in and contributed to the convention. We hope they will continue to give us their support in the future. We resolve that the following receive the recognition for which they are deserving:

1. The members of the National Board of Directors, staff of the National FFA Organization, the 1965-66 national officers, FFA Fellowship Students, and State staffs for their conscientious influence, effort and continuing assistance to the Future Farmers of America members.
2. Byron J. Nichols, Chairman of the 1966 Foundation Sponsoring Committee and the donors for their continued efforts in the National FFA Foundation.

3. Ilus W. Davis, Mayor of Kansas City, Missouri, and residents of Kansas City for their hearty and warm welcome.
4. The Kansas City FFA Convention Advisory Committee, the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce and the management and staff of the Kansas City Municipal Auditorium for their continued helpfulness toward the FFA.
5. All members who gave time to participate in the National Band, National Chorus, Courtesy Corps, Talent, Ushers and Stage Crews.
6. R. Cedric Anderson, J. D. Maddox, Leo Vossler, I. S. Glover J. G. Bryant, W. T. Johnson and Don Erickson for their outstanding work with the National FFA Band, Chorus and Talent, which performed so magnificently.
7. Appreciation is expressed for the inspirational Vespers Program, especially to Joseph Coyne, Darryl Eastvold, Nels Ackerson and Dick Arnold.
8. The Wurlitzer Organ Company for again generously loaning us an organ for the convention and to Jim Wallrabenstein, of the Ohio Association, for the outstanding way he served as national convention organist.
9. To our outstanding guest speakers—Leslie Fry, Ken Cheatham, Arthur Godfrey and Walter Harrison.
10. All State associations for their exhibits and to the trade and educational associations for the Agricultural Career Exhibits.
11. To the Kentucky Association for their fine presentation on the proper use of the Official FFA Jacket.
12. All honored guests and distinguished visitors from foreign countries, and exchange students for their contributions at this convention.
13. All organizations of the press, TV and radio that so kindly publicized the events occurring at this convention.
14. The American Royal Association for sponsoring activities for educational benefit and enjoyment of the Future Farmer while in Kansas City.
15. To the Armed Services for posting our National Colors ceremony.
16. The dedicated personnel who maintain the high standards of quality in the Supply Service, National FFA Magazine and Official Calendar; and the other adults who are affiliated with the FFA organization.
17. The national presidents and members of other youth organizations who participated in our convention and made it much more successful.
18. All officials and participants in the various contests and awards programs, and other special events.
19. To the States Associations who participated in the "Old Glory" pageant.

20. To the many donors who recognized individuals, groups and achievements through social (meal) functions.
21. To Congressman Don Fugua for providing the U. S. Flag flown over the Nations Capitol.
22. To the judges of the Public Speaking Contest and the Star Farmer of America Award for giving their time and efforts in behalf of the FFA.

We feel that there were many people who helped to make this, the 39th Annual Convention a success. As Future Farmers let's not forget to show our appreciation to them with a short note of thanks.

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Report of the National Convention Committee

We, the members of the 1966 National Convention Committee, commend the national officers for their outstanding performance in conducting a dynamic, impressive and interesting convention. We feel that the national convention has been the climax of an outstanding year in the FFA.

We wish to make the following recommendations to the National Board of Directors and Board of National Officers for their consideration in the hope of improving the 1967 National Convention:

1. Each State Association give instruction and supervision to FFA members to insure proper FFA dress, good conduct and attendance at all times during the convention.
2. The official delegates be instructed to arrive in Kansas City early so that they will be rested and more capable to execute their duties.
3. Continue to have the delegates orientation so that they will be better informed about their responsibilities and be better qualified to vote on the convention items of business.
4. The Municipal Auditorium be decorated in the future as effectively as it has been this year.
5. Time be given to inform everyone present as to the proper way to Pledge Allegiance to the Flag and when the Colors are Posted.
6. An effort be made to use more State Associations on the convention program, such as demonstrations, pageants and talent.

7. All committees and chairmen be selected and notified at least two weeks prior to the convention in order for each delegate to have sufficient time to prepare for committee work. Continue to select the Nominating Committee at the time of the national convention. We suggest continuing to send convention information in the delegate folders to the State Executive Secretaries with a letter explaining the distribution of the delegate folders, as had been done in the past.
8. The National Convention Committee should be composed of official delegates with previous national convention attendance.
9. Continue to practice for convention awards program before and following the Vespers Program.
10. Encourage participation in tours to points of interest.
11. The National Convention Committee continue to present its report on Friday evening.
12. The high standards of the convention of the past and this year be pursued in the future.

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Eugene Perry, Colorado
Rupert Freiburger, New Jersey
Neal Fujiwara, Hawaii
Darrell Whitney, Nevada
Ismael Rodriguez, Puerto Rico



National FFA Foundation Awards and Contests

Star Farmer Awards

Since 1929, Star Farmers have been selected annually from the American Farmer Candidates who receive the degree at the time of the national convention. A check for \$1,000. was awarded to the Star Farmer of America, and checks for \$500. were presented to the other three Star Farmers.

Richard W. Engelbrecht, Star Farmer of America, owns and operates a 252 acre dairy farm near Madison, New York. He has a herd of 39 producing dairy cows, with 20 heifers and calves coming on as replacements.

In 1965 he purchased a nearby farm, taking a mortgage from the previous land owner for most of the cost. The soil is good, but most of the buildings were run down. Dick and Gail, his wife, have spent many hours remodeling the house, barns and other facilities.

His assets, including land, buildings, machinery, livestock and other items, total \$76,360. Mortgages and other liabilities give him a net worth of \$38,865.

In leadership, Richard served as secretary and vice president of the State FFA Association and was class officer his sophomore and junior years. He played on the varsity football teams. He was graduated from Madison High School in 1963. His vocational agriculture instructor there is Durwood Carman.

The three Regional Star Farmers are:

Frank Louis Albert, Jr., Stanwood, Washington

Ralph G. (Buddy) Smith, Booneville, Mississippi

Gary L. Organ, McLeansboro, Illinois



JUDGES, STAR FARMER OF AMERICA AWARD

Left to right, Seated: Mr. R. S. Stevenson, Chairman of the Board, Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Company; Mr. Russell DeYoung, Chairman of the Board, Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company; Mr. Wallace E. Wilson, Vice President, General Motors Corporation; Mr. James Durkee, President, National Vocational Agricultural Teachers' Association; Dr. H. H. Stonaker, Dean, College of Agriculture, Colorado State University; Mr. Byron J. Nichols, Vice President, Chrysler Motors Corporation; Mr. W. B. Sommer, President, Keystone Steel and Wire Company; Mr. Roderick Turnbull, Agricultural Editor; KANSAS CITY STAR.

Left to right, Standing: Mr. John A. Morgan, President, Butler Manufacturing Company; Mr. Robert F. McLeod, Vice President, Corn Products Company; Mr. Forrest Davis, Jr., (1950 Star Farmer of America); Mr. M. G. O'Neill, President, The General Tire and Rubber Company; Mr. Ralph M. Buzard, Executive Vice President, International Harvester Company; Mr. Herschel D. Newsom, Master, The National Grange; Mr. H. N. Hunsicker, National Advisor, FFA, U. S. Office of Education (Chairman of the group).



STAR FARMERS

Frank Louis Albert, Jr., Washington, Star Farmer, Pacific Region; Ralph G. Smith, Mississippi, Star Farmer, Southern Region; Richard W. Engelbrecht, New York, Star Farmer, North Atlantic Region and Star Farmer of America; and Gary L. Organ, Illinois, Star Farmer, Central Region.

National Chapter Awards Program

One hundred and forty-four local chapters of the Future Farmers of America were honored at the 39th annual national FFA convention in Kansas City when awards were presented in the organization's National Chapter Awards Program.

The National FFA Chapter Awards Program, conducted annually by the organization, is designed to encourage and reward chapter effort, stimulate group action among members, and to encourage improvement in local chapter programs of work. Both the interest shown and the actual accomplishments over a period of years give ample evidence of the effectiveness of this event. The Awards Program has been a valuable aid in stimulating both individual and cooperative effort and in crystalizing chapter programs of work into a series of worthwhile activities.

Chapters were grouped into Gold Emblem, Silver Emblem, and Bronze Emblem classifications, according to their records of accomplishment in supervised farming, cooperative activities, community service, leadership activities, earnings and savings by members, conduct of meetings, scholarship of members, recreation and participation in State and National activities.

The top "Gold Emblem" rating was awarded to 61 local chapters in a special presentation Wednesday night.

Thursday morning, "Silver Emblem" awards were presented to 59 chapters, and "Bronze Emblem" to 24. The chapters were awarded for their outstanding activity records during the 1965-66 school year. Each chapter received a special plaque or, in the case of those who have received a plaque in former years, a spur for attachment to the plaque.

The Future Farmers of America has approximately 10,500 local high school chapters, with associations in 49 States, and Puerto Rico. Each State FFA Association was permitted to enter two or more chapters, depending upon State FFA membership, in the national contest. Judging was done by selected State and National staff members, representing each of the four FFA regions.

The winning Chapters, listed by States, follow:

ALABAMA.....	Gurley Chapter, Gurley, gold emblem; Section Chapter, Section, gold emblem; Grove Hill Chapter, Grove Hill, silver emblem; Sylvania Chapter, Sylvania, silver emblem.
ARIZONA.....	Coolidge Chapter, Coolidge, gold emblem; Tempe Chapter, Tempe, silver emblem.
ARKANSAS.....	Mansfield Chapter, Mansfield, gold emblem; Booneville Chapter, Booneville, silver emblem; County Line Chapter, Ratcliff, silver emblem; Leachville Chapter, Leachville, silver emblem; Harmony Grove Chapter, Camden, bronze emblem.
CALIFORNIA.....	Thomas Downey Chapter, Modesto, gold emblem; Modesto Chapter, Modesto, gold emblem; Madera Chapter, Madera, silver emblem; Escalon Chapter, Escalon, bronze emblem.
COLORADO.....	Eaton Chapter, Eaton, gold emblem; Fort Morgan Chapter, Fort Morgan, gold emblem.
CONNECTICUT.....	Housatonic Valley Chapter, Falls Village, gold emblem; Woodbury Chapter, Woodbury, silver emblem.
DELAWARE.....	Greenwood Chapter, Greenwood, bronze emblem.
FLORIDA.....	Bartow Chapter, Bartow, gold emblem; Santa Fe "Senior" Chapter, Alachua, gold emblem; Fort Meade Chapter, Fort Meade, silver emblem; Vernon Chapter, Vernon, silver emblem.
GEORGIA.....	Early County Chapter, Blakely, gold emblem; Perry Chapter, Perry, gold emblem; Moultrie Chapter, Moultrie, silver emblem; Central Chapter, Carrollton, bronze emblem; Montgomery County Chapter, Uvalda, bronze emblem; Ringgold Chapter, Ringgold, bronze emblem.
HAWAII.....	Kaneohe Chapter, Honolulu, silver emblem; Kapaa Chapter, Kapaa, Kauai, bronze emblem.
IDAHO.....	Twin Falls Chapter, Twin Falls, silver emblem; West Minico Chapter, Rupert, silver emblem.
ILLINOIS.....	Maroa Chapter, Maroa, gold emblem; Sycamore Chapter, Sycamore, gold emblem; Williamsfield Chapter, Williamsfield, gold emblem; Paxton Chapter, Paxton, silver emblem.
INDIANA.....	Hagerstown Chapter, Hagerstown, gold emblem; Coal Creek Central Chapter, New Richmond, silver emblem; Brownstown Central Chapter, Brownstown, bronze emblem.
IOWA.....	Audubon Chapter, Audubon, gold emblem; Waverly Shell Rock Chapter, Waverly, gold emblem; Mount Ayr Chapter, Mount Ayr, bronze emblem.
KANSAS.....	Garden City Chapter, Garden City, gold emblem; Arkansas City Chapter, Arkansas City, silver emblem.
KENTUCKY.....	Memorial Chapter, Waynesburg, gold emblem; Metcalfe County Chapter, Edmonton, gold emblem; Cuba Chapter, Mayfield,

	silver emblem; Livingston Central Chapter, Smithland, silver emblem.
LOUISIANA.....	Saline Chapter, Saline, silver emblem; Slidell Chapter, Slidell, silver emblem; Fenton Chapter, Fenton, bronze emblem.
MAINE.....	Mars Hill Chapter, Mars Hill, gold emblem; Presque Isle Chapter, Presque Isle, silver emblem.
MARYLAND.....	Gaithersburg Chapter, Gaithersburg, gold emblem; Damascus Chapter, Damascus, silver emblem.
MASSACHUSETTS	Wachusett Chapter, Holden, gold emblem.
MICHIGAN.....	Corunna Chapter, Corunna, gold emblem; Cassopolis Chapter, Cassopolis, silver emblem; Elsie Chapter, Elsie, bronze emblem.
MINNESOTA	Faribault Chapter, Faribault, gold emblem; Stillwater Chapter, Stillwater, gold emblem; Canby Chapter, Canby, silver emblem; Forest Lake Chapter, Forest Lake, silver emblem.
MISSISSIPPI.....	Inverness Chapter, Inverness, gold emblem; Morton Chapter, Morton, gold emblem; Scott Central Chapter, Forest, silver emblem; Collins Chapter, Collins, bronze emblem.
MISSOURI.....	Salem Chapter, Salem, silver emblem; West Plains Chapter, West Plains, silver emblem; Cassville Chapter, Cassville, bronze emblem.
MONTANA.....	Fergus of Lewistown Chapter, Lewistown, gold emblem; Flathead Chapter, Kalispell, gold emblem.
NEBRASKA.....	Central City Chapter, Central City, gold emblem; Pierce Chapter, Pierce, silver emblem.
NEVADA.....	Moapa Valley Chapter, Overton, silver emblem; Virginia Valley Chapter, Mesquite, silver emblem.
NEW HAMPSHIRE.....	Alvirne Chapter, Hudson, silver emblem; Colebrook Chapter, Colebrook, silver emblem.
NEW JERSEY.....	Belvidere Chapter, Belvidere, gold emblem; Newton Chapter, Newton, gold emblem.
NEW MEXICO.....	Hatch Chapter, Hatch, gold emblem; Clovis Chapter, Clovis, silver emblem.
NEW YORK.....	Barker Chapter, Barker, gold emblem; Hamilton Chapter, Hamilton, gold emblem.
NORTH CAROLINA	Central Chapter, Fayetteville, silver emblem; Surry Central Chapter, Dobson, silver emblem; Wm. R. Davie Chapter, Roanoke Rapids, bronze emblem; Franklin Chapter, Franklin, bronze emblem; Fuquay Springs Chapter, Fuquay Varina, bronze emblem; Sun Valley Chapter, Monroe, bronze emblem; Bartlett Yancey Chapter, Yanceyville, bronze emblem.
NORTH DAKOTA	Minot Chapter, Minot, gold emblem; Rugby Chapter, Rugby, gold emblem.
OHIO.....	Fairfield Chapter, Leesburg, gold emblem; Buckeye Valley Chapter, Delaware, silver emblem; Mowrystown Chapter, Mowrystown, silver emblem.
OKLAHOMA.....	Collinsville Chapter, Collinsville, gold emblem; Burlington Chapter, Burlington, silver emblem; Guthrie Chapter, Guthrie, silver emblem; Welch Chapter, Welch, silver emblem.
OREGON.....	Albany Chapter, Albany, silver emblem; Corvallis Chapter, Corvallis, silver emblem.
PENNSYLVANIA.....	Grassland Chapter, New Holland, gold emblem; Northern Lebanon Chapter, Fredericksburg, gold emblem; Middleburg Chapter, Middleburg, silver emblem.
RHODE ISLAND	Scituate Chapter, Scituate, gold emblem; Coventry Chapter, Coventry, silver emblem.
SOUTH CAROLINA.....	James F. Byrnes Chapter, Duncan, silver emblem; Woodruff Chapter, Woodruff, silver emblem; Dorman Chapter, Dorman, bronze emblem; Loris Chapter, Loris, bronze emblem.
SOUTH DAKOTA.....	Clark Chapter, Clark, bronze emblem; Wessington Springs Chapter, Wessington Springs, bronze emblem.
TENNESSEE.....	Bradley Chapter, Cleveland, gold emblem; Dayton Chapter, Dayton, gold emblem; Meigs County Chapter, Decatur, gold

	emblem; Calhoun Chapter, Calhoun, silver emblem; Dickson Chapter, Dickson, silver emblem.
TEXAS.....	Nacogdoches Chapter, Nacogdoches, gold emblem; Pleasanton Chapter, Pleasanton, gold emblem; Joaquin Chapter Joaquin, silver emblem; Tatum Chapter, Tatum, silver emblem; Weatherford Chapter, Weatherford, silver emblem; Zavalla Chapter, Zavalla, silver emblem; Avoca Chapter, Avoca, bronze emblem; Carrizo Springs Chapter, Carrizo Springs, bronze emblem.
UTAH.....	Bear River Chapter, Garland, gold emblem; Springville Chapter, Springville, silver emblem.
VIRGINIA.....	Patrick Henry Chapter, Ashland, gold emblem; Montevideo Chapter, Penn Laird, gold emblem; Turner Ashby Chapter, Dayton, gold emblem; Robert E. Lee Chapter, Appomattox, silver emblem.
WASHINGTON.....	Pomeroy Chapter Pomeroy, gold emblem; Brewster Chapter, Brewster, silver emblem.
WEST VIRGINIA.....	Ripley Chapter, Ripley, gold emblem; Terra Alta Chapter, Terra Alta, gold emblem.
WISCONSIN.....	Granton Chapter, Granton, gold emblem; Mondovi Chapter, Mondovi, gold emblem; Marshfield Chapter, Marshfield, silver emblem; Monroe Chapter, Monroe, silver emblem.
WYOMING.....	Frontier Chapter, Cheyenne, gold emblem; Pinedale Chapter, Pinedale, gold emblem.

National FFA Public Speaking Contest

The National FFA Public Speaking Contest is held in¹ Kansas City. It is the final elimination of a nationwide contest that² started in local chapters with winners progressing through area or federation competition, then State contests, and four Regional contests.

Each of the four boys who participated in the national contest already had won a medal at the local chapter level and a \$100 prize at the State level. The winner of the national contest received \$300. Other awards are \$275 for second, \$250 for third, and \$200 for fourth. All awards and travel funds are provided by the Future Farmers of America Foundation. The FFA Foundation provided \$2,975 to help pay the travel expenses of State winners to regional contests.

Each contestant spoke from 6 to 8 minutes on an agricultural subject of his own choosing, then was subjected to five minutes of questioning by the judges. Scoring is done on the basis of the speech delivery, manuscript, and answers to questions.

JUDGES:

Richard J. Babcock, President and Publisher "Farm Journal" Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Wayne O. Reed, Associate Commissioner for Federal-State Relations, U. S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C.

John A. Stearns, Producer, "Agriculture—U.S.A.," Pacific Palisades, California

TIMEKEEPERS:

Reuben Berry, Regional Personnel Director, South Central Region, Montgomery Ward, Kansas City, Missouri

Thaine D. McCormick, Regional Representative, Bureau of Adult & Vocational Education, U. S. Office of Education, Kansas City, Missouri

James L. Patrick, Program Analyst Rural Community Development Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.



WINNERS IN PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST:

First Place —Gary R. Hatch, Gilbert, Arizona—"The Modern Farmer in This Space Age" (Left) \$300.00.

Second Place—Meredith Johnson, Adairville, Kentucky—"Is There A Future In Agriculture" (3rd from Right) \$275.00.

Third Place —Murray Edward, Clyde, Texas—"It's Gone Too Far" (2nd from Right) \$250.00.

Fourth Place—Charles Zieminiski, Wallingford, Connecticut—"The World Food Crisis" (Right). \$200.00.

The Modern Farmer In This Space Age

By
GARY R. HATCH

Honorable Judges, fellow Future Farmers, Ladies and Gentlemen, America my country:

Here I stand with tomorrow's leaders, looking into the future of the modern farmer in this Space Age. With faith in ourselves and our God, a growing knowledge, and a lot of determination, we will successfully meet the challenges of tomorrow.

About a half century ago my grand-dad took grandma to be his bride. With two good horses, an old plow, a borrowed hundred dollars, and faith and courage, he started to farm. Thirty years later he took that same bride in his own Beech-Craft Bonanza and toured the United States. That same motivating power that pushed grand-dad to success must also be our goal, though the world he lived in a half century ago and our world today are very different. He labored day after day, from dawn to dusk with the horse and plow, clearing new land, but he had VISION of what farming could become, and he knew there was a place in it for him.

David Starr Jordan has said, "It is one of the laws of life that each acquisition has its cost." If we would be successful, we must pay the price of success.

As our forefathers pushed westward in the early days of this great country, we see that the rich, fertile soil beckoned them on and on until they reached the shores of the Pacific. Today, we have different frontiers than our forefathers; our frontiers are in research and application of better methods.

Always, man has planted the seed beneath the sod, cultivated and watched it grow. Today's agricultural production makes yesterday's discoveries outdated. One hour of farm labor produces more than five times as much food and other crops as it did in 1920. Crop production is 75 per cent higher per acre. Output per breeding animal is 95 per cent greater. Yet, with the predicted increased population of the world, the modern frontiers are open for more efficiency in all phases.

Future Farmers, if we are to farm in this Space Age, we will have to manage large amounts of equipment, capital and land. We will have more invested in machinery than my grand-dad hoped to accumulate during his lifetime of farming. For instance, a 2 row cotton picker costs over \$20,000, an average tractor about \$7,000 and a hay wafering machine over \$30,000. The interest alone on the capital needed to operate a farm of today, would have provided a lavish living for the families of yesterday.

Grand-dad needed very little formal education to succeed in farming, but we Future Farmers must be highly trained in order to operate the large acreage with fewer man hours, and still produce much more per acre, always taking into consideration that a profit must be made. This can only be done through education. We must know the latest methods in management, production and marketing, yes, even in record keeping and government regulations. With all this need for education, we must remember to keep our feet planted firmly on the ground. Grand-dad had this motivating power, but he still used good "horse sense" to channel it in the right direction. Let it not be said of us as Prophets of Holy Writ have said in times past: "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge".

Compared to the world population, there are very few farmers, but we hold the whole world upon our shoulders. A big responsibility? Yes, a tremendous responsibility is placed on the farmers to-

day. Approximately 8 per cent of the United States work force are farmers, compared with 75% in China and 45 per cent in Russia. Even with this small percentage, we produce about one-sixth of all the world's agricultural commodities. The American farmers are an exclusive group. No longer can we be mere tillers of the soil, but we must be highly skilled technicians.

Many nations have failed to provide for their people because of their decadent and impoverished agriculture. Will we as Future Farmers let the United States down in the agricultural field? I believe we will not! When we realize that at this very moment, two thirds of the world's population live in areas without sufficient food, that our foreign aid has failed in some respects to stimulate agriculture in other lands, and that we have a responsibility to help feed the world, we cannot fail! We must go on to greater heights. We must not farm just for today, but we must preserve our lands so future generations may fulfill their destiny in agriculture also. Great challenges are before us. We must meet them.

"No man is an island, no man stands alone. Neither do nations stand alone." With modern transportation we could fly half way around the world to visit a farmer in Holland faster than grand-dad could go fifty miles in his horse and buggy a half century ago. We need one another. We need to know the experiences of all farmers in order to organize in a manner to produce the best for the benefit of all.

These same motivating drives I feel in my heart for better production, for better living, are the same drives that stimulated my grandfather. These are the drives that stimulate all good farmers today.

Farming is a grand occupation that carries big responsibilities and



Regional and National Winners in 10 Farm and Agricultural Proficiency Award Programs are recognized

tremendous opportunities. It makes a man feel that he has accomplished part of that for which God placed him upon the earth.

My plea, my resolve, our challenge: Stay abreast of our changing times, yet hold tight to the basic fundamental truths that have given us our royal heritage, constantly reaching far into this wonderful unexplored future to attain new horizons in agriculture.

I, as a Future Farmer of America, pledge my heart to devoted service to the principles for which this great land was created and to its productive resources.

Farm Safety

1st Place—

Eaton, Chapter, Eaton, Colorado.....	\$250.00
Central Region—Audubon Chapter, Audubon, Iowa....	\$200.00
North Atlantic Region—North Hunterdon Regional Chapter, Annandale, New Jersey.....	\$200.00
Southern Region—Calhoun County Chapter, Edison, Georgia.....	\$200.00

Farm Proficiency Awards

Soil and Water Management

1st Place—

David Deason, Albert, Oklahoma.....	\$250.00
Central Region—Roger Beaver, Rolette, North Dakota	\$200.00
Pacific Region—Rod J. Smith, Gillette, Wyoming.....	\$200.00
North Atlantic Region—Paul Baitsholts, Berne, New York.....	\$200.00

Farm and Home Electrification

1st Place—

Charles William Marshall, Maysville, Kentucky.....	\$250.00
Pacific Region—Roger John Perkins, Laramie, Wyoming	\$200.00
North Atlantic Region—Gail F. Griffin, Mars Hill, Maine	\$200.00
Southern Region—Bobby Gene Fletcher, Valdosta, Georgia.....	\$200.00

Agricultural Mechanics

1st Place—

Frank William Clifford, Columbia, New Jersey.....	\$250.00
Southern Region—Bab Brand, Wetumpka, Alabama....	\$200.00
Pacific Region—Yale S. King, Garland, Utah.....	\$200.00
Central Region—John Borchert, Owatonna, Minnesota..	\$200.00

Crop Farming

1st Place—

Dale Dee Dillon, Blockton, Iowa.....	\$250.00
Pacific Region—Arley Harrel, Ellensburg, Washington....	\$200.00
North Atlantic Region—Galen D. Griffeth, Limestone, Maine.....	\$200.00
Southern Region—Casey A. Carlisle, High Springs, Florida.....	\$200.00

Livestock Farming

1st Place—

Gregory Lynn Bamford, Haxtun, Colorado.....	\$250.00
Central Region—David Gordon Schultz, Centralia, Missouri.....	\$200.00
North Atlantic Region—Richard P. Sholley, Jonestown, Pennsylvania.....	\$200.00
Southern Region—Johnny McElroy, Snyder, Oklahoma..	\$200.00

Forestry

1st Place—

Jeff Stephan, Felch, Michigan.....	\$250.00
Pacific Region—Harry F. Knowlton, Brewster, Wash- ington.....	\$200.00
North Atlantic Region—George D. Bisbort, Alburtis, Pennsylvania.....	\$200.00
Southern Region—Ralph Brock, McDonald, Tennessee....	\$200.00

Poultry Farming

1st Place—

Ervin O. Wilkins, Jr., Baker, West Virginia	\$250.00
Southern Region—Jimmy Pate, Leesburg, Alabama.....	\$200.00
Pacific Region—Bruce Hesche, Mesa, Arizona.....	\$200.00
Central Region—Christopher Wayne Bohlen, Moweaqua, Illinois.....	\$200.00

Dairy Farming

1st Place—

James Salesman, Argyle, Wisconsin.....	\$250.00
Pacific Region—David Zylstra, Snohomish, Washington..	\$200.00
North Atlantic Region—Richard Eaton, Williamson, New York.....	\$200.00
Southern Region—Joe Roberts, Perkins, Georgia.....	\$200.00

Home Improvement

1st Place—

Paul Shockey, Ravenswood, West Virginia.....	\$250.00
Southern Region—Bill Dillsaver, Morris, Oklahoma....	\$200.00
Pacific Region—Harvey E. Cozzens, Eaton, Colorado....	\$200.00
Central Region—Gary Lee Whittington, Rushville, Ohio	\$200.00

Ornamental Horticulture

1st Place—

Thomas Michael Chant, Quartz Hill, California.....	\$250.00
Central Region—Ralph William Aisel, Worthington, Ohio.....	\$200.00
North Atlantic Region—Bruce R. Sharp, Medford, New Jersey.....	\$200.00
Southern Region—Glenn E. Byrd, Miami, Florida.....	\$200.00

The FFA Creed

I believe in the future of farming, with a faith born not of words but of deeds—achievements won by the present and past generations of agriculturists; in the promise of better days through better ways, even as the better things we now enjoy have come to us from the struggles of former years.

I believe that to live and work on a good farm, or to be engaged in other agricultural pursuit, is pleasant as well as challenging; for I know the joys and discomforts of agricultural life and hold an inborn fondness for those associations which, even in hours of discouragement, I cannot deny.

I believe in leadership from ourselves and respect from others. I believe in my own ability to work efficiently and think clearly, with such knowledge and skill as I can secure, and in the ability of progressive agriculturists to serve our own and the public interest in producing and marketing the product of our toil.

I believe in less dependence on begging and more power in bargaining; in the life abundant and enough honest wealth to help make it so—for others as well as myself; in less need for charity and more of it when needed; in being happy myself and playing square with those whose happiness depends upon me.

I believe that rural America can and will hold true to the best traditions of our national life and that I can exert an influence in my home and community which will stand solid for my part in that inspiring task.

Written by E. M. Tiffany, the official Creed was adopted at third National FFA Convention and revised at 38th National Convention.

FFA MOTTO:

Learning to Do

Doing to Learn

Earning to Live

Living to Serve

