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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION

November 2, 1929

Mr. Henry C. Groschlose,
Executive Secretary,
Future Farmers of America,
Blacksburg, Virginia

#34
Charter sent 2/25/30

Dear Henry:

I am enclosing an application for a charter for the Texas Association of the Future Farmers of America. Together with this application, I am sending the charter fee of \$5.00, and a check for membership dues for 1,045 members. I should like to suggest that our membership this year will reach a total of 3,000 to 3,600. I am sending this check along because I suspect you might be needing some funds for your office.

I should like to call your attention to the wording of the name of our State organization. We find that because our organization has been chartered under our State laws as the Future Farmers of Texas that it is not advisable for us to change the name; accordingly, we have adopted the name of Future Farmers of Texas Association of Future Farmers of America. We realize that this is a very awkward way of naming our organization but it seems to be about the only way that we can meet your requirements as well as stay within the legal rights extended to us in our charter.

We are sending two delegates to the National Convention at Kansas City, E. J. Hughes, of Dublin, who is Vice-President of our State organization, and Robert Gardner, of Denison. I regret that my work will not permit me to attend the National meeting this year, but I am glad to introduce, through this letter, Mr. J. C. Dykes, Professor of Agricultural Education, who will accompany our delegates and act in my place.

Please advise me at your earliest convenience whether or not our application has been approved.

Yours very truly,

E. R. Alexander

E. R. Alexander, Professor,
Agricultural Education

State Advisor

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THE FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

APPLICATION FOR CHARTER

#34

To Henry C. Groseclose,
State Board of Education
Richmond, Virginia

We, .. Howard Strother, President, Herbert Davis Secretary;
and .. E. R. Alexander Adviser, officers of the State organization
known as ~~Future Farmers of Texas~~ ^{Texas} Assn. of F. F. A. a State organization
for students of vocational agriculture, having at present 46 (all dues paid)
chapters and 1045 members, and being empowered to act for this
organization, do hereby make application to be chartered as branch of
the "Future Farmers of America".

We are attaching to this application (1) the proposed State
constitution and by-laws under which we desire to work; (2) a copy of
our State program of work for the year; (3) a list of all local chapters
and a statement of the total membership of each; and (4) a check for
\$5.00, to cover cost of issuing charter. *Also enclosing a check for
national dues for 1045 members.*

The names and addresses of our State officers are as follows:

	name	address	grade of membership
President	Howard Strother,	Mt. Pleasant - Texas	Farmer (2nd)
Vice-Pres.	E. J. Hughes,	Dublin - Texas	Farmer
Secretary	Herbert Davis,	Silverton - Texas	Farmer
Treasurer	Louis Sorenson,	Taylor - Texas	Farmer
Reporter	C. C. Robinson,	Crystal City - Texas	Farmer
Adviser	E. R. Alexander,	College Station	

If granted a charter, we promise to comply with the national
constitution and by-laws of the Future Farmers of America and to work
for the success of the organization.

We certify that the information given in this application and
attached hereto is correct.

Signed: Howard Strother
State President
Herbert Davis
State Secretary
E. R. Alexander
State Adviser

LIST OF LOCAL CHAPTERS OF FUTURE FARMERS IN TEXAS

<u>Name of Chapter</u>	<u>Number Members</u>
Abilene	34
Athens	13
Blooming Grove	16
Bonham	20
Bradshaw	19
Bynum	18
Calvert	10
Clyde	18
Comyn	27
Concord	10
Crawford	18
Crosbyton	25
Cross Plains	22
Deport	18
Elgin	17
Fabens	19
Farmersville	41
Farwell	16
Garland	45
Gilmer	31
Groveton	25
Hallettsville	25
Harlandale	17
Henderson	25
Justin	31
Kirbyville	15
Lackney	35
Littlefield	29
Mesquite	34
Olney	21
Olton	20
Robstown	29
Saint Jo	18
Sanger	26
Santa Anna	22
Silverton	27
Smiley	15
Snyder	27
Sterling City	28
Taylor	16
Timpson	16
Throckmorton	35
Valley View	16
Waelder	21
Walnut Springs	21
Yancey	14

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Final Plans for State Meeting at Dallas

SUGGESTIONS CONCERNING F. F. T. Reports

Organization Reports

Please do not send a report of the organization of your chapter until you receive the regular form for making this report. Each advisor should have received this form before the first of October. Let the secretary of the local chapter write the State advisor for this form if the local advisor does not have one.

Monthly Reports

The reporter of each chapter is urged to send a report each month concerning chapter meetings and activities. Forms for the reports are being sent along with this issue of the Future Farmers News. Please send them to the State Advisor not later than the fifth of each month.

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN CHAPTER SELECTS DELEGATES FOR STATE MEETING

Allen Withers, Reporter

The Stephen F. Austin Chapter of F. F. T. met Monday evening, Oct. 7th, at 7:30 o'clock. All were present with the exception of one member, who was unavoidably detained. Applications from the first year students, expressing their desire to become members of the chapter, were turned in and voted upon. All were accepted and are to meet with the chapter Monday evening, October 21st, and receive what is in store for them. Some have not yet turned in their applications. These will be voted upon later.

A general discussion of the Dallas Fair took place and the two delegates were elected. They are Charlie Wehrman and Jeremiah Merka. Charlie Wehrman is the president of the chapter, and a motion was made and passed that the president of the chapter each year is to be recognized as one of the delegates.

A motion was carried that a committee of four be appointed at each meeting to "paddle" an absentee that did not have a good excuse. This is to act as a reminder only.

SEND FOR STATE CONTEST FILMS

We have two prints of the State Smith-Hughes Contest Film that local chapters may use. The only charge will be the express to and from College Station. Several chapters used it last year as a feature of a show held for the purpose of raising funds to send teams to the State Judging Contest.

Make your plans early to use this film so that several chapters may use it, paying the express from one school to another.

We have made arrangements to take care of at least 1,000 Future Farmers at Dallas during our State meeting. But only 450 can be provided with free beds and free meals. Read the following statements carefully, so that every Future Farmer who goes to Dallas will understand the conditions under which we are having to work at this meeting.

Quarters

Fair Grounds. The Educational Building will take care of 450 boys and advisors. One hundred eighty-six beds have been reserved for delegates and advisors. The remaining 264 beds will be assigned to other Future Farmers in the order of receipt of entry. The names of those chapters are included near the end of this article.

Jefferson Hotel. One hundred and forty may stay at the Jefferson at one dollar per individual per night.

The Jefferson will take care of this number Friday night, Saturday night, and Sunday night. No other quarters will be open on Friday night.

Adolphus Hotel. Four hundred may stay at the Adolphus Hotel at \$1.25 per individual per night. These rooms will not be available on Friday night.

Admission to Grounds

Tickets to the Fair Grounds may be obtained at the Future Farmer Booth in front of the main entrance.

Future Farmers will be allowed to leave the grounds in groups only, and then they must be accompanied by an advisor.

Registration of Delegates

All delegates will be expected to register at the Future Farmer Booth.

Meeting of Delegates

There will be a meeting of the delegates at one o'clock Saturday afternoon at the Encampment building.

ASSIGNMENT TO QUARTERS

One hundred and eighty six beds have been reserved for two delegates from each chapter that has made reservations. This leaves a total of two hundred and sixty-four beds which have been assigned to fifteen chapters in the order of the receipt of reservation.

All other Future Farmers will have to find places either at the Jefferson Hotel or at the Adolphus.

Encampment Building

Two delegates from each chapter.....	186
Ranger	20
Reisel	16
Walnut Springs	3
Naples and Omaha	28
Santa Anna	18

Kirbyville	20
Italy	23
Olney	6
Denison	48
Valley View	16
Clyde	16
Bradshaw	3
Bellville	11
Silverton	18
Cisco	18

TOTAL.....450

PROGRAM FOR STATE MEETING

It is likely that we will have our business meeting and program on Saturday evening, October 26. There will be many things for us to attend to at that time. We will want to carry on our meeting in a business-like way. In order for us to do that, each delegate must be at the meeting on time, be willing to assume any responsibility that may be placed on him, and be prepared to vote intelligently on any proposition that may be put before him.

The delegates should realize now that this meeting will be one of great importance in the history of our organization. We are on trial. We want to pass the test as representatives in a worthy way. Our friends expect us to demonstrate that we can carry on our affairs successfully.

Mr. C. L. Davis, Chief Supervisor of Vocational Agriculture in Texas, will be there to watch us work. He is expecting much from us, and we will not disappoint him.

Mr. Frank Briggs, Editor of the Farm and Ranch, will be there. He, too, believes in us, and we will not disappoint Mr. Briggs.

Mr. Eugene Butler, Editor of the Progressive Farmer, will be there. Mr. Butler has given liberally of the space in his paper for vocational agriculture. Mr. Butler is the man who is making it possible for a student of vocational agriculture in Texas to be declared the "Master Pupil" and win a prize of \$100.

Mr. S. C. Wilson, Teacher Trainer from Sam Houston State Teacher's College, has promised to be there to see the "finest group of farm boys in Texas" as he said in his letter of acceptance.

The State Fair officials will be watching us. If we impress them as being a well behaved and ambitious group they will invite us to come again and, perhaps, they will be willing to take care of a larger number in future years. It all depends upon us. We will not disappoint our friends.

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State Officers

Arthur Ellis, New Waverly.....President
E. J. Hughes, Dublin.....Vice-President
Herbert Davis, Silvertown.....Secretary
Louis Sorenson, Taylor.....Treasurer
C. C. Robinson, Crystal City.....Reporter

Executive Committee:

Eric Anderson, Taylor
Milton Dell, Dublin
E. R. Alexander, College Station, Advisor
and Editor of the Future Farmer News

DID WE AIM TOO HIGH?

On the night of October 1st I talked with the advisor of the Stephen F. Austin Chapter of Future Farmers at Bryan. He told me an interesting story about the reorganization meeting of his chapter. The old members met and elected officers for the new year. Then they faced the problem of setting up their new program of activities. But before they attempted to decide what they should do during 1929-30, they asked themselves this question: "Did we carry out our program for 1928-29?"

The Answer

Activities and Accomplishments for 1928-29

1. Run terrace lines on 1500 acres of land. Ran terrace lines on 200 acres.
2. Cull 46 flocks of hens. Culled 26 flocks.
3. Sponsor trip to Waco Cotton Palace. Made trip.
4. Finance judging teams to State Contest. Financed teams.
5. Hold Father and Son banquet. Did not hold banquet.
6. Complete 100% of projects. 100% of projects will be completed.
7. Each member to have saving account. Two members have saving account.
8. Reach 150 farmers with information from Vocational Agricultural department. Reached 60 farmers. (Neither the advisor nor the members were responsible for this activity not being carried out).
9. Sponsor fishing trip and farm tour in summer of 1929. Did not make trip.

Program for 1929-30

The Bryan Future Farmers are to be commended for the business-like way in which they have gone about setting up their program for this year. First, they checked up on last year's program. When they found that they had not reached their goal, they asked themselves "Why?" This was their double barreled answer:

1. We did not work hard enough.
2. We aimed too high.

Now read what the Bryan Eagle had to say in its leading editorial for October 4, about the Bryan Future Farmer program for 1929-30. The State Advisor predicts that the Stephen F. Austin chapter will reach every goal set up for this year.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS FOR THE FUTURE FARMERS OF TEXAS

To the Future Farmers of Texas:

I have included below a tentative revision of the constitution and by-laws of the Texas Association of the Future Farmers of America. The revisions indicated here have been made so that our constitution will not be in conflict with the constitution of the national organization.

I would like to suggest that the president of each chapter appoint a committee to make recommendations to the members that they adopt, reject or amend the constitution as here printed. In any case the action of the local chapter will be considered as a recommendation to the delegates to the State meeting where the matter will be disposed of finally.

E. R. A.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS FOR THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION of the FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

Article I. Name and Purpose of the Organization.

Section A. The name of this organization shall be the ~~Texas~~ Association of "Future Farmers of America." Members of local chapters are hereinafter referred to as the "Future Farmers of America." The purpose for which this organization is formed are as follows:

1. To promote vocational education in agriculture in the public schools of the State of Texas.
2. To create and nurture a love of country life.
3. To provide recreation and educational entertainment for students in vocational agriculture through state agricultural and athletic contests, vacation tours, father and son banquets, and the like.
5. To promote thrift.
6. To afford a medium for cooperative marketing and buying.
7. To establish the confidence of the farm boy in himself and his work.
8. To promote scholarship among students of vocational agriculture.
9. To develop rural leadership.

Article II. Organization.

Section A. The ~~Texas~~ Association of "Future Farmers of America" is a State organization of affiliated local chapters in schools having organized instruction in vocational agriculture under the provisions of the Smith-Hughes Act.

Section B. Local "Future Farmer" chapters shall not be organized in schools where systematic instruction in vocational agriculture is not given under the provisions of the Smith-Hughes Act.

Section C. Members of local chapters shall meet, organize, and adopt the State constitution as their own, elect officers, set up a program of work, and then apply to the State Advisor for membership in the State organization. After this application has been approved by the State Advisor the members of the local chapter may then be known as "Future Farmers of America."

Article III. Membership.

Section A. Membership in this organization shall be active, associate, and honorary.

Section B. **Active membership.** Any student of vocational agriculture, who is regularly enrolled in a part-time, day-unit, or all-day class, is entitled to active membership in "Future Farmer" chapters upon receiving a majority vote of the members present at any chapter meeting. A member may retain his active membership for three years after completing his systematic instruction in vocational agriculture.

Section C. **Associate membership.** Any former student of vocational agriculture may be elected to associate membership upon receiving a majority vote of the members present at any chapter meeting. Any former active member of a "Future Farmer" chapter may be elected to associate membership upon receiving majority vote of the members present at any chapter meeting.

Section D. **Honorary membership.** Instructors, school principals, superintendents, business men, and others who are helping to promote vocational agriculture may be elected to honorary membership by a majority vote of the members present at any meeting.

Article IV. Membership Grades and Privileges

Section A. There shall be four grades of membership based upon achievement. These grades are (1) Greenhand, (2) Texas Farmer, (3) Lone Star Farmer, and (4) American Farmer.

Section B. **"Green Hand." Qualifications for Election.** To be elected to membership to the ~~Texas~~ Association of the Future Farmers of America, a student must qualify

A printed Constitution will be sent soon. That is one that will carry the revisions as indicated by the words written below.

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Future Farmers of Texas

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as follows:

1. Be fourteen years of age.
2. Be regularly enrolled in a class in vocational agriculture.
3. Possess facilities for carrying out a satisfactory program of supervised practice and have a definite agreement with the parent and instructor as to scope, labor and profits.
4. Receive a majority of the votes of the members present at a regular meeting of a local society of the "Future Farmers of America."

Section C. "Texas Farmer." Qualifications for Election.

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To be promoted to the rank of "Texas Farmer" in the Texas Association of the "Future Farmers of America," a student must qualify as follows:

1. Must have satisfactorily completed at least one year in vocational agriculture, including a program of supervised practice.
2. Must have earned and deposited in a bank or otherwise productively invested at least \$25.00.
3. Must have been awarded at least one Certificate of Merit.
4. Must be regularly enrolled in vocational agriculture with an amplified supervised practice program.
5. Be able to recite from memory the creed of the Future Farmers of America.
6. Be able to lead a group discussion for ten minutes.
7. Must receive a majority vote of the members present at a regular local chapter meeting of Future Farmers of America.

Section D. "Lone Star Farmer." Qualifications for Election.

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To be promoted or elected to the rank of "Lone Star Farmer" in the Texas Association of the "Future Farmers of America," a student must qualify as follows:

1. Must have completed two years of systematic instruction in vocational agriculture with an outstanding supervised practice program in operation.
2. Must have been awarded two (2) Certificates of Merit. Note: After Sept. 1, 1931, this requirement is raised to three (3) Certificates of Merit.
3. Must have earned and deposited, or productively invested at least \$200. This may include the \$25 saved while advancing to the degree of "Texas Farmer."
4. Must be familiar with parliamentary procedure by having held office in the local chapter, or by being awarded a Certificate of Merit in Parliamentary Procedure.
5. Be able to lead a group discussion for forty minutes.
6. Make the school judging team, debating team, or some other team representing the school.
7. Show marked attainment in scholarship in all school subjects (grade 85 or above).
8. Possess qualities of leadership as shown by having held responsible positions in connection with student and chapter activities.
9. Texas shall be entitled to elect not more than 2 per cent of the total State membership, fractions counted to the nearest whole number. Only copies of written records of achievements verified by the local advisor shall be submitted to the State advisor by the local executive committee at least one month prior to the State convention. The advisor will then review the records and submit his findings to the State Executive Committee. This committee will nominate at the regular State convention the candidates who have been found worthy to receive the honor. Synopses of these records shall then be read by a member of the Executive Committee when the students are nominated. The delegates shall then proceed to elect to the "Third degree" the number of candidates to which the State is entitled.

Section D. "American Farmer." Qualifications for Election.

To be promoted to the rank of "American Farmer," a Texas student must qualify as follows:

1. Must hold the degree of "Lone Star Farmer."
2. Must be engaged in a farming occupation or have definite plans for becoming a farmer.
3. Must possess demonstrated ability to farm by having conducted an outstanding program of supervised practice throughout the period of vocational agricultural training.
4. Must have earned and deposited in a bank or otherwise productively invested at least \$500.
Note: In cases where the applicant has assisted in the support of dependents the amount so expended, in the judgement of the National Board of Trustees, may be considered as an investment.

HI BOYS ON RIGHT TRACK

An ambitious program of work has been laid out by the local high school chapter of Future Farmers of Texas that would do credit to many older organizations and which indicates the spirit with which these boys approach their work and their attitude toward farming as a vocation.

Ten projects were agreed on and any two or three of these, if carried to completion, will be conducive to much good to the community. One of these is a father and son banquet. This, in itself, might well be of inestimable value to the community. The closer contact and community of interest that can be developed between the present farmers of the county and the boys who will be the farmers of tomorrow and who are interested in discovering and following improved and more efficient methods, the more quickly agriculture in this country will be placed on a more profitable plane. Another is to terrace 500 acres of land. We have no more important problem to solve than the proper conservation of both soil and water. Unless this is done fertility is gone and the land will be left in such condition that only many years of close attention to the task will see it restored. The fact that these boys already realize the importance of this work speaks well of the future prosperity of this county from an agricultural point of view. This is highly important since if it is not prosperous agriculturally it cannot be prosperous from any other material point of view. The culling of thirty flocks of chickens is another project of real value and importance. This is evidence that these boys already see the importance of a flock of egg-laying chickens on every farm and that they are visioning the farm as a place from which to get a living as well as a place from which to gain profit. The more quickly they are convinced that if they cannot live from their land their profit on the year's operation will be slim and irregular, the better off they will be and the more important factors they will be in the development of the community. Other projects proposed also of real importance and indicate the seriousness with which these boys take their schooling as a preparation for future work.

These boys are earnest and ambitious and they should be given the moral and material support, where the latter is advisable or will aid them in their work, of every citizen who is looking to the future of this county. The future of the community is in their hands and in the hands of other boys and girls who are fitting themselves for life. Their efforts should be closely watched and all possible encouragement given them. Bryan Eagle

SEND ANNUAL REPORTS NOW

At the time this issue of the Future Farmers News went to press, 6 chapters had made an annual report of chapter activities for 1928-29. These reports must be in the office of the State Advisor not later than October 15, if he is to make a report at Dallas that will be worth hearing.

5. Must have held office in the Texas organization or have represented Texas in a national contest.
 6. Posses demonstrated ability to work with others by having participated in some agricultural cooperative enterprise or movement.
 7. Be recommended by the National Board of Trustees and receive a majority vote of the delegates present at a National Congress of "Future Farmers of America."
- Section F. Associate and honorary members shall not vote nor shall they hold any office except that of advisor in the State and local organizations and that of Executive Secretary-Treasurer and Advisor in the National Organization. Exceptions to this provision are permitted during the first two years of a chapter's existence.
- Section G. Only members who have been elected to the grade of "American Farmer" are eligible to hold national offices after 1929. One year after the (State) organization has been chartered all (State) officers shall have attained the "Lone Star Farmer" degree. Officers in the local chapters must not rank lower than the grade of "Future Farmer."
- Section H. Associate and honorary members are eligible to election to any degree provided they have done outstanding work in promoting vocational agriculture and the organization of Future Farmers of America.
- Article V. Officers.
- Section A. 1. The officers of the Texas Association of "Future Farmers of America" shall consist of a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, advisor, and reporter. These officers shall be elected annually by a majority vote of the delegates present at a regular State convention of "Future Farmers." The officers shall perform the usual duties of the respective officers. Each local chapter shall be entitled to two delegates in the State convention, who shall represent the local chapter in balloting for officers and members who are nominated to be advanced to the grade of "Lone Star Farmers."
2. Officers of the local chapter shall be identical with those for the State organization and shall be elected annually at a regular meeting of the local chapter.
- Section B. The executive committee of the Texas organization of "Future Farmers of America" shall consist of the State officers ex-officio and three active members elected by the delegates in State convention. This committee shall perform the usual duties of an executive committee, review and approve receipts and disbursements, act as a nominating committee, and be responsible for the welfare of the organization.
- Article VI. Meetings
- Section A. A meeting of the State Convention of "Future Farmers of America" will be held annually and at least 30 days prior to the meeting of the National Congress of "Future Farmers of America," at such time and place as may be determined upon by the State Executive Committee.
- Section B. Local chapters shall hold their meetings monthly or oftener and at such time and place as may be decided upon by the Executive Committee of the Local Chapter.
- Article VII. Dues.
- Section A. Membership dues in the Texas organization shall be fixed by the State Executive Committee subject to approval by a majority vote of the delegates present at the Texas Convention of "Future Farmers of America."
- Section B. The dues of any local chapter shall be fixed by a majority vote of the membership of that chapter.
- Article VIII. Amendments.
- Section A. Amendments to the State constitution shall be submitted in writing by the delegates from any chapter at any annual State convention of "Future Farmers." Amendments may be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present.
- Articles IX. Reports.
- Each local chapter in Texas shall submit the following reports to the State advisor:
1. An annual report of organization showing:
 - a. Names of chapter officers.
 - b. Names of members with degrees held in the Future Farmer organization.
 - c. Program of activities for the year.
 - d. Names of delegates to the State convention.
 - e. Check or money order for State dues.

Note: This report is due each year not later than October 15.
 2. Monthly report of chapter activities.

Note: This report is due not later than the 5th of each month.
 3. Annual report of chapter activities.

Note: This report is due not later than October 1.

F. F. T. CHAPTER REORGANIZED AT RIESEL

Lester Jordon, Reporter

A meeting was called to order by the sponsor, O. A. Faith, with Clarence Mullens acting as temporary secretary and treasurer of the F. F. T. Chapter for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year and, also, delegates to the State Fair at Dallas.

The following were elected as presiding officers: President, Hiter Bogs; Vice President, J. T. Carpenter; Secretary and Treasurer, Milford Urbantke; Reporter, Lester Jordon.

Stewart Lumpkin and Lester Jordon were elected as delegates to represent the Riesel Chapter at the State Fair.

The newly elected president appointed the following as executive committee: Louis Holze, chairman; Lucile Smith and Chester Miller.

A motion was made and carried that each member pledge 25 cents per month to bear expenses of trips, etc., of the club.

The Riesel F. F. T. Chapter is making a farm statistics record of all the V. A. boys home farms for the purpose of learning the chief problems confronting the farmer. By doing this, we expect to be of better service to the farmer in solving these problems than we have in the past year.

CHICKEN POX

One dose of Globe Chicken Pox Vaccine will immunize a turkey or chicken against chicken pox, diphtheria, sore-throat and canker. Immunize early with this product. Birds 6 to 10 weeks old are ideal subjects. No syringe necessary. Sizes, 100 and 250-dose bottles. Price, 3¢ per dose. Swab for applying furnished with each order.

ROUP, COLDS, ETC.

Globe Mixed Bacterin (Avian) is the product that is now being used throughout the world to prevent roup, colds and mixed infections. This product is also used to combat these diseases. Well chickens, 1 c. c. Well turkeys, 2 c. c. Double this dose for sick birds. Sizes, 25, 50 and 100-c. c. bottles at 2¢ per c. c. Syringes, \$1.50 and \$3.00. Free syringe to new customers ordering 500 c. c. or more. Ask for literature. Globe Laboratories, Ft. Worth, Texas.

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The Future Farmers of Texas Hold State Meeting

"We Have Set Our Hands to the Plow"

The Future Farmers of Texas have adopted a State Program for next year. They have set their hands to the plow and must run a furrow straight to the goal which is the accomplishment of every part of that State Program.

The State Advisor feels that we can reach every goal that we have set out to reach. But, Future Farmers, that means work for every one of us. "United we stand, divided we fall." Working together we shall succeed. Pulling together we shall win.

Let's get behind President Arthur Ellis and win for the Future Farmers of Texas the respect and admiration of our Dads, our teachers, and the agricultural leaders of Texas.

E. R. Alexander,
State Advisor.

Cisco F. F. T.'s Sponsor Judging Contest

Ben Camp, Reporter

The Cisco Future Farmers sponsored a judging contest held at Lee's Diversified Farm, March 26, 1929. There were eight schools represented in the contest. They were as follows: Gorman, Dublin, Rising Star, Clyde, Cisco, Ranger, Eastland, and De Leon. The contest began at nine o'clock and lasted until twelve-fifteen. Then the visiting teams were the guests of the Cisco Future Farmers who served their lunch at Lee's Diversified Farm. The afternoon was spent in giving reasons on the various classes and figuring the scores of the different teams. The winners of the different contests were as follows: Entomology, Gorman; Livestock, De Leon; Dairy, Ranger; Poultry, Rising Star; Plant Production, Cisco.

J. J. Brown Visits the Agricultural Department of Cisco

Mr. J. J. Brown, State Supervisor of Vocational Education, visited the Cisco Agricultural Department Tuesday, March 9. Mr. Brown was making his visit to all agricultural departments of this section when he stopped to visit us.

The Cisco agricultural class was glad to have him visit our school and would like for him to visit us again as often as possible.

Appeal for State Program

Arthur Ellis, President

As President of one of the greatest boys' organizations in the world, I feel that it is my duty to impress upon each member the importance of putting over the objectives outlined by our committee at the A. and M. Conference.

We have a chance to be the greatest power in Texas for organized service in the betterment of farming in our State. I am sure that each chapter will strive to do all in its power to reach these objectives.

We have a wonderful organization, so let every man put forth his best efforts, and great will be our success.

To the Future Farmers of Texas

E. J. Hughes, Vice-President,
Future Farmers of Texas

Let us remember that the success of our State program, as adopted in our meeting at College Station, will depend on the loyalty and industry of each individual member.

The aims of the first item are certainly not too high if every future farmer will carry out his project to just a reasonable extent.

Each chapter and each member should begin now to plan to be at the Dallas Fair on Future Farmer Day.

Chapters can use their influence to have Vocational Agriculture adopted in neighboring schools for every added school in Vocational Agriculture will mean F. F. T.'s.

The father and son banquet will help to secure better cooperation from parents.

Chapel exercises, conducted by the local chapters, will help to keep our own schools and communities behind us.

Elect Officers, and Adopt State Program

On Monday, April 22, the one hundred and eighty-six delegates from ninety-three local chapters elected State officers, set up a State Program, and agreed on the amount of State dues for next year.

Elect Officers

Arthur Ellis, New Waverly, was elected President, E. J. Hughes, Dublin, Vice-President, Herbert Davis, Silvertown, Secretary, Louis Sorenson, Taylor, Treasurer, C. C. Robinson, Crystal City, Reporter.

State Program

The delegates adopted the following State program of work for 1929-1930:

1. That the Future Farmers of Texas have in savings accounts and invested in farming, a total of \$250,000.00 by the end of the school year of 1929-1930.
2. That the Future Farmers of Texas have a Future Farmer Day at the Dallas Fair.
3. That the Future Farmers of Texas encourage more schools to introduce departments of Vocational Agriculture.
4. That each chapter have a Father and Son Banquet.
5. That each chapter put on a chapel program each month.

Dues for 1929-1930

The delegates also adopted the recommendation of the committee on State dues which include ten cents per member to be sent to National Headquarters so that the Future Farmers of Texas may affiliate with the National organization, the Future Farmers of America, and twenty-five cents per member to be used as a fund for publishing the Future Farmer News.

The Committees Did the Work

Three committees of F. F. T. delegates did the work that made the State meeting a success. They were charged with the responsibility of nominating officers, setting up a State program, and determining the amount of State dues. They discharged their responsibility well.

The committees were made up of the following delegates:

Nominating Committee: Pat McGlothing, Taylor; Claude Templeton, New Waverly; J. D. Strickland, Silvertown; Estell Scott, John Tarleton; Joe Taylor, Crystal City.

State Program Committee: Waldo Fisher, Sudan; Gus Reeves, Thrall; Clayton Alexander, Livingston; Ralph Reasor, Eastland; Ernest Fischer, Robstown.

State Dues Committee: Hamilton Rogers, Dilley; Ben Camp, Cisco; Joe Nesbitt, Harrold; Homer White, Tena-ha; Fred Mathis, Mart.

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Future Farmer News Our Paper

Many of the Reporters for the local chapters of F. F. T. have been sending contributions to the Future Farmer News. These stories have been interesting and rather well written. But believing that all of the F. F. T.'s would like to get suggestions for improving their stories, we are printing "The Amateur Writer" by Mr. Paul W. Chapman, Director of Vocational Education for Georgia. Mr. Chapman is a successful writer of Future Farmer stories and other agricultural news. We believe that his suggestions are worth your careful study. They were prepared for "Agricultural Education," a magazine for teachers of Vocational Agriculture, but they are equally valuable for the readers of this paper.

The Amateur Writer

By Paul W. Chapman

AN EDITOR'S SUGGESTION

"My first suggestion to our contributors would be to forget that they 'can't write' and then go to it. The best contributions that we get are from people who in the first place have stories to tell and who in the second place 'can't write.' Knowing that they can't write, they content themselves with telling the story 'just as it happened.' And when they do that, they work in those little intimacies that do so much to lend interest and charm—and that wins converts."

What are the requirements of a good news article of the type that must prevail in a publication such as Agricultural Education if it is to be widely read?

1. It must contain facts. Facts are the first essential. Without facts a writer has "nothing to say".
2. It must be accurate. The editor should not have to verify any of the statements.
3. It must be concise. This does not mean brief. It means saying a lot in a few words.
4. It must be timely.
5. It must be written in a simple style and contain only such words as are easily comprehended by the average reader.
6. It must be conservative. This means that few ideas represent panaceas for all ills.
7. It should be written in such a way that an element of human interest is injected. It must give insight into human, as well as technical problems.

Creed of a Future Farmer

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 farmers; in the promise of better days through better ways, even as the better things we now enjoy have come up to us from the struggles of former years.

I BELIEVE THAT TO LIVE AND WORK ON A GOOD FARM IS PLEASANT AS WELL AS CHALLENGING; for I know the joys and discomforts of farm 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 organized farmers to serve our own and the public interest in marketing the product of our toil. I believe we can safeguard those rights against practices and policies that are unfair.

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 for 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 IN 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.

E. M. Tiffany, Wisconsin.

Future Farmers at Gustine End Dairy School

Harlie B. Neel, Reporter

The Future Farmers of Gustine have just completed a Dairy School. We had about six meetings and had a large attendance every night, some nights not as many on account of bad weather. The first night we met was Tuesday night, February 16th, but we have missed a few nights. The largest attendance we had was the first night we had between eighty-five and ninety. We had H. N. Smith of John Tarleton who told us about the profit we could make off of a good milk cow and many other things.

The most important things we studied were diseases of the animal, feeding the animal, and kinds of animals to feed and milk.

The Future Farmers of Gustine have a large bed of tomato plants which we are to sell to help raise money to come to the contest at A. and M. April 21st and 22nd. All of the boys have one entry in the contest and we are coming to win in all we enter.

The Future Farmers that had baby beeves sold their calves March 1st. We did not receive so much but did not go broke.

Tivoli F. F. T.'s Hold Father and Son Banquet

George Hobson, Secretary

On Friday night, April 5th, Tivoli chapter of the F. F. T.'s in cooperation with Professor Bengé, held a father and son banquet in the vocational agricultural room of Tivoli High School.

A brief business meeting preceded the banquet, including a report from the various committees, such as program, finance, etc., and new committees appointed for the arrangement of affairs for the next meeting which is the first Friday night in May.

Each boy had invited his dad out to this meeting. A talk was given by Ernest Schultz about his cotton project of the past year, followed by Louis Turner who talked on the organization and purpose of the local chapter of the F. F. T. Mr. Bengé then explained the state organization of F. F. T.

This was followed by expressions of appreciation from the parents of the work the vocational agricultural boys are doing with their organization and the advantages of the boys studying agriculture in school in this section.

The meeting then adjourned.

Future Farmer Prizes Offered by the Farm Journal

\$500—To the local chapter of Future Farmers of America that ranks first in its program and achievements.

\$300—To the local chapter of Future Farmers of America that ranks second in its program and achievements.

\$200—To the local chapter of Future Farmers that ranks third in its program and achievements.

The selection of the winners will be made by a National Committee appointed by The Farm Journal. The items in the score card which will be used by the National Committee are as follows:

1. Supervised practice
2. Cooperative activities
3. Community service
4. Leadership activities
5. Earnings and savings
6. Conduct of meetings
7. Scholarship
8. Recreation

Weights and explanations of each of the eight items will be sent to you at an early date.

In order that a chapter may participate in the contest it must hold membership in the State organization that has its charter from the National organization of Future Farmers of America.

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(Editor's Note: The above prizes were announced by Dr. C. H. Lane, Chief, Agricultural Education Service, Washington, D. C. Each local chapter in Texas should keep a careful record of its activities so that some of our chapters may compete for these prizes. We have already made application for affiliation with the National Organization.)

Prize Winners Are Announced

Clayton Alexander, Livingston, wins first, and Frederick Berry, State Home, Corsicana, second, with their answers to the question:

Why Should the Members of the Chapters of the Future Farmers of Texas Take the Lead in Carrying Out the Chapter Activities?

CLAYTON'S ANSWER

Members of the chapters of the Future Farmers of Texas should take the lead in carrying out the chapter activities because the organization was established for their own benefit and not for the benefit of the teacher. Its purpose is to make leaders out of vocational agricultural students in the hope that in future years these students will be influenced by their work in the chapter to become agricultural leaders. This purpose is defeated if the teacher, or anyone else who is not a student member and is in no great need of this form of guidance in leadership, is allowed to take a leading part in the activities of the chapter.

The crying need of the farmer today is leadership; the ability to make the big business men of America recognize him as more than a mere ignorant slave, content if he has only the barest necessities of life. He must rise above his present standard of life and show America that he is in earnest. The accomplishment of this great task requires education and organization on the part of the farmer himself.

Records of vocational agriculture students for the last few years show that they are as well fitted intellectually to become leaders as are students of other subjects, that is, they make as good grades on their studies as others in other classes do. Then why should they not have training in leadership too, so as to benefit agriculture? A large percentage of agriculture students do take up agriculture as a life project and, if they are well trained in leadership in school, they will not be satisfied to take a back seat after they are out of school.

If I were president of my chapter I am sure that when the time came for me to choose my project in life I would look toward agricultural leadership, especially if I were given the lead in the activities of my chapter. I would naturally be better fitted for this field because of actual experience. It is not necessarily the officers of the chapter who should lead. Each member should be required to take part in the activities.

Even though the student does not intend to look to agricultural pursuits for a living, he should be required to stand before the chapter in its meetings and discuss its problems in his own words. This will give him confidence in himself and create interest in the class. If a student learns to express himself easily before an audience while in school, he will be able to meet most of the difficulties of life without fear. He will be well fitted to meet the demands of society.

Future Farmers of Texas

Louis Woods, State Home

I am proud to be an F. F. T.
Of our dear old Texas land,
Where the land is wide on every side,
Where the people give you a hand.

Where gossip and talk have a daily walk
Where men are happy and gay,
Where the sunshine is bright from morn
Until night, "Where peace reigns always," they say.

I but want to be a Texan,
And live in the open air,
Where flowers blooming, and mammals crooning,
Spread beauty about everywhere.

I but want to raise her cotton,
And produce her fields of corn,
For Texas land, I'll always stand,
The land where I was born.

Killeen F. F. T.'s Have Father and Son Banquet

John Mitchell, Reporter

On the evening of March 1st the Future Farmers of Killeen entertained their fathers in the First Baptist Church, however all the members were not present. John Jones presided as toastmaster, and made the welcome address.

The banquet, a three course meal, proved to be a great success. Mr. E. R. Alexander told in his speech why Vocational Agriculture is taught in the schools of Texas. Mr. Dickey explained the value of agriculture in high schools, and Mr. Robertson related the value of the work of the Farm Bureau in connection with agriculture. Mr. Parks also made a very interesting talk.

In addition to our speakers, we had with us two seniors from A. and M. College, Mr. E. A. Peck, and Mr. W. L. Jones.

Father and Son Banquet at Cold Springs

George McKellar, Reporter

The Cold Springs Chapter of the F. F. T.'s held its Father and Son Banquet Friday evening, March 22. There were twenty-eight present including fathers and boys and visitors. The address of welcome to the fathers was delivered by J. B. Hogue. Clyde Richards explained and gave a brief history of the organization of the F. F. T., while George McKellar gave a brief talk on the Relation of the Son to the Father. Responses to the talk were made by Mr. E. L. Price and Mr. J. V. Love. W. E. Lasseter, vocational teacher, made a few remarks regarding the needs of the school and community after which there was a round table discussion of these problems.

This was the first time in the history of Cold Springs that the fathers had been honored with a banquet.

The Diary of an F. F. T. at the College Farm

Estell Scott, President, Tarleton College F. F. T.'s

Sunday—We have a new hand at the dairy. Fish Harris, F. F. T., took Fish Dutton's place. Fish Dutton didn't get fired, but he just lost his job. Fish Harris is certainly welcome to share the many pleasures of being a dairy hand with me. He seems to be very happy because he sings so much that the cows almost go to sleep.

Monday—Everything has gone wrong this morning. One of the cows has milk fever. Fish Harris would not help doctor her, because he was afraid it was contagious.

Tuesday—Believe me, things are beginning to get muddy around here. We are thinking of leasing a boat to deliver milk in. The cows were awfully cross this morning, because they had to stay awake all night to keep from being washed away.

Wednesday—Say listen, that wind is blowing right off the North Pole. Everything is frozen up as tight as "Dick's hat band." The milkers were frozen, and we had to milk all the cows by hand.

Thursday—Believe me, we need a sled to go to the barn on this morning instead of a boat. It didn't seem so cold until we looked at the thermometer. It registered 10 above zero. Harris liked to have frozen to realize the horrors of a dairyman. I haven't noticed him singing so much lately. He says that he believes that a fellow that would work at a dairy must be about half cracked.

Friday—A fellow feels so unnecessary out in this snow and ice, at the sleepy hour of four o'clock. We are unable to get water thru the pipes, so we have to haul water for the cows. One of the cows attempted to turn a hydrant on so that she could get a drink, and broke the pipe off in the ground.

Saturday—Boy howdy, that sun sure does look good. If the weather had not moderated when it did, we were all going on a strike for more to eat and more to wear. Here's hoping that we will have some good weather.

Resolution from Coleman F. F. T.'s

Whereas, God in His good wisdom has taken to his reward our beloved fellow club member and classmate, Jackson Dial.

Whereas, he was a true worthy student, an efficient club member of our cause, and honest and upright in all his dealings, Wherefore be it RESOLVED:

1. That we recognize his death as a distinct loss to our club and to the school, and we deeply deplore it.

2. We extend our sympathy and kindest regards to the members of his family.

3. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family and to the Future Farmer News.

(Signed)

MAXWELL PRATER, President,
ELMO V. COOK, Advisor.

Mrs. Carl Hoffman's Poultry Book

There is an abundance of technical literature on poultry production, which no doubt serves a felt need, but information coming from the experiences of the practical poultryman is not so abundant. Mrs. Carl Hoffman endeavors to fill this latter need with her **PRACTICAL CHICKEN AND TURKEY FARMING**.

In this book is related the knowledge gained from ten years in the poultry game. Over this period of time Mrs. Hoffman has developed a large poultry establishment from a very small beginning, and by virtue of her success she may be considered as somewhat an authority. Her ideas are given briefly and interestingly in such a manner that they can be easily understood and applied by the average poultry raiser. For the novice here is an excellent handbook; for the experienced poultryman, a new view of his profession.

B. C. LANGLEY,
Senior in Agr. Ed.

What the F. F. T.'s Are Doing at El Campo

Walter Holden, Reporter

The F. F. T.'s of El Campo are progressing nicely, this being the first organization of this kind in the El Campo high school. The members are taking an active part in the work.

They have practically completed the project notebook and have started putting their aims and plans into use on their projects.

They have also started work in the shop building on work benches, class tables, and other important articles for future use.

On March 1 we started the practice of judging corn, classing cotton, etc., which will be given us at the contest at A. and M. College.

The Club has organized into a club that meets every other Monday to discuss important topics that might be a benefit to the chapter. This club has devised the plan of putting on a play to raise money to send our judging team to A. and M. College.

The Club aim is to increase the interest and promote Vocational Agriculture.

The F. F. T.'s Entertain

The F. F. T. Chapter of the local high school entertained with a party at the Chamber of Commerce hall Friday night. After the group had assembled, various games were played which everyone enjoyed. After the games refreshments of sandwiches, hot chocolate and angel food cake were served to the following: Misses Mollie Stout, Frances Denmark, Doris Hardin, Gene Ware, Jimmie Lou Smith, Lora Martin, Marie Withers, Carrie Lokey, Gydneith Dodson, Audry Young, Vivian Lane and Sibyl McGee and Mr. Carter of Nixon, Terry Pruitt, Jodie Goodwin, Melvin Bohmann, Johnnie Lang, Paul and Kenneth Kidwell, Professor and Mrs. Hutson. All reported a splendid time when the hour of departure arrived.

KENNETH KIDWELL,
Reporter, Stockdale Chapter.

Railroads in Texas Cooperate

J. J. Brown, Assistant Supervisor,
Agricultural Education

The Katy Railroad offered free transportation to winning Livestock Team to the American Royal Livestock Show at Kansas City, held in November of each year.

The Cotton Belt Railroad offered as a prize, to the winning dairy judging team, to furnish transportation to the National Dairy Show held at St. Louis in October.

The Santa Fe offered as a prize to winning livestock judging team an excellent prize consisting of free transportation to the American Royal, also all expenses of team.

Discount on Orders Placed for May and June Chicks

We offer reduced prices on orders placed now for May and June Chicks. Future Farmers can not go wrong when they buy **HOFFMAN'S**

S. C. White Leghorns. Every bird, every chick and every egg shipped by us is produced on this farm and is of recognized standard of quality.

HOFFMAN FARMS
Box 102, Argyle, Texas

THE HOME OF THE "WORLD'S RECORD" LAYING ROCKS AND LEGHORNS Contest Record for March

Ten Barred Rocks	295 Eggs
Ten White Leghorns	294 Eggs

We Breed our Own Winners

1. We have added no new blood to our Barred Rock flock which was started eight years ago.
2. We bred four White Leghorn hens to a Beall cockrel from an official contest record hen of over 300 eggs. This is the only new blood introduced into our White Leghorns in the past eight years.

GOLDEN RULE POULTRY FARM

Route 3, Box 124C, Bryan, Texas



Please send me a chapter report for the June issue of the Future Farmer News.
—E. R. A.

Bartlett Chapter Entertains Visiting F. F. T.'s

Henry Moore, Reporter

The F. F. T. Chapters of Bell and Williamson Counties held a business meeting in the Bartlett High School Auditorium, Monday evening, March 11, 1929. The chapters present were Georgetown, Taylor, Granger, Rogers and Killeen. Other chapters were kept away on account of the continuous downpour of rain.

The Bartlett F. F. T.'s opened the meeting with a stunt and a one act play. After the entertainment was over Forrest Wood, president of the Bartlett Chapter, called the meeting to order and asked that a chairman be elected to preside at the meeting. The chairman was elected and plans were made for a field day and judging contest to be held in Temple at the Scott and White Dairy Thursday, April 4. Other business was put off on account of so many chapters being absent.

After the business session was over refreshments were served by the Bartlett Chapter.

BLACKLEG!

This once dreaded disease is practically 100% preventable. Every calf that you have should be protected against blackleg. Vaccination with the proper product affords this protection. The loss of one calf will pay for vaccinating quite a herd. Do not depend upon a product that MAY do the work; use the product that has been consistently used by cattlemen throughout the world for years - - - - -

Globe Blackleg Aggressin

You can depend upon that product to DO the work. All you will need is a good syringe, preferably a 30-c. c. Champion which sells for \$3.50, and a quantity of Globe Blackleg Aggressin which is available in 5, 10, 25 and 50-dose bottles at most any drug store at 12½¢ per dose of 5 cc's. Incidentally, Globe Blackleg Aggressin is produced under U. S. Government license by a Texas institution. You will find the folder, "BLACKLEG AND ITS PREVENTION" an interesting and valuable treatise. Obtain a free copy today by writing to the

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