

Lehaina, Maui, T.H.
March 13, 1929.

Mr. Henry C. Groseclose,
State Board of Education,
Richmond, Va.

Dear Mr. Groseclose,

Enclosed find application for charter for the Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America, five dollars for cost of charter, copy of constitution and by-laws, list of chapters and membership and statement of program.

With best wishes for the Future Farmers of America and hoping that every state me soon be organized I am,

Very sincerely yours,

N. F. Ambrose

Sec.-Treasurer H.A.F.F.A.

Chapters and Membership
Hawaii Association of Future Farmers
of America.

Chapter No.	Address	Advisor	Membership
I	Kealahakua (Konawaena H.S.)	D. Greenwood	42
II	Honolulu, (McKinley H.S.)	Walter C. Davis	12
III	Hakalau	T. Maneki	20
IV	Hama Kuapoko (Maui H.S.)	C. R. Mounce	11
V	Lahaina Maui	N. F. Ambrose	11
VI	Laupoehoa	H. W. Larson	14
VII	Haiku (Maui H.S.)	H. L. Nakamura	15
VIII	Honokaa	Riley Twing	48
IX	Hilo	Harry Budin	18
X	Aiea	Joe Harper	22
XI	Pahala	Wm. Hawkins	11
XII	Makawao	J. O. Bridges	12
XIII	Scotfield Barracks	M. V. Heminger	6
XIV	Pahoa	A. S. T. Lund	24
XV	Kaunakakai	C. C. Davis	16

The program for the first year is largely one of organization and after that is the building up and the organization of judging and production contests.

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THE FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

APPLICATION FOR CHARTER

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

We, Shugi Seki....., President, N.F. Ambrose..... Secretary;
and..... Harry Budin....., Adviser, officers of the state organization
known as The Hawaii Association of F.F.A. a State organization
for students of vocational agriculture, having at present 15.....
chapters and 280 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.

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

President..	<u>Shugi Seki</u>	<u>Iahaina, Maui, T.H.</u>	<u>Future Farmer</u>
	name	address	grade of membership
Vice-Pr.,	<u>Geo. Deconte</u>	<u>Leupahoehoe, Hawaii, T.H.</u>	<u>F.F.</u>
Vice-Pres.....
Secretary..	<u>N.F. Ambrose</u>	<u>Iahaina, Maui, T.H.</u>	<u>Advisor Chap. 5</u>
Treasurer..	".....	".....	".....
Reporter..	<u>Herbert Ihei</u>	<u>Honolulu, T.H.</u>	<u>Future Farmer</u>
Adviser ..	<u>Harry Budin</u>	<u>Hilo, Hawaii, T.H.</u>	<u>Advisor Chap. IX</u>

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:..... Shugi Seki.....
..... N.F. Ambrose..... State President
..... Harry M. Budin..... State Secretary
.....
..... State Adviser

Submit to Natl Headquarters

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feasible to make them. Definite steps have already been taken to have the name "Future Farmers of America" registered with the United States Patent Office, so that this name can not be used by any other group of individuals.

The suggestion has already been made that the First National Congress of "The Future Farmers of America" be held at Kansas City this coming November at the time of the American Royal Live Stock Show. It is hoped that a large number of States will have perfected a State organization with local chapters of "Future Farmers of America" in sufficient time to have representatives present at this First National Congress. One of the first competitive activities to be suggested for members of future farmer organizations in the several States is a nation-wide oratorical contest on some agricultural subject. Such a contest would certainly be a fine training for the students themselves and should serve as an excellent medium for securing publicity and doing promotional work for the cause of vocational education in agriculture. It should be understood, of course, that each State which expected to have an entry in the National Contest would have, first of all, a state-wide elimination contest, and that only the winner from this State contest be entered in the National Contest at Kansas City.

The following constitution is very closely patterned after the proposed national constitution of "The Future Farmers of America," but it is set up in such a way that it can be adopted as a constitution for a State organization of "Future Farmers of America" without being in conflict with the national constitution.

Adopted Territorial
suggested State Constitution.

Article I. Name and Purposes of the Organization.

Section A. The name of this organization shall be the (name of State) Association of "Future Farmers of America".
Members of local chapters are hereinafter referred to as the "Future Farmers of America."

Hawaiians

Section B. The purposes for which this organization is formed are as follows:

1. To promote vocational education in agriculture in the public schools of the State of *territory of Hawaii*
2. To create more interest in the intelligent choice of farming occupations.
3. To create and nurture a love of country life.

4. To encourage recreational and educational activities for students in vocational agriculture.
5. To promote thrift.
6. To encourage cooperative effort among students of vocational agriculture.
7. To strengthen 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 (name of State) ^{New York} 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, and elect officers, set up a program of work, and then apply to the State secretary for membership in the State organization. After this application has been approved by the State secretary 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 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 a 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.

Not more than 2 honorary members may be elected each year (after the first) by any chapter.

Article IV. Membership Grades and Privileges.

Section A. There shall be four grades of membership based upon achievement. These grades are (1) Green hand, (2) future farmer, (3) State farmer, and (4) American farmer. (These terms to be used until approved or modified by the First National Congress)

Section B. "Green Hand". Qualifications for Election:

1. Fourteen years of age.
2. Be regularly enrolled in a class in vocational agriculture.
3. Possess facilities for and have a satisfactory program of supervised practice.
4. Receive a majority vote of the members present at a regular meeting of the local chapter of "Future Farmers of America."

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

1. Satisfactory completion of at least one year in vocational agriculture, including a program of supervised practice.
2. Earn and deposit in a bank, or otherwise productively invest at least \$25. ~~Students carrying~~

Note. - Any modification of (2) above must be approved by the State adviser.

3. Be regularly enrolled in vocational agriculture with an amplified supervised practice program.
4. Recite from memory the "Future Farmers" creed.
5. Be able to lead a group discussion for ten minutes.
6. Receive a majority vote of the members present at a regular local chapter meeting of "Future Farmers of America."

Section D. "State Farmer Degree". Qualifications for Election.

The qualifications for election are left to the various State organizations. ~~The following qualifications are simply suggestive:~~

1. At least two years of systematic instruction in vocational agriculture with an outstanding supervised practice program in operation.
2. Pass some occupational test supplied by the State staff.
3. Earn and deposit in a bank, or productively invest at least \$/00. This may include the \$25 saved while advancing to the grade of "Future Farmer."
4. Be familiar with parliamentary procedure by having held office in the local chapter.
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. Each State shall be entitled to elect 10 qualified individuals but where the State membership exceeds 500, not more than 2 per cent of the total State membership may be elected, fractions counted to the nearest whole number. Only copies of written records of achievement verified by the local adviser shall be submitted to the State adviser by the local executive committee at least one month prior to the State convention. The adviser 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 most 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 E. "American Farmer". Qualifications for election.

1. Hold the degree of "State farmer."
2. Be engaged in a farming occupation or have definite plans for becoming a farmer.
3. Possess demonstrated ability to farm by having conducted an outstanding program of supervised practice throughout the period of vocational training.
4. Earn and deposit in a bank or otherwise productively invest at least \$500.

Note. - In cases where the applicant had assisted in the support of dependents the amount so expended, in the judgment of the National Board of Trustees, may be considered as an investment.

5. Must have held office in a State organization or have represented a State in a national contest.

6. Possess 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,"
- 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 Adviser in the National Organization. Exceptions to this provision are permitted during the first two years of a chapter's existence.

Section F.

Section G.

Only members who have been elected to the grade of "American Farmers" are eligible to hold national offices after 1929. One year after the (State) organization has been chartered all (State) officers shall have attained the "State 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 (~~State~~^{Hawaii}) Association of "Future Farmers of America" shall consist of a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, adviser, 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 "State Farmer."

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 ^{Territorial} State 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 ^{Territorial} 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 a State organization shall be ^{The Territorial} fixed by the State Executive Committee subject to approval by a majority vote of the delegates present at the State 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 ^{Territorial} 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.

Section B. In order to secure flexibility by-laws may be adopted to fit the needs of the State organization or local chapter, providing they are not in conflict with the State constitution, which is also the constitution for each chapter.

Article IX. Insignia.

Section A. The insignia of the "Future Farmers of America" shall be made up of four symbols, namely (1) cross section of an ear of corn, representing common agricultural interests, since corn is native to America and grown in every State; (2) the owl, representing wisdom; (3) the plow, representing tillage of the soil, the basis of modern agriculture, and (4) the rising sun, representing progress.

Section B. All active, associate, and honorary members shall be entitled to wear the insignia. All "Green hands" are entitled to wear a bronze insignia. All "Future Farmers" are entitled to wear a gold insignia. All members elected to the degree of "State farmer" are entitled to wear the gold insignia on a rectangular key base. All members elected to the degree of "American farmer" are entitled to wear the gold insignia directly mounted on a key.

April 4, 1929

Mr. N. F. Ambrose, Secretary
Future Farmers of Hawaii
Lahaina, Maui, T. H.

Dear Mr. Ambrose:

All of us here in the States are gratified to learn that you have established the Hawaii Association of Future Farmers. Your application for a charter has been acted upon and the charter is now being prepared. It will be mailed to you within the next few days. If there is anything that I can do toward helping you with this new organization, please call on me. Thus far we have not sent out as much material as has been needed. Several of the State Supervisors have prepared initiations, rituals, and the like. I do not know whether any of this material will suit Hawaii. I shall, however, be glad to get hold of what I can and send it to you if you have not already worked up your own material. Meanwhile I am intensely interested in what you boys over there are doing and I should like very much to receive a write-up of any of the activities from you. In all probability you folks will run across a better way of doing things than we have. A write-up from Hawaii will come in good also for publicity purposes.

With every good wish for the Future Farmers of Hawaii,

I am

Sincerely yours,

H. C. Groseclose
Executive Secretary-Treasurer

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Seki

April 4, 1929

Mr. Shugi Seki, President
Future Farmers of Hawaii
Lehaina, Maui, T. H.

Dear Mr. Seki:

I have just written Mr. Ambrose and acknowledged receipt of your application for a charter in the Future Farmers of America. We are delighted to know that there are fifteen chapters and two hundred and eighty members of the Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America.. I sincerely hope that you will soon have a territorial meeting of your organization if you have not already done so and that you will set up certain definite aims or objectives for the coming year, then each chapter will try to bear its proportional part of the burden in order that the Hawaii Association may reach its objective.

Under the constitution you folks are entitled to a representation at the second annual congress of the Future Farmers of America, which will be held in Kansas City, Missouri, November the nineteenth and twentieth. It would give us a great deal of pleasure to see you and some of your fellow Future Farmers at that meeting.

With every good wish for your organization, I am

Sincerely yours,

H. C. Groseclose
Executive Secretary-Treasurer

HCG:P.

PROPOSED BY-LAWS.

Article I. Election of Officers.

Section A. The election of officers shall occur at the Annual Meeting. All officers shall be elected by ballot. In case there should, at any time, be but one candidate for an office, the provision requiring selection by ballot may be suspended by a two-thirds vote. A majority of the delegates present and voting shall constitute an election. The officers elected shall assume their duties at the close of the Annual Meeting.

Section B. The First Vice-President, the Second Vice-President, and the Third Vice-President shall represent three different islands. The member receiving the largest vote for vice-president at the Annual Meeting in 1930 shall be First Vice-President, the one receiving the second largest vote shall be Second Vice-President, and the one receiving the third largest vote, Third Vice-President. The rank or seniority of the vice-presidents during succeeding years shall follow a cycle. The island from which the Second Vice-President is elected in 1930 shall be entitled to a First Vice-President in 1931, and the island from which the Third Vice-President is elected, to a Second Vice-President. The island from which the First Vice-President is elected in 1930 shall not again be entitled to a vice-president until all islands having F. F. A. chapters shall have had one representative elected to the office of vice-president of the Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America.

Section C. The Supervisor of Agriculture for the Territory of Hawaii shall be, ex-officio, Adviser.

Section D. One month before the Annual Meeting, a Nominating Committee of five members shall be appointed by the president for the purpose of presenting the names of two candidates for each office to be filled. Local chapters shall submit the names and qualifications of their candidates for the different offices. Candidates, other than those whose names are submitted by the Nominating Committee, may be nominated from the floor. The consent of each candidate must be secured before his name is placed in nomination.

Section E. Delegates to the National Congress of Future Farmers of America shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees.

Article II. Duties of Officers.

- Section A. All officers shall make a written report at the Annual Meeting, filing two copies of the same with the Secretary, and one with their successor.
- Section B. The President shall preside over all meetings of the Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America and over all meetings of the Board of Trustees. He shall call one meeting annually of the Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America on a date and at a place to be fixed by the Board of Trustees. He shall call special meetings of the Association or of the Board of Trustees when requested to do so by a majority vote of the Board of Trustees. He shall appoint all committees, and may serve as an ex-officio member of these committees. He shall approve by his signature orders drawn on the Treasurer by the Secretary.
- Section C. The First Vice-President shall assume all of the duties of the President in the event that the office of President becomes vacant by resignation or otherwise. He shall preside over all meetings in the absence of the President and shall assume such other duties of the President as may be assigned him by the Board of Trustees. In case of the death, resignation, or absence of the First Vice-President, the Second or Third Vice-President shall assume his duties in order of seniority.
- Section D. The Secretary shall perform the duties common to such an office. He shall keep a record of each meeting of the Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America and of the Board of Trustees. He shall obtain and keep on file a list of members of all local chapters; he shall notify all members of committees of their appointment; he shall draw all orders on the Treasurer; he shall receive applications for new charters and shall determine whether the chapter meets the qualifications necessary for affiliation with the Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America; and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned him by the President or by the Board of Trustees.
- Section E. The Treasurer shall be custodian of all funds and shall pay all orders drawn by the Secretary and approved by the President. He shall keep an itemized account of all receipts and disbursements and shall make a written report to the Association at the Annual Meeting. He shall notify each chapter of the amount of the Territorial dues and of the time when dues are payable.

Section F. The Reporter shall handle all beneficial publicity for the Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America.

Section G. The Adviser is ex-officio a member of all committees. It shall be his duty to advise the officers of the Association and the Board of Trustees on matters of policy, meetings, programs, and finance. He shall issue charters to new chapters when notified by the Secretary that such chapters have fulfilled all requirements for affiliation with the Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America. He shall receive from local chapters qualifications of candidates for the degree of Hawaii Planter, prepare a summary of each candidate's qualifications and submit the summary to local chapters and to the Board of Trustees at least two weeks in advance of the Annual Meeting.

Section H. The Board of Trustees may delegate its authority to an Executive Committee of three or more of its members elected by the Board.

Article III. Dues.

Annual National and Territorial dues shall be forwarded to the Treasurer, Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America, by local chapters not later than October 15th of each year. Annual dues shall cover the fiscal year as adopted by the National Congress of F. F. A.

Article IV. Method of Issuing Charters to Local Chapters.

The Secretary of the local F. F. A. chapter shall forward application for a charter to the Secretary, Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America. The following information must accompany the application for a charter:

1. A copy of the proposed constitution and by-laws.
2. The names of all members of the group.
3. The names of all officers.
4. A copy of the chapter's program of work.

When this information has been received, the Secretary, Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America, shall notify the Adviser who shall issue a charter.

Article V. Method of Selecting "Hawaii Planters".

Section A. The Adviser shall formulate a score card to be used in selecting Hawaii Planters and send it to chapter Advisers three months before the Annual Meeting.

Section B. Each chapter shall be entitled to nominate one active member for the degree of Hawaii Planter for each 50 members or fraction thereof. Nominations, with a brief summary of the candidate's qualifications, must be forwarded to the Adviser one month before the Annual Meeting.

Section C. A brief summary of each candidate's qualifications shall be sent by the Adviser to each local chapter and to the Board of Trustees at least two weeks before the Annual Meeting. The Board of Trustees shall place in nomination the names of fifteen active members from the list submitted to it, and the names of any associate or honorary members whom it considers worth of the honor of Hawaii Planter.

Section D. Election of Hawaii Planters shall be by a majority vote of the delegates present at the Annual Meeting. Not more than ten active members may be elected to the grade of Hawaii Planter in any one year.

Article VI. Committees.

Section A. The President of the Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America shall appoint three committees annually: Nominating Committee, Auditing Committee, and Committee on Program of Work.

Section B. A Nominating Committee of five members shall be appointed one month before the Annual Meeting. It shall be the duty of this committee, after carefully considering the qualifications of available members, to place in nomination two candidates for each office except that of Adviser.

Section C. An Auditing Committee of two members shall be appointed two weeks prior to the Annual Meeting for the purpose of auditing the books of the Treasurer and reporting to the Association.

Section D. A Committee of five members on Program of Work shall be appointed one month before the Annual Meeting. It shall be the duty of this committee to formulate the annual objectives of the organization and to suggest ways of accomplishing them.

Section E. The Adviser is ex-officio a member of all committees. He shall have the privilege of voting.

Section F. Committees shall serve for one year.

Section G. Any other committees that may be found necessary shall be appointed by the President with the approval of the Board of Trustees.

Article VII. Quorum.

Fifty percent of the delegates to the Annual Meeting shall constitute a quorum.

Article VIII Amendments.

These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present at the Annual Meeting, provided that the amendment shall have previously been submitted in writing.

Article IX. Parliamentary Authority.

Robert's Revised Rules of Order shall be the official guide of the Association in all matters on which the Constitution and By-Laws are silent.

HAWAII ASSOCIATION
OF
FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

CONSTITUTION

Article I. Name and Purposes of the Organization.

Section A. The name of this organization shall be the Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America. Members and local chapters are hereinafter referred to as the F. F. A.'s.

Section B. The purposes for which this organization is formed are as follows:

1. To promote vocational education in agriculture in the public schools of the Territory of Hawaii.
2. To create more interest in the intelligent choice of farming occupations.
3. To create and nurture a love of country life.
4. To encourage recreational and educational activities for students in vocational agriculture.
5. To promote thrift.
6. To encourage cooperative effort among students of vocational agriculture.
7. To strengthen 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 Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America, is a territorial 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 Farmers of America chapters shall not be established in schools where organized instruction in vocational agriculture is not given under the provisions of the Smith-Wughes Act.
- Section C. Local groups of vocational agriculture students shall meet, organize, adopt the territorial constitution as their own, elect officers, set up a program of work, and then apply to the Territorial Secretary for membership in the territorial organization. After the application has been approved by the Territorial Secretary and a chapter number assigned, the local group may be known as Chapter _____ of the Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America and members of the local chapter may 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 the Future Farmers of America organization 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 Farmers of America chapter may be elected to associate membership upon receiving a 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. Active Membership Grades and Privileges.

Section A.

There shall be three grades or degrees of active membership based upon achievement. These grades are: (1) Green Hand, (2) Future Farmer, and (3) Hawaii Planter. Qualified students are elected to the grades of Green Hand and Future Farmer by the local chapter at any regular meeting, and to the grade of Hawaii Planter by the Territorial Chapter at the time of the Annual Meeting. The Territorial Association shall be entitled to submit the name of one member each year as candidate for the National Degree of American Farmer.

Section B.

Qualifications necessary for election to the grade of Green Hand.

1. Fourteen years of age or the mental equivalent.
2. Regularly enrolled in a class in vocational agriculture.
3. Possess facilities, and have definite plans, for a satisfactory program of supervised practice.
4. Receive a majority vote of the members present at a regular meeting of a local chapter of the Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America.

Section C.

Qualifications necessary for election to the grade of Future Farmer.

1. Satisfactory completion of at least one year's work in vocational agriculture, including a satisfactory program of supervised practice.
2. At least \$25.00 earned and on deposit in a bank or otherwise productively invested.
3. Regularly enrolled in vocational agriculture with an amplified supervised practice program.
4. Recite from memory the Future Farmers of America Creed.
5. Be able to lead a group discussion for ten minutes.
6. Receive a majority vote of the members present at a regular meeting of a local chapter of the Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America.

Section D. Qualifications necessary for election to the grade of Hawaii Planter.

1. Hold the degree of Future Farmer.
2. Outstanding success in his program of supervised practice work.
3. At least \$100.00 earned and on deposit in a bank or otherwise productively invested. This may include the \$25.00 saved while advancing to the grade of Future Farmer.
4. Outstanding qualities of leadership, as shown by having held responsible positions in school and chapter organizations.
5. Be familiar with parliamentary procedure, as shown by having held office in the local chapter or in the student organization of his school. The passing of a satisfactory test in parliamentary procedure will be accepted as fulfilling this requirement.
6. Be able to lead a group discussion for forty minutes.
7. Make the judging team, debating team, an athletic team, or some other team representing the school or the local chapter.
8. Show marked attainment in scholarship in all school subjects.
9. Receive a majority vote of the delegates present at an Annual Meeting of the Territorial Association, and respond upon election with a speech of appreciation of one minute.

Section E. National degree of American Farmer.

"American Farmers" are elected at national conventions only. The Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America is entitled to nominate one candidate for the degree, for each 1000 members or fraction thereof. Applications for this degree shall be forwarded by the Territorial Adviser to the National Executive Secretary, at least thirty days prior to the convening of the National Congress of Future Farmers of America.

Qualifications necessary for election to the grade of American Farmer.

1. Hold the degree of Hawaii Planter.

2. Be engaged in a farming occupation or have definite plans for becoming a farmer.
3. Possess demonstrated ability to farm by having conducted an outstanding program of supervised practice throughout the period of vocational training.
4. Earn and deposit in a bank or otherwise productively invest at least \$500.

Note. - In cases where the applicant had assisted in the support of dependents, the amount so expended, in the judgment of the National Board of Trustees, may be considered as an investment.

5. Possess demonstrated ability to work with others by having participated in some agricultural cooperative enterprise or movement.
6. 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. They shall hold no office in the National Organization except that of Secretary-Treasurer and Adviser. After July 1, 1931, they shall hold no office in the Hawaii Association or in local chapters except that of Adviser.

Section G.

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.

Officers of the Territorial Association shall consist of a president, three vice-presidents, secretary, treasurer, adviser, and reporter. The officers shall perform the usual duties of their respective offices and shall constitute the Board of Trustees of the Territorial Association. They shall have full authority and control over the Organization, subject only to such regulations and by-laws as may be adopted by the Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America or by the National Congress.

Section B.

Officers shall be elected annually by a majority vote of the delegates present and voting at the Annual Meeting of the Association.

Officers of local chapters shall be elected annually at regular meetings of the chapters held in September of each year.

Section C. Only members who have attained the grade of Hawaii Planter, are eligible to hold office in the Territorial Association after 1931, but officers in the local chapters are not limited to any grade.

Article VI. Meetings.

Section A. A meeting of the Hawaii Association of Future Farmers of America shall be held annually at a time and place to be determined by the Board of Trustees.

Section B. Each local chapter is entitled to representation by two delegates at the Annual Meeting of the Territorial Association. The Board of Trustees and the chairmen of all standing committees are ex-officio delegates to the Annual Meeting.

Section C. Local chapters shall meet monthly, or oftener, at a time and place to be determined by the local executive committee.

Article VII. Dues.

Section A. Dues in the Territorial Association shall be fixed by the Board of Trustees, subject to approval by a majority vote of the delegates present and voting at the Annual Meeting.

Section B. Dues in the local chapters shall be fixed by a majority vote of the members present and voting at a regular meeting of the chapter.

Article VIII. Insignia.

Section A. The insignia of the Future Farmers of America shall be made up of four symbols, namely, (1) the plow, representing tillage of the soil, the basis of modern agriculture; (2) the owl, representing wisdom; (3) the rising sun, representing progress, and (4) cross section of an ear of corn, representing common agricultural interests, since corn is native to America and grown in every State and in Hawaii. The insignia shall carry the three letters "F. F. A."

Section B. All active, associate, and honorary members shall be entitled to wear the insignia. All "Green Hands" are entitled to wear a bronze insignia. All "Futuro Farmers" are entitled to wear a gold insignia. All members elected to the degree of "Hawaii Planter" are entitled to wear the gold insignia on a rectangular key base. All members elected to the degree of "American Farmer" are entitled to wear the gold insignia directly mounted on a key.

Article IX. Amendments and By-Laws.

Section A. Amendments to the Constitution of the Territorial Association shall be submitted in writing to the Adviser at least thirty days prior to the regular Annual Meeting. The amendments shall be voted on at the Annual Meeting, a two-thirds majority of the delegates present being required for adoption.

Section B. By-laws for the Territorial Association may be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present at the regular Annual Meeting.

Section C. Amendments to constitutions of local chapters must be submitted to the chapter at least thirty days before a vote is taken on the amendment. The amendment may be adopted by a two-thirds majority of the members present at a regular monthly meeting.

Amendments and by-laws adopted by local chapters shall not be in conflict with the constitution of the Territorial Association.

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Dear Mr. Groseclose:

I am sending you herewith a copy of the Territorial F. F. A. Constitution which has been mimeographed and distributed to all chapters in the Territory. I am also inclosing a copy of the proposed By-Laws. I should like to have you go over both and tell me whether or not there are any conflicts with the National Constitution. You will find a number of minor changes made necessary because of the difficulties of travel in the Territory.

The question has been raised here as to whether or not affiliated or honorary members pay National and Territorial dues.

Yours very truly,

F. E. Armstrong

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