



ALABAMA ASSOCIATION FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR STUDENTS OF VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE

The following is a brief account of the accomplishments of the Alabama Association of Future Farmers of America since its organization in July 1929.

During the past year, Alabama secured its charter and in turn chartered 69 chapters, with a total membership of 1249 active members.

The Executive Committee met during January at the State Department of Education and planned a program for the remainder of the year. In accordance with the plan of the Executive Committee, news letters have been issued quarterly.

There has been set up an office with a part-time secretary. We have secured a typewriter, a typewriter table, and a file. A member of the Future Farmers of Alabama in the chapter at Ramer constructed the typewriter table. Permanent records will be kept from the date of the organization of the Association.

The first annual meeting was held at the Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Alabama, on July 11 and 12, 1930. More than 300 were present. Each of the 69 chapters had delegates at the convention. On the last day of the meeting the following persons were awarded the State Farmer degree:

Earl Solomon, Uriah	Oliver Manning, Isabella
Lloyd Ezell, Ozark	Marvin M. Durbin, Isabella
Joe Jennings, Reform	Ralph Jones, Collinsville
Sam Cummins, Reform	Woodrow Bonner, Reform
Curtis Elmore, Reform	

The honorary degree of State Farmer was conferred upon Dr. Bradford Knapp, President of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute, and Mr. R. E. Cammack, State Adviser.

In addressing the annual meeting, Dr. Bradford Knapp invited the Alabama Association of Future Farmers to make Auburn a permanent meeting place and encouraged them by saying that within the next year or two he hoped to establish on the campus of the institution outdoor swimming facilities, camp houses, and also facilities for athletic events.

The annual meeting served as a great impetus to the organization in Alabama and it is felt that the number attending the annual meeting a year hence will in all probability reach five or six hundred.