



ALABAMA ASSOCIATION FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR STUDENTS OF VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE

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IN KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, NOVEMBER 11-18, 1932

BY E. P. THORNHILL, PRESIDENT

As President of the Alabama Association of Future Farmers of America, it is a great pleasure for me to present to you some of the things that we have accomplished during the past year. The whole-hearted interest in the success of the organization is manifested by the fact that every vocational agriculture department in the State has an active F. F. A. chapter. We have gained the interest and cooperation of many business men and citizens of high standing in our State. I believe that I can say with assurance that every member of our Association is proud of the fact that he belongs to such an organization, and that his membership in this organization is a real challenge to his best efforts. This interest is shown in the following things which the Alabama Association has accomplished during the past year.

1. Number of federally aided departments of vocational agriculture in the State. 113
2. Total enrollment in vocational agriculture in the State. 7312
3. Number of chartered F. F. A. chapters in the State. 113
4. Total active membership in chartered F. F. A. chapters in the State for the year ending June 30, 1932. 2093
5. Total amount of national dues paid June 30, 1932. \$209.30
6. Total amount of national dues unpaid June 30, 1932. 0
7. Number of months state association has been in operation under national F. F. A. charter. 32



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8. Names and post office addresses of present state officers:
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| President | - Ernest P. Thornhill, Route 3, Wetumpka, Alabama |
| Vice-President | - Keith Ferrell, Mount Pleasant, Alabama |
| Secretary | - Clyde Davis, Melbourne, Alabama |
| Reporter | - Perry Clay, Route 2, Gadsden, Alabama |
| Treasurer | - Albert Ellison, Route 2, Ramer, Alabama |

Growth and Advancement of Association

1. Increase in number of local chapters over last year. 7
2. Increase in chapter active membership over last year. 258 - 14 per cent

Advancement of Active Membership by Degrees During the Year

1. Number of boys initiated as Green Hands. 1254
2. Number of Green Hands raised to Future Farmers. 342
3. Number of Future Farmers raised to State Farmers. 14
4. Number of State Farmers raised to American Farmers. 2

Present State Active Membership by Degrees

1. Number of boys holding Green Hand degree. 1610
2. Number of boys holding Future Farmer degree. 445
3. Number of boys holding State Farmer degree. 35
4. Number of boys holding American Farmer degree. 3

Total active membership - - - - - 2093

5. Number of associate members (local) 228
6. Number of honorary members (local & state) 240

Grand total membership - - - - - 2561

Participation by State Association in the National Program of Work - 1931-32

1. Number of chapters assisting with one or more George Washington programs. 57
2. Number of chapters having access to rallies. 75



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3. Number of chapters that have listened in to national F. F. A. programs. 57
4. Number of F. F. A. homes where home folks have listened in to national F. F. A. programs. 399
5. Number of chapters possessing full equipment for conducting meetings (as listed on page 18 of the F. F. A. Manual). 38
6. Number of chapters that have included an item on "Conservation of National Resources" in their programs of work. 99
7. Number of chapters that prepared newspaper articles regularly during the year. 59
8. Number of chapters that engaged in organized buying and selling of farm supplies and commodities. 38

Miscellaneous Achievements

1. One hundred per cent of the departments of vocational agriculture have active chapters.
2. The State Convention was held in Auburn, Alabama, July 15 and 16.
3. Ninety per cent of the local chapters were represented at the State Convention.
4. The Alabama Association was represented at the national convention by two official delegates.
5. Several chapters have organized thrift banks.
6. From 75 to 90 per cent of the chapters held father-son banquets.
7. We have made progress toward getting each chapter to set up a definite, written annual program of work consisting of (1) agricultural, (2) social-civic, and (3) recreational activities.