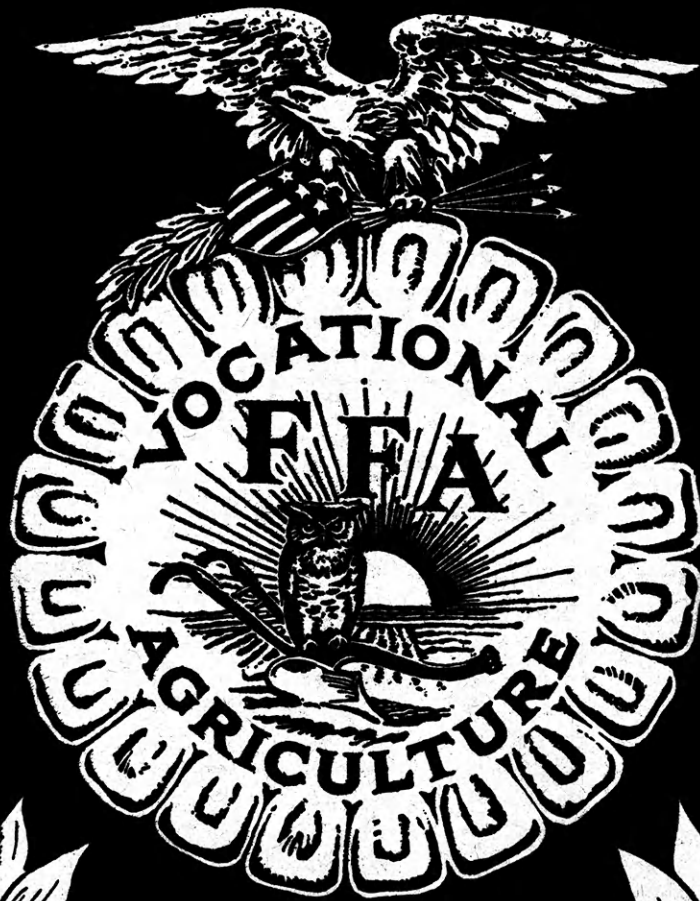


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1945-46 STATE FFA PROGRAM OF WORK

1. A farming program of maximum size and scope for each boy commensurate with the ability of the boy and the home farm opportunity.
2. A continuous program of repair and construction of farm machinery and equipment.
3. Prevent waste of all kinds. (Conserve natural resources; Control Farm Fires; Control Livestock Losses; Eradicate Pests.)
4. Take every precaution against farm accidents. They result in suffering, loss of manpower, damaged equipment, and sometimes cost lives.
5. So far as possible, produce on the farm all the needs of the farm and farm family.
6. As individuals and as chapters, purchase all Victory Bonds and Stamps possible.
7. Cooperate with Federal Government in future salvage campaigns.
- 6 8. Assist returning veterans in becoming established in farming.
- 7 9. One hundred per cent of the Kansas vocational agriculture departments establish chapters of FFA and strive for one hundred per cent enrollment of eligible members.
10. Each chapter to have a definite program of activities for the year and this program to be submitted to the state office not later than November 1, 1945. Each chapter to present an achievement report at the annual meeting of the State Association. Only chapters submitting activity programs by November 1 will be eligible for State Farmer or American Farmer candidates, and to participate in the state FFA public speaking contest.
- 9 11. ~~Nine~~ ^{Five} issues of the FFA newsletter to be published, beginning with September and monthly thereafter for nine months. Copies of each issue will be sent to the officers of the National Organization of Future Farmers of America, to all state advisers, and to a select list of agricultural teacher trainers and agricultural leaders.
- 10 12. As a means of inculcating sound thrift principles, the State Association encourages careful selection, management, and financing of supervised farming programs.
- 11 13. Encourage parliamentary proficiency among local chapters, and encourage ritualistic proficiency throughout the State Association. It is recommended that each chapter own sufficient copies of both the FFA manual and Stewart's Parliamentary Procedure to furnish a copy of both for each officer. It is further recommended that sufficient copies of both publications be owned by the chapter to make both readily available to all local members.

1945-46 State Program of Work (Continued)

Fifty Famous Farmers, Ivins & Winship (3) \$2.00
 Agricultural Arts, Eugene Davenport and Aretas
 Nolan (11) \$1.75

j. At least one copy chosen from:

Tom of Peace Valley, Case (5) \$1.50
 Moon Valley, Case (5) \$1.50
 New Land, Schmidt (6) \$2.00
 Shadow Over Winding Ranch, Schmidt (9) \$2.00
 Short Stories for Future Farmers (7) \$1.67

k. At least one copy chosen from:

~~Fun and Work, Scranton (7) \$2.00~~ *Out of Print*
 Programs for Future Farmers Chapter Meetings, Tenney
 (7) \$2.00
 Practical Activities for Future Farmers, Tenney (7)
 \$2.00
 Winning FFA Speeches, Judson (7) \$2.00
 If You Please, Allen & Briggs, (5) \$1.40

- (1) A. P. Davidson, Department of Education, KSC, Manhattan, Kansas
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- (5) J. B. Lippincott Company, 220 North Michigan Ave., Chicago
- (6) Robert M. McBride & Company, New York
- (7) Interstate Printing Co., ~~132 N. Walnut St.~~ ^{18 Jackson}, Danville, Ill.
- (8) Collegiate Press, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa
- (9) Random House Publishing Co., N. Y.
- (10) The French-Bray Printing Co., Baltimore, Md.
- (11) Girard Press, 119 W Park Ave., Champaign, Ill.
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AMERICAN FARMER CANDIDATES ²⁴/₁₃

The applications for the American Farmer degree for the following Kansas FFA members have been approved by the National Board of Trustees and the National Advisory Council, according to a letter from National Adviser, W. T. Spanton, written August 8, 1945:

Paul Conrardy, Kingman Chapter
 Jack V. Hall, Highland Park Chapter
 Bob Jones, Ottawa Chapter

The State Association wishes to congratulate these young men on their splendid achievement.

Owing to ODT travel regulations, American Farmer candidates will not be permitted to attend the national FFA convention. The American Farmer degree will be granted in absentia.

CHAPTER ACTIVITY PROGRAM

November 1 is the deadline date for filing local chapter activity programs with the state department. Address same to Executive Adviser A. P. Davidson, Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kansas.

Official Activity Program Blanks in sufficient quantities to supply a copy of the local chapter activity program for the state office will be mailed all chapters at an early date. In former years the state office furnished sufficient copies of the official activity program blanks to provide one copy for the local chapter. This year, due to scarcity of paper, the local chapter will be expected to furnish its own paper for the program of work going in the chapter files.

Helpful Suggestions for building the chapter activity program will be found in the special issue of the Kansas Future Farmer, October 1, 1938, and in the official FFA Manual, pp 31-36.

Committee Appointments for building the chapter activity program should include all members of the chapter. Every effort should be made to have a program built and endorsed by the chapter, and not merely a program set up by the officers and adviser.

Calendaring Activities for the year, by months, is important. Too many activities at a given time will likely result in a scattering of effort and a lowering of standards. Too few activities will cause loss of interest. Fit your program of activities in with the school and community programs. This will avoid conflicts and the possibility of demanding too much time and energy on the part of certain members of your chapter.

Victory Program. The purchasing of war bonds and stamps, the repair of farm machinery, prevention of waste, and increased food production should be MUST features of the 1945-1946 FFA activity programs.

Highlights of the Kansas Association 1945-46 Victory Program:

Total face value of war bonds purchased by chapters.	\$10,318.90
Total face value of war bonds and stamps purchased by individual chapter members.	160,508.20
Total face value of war bonds and stamps purchased by chapters and members since Pearl Harbor	368,883.54
Pounds of scrap metal collected by the chapters.	947,592
Pounds of paper collected by the chapters.	911,274
Pounds of rags collected by the chapters	10,330
Pounds of rubber collected by the chapters	97,918
Number of burlap bags collected by the chapters.	13,240
Number of members and former members serving in the armed forces of the U. S.	5,628
Number of Victory Gardens grown by members (total acreage). . .	2,786A
Number of farm workers placed on farms through the aid of the FFA	1,000
Chapters engaging in organized livestock loss prevention work	90%
Number of farm machines reconditioned or repaired by members. .	4,470
Guarding and protecting life and property; chapters participate in - first aid, safety, fire prevention.	80%
Average amount of money per member invested in farming	\$215.37
Total amount of money invested in farming by FFA members	\$912,522.69

Note: For partial list of activities included under the eight divisions of the chapter program of work, see pp. 6-9, September 15, 1943, issue of the Kansas Future Farmer Newsletter.

THE 1945 NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION
Kansas City, Missouri, October 9 and 10

The 18th National Convention of Future Farmers of America will be held in the Little Theater of the Municipal Auditorium, Kansas City, Missouri, for 2 days only, on October 9 and 10. Even though the ban on conventions has been partially lifted by the ODT through the raising of ceilings on attendance from 50 to 150, it will be necessary to very severely limit the activities and attendance at this year's convention. Therefore it has been decided that:

1. The convention will last for 2 days only, namely October 9 and 10.
2. Only very limited business will be transacted, the most important of which will be the awarding of American Farmer Degrees, conducting the public speaking contest, election of national officers, and planning for the National Victory Convention in 1946.
3. Each State association of FFA will be permitted to send one and only one official delegate to the convention. This delegate should bring with him to Kansas City official authorization, approved by his State supervisor of agricultural education, permitting him to cast proxy votes for the other delegate from his State.
4. Attendance at the convention, including national officers, delegates, the four public speaking contestants, and the Star Farmer candidates should be limited to less than 100.
5. All meetings of the convention will be held as "executive sessions" and no visiting FFA members from nearby States, or persons other than those authorized to attend, will be admitted to the convention floor.
6. In case a State does not send an official delegate to the Kansas City convention, the proxy votes of its two delegates should be sent to some one delegate from the same administrative region who will be in attendance at the convention. This proxy should be in writing, bear the official approving signature of the State Adviser and brought to Kansas City by the person authorized to cast the proxy votes.
7. Not more than one adult (State supervisor, teacher trainer, teacher, etc.) from each State should plan to attend the convention, and this should be done only when absolutely necessary.
8. No candidates for the American Farmer Degree should plan to attend the convention, unless:
 - (1) They are one of the boys who have received word that they are to receive a Star Farmer award.
 - (2) They are one of the four public speaking contestants.

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- (3) They have been officially recommended in writing by the State supervisor of agricultural education as being outstanding material for consideration by the nominating committee for a national officer in 1946.
- (4) They are serving as an official delegate.
9. All candidates for national offices should be certified and recommended by the State Advisor in writing to the national office on or before October 1, 1945.
10. There will be no meeting of the National Advisory Council in Kansas City.
11. Convention hotel headquarters will again be at the Hotel President, Kansas City, Missouri. Hotel and pullman reservations where necessary should be made immediately by all those planning to attend.

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DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTION

ODT regulations have restricted travel to such a degree that Kansas will be permitted one official delegate only to the 18th National FFA Convention. Jack Hall, Highland Park chapter, immediate past president of the State Association, and candidate for the American Farmer Degree, will serve as the official delegate from Kansas.

FUTURE FARMERS...IN ACTION

The national organization of Future Farmers of America has prepared a pictorial report of the Future Farmers of America which will be published in a booklet entitled "Future Farmers of America...In Action." The publication of this booklet has been underwritten by several business concerns and the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company has plans for furnishing a copy of the booklet to each member in the Kansas Association of FFA. It is hoped that these booklets will be available for distribution at the 1945 district FFA Leadership Schools.

The Kansas Association has purchased one thousand copies of "Future Farmers of America...In Action" which will be distributed to high school superintendents and principals in the state, to the Kansas press, and to leaders in agricultural education throughout the state. The copies of "Future Farmers of America...In Action" furnished by the State Association will be stamped with the following caption: Compliments of the Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America. L. B. Pollom, Topeka, State Adviser. Rollin Casement, Sedan, President.

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FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA FOUNDATION INCORPORATED, *Award*

Since the incorporation of the Future Farmers of America, Incorporated, under the laws of the District of Columbia, on March 29, 1944, much effective work has been performed by members of the agricultural education staff of the Office of Education, the advisory committee of the national organization of Future Farmers of America, and the National Board of Trustees of the Future Farmers of America. The Kansas Association wishes to commend these groups for their untiring efforts and to congratulate them on the splendid report made to the states through the regional meetings of directors, supervisors, and teacher trainers.

Space forbids the inclusion of a complete statement of the plans of the Future Farmers of America Foundation Incorporated. However, we are including herewith the budget approved for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1945, and ending June 30, 1946.

Total Available for the year.	\$59,983.98
Administrative and Miscellaneous Expenses	1,000.00
Total to apportion between the FFA and NFA	\$58,983.98

- A. Future Farmers of America and Students and Former Students of Vocational Agriculture under 30 years of age.

Total amount budgeted \$53,355.14

I. Guaranteed Loan Fund

\$15,505.14

One of the major functions of the Foundation will be that of assisting deserving students or former students of vocational agriculture under 30 years of age in becoming established in a farming occupation. The guaranteed loan fund is to be used as collateral for deserving students or former students of vocational agriculture who need such a loan, can prove that they are a good moral risk, and who have the recommendation of responsible local citizens and the State Supervisor of Agricultural Education. No outright loans will be made by the Foundation, but instead the boy or young farmer would secure his loan through regularly established loan agencies; such as local banks or loan companies, Farm Credit Administration, etc. Foundation funds will be used only to guarantee payment of the loan and to pay for any defaults that may occur.

These farm boys have had from 2 to 4 years of systematic high school classroom instruction and supervised practice in agriculture and farm mechanics under a thoroughly trained teacher who is a college graduate in agriculture with practical farm experience and employed by the local school on a year-round basis. After completing their instruction many of these farm boys will be found to have accumulated substantial holdings in livestock, poultry, dairy herds, farm machinery and equipment, and various farm enterprises. However, most of them need additional collateral in order to finance themselves sufficiently to get "over the hump" and secure a substantial "toehold" in farming on a full-time basis on their own. The Foundation's guaranteed loan fund should enable worthy students or former students of vocational agriculture to very materially shorten the gap between the time they graduate from high school and the time they become satisfactorily established

Future Farmers of America Foundation Incorporated (continued)

in a farming occupation. Loans will be guaranteed by the Foundation for the purchase of farm machinery or equipment, electrical equipment and appliances for the farm and farm home, purebred or grade livestock or poultry, seed and fertilizer, spray materials and equipment, building construction materials, and farm land.

The guaranteed loan fund will be built up gradually from year to year. Simultaneously the Foundation will be gaining valuable experience in developing and administering the program to the point where it can be expanded sufficiently to ultimately meet the needs of all worthy applicants.

Complete details concerning the administration and operation of the guaranteed loan fund are contained in a separate announcement.

II. Public Speaking Contest (FFA Members only)

The Future Farmers of America National Public Speaking Contest is designed to develop rural and agricultural leadership through providing for member participation in agricultural public speaking activities. Preliminary contests are of a local, county, sectional, State and regional character and are held under the auspices of the respective FFA unit concerned. These preliminary events culminate in the national contest held at the time of the National FFA Convention and in which one contestant who has been declared a winner (plus one from Hawaii or Puerto Rico) from each of the four administrative regions of the United States is eligible to compete.

While contestants are free to choose their own subjects, such subjects must be of an agricultural character and be limited in length to 10 minutes plus an additional 5 minutes for answering extemporaneously all questions raised by the judges. The purpose in requiring each contestant to answer questions raised by the judges is to determine the extent of the contestant's knowledge of the subject upon which he has spoken and to develop his ability to speak extemporaneously.

In addition to the contribution that these public speaking contests make to the development of rural and agricultural leadership, they contribute materially to the basic scientific knowledge of agriculture and related sciences of the individual participants. Each participant spends a great amount of time and study during the school year preparing his speech which usually deals with some scientific or economic or social phase of agriculture. For instance, such subjects as "Chemurgy," "Plant and Animal Breeding and Feeding," "Soil Conservation Improvement and Management," "Rural Electrification," "Control of Livestock and Plant Diseases and Pests," "The Interdependence of Agriculture, Business and Industry," and "Mechanization of Agriculture" are popular subjects in these public speaking contests.

	Individual	
	<u>Award</u>	<u>Total</u>
a. National Contest (Fall, 1945)		
First place winner	\$250.00	
Second place winner	225.00	
Third place winner	200.00	
Fourth place winner	175.00	
Fifth place winner	150.00	
		\$1,000.00

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A travel fund of \$250.00 is provided for the purpose of helping to pay the travel expenses to Kansas City of each participant in the Public Speaking Contest. This fund will be allotted to each contestant on the basis of the ratio that the number of miles the State Capitol of each contestant is from Kansas City, is to the total number of miles that the State Capitols of the States of all contestants are from Kansas City. Foundation checks to reimburse for traveling expenses to Kansas City will be issued simultaneously with the granting of the various awards.

Total for Travel	\$250.00
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b. State Contest Winners, Qualifying for
1946 Regional Contests

	\$100.00	\$4,900.00
Amount budgeted.		\$6,150.00

III. Establishment in Farming Awards for All-Day Students of Vocational Agriculture and Members of the Future Farmers of America.

No individual will be permitted to receive more than one State award as described in paragraphs 3 and 4 under this general heading in any one year.

Recipients of awards that are on a national basis will be selected in accordance with such detailed plans and procedures as may be prescribed by the Board of Trustees. Procedures for obtaining information necessary from the nominees from the various States will be prepared in advance. This will be filled out by the nominee.

Recipients of awards that are on a State-wide basis will be determined in such a manner as may be prescribed by the State Supervisor of Agricultural Education. General principles and suggestions will be prepared by the Foundation to guide the States in determining recipients of State awards. The final details and procedures in the selection of recipients of State awards will be left to the States.

All awards will be made primarily to assist deserving FFA members or students of vocational agriculture to become established in a farming occupation. Each recipient of a Foundation award will, therefore, be expected to use it toward the purchase or rental of land, purchase of farm machinery or equipment for the farm or farm home, supplies (such as seed, fertilizer, spray or paint materials, etc.), livestock, or such other equipment, materials, or supplies needed or necessary to further assist him in farming as an occupation.

Winners of all State and National awards described in paragraphs 1 to 4 inclusive, must supply the National office with a story not exceeding two typewritten pages telling of their achievements, together with a glossy photograph of themselves, at least $2\frac{1}{4}" \times 3\frac{1}{4}"$ in size together with some glossy photos showing chronological development of their farming programs.

1. Star State Farmer Awards (For FFA members who receive the State Farmer Degree during the current fiscal year ending June 30, 1946)

Star Farmer awards have been made on a national, regional, and, in a few instances on a State basis since the founding of the Future Farmers of

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America in 1928. The Star Farmer award is recognized as one of the most outstanding and coveted of all FFA awards. Since this award has proven stimulating and helpful on the national and regional levels, it should be equally stimulating on the State level as a means of promoting achievement and advancement in the FFA.

	<u>Individual Award</u>	<u>Total</u>
a. Star <u>State</u> Farmers	\$100.00	\$4,900.00

2. American Farmer Awards (FFA members only)

An award of \$25.00 has been made for several years to each boy who receives the American Farmer Degree. This award is well-deserved and is continued.

Amount budgeted \$25.00	\$4,500.00
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3. Farm Mechanics Awards (one to each State)*

Since departments of vocational agriculture have well-equipped farm shops, it is fitting and proper that an award should be made in each State to recognize and stimulate achievement in farm mechanics. Unquestionably the teaching of farm mechanics and farm machinery operation, care, and repair will receive much more attention in the postwar period than ever before. The following types of farm mechanics activities and accomplishments should be given consideration in making this award:

- a. School Farm Shop Activities such as: construction projects, farm machinery repair jobs completed; and care, operation, and adjustments of farm machinery and equipment.
- b. Participation in establishing and equipping a home farm shop.
- c. Farm mechanics projects completed in the home farm shop.
- d. Construction and repair of farm structures and equipment.
- e. Installation of farm and home conveniences and appliances.
- f. Soil and water conservation activities.
- g. Construction and repair of farm fences.
- h. Cooperative use of farm machinery.

	<u>Individual Award</u>	<u>Total</u>
Amount budgeted . . .	\$100.00	\$4,900.00

4. Farm and Home Electrification Awards (one to each State)*

*These State "Farm Mechanics" and "Farm and Home Electrification" awards described in paragraphs 3 and 4 are open to all-day students enrolled during the current fiscal year for systematic instruction in vocational agriculture and farm mechanics, provided they meet the minimum qualification requirements for the State Farmer degrees, so far as they refer to supervised farming programs. Winners of State awards made during the fiscal year starting July 1, 1945, and ending June 30, 1946, will be eligible to compete for regional and national awards that may be made at the National Convention in Kansas City in the Fall of 1946.

Future Farmers of America Foundation, Incorporated (continued)

Since electrical facilities have been extended to many rural areas, an opportunity has arisen through instruction in farm mechanics to help students to become familiar with opportunities, problems, and necessary skills in this field. The Foundation offers one award of \$100.00 each to the student of vocational agriculture in each State who has achieved most in making practical and economic use of electricity in connection with his productive supervised farming activities on his home farm or in the farm home. Consideration will also be given to originality in the scientific development of new or improved economic practices in the use of electrical or electrical appliances or equipment on the home farm or in the farm home. The following types of "Farm and Home Electrification" activities and accomplishments should be given consideration in making this award: (Additional suggestions will be made at a later date).

1. Building electrical equipment.
2. Selection, care, and operation of electrical appliances and equipment for the home and farm.
3. Repairing and maintaining electrical equipment.
4. Extending use of electricity on the farm and in the farm home.

Amount budgeted -	\$100.00	\$4,900.00
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IV. Projects Initiated Within the States on a State or Local Level.

Any State desiring to set up State or local projects to be financed from Foundation funds may do so by submitting specific plans for each such project to the Board of Trustees for its approval. All plans for State initiated projects must be in the National office on or before November 1, 1945.

Method of Administration and Distribution of Foundation
Funds for State Initiated Projects

The \$12,500.00 will be allocated to the States and Territories as follows:

1. Each head State Supervisor of agricultural education will notify the Secretary of the Future Farmers of America Foundation Incorporated, Washington, D. C., on or before September 1, 1945, as to whether his State wishes to participate in this award.

2. Each participating State or Territory will be allotted a minimum of \$50.00.

3. The total of all minimum allotments of \$50.00 each made to each participating State or Territory will be added together and this sum subtracted from the total of \$12,500.00. The unallotted balance will be allocated among the States and Territories on the basis of the ratio that the paid-up Future Farmers of America membership in each State or Territory for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, bears to the total paid-up membership for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945. Any unused funds shall revert to the Foundation.

4. Typical kinds of State or locally initiated projects or activities for which a State may submit specific plans to the Board of Trustees for its approval to use Foundation funds are:

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- a. Purchase of farm machinery and equipment to be owned by local FFA chapters, and used by FFA members on their supervised farming programs.
- b. Purchase of purebred sires (swine, beef cattle, dairy cattle, etc.) to be owned by local FFA chapters and used by chapter members in connection with their supervised farming programs.
- c. Purchase of seeds, fertilizers, etc., to be used in connection with chapter programs of supervised farming.
- d. Purchase of electrical equipment and appliances to be owned by the local FFA chapter and used for test or demonstration projects to be conducted by the chapter or its individual members.
- e. Purchase of spray materials and equipment for the eradication and control of plant and animal pests and diseases to be combatted by FFA members in connection with their supervised farming programs.
- f. Purchase of wood preservation vats and equipment to be owned and used by local FFA chapters and members.

5. The amount of funds each participating State and Territory will be allotted for this purpose is listed below:

(All states except Kansas are omitted.)

Ratio Allotment*	Minimum Allotment*	Total
\$223.98	\$50.00	\$273.98

* - Figured on basis of \$0.05160727 per member. Total paid membership in 47 States, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico, 194,740.

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Recapitulation

(Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1946)

Administrative and Miscellaneous Expenses		\$1,000.00
A. Future Farmers of America and Students and Former Students of Vocational Agriculture		
Total Amount Budgeted	\$53,355.14	
I. Reserve, for Guaranteed Loan Fund		15,505.14
II. Contest Awards		
Public Speaking Contests		6,150.00
III. Establishment in Farming Awards for All-Day Students of Vocational Agriculture and Members of the Future Farmers of America.		
1. Star State Farmer Awards	\$4,900.00	
American Farmer Awards	4,500.00	
Farm Mechanics Awards	4,900.00	
Farm and Home Electrification Awards	<u>4,900.00</u>	
IV. Projects Initiated Within the States on a State or Local Level		19,200.00
		12,500.00
B. New Farmers of America and Negro Students and Former Students of Vocational Agriculture		
Total Amount Budgeted	\$5,628.84	

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I. Reserve, for Guaranteed Loan Fund	1,153.84
II. Contests and NFA Activities	4,475.00

GRAND TOTAL (A) - (B) BUDGETED \$59,983.98
 (Including Administrative Fund of
 \$1,000.00)

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We should like to call attention of the local FFA advisers in Kansas to Item IV - Projects Initiated Within the States on a State or Local Level. It will be noted that for the current year, Kansas will be entitled to a total of \$273.98. No rules and regulations have yet been devised for this contest. However, the national organization was notified prior to September 1, 1945, that Kansas expects to participate in this contest. You will note that plans for a state initiated project must be in the national office on or before November 1, 1945. It has been suggested that for the 1945-1946 year, the award be made to the Gold Emblem chapters. The State Association hopes to have a definite ruling on this at an early date.

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HENRY GROSECLOSE

The many friends and associates of Professor Henry C. Groseclose - "Henry" to most of you - will be interested as well as grieved to know that he retired on July 1, 1945. This action was taken on the recommendation of the College physician who feels that Henry's physical condition is such that he should be relieved of all professional responsibilities.

The part Groseclose played in drafting the Constitution and By-Laws of the Future Farmers of America and in helping to establish this organization on a sound basis is well known to all who are familiar with FFA history. He has been advisor of the Virginia Association since it was organized. He was first executive secretary and for more than twelve years served as National Treasurer. In recognition of his service he was the first to receive the Fourth Degree of Honorary American Farmer.

Professor and Mrs. Groseclose have two sons, both of whom are in the armed forces. While definite plans have not been made for the future, it is likely that they will make their home in Blacksburg, Virginia, and those who wish to communicate with them can reach them at that address.

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KINCAID FIRST CHAPTER TO PAY DUES FOR 1945-1946

To the Kincaid chapter goes the honor of being the first Kansas chapter to pay state and national FFA dues for 1945-1946. On July 1, Kincaid chapter paid dues for 11 FFA members.

The second chapter to pay dues for 1945-1946 was Columbus, whose dues for 55 members were received September 10.

FFA 1945 LEADERSHIP SCHOOLS

LAWRENCE, October 2, Tuesday, 3:30 p.m.

Lawrence, Tonganoxie, Olathe, Bonner Springs, Paola, Shawnee Mission,
Silver Lake, Berryton, Washburn, Overbrook, Seaman, Holton, Paxico,
Onaga, Lyndon, Highland Park

CLAY CENTER, October 3, Wednesday, 3:30 p.m.

Manhattan, Junction City, Wamego, Greenleaf, Linn, Washington, Haddam,
Clifton, Miltonvale, Abilene, Chapman, Solomon, Frankfort, Randolph,
Waterville, Clay Center, Alta Vista

SENECA, October 4, Thursday, 3:30 p.m.

Effingham, Fairview, Sabotha, Seneca, Valley Falls, Horton, Centralia,
Marysville, Hiawatha, Pawhattan

BELOIT, October 15, Monday, 3:30 p.m.

Jewell, Belleville, Concordia, Beverly, Minneapolis, Osborne, Smith
Center, Lebanon, Alton, Beloit, Glasco, Simpson

HILL CITY, October 16, Tuesday, 3:30 p.m.

Wakeeney, Hays, Norton, Phillipsburg, Stockton, Quinter, Ellis, Hill City

COLBY, October 17, Wednesday, 3:30 p.m.

Bird City, McDonald, Atwood, Hoxie, Oberlin, Goodland, Colby, Syracuse

KINSLEY, October 18, Thursday, 3:30 p.m.

Coldwater, Pratt, Stafford, Bazine, Kinsley, Garden City, Holcomb,
Hugoton

EMPORIA, October 22, Monday, 3:30 p.m.

Ottawa, Williamsburg, Burlington, LeRoy, Cottonwood Falls, Kincaid,
Emporia

BUHLER, October 23, Tuesday, 3:30 p.m.

Eldorado, Inman, Moundridge, Newton, Great Bend, Haven, McPherson,
Valley Center, Buhler

HARPER, October 24, Wednesday, 3:30 p.m.

Kingman, Medicine Lodge, Kiowa, Harper, Arkansas City, Winfield

PARSONS, October 25, Thursday, 3:30 p.m.

Columbus, Parsons, Cherryvale, Chanute, Howard, Girard, Independence,
Sedan, Coffeyville, Fort Scott, McGune

NOTE: If more convenient to attend a District Leadership School
held in a center other than the one to which your chapter
is assigned, please notify the host adviser of the center
you choose to attend several days prior to the date of the
meeting.

WHERE TO GET FFA SUPPLIES

Following is a list of FFA supplies and where they can be purchased. See that this list is filed so that when your chapter is in need of supplies your secretary will have the necessary information where the material can be purchased, thereby eliminating the necessity of writing the state office for this information. ORDERS FROM THE STATE OFFICE MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY CASH.

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| Adviser's pins (11) 26¢ | Membership cards (11) Cards sent only upon payment of dues, 20¢ per member |
| Arm bands, felt (2) | Music: |
| Badges and buttons (6) | "FFA March" (8) |
| Banners, felt (2) | "Hail the FFA" (11) 15¢ |
| Belts and Buckles (1) | "Hail the FFA" (11) quartette, 25¢ |
| Caps, convention style (2) | "March of FFA" (band) (8) |
| Caps, swagger and military style (3) | Napkins (4) |
| Charters for chapters (11) | Neckties (3) |
| Collegiate chapter pins (1) | Newspaper mats (4) |
| Cups, trophy (1) | Parliamentary Procedure (11) 10¢ |
| Cuts, emblem (4) | Pennants, felt (2) |
| Degree pins and keys (11) | Pictures, Washington and Jefferson (10) |
| Electrical transcription of "FFA March and Hail FFA" (5) | Pins, degree (11) |
| Electrotypes (4) | Green Hand, 3¢; Chapter Farmer, 35¢ |
| Emblems, felt (2) | Place Cards, (4) |
| Emblem stickers (4) | Plaques (1) |
| Envelopes (4) | Plows, miniature (9)* |
| Felt goods (2) | Printed supplies (4) |
| Flags (6) | Ribbons, prize (6) |
| Gavels (6) | Rings, finger (1) |
| Handbook for Future Farmers (4) | Scrap books, (6) |
| Jackets, corduroy (3) | Secretary's and Treasurer's books (11) 30¢ |
| Jewelry (1) | Shirts (3) |
| Keys, degree (11) | Stationery (4) |
| Letterheads (4) | Stickers, baggage (4), windshield (4) |
| Manuals (11) 15¢ | Trousers, Uniforms (3) |

- (1) L. G. Balfour Co., Attleboro, Mass. Jewelry
- (2) Staunton Novelty Co., Staunton, Va. Felt Goods and Convention Caps
- (3) Universal Uniform Co., Van Wert, Ohio
- (4) French-Bray Printing Co., Candler Building, Baltimore, Md., printed supplies, stationery, emblem cuts, etc.
- (5) U. S. Recording Co., Earle Theater Bldg., Washington, D. C.
- (6) St. Louis Button Co., 415 Lucas Ave., St. Louis, Mo. Celluloid buttons ribbons, badges, markers, flags.
- (7) W. M. Welch Scientific Co., Chicago, Ill.
- (8) Cundy-Betteney Co., Hyde Park, Boston, Mass.*
- (9) John Deere Co., Moline, Ill. Miniature Plows*
- (10) Swift & Co., Chicago, Ill., Agricultural Research Dept.
- (11) A. P. Davidson, Executive Adviser, Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kan.

* - Request must be accompanied by letter from State Executive Adviser

GEORGE STELTER - AMBASSADOR OF FFA GOODWILL

Friends of past Third National Vice President George Stelter, formerly of Abilene, Kansas, will be interested in learning that his present address as of August 30, 1945, is as follows: George W. Stelter, S 1/c (Pho. M.), Underwater Demolition Team #18, %F.P.O., San Francisco, California.

Button Pushing. As stated in a previous issue of this news sheet, George enlisted in aerial photography, Navy, and spent many pleasant sunny hours in U. S. resort spots learning the tricks of his trade. We often wondered how a farm boy, not used to hard labor, could stand up under the strain of cranking out so many miles of film. George relieved our mind on this point by informing us that they no longer crank 'er by hand, but that science has reduced the aerial photography business to mere push button status. George received a high rating on his button pushing operations, was duly graduated, and then learned that naval aerial photographers were a dime a dozen.

Outsmarting the Censor. On May 5, 1945, we received a letter from George written on a letter head portraying a coastline with palm trees, all bathed in a beautiful sunrise. The letter had the appearance of a page of paper having been used for cutting out paper dolls. The missel had been duly passed by the official censor. From the few remaining words in the letter, it was obvious that George wanted to know where certain people were located. Putting the fleet post office and the tropical coastline together, we deduced that George was in Hawaii. Accordingly, we wrote Stelter, and told him that we noticed his fleet postoffice, and hoped that in his travels in the interest of photography, he might accidentally happen to land in the Hawaiian Islands. So we gave him the names of all the Island staff in vocational agriculture, as well as the address of former FFA boys from the Hawaiian Islands. On July 2, 1945, we had a letter from George telling us that he had had a most pleasant tour of the islands under the direction of Supervisor Warren Gibson, had met several FFA boys, and that he had sent a story of his travels to A. W. Tenney of the Washington office.

A 6-Day Leave. On August 6, 1945, S1/c George walked into the office of your editor. He stated that he had landed in California and had a 6-day leave and was crowding into this limited amount of time 4,000 miles of travel, by air, train, bus, and "thumb", a visit with his folks, a "real pleasure" visit with his sweetie, Helen Simmons, who is enrolled in KSC, and - while Helen was attending classes - several visits with your editor. Stelter had joined up with an Underwater Demolition Team, and had just completed his training. That is what he was doing in Hawaii. The Underwater Demolition Team, one of the Navy's "secret weapons", is a specially trained crew whose function is to study harbors and beaches, clear them of mines, coral reefs, tank traps, etc., in preparation for invasion. George trained with a team, but from here on he will be in photography. While taking his training, George was commissioned to write the history of the Underwater Demolition Teams. This gave him access to all official files covering this phase of the war activities. George was full of his subject, and if we had the space we would tell you just how the Underwater Demolition Teams operate. Perhaps George can do that for us in a later issue.

Hirsutulous labrum. (Get a big dictionary George) Part of the Underwater Demolition training program required the wearing of a face mask which fits snugly under the nose. George wears a fiber-brushlike line across the

George Stelter (continued)

upper lip (labrum), claims he had to grow it to keep the mask from rubbing his lip. It didn't look so bad - could be improved by the addition of a little dye which would make it visible to the naked eye.

Philatelist's Delight. A letter from George, mailed at sea under date of August 21, arrived one day ahead of the philatelist's delight letter which was mailed August 30, 1945, bearing the "first landing" stamp, Tokyo Bay, Japan. In this letter, George states, "Flying, fast ships, good navy, best outfit in the navy, enabled me to be here in Tokyo Bay in time to film the big show. More later, but this note to my very best friend will furnish a special envelope for your file." - Thanks, George. Now, can the ambassador of FFA goodwill find time to write me a story for the Newsletter, telling how you and your team operated to give those Nips the jitters prior to the island invasions. Here's hoping you can produce. Ed.

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OLATHE BOY WINS MIDWEST FAT LAMB SHOW

Douglas Doak had the grand champion fat lamb at the Midwest Vocational Agriculture fat stock show and sale in Kansas City, Missouri, August 30 and 31. The Doak brothers also placed second in the group of 3 class; 4th in the car lot and 7th individual in the over 85# class. Doug's champion S. D. lamb weighed 95# and sold for \$1.00 per lb.

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CHAPTER NEWS

LAWRENCE: Our 15th annual Future Farmer Fair held in cooperation with the 4H clubs of Douglas County was held August 28 and 29. This project is sponsored by the Lawrence Community Chest. The fair is managed and conducted entirely by members of the two organizations. We will have about 6 very good fat calves to go to the American Royal Fat Cattle Show in October....This year for the first time we sponsored a hardball team in the Lawrence City League. The League is for boys of high school age. In the League we won third place but in the final tournament, we won the tournament championship.

Robert Wulfkuhle, Reporter

FAIRVIEW: President - Charles Jackson; Vice President - Marvin Bauerle; Secretary - Robert Allen; Treasurer - Victor Meyers; Reporter - Raymond Bell; Sentinel - Paul Banks....At our first fall meeting, the president appointed Marvin Bauerle, and Raymond Bell to choose up sides to collect chapter dues. The side that collects its dues first will be guest to the other side at a picnic. Flash! Raymond Bell's side won.

Raymond Bell, Reporter

MEDICINE LODGE: We have 45 enrolled in Vocational Agriculture. Our FFA has a lot of work planned and also a lot of fun planned for the year....Our officers are: President - Jim Harbaugh; Vice President - Duane Stricklin; Secretary - Ray Teverbaugh; Treasurer - Wallace Jones; Reporter - Dwight Stone; Sentinel - Wayne Ford....Harold Wilson was presented a box of fishing tackle for having the most points in the pest eradication contest last spring.

Dwight Stone, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

PRATT: The chapter officers are: President - Eugene Wing; Vice President - Charles Bergner; Secretary - Junior Bergner; Treasurer - Keith McFall; Reporter - Loren Goyen; Sentinel - Charles Blasi....Our chapter has made plans to have a day meeting twice a month and a night meeting once a month....We have 50 boys enrolled in vocational agriculture....We plan to initiate 22 Green Hands at an early date....Our officers have memorized their parts in the opening and closing ceremony....We plan to attend the district officers training school....We plan to sponsor a machinery repair program for young farmers and returning veterans who are not enrolled in day classes.

Loren Goyen, Reporter

STOCKTON: Officers: President - DeVane Cunningham; Vice President - Gail McComb; Secretary - Doyle Peaslee; Treasurer - Jay Daniels; Reporter - Keith McComb; Sentinel - James Kriley; Adviser - F. A. Blauer....The FFA and 4H Clubs held a Junior Fair on August 21 and 22....Our chapter team placed 4th in the judging contest at the C.K. Hereford Ranch field day....There are 49 boys enrolled in vocational agriculture this year....Rodney Muir, a member of our chapter was killed instantly July 18 by a tractor turning over on him. Rodney was active in FFA and had one of the best farming programs in the chapter. He would have been a senior in high school this year.

Keith McComb, Reporter

CLATHE: 1945-1946 officers: President - Myron Kordes; Vice President - Douglas Doak; Treasurer - Henry Radcliff; Secretary - James Pretz; Reporter - Jerry Hendrix; Sentinel - Joe Meyer....3 night meetings were held during the summer. The 1st devoted to the home, the 2nd to safety - each boy on roll call answered a farm safety practice, and the 3rd meeting was a parent-son meeting. This meeting was held outside the classroom, and the members had a baby beef, a P.B. Southdown ram, a P.B. Guernsey bull, and a western feeder lamb to serve as visual material while farming programs were discussed. 6 gallons of home made ice cream and home made cake added to the pleasure of the occasion....We had one entry in the KC June lamb show - placed 7th....John and Douglas Doak purchased 2 good Southdown rams at the Columbia, Mo. lamb show....Paul Persch and his brother put a new frame on Paul's Model A...Myron Kordes made a 24 foot all metal baled hay elevator, and a moving machine attachment for his truck garden tractor....We plan 30 entries in the county fair in September.

Jerry Hendrix, Reporter

WINFIELD: Our officers and advisory board met August 29, and it was decided that the Land Use Planning program started last year would be the main feature of the program again this year. This is the second year of a 4-year plan in soil conservation. This year terracing, strip farming, contour farming and gully control will be featured. A number of the Winfield boys have launched into their programs and, in addition to the work done last year, 15 terraces have been surveyed and most of the work on these has been completed. We plan to have 20 boys with a definite soil conservation program in operation....Our chapter has ordered a car of Texas ewes and a car of feeder lambs. The ewes have arrived and have been distributed. They were solid mouth ewes. They cost \$6.00 leading point....The chapter officers for this year are President - Gerald Lawrence; Vice President - Ad Copple; Secretary - Bert Borrie; Treasurer - Bob Borrie; Reporter - Bill Witmer; and Sentinel - Leon Moore.

Bill Witmer, Reporter

Chapter News (continued)

PHILLIPSBURG: Our chapter cooperative turkey project, cooperating with Leroy Anderson, yielded a net return to the chapter of \$294.01....The 88 head of turkey hens were approved by the KPIA. They were blood tested for B.W.D. and the eggs were sold to a U.S. approved hatchery. These hens averaged 30 eggs per bird. The profit was 3.85 per hen....Officers are: President - Bill Desjardin; Vice President - Ray Zillinger; Reporter - Norman Shoemaker; Secretary - Fred Zillinger; Treasurer - Norman Leydig; Sentinel - Keith Lomon.... Our corn test plots have suffered terribly from the late summer drought.
Norman Shoemaker, Reporter

GOODLAND: Officers are: President - Stanley Martin; Vice President - Ted Daise; Secretary - Melvin Jones; Treasurer - Bob Fixsen; Reporter - Howard Sherrod; Sentinel - Pete Walker....FFA members sponsored a booth at the North West Kansas District Free Fair....Farming programs are being enlarged and several boys are planning to make applications for the State Farmer degree.... We plan to meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month during this school year.
Howard Sherrod, Reporter

KINCAID: At our May meeting we calendered our activities for the coming year. ...We held a bowling party at Garnett for a member who was leaving for the army.
Joe Patton, Reporter

SAREETHA: Our officers for the year are: President - Glenn Aeschliman; Vice President - Ivd Haflick; Secretary - Dale Wompe; Treasurer - Wilfred Banks; Reporter - Lyle Steiner; Sentinel - Leo Kellenberger; Adviser - Mr. Latimer. At an officer-adviser picnic lunch held August 24, our 1945-46 Program of Work was planned....Our Supervised Practice program will be stronger than last year, also our Cooperative Activities.
Lyle Steiner, Reporter

ATWOOD: Our officers are: President - Lou Gene Picalto; Vice President - Donald Domsch; Secretary - John Houssman; Treasurer - Louis Sabatka; Reporter - William Sawyer....Owen Harden won 2nd place in the Rawlins County Blue Ribbon wheat production contest with a 10 acre field of certified Comanche wheat which averaged 37 bu. per acre. He is selling this wheat for seed at \$3.00 per bu....Everett Holthus won first prize at the county FFA - 4H club Achievement day contest with a sample of Temarq wheat.
William Sawyer, Reporter

HOWARD: Vernon Jones, Bruce Fickle, Duayne Miller, Harold Mitchell and Adviser Ned Smith attended the Cedar Bluff FFA Camp near Coffeyville....The FFA Book Sale is being conducted in the Vocational Agriculture Room. Last year we made \$31.00 from our book sale....Our annual picnic was held at the Howard Lake, Sunday, September 2....Our officers for this year are: President - Donald Wyant (In the navy); Vice President - Vernon Jones; Secretary - Robert Carter; Treasurer - Bruce Fickle; Reporter - Francis Bocquin.
Francis Bocquin, Reporter

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NOTE: Because of running the article on Future Farmers of America Foundation Incorporated, it was necessary to severely edit chapter notes, and to hold some of them over for the October Newsletter.