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TO LOCAL FFA ADVISERS:

Find enclosed certain materials that were intended to be included in the September 15, 1949, issue of the Kansas Future Farmer Newsletter but for valid reasons were omitted.

- I. Program of Twenty Second Convention of the National Organization of FFA. (This did not reach us until after the September issue of the Newsletter was printed).
- II. Plans for Re-activating and Establishing FFA Chapters.
- III. Information concerning local FFA chapter officer pins.
- IV. Kansas headquarters at the National FFA Convention will be the President Hotel. The official delegates are John Gigstad, Immediate Past President of the Kansas Association of FFA, Effingham Chapter, and Paul Mugler, President of the Kansas Association of FFA, Clay Center Chapter. The alternates are J. E. Zimmerman, Vice-President of the Kansas Association of FFA, Olathe Chapter, and Lon Dean Crosson, Minneapolis Chapter, Immediate Past Treasurer of the Kansas Association of FFA. The delegates will room at the President Hotel.
- V. The members selected from the Kansas Association of FFA for the National FFA Band are as follows: Jim Anderson, Randolph High School, Randolph; Jerry J. Deaton, Tonganoxie High School, Tonganoxie; Jerome Johnson, Concordia High School, Concordia; John R. McKone, Tonganoxie High School, Tonganoxie; Donald Schimpf, Stafford High School, Stafford.

Members selected from the Kansas Association of FFA for the National FFA Chorus are as follows: Clement C. Anderes, Chapman High School; Chapman; Carl Reeder, Salina Wesleyan College, Salina; Ted Hanson, Concordia High School, Concordia; Gary Johnson, Highland Park High School, Topeka; and Merle Schnelle, Medicine Lodge High School, Medicine Lodge.

Reservations for the Chorus members have been made at the Robert E. Lee and State Hotels. The State Office has not been notified where the Band will be housed. Individual members will be informed just as soon as we receive information on this subject.

All Chorus and Band members will be notified from this office about transportation to and from Kansas City.

Sincerely yours,



A. P. Davidson, Executive Adviser
Kansas Association of FFA

TWENTY-SECOND NATIONAL CONVENTION

Future Farmers of America
Kansas City, Missouri - October 10 - 13, 1949

Program

- October 5
through
October 7 Executive Sessions, F.F.A. National Board of Trustees
President Hotel
- October 8
through
October 9 Executive Sessions, F.F.A. National Advisory Council and National Board of Trustees
President Hotel
- October 10
Monday 8:00 A.M. - Registration, Grand Foyer, Municipal Auditorium
12:30 P.M. - Officer-Delegate Luncheon, President Hotel
1:30 P.M. - Tours to Points of Interest
2:30 P.M. - Meeting of State Advisers, President Hotel
8:00 P.M. - National Public Speaking Contest, Main Arena, Municipal Auditorium
- October 11
Tuesday 8:00 A.M. - Registration, Grand Foyer, Municipal Auditorium
9:00 A.M. - Opening Session, National F.F.A. Convention, Main Arena, Municipal Auditorium
Band Concert
Treasurer's Report
Executive Secretary's Report
Creed Pageant--New York State Association
Address--
2:00 P.M. - Second Session, National F.F.A. Convention, Main Arena, Municipal Auditorium
Greetings from Past National Officers
American Farmer Degree Ceremony
Conferring of Honorary American Farmer Degrees
Presentation of Awards in National Chapter Contest
7:30 P.M. - Third Session, Main Arena, Municipal Auditorium
Massing of State Flags--State Star Farmers
Star American Farmer Awards Presentation
Special Entertainment--Courtesy, Firestone Tire and Rubber Company
- October 12
Wednesday 9:00 A.M. - Fourth Session, Main Arena, Municipal Auditorium
Interviews of F.F.A. Boys who visited Great Britain
Interviews of Guests from National Federation of Young Farmers Clubs of Great Britain

October 12
cont'd.

- Presentation of Charter to Rhode Island Assn.
Address--Honorable Clifford R. Hope,
United States Congressman from
Kansas
- 2:00 P.M. - Fifth Session, Main Arena, Municipal Auditorium
Appointment of Committees
Recess for Committee Work
Tours to Points of Interest
- 8:00 P.M. - Sixth Session, Main Arena, Municipal Auditorium
Calling to Platform Representatives of Donors to the Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc.
Introduction of Platform Guests
Presentation of Foundation Awards
Scientific Show -- "New Horizons in Communication", Dr. J. O. Perrine
American Telephone and Telegraph Co.

October 13
Thursday

- 9:00 A.M. - Seventh Session, Main Arena, Municipal Auditorium
Committee Reports
Report on National F.F.A. Camp
Address--Albert S. Goss, Master, National Grange
- 2:00 P.M. - Eighth Session, Main Arena, Municipal Auditorium
Addresses of Retiring Officers
Report of Nominating Committee
Election of Officers
Greetings from Incoming Officers
- 8:00 P.M. - Final Session, Main Arena, Municipal Auditorium
Installation of New Officers
Presentation of Past Officers' Pins and Certificates
Special "Kansas City Night" Program

OTHER EVENTS

October 13
Thursday

- 9:00 A.M. - Registration, Grand Foyer, Municipal Auditorium
- 4:00 P.M. - Livestock and Meat Judging Teams
- 4:30 P.M. - Meeting of Instructors, Teacher Trainers, Supervisors and other officials in charge of Livestock and Meat Judging Teams. Hotel President

October 14
Friday

- 7:00 A.M. - Livestock Judging Contest, American Royal Bldg.
- 1:30 P.M. - Meat Judging Contest, Swift Packing Co.

October 15
Saturday

- 9:00 A.M. - American Royal Parade -- National F.F.A. Officers and National Band participating.
- 2:00 P.M. - Horse Show -- Free tickets to Judging Teams Coaches and National F.F.A. Band
- 6:00 P.M. - Banquet for Livestock Judging Teams Coaches and Livestock Exhibitors. Hotel President.

RE-ACTIVATING AND ESTABLISHING FFA CHAPTERS

I. Re-activating FFA Chapters

- A. Where chapters have become inactive due to non-payment of State and National dues. In this case the chapter may become active by payment of State and National dues and the submittal of a Chapter Program of Work for 1949-50.
- B. Re-activating chapters where they have been established and the work in vocational agriculture has not been offered for the past three years.

Re-activating chapters under conditions described under I-B will follow the same procedure recommended for establishing FFA chapters in newly organized departments of vocational agriculture. (See II)

II. Establishing FFA Chapters in schools where vocational agriculture is being offered for the first time.

- A. Acquaint the vocational agriculture students with the Future Farmers of America Organization through study lessons, FFA Newsletters, National FFA Proceedings, etc., in an effort to create a desire to organize a local chapter of Future Farmers of America.
- B. Elect temporary officers from upper class groups. Use a nominating committee if feasible.
- C. Through committee assignments and study of mimeographed material from the state office, build tentative chapter Program of Work.
- D. Write state office for petition blank to petition the State Association for a local FFA chapter.
- E. Collect State and National dues; list membership in accordance with directions on petition blank and forward the petition blank with state and national dues and tentative local chapter Program of Work to the State Office at Manhattan, Kansas
- F. Upon receipt of petition blank, dues, and local Program of Work, the State Office will issue the local FFA charter and will send the local chapter free the following material: George Washington General Order on Profanity; Purposes, Creed, Picture of Henry Groseclose. All to be framed under glass.

Note: The state office does not have Charters available at present. Just as soon as the Charters are received from the State Printer they will be sent to the local chapter in the order of the chartering date, together with instructions as to how the charter shall be filled out.

- G. In accordance with the National Constitution, all local officers except the Sentinel must hold the Degree of Chapter Farmer. In case of newly chartered chapters, as well as re-activated chapters where vocational agriculture work has been discontinued for three or more years, the Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America has ruled that all officers in such FFA chapters shall be elected from the Green Hand Degree group. During the second year of the local chapter's history, it will be possible to elect officers from the Chapter Farmer Degree group, which will be in full accord with the Constitutions of both the National Organization and the State Association.
- H. One of the following patterns may be used to facilitate the Degree Ritual work for newly established chapters and for re-activated chapters falling under the classification of I-B.
1. Take the officer group to a neighboring chapter and have them initiated into the Green Hand Degree. Then the Chapter Green Hand officer members can initiate the other members of the chapter into the Green Hand Degree.
 2. Have a neighboring chapter bring its officers to a meeting of the local chapter and have them initiate the entire group into the Green Hand Degree.
 3. In the case of small groups it might be desirable to take your entire membership to a neighboring chapter and have them initiated into the Green Hand Degree.
- I. The plan of handling Degree Ritual Work under I-A will depend upon how long the chapter has remained inactive. One of the patterns set up under H or a modification of one of these patterns should make it possible for re-activated chapters under I-A to satisfactorily be re-activated.

CHAPTER OFFICER EMBLEMS

The State Office now has available the new Chapter Officers' Emblems. The emblem consists of the FFA pin with guard and chain attached designating the office held. For example, the office of the president will have a gavel attached to the chain, the office of vice president will have a small plow attached to the chain, with the ear of corn, the head of Washington, the United State Shield, and a Sabor designating the respective offices.

The price of the pin and officers' guard, silver plate, is 95¢. This includes government and state tax.

Officer emblems must be ordered through the usual procedure, and cash must accompany the order.