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PROGRAM

SOUTHERN REGIONAL CONFERENCE FOR STATE SUPERVISORS AND NEGRO
TEACHER TRAINERS IN AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION

Theme: Improving Instruction by Developing a Standard of Excellent
Practices for Local Departments of Vocational Agriculture.

March 2 to 5, 1953

Waluhaje Hotel

Atlanta, Ga.

FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY
Office of Education
Division of Vocational Education
Washington 25, D. C.

PLEASE BRING THIS PROGRAM TO THE CONFERENCE

Regional Conference - 1953

May I suggest that:

1. Since "Evaluative Criteria" creates the undesirable impression that some evaluator is to evaluate the teachers program, that we find a better terminology than "Evaluative Criteria".
2. It has been found by experience that, as a rule, evaluative devices are too formal and cumbersome to be of much value in supervising local programs of vocational agriculture but the standard practices agreed to in the "Evaluative Criteria" are very valuable guides for teachers of vocational agriculture. Therefore, it is suggested that this Regional Conference devote its time to setting up the desirable practices that should be found in all phases of a local program of vocational agriculture. Then the "Evaluative Criteria" will become the chart and guide for teachers of vocational agriculture in your State.
3. The supervisors present the work of this conference to the teachers in their States as a basis for developing and adopting the standard practices that should be found in all local departments and, incidentally, acquaint the teachers with the standards.
4. The supervisory value of the standards can be utilized by the itinerant teacher trainer or supervisor suggesting to the teacher that he read and follow the suggestions in the standard regarding supervised farming or other phases of the programs that are weak instead of trying to give the teacher a 30-minute to 2-hour review of the agricultural education practices he should be using.
5. For the want of better terminology, this program has used tentatively "A Standard of Excellent Practices" in lieu of "Evaluative Criteria". Suggestions for a better terminology will be appreciated. Full discussion of these points will be made at the conference.

/s/

W. N. Elam

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General Chairman of Conference	W. N. Elam
Chairman, Program of Work Committee	A. L. Teachey
General Secretary of Conference	W. T. Johnson
Assistant Secretary of Conference	Gus Jones
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Steering Committee	(A. Floyd
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General Conference Committees

1. 1954 Regional Conference Program:

A. Floyd, Ala.; E. M. Norris, Tex.; M. A. Fields, Va.; W. J. Parent, La.; and P. B. Dilworth, Ala., will make recommendations for regular conference program in 1954.

2. Exhibits:

C. H. Chapman, La.; G. W. Conoly, Fla.; and M. J. Clark, La., will arrange the exhibit of State materials at the regional conference.

3. Research:

C. E. Dean, N. Car.; C. C. Marion, Md.; and L. W. Bonner, Ala., will make suggestions for directing the research of graduate students towards some of the major problems in agricultural education.

4. Resolutions:

L. A. Marshall, Fla.; W. F. Hickson, S. Car.; and L. R. Gaines, Ark., are to prepare the resolutions of the conference.

5. Work Committees:

See Committee Assignments on pages 7 and 8.

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Monday, March 2

Morning, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Chairman : W. F. Hickson, S. Car.
Secretary: A. G. Kirby, Ark.

Opening Prayer.	Local Pastor
Welcome to the Conference	Dr. C. V. Troup
Annual Report for the Region.	W. N. Elam
"Points We Need to Emphasize in the Southern Region"	R. E. Naugher
Progress Reports on the Development and Use of Evaluative Devices During the Past Year in the Following States: Alabama, South Carolina, Texas, North Carolina, and Tennessee (Each report followed by a 10- minute group discussion).	

Afternoon, 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Chairman : Gus Jones, Tex.
Secretary: L. A. Marshall, Fla.

State Reports continued.

Summary of the morning conference	A. L. Teachey, N. Car.
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Tuesday, March 3

Morning, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Chairman : David Hamilton, Tenn.
Secretary: J. R. Powell, Tex.

"Remarks on Agricultural Education and the NEA"	Dr. W. T. Spanton
Business Session, New Farmers of America	
Report of the National NEA Advisory Council	D. C. Jones, Okla.
Revision of NEA Contest and Award Applica- tions	J. R. Thomas, Va.
The Twentieth Anniversary National NEA Convention.	J. R. Thomas, Va. and S. B. Simmons, N. Car.

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Tuesday, March 3 (Cont.)

Morning, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon (Cont.)

Other items:

FFA Foundation Awards for the NFA
FFA Supply Service

Afternoon, 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Chairman : L. W. Bonner, Ala.
Secretary: G. W. Conoly, Fla.

Committee Work on Standards of Excellent Practices for Instructions to Committees . . .

A. L. Teachey,
N. Car.

See Committee Assignments on pages 7 and 8.

Wednesday, March 4

Morning, 7:30 a.m.

Breakfast at Waluhaje Hotel for all conference members, courtesy of General Motors Corporation.

Morning, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Chairman : A. Floyd, Ala.
Secretary: C. E. Dean, N. Car.

"The Challenge of Our Work" Dr. Benj. E. Mays

Modification and Adoption of Committee Reports.

Afternoon, 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Chairman : J. N. Freeman, Mo.
Secretary: W. A. Flowers, Tenn.

Continuation of Committee Reports.

Afternoon, 6:00 p.m.

Dinner at Waluhaje Hotel for all conference members, courtesy of C. H. Lang, Vice-President of General Electric Corporation and Chairman of the FFA Foundation Sponsoring Committee.

PROGRAM (Cont.)

Thursday, March 5

Morning, 8:30 p.m. to 12:00 noon

Chairman : G. F. Rankin, N. Car.
Secretary: J. O. Williams, Ga.

Roundtable discussion on teacher training activities submitted by the States as follows (Each leader will be given five minutes to state his problem and his recommendations for solving it. Then general discussion at the discretion of the chairman):

- D. C. Jones, Okla. : "Teaching trainees in regard to supervised farming instruction."
P. J. Manly, Ky. : "The in-service program that will stimulate teachers to accept higher standards in teaching vocational agriculture."
J. R. Thomas, Va. : 1. "Recruiting and selecting better pre-service trainees for agricultural education."
2. "Training the supervising teachers for their work with trainees."
L. A. Marshall, Fla. : 1. "A program of placement for graduates in agricultural education."
2. "Problems of the first-year teacher and how they may be met."
S. P. Fugate, Ga. : 1. "Getting teachers to increase the scope of the supervised farming programs."
2. "Stimulating adult classes."
M. A. Fields, Va. : "Selecting prospective trainees in agricultural education."

Afternoon, 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Business session

"The National Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association".

By a representative to be named.
T. G. Walters, Ga.

"The A.V.A. and You".
Report of the 1954 Regional Conference Program Committee

Report of Resolutions Committee

Report of Research Committee

Unfinished business.

Final adjournment.

WORK COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

<u>Committee Number</u>	<u>Assignments</u>
I	<u>"The Student and His Environment"</u> Chairman : Gus Jones, Texas Consultant: George Sullards, Arkansas S. P. Fugate, Georgia.
II	<u>"The Supervised Farming Program"</u> Chairman : A. G. Gordon, Mississippi Consultant: B. P. Dilworth, Alabama David Hamilton, Tennessee; and W. R. Wynder, Delaware.
III	<u>"Local NFA Activity Programs"</u> Chairman : A. D. Fobbs, Mississippi Consultant: Hugh Jones, Oklahoma W. T. Johnson, North Carolina; and L. W. Bonner, Alabama.
IV	<u>"The School Administrator and Program Development"</u> Chairman : G. W. Conoly, Florida Consultant: T. G. Walters, Georgia D. C. Jones, Oklahoma; and W. F. Hickson, South Carolina.
V	<u>"The Student and Vocational Choices"</u> Chairman : Paul Rutledge, Texas Consultant: J. N. Freeman, Tennessee C. C. Marion, Maryland; and J. R. Powell, Texas.
VI	<u>"The Course of Study"</u> Chairman : C. H. Chapman, Louisiana Consultant: H. E. Wood, Florida P. J. Manly, Kentucky; and A. G. Kirby, Arkansas.
VII	<u>"Plans for Instruction"</u> Chairman : C. E. Dean, North Carolina Consultant: W. J. Parent, Louisiana J. R. Thomas, Virginia
VIII	<u>"Subject Matter Material"</u> Chairman : F. T. McQueen, Alabama Consultant: Carl Humphrey, Missouri W. A. Flowers, Tennessee; and C. B. Jeter, Virginia.
IX	<u>"Equipment Necessary for Instruction"</u> Chairman : A. Floyd, Alabama Consultant: A. P. Fatherree, Mississippi Benjamin S. Anderson, Georgia; and S. E. Palmer, Texas.

WORK COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS (Cont.)

<u>Committee Number</u>	<u>Assignments</u>
X	<u>"A Follow-Up of the Student"</u> Chairman : E. M. Norris, Texas Consultant: E. P. Hilton, Kentucky M. J. Clark, Louisiana; and E. L. Donald, Alabama.
XI	<u>"Evaluation Procedures"</u> Chairman : S. B. Simmons, North Carolina Consultant: C. G. Zimmerman, South Carolina J. N. Freeman, Missouri; L. R. Gaines, Arkansas. and J. O. Williams, Georgia.

Note No. 1: Each committee is expected to complete the work begun last year based upon the problems and goals that were set up at the 1952 Regional Conference. Please review this material in the 1952 Regional Conference Proceedings, Misc., 3413, Office of Education, Washington, D. C.

Note No. 2: There will be a meeting of the chairmen of committees and all committee consultants in the conference room at the Waluhaje Hotel at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 28, 1953, in Atlanta, Ga. The purpose of the meeting is to develop definite instructions for the conference committees.

Guest Speakers:

W. N. Elam, Program Planning Specialist (Agricultural Education), Office of Education, Washington, D. C.
Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, President, Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga.
R. E. Naugher, Program Planning Specialist (Agricultural Education), Office of Education, Washington, D. C.
Dr. W. T. Spanton, Chief, Agricultural Education Branch, Office of Education, Washington, D. C.
Dr. C. V. Troup, President, Fort Valley State College, Fort Valley, Ga.