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CONVENTION



September 30th to October 3rd, 1952

EXHIBIT HALL
MUNICIPAL STADIUM - ATLANTA - GEORGIA

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Eighteenth National Convention

The New Farmers of America

The New Farmers of America is the national organization of, by and for farm boys studying vocational agriculture in public secondary schools, which operate under the provisions of the National Vocational Education Acts. It is an educational, non-political, non-profit, farm youth organization of voluntary membership, designed to develop agricultural leadership, character, thrift, scholarship, cooperation, citizenship, and patriotism. The N.F.A. is an intra-curricular part of vocational education in agriculture in the public school system of America. It constitutes one of the most effective devices for teaching through participating experiences.

This organization had its beginning in Virginia in May 1927, when the New Farmers of Virginia chapters held their first State meeting and convention at Virginia State College, Petersburg.

The organization has grown rapidly to over 900 chapters, and membership of nearly 35,000 during the past seventeen years and is recognized as the largest Negro farm boy organization in the world. National headquarters are maintained in the Agricultural Education Service of the Office of Education, Federal Security Agency.

The National Organization has become an important factor in the development of the New Farmers of America, and has grown not only in membership, but has each year improved its program of helping farm boys to better prepare themselves for citizenship and life on the farm.

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Meeting of National Board of Trustees
Room 4, Butler Street Y.M.C.A.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Registration, Lobby, Butler Street Y.M.C.A.
Meeting of National Board of Trustees

1:00 P. M. National N.F.A. Chorus Rehearsals, Y.M.C.A.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

9:00 A. M. National Chorus Rehearsal, Municipal Auditorium
State Superior Farmer Ceremony Rehearsal, Municipal Auditorium
Auditions for Talent Program, Municipal Auditorium
Registration, Lobby, Butler Street Y.M.C.A.

2:00 P. M. Opening Session, Exhibit Hall, Municipal Auditorium
Opening Ceremony
Music – National NFA Chorus
Invocation
Roll Call and Seating Delegates
Minutes of 17th National Convention
Appointment of Constitutional Committees
Reports:
National Executive Treasurer
National Executive Secretary
National Officers
National Quartette Contest
Music – National NFA Chorus
Report of National Quartette Contest
Closing Ceremony

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7:30 P. M. Second Session, Exhibit Hall, Municipal Auditorium
Opening Ceremony
Music – National NFA Chorus
Address of Welcome – William Hartsfield, Mayor of Atlanta, Georgia
Music – Second Place Winner of National Quartette Contest
Previews of Progress – General Motors Corporation
Closing Ceremony

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1

9:00 A. M. Third Session, Exhibit Hall, Municipal Auditorium
Opening Ceremony
Group Singing
Honorary Superior Farmer Degree Ceremony
Address – Mr. Harley F. Taylor, Dover, Delaware
National N. F. A. Quiz Contest
Recess for committee work
Star Superior Farmer Ceremony Rehearsal
1:00 P. M. World Series Baseball Game over TV, Municipal Auditorium
4:00 P. M. Meeting of Livestock Judging Contest Committee
Room 4, Butler Street Y.M.C.A.
5:00 P. M. Meeting of Judging Team Coaches, Room 4, Butler Street Y.M.C.A.

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7:30 P. M. Fourth Session, Exhibit Hall, Municipal Auditorium

Opening Ceremony

Music – National NFA Chorus

Presentation of Awards – National Officers

Farm Mechanics

Farm Electrification

Farm and Home Improvements

Soil and Water Management

Dairy Farming

H. O. Sargent Award

Star Superior Farmer Ceremony

Processional

Massing of State Flags

Ceremony

Music – Winner of National Quartette Contest

Address and Presentation of Representatives of the
F.F.A. Foundation Donors

Music – National NFA Chorus

Recessional

Closing Ceremony

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2

GEORGIA NFA DAY

9:00 A. M. Fifth Session, Exhibit Hall, Municipal Auditorium

Opening Ceremony

Music – National NFA Chorus

Report of Constitutional Committees

Report of National Board of Trustees

Superior Farmer Degree Ceremony

National Public Speaking Contest

NFA Emblem Ceremony – Virginia NFA Association

Report of National Public Speaking Contest

Closing Ceremony

11:00 A. M. National Judging Contest, Southeastern Fair
Grounds

12:30 P. M. Attending Southeastern Fair

3:00 P. M. N.F.A. Program – Grandstand, Southeastern Fair

5:00 P. M. Voting booth open to delegates, Butler Street
Y.M.C.A.

6:00 P. M. Past National Officers Banquet

8:00 P. M. Atlanta Nite NFA Social

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3

9:00 A. M. Closing Session, Exhibit Hall, Municipal Auditorium

Opening Ceremony

Music — National NFA Chorus

National Talent Program

Final Report of Nominating Committee

Installation of National Student Officers

Presentation of Awards — National Officers

N. F. A. Quiz

Quartette

Public Speaking

Talent

Judging

Report of Special Committees

Unfinished Business

Closing Ceremony and Convention Adjournment

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DATES AND PLACES OF PAST NATIONAL CONVENTIONS

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|------|----------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 1935 | 1st—Tuskegee Institute | Alabama | Aug. 4-7 |
| 1936 | 2nd—Hampton Institute | Virginia | Aug. 30-Sept. 2 |
| 1937 | 3rd—Prairie View State N. & I. College | Texas | Aug. 29-Sept. 3 |
| 1938 | 4th—Georgia State Industrial College | Georgia | Aug. 21-24 |
| 1939 | 5th—Manual Training School | New Jersey | Aug. 6-9 |
| 1940 | 6th—State A. & M. College | Arkansas | Aug. 4-7 |
| 1941 | 7th—State A. & M. College | Florida | Aug. 17-20 |
| 1942 | 8th—State A. & M. College | South Carolina | Aug. 9-11 |
| 1943 | 9th—Langston University | Oklahoma | July 31-Aug. 3 |
| 1944 | 10th—Virginia State College | Virginia | Aug. 3-6 |
| 1945 | 11th—A. & I. State University | Tennessee | Aug. 27-30 |
| 1946 | 12th—Southern University | Louisiana | Nov. 21-23 |
| 1947 | 13th—A. & T. College | North Carolina | Aug. 3-6 |
| 1948 | 14th—Tuskegee Institute | Alabama | Aug. 15-18 |
| 1949 | 15th—Butler Street YMCA | Atlanta, Ga. | Oct. 23-28 |
| 1950 | 16th—Municipal Auditorium | Atlanta, Ga. | Oct. 1-5 |
| 1951 | 17th—Municipal Auditorium | Atlanta, Ga. | Sept. 30-Oct. 4 |

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FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA FOUNDATION, Incorporated

The Future Farmers of America Foundation was incorporated under the laws of the District of Columbia on March 29, 1944. The By-Laws were adopted by the Board of Trustees at a special meeting in Kansas City, Missouri, October 7, 1944.

The Foundation was established to provide business, industrial, civic, farm and service organizations and individuals with an opportunity to cooperate in furthering the programs of the Future Farmers of America and the New Farmers of America.

The Foundation annually provides on a nationwide basis prizes and financial awards to deserving members of the F.F.A. and N.F.A. who have achieved distinction in their supervised farming programs, scholarships, citizenship and rural leadership.

Foundation funds are administered by a Board of Trustees of fifteen members, nine of whom are State Vocational Agricultural leaders democratically elected at regional conferences to represent the various States. Six members are from the staff of the Agricultural Education Service of the Office of Education, Federal Security Agency. An Advisory Committee, which meets for one day each year with the Board of Trustees, is composed of one representative from each of the donors to the Foundation.

A steady growth in interest and participation in the Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc., has been evident since its inception, as illustrated by the fact that 120 donors are listed in 1951 whereas only 68 were listed in 1950.

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THE N. F. A. CREED

I believe in the dignity of farm work and that I shall prosper in proportion as I learn to put knowledge and skill into the occupations of farming.

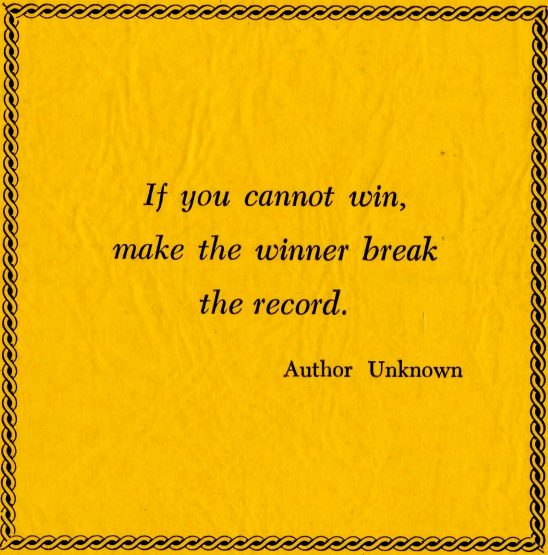
I believe that the farm boy who learns to produce better crops and better livestock; who learns to improve and beautify his home surrounding will find joy and success in meeting the challenging situations as they arise in his daily living.

I believe that rural organizations should develop their leaders from within; that the boys in the rural communities should look forward to positions of leadership in the civic, social and public life surrounding them.

I believe that the life of service is the life that counts; that happiness endures to mankind when it comes from having helped lift the burdens of others.

I believe in the practice of cooperation in agriculture; that it will aid in bringing to the man lowest down a wealth of giving as well as receiving.

I believe that each farm boy bears the responsibility for finding and developing his talents to the end that the life of his people may thereby be enriched so that happiness and contentment will come to all.



*If you cannot win,
make the winner break
the record.*

Author Unknown