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Status of County Extension Organization.

(1). Form of Organization.

Fallon County has a Farm Bureau organization. This organization was formed primarily for the purpose of co-operating with the State and Federal Extension Service Departments, in carrying on Extension work in the county. The Farm Bureau organization is not supported by public or tax funds. The members of the organization pay a membership fee which is deposited in its treasury to be used as the organization sees fit.

Extension work is carried on in the county as a result of an agreement between the county Farm Bureau and the State Extension Service. In this agreement the Farm Bureau agrees to adopt and carry on each year a definite program of work in co-operation with the Extension Service. In order to do this it is first necessary that the Farm Bureau have an agreement and budget signed by the County Board of Commissioners to provide the necessary finances. The State Extension Service agrees to pay each year a definite sum of money towards the employment of a County Agricultural Agent to carry out the adopted program of work. The County money spent for Extension work is paid by the Farm Bureau treasurer on bills which have been approved by the State Director of Extension.

The organization of the County Farm Bureau as it relates to Extension work, is as follows: The officers are a president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary. These, and five other members, are elected each year at the annual meeting and constitute the executive committee. Each community that is organized for Extension work elects a community chairman and a project leader for each project adopted in the community. The county executive committee meets with the County Agent and advises relative to the general projects that are carried on in the county. The community chairman and the project leaders constitute the executive committee for each respective community.

(2). Functions of local people, committees, or project leaders in developing the program.

H. The organization of a new community for the purpose of co-operating with the County Agent in carrying on Extension work comes as a result of a request from the people of the community. When a community expresses a desire for organization a meeting is called for the purpose of outlining a tentative program of work for the community. Any one is welcome to attend this preliminary meeting but usually the attendance consists of people in the community who are particularly interested in getting the organization started. When the tentative program of work has been outlined a general community organization meeting is called and every one residing in the community is invited by letter to attend. The letter announcing the organization meeting also contains an announcement of some of the important and interesting projects which has been suggested at the first meeting. At the general organization meeting the problems confronting the community are discussed and the tentative program of work suggested for the community is placed before the meeting and discussed. Those present at the meeting then decide w ich projects they wish to adopt as their program of work and a leader from the community is elected to have charge of each separate project. A community chairman and such other officers as may be necessary are also elected.

After a community has once been organized for Extension work an annual meeting is held in the community for the purpose of adopting a program of work for the ensuing year. The annual meetings of organized communities are very similiar to the meeting just described for the organization of a new community, except that reports are given of the work accomplished and the program adopted consists of continuing or modigying projects that have already been adopted and perhaps the adoption of new projects. Community officers and project leaders are elected at the beginning of each year.

In so far as possible Extension work is carried on in all parts of the county, even though some parts of the county do not have community organizations. The amount of work that can be done in an un-organized community, of course, is limited. We aim to begin a project only in communities where we may reasonably expect such projects will be completed.