

RECORDS OF THE NATIONAL FARMERS' UNION

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National Farmer's Union	1909-1946
Agricultural Organisation Society	1912-1923
National Poultry Council	1919-1943

Introduction

The National Farmers' Union was formed in 1908. It developed from the Lincolnshire Farmers' Union which was founded by Colin Campbell. Membership was composed mainly of tenant farmers and so focused on their problems and interests. There had been previous attempts at setting up organisations to represent farmers such as the Farmers' Alliance in 1879 and the National Agricultural Union in the 1890's but these had not been a success. By 1913 the NFU had 20000 members and by 1935 this had increased to 120000. Membership reached its peak in the 1950's with 210000. The union opposed land nationalization but supported reforms in land tenure which gave greater security to tenants.

Record Types

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AC ACCOUNTS

AC1 LEDGERS

AC1/1-5	LEDGERS, General Fund	
/1		1918-1921
/2		1922-1925
/3	Branch contributions	1918-1942
/4	Branch publications	1921-1934
/5	Branch publications	1935-1942

AC1/6-7	LEDGERS, Sugar Beet Growers	
/6		1926-1929
/7		1929-1937
AC1/8-9	LEDGERS, Supply of labels and wrappings	
/8		1928-1932
/9		1928-1932
AC1/10	LEDGER, Advertisements in NFU Record and Yearbook	1930-1943

AC2 CASH BOOKS

AC2/1-6	CASH BOOKS, General Fund	
/1		1909(Apr)-1922(May)
/2		1922(Jun)-1925(Nov)
/3		1925(Dec)-1928(Dec)
/4		1929(Jan)-1932(Dec)
/5		1933(Jan)-1937(Jun)
/6		1937(Jul)-1939(Dec)
AC2/7-10	PETTY CASH BOOKS, General Fund	
/7		1924(Jan)-1928(Oct)
/8		1928(Nov)-1933(May)
/9		1933(Jun)-1939(Jul)
/10		1939(Aug)-1942(May)
AC2/11-12	CASH BOOKS, Sugar Beet Growers	
/11		1926(Aug)-1930(Feb)
/12		1930(Sep)-1935(Aug)
AC2/13	CASH BOOK, Glass House Produce Committee	1939(Feb)-1940(Jul)

AC3 DAY BOOKS

AC3/1	DAY BOOK, General Fund, Branches publications	1922(Oct)-1927(Jun)
AC3/2	DAY BOOK, Supply of labels and wrappings	1928-1932

AC4 JOURNALS AND OTHER BOOKS OF ORIGINAL ENTRY

AC4/1	JOURNAL, General Fund	1920(Dec)-1931(Dec)
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AC6 OTHER ACCOUNTS

AC6/1-2	WAGES BOOKS	
/1		1920(Nov)-1925(Sep)

/2		1925(Oct)-1932(Sep)
AC6/3	INVESTMENTS REGISTER	1920
AC6/4	EXPENSES REGISTER, Organising Secretary	1923(Apr)-1936(Jul)
AC6/5-6	DEBTORS LEDGERS, for market gardens	
/5		1939
/6		1939-1940

AD ADMINISTRATIVE AND COMMERCIAL RECORDS

AD1 MINUTES

AD1/1-2	MINUTE BOOKS, Executive Committee, General Council, Annual General and various Committee Meetings	
/1		1909(Jun)-1916(Nov)
/2		1916(Dec)-1920(Feb)
AD1/3-22	MINUTE BOOKS, Council Meetings	
/3		1920(Mar)-1921(Oct)
/4		1921(Nov)-1922(Dec)
/5		1923
/6		1924
/7		1925
/8		1926
/9		1927
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AD1/23-26	MINUTE BOOKS, General Purpose Committee	
/23		1919-1923
/24		1924-1932
/25		1933-1939
/26		1940-1943
AD1/27	MINUTE BOOK, Co-ordinating Committee, England & Wales, Scotland & Ulster	1936(Jun)-1939(Jan)
AD1/28-30	MINUTE BOOKS, Organisation Committee	

/28	Rough copy	1919(Jun)-1920(Jan)
/29		1921(Mar)-1923(Dec)
/30		1924(Feb)- 1946(Dec)
AD1/31-33	MINUTE BOOKS, Parliamentary Press & Publicity Committee	
/31		1918(Aug)-1921(Oct)
/32		1921(Nov)-1923(Dec)
/33		1924(Feb)-1939(Jul)
AD1/34-35	MINUTE BOOKS, Legal Committee	
/34		1921(Jun)-1923(Dec)
/35		1924(Feb)-1939(Jul)
AD1/36-37	MINUTE BOOKS, Labour Committee	
/36		1919(Apr)-1923(Dec)
/37		1924(Feb)-1941(Feb)
AD1/38	MINUTE BOOK, Economics Committee	1933(Apr)-1935(Nov)
AD1/39	MINUTE BOOK, Trades Advisory & Statistical Committee	1920(Dec)-1923(Dec)
AD1/40	MINUTE BOOK, Land Tenure & Taxation Committee	1918(Aug)-1923(Jul)
AD1/41	MINUTE BOOK, Education Committee	1919(Aug)-1938(May)
AD1/42	MINUTE BOOK, Welsh Divisional Committee	1921(Jul)-1924(Mar)
AD1/43	MINUTE BOOK, Welsh Committee	1924(Jan)-1946(Mar)
AD1/44	MINUTE BOOK, Milk & Dairy Produce Committee	1918(Jul)-1923(Dec)
AD1/45	MINUTE BOOK, Joint Committee of Milk Producers & Distributors	1922(Apr)-1933(Jan)
AD1/46	MINUTE BOOK, Hops, Fruit & Vegetables Committee	1919(May)-1938(Dec)
AD1/47-48	MINUTE BOOKS, Cereals, Livestock & Wool Committee	
/47		1919(Apr)-1923(Dec)
/48		1924(Feb)-1945(Nov)
AD1/49	MINUTE BOOK, Potato Committee	1923(Feb)-1945(Dec)
AD1/50	MINUTE BOOK, Sugar Beet Committee	1923(May)-1924(Jan)

AD1/51-52	MINUTE BOOKS, Annual General Meetings	
/51		1924(Jan)-1932(Jan)
/52		1939(Jan)-1945(Jan)
AD1/53-135	CYCLO BOOKS containing copies of minutes of various NFU committees	
/53	<u>1st Series</u> : Vol I	1920(9 Mar-19 Oct)
/54	Vol X	1923(6 Sep-11 Dec)
/55	Vol XXIII	1926(6 Jul-9 Sep)
/56	Vol XXIV	1926(11 Sep-10 Nov)
/57	Vol XXV	1926(10 Nov-21 Dec)
/58	Vol XXXVI	1928(11 Apr-31 May)
/59	Vol XLIII	1929(18 Apr-10 May)
/60	Vol XLVII	1929(21 Oct-2 Dec)
/61	<u>2nd Series</u> : Vol I	1931(1 Jan-17 Feb)
/62	Vol II	1931(17 Feb-20 Mar)
/63	Vol III	1931(20 Mar-15 May)
/64	Vol IV	1931(16 May-15 Jul)
/65	Vol V	1931(16 Jul-15 Sep)
/66	Vol VI	1931(16 Sep-29 Oct)
/67	Vol VII	1931(30 Oct-3 Dec)
/68	Vol VIII	1931(4 Dec-31 Dec)
/69	Vol IX	1932(1 Jan-13 Feb)
/70	Vol X	1932(14 Feb-18 Mar)
/71	Vol XI	1932(19 Mar-6 May)
/72	Vol XII	1932(6 May-9 Jun)
/73	Vol XIII	1932(9 Jun-11 Jul)
/74	Vol XV	1932(15 Sep-5 Nov)
/75	Vol XVI	1932(6 Nov-6 Dec)
/76	Vol XVII	1932(7 Dec-31 Dec)
/77	Vol XVIII	1933(1 Jan-2 Mar)
/78	Vol XIX	1933(3 Mar-12 Apr)
/79	Vol XX	1933(12 Apr-20 May)
/80	Vol XXI	1933(21 May-5 Jul)
/81	Vol XXII	1933(6 Jul-18 Sep)
/82	Vol XXIII	1933(19 Sep-2 Nov)
/83	Vol XXIV	1933(3 Nov-5 Dec)
/84	Vol XXV	1933(6 Dec-31 Dec)
/85	Vol XXVI	1934(1 Jan-22 Feb)
/86	Vol XXVII	1934(23 Feb-9 Apr)
/87	Vol XXVIII	1934(10 Apr-9 May)
/88	Vol XXIV	1934(10 May-19 Jun)
/89	Vol XXX	1934(19 Jun-16 Aug)
/90	Vol XXXI	1934(18 Aug-9 Oct)
/91	Vol XXXII	1934(10 Oct-11 Nov)
/92	Vol XXXIII	1934(12 Nov-10 Dec)
/93	Vol XXXIV	1934(11 Dec-31 Dec)
/94	Vol XXXV	1935(1 Jan-26 Feb)
/95	Vol XXXVI	1935(27 Feb-5 Apr)
/96	Vol XXXVII	1935(8 Apr-10 Jun)

/97	Vol XXXVIII	1935(11 Jun-17 Jul)
/98	Vol XXXIX	1935(18 Jul-18 Sep)
/99	Vol XL	1935(19 Sep-5 Nov)
/100	Vol XLI	1935(6 Nov-10 Dec)
/101	Vol XLII	1935(10 Dec-31 Dec)
/102	Vol XLIII	1936(1 Jan-28 Feb)
/103	Vol XLIV	1936(29 Feb-15 Apr)
/104	Vol XLV	1936(15 Apr-20 May)
/105	Vol XLVI	1936(21 May-8 Jul)
/106	Vol XLVII	1936(9 Jul-16 Sep)
/107	Vol XLVIII	1936(17 Sep-22 Oct)
/108	Vol XLIX	1936(23 Oct-1 Dec)
/109	Vol L	1936(2 Dec-31 Dec)
/110	Vol LI	1937(1 Jan-25 Feb)
/111	Vol LII	1937(26 Feb-10 Apr)
/112	Vol LIII	1937(12 Apr-28 May)
/113	Vol LIV	1937(31 May-13 Jul)
/114	Vol LV	1937(15 Jul-19 Sep)
/115	Vol LVI	1937(20 Sep-10 Nov)
/116	Vol LVII	1937(11 Nov-13 Dec)
/117	Vol LVIII	1937(Dec)-1938(Feb)
/118	Vol LIX	1938(11 Feb-16 Mar)
/119	Vol LX	1938(17 Mar-10 May)
/120	Vol LXI	1938(11 May-6 Jul)
/121	Vol LXII	1938(7 Jul-7 Sep)
/122	Vol LXIII	1938(8 Sep-21 Oct)
/123	Vol LXIV	1938(22 Oct-1 Dec)
/124	Vol LXV	1938(Dec)-1939(Jan)
/125	Vol LXVI	1939(18 Jan-23 Feb)
/126	Vol LXVII	1939(24 Feb-13 Apr)
/127	Vol LXVIII	1939(14 Apr-13 May)
/128	Vol LXIX	1939(14 May-17 Jun)
/129	Vol LXX	1939(18 Jun-21 Jul)
/130	Vol LXXI	1939(24 Jul-2 Sep)
/131	Vol LXXII	1939(3 Sep-29 Nov)
/132	Vol LXXIII	1939(Dec)-1940(Feb)
/133	Vol LXXIV	1940(15 Feb-22 Apr)
/134	Vol LXXV	1940(23 Apr-12 Aug)
/135	Vol LXXVI	1940(Aug)-1941(Feb)

AD6 BRANCH RECORDS

AD6/1	MINUTE BOOK, Wessex Glasshouse Growers Branch	1937(Jan)-1943(Nov)
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P PUBLICATIONS AND ADVERTISING

P4/A HOUSE JOURNALS AND TECHNICAL BULLETINS (NFU)

P4/A1-14	VOLUMES of NFU News Sheets	
/A1	Vol I	1921
/A2	Vol II	1922
/A3	Vol III	1923
/A4	Vol IV	1924
/A5	Vol V	1925
/A6	Vol VI	1926
/A7	Vol VII	1927
/A8	Vol VIII	1928
/A9	Vol IX	1929
/A10	Vol X	1930
/A11	Vol XI	1931
/A12	Vol XII	1932
/A13	Vol XIII	1933
/A14	Vol XIV	1934
/A15	Vol XV	1935
/A16	Vol XVI	1936
/A17	Vol XVII	1937
/A18	Vol XVIII	1938
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/A19		1923
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/A21		1925
/A22		1927
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AD ADMINISTRATIVE AND COMMERCIAL RECORDS

AD1 MINUTES

AD1/136 AGENDA BOOK, Governor's Meeting 1912(9 Oct)

AD1/137-140 MINUTE BOOKS, Finance & General Purposes
Committee and Governors' Meetings

/137		1912(Oct)-1914(Mar)
/138		1914(Apr)-1916(Apr)
/139		1916(Jul)-1918(Oct)
/140		1918(Oct)-1920(May)

AD1/141-143 MINUTE BOOKS, Finance & General Purposes
Committee

/141		1912(9 Jan-25 Jun)
/142		1913(Mar)-1914(Jan)
/143		1914(Feb)-1917(Jul)

AD1/144 MINUTE BOOK, General Executive
Committee 1921(Apr)-1923(Dec)

AD1/145 MINUTE BOOK, Joint Committee of
Agricultural Organisation Society and Farmer's
Central Trading Board 1917(Dec)-1918(Feb)

Records of National Poultry Council

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AD1 MINUTES

AD1/146	MINUTE BOOK, Council, Executive Committee and Conference Meetings	1919(Sep)-1923(Jul)
AD1/147	MINUTE BOOK, Council and Executive Committee Meetings	1923(Oct)-1928(Mar)
AD1/148	MINUTE BOOK, Council and Executive Committee Meetings	1928(Apr)-1933(Jun)
AD1/149	MINUTE BOOK, Council, Executive Committee and Administration Committee Meetings	1933(Jun)-1936(Jun)
AD1/150	MINUTE BOOK, Council and Executive Committee Meetings	1936(Jun)-1938(Nov)
AD1/151	MINUTE BOOK, Sub Committee	1923(Feb)-1930(Jun)
AD1/152	MINUTE BOOK, Sub Committee	1938(Jan)-1939(Mar)
AD1/153	MINUTE BOOK, Laying Trials Committee	1923(Apr)-1939(Jan)
AD1/154	MINUTE BOOK, Annual General Meetings (Including Annual Reports)	1939(Jan)-1943(Feb)