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Minor Ives, Grange Leader, Dies

Minor Ives, 82, long prominent in Grange Circles and a Past Connecticut State Grange Master from 1926 through 1929 died July 22, 1966 in the Meriden Hospital after a long illness. A familiar sight at State Grange Sessions he seldom missed one and could be seen sitting with Mrs. Ives, to the left of the Master's station, in that section reserved for Past Voting Members of the Assembly of Demeter, National Grange. Until last year he walked with a Court Girl on his arm in Flora's march on the evening of the Sixth Degree.

He joined Mariden Grange #29 65 years ago on October 3, 1900 and has devoted practically all of his spare time to Grange functions; holding numerous offices including Master and Master of Central Pomona #1 before becoming State Master; after that he was Chairman of the Executive Committee, a post he held for many years. In addition to his Grange activities he took a keen interest in the financial affairs of the city Government, While serving as treasurer of the State Pomological Society for many years, he also was for more than 30 years a member of the local Board of Apportionment and Taxation. He was a trustee of the Cuno Foundation which makes scholarship awards and grants for many civic projects; he was a corporator of the Meriden Savings Bank and a past director of Eastern State's Farmers Exchange. He also served as a trustee of the New England Grange Building (Eastern States Exposition, Springfield, Mass.) and was it's custodian and treasurer. All of his life he lived and farmed atop a beautiful hill known as Diamond Hill Farm, Mr. and Mrs. Ives observed their 60th wedding anniversary last November 30. Besides his wife he leaves three sons, two daughters, 19 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

When the present Meridan Grange building was erected on Broad Street, local rangers helped with the construction. Among them was Minor Ives. His team of horses dragged the scoop shovel which helped dig the foundation, with Mr. Ives himself at the reins, heaving the heavy earth-filled shovel after each pass.



Before the Grange Family Day ceremonies at Waterbury Municipal Stadium, State Grange officers pose at the Giant's dugout for "official" photo. The "Comedy of Errors" played between the men and lady deputies got a bigger hand from the crowd than did the professional Giants vs York ball game which dragged on to 22 innings. First row, Gatekeeper "Jet up and go" Frank Warner. Second row, I. to r., Steward Bill Pearl, deputy John LeVangie, Western Conn. deputy Bud Beecher, deputy Andy Potcher. Third row, deputy Kurt Patzlaff, assistant Steward Frank Prelli, Camp Trustee Tony Grocki, State Master King Beecher (just back from Texas) and deputy Mervin Whipple modeling the latest in Grange sportswear. Joe Bell did a fine job of broadcasting the game which ended in a 5-5 tie.

THE PRINCESS WAS ON FIRST (BASE WE MEAN)

The Family Day Ball Game hosted by the Waterbury Giants Team at the large municipal stadium on Watertown Ave. Conn. was a huge success, bringing together over 250 Grangers and Waterbury residents, according to Excelsior Pomona Master Edwin Morin, Sr., general chairman of the event. Preceding the Giants-

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Big Turnout Planned For National Master Newsom At Cheshire Grange

A talent show "spectacular" by Grangers from every corner of the state will be presented at Cheshire Grange hall, August 20th in honor of National Grange Master Herschel D. Newsom and Mrs. Newsom. State Grange Lecturer and assistant, Evelyn and Charles Normand, will direct the performance. Guests will be welcomed by State Master K. H. Beecher followed

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5th Of-The Month Deadline

The quarterly meeting of the Connecticut Granger, Inc. will be held August 29th, 8:00 P.M. at the Patrons Mutual Insurance Company, 122 Naubuc Avenue, Glastonbury.

Regular reports will be given and any other business concerning the paper will be transacted.

Rachel A. Narducci Secretary

INTERESTED IN A GRANGE VILLAGE?

Mrs. Ruth Osgood, 118 North Tropical Ave., West Palm Beach, Florida, writes of an interesting plan to establish a Grange Village in the vicinity of West Palm Beach.

Plans include a Grange Hall, a store or commissary, beauty parlor, sewing center, a motel-type apartment building, trailer parking and building lots for homes.

To secure needed funds, shares will be sold (\$10) which may later be converted to the purchase of a lot.

If the thought of living in an all-Grange Community in Florida appeals to you, write to Mrs. Osgood for further details.

From Little Acorns a reprint

That modest "Seed Money" grant given by Sears Roebuck to start off the Bridgewater Grange Restoration Project may well produce a mighty fine crop, and we hope it does.

What we're talking about here is not corn or peas, but the plans of Bridgewater Grange and the Roxbury-Bridgewater Garden Club to restore the Bridgewater Grange Hall, inside and out, and make it even more of a community building than it already is.

The Sears grant put \$200 in the kitty and the "official" fund-raising effort will begin June 20. The goal is \$15,000 and if we're any judge of campaigns, this one is tagged for success before it starts. Don't ask us why. There's just something about the spirit of the people who unwrapped the plans last week that strikes us as invincible. In a word, we're on their side.

A big auction will be held on Sept. 3 to help raise the cash. Advance gifts and donations will be welcome any time, and no one should have any trouble finding someone to give the money to.

We like the get-up-and-go style of the Grange and the garden club and we wish them all the luck in the world.

The Grange in Bridgewater dates back to 1900 and its list of community projects is long. Now, with the garden club's enthusiastic support, the members want to beautify their hall on the town green and make it more useful. When the deed is done, as we are sure it will be, the garden club will have a permanent home on the upper floor; young people of the community will have a meeting place, and so will civic groups. And the Grange itself will have a sounder building.

Grange

Centennial Committee

Grange Centennial committee is seeking information on the many Grange monuments, markers and points of interest in the state, most of them known only to a few persons.

As part of the Grange Centennial program on the national scale, chairman William J. Brake is compiling a list of interesting places to visit which could be made available to Grangers who are traveling or on vacation.

He is asking Grange lecturers to help in this search which has as a deadline September 15 so a booklet can be printed in time for the national convention. Send this information to W.J.Brake, 5875 Montebello Ave., Haslett, Michigan 48840.

Drive sensibly. If you don't, your present car may last you a lifetime.

ACROSS THE TABLE

Kingsley Beecher

(A personal message to all Grange members, spoken as if across the Har-Table.)

We are now on the brink of going from our summer season into the next year's Grange work. New officers have been elected and are about to be installed. A hearty "Thanks" to last year's officers, a sincere wish for a successful year to those who will lead in the coming year. Programs are being planned for the year ahead. Special effort in all projects is a "must" this Centennial Year.

Sister Emma Keech has been appointed a Special Deputy for Connecticut with the specific task of arranging our Centennial Celebration. As soon as her committee appointments are made, we will hear of future plans.

This fall your Deputy will call at your grange to hold the annual School of Instruction. While this will entail a great deal of time and effort on the part of the Deputy, each agreed, at a recently held Deputy's meeting, to the plan. The main purpose in changing from our past method of one school in each Pomona district, is to reach more officers and members with our suggestions. Arrangements and dates for these instruction meetings will be made at the convenience of the grange and to fit into the deputy's busy schedule.

Sister Evelyn Normand, our State Lecturer, has completed her series of Lecturers' Conferences, first with the Pomona lecturers, and then into each Pomona to meet with the subordinate lecturers. Her many splendid ideas have been suggested at each Lecturers' Conference. They are all designed to create interest among our members and to provide wholesome entertainment. The conferences have been very well attended, and each lecturer seems determined to make her programs outstanding achievements during this Centennial Celebration year.

As I write this message, we are in the process of determining the advisability of changing our annual State Session from Hartford to Bridgeport, An explanation for the change is not necessary at this time, as each grange has been notified and asked to discuss the matter and report their decisions.

Whether we go to Bridgeport, or stay in Hartford will be determined by the State Grange Executive Committee after considering your decisions and all other aspects of the change.

MEMBER OF THE FAMILY

A tourist and his wife had a few choice words and hadn't spoken for an hour. Be were stubborn and wouldn't give an incit Then the man pointed to a jackass in a field by the road.

"Some of your kin?" he growled.

"Yes," said the wife, "by marriage."

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Calendar Of Special Events

15 WOLCOTT #178 Ritual program right or wrong SALEM #166 Annual picnic at the home of Leo Winakor, rain date the 16th

KILLINGLY #112 Booster Night

16 NORTH HAVEN #35 Booster Night "Good old summer time" LITTLE RIVER #36 School Days ROXBURY #7 Mystery Ride

MONTVILLE #212 Booster Night
17 SENEXET #40 Choose your partners
(corresponding officers night)

18 WESTFIELD #50 Mystery Ride

GRANBY #5 - Competitive Program 20 PLYMOUTH #72 Annual Grange Fair

and Supper CHESHIRE #23 Dinner in honor of National Master Newsom and Mrs. Newsom

22 BETHLEHEM #121 Pink and green Sash Night SUFFIELD #27 My Grange and Your Grange

23 WEST SUFFIELD #199 Annual picnic at the new recreational area SHELTON #186 Meeting will be omitted

24 NORWICH #172 Booster Night

25 HILLSTON #87 Juniors come for a visit
MAD RIVER #71 Card Party at 7 P.M.
BRANFORD #20 Meeting and covered dish supper at 6:30 P.M.
LITCHFIELD #107 Picnic - Note change of date

26 TRUMBULL #134 Meeting omitted 26, 27 & 28 BROOKLYN #43 Annual Fair 27 & 28 CHESHIRE #23 Fair

COMING EVENTS IN SEPT.

- 1 DURHAM #57 Historical Program GRANBY #5 4-H Program
- 5 WOLCOTT #173 Meeting Omitted 14
- 6 CROMWELL #67 Neighbors Night Travel Program ROXBURY #7 Installation of officers 15 MONTVILLE #212 Installation of officers
- EUREKA #62 Installation of officers
 CANTERBURY #90 Installation of officers
- 8 HARMONY #92 Installation of officers HILLSTOWN #87 Installation of officers

WOLF DEN #61 I F Y E Exchange Student

LITCHFIELD #107 Festival of Music SEAVIEW POMONA #8 Installation -Killingworth Grange Hall at 8:00 P.M.

9 CAWASA #34 Needlework contest will be judged

PROSPECT #144 Regular meeting

9 & 10 HARMONY #92 Annual Grange



Mrs. Lucy Hall, a Golden Sheaf Member, at left, presents her son Robert F. Hall his Silver Star Certificate. Looking on is his daughter Patricia Ann who had just received her third and fourth degrees. This represents 3 generations of 1 family together at the Altar, all members of Durham Grange #57.

Fair - Fri. Clam Chowder - Sat. Roast Beef Dinner

NORWICH #172 Annual Fair

10 EAST CENTRAL POMONA #3 Meeting to be held at Goodwill Grange Hall, Naubuc Ave., Glastonbury at 5:00 P.M.

ROCKY HILL #115 Fair at Grange Hall. Glastonbury Ave.

WEST SUFFIELD #199 Annual Fair on the Grange grounds

GREENETE D. HILL #133 Appual

GREENFIELD HILL #133 Annual Fair - Auction 2:00 P.M. - Supper 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. - Games Party 8:00 P.M.

10 & 11 BETHLEHEM #121 Annual Fair 12 SUFFIELD #27 Installation of officers

BETHLEHEM #121 Installation of officers by Sister Alma Brooks team 13 WEST SUFFIELD #199 Installation

of officers
NEW CANAAN #38 Open meeting,
Speaker Rev. Charles Crawford
Smith

14 NORWICH #172 Installation of officers - William Pearl & Team

DURHAM #57 Installation of officers GRANBY #5 Mystery Ride PIONEER #12 and Cannon Granges joint installation of officers WESTFIELD #50 Installation of officers

16 TRUMBULL #134 Annual Fair opens at 4:00 P.M. - Supper, by reservation, from 5:30 to 7:00

TRUMBULL #134 Fair opens at 2:30 P.M. - Games Party at 8:00 P.M. GREENFIELD HILL #133 Installation 8:00 P.M. - Alma Brooks & Team GRANBY #5 Chicken Barbeque and Fair

HARMONY #92 College Whist 8:00 P.M.

REDDING #15 Annual Agricultural Fair and Supper

-WANTED-

Wanted, a copy of "Mentor in the Granges and Homes of Patrons of Husbandry" by Rev. A. B. Grosh, published in 1876 by Clark and Maynard, New York City This publication is very hard to find and it was thought that possibly some Grange member might have a copy they did not want or would be willing to lend. Any reader having such a copy or information might contact Mrs. Ruth M. Burton -- 1368 Hebron Ave., Glastonbury, Conn., or State Secretary Ellsworth Covell -- 122 Naubuc Ave., Glastonbury. It will be greatly appreciated.

Installing Teams Listed

It has been requested we list the installing teams from within the state in The Connecticut Grange. They are in no specific order, just as the names were received: Frank Ruff, 100 April Drive, Glastonbury, 633-5116; William Lines, 3 West Street, Manchester, 649-8815; Mary Emerson, Shore Road, South Lyme, 434-7570; Arthur Elsmore, 300 Terryville Ave., Bristol, 582-1761; Mildred T. Olson, Derby Road, Rockfall, 746-4583; Andrew Kaechele, 50 Kaechele Rd., Trumbull, 261-3712; Duane Wetmore, 921 Shephard Ave., Hamden, 248-1862; Carlton Platt Jr., Twin Lakes Rd., North Branford, 488-2035; William Pearl, Hampton, 455-9927; Alma Brooks, 26 Agnes Drive, Manchester, 643-4246; Austin Emmons, Lake Road, Columbia; 228-3117; Alfred C. Beckwith, Box 165, South Windham, 423-9328; Kingsley H. Beecher, R. F. D. #3, Winsted, 379-2504; Farminton Valley Youth, Carl Svenson, 73 High Street, Collinsville, 693-8961.

We are hoping none have been missed from this listing. Fourteen teams in our state is not enough. While installing is time consuming, it is one of the nicest parts of our grange ritual. We cannot, strongly enough, urge the forming of more teams to carry on this beautiful Grange procedure.

MAY-BOB CLUB ROAST BEEF DINNER

The MayBob Club is planning a Roast Beef Dinner for Sunday Noon, October 2, in the Cheshire Grange Hall. All proceeds to benefit The Connecticut Granger, Bob Mitchell is in charge of tickets, Wil Raymond has publicity and Peggy Prelli will be chief cook. Other committees will be appointed later.

Tickets and reservations will be handled by members of the Club - deputies who an served during Bob Mitchell's term as well as their spouses.

Save the date -- Come and enjoy the dinner and fellowship.

Central Pomona #1

DURHAM #57 - May Sanderson, Corr. Our float won first prize in the Memorial Day parade. It was "Going to Grange" in 1906. a two seated surrey drawn by a burro, three girls dressed in costume of the year, driver in derby hat and swallow tail coat. We celebrated our 60th Anniversary this past February. In June we went on a trip via colored slides through, Hoover Dam, Honolulu, Alcatraz, Golden Gate Park and Arizona with Howard Newton, We have six candidates for special degree work. We had election of officers, with the new Master being Gaylord Newton, Overseer, Robert Hall, Lecturer, May Sanderson, Early in June we had a memorial program presented by our Chaplain, Mrs. Myra Korn.

MIDDLEFIELD #63 - Marion T. Jones. Corr. In July a golden sheaf certificate and 60 year pins were presented to Riby Coe, by Mildred Olson, Martha Webster was presented her 25 year certificate by her husband, Past Master George Webster. Francis Drega and Albin Corona were not present to receive their certificates. The new school is opening in Sept. So we will have more room so that we can have more neighbors night and have our harvest supper.

PAMONA #1 - Mary Bennett, Corr, Our Pomona is changing our by-laws to add one Tr: meeting per year; making the number of meetings nine. There will be six evening meetings, starting at 7:30 and three day meetings, starting at 10:30 A.M. The extra meeting will be held in March. Anton Grocki was reelected to a three year term on the Executive Committee.

> WESTFIELD #50 - Carolyn P. Treichel, Some of our members attended Corr. Grange Sunday in Durham and also at Camp Berger. Our last meeting was preceded by a picnic on the hall grounds, which was enjoyed by all. We have the same slate of officers as last year with the exception of Secretary and Lecturer, whose offices will be filled at our next meeting.

> DURHAM #57 - May Sanderson, Corr. A Golden Sheaf Certificate was presented to Mrs. Robert Coe Sr. by Mrs. Lavinia Page, a member of the Assembly of Demeter of National Grange, at a July meeting. We now have ten Golden Sheaf members. It was our exchange officers night, with readings, Monologue, a skit a game, There were 23 visitors from neighboring granges and four non members.

CROMWELL #67 - Bertha Schaefer, Corr. re We had our ritual night in July, also Dairy Supper, Memorial Services and will only have one meeting this month.

ROCKY HILL #115 - E. A. Healy, Corr.

Ted Brainard was reelected Master at a recent meeting. Also reelected were Mrs. Lillian Sweezy as Overseer and Dick Griswold as Lecturer. Mrs. Frances Griggs was elected Secreatry. A very successful Dairy Supper was held in June under the able chairmanship of Mrs. Dorothy Herrick. We met our quota on our Easter Seal drive ascribed to us by the National Society for Crippled Children and Adults. We will only have one business meeting this month.

Ouinebaug Pomona #2

SENEXET #40 - Annette M. Clark, Corr. The program for June was in keeping with Flag Day, followed by a Mock Wedding with officers and members taking part. This was especially "Honoring" our Pomona Vivian Drown who was to be married the following week. The Grange catered for the wedding reception. Later in June we were host to the Future Farmers Tri-State Prize Speaking Contest. Contestants participated from Conn., Mass., R. I., with Conn. winning first place.

CANTERBURY #70 -Stella Ellerson, Corr. The worship service for the annual Grange Sunday held at Camp Berger was conducted by State Chaplain Rev. Robert Weedon, who is also our Master. The Three Graces presented a very interesting program at our second June meeting. We attended Pomona Church Sunday, Dorothy Reno will attend the lecturer's Conference at Orono, Me., and expects to bring back lots of interesting ideas for next years programs.

CANTERBURY JR., #90 - Dorothy Reno, Corr. The J.G. Cork Craft contest entries were judged at the last Pomona meeting. held in June at Highland Grange. The first prize winners are: Carmen Moore and Robin Reno: age 9-13 and Ann Ulpus: age 5-9. We held our election of officers and Claudia Moffitt was reelected Master. We also gained three new members. Eight officers, four honorary members and Matron Dorothy Reno attended the Junior School of instruction at Hillstown Grange. The annual JD Picnic was held with a trip to Mohegan Park, Norwich, Our next meeting will be held on the third Monday in August.

SENEXET #40 - Annette M. Clark, Corr. A Dental Clinic for Pre-School children was conducted by the Community Progress Comm, in conjunction with the State Health Dept. This was held at the Grange Hall for five days, with 50 youngsters attending. The Annual Grange picnic was held at Roseland Park in August, Card parties are still very popular every two weeks, A very successful rummage sale was held with over \$140 added to our treasury.

WOLF DEN #61 - Mildred Haack, Corr. At our election of officers Arnold Woodworth, Sr. was elected Master. The Grange held their annual Picnic at Quadic Lake, with Alice Wilson as hostess. An enjoyable 5 time was had by all. Our Fair Committee has started to work on plans for the booth at Woodstock Fair. Card parties are still being held every two weeks, and are very well attended.

ECHO #180 - Gloria Angell, Corr. James Palmer was reelected Master. Nine of our members received their 25 year certificates recently. Those in attendance were: Anthony De Marchi, Mrs. Josephine Pomeroy, Mrs. Ethel Larkin, andMrs. Germaine Hall. The Secretary, Mrs. Sara Tormey, accepted certificates for those who were not present. Mrs. Marguriete Haling. Charles Haling, Clyde Hazen, Rowland Eaton and Mrs. Erma Smith.

KILLINGLY #112 - Bertha G. Carragher, Corr. July 4th we had our annual Chowder and clam cake dinner. In July our Mystery ride ended at the summer home of Asst. Stewart, Edmond Chmura where a six piece band awaited us. Early in August, Master Marvin Whipple and wife Rita entertained the incoming officers at their home and plans were made for the coming year. Due to the size of our hall and large attendance at meetings, we are having an air conditioner unit set up for the comfort of our grangers. Our officers will be installed by State Master Kingsley Beecher and his suite of officers, Phillip's Memorial Choristers from R.I. will entertain.

LITTLE RIVER #36 - M. H. Pearl, Corr. Pomona's newly elected Master, is Austin E. Emmons our Overseer, and Past Master. In July we held Neighbors night with the traveling Doll competition, Eugene Emmons, present Master has been reelected, and Susan Emmons, his sister, will be our lecturer. There were four youth that attended Youth week-end at Camp Berger, Susan Emmons, Alma Pearl, Joanne Pearl and Dean Viens, The youth have been woking on cleaning up graves of veterans in Hampton North Cemetary, to make it easier for the American Legion to mark veterans' graves.

LITTLE RIVER, JR. #20 - M. H. Pearl, Corr. Plans were made to join with Canterbury Jr. Grange to go to Mohegan Park for our joint annual outing through the efforts of sister Rita Whipple, Junior Deputy of our Pomona, John Halbach has been elected our Master.

BROOKLYN #43 - Sadie Huhtala, Corr. Bro. Babbit of Norwich, showed slides and gave a talk on Camp Berger. Another evening Mr. Stevens, Sciences Teacher from Brooklyn Elementary School, gave an interesting talk and slides on "What's Ahead in Science". We also held a successful Dairy Supper. Our young people held a dance in June entitled "Duel of the Bands". At our last meeting in June

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I.F.Y.E. Delegate to Taiwan Formosa, gave a very entertaining talk with slides on her experiences with her adopted families.

PLAINFIELD #140 - Margaret A. Reid, Corr. John Kendall has reported 313. - 55 dollars realized on the rummage sale and card parties during May. Election of officers was held with Marie Exley, as Master, Mary Gluck, Overseer, and Ellen Exley, Lecturer. We have presented four members with pins and silver certificates, they are: Alice Lyons, Mary Lyons, Lillian Turner and John Turner. The Master, Chaplin, Secretary, Flora and Lecturer participated in a memorial service held for departed members of the past year. A donation was voted to the I.E.Y.E. fund.

East Central #3

POMONA #3 - Kathryn Ruff, corr. - Sept. 10, 1966 at 5:00 P.M. next regular meeting as guests of Hillstown Grange #87. NOTE - CHANGE OF MEETING PLACE. The meeting will be held at Goodwill Grange Hall, Naubuc Ave., Glastonbury.

New Junior Grange Organized In Mountain County Pomona

A milestone was reached in Litchfield Grange No. 107 on Monday evening, June 20, when a Junior Grange was organized with 22 Charter members and 15 Honorary Charter members. A preliminary meeting was held on June 17.

Congratulations are in order to Mrs. Lucy Vaill, Junior Deputy, for her hard work and perseverence in organizing this Grange. The officers of the newly organized Litchfield Junior Grange were installed by State Superintendant Gertrude Wyble and her team on June 26 at 3:00 P.M. with over 100 members and friends in attendance.

State and Pomona Officers attending were: Ellsworth M. Beecher, Western Pomona Deputy; Elsie Schneider, State H.E.C.; Anna Segar and Ervin Goodwin, Trustees of Camp Berger; Horace and May Gillette, Deputy and Jr. Deputy of Excelsior Pomona; Clifford Segar, Master of Farmington Valley Pomona; Mildred Schutte, Chaplain of Housatonic Val-

ley Pomona; Willard Vaill, Deputy and Marion Beecher, Lecturer, both of Mountain County Pomona.

During the short program which followed the installation, Mrs. Ethel Melius, Master of Torringford Grange, presented a complete set of Regalia of Torringford Junior Grange which is no longer active. Sister Adele Smith, Master of Metichewan Junior Grange, presented the new Master Charles Dore, a gift on their behalf. Sister Ger-



Newly installed officers of Litchfield Junior Grange. In the background, Matron Ann Toohey, other officers include: Charles B. Dore, Master; Randy Osborn, Overseer; Terry Sorensen, Lecturer; Billy Samal, Steward; Philip Screen, Ass't Steward; Betsy Russell, L.A.S.; Betsy LeMasurier, Chaplain; Gleda Osborn, Secretary; Harold Screen, Treasurer; Betsy Perlotto, Pomona, Cynthia Screen, Flora; and Executive Committee Frederick Plumb, Stuart Sorensen, Ricky Dore. Cynthia Russin was later installed Ceres by Deputy Willard Vaill.

trude Wyble received a gift presented by Master Dore in appreciation of the impressive installation ceremony. First Lecturer Terry Sorensen included in the program a Clarinet Duet by Penny Bergmann and Sharon Bunnell, a piano duet by Betsy and Nancy Anderson and a ballet dance by Betsy LeMasurier. Matron and assistant Matrons are Anna Toohey, Shirley Sorensen and Marion N. Plumb. The Litchfield Grange Junior Committee consists of Eliza Baily, Richard Kuhn and Eleanore Fabbri.

Meetings will be held on the 1st Friday of each month in the Litchfield Grange Hall at 7:00 P.M.

EUREKA #62 - A. Mason, Corr. The buffet supper put on by the H.E.C. of our grange was well attended and gave a much needed boost to the treasury. The Dairy Supper held in June turned out to be a friendly get together, with mostly our own members attending. Silver Star Certificates were presented to Bro. and Sis. Healy by Deputy Ellsworth Beecher. Other members eligible to receive them but unable to attend were, George and Eva Frick, Dennison Healy, Allyn Sedgwick and Raymond Goldbeck.

LAUREL #201 - Grace Dunn, Corr. We recently observed our 30th anniversary. State and Pomona officers were present and Charter members and past Masters were recognized. An anniversary cake was in the spotlight. The 80th Birthday of Mrs. Clara Couch a charter member was also observed.

WHIGVILLE #48 - Lois P. Humphrey,

Corr. Needlework was judged early in August. Officers for the coming year were elected in June as they will be installed in Sept. Horton S. Gillette was reelected Master. The card party committee has announced that bi-monthly card parties will be held through the summer months by request of those attending. The Ways and Means Committee has scheduled another Scrap Drive for the fall months and expect to wind it up early in October.

PLYMOUTH #72 - Helena Mackiewicz, Corr. A country store was held for the

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Olivia Zolla, left, Master of Harwinton Grange, congratulates sister Susan Slate on receiving the Harwinton Grange \$100 Scholarship Award for 1966. At right is Sister Evanda Peck, acting Lady Assistant Steward and in the background, State Master Kingsley Beecher who made the presentation. The presentation of this Scholarship is an Annual Affair at Harwinton Grange.

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benefit of the Prince and Princess for expenses to the National Convention. We will hold our annual popcorn sale at the coming Band Concert in Plymouth. he youth committee will sponsor a Parcel Post Auction at the Fair. We won the attendance banner at the recent Pomona meeting. We wish to congratulate Miss Charlotte Crockett on being chosen the chairman of the Youth Comm. for the coming year, and Mr. Charles Dumond who placed second at the State Talent Contest.

MORRIS #119 - Janet Stoddard, Corr. A Golden sheaf was presented to Sherman K. Ives at his home by State Master Kingsley Beecher. Those present were: Special Deputy Amma Keech, Betty Beecher, Sara Peyre, Secretary of Mt. County.

LITCHFIELD #107 - Marian Plumb, Corr. We are most proud to sponsor the newest Junior Grange. -- Even members of long standing as well as new members profitted by a recent program entitled "Know Your Grange," conducted by Master Joseph Bergmann and Lecturer Shirley Sorensen. -- The picnic scheduled for July 28 has been postponed to August 25; See CALENDAR OF EVENTS.

New Haven County Pomona #5

TOYOUTH #5 - Alfred Randall, Corr. Youth activities have been rather quiet this summer. I was invited to attend youth night meetings at Rowe, Mass. and Cheshire, Mass. during July. Two of us attended a meeting in Lebanon, New Hampshire. Several young people are councilors at Camp Berger and most of the others have summer jobs. We are looking forward to the State Youth Rally at North Stonington.

CHESHIRE #23 - Raymond Mead, Corr. For the past several weeks the Cheshire Grange members have been helping prepare for the Fair with several work sessions. Paved area has been enlarged east of the hall, cleared and graded to make room for the Livestock tent. There will be a Merry-go-round, Ferris Wheel and several other attractions. New display booths have been built. Our most recent Past Master Carl J. Mattson, Jr. is one of the leaders accompaning the Boy Scouts to the Ranch in New Mexico.

GUILFORD #81 - Beatrice Olver, Corr. Our public supper on Oct. 8th, will have servings from 5-6:30 P.M. Price is \$1.50 Menu: Ham, baked beans, potato salad, rman red cabbage and pie.

Tawe were saddened on August 2, 1966 by the death of our Past Master Harry Page, Jr. Our sincere sympathy is extended to his family, his mother and father Harry Page, Sr. The senior Mr. Page is a Past



Evelyn Keffer—left 2nd place, Sandra Roehm—right—first place. Looking at the three winning posters and the honorable mention posters from the 73 entered in the Bicycle Poster contest at Whigville Grange No. 48. Contest sponsored by the Safety committee.

Connecticut State Grange Master 1944-1947.

HAMDEN #99 - Ninfa Starno, Corr. Master Paul Thompson was in charge of the program for June 6th and we enjoyed a film strip entitled "Grand Tour of Europe". There were also comedy numbers by Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKenzie and Mrs. Nellie Hooghkirk of Killingworth Grange. Our Lecturer invited several "Mr. and Mrs." as honored guests for the evening; among whom were The Young Couple of the Year, Mr. and Mrs. Ruel Miller. The Hamden Junior Grange elected their officers at the last meeting. Hamden Subordinate Grange also had election of officers at the June meeting with Robert Smith as the new Master-elect.

BRANFORD #20 - Ethel Riley, Corr. We have a new hall at 560 Main St. and held a Dairy Supper at our July meeting. Our new Master is Frederick Riley, Overseer, Mrs. Muriel Lusteg; Lecturer, Mrs. Ethel Riley. Branford grange won the attendance plaque at the recent Pomona meeting for the third time. The Master and Lecturer attended a meeting at the Center School in Woodbridge to plan a program with the Pomona Lecturer.

NORTH HAVEN #35 - Malcolm Thurston, Corr. Malcolm Thurston and Worthy Ceres Florence Thurston were elected to hold office in the New Haven Pomona. Our grange had a mystery ride and visited the Telephone Co. building in New Haven. Hazel Crittendon and Daniel Rice were initiated in the four degrees. Our card

parties will remain in progress for the rest of this year. Our Grange beautification program has started with the regular cutting of the lawn, shrubbery installed and the hollows of the ground have been filled in. There is some paint on the trim of the building and we hope to get it all covered before the summer is over.

New London County Pomona #6

LEDYARD #167 - Delia Cady, Corr.
Brother Harold Cady chairman of the membership drive for the Centennial Year is very active, all you do is give him a lead and he is off to visit the people. At present we have 41 candidates and 24 have taken their degrees. We are working for a 35% increase in membership. The Master is very busy preparing for the next year's work. She held a meeting with the Lecturer Sister Mildred Holdridge and Assistant Lecturer Sister Lydia Dyer. Plans were made for next years programs. The saying is, Jet-up-and go. That is what Ledyard Grange is doing.

PACHAUG #96 - Mildred L. Young, Corr. Brother Paul Holdridge and Sister Mildred of Ledyard, showed slides taken while on a goodwill tour of Latin America. They were especially interested in Agricultural methods and crops and the way of life in those countries. As yet we have no financial report but the community Fair sponsored by the Grange and Fire Co. was considered a success.

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Ledyard Grange Social Club recently held a Surprise Party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Clark, shown above. The party with 26 members present was in celebration of the birthday of Sister Fannie Clark. Both are charter members of Ledyard Grange and Mrs. Clark, who is now confined to her home, was it's first Lecturer.

POMONA #6 (Continued From Page 7) Eastern State Exposition GROTON #176 - Doris Green, Corr. Our new Master is Brother Warren Web-

Our new Master is Brother Warren Webster. He will be installed by a suite from New Hampshire which includes three of his sister, all past masters, and several friends. Sister Elizabeth Deane has been elected Matron of Groton Junior Granage. The H.E.C. has contributed \$17.25 to Cystic Fibrosis.

GROTON, JG. #89 - Theresa Carter, Corr. Our new master is James Carter, Jr. The Junior J.G's put on a number for the lecturer's program in July. Twelve members have attended Camp Berger this summer. Maureen Denyiu won a championship for her essay, "What the Grange Means to Me". A picnic was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wekerle in New London.

SALEM #166 - Sylvia Winakor, Corr. Leo Winakor has been elected to serve his fourth consecutive year as Master of our grange. Rain date for our picnic will be Aug. 16th. Sister Margaret Mitchell has moved to Vermont to make her home with her daughter.

MONTVILLE #212 - Leland Holmes, Correcte books for our boys in Viet Nam have gotten underway. Chairman Bro. Al (Continued On Page 9)

The New England Grange Flower Show held September 17-25 inclusive will be sponsored by Pioneer Valley Pomona Grange #32 at the New England Grange Building on the grounds of the Eastern States Exposition, Springfield, Mass. Advance entry system will be used in all classes. All classes are open to Grange members and/or persons sponsored by a Grange member. All entries must be submitted to New England Flower Show Committee on or before Sept. 10, 1966. Exhibitors will be provided with passes to enter grounds to place and remove entries as required.

Grange Flower Show

There are three divisions (1.) ARRANGE-MENTS - Sept. 17, 18, 19 - 4 classes, (2.) House Plants - Sept. 20, 21, 22 - 5 classes, (3.) Cut Flowers - Sept. 23, 24, 25 - 11 classes. The list of rules are not printed here for lack of space, but it is necessary that they be followed carefully. For further information contact Howard A. Fife, Sr., 169 Birch Park Circle, West Springfield, Mass.

Many who stand up vigorously for their rights fall down miserably on their duties.

From The Lecturer's Corner

The Pantomime and Talent Contests were held at Meriden Grange hall of June 25th before a large and very enthusiastic audience. The judges, Mrs. Alma Brooks, Mrs. Gertrude Platt and Frank Prelli, had a difficult job indeed in picking first and second place winners in each category, and our Connecticut Patrons may well be proud of all the contestants. In the Pantomime contest, first place went to Cheshire Grange representing New Haven County for a hilarious boarding house routine, and second place went to Norwich Grange representing New London County, with an original variety routine.

In the Talent Division, first place was won by Greenfield Hill Grange representing Fairfield County with a quartet consisting of Mrs. Edith Mahn, Miss Elizabeth Trotter, H. Glenn Sperry and J. Kenneth Pennell, accompanied by Mrs. Frances Kohlberg. Second place was taken by soloist Charles Dummond of Plymouth Grange, representing Mountain County. He was accompanied by Miss Elsie Schneider.

The summer months are busy ones for Lecturers, both for "winding up" the current year's work and making plans for the 1967 Centennial Year. Booster Night programs are to be held between August 1st and Sept. 30th with reports sent to State Lecturer by October 10th, 1966. Entries in the Color Photo Contest must be received by State Lecturer no later than Sept. 30th. Do not include the transparency, but do list name, full address and Grange name and number. Entries in the Song Writing contest must also be received by Sept. 30th and these should also include full name and address and Grange name.

Subordinate Lecturer's Performance Award sheets, taken from the National Lecturer's handbook, are to be filled in and signed and sent to State Lecturer by Sept. 15th. Items to be completed between the time of mailing in the report and Sept. 30th to be listed and reports may be sent in any time after July 1st.

CHARITY PAYS -- 7 to 1!

The charitable old lady walking slowly down the street noticed a be-draggled, tattered looking man leaning against a lamp post. Her heart softened immediately. She pressed a five dollar bill into his hand and whispered, "Have hope,"

The next time she happened to go along that street the same man was there. When he saw her, he immediately came over and handed her \$35.00.

"What on earth is this for?" she exclaimed.

"You got some luck, lady," the man said. "Have Hope came in and paid 7 to 1." POMONA #6 (Continued From Page 8)

Thibeault reports that he has sent out seven packages, each containing 50 to 75 books. Larry Minson was elected Master. Our mystery ride took us on a surprise visit to the Plainfield Grange; we also visited Mystic Grange and shared in the program.

NORWICH #172 - Edward Babbitt, Corr. Mrs. Louise Chapman, our present Lecturer, is now our new Master. Bro. William Pearl, Steward of the Conn. State Grange, will do the installation. Our youth Comm. put on a program in June with Robert Almy, Past Prince of the National grange in attendance. Also present, was Bro. William Pearl who presented Sister Mabel Stebbins with her Golden Sheaf Certificate and Sister Marion R. Neil and Brother Stanley Szarka with Silver Star Certificates.

Excelsior Pomona #7

POMONA #7 - Ida H. Ippolito, Corr. Mrs. Jerome C. Keech was honored at the June meeting of our Pomona at Pomperaug Grange. Mrs. Keech was presented with a National Sash representing assembly of Demter. State Master Kingsley Beecher presented her with this honor and she was named a special Deputy for our 100th anniversary. Seventy-five members attended Church Sunday evening in June at North Woodbury Congregational Church. Plans for the 75th anniversary program of Excelsior Pomona for October 15th are underway.

PROSPECT #144 - Ruth M. Cowdell, Corr. Our Annual Fair date has been changed to Sept. 17th when we will have a much expanded program. James Bramhall is chairman of the fair and has planned many more exhibits and some out door activities. including pony rides. There will be our usual items for sale and the supper from 5 to 7 P.M. followed by an auction of all items not sold during the afternoon. The Grange parking lot has been repaved, as has the adjoining church lot.

ROXBURY #7 - Mrs.James E. Yates, Corr. The Isham Bible was rededicated in memory of the Isham family, having been suitably inscribed by Bro. Covell. The Grange also dedicated the new bible marker presented by Bro. and Sis. Horace Gillette in memory of Jerome Keech. We will participate in exhibits at Bethlehem and Danbury Fairs.

MAD RIVER #71 - Ida H. Ippolito, Corr. We held election of officers recently. Our new Master is Ethel Bertrand; Overseer, Harold Johnson; Lecturer, Elsie Bagley; Chaplain, Clara Myers and Steward, Elleen Reed.

WATERTOWN #122 - Mildred Taylor, Corr. Our picnic was held at Burr Pond

A Show Case Of Time



New London County Pomona Grange sponsored a float in the Norwich Rose Art Festival. The float was designed around the theme of the parade "A Show Case of Time". The float carried the thoughts of the changes of time from the first means of cultivation by hand tools to the development of the crude plow, and on to the present modern tractor, with its ease of operation depicted by a young lady operating it.

The Float was decorated in green and white with "1967 GRANGE 1867" on either side and P of H across the rear of the Float. Those illustrating the early cultivators were, Mrs. Irene Babbitt and Edward Babbitt, "The man behind the Plough", John P. LeVangie, Sr. and the modern tractor operator, Miss Janet Miner.

In the final judging this Float was awarded the trophy for the best float carrying out the Theme of the Parade.

State Park. Applications for new members are coming in. In August "Little Drops of Water, Little Grains of Sand" was held, with prizes awarded. Election of officers was held. Master is Pearley L. Taylor; Overseer, Eugene Garrison; Lecturer, Mrs. Mildred Taylor.

WOLCOTT #173 - Nancy Russo, Corr. In June we held a short memorial program in charge of the Chaplain Ellen Norton. Then held election of officers with Bro. George Myers elected Master and Sister Dorthy Genovese elected Lecturer. After the meeting, a birthday party was held for Sister Ellen Norton who was 80 years young on our meeting night. Later in June we had a program honoring our Fathers. Gifts were given to all Fathers and new members.

BETHLEHEM #121 - Clara Osuch, Corr. Election of officers brought in John R. Osuch as Master for the third year, and Fred Anderson as Overseer for the second year. Sister Josephine Stevenc received her 50 year Certificate from our Grange. We conferred degrees on four candidates lately, held Junior night at the last meeting, and will have a card party in October.

Sea View Pomona #8

POMONA #8 - Katherine Looby, Corr. Election of officers was held in Clinton in June. We had as our guests: State Master Kingsley Beecher; State Pomona Shirley Dill; Safety Comm. Charles Petzold; Rachel Narducci a member of Conn. State Grange H.E.C.; Deputies Donald Stands and Regina Stands. We voted to donate \$25 to the Keech Memorial Fund, also voted to send the Lecturer to the Lecturer's Conference. The officers elect are: Master, Peter Deffek; Overseer, Donald Stands; Lecturer, Regina Stands.

OLD SAYBROOK # 198 - Elsie Gerich, Corr. A successful Dairy Supper was held in June. Visitations were made by members to several granges in our area. Competitive Night was held in June with the men being judged the winners.

EAST HADDAM #56 - Mrs. John Williams, Corr. Memorial Services were conducted by Chaplain Anita Stewart for our deceased members. Officers were elected for the coming year. Our Dairy Dinner was held in June with a very good attendance. The newly elected Lecturer Eva Klosowicz will attend the Lecturer's Conference in Maine.

KILLINGWORTH #66 - Martha Dielema, Corr. Election of officers was held in June with Charles Petsold reelected Master. "Officers Night"; neighboring Grange officers were invited to participate in our program and each presented a number. Deputies Donald Stands and Regina Stands were among the guests.

OLD LYME #162 - Mrs. John Roberts, Corr. Sister Dora Cone was presented a 60 year plaque from Sea View Pomona and a 60 year certificate from Old Lyme Grange. State Master Kingsley Beecher made the presentation. Others present were Sea View Pomona Master Gustaf Dill and Sister Dill. Deputy Donald Stands and Regina. Election of officers has been held and there has been an Officer's and Committeemen's meeting to plan for the new year.

OLD LYME JUNIOR #46 - Mrs. John Roberts, Corr. Several boxes of school supplies have been packed for Viet Nam and will soon be on their way. A picnic was held in mid July.

PETTIPAUG #203 - Katherine Looby, Corr. The Ways and Means committee reported a very successful card party held at the home of Harriet McCombs. Roberta Bosworth reported selling \$47.00 worth of poppies on Memorial Day. The newly elected officers are: Master Florence Pratt; Overseer Harriet McCombs; Lecturer Fred Fordham. Youth Night was

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10 POMONA #8 (Continued From Page 9)

observed at our last meeting with guests from Chester, Higganum, Madison, North Stonington, Old Lyme, Old Saybrook and Westbrook. A very fine program was presented by the visiting youths and our own members.

Fairfield County Pomona # 9

TRUMBULL #134 - Evelyn M. Normand, Corr. A \$25 scholarship was given to a member of the graduating class of Trumbull High School for excellence in Home Economics work. Money donations were made to the Conn. Eye Bank and Trumbull Public Health Nursing Asso. Gifts, favors, books and clothing have been sent to Hillside Home in Bridgeport, a Trumbull church, Tenn. Mountain Missionary society, two Veteran's Hospitals and American Cancer Society.

RIDGEFIELD #165 - Beatrice Stillman, Corr. The grange voted in favor of holding the annual State Meeting in Bridgeport in October. The annual picnic was held at the home of Sister Walter Evans. It was voted to send the Lecturer Elect to the Lecturer's Conference in Maine. Two camperships were awarded to Junior Grange members, one by Ridgefield Grange and the other by Fairfield County Pomona. Judy Frulla and Grace Gasperino

were the lucky winners. In June the election of officers brought in Mrs. Mildred Moore as Master.

NEW CANAAN #38 - May Anna Strathie, Corr. A picnic is being planned for Aug. at Mead Memorial Park. In July we held our Town Officers Night, from the First Selectman on down, an interesting and amusing program was enjoyed. Ellen and Edwin Bouton did a dialogue from papers of 50 years ago.

GREENFIELD #133 - Blanche W. Colepaugh, Corr. Members enjoyed swimming and an outdoor picnic at the Pennell home in Greenwich. We are proud of our quartet from Greenfield Hill Grange winning the State Talent prize. They will sing at the meeting in Cheshire on Aug. 20th. Our 67th Grange Fair will have a grab bag, baked goods, candy, handwork, flowers, an auction and bingo at 8 P.M.

Housatonic Valley Pomona #10

CORNWALL #32 - Bernice M. Southwell, Corr. Inspection was held without candidates. The degree work was well done with the dairy supper being served before the meeting. In June, Deputy Edward Pedersen showed pictures of his honeymoon trip to Bermuda. A memorial program was presented before the showing of the movies. Later in June election of officers

for the coming year was held. Brother Milton Crosby was elected Master with a few other changes. In August we will hold one meeting on the third Monday of the month.

BRIDGEWATER #153 - Gladys Larson, Corr. At our meeting in July, our Grange received a surprise gift of stations for the three Graces. Material and workman ship for the stations were contributed by Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Mead and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jackson of Metichewan Grange, New Milford. Harwinton Grange came to Bridgewater on their mystery ride. Deputy Edward Pederson showed colored films of Bermuda.

WICHITA #132 - Charlotte Rowe, Corr. We had a very successful Dairy Smorgasbord in June; serving nearly 400 and clearing a nice profit. A "Charter Oak' seedling was obtained and presented to the town with appropriate ceremonies. This will be incorporated in a suitable location as part of the landscaping of Town Hall, Church and school grounds. This is a project instigated by the grange in which the entire town is participating.

WEBUTUCK #86 - Ella F. Staunton, Corr. We are having a picnic the day following our August meeting. Our meeting hall has been redecorated by the brothers. The

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POMONA #10 (Continued From Page 10) sisters put up new curtains and also helped with some of the painting. We are all proud of the results.

METICHEWAN #19 J.G. - Adele Smith, Corr. We visited Danbury Junior Grange one Saturday morning and then came back in the afternoon to our own Grange and had election of officers. Lynda Murphy was elected master for the coming year. A picnic was held in Harrybrooke Park which is a new park given to the town of New Milford. At the School of Instruction held in Winchester we put on the program with Beacon Valley Grange. We have eleven members attending Camp Berger this summer.

Farmington Valley Pomona #11

POMONA #11 - Hazel Bradley, Corr. Arthur Rote will be installed as Master at the installation of officers Sept. 19 at Suffield Grange hall. The auction held in June brought in \$123,60.

CAWASA #34 - Hazel Bradley, Corr. Mrs. Ellsworth Beecher and Mrs. William Gardiner presented a very interesting program in July. This was changed from August 26th as scheduled because of a conflict with the Lecturers conference in Maine. The annual picnic will be held at Howard Edgertons again this year. The needlework contest will be judged at our Sept. 9th meeting. The Fair and supper will be held in Sept.

WEST SUFFIELD #199 - Isabelle S. Covington, Corr. The Fair will be held on the grounds of our Grange hall on Sept. 10th. The program will consist of exhibits and field events. A snack bar will be open during the day, and a chicken barbaque served starting at 5 o'clock. A white Elephant table and food sale will also be part of the fair. Marjorie Adams and Mrs. Jessie Beresford received 25 year pins and certificates from our grange. Pamela Covington, Lecturer of West Suffield Grange, has been elected Ceres of Farmington Valley Pomona for the ensuing year. TUNXIS #12 - Eleanor Mae Manion, Corr. At the June meeting G. Harold Humphrey, former Master of Tunxis and State Deputy presented Mrs. Mabel Mann with her 50 year membership, (Golden Sheaf). At the same time he presented Mr. Emil Jaroch with his 25 year membership certificate. Later in June Mr. and Mrs. George Libbey were hosts to the members of Tunxis Grange at their summer home in New Hampshire.

WEST HARTFORD #58 - Josephine Shekleton, Corr. At our June meeting election of officers brought in Master William Gardiner, Overseer Joseph Sullivan, Lecturer William Edwards. An unusual meeting, with the program under the auspices of the H.E.C., was held in June. Visitors were present from seven granges and included five State officers.



Left to right: Mabel Hayes, P.L. and Gerald Hayes, P.M. of Granby Grange and of Farmington Valley Pomona—At a recent Ritual Program, they are shown displaying old-time regalia used by Granby Grange when first organized, and which is now in custody of Granby Historical Society.

The highlight of the evening was the presentation of a 75 year Certificate of membership to Past Master Allen B. Cook.

SUFFIELD #27 - John E. Dunn, Corr. At our June meeting we had election of officers with Bro. Laurence Lirot as Master for a second term. The rest of the officers elected, accepted and many of the Comm. were also named. In June we had a mystery ride to Caprilands Herb Farm in North Coventry, Conn. We were shown a number of herb gardens with talks about them. Cookies and punch all flavored with herbs were served and had a very pleasing taste.

GRANBY #5 - Lyall H. Shaw, Jr. Corr. A film, The Amish Farm & House, was shown on June 16 depicting the farm life of the Amish people in Pennsylvania. We have a new artesian well at the Grange Hall at a reduced price thanks to the generosity of Brother Andrew Buczko who drilled it and the Arrow Construction Co. who donated the well tile and cover. Also, Brother Walter Motyka has installed new light shades at the Grange Hall, The annual picnic was held at Brother and Sister Porter's cottage on Congamond Lake on July 7. Two films on safety were shown along with two readings for July 21 program.

A financial genius is a man who can make money faster than his wife can spend it.

Pioneer Pomona #12

POMONA #12 - D. M. Kasperait, Corr. Again this year, Pioneer Pomona and Cannon Granges will have a joint installation of officers, with Mrs. Patricia Gregory as Master of both, at Cannon Grange on Sept. 15th. The judging of the Needlework contest will take place at that time. At the Steering Comm. in June, plans for the year were set up, including the family fun night and the Ways and Means Dinner and Fair both in April. Mrs. Kasperait, Secretary, reports Pioneer Pomona showed a gain in membership for the quarter ending June 30th.

HARMONY #92 - Dorothy M. Kasperait, Corr. Congratulations are extended to Paul Smolen, who recently was a National Merit Scholar and recipient of four year scholarship at graduation from Masuk High, Monroe. Mrs. Margaret Potcher, Master-elect held a meeting of all officers-elect in July to familiarize them with the ritual and their duties.

CANNON #152 - Miriam Saunders, Corr. The H.E.C. held a successful food sale in June and have also been able to raise funds for their projects during these summer months. Early in Aug. the Grange members enjoyed a picnic at the home of Brother and Sister Robert Plassmann. The

first meeting in Sept. we will have neighboring Granges as our guests for the annual show of flowers raised from seeds distributed in the spring. We are looking forward to seeing our friends once again.

SHELTON #186 - Edith M. Sullivan, Corr. In June we held election of officers, with David L. Sullivan, again being elected as Master. Meetings to be omitted in August. In June all fathers in the Grange were honored for Fathers Day.

EASTON #149

Miss Betty Jane Tirner has been chosen to fullfill the office of Master for the ensuing year with Mrs. Dorothy Gillette as Lecturer.

A picnic for the members will be held at the home of present Master Francis Mellen and Mrs. Mellen on August 23. Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month.

Big Turnout

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by a songfest led by Charles Petzold, Killingworth.

Appearing will be soloist Charles Dumond of Plymouth; folk-singer Oscar White and his guitar, from Newtown; pianist Hyman Biber, winner of the 1962 National Grange talent contest; and the singing quartet from Fairfield -- Mrs. Edith Mahn, Miss Elizabeth Trotter, J. K. Pennell, and H. Glenn Sperry. Mrs. Ethel Gibbon and Mrs. Frances Kohlberg will serve as accompanists.

"Traveling Grangers", an original comedy enacted by Winchester thespians Bud and Marion Beecher, and Barbara English assisted by Bill and Betty Jane Gardiner of West Hartford will complete the show. Robert Leslie, Groton, has charge of sound effects.

Highlight of the evening will be an address by National Master Newsom. The receiving line to honor Mr. and Mrs. Newsom will be flanked by State Grange celebrities Young Couple of the Year, Mr. and Mrs. Ruel Miller of Cheshire; Prince for Connecticut, Frank Wujcik of Preston City and the Princess, Miss Ann Stoddard, Morris. Miss Sharon Miller, Princess for Michigan State Grange will bring greetings from her state.

Gertrude's Corner

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The Ladies Third Degree Team of Quinnatisset Grange #65 in Thompson, Conn. do excellent degree work and a drill that is top performance. This team has been active for 25 years. Pictured here, top row from left, they are: Marjoric Chapman, Caroline Missier, Barbara Spohl, Mercedes Robbins, Peggy Fallon, Evelyn Robbins and Elizabeth Joslin; bottom row, left: Helen Chandler, Julliette Eddy, Carol Smith, Sally Newcombe, Mary Tourtellotte and Norma O'Leary.

The Princess

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York twi-light feature was a "Mock Ball Game" between the State Grange Officers, headed by Master "King" Beecher and State Junior Deputies led by Mrs. Gertrude Wyble. The score of this first game was not kept since everyone was too busy watching the antics of the two teams. Rumor has it that Princess Ann Stoddard and Betty Beecher really did themselves proud (home runs, etc.) -- An impressive ceremony introducing State Grange celebrities followed. They were: State Master Kingsley Beecher, Mrs. Helen Burr, Conn. Mother of the Year from Brookfield; Mr. and Mrs. Ruel Miller, Young Couple of the Year from Cheshire; and the 1966 Prince Frank Wojchuk, Preston City and Princess Ann Stoddard from Morris. -- Grange officials Eddin Morin, General chairman and Eugene Speck, chairman of the event with the State Master presented an inscribed plaque to Charles "Chick" O'Malley, Giants Manager, for his efforts in getting the Grange and public together.

A one track mind is not bad if the track leads somewhere.

Money lent to a friend may have to be recovered from an enemy.

Shooting from the lip can be as deadly as shooting from the hip.

Memoriam

Gerald W. Feetit - Westfield #50 Amory Brown - Echo #180 Lura Dutton - Mad River #71 John Cone - Old Lyme #162 Mary B. Blaschik - East Haddam #56 May Hoyt - New Canaan #38 Theresa Arey - Wichita #132 Mrs. Inez Griswold - West Hartford #58 Horace Holbrook - West Hartford #58 Ruby Mitchell - West Hartford #58 Robert D. Peebles - Housatonic #79 Arthur Mayback - Farmill River #130 Anna M. Raymond - Farmill River #130 Hanford G. Wilson Sr. - Farmill River #130 Emily Marsh - Cornwall #32 Herbert Coblieg - Cornwall #32 Charles Durrigan - Plainfield #140 Helen Madden - Norwich #172 Wallace B. Hill - Hillstown #87 Burton Meddaugh - Roxbury #7 Hobard Brockett - North Haven #35 Gladys Bushey - Salem #166 Annie Gregg Covington - West Suffield #199 Ada Caelisle - Cawasa #34 Perry Chapman - Cawasa #34 Tirzah Olson - Cawasa #34 Edith Seddon - Middlefield #63 Harry L. Page, Jr. - Guilfield #81 Minor Ives - Meriden #29 Pierce Hall, Ledyard #157

Commenting on the new company standing in the industry, Kenneth P. Colby, NGM president, pointed out that National Grange Mutual ranked 32nd in 1963 and 30th in 1964. "Continued growth during the first four months of 1966," he said, "has been at the rate of 19%".

in ranking.

REPORTS IN COMMUNITY PROGRESS PROGRAM

Whenever there are changes in a program it is inevitable that some misunderstandings will occur.

One of these misunderstandings which frequently occurs is in regard to reports in the Community Progress Program.

In the 1963-1965 Program a mid-term program report was requested. A card was provided for this, however it seemed no really useful purpose so it was dropped from the program.

In the present 1965-1967 Community Progress Program no mid-term report is required, however we are very interested in receiving a letter from the Grange telling us of their progress. This is especially desireable, for we can then share their ideas with other Granges, and it does provide publicity material.

The FIRST AND ONLY REQUIRED RE-PORT is due in the office of the State Grange Master AUGUST 1, 1967.

Summary report forms will be mailed to each Grange entered in the Community Progress Program in Mid-June 1967. in plenty of time for the August 1, 1967 deadline. This summary report form must accompany the Grange's Community Progress Program report.

IT'S A SAD SITUATION

One of New York's most prominent playboys suddenly dropped dead in a night club. A doctor was summoned and started to write up all the details -- name, age address and so on. At last he asked, "Anyone happen to know his religion?" There was a silence. Then a friend of the dead man's spoke up, and said, "I think he was an atheist."

The doctor looked over the elegant clothing of the corpse, complete with white tie and tails. "What a shame," he said, "All dressed up and no place to go."

Summer is the season when children slam the doors they left open all winter.

Horsepower was a lot safer when only horses had it

FROM THE SECRETARY'S OFFICE

This report is made possible by the co-operation of the 168 Secretaries of our Pomona and Subordinate Granges. These Secretaries deserve and should get a "Thank You" from every grange member for the reports which they send to this Office quarterly. My personal appreciation goes out to all of them. I am suggesting that each and every one, as an indication of this appreciation, pay their dues in advance without waiting for a "dun" from the Secretary. Had you ever thought what a task it is to send out "reminders" to many of the 26,000 members at home and away? While we did not make a gain in membership from June 30th, 1965

to July 1st, 1966, we did make an increase over the March 31st membership. I hope you will note these figures carefully because it appears that a gain in membership is within our reach with just a little co-operation on the part of all. 134 Grange initiated 967, returned by demit 61, reinstated 73 BUT 120 Granges suspended 664, demitted 509, and 448 died, LOSS 520. This, of course, affects the Pomona member-

ship. The Pomona reports indicate that there were 239 candidates, 7 returned by demit, 17 re-instated. 207 suspended, 187 demitted and 121 died. 252.

Suspensions ranged from 1 to 29 in subordinate granges: candidates ranged from 1 to 41 and deaths from 1 to 13.

Several Granges missed the monetary award which was to have been given because of the suspension of just one member. Most Granges now have the printed dues receipts for next year so that it is not too early to pay for 1967.

"DO YOUR BIT"

Here we are the eighth month of the season. Come right along for here is the reason, Save your pennies and dimes And buy a bond in the nick of time. The Soldiers, Sailors and Marines Are all doing their bit it seems, But they just can't carry on unless, You all pitch in and buy a bond. So step right up and don't be shy Because we are all here to try To help the boys to put this trouble through. One and all you can do your bit Buy as many bonds as you see fit. And before you know it "Peace" will reign once again.

> Lillian H. Brewer Trumbull Grange #134

Good reputations are made by many acts --- but are sometimes lost by only

"To My Young Comrades"

I've often heard my comrades say, Liberia holds no hope for them

And even curse the very day, That fate had placed them here.

I've been abroad myself and know, What lies ahead of them.

It's more than what the papers show or what the magic screen reveals.

They read of Broadway's mosaic lites. Of women, wine and jazzy spots And rendezvous of heart delights.

They cannot feel the real abroad, That I have felt for many years.

It all goes back to vonder years, A schooner put at Plymouth's Rock

And landed men and women too, Who sprung up from a rugged stock.

They knelt in prayers for health and strength, And rolled their sleeves and worked like hell.

They fought both Indians and the wilds, And broke no faith with those who fell.

In time to come they made a bid and tore loose from their Mother's breast. And pledged to serve each other's cause

They sent a signal to the east, For brawns to come and help them build.

My race was first to head the call, They shanghaied us by warring feast And made us sweat in pain and tears. Then came the men of other lands, To lend their quota to the whole,

They too came not with folded hands, But worked to make the Nation Great. To make the Great United States. Cities grew where stockades stood. The iron-horse replaced the coach

And banks and factories studded the land, From icy Maine to Dixieland,

They built the churches and the schools and taught their children how to work, I mean work with all their might, That they may live in peace and joy.

We have here too the virgin soil. With sunshine and the rains.

It's not that we have lesser brains, Or brawns that a pioneer needs.

Why pine to go to other lands? Just roll our sleeves and use our hands!

More Proverbs from Mr. Johnson's collection.

While the bird is singing, we look down its throat - EXPLANATION - Learn to read between the lines.

You are leaning on dry bamboo - EX-PLANATION - Your source of help on which you depend is not solid,

Mosquito says: If you want a man to hear you, speak in his ears! - EXPLANATION -Personal contact in all transactions is the most effective!

With best wishes to all our friends, Sincerely, Janet and Tom Hart

YOUTH

Now that the greatest part of the summer is behind us, we are looking forward to a new Grange year. We are anticipating good fellowship and fun at our fall weekend at Camp Berger on September 16, 17 and 18 and hope to see you there.

On October 2 the State YC will be meeting with the Pomona Youth Committee Chairmen, Pomona Deputies and Pomona Masters at Hillstown Grange, East Hartford, at 3:00 P.M. with a potluck supper at 5:30. We will present and discuss plans for the 1966-67 Youth Activities.

Of course we are looking forward to State session when the youth will have a part in the evening program.

During the summer the Quinebaue Degree Team worked hard to represent us well at the New England Runoff on August 6 at Pembroke, New Hampshire. At the time of this writing we do not have the results of the contest or of the State Grange Rally at North Stonington Grange on the 14th of August, but we are expecting to enjoy a good old fashioned outing with you all.

We have asked each Grange in the State to help us in financing the many Youth Projects we have this year and are extremely grateful to the following Granges in addition to those listed in the last issue, who have sent us donations up to this time.

Beacon #118 Beacon Valley #103 Bethlehem #121 Bozrah #161 Coventry #75 East Windsor #94 Echo #180 Glastonbury #26 Greenfield Hill #133 Haddam Neck #177 Hamden #99 Killingworth #66 Lisbon #195 Little River #36 Manchester #31 Metichewan #190 Natchaug #68 Newington #44 Norwich #172 Pachaug #96 Plymouth #72 Pokono #191 Rock Rimmon #142 Southington #25 Wemanesa #170 Windsor #2 Wolf Den #62 Central Pomona #1

Quinebaug #2

Excelsior #7

Pioneer #12

Housatonic #10

Mountain County #4

Fairfield County #9

North Central #13

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GRANGE OFFICIALS MEET THE PRESS—Grange leaders discussed the Grange Centennial celebration during a recent news conference in Syracuse, N.Y. The National Centennial Committee met to map out activities at the 101st Annual Session of the National Grange in November 1967.

Shown left to right, John Mulroy, County Executive, Syracuse, N.Y.; William J. Brake, National Centennial Chairman, Haslett, Mich.; Mrs. Lorenzo Palmer, State Centennial Chairman, Williamson, N.Y.; Maynard Dolloff, National Executive Committee Secretary, Augusta, Maine, and Herschel D. Newsom, National Master of the Grange.

JUNIOR GRANGERS

Work of the Junior Granges found in 35 Connecticut towns will go on exhibit throughout the state's county fairs beginning at Groton and finishing at the great Danbury fair in October.

"The Grange youngster's displays will be easily recognized," says State Junior Superintendent Mrs. Norman Wyble of Gaylordsville, "because of the theme idea depicting the Amish farmers in Pennsylvania,"

Each JG unit has been studying the ways and folklore of the Pennsylvania Dutch farmers through themecraft, programs, films, speakers, trips and now they are "ready to compete" for county blue ribbons. Special awards for community service such as relief fund for Greek Team in Kythera, Greece; MEDITAG; Jimmy Fund; and winter gardens for the shut-ins will be made at the annual state session in October.

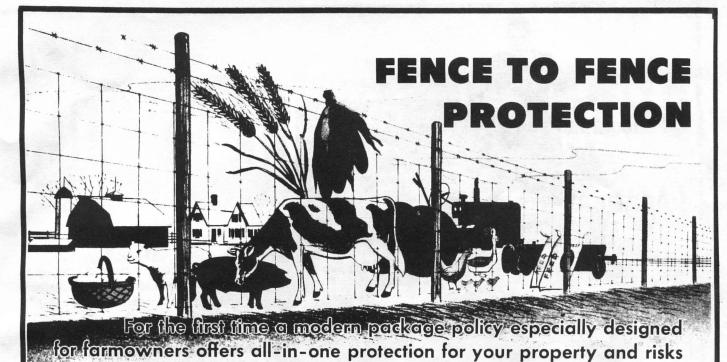
Most popular contest is the 2-foot Amish diorama depicting the typical living conditions of these folks on the farm, in the home, school or church. Another craft is the bread or onion board from suitable wood decorated with Pennsylvania Dutch "hex" signs.

There is a "Scripture" cake contest for those 13 and older, all ingredients given as clues in the Bible which must be researched. Other contests are decorative objects made from art foam; baked cookies; lamp and quiz board; nature collages composed from products of forest and field; fire prevention posters. Many articles which were completed by the JG's during their craft classes at summer camp in Winchester will also be on exhibit.

"If these younsters can catch the exhibitor's fever early," Mrs. Wyble attested, "then we can rest assured the traditional Grange participation in the county fair at harvest time will be perpetuated."

Grange Orient Tour

The Oregon State Grange, Portland, Oregon has invited, via State Master Kingsley Beecher, Connecticut Grange members and members of their families to join with them on their 1966 Grange Orient Tour. This "by popular demand" 21 day tour, set up exclusively for Grange members and their families, departs Portland, November 2, 1966 -- Japan, Taiwan, Hong Kong, and Hawaii are the glamorous places to be visited. Escorted all the way by an experienced tour manager and an English speaking native guide at all local points in the Orient, it will be an Oriental Holiday to be remembered a lifetime. --Extended stay in Hawaii as long as desired may be had at no extra transportation costs. The price of \$1,280 per person is some \$500 under any comparable tour . . . The Grange Orient Tour of last year sold out completely with 50 in the party. It is expected that this one will sel out promptly also, so early reservations are advisable to avoid disappointment. E Allen P. Wheeler, Oregon State Grange Master, concludes, "it will be a pleasure to have your folks with us."



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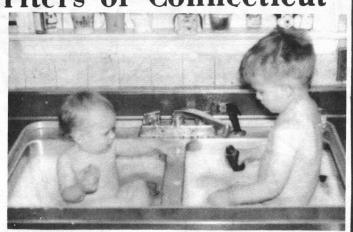
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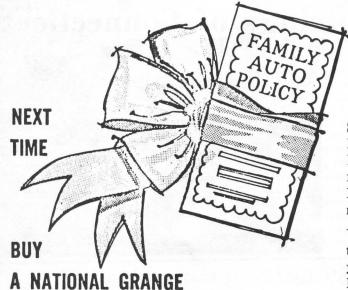
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