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— "EXPO" 1972 —



WE WERE THERE

(L. to R.) Frank Ruff, King Beecher and Gene Speck

Three brothers were caught by the camera as they arrange material for display at the Conn. Booth during the 1971 Session of the National Grange at Charleston, West Virginia. Others who assisted in setting-up and manning the booth were Alice Speck, Mervin and Rita Whipple, Emma Keech, Mildred Bell and Betty Beecher.

One of the BIG features to be included in the 1972 National Grange Session activities will be—

CONNECTICUT "EXPO" 1972, an Exhibition to be held in the State Armory, on Broad Street, Hartford, Connecticut. There will be 52 Booths from State Departments, Grange Feature Activities, Industrial Displays, Non-State Organizations, etc.

LOOK for more NEWS on this next month.

Lida Ives, Ch.

CONN. AGRICULTURAL FAIR JULY 28, 29, 30, 1972

The directors and officers of the Connecticut Agricultural Fair, sponsored by the Connecticut State Grange will hold their first meeting of 1972 on January 31st. The plans for the 1972 three day Fair to be held on July 28, 29 and 30th will be discussed. The officers and directors are:—**Officers:**

- President, Kingsley Beecher
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- Pomona # 1—Mildred Bell
- Pomona # 2—Mervin R. Whipple
- Pomona # 3—Richard Williams
- Pomona # 4—Alma Brooks
- Pomona # 5—Kurt Patzlaff

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**SPECIAL
TO ALL
GRANGE REPORTERS
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To all Correspondents:

We must cut expenses, our income from advertising and subscribers does not give us enough revenue to meet the cost of publishing the Granger.

We have decided to cut the paper from 12 to 8 pages and eliminate the individual Grange news except for special events such as 75th Anniversaries, hall dedications, etc.

This temporary action is being taken until such time as the committee the State Master is appointing, by vote of the delegates at the last State Session, has had time to meet and make recommendations.

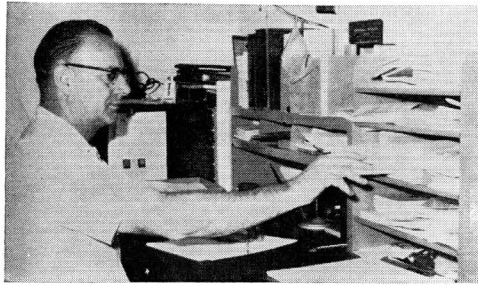
We have had to "take the bull by the horns" as the saying goes, because the State Grange cannot afford to pick up the difference as they have done at the end of the year in 1970 and 1971.

Thus, we are asking all local Grange Correspondents to stop sending news, except for special events, following next month's, the February issue. We will continue the paper with news of statewide events, items from the State Master, State Lecturer and the State Departments.

—The Editor

People will buy anything that is advertised "only one to a customer."

The average pencil will write a line 35 miles long or 45,000 words.



**NOTES FROM THE
EDITOR'S
(LITTERED)
DESK**

THE VALUE OF A SMILE

A smile costs nothing but creates much. It enriches those who receive it, without impoverishing those who give. It happens in a flash, and the memory of it sometimes lasts forever, none so poor but are richer for its benefit. It creates happiness in the home, fosters good will in business and is the countersign of friends. Yet it cannot be bought, begged, borrowed, or stolen; for it is something that is no earthly good to anyone until it is given away. **BE YOUR SMILING SELF.**

Psychologist: One who, when a beautiful girl enters the room, watches everyone else.

FAIR (from page 1)

- Pomona # 6—Louise Chapman
- Pomona # 7—Frank Behlman
- Pomona # 8—Peter Doffek
- Pomona # 9—Kenneth Pennell
- Pomona #10—Norman Wyble
- Pomona #11—Betty-Jane Gardiner
- Pomona #12—Raymond Fitch
- Pomona #13—Harry LaBonte
- At Large—Eugene Speck
- At Large—Florence Palmer

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DOESN'T EVERYBODY

Some people see things as they are and ask why. I dream of things that never were and ask, why not?

HOW ACCIDENTS HAPPEN—

I knocked over a man. He admitted it was his fault as he had been run over before.

I collided with a stationary bus coming the other way.

A pedestrian hit me and went under my car.

I blew my horn—but it would not work as it was stolen.

Coming home I drove into the wrong house and collided with a tree I don't have.

Car had to turn sharper than was necessary, owing to an invisible truck.

I left my car unattended for a minute, when by accident, or design, it ran away.

I misjudged a lady crossing the street.



THE 1971 "ROSE DRILL" GIRLS

Emma Keech, Fern Patridge, Mildred Bell, Isabel Skiba, Bertha Guay, Sally Hale, Maie Gillette, Camille Bertrand. Second row: Carol Barr, Jane Wilson, Sandy Kreuger, Leona Gibson, Ruth AmEnde, Roberta AmEnde, Florence Palmer, Dale Pearl, Marion Beecher, Dorothy Mattson. Third row: Jackie Brunelle, Ann Patzlaff, Judie Gifford, Betty Beecher, Alma Pearl (Palmer).

OUR JUNIOR GRANGE

CONGRATULATIONS "TIM"

Congratulations are in order for Timothy Meehan of Mad River Junior Grange for receiving Honorable Mention in the Something From Nothing Contest at National Session. Good work Timothy keep it up.

CRAFTS

Crayon Cornucopia

Here is a good use for broken bits of crayon—a cornucopia.

Place a wax-paper square on newspaper. Grate or shave the crayon bits all over it in a hit-or-miss pattern. Carefully lay a second sheet of wax paper over the crayon. Press very gently with a warm iron. An interesting marbled pattern is made.

Cut a triangle from construction paper. Lay it on the wax paper, creasing all around with the point of a pair of scissors. Lay the pattern on the side of the creased triangle and repeat until you have four creased triangles side by side. Cut this shape and fold along the creases.

Lay the two outside triangles over each other and staple. Hang with a loop of gay wool yarn.

Tear-Strip Bookmarks

Make bookmarks from those cardboard strips of unusual shape which you remove from box tops when you open containers—for instance, the oval-shaped ones from cleansing tissue boxes. Cover both sides with construction paper or with gift-wrap paper.

Decorate them as you like. A finish of transparent adhesive material may be pasted on the front and back and cut to shape, although this is not necessary.

Riddles

1. Why didn't Noah play cards?
2. What is as light as air but can't be held for ten minutes?
3. Why is a river so rich?
4. What belongs to you but is used more often by others?
5. Why is a dog with a lame leg like adding 6 and 7?
6. What room can you never enter?
7. Why is a nickel smarter than a penny?
8. Why are fish so smart?
9. What can a person wear that is never out of style?
10. Why are the prairies so flat?

Answers

1. Because he was sitting on the deck. 2. Your breath. 3. Because it has two banks. 4. Your name. 5. He puts down the three and carries the one. 6. A mushroom. 7. Because it has more cents. 8. Because they always go around in schools. 9. A smile. 10. Because the sun sets on them every night.

I do hope all Juniors have been thinking about what parts they would like to compete for to take part in National Session in '72. All rules will be out and in the hands of your Junior Deputy at the end of the month. Work hard and good luck to each and every one of you.

Dorothy Mattson,
J.G. Supt.

From the Lecturer's Corner:

Dear Worthy Lecturer,

This month we are going to talk about INVOLVEMENT. I feel that the best way to build enthusiasm for our 1972 Banner Year is for all Lecturers to become INVOLVED. We will ask that you all become more active, more willing, and eager to participate in the things requested of you. Many suggestions and ideas will be given to you from this office and from other sources. This is fine, but these are only a few thoughts, we will ask and encourage you to submit thoughts of your own, for yours may be the best ideas of all.

There will be many ways you can participate in the plans for the coming of the National Session to Hartford, from the important task of fund raising right to the final event of the week. We cannot put too much stress upon you as individuals becoming INVOLVED.

INVOLVEMENT is also important in your own Grange. The more people you ask to take part, the more people who you make feel important in your meetings and programs, the more your Grange will grow and go on to bigger accomplishments.

We have talked of INVOLVEMENT throughout the busy year ahead, but as I have said before, we must project our thoughts far into the future and keep in mind that the lasting results of our projects are our ultimate aim. The coming year will be a fine one for our fraternity, but the years that follow must prove to be even better and the trend of membership must be made to continue to swing upward.

We have reached the season when many of us will be tempted to huddle by the fireplace as the winter winds tempt us to stay snug and warm at home, but it can be a time when we can put our thoughts to work, take notes, and make plans for the days ahead when more of our members will be back with us. Let us not be "fair weather" Grangers, our Order needs our support in all seasons of the year.

Fraternally,
State Lecturer,
Mervin R. Whipple

REMEMBER

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THE CONNECTICUT AGRICULTURAL FAIR

**JULY 28, 29, 30
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Durham, Conn.

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THE NATIONAL GRANGE

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S A F E T Y I S

MAKE NO MISTAKE

FIRE CAN HAPPEN TO YOU!

Train your family in what to do if fire breaks out. Plan and discuss, particularly with the younger children, means of getting out of the various rooms in the house.

The most dangerous area is on upper floors. Stairways may become impassable. The roofs of porches or attached garages can usually be reached by climbing out of a window. In some instances, an escape ladder is a good means of exit. Ask your Fire Department where to get one.

For the basement you could suggest placing a table under a window. By placing a chair or box on the table, the window could readily be reached. Many other methods of escape will occur to you. Alternate escape routes should be planned, as normal routes may be blocked by fire or hot gases.

Once you have trained your family, occasional fire drills should be conducted. The children will enter wholeheartedly into such drills.

Your baby sitter should be thoroughly familiar with your family's fire instructions. Her first duty is to get the children safely out of the house.

Written instructions are best and should include:

1. Location of children's rooms and regular and alternate escape routes.
2. What to do if smoke or gas is smelled.
3. How to call the Fire Department.
4. How to reach the parents.

A large number of children lose their lives in fires because their parents leave them unattended. This practice is responsible for 30% of all child deaths by fire. **DON'T LEAVE CHILDREN UNATTENDED.**

CSG Consumer Safety
and Ecology Committee

Philip E. Bergquist,
Chairman

Carl H. Bernhardt
Henry B. Izzo



The 10th annual \$1,000 contribution to the Cystic Fibrosis Association was accepted at the State Session by this year's Poster Child, Stasia Bloniarz. The check was presented by State C.W.A. Director, Mildren Monahan.

THE DRIVERS

10 little drivers, cruising down the line; one had a heavy foot, and then there were nine.

9 little drivers, the hour was getting late; one dozed a moment, and then there were eight.

8 little drivers, and the evening seemed like heaven, one showed his driving "skill" and then there were seven.

7 little drivers, their lives were full of kicks; one brought a bottle, and then there were six.

6 little drivers, impatient to arrive; one jumped a traffic light and then there were five.

5 little drivers, wheeling near the shore; one viewed the scenery, and then there were four.

4 little drivers, happy as could be; one passed on a hill, and then there were three.

3 little drivers were busy, it is true; one neglected car repairs, and then there were two.

2 little drivers, and day was nearly done; one didn't dim his lights, and then there was one.

1 little driver, who's still alive today, by following the safety rules, he hopes to stay that way.

MESSAGE FROM THE MASTER:

Schools of instruction are over and most of the Masters and Overseers meetings have been completed. The schools of instruction were very successful with large attendance. The Officers and Members are anxious to learn proper procedures and want to do their work well. This, I believe, is a good sign. The need for schools of instruction is very evident. Each year there are many new Officers chosen from candidates initiated during the year. These Members are interested and a better understanding of the ritual adds a new dimension to their thinking. Any Grange that needs additional help or clarification of our ritual should contact their Deputy for help.

We need hundreds of new Members in the months ahead. Select good solid citizens and ask them to join our order. Degrees days will be arranged as needed. Plans are in motion to give at least three special sixth degree sessions next spring, more if needed. Pomonas will be working the 5th degree in the spring and special 5th degree sessions if needed, can be arranged.

The 1972 Committee for National Grange is meeting regularly and plans are beginning to take shape. Our special Conn.-72 Expo Committee is hard at work planning the largest show of its type to be held in Connecticut in many years. Hundreds of exhibitors will be displaying their wares in the State Armory and for a small cost the Patrons and the general public can enjoy the show. Hundreds of Patrons have volunteered to help with the Expo, as well as at the National Session itself. If you are interested in helping, send your name and address and telephone number to King Beecher, 769 Hebron Ave., Glastonbury, Conn.

We need the help of many Members to sell the '72 Sale items. Brother Phil Bergquist is in charge and

will be glad to set you up in business, his address and telephone number is 88 North Salem Road, Ridgefield, Conn., tel: 438-6341. The placemats particularly, would sell real well in large factories or office buildings. We need your help.

Patrons will be hearing soon from the New Membership Committee, as well as the other State Committees. Their programs are nearing completion and I hope they will be a help to Subordinate Committees.

William Pearl

ECOLOGY

Ecology is discussed more today than it was during the tail end of the past century when the science originated. The term was coined by Ernest Heinrich Haeckel, a German zoologist, who was the chief exponent of Darwin's theory of evolution in Europe, and a foremost biologist of his day. Haeckel stated that an individual (animals or plants) was the product of cooperation between the environment and organismal heredity. He called this relationship "oecology", a word derived from the Greek meaning "house", and indicating the study of organisms in their natural environments. This definition still applies to all the various branches of ecology.

In plain words, a woodpecker cannot exist on a prairie, not only because of lack of trees on which to find food, but also because the lack of trees means no place in which it can dig nest holes. Eliminate this environmental necessity where trees do grow and you upset the ecology, or house, of the woodpecker.

All animals are affected by one or more physical factors in their environment. In the surf zone of a rocky seashore, for instance, oxygen is naturally abundant in the water. Pollute that surf zone and the marine animals living there disappear. Innumerable microscopic green plants which capture the sun's energy float in the open waters. On this food base rests all the life of the ocean. Pollute that base and the endless food chain in the open sea is disturbed.

There are many who feel that they are independent of nature. This is at the root of the ecology crisis. Such an attitude leads to forgetfulness

that we and our earth are bound together, that ultimately we ourselves will be the victims of the imbalance of nature brought about by our own human agency. An ecological perspective is needed to help us survive and to restore to us the primal vision of the goodness, interdependence and value of the natural community.

We hope to give this problem all the urgent attention it requires by timely articles in the Granger and by making available to Granges information for discussion and action. Feel free to call upon the committee for any assistance.

CSG Consumer Safety and Ecology Comm.

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Jean M. Hurlbut receives congratulations from State Lecturer, Mervin R. Whipple at a recent meeting of Winchester Grange #74. Jean took a third place for the close-up category, a first place on people, and a first place on the Scenes which also was presented the Best of Show award in the Photograph contest of the State Lecturers' project at the National Grange Session in West Virginia.

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NEWS FROM AMONG THE GRANGES

Central Pomona No. 1

CENTRAL POMONA #1
May Sanderson, Corr.

The 85th Anniversary of Central Pomona Grange #1 was a well attended affair with about 200 people present. A very enjoyable program was presented by the Lecturer, Virginia Pratt. Several State Officers were present and nearly every Pomona Grange in Connecticut was represented. There were 6 Past Masters and 5 Past Lecturers of Central Pomona present. Clifford Brock of Mattabessett, the oldest presiding Past Master who served from 1926 to 1929, and Lucy Hall of Durham was the oldest presiding Past Lecturer who served from 1938 to 1942 that was present. Edith Pryor, Master of Mattabessett Grange baked a beautiful, huge, Anniversary Cake, the first cut being made by Lucy Hall, who said, she was also present at the 50th Anniversary of Central Pomona Grange.

SOUTHINGTON #25
Virginia Hoadley, Corr.

Southington Grange wishes everyone a very "Happy and Prosperous New Year."

A rummage sale was held recently to defray the expenses of the Christmas Party for the children.

Our program for January 7, "Belated New Years" and on January 21, "Let It Snow."

MATTABESSETT #42
E. Kropack, Corr.

January programs will be "Starting the New Year" on January 8th, and "Melodies in Snowtime" on January 22nd.

Mattabessett Grange says "Farewell to 1971, Greetings and Best Wishes to All for a Special 1972 Year." Come visit us soon.

DURHAM #57
May Sanderson, Corr.

The coming meetings for January will be, on the 6th, "New Year Hair Styles" and on the 20th — Drama Night.

MIDDLEFIELD #63
Marion T. Jones, Corr.

The C.W.A. held a very successful Christmas Sale. One of our homemaker groups sent Christmas Cards to patients at a Convalescent home and Shut-in members of the Grange

and townspeople. We remembered one of our members who is in a convalescent home with gifts. Lap robes and slippers were made for the convalescent home and mittens and scarves and toys to foster children.

Our January 12th meeting is Fun Night — Monte Carlo Whist and Stuff.

MERIDEN #29
Helen Reed, Corr.

During December we have attended Central Pomona's 85th Anniversary, held our Military Whist Party, arranged a Neighbors' Night, attended Pomona's Christmas Party and held one of our own. Also, our candidates received their 3rd and 4th Degrees at Southington Grange.

Quinebaug Pomona No. 2

WOLF DEN #61
Bonnie Brundette, Corr.

Arthur Young received his 50 year membership certificate with Past Master John Casey, making the presentation. He announced that Mrs. Edna Sharpe was another 50 year member but was unable to attend. Brother John also presented 25 year certificates to Clifford Merritt and Merritt Peck. Other 25 year members to receive awards were Mrs. Alice Wilson, Betsey Willets and her husband, James.

Mrs. Annette Clark, chairman of C.W.A. presented a first prize ribbon to Mrs. Muriel Carter, a non-member for a crocheted bedspread. Sylvia Morrarty won a first prize for a crocheted vest entered at Pomona level. Mrs. Carter won second at Pomona level for a crocheted table cloth.

At the January 12th meeting we are having a special safety movie entitled, "Toddler's Hour of Hazard" a special interest to mothers with small children. On January 26, we will have a Travelog.

WOLF DEN #18

Our Matron, Bonnie, will be out student teaching during the months of January and February. Our parents and friends will help us with our meetings. Our January 3rd meeting is omitted and on Jan. 17, we are having a 16mm film entitled "Dynamic Careers through Agriculture". All are welcome to attend and help.

CASH COMPANY

Do You Have Your
—CASH COMPANY CARD—

New 1972 Cards are being sent to the Subordinate Grange Secretaries

PUTNAM #97
Florence Morrarty, Corr.

At our January 10th meeting we plan to have a speaker on the drug problem. Our C.W.A. chairman had to resign due to illness, so we are happy to announce that Sis. Ruth Ann Sochor is taking over as chairman. Her address is 16 George St., Putnam, Conn. 06260.

We had a winner on the Pomona level in crocheting, Mrs. Dorcas Labonte, and Grace Paju won in the State with her Swedish weaving.
EKONK #89

We decorated Christmas trees at the Sterling Town Hall and Sterling Post Office. We distributed Christmas gifts to patients in the local convalescent homes. Our next meetings will be Jan. 3rd and Jan. 17th.
OBWEBETUCK #206

Will be meeting on the 4th Friday only in January, February and March.

IN MEMORIAM

Franklyn Hutchings—
Mattabessett #42
William Armstrong—
Mattabessett #42
Ethel V. Conlon Litchfield #107
Isabell Winn Tunxis #13
John Raisbeck West Suffield #199
Elizabeth Clark Granby #5
Dorothy Winnewisser—
Cannon #152
John Graef North Haven #35
Nellie Thompson Hamden #99
William Driscoll Prospect #144
Nina Mott Prospect #144
Elizabeth Schwer Clinton #77
Otto Messner—
Beacon Valley #103
Elizabeth Jecusco—
Watertown #122
Sadie Muldoon Manchester #31

LITTLE RIVER #36

December wedding bells rang for Adolph Halbach and Carol Barr Dec. 4th, and Susan Emmons and Russell Gray on December 10th.

Brother and Sister Pearl, Adolph Halbach and James and Alma Palmer all attended the National Session.

Jan. 14 program — A New Year Challenge. Jan. 28th Safety Night Program.

East Central Pomona No. 3

EAST CENTRAL POMONA #3

East Central Pomona will meet January 1, 1972 as guests of Coventry Grange #75. It is an 8:00 p.m. meeting. The program is entitled "A New Year". The Youth Committee will present the program.

MANCHESTER #31
Marian Beer, Cor.r

On the third Wednesday of November the 3rd and 4th Degrees were conferred on our new members. The CWA Committee was in charge of the program for the December 1st meeting. Sister Luna Hutchinson celebrated her 80th birthday on November 16th. She is a 65 year member of Manchester Grange.

The second meeting in December was our Christmas Party. Our Build-



James Grandy presented special "Agricultural awards" to Robert Gluck, past Quinebaug Pomona Deputy and Dr. W. W. Cowan of the University of Connecticut. Awards were made at the recent State Session.

ing Committee and others recently held a leaf clean up. Coffee and doughnuts were served to the workers.

HILLSTOWN #87

January 13th the Executive Committee and the Graces are in charge of the program. January 27 will be our Safety Evening. Card Parties are being held every 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, at the Grange Hall with the public invited.

HILLSTOWN JRS. #77

The JG's are active, they made favors for all who attended Pomona at the December meeting. They also set the tables for refreshments for the Pomona meeting. Favors were made for convalescent homes.

GOOD WILL #127

Harry Tomlinson, Master, Beatrice Tomlinson, Past Master, Robert Bantle, Past Master and Ruth Bantle, CWA Chairman, recently visited Mrs. Emma Harrison and presented her with her 50 year Certificate and Life Membership card. Mrs. Harrison's two daughters and their husbands were also in attendance. Mrs. Harrison is in her eighties and is unable to attend meetings.

We are now holding our Monte Carlo Whist parties on the second and fourth Fridays of the month and high and low prizes are given as well as door prizes. Our first meeting in January will be the CWA program in charge of Ruth Bantle. The second meeting will be Youth Night.

Mountain County Pomona No. 4

WHIGVILLE #48

Eleanor Gillette, Corr.

Visitors at Central Past Masters Association at Berlin recently were Horton Gillette, Pres. of Northwestern P.M. Assn., also Mary Krawiec and Eleanor Gillette. Mary Krawiec and Robert Lyon put on a number "Pumpkin Pie" for the program. Whigville will be visiting a local convalescent home with Christmas gifts and program during the holidays.

LITCHFIELD #107

Marian N. Plumb, Corr.

Featured at a recent meeting were three Irish Young farmers from Tipperary County, Ireland. The young men were guests of families in Litchfield and Warren while getting a look at Agriculture in America.

Six Past Masters and eleven Past Lecturers were present at our 84th Anniversary meeting in November.

Bro. Eugene Curtiss was presented his Golden Sheaf Certificate and Sister Martha Litwin her Silver Star by Worthy State Overseer, Bro. Frank Prelli. Outstanding slides of their trip to India were shown by Mr. and Mrs. Hans Scherr-Thoss.

LITCHFIELD JR. #91

Marian N. Plumb, Corr.

Members made picture books from old Christmas Cards for the Newington Home.

Explanation of the meaning of Hanukkah was given by members at our December meeting. All enjoyed playing and singing Christmas Carols.

New Haven County Pomona No. 5

NEW HAVEN COUNTY

POMONA #5

January 24, 1972, we will meet at Guilford Grange Hall. The program will be a mystery as I have not heard from my speaker yet. Come and visit anyway.

INDIAN RIVER #73

January 7th, Our program "Know Your Grange Ritual" in charge of Don and Phyliss Beard. January 21, a program "Domesticity!" in charge of the C.W.A. Ladies.

NORTH HAVEN #35

January 4th, Greetings to 1972. January 18th, "Cook's Kitchen", with CWA Ladies in charge. We are very proud of our new driveways and sidewalks to the door.

GUILFORD #81

Beatrice Olver, Corr.

Guilford Grange #81 honored two Sixty year members on Dec. 1st. Brother Carlton Platt, Jr., State Chaplain presented pins and certificates to Brother R. Walter Bishop and Sister Myra Crampton. Brother Bishop is our only Charter member. Silver Star certificates were presented to Sisters Caroline Shaw and Shirley Janssen.

New London County Pomona No. 6

NEW LONDON COUNTY

POMONA GRANGE

New London County Grange held their November meeting at the Pauchaug Grange Hall on Nov. 13th. The program for the evening was presented jointly by the Agriculture and Conservation Committee and the Committee on Women's Activities.

On November 20 the Pomona Grange sponsored an indoor fair at the Pachaug Grange Hall. Booths in the downstairs hall were set up by the subordinate Granges within the Pomona and all profit made on the booth became income for the subordinate Grange that was responsible for that booth.

In the upstairs hall an evening of entertainment was held. This was arranged by a special committee. Featured on the program were the Laural Airs Lady Barber Shop Chorus from Norwich, the Key Pickers a Barber Shop Quartet also from Norwich and several acts arranged by Grange members. Next regular meeting, March 11, 1972 Pachaug Grange Hall. Program, Our Irish Minstrel.

NORWICH

Norwich Grange, during the month of November held an Open House Program with William R. Lord, Americanism Officer of the Department of Connecticut, Veterans of Foreign Wars, as the guest speaker.

On November 24, State Master William W. Pearl presented Sister Marion Muttart with her Golden Sheaf Certificate. He also presented Brother Lawrence and Sister Rachel Bogue with Silver Star Certificates.

Program for Jan. 12 C.W.A. and on Jan. 26 Snowflake Minstrel No. 5. LEDYARD JUNIOR

Next meeting Jan. 14, 1972, Ledyard Grange Hall, 7:30 p.m.

SALEM #166

Mary Gaouette, Corr.

Salem Grange held their annual Christmas Party on Sunday Dec. 19 with Santa Claus being present with gifts for the children. Our first meeting was "Hobby Night" with members presenting and speaking on each hobby presented. The second meeting was a Christmas program on "Mistletoe". A collection of gifts was taken up to be presented to a Convalescent Home for Christmas. GROTON #176

Hazel N. Wekerle, Corr.

We conducted a successful bazaar and tea at the Grange Hall with a military whist following the same evening.

DAFFYNITIONS

Money: What things run into and people run out of.

Perpetual Motion: A cow drinking milk.

Arch Criminal: A guy who robs shoe stores.

Will: A dead give-away.

It was a privilege for Groton Grangers to have Mrs. Mildred Holdredge, Lecturer of Ledyard Grange show slides on the cultivation of tulips in Holland. She was dressed in an original costume of that country. She informed us that two types of tulips had been named by the Holdredge Nursery, one Colonel Ledyard and the other Lady Ledyard.

Green Sashes were in evidence at our last meeting, with all members participating. Eleven Pomona members were present.

Instead of our gift exchange of presents at our Christmas party next meeting, we are going to bring gifts for our shut-ins.

Groton Grange is still on the map in spite of the construction of the bridge and it is amazing how many of our Grange friends can find the hall in spite of this difficulty.

ECHO #180

Gloria Angell, Corr.

Our Lecturer Patricia Maines has received both State and National Awards. Our Master James Palmer was recently married to Alma Pearl of Little River Grange. We wish them much happiness.

We have made a donation to the \$1,000 Comm. working to raise money for Connecticut's National Grange '72 Committee.

Excelsior Pomona No. 7

EXCELSIOR POMONA #7

Joanne Cipriano, Corr.

"Let's Start Rolling on the Right Track" will be our program for our Jan. 19th meeting to be held at Mad River Grange Hall. Mad River will be host for the evening and Pomperaug Grange will have charge of the Country Store.

Congratulations to Brother and Sister Robert Bertrand for their placing as first runner-up in the National Grange Young Couple of the Year contest. Our royalty for this year: Princess Joyce King of Watertown Grange, Prince Kenneth Soden, Mad River Grange and Young Couple Linda and Charles Tooth of Washington Grange.

BEACON VALLEY #103

Joanne Cipriano, Corr.

Our Boy Scout Troop No. 109 will present a program for us on Jan. 28th—titled "An Ounce of Prevention."

WATERTOWN #122

On Jan. 7th our program will be "Season of Rest from Active Toil!"



Miss Saral B. Magaw (left) of West Willington and Miss Charlene Taylor of Vernon, students at the University of Connecticut each received a scholarship of \$300.00 at the recent 87th Annual Session of the Connecticut State Grange, held in Meriden. The presentations were made by the Trustees of the Connecticut State Grange Student Loan and Scholarship Funds. Mrs. Alma Brooks of Manchester, Mrs. Gertrude Platt of Brookfield and Robert Payne of Danielson. Miss Magaw's main interest at U-Conn is the study of English, while Miss Taylor concerns herself with Education and Home Economics.

and on Jan. 21st we will have a Neighbors' Night.

MIDDLEBURY #139

A Youth Night will be held on Jan. 11th and on Jan. 25th the Chaplain and Graces will be in charge.

BETHLEHEM #121

Lillian Merrill, Corr.

Our members have been busy trimming the tree and setting up the Creche on the Green for Christmas. Have formed a 12 member chorus which performed at our Christmas program. We sponsored the Bethlehem Little Town Players in a play "No, No a Million Times No" on Dec. 3rd and 4th. Our coming programs are Jan. 10th—Come to Our Birthday Party, Past Master in charge — Brother Alfred Goodson, Chairman and Jan. 24th — Winter Wonderland.

PROSPECT GRANGE

BURNS "NOTE"

PROSPECT #144

Ruth M. Cowdell, Corr.

November 12th was very special for Prospect Grange . . . we had just paid the last notes on our Hall and so a "note burning" ceremony took place. It was arranged by the Assistant Lecturer and present Master to celebrate the event and pay honor to those members still living and those who, since the destructive fire of 1944 have joined the great Grange above, to whose courage and per-

severance we owe our present Hall.

Thanks are due also to those note holders who so patiently waited for their money, at such minimal interest, for nearly thirty years. All cannot possibly be named . . . those who labored that first summer on taking down the ruined structure, those who helped with the new from first plans to finished structure, those who helped with outright money gifts and materials, and those who over the years have raised money not only to pay notes but also keep the building in good condition.

Past Masters present—John Davies, Ruth Hotchkiss, Charles Hodges, Edmond Morin, Sr., Adolf Bender, with Frank Plumb representing the note holders also taking part. Past Master Edith Canfield and Howard Hodges were not present; Josephine Stieler and Henry Holihan no longer make their homes in Prospect; Carl Canfield and J. Russell Putnam have joined the Great Great Grange above.

This was a Neighbors' Night with a number of Granges represented. The Steward of Connecticut State Grange, Frank Warner, presented silver star certificates to Bro. Alfred and Sister May Clark.

Meetings are planned for January with January 14 Visiting Masters and January 28 in charge of our Stewards.

Sea View Pomona No. 8

CLINTON #77

In order to stimulate interest for new 1st and 2nd degree members in the Grange we allowed them to witness the following ceremony: Josephine Eagan, member of the State Committee on Women's Activities, presented a Golden Sheaf Certificate to Miss Elizabeth Woodworth, and a Silver Star Certificate to Mrs. Clotilda Vece. While each of them were being decorated with a corsage, two of our 50-year sisters, Theresa Doane and Sarah Walton, sang "To Thee, Beloved Grange".

Our Assistant Steward, Miss Eleanor Chapman was married to Alan P. Norton on November 20. Eleanor is also Ceres and a member of the Youth Committee of Sea View Pomona. On Jan. 7 we will observe Master's Night; Jan. 21 the CWA Program.

KILLINGWORTH #66

James E. Conlin, Corr.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all! Our Grange is look-

ing forward to 1972 as another year for everyone to work for the good of the Order. Our first meeting of the new year on January 4 will introduce the fitting theme, New Horizons. Our meeting of February 1 will feature Talent on Parade. Visiting Grangers are cordially invited to attend and to watch the show. We hope as many Grangers as possible will be with us on this occasion.

Fairfield County Pomona No. 9

GREENFIELD HILL #133

Margaret W. Pennell, Corr.

Happy New Year to all you Patrons. Here are the results of our December 28th Planning Meeting. On January 4th we will hold our Competitive Night, and on January 18th we will celebrate our 79th Anniversary with Open House. Supper will be served at 6:30 p.m. and guests have been invited. January 15th we will hold a Bingo, the first of the 1972 season. A Drill Team is in the process of being organized, dates for rehearsals will be in the local papers and also announced at meetings. The number of rehearsals for the Fairfield County Chorus will be increased to prepare for our first concert in the spring. At the present time Greenfield Hill Grange is in possession of two Subordinate Banners, Pioneer's and Fairfield County's. Come and Take Them Home With You!

DANBURY #156

R. Slate, Corr.

Danbury Grange held a regular meeting on the evening of Nov. 11th, at which time a film on U. S. Savings Bonds was shown. As part of their community project the Grange will collect clothing for the Fairfield Hills Hospital.

Danbury Grange has had the pleasure of presenting three 50-year certificates to Bro. Stanley Peck, Sister Genevieve Peck, and to Sister Ruth Ruffles, who gave over 25 years' service as Secretary of Danbury Grange. Two 25-year certificates will be awarded to Sister Mary Keating and Sister Regina O'Sullivan.

DANBURY JUNIOR

R. Slate, Corr.

The Juniors have been busy making Christmas Decorations which were sold at the Danbury Grange Christmas Bazaar. They are also working on a drill.

POKONO #191

E. Dirkes, Corr.

We busied ourselves last month with another recycling collection, participation in the Red Cross blood collection in Brookfield, a party for Fairfield Hills Hospital residents with St. Pauls Episcopal Churchwomen, Christmas gifts for Fairfield Hospital people, trips to Southbury Training School with therapy program materials, and with the Christmas party at the Grange Hall.

In the coming year, Master William Thornhill will stress an expanded program of visits to and from neighboring Granges. All are welcome at any time. The first January program will hail the new year, 1972.

RIDGEFIELD #165

Mrs. Beatrice Stillman, Corr.

A recent meeting was enlivened with a visit from State Deputy Ken Pennell and Sister Pennell. The Lecturer's program was "All About Apples" and consisted of readings on the history of the apple, uses of the apple, apple recipes favored by members, and a contest on identifying various types of apples, won by Sister Margaret Evans.

TRUMBULL #134

Evelyn Normand, Corr.

Trumbull Grange eliminated the second meeting in December as it fell on Christmas Eve, and held their annual Christmas Party on December 10th. Members have again manned the Salvation Army kettles during December. A card party was held at the home of Henry and Dorothy Kowaleski and a Bazaar and card party at the Bridgeport Regional Center.

Past State Prince John Kaechele, Jr. and his wife are the proud parents of a baby boy. John was very active in the Grange before going into the service.

Housatonic Valley Pomona No. 10

WICHITA #10

Charlotte M. Rowe, Corr.

We only held one meeting in November because of Thanksgiving but that was a most productive one as we voted to give \$1,000.00 to a fund that is being raised to buy beach property on Lake Waramaug, Town of Warren. A beach with good swimming has long been a dream of the townspeople and at last seems to be a possibility thru the offer of a civic minded Grange couple.

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Farmington Valley Pomona No. 11

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POMONA #11

Isabelle S. Covington, Corr.

Windsor Grange will host Farmington Valley Pomona on January 17, at Windsor Grange Hall, Poquonock Avenue. "This and That" will be the title of the program.

WINDSOR #2

Irving Weitzel, Corr.

Our first meeting will be held Jan. 13th—Lecturer's program, The Ritual. On the 27th, Winter Fun.

Windsor Grange will hold 3 card parties during the month of January. They will be held Jan. 1, New Year's Night—Jan. 15 and Jan. 29.

GRANBY #5

Vivian C. Shaw, Corr.

Worthy State Master Pearl has appointed Angela Bigelow a member of the State Grange Youth Committee, and Vivian Shaw a member of the new Membership Comm. Granby Grange operated a financially successful two-day snack bar for the Granby Historical Society's Antique Show. The January 6 program will be "Trim up New Year's Resolutions" and January 20th "The Sound of Music."

TUNXIS #13

J. Senior Washington, Corr.

Two honors were received by Tunxis Grange at the recent State Session. Topping the list, Tunxis was named "Grange of the Year". Secondly, its Lecturer, Doris Shaw, was first place winner as top lecturer of the State. The Jan. 4 competitive program entitled "And Away We Go Jack and Jill" will be presented by teams of men and women.

January 18 the Juniors and youth will present a program entitled "Younger Citizens".

WEST SUFFIELD #199

Isabelle Covington, Corr.

Tuesday, January 11, will be CWA night at our regular meeting, held in Grange Hall on the Mountain Rd. The chairman of the Committee is Sister Olive Skorski. Neighbors' Night, January 25 with a Patriotic Program to be presented.

SUFFIELD #27

Esther Bagshawe, Corr.

With the snow piling up and the temperature tumbling down, the Youth take over and do their thing with "What Will the New Year Bring?"

Perhaps we'll reminisce later this month with others and "'Suffield', Yesterday and Today".

We wish all a great year and invite you to put aside February 14th to enjoy "Hobo Night" with us.

Pioneer Pomona No. 12

PIONEER POMONA #12

D. M. Kasperait, Corr.

We're very proud of our Laurie Cotnoir, runner-up in the Princess contest, a first for Pioneer. At our December meeting a token gift was presented by Dorothy Kasperait, a former State Youth Chairman on behalf of Pioneer Pomona. The program presented by Leslie Grant, Lecturer, at this meeting featured a Christmas play "The Long Road to Bethlehem" with eleven of our twelve Past Masters taking part, the other one was out of the state on business. Members brought "gifts in white" to be distributed to a convalescent home, a tradition followed during our entire existence.

Preliminary plans for a roast beef dinner in the spring are under discussion.

FARMILL RIVER JR. #2

We conferred the degree on a class of candidates in November, and have been making favors for the convalescent home which we "adopted". After being at the State Session and seeing the prizes for the contests, we have decided we're going to "try harder" next year.

HARMONY #92

D. M. Kasperait, Corr.

January 27 will be our "Open House" meeting. Tentative plans call for a competitive program on that night. Watch for details. Our

annual Christmas Bazaar was held December 4, with a smorgasbord supper. Thanks are extended to all who helped with the affair. At our only meeting in December, we welcomed representatives of the Salvation Army who told of their work. Contributions of canned goods were given them for distribution to the needy. We are now sponsoring the 4-H Wheelers of Monroe. Several of their members helped decorate for our Christmas Bazaar, as well as exhibiting at our annual Fair earlier in the fall.

CANNON #152

We have preliminary plans started for our 73rd birthday in May, including the presentation of several 50 year certificates. Details to be announced later.

SHELTON #186

Edith M. Sullivan, Corr.

Sis. Laurie Cotnoir, member of Shelton Grange was chosen first runner-up as State Princess at the Coronation Ball, November 27 at Woodbridge Center School. She is past Lecturer of Shelton and now is Overseer.

Our January 11th meeting is Past Lecturer's Night and on January 25, Visiting Pomona Officers' Night.

North Central Pomona No. 13

EAST HARTFORD #37

Isabel Skiba, Corr.

On November 19th we held a "Western Jamboree", a great success with members and non-members as guests.

On January 7th we will be holding a "Green Sash" night, come and join us and help make it a big success.

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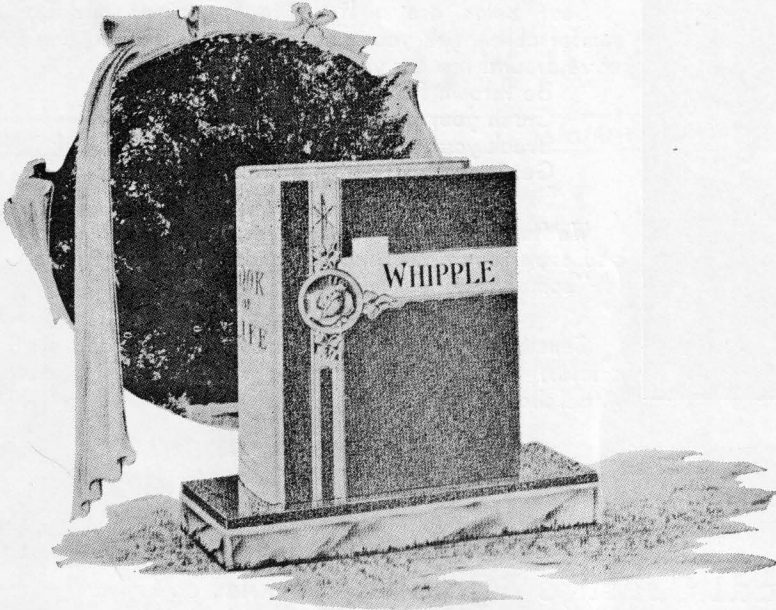
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