Connecticut State Grange







What is the total number of Community Granges to ever have existed under the umbrella of the Connecticut State Grange?





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The newest Grange is Groton Community Grange #213, formed on May 20, 2013.

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What is the name of the dormitory located on the University of Connecticut campus that was built by the Connecticut State Grange?





Grange Hall

In 1940, each Grange member in the state donated \$1 each with the college matching the 20,000 one dollar donations for the construction of this residence hall, which is still in operation today.







What year was the **FIRST**Connecticut State Grange formed?





1875

The first State Grange in Connecticut was organized at a meeting held at the Old Taylor Opera House in Danbury on April 15 and 16, 1875.







How many State Masters have served the Connecticut State Grange since the formation of the First CT State Grange in 1875?



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This includes current State Master George Russell.





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The CT State Grange hosted the National Grange Session on four occasions - 1907, 1934, 1972 and ?





2008

Connecticut hosted the 2008 National Grange Session as part of the Northeast Region of States, with its home base the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Cromwell. The Seventh Degree was held at the historic Bushnell Memorial Hall in Hartford, where it was held in 1934 and 1972.









Where is this building located?







The New England Grange Building at the Big E, Springfield, MA







Who are these two men?







William Gardiner (left) and Ellsworth (Bud) Beecher (right).
Bill was a Past General Deputy, and Bud was a Past State
Master (1986-1990) of the CT State Grange.





Where is this Grange Plaque located?







This small plaque along the walking path on the National Mall in Washington, DC (at Fourth Street and Madison) is the only private monument on the Mall, dedicated on September 9, 1951. It commemorates the founding of the National Grange.





Name this Grange Hall?



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Lyme Grange Hall, located in the Hamburg section of Lyme, CT







Who is this woman?







Ethyl Bartholomew (Eureka Grange).

She served as the CT State Grange Pianist for nearly 20 years. She was well known state-wide for playing music on a saw.







Name this Grange Hall?







Redding Grange Hall, located on the Newtown Turnpike, Redding, CT





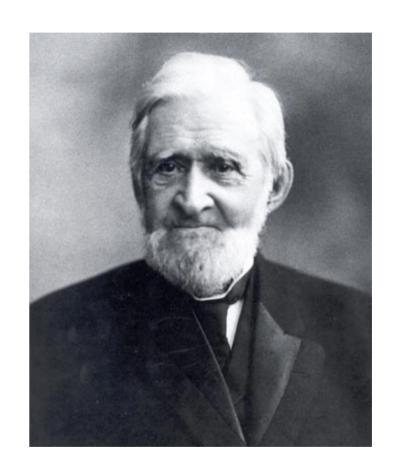


Who is this man?





Oliver Hudson Kelley, one of the Founders of the National Grange. It was his dream of our organization that became a reality on December 4, 1867 in Washington, DC.









What Grange Hall can this wall art be found in?







Whigville Grange Hall, located in the Whigville section of Burlington, CT, on the Bristol town line.







Where was this photo taken?



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At the Connecticut Agricultural Fair when it was located in Durham, CT. Pictured is the CT State Grange Youth's Corn Booth.





Name this Grange Hall?







This is Wallingford Grange Hall, located on Center Street, Wallingford, CT.



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What was the 2-4-5 Club?



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Back in 1950, Granges meeting on the second and fourth Fridays decided it would be fun to meet on a fifth Friday once a year. In this way they could neighbor with Granges they could not otherwise visit. After a few meetings a banner of blue and gold in the shape of a triangle was created. It was presented each year to the Grange having the largest attendance at the meeting.

While the 2-4-5 Club never officially folded, meetings ceased being held a few years ago.







Name the Grange that wrote a resolution to establish a Grange insurance company in Connecticut?





A resolution to develop the Patrons Mutual Fire Insurance of Connecticut was submitted from Senexet Grange #40 on December 7, 1886, by George Austin Bowen, M.D.. He represented Senexet Grange as their delegate at the State Grange Session. The resolution was passed unanimously. Bowen served as **State Grange Master from** 1896 to 1899.







What Grange dedicated the first Grange Hall built specifically for the purpose of housing a Grange chapter in Connecticut?







In August of 1884, Lebanon Grange #21 authorized the construction of a hall and store for the cost of \$1,725.00. The hall was finally ready for dedication on November 12, 1885.

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The "Get Connecticut Out of the Mud" campaign was developed by the CT State Grange due to the poor state of the roads in 1930. Name the State Master instrumental in forming the **Connecticut Rural Roads Improvement Association?**





The Connecticut Rural Roads Improvement Association Inc. was formed with State Master Louis Tolles as its president. As a result, the State Legislature passed the "Town Aid Bill" allocating \$3,000,000 to be allotted from the **Highway Fund for division equally** among the 169 Connecticut towns for improvement of roads.





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What was the first year the CT State Grange conferred the Sixth Degree?



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The Connecticut State Grange conferred the Degree of Flora (Sixth Degree) for the first time upon candidates in December 1887.



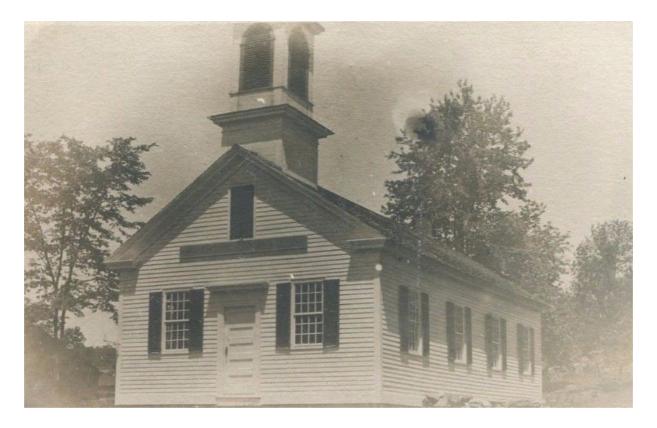




What is the oldest continually used Grange Hall in the State? Note this Grange is still meeting there today!







Coventry Grange Hall

Coventry Grange received its charter from the Connecticut State
Grange in 1888 and purchased the hall in 1890. It has been
used ever since for regular Grange meetings and
other community events.

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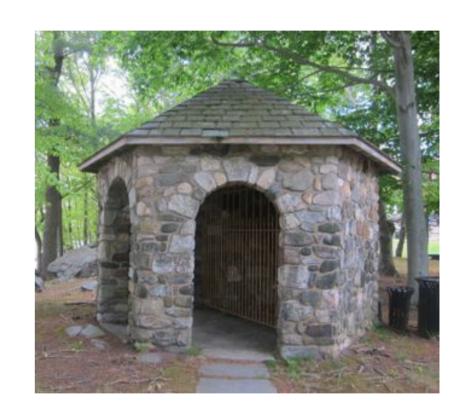
In 1934, Albert Marsh of Burritt
Grange in New Britain went
before the State Grange Executive
Committee to present his idea for a
tribute to agriculture.
What was this tribute?





Little Stone House

The tribute to agriculture was the Little Stone House, which was dedicated in 1937. For its construction, Albert Marsh volunteered his own collection of stones from each of the 169 towns in Connecticut and then, 48 states in the Union. This is located just outside of the University of Connecticut campus.







The delegates to the 45th Annual Session (1930) authorized the purchased of a plot of land to be known as "The Grange Plot."

Where is this located?





People's State Forest in Barkhamsted

"The Grange Plot" was developed at People's State Forest in Barkhamsted.

People's State Forest was also the site of the State Grange's observance of the U.S. Bicentennial in 1976, which was attended

by then National Master John Scott.







What are the two Granges that remained active between the 1st State Grange and the 2nd State Grange?





Misunderstanding and poorly defined rules and regulations led to disputes between sections of the State, thus leading to the failure of the First CT State Grange. Grange after Grange dropped from the First State Grange's rolls until only two remained.

Hope No. 20 of Torrington and Tunxis No. 13 of Bloomfield.





Who was the keynote speaker at the CT State Grange Session in 1950?





UCONN President Dr. Albert N. Jorgensen

He spoke thanking the CT State Grange for saving the Storrs Agricultural School which became the University of Connecticut, stating: "Through the Grange's initiative by legislation this Land Grant Institution is now a public institution - what is now known as the University of Connecticut. In 1922 there was an attempt to liquidate the Land Grant institution. The State Grange stepped in and saved the day."



