



# CONNECTICUT GRANGER



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## Grange Supports "Family Doctor" Legislation

The delegates at the 86th Session of the Conn. State Grange were unanimous in their support of State Master Pearl's program of increased training of the General Practitioner (Family Doctor).

A resolution supporting action was passed which urges the University of Connecticut to establish programs that will encourage the training of General Practitioners and to influence in every way possible the American Medical Association to raise the standing and rating of the profession of General Practitioner to the same level as other specialists in the Medical Field.

In addition, the Connecticut State Grange also supports the University of Connecticut in its plan to establish a School of Veterinary Medicine.

Resolved to favorably approve Annual Session of the Connecticut General Assembly. (This has since been approved by the voters at the November 3rd election.)

Support programs of State, Federal and Independent Agencies to deal effectively with forest insect and disease problems.

Other resolutions that were passed at the recent State Grange Session:

To support action to maintain the College of Agriculture at the University of Connecticut in its present status.

To urge and support legislation that will control the unrest and uncontrolled demonstrations at our colleges.

To support legislation to absolve the landowner of liability if his premises are used without his permission.

To re-affirm its stand on Public Act 490 in its present form that farm land may be taxed only for the purpose which it is used, farming.

To re-affirm the previous stand in support of the so-called "Cotter Plan" of no fault automobile insurance system of reparation.

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## Mrs. Ruth Hickox Grand Award Winner

Connecticut's National Winner

Takes Top Honors

The Grand Award Winner of the 1970 National Grange Cotton Sewing Contest is Mrs. Ruth Hickcox, Northfield Grange, Weston, Conn. Mrs. Hickcox's winning entry is from two patterns designed for a young girl. It is a delicately smocked dress with long sleeves and matching step-in pants trimmed with the dress fabric.

Mrs. Hickcox was already a national first place winner in Class C of the contest which include garments (dress or suit) made by a person 18 or over for a person under 18 including infants and small boys.

There were two other first place winners in different categories competing for the Grand Award: Mrs. Tom Davis, Herman, Nebraska, Class A and Miss Phyllis Holthaus, Littleton, Colorado, Class B.

Mrs. Alta F. Peck, Director of Women's Activities, presented Mrs. Hickcox with a trip for two to Hawaii and the National Cotton Council awarded her a check for \$1,000.

## 1970 HIGHWAY ACT

With Congress nearing the end of its 1970 session, it is urgent that a 1970 Highway Act be passed so that funds will be available for continuing our national highway program.

The key to action is in the House. The Senate has already passed a bill, S 4418. The house bill, HR 19504, has been cleared by the Public Works Committee but has yet to be considered on the floor.

Following House action, the differences in the two bills will have to be reconciled in a Conference Committee, and reconsideration and passage of the new version by both Houses will be required before it can be sent to the President for signature.

We cannot over-emphasize the urgency that a 1970 Highway Act be passed this year. If this does not occur, there will be no authorization for fiscal 1972 of much-needed federal-aid highway money.

We urge each Grange, and each member as an individual, write your Congressman urging the passage of HR 19504. Their names and addresses are:

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

**CONCERNING THIS  
PUBLICATION**

Two resolutions passed at the last Annual Session of the Connecticut State Granger, both concerning this publication.

All Subordinate Granges are asked to decide at a regular meeting whether they wish to continue having a Collector of their own who will collect all Subscription Money and send it to Subscription Manager Gertrude Platt, or whether they wish to have each Subscriber billed individually. After the decision is reached, Subscription Manager Gertrude Platt is to be notified which method is chosen. If a collector is to be used, include full name and address of same.

Another resolution passed stated that all Membership Committees are urged to sell a Subscription to the Connecticut Granger at the same time as collecting the Application Fee for joining the Grange.

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**CORONATION BALL**  
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The 1972 National Grange Committee will have held their first meeting on November 29th. Many programs for creating activities, raising money to cover the cost of hosting and building a membership program that will result in candidates to receive the 7th Degree will be planned. The details will be released as soon as the committee has met.

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To practice "Public Relation" among the membership of our Granges is to improve the image of the Grange. And as we improve the image of the local Grange, we will automatically improve our ability to understand our fellowman and be better prepared to work and cooperate in all phases of the Grange Activities.

Part I—of a series of common sense articles concerning "Public Relation".

Public Relations starts with your meeting Hall, an attractive meeting hall, well maintained inside and out, will:

- 1.) Add Prestige, plus attracting prospective members, providing community betterment and receive national recognition.
- 2.) Develop Pride for the membership, for the National Grange Organization and for the Community Fathers.
- 3.) Produce Respect, through neatness of the Grange Home, a willingness and positive attitude of cooperation in community beautification.

**THANKS TO ALL**

Thanks to all my friends who sent cards and phoned their "Get Well" wishes during my recent recuperation. They are appreciated and helped to pass the lonely hours. Thank YOU All.

Evelyn Normand

**MESSAGE FROM  
THE MASTER:**

I can now say that our State Session was a success and well attended. As State Master experiencing my first State Session, I was worried about the details and results. I now find that much of the worry was unnecessary, and I want to express my appreciation to everyone for their wonderful cooperation.

As you read this issue, the National Grange Session, in Idaho will be history. I know that Idaho is a long way from Connecticut, but I hope that some of you will have enjoyed the trip.

The Pomona wide Schools of Instruction this year have been well attended. Many patrons expressed the opinion that they enjoyed the school, and that they were very worthwhile. We plan to continue them next year.

Everywhere I go, I talk about the problems of the University of Connecticut. The State Grange has been approached by several individuals requesting our assistance in helping to retain the College of Agriculture. Every Granger can assist by writing the Trustees at the University of Connecticut also President Babbidge, urging them to maintain the College of Agriculture. A College of Environmental Studies is also needed at the University, as well as, a College of Veterinary Medicine. A little support on these projects might help the cause of Agriculture.

Fraternally,  
William W. Pearl, Master  
Connecticut State Grange

Every time Russia makes an advance in space, or whatever, there's new talk that the communists are about to overtake us. Let's put that in perspective. If we wanted to match the Soviet economy we'd have to:

Tear down 60 percent of our homes,  
Demolish 60 percent of our steel mills,  
Rip up two-thirds of our railroad tracks,  
Destroy 9 out of every 10 telephones,  
And reduce our standard of living a full 60 percent.

Maybe we should spend less time worrying about their system and concentrate on preserving ours.

## From the Lecturer's Corner:

A new year is now before us. The most important year of our lives. We have a fresh page on which to write our accomplishments and our mistakes. Let us strive to make sure the entries are all accomplishments and no mistakes.

Our project "Should Auld Acquaintance Be Forgot" should be uppermost in our plans. All lecturers have the bulletin explaining this project and I hope that many plans are under way to carry out the program. Be sure to keep records of your activities so that a complete report can be made later.

On monthly reports be sure to designate Safety Programs and Agricultural Programs so that credit will be given. You may know the speaker talked about agriculture but it may be overlooked if not so designated on the report.

By now all lecturers should have received their copy of the National Grange Program Book for 1970-71. Be sure to study carefully the Lecturer's section of this book.

The Pomona Lecturers met recently and discussed the New England Grange Lecturer's Conference which will be held August 16-20th, 1971 at the University of Connecticut. A special effort is going to be made to have an outstanding program and this can be accomplished much more readily if we start now to look for exceptional talent. It cannot be accomplished next July.

We are hoping for a bigger and better Family Musical and Talent Night next year. Now is the time to dig out the talent and start making plans.

These two projects, the program for Lecturer's Conference and the Family Musical and Talent Night go hand in hand and many talents can be used for both. Now is the time to get started.

The blessings of a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year are my wish for all at this holiday season.

Mervin R. Whipple,  
Lecturer

### NATIONAL MASTER TESTIFIES

National Master, John Scott has testified before the House subcommittee in support of H. R. 17444, and other like bills, which provide for a thorough health and sanitation inspection of all livestock and



Edwin J. Kersting, dean of the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources of the University of Connecticut, James Grandy, State Grange Agriculture and Conservation Committee Chairman, Richard Bawden, vocational agriculture teacher of Ledyard High School. Dean Kersting received an award recognizing his many years of service to agriculture in the state and Brother Bawden, recognized for his outstanding work with young people in the Future Farmers of America.

### PRIDE IN CONNECTICUT POKONO GRANGE FIRST

The "Pride in Connecticut" contest, sponsored by the National Grange Insurance Company has now completed its third year. This is a contest that originated in the State of Maine and because of its success there has been made available to the 20 states in which the National Grange Company does business.

Connecticut winners this year are:

First place—Pokono Grange

Second place—Bristol Grange

Third place—Wichita Grange

According to the reports from the judges, each of these Granges has fulfilled the purpose of the project in that each have improved some area in their town, either their own Grange Hall or other building, which in turn has enhanced the attractiveness of the community.

The National Grange Company reports an increase in participation of 30% over previous years. This is a worthwhile program in which every Grange in Connecticut should actively participate.

grains imported into the United States.

He reminded the Committee that the Grange was a strong supporter of the original Meat Inspection Act. He has also advocated legislation be passed to require all food imports meet the same quality standards required of domestic products.

## CWA NEWS

As soon as our material arrives from National Grange our committee will be scheduling regional meetings. All Subordinate Chairmen and committee members are urged to attend these meetings as they will receive their handbooks and other important literature at that time.

This year the baking contest is going to be a little different, a Cranberry Cake as one of the entries and everyone will use the same recipe. Copies of the recipe will be given out at the regional meetings.

The long winter evenings coming up are the ideal time to work on items to be entered in the National Needlework Contest. We had a nice number of entries this year and hope to do as well or better next year.

With the addition of two more members to our committee it is hoped that we will be able to be of more assistance to the subordinate committees during the coming year. Our new members are Sister Josephine Eagan of Clinton Grange and Sister Miriam Saunders of Cannon Grange.

Our projects this year are pretty much the same as last year. We will again hope to be able to present \$1,000.00 to Cystic Fibrosis and we will continue to sponsor donations for the Keech Memorial Fund and for Care. This year the Care donations will be used for Community Development in Panama. This, of course, is a National project. Another National Contest which will be continued is the Doll Dressing Contest. Also the Needlework Contest and the Sewing Contest. There will be some changes in the Sewing Contest this coming year and these will be explained at the regional conferences.

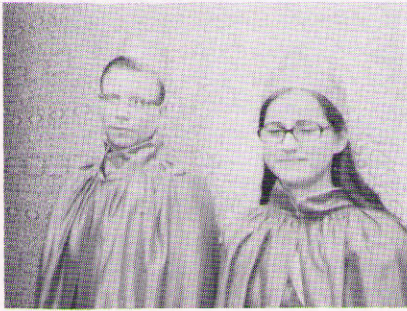
A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all from

Eunice S. Stowell, Director  
Women's Activities

### COMING IN 1971

Plans are being discussed for the Granges in Connecticut to participate in a Custom Square Dance Festival during the Bi-Centennial Celebration of the Town of Winchester. The project has the approval of the State Grange Executive Committee. Further plans and arrangements will be announced as soon as the three Granges in the immediate area have met.

## OUR JUNIOR GRANGE



Princess Joanne Holden (Pachaug Junior Grange) and Prince James Chamberlain (Cheshire Junior Grange) were crowned at State Session on Saturday, October 17th during the Junior Program before a filled hall of Juniors, members and friends. State awards were made for crafts, achievement awards, lamp and quiz board by Conn. Light and Power, Fire Prevention Folders by Patrons Mutual and Pumpkins by Agricultural Conservation Committee. Several Granges submitted entries made by the Junior members. Congratulations To All The Winners.

### Let's Make Clothespin Angels

Old fashioned wooden clothespins make cute angels for the tree. With a ballpoint pen or a fine paint brush draw a face on the head of the pin, then cut a circle from gold or silver foil or wrapping paper and paste it on top to make a halo. The wings are cut from the same material. If you like, you can paint the clothespins white or a color before you paste on the halo and wings.

### Santa's Pack Favor

Fill a small sack with goodies. Gather together at top and tie with Christmas ribbon. Add a sprig of artificial holly or a jingle bell if you wish. Write Santa's Pack across the front.

### Game—Jingle Bell Chow Mein

This game is a good one to test the skill of your members. You will need two shallow bowls, several jingle bells (about the size of a marble) and two full length pencils with erasers on them. To play the game place all the jingle bells in one bowl. The players use the two pencils as chop sticks. With the eraser end down the player tries to transfer as many bells as he can from one bowl to the other. He can use only one hand and must do this in a given amount of time. The

player who transfers the most bells to the other bowl wins.

### Christmas Questions

I've so many questions about Christmas, I hardly know where to begin—

Is Santa's mustache under his nose, or is it under his chin?

How does he slide down the chimney, when he's so big and fat?

Why does he wear his boots in the house, and why a tassel on his hat?

Where does he get the money, he spends on Christmas toys?

How does he know what size to buy for all the boys and girls?

Why does he wait till I'm sound asleep, before he comes to town?

How come I never see reindeer prints when I look out on the ground?

How can he carry all the toys, he has on Christmas eve?

How does he know what time to come, and just what time to leave?

I'm going to stay up late this year, and I'll not make a peep

I'm going to see what's going on, before I go to sleep.

I'll tell you what it's all about, the next time you are near

Until then MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE, and a VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Dorothy Mattson  
Junior Grange Supt.

### TO BECOME AN ANGEL

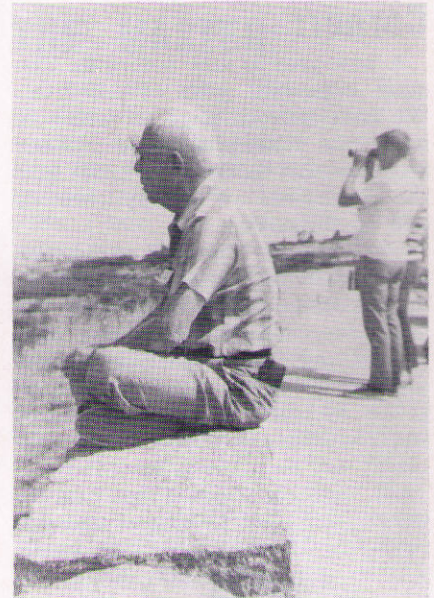
On October 10, 1970, Lucy Krueger left this fine world of ours. For what reason we do not know. There is only one person who knows. It is with His help and the help of all our friends that make it possible to go on. We would like to thank all who have given to the Book of Remembrance of the Warrenville Baptist Church in her memory. When it is decided what to do with the fund, we will let you all know.

I have received so many, many cards. Some with such nice messages, but I think the one that stands out best in our minds is what a four year old girl said to her mother when she asked if she knew what it meant when her five year old brother said Mrs. Krueger had died. She said, "She has gone to become an angel".

Sincerely,

Rodney Krueger and family

## RELAXATION



At the top of Cadillac Mt., State Secretary Ellsworth Covell relaxes during a recent trip. He is probably looking back toward Connecticut, wondering what all his Secretaries are doing.

### LEGISLATION (from page 1)

To support legislation for the creation of a council on Environmental Quality.

To re-affirm its long standing opposition against the diversion of Highway Funds and to urge the passage of legislation making a Constitutional Amendment guaranteeing the highway user taxes be spent for road purpose only.

To support funding programs to assure adequate recreation facilities for the enjoyment of Connecticut citizens.

A resolution urging highway and transportation Officials to use all facilities and practices to speed up the timetable of the construction of our highways.

To leave the busing and education of its children to the individual community, except as a last resort when the community fails to consider the health, safety and educational standards of all children therein.

A resolve to oppose sex education courses in our schools, urging legislators to strongly oppose legislation making it compulsory that children attend these courses.

Support legislation to reduce the blood-alcohol content deemed necessary for a driver to be considered "driving under the influence".

# NEWS FROM AMONG THE GRANGES

## Central

### Pomona No. 1

Central Pomona #1 will meet on December 8th at 10:30 A.M. at Mattabesett Grange Hall.

#### MATTABESSETT #42

Edith Kropack, Corr.

It has been a satisfactory year for our Grange. "Thank You" to our members. We trust we are on our way to another good one. Eleven new candidates are joining Mattabesett Grange. Sister Mary Story received a certificate from the State Grange for her lecturer's program for the past year. The latch string is out on Grange nights to all fraternal members. Do come to Middletown.

#### DURHAM #57

May Sanderson, Corr.

Durham Grange served Old-fashioned Bake Bean Suppers in our Hall during Durham Fair, with Mary Newton as Chairman. A very good profit realized from it, Thanks to Mary's hard work.

Our new officers for the year were installed by Sis. Mildred Olsen and her staff in an impressive manner.

One of our members, Mrs. Alice Gastler received first prize on an embroidered apron entered at State Grange Needlework contest.

William B. Coe, our Master received his 60-Year Pin at our last meeting.

#### MIDDLEFIELD #63

Marion T. Jones, Corr.

On November 11th, we will have a Patriotic and Thanksgiving program and on December 9th, a Special Christmas Program. We only hold one meeting during November and December.

The "Fifty-Niners" Homemakers are busy making lap robes and slippers for a convalescent home. Mittens, headwarmers, caps and stuffed toys will be for the children in foster homes.

### Quinebaug Pomona No. 2

#### QUINEBAUG POMONA #2

Beverly Peck, Corr.

Our school of instruction was held recently with excellent attendance. Our CWA received first prize at

State Session for their Recognition Report. This was submitted by acting chairman, Diane Miller of Senexet. Awards in the needlework contest were: Margaret Reid, Plainfield, 3rd place, Class G Sewing; Grace Paju, Putnam non-member, Class M first place, Swedish Darning.

#### PLAINFIELD #140

Margaret Reid, Corr.

State Master William Pearl and his installing team installed the officers of Plainfield Grange, with Wesley Hopkins as the new Master. Margaret Reid was presented first prize from Quinebaug Pomona Grange for sweater made for the needlework contest. Marie Exley who had been Master for the past five years was presented with a Past Master Pin. During her term of office, she never missed a meeting.

#### ASHFORD #90

Rodney Krueger, Corr.

December 9th meeting — Corresponding Officers' Night. A prize will be given for the greatest number of a particular officer present.

December 23—We go Caroling at 6:00. Meeting and party at 8:30. A gift exchange will be held.

#### ECHO #180

Gloria Angell, Corr.

Our youth committee has been busy working on the Community Service. They also have a bowling team for the season. We have made a donation to the Conn. Association of F.F.A.

#### EKONK #89

Russell Gray, Corr.

We hosted the Pomona Youth Halloween Party and Coronation Ball and presented the evening's program. Our officers attended Pomona School of Instruction. We held a successful and well attended Neighbors' Night in November.



Dairy Princess, Debbie Stearns of Scotland, welcomed by State Master, William Pearl at the Annual Session.

#### LITTLE RIVER #36

Susan Emmons, Corr.

Sister Helen Pearl received first prize for her recognition report. This report now goes on to National judging. Best wishes to John Halbach at National Grange in Idaho. Several of our members attended State Grange Session.

#### LITTLE RIVER JR.

Gregory Peck, Corr.

Several of our members won awards at State Grange in various contests. They were: Geraldine Duhamel, 2nd, Popcorn Plaques, age 5-7; also 2nd, National Nature Collage Contest, ages 5-7; Earlene Briggs, 2nd, National Nature Collage Contest, ages 13-15; and Dale Pearl, 2nd, Gingerbread Boys' Cookie Contest, ages 13-15. Kelly Burke, Wolf Den Junior Grange, won first prize in the Doll Dressing Contest for ages 5-7. Gregory Peck and Dale Pearl were presented with the Junior Matron and Patron Sashes and Super JG Pins at State Grange Session.

#### QUINEBAUG JUNIOR

Schools of Instruction have been held and JG's are working on their certificates and ribbons. All enjoyed Halloween parties recently.

#### QUINEBAUG POMONA YOUTH

Congratulations to Linda S. Feltenberger on her winning Pomona Princess and to Charles Harakaly Jr. having been chosen Prince. Linda is Overseer of Echo Grange #180 and active in all Pomona Youth activities. Charles is Lecturer of Mansfield #64.

#### MANSFIELD #64

Beverly Peck, Corr.

Charles Harakaly represented us in the Prince Contest. Our youth were represented at the regional meetings held recently. We have donated to the State F.F.A. Association. Brother John Cecchini was hospitalized recently and now walking about with a 66 pound cast having broken his shoulder!

### East Central Pomona No. 3

#### MANCHESTER #31

Jim McBrierty, Corr.

The outside of the hall is now completely painted. All water pipes are now brass and new cellar windows have been installed. However, much maintenance work is still

necessary. The two people who have been taking care of the lawn certainly could use help as the leaves are falling thick and fast.

HILLSTOWN #87

Degrees are now over. December is upon us. Please note the dates of our December meetings. December 10 and 17. This is due to Christmas. Plans are now under way to remodel the upper hall. We also have hopes of putting up a new ceiling in the lower hall. HELP IS ALWAYS WELCOME. Just contact the master.

HILLSTOWN JR. #77

December 4th the JG's have a Workshop planned. On Dec. 18th the program is entitled "Hear the Christmas Bells".

### Mountain County Pomona No. 4

WHIGVILLE #48

Eleanor Gillette, Corr.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Zurlles showed slides of a trip to Mexico at a recent meeting. Past Master Horton Gillette gave a report of the State Grange Session. He presented Lecturer, Mary Krawiec with certificates from the National and State Granges for her excellent work in the past year.

EUREKA #62

Elizabeth Roberge, Corr.

An interesting talk was given by Delegates, Bro. and Sis. William Phillips, who attended the State Grange Session in Meriden recently. We are planning to hold our Winter meetings in the Nepaug Congregational Church across the road from our Grange Hall, starting on December 1, when "Music, Music Everywhere" will be the theme. On December 15th, a "Christmas Party" with Gift Exchange will be held.

LITCHFIELD #107

Marion N. Plumb, Corr.

Thirty-one officers attended our Visiting Officers' Night in October when Mr. and Mrs. Karl Gall of Torrington showed beautiful slides of Burr Pond. Our fruit cake sale is again in full swing.

LITCHFIELD JUNIOR #91

Frederick B. Plumb, 3rd has been installed Master. He is the fourth generation of Plumbs to hold that office. Frederick is the grandson of William H. Plumb, who was the fourth master of Litchfield Grange #107.

Congratulations to Judith Plumb whose gingerbread boys received 3rd prize in the State Grange contest.

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### New Haven County Pomona No. 5

NEW HAVEN COUNTY  
POMONA #5

Christmas Cheer is the plans for the Pomona Meeting to be held at Indian River Grange, December 14. A Grab Bag of \$1.00 will be held.

BETHANY #188

Ruby Tuttle, Corr.

December 17th, Christmas Party. Bring a \$1.00 Grab Bag Gift. We are starting the New Year with a Safety Program on January 7, 1971. At the November 5th meeting Sister Grace Markham was made an Honorary

Member for her many years of faithful service to Bethany Grange.

CHESHIRE #23

Mary Hale, Corr.

We have conferred all four degrees on classes of candidates this fall. Also programs, "The Grange of the Future", the Youth Committee and Competitive Night with Open House and Neighbors invited.

December 2nd program — Come and be Surprised! All are Welcome. December 16th—Santa Claus is Coming to Town—Grab Bag—Jane and Ruel Miller are in charge. January 29, 1971 the Youth are sponsoring a Square Dance with Oscar White doing the calling.

## HAMDEN #99

Margaret Warner, Corr.

December 7th promises to be a big evening at Hamden Grange. Plans are being made to have a burning of the Mortgage for the Tract of land which the Grange purchased several years ago. Our State Master, Brother William Pearl, will be present to award 25-Year Certificates to several of our members. Also on this night, we will hold our annual Christmas Bazaar.

## NORTH HAVEN #35

Alice Tolette, Corr.

December 1—The Earls will show slides on Nature's Beauties. December 15—Children's Christmas Party in charge of Diane and Edna Brockett.

## TOKOKET #83

Mary Hawkins, Corr.

Visitors are welcome to our meeting at the Town Hall in North Branford, at 8:00 p.m. Our Community Service Committee is planning a card party for aid and repair of Cross in Town. This project is to assist the Lions Club. Also our Youth Committee, with Sister Dottie Platt is getting information on a Recreation Area in Town. This is a place for youth to have and enjoy.

## New London County Pomona No. 6

NEW LONDON COUNTY  
POMONA #6

New London County Pomona Grange conferred the fifth degree on a class of candidates at their October meeting. Pomona Master and Mrs. Arnold Kendall were the delegates to the State Grange Session. Several members of the Pomona received the sixth degree.

## N. STONINGTON #138

Rose Jean Berg, Corr.

Four candidates received their 6th degree at the State Session. Congratulations to Eugene Speck, Overseer of New London County Pomona #6 on his election as Trustee for two years at Camp Berger. The 245 Club held their meeting at East Lyme and North Stonington again won the attendance banner for another year.

## SALEM #166

Mary Gaonette, Corr.

Salem Grange #166 held their meetings entitled "Should Auld Lang Syne Be Forgotten" and Ghost and Goblin Costume Party, with 40 members present, many in costume.



Scholarship winners, Kathleen Sheehan, Ellen Varis, Charlene Taylor.

Our annual Food Sale was held at Central School on Election Day.

## NORWICH #172

Norwich Grange held degrees with first and second degrees being conferred by the Past Master and Past Lecturer's Degree Team, and the third and fourth by the Mary Leland Degree Team of Konomoc Grange. Brother Howard Lucy and Sister Lucy attended the State Grange Session as the delegates.

## MONTVILLE #212

Peter Sepowitz, Corr.

Members of Montville Grange were honored at the State Grange Session recently in Meriden with Past Master John Sepowitz receiving the Builder's Award for the second year for increasing membership and Mrs. Gertrude Sepowitz, Past Lecturer received the National Grange Silver Star for Lecturer's performance. Montville Grange was again named Honor Grange for 1970.

## Excelsior Pomona No. 7

EXCELSIOR POMONA

Joanne Cipriano, Corr.

The Grangers of Excelsior Pomona met at Mad River Grange on October 21st for a School of Instructions conducted by Deputy Robert Bertrand and State Master William Pearl. The stations were filled by the officers of the various Granges with every Grange being represented.

## WASHINGTON #11

Rose Retallick, Corr.

We are very pleased at the awards received at the State Grange Session, a third year seal for growth in membership, Honor Grange Award, First prize in Excelsior Pomona for bringing in the largest number of new members for the year and Sister Ruth Mason won first prize for the Granger in this Pomona bring-

MAD RIVER GRANGE  
Waterbury, Conn.

## CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

SATURDAY—DECEMBER 5th  
Time 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

COME ONE—COME ALL  
THERE'S FUN FOR ALL

ing in the largest number of new members for her Grange. Mrs. Betty Depuy a non-Granger, sponsored by Washington Grange won first prize in the needlework contest. Our first meeting in December will be a program put on by our Junior members.

## MAD RIVER #71

James Tucker, Corr.

We had a very successful Agricultural Exhibition in September with many, many people exhibiting this year. We were most delighted with the growth of the livestock department at our Fair this year. On the 3rd of December we will hold The Quilting Party, and on the 17th we will have Ho, Ho, Ho and Mistletoe with a \$1.00 grab bag gift exchange by the members. The Annual meeting of the Mad River Agricultural Society will be held on December 10 with the annual dinner scheduled for 6:30.

## BEACON VALLEY #103

Joanne Cipriano, Corr.

We had a Halloween Neighbors' Night in October with good attendance. In November we catered at a banquet for one of the local Senior Citizen Groups. Our programs for this month are Dec. 4—Safety First; Dec. 11—Junior Grange Christmas Party and Dec. 18—We Greet Thee Santa Claus.

## BETHLEHEM #121

Lillian Merrill, Corr.

December 14th our program will be "Christmas Greetings" and our December 28th meeting will be omitted. Members are busy stamping the Creche on Christmas Cards and letters and sorting mail—setting up Creche on Green and Trimming the Christmas tree during the first of December.

## WATERTOWN #122

Julia Thibault, Corr.

December 4th our Program will be Exchange Officers and December 18 Christmas Again in charge of the Overseer and Youth committee.

## MIDDLEBURY #139

Our December 8th meeting will be a Christmas party with a grab bag—our December 22nd meeting is omitted.

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#### ROCK RIMMON #142

Ho Ho Ho Night will be held on December 9th.

#### PROSPECT #144

Ruth Cowdell, Corr.

Our Fair was the most successful one held yet—thanks to the planning and supervision of our Worthy Master James Bramhall and the cooperation of many members. The proceeds of that together with a chicken Bar-B-Q in October will pay off a couple more notes on our hall. In December only one meeting, December 11—Old Memories.

#### WOLCOTT #173

Our C.W.A. will present a program on December 7 and on December 21 our program will be on a Christmas Theme.

#### POMPERAUG #185

On December 8th we will have

Exchange Officers with Bethlehem Grange and on December 15th a Children's Christmas Party (Youth committee and Junior Grangers).

#### BEACON VALLEY JR. #5

Joanne Cipriano, Corr.

We are now selling cookies—Goal to raise enough money to go to the Easter Show at Radio City Music Hall in New York.

#### WASHINGTON JRS. #94

Linda Retallic, Corr.

We are very pleased to announce that our Junior members won some prizes at State Grange Session. Our Worthy Master, Norman Collins won first prize for his log cabin in his age group.

Some of our members are going to work at our Subordinate Granges Christmas Bazaar. We will have our own table at which we are going to sell homemade candy.

## Sea View

### Pomona No. 8

#### EAST HADDAM #57

Eva L. Williams, Corr.

We were glad to welcome Lecturer Shirley DePaulo back to the Grange after her stay in the hospital. She was awarded a National Grange Lecturer's award and a State Grange Award for her work during the year. We had a visitor, Mrs. Hilda Miller, who is Chaplain of White Pigeon Grange #1345, White Pigeon, Michigan. One of our projects for the year is visiting a nursing home to help cheer up the patients.

#### KILLINGWORTH #66

Henry B. Izzo, Corr.

Sister Amelia Federico our CWA Chairman was awarded first prize in the afghan contest, first prize in the vanity set contest, and second prize in the chair set contest at Pomona level. Our members have been busy the past two months rehearsing for the public presentation of our annual fall show. Our Lecturer, Sister Nellie Hooghkirk was awarded an honor lecturer certificate for the state and honor lecturer performance award on the national level.

#### CLINTON #77

Virginia Gardner, Corr.

Ruth Bucci received second prize at State Grange on her crocheted table cover. The State Grange Lecturer's award and Silver Star performance award were presented to past Lecturer Blanche Heses. Sister Etta Atkins, Sister Anna Chapman, Sister Mary Neuman, and Sister Anna Schubert have received their Silver Star Certificates. Past Master's night will be observed on January 15 with the program in charge of Sister Josephine Eagan.

#### PETTIPAUG #203

Emma E. Johnson, Corr.

The first and second degrees were exemplified on November 16 at the Grange Hall in Ivoryton. Pettipaug officers officiated.

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**Fairfield County  
Pomona No. 9**

FAIRFIELD COUNTY  
POMONA #9

Rose Slate, Corr.

The fifth degree was exemplified by Fairfield County Pomona at Greenfield Hill Grange on October 7th. A chorus has been formed under the leadership of Sister McCrea of Pohtatuck Grange. They have been singing in several Granges throughout the county. Danbury Grange will serve supper on December 2nd at 6:00 p.m. There will be a Christmas grab bag — Fifty cents to a dollar.

GREENFIELD HILL #133

Blanche W. Colepaugh, Corr.

Greenfield Hill Grange #133 was host to several Granges recently for a degree night. At 4:30 p.m., first and second degrees were given, then a delightful supper, with third and fourth degrees in the evening. There were 20 candidates, of which 13 joined Greenfield Hill Grange. We have a date with Santa Claus to be with us on December 19th. Be sure and bring the family. Supper at 6:00 p.m.

TRUMBULL #134

Dot Kowaleski, Corr.

Trumbull Grange is very proud of the Grange of the Year Award, which was bestowed upon them at the State Grange Session. Our Lecturer, Joan Hanock, was named an Honor Lecturer, and Marie Kaechele, who entered a knitted set in the State Needlework contest, won 2nd prize. We are happy to say that Evelyn Normand, who broke her wrist in September is doing fine. The cast has been removed but she is still having to limit herself greatly and will for a period of time. She had to give up her office of Secretary, and Dorothy Kowaleski was re-elected and installed by Bro. Andrew Kaechele early in November.

The Homemakers Group are making plans for their Christmas Ba-

zaar and Ham Supper, set for Saturday, December 5th. The men are planning to hold a Card Party that night in conjunction with the Ladies' Bazaar.

DANBURY #156

Rose Slate, Corr.

Danbury Grange will sponsor a party for a group from Fairfield Hills Hospital, in the near future. Details to be taken care of by the Women's Activities Committee.

The Willing Workers, a group who meets on Wednesday to work on projects for the Grange, are making cancer pads for the Danbury Hospital. The Master, Virginia Austin, reported on the highlights of the State Session. The family Christmas party will be held on Dec. 13th.

DANBURY JUNIOR #84

The Junior Grange members won many prizes on their projects at the State Session. They are selling candles to raise money for the expenses of the group.

RIDGEFIELD #165

Beatrice Stillman, Corr.

Our Master, Flossie Bishop reported on her attendance at the State Session in Meriden and gave highlights of the proceedings there. A donation was voted to the Future Farmers of America.

POKONO #191

Eve Dirkes, Corr.

Pokono Grange has been declared an Honor Grange. Sister Aronson designated an Honor Lecturer. We won the State Grange Pride of Connecticut contest and Sis. Dirkes the Granger of the Year. Eight members attended the State Grange Session and two took the 6th degree.

**Farmington Valley  
Pomona No. 11**

FARMINGTON VALLEY

POMONA #11

Isabelle S. Covington, Corr.

Simsbury Grange Hall, West Simsbury, will be the place where Farmington Valley Pomona members will hear the "Sounds of Santa". Monday, December 21, will be the date, 8:00 p.m. the time.

Farmington Valley Pomona is proud to have another of its members elected to an office in the Connecticut State Grange. Brother Carl Svensen, Jr., Past Deputy and Past Master, has been elected Treasurer. Brother Carl has been active in many Grange activities, especially the Farmington Valley Youth In-

stalling Team. Congratulations from your fellow-Grangers, and congratulations, also, to our other State Grange officer, Sister Betty Jane Gardiner, Flora, for her beautiful 6th degree.

WINDSOR #2

Leopold H. Bidmead, Corr.

Our two December meetings should be interesting according to the Lecturer's program. "On with the Show" and "Christmas Dreams". December card parties will be held on the 5th and 19th.

GRANBY #5

Vivian C. Shaw, Corr.

On November 5, Charles Allen of Bradford, Vermont returned to Granby to present 25-Year Certificates to five members initiated while he was Master of Granby Grange. The members receiving Silver Star Pins and Certificates were Edna Messenger, Elsie Stevenson, Grace Kellogg, James Holcombe and Lyall Shaw, Jr.

On December 3, we will confer third and fourth degrees following a pot luck supper at 6:30 p.m. A family Christmas party is planned for our December 17th meeting.

TUNXIS #13

Harry H. Scofield, Corr.

Tunxis Officers attended the School of Instruction at Simsbury Grange, October 19th, conducted by State Worthy Master William Pearl, and Deputy Carl MacLaurin, with Donald Shaw acting Master for the school.

Congratulations to our Worthy Lecturer Doris Shaw, who was presented a National Grange Performance Award, in 1970 for placing second in the state.

Lecturer's Program for December 15—"A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL". Tunxis Grange wishes EVERYONE, A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

SUFFIELD #27

J. Edward Dunn, Corr.

Monday, November 23rd, Suffield will hold Visiting Officers' Night combined with Booster Night. The program will be a movie showing the pollutions of the Connecticut River.

CAWASA #34

Hazel Bradley, Corr.

On December 11th Cawasa will hold its annual Christmas party for Grange members and their families.

We celebrated our 85th anniversary on Oct. 23. Several State and Pomona officers attended. The program centered around the History of the Grange, interspersed with

Tableaux and songs representing special events over the years.

State Master William Pearl presented 25-Year Certificates to Brothers Harold Bradley, Richard Olson, James Hoffman and Sister Rita Scheidel. Four of our 50 year members were recognized, Bro. Clinton and Sister Hazel Johnson, Sister Sadie Henry and Bro. Dewey Rote. Eight of our Past Masters recognized were, Clinton Johnson, Dewey Rote, Lester Bradley, Carl Svenson, Donald Root, Arthur Rote, Carl MacLaurin and Eva Scheidel. Rev. Mr. Smith of the Bakerville Methodist Church sang several selections, playing his own accompaniment on his guitar.

Congratulations to our Worthy Sec. Carl Svenson who has been elected Treasurer of Conn. State Grange.

#### FARMINGTON #49

Mamie Woodward, Corr.

Our Lecturer, Sister Bessie Griffin has received a certificate from the State Lecturer, Bro. Mervin Whipple. Master Josephine Wilson and eight of her officers attended the School of Instructions of the Farmington Valley Pomona #11.

Sister Gladys Arnold, now living in Florida and Sister Dorothy Tibbetts are working with retarded children. Sister Jean Kirchoff gave the report of the State Session.

#### SIMSBURY #197

Ethel Phillips, Corr.

Sister Ruth Dewey received first prize for her mittens at Conn. State Grange and Sister Sara Walker received a second prize for her Pillow Case Edging. We held a Neighbors' Night on November 12. Our meeting, December 10, will be "Around the Fireplace". The December 24 meeting will be omitted.

#### WEST SUFFIELD #199

West Suffield Grange took part in Suffield's 300th Anniversary celebration. Our float was "The Grange—2nd Century". Focal point of the float was the over-flowing cornucopia with the three Graces and the Chaplain adding to the message of P. of H.

Our 38th Anniversary was celebrated with three highlights of the evening. State Treasurer, Carl Svensen, awarded Silver Star Certificates and Pins to Gladys Brown and Mildred Phelon.

The third highlight was honoring Pianist Hawley Rising for his long term in office. Brother Rising has

served faithfully for 25 years.

Our December 8th meeting will be "This Land is Our Land", and the 22nd will be "Traditions of Christmas".

#### TUNXIS JR. #82

Joan Goetjen, Corr.

At the installation of H. Kent Goetjen as Master, his father presented him with the gavel which was given to him by the members of Tunxis Grange when he became Pomona Master. Past Junior Master Pins were presented to Sister Carol Barr and Brother Benjamin Barr, Jr.

Tunxis Jr. members were treated to a trip to Old Sturbridge Village on October 31st, through the efforts of the Junior Committee of Farmington Valley Pomona. Our regular meetings will be held on the first and third Friday of the month.

### Pioneer Pomona No. 12

#### PIONEER POMONA #12

Pioneer Pomona held its November meeting and contest for Princess and Prince for 1970, the winner being Miss Edeltraub Zele and Frank Zele both of Harmony Grange. The December 2 meeting at Shelton, Christmas in Other Lands.

#### HARMONY

Harmony held its annual Christmas Fair and Dinner at their hall. This as usual being a well attended evening and plans are already being started for next year. December 10 meeting, Would You Believe and the meeting on the 24th omitted.

#### FARMILL RIVER

Farmill River Grange is looking forward to a profitable year with



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many plans started by the Women's Activities morning meeting held at the home of Mrs. Annice Harris of Shelton. The December 1st meeting, Our Local Government. December 9th, CWA meeting at 10:00 at the home of Mrs. Gertrude Wilson. On December 15th, Christmas Bells.

#### NORFIELD

Norfield Grange entertained Harmony Grange at their joint meeting and plans were started for a spring meeting at Harmony. The traveling program was presented on closed Television. On Dec. 11th — Square Dance with Whitey.

#### HOUSATONIC

Housatonic entertained at a neighbors' night program on November 28th, the program being presented in an original one act play by members of the Grange.

A Christmas Program will be held on the 12th. The December 26th meeting being omitted.

#### CANNON

Cannon Grange held a successful Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner on November 28. They are still renting their hall to successful Auctions on Friday evenings, the opposite week from their meeting. December 3rd will be Planning for Christmas. The 16th will be The Community Christmas Party.

#### SHELTON

Shelton Grange is proud to have the Steward of CSYG, Miss Lorrie Contoir as their lecturer. She was also elected as the Conn. State Fair Queen for 1971.

Santa's Coming on the 22nd.

### North Central Pomona No. 13

#### NORTH CENTRAL

#### POMONA #13

North Central conferred the Fifth Degree on October 8. The Christmas meeting will be held December 10 at Stafford Grange Hall. It was voted to change the date of the April meeting to April 15, as the scheduled meeting night falls on Maundy Thursday.

#### EAST HARTFORD #37

Isabel Skiba, Corr.

East Hartford Grange will have a pot luck (covered dish) supper at 6:30 p.m. preceding their December 4 meeting. December 18 will be a Christmas party. All members are asked to bring in dressed dolls and toys for needy children.

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